



## YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGAIN: LIVING LIKE ABRAHAM AND REBECCA

by Gilah Kletenik

**W**hat is the key to Jewish continuity? We need not look farther than our forefather Abraham for guidance. In Genesis 23, Abraham encounters two challenges centering upon continuity. The first concerns mortality; Abraham must secure a burial plot for his wife Sarah and the entire family. The second matter involves posterity; Abraham needs to identify a spouse for his son, Isaac. Parshat Chaye Sarah is the bridge between the past and the future; its narratives allow the Covenant to continue through to the next generation. To appreciate how this

transpires, we must hone the biblical text.

Abraham, after coping with mortality, turns to the pressing affairs of posterity and entrusts his loyal servant to find a wife for Isaac. But, the Covenant will not continue through just any Mesopotamian maiden. Jews have standards and Jewish parents are particularly picky about who is allowed to marry their children. Abraham stipulates that Isaac's future wife must both be from his "native land" and be willing to leave that land and come to Canaan. The servant of Abraham, however, adds a third requirement for this bachelorette, she must be the one who

offers him and his camels water from the well.

The two stipulations suggested by Abraham center upon geography, whereas that of his servant focuses upon personality. It is not enough that she is from Abraham's hometown and is willing to leave that land, but she also must demonstrate hospitality and kindness toward a stranger. Put together, these characteristics are striking. In order for the Covenant to continue through to the next generation, Isaac must marry someone who is from his father's land, who will leave this land and move to Canaan, and finally, this woman must be hospitable. Essentially, this person must resemble Abraham, who is lauded for his hospitality and kindness.

Many of us need not look very far to appreciate that people have a propensity to select spouses similar to their own parents. In fact, not a small number of cognitive psychologists have demonstrated the veracity of this reality. Genesis offers us but an early manifestation of this phenomenon in demanding that Isaac's wife, Rebecca, resemble Abraham.

Just in case the dramatic biographical and personal resemblance between Abraham and Rebecca eludes us, the text artfully draws our attention to their similarities through several linguistic parallels. After all, in Scripture, the profound truths are seldom laid out open before us; instead we must unlock them, which we do through close attention to the text's language, rhythm and repetition.

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## WELCOME

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Effy Braun  
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partners with  
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## CHANUKAH BEGINS SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 8

**C**hanukah celebrates the miracles of the spiritual and military victories of the Maccabees against the Hellenist tyrants that imposed anti-religious rule and desecrated the Holy Temple in 165 BCE. The 25th of Kislev was the day the Maccabees entered the Temple following the battle and wanted to restart the Holy Service that had ceased under the foreign rule. The Maccabees found only one day's supply of oil that they could use to rededicate the Menorah. Yet that tiny flask lasted until they were able to create new, pure oil – a delay of eight days.

The victory established Jewish religious and political sovereignty in Israel during the second Temple times. This miracle of Jewish independence had not been seen since the destruction of the First Temple and the assassination of the then governor, Gedalyah.

Primarily, we celebrate Chanukah with spiritual expressions: (1) lighting candles in commemoration of the miracle of the rededication of the Temple, (2) singing Hallel in praise of God's deliverance from our enemies, and (3) adding *Al Ha-Nisim* in our prayers of thanksgiving in recognition of both aspects of the miracle of Chanukah. We also have physical pleasures and celebrations by having (4) special foods, (5) gift giving, and even (6) parties.

### The Candles

The prevailing custom is for each member of the family to light his or her own menorah which will have as many candles as that night of the holiday plus the shamash. Since the Chanukah candles are

to commemorate the Menorah of the Temple, we apply the same rules to both: the candles and their flames become holy and as such cannot be used for any other purpose. With the exception of the Shamash, we cannot read by their lights or use them to light another candle.

### Time for Lighting

Candles must be lit after nightfall (about 40 minutes after sunset) and last for at least a half-hour. On Friday afternoon, Chanukah candles should be lit before Shabbat candles, and should be of a type that will last over an hour (this leads to many adopting the custom of using olive-oil based lamps). On Saturday night, the candles are lit after Havdalah.

### Candle Arrangement

The candles are set from the right side of the Menorah as the candle lighter faces it. The Menorah should be placed in an area where it will not need to be moved after being lit. **Safety is also a major concern, so please do not leave the home with the candles unattended.**

### Lighting the Candles

The lights are lit from left to right – starting with the newest candle first. We begin by lighting the shamash, then we say the blessings: (1) *ner shel Chanukah*, (2) *she-asa nisim*, and on the first night we add (3) *shehecheyanu*. Once the blessings are said, we light the first candle and begin singing the songs "Hanerot Hallalu" – which explains the reasons for the ceremony – and "Maoz Tzur" which describes all the salvations wrought by God for the Jewish People.

### Publicizing the Miracle

We light the Menorah so we can

publicize the miracle to as many people as possible. We start with our own family but we often place the Menorah in the window to proclaim our belief to others.

Moreover, we publicize the miracle by singing the complete Hallel in the morning service and by adding *Al Ha-Nisim* in our daily *Shemona Esrei* and in *Birkat ha-Mazon*.

### Material Pleasures

In addition to the spiritual nature of the holiday, we have added, in later times, the physical pleasures of special foods (latkes, jelly donuts), gift-giving (never a bad idea, especially Jewish books), and parties (that serve as a means for fellowship and for publicizing the miracle).

Chanukah is a time when we should renew our commitment and devotion to God. The brave Maccabees who risked their lives for religious freedom should serve as a model for us to celebrate those freedoms and our joy in service to God.

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**February 9, March 9**

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7:15 AM

**December 8 & 22, January 5 & 19**

**February 2 & 16, March 2 & 16**

# Chanukah in the Park

Sunday, December 9 at 5:30 pm



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## Why is This Light Different From the Lights of Past Years?

The KJ Benevolent Fund has traditionally mailed Chanukah candles to the KJ family as a way of inviting people to contribute to the charitable work the Synagogue does. Since it became apparent that people were using the many better alternatives to the kind of candles that were sent in the past, we will not be sending the candles this year.

Yet, the needs of people in our community and beyond are great. The current economic climate has only served to increase the number of calls we receive requesting help with housing costs, medical care, and other special needs which we endeavor to fill in a manner that preserves the dignity of those who are so hard-pressed.

Please ensure a bright and light-filled Chanukah to the many who need the help of the KJ Benevolent Fund by remitting a tax-deductible check (indicate your contribution is for the Benevolent Fund in the memo field) or by using your preferred credit card and earning miles and "points" in the process at [www.ckj.org/pay](http://www.ckj.org/pay). Just indicate that your gift is for the Benevolent Fund. You will earn "points" not only in this world, but also in the World to Come!

## FUN WITH BNEI AKIVA

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*Chodesh Irgun (literally, the Month of the Organization), is a month-long celebration of Bnei Akiva and a highlight of the year, and is full of fun programming. Pictured here are a pizza/pajama party for girls and a movie night for boys hosted by Bnei Akiva Shlichot Moriah Amram and Esti Peled at the Bnei Akiva Bayit.*





# PURIM SCHEDULE



## FAST OF ESTHER, Thursday, February 21

Fast begins at 5:29 a.m. and ends at 6:14 p.m.  
Shacharit at 6:50 a.m. & Mincha at 5:10 p.m.  
Please remember to bring Tzedaka for *machazit ha-shekel* and other holiday obligations.



## MINCHA & MAARIV, Saturday Evening, February 23

Mincha is at 5:15 p.m. in the Gottesman Center Falk Auditorium to be followed by a shiur in lieu of Seudah Shlishit. Shabbat concludes at 6:16 p.m.



## MEGILLAH READINGS

Choose from among 5 readings of the Megillah:

◆6:35 p.m. Main Service Megillah reading for children and adults, in the Ramaz Upper School's Cayne Gymnasium, followed by a community Pizza & Ice Cream Party in the Kaufman Auditorium, the cost for which is \$5.00/person: We will gladly bill anyone who may not have cash in hand because of Shabbat.\*Coat check for this service is in the Boys Locker Room and the Girls Locker Room, just outside the gymnasium.

◆6:35 p.m. quiet, "Adults Only" Megillah reading for up to 377 persons in the Gottesman Center on 85th Street. It is entirely possible that we will not be able to accommodate the many people who prefer this service. We are unable to allow admission once capacity is reached, and we apologize in advance to those who we will not be able to accommodate and who we will direct to 78th Street or invite to remain for the Gottesman Center's 8:00 p.m. Beginners Program Megillah reading.

◆6:35 p.m. Megillah reading for Sephardic Minyan with nusach of Aram Soba - Edot Hamizrach, in the Ramaz Upper School's 2nd floor Beit Knesset, followed by a community Pizza & Ice Cream Party in the Kaufman Auditorium.\*

◆6:35 p.m. Megillah reading for "can't sit still" tots, infants and parents in Ramaz Upper School double room 603-604, followed by a community Pizza & Ice Cream Party in the Kaufman Auditorium.\* Stroller parking is on the third floor.

◆8:00 p.m. Beginners Megillah reading and Purim Party in the Gottesman Center on 85th Street with Rabbi David & Rachel Kraus and Shilo Kramer.



## CHILDREN

Children in Nursery through 6th grade should assemble before 6:30 p.m. on the Ramaz Upper School's 3rd floor. There, children will be assigned to age specific youth groups, given groggers, and ultimately escorted by Youth Department staff into the Cayne Gymnasium for Megillat Esther. Throughout the service, children are expected to be either participating in their special youth groups or sitting quietly next to an adult. This policy should be communicated to your children so that the mitzvah of hearing Megillat Esther can be fulfilled and enjoyed by both young and old. After dropping children off, parents are asked to join the Main Service in the Cayne Gymnasium until its conclusion, at which time they may pick up their children from the specially designated child seating areas in the front of the Gymnasium. Once reunited, families should proceed from the Gymnasium to the lobby level Kaufman Auditorium for the community's Purim Pizza and Ice Cream Party featuring Lower School Oneg Star & beloved Music Director "Morah Chaya" Glaser and her 'Magical Keyboard,' costing just \$5.00/person (cash, or check made payable to "KJ"). We will gladly bill anyone who may not have cash in hand because of Shabbat.



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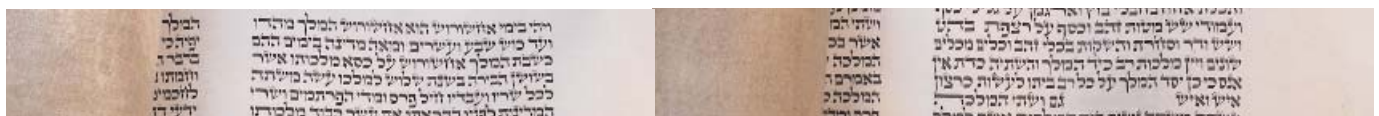
### Sunday, February 24

Morning Services at 8:00 a.m. and again at 9:30 a.m. in the Heyman Auditorium, each followed by Megillah reading and then breakfast in the third floor Dining hall. The Sephardic Minyan morning service will take place in Gottesman Center Room 501 at 8:00 a.m., where the Megillah will also be read. *Matanot le'Evyonim* will be collected at all services.



## PURIM YOUTH CARNIVAL

In the Gottesman Center from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., 114 East 85th Street. Please contact KJ Director of Family Programming Effy Braun at [effy@ckj.org](mailto:effy@ckj.org) to purchase tickets in advance.



## COMING IN DECEMBER FROM THE KJ MEN'S CLUB



December 9, 7:00 p.m.

### Film Screening: Homecoming

Three teenagers, born to foreign workers in Israel who are not Jewish but are deeply Israeli, return to their family origins in Congo, Peru, and the Philippines to examine their roots and contemplate their future.

December 15 following Shabbat Morning Services on 85th Street:

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# PURIM: THE JEWISH WAY TO REJOICE - February 23-24, 2013

## WHAT IS PURIM?

Purim, the holiday on the 14th of Adar, is one of the happiest days of the Jewish calendar. The Talmud (Ta'anit 29b) states "when Adar begins we increase in Joy" because Adar and Purim are hallmarks of God's salvation of the Jewish people.

Even though Purim is not a Torah holiday, there is a Biblical book (The Scroll of Esther) which details the action of the holiday and the history of the events. Being of *Biblical* level gives the holiday a great deal of importance and authority.

## MESSAGE OF THE HOLIDAY

Purim is a festive day because God rescued us from our enemies. Yet, as seen in the ancient work *Megillat Ta'anit*, there were hundreds of days of the year that were considered minor festivals of thanksgiving. Only two, Purim and Chanukah, were applied to all Jewish communities at all times because their inherent messages were considered all encompassing.



Tradition teaches us that Purim is about how God rescues the Jews in the Diaspora—where God needs to operate in a hidden manner with hidden miracles. A popular lesson about the name *Megillat Esther* is that the word Esther means "hidden" (like *hester panim*) and Megillah means "revealed." Hence *Megillat Esther* is the "revelation of what's hidden."

God is hidden in the Megillah; the story is a set of confounding coincidences that appear to be catastrophes until the critical turnabout when the Jews emerge mighty and victorious. God's name is not mentioned in the Megillah, but God's invisible touch is active throughout.

The name of the holiday, Purim, comes from the Persian word for randomness: *pur*. Our enemies used a lottery (*purim*) to determine the date for the Jewish extermination. In the earthly realm, our enemies see randomness and chaos, but we see God's intervention especially in those events that go beyond human power. The holiday of Purim is, as a result, a holiday where we in the Diaspora learn how God

interacts and communicates within the hidden.

## THE HISTORY OF THE HOLIDAY

### The Story of Esther

The story of Esther takes place while the Jews lived in the Persian empire, during the exile of 70 years (circa 366-355 BCE). The main characters are: **Mordechai** (rabbi, hero), **Esther** (his cousin, becomes queen of Persia), **Achashverosh** (king of Persia, easily swayed to either side), and **Haman** (from Amalek; hates Jews, tries to commit genocide).

### Action of the Megillah

The life for the Jews in exile is precarious. Achashverosh holds a party where he kills his wife in response to her insolence. The king then searches for a new queen and chooses the youthful Jewess Esther who was counseled by her uncle Mordechai. Later on, Haman is insulted that Mordechai does not pay him proper respect and Haman convinces Achashverosh to allow him to kill all the Jews. Haman chooses the date of warfare by rolling dice (which are called *pur* in Aramaic, see above). He rolls the date of the 13th of the month of Adar. Mordechai hears of the plot and impresses on Esther to plead with the King to spare her people. At first she refuses, for fear of her life, but then risks everything to appeal to the king. The appeal is successful, Haman is thwarted, and the favor of the king is such that he allows Esther's people, the Jews, to fight back on the 13th of Adar. We were able to fight back so successfully that we created a holiday on the day afterwards as a remembrance of God's miraculous salvation that worked behind the scenes.

## HOW WE COMMEMORATE AND CELEBRATE

### Shabbat Zachor

The Shabbat preceding Purim (this year, February 23, 2012) is called Shabbat Zachor. We choose this Shabbat to observe the commandment to remember the evil of the nation of Amalek who are central to Purim as well. In Exodus 17:8-16, we read about their terror war against the Jewish people when they attacked us without mercy. The command in Deut. 25:17-19 states: "*Remember what Amalek did to*

*you, on your way as you departed from Egypt... you shall obliterate the memory of Amalek, you shall not forget.*" According to most authorities, it is a Torah level commandment to hear this portion read in synagogue.

### Taanit Esther (13th of Adar)

The day preceding Purim is a thematically connected fast day (this year, Thursday, February 21, because themes aside, we move a fast from Shabbat to the preceding Thursday.) The 13th of Adar is mentioned in the Megillah as the day chosen by Haman to destroy the Jewish people. We fast in memory of the war that took place on that day and, like the fast of the first born, we use the fast to recognize our salvation. (cf. Esther 9:31). Taanit Esther is unlike the other fasts of the Jewish calendar, insofar that it is a day of thanksgiving and not sadness.

### Customs of the Fast Day

The "half-shekel" is donated at the afternoon service (in commemoration of the half-shekel census, cf. Exodus 25:11-16, we use the half currency of the realm, e.g. three half-dollars.) The money is used for communal funds and synagogue repair.

Normally we go straight from the fast to the Megillah reading - only eating after we have fulfilled that mitzvah. This year, 5773, we treat the fast day like any other.

## PURIM (14TH OF ADAR)

Work is not forbidden on Purim, but we also have no *tachanun*, eulogies or fasting; a mourner displays no outward signs, like on Shabbat. There are a number of commandments to fulfill on Purim (that apply equally to men and women):

### Night

**Megillah:** The sages tell us we must hear every word of the Megillah reading. Please help others fulfill this mitzvah by following the instructions of the community leaders as to when to cease noisemaking.

### Day

**Megillah:** The obligation is both at night and during the day. We cannot hear two at night or two during the day to count for the whole holiday.

**Mishloach Manot** Sending gifts of food to friends: Two foods to one person is the minimum. The foods must be ready-to-eat. (continued on next page)

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**Matanot l'evyonim:** Gifts of money to the poor. Two coins to each of two poor people. Money can be collected ahead of time with the intention that it will be dispensed on Purim day. We have a special collection in synagogue for this purpose.

**Seudah:** Festive meal with rejoicing. Invite family and friends to your home or join our catered community celebration.

**Intoxication:** We are enjoined to drink intoxicating spirits on Purim. Many authorities limit the drinking to the *seudah*, and even then, the command is just to drink a bit more than we are used to. In no fashion should we become so intoxicated that we would harm ourselves or others.

**Special Prayers:** We add *Al Ha-Nisim* to our *shemona-esrei* and to *bircat hamazon*. Yet, we do not say Hallel on Purim. Three reasons are given for the lack of Hallel. The first is that the Megillah acts as Hallel; the second is that the miracle of the day occurred secretly and outside the land of Israel; the third is that (in the words of the Talmud): "We are still servants to Achashverosh."

#### Purim Customs

During the readings of the Megillah, we fulfill the commandment to "blot out" the name of Amalek by making loud noises whenever Haman's name is read aloud.

Historians tell us that the custom started when people would write Haman's name on the soles of their shoes and then stamp their feet during the Megillah reading. Nowadays, we use **groggers**: specially made noisemakers.

Another custom is to recite a few specific verses aloud as a congregation before the reader recites them. Those verses are: 2:5, 8:15, 8:16, 10:3 and the list of the ten sons of Haman, 9:7-9.

Another widespread custom is to wear **costumes**, while some authorities hold that "yom-tov" clothing should be worn (because it is called a Yom Tov in Esther 9:19). Costumes are to depict the "hiddenness" of the miracle of Purim, and also to heighten the "turnabouts" of the day.

#### SHUSHAN PURIM (15TH OF ADAR)

Any city with walls since the time of Joshua celebrates Purim one day later on Adar 15. The Megillah relates how the war against our enemies lasted one day later in the city of Shushan. Nowadays, Shushan Purim only applies to Jerusalem (although a few other cities in Israel have taken on both days as a longstanding custom, e.g. Acco, Yaffo, Tiberias). May you have a healthy, happy, *freilichen* Purim!

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### US Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano Visits KJ/Ramaz



The Orthodox Union has been involved in an on-going dialogue with the Department of Homeland Security to procure resources for congregations and Jewish day schools. As a third-time recipient of a Homeland Security grant, the Ramaz School was selected as the site for a meeting on August 27, 2012, at which time, United States Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano reiterated the Department's commitment to partnering with Jewish and other faith-based communities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to terrorist threats.

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l. to r. Nathan J. Diamant, Director of the Institute for Public Affairs of the OU; Rabbi Lookstein; Simcha Katz, current President of the OU; Secretary Janet Napolitano; and former President of the OU, Steven J. Savitsky





## A Terrific Mitzvah Partnership

UJA @ KJ is a partnership between KJ members and UJA-Federation of New York. Members receive unique opportunities to utilize the resources of UJA-Federation. With an assortment of causes and agencies in need of our support, UJA at KJ enables KJ members to become involved in and exposed to the important work of UJA-Federation in New York, Israel and around the world.

On Sunday, November 18, an enthusiastic group assembled to serve and share a Thanksgiving meal at Project ORE, a UJA beneficiary organization which provides supportive services to isolated poor, homeless, elderly Jews and is Manhattan's only Kosher soup kitchen.

Future programming will continue to provide equally meaningful experiences. On **Friday, December 14** we invite you to celebrate Chanukah with the seniors of Jewish Home Lifecare. Make Chanukah decorations, sing songs and play games with the residents of Jewish Home Lifecare, a provider of healthcare services and assistance for the elderly. Be part of a group that will bring the joy and warmth we experience in our homes to these special residents.

Once we celebrate Chanukah, can Purim be far behind? On **Sunday, February 10**, we will be assembling Purim packages to benefit families in need at a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency.

For more information about UJA@KJ, or to get more involved, contact KJ members

Rebecca Feit at [rebeccafeit@yahoo.com](mailto:rebeccafeit@yahoo.com)

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If you are interested in volunteer opportunities with UJA please contact

Erica Cohen at [cohener@ujafedny.org](mailto:cohener@ujafedny.org) or (212) 836-1114

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### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE KJ FOOD PANTRY

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Stacy Scheinberg at [Stacyron@aol.com](mailto:Stacyron@aol.com)

### ROSE AND CHARLES LANGER LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM

*The Rose & Dr. Charles Langer Lunch and Learn Program for seniors, hosted by Donna Silverman, will continue through June 2013. The free program for seniors is made possible by an endowment created by the Buchwald, Edelsburg, and Stern Families.*

December 5 - Gilah Kletenik  
December 12 - Rabbi Elie Weinstock  
December 19 - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn  
December 26 - Winter Break  
January 2 - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn  
January 9 - Israel Max  
January 16 - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn  
January 23 - Shira Felberbaum

January 30 - Rabbi Elie Weinstock  
February 6 - Israel Max  
February 13 - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn  
February 20 - Gilah Kletenik  
February 27 - Israel Max  
March 6 - Robert Sugarman  
March 13 - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn  
March 20 - Rabbi Elie Weinstock

*The program takes place at noon in the Heyman Auditorium preceded at 11:30 by Dus Haimische Shtiebel: "The Yiddish Schmoozers."*

### GIVE A MITZVAH-DO A MITZVAH for Bnei Mitzvah Children

Whether you've volunteered before or are getting involved for the first time, UJA's Give a Mitzvah - Do a Mitzvah program is a great way to jump-start your life as an adult in the Jewish community. Contribute your time and energy and support a program you're passionate about. You can give a portion of your gifts, ask your friends and family to make donations in your honor, or thank guests with a special contribution in their name. If you want to sponsor a Bar Mitzvah, build a playground, buy a sailboat for disabled children, or do something we haven't thought of yet, we want to meet you! Tell us what matters to you and we will tell you how you can make your mark.

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## WELCOME NEW KJ SOCIAL WORKER

The Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services (JBFCs) Partners in Caring (PIC) program provides social service support to its partner synagogues, of which KJ is one. Thanks to a grant from UJA-Federation of New York, a JBFCs social worker is now available to the Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun community to provide support, training, and direct social work services.

Services to be provided by Shira Felberbaum, MSW, our new JBFCs PIC social worker, include consultative interactions with clergy and lay leadership; educational programs for the community; assessment, treatment planning, and information and referral for individual congregants; and support groups for specific sub-sets of the population (i.e. caregiving and bereavement). Additionally, the JBFCs / synagogue partnership assists synagogue communities with accessing the wide array of services provided by both JBFCs as well as other related agencies. Shira is well positioned as a conduit to the broad array of JBFCs services to put you in touch with whoever will be able to best assist you.

Shira was born and raised in Manhattan. She received her undergraduate degree in psychology from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. During that time, in addition to working at the Emory Career center as a Career Assistant, she also was the co-chair of an anonymous and confidential peer counseling hotline called the HelpLine. Subsequently, she spent over 10 years in financial services working at MetLife where she served as an internal consultant to a wide range of departments including human resources, technology, legal, compliance, and auditing. Shira also went on to earn two graduate degrees from NYU, the first in Strategic Human Resource Management and Development focusing on change management, process improvement, and leadership development, and the second in Social Work, where she focused on gerontology.

Our new social worker joined JBFCs this past summer, and is happy to be in a profession where she is able to serve the Jewish community from which she herself has gained so much over the years. Although she is no stranger to KJ, we would like to welcome Shira Felberbaum, MSW, as our new JBFCs PIC worker. She is looking forward to interacting with our community in upcoming events and programs.

To contact Shira Felberbaum, please call her at (212) 632-4735 or email her at [sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org](mailto:sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org) or [socialworker@ckj.org](mailto:socialworker@ckj.org).



## YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGAIN

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this parallel: Abraham is commanded, "lekh, go" and Rebecca likewise says, "e-lekh, I will go." Rebecca's stunning hospitality towards Abraham's servant is reminiscent of Abraham's own hospitality towards the three visitors he welcomes; both of them "hurry" and "hasten" to feed the strangers. Finally, Abraham and Rebecca both receive similar blessings concerning the superiority of their descendants over their enemies.

Scripture is unequivocally suggesting that in order for the Covenant to continue, Isaac must marry someone who resembles his father Abraham. Still, we are left to wonder, however, why these specific traits? Moreover, what is the connection between leaving home and demonstrating remarkable kindness?

The notion of Abraham leaving his home, never to return, looms large in the thought of the 20th century French Jewish philosopher Emmanuel Levinas. Levinas repeatedly draws the comparison between Abraham in Scripture and Odysseus in Homer's *Odyssey*. The epic poem centers upon Odysseus's prolonged journey home to Ithaca in the aftermath of the Trojan

War. This is in contrast to our biblical hero Abraham, who must leave his home never to return again. Odysseus is defined by his efforts to return home, a motion that moves inwards, towards one's own self. Whereas Abraham leaves his home, moves beyond, indeed, outside of himself. To leave home is to move beyond one's own self, it is a "movement unto the other [that] is not recuperated in identification, does not return to its point of departure." The act of leaving home, is a "movement of the same unto the other which never returns to the same." It is to look beyond the self, outwards, towards the Other.

Leaving home and remarkable kindness are therefore one and the same. These necessary traits for maintaining the Covenant both rest upon the Jewish notion of looking beyond the self and turning towards the Other. Abraham and Rebecca are paragons of this Jewish characteristic. Unlike the Greek Odysseus, they do not seek to return back to the self, but instead move beyond the self, never to return back again.

Jewish continuity, the bridge between the past and the future, rests upon these characteristics embodied by Abraham and Rebecca. To be a Jew is to always look beyond the self, to encounter the face of

the Other, to be responsible. The posterity of our people rests upon our attunement to the eternal call of "lekh lekha," to go, to move beyond the self. Our Covenant is established and its future ensured each and every moment wherein we live the legacy of Abraham and Rebecca to leave ourselves and turn towards the Other.

*Gilah Kletenik is the Congregational Scholar at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun.*

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## BNEI MITZVAH



### MATTHEW HIRSCHFELD

Mazal Tov to Susan, Benjamin, and Jonathan Hirschfeld upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son and brother, Matthew, on Shabbat morning, October 13, at which time he layned Parashat Bereishit at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Matthew is an eighth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School.



### HANNAH VORCHHEIMER

Mazal Tov to Rachel and Dr. David Vorchheimer upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Hannah, on November 10th, at the Jewish Center in Manhattan. She delivered a siyyum on Mishnayot Masechet Pe'ah in conjunction with a chesed project that she performed with Project Leket in Israel during the summer. Hannah is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School.



### MEIRA WEINSTOCK

Mazal Tov to Dr. Naama and KJ Associate Rabbi Elie Weinstock, upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Meira. She will deliver a Dvar Torah about Chanukah at the KJ Seudah Shlishit following mincha services on December 15. Meira is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School.

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who will speak at the conclusion  
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who will lead the Kiddush Discussion  
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*Ms. Greenberg-Kobrin, President of ORA, is a prolific author and lecturer on the agunah crisis.*

*Rabbi Stern is Executive Director of the Organization for the Resolution of Agunot (ORA), an organization which assists divorcing couples in resolving contested Jewish divorces in a timely fashion and in accordance with the highest standards of Jewish law.*



## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Sara and Eric Abitbol, upon the birth of their second child and first son, Alexander Philip (Yitzchok Maklouf).

Rochelle and Cantor Mayer Davis upon the birth of their latest grandchild, Avraham Liam (Liam Abraham), born to their children, Kate and Dani Davis.

Jessica and Joshua Fensterstock, upon the birth of their first child, a daughter, Jacqueline Ruth.

Rose Gerszberg and Dr. Norman Kahan, upon the birth of a grandson, Jonah Nethaniel (Yonah Netanel) Suchman Gerszberg, born to their children Seth and Emily Gerszberg.

Annie & Avery Katz upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Samantha Sylvia (Rachel Shira). Mazal tov as well to the proud, first-time KJ grandparents, Dr. Karin & Joel Katz.

Joy and Judd Kleeger, upon the birth of their third child and first son, Mason James (Yitzchak Mordechai).

Rachel and Rabbi Daniel Kraus, KJ's new Directors of Community Education, upon the birth of their third child and second son, Noam Lior.

Sandra and Dr. Sam Rapoport, upon the birth of a grandson, Julian Ezra, born to their children Ezra and Sondra Krisher Rapoport.

Susan Rosenbaum, upon the birth of a granddaughter, Maya Isabelle Simhon, born to her children, Lauren and Ronnie Simhon.

Lisa and Ilan Sender upon the birth of their second child and first daughter, Margaret Jane (Miriam Chana).

Judy and Isaac Sherman, upon the birth of a great granddaughter, born to their grandchildren, Drs. Jennifer and Adam Yedlin. The new baby is the granddaughter of Joanne and Jeff Ingerman (their daughter and son-in-law) and of Adam's parents, Mark and Bonnie Yedlin. Last, but not least, she is a great, great granddaughter of Judy's mother, Florence Cohen.

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

### BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Leah and Barrie Modlin upon the B'nei Mitzvah of their twin grandsons Harrison and James Modlin, sons of Avery and Ellen

Modlin which took place in Jerusalem.

Judy Tanz upon the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Emma Rich, the daughter of Sarah Tanz Rich & Ron Rich of Stamford, CT. Emma led a Women's Tefilla Group service at Congregation Agudath Sholom on Shabbat morning, Parshat Vayera, where she not only served as chazzanit and baalat koreh for both Torah and Haftara readings, she also addressed the Main Synagogue with a D'var Torah probing Hashem's reasons for testing Abraham through the binding of Isaac.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Jennifer and Dr. Mark Meiowitz upon the engagement of their son, Alex, to Lindsay Behrens, daughter of Dr. Allan and Wende Behrens of Naples, Florida.

Arona Schneider, Office Manager of the KJ Synagogue Office for the past 8 years, upon her engagement to Moshe Berow of Passaic, N.J. Arona is now pursuing an M.S.W. degree in Social Work at Yeshiva University.

Phyllis and Jonathan Wagner, upon the engagement of their daughter, Lauren, to Michael Rosman, son of Aneeda and Edwin Rosman of Great Neck.

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

### MARRIAGES

Mazal Tov to:

Sam Archibald, son of Jim and Rachel Archibald of Montreal, Canada, upon his marriage to Kate Kenner, daughter of Rachel Kenner and the late Peter Kenner of New York City.

Deborah and Dr. Richard Born, upon the marriage of their daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, to Zachary Scott Gleser, son of Deborah Gleser and the late Victor Gleser, of Marlboro, New Jersey.

Helen and Melvin Heller, upon the marriage of their son, Jack, to Julie Ritz.

Elie Hirschfeld and Marcia Riklis upon the marriage of their son, David R. Hirschfeld, to Rachel Shiffrin, daughter of Professor Richard and Judith Shiffrin of Bloomington, Indiana.

Ruth and Jerry Kestenbaum, upon the marriage of their daughter, Erica, to TJ (Todd) Zuckerman, son of Shellie and Steven Zuckerman of Great Neck, NY.

Ari Tuchman, son of Alan and Shera

Aranoff Tuchman, upon his marriage on August 30, to Liora Schultz, daughter of Roz and Ben Schultz of Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Grace Weil upon the marriage in Israel of her grandson, Uriel Sturm, son of Drs. Esther and Heshy Sturm, to Leah Weisz of Columbus, Ohio. Uriel is the Sports Editor of the Jerusalem Post.

### COMMUNAL HONORS

Congratulations to:

Laurie & Dr. Eli Bryk, and Allie & Alexander Luxenberg, upon their almost being honored at the AMIT Annual Dinner, on Sunday, November 4, that was postponed on account of Hurricane Sandy.

Rae Gurewitsch upon being honored by the Sharon Chapter of Hadassah at its annual luncheon, at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Tuesday, November 27.

Surie and Bob Sugarman upon receiving the Anti-Defamation League's ("A.D.L.") Distinguished Leadership Award, at the ADL's gala on Monday, November 5. The Honorary Dinner Chair was Rabbi Haskel Lookstein and Dinner Co-chairs were Ronald and Adele Tauber.

### PROFESSIONAL/PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Janice Linzer, upon her grandson Michael J. Freedman's achievement as he was named one of 96 women and men who received the United States government's highest honor for scientists and engineers in the early stages of their independent research careers - the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE). He received a doctorate from NYU's Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences and joined the Princeton faculty in 2007, where he is an assistant professor of computer science. Freedman is a recipient of an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellowship, an NFS CAREER Award, and the Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award. Michael is the grandson of the late Saul Linzer.

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Judith Ballan, upon the passing of her father, John Silber.

Mark Benson, upon the passing of his grandmother, Pauline Benson.

## Chanukah Party

December 5 in the Heyman Auditorium

40s/50s Singles Committee

Contact Harriet for more information at Harriet333@aol.com



## In Memoriam

### ANN DAVENPORT

A refugee from Nazi Germany, Ann Davenport left Berlin just before Kristallnacht. She demonstrated the courage, the wisdom and the determination to rebuild her life after the terrible destruction. She began in Washington Heights and, thank God, ended up in our community at KJ and Ramaz.

She was, together with her late beloved husband, Leo, the head of a wonderful family. Her two sons, Steven and Marvin, are both Ramaz alumni as are Steven's children. She was a loving and loyal member of the congregation, the Sisterhood, and a big participant in our adult education program. She was bright, outgoing and genuinely beloved by our community. A woman of piety, grace and courage, she was a model for how to turn a catastrophe into a blessed life.

### HARRIET KALISCHER

Harriet Kalischer was a member of KJ for fifty-five years. She was a regular in her attendance in shul on Shabbat and Yom Tov. She loved to participate in many of our adult education classes.

A person who was very happy with her life and who always had a smile on her face, Harriet Kalischer was a proud Jew, a loving wife to the late Dr. Nathan Kalischer, and a very devoted mother to Florence Meyers and Dr. Alan Kalischer, a Ramaz alumnus. She was also a very adoring grandmother.

She died a couple of weeks before Rosh Hashanah. Perhaps for the first time in decades, we missed her at our first night Selichot service, a service that she never failed to attend. We mourn her passing.

### JOSEPH KATZ

Did anyone ever see Joseph Katz without a smile on his lips? He had a smile for everyone. It reflected his happiness with his life and his lot even though he had difficult struggles, especially in the beginning of his life.

He was so happy with his late wife, Lola. He was adoring of his children, Greg and Evelyn and his grandchildren, Daniel and Philip, both of whom are alumni of Ramaz, and, most recently, he was a proud great-grandfather.

In his later years he became a regular at our morning minyan and at the daily studies in Yad Avraham. He was the first to arrive in shul and he greeted all of those who came after him with that wonderful smile. He was blessed with wonderful care from his children and grandchildren and a very special care-giver.

"Who is wealthy?" asks the Talmud, "he who is happy with his lot." In a very real sense, Joseph Katz died a very wealthy man!

### BERTHA KRESSEL

Bertha lived a beautiful life: a devoted daughter in the Horowitz family, a loving wife to Henry, a devoted mother to her two children, a friend with many long-time friendships, and a pious and proud Jew.

She had a radiant countenance and an unforgettable smile that always lit up her face and the faces of those around her, right up to the last very difficult days of her life. What a radiant personality! It was a privilege for us in the KJ community to be blessed by her presence and by Henry's after they moved here from New Jersey. They made new friends and had a great impact on our community by their selfless and generous actions and their marvelous example of how to lead a beautiful Jewish life.

May Henry and their children and grandchildren be blessed with health and happiness in the years to come as a reward for the happiness, love and care that they gave to such a pure and beautiful neshama.

### DR. ELI SCHESSEL

Eli was a member, together with his wife Martha, for almost forty years, even though they lived on the West Side and could not be regular worshippers at KJ. Nevertheless, he used to come from time to time and he absolutely loved our congregation.

He was very supportive of KJ and Ramaz and extremely proud that his two sons are alumni of the school. A brilliant surgeon, he pioneered groundbreaking procedures in plastic surgery. He was widely respected by colleagues and students alike.

A gentle man, a loving husband, father and grandfather and a proud Jew, his happy countenance and cheerful disposition made him beloved to all who knew him.

### RACHEL WALDMAN

She died as we were reading the beginning of the Torah and the description of Adam and Eve who were quite literally joined at the hip. How symbolic for Rachel Waldman who was lovingly joined at the hip with her late husband, Israel. They were a magnificent couple. She was truly a helpmate to him and a very devoted mother to her four children, three of whom are alumnae of Ramaz, as are many of her loving grandchildren.

Rachel Waldman did not have an easy life. She was a refugee during the war and she lost a son later on in her life, but you could not tell any of this by looking at a woman who could only be described as a queen, a truly royal aristocrat who nevertheless practiced humility and modesty.

She was always cared for and loved by her children but, particularly, in the last difficult years, when they made sure that she remained a queen right up to her last day as she was written and sealed in the Book of Eternal Life.

### CONDOLENCES *continued*

Charles Edelsburg, upon the passing of his mother, Gita Edelsburg.

Marcia Colvin, upon the passing of her father, Heinz Eppler.

Bernard Falk, upon the passing of his mother, Ilse Falk.

Evan Farber, upon the passing of his paternal grandmother, Sylvia Liss Farber.

Hon. Jerome Hornblass, upon the passing of his sister, Arlene Goodstein.

Stacey Kreinen Klass and Wendy Kreinen Modlin, upon the passing of their father, Norman Kreinen.

Noemi Messing, upon the passing of her father, Aaron Soifer.

Robert Rothman, upon the passing of his mother, Mildred Rothman, just four months after the passing of his father, Leonard Rothman.

Marc Spero, upon the passing of his father, Irvin Spero.

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

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## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

		Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Saturday Afternoon Services	Sabbath Ends
<b>December</b>					
7-8	Vayeshev	4:10 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:08 PM
14-15	Miketz	4:11 PM	4:25 PM	3:30 PM	5:10 PM
21-22	Vayigash	4:14 PM	4:25 PM	4:05 PM	5:12 PM
28-29	Vayehi	4:18 PM	4:30 PM	4:10 PM	5:17 PM
<b>January</b>					
4-5	Shemot	4:24 PM	4:35 PM	4:15 PM	5:22 PM
11-12	Vaera	4:31 PM	4:45 PM	4:25 PM	5:29 PM
18-19	Bo	4:39 PM	4:50 PM	4:30 PM	5:37 PM
25-26	Beshalach	4:47 PM	5:00 PM	4:40 PM	5:44 PM
<b>February</b>					
1-2	Yitro	4:56 PM	5:10 PM	4:45 PM	5:52 PM
8-9	Mishpatim	5:04 PM	5:15 PM	4:55 PM	6:00 PM
15-16	Terumah	5:13 PM	5:25 PM	5:05 PM	6:08 PM
22-23	Tetzaveh/Zakhor	5:21 PM	5:35 PM	5:15 PM	6:16 PM
<b>March</b>					
1-2	Ki Tisa	5:29 PM	5:40 PM	5:20 PM	6:24 PM
8-9	Vayakhel/Pekudei	5:37 PM	5:50 PM	5:25 PM	6:32 PM
15-16	Vayikra	6:45 PM	6:45 PM	6:35 PM	7:39 PM
22-23	Tzav/Hagadol	6:52 PM	6:45 PM	6:20 PM	7:47 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

Dec. 2- 20 .....4:25 PM	Jan. 13-17 .....4:45 PM	Feb. 17-20 .....5:30 PM
Dec. 24-27 .....4:30 PM	Jan. 20-24 .....4:55 PM	Feb. 24- 28 .....5:35 PM
Dec. 30 - Jan.3 .....4:35 PM	Jan. 27-31 .....5:05 PM	March 3-7 .....5:45 PM
Jan. 6-10 .....4:40 PM	Feb. 3-7 .....5:10 PM	March 10-June 13.....6:45 PM
	Feb. 10-14 .....5:20 PM	

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon.-Thurs., December 10-13

Chanukah Service at 7:10 am

Friday, December 14

Chanukah/Rosh Chodesh Tevet

Morning Service at 7:00 am

Sunday, December 23

Fast of the 10th of Tevet

Fast Begins at 6:05 am

Morning Service at 8:30 am

Afternoon Service at 4:05 pm

Fast Ends at 5:10 pm

Tuesday, December 25

Morning Service at 8:30 am

Tuesday, January 1

Morning Service at 8:30 am

Saturday, January 12

Rosh Chodesh Shevat

Saturday, January 26

Tu B'Shevat

Sun.-Mon., February 10-11

Rosh Chodesh Adar

Mon. Morning Service at 7:00 am

Monday, February 18

Morning Service at 8:30 am

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Tuesday, March 12

Rosh Chodesh Nisan

Morning Service at 7:00 am