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REFLECTIONS ON THE 142ND ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE MEETING: SPECIAL GUEST FANYA GOTTESFELD HELLER SHARES HER STORY

The highlight of the April 9th meeting was the appearance of our cherished member, Dr. Fanya Gottesfeld Heller, who spoke to the assemblage in the year which represents the 70th anniversary of her liberation from hiding in Poland. Dr. Heller spent more than two years in hiding, as a young teenager. The audience sat in rapt attention as she described the conditions under which she had to live for so long and the heroism of the righteous gentiles who saved her life.

Rabbi Lookstein spoke about how remarkable it is that a woman who went through so many trials and ordeals has devoted the better part of her life to educating Jews and non-Jews - especially children in public schools - about the Holocaust in general and her own experience personally. With modesty and self-effacement, Dr. Heller demonstrated to our

Annual Meeting the strength and determination that has made her such a remarkable Jew. It was a privilege for us to witness this first-hand.

Dr. Heller was followed by William Bryk, the son of Laurie and Dr. Eli Bryk who, as a Ramaz senior, had returned late that very afternoon from the Ramaz seniors' mission to Berlin, Poland and Israel. In a remarkable speech which he had written on the return flight, William described meaningfully and powerfully what this mission meant to him intellectually, Jewishly and inspirationally. It was a very special moment for the attendees at our Annual Meeting to hear the words of an almost 90-year-old survivor followed by the report of an 18-year-old Ramaz senior.



*Teenage Witness
Fanya Gottesfeld Heller*

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110 SENIORS ARE GRADUATED FROM THE JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN UPPER SCHOOL OF RAMAZ 64 TO SPEND NEXT YEAR IN ISRAEL

Once again it has been an amazing year for the students in Ramaz! Here are some of the impressive results:

Many seniors will be spending next year in Israel at the following Torah institutions and programs:

Aardvark	Nishmat
Ashreinu	Sha'alvim for Women
Beit Chana	Sherut Leumi
Israel Experience at BIU	Reishit
Israel Defense Forces	Tafnit Lehava
Kivunim	Technion
Mechinat Bet Yisrael	Torat Shraga
Midreshet Amit	Yeshivat Eretz HaTzvi
Midreshet Ein Hanatziv	Yeshivat HaKotel
Midreshet HaRova	Yeshivat Har Etzion (Gush)
Midreshet Lindenbaum	Yeshivat Maale Gilboa
Midreshet Torah v'Avodah	Yeshivat Netiv Aryeh
Midreshet Yeud	Yeshivat Orayta
Migdal Oz	Yeshivat Torah v'Avodah

The seniors also earned a wonderful record of college acceptances. Our students had impressive admissions numbers in:

Babson College	Harvard College	Swarthmore College
Barnard College	Hunter College	University of Chicago
Baruch College	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	University of Maryland
Binghamton University	Macaulay Honors, Baruch	University of Massachusetts
Boston University	Macaulay Honors, Hunter	University of Michigan
Brandeis University	Muhlenberg College	University of Pennsylvania
Brown University	New York University	University of Rochester
Columbia University	Northeastern University	Washington University, St. Louis
Cornell University	Northwestern University	Yale University
Dartmouth College	Princeton University	Yeshiva University
Duke University	Queens College	
Emory University	Stern College for Women	
Eugene Lang College, The New School for Liberal Arts		
George Washington University		

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NEW MEMBERS

Fifty-two new households joined the Congregation this past year and were officially inducted and welcomed at the 142nd Annual Meeting by Morris Massel, Secretary of the Congregation:

Mara and Elliot Attie	Elizabeth Heyman Winter	Elizabeth and Ira Savetsky
Ada and Mitchell Benerofe	Elise and Daniel Kasell	Benjamin Sberro
Mark Benun	Jamie and Philip Katz	Michele and Mitchell Schwartz
Susan and Michael Castle	Talya and David Kaye	Elisa and Andrew Septimus
Brittany and Jonathan Cogan	Joia and Joshua Kazam	Evelyn and Avi Spodek
Alison and Leo Esses	Amy and Benjamin Kellogg	Tzivy and Seth Steinmetz
Lee and Andrew Fine	Kathryn and Eric Kluger	Shaun Steigman
Jill and Andrew Frey	Laura and Daniel Levin	Joyce and Daniel Straus
Natali and Jason Ganfer	Ariel and Matthew Levitan	Adam Benjamin Struck
Stacie Glick	Robert Mancus	Jayde Tillis
Lorraine and David Gold	Margot and Joshua Marans	Susan and Simeon Wallis
Bernard Goldberg	Colby and Justin Podolsky	Leora and Emmanuel
Gabrielle and Raanan Gononsky	Miri Rosen and Andrew Radin	Werthenschlag
Natanya and Benjamin Gordon	Gail and Robert Richardson	David Winter
Andrea and Adam Gorlyn	Daniel Rosen	Artmis Youssefnia
David Greenbaum	Lauren and Michael Rosman	Matanya and Pinhas Zekry
Val and Asaf Greene	Esther and Daniel Samadi	Nina and Doni Zupnick
Judith and Robert Hara	Nicole and Marco Sardar	

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ISRAEL ACTION

Check out "Artzeinu"
The Weekly Israel News Update

<http://artzeinu.org>

edited by fellow KJ members
Aliza Hornblass
Jonathan Hornblass,
Erica Schwartz
Founder: Deena Shiff

This site provides easy access
to numerous news sources and
videos, and is well organized
by general topic.

For information
about the weekly status
of the Manhattan Eruv

Call the **Eruv Hotline**
212-874-6100 ext. 3
(Recorded Message)

KJ FOOD PANTRY

The KJ Food Pantry provides kosher food weekly to New York's hungry. Clients are referred to us through the synagogue and local service agencies. Each week clients come to KJ to receive food staples tailored to their diets, as well as a selection of fresh fruits and vegetables. Ramaz students pack the bags and staff the booth in the lobby of KJ, and Ramaz/KJ members also deliver packages to those who are homebound.

For further information or to volunteer, please contact Stacy Scheinberg at Stacyron@aol.com.

KJ Service Directory

Foremost Caterers.....	201-664-2465
McCabe's Wine & Liquors.....	212-737-0790
Park East Kosher Butcher.....	212-737-9800
Plaza Jewish Community Chapel.....	212-769-4400
Seasons Kosher Supermarket	212-222-6332
Tauber Fish Market.....	718-338-5380
Sofer, Rabbi Yoseph Lasdun	
Tefillin and Mezuzah Checking.....	212-927-1655

For Shaatnez checking (the Biblical prohibition against mixed fabrics typically found in the collars of expensive men's suits), leave suits at Kent 's Fashion House, 1596 Third Avenue (between 89th & 90th Streets), and they will be inspected by the Shaatnez specialist. Phone: 212-876-0088.

**At KJ we
encourage
talking to
everyone.**

God
**during
prayers.**

**Friends
during
Kiddush.**

SHIVAH ASSAR B'TAMMUZ, TISHA B'AV AND THE THREE WEEKS JULY 15 – AUGUST 5

During the summer months, we mourn the destruction of both Temples in Jerusalem, which took place on the ninth of Av, and the events that led to their destruction. We fast on the seventeenth day of the month of Tammuz, **Shivah Assar B'Tammuz**, because, according to tradition, it was on that day that the enemy penetrated the walls of Jerusalem prior to the destruction of the Second Temple. The Talmud, however, writes that these were not the only tragedies that befell the Jewish people on this day. On the seventeenth of Tammuz four more tragedies occurred: the first tablets containing the Ten Commandments were broken by Moses after the sin of the Golden Calf; the daily sacrifice was suspended during the time of the First Temple; the wicked Apostomos burned the Torah; and an idol was erected in the Temple.

Additional tragedies also befell the Jewish people on the ninth day of the month of Av – **Tisha B'Av**. On this day, the spies

(*meraglim*) returned to the Jews in the desert with a negative report about the Land of Israel. In addition, it was on this day that the city of Betar was destroyed and tens of thousands of Jews were killed, and the wicked Turnus Rufus plowed the site of the Temple and its surroundings. Tradition asserts that the expulsion of the Jews from England in 1290 and the expulsion from Spain in 1492 also took place on Tisha B'Av.

Our mourning for the destroyed Temples and for the other calamities which occurred on these days extends beyond the fasts themselves. The period between these two fasts, traditionally called The Three Weeks, includes several practices of mourning. During these three weeks we do not get our hair cut, attend weddings or involve ourselves in large joyous gatherings. During the nine days which begin on the first of Av, July 28, and continue until midday on the tenth day of Av, August 6, we are additionally forbidden

to eat meat and drink wine (except on Shabbat), to go swimming, to bathe for pleasure, or to do any laundry or dry cleaning that is not absolutely necessary. The Talmud writes that when the month of Av begins, our mood should reflect our mourning for the destruction of the Temples. On Tisha B'Av itself, aside from fasting, we are prohibited from washing our bodies, wearing leather shoes, anointing ourselves and having marital relations. It is forbidden, as well, to study Torah on this day with the exception of the sections of the prophets and the Talmud that discuss the destruction. We do not wear *tefillin* until Mincha, and the custom is to sit on low chairs as mourners do until midday. Our observance of mourning also forbids us from greeting friends on Tisha B'Av.

We mourn the Temples that were destroyed over nineteen hundred years ago, and we pray that we will be worthy to see God rebuild the Temple in our lifetime.

TISHA B'AV 2014

Monday Night, August 4th, Erev Tisha B'Av

~ Fast Begins at 8:09 p.m.

~ Mincha, Maariv & Eicha at 8:05 p.m.

(Kaufman Auditorium of the Ramaz Upper School
Newman Education Center, 60 East 78th Street)

Tuesday, August 5th, Tisha B'Av

(Gottesman Center, 114 East 85th Street)

~ Morning Services at 7:00 a.m.

~ Shiur by Scholar-in Residence Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder
at 9:00 a.m.

Screening of Films

10:10 a.m.: *Gloomy Sunday*

12:15 p.m.: *Orchestra of Exiles*

1:45 p.m.: *Leon Blum: For All Mankind*

3:00 p.m.: *Harlan: In the Shadow of "Jew Seuss"*

4:45 p.m.: *Zaytoun*

~ Shiur by Rabbi Lookstein at 6:40 p.m.

~ Evening Services at 7:40 p.m.

~ Fast Concludes at 8:45 p.m.

KJ BEGINNERS SHABBAT SERVICE Every Saturday 9:30 AM

Add some soul to your Shabbat. Plenty of learning and explanation! Lots of singing and questions and answers about the prayers and the parsha packed into what could have been an "ordinary" Shabbat morning. Kiddush following services.

COMING SOON....

CRASH COURSE IN BASIC JUDAISM

Mondays, September 8 & 15
7:30 PM

Explore Judaism's views on Belief in God, Prayer, Shabbat, Jewish Observance, and Sexuality. Perfect for beginners or those wishing to brush up on basic Jewish concepts. Taught by Rabbi Elie Weinstock.

Keter Torah Awards Bestowed Upon

At the conclusion of the morning service on the second day of Shavuot, Rita Woldenberg and Alissa Shams were presented by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein with the Twelfth Annual Judith Kaufman Hurwich Keter Torah Award. These are their remarks:

ON THE BUSINESS OF CHESD

I am proud to be sharing this honor with Alissa Shams. She is a rising star in our community, a true woman of valor. Shavuot, as a holiday that celebrates women as well as diversity and inclusion in the truest sense, is a wonderful time to honor such a special person. Congratulations, Alissa, and best wishes.

At one of my most recent visits to Memorial Sloane Kettering Cancer Center I quietly tiptoed into a completely dark room. Lying in the bed with a towel covering her face was a woman, fast asleep. Not wanting to wake her, I turned toward the door to leave, deciding to return at a later time. Out of the corner of my eye I noticed two women sitting next to each other holding hands and leaning on each other for support. One, whom I assumed was the patient's mother, asked me about the purpose of my visit. My response was that I was a volunteer from the KJ Bikur Cholim Society. As soon as she understood and processed my response, she uttered, "Please pray for my daughter. The doctors have just inserted a feeding tube to help my daughter eat." I've had many requests such as this over the past thirty-five years. I have seen thousands of patients, laughed with a few and shed tears with many. It never gets old. Each story is compelling. Each patient with his or her family is vulnerable, looking for some light in the midst of a deep and penetrating darkness.

The KJ Bikur Cholim Society, of which I have been a member for the past 35 years, is a team of about 15 men and women. We are charged with the task of bringing solace through Jewish observance to the cancer patients at Memorial and this task enables us to

connect with the patients and to each other in the process. Every member of our group makes a unique contribution with the goal of providing some light to those in need. In the words of a rabbi that is a family friend, God is a verb. The KJ Bikur Cholim group embodies that phrase, as did Judy Hurwich in memory of whom this honor is named. I had the privilege of knowing Judy and she exemplified *Emor maat v'aseh*

harbeh, "say little and do a lot." I share the Keter

Torah award with Judy, *alehah haShalom* and each and every one of the members of the Bikur Cholim group past, present and, I hope, future. A finer group of "doers" is difficult to find.

If you were to ask me what business my family is in, my answer would be the "chesed" business. My husband is the C.E.O. He has

dedicated his entire life to medicine and continues to provide humane and expert care to his patients and even to those who are not his patients seeking his advice.

The members of the Board are my daughters Merle and Rona and my son-in-law, Ruby. Merle is involved in many organizations including UJA: serving on committees, chairing events, and improving the lives of so many. She has also been a dedicated member of the Heschel community as a past PA president and assuming all of the responsibilities that challenging role entails. Rona, like her Dad, has devoted her life to medicine and to the development of the next generation of physicians in our country. My son-in-law Ruby has channeled his

energy toward The Israeli Sports Center for the Disabled. Both Rona and Ruby are active parents in the North Shore Hebrew Academy and involved members of the Great Neck Synagogue serving on numerous committees and boards in an effort to support their local school and shul. My five wonderful grandchildren are bringing up the rear and fortunately have exceptional role models to emulate as they, I am confident, will enter the chesed business as well.

None of this could have come about without my parents, Rose and Aaron Grabino, and my uncle, Mr. Isidore Weinstein -- all of whom lived a life devoted to mitzvot and *ma'asim tovim*. They were savvy enough to leave Eastern Europe after World War One and come to America. They established a successful grocery business that would allow them to provide my brother and me with both Yeshiva and college educations as first generations Americans. Yet they did not "forget" those who were left behind and were instrumental in bringing over and supporting members of our family who as children lost their parents in the Holocaust and with whom I am still in touch today. Many of us can tell a similar story as acts of chesed such as this echo throughout the Jewish world in which we live.

Chesed as defined in secular society as "making a difference" is our family business and by family, in this instance, I mean our own KJ family and the Jewish community as a whole. Chesed is all about ordinary people doing extraordinary things to better the lives of others. As a member of the KJ Bikur Cholim society I hope that we have somehow "made a difference." I hope you will consider doing the same. Thank you to Rabbi Lookstein for bestowing this honor upon me, and to all for your kind attention. Chag Sameach.



Rita Woldenberg & Alissa Shams

INGREDIENTS FOR A COMMUNITY

Rabbi Lookstein: Thank you for this Award.

As I think you know, I have tremendous respect and admiration for this institution and its leadership. To receive its recognition is very meaningful to me. It is also a privilege to be standing in the company of a woman like Rita Woldenberg, who has made so many lasting contributions to the Jewish community. To be counted with her among the many admirable women who have previously received this award is humbling.

People have long asked me to explain what it is that I do. I have to say, the titles that I've had do a poor job of explaining. For the first seven years of my career, I was the "Director of Programming" at the Edmond J. Safra Synagogue. That title didn't say much about what I was tasked to do on a day-to-day basis. Then I began volunteering at Ramaz as the "Family Connections Coordinator." Again, no real clarity. Now I'm the President of the Ramaz Parents Council, which doesn't come with a set definition of success.

When I've had to self-define my job in a few short sentences, my explanation usually goes something like this: I create Jewish communal environments where people take part in something, usually chesed-oriented, that allows them to feel Jewish pride.

In 2003, the Edmond J. Safra Synagogue opened its doors and I, an Ashkenaz girl with four Polish grandparents, was tasked with building a community from a small group of Upper East Side Sephardic families.

And here are a few things that experience taught me:

1. Sephardic, Ashkenazic, Uptown, Midtown, Downtown, Brooklyn, or Manhattan: we have more in common than we think. We are Jews living an American experience and except for some variations in culture and cuisine, we are certainly brothers and sisters.
2. You cannot imagine how much goodness is out there. Jewish people have the biggest hearts.
3. Every issue and challenge can be

solved if there are two ingredients available: love and food. Dish out love and food liberally. It works.

But the most important thing I learned while working at that synagogue was this:

No one person builds a community. A community builds itself. It is folly to think that anything of importance can get done through the efforts of one person. But one person can do a lot to connect people of good will to the most meaningful opportunities. One person can be a catalyst. And that is what I strive to accomplish in my life's work.



I have relished the wonderful platforms from which I operate. If people need help, I am often the first to hear about it and therefore capable of being one of the first to do something about it. But "doing something about it" inevitably means getting someone else involved. Almost every meaningful act I have accomplished during my tenure has been borne on the strong shoulders of the volunteers around me. I identify empty spaces where the good will of others can rush in.

When I left my synagogue position five years ago, the very people who I had most admired at KJ/Ramaz: Rabbi Lookstein, Rabbi Weinstock, Kenny Rochlin, and then-Head of School Judy Fagin, reached out to me, acknowledged my work and found a place for me to channel my energies. They did for me just what I had tried to do for others. They made a space for me and I filled it.

As both Family Connections coordinator and as president of the Ramaz Parent's Council, I have encouraged the notion that Ramaz is a family and that we must treat each other as such.

Working with the help of my dedicated Council members Lisa Don and Randi Eisenstein, and in collaboration with Kenny Rochlin, we have worked on so many events - Shabbat Ramaz, Friday Night Dinner, The Health Initiative, Faculty Appreciation Day, and Family Fun Day just to name a few. All drive to the same goal - that we should join together as a unit in happiness and with respect for others.

Indeed, if I have had one overarching and consistent goal during my career, it has been "unity." I have tried to create bridges between the Sephardic community and the greater Manhattan Ashkenazic community. Whether by organizing a Sephardic Heritage trip to Spain, beginning a Middle School Sephardic Minyan, mentoring a young Sephardic Yeshiva University student to work at Ramaz, or assisting in the hiring of a teacher to lead the Upper School Minyan, I strived to create a more unified Jewish community on the Upper East Side; one where the Sephardic and Ashkenazic communities can collaborate and flourish together. In the same vein, I have been most fortunate in the last few years to work alongside the Esses family to lead the creation of a wonderful and warm Sephardic Minyan at KJ. I can't help feel a soaring sense of pride when I see the friendships and camaraderie created in that room under the rubric of KJ and under the guidance of Rabbi Elie Weinstock.

I have been privileged to be involved in so many activities, initiatives and events that have something special about them. But I would note especially one initiative known as Natan at Ramaz. Natan began because one woman, Sherri Libin, wanted to make sure that a community voice would always be heard by those going through lifecycle events. I helped lever her great energy and together we created a group whose goal was to acknowledge these events, both happy and sad, when they occurred within the Ramaz

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REFLECTIONS ON THE 142nd ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE

89 NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED

Rabbi Elie Weinstock's invocation (see page 13) made a powerful and appropriate connection between the *Baruch ha-Makom* we read in the Haggadah and the myriad blessings for which we are grateful as a Congregation. Chazan Mayer Davis immediately followed, leading the assembly in the National Anthems, which simply underscored Rabbi Weinstock's words. Morris Massel then inducted the fifty-two households, comprising eighty-nine people. (A listing of the new members appears on page 2 of this Bulletin.)

The first order of business which immediately followed was the celebration of milestone anniversaries of affiliation for thirty-six households. Rabbi Lookstein, in his inimitable way, fondly recalled the family histories and communal contributions of each of the celebrants.

The following members celebrated milestone anniversaries and were honored by the Congregation:

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS

Naomi Cohen
Carol and Ralph Perlberger

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS

Marshall I. Etra
Phyllis and Andrew Fier
Sandra and Edward C. Ginsburg
Helen and Norman Halper
Kathy and Jonathan Herman
Terry and Michael Jaspan
Deborah and David Kahn
Bernice and Gilbert Kahn
Howard Levine
Sharon and Asher Levitsky
Carol and Joseph Low
Ronne Mandelker &
Andrew Braiterman
Marilyn and Sheldon Muhlbauer
Sheira and Steven Schacter
Deborah and Raymond Ward

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS

Judith Altman
Deborah and Mark Cooper
Vivian and Lawrence Creizman
Elizabeth and Joseph Klarfeld
Zahava and Abraham Kohen
Sheila and Wallace Lehman
Rhonda and Jeffrey Luxenberg

Sandy and Norman Magid
Vivian and David Mark
Jennifer and Jeffry Roth
Rita Schiffren
Barbara Seitz
Abbe and Michael Serphos
Barbara E. Waitman
Gigi Winnick
Merle Wolff
Marlene Warshawski Yahalom
Joel Yunis
Marjorie Zuckerman

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Joel Katz presented an overview of the year's business, commenting on the number of new members we have despite our displacement. He offered some impressive percentages highlighting how many newcomers came to us via the Beginners program and the Young People's Minyan.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

The Kol Ram Community Chorus, under the direction of Daniel Henkin, performed three selections: the traditional Shaker tune *The Gift to be Simple*, *Odecha* (from Hallel), and *Kafe Bekef* (Java Jive), which struck just the right note with the audience.

BOARD ELECTIONS

The report of the Nominating Committee, as approved by the Board of Trustees, was presented by Surie Sugarman and adopted by the congregation.

The following is the slate of officers for the 2014-2015 Congregational year:

President.....Joel Katz
Vice President.....Elias Buchwald
2nd Vice President.....Surie Sugarman
3rd Vice President.....David Lobel
4th Vice President.....Dr. Philip Wilner
Secretary.....Morris Massel
Treasurer.....Jonathan Wagner
Assistant Treasurer.....Sidney Ingber
Financial Secretary.....Evan Farber
Recording Secretary.....JJ Hornblass

Robert Kurzweil, who began service on the KJ board in 1990, stepped down as 3rd Vice President, joined by Deena Shiff, our former Financial Secretary, who began serving as a trustee in 1999. Both were thanked for their dedicated service.



*40-year Anniversarians
Kathy and Jonathan Herman*



*40-year Anniversarians:
Terry and Michael Jaspan*



*40-year Anniversarians:
Deborah and David Kahn*



*40-year Anniversarians
Deborah and Ray Ward*

MEETING: Fanya Gottesfeld Heller's Recollections



*40-year Anniversarians
Sharon and Asher Levitsky*



*Kol Ram Community Chorus
under the direction of Daniel Henkin*



*A standing ovation for guest speaker
Fanya Gottesfeld Heller*



*William Bryk ('14) gives a moving recollection
of his trip to Berlin, Poland, and Israel*

REGULAR TRUSTEES

In regard to Regular Trustees of the Congregation, four seats were vacated due to mandatory retirement (the occupant having served the constitutional limit of nine years on the Board). These seats were held by Aryeh Bourkoff, Eric Gomberg, JJ Hornblass and Randy Krevat, all of whom were thanked for their service.

The following Regular Trustees' terms expired and were eligible for re-election:

Anita Abowitz
Jonathan Art
Dr. Roy Feldman
Barry Frohlinger
Rae Gurewitsch
Jay Lefkowitz
Rochelle Major
David Stein

The Nominating Committee then recommended that these Regular Trustees be re-elected, and they were.

Four Associate Trustees also completed their terms this year and they were elevated to the position of Regular Trustees, thereby filling the four Regular Trustee vacancies:

Judith Ottensoser
Alan Rechtschaffen
Roberta Stetson
David Sultan

ASSOCIATE TRUSTEES

To fill the four Associate Trustee vacancies, the following members were elected to the Board:

Orrin Feingold
Yonina Gomberg
Robert Katz
Rina Kestenbaum

A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

After KJ Board business was concluded, Rabbi Lookstein offered a heartfelt introduction of Dr. Fanya Gottesfeld Heller, who proceeded to engross the audience with the gripping memories of her childhood years during the Holocaust.

Ramaz Upper School senior William Bryk's fresh recollections of his trip to Berlin, Poland, and Israel demonstrated the commitment a new generation has to understanding the Holocaust and taking those impressions on their life's journeys.

DECEASED MEMBERS

In a more sobering moment, Rabbi Lookstein then warmly paid tribute to twenty-three members of the Congregation who were called to their eternal reward since the 141st Annual Meeting:

Lucille Arenson
Gladys Baruch
Norman Bulow
Leah Debora
Michael Frank
Edith Goldner
Mildred Hostyk
Dr. Robert Hyman
Bernard Jereski
Elli Krakowski
Israel Krakowski
Edward Low
Jeanne Malcolm
Dr. Aaron G. Meislin
Roslyn Orentreich
Pamela Rechtschaffen
Sidney Scheinberg
Arnold Bruce Schulman
Rose Simstein
Herman Smilow
Dorothy Trencher
Howard Weinreich
Rabbi Maurice Wohlgelelnter

RAMAZ SCHOOL MEETING

The Board of the Ramaz School then conducted its brief annual meeting. Dr. Leora Mogilner, chair of the Nominations Committee, first thanked the following Board Members who have completed their terms of service and will be rotated off the Ramaz Board:

Kenneth Eckstein
Samuel Jemal
Cindy Miller

The following Board members were re-elected:

CHARTER TRUSTEES

Mitchell Davidson
Jacob Doft
Leora Mogilner
Daniel Schwartz

PARENT BOARD MEMBERS

Adam Kaplan
Andrew Rechtschaffen
Lara Slager

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COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER

Sirena Silber

ALUMNI TRUSTEES

Perah Dwek

Julie Friedman

The following people were elected to serve on the Ramaz Board:

ALUMNI BOARD MEMBERS

Dana Hiltzik

Ethan Tucker

COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER

Drorit Ratzker

The following Honorary Board Members were re-elected for a one year period:

HONORARY BOARD MEMBERS:

Harvey Beker

Fred Distenfeld

Lillian Eisman

David Gruenstein

Pearl Hack

Robert Kapito

Ilan Kaufthal

Dr. Jerry Kestenbaum

Gail Propp

IN CONCLUSION

After the congregational membership in attendance approved the slate of Ramaz School Board of Trustees, Rabbi Lookstein concluded the meeting and wished the assembly a *chag kasher v'sameach*.

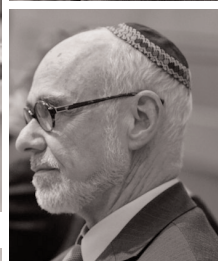
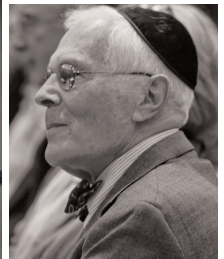
The 142nd Annual Synagogue Meeting then adjourned and all enjoyed a delicious repast of frankfurters, sauerkraut, and ice cold beer courtesy of Foremost Caterers.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
AND WELCOME
TO THE NEW MEMBERS.

LOOKING FORWARD TO COLD BEER
AND HOT DOGS AGAIN
NEXT YEAR!

All Eyes Focus on Fanya Gottesfeld Heller's Address at the 142nd Annual Meeting



All Annual Synagogue Meeting photo credits: Tim Knox

Join us for a special Shabbat with Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

former Chief Rabbi of the United Kingdom



Friday night, September 12
Shabbat morning, September 13

As part of the Bulow Shabbaton in memory of Norman Bulow

Details to follow

Are You a Zionist? Buy an Israel Bond!

Reflections on the Israel Bonds Rabbinic Cabinet Mission to Israel

Rabbi Elie Weinstock

Back in early February, I spent four days in Israel with a multi-denominational group of thirty-five rabbis from around the country. Now I know that this may not sound like the most exciting group with whom to travel, but I beg to differ. For one thing, my brother Rabbi Yosef Weinstock of Hollywood, Florida, was part of the mission. In addition, I welcome the opportunity to join with rabbis of different denominations. While we may not agree on everything, we are all part of K'lal Yisrael, and it is important for us to develop relationships with one another for the benefit of the community.



Packing cucumbers as part of a chesed project

Israel Bonds put together a wonderful program. We saw some of the technological marvels of the country like the Igudan Shafdan Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility in Rishon Le'Zion and the construction of the new high speed railroad between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. We heard from some of the up and coming thinkers in the country like Micha Goodman of the Ein Prat Academy and Gidi Grinstein of the Reut Institute. We participated in a chesed project packing produce for families in need, and participated in a moving tour of Har Herzl's military cemetery. It was a whirlwind visit filled with meaning, inspiration, information, and a sense of Jewish unity.

What about Israel Bonds? I know that everyone is familiar with Israel Bonds. Many of you received them as Bar/Bat Mitzvah gifts, and they remain a terrific gift for any simcha. At KJ, we have an annual Israel Bonds Shabbat, and our community is one of the most active synagogues in America when it comes to Bonds purchases.

What exactly is the purpose of Bonds? In the words of Gil Cohen, Deputy Accountant General in Israel's Ministry of Finance: "Bonds are an anchor for Israel's debt management." In layman's terms, the fact that so many foreign investors purchase Israel Bonds is a vote of confidence in the Israeli economy.

What about for those of us not motivated by this debt management strategy? My time in Israel with the Israel Bonds Rabbinic Cabinet Mission left me with the following thought: If you support Israel, you must purchase a bond. It doesn't matter the amount, but buying a bond is making an investment in the State of Israel. As one of my colleagues on the mission put it: We all support many worthy organizations and charities in Israel, but Israel Bonds provides us the opportunity to write a check made out to the State of Israel.

As a Zionist, pro-Israel community, there are many ways KJ supports Israel (for example, by signing up for the AIPAC Policy Conference on March 1-3, 2015 in Washington, D.C.). Buying Israel Bonds (or giving them as gifts or utilizing them in your charitable giving) is the best way to make an investment in the State of Israel.



The Rabbis Weinstock in the high-speed rail tunnel



Rabbi contingent in front of the tunnel

So, are you a Zionist? If so, then buy an Israel Bond.

For more information, go to www.israelbonds.com or contact KJ Israel Bonds Representative Robert Lunzer at 212-446-5835.

Ki mi'KJ Teitzei Torah!



The organization *Kulanu* works around the world to support isolated and emerging Jewish communities who wish to learn more about Judaism and connect with the wider Jewish community. KJ donated five *passul* Torahs that sustained water damage to this organization. Pictured here are members of the Beth Yeshurun community in Camaroon, who received one of the KJ Torahs with great joy.



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CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN EXTENDS A MAZAL TOV TO....

LIANA ABADI, daughter of Esty and Mauricio Abadi, upon her graduation, with honors in her Public Health Major and Psychology minor, from the University of Rochester. She will be pursuing her masters in Occupational Therapy at Columbia University this fall.

SAMANTHA ADLER, daughter of Marilyn and Greg Adler, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. She will attend Israel's Midreshet Lindenbaum in the fall and New York University upon her return.

JOSEPH BARUCH, son of Shira and Dr. Larry Baruch, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend Yeshivat Netiv Aryeh in the fall and New York University upon his return. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

DANIEL BERG, son of Deborah and Barry Berg, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School as a recipient of the David Kagan Memorial Award for the student athletes who best exemplify the values of sportsmanship and menschlichkeit both on and off the playing field. He will attend The George Washington University in the fall. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandmother Lili Goldberg.

SARAH BIERMAN, daughter of Riva Alper and Joe Bierman, upon her graduation from Brandeis University with a Studio Arts major and a minor in Creative Writing. Sarah has accepted a position in Visual Merchandising with Anthropologie.

HANNAH BLEY, daughter Sarah and Dr. Leonard Bley, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. She will attend Emory University in the fall.

WILLIAM BRYK, son of Laurie and Dr. Eli Bryk, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A Siemens semi-finalist as well as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, he was the recipient of an English Award for Excellence in literature, the Lisolette Samuel Gorlin Mathematics Award, and the Harvey Blech Memorial Award for Excellence in the study of physics. William was also presented with

The George Washington University School of Engineering & Applied Science Medal. William will attend the Technion in Haifa this fall and Harvard College upon his return.

CAROLINE LOBEL BRYK, daughter of Judith and David Lobel, upon her graduation from Columbia College, *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa. Caroline will begin teaching this fall at the Success Academy Harlem 5 Charter School through Teach for America. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandmother Esther Lobel.

MICHAEL CHETRIT, son of Nancy and Joseph Chetrit, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School.

REUBEN CHETRIT, son of Esther and Meyer Chetrit, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will be attending Eugene Lang College - The New School for Liberal Arts.

DANIEL CINNAMON, son of Mindy and Dr. Jay Cinnamon, upon his graduation from high school in Atlanta. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

MARISSA CINNAMON, daughter of Mindy and Dr. Jay Cinnamon, upon her graduation from New York University. She has accepted a position in Human Resources at UJA. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

JONATHAN DAVIS, son of Helen and Reuben Davis, upon his graduation, with honors in his Political Science major, from Queens College. He will attend Cardozo Law School in the fall.

JACOB EISENSTEIN, son of Randi and Dr. Howard Eisenstein, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend the University of Michigan in the fall.

SAMUEL FELDSTEIN, son of Miriam and Eric Feldstein, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. The recipient of the School Service Award in connection

with being elected President of the Ramaz student government, he will attend Aardvark Israel in the fall and Northwestern University upon his return.

MATTHEW GROSS, son of Jennifer Gross & Saul Burian and Micheal Gross, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend Yeshivat Orayta in the fall and Cornell University upon his return.

JESSICA GRUENSTEIN, daughter of Nicole and David Gruenstein, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A recipient of the Edith Schrank Memorial Award for outstanding work in creative writing, the Daniele Gorlin Lassner French Award, a Chorus Award, and a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program, she will attend Columbia University in the fall.

DAVID GRUMET, son of Judy and Dr. Marty Grumet, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend Yeshivat Orayta in the fall and New York University Stern School of Business upon his return.

JUSTIN HABER, son of Jill and James Haber, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A recipient of a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program, he will attend the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in the fall.

DAVID HOFFMAN, son of Vicki and Isaac Hoffman, upon his graduation *summa cum laude* from Washington University in St. Louis, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Anthropology. David will attend Yale Law School in the fall.

LEORA HUEBNER, daughter of Dr. Dina and Marshall Huebner, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A National Merit Scholarship Finalist, Leora received the Mary and Louis Wolinsky Award in Community Outreach, given to the seniors who have demonstrated the highest standards of menschlichkeit in service to Klal Yisrael, and the Jesse Deutsch Tefila Award presented to the seniors who have

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shown a demonstrable commitment to Tefila throughout high school. She will attend Israel's Migdal Oz in the fall and Princeton University upon her return.

ESTHER ISSEVER, daughter of Masami and Marko Issever, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School where she was the Hebrew language commencement speaker. Esther received the Ramaz Prize, an award given to the student who best exemplifies the ideals and goals of a Ramaz education: *menschlichkeit*; commitment to Torah, mitzvot, Am Yisrael and Medinat Yisrael; superior academic achievement; and a demonstration of responsibility for society. Additionally, she was a recipient of the Sam Gyenes Memorial Award given to the senior selected by the class as the individual most concerned with the needs and sensitivities of her classmates, and the Jesse Deutsch Tefila Award presented to the seniors who have shown a demonstrable commitment to Tefila throughout high school, the Yearbook Award and the Likrat Shabbat Award. Esther was presented with the New York City Council Speaker's Student Achievement Award, a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program, and the State of New York (Regents) Scholarship for Academic Excellence. She will attend Bet Chana in the fall and Yale University upon her return.

SIMON JEMAL, son of Jeanne and Samuel Jamal, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend The George Washington University in the fall.

LEXIE KAHN, daughter of Judy and Dr. Hirshel Kahn, upon her graduation from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor of Science in Supply Chain Management and Communication. Lexie will be fundraising for Maryland Hillel starting in August.

MELISSA KAPLAN, daughter of Dr. Jennifer and Michael Kaplan, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A National Merit Scholarship Finalist, she will attend the Israel Experience at Bar Ilan in the fall and Harvard College upon her return.

ELAINE (ELLY) KATZ, daughter of Dr. Karin Charnoff-Katz and Joel Katz, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A recipient of the Gilda Silverman Memorial Award presented to the seniors who, with energy and good humor, have demonstrated a commitment to learning as the language of their daily lives, Elly was also presented with an English Award for excellence in literature, the Edith Schrank Memorial Award for outstanding work in creative writing, the David Franklin Memorial Award for outstanding work and dedication to the scientific method, and a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program. She will attend Yale University in the fall.

DAN KORFF-KORN, son of Dr. Janice Korff and Justin Korn, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A National Merit Scholarship Finalist, he is a recipient of the Walter Koppel Jewish Political Action Award given to the students who have demonstrated leadership and commitment to political action for the benefit of the Jewish people. Dan will attend Yeshivat Maaleh Gilboa in the fall and Dartmouth University upon his return.

LEE KORFF-KORN, son of Dr. Janice Korff and Justin Korn, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will attend New York University in the fall.

DANIELLE LEFKOWITZ, daughter of Elena and Jay Lefkowitz, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. She will attend Kivunim in Israel in the fall and Barnard College upon her return.

RICHARD LOUIS LIEBERMAN, son of Dr. Andrea Thau and John Lieberman, upon receiving a BA from Binghamton University, *summa cum laude*, with Honors in Studio Art. He minored in cinema and management. Richard plans to pursue a career in film and TV as a production designer.

RACHEL MARCUS, daughter of Jacqueline and Jeffrey Marcus, upon her graduation *magna cum laude* from the University of Pennsylvania with a major in Communications and minors in Consumer

Psychology and Hispanic Studies. Rachel will be starting at the Bloomingdales Buying/Planning Executive Development Program in September.

DANIEL DE SOLA MARKS, son of Eliza de Sola Marks, upon his graduation from Brandeis University.

EDWARD MENAGED, son of Anat and Louis Menaged, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will serve in the Israel Defense Forces in the fall and attend New York University Stern School of Business upon his return.

TALIA MENCHE, daughter of Aliza and Aaron Menche, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. A recipient of the Leonard Friedland Hebrew Language Memorial Award for outstanding work in the study of the Hebrew language and excellence in literature, and a Chorus Award, she will attend Midreshet haRova in the fall and Washington University in St. Louis upon her return.

JONATHAN MESSING, son of Noemi and Daniel Messing, upon his graduation *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Pennsylvania. He will be a research fellow at the business school at Stanford University.

SANDRA PERL, daughter of Gail and Berndt Perl, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. She will attend Midreshet Amit in the fall and Emory University upon her return.

DAVID RAND, son of Drs. Susan and Jeffrey Rand, upon his graduating *summa cum laude* from Macaulay Honors College at CUNY Queens College, with a double major in Corporate Finance and Economics. David will attend the New York University School of Law in the fall.

DANIELLE REISMAN, daughter of Dr. Steven Reisman, upon her graduation from the Sy Syms School of Business, Yeshiva University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing.

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MELISSA SCHEINBERG, daughter of Stacy and Ronald Scheinberg, upon her graduation with a Bachelor of Science in applied mathematics from the University of Rochester. She is currently working for a music management company in New York City.

SUSIE SENDERS, daughter of Debbie and Dr. Shelly Senders, upon her graduation from Stern College for Women. She has accepted a teaching position at the Heschel School Early Childhood Center in the fall. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

HANNAH SHAMS, daughter of Alissa and Howie Shams, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. She will attend Midreshet Amit in the fall and the University of Maryland upon her return.

JONATHAN SILVERMAN, son of Adrian and Leonard Silverman, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School where he was the English language Commencement Speaker. Jonathan received the Richard E. Kobrin Award for Excellence in Community Service, the Sherut Award for contributions to school programs, as well as the Avram J. Hellerman Bikur Cholim Award presented to the graduating seniors who have demonstrated exceptional

commitment to the mitzvah of Bikur Cholim. Jonathan was also given a letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program; the New York City Council Speaker's Student Achievement Award; and the New York State Triple C Award from the New York State Attorney General's Office presented to students who best represent commitment, character and courage. He will be studying in Israel next year at Rav Aharon Bina's Yeshivat Netiv Aryeh in the Old City of Jerusalem, and upon his return will attend the University of Pennsylvania. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents, Donna and Arthur Silverman.

MICHAEL SNOW, son of Lisa and Lee Snow, upon his graduation, *summa cum laude*, from Binghamton University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in his junior year. Michael will be spending the 2014-2015 academic year in Berlin, Germany, where he will be a Fulbright Teaching Fellow.

AVITAL LEAH SZULC, daughter of Teri and Dr. Massimiliano Szulc, upon her graduation from the University of Pennsylvania, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering.

EDWARD TUCKMAN, son of Katherine and Bruce Tuckman, upon his graduation from

the Ramaz Upper School. A Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program recipient, Edward received the Dr. Irving and Dubby Shulman Derekh haYashar Citizenship Award, the Isaac Rappaport Bible Award, and the Gorfinkle/Waldman Computer Science Award. He will attend Yale University in the fall.

DANIELLA WILNER, daughter of Judy and Dr. Philip Wilner, upon her graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. Dani is the recipient of the Lillian Jacobs Award for excellence in character and dedication to the spirit of Jewish ethics. Dani will spend next year studying in Israel at Midreshet HaRova, following which she will begin her undergraduate studies at Columbia University. Mazal Tov, as well, to the proud KJ grandfather, Henry Wilner.

JACOB WILNER, son of Judy and Dr. Philip Wilner, upon his graduation from New York University with an Honors major in International Relations. Jake has taken a position as a Business Analyst at Deloitte Consulting. Mazal Tov, as well, to the proud KJ grandfather, Henry Wilner.

JOSEPH (YOSSI) YADID, son of Wendy and Rami Yadid, upon his graduation from the Ramaz Upper School. He will serve in the Israel Defense Forces in the fall.

EAST SIDE TORAH LEARNING COALITION ENJOYS SECOND SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Over six weeks between Pesach and Shavuot, hundreds of neighborhood residents again studied Ethics of the Fathers. They were participating in the "Pirke Avot Dialogues," an initiative of the East Side Torah Learning Coalition (TLC). Jointly conceived by Rabbi Weinstock and Rabbi Scott Bolton of Congregation Or Zarua, what started with six neighborhood congregations has grown to eleven and come to include Torah study opportunities connected to the High Holidays and Chanukah.

Each of this season's six sessions (meeting on Thursdays and alternating between daytime and evening) took place at a different synagogue and featured a pair of rabbis presenting insights into a particular theme or subject. The goal was to create a more conversational setting where ideas were shared and debated in a collegial environment. Rabbi Weinstock inaugurated the series by teaching with Rabbi Rachel Ain of Sutton Place Synagogue using the Mishna of *Al tarbeh sicha im ha-isha* (do not engage a woman too much conversation) as a starting point. Congregational Scholar Gilah Kletenik taught together with Rabbi Bolton at Or Zarua on the topic of *machloket l'sheim shamayim* (argument for the sake of heaven).

Judging from the attendance at the TLC sessions, it is clear that this initiative is a welcome addition to the Torah study of the Upper East Side.

INVOCATION AT THE APRIL 9 142ND ANNUAL KJ SYNAGOGUE MEETING

by Rabbi Elie Weinstock

ברוך המקום ברוך הוא

*Blessed be the Ever-Present,
blessed be He.*

Eternal God: Next week at Passover, Jews around the world will sing these words as they marvel at Your might and give thanks for Your deliverance of the Jewish people from the bonds of Egyptian slavery.

On this special night, we are grateful to you, o Lord, for the chance to convene for the 142nd time as a Congregation.

Baruch ha-Makom - Tonight, blessed is the makom, sacred space. We are grateful that our community continues to sanctify space in service to You even as we remain displaced. From the Ramaz Middle and Upper Schools to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the holy activities of KJ thrive as we await, please God, the return to our Main Sanctuary in the coming year.

Baruch hu - Blessed is He. We thank God for the blessing of individuals. Blessed are the new members we welcome tonight as we encourage them to become active participants in our Congregation. We offer words of blessing to friends who have been members for decades, and we pray that those who have passed on be remembered for a blessing.

Baruch she-natan Torah le'amo Yisrael - Blessed is the Almighty for our flourishing community rooted in Jewish learning and tradition. Some 70 years after the Holocaust, we can listen to a story of survival from one of our own members, and we are privileged that our children - proud students in a Jewish high school - return as living proof from Israel, Berlin and Poland that *am Yisrael chai*.

Baruch hu. Dear God: We pray for Your continued blessing on this place, our beloved Kehilath Jeshurun, and humbly ask Your providence in fulfilling our congregation's mission of dedication to Your service, the Jewish people and the State of Israel, our fellow citizens, and humanity as a whole.

Amen.

SUMMER TASTE OF TORAH AT KJ Taught by Rabbi Yossi Weiser

The perfect recipe to satisfy any spiritual or intellectual appetite.

Tuesdays: July 22, 29; August 12, 19 & 26

The Book of Kings - 7:00 pm

Explore the villainous reign of King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. What went wrong? What went right? What lessons can we learn from those times that can guide us today?

Vladimir (Zev) Jabotinsky - 1918-1940: Into the Fire - 8:00 pm

In an era of charismatic leaders, Jabotinsky has emerged as a giant among giants. His interactions with Herzl, Czars, Lenin, Rav Kook, Mussolini, King George, and others helped bring to fruition the modern State of Israel.

Thursdays July 24, 31; August 7, 14, 21 & 28

Jewish Law and Personal Autonomy - 7:00 pm

Jewish law is more than "just say no." Learn how Judaism confronts the issues of today using the eternal wisdom of the Torah.

Studies in the Weekly Portion - 8:00 pm

Explore the profound insights and relevance of our tradition as derived from the weekly parsha through the classical commentaries of the last 2,500 years.



Wednesdays with Rabbi Yitz Motechin

The Book of Samuel - 7:15 pm

Delve into the critical ethical dilemmas and political conflicts found throughout the book. We will contrast the careers and legacies of King Saul and King David as we understand their roles in the greater history of the Jewish people.

The Most Fundamental Things We Do: Blessings - 8:00 pm

Study the origins and applications of the laws of Berachot (blessings). The exploration will begin with Talmudic sources and continue with the conclusions as they appear in Jewish law.



All classes will take place at 114 East 85th Street, are free of charge, and do not require reservations. For more information, contact the Synagogue office at 212-774-5678 or see www.kjbeginners.org

Keter Torah Awardee Alissa Shams

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community of faculty, students, and parents. So many dedicated Ramaz parents and faculty became involved as first responders in these moments of crisis or celebration. Think about it: all we meant to do was simply express our congratulations or our condolences but in so doing, we expressed our common bond and our humanity. To date, Natan has responded to over 177 situations. We have celebrated and cried together as a community and in so doing, we have become stronger as a community.

I have been fortunate to follow this path because of my amazing family starting with my parents and sister who live the principles of this life each day. It is no coincidence that I married into the Shams family, grounded with the values

of chesed and community. Many of my supportive friends sit in this room today. They and others who could not be here today have not left my side during this incredible journey and I thank them all. It is my deepest wish that my children will carry a similar torch, and even today I beam with pride watching them run soup kitchens in Jerusalem, visiting and supporting those in need, and opening their homes to anyone that might need a place to stay.

Last but not least, I dedicate this award to my partner and husband, the love of my life, Howie Shams, who teaches me every day how to be a better person.

Thank you so much.

AIPAC: NO GENERATION GAP HERE

This year's AIPAC reporters are a mother and son duo who made the trip to Washington, D.C., to be a part of the 14,000 pro-Israel activists from all 50 states who attend the AIPAC Policy Conference. Here, they share their thoughts on coming together to help strengthen the U.S. - Israel relationship.



Adam Schwartzfarb, Ramaz freshman:

Walking into a room of 14,000 people may not seem like much of an experience until you've actually done it. But where might you find 14,000 people wearing suits and ties advocating for a very important cause? AIPAC of course. In case you don't know, AIPAC stands for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee. Started in 1951, AIPAC has been supporting Israel-American relations for more than 50 years. But it has only expanded and expanded from day one. In 1983 my mother, Robin Rothman, attended an AIPAC policy conference where she estimates there may have been 400 people. Today, there are more than 400 people just working for AIPAC!

I have been lobbying on Capitol Hill since I was in Pampers, but many kids, teens, and adults do not even know what lobbying is. That is why the AIPAC Policy Conference has such a substantial effect on people's day-to-day lives. When coming into AIPAC for the first time, you feel an overwhelming sense of community. (It's almost scary.) Everyone just feels like they have been living in Washington, D.C.'s convention center their whole lives. That community feeling is strong because everyone has something in common: The passion to protect Israel under all circumstances. Well, you might ask, how do I know that all of the attendees had this strong passion? When you sit in a convention center for 10 hours a day, for three days straight, listening to professors, dignitaries, and other intelligent forms of life talk for hours on end, you have commitment: Commitment to sacrifice three days of your business, pleasure, or school and go out of your way to learn about Zionism. Commitment to learning how to protect the country we all love and cherish. Commitment to help and protect Israel to the best of your ability because of the three words that all of us grew up saying: "Am Yisrael Chai." That is the motto that I live by, and that is what AIPAC is all about.

Robin Rothman:

AIPAC AS A PERSONAL LEGACY

(Thoughts on the 2014 Conference, based on a longer article)

AIPAC has opened windows of understanding between me and my son, Adam. Thanks to this incredible three day conference, Adam has a much clearer idea of what makes me tick - a deep love of Israel that so moves me that I will not be silenced. He has probably always known of my staunch support, but AIPAC has given him a point of reference. Together we listened, learned, challenged and spoke out for the safety of our beloved United States of America and our eternal homeland, Israel.

The primary objectives of the 2014 Conference were to strengthen the U.S. - Israel relationship; to prevent Iran from acquiring the capability to build nuclear weapons; to promote peace between Israel and the Palestinians; and to support security assistance to the Jewish state as well as a robust American foreign aid budget.

Try to imagine a stadium-sized room with seating for 14,000 people and about 30 huge projection screens that fully surround the space, bringing you up close and personal with the speakers on the stage. The acoustics are bold and penetrating and each seat feels like you are 7th row center. In this immense and oddly intimate setting, AIPAC offers sessions that gives insight into the people of Israel, their economy, their technology, and their role as the only democracy in the Middle East. We saw how Israeli ingenuity has created some of the most cutting edge discoveries in the fields of missile defense, medical research and desalinization on the planet. They have also, through the most tragic of experiences, become one of the world's leaders in healing and community building on the local level. Israelis and the Israel Defense Forces have been quick to respond in crises far beyond their borders. They were some of the first responders in Haiti after the earthquake, in Colorado after the mudslide, and they have been actively engaged in helping to rebuild a Chicago community that has been devastated by poverty, crime and hopelessness.

We were given sage advice regarding how to approach our elected representatives when it came time to lobby them. I sat with Adam and we discussed what - out of the dozens of breakout sessions offered-- was of the greatest interest to him. We chose breakout sessions on such topics as: *The Israeli-Syrian Border: 1923-2014*; *Critical Collaboration: U.S.- Israel Missile Defense Cooperation*; *Domes, Arrows & Slings: U.S.-Israel Cooperation in Joint Missile Defense*; and a standing room only class on *Financing Evil: Understanding Terror Networks and Their*

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Funding. Through what we learned, we were able to speak knowledgeably with our elected officials. It was important that they see the strong commitment of American Jews to Israel. The

They are taken on tours to see the devastation left by constant missile attacks, vulnerable borders and the memorials of those whose lives were lost in the Shoah. These visits allowed our government representatives to see firsthand the bright, shining future of a resilient people determined not only to survive but to better the world in the process.

The most electrifying session featured Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. He spoke of welcoming a two-state solution with full knowledge of the attacks and challenges that would lie ahead. Prime Minister Netanyahu "hoped that the Palestinian leadership will stand with Israel and the United States on the right side of the moral divide, the side of peace, reconciliation and hope." Throughout his talk he was met with thunderous applause and numerous standing ovations.

This year's AIPAC message was and is of utmost importance. The world is presently facing its most historic challenges in the Middle East, and the Conference stressed that the relationship between the United States and Israel is "indispensable to securing the security of both nations."

AIPAC is committed to this. I am committed to this. And so are the 14,000 people who attended the conference. Adam included.



Adam Schwartzfarb and his mother Robin Rothman:

knowledge acquired was vital in our understanding of the challenges ahead as well as our ability to speak effectively to our representatives about our concerns.

Many of our elected officials understand much of what we learned at AIPAC thanks to a fabulous program associated with AIPAC called the American Israel Education Foundation, where elected officials are invited to Israel on fact-finding missions.



KJ DELEGATION: 150 STRONG. PICTURE YOURSELF HERE NEXT YEAR!



In Bloom on May 4

The Falk Auditorium was transformed into a floral wonderland on May 4, when over 150 women attended the KJ Sisterhood Annual Luncheon, chaired by Jamie Chubak, Stephanie Katz, Jody Levine, and Samantha Podolsky. Each table featured a unique floral centerpiece designed by the top florists in our community and neighborhood. The delicious brunch was catered by Foremost caterers. Music was provided by Ramaz alumnus Danny Hartig and his band.

Initiated at the event was the Gertrude Lookstein Award for exceptional service to the KJ Sisterhood, which will become a yearly presentation.

This year the award was accepted by Audrey Lookstein in honor of her late mother-in-law.

This, and all Sisterhood events, raise significant funds for the Sisterhood's many charitable programs that help people in our neighborhood, the greater community, and Israel.

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L'SHALOM L'VRACHA, SHLICHOT B'NAI AKIVA!

Dear KJ Community,

We cannot thank you enough for making this such a memorable year for us! For helping us with whatever we needed, for your warm hospitality, for all the new friendships, for showing your support and appreciation, and most of all - for letting us be a part of your community.

Thank you!

This year has been amazing - all thanks to you!



Keep in touch! Let us know when you will be in Israel
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AROUND THE COMMUNITY!

UJA at KJ has been busy this year! Following Thanksgiving at Project Ore, a program of the Educational Alliance, Tu B'Shevat at Jewish Home Lifecare, and Pack it up for Purim to benefit the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, all UJA-Federation beneficiary agencies, UJA at KJ did not slow down in the spring!

KJ celebrated "UJA Shabbat" on April 5th, with new UJA-Federation of NY CEO and Executive Vice President, Eric Goldstein. Eric spoke about the work of UJA-Federation of NY, the important relationship between UJA-Federation and the KJ community, and some of his plans and goals and he begins his tenure.

On Sunday, April 27, Yom HaShoah, KJ came together with Park Avenue Synagogue and UJA-Federation's Families Division to serve a meal to Holocaust survivors and learn about the seniors' experiences. A small group of teens and parents headed out to the JCC of the Greater Five Towns to participate in the meal and hear stories from the survivors.

Barry Lovell, chair of the Day School Advocacy Task Force for UJA-Federation, spoke at the Annual UJA at KJ Reception, held at the home of Judy and David Lobel. Barry spoke about all of the work that UJA-Federation is



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engaged in advocating for government day school dollars, the impact of the last several years, and the commitment for the future. His inspiring words connected the importance of leveraging government support for education in solidarity with the broader community.

To finish out the year, on May 7, seniors from SelfHelp, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency that addresses the needs of Holocaust survivors in New York City, joined the KJ Lunch and Learn program and were treated to a performance by the Ramaz Lower School choir under the direction of Daniel Henkin and Chaya Glaser. As always, the visiting seniors enjoyed hearing the children sing, and even more enjoyed getting to speak with them individually after the performance.

These wonderful events were made possible thanks to "UJA at KJ" chairs Rebecca Feit, Abby Kaufthal, and Nicole Meyer, and the amazing support of the KJ staff and community.

For those who would like to participate in our next opportunity, please contact UJA at KJ chairs:

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or 212.836.1356

We hope to see you all at future events!

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Youth Leader Aryana Bibi Ritholtz made certain that KJ children had a fun-filled year, balanced by meaningful Jewish programming. Her most recent successes were a *Frozen* movie sing-a-long, a trip to Bounce Trampoline Park, an excursion to cheer the amazin' Mets at CitiField, and two well attended parent-child minyanim that brought moms, dads, and kids together to Sunday morning services.



We are appealing to readers of this quarterly Bulletin who are not members of the Congregation and receive the Bulletin in the mail.

Please contact us to confirm that you wish to remain on our non-member mailing list. This can be done in one of two ways: call 212-774-5654 or e-mail esther@ckj.org and request that your contact information remain in our database.

If we do not hear from you by August 1, we may remove your name from our mailing list. Act now so you do not miss out on keeping informed about KJ programming and events!



The elegant backdrop of FIVESTORY provided a luxurious shopping experience where a percentage of the proceeds went to the KJ Sisterhood.

A special *thank you* to KJ member Claire Distenfeld for her most gracious hosting, and to Elyse Efron and Joy Kleeger for chairing this event.

Pictured from left to right: Elyse Efron, Claire Distenfeld and Joy Kleeger

THE 142nd YEAR OF CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

A RETROSPECTIVE 2013-2014

SPECIAL SHABBAT PROGRAMS

Learners Service
Hashkama Minyan
Women's Tefilah Group
Keshet Young People's Minyan
Intermediate Service
Teen Minyan
Sepharadic Minyan

SHABBAT SCHOLARS

♦Dr. Daniel Gordis
♦Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder
♦Rabbi Ronen and
Rabbanit Penina Neuwirth

SEUDAH SHLISHIT GUEST SPEAKERS

♦Rabbi Mordechai Tokarsky, *Founder and National Director of RAJE*
♦Rabbi Shlomo Riskin
♦Rabbi Dov Fendel of the *Sderot Hesder Yeshiva* and Alon Davidi, *Mayor of Sderot*
♦Nicole Gruenstein, *Ramaz Senior*
♦Ziva Kramer
♦Rabbi Asher Lopatin
♦Rabbi Yehuda Sarna
♦Rabbi Eliezer Rubin
♦Hank Sheinkopf
♦Stephanie Felder, *Ramaz Senior*
♦Mark Meirowitz
♦Alan Lehrer

HOLIDAY EVENTS

♦Teshuva Shiur
by Rabbi Saul Berman
♦Shabbat Shuva Drasha
by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
♦Sukkot Meals
♦Congregational Breakfasts for
Hoshanah Rabbah, Purim, Yom
ha' Atzmaut, Yom Yerushalayim
♦Purim Mishloach Manot
♦Shabbat HaGadol Drasha
by Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder
♦Yom Hashoah Program
♦Yom HaZikaron Program
♦Yom Ha' Atzmaut Barbecue &
Services
♦Shavuot Dinner & Tikkun Leyl

MEN'S CLUB

KIDDUSH DISCUSSIONS:
♦*Why Israel is Winning Against Iran's Nuclear Program* with Meir Javedanfar, Middle East Analyst
♦*Ayşe Kulin*, Author of "Last Train to Istanbul"
♦*Arab Spring or Arab Winter?* with Michael Makovsky, CEO of JINSA
♦*The Post-American Middle East* with David Goldman
♦*The Future of Catholic-Jewish Relations - A Report on my Meeting with the Pope* with Dr. Adena

Berkowitz, Kol HaNeshamah Scholar-in-Residence

♦*"Here There is No Why"* with author Rachel Roth
♦*Women in Business & Women in Purim: A Timely and Timeless Message* with Rachel Kraus
♦*From the Hamburger to the Clinic: How We Can Use Stem Cells Safely* with Dr. Martin Grumet
♦*"The Israeli Solution: A One-State Plan for Peace in the Middle East"* with author Caroline Glick
♦*Confessions of a Jewish Broadcaster* with radio and newspaper personality Zev Brenner
♦*The Fascinating History and Present Status of Australian Jewry* with Rabbi Daniel Kraus
♦*Revealing Embedded Messages Within the Hebrew Word for Zion* with Nick Gura
♦*"Free Spirit: Growing Up On the Road and Off the Grid"* with author Joshua Safran
FILM SCREENINGS:
♦*Turkish Passport*
♦*Iranium*
SUPPER LECTURES:
♦*Iran and the Threat to Israel* with Ryan Mauro, National Security Analyst of the Clarion Project
♦*"The Past is Never Dead"* with author Willard Oriol
♦Dr. Stephen Stowe Annual Shabbaton
♦Sponsorship of Weekly Seudot Shlishit
♦Monthly Chug Ivri

SISTERHOOD

♦Health Initiative: *Breast Cancer Genomics, Screening and Prevention*
♦Chanukah Boutiques
♦Shopping Event at Fivestory
♦Soul Cycle Memorial Ride
♦*Family-Style Cooking* with chef Kim Kushner
♦Pre-Passover *Wine Tasting with food pairings with Chef Tami Cleeman*
♦Museum Tours of
THE JEWISH MUSEUM: Chagall: Love, War, and Exile
SOTHEY'S: Important Judaica and Israeli Art Auctions with Sharon Mintz, John Ward, and Jennifer Roth
♦Saffron and Rosewater: Songs and Stories from Persian Jewish Women
♦Annual Spring Luncheon, *Dining by Design*
♦Sponsorship of Weekly Kiddushim
♦Preparations of Local Houses of Mourning and Mourner's First Meal
♦Shiva Etiquette lecture with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, in partnership with Natan @Ramaz
♦College Connection gifts

♦Book Review: *The Watchmaker's Daughter* with author Sonia Taitz

KESHER

♦Shemini Atzeret Lunch
♦Zumba Classes
♦New Members Oneg
♦UJA@KJ Chesed Projects
♦"One Trek" Chanukah Concert
♦Tot Shabbat
♦Saturday Night Soiree at 18 Restaurant
♦Purim Party for Kids
♦Keshet New & Expectant Moms' Breakfast
♦Cooking Demonstration with Kim Kushner
♦Women's Shiur with Rachel Kraus
♦Family Purity Shiur
with Yoetzet Halakhah Dena Block
♦Shabbat Meals for New Parents
♦Guys Night Out
♦Spring Luncheon

GUEST SPEAKERS

♦Robert Sugarman, *Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations*
♦Rav Yosef Mendeleevitch, *former Prisoner of Zion*
♦Rabbi Shlomo Riskin
♦Naftali Bennett, Israeli Minister of Economy and Chairman of the "Yesh Atid" political party
♦Elly Katz, *Ramaz Senior*
♦Rabbi Asher Lopatin
♦Rabbi Yehuda Sarna
♦Rabbi Eliezer Rubin
♦Rabbi Marc D. Angel
♦Danny Ayalon, *former Israeli Foreign Minister & Israeli Ambassador to the US*
♦Dr. Tova Ganzel, *Director of the Bar Ilan Midrasha*
♦Eric Goldstein, *Executive VP and CEO of UJA-Federation of New York*
♦Dr. Avivah Zornberg
♦Elazar Stern, *Israeli MK and former IDF General*
♦Rabbi Shlomo Brody, *Dean of Yeshivat Hakotel's Overseas Program*
♦Hon. Ron. Dermer, *Israel's Ambassador to the United States*
♦Rabbi Joseph Telushkin, *author of Rebbe: The Life and Teachings of Menachem M. Schneerson, The Most Influential Rabbi in Modern History*

SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

♦Q&A with Dena Block, KJ Yoetzet Halakhah
♦Daf Yomi Siyum
♦Seymour Propp Memorial Lecture
♦Yachad Shabbaton
♦Blood Drive
♦Annual Synagogue Meeting

♦Simchat Torah/Shavuot Student Divrei Torah

♦AIPAC Policy Conference
♦History at Home with Rabbi Alexander Kaye
♦Operation L'Hitraot Israel Pesach Trip
♦Chevra Kadisha Seudah Shlishit
♦KJ Annual Dinner -ARABIAN NIGHTS
♦Israel Bond Shabbat
♦The Yiddish Schmoozers
♦Lunch and Learn
♦Torah Learning Coalition
♦Chai Mitzvah
♦Soul Cycle Women's Learning w/ Rachel Kraus
♦Tefillin and Mezuzah Check
♦Community Clothing Drive
♦Toy Drive

BEGINNERS

♦Jewish Youth Connection
♦Holiday Workshops
♦Friday Night Live! Service & Dinners
♦Hebrew Reading Crash Courses
♦NJOP Shabbat Across America
♦Sukkah Dinner Under the Stars
♦Chanukah in the Park
♦Passover Seder
♦Basic Judaism Crash Course
♦Crash Course in Jewish History
♦Jewish Learning Institute
♦Purim Party
♦Sabbath Salon
♦PJ Library Books for Kids
♦iLearn

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

♦Tot Shabbat
♦Trip to Hershey Park
♦Purim Carnival
♦Hamantaschen Bake-Off
♦Fall and Spring Shabbatonim
♦Open Gym Programs
♦Shabbat morning groups
♦Super Bowl Party
♦Trip to Bounce Trampoline Park
♦Trip to Mets Baseball Game
♦Bnei Akiva Sukkah Decorating
♦Bnei Akiva Sleepovers
♦Movie Nights
♦Bnei Akiva Shabbaton
♦Bnei Akiva Ice Cream Party
♦Bnei Akiva Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball
♦Bnei Akiva "Snif" Youth Groups
♦KJBL basketball league
♦KJSL softball league

COMING NEXT YEAR:

MORE GREAT KJ PROGRAMMING!

Hatzlacha Rabah

to KJ Congregational Scholar
Gilah Kletenik, as she leaves KJ
to pursue her Ph.D. after four years
of inspirational Torah scholarship.
We wish her success in her every
endeavor as she continues to make
her mark in the Jewish
community...and beyond.

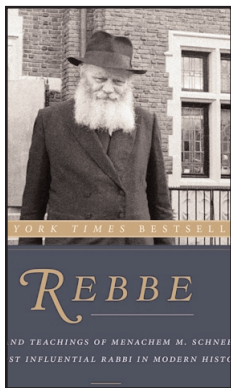


To keep in touch with Gilah, contact her at Gilah.Kletenik@gmail.com

SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME

To support synagogue programs, we invite prospective Kiddush & 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.

JOSEPH TELUSHKIN REFLECTS ON THE *REBBE*

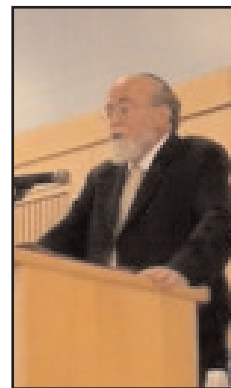


Rabbi Joseph Telushkin premiered his new book, *Rebbe*, at KJ on June 12 in the Falk Auditorium, at which time he shared his insights into the life and teachings of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, the seventh Lubavitcher Rebbe. The publication of the book coincided with the 20th yearzeit of the Rebbe, and the personal reflections shared by the author underscore the continuing and far-reaching influence of Rabbi Schneerson to this day.

The lessons one can learn from the Rebbe and the Lubavitch movement are simple and powerful. So many things which seem obvious, such as the importance of empowering others, the need for non-judgmental love of one's fellow Jew, the ability to disagree without being disagreeable, and the importance of using positive language. For example, the Rebbe questioned the use of the word "deadline," which has a negative connotation --the word *death* -- as opposed to using "due date" which has a more positive connotation since it is used most often when discussing a birth. The Rebbe felt that every act counts -- and that if something is worth doing, it is worth doing **now**.

Rabbi Telushkin said that a good rebbe creates followers, but a *great* rebbe creates leaders -- and that is what the Rebbe did -- sending thousands of disciples across the globe to bring the light of Yiddishkeit to all Jews. Forty-eight out of fifty States have a Chabad. It is possible to travel to the most remote places and still be able to have a kosher meal or daven in a minyan, thanks to the *shluchim*. The same holds true with the Chabad presence on college campuses. These emissaries offer spiritual strength and a warm welcome to all visitors, and the effect they can have is profound.

The talk whetted the appetites of many in the audience to read the book and to learn more about this remarkable man. The program was coordinated by Rabbi Daniel Kraus, KJ's Director of Community Education.



CREATE AN ENDURING LEGACY

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in the Congregation's Endowment and Planned Giving Program,
through which you can create an enduring legacy
of active participation in KJ.

Contact Leonard Silverman at 212-774-5680
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Having a Bar or Bat Mitzvah in 5775?

If you are celebrating a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at KJ between September 2014 and June 2015, please contact Riva Alper in the synagogue office at 212-774-5670 to reserve specific rooms for celebratory meals/kiddushes, and other functions.

MAY THEY GO HIGHER AND HIGHER

We extend a warm Mazal Tov to the following young members of the Congregation who participated in Advancement Day Exercises as they completed the Ramaz Middle School:

MELISSA ADLER

daughter of Marilyn and Greg Adler

REBECCA ARATEN

daughter of Annette and Dr. David Araten

ARIEL ATTIAS

son of Karine and Eric Attias

NOA-SARAH ATTIAS

daughter of Karine and Eric Attias

JOSHUA BERMAN

*son of Sara and David Berman
grandson of Judy and Michael Steinhardt*

SARAH BOLNICK

daughter of Dr. Taryn and David Bolnick

MAX BOYARSKY

*son of Jennifer and Jonathan Boyarsky
grandson of Shirley Boyarsky*

NOAH BRILL

*son of Judy Abel and Michael Brill
grandson of Shirley Abel*

SARAH COHEN

daughter of Gila and Hon. David Cohen

DARA DOFT

*daughter of Suzanne and Jacob Doft
granddaughter of Arlene and Avrom Doft*

JAMES DOFT

*son of Abby and David Doft
grandson of Arlene and Avrom Doft*

GABRIEL FISHER

*son of Nicole and Jeffrey Fisher
grandson of Shirley Boyarsky*

ORLI FOUZAILOFF

daughter of Ruth and Rafael Fouzailoff

NAOMI FREILICH

*daughter of
Drs. Stephanie and Jonathan Freilich*

AVA HORNBLASS

*daughter of
Dr. Chani Penstein and JJ. Hornblass
granddaughter of
Ann and Hon. Jerome Hornblass*

ABIGAIL HUEBNER

daughter of Dr. Dina and Marshall Huebner

SARAH ISSEVER

daughter of Masami and Marko Issever

ELLA JOFFE

daughter of Ashley and Diane Joffe

MAX LINDENBAUM

*son of Ray and Matthew Lindenbaum
grandson of Belda and Marcel Lindenbaum*

SASSON LONNER

*son of Leora Tanenbaum
and Jonathan Lonner*

ANNA LOW

daughter of Lisa and Nathan Low

KYLA MINTZ

*daughter of Dr. Elizabeth Wallach and
Victor Mintz*

DYLAN MODLIN

*daughter of Wendy and Adam Modlin
granddaughter of Leah and Barrie Modlin*

LILLIAN PRAVDA

daughter of Joy and Philip Pravda

BRIANNA RUBINSTEIN

daughter of Esther and Kenneth Rubinstein

JACOB SCHWAB

*son of Ellice and Bradly Schwab
grandson of Mel Stein*

ADAM SCHWARTZFARB

*son of
Robin Rothman and Dr. Lanny Schwartzfarb*

HANNA SHOLES

daughter of Esther and Marc Sholes

MARLEY STORCH

daughter of Jody and Ari Storch

JORDANA TEPPER

daughter of Fran and Dr. Alex Tepper



RAMAZ ADMISSIONS

Should you have a child who will be of age to enter Ramaz in September 2015,
the Admissions Office at Ramaz is open for inquiries.
Please call 212-774-8093 or e-mail Admissions@ramaz.org to set up an appointment
Best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

Randy Krevat, Director of Admissions, THE RAMAZ SCHOOL

E-mail: Admissions@ramaz.org Telephone: 212-774-8085 Fax: 212-774-8072

Ramaz School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. Ramaz does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship, and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

HIGH HOLY DAY SEAT RESERVATIONS NOW DUE

Kehilath Jeshurun will be holding High Holy Day services in the following locations: the Grace Rainey Rogers Auditorium at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Kaufman Auditorium in the Ramaz Upper School, the Gottesman Center's Falk Auditorium, and the Lindenbaum Gymnasium. The Beginners Service will be held in the Cayne Gymnasium at the Ramaz Upper School, and the Sephardic Minyan will be held there in the Beit Knesset.

High Holy Day seat reservation cards have already been sent to all congregants. **We ask you to please return the card with your requests as soon as possible, whether or not you plan to be with us this fall.**

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Rosh Hashanah morning services will be held on Thursday and Friday, September 25th and 26th at 8:00 AM. Kol Nidre services will be held at 5:55 PM on Friday night, October 3rd followed by Yom Kippur services at 9:00 AM the next morning.

*Services will be conducted at the
Ramaz Upper School's
Cayne Gymnasium.
Morris and Ida Newman
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60 East 78th Street*

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LEARN HEBREW IN TIME FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS!

Our **Crash Course in Hebrew Reading** will have you identifying letters and sounds and give you the basics in time for Rosh Hashanah. Taught by master teacher Sara Rosen, this class is perfect for those who have no background or as a review for those who wish to brush up on their skills. **Beginning Wednesday, August 6th, at 6:30 PM**

High Holiday Hebrew
Refresh your Hebrew Skills in time for Rosh Hashanah!
Beginning Wednesday, September 3 at 8:00 PM

Classes meet at the Gottesman Center, 114 East 85th Street
Co-sponsored by NJOP

KJ/RAMAZ CAME OUT IN FORCE ON JUNE 1 FOR THE ANNUAL CELEBRATE ISRAEL PARADE



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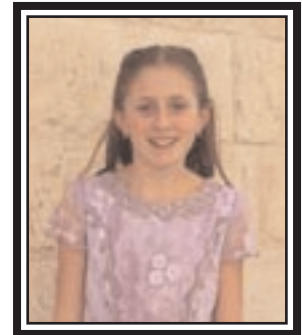
JARED BLINKEN

Mazal tov to Susan and Robert Blinken upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Jared, at mincha on Saturday, April 5, at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, at which time he read from Parashat Acharei Mot and delivered a Dvar Torah. This was followed by a celebratory Seudah Shlishit. In honor of his Bar Mitzvah, Jared has created and will run an event called Hope on the Snow, a day of skiing, snowboarding and ski racing to take place on Sunday, December 14th at Hunter Mountain, to benefit Sharsheret, a charitable organization which supports young women and their families, of all Jewish backgrounds, facing breast cancer. Jared will be entering the eighth grade at Gateway Middle School.



ELIZABRETH NEWMAN CORRE

Mazal Tov to Diana Newman and Isaac Corre upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Elizabeth, who completed Masechet Megillah and celebrated with a siyyum in the Ramaz Upper School Newman Education Center, on April 5th. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Carol and Mel Newman. Elizabeth will be entering the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



GABRIELLA SCHWARTZ

Mazal Tov to Erica and Rob Schwartz upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Gabriella, which took place on April 17th, during Chol ha-Moed Pesach, in Jerusalem. Mazal Tov as well to Gabby's KJ grandparents, Sheira and Steve Schacter. Gabby will be entering the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School this fall.

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EMMA VORCHHEIMER

Mazal Tov to Rachel and Dr. David Vorchheimer upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Emma Rose (Rivkah Tziyonah) on Yom Ha'Atzmaut at Congregation Shearith Israel, at which time Emma delivered her Dvar Torah, "Jerusalem: City of King David's Dreams, City of Jewish Unity" as a multimedia presentation. In a chesed project related to her Bat Mitzvah celebration, Emma performed a piano recital for the patients and staff at Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem. Emma will be entering the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



BEATRICE KLEEGER

Mazal Tov to Joy and Judd Kleeger upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Beatrice, on June 8 when she delivered a Dvar Torah on Megillat Ruth. Beatrice will be entering the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



AARON BERGFELD

Mazal Tov to Alison and Sylvain Bergfeld upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Aaron, at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, on Shabbat morning, June 28th, where Aaron read Parashat Chukat, the Rosh Chodesh Haftarah, and delivered a D'var Torah. Aaron will be entering the eighth grade at the Heschel School.

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BE SURE TO VISIT KJ'S WEBSITE WWW.CKJ.ORG



**When you think about a night out,
maybe it's time to opt for something other than a movie or a visit to the museum....**

Think about something more meaningful - a way to bring your family together; a way to connect with our community more deeply; a way to enhance your religious and ethical engagement. Participate in KJ's Chai Mitzvah cohort, led by Rabbinic Assistant Roy Feldman one evening a month!

Not only is there stimulating study and conversation with Roy, participants also identify personal areas of growth, which they work on individually, focusing on learning, ritual and social action.

Chai Mitzvah is perfect for people of all backgrounds and levels, Jewish knowledge, and engagement with the community. KJ members of diverse backgrounds have participated in this hugely successful program. All have found the experience meaningful and worthwhile.

Chai Mitzvah is an excellent opportunity for self-discovery, to add strength to a marriage or to connect with a child becoming a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, - and it is a great alternative to another mediocre movie or viewing the latest reality TV show.

For further information, email: roy@ckj.org

GEMARA FOR SENIORS!



The 11th grade Honors Talmud class was privileged to welcome to their class a group of senior citizens from the KJ Lunch and Learn on May 7. They broke up into *chavrutot* (study groups) and studied text on the significance of the Land of Israel in Jewish thought.

The students and "Lunch and Learners" got to learn from each other and it was a very enjoyable experience for all. It was a great way to prepare for Yom Ha'atzmaut!



Photo Credit Rabbi Yigal Sklarin

**UNDER
CONSTRUCTION**

**A picture is
definitely
worth
a thousand
words...**

Topping off is a builders' rite held when the last beam is placed atop a structure during its construction.

On June 20, before this significant event, members of the KJ Rabbinat, KJ and Ramaz Administrations, architects, engineers, and the Building Committee all signed the last beam of the Synagogue infrastructure.

After topping off, numerous construction elements remain, including interior finish and most mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems. We cannot wait to celebrate its completion next year!



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In Memoriam

GLADYS BARUCH

She came to our congregation only ten years ago, but she was quickly welcomed and became beloved by the many friends she made here.

The loving mother of our *gabbai*, Dr. Larry Baruch and the *macheteniste* of Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, Gladys was deeply devoted to the Jewish community. She devoted a major part of her life to Emunah Women of America and served as its President for a distinguished term. Together with her late husband, David Baruch, she was a leading *balabosta* in Forest Hills where she spent most of her adult life. Her passion, however, was her family. She was a very caring and loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who loved nothing more than to *shep nachas* from those who loved her so and who reveled in her love for them.

EDWARD LOW

A member of the congregation for over five decades, Ed Low was the patriarch of a family of four children and thirteen grandchildren, all of whom received a Day School education - almost all in Ramaz.

A past officer of KJ, Ed and his dear wife, Hannah, always supported both KJ and Ramaz. Recently, they made a magnanimous gift to the Building Fund

which will enable us to dedicate the doors of our Main Synagogue in Ed's memory.

Ed was a splendid *balabos* who wanted our *shul* and our school to thrive in its vision of promoting Modern Orthodox life. It was such a life that he and Hannah modeled for their children and grandchildren.

It was perhaps symbolic of the continuity in the family and its central role in his life that, during the *shiva*, two great grandchildren were born. The Low tradition carries on.

JEANNE MALCOLM

Jeanne's KJ connection complemented her long-time active participation at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on the West Side. A legendary hostess, cook, and lover life, Jeanne's 7 years of worshipping at KJ were distinguished by her intellectual curiosity as a regular attendee of KJ Beginners classes and a Chai Mitzvah graduate. Her commitment to her family, friends, the Jewish people, and God evoked Ruth's famous declaration (Jeanne's Hebrew name was Chana Ruth): "Wherever you go, I will go, and wherever you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people and your God my God."

PAMELA RECHTSCHAFFEN

She remembered from whence she came, from a Boro Park family of Holocaust survivors. She reflected the yeshiva education that she received in girls' seminaries and she was very determined to see that tradition maintained in her family. She was very proud that she married a rabbi, Manfred Rechtschaffen. She gloried in her sons' education in Ramaz and she had great nachas from seeing grandchildren in our school. She was a fabulous mother and a doting grandmother.

She suffered the last couple of years from a very difficult illness. She wanted nothing more than to live and she fought that illness heroically with Manfred and her children and grandchildren at her side. She had an unforgettable smile which she never lost even when her life's strength was ebbing away.

Pamela had great friends in our community who rejoiced with her in the years of her happiness and joy and who were incredibly devoted to her when she needed their support. Sadly, she was taken from her family and her friends far too soon, but she will be remembered as a woman who knew exactly who she was and who she wanted her family to be.

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Thank you in advance for your generous support of our synagogue and all that it offers to the broader community

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Laurie & Dr. Eli Bryk and Joyce & Daniel Straus upon the birth of a grandson, Charlie Cyrus (Shalom Ephraim), born to their children Diana and Joseph Straus.

Elizabeth and Jeremy Falk upon the birth of their first child, Charles Henry (Raphael Yisrael). Mazal tov as well to proud KJ grandparents, Vivian and Bernard Falk.

Dr. Naamit Kurshan and Michael Gerber upon the birth of their third child and first son, Ezra Chaim. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Francine and Morry Gerber.

Dale and Saul Goldberg upon the birth of a granddaughter, Mia, born to their children, Elyse and Benjamin Goldberg.

Goldie and I. David Gordon, upon the birth of a grandson, Avery Solomon (Avraham Uri Shlomo), born to their children Aviva and Daniel Gordon.

Dr. Carin and Eric Gribetz upon the birth of their third child and second son, William Jacob (Daniel Yehuda).

Tami Rock and Joseph Halpern, upon the birth of their third child and second daughter, Rose Hava (Rachel Chava).

Barbara and Manfred Joseph upon the birth of a great-grandson, Akiva Simcha, born to their grandchildren Rachel and Yossi Friedman, the children of Paula and Dr. Howard Friedman.

Michele and Steven Kamali, upon the birth of their second daughter, Annabelle Cate (Liat).

Gladys and Martin Kartin upon the birth of a granddaughter, Emma Clara Weitzner, born to their children Sarah and Shragi Weitzner. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ great-grandparents, Roz and Dr. Walter Weitzner.

Jamie and Philip Katz upon the birth of their second child and first son, Asher Joseph (Yitzchak Mordechai). Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents, Evelyn and Greg Katz.

Sharon and Howard Katz upon the birth of their second grandson, Jack Ronen (Yaakov Ronen), born to their children Amber and Jonathan Harris.

Abby and Joshua Kaufthal upon the birth of their third child and first daughter, Ella Julia, (Esther Jana).

Rina and Zachary Kestenbaum upon the birth of their second son and third child, Irwin Oliver (Yisroel Chaim). Mazal tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Ruth and Gerald Kestenbaum.

Jackie Leifert, upon the birth of a grandson, Reuven Nachum, born to her children Michal and Rabbi Aryeh Leifert.

Hannah Low upon the birth of two great-granddaughters - Edith (Edie) Poppy Herbst, born to Danielle and Stevie Herbst and the

granddaughter of KJ members Shelley and Marty Kaufman; and Rose Elizabeth Deutsch, born to Crystal and Arie Deutsch and the granddaughter of Claire Alpert.

Hilary and Barry Ness upon the birth of their third daughter, Margaux Simone (Sima Margalit). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents, Drs. Vicky Deutsch and Gerald Platt.

Placyn and Gonen Paradis upon the birth of their third child and second daughter, Vivian (Chava).

Natalia and Dan Raz upon the birth of their first child, a son, Ethan (Eitan).

Auralee and David Ring upon the birth of their second child and son, Dylan (Akiva Boaz). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents, Rochelle and Michael Ring.

Melissa and Jeffrey Schachar upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Charlotte Rose (Rosa Yita).

Tali and Adam Tantleff on the birth of their third child and second son, Eli Moshe.

Grace Weil upon the birth of a new great-granddaughter, Alexandra Meira, to her grandchildren Uriel and Leah Sturm of Jerusalem. Lots of naches to grandparents, Drs. Heshy and Esther Sturm of Toronto, parents of Uriel and children of Grace.

Esther and Eli Wishnivetski, upon the birth of their second child and first daughter, Kayla.

Maureen and Jack Zaremski upon the birth of their first child, a daughter, Dahlia Rebecca (Dahlia Rivka).

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

BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Diane and Hon. Robert Abrams upon the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Michaela, daughter of Rachel and Rabbi Ian Pear.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Sheila and Jeremy Chess upon the engagement of her son, Joshua Levine, to Ahuva Goldstein, daughter of Zahava and Tzvi Goldstein of Woodmere. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Paula Pilevsky.

Roni and Dr. Robert Y. Pick upon the engagement of their son, Ben, to Tonya Rosenblatt, the daughter of Tziporah and Rabbi Jonathan Rosenblatt of the Riverdale Jewish Center.

Grace Weil, upon the engagement of her grandson, Netanel, son of Sara and Aryeh Weil, to Bat-Chen Ohev Tziyon, all of Jerusalem.

May their weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

MARRIAGES

Mazal tov to:

Mindy and Dr. Jay Cinnamon upon the marriage of their son, Michael, to Ariella Pultman, daughter of Adeena and Yaakov Pultman of Teaneck. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

Wilma and Stephen Kule, upon the marriage of their son, Jonathan, to Dana Gorodetsky, daughter of Stella and Alex Gorodetsky of Easton, Massachusetts.

Rhonda and Jeffrey Luxenberg upon the marriage of their son, Matthew, to Rachel Daniels, daughter of Judy and Michael Daniels of Chicago. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Alice Smokler.

Dr. Sydney Mehl upon his marriage to Nancy Greenwald, daughter of Bernice Greenwald and the late Marvin Greenwald, of Delray Beach.

Jessica Rackman and Rob Bernstein upon the marriage of her son, Matthew, to Gloria Tawil, daughter of Michelle and Ely Tawil of Brooklyn.

Harriet and Dr. Allen Radin upon the marriage of their son, Andrew, to Miri Rosen, daughter of Ruth and Yitzchak Rosen of Kew Gardens Hills, New York.

Louise and Frank Ring upon the wedding of their son, Joshua, to Elizabeth Dodd.

Judy and Dr. Philip Wilner upon the wedding of their daughter, Gabi, to Chaim Grushko, son of Judy & Moishe Grushko of Cedarhurst, Long Island. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandfather Henry Wilner.

May the newlywed couples be blessed to build homes faithful to the traditions of the Jewish people.

MILESTONES

Mazal Tov to:

Anita and Jordan Abowitz upon their 50th wedding anniversary.

Maria Finkle upon celebrating her 99th birthday.

Joshua Fishman upon celebrating the 50th anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah.

Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein upon their 55th wedding anniversary.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein upon completing 56 years as the rabbi and spiritual leader of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun.

COMMUNAL HONORS

Mazal Tov to:

Brenda Bernstein and Rita Woldenberg upon being honored at the Annual Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital Volunteer Recognition Ceremony for their 35 years of devoted service with the KJ Bikur Cholim Society.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Jacob Doft upon receiving the inaugural Daniel S. Och Investment Management Division Award at a UJA-Federation of New York Investment Management Division Event.

Wendy and Sholem Greenbaum upon being the Guests of Honor at the Nishmat Gala Dinner.

Reina Potaznik, daughter of Helen and Daniel Potaznik, upon being honored with the Herbert Harwitt Community Builder Award at the Mt. Sinai Jewish Center Annual Dinner.

Judith Rudoff upon being honored at the Annual Dinner of the Drisha Institute.

Dorothy Tananbaum upon being honored by The Jewish Education Project for her exceptional leadership and passionate commitment to strengthening Jewish life and fostering connections to Israel and the Jewish community.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Sandy and Dr. Robert April upon their son Daniel Lauchheimer receiving semicha from Yeshiva University.

Danielle and Jonathan Auerbach upon co-chairing The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum's New York Next Generation Event - Justice And Accountability After The Holocaust, where Dan Abrams from ABC News interviewed Benjamin Ferencz, U.S. Chief Prosecutor at the Nuremberg Trials.

Dr. David S. Ellenberg, son of Linda Ossad and Robert Ellenberg, on being named Chief Resident in the Department of Internal Medicine of NYU. David was also selected as a Johnson & Johnson Fellow through the Global Health Scholars Program, and will work in Rwanda before beginning his chief residency.

Lynette Koppel and Stacy Scheinberg for their leadership of Met Council's Ladies' Day Out in support of Met Council's Family Violence Program which provides comprehensive services to victims of family violence, including crisis counseling and short term therapy, legal advocacy, safety planning and referrals for long term assistance.

Dr. Mark Meirowitz, President of the KJ Men's Club, who was a guest on Rabbi Joseph Potasnik's program on WABC AM Radio 770 - "Religion on the Line" speaking on the subject "Turkey and Israel."

Scott Shay upon delivering a lecture at the NYU Stern School of Business on the Jewish understanding of the profit motive, delving into the ethics of business transactions generally as seen in scriptural and rabbinic

texts, and reconciling the profit motive with our relationship to both man and God.

Ronald Scheinberg, upon the publication of his book, *The Commercial Aircraft Finance Handbook*.

David Weingard, the Fit4D team, and their partner HealthFirst for submitting a winning proposal to Health 2.0's NYC 2014 innovation challenge. This program rewards healthcare technology companies for testing a technology prototype in a NYC healthcare setting -- in this case, the ability to efficiently mix and scale expert coaching with multiple engagement and education tools to help Latino people with diabetes improve their health.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Arona (Schneider) Berow, upon her graduation from Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work, with a Master's Degree in Social Work. Arona was selected by her peers to be one of two class speakers at graduation.

Michelle Marcus Dayan, daughter of Jacqueline and Jeffrey Marcus, upon her completion of two master's degrees, one in Early Childhood General and Special Education from The Bank Street School of Education and one in Social Work from the Columbia University School of Social Work.

Dr. Daniel Freedman, grandson of Janice Linzer and the late Saul Linzer, who recently joined the Technion (in Haifa, Israel) as a tenure-track faculty member and Viterbi Young-Faculty Fellow in electrical engineering. Previously, he worked as a CS Post-Doc and Physics PhD student at Cornell and studied at Stanford and MIT, as well. His research agenda combines physics and computer-science to explore new approaches for ultrafast analog computation. He also seeks to instill the entrepreneurial spirit in Israeli engineering students, by bringing the global "3-Day Startup" program to Technion, and by mentoring student teams for Technion's BizTEC competition.

Sharon and Asher Levitsky upon their grandson, Zachery Markowitz, son of Lily Levitsky, being honored at a regional awards ceremony for academically advanced children sponsored by The Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth. Zachery is in the sixth grade in Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

Ariella Messing, daughter of Noemi and Daniel Messing, upon entering the Doctoral Program in Health Policy and Bioethics at Johns Hopkins School of Public Health.

Steven Perkal, grandson of Brenda and Albert Bernstein, upon his graduation, magna

cum laude, from Yeshiva University.

Lindsay Rumeld, granddaughter of Brenda and Albert Bernstein, upon her graduation from Ilan High School for Girls in Deal, New Jersey. She will be attending the New School in Manhattan in the fall.

Max Schertz, grandson of Brenda and Albert Bernstein, upon his graduation from HAFTR High School. He will be attending Yeshivat Netiv Aryeh in Israel during the coming year.

Alessandra Schertz, granddaughter of Brenda and Albert Bernstein, upon her graduation from HAFTR Middle School. She will be attending HAFTR High School in the fall.

Tammie Senders, daughter of Debbie and Dr. Shelly Senders, upon her graduation from the Azrieli School of Yeshiva University with a Masters of Arts. She has accepted a position as a seventh grade teacher at Yeshivat Noam, in Paramus, NJ. Mazal Tov, as well, to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

Jonathan E. Speiser ('06), son of Dr. Phyllis and Mark Speiser, upon receiving his Master of Science degree from MIT's Media Lab. He plans to work for a technology start-up in Cambridge, MA.

Twins Sophie and Emma Ward, granddaughters of Ellen and Sandy Ward, upon achieving national honors in the WordMasters National Challenge. Competing in the most difficult Blue Division, Sophie received a perfect score of 20, one of only 28 fourth graders who received that score nationally. Emma also achieved outstanding results with a score of 19. Sophie and Emma are the daughters of Randi and Andrew Ward.

Elianna Sarah Wasser, granddaughter of Brenda and Albert Bernstein, upon her graduation with honors from Muhlenberg College.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Nava Bettinger, upon the passing of her father, Saul Aboudi.

David Debora, upon the passing of his mother, Leah Debora.

Gloria Kobrin, upon the passing of her father, Arthur H. Bienenstock.

Sam Rascoff, upon the passing of his father, Dr. Joel Rascoff.

Dr. Judy Schwartz, upon the passing of her mother, Elizabeth Schwartz.

Pamela Stern, upon the passing of her father, Lawrence Goldwasser.

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

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*.

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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>
July					
4-5	Balak	8:12 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:14 PM
11-12	Pinchas	8:10 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:12 PM
18-19	Mattot	8:06 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:06 PM
25-26	Masei	8:01 PM	6:45 PM	7:50 PM	8:59 PM
August					
1-2	Devarim	7:54 PM	6:45 PM	7:45 PM	8:52 PM
8-9	Va'Etchanan	7:46 PM	6:45 PM	7:35 PM	8:41 PM
15-16	Eikev	7:36 PM	6:45 PM	7:25 PM	8:31 PM
22-23	Re'eh	7:26 PM	6:45 PM	7:15 PM	8:21 PM
29-30	Shoftim	7:15 PM	6:45 PM	7:05 PM	8:08 PM
September					
5-6	Ki Tetze	7:03 PM	6:45 PM	6:50 PM	7:57 PM
12-13	Ki Tavo	6:52 PM	6:45 PM	6:40 PM	7:46 PM
19-20	Nitzavim/Vayelech	6:40 PM	6:45 PM	6:25 PM	7:33 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
Shabbat mornings.....9:00 AM

EVENING SERVICES

June 29 - July 10..... 6:50 PM

July 13 - September 19..... 6:45 PM

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, July 4

Morning Services at 8:30 AM

Tuesday, July 15

Fast of 17th of Tammuz
Fast begins 4:25 AM
Morning Services at 6:50 AM
Evening Services at 8:00 PM
Fast Ends at 9:06 PM

Monday, July 28

Rosh Chodesh Av
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

Monday-Tuesday, August 4-5

Fast of Tisha B'Av (See schedule p.3)
Monday Night Services at 8:05 PM
Fast Begins at 8:09 PM
Tuesday Morning Services at 7:00 AM

Tuesday Night Services at 7:40 PM
Fast ends at 8:45 PM

Tuesday-Wednesday, August 26-27

Rosh Chodesh Elul
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

Monday, September 1

Morning Services at 8:30 AM