



# KEHILATH JESHURUN

## BULLETIN

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### WHAT MAKES US HUMAN

*A Dvar Torah by Rabbi Roy Feldman  
delivered on Friday, January 23, Parashat Bo*

*"I will harden his heart so that he will not let them go."*

Were it up to him, Pharaoh may have let the Israelites free long before the tenth plague. God says that he will "harden his heart," effectively removing his free will, so that he will not let them go. How could - and, really, why would - God remove someone's free will? Furthermore, how could God then punish Pharaoh, holding him accountable for actions which were not his choice?

In his introduction to Pirkei Avot, Maimonides writes that taking away Pharaoh's free will was itself Pharaoh's punishment. Moreover, it was the natural consequence and perfect punishment in that the punishment itself "is the very sin which it punishes." To understand this cryptic comment, we must delve more deeply into Maimonides's view of free will. According to Maimonides, free will is a gift from God, and it is one of the features which distinguishes human beings from other animals. Rabbi Meir Simcha of Dvinsk, the *Meshekh Hokhma*, writes that free will is the *tselem E-lokim* which is mentioned in Genesis. That is, when God created man "in His image," that *image* was free will. Free will is the defining feature of humanity. It follows that taking away someone's free will effectively amounts to taking away his humanity.

We can now understand how hardening Pharaoh's heart was the natural consequence and most appropriate punishment given his crimes. One who takes away another's humanity reveals, ipso facto, a deficiency in *himself*, that *his* humanity, too, is lacking. Pharaoh dehumanized the Israelites through four hundred years of servitude and slavery and, in doing so, revealed that he was sub-human and likened to an animal. Removing his free will was the natural next step.

### YOM HASHOAH - HOLOCAUST

### REMEMBRANCE DAY -

**Wednesday, April 15, 7:30 p.m.  
at the Ramaz Upper School  
Newman Education Center  
60 East 78th Street**

In keeping with KJ's communal tradition of meaningful Yom Hashoah programming, we invite you to "We Remember the Children," a tribute to children who perished at the hands of the Nazis, leaving nothing behind. Ramaz parent Tzachi Goldberg will share the moving story, in words and a short film, of how he discovered after his father's passing, that his father had been married before WWII and his wife and two young daughters were murdered by the Nazis. The choral selections to be performed by the students of Ramaz School will underscore in microcosm just what was lost when so many young lives ended before they had the opportunity to start living.

Our program will begin, as it does every year, with a poignant candle lighting ceremony. If you wish to participate in this observance, please contact Yaira Singer at 212-600-0119 or Elisa Gage at [elisabgage@yahoo.com](mailto:elisabgage@yahoo.com).

We ask those lighting candles to assemble at 7:15 p.m., fifteen minutes prior to the start of the program.

Throughout the program, a Scroll of Commemoration with the names of KJ/Ramaz family members who perished in the Holocaust will be projected on a screen. Please submit names you want included on the scroll (in English) to Yonina Gomberg ([yoninagom@gmail.com](mailto:yoninagom@gmail.com)) so that your loved ones can be remembered in this way.



### 143RD ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE MEETING

**Thursday, April 30, 2015**

**7:30 PM**



FEATURING  
**ERIC S. GOLDSTEIN**  
CEO OF  
UJA-FEDERATION OF NEW YORK

**"21ST CENTURY KEHILLAH"**

GOTTESMAN CENTER  
114 EAST 85TH STREET

*Details on page 4*

## DEEDEE BENEL AND SHERRI LIBIN TO RECEIVE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL

*The Officers and Executive Committee of the Congregation are pleased to announce that the Thirteenth Annual Judith Kaufman Hurwich Keter Torah Award will be presented to DeeDee Benel and Sherri Libin on the second day of Shavuot, Monday, May 25, 9:00 AM, at the Ramaz Upper School, Newman Education Center, 60 East 78th Street (between Park and Madison Avenues). The practice of conferring such an award is to appropriately recognize women in our congregation on the holiday when we celebrate the lives of two great Jewish heroines, Naomi and Ruth. It offers us an opportunity, as part of a religious ceremony, to express our appreciation for the services rendered to our community by women.*

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

DeeDee Benel was born and raised in Brooklyn and attended Yeshivah of Flatbush as did her husband Victor. While Rabbi Lookstein often applauds DeeDee's many accomplishments, in his inimitable manner, he will also add, "Her one serious flaw, however, is that she's a Yeshivah of Flatbush graduate." Actually, the Rabbi knows that he is really complimenting DeeDee, albeit in a facetious manner. DeeDee credits her elementary and high school teachers and progressive Rabbis as her mentors, whose impact was so great as to be responsible for the path that led her to Ramaz. She realized, after her first meeting with Rabbi Lookstein, 28 years ago, that at Ramaz she would be encouraged and disciplined by an ethos that energized, encouraged and challenged her to fulfill a mission, a covenant of sorts. The union of synagogue and school made Ramaz much more than a place of employment. For DeeDee, Ramaz/KJ is a Mikdash Me'at, a miniature sanctuary.

She recognized the challenges involved and felt charged to develop in our children, her students, a sense of responsibility to the Jewish people and the world. The verse in Isaiah, 6:8, referenced in our mission statement, "Whom shall I send and who will go for Me?" and I answered: "Here I am, send me!" is one that DeeDee takes to heart. It guides her in designing and executing student missions to international locations such as Belarus, Berlin, Poland, Argentina and Israel and to far-flung



American destinations: Whitwell, Tennessee, New Orleans, and York, Pennsylvania. During the time Gilad Shalit was held captive for five years, DeeDee escorted students, to the Iranian Mission to daven Tefilat Shacharit on Wednesday mornings, and distribute informational cards to call attention to Gilad's plight. Shabbat Gilad was a memorable and glorious moment, when KJ congregants welcomed and celebrated Gilad and his entire platoon only a few months after Gilad was freed.

DeeDee also involves students in diverse chesed projects at various local agencies, aiding needy populations and encouraging students to value each human being, to act on the principle:

חביב אדם שנברא בצלם

"Human beings are loved because they were created in the image of God" (Bereishit 9).

Thanks to DeeDee, reading Megillat Esther at Lenox Hill Hospital for patients, their families, and doctors on call, hosting the Ramaz/KJ Yachad Shabbaton, and sending holiday gift packages to American and Israeli soldiers have all become Ramaz traditions, a natural part of our school's culture.

DeeDee always attributes her inspiration to the students, and references Masechet Ta'anit 7a that best captures her sentiments:

הרבה למדתי מרבותי ומחבירי יותר מרבותי ומתלמידי יותר מכולן

"Much have I learned from my teachers, more from my colleagues, and most from my students."

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## KJ Youth Department Programming:





## JUDITH KAUFMAN HURWICH KETER TORAH AWARD ON SHAVUOT

Sherri is a graduate of Yavneh Academy and Frisch Yeshiva High School. After marrying Alexander (Ramaz '92), Sherri moved to the Upper East Side where she and Alex joined KJ in 2000. Sherri and Alex are the proud parents of three current Ramaz students: Jacob (Grade 6), Noah (Grade 4) and Elliot (Kindergarten.)

Sherri began her service to the community by serving as Co-President of Kesher, followed by Ramaz Parent Council liaison. Following the passing of her mother in June 2012, Sherri experienced the outpouring of concern and caring from synagogue and rabbinic leadership and wished to replicate a similar model within the Ramaz community. She felt strongly that the school could establish a way for the Ramaz family to come together to support each other in both good times and bad and enhance our communal spirit.

Together with Alissa Shams, Parents Council president, Sherri founded Natan@Ramaz in December 2012. Natan@Ramaz is a flagship initiative of Parents Council and was launched to extend a helping hand in times of need and celebration to the Ramaz community, including students, parents, faculty and staff. Natan@Ramaz offers assistance, support and resources during lifecycle events such as births, deaths, medical or natural emergencies.

With over 75 parent and faculty volunteers, Natan@Ramaz serves the community through many acts of chesed including: providing meals to new moms and dads; gifting Natan@Ramaz onesies to new babies; baking weekly "Loaves of love"; sending

shiva meals; sponsoring Rabbi Lookstein lectures for the community; and sponsoring in-home and monthly communal challah baking.

Since its inception, Natan@Ramaz has responded to over 250 life cycle events within the Ramaz family. We have celebrated and cried together as a community and in so doing, we have become a stronger, more cohesive community. In the June 2014 NYSAIS (New York Association of Independent Schools) report issued as part of Ramaz's accreditation renewal process, Natan@Ramaz was strongly commended as a reflection of the breadth and depth of the students', faculty's and parents' involvement in communal service and chesed.

Natan@Ramaz and its volunteer base clearly and compellingly reflect the values of Respect, Responsibility and Kindness and the centrality of chesed embodied in our synagogue and school communities. (Natan@Ramaz can be reached by email at [Natan@Ramaz.org](mailto:Natan@Ramaz.org).)

Sherri graduated with a B.A. in Psychology from Barnard College and an M.A. in Organizational Psychology from Teachers College, Columbia University. She has worked at Ernst & Young since 1999, where she is an Associate Director on the Talent Development team focused on the learning and development of future firm leaders.

Sherri is proud to be a part of the Ramaz/KJ community and is honored to be this year's Keter Torah recipient.



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

### Fun for all Ages!



# 143RD ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE MEETING

Thursday, April 30, 2015

7:30 P.M.

Since its inception in 1872, KJ has always embodied the concept of “Kehillah.” It is more than just part of our name and is so much more than a congregation. We are not just a group of people who gather together for prayer. We are a community, and as such we are bound to the greater community.

Who can better appreciate the idea of Kehillah than a KJ audience? The idea of communal leadership is part and parcel of the history of our synagogue. KJ rabbinic and lay leadership have always understood the responsibility to the synagogue community and beyond.

Be it the purchase of the first KJ cemetery plots in 1881; sending 1055 rubles to those who suffered in the Kishinev pogrom of 1903; the patriotic subscription of \$100,000 to the Fourth Liberty Loan (a War Bond that was sold in the United States to support the Allied cause in WWI) in 1918; the founding of the Ramaz School in 1937; or the inauguration of a Thanksgiving service in 1939 at which time a Sefer Torah was brought to our ark for safekeeping, KJ history is full of such actions to this day. KJ has always been committed to the good of the Synagogue and the greater good of the community. Over time, as communal needs grew ever greater, KJ began to partner with UJA in many ways to better help the larger Jewish population.

The UJA@KJ partnership is an incredible example of the leverage possible when the community works together. KJ has been - and continues to be - an example to the larger New York community of how much good can be done by working together. Whether it is having on-site social workers to provide mental health services and support to those in need through the UJA-Federation Partners-in-Caring program, volunteer opportunities

around all major holidays, such as Sukkot, Thanksgiving, Chanukah and Purim, giving KJ members the opportunity to touch the lives of over 200 individuals, from underprivileged Russian youth to Holocaust survivors, or the opportunity to visit Manhattan’s only kosher soup kitchen in partnership with Park Avenue Synagogue, we can do so much more good when we come together than we could do alone.

It is in this spirit that the theme of our Annual Synagogue meeting will be *Kehillah*. And who better to address the concept of Kehillah, the power of building strong, interconnected communities, and why it is so vitally important to the future of the Jewish people than Eric Goldstein, our esteemed member, who is the CEO of UJA-Federation of New York.

Most recently a leading partner in a respected law firm, Mr. Goldstein has long been active in the Jewish community. He has served in a number of senior lay positions within UJA-Federation, most recently as vice chair with broad oversight over UJA-Federation’s work in Israel and the former Soviet Union. He was also a member of UJA-Federation’s Executive Committee and served as chair of its Lawyers Division, Commission on Jewish Identity and Renewal, and Global Strategy Task Force.

Mr. Goldstein’s approach to Kehillah promises to be both memorable and of great consequence.

Please join us. Feel the powerful traditions of our *kehilla* as we induct new members, celebrate the milestone anniversaries of longstanding members, and memorialize those who helped build our venerable congregation. The night’s program is followed by a delicious collation of hot dogs, sauerkraut and ice cold beer courtesy of Foremost Caterers.

## Annual Synagogue Shabbaton Lecture

sponsored by Suzanne and Dr. Norman B. Javitt

featuring KJ Scholar-in-Residence

**Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Wieder**

“THE CENTRALITY OF TZELEM E-LOHIM IN JUDAISM  
AND A BRIEF REFLECTION ON THE TRAGEDY OF ERIC GARNER”

Friday night, March 27, at the Gottesman Center, 9:30 p.m.,  
preceded at 7:45 p.m. with a catered dinner.

There is no charge for attending the lecture, but advanced reservations  
are required for the dinner.

## A Special Message from Rabbi Lookstein

Dear Friends,

As we all know, the first order of business in preparation for Pesach is Maot Chitim. In our congregation, it is known as Passover Relief. Before we take care of our own food needs - or reservations for far-off places - we have to think of those less fortunate than we, and do everything we can to **help them not only have a happy Pesach but have an economically viable life.**

This is true, first of all, in our relationship with the larger Jewish community. It is for that reason that we will give a major source of our Passover Relief campaign to Jewish poverty relief organizations which help our people in need in New York, in Israel, and around the world. That is our communal obligation as a congregational family.

**However, we also have an obligation that is closer to home. We have friends and neighbors right here in our community who used to be very generous donors to Passover Relief but who, right now, cannot pay their rent and have trouble putting food on the table every day, let alone making Pesach. You do not know who they are, but I do. If I approached any one of you to ask for help for one of these families you would give with extreme generosity. Please, therefore, give as if you knew these people personally and help them through what we hope will be a brief period of extraordinary need.**

Audrey and I have, once again, this year already contributed \$1,000, which is four times what we used to give to Passover Relief in the past. I hope you will respond in a similar fashion in accordance with your own ability to help others in need.

May God respond to our generosity by blessing us all with a very Happy and Kosher Passover.

Haskel Lookstein

*Please make your check payable to "Passover Relief" and mail it to my attention at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, 125 East 85th Street, New York, NY 10028, or you can make your donation on-line at [www.ckj.org/pay](http://www.ckj.org/pay)*

## PASSOVER SCHEDULE

**All Services will be held on 85th Street  
Thursday, April 2**

*Search for Chametz* . . . . .After 7:54 p.m.

**Friday, April 3, Passover Eve**

Morning Services and

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

Chametz may not be eaten after 10:52 a.m.

Burn chametz no later than . . . 11:55 a.m.

Candlelighting . . . . .7:04 p.m.

Evening Services . . . . .7:15 p.m.

Start Seder . . . . .After 7:58 p.m.

**Saturday, April 4, Passover I**

Morning Services . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening Services. . . . .7:00 p.m.

Candlelighting & Seder . . .After 8:00 p.m.

**Sunday, April 5, Passover II**

Morning Services . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening Services . . . . .7:20 p.m.

Conclusion of Yom Tov . . . . .8:01 p.m.

### SERVICES DURING

#### THE WEEK OF CHOL HAMOED

**Monday, April 6, Passover III**

Morning . . . . .7:00 a.m.

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

**Tuesday, April 7, Passover IV**

Morning . . . . .7:00 a.m.

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

**Wednesday, April 8, Passover V**

Morning . . . . .7:00 a.m.

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

### CONCLUDING DAYS OF PASSOVER

**Thursday, April 9, Passover VI**

Morning Services . . . . .7:00 a.m.

*Eruv Tavshilin must be prepared*

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

Candlelighting . . . . .7:11 p.m.

**Friday, April 10, Passover VII**

Morning Services . . . . .9:00 a.m.

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

Candlelighting . . . . .7:12 p.m.

**Saturday, April 11, Passover VIII**

*(Yizkor is recited)*

Morning Services . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening Services . . . . .7:10 p.m.

Conclusion of Shabbat/Yom Tov .8:08 p.m.



## FREE LARGE PRINT HAGGADAHS

**F**or over 80 years, the JBI library has enabled visually impaired people all over the world to participate in the most treasured of Jewish rituals, the Passover Seder, by providing FREE Large Print Haggadot.

If you or someone you know needs a Large Print Haggadah this year, please call JBI at (212) 889-2525 by March 27 and they will be happy to send you a Large Print Haggadah, completely free of charge. Enjoy the Seder!

JBI is the largest library of Jewish interest in the world for the visually impaired with over 13,000 Talking Book titles. All JBI services are free to the user and are delivered to the individual at his/her home.



# A PASSOVER TIMELINE

## STEP #1: Removal of Chametz – Cleaning the House

### STEP #2: Kashering Appliances

Gas ovens, both the stove-top and inside (racks as well), should be cleaned with an oven cleaner, and then not used for 24 hours. After 24 hours, invert the metal spiders and turn the burners on to the highest setting for 15 minutes. (If using an electric oven, turn the burners on the highest setting for 15 minutes as well.) After this is done, cover the stovetop with aluminum foil for the duration of Pesach. The inside oven should be turned on to broil for one hour.

If the oven is self-cleaning, go through one cycle.

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

Stainless steel sinks should be cleaned with a cleaning solution, and not used for 24 hours, after which boiling water should be poured on every area of the sink and its parts. Porcelain sinks cannot be kashered. They must be cleaned and covered.

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

### Kashering Utensils

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

Items that may not be kashered are: glassware that is used for cooking, earthenware, pottery, porcelain, pyrex, and chinaware.

The easiest way to kasher utensils is to bring them to the KJ Kasher-In from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon on Sunday, March 29, or Monday, March 30 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. where Rabbis Daniel Kraus and Roy Feldman will supervise the immersion of

metal utensils in a large sink of rapidly boiling water.

It is also possible to kasher in the privacy of your own home. The procedure for kashering is as follows: Metal utensils should be thoroughly cleaned with a cleaning solution and then not used for 24 hours. Small utensils such as silverware or other cutlery should be immersed briefly in a large pot containing rapidly boiling water. If the pot is very large, more than one item may be immersed at a time. Each item should then be rinsed with cold water.

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

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

### STEP #3: The Search For Chametz

One of the most beautiful and meaningful ceremonies associated with Passover is *b'dikat chametz*—the search for chametz. The ceremony is composed of five parts.

1. Reciting a special blessing over the mitzvah of the removal of *chametz*.
2. The search of the house by the light of a candle to find vestiges of *chametz*.
3. The reciting of the formula of

nullification of *chametz*.

4. The burning or disposal of any *chametz* found during the search.

5. The reciting of a final, more inclusive formula of nullification.

The first three parts of this ceremony will be observed this year on Thursday evening, April 2, after nightfall, 7:54 p.m. The disposal should be on Friday morning, April 3. Children especially will be impressed by the ceremony. It should, therefore, be performed with enthusiasm and dedication.

The children should be asked to place pieces of *chametz* in the various rooms — a practice which ensures that the search will not be in vain. They can hold the candle and the feather and they should examine their own possessions, dressers and desks, for long forgotten relics of *chametz*.

Passover is a beautiful festival. It is a serious one, too. Both these aspects can be captured in advance of the festival by a careful observance of *b'dikat chametz*.

### Disposal of Chametz

No *chametz* may be eaten on Friday morning, April 3 after 10:52 a.m.

### STEP #4: The Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Friday morning, April 3. There are those who prefer to perform the ritual in person. For those who cannot attend to the matter in person, there is a form provided on page 7 of this Bulletin which authorizes Rabbi Weinstock to sell your *chametz*. **THIS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE BY FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, NOT LATER THAN 8:30 a.m.**



## RABBI DR. JEREMY WIEDER TO DELIVER THE SHABBAT HA-GADOL DRASHA

SPONSORED BY  
SUZY AND LARRY PRESENT

*"The Chumrot of Pesach: When the Tiniest  
Little Bit is a Problem"*

**Saturday Afternoon, March 28th following Mincha at 6:25 p.m.  
in the Gottesman Center, 114 E. 85th Street  
in lieu of Seudah Shlishit**

**STEP #5: The Burning of Chametz**

On Friday morning, April 3, it is customary to burn chametz. Chametz should be removed from one's possession and burned by 11:55 a.m. The synagogue provides a large, contained fire for this purpose. No bracha should be said, since the one said before the search applies to the burning as well.

**STEP #6: After Pesach**

According to Jewish Law, chametz that was owned by a Jew during Pesach may never be eaten by a Jew. Therefore, it is preferable that after Pesach one buys food from establishments owned by non-Jews, establishments owned by Jews who properly sold their chametz before Pesach, or after a month (time that a store's stock has been used up) from any establishment.

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

If you are able to host guests at your Seder table, please contact Rabbi Elie Weinstock at 212-774-5636 or ravelie@ckj.org

**SHMURAH MATZAHs**

Kehilath Jeshurun is again pleased to offer to its membership the opportunity to purchase Shmurah Matzah through the synagogue. The Matzahs are available at \$22.00 per pound.

The pick up will be on Sunday morning, March 29th, in the synagogue lobby. That is the same day as the Kasher-In: 9 a.m.-noon.

**All orders must be prepaid and ordered by Friday, March 27.**

Make checks payable to the KJ Special Projects Fund.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ pounds of Shmurah Matzah at \$22 per pound.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_

(Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

**DOROT PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY PROGRAM**

Deliver a holiday package and visit an older person. Sunday, March 22nd, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Dorot, 171 West 85th Street (off Amsterdam Ave). Volunteers are asked to pre-register by calling Dorot at 212-769-2850.

**PASSOVER PREPARATIONS AT KJ:**

**"Kasher-In"**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 29TH**  
**9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 30TH**  
**6:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.**

and  
**Shmurah**  
**Matzah**



**Pick-Up (only Sunday)**

(see order form below)

**KJ BEGINNERS PROGRAM TO HOST COMMUNAL SEDER**

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

Under the leadership of Rabbi Elie Weinstock, Rabbi Daniel & Rachel Kraus, and with the sweet melodies of KJB Chazan Shilo Kramer, KJ will once again host a Seder designed and planned as a learning experience. It is intended for those who wish to understand more about the content and meaning of the Seder and how to conduct it properly. This special Seder will be held on the first night of Passover, Friday, April 3, at 8:00 p.m.

The cost is \$90 per person and \$60 for children ages 2-11. (Children under 3 may be seated with parents at no charge without their own meal.)

Reservations can be made by forwarding a check to the synagogue office covering all those planning to attend. The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, March 31.

**FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ**

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

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

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

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

Please return to the Synagogue office by Friday, April 3rd, by 8:30 AM.

***Holiday Workshops at KJ with Rabbi Daniel and Rachel Kraus*****PASSOVER WORKSHOP**

Tuesday, March 24

**PASSOVER MODEL SEDER**

Tuesday, March 31

**MODERN HOLIDAYS**

Tuesday, April 14

**SHAVUOT**

Tuesday, May 19

**THREE WEEKS**

Tuesday, June 30

***7:30 p.m. for all workshops***  
***114 East 85th Street***

# SCHOLARS COMING TO KJ THIS SPRING



## RABBI SHLOMO BRODY



Rabbi Shlomo Brody teaches at Yeshivat Hakotel, and is the founding director of the Tikvah Israel Seminars for Post High School Students, the premiere pre-college program for the study of Jewish philosophy. He is currently pursuing a PhD in law at Bar Ilan University Law School and is a junior research fellow at the Israel Democracy Institute. He is the online editor of *Tradition* and pens the "Ask the Rabbi" column for The Jerusalem Post. A summa cum laude graduate of Harvard College, he received semicha from the Israeli Chief Rabbinate and received his MA in Jewish philosophy at the Hebrew University, where he received the Hassenfeld award for excellence in graduate studies.

Rabbi Brody's recently published book, *A Guide to the Complex: Contemporary Halakhic Debates* (Maggid) received a 2014 National Jewish Book Award.

*Shavuot, May 23-25*

ILANA GADISH



Ilana Gadish teaches Talmud and Tanakh at the Ramaz Upper School, and is also currently a fellow in Nishmat's U.S. Yoatzot Halacha program. Ilana recently served as an intern on the clergy of Lincoln Square Synagogue, and prior to that was a congregational intern at United Orthodox Synagogues in Houston, Texas. Ilana received her M.A. in Biblical and Talmudic Interpretation at the Graduate Program in Advanced Talmudic Studies (GPATS) at Stern College for Women, where she also received her B.A. with a major in Judaic Studies and a minor in Biology. She spent a year studying at Midreshet Lindenbaum in Jerusalem, as well as two summers at the Drisha Institute.



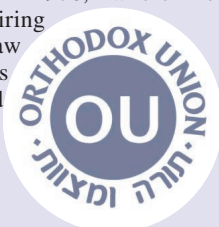
*Shabbat, May 2*

## ALLEN FAGIN



Allen Fagin is the current Executive Vice President of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. Mr. Fagin is a graduate of Columbia College (1971); Harvard Law School and the JFK School of Government at Harvard, where he received a JD and a Masters Degree in Public Policy, both in 1975.

Mr. Fagin practiced law at Proskauer Rose, LLP, one of the leading international law firms, beginning in 1976, where he specialized in employment law, co-chairing Proskauer's Labor and Employment Law Department for many years. He served as Proskauer's chairman from 2005-2011 and retired in December of 2013.



*Shabbat, May 16*

Questions regarding matters  
of Jewish family law  
and women's health  
should be addressed to  
Dena Block,  
KJ's Yoetzet Halakhah,  
who can be contacted at  
201-921-8992 or at  
blockdena@gmail.com



EAST SIDE TLC

TORAH LEARNING COALITION



## WANDERING WITH a GUIDEBOOK: PIRKEI AVOT'S MESSAGES FOR LIFE

Over the six weeks between Pesach and Shavuot, experience the wisdom of the writings of Pirkei Avot with the East Side Torah Learning Coalition, a partnership of six Upper East Side congregations aiming to expand the boundaries of communal collaboration. Conceived by Rabbi Elie Weinstock and Rabbi Scott Bolton of Congregation Or Zarua, the collaboration currently includes a dozen synagogues and numerous clergy and educators.

Each of the six sessions (meeting on Tuesdays and alternating between daytime and evening) features the host rabbi in dialogue with clergy members of other synagogues. The Jewish teachings of derech erez and character improvement come to life throughout the series with the interaction of rabbis and congregants from different synagogues and different denominations.

Come experience for yourself this wonderful collaboration:

Tuesday, April 14th - 7:00 pm  
Congregation Or Zarua, 127 East 82nd Street

Tuesday, April 21st, 1:00 pm  
Town and Village Synagogue, 334 East 14th Street

Tuesday, April 28th - 7:00 pm  
Temple Israel, 112 East 75th Street

Tuesday, May 5th - 1:00 pm  
Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street

Tuesday, May 12th - 7:00 pm  
KJ, 125 East 85th Street

Tuesday, May 19th - 1:00 pm  
Sutton Place Synagogue, 225 East 51st Street

## SPRING TIME LEARNING AT KJ

### **Crash Course in Basic Judaism with Rabbi Daniel Kraus**

Tuesdays at 7:30 pm  
April 21, 28

**Hebrew II**  
**with Sara Rosen**  
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm  
Starting April 1

### **Explorations in Hebrew Reading with Sara Rosen**

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm  
Starting April 1

### **Darkness and Light: The Jews in the High Middle Ages**

**with Rabbi Yossi Weiser**  
Thursdays at 7:00 pm  
April 16, 23, 30  
May 7, 14

### **Derech Hashem: Ramchal's Path to Knowing God**

**with Rabbi Yossi Weiser**  
Thursdays at 7:00 pm  
May 28; June 4, 11, 18

### **Studies in the Weekly Portion**

**with Rabbi Yossi Weiser**  
Thursdays at 8:00 pm

## 2015 - 2016 Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun Book of Remembrance

Once again during the spring, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will publish a BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE in which the names of departed dear ones are recorded by their living relatives who recite Yizkor for them four times a year. At the Yizkor service there is a prayer which says that an offering has been made in memory of those for whom Yizkor was recited. Members of the congregation and the community-at-large may authorize us to publish the names of their departed relatives by making a token contribution of \$18 *or more* for each name to be memorialized. Please use the form below if you wish us to record names for you.

The Book will go to press on Friday, May 8, so that it will be ready in time for Shavuot.

Enclosed please find my Yizkor offering\* for the entire year in memory of those listed below, who are to be recorded in the KJ BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE published by the congregation.

☐ **Please duplicate last year's listing(s)**  
Offering \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ people.  
Please add the following:

FULL NAME IN ENGLISH (PLEASE PRINT)

OFFERING

Name _____	\$ _____
Name _____	\$ _____
Name _____	\$ _____
Name _____	\$ _____

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please check here if you did not have a listing last year.

*\*This offering is a token of reverence and is designed to be within reach of all.  
We suggest a contribution of \$18 or more for each name.*

This form should be returned to our office by Friday, May 8.

## TWO RECENT PROGRAMS OF NOTE FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

Whether it is a film screening, a Kiddush discussion, a Chug Ivri, or a Sunday Supper lecture, the KJ Men's Club offers programming for the entire community with a very broad appeal. Below are photographs from two recent Men's Club programs.

A film screening on Sunday, January 25, entitled *Yearning to Belong*, told the story of a Jewish beit din (court) whose members flew to a remote area in Uganda in February 2002 to conduct a formal conversion of over 300 Abayudaya (the Ugandan term for "Jews"), welcoming them into the community of world Jewry. The documentary recorded this momentous event as well as examined the difficult question of "Who is a Jew?" Producer Debra Gonsler Vinik, who has produced and written 14 documentaries, of which eight have been nominated for Emmy awards and three have won the honors for Best Religious

Programming, was in attendance and able to speak of her experiences and further elaborate on the film.

At a Supper Lecture on February 8, Edwin Black, author of the just-released *Financing the Flames: How Tax-Exempt and Public Money Fuel a Culture of Confrontation and Terrorism in Israel*, exposed the robust use of US tax-exempt, tax-subsidized, and public monies to foment agitation, systematically destabilize the Israel Defense Forces, and finance terrorists in Israel. Sponsored by Stand With Us and in association with the American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists, Dialog Press, and the Institute for the Global Study of Anti-Semitism and Policy, the lecture proved to be both informative and enlightening. Representing Stand With Us were its Northeast Regional Executive Director, Shahar Azani, and Regional Coordinator, Avi Posnick.



Left to right: Shahar Azani, Avi Posnick, Edwin Black and Mark Meirowitz.



left to right: Men's Club President Dr. Mark Meirowitz and filmmakers Debra Gonsler Vinik and David Vinik

Coming soon from the Men's Club

### Sunday, March 22:

Film screening of *Beneath the Helmet* with an IDF guest

### Tuesday, May 19:

"Status Report of the Jews of France" with Rabbi Stephen Berkowitz

### Also to be scheduled:

Kiddush Discussion with Dr. Nick Gura, a film screening of *Above and Beyond*, produced by Nancy Spielberg, and a Kiddush Discussion with Shahar Azani of StandWith Us

## KESHER: EVENTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE OF ALL AGES!

### Save the Dates:

**April 30: Amy Kellogg Cooking Demonstration**

**May 16: Spring Luncheon**



The Annual Chanukah Keshet Concert for Kids, which attracted 150 parents and children, featured "Shira and Friends, an interactive musical extravaganza of sing-along, dance-along and clap-along. A great way to get into the Chanukah spirit!



This year's "Keshet Guys Night Out" event took place on Super Bowl Sunday, February 1. Delicious food, drinks, and games all in the shadow of a big projection screen offering a close-up view of the New England Patriots and the Seattle Seahawks fight for the NFL championship.

## KJ SISTERHOOD: PROGRAMS FOR ALL THAT BENEFIT MANY

Three memorable events took place since Chanukah and the money raised will help benefit families and individuals in our community and around the world.

We kicked off 2015 with **A Holistic Approach to Healthier Living**. It was a free community workshop led by health and nutrition coach Alexandra Zohn and held at the home of Sandy Dweck. Thanks to committee chairs, Sarah Abitbol and Monita Buchwald.



Todd English

In February, we held **A Tasting With Todd English**. The sold out cooking demo featuring a tasting menu and paired wines was hosted by Victoria and Joseph Sutton. Thanks to committee chairs Sophia Gomberg and Victoria Sutton.

Our last event before Pesach, hosted at the beautiful home of Rita and Dr. David Woldenberg, was the March Book Club with a review of **Such Good Girls** by Richard Dean Rosen. Many thanks to committee chairs Jessica Kobrin Bernstein and Joanna Kleinhaus.

Here's what's coming up in the Spring:

April 30: Flower Arranging: from Deli to Table

May 7: Sisterhood Shops: Spring Boutique

June 1: Annual Spring Luncheon



Alexandra Zohn and  
Sandra Dweck

We would love to have your participation. You can co-chair an event or offer your home as a venue. Or just come to an event to be with friends or meet new people.

We want to thank all those who have volunteered to be on the Sisterhood Shiva Committee. Your timely response has enabled us to help mourners from our community during their time of need. A special thanks to Marylene Friedman for chairing the committee.

If you would like more information on how to get involved with the Sisterhood, contact one of us:

Stephanie Katz, President (stephanieskatz@gmail.com)

Julie Kopel, Vice President (juliekopel@gmail.com)

### DUS HAIMISCHE SHTIEBEL: THE YIDDISH SCHMOOZERS

Wednesdays at 11:30 AM

### ROSE AND DR. CHARLES LANGER LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM

The Rose and Dr. Charles Langer Lunch and Learn Program for seniors is hosted by Donna Silverman. The free program for seniors is made possible by an endowment created by the Buchwald, Edelsburg and Stern families.

Wednesdays at 12:00 noon

### Lunch & Learn Schedule

March 18	Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn	May 6	UJA@KJ
March 25	Rabbi Yigal Sklarin	May 13	Janie Schwalbe
April 1	<i>Pesach Break</i>	May 20	Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn
April 8	<i>Pesach Break</i>	May 27	Shira Felberbaum
April 15	Rabbi Daniel Kraus	June 3	Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn
April 22	Surie Sugarman	June 10	Israel Max
April 29	Dr. Taryn Fishman	June 17	Rabbi Elie Weinstock

*Pre-Pesach programs will take place at  
Congregation Or Zarua*

*127 East 82nd Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues*



**KJ** Seniors and Rabbi Yigal Sklarin's Ramaz Upper School Talmud class students enjoyed an intergenerational Lunch and Learn program, at which time they enjoyed a study session on the topic of "Preparing for Shabbat: Beyond the Practical, Focusing on the Spiritual."





## PJ AT KJ CELEBRATES!



The PJ Library initiative at KJ currently has over two hundred and fifty neighborhood families enrolled and receiving monthly books with Jewish themes. The project, a collaboration between the Harold Grinspoon Foundation of Massachusetts and our community, strives to promote Jewish literacy by sending out children's books. In addition, "PJ at KJ" works to engage

unaffiliated neighborhood families through "Beyond the Book" programming like the Chanukah party, Sunday Story Hour, and Pajama Havdalah events.

For more information, contact Rabbi Daniel Kraus at [rdk@ckj.org](mailto:rdk@ckj.org) or see [www.pjlibrary.org/ny/kj](http://www.pjlibrary.org/ny/kj).



## SPONSORSHIPS ARE WELCOME

To support synagogue programs, we invite prospective Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit sponsors to contact Riva Alper in the synagogue office at 212-774-5670 or [Riva@ckj.org](mailto: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.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE KJ FOOD PANTRY

- ♦ Staffing the food cart Mondays from 4:45-6:00 p.m.
  - ♦ Packing food bags on Mondays
- For more information contact Stacy Scheinberg at [Stacyron@aol.com](mailto:Stacyron@aol.com)

## YACHAD SHABBATON March 20 - 21

Join the Ramaz Upper School and KJ and give of yourself by reaching out to the special members of Yachad. Come discover how they bring happiness and joy to so many.



*Enhance Your Religious and Ethical Engagement.  
Connect More Deeply With Your Community.*

Lively monthly conversation with  
Rabbi Roy Feldman  
at 114 East 85th Street  
on the following Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

April 1; May 6

For more information please e-mail [roy@ckj.org](mailto:roy@ckj.org)

## KJ SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP:

### BE A PART OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE

Contact Synagogue Executive Director  
Leonard Silverman  
at 212-774-5680 or [LSS@CKJ.org](mailto:LSS@CKJ.org)

## Soul Cycle

### A Monthly Spiritual Workout

with Rachel Kraus

Women of the community are invited to participate in a monthly learning series which provides an opportunity to learn, to share, to engage, and to inspire each Rosh Chodesh.

A variety of topics will be addressed in a different home each month.

The following Wednesdays  
at 7:30 p.m.:

*Nisan - March 25*

*Iyar - April 22*

*Sivan - May 24 (Sunday, Day 1 Shavuot)*

*Tamuz - June 17*

Location information provided monthly  
with RSVP to  
[roshchodesh@ckj.org](mailto:roshchodesh@ckj.org)

## WIDOW CONNECTION PROGRAM AT KJ

Losing a spouse is often one of life's most difficult adjustments. It can be a time of profound sadness giving rise to powerful feelings of isolation.

KJ is proud to host W Connection, a program aimed at providing newly widowed women with support and guidance from other widows within the KJ community.

If you or someone you know can benefit from this kind of support please join the *W Connection* which usually meets on the second Thursday of every month from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Ramaz Middle School Gottesman Center, 114 East 85th Street (between Park and Lexington Avenue). For exact dates and more information, please contact Judy Tanz at 212-533-7571.

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THE SHIRA RUSKAY CENTER

## COPING WITH THE EMPTY CHAIR AT THE SEDER TABLE: A Pesach Workshop for Bereaved Jews

**Thursday, March 26**  
**6:30 – 8:00 pm**

**Park Avenue Synagogue**  
50 East 87th St. (at Madison Avenue)

Explore ways to seek meaning and comfort from the observance of Pesach, while still allowing for grief and honoring those loved ones you have lost.

Join **Rabbi Elie Weinstock of KJ**,  
**Rabbi Neil Zuckerman of PAS**, and  
**Shira Felberbaum, JBFC Social Worker for both KJ and PAS.**

At no charge, this program is open to all members of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, Park Avenue Synagogue, and the community at large.



Please RSVP by  
Tuesday, March 24 to  
Shira Felberbaum,  
KJ and PAS Social Worker  
from JBFC  
(212) 632-4735  
[sfelberbaum@jbfc.org](mailto:sfelberbaum@jbfc.org)



## Model Seder

Gain new insight into Passover as we review the ins and outs of the upcoming holiday. Experience the 4 cups, bitter herbs, and everything else you need to know for a memorable Seder and holiday. For the novice & experienced Seder participant. Great refresher class!

Tuesday, March 31

7:30 p.m.

with Rabbi Daniel and Rachel Kraus  
114 East 85th Street



For information about the  
weekly status  
of the Manhattan Eruv

Call the **ERUV HOTLINE**  
**212-874-6100, ext. 452**  
(Recorded Message)

## KJ Service Directory

Aryeh Leifert, Israel Tour Guide (U.S number, rings in Israel) . . . . .	305-454-4050
Foremost Caterers . . . . .	201-664-2465
Judaica Classics (Doina Bryskin) . . . . .	212-722-4271
Rabbi Yoseph Lasdun, Tefillin and Mezuzah Checking . . . . .	212-927-1655
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

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

KJ BEGINNERS PRESENTS

## FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE

**APRIL 24TH / MAY 29TH**  
**SEASON FINALE JUNE 26**

featuring Rabbi Elie Weinstock and Rabbi Daniel & Rachel Kraus

Friday Night Carlebach Services with Chazan Shilo Kramer  
followed by Shabbat dinner

RSVP to 212-774-5678 or [Beginners@ckj.org](mailto:Beginners@ckj.org)

## SHAVUOT AND TIKUN LEYL

**SATURDAY NIGHT, MAY 23**

Evening services at 7:50 p.m.

Candlelighting after 8:55 p.m.

Shavuot Dinner at 9:15 p.m.

Opening Class at 11:30 p.m.

followed by All-night Learning  
and Sunrise Minyan at 5:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY, MAY 24**

Morning Services at 9:00 a.m.

Evening Services at 6:40 p.m.

Early Yom Tov Sheini:

Preparations, Candlelighting,  
and Kiddush after 6:42 p.m.  
but before 8:13 p.m.

Regular Candlelighting  
after 8:56 p.m.

**MONDAY, MAY 25**

Morning Services at 9:00 a.m.

with Keter Awards Ceremony  
and Yizkor

Evening Services at 8:10 p.m.

Yom Tov ends at 8:57 p.m.

## JEWISH LEARNING INSTITUTE AT KJ



*“Dynamic Wisdom:  
The Development of Jewish Law  
and Tradition Throughout the Ages”*  
with Rabbi Elie Weinstock

From microchips in our eyewear to self-driving cars, we now live in an era of massive and rapid change. This poses a challenge to us as Jews: How do we adapt our ancient heritage to the trends and technologies of a modern society? How do we know what remains eternal, and what changes with the passage of time? The course will probe the realm of reason for evidence of Judaism's truths, exploring the underlying mechanics and dynamics that allow an ancient heritage to adapt to the comforts of life in the 21st century.

\$79 per person; \$135 per couple.

Try the first class for free!

No one is turned away for lack of funds  
Six Mondays at 7:30 PM starting May 4

*JLI is a creative presentation of traditional Judaism in  
a highly professional, innovative, academically rigorous  
yet accessible format.*



# CELEBRATE ISRAEL!



Join us at a Tekes Ma'avar Program  
 Paying homage to the thousands of IDF servicemen and women  
 who fell defending the Jewish homeland  
 and usher in Israel's celebration of Independence Day  
 as Yom HaZikaron Transitions into Yom Ha'Atzmaut  
 April 22nd, 7:15 pm  
 Gottesman Center  
 114 East 85th Street

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## Keter Torah Award

Her family's background almost determined her destiny. Her grandfather, Chaim Shlomo Fensterheim, was one of the original founders of the Torah Va'daath Yeshivah in Williamsburg; her uncle, the founder of Lincoln Square Synagogue together with Rabbi Shlomo Riskin; and her father, the founder of Young Israel of Prospect Park with Rabbi Nachum Muschel. How could she not continue this legacy? And Ramaz/KJ presented her with that opportunity. DeeDee is an ardent Zionist, and Victor's family members were the original founders of Zichron Yaakov with the BILU movement in 1882. Their sons Dani '94, and Gabi '97 are proud graduates of Ramaz and spent several years living in Israel. DeeDee and Victor are blessed with two grandsons, Eli and Kobi, and Lena, their caring and gifted daughter-in-law.



## SHABBAT AT KJ

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINYAN

Heyman Auditorium  
 April 18, May 16, June 13  
 9:15 a.m.

### HASHKAMA MINYAN

Gottesman Center  
 April 18 & 25, May 9 & 30,  
 June 13 & 27, July 11 & 25,  
 August 8 & 22  
 7:15 a.m.

### LEARNERS SERVICE

Every Shabbat  
 9:30 a.m.

### INTERMEDIATE SERVICE

Every Shabbat  
 9:30 a.m.

### SEPHARDIC MINYAN

Every Shabbat  
 9:00 a.m.

## THREE MODERN MIKVAHS

are located in our community at:

### The Jacques & Hannah Schwalbe Mikvah

419 East 77th Street  
 (between 1st and York Avenues)  
 Telephone: 212-359-2020

### The Rennert Mikvah at the 5th Avenue Synagogue

5 East 62nd Street  
 (just off 5th Avenue)  
 Telephone: 212-753-6058

*and*

### The West Side Mikvah

234 West 74th Street  
 (between Broadway and  
 West End Avenue)  
 Telephone: 212-579-2011

## ISRAEL ACTION

Check out "Artzeinu"  
 The Weekly Israel News Update

<http://artzeinu.org>

The Artzeinu Team:

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 Aliza Hornblass  
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 JJ Hornblass  
 Erica Schwartz

Founder: Deena Shiff

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



## “UJA at KJ” Around the Community!

**UJA@KJ** has been very busy with several incredible events this year, including powerful volunteer opportunities all around the city. We hosted a delicious pre-Thanksgiving meal for the seniors at Project ORE in the East Village. Over 30 children from KJ families



made Thanksgiving decorations and cards to distribute to Project ORE seniors, and over 60 volunteers of all ages helped serve a meal to seniors from all over the community and brighten their holiday season.

Educational Alliance's Project ORE, one of the UJA-Federation beneficiary agencies, works with isolated, poor, homeless, and mentally ill elderly Jews throughout Manhattan to provide kosher meals, counseling, case management and other supportive services. UJA@KJ also joined with UJA@PAS to volunteer on several Mondays throughout the year. These “Mitzvah Mondays” are often the highlight of the clients' weeks! We will be hosting another Mitzvah Monday on May 18, 2015.

As the weather turned chilly and we began to prepare for the holiday season, UJA@KJ trekked to the West Side to celebrate Chanukah with seniors from Jewish Home Lifecare. Families played a highly interactive game of “Human Scavenger Hunt” that allowed them the opportunity to meet and schmooze with many of the senior residents and learn about their lives and experiences. Volunteers also played dreidel, ate donuts, and created memorable picture frames

with the seniors. It was incredibly meaningful for the volunteers and residents to get to know one another and celebrate the holiday together. Jewish Home Lifecare, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency, provides healthcare services and assistance for elders. They provide a broad spectrum of care and serve as a resource on concerns of aging for both elders and caregivers.

On Sunday morning, March 1st, the Heyman Auditorium at Ramaz Lower School was buzzing with children and parents as the UJA@KJ and NATAN@Ramaz communities came together to celebrate Purim with seniors from Met Council. Almost 70



people from the KJ community packaged healthy and delicious mishloach manot for the seniors and served them brunch in celebration of the holiday. The volunteers and seniors shared in music, hamentaschen, and Purim crafts. The healthy mishloach manot included such tasty items as cocoa toasted almonds, Veggie Straws, and Pop Chips. The seniors loved them, and the volunteers got to spread the festive spirit with people who wouldn't otherwise experience it!

To finish up the year of volunteer projects, we will be hosting seniors from SelfHelp, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency that addresses the needs of Holocaust survivors, at a KJ Lunch and Learn program on May 6, 2015. All will be treated to a performance by the Lower School choir. In addition to our volunteer projects, we will be hosting the UJA@KJ Annual Cocktail party, with the date and

location to be announced. Please stay in touch for more information on that - and all other - UJA@KJ upcoming events.

In addition to the volunteer opportunities and events we run through UJA@KJ, UJA-Federation also provides an on-site social worker, Shira Felberbaum, to support the mental health and well-being of the KJ community through our Partners in Caring grant. Shira meets with congregants offering short-term supportive counseling, information and referral, consultation, problem-solving, and brainstorming to individuals, families, and groups in matters including caregiving, illness, bereavement, job loss, retirement, divorce, becoming ‘empty nesters’, and other significant life transitions. Shira also facilitates community-wide workshops that address specific niche needs in the community such as holiday bereavement programs.

These wonderful events were made possible thanks to our dedicated UJA@KJ chairs, Rebecca Feit, Abby Kaufthal,



and Nicole Meyer. For more information about the UJA@KJ partnership and upcoming events and volunteer opportunities, please feel free to contact one of our chairs or the UJA@KJ staff liaison, Rebecca Zimilover, at [zimiloverr@ujafedny.org](mailto:zimiloverr@ujafedny.org) or 212-836-1356. We hope to see you at future events!



## BNEI MITZVAH



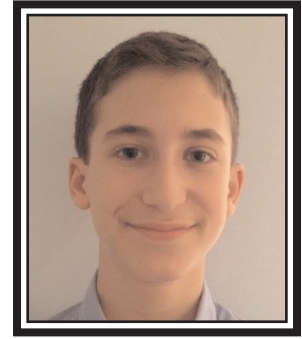
**EMMA STONEHILL**

Mazal Tov to Robyn Price Stonehill and David Stonehill upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Emma Sage, on March 22nd. Emma will deliver a D'var Torah on influential women in the story of Pesach. Emma is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School.



**JULIA MODLIN**

Mazal Tov to Wendy and Adam Modlin, upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Julia, on April 8 in Jerusalem, Israel. She will deliver a D'var Torah on Moshe's path to leadership. Julia is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School. Mazal Tov to the proud KJ grandparents Leah and Barrie Modlin and Marlene Kreinen.



**AVERY SHOLES**

Mazal Tov to Esther and Marc Sholes upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Avery. On Shabbat, May 23, Avery will layn Parashat Bamidbar at the Jewish Center of Atlantic Beach. Avery is in the 7th grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**MICHAL SEINFELD**

Mazal Tov to Erin and Eyal Seinfeld upon the Bat Mitzvah of Michal, on May 30 at the Young Israel of Scarsdale. Michal will deliver a D'var Torah on the topic of the Nazir and will be celebrating a Siyum on completing the Mishnah of Brachot. Michal is a sixth grade student at the Ramaz Middle School. Mazal To proud KJ grandparents Smadar and Dr. David Seinfeld.



**ETHAN RUBIN**

Mazal Tov to Stephanie and Daniel Rubin upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ethan, on Shabbat, August 22nd in Jerusalem where he will read Parashat Shoftim. Ethan is in the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.

### UPCOMING YOUTH DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

**March 28** - Youth Shabbaton Gr. 1-3

**April 25** - Tot Shabbat Daytime

**April 25** - Youth Softball League  
("KJSL") Opening Day

**April 26** - KJSL

**May 2** - KJSL

**May 3** - KJSL

**May 9** - Youth Shabbaton Gr. 4-7

**May 9** - KJSL

**May 2** - Lag b'Omer Lazer Tag

**May 10** - KJSL

**May 16** - KJSL

**May 17** - KJSL

**May 21** - Shavuot Challah Baking

**May 23** - Shavuot Learning

**May 23** - KJSL

**May 24** - KJSL

**May 30** - Tot Shabbat Daytime

**June 6** - KJSL

**June 7** - KJSL

**June 13** - KJSL

**June 14** - KJSL "World Series"

**June 20** - Final Shabbat Groups



### KJYD's Tefillah Together

An opportunity for parents and children to share a child-friendly and abridged tefillah experience



## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Sandy and Dr. Robert April upon the birth of their seventh grandchild, a daughter, Natalie Edith, (Naomi Yehudit) born to their children, Alexandra and Aryeh Cohen.

Nicole and Tzvi Ausubel upon the birth of their third child and first daughter, Claire Elizabeth (Mazal Keren).

Elissa and Gregory Brenner upon the birth of their first child and son, Theodore James (Chaim Asher). Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Ruth and Ray Brenner.

Elisabeth and Alan Doft, upon the September birth of their granddaughter, Eliza Doft Wareck, daughter of Rachel Doft and John Wareck of New Haven.

Lauren and Noah Doyle, upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Lindsay Corinne (Eliana Chana). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Hollace and Steven Cohen.

Shlomit and Chaim Edelstein upon the birth of a grandson, Shlomo Yehudah, born to their children Shira and Daniel Edelstein.

Allyson and Adam Fishman upon the birth of their third child and son, Henri E (Yehudah Or). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Lynne & Joshua Fishman.

Natali and Jason Ganfer upon the birth of their second child and son, Benjamin Zack (Binyamin).

Caroline and Zachary Gleser, upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Beatrice Mae (Ayelet). Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents, Debbie and Dr. Richard Born.

Katie and Eric Kluger upon the birth of their first child and son, Kenneth Max, (Moshe Yehuda). Mazal tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Hon. Judy and Barry Kluger.

Debby and Asher Labendz upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Nessel Florence.

Suri & Dr. David Landerer upon the birth of their third child and son.

Rachel and David Levi upon the birth of their first child and son, Noah Reese (Menasse Dovid).

Ariel and Matthew Levitan upon the birth of their daughter Alexa Rose (Alisa Rina), their first child. Mazal Tov to the first time grandparents, Phyllis and Jonathan Wagner.

Sandy and Dr. Norman Magid upon the birth of a grandson, Lior Jacob, born to their children Alyssa and Eli Magid of Modi'in, Israel.

Talia and Eric Mann upon the birth of their third child and first son, Jordan Morris.

Racheli and Rabbi Hillel Rapp upon the birth in Jerusalem of their first child and son, Jacob Gabriel (Jack).

Shari and Sam Raymond upon the birth of their first child and son, Aaron Isaac (Aharon Yitzchok).

Erica and Adam Rosen upon the birth of

their second child and son, Lenny Zelek (Zelig Manyak). Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Sharon and Jay Podolsky.

Susan and Martin Sanders upon the birth of twin grandchildren, a second daughter, Mollie Ashira (Malka Ashira), and first son, David Motyahu Aaron, to their children Anna and Emmanuel Sanders.

Surie and Robert Sugarman upon the birth of a granddaughter, Rena Izzy (Rena Esther), born to their children, Amanda and Jonathan Klatt. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ great-grandmother Judith Rudoff.

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

### BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Edith and Salomon Lipiner on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah in Zurich, Switzerland, of their grandson Matthias Samuel, son of Karen ('84) and Robert Rom.

Susan and Hon. Michael Mukasey upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, William Barkoff, son of Jessica and Cory Barkoff, who is in the seventh grade at Dalton. William, representing the third generation in his family to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah at KJ, read the Tetzaveh Torah portion and delivered a D'var Torah on the subject of *Ruach Chochma*.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Eve and Sammy Attias, upon the engagement of their son, Joseph, to Shiran Beroukhim, daughter of Naomi and Benny Beroukhim, of Rockville, Maryland

Dr. Judy Schwartz and Michael Brizel, and to Amy Kashchy, upon the engagement of their daughter, Ilana, to Richard Babeck, son of Dr. & Mrs. Yury Babeck.

Laurie and Dr. Eli Bryk upon the engagement of their daughter, Jacqueline, to Jeffrey Karsh, son of Bruce and Martha Karsh, of Los Angeles.

Shelley and Martin Kaufman upon the engagement of their son, David, to Annie Zaks of Verona, New Jersey. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandmother Hannah Low.

Aliza and Aaron Menche upon the engagement of their son, Ariel, to Aviva Koloski, daughter of Karine and Steven Koloski of Philadelphia.

Dr. Evelyn and Salomon Sassoon, upon the engagement of their daughter, Danielle, to Adam Katz, the son of Rachelle and Dr. David Katz of Old Westbury, Long Island.

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

### MARRIAGES

Mazal Tov to:

Debbie and Dr. Shelly Senders upon the wedding of their daughter, Tammie, to Adam

Neuman, son of Barbara and Craig Neuman of Baltimore. Mazal Tov as well to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

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

### MILESTONES

Mazal Tov to:

Judy and Isaac Sherman upon the 67th anniversary of Isaac's Bar Mitzvah.

Rita and Dr. David Woldenberg upon the 70th anniversary of David's Bar Mitzvah.

### COMMUNAL NEWS AND HONORS

Congratulations to:

Tova Bulow upon the occasion of the dedication of the Norman and Tova Bulow Rosh HaYeshiva Chair at Yeshivat Chovevei Torah which will be celebrated at the annual dinner of YCT on May 18th.

Michelle and Joseph Hadad upon the IDF swearing-in of their son, Aidan, at the famous Latrun base, where he was inducted into the elite Combat Intelligence unit. Aidan was singled out as "Chayal Mitztayen" ("Outstanding Trooper") and honored by representing his entire unit in saluting the Commanding Officer during the ceremony.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein upon receiving the Rabbinic Leadership Award from the Manhattan Jewish Experience ("MJE"), a highly successful outreach organization founded by his student, Rabbi Mark Wildes, former Assistant Rabbi at KJ.

Dr. Judy Schwartz who has been selected to receive the Seixas Award, annually given by Columbia-Barnard Hillel, for service and dedication to Jewish life at Columbia University and Barnard College. Information about the dinner on May 14 honoring Judy can be obtained by contacting alison@hillel.columbia.edu

Ethan Stein upon receiving the Business Person of the Year Award at the Jewish People's Choice Awards.

Wendy and Rami Yadid upon the IDF swearing-in of their son, Yossi, who will spend the next three years serving in the Reconnaissance unit of the Paratroop Brigade. Led by Rabbi Lookstein, nearly 50



of Yossi's classmates from the Ramaz graduating class of 2014 who are spending their gap year in Israel gathered at the Kotel ceremony to cheer for Yossi.

**WITHIN OUR FAMILY****PROFESSIONAL/PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

Congratulations to:

Congratulations to Professor Rebecca Kobrin upon receiving a Lenfest Distinguished Teaching Award from Columbia University. She is an associate professor of history at the University and is the daughter of our members, Ruth and Larry Kobrin.

Dr. Mark Lebowitz upon being elected President of The American Academy of Dermatology which has 18,000 members. Mark is also the Chair of the Department of Dermatology at Mount Sinai Medical Center.

**CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences to:

Nathaniel Bier, upon the passing of his stepfather, Dr. Melvyn Weiner.

David Cole, upon the passing of his father, Fred Cole.

Penny Feldman, upon the passing of her mother, Ruth Hollander Deckelbaum.

Cheryl Fishbein, upon the passing of her father, and to Alan Pines upon the passing of his stepfather, Martin Fischbein.

Russell Galbut, upon the passing of his mother, Bessie Galbut.

Warren Graham, upon the passing of his mother, Dorothy Graham.

Sholem Greenbaum, upon the passing of his father, Avraham Greenbaum.

Marshall Huebner, upon the passing of his father, Kurt Israel Huebner.

Caren Rein Kohl, upon the passing of her sister, Naomi Rein.

Benjamin Klapper, upon the passing of his mother, Rose Klapper.

Seryl Kushner, upon the passing of her father, Morris Stadtmayer.

Ira Miller, Dean of the Ramaz Upper School, upon the passing of his wife, Rochelle Miller.

Sheldon Pike, upon the passing of his stepfather, Leonard Rubin.

Barbara Plasse, upon the passing of her father, Dr. Orel Friedman.

Jay Podolsky, upon the passing of his father, Zenek Podolsky.

Sima Ghadadian, Darius Sakhai, Kate Khakshouri and Cyrus Sakhai upon the passing of their father, Iradj Sakhai.

Michael Serphos, upon the passing of his mother, Susan Serphos.

Sharon Shammah, upon the passing of her father, Shimon (Simon) Elbaz.

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

**In Memoriam****LARRY CREIZMAN**

The congregation was stunned by the sudden passing of one of its most cherished members. Larry Creizman was a wonderful friend to many in our community. He genuinely loved people and he was happiest when he was helping others. One of his ways of helping was his magnificent sense of humor. He always had a joke or a retort which not only enlivened a discussion but which very often made people feel better.

The beloved husband of Vivian for forty-six years and the adoring father of Eric and Mark - both Ramaz alumni - and their children, Larry was also a loving grandfather for whom spending time with a grandchild - even for a few brief moments - was worth days of time together. In fact, his last text message in his life expressed that precise thought.

His passing leaves a deep void in his family and in our community. We will all have to work extra hard to spread cheer, joy and love, to make up, in part, for this difficult loss.

**ANDREW FIER**

Andy Fier was one of the younger members of the original family which founded the Riverside Memorial Chapel. He moved from there to found and direct the Plaza Community Chapel which has served our KJ family so extraordinarily well.

The father of two Ramaz alumnae, one of whom made Aliya to Israel, Andy was a very proud Jew. He gloried in his service to the Jewish community. He was a leader in the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and a legendary force for good in the Jewish Funeral Directors of America.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his dear wife, Phyllis, and to all the members of the bereaved family.

**ELLEN SCHEINFELD**

She was a grande dame in both KJ and in Amit Women. She took great pride in her leadership both in our community and in the wider Jewish community in which she was so active.

The wife of the late Rabbi David Scheinfeld, they partnered together to raise three wonderful sons, and she gloried

in their accomplishments and in the many grandchildren with whom she was blessed.

Ellen Scheinfeld had a host of very dear friends whom she cherished and who both cherished and admired her for her wonderful accomplishments and her determined loyalty to her late husband and her family.

**NORMAN HALPER**

The husband of Helen Lukashok Halper and the father of two very devoted daughters, sons-in-law and grandchildren, Norman was a very loyal and generous member of KJ for over forty years. He never missed an opportunity to contribute to the Annual Synagogue Appeal and he gloried in his association with our KJ family when he was in shul for the holidays.

Norman was beloved by his clients to whom he gave extremely devoted service. He was a hard worker almost to the very end of his long life of over ninety years. He was blessed by the exceptional devotion and love of his wife and his daughters. They, and we, will miss him and remember him.

**DANIEL COHEN**

Danny passed away after a long, rich and fulfilling life which ended in an all-too-brief marriage to KJ Member Dr. Margery Kalb. Danny adored Margery and her two sons, L.J. and Peter Spaet, and their perfect chemistry together was palpable. Born into the Great Depression in Brooklyn, Danny's formative childhood years were spent in what was then known as "Palestine." Despite returning as a young teenager to the United States, his attachment to the Jewish Homeland was so strong that he fought in the 1948 War of Independence in the fledgling Israel Air Force. Danny's lifelong thirst for knowledge took him to the University of Kansas, where he tutored a struggling student athlete named Wilt Chamberlain, of later NBA fame. Known for his innate love of mankind, Danny was an avid reader and attentive listener, and his wry sense of humor brought endless smiles to Margery's face. May God restore that beautiful smile as He heals her shattered heart.

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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>
<b>March</b>					
20-21	Vayikra - haHodesh	6:50 PM	6:45 PM	6:40 PM	7:44 PM
27-28	Tzav/HaGadol	6:57 PM	6:45 PM	6:25 PM	7:52 PM
<b>April</b>					
17-18	Shemini	7:19 PM	6:45 PM	7:10 PM	8:16 PM
24-25	Tazria-Metzora	7:26 PM	6:45 PM	7:20 PM	8:25 PM
<b>May</b>					
1-2	Aharei Mot-Kedoshim	7:34 PM	6:45 PM	7:25 PM	8:32 PM
8-9	Emor	7:41 PM	6:45 PM	7:35 PM	8:40 PM
15-16	Behar/Behukotai	7:47 PM	6:45 PM	7:40 PM	8:47 PM
22-23	Bamidbar	7:53 PM	6:45 PM	7:50 PM	Shavuot
29-30	Naso	7:59 PM	6:45 PM	7:55 PM	9:00 PM
<b>June</b>					
5-6	Behaalotekha	8:05 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:07 PM
12-13	Shelah	8:09 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:11 PM
19-20	Korah	8:12 PM	6:45 PM	8:10 PM	9:14 PM
26-27	Hukkat	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:10 PM	9:15 PM
<b>July</b>					
3-4	Balak	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:10 PM	9:14 PM
10-11	Pinhas	8:11 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:12 PM
17-18	Mattot-Masei	8:07 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:07 PM
24-25	Devarim	8:02 PM	6:45 PM	2:30 PM	9:00 PM

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings.....7:30 AM Sunday mornings.....8:30 AM  
Mondays and Thursdays.....7:15 AM Rosh Chodesh Weekdays.....7:00 AM  
Sabbath mornings.....9:00 AM

### EVENING SERVICES

March 15-June 11.....6:45 PM June 14-July 16.....6:50 PM July 19-August 31.....6:45 PM

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday-Saturday, April 3-11**  
Passover (See schedule on page 5)  
**Sunday, April 19**  
Rosh Chodesh Iyar  
Morning Services at 8:30 AM  
**Monday, April 20**  
Rosh Chodesh Iyar  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM  
**Wednesday, April 22**  
Yom Hazikaron  
**Thursday, April 23**  
Yom Ha'Atzmaut  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Thursday, May 7**  
Lag B'Omer  
**Sunday, May 17**  
Yom Yerushalayim  
Morning Services at 8:30 AM  
**Tuesday, May 19**  
Rosh Chodesh Sivan  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM  
**Sunday-Monday, May 24-25**  
Shavuot (see schedule on page 14)  
**Wednesday-Thursday, June 17-18**  
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Friday, July 3**  
Morning Services at 8:30 AM  
**Sunday, July 5**  
Fast of 17th of Tammuz  
Fast begins 4:18 AM  
Morning services at 8:30 AM  
Afternoon services at 8:05 PM  
Fast ends 9:11 PM  
**Friday, July 17**  
Rosh Chodesh Av  
Morning Services at 7:00 AM

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