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HAMAN'S ON THE RUN

PURIM SATURDAY NIGHT, MARCH 17: SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 18

Saturday Evening, March 17

Mincha services will be held in the Main Synagogue at 5:50 PM. Rabbi Dale Polakoff will deliver a discourse on the laws and customs of Purim following Mincha.

Ma'ariv will begin at the conclusion of Shabbat, at 6:40 P.M. We will pause for a few moments after Ma'ariv and begin the *Megillah* reading at 7:05 PM. This will give people who live some distance from the Synagogue an opportunity to ride to KJ in order to be present for the reading of the *Megillah*.

The leading of the Ma'ariv service and the reading of the *Megillah* will be conducted by students from the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.

Sunday Morning, March 18

Another gala Purim service will be held on Sunday morning for young and old alike beginning at 9:00 AM in the Main Synagogue. The services and the reading of the *Megillah* will be conducted by a new crew of Ramaz students.

We ask both adults and children to come in the morning directly to the Main Synagogue. We anticipate that the *Megillah* reading on Sunday morning will begin at approximately 9:35 AM.

During the reading of the *Megillah* we will invite the children to special sections in the synagogue and provide for them, once again, necessary accoutrements of the holiday. A collation of Hamantaschen, juice, milk and coffee will be served to all following the Sunday morning service.

The Children are our

Special Guests Saturday Evening

Children from Nursery age through grade 6 should assemble at the Synagogue between 6:45 and 7:00 PM. Children in Nursery, Kindergarten and First Grade will meet in the Etra Chapel at the lobby entrance. Children in grades 2 - 6 will meet in the gym one floor below the Lobby level. Teenagers of our Youth Department Staff will guide the children that evening.

The children will be escorted to special sections reserved for them in the main Synagogue. They will, of course, be provided with the traditional Purim groggers and most im-

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1983 — 1984 Megillat Esther Readers.



FRONT ROW: Joshua Newman, Joshua Lookstein, Daniel Brown, Jeffrey Mittler, Jonathan Blum

SECOND ROW: Larry Tanz, Jacob Doft, Abraham Eisenstat, Mark Shoulson, Steven Tanz

THIRD ROW: Seth Kenvin, Joshua Gallin, Guri Roshwalb, Steven Rubenstein, Daniel Silverman, Robert Geisler.

FOURTH ROW: Steven Gurewitsch, Alan Rechtschaffen.

NOT SHOWN: Ariel Blum, Steven Major, Joshua Rochlin, Mark Saroff, Leonard Silverman.

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Annual Synagogue Shabbaton

A SHABBAT OF RESPONSIBILITY

*"... And You Know The Feeling Of The Stranger
For You Were Strangers In The Land Of Egypt"*

Friday Evening Dinner & Saturday Afternoon Luncheon

April 13 - 14, 1984

The Shabbat preceding Passover

(No Cooking For You)

\$25 per adult

\$12.50 per child

Child Care Provided

Reservation Deadline: April 6

**Friday Evening: RESPONSIBILITY FOR JEWS
IN LANDS OF OPPRESSION**

**Saturday Noon: JEWISH RESPONSIBILITY TO
THE POLITICAL PROCESS**

**Saturday Afternoon: AREVUT — RESPONSIBILITY
AS A MITZVAH**

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ADULT EDUCATION DATES

MARCH

9	Fri	8:30 PM	Parshat Ha-Shavua At home with Rabbi Bieler*
10	Sat	4:45 PM	Purim Lecture Rabbi Jack Bieler
14	Wed	12:00 PM	Lunch and Learn: Music Caroll Goldberg
		7:45 PM	Women's Shiur
21	Wed	12:00 PM	Lunch and Learn: This Week in World Jewry Robert J. Leifert
23	Fri	8:30 PM	Parshat Ha-Shavua At home with Rabbi Bieler*
25	Sun	8:00 PM	Am Hasefer Book Club
28	Wed	12:00 PM	Lunch and Learn: Multi-Media and Contemporary Jewish Issues Esther Nussbaum
29	Thurs	8:00 PM	Lecture: <i>Am Kadosh</i> and <i>Admat Kodesh</i> - A Holy Nation and Its' Holy Land Rabbi Aharon Lichtenstein Sponsored by the KJ Men's Club

APRIL

4	Wed	12:00 PM	Lunch and Learn: This Week in World Jewry Robert J. Leifert
		7:45 PM	Haggadah Seminar I
6	Fri	8:30 PM	Parshat Ha-Shavua At home with Rabbi Bieler*

KJ CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH

17-18	Sat-Sun	Purim
	Sat	EVE THE SOUND OF MUSIC by KJ Teens
29	Thurs	8:00 PM RAV AHARON LICHTENSTEIN LECTURE Sponsored by KJ Men's Club

APRIL

7	Sat	9:00 AM Fourth Grade Shabbaton
	Sat	8:30 PM FIDDLER ON THE ROOF by KJ Couples Club
8	Sun	2:00 PM FIDDLER ON THE ROOF By KJ Couples Club
13-14	Fri-Sat	Annual Synagogue Shabbaton
14	Sat	Shabbat HaGadol Drasha-Rabbi Lookstein
15	Sun	9:30 AM Kasher-In
28	Sat	EVE Yom HaShoah Program

7	Sat	5:15 PM	Pesach Lecture Rabbi Jack Bieler
11	Wed	7:45 PM	Haggadah Seminar II
13-14	Fri-Sat		Annual Synagogue Shabbaton
14	Sat	5:00 PM	Passover Shiur Rabbi Polakoff
14	Sat	5:45 PM	Shabbat Ha Gadol Drasha - Rabbi Lookstein

*Rabbi and Mrs. Bieler live at 1641 Third Avenue at 91st Street.
This Shiur is conducted on alternate Friday evenings in their home.

RABBI AHARON LICHTENSTEIN TO ADDRESS THE COMMUNITY ON AM KADOSH AND ADMAT KODESH Thursday Night, March 29 at 8:00 P.M.

The Men's Club of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun is proud to announce that Rabbi Aharon Lichtenstein, the Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshivat Har Etzion in Israel, will deliver a lecture in the Main Synagogue of our congregation on Thursday evening, March 29, at 8:00 o'clock. The subject will be *Am Kadosh and Admat Kodesh - A Holy Nation and its Holy Land*.

Rabbi Lichtenstein, who has *s'micha* from Yeshiva University and who holds a PhD degree in English literature from Harvard, is one of the great religious leaders in the State of Israel. He has developed a unique approach to the problems of settlement in the Land of Israel, particularly in

Yehuda and Shomron. He has a very original point of view on many of the issues that divide Israelis today with respect to peace between Israel and the Arabs, justice and fairness in pursuit of Israel's needs and goals, as well as the entire purpose and meaning of the Jewish people's existence in the Land of Israel.

We are grateful to him that he will share some of his ideas with our community and we invite the entire congregation, the Ramaz family and all interested parties to attend what promises to be a memorable evening with an unforgettable scholarly personality.

RABBI MEIR SCHLESINGER TO OCCUPY PULPIT ON SHABBAT, MARCH 10

We are honored that Rabbi Mayer Schlesinger, the head of Yeshivat Sha'alvim, will visit our community on Shabbat, March 10 and will occupy our pulpit that morning. Yeshivat Sha'alvim is one of the very fine institutions of learning in Israel which meets the needs of young Israelis and which also provides an opportunity for young men who are graduates of yeshiva high schools in America to continue to study for a year or two in Israel after high school.

The Yeshiva is located outside of Jerusalem and has accommodated a number of young men from the KJ/Ramaz community. We look forward to the visit of the Rosh Hayeshiva on March 10.

ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON

APRIL 13 - 14, 1984

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Please reserve ---- adult and ---- child(ren's) places for Friday Dinner and Saturday Lunch.

Adults - \$25 Children - \$12.50

Enclosed, please find \$-----

Name -----

Address -----

Phone -----

RABBI BIELER TO GIVE MEGILAH LECTURE

We are happy to announce that Rabbi Jack Bieler will once again give a Purim Lecture on the Megilah on Shabbat afternoon, March 10. The presentation will begin at 4:45 P.M. in the Etra Chapel.

The Purim Shiur is the third in a series of five pre-Yom Tov Lectures. The entire congregational family and community is invited to participate.

**PURIM NIGHT CELEBRATION
KJ TEENS TO FEATURE SOUND OF MUSIC
AND PURIM PIZZA PARTY
ADULTS AND CHILDREN WELCOME**

The KJ Youth Department is happy to invite the entire community who will be participating in the Purim Service on Saturday evening, March 17 to a post-Megillah Pizza Party. This, plus ice cream, cold drinks and, of course, Hammentaschen will be available at \$2.00 per person in the third floor dining hall. Those who will be coming here for mincha and ma'ariv and therefore, arriving before the end of *Shabbat* may arrange to receive tickets for this in advance through the synagogue office. Use the coupon below.

Following these festivities, the teens of the congregation will stage a presentation of Rogers and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music* at \$6.00 per person. Tickets for this performance should also be purchased in advance through the synagogue office utilizing the

coupon below.

Those who have already caught a glimpse of some of the rehearsals know that the audience is in for quite a theatrical performance. Preparing for months now under the superb leadership and direction of Carroll Goldberg, the cast and crew have put together a most memorable experience. We urge you to order tickets now and come that evening to encourage and support the participating teens who include: Jonathan Chernow, Dara Cohen, Stephanie Cohen, Jacob Doft, Debbie Frank, Lisa Gallin, Dana Gross, Jennie Gross, Gail Javitt, Jeff Kobrin, Michael Koppell, Jamie Lassner, Steven Major, Beth Markowitz, Kenny Rochlin, Nadine Rosenthal, Abbe Rutenberg, Danny Silverman and Sarah Tanz.

**PASSOVER
SHOPPING SPREE
TUESDAY, APRIL 3
SENIOR CITIZENS TO BE
COUPLES CLUB GUESTS**

The Second Annual KJ Passover Shopping Spree has been set for Tuesday morning, April 3.

A charter bus will leave from in front of the synagogue at 10:00 AM bound for a large suburban supermarket carrying an extensive line of kosher for Passover products.

The idea of renting a bus was initiated as a means of helping senior citizens in their Passover shopping last year. Other members of the congregation may participate at a cost of \$10.00 per person, but the senior citizens go as guests of the KJ Couples Club. Members of that group will accompany the bus in order to aid with the shopping and will also arrange for the delivery of packages upon their return home in the afternoon.

Those who wish to participate should call Paula in the Synagogue office, 427-1000 ext. 264.

Adults & Children

**THE KJ TEENS
PRESENT A PURIM NITE PERFORMANCE**

**THE SOUND
OF MUSIC**

by Rogers & Hammerstein

**Saturday Evening, March 17 \$6 Per Ticket
After Megillah**

KJ KAMBER AUDITORIUM
125 East 85 Street
Limited Seating Available

ORDER TICKETS NOW

**Between the Megillah and
The Sound of Music
Purim Pizza Party**

Pizza, Ice Cream, Hammentashen & Soda
will be available: \$2 per person

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

Please reserve _____ tickets for me at \$6 per ticket.

TO AVOID NEEDING MONEY AFTER SHABBAT:

I wish to purchase _____ tickets now at \$2 per person
for the Purim Pizza Party.

My check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Adults & Children

THE KJ COUPLES CLUB

Invites You To

**FIDDLER ON THE
ROOF**

**Saturday, April 7
8:30 PM
All tickets: \$10**

**Sunday, April 8
2:00 PM
Adults \$8.00
Children \$5.00**

THE KAUFMAN AUDITORIUM
Ramaz Upper School
60 East 78 Street
Order Tickets Now

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Please reserve:

_____ Tickets at \$10 each for SATURDAY, APRIL 7

_____ Adult tickets at \$8 each for SUNDAY, APRIL 8

_____ Children's tickets at \$ 5 each for SUNDAY, APRIL 8

I. WHAT IS CHAMETZ?

Chametz results when one of the five types of grain (wheat, barley, spelt, rye, oats) comes in contact with water and is allowed to stand for a brief period of time without being baked. In commemoration of the haste with which the Jews left Egypt, we are forbidden during the Passover festival to eat or own anything that has been allowed the time to rise. Therefore, all grain products or mixtures of grain are prohibited on Passover.

Jews of Ashkenazic descent also avoid legumes (*kitniyot*) such as beans, peas, rice and other grains which could be ground into flour and confused with *chametz*. This prohibition applies only to the *eating* of such products, whereas their *possession* is permissible.

Matza, on the other hand, is the unleavened bread which we eat on Passover to commemorate the oppression of our ancestors by the Egyptians and their hasty departure from the Land. It is known as the "bread of affliction" and, as we eat it, we recall our debt of gratitude to God for bringing us out of Egypt and for the beginnings of our national history.

Compliance with the prohibition of eating or owning *chametz* takes three forms. The first is the actual removal of *chametz* from our homes, either through consuming it or disposing of it. This culminates in a search for *chametz* on the evening before Passover (*b'dikat chametz*) which is done this year on Sunday night, and in a symbolic burning of the *chametz* on the morning before Passover (*bi'ur chametz*) which is performed this year on Monday morning before 10:25. In addition, we recite a formula of nullification of ownership over any *chametz* we still might have in our possession (*bitul chametz*). Any *chametz* which can neither be consumed nor disposed of before Passover may be sold to a non-Jew through the Rabbi of the synagogue (*m'chirat chametz*). This *chametz* is bought back by the original owners after Passover.

II. PREPARING THE HOME FOR PASSOVER

In addition to not using *chametz* products during the festival, we also avoid the use of dishes and utensils which have been used with *chametz* all year round. For that reason it is necessary to have two additional sets of dishes for Passover use. These are stored away in a closet throughout the year and brought out for use only on Passover. At the same time, the year-round dishes and utensils are stored away, out of sight, during the Passover festival.

There are certain types of utensils that can be ritually cleansed — or kashered — for Passover use. These are discussed below.

PREPARING FOR PASSOVER 5744 1984

1. Silver and Metal Utensils

Silverware, small pots and metal utensils with no wooden handles may be kashered for Passover use. They must first be cleansed thoroughly and then allowed to stand unused for at least twenty-four hours. They are then completely immersed in a kettle or vat of boiling water.

Larger pots and kettles may be kashered by first cleansing them as above and then filling them with water to the very top, allowing the water to boil and then placing a hot iron or stone inside the pot so that the boiling water runs over down the sides of the pot.

We might add that china, pottery and utensils that have different parts glued together and items that cannot be cleansed thoroughly (such as a sieve) cannot be kashered for Passover use.

2. Glassware

Glasses or glass plates which have *not* been used for hot liquids or solids during the year may be kashered for Passover by immersing them in cold water for a period of 72 hours. The water should be changed every 24 hours.

May we stress that glass utensils (such as pyrex) which are used with heat must be treated as china and cannot be kashered. The best procedure for glassware is to have separate glassware for Passover use.

3. The Stove and Oven

Every part of the oven and stove must be thoroughly cleansed with a chemical cleanser and then allowed to stand for twenty-four hours or more without being used. The oven and racks must then be heated at the highest setting and allowed to stand for a period of about two hours at that setting.

The burners of the stove should be completely turned on in order to heat the grates at their maximum temperature for about two hours. The other areas on the sides of the stove should be covered.

Microwave ovens may be used for Passover. They must first be thoroughly cleaned. Then a large paper container of water is brought to a boil inside the oven. Finally, a paper liner must cover the sides and bottom of the oven. A microwave oven may not be used on Shabbat or Yom Tov.

OU PASSOVER FOODS DIRECTORY

There is a special Directory published by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America which contains a complete listing of those food products they certify as kosher for Passover. It will be mailed to all recipients of this *Bulletin* by the KJ Benevolent Fund. Additional copies will be available from our office.

III. PASSOVER FOODS

Most foods that are used on Passover require rabbinic supervision. This is especially true of all processed foods. It is important to realize that a label indicating that the product is "Kosher for Passover" does not assure us of the adequacy of the supervision. Wherever possible, congregants should use  products which have a special Passover supervision. If not, it is important to check on the reliability of the particular Rabbi who is giving the endorsement. Please feel free to ask Rabbi Lookstein in the event of any doubt on this matter.

KASHER-IN

Sunday Morning, April 15

Kehilath Jeshurun will sponsor its *Kasher-In* this year on Sunday morning, April 15, from 9:30 AM until 12 noon.

Large containers of boiling water will be available in the second floor kitchen of the Kamber Auditorium so that people can bring their silver and metal utensils and prepare them for Passover use.

A Word of Caution

Remember that in order to *kasher* something for Passover the item to be *kashered* must first be cleaned thoroughly with a chemical cleanser and allowed to stand unused for at least 24 hours before the actual *kashering* procedure.

1. Grain Products

All grain products require strict rabbinic supervision for Passover use.

2. Milk and Dairy Products

These, too, require supervision. Milk, however, may be purchased before Passover without supervision. If one has to purchase it during the festival, however, it requires supervision. Powdered milk, such as Alba, may be used on Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

3. Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

All of these may be used (except for legumes — peas, beans, rice and corn which are all treated like *chametz*). If these fruits and vegetables are sold in a general grocery store, they should be washed very carefully before being used on Passover.

4. Dried Fruits

These should carry a Passover endorsement.

5. Frozen Fruits and Vegetables

With the exception of the legumes that were mentioned above, frozen fruits and vegetables, if they are not mixed with anything else, should be usable for Passover without a rabbinic endorsement. Pure fruit juices, with the exception of grape juice, may be purchased before Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

6. Cosmetics

All cosmetic lotions, creams, ointments and toothpaste need no special Passover supervision.

7. Baby Foods

Most infant formulas contain corn or soy beans as starting ingredients. Since these are considered *kitniyot*, the baby's utensils and foods should be kept absolutely separate from everything else in the house. If an infant must eat *chametz* products, in accordance with a doctor's directive, the rabbi should be consulted. Otherwise all *chametz* products should be avoided.

8. Coffee

Some questions have arisen in the past about the adulteration of coffee with grain products. In the absence of specification, therefore, it would be preferable to purchase coffee with proper supervision for Passover.

9. All other foods

Those processed foods not mentioned in this listing require special supervision for Passover use.

10. Chametz after Passover

According to Jewish law *chametz* which was owned by a Jew during the holiday may never again be used by any other Jew. Therefore, after the holiday is over, one should make sure to buy *chametz* products from a Jew who has sold his *chametz* and not from a Jewish establishment which might have had the particular *chametz* product on the shelf during Passover. In order to avoid confusion, it is best to purchase such products from non-Jewish storekeepers until such time as the Passover stock has been completely used up and replenished with new foods.

B'DIKAT CHAMETZ

"Don't Miss It!"

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 Sunday night, April 15. The disposal and final nullification should take place on Monday morning. It is important to note that both formulas of nullification must be recited in a language that one understands. Children especially will be impressed by the ceremony. It should, therefore, be performed with enthusiasm and dedication.

The children should be asked to place the 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; 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 the ritual of *b'dikat chametz*.

Disposal of Chametz

No *chametz* may be eaten on Monday morning, April 16 after 9:25 A.M. All *chametz* must be completely disposed of by 10:25 A.M.

Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Monday morning, April 16. There are those who prefer to perform this ritual in person. Rabbi Lookstein, Rabbi Polakoff and Mr. Rosenberg are available for this purpose. For those who cannot attend to this matter in person, there is a form provided on this page which authorizes Rabbi Lookstein to sell your *chametz*. **THIS FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE BY MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 16, NOT LATER THAN 8:30.**

Individuals who will be in Israel for Passover should consult the rabbis in advance to make special arrangements.

Services for First Born

Passover Eve is a traditional fast for first born males. It is obligatory upon every first born man who cannot observe the fast on Monday to attend the special service on that day, to join Rabbi Lookstein in completing a tractate from the Talmud, and to participate at its conclusion in the light collation that is served. The service for the first born (*Siyum Bechorim*) will be held in the Main Synagogue on Monday, April 16, as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:30.

MARCH 15th: INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR SOVIET JEWS

March 15th, which coincides with the Fast of Esther, has been designated as "International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews."

The Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry urges you to communicate with Soviet Minister of Internal Affairs Vitali Fedorchuk, the man directly responsible for the operation for the Soviet police, the KGB, the prison systems and all domestic security. In a coordinated effort with communities around the world all cables are being directed to this individual, and are being dispatched on March 14th, timed to arrive on his desk on the 15th. His address is Ulitsa Ogarev 6, Moscow 103009, RSFSR, USSR. Call Western Union at 1-800-257-2241.

FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ

I, _____
do hereby authorize RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN, of 125 East 85th Street, City, State and County of New York, to sell, transfer and assign all CHAMETZ of whatever kind and nature, of which I am possessed and seized, or in which I may have an interest, wheresoever situated, in my residence at _____

or in my place of business, or in any other place, without reservation and limitation.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this _____ day of _____

Signature _____

Please return to the Synagogue office by Monday, April 16 at 8:30 A.M.

WHAT TO DO WITH CHAMETZ

The best thing to do with *chametz* during Passover is not to have it.

There are very many poor people in our city who cannot afford to eat properly and are unable to purchase adequate food for minimal sustenance.

We, therefore, urge you to bring sealed packages, cans, jars, bottles and other containers of *unopened* food to KJ at the time of the *Kasher-In* on Sunday morning, April 15 between 9:30 AM and Noon. We will then arrange for this food to be distributed to the non-Jewish needy and hungry of our community.

Performing this act of *chesed* is an important means of expressing the commandment to *love thy neighbor as thyself*.

SOME SEDER SUGGESTIONS

The Passover Seder is probably the most meaningful of all home observances in the Jewish calendar year. It has been designed as a masterpiece of pedagogic method to interest the young, to maintain their enthusiasm and to teach important lessons. In order to get the most out of the Seder, there are a number of things that should be kept in mind.

1. Be sure that there is a Haggadah for each member of the Seder.

2. The leader of the Seder should study the Haggadah in advance and decide upon questions and stories which he might want to use at various points in order to awaken interest.

3. The reading of the Haggadah should be rotated among the different people around the Seder table. Passages can be read in Hebrew and/or in English.

4. Recite all blessings in unison so that everyone feels a part of the ceremony.

5. Do not be afraid to interrupt in the middle of a reading to ask a question, to make a point or to launch a discussion. Wherever possible, try to relate the historical passages to modern events.

6. Children should perhaps be asked to prepare in advance a dramatization of certain portions of the Haggadah which lend themselves to such an exercise. Examples are the Four Sons and also the Pesach, Matzah and Maror.

7. Do not let the hunt for the *Afikoman* transcend the importance of the Seder itself. Let that be done during the meal. The determined "thief" should be rewarded with a prize of Jewish significance.

Schedule of Passover Services

Monday, April 16 — Passover Eve

Morning Service 7:30 AM

A special service for the first born (Siyum) will be conducted following the regular services.

Evening 6:30 PM

Candle Lighting 6:19 PM

Tuesday, April 17 — Passover I

Morning 9:00 AM

Evening 6:30 PM

Candle Lighting AFTER 7:15 PM

Wednesday, April 18 — Passover II

Morning 9:00 AM

Evening 6:30 PM

Conclusion of Yom Tov 7:16 PM

Services for Thursday and Friday Chol Hamoed

Morning 7:15 AM

Evening 6:00 PM

Lighting of Candles on Friday Evening 6:23 PM

Saturday, April 21 — Shabbat Chol Hamoed

Morning 9:00 AM

Song of Songs will be read

Evening 6:30 PM

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:20 PM

Sunday, April 22

Morning 8:30 AM

Evening 6:30 PM

Candle Lighting 6:25 PM

Monday, April 23 — Passover VII

Morning 9:00 AM

Evening 6:30 PM

Candle Lighting AFTER 7:22 PM

Tuesday, April 24 — Passover VIII

Morning 9:00 AM

Yizkor is recited as part of this Service

Evening 6:30 PM

Conclusion of Yom Tov 7:25 PM

THIS IS THE MATZAH OF HOPE

At the Seder table one should have four Matzot, the three traditional ones and an additional Matzah, which will not be eaten and which symbolizes the plight of our brethren in the Soviet Union, most of whom are unable to obtain Matzah for Passover.

Just prior to the reciting of the four questions, the reader of the Seder should lift this extra Matzah and read the following proclamation:

On Passover, all Jews celebrate freedom. Yet our brothers in the Soviet Union must still observe this holy time in secret. These are the Jews for whom the exodus is not yet a reality.

The Matzah of Hope represents those who are not with us tonight — Jews who have been refused exit visas and who suffer daily harassment and Prisoners of Conscience who endure the hardships of cruel imprisonment. Their "crime": the desire to live as Jews, among Jews, in a free land.

We pause for a moment during this Seder to reaffirm our solidarity with Soviet Jewry. We pledge ourselves to continue to work for their freedom. We vow that, once they are free, we will help them rebuild their lives. We will not rest until the task is complete, for until all Jews are free, no Jew is free.

REMEMBER SOLIDARITY SUNDAY, MAY 6.

AN INVITATION TO A TRADITIONAL SEDER EXPERIENCE

The Torah tells us that at the first Seder on the night of the exodus from Egypt families were urged to "share a lamb" with each other so that small families or single individuals would be able to enjoy a Seder with either other small families or with large ones. In these days that idea increases in importance.

TWO REQUESTS

We, therefore, will again organize a home Seder program in our community. We ask that all those planning to have a Seder in their homes on the first night, April 16 and/or the second night, let us know that they are ready to accommodate a specific number of members of the community who would like to enjoy a home Seder.

At the same time, we invite single individuals and small families who will be home for Pesach to let us know that they would appreciate an invitation.

Please call us to make our role easier and let us know of your availability to either attend a Seder or to make one in which you would like others to join. (427-1000).

PASSOVER RELIEF WE NEED YOUR GIFT NOW

The first order of priorities in preparing for Passover is *Maot Chitim* — Passover Relief. It is our way of saying that our personal joy on the festival is incomplete if we do not share what we have with others who are less fortunate.

Who gives to Passover Relief? According to the *Shulchan Arukh* (The Code of Jewish Law) there are only two types of people as far as Passover Relief is concerned: Donors and recipients. If you are not a recipient you must be a donor. It's as simple as that.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Passover Relief Appeal serves first and foremost this communal *mitzvah*. Last year the readers of the *Bulletin* contributed more than \$20,000. It was a most gratifying response to a call for charitable funds. But, we need even more this year!

A large part of our funds go to the Joint Passover Appeal which is the agency through which are dispersed tens of thousands of dollars to poor people at Passover time.

There are additional causes which are helped generously by our Appeal. They include, among others:

Gifts to needy individuals in our community.

The New York Board of Rabbis Passover Fund for Jewish patients in hospitals and inmates in prisons.

A package campaign for Soviet Jews and many organizations and institutions who seek our help and depend on our assistance in this season and throughout the year.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun does not conduct appeals for all of these causes. Your one gift at Passover time represents your gift to a variety of worthy recipients. Please be as generous as possible and please send in your contributions now when they will do the most good.

Our best wishes to you for a happy and kosher Passover.

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RABBI JACK BIELER TO BE GUEST OF HONOR AT ANNUAL YU BRUNCH

Sunday, April 1, 10:00 A.M.

We are proud to announce that Rabbi Jack Bieler, Chairman of the Talmud Department at Ramaz and Scholar in Residence at KJ, will be the guest of honor at the Annual Brunch which the congregation holds in behalf of Yeshiva University. The Brunch this year will be on Sunday morning, April 1, at 10:00 o'clock.

Rabbi Bieler, a graduate of Yeshiva College was ordained by Yeshiva University. He will enter his 10th year in Ramaz, please God, next September. He has made a profound impact upon a large group of students who have come in contact with him and learned to appreciate his brilliant mind and his great commitment to Torah study and practice.

Here in the congregation where he, his

wife, Dr. Joan Bieler, and their three children, Donny, Miriam and Sara have made their home for the past several years, Rabbi Bieler has given a wide variety of *shiurim* to an ever increasing number of avid students. We feel privileged by the opportunity to honor this young scholar from Yeshiva University even as we demonstrate our support for the greatest institution of Jewish learning in America.

We hope that all of Rabbi Bieler's students, admirers and friends - together with many other members of the congregational and Ramaz family - will make a special effort to be present on April 1 to honor the Rabbi and to provide support for the institution which trained him for the splendid role he serves in our community.

SHABBAT HAGADOL D'RASHA AREVUT: RESPONSIBILITY AS A MITZVAH

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

Saturday afternoon, March 26

5:30 PM

The Main Synagogue

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November 29, 1983

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
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125 East 85th Street
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Dear Rabbi Lookstein:

As we close our books on our 1982-1983 Joint Passover Campaign, we would like, once again, to thank you and your constituents for sharing in our Mitzvah of Ma'ot Chitim.

Perhaps, via your bulletin, you might like to share with your congregation the impact we made this year on a very needy Jewish population. We gave cash grants totaling \$290,000 to 16,952 individuals--8,871 families.

We are very pleased that 92% of all JPA funds go for direct relief to clients. You might be interested in knowing that in the past 10 years \$1,476,459 has been distributed to those who look to us for assistance.

May we always continue to be able to help those who find it so difficult to ask.

With warm personal regards, I am,

Yours truly,

Mrs. Ruth F. Kobrin
President

RABBI WOHLGELERNTER TO PRESENT A LITERARY READING OF THE HAGADAH

We are pleased to announce once again this year Rabbi Maurice Wohlgernter's Wednesday evening pre-Passover seminars in the Hagadah.

The theme of the seminar will be a discussion of the Passover service and specifically the Hagadah from a Literary perspective. This special "Mini-Seminar" will be offered on two Wednesday evenings, April 4 and 11 from 7:30 to 9:30 PM in the synagogue Board Room on the eighth floor.

This seminar has become an important tradition on our synagogue calendar and enjoys a very nice following. Neighbors and friends are welcome to attend.

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portant of all, the sweets which are an integral part of the enjoyment of this lovely festival.

Do join us both Saturday evening for Mincha at 5:30 PM; for the Megillah reading at 7:05 PM; for the Purim Pizza Party and the show of "The Sound of Music" following the Megillah reading and again on Sunday morning at 9:00 AM for services and at 9:35 AM for the Megillah reading followed by a Purim collation.

RABBI JACK BIELER TO CONDUCT PASSOVER LECTURE

Rabbi Jack Bieler will give the fourth discourse in his pre-Yom Tov Series on Saturday Afternoon, April 7.

The pre-Pesach Shiur will be held one hour before Mincha at 5:15 PM in the Etra Chapel.

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Imagine for a minute that while at a Purim celebration with your friends and family the police enter your house, search your belongings, and threaten to arrest you. Imagine the fear, the anger and the outrage.

Last year in the Soviet Union, children's parties were interrupted, Purim plays were stopped and Soviet Jewish refuseniks were warned that no Jewish cultural activities were allowed.

Yet, despite mounting pressure on Soviet Jews to abandon their religious and cultural ties, they do not. Reports from the Soviet Union indicated that more and more Soviet Jews are celebrating the Purim Festival. "Ten years ago," a Leningrad refusenik said, "only a few religious Jews ever heard of the Megillat Esther. But now, even Jews who are not particularly religious put on fancy clothes, bake their own traditional Hamantaschen and have parties, not only for the children, but for the adults as well." Soviet Jews are holding fast to their Jewish identities while they continue in their long struggle for freedom.

For Soviet Jews, the story of Purim parallels the modern anti-Semitism with which they are forced to live. Like the Jews

in Shushan, Soviet Jews are a religious and ethnic minority at the mercy of their government. Almost daily, Soviet Jews are subjected to anti-Semitic attacks in the state-controlled Soviet media. And, despite rights guaranteed to them under the Helsinki Accords, they are denied their right to study and teach Hebrew, celebrate holidays and learn of their religion and culture.

Purim teaches us that we must look to the resources of the entire Jewish people in times of crisis. For Soviet Jews, many of whom have waited over 15 years to emigrate to Israel, this is a very important message. Each of us must take responsibility for the well-being and survival of the Jewish people.

As Esther called upon her people, Soviet Jews now call on us to act. And, as the Jews in Shushan answered the call, so must we. On May 6th, when the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry sponsors its annual Solidarity Sunday for Soviet Jewry, raise your voice with tens of thousands of others. In the words of the Megillah: "The Jews had light and gladness, and joy and honor." So may it be for Soviet Jews.

IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL BY AMOS OZ

AM HASEFER BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB

Discussant: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

Home of: Nathalie and Israel Friedman
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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazel Tov to Pearl and Zev Hack upon the birth of their first grandchild, Chaim Robert, born to their children Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hack. The child has been named in memory of Zev's father.

Mazel Tov to Nathalie and Israel Friedman on the birth of their seventh granddaughter, Elana Sarah, born to their children Judy and Mark Tykocinski. Similar congratulations to the proud great-grandmother, Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein.

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

BAT MITZVAH

Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Leon A. Feldman on the occasion of the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Debra J. Feldman who is the daughter of their children, Dr. and Mrs. Howard R. Feldman. This important milestone was observed and celebrated at the Young Israel of Scarsdale.

COMMUNAL HONORS

We congratulate Rabbi Isaac N. Trainin, Director of the Department of Religious Affairs of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies on the occasion of his being honored by the Federation in celebration of his 65th birthday and the publication of his fifth book entitled: *In The Path Of Righteousness There Is Life*. We look forward to sharing many additional milestones and *smachot* together with the Trainin family.

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Mazel Tov to Rabbi Leon A. Feldman upon his publication of a critical edition of Rabbi Nissim ben Reuben Gerondi's Novellae on Tractate Shavuoth which was based on hitherto unknown manuscripts. Dr. Feldman has also recently contributed learned articles to the Jubilee Volume for Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik and the Memorial Volume for Rabbi Yizhak Nissim, former Rishon LeZion.

Mazel Tov to Charlotte Lebovics on the recent appointment of her daughter Naomi Graetz, a Ramaz graduate, to the position of Senior Lecturer on the faculty of Ben Gurion University in Beersheva.

Mazel Tov to Marco Wachter, our member in Florence, Italy upon his being recognized in *The New York Daily News* in a lengthy article about fashions emanating from Italy in which he was described as an international leader in clothing design.

Congratulations to Dr. Emanuel D. Nack who holds both an M.D. and a Ph.D. degree on his recent certification by the American Board of Internal Medicine, granted on his successful completion of the Board examination. Dr. Nack is presently on a fellowship in Nephrology at Beth Israel Medical Center.

ACADEMIC NEWS REQUESTED

At this season of the year we are already beginning to think of the milestones and honors which the members of the Congregation and their families will be experiencing during the coming months. We would like to record all of those honors in the final *Bulletin* of the year. If you or anyone you know is observing such a milestone or receiving a particular honor in academic or professional life, we ask you to please send us the information without delay. It is one more way of creating the family spirit which we like to foster at KJ and Ramaz.

We hope to hear from you soon.

COMMUNAL LEADERSHIP

We note with pride the leadership role taken by several members of Kehilath Jeshurun in the first Joint Leadership Conference sponsored by UJA-Federation. The theme of the Conference held on Sunday, February 26 was: The Global Jewish Community — One Family Indivisible. Serving on the committee or participating as workshop leaders and panelists were Arthur Brody, Pearl H. Hack, Bobi Klotz and Lawrence A. Kobrin. We are proud of the role these members of the Kehilath Jeshurun Family have taken in the wider Jewish community.

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to Harris S. Cohen on the passing of his beloved father, Sidney M. Cohen.

We record with sorrow the passing of Morris S. Arfa, the beloved father of Harvey Arfa.

We mourn the passing of Gussie Winkelman, dear sister of Mrs. Morris Galler.

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

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BAR MITZVAH



ARI ACKERMAN

Mazel Tov to Irwin Ackerman and Mona Ackerman upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Ari which will take place on Saturday morning, March 17.

Ari, a student at the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz, will chant the entire Torah and Haftorah portions.

**MARCH FOR
SOVIET JEWRY
SOLIDARITY SUNDAY**
May 6, 1984

In Memoriam

Rabbi Harry Wohlberg

One of the outstanding American Orthodox Rabbis who helped to build modern Orthodoxy in America passed away in February. Rabbi Harry Wohlberg was the spiritual leader of Congregation Shomrei Emunah in Boro Park for many years. His outstanding Homiletic ability and his great Torah scholarship had a profound influence on generations of members of that synagogue.

Rabbi Wohlberg, however, had an impact far beyond Boro Park. He was professor of homiletics at Yeshiva University where he helped to train generations of young rabbis to speak from pulpits around the country. He was the master of the Jewish *bon mot*. He taught not alone how to speak but how to practice compassion and love of Israel. The best examples of his teaching are his three sons: Jeremiah, Saul and Mitchell, who followed their father's footsteps and entered the rabbinate in Merrick, Haverstraw and Baltimore, respectively. Each has made an important contribution to Jewish life in his community.

We mourn the passing of this great rabbinic leader. We express our condolences to his sons and also to his Reb-betzin. His voice may have been stilled but his words remain as a precious legacy to us all.

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March 10

Weekly Portion: Vayikra

Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21-44:23

March 17 SHABBAT ZACHOR

Weekly Portion: Tzav

Haftarah: I Samuel 16

March 24 SHABBAT PARAH

Weekly Portion: Shemini

Haftarah: Ezekiel 37

March 31 SHABBAT HACHODESH

Weekly Portion: Tazria

Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16-46:18

April 7

Weekly Portion: Metzora

Haftarah: II Kings 7

April 14

Weekly Portion: Ahare

Haftarah: Malachi 3

April 28

Weekly Portion: Kedoshim

Haftarah: Amos 9

SERVICE SCHEDULE

CANDLE LIGHTING

Friday Evening

March 9 5:38 PM
March 16 5:46 PM
March 23 5:53 PM
March 30 6:01 PM
April 6 6:08 PM
April 13 6:15 PM
April 20 6:23 PM
April 27 6:30 PM

SABBATH SERVICES

Friday Evening

March 9 5:45 PM
March 16 5:50 PM
March 23 — April 20 6:00 PM
April 27 6:15 PM

Saturday Moring

Shacharit 9:00 AM
Teen-Collegiate Service 9:30 AM
Beginners' Service (Adults) 10:30 AM
Junior Congregation 10:30 AM
Nursery - Grade 1 10:30 AM
Toddlers (1-3 years) 10:30 AM

Saturday Afternoon

March 10 5:45 PM
March 17 5:50 PM
March 24 6:00 PM
March 31 6:10 PM
April 7 6:15 PM
April 14 5:30 PM
April 21 6:30 PM
April 28 6:30 PM

CONCLUSION OF SABBATH

Saturday Evening

March 10 6:33 PM
March 17 6:40 PM
March 24 6:48 PM
March 31 6:55 PM
April 7 7:03 PM
April 14 7:12 PM
April 21 7:20 PM
April 28 7:28 PM

Weekday Services

Morning 7:30 AM
Evening

March 11-15 5:45 PM
March 18-22 5:50 PM
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