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CONSUL GENERAL URIEL SAVIR, MALCOLM HOENLEIN, HON. WILLIAM GREEN AND DR. RALPH NURNBERGER TO ADDRESS ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON

April 14 - 15

Friday Dinner and Shabbat Lunch, The Sabbath Before Passover

The 16th Annual Synagogue Shabbaton will be held this year on Friday evening, April 14 and Saturday, April 15, 1989. We welcome a most distinguished panel of guest speakers who will address themselves to one of the most crucial issues Israel has faced since the founding of the State more than 40 years ago. The topic, "UNITED STATES - ISRAEL RELATIONS; AMERICAN THE PERSPECTIVE THE ISRAELI PERSPECTIVE", is of great importance to the American Jewish community and of grave concern to Israel.

FRIDAY EVENING

On Friday evening, following Shabbat dinner, our panel will discuss the American perspective. Leading that presentation will be Malcolm Hoenlein, Executive Director of the Conference Of Presidents Of Major American Jewish Organizations. In his previous roles as Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council Of New York and The Greater New York Conference On Soviet Jewry, Mr. Hoenlein has been a frequent and warmly received guest before our congregation. He will be speaking from his unique vantage point about his observations of the new White House and the Presidency of George Bush.

The situation in Congress will be viewed from two vantage points. Hon. William S. Green, our own Congressman will be speaking from the vantage point of inside the United States Congress. Congressman Green has represented our district with distinction for many years and has been a staunch supporter of Israel throughout his tenure. He too has spoken to our congregation on a number of occasions and, from time to time has worshipped with us as well. He will speak from the perspective of "Within the Congress".

Our third speaker Friday evening will be Dr. Ralph Nurnberger, Legislative Liaison in Washington for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). Dr. Nurnberger who has been a lobbyist on behalf of Israel should have his own broad perspective on what it is like to rally support in Congress on behalf of Israel in 1989.



HON. URIEL SAVIR SATURDAY MORNING

Following services and Kiddush Saturday morning, we will look at the Israeli perspective. The Hon. Uriel Savir, Consul General of Israel here in New York, will address our congregation for the first time. A diplomat with Labor background and currently serving the present administration in Jerusalem, Mr. Savir has been very well received since assuming his responsibilities here in New York. We look forward to hearing his point of view.

Joining Mr. Savir on the Saturday panel will again be Malcolm Hoenlein who will be here with us for the entire Shabbaton. Mr. Hoenlein has worked closely with the current administration in Israel gaining an American view of the Israeli perspective.

THE SABBATH BEFORE PASSOVER

One of the most exciting advantages of the timing of this weekend which is on Shabbat Ha'Gadol, the Sabbath before Passover, is that by our serving Friday dinner and Saturday lunch, it means a Shabbat of no cooking for you!

Dinner will be served Friday evening and lunch on Saturday to those who have previously made reservations. The cost is \$40 for dinner and lunch (two meals) for adults and \$25 for children (for the two meals).

The deadline for reservations - *space permitting* - is Friday, April 7. A check in the full amount must accompany all reservations. DR. EMANUEL RACKMAN TO ADDRESS SECOND MEMORIAL GATHERING ON THE OCCASION OF RABBI JOSEPH LOOKSTEIN'S 10TH YAHRZEIT Tuesday, April 4, at 8:00 P.M.



We are pleased to announce that Dr. Emanuel Rackman, Chancellor of Bar-Ilan University and the former Rabbi of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue here in our community, will present the second in a series of three lectures in memory of Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein as we approach the Rabbi's 10th yahrzeit. His topic will be "Centrist Orthodoxy at the Crossroads: A Perspective from an American Rabbi in Israel."

Rabbi Rackman's articles and speeches on the subject of centrist Orthodoxy are very much in the spirit of the positions taken by the late Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein who pioneered in the field of modern Orthodoxy. Rabbi Rackman consistently maintains an attitude of tolerance for opposing viewpoints and love for all Jews as long as they themselves love other Jews. This is precisely the message that Rabbi Lookstein tried to convey for over 56 years in this community.

We hope that the entire congregation and the Ramaz family will honor the memory of the Founder of Ramaz and the architect of what this congregation is by attending the lecture on Tuesday, April 4, at 8:00 o'clock in the Main Synagogue. Rabbi Rackman has stood up for all of us courageously, fearlessly and not without strong criticsm. It is up to a community like ours to come and by our presence demonstrate our own commitment to the kind of centrist Orthodox Jewish position he represents.

We hope to see you on April the 4th.



DR. NORMAN LAMM EXPRESSES CHALLENGE IN FIRST LOOKSTEIN MEMORIAL LECTURE

On Tuesday, March 14 several hundred people attended the first lecture of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Memorial Lecture Series. The address was delivered by Dr. Norman Lamm in the Main Synagogue. Dr. Lamm, the president of Yeshiva University, spoke with great enthusiasm on the topic: "Torah Education At The Crossroads: A Perspective From The President Of Yeshiva". Dr. Lamm began his address by recalling some fond memories of his teacher, mentor and colleague - the late Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein of blessed memory. Rabbi Lookstein's 10th Yahrzeit will be commemorated on the 18th day of Tamuz which falls on July 21 this year.

Dr. Lamm described the challenge of this generation in terms of motivation. The previous decades of the 60's and the 70's saw a generation whose energy, enthusiasm and motivation was directed toward idealism. Today that same energy, enthusiasm and motivation are being directed toward pragmatism. In terms of continuity Dr. Lamm knows if we are taking our Torah studies seriously by applying the verse from the Torah, "Ki hem chayenu", "for these be our lives" and to see how we apply it in terms of the "ve'orech yamenu" as "the length of our days". Do we concentrate our Torah study in a short span of time, or is it sustained throughout our entire lifetime. Our Jewish education must not conclude with graduation from high school or from Yeshiva.

Dr. Lamm identified a skill of values which he terms "axiology". Where does Torah fit in our lives? It must not be simply a course of study, but a path of life. The mitzvot which we perform in accordance with our tradition must not be done simply as observances, but rather as acts of faith, piety, and soul. Dr. Lamm suggested that if one has a sum of money which he wishes to donate to charity it is best when divided up and spread out rather than all given in one direction. In similar fashion, our deeds are more effective when they are spread out so that they reach further and further, instead of being focused on one narrow area only. Our children are learning the blessings and teachings of Jewish tradition, but are they living them? Do they make brachot? Do they feel them? Are we davening as well as we might?

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein brought orthodoxy, as Dr. Lamm put it, to Park Avenue. We must now bring Park Avenue to orthodoxy. Just as Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, *alav hashalom*, re-energized and re-invigorated Judaism in his time by bringing to it an aesthetic sensitivity which was formerly missing in Orthodox Judaism, so too must we reinvigorate our practice of Judaism and make it new again. We need a strengthening of our commitments, and a rededication to our values and ideals. These must be lived through practice and not left to the theoretic alone. Failing this, the only authentic voice left to Judaism will emanate from Boro Park. We must ensure that Judaism continues to flourish not only on Park Avenue but the West Side, the East Coast, North, South and throughout the world wherever Jews live.

The next lecture of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Memorial Lecture Series will be held on Tuesday, April 4, and will be given by Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, Chancellor of Bar-Ilan University. Rabbi Rackman will speak on: "Centrist Orthodoxy At The Crossroads: A Perspective From An American Rabbi In Israel".

The entire congregation is invited to join these fitting memorials to the work of the man who 52 years ago dreamed about a school that would give a quality Jewish and general education to American Jewish children. He then translated that dream into reality. Rabbi Lookstein almost single handedly created a synagogue and an institution which has become a leader in the modern orthodox Jewish world and in Jewish education. Your attendance would be a fitting memorial to his accomplishments.

> WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP Saturday morning, APRIL 1, 1989 9:00 AM In the Max J. Etra Chapel

All women are invited to attend.

KJ YESHIVA UNIVERSITY EVENING TO HONOR THE PROPPS

Monday, April 10

We are pleased to announce that the 1989 Kehilath Jeshurun effort in behalf of Yeshiva University will be launched at a cocktail - buffet on Monday evening, April 10, at 6:30 PM, at the Newman Educational Center - Upper School building of Ramaz.

The evening, chaired by Ellen and Fred Baumgarten will honor Gail and Ephraim Propp. The Propps have been long time generous supporters of Yeshiva as, indeed, they have been to most worthwhile Jewish organizations and institutions.

Yeshiva University is a most important institution as the center of Orthodox Jewish life here in the United States. Throughout its history, this congregation has played a most important role in support of the University as we have also gained much from its existence.

Members of the congregation are invited to attend and are asked to call the synagogue office (427-1000) in advance to make reservations for the evening.

YOM HASHOAH

Holocaust Remembrance Day Monday, May 1 7:30 PM

YOM HAATZMAUT

Israel Independence Day Tuesday, May 9 7:30 PM

117 TH ANNUAL MEETING Wednesday, May 17

8:00 PM

THE FINAL JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN MEMORIAL LECTURE

will be held on Thursday evening, May 4, at 8:00 PM when

> Professor Elie Wiesel Nobel Laureate will speak on the topic:

The Pursuit of Knowledge: A Jewish Perspective

POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE URGES IMMEDIATE LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN

Under the leadership of chairperson Suzanne Javitt, the new KJ Political Affairs Committee is urging all readers of this Bulletin to write to American Political leaders expressing their solidarity with and support for Israel.

The mail on Israel which is coming to Washington these days is running overwhelmingly against it. The sheer weight of anti-Israel letters and telegrams is frightening. There has been a very successful pro-Arab public relations campaign which has created at least the *appearance* of a public opinion shift. The pro-Israel side is simply not being heard from.

WE MUST LET UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES HEAR FROM US, KNOW WHERE WE STAND, AND LEARN THE DEPTH OF OUR CONCERN.

It is important, among others, to make the following points:

1. That you are in support of Prime Minister Shamir and Foreign Minister Arens in their presentations to President Bush.

2. That you feel the intifada must stop before negotiations can begin between Israel and the Arabs.

3. That Israel remains the most reliable ally the United States has in the Middle East and is therefore worthy of the strongest financial and political support of which the United States is capable.

Letters should be written to:

HON. DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

HON. ALFONSE M. D'AMATO United States Senate 520 Hart Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

HON. JAMES BAKER State Department 2201 C Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20520

PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH The White House Washington, D.C.

Political Affairs Committee member and letter writing campaign chairperson, Mark Brecker asks members of our community to send a copy of their letters or telegrams to: KJ POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, 125 East 85 Street, New York, NY 10028.

Israel is counting on each and everyone of us. Do not stand idly by while other people's letters are being counted in Washington each day.

RABBI JONATHAN SACKS TO CONDUCT PASSOVER LECTURE

Saturday, April 8

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks will spend his sixth Shabbat with us as Visiting Scholar on April 8.

At that time he will give the pre-Pesach lecture in the series on Kedushat Ha'Zman -The Holiness of Time.

The presentation will take place at a Seudah Shlishit sponsored by the Mens Club of the Congregation between Mincha and Maariv which will begin at 6:45. All members of the congregation and the community are invited and, indeed, urged to attend and to begin their spiritual preparation for the Passover season.

RABBI HERSHEL SCHACHTER TO GIVE PASSOVER LECTURE

Wednesday, April 12

We are proud to announce that exactly one week before the first night of Passover, Rabbi Hershel Schachter will deliver the eighth lecture in his series of monthly shiurim entitled "Around The Year".

This lecture will help bring our community into the Passover season and help prepare us for the first seder one week later. The presentation will be given in the Max J. Etra Chapel on Wednesday evening, April 12, at 8:00 PM.

All members of the congregation and community are invited to attend this program and particularly urged to attend. Admission is \$5.00 per person and is payable at the door.

WHY SHOULD GOD LISTEN TO US?

A Shabbat Hagadol Discourse on Prayer Saturday, April 15

On this coming Shabbat Hagadol, April 15, following Mincha services at 6:40, Rabbi Lookstein will deliver the annual Shabbat Hagadol Discourse. His subject this year will be "Why Should God Listen to us? A Shabbat Hagadol Discourse on Prayer."

In this lecture the Rabbi will discuss some of the central, philosophical and halakhic problems in prayer. He will also deal with some of the different minhagim that are part of the prayer experience of different people and how those minhagim are merged in a single community.

AN INVITATION TO INQUIRE

The Rabbi will be very happy to receive inquiries from members of the community who would like to ask their own particular questions about prayer. Questions can be asked which are philosophical in nature or practical. He will attempt to deal with as many of these questions as possible. Please send your inquiries directly to him at the synagogue office. All inquiries should arrive by April 10, at the latest, so that he will have the necessary time to prepare to answer them.

Here, then, is an opportunity for members of this community of all ages to come, to listen, to participate, to ask and to receive answers on one of those things that Jews do most: pray for ourselves and for others. How can we stand before God and ask for our own personal needs or even those of the community? Are we sufficiently important? Is God sufficiently interested? And, anyway, what is He going to do about it? Will He answer our prayers? These and related subjects will be among the topics for discussion at the Shabbat Hagadol Discourse this year.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to participate in what promises to be another memorable presentation by Rabbi Lookstein on a topic that touches each and every one of us directly.

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD proudly announces its

Annual Luncheon and Boutique

TUESDAY, APRIL 11th, 1989

Honoring A Half Century of Past Presidents

Please send in your reservations now. Join us for this spectacular celebration!

SPECIAL NOTE: Donations of raffle gifts are wanted. Their *minimum* retail value should be \$30.00.

PREPARING FOR PASSOVER 5749 1989

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, own or derive benefit from 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 Tuesday night, and in a symbolic burning of the chametz on the morning before Passover (bi'ur chametz) which is performed this year on Wednesday morning, before 11:07 AM. The second is the recitation of a formula of nullification of ownership over any chametz we still might have in our possession (bitul chametz). Finally, 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). After Pesach, the non-Jew usually sells the chametz to be sold back to its original owner.

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. **1. Silver and Metal Utensils**

Silverware, small pots and metal utensils may be kashered for Passover use. They must first be cleansed thoroughly and then allowed to stand unused for at least twentyfour 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, allowing them to stand for 24 hours, then filling them with water to the very top, allowing the water to boil. A hot iron or stone is then placed inside the pot so that the boiling water runs over the sides of the pot.

We might add that china, pottery, earthware, 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, pyrex, corningware, and the like 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 one hour 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 15 minutes. The other areas on the sides of the stove should be covered.

Microwave ovens may be used for Passover. They must first be thoroughly cleansed and allowed to sit for twenty-four hours. Then a large paper container of water is brought to a boil inside the oven. Finally, a paper liner must cover the sides and bot tom of the oven. A microwave oven may not be used on Shabbat or Yom Tov.

4. Dishwasher

Difficulties in kashering a dishwasher revolve around the difficulties in thoroughly cleaning it. Assuming that all of the corners, edges, and openings can be thoroughly cleaned with a commercial cleaner, a stainless steel or plastic lined dishwasher should not be used for 24 hours, and then run through three hot water cycles, using soap in the first one. There are also opinions that permit this to be done to a porcelain lined dishwasher when there is a great need. Racks which cannot be thoroughly cleaned should be replaced.

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 Rabbis Lookstein, Cohen or Gartenberg in the event of any doubt on this matter.

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

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vegetables, with no additives listed are usable for Passover without a rabbinic endorsement. Pure fruit juices, (such as orange, grapefruit and pineapple) with the exception of grape juice, maybe purchased before Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

Processed juices such as tomato, apple and prune require supervision.

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, a 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 absense 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.

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 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, Wednesday, April 19 and/or on the second night, Thursday, April 20 — 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 Aruch (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.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Passover Relief Appeal serves first and foremost this communal mitzvah. Last year the readers of the Bulletin contributed more than \$30,000. 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 recipients. Please be as generous as possible and please send in your contribution now when it will do the most good.

Our best wishes to you for a happy and kosher Passover. Please make your checks payable to KJ Benevolent Fund.

THE NEW 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 of the Soviet Union, most of whom are unable to obtain matzah for Passover.

Just prior to the reciting of the four questions, the leader of the Seder should list this extra matzah and read the following proclamation:

This Matzah which we set aside as a symbol of hope for the Jews of the Soviet Union, reminds us of the indestructible links that exist between us.

As we observe this Festival of Freedom, we recall that Soviet Jews are not free to leave without harassment; to learn of their past; to pass on their religious traditions; to learn the language of their fathers; to train teachers and rabbis of future generations.

We remember the scores who fought to live as Jews and struggled to leave for Israel the land of our fathers—but now languish in Soviet labor camps. Their struggle against their oppressors goes on. They will not be forgotten.

We will stand with them in their struggle until the light of freedom and redemption shines forth.

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 Chometz of whatever kind and nature which I posess, 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.

If you plan to spend Passover in Israel please check this box \Box

Signature

Date_

Please return to the Synagogue office by Wednesday, April 19, at 8:30 A.M.

Schedule of Passover Services

A special service for the first born (Siyum) will be conducted following the regular services. Chometz may not be eaten after 10:07 AM. An Eruv Tavshillin should be prepared. Evening		7:15 AM
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KASHER-IN

Sunday, April 16

Kehilath Jeshurun will sponsor its *Kasher-In* this year on Sunday morning, April 16, between 9:30 AM and 12:00 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 cleansed thoroughly with a chemical cleanser and allowed to stand unused for at least 24 hours before the actual *kashering* procedure.

OU PASSOVER FOOD 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 has been mailed to all members directly by the OU through the efforts of the KJ Benevolent Fund. Additional copies will be available in our office. We encourage recipients to respond to the fund's Passover Appeal.

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 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.

PASSOVER FOOD NEEDED

This Passover there will be many individuals in New York City who will not be eating at a Seder overflowing with the traditional food of Passover and surrounded by friends and family. Rather, these indiviuals will be sitting at a table empty of food and family. They will celebrate Passover, the holiday of freedom, with food provided for them by such organizations as Project Ezra.

Since Purim, KJ has been collecting food Kosher for Passover and will continue to do so right up until April 9th. We, therefore, ask that when you are making out your shopping list for Passover, please include additional items for the poor and hungry of our people.

The specific foods that have been requested, all of which are to be labeled Kosher for Passover, are jams, jellies, honey, gefilte fish, tuna and sardines. Also needed are soups, fruit compotes in bags or jars, decaffeinated coffee and juice. All these items, wherever possible, should be in small jars and cans as Project Ezra will repackage them in holiday baskets which they will distribute to approximately 300 people. A special wagon for kosher for Passover foods will be in the lower lobby. Please keep filling it up.

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.

 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.

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 Tuesday evening, April 18. The disposal and final nullification should take place on Wednesday 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, Wednesday morning, April 19 after 10:07 AM. All *chametz* must be completely *disposed* of by 11:07 A.M.

Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Wednesday morning, April 19. There are those who prefer to perform this ritual in person. Rabbis Lookstein, Cohen and Gartenberg and Mr. Rosenberg are available for this purpose. For those who cannot attend to this matter in person, there is a form provided in this Bulletin which authorizes Rabbi Lookstein to sell your *chametz*. THIS FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE BY WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 19, NOT LATER THAN 8:30 A.M.

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

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 Wednesday, 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 Wednesday, April 19 as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:15 A.M.

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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 16, between 9:30 AM & 12:00 Noon or at any other time between now and Passover. 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*.

SHMURAH MATZAHS AVAILABLE AT KJ

Once again, Shotzer hand shmurah matzos will be available by *advance order only* at Kehilath Jeshurun this year.

The Shotzer hand matzos are under constant rabbinical supervision from the wheat cutting until the packaging of the matzos. They are renowned world wide for being well baked and tasty.

The Shotzer matzos are particularly fresh, noted for cripness, rolled very thin, and well baked and not burned. They have an extremely low water content.

The congregation is pleased to be able to bring this service to our community. The matzos come in one pound packages and are availabe at \$10.00 per pound. They may be picked up at the synagogue during the Kasher-In on Sunday morning, April 16 between 9:30-12:00 Noon.

All orders must be pre-paid and ordered by Tuesday, April 4. Checks should be made payable to the KJ Special Projects Fund.

Please reserve _____ lbs. of shmurah matzos at \$10.00 per pound. Make checks payable to the *KJ Special Projects Fund.*

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Leon Feldman on the birth of a grandson, Ilan Moshe, born to their children Peter and Debbie Telem.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Mansour upon the arrival of a son, Zachary M.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. David Mark on the birth of a son, Ian Seth.

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

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Mr. Mordie Mann on the passing of his beloved sister, Sophie Slonimsky.

Our condolences to Mrs. Phyllis Seplow on the passing of her beloved mother, Pauline Cohen.

Our condolences to Mrs. Donna Silverman on the passing of her beloved mother, Edith Zolov.

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

ACADEMIC HONORS

We congratulate Sara Kabakow, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Kabakow on her graduation from the University of California in Santa Cruz with honors in English Literature.

We congratulate Mrs. Ruth Lukashok upon receiving a Masters Degree from Hunter College in English As A Second Language.

We are pleased to announce that Beth Klein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Klein (Harvey grew up in our congregation) and granddaughter of our members Ceil and Marty Klein, has been named a Collegiate Scholastic All-American in recognition of her outstanding work at the University of Florida from which she was graduated as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Beth expects to enter medical school in September. She has already been accepted at three fine medical schools in the south and she is waiting for a fourth before making her decision. We wish her well in her continuing academic career.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fier upon the engagement of their daughter Lisa to Richard Goldman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goldman of Newton, Massachusetts.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lederman upon the engagement of their daughter Diane to Chaim Sharon, formerly of Tel Aviv.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Medwin upon the engagement of their son Jonathan to Marla Weinstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weinstein of Scottsdale, Arizona.

Mazel tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Joshua Bakst upon the engagement of their son Yehuda to Hadassa Berman.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Weiler upon the engagement of their grandson Fred to Beth Ruskin.

May these weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

MAZEL TOV TO RABBI AND MRS. COHEN

Mazel tov to Rabbi Steven and Beth Cohen upon the birth of their first child, a boy. The congregation celebrated the new baby's birth at a beautiful bris ceremony in the Main Synagogue on Sunday, March 19.

Aviad Yitzhak starts a new generation in the Cohen family and is the newest addition to the KJ family. May he grow up to be a source of great pride and joy to his parents and strength to our community and to the Jewish people. We look forward to future happy occasions in his life.

> The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood invites new volunteers to serve as kiddush hostesses and to

prepare the wine for kiddush Please call kiddush chairperson Helen Wyszogrod 877-5369

COMMUNAL HONORS FOR DOINA BRYSKIN

We are very proud to announce that Mrs. Doina Bryskin, who is a graduate of Stern College, class of 1969, was honored by her alma mater at the Stern College Annual Dinner on March 27. We congratulate Stern College on this excellent choice. Doina is a credit to the school where she received her education. May she continue to win honors and awards for many years to come.

COMMUNAL HONORS TO MARIA FINKLE

We are proud to announce that our esteemed member, Mrs. Maria Finkle, will be honored by Bar-Ilan University at an academic convocation and dinner on Sunday, April 16, at the Waldorf. Mrs. Finkle and her husband, Joel Finkle, have been stalwarts of Bar-Ilan virtually since its founding. It is gratifying to see that she is being honored in this way by an institution which means so much to her and to us.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

We are pleased to congratulate Rena Shulsky, daughter of Mrs. Marie Shulsky on organizing her own television company, Global Visions.





Brian Michael Cooper

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Barry Cooper on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son Brian, which will take place on Saturday, April 8, in the Main Synagogue. Brian will read the weekly portion of Tazria and the Haftorah.

Brian is a student in the seventh grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.

FATHER AND SON MINYAN TO HAVE THIRD SERVICE ON SUNDAY, APRIL 9, AT 9:30

We are happy to announce that the second service of the Father and Son Minyan was bigger than the first. The tradition is being revived and the results are very happy ones for davening, for breakfasting and for basketballing.

Under the leadership of Rabbi Lookstein and Rabbi Gartenberg, we will hold the third service on April 9, at 9:30 in the morning. The service will be led by:

- Alexander Crane
- Joshua Crane
- Steven Jaspan
- Jason Perlman

We extend a cordial invitation to all boys and to those fathers who would like to come also to be with us Sunday morning, April 9, at 9:30.

JUDGE HORNBLASS HOSTS NEW RADIO PROGRAM

We are proud to announce that our distinguished member, Justice Jerome Hornblass is now the co-host of a new radio program on WNWK, 105.9 FM broadcast each Monday evening at 11:00. The program is entitled "JEWISH PERSPECTIVES".

Judge Hornblass will discuss, in depth, issues of concern to Jews in the New York Metropolitan area. Prominent guests will appear on the show to analyze and comment on these issues.

Judge Hornblass sits on the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

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UJA CAMPAIGN BEGINS AT THE DOFTS

Impressive Increase in Gifts Marks Inspiring Evening

The UJA-Federation Campaign of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun began at a dessert reception in the home of Alan and Elizabeth Doft on Wednesday evening, March 1. A large attendance of members of the congregation came together to create a marvelous mood with extraordinarily good results.

A total of more than a quarter of a million dollars was announced that evening, representing a 21% card for card increase over what the same people gave in 1988.

In addition, an impressive \$32,000 was pledged for the Passage To Freedom Campaign in behalf of Soviet Jews who have gained freedom and are now arriving in Israel and the United States.

Rabbi Lookstein, who had just a few days earlier returned from a Rabbinic mission shared his experiences and observations on Soviet Jews waiting outside of Rome for visas and on the incredible revival of Romanian Jewry.

We thank the Dofts and Chairman Richard Kobrin for spearheading this wonderful evening and would like to remind the entire congregation that this represents only the beginning of our campaign at KJ. We hope that the entire membership will stand up and be counted this year at a time when the Jewish community in New York, in Israel and around the world needs our help.

KJ BASKETBALL

1989 marks the first year that KJ has entered the highly competitive Young Israel Youth Basketball League. The intermediate division is comprised of the teams of ninth and tenth graders from Long Island, Staten Island, Brooklyn and Manhattan. KJ is in third place with a 3-2 record, after losing 54-53 to Lincoln Square in the most hotly contested game of the year. The KJ Knicks were led by 6'4" Ami Plasse with 23 points and Matthew Bryskin's 18 points. Guards Michael Kule, Harris Lukashok, Adam Modlin, Scott Cooper and Alexander Libin led the backcourt with David Gomberg, Daniel Messeloff, Benjamin Gruenstein and Jonathan Boyarsky in the front line. The remaining home games are against Woodmere on April 3 and undefeated Hebrew Institute of Riverdale on April 10 - both games at 7:30 PM. Coach Barry Libin and the team invite you to our remaining games.

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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 *Bulletin*. 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 we like to foster at KJ and Ramaz.

We hope to hear from you soon.

AM HASEFER TO REVIEW GOLDA

This Sunday evening, April 2 The next meeting of the Am HaSefer Book Discussion Club will be held this Sunday evening, April 2, at the home of Dr. Robert and Cynthia April, 40 East 88 Street, between Park and Madison Avenues. The book under discussion will be *Golda* by Ralph G. Martin, the author of *Jennie*, the story of Winston Churchill's mother.

Golda Meir, one of the greatest women of this century, lived a life filled with extraordinary events, towering achievement, hope, courage and conviction. The book and the discussion led by Cindy April should be most stimulating.

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Now In Preparation -

Once again during this season of the year, 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 \$10 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 Monday, May 8 so that it will be ready in time for Shavuot.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun Book of Remembrance

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

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, April 6 Rosh Chodesh Nisan (Services at 7:15 AM)

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