

The Coming of Purim and Passover

by Rabbi Barry A. Kenter



This issue of the *AJ News* provides us a chance to focus on the holidays of Purim and Passover. Because this is a leap year, both Purim and Passover are on time, but relatively late. As I think about both, I see a connection between the last holiday of the Jewish liturgical calendar (Purim), and the first (Passover). It's all about that wonderful children's game, "Hide and Seek." The notable absence of God in the *Megillah* and the overwhelming presence of God in the Passover story urge us to focus on God, whether hidden and when revealed. Both Purim and Pesah urge us to be brave even in moments of deepest fear and anxiety. On Purim we wear masks and hide behind costumes; on Passover we cover the afkoman in a cloth, hiding it away so that it can be found, enabling us to complete the Seder and proclaim "Next Year in Jerusalem." In anticipation of these most significant moments in our calendar, permit me to share with you two pieces I've shared with preschool children in the past and more recently with our grandchildren.

Hide and Seek

I like to play hide and seek
And pretend that I am very brave.
I like dressing up in costumes
and pretending to be someone else.
I like to play games
and sing songs
and eat special cookies.

Brave Mordecai;
Esther in her special crown;
the king in his special robes,
and Haman getting into big trouble make me laugh.

Sometimes I worry about people like Haman who aren't nice.
I think about how Esther might have been scared;
maybe even Mordecai.
They were brave and strong and told us to be happy on Purim.

They told us to have a big dinner,
send presents to our family and friends
to make sure that other people can be happy on Purim.
They want us to laugh,
and have fun,
and eat special cookies that are
fat
triangles with
good stuff inside.

They want us to make noise.
They want us to dress up,
and pretend,
and be brave.

A Special Boat

Boats are special. They float on water and bounce around with the waves. Moses' mom made a special boat for him. It was brown and soft and warm and safe. Moses' mom and his sister Miriam carried the small boat down to the edge of the river near their house where the branches of the papyrus were waving back and forth in the sun.

Miriam saw Pharaoh's daughter down at the edge of the river. She was so pretty. She was wearing a white dress that floated in the air with the soft breeze. Still holding onto the basket, Miriam walked near to where Pharaoh's daughter was standing, and hid herself behind the thick papyrus plants growing in the river. Carefully, she pushed the little basket boat with Moses into the water. Then she waited.

Almost right away, Pharaoh's daughter saw the little boat, the basket with the baby floating in between the plants growing in the river. She smiled, reached down, picked up the baby, and hugged him. He was safe. Miriam watched out for her brother. Pharaoh's daughter took care of the baby.

On Passover we remember Moses, the women who kept Moses safe, and God who makes sure that we are safe. On Passover, we tell the story of Moses, the story of our families. We will share a special meal together. We will laugh. We will sing. And we will be safe.

Judi joins me in wishing each and every one of you a joyous Purim and a meaningful Pesah celebration. ❁

Make your plans to join us in
March for the Purim Shpiel,
and in April for the Passover
Congregational Dinner!
More info inside.

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Service Schedule

SHABBAT VAYEKHEL | SHEKALIM

March 1, 2, 2019 25 Adar I 5779

*Rabbi Moshe Saks will be visiting for the weekend.
See page 19 for his schedule.*

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....5:34 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached ..6:15 PM
 - In-Town Shabbat7:30 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah5:20 PM

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ROSH HODESH ADAR II

March 6, 7, 8, 2019 30 Adar I/1 Adar II 5779

- THURSDAY MORNING
- Chapel Service7:00 AM
- FRIDAY MORNING
- Chapel Service7:00 AM

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SHABBAT PEKUDEI

March 8, 9, 2019 2 Adar II 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....5:42 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat5:45 PM
 - Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas?.....
.....various times and locations
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah5:45 PM

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SHABBAT VAYIKRA/ZACHOR

March 15, 16, 2019 9 Adar II 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....6:49 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:15 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - Sisterhood Shabbat*
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah6:50 PM

FAST OF ESTHER

March 19, 20, 2019 13 Adar II 5779

WEDNESDAY MORNING

- Morning Service7:30 PM

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PURIM

March 20, 21, 2019 14 Adar II 5779

- WEDNESDAY EVENING
- Tot Program5:30 PM
 - Minhah5:45 PM
 - Family Megillah service, including
Purim Shpiel: The Greatest Hits Album6:00 PM
 - Refreshments/Party7:00 PM
 - Ma'ariv and full reading of
Megillat Esther8:00 PM
- THURSDAY MORNING
- Morning Service and Full reading of
Megillat Esther8:30 PM

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SHABBAT TZAV

March 22, 23, 2019 16 Adar II 5779

*Rabbi Shai Cherry will be visiting for the weekend.
See page 19 for his schedule.*

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....6:56 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached ..6:15 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - The Havurah will join the Chapel service.
 - Hazzan's Tischfollowing services
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah6:45 PM
 - Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between
Minhah and Ma'ariv.

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SHABBAT SHEMINI/PARAH

March 29, 30, 2019 23 Adar II 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....7:04 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat With Strings Attached ..6:15 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
- Bar Mitzvah of*
NATHAN SCHNEIDER
Son of
Steve Schneider and Laurie Nelson
- Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM

- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah6:50 PM
 - Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between
Minhah and Ma'ariv.

ROSH HODESH NISAN

SHABBAT TAZRIA

April 5, 6, 2019 1 Nisan 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....7:11 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat (Men's Shabbat).....6:15 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - Pesah Bowl*
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:00 PM
 - Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between
Minhah and Ma'ariv.

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SHABBAT METZORA/HA'GADOL

April 12, 13, 2019 8 Nisan 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....7:18 PM
- Kabbalat Shabbat6:15 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Shabbat Service.....9:30 AM
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY EVENING
- Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:20 PM

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EREV PESAH

SIYUM BEHOROT AND LeCOFF SIYUM BREAKFAST Fast of the Firstborn

April 19, 2019 14 Nisan 5779

- FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE7:15 AM

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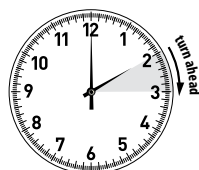
FIRST DAY OF PESAH

April 19, 20, 2019 15 Nisan 5779

- Light Shabbat Candles*.....7:25 PM
- FRIDAY EVENING
- Yom Tov and Shabbat Ma'ariv6:30 PM
- SATURDAY MORNING
- Yom Tov and Shabbat Service.....9:15 AM
 - Annual Passover Gathering*
 - Havurah Service..... 10:00 AM
- SATURDAY AFTERNOON
- Special Minhah1:00 PM
 - (no evening service)
 - Light Yom Tov Candles*.....8:34 PM

DON'T FORGET!

Sunday,
March 10
2:00 AM



SECOND DAY OF PESAH

April 20, 21, 2019 16 Nisan 5779

YOM TOV SERVICE 9:15 AM

The Havurah will join the Sanctuary service.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE..... 7:30 PM

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HOL HAMOED PESAH

April 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 2019 17–20 Nisan 5779

MONDAY MORNING SERVICE7:00 AM

MONDAY EVENING SERVICE AT BETH SHOLOM ...7:00 PM

TUESDAY MORNING SERVICE.....7:00 AM

TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE AT BETH SHOLOM ...7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICE.....7:00 AM

WEDNESDAY EVENING

• Congregational Passover Dinner.....5:00 PM

• Chapel Service7:30 PM

THURSDAY MORNING SERVICE7:00 AM

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SEVENTH DAY OF PESAH

April 25, 26, 2019 21 Nisan 5779

Light Yom Tov Candles7:31 PM

THURSDAY EVENING SERVICE AT AJ7:00 PM

FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE AT AJ9:15 AM

• The Havurah will join the Sanctuary service.

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SHABBAT HOL HAMOED PESAH

EIGHTH DAY OF PESAH

April 26, 27, 2019 22 Nisan 5779

Light Shabbat Candles7:32 PM

FRIDAY EVENING

• Yom Tov and Shabbat Service6:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

• Sanctuary Service9:15 AM

Yizkor

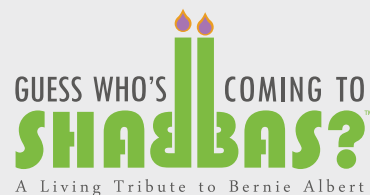
• Havurah Service 10:00 AM

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

• Minhah-Ma'ariv-Havdalah7:20 PM

Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between

Minhah and Ma'ariv.



Calling all hosts and guests!

The next **Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas** event is March 8, 2019.

We are again asking congregants to host a dinner in their home and to invite one or two other synagogue families they would like to get to know. We provide all hosts with a Shabbas bag containing a brochure with all the Shabbat *brachot*, a challah, and Shabbas candles. In addition to a delicious and meaningful Shabbas meal, all hosts and guests will be called for an aliyah on Shabbat morning, March 9.

So don't be shy. Let us know if you can host! Let us know if you want to be a guest! We want more of us to get to know one another outside the walls of the synagogue.

Go to <https://ajguesswhoshabbas.wufoo.com/forms/guess-whos-coming-to-shabbas-guest-form/> to sign up as a **guest**.

Go to <https://ajguesswhoshabbas.wufoo.com/forms/guess-whos-coming-to-shabbas-host-form/> to sign up as a **host**.

Or send us an email for more information at AJGuessWhoShabbas@gmail.com. **The deadline to sign up is March 1.**

We want to wish you each a "Shabbat Shalom" in person!

Sandy Nadel (cell, 215.808.5048) and Judy Herman (cell, 215.805.6070)
AJGuessWhoShabbas@gmail.com

P.S. The final Guess Who's Coming to Shabbas for this year will be on May 10.

DAILY MINYAN MORNING SERVICES

Sunday9:00 AM

Monday and Thursday7:20 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday7:30 AM

Rosh Hodesh Services (weekday)7:00 AM

EVENING SERVICES

Monday through Thursday7:00 PM

In the month of March Monday through Thursday evening

services will be at AJ at 7:00 PM. In the month of April,

Monday through Thursday evening services will be at

Beth Sholom (BSC) at 7:00 PM.

SUNDAY EVENING MINYAN

In March at AJ at 7:00 PM

In April at Beth Sholom at 7:00 PM

In May at AJ at 7:00 PM

Sponsor a Kiddush!

We all have special dates on our calendars, but we're never quite sure how to celebrate them. Share your joy by sponsoring a kiddush or co-sponsor a kiddush with friends or family!

For what occasions do people sponsor kiddush?

ANYTHING! Birthdays, anniversaries, ufrufs, weddings, graduations, new jobs, OR just because you love having a nosh and a schmooze after services.

Contact Robert Friedman at 215.635.6611, ext. 112 for more information.

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Congregation Adath Jeshurun
"Stay Home with Us"



What's Happening at AJ

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- 1 RABBINICAL CANDIDATE RABBI MOSHE SAKS ARRIVES FOR HIS VISIT**
See page 19 for more information.
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- 1 KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH "STRINGS ATTACHED"**
Unplug from a busy week with an acoustic Shabbat service led by Hazzan Howard Glantz with familiar tunes that will put a smile on your face and a song in your heart. Oneg Shabbat follows. 6:15 PM
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- 1 IN-TOWN SHABBAT**
Shabbat service for our Center City members. 7:30 PM.
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- 2 HAZZAN'S TISCH**
Singing, more singing, and a little nosh. Sit at Hazzan's table (tisch), sing, and enjoy the melodies of Shabbat. Following Shabbat morning services in the Orleans.
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- 8 GUESS WHO'S COMING TO SHABBAS?**
Be a host or a guest for a Shabbat dinner!
See page 3 for more information.
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- 10 ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM AND BREAKFAST: MORRIS "TWO GUN" COHEN**
The Dos Equis Man is NOT the most interesting man in the world... that honor goes to Morris "Two Gun" Cohen!
See page 21 for details.
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- 17 KEHILLAH PURIM CARNIVAL**
At AJ. See page 10 for details.
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- 18 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**
In the Orleans Auditorium, after minyan.
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- 20 PURIM FESTIVITIES**
Don't miss the annual Purim Shpiel! See page 9 for details.
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- 22 RABBINICAL CANDIDATE RABBI SHAI CHERRY ARRIVES FOR HIS VISIT**
See page 19 for more information.
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- 22 KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH "STRINGS ATTACHED"**
See description for March 1. 6:15 PM
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- 23 HAZZAN'S TISCH**
See description for Hazzan's Tisch, March 2
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- 23 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between Minḥah and Ma'ariv. Minḥah begins at 6:45 PM.
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- 25 ROBIN ORODENKER BOOK CLUB**
Join us to discuss *Stir: My Broken Brain and Meals That Brought Me Home*, by Jessica Fechter. 7:45 PM. Sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.
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- 29 KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH "STRINGS ATTACHED"**
See description for March 1. 6:15 PM
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- 30 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between Minḥah and Ma'ariv. Minḥah begins at 6:50 PM.
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- 5 MEN'S SHABBAT**
Join the AJMA for Kabbalat Shabbat. See page 24 for more information.
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- 9 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between Minḥah and Ma'ariv. Minḥah begins at 5:00 PM.
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- 15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**
In the Orleans Auditorium, after minyan.
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- 19 SIYUM BEHOROT (FAST OF THE FIRSTBORN) AND THE LECOFF SIYUM BREAKFAST**
The morning Shaḥarit service will begin at 7:15 AM, followed by the Siyum Behorot and the LeCoff Siyum Breakfast.
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- 20 ANNUAL PASSOVER GATHERING**
Join us for the first day of Passover. 9:30 AM.
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- 24 PASSOVER CONGREGATIONAL DINNER**
Don't miss our annual Passover dinner! See page 13 for details.
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- 27 FESTIVAL AND SHABBAT SERVICE WITH YIZKOR**
On Day VIII of Pesah, our Shabbat service with begin at 9:15 AM and will include a Yizkor service.
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- 27 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between Minḥah and Ma'ariv. Minḥah begins at 7:20 PM.
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- 28 AJMA YOM HaSHOAH PROGRAM**
Join us for a one-act play reading by two AJMA actors. 2:00 PM. For more info, see page 24.
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- 3 IN-TOWN SHABBAT**
Shabbat service for our Center City members. Location TBD. 7:30 PM.
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- 4 HAZZAN'S TISCH**
Singing, more singing, and a little nosh. Sit at Hazzan's table (tisch), sing, and enjoy the melodies of Shabbat. Following Shabbat morning services in the Orleans.
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- 6 ROBIN ORODENKER BOOK CLUB**
Join us to discuss *Karolina's Twins*, by Ronald H. Balson. Please read the book before the meeting! 7:45 PM. Sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.
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- 10 KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH "STRINGS ATTACHED"**
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 Be a host or a guest for a Shabbat dinner!
 See page 3 for more details.
- 11 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
 Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between
 Minhah and Ma'ariv. Minhah begins at 7:35 PM.
- 18 SHABBAT CELEBRATION OF HAZZAN GLANTZ**
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- 19 AJ ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AND CELEBRATION OF HAZZAN GLANTZ**
 Don't miss this chance to sing along with the Clergy Boys
 and celebrate Hazzan Glantz's 15 year of service to AJ!
 More details to follow!
- 20 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES MEETING**
 In the Orleans Auditorium, following evening minyan.
- 25 STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI KENTER**
 Rabbi Kenter will hold a study session between
 Minhah and Ma'ariv. Minhah begins at 6:45 PM.
- 31 CONFIRMATION AND KABBALAT SHABBAT**
 Join us to discuss *Stir: My Broken Brain and Meals That Brought Me Home*, by Jessica Fechter. Please read the book before the meeting! 7:45 PM. Sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.



COMMUNITY PORTRAIT
 A population study of Greater Philadelphia

COMMUNITY PORTRAIT 2019

Have your voice heard about unmet social service and community need across the Greater Philadelphia area!

As socio-economic and demographic characteristics of the population change across the Greater Philadelphia region, the needs of communities will shift. To help to respond to these changes in a meaningful way, in early February 2019 you may receive a request to participate in a survey called Community Portrait.

It will only take a few minutes to complete the survey. Your participation will provide a wealth of information to help to plan and provide services in real time.



AJ Updates



*By David L. Reibstein,
 President of Adath Jeshurun*

Well, it has been a while since I have written an article for the *AJ News*. It is only because we have been so busy at AJ that I haven't had time to write it. Thank goodness for all of the volunteers who make AJ run and continue to fill up our calendar with programs and events.

Speaking of filling up, this *AJ News* is coming to you during Purim and Passover and it is my hope that everyone's cup is filled with love and happiness, celebrating these simchas and holy days with family and loved ones.

Below are three items that I want to bring to your attention. While these items are important enough to touch on in this article, there are literally countless numbers of activities and programs that our congregation is working on together. (I invite you to see the calendars in the Officers Lounge to see the many programs.) We welcome your participation and energy in whatever suits you best.

First, the tireless work of the **AJ New Way Forward Committee** met a milestone with the delivery of its recommendations to the Board of Directors. While we should consider dedicating a whole *AJ News* to its findings, the Board of Directors will incorporate most, if not all, of their recommendations so that we can improve our congregation.

Next, the **Rabbi Search Committee** spent a great deal of time reviewing applications and interviewing potential rabbis. When this edition of *AJ News* hits your mailbox, we may already have had one of the candidates visit AJ. Please let the members of the Rabbi Search Committee know your thoughts and impressions as they contemplate the next steps in the hiring process.

Lastly, we are working on a balanced budget again this year. We will have it completed in the next few weeks (if it hasn't been completed by the publishing of this article). While we will have a balanced budget for next year, there is still time to make this year's balanced budget a reality. On May 19, we will be honoring Hazzan Glantz at our annual SPEC event. Please support Hazzan and our Congregation in this effort.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	APRIL 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	DAILY MINYAN MORNING SERVICES Sunday.....9:00 AM Monday and Thursday.....7:20 AM Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.....7:30 AM Rosh Hodesh Services (weekday).....7:00 AM EVENING SERVICES Sunday through Thursday.....7:00 PM At Beth Shalom in the month of March	*Synagogue offices closed Please see JTC, IQuest B'Yachad and AJ Preschool calendars for their events.	1 24 ADAR I Rabbi Moshe Salks visits Kabbalat Shabbat 5:35 PM In-Town Shabbat 7:30 PM Light Shabbat Candles 5:34 PM	2 25 ADAR I Voyekhei Shekalim Hazzan's Tisch	2 25 ADAR I Mincha-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 5:20 PM
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10 3 ADAR II Daylight Savings Time Begins: Turn your clocks ahead! Adult Education Program: Morris "Two Gun" Cohen 9:30 AM	11 4 ADAR II 12 5 ADAR II 13 6 ADAR II 14 7 ADAR II	15 8 ADAR II 16 9 ADAR II 17 10 ADAR II Kehillah of Old York Road Purim Carnival Preschool Admission: 11:15 AM Family Admission: 12:15 PM Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 PM	21 14 ADAR II Purim Morning Service Including Full Reading of Megillat Esther 7:00 AM	22 15 ADAR II Preschool Mesibat Erev Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15 PM Light Shabbat Candles 6:56 PM	23 16 ADAR II Tzav No Havurah! Hazzan's Tisch Study Session Between Mincha and Ma'ariv with Rabbi Kenter Mincha-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 6:45 PM	23 16 ADAR II 24 17 ADAR II Kabbalat Shabbat 6:15 PM Light Shabbat Candles 7:04 PM
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7	2 NISAN	8	3 NISAN	9	4 NISAN	10	5 NISAN	11	6 NISAN	12	7 NISAN	13	8 NISAN		
14	9 NISAN	15	10 NISAN	16	11 NISAN	17	12 NISAN	18	13 NISAN	19	14 NISAN	20	15 NISAN		
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	Pesach, Day II Omer 1 Morning Service 9:15 AM No Havurah Mincha Ma'ariv 7:30 PM		Pesach, Day III Omer 2 Morning Service 7:00 AM		Pesach, Day IV Omer 3 Morning Service 7:00 AM		Pesach, Day V Omer 4 Morning Service 7:00 AM Passover Congregational Dinner 5:00 PM Evening Service 7:30 PM		Pesach, Day VI Omer 5 Morning Service 7:00 AM Evening Service 7:30 PM		Pesach, Day VII* Omer 6 Morning Service 9:15 AM No Havurah Evening Service 6:15 pm		Pesach, Day VIII Omer 7 Morning Service with Professional Choir and Organ Including Yizkor 9:15 AM Study Session Between Mincha and Ma'ariv with Rabbi Kenner Mincha-Ma'ariv-Havdalah 7:20 PM		
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Happy Purim!

What: Purim is a one-day Jewish holiday. It celebrates Jewish deliverance from the plot of Haman the Aggagite to massacre all the Jews living in the Persian kingdom.

Purim is preceded by the Fast of Esther (*Taanit Esther*) which commemorates the three-day fast Queen Esther and the nation observed before she requested help from King Ahasuerus.

Where: The story of Purim is found in *Megillat Esther*.

When: Purim occurs on the 14th of Adar (or the 15th in Jerusalem). In a Jewish leap year, the month of Adar is repeated and the holiday is celebrated in Adar II, so it always falls one month before Passover. This holiday falls during late February or March.

Why: Purim is a story of intrigue in the time of the Persian Empire. Mordecai the Jew refuses to bow down to the King's second-in-command Haman, so Haman declares that all Jews will be massacred on the 14th of Adar (this date was chosen based on the choosing of lots, *purim* in Hebrew, from which the holiday derives its name). Until this point, Queen Esther has hidden her Jewish identity from her husband the King, but now she realizes that she must reveal it in order to save her nation. Queen Esther reveals her Jewish identity to the King at a small party with just the two of them and Haman present. The King decides to overturn Haman's decree and change the day of a proposed massacre into a day for the Jews to seek revenge against their oppressors, changing the 14th of Adar from a day of sadness and mourning to a day of joyous celebrations for the Jews.

Purim Main Cast of Characters:

Ahasuerus — the reigning King of the Persian Empire.

Esther — a Jewess who becomes Queen of the Persian Empire. Also known as Hadassah.

Haman the Aggagite — close advisor to the King, a descendant of Amalek.

Mordecai — Queen Esther's uncle, one of the leaders of the Jewish community in Persia.

Vashti — King Ahasuerus' wife before Esther. She was expelled for not fulfilling Ahasuerus' commands.

Zeresh — Haman's wife.

How: There are four commandments to be fulfilled on Purim. These are in addition to the custom to disguise ourselves in costumes in commemoration of how God concealed himself when orchestrating the miracle of Purim (God's name does not appear in *Megillat Esther*). The four commandments are:

- **Reading the Megillah (*Kriyat Megillah*):** On Purim, Jews gather to read the story of the holiday as it is recorded in the *Book of Esther*. It is customary to make noise whenever the name of Haman is read in order to "blot out" his name.
- **Giving Charity (*Matanot Laevyonim*):** On Purim, Jews are required to give gifts to the poor in order to commemorate the charity God gave the Jews by overturning Haman's evil decree. The requirement is to give at least one gift to two different needy people, at least two gifts in total.

- **The Festive Meal (*Seuda*):** In the afternoon of Purim we are instructed to partake in a festive meal. According to the Vilna Gaon this feast is commemorative of the feast Esther had with the King and Haman where she asked the King to save the Jews.
- **Sending Gifts to One Another (*Mishloach Manot*):** We are commanded to give one another food gifts on Purim. The commandment is to send one gift of two portions of ready-made food to another. This commandment is commemorative of the brotherly love that awoke amongst the Jews after the story of Purim occurred. The most common food to be given in these gifts is Hamentaschen, triangular pastry pockets with various fillings.

Special Prayers: On Purim there are also special prayers recited. *Hallel* is added to the morning service and *Al Hanisim* is added to the *Amidah* prayer and *Birkat HaMazon*. The *Megillah* is read twice, once at night and again in the morning. ^{aj}

Purim Vocabulary

English Transliteration	Translation	Hebrew
<i>Purim</i>	Festival of Lots	פורים
<i>Megillah</i>	scroll	מגילה
<i>Mishloach Manot</i>	sending portions	משלוח מנות
<i>Matanot Laevyonim</i>	gifts to the poor	מתנות לאביונים
<i>Taanit Esther</i>	The Fast of Esther	תענית אסתר
<i>Seuda</i>	festive meal	סעודה
<i>Raashan</i>	noisemaker	רעשן
<i>Venahafoch Hu</i>	and we shall change it	ונהפוך הוא
<i>Oznei Haman</i>	Hamentaschen, triangular pastry (Lit. Haman's ears)	אוזני המן
<i>Adar</i>	month of the Jewish calendar	אדר
<i>Pur</i>	lots	פור
<i>Shushan</i>	capital of Persia	שושן
<i>Purim Spiel</i>	Purim play, spoof	פורים שפיל

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- **5:30 PM:** Tot Program
- **5:45 PM:** Minhah
- **6:00 PM:** Family Megillah service, including Purim Shpiel
- **7:00 PM:** Refreshments/Party
- **8:00 PM:** Ma'ariv and full reading of *Megillat Esther*

Chag Purim Sameah!

Hey, what's the theme this year for Purim at AJ?

I don't know. What's hot in 2019?

Oh, I don't know if we can touch that!

What's that?

Nevermind...
Hmmm...
think think think!

I'm thinking!

I know!
We'll do what the Rock and Roll groups do. Let's have a Purim that features the greatest hits from the Shpiels of the past. There were Sports Purim, Alien Purim, Hamilton Purim, Bluegrass Purim, and Billy Joel Purim, just to mention a few.

Great!
I'll go tell Hazzan Glantz!





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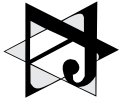
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MILLION

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AFFECTING HEALTH

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are 40% more likely to
experience congestive
heart failure.

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which means

5.2 MILLION seniors miss out

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boomers are
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Sources: Kaiser Family Foundation, NFESH, NCOA, AARP

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To Hunger

Passover!

By Rabbi Barry A. Kenter

Jewish history resounds with the Exodus experience. Everett Fox remarks in his book, *Now These are the Names: A New English Rendition of the Book of Exodus* (1986):

... At every stage of biblical literature, that experience is invoked for the purpose of directing behavior...

The entire structure and emotional force of biblical law rests upon such exhortations as "A sojourner you are not to oppress; /you yourselves know (well) the feelings of the sojourner, /for sojourners you were in the land of Egypt" (*Exodus* 23:9)...

Apparently the experience of the exodus period was crucial in forming the group consciousness of the Israelites, and ever since it has provided a model from which both later Judaism and Christianity were to draw frequently and profoundly...

Exodus conveys far more than information about events. It is rather, the narration of a worldview, a laying out of different texts bearing the meaning of Israel's historical experience...

Passover continues to teach. The *Haggadah* and the Passover Seder remain the classic examples of experiential learning at its best. Because human memory is always selective, we remember that which we wish to remember. As a group, what we remember is not nearly as important as how we process our experience.

In the process of preparing for Passover, we re-experience the drudgery and monotony of cleaning, scrapping, packing and storing; we cease to be master of our own time as the deadline for final preparations approaches ever more quickly. By the same token, having experienced servitude (albeit somewhat self-imposed), we sit down to our Passover tables with a sense of accomplishment and with the freedom that comes with the knowledge that we have come out from under the burdens of preparation to exalt in the Exodus experience once again.

As our homes fill with children and grandchildren, family and friends, we have a sense that we are sharing in yet another gathering of Israelites, preparing to celebrate the presence of God in history. If only for a moment, we pause to reflect on

the reality that, were it not for the Exodus event, we as Jews would not exist. Shaped and formed by slavery and freedom, our enslavement to Pharaoh and the redemptive service of God gifted to us at Sinai. As only the nobly-born once did, we prolong our meals around tables overflowing with God's goodness; as countless previous generations have done, we rejoice in the familiar foods developed over time through the expertise of earlier generations of Jewish culinary artists; we tell stories of servitude and sing songs of freedom. It is a night of faithful watching — looking back upon our collective past and anticipating our future as a people.

May this Passover be especially sweet and joyful. May each and every one experience the fullness of joy and delight that surrounds the celebration of the birth of the people and nation of Israel. May the lessons of Passover be learned, absorbed, and taught with devotion to our ancestors and with a freshness and vigor that will assure the ongoing, ever-constant renewal of our traditions. Judi joins me in wishing you a *hag kasher v'sameakh*, a kosher and joyous holiday. 🕎

AJ Passover 5779 Bedikat Hametz and...

The first mishna in the Talmud tractate *Pesachim* requires that the search for leavened products, *bedikat hametz* should be performed by candlelight. A rabbinic commentary that follows in the *Gemarah* to this verse (4a) explains that candlelight is the most effective means of searching for *hametz*. The lights around the house are turned off, and a candle is lit. A blessing is recited. To prevent the possibility of making a blessing in vain, a *bracha levatala*, which might occur if there was no chance of finding *hametz* in the house, and additionally to keep children interested and involved, there is a widespread custom to "seed" the area to be searched. Pieces (usually 10 because of kabbalistic overtones) of *hametz* are hidden around the house, preferably by a child if available. These pieces must be small and should be wrapped so that crumbs do not escape. Traditionally, a feather and a wooden spoon are used, and whenever a piece of *hametz* is found (whether one of the hidden pieces or another that is discovered unexpectedly), the feather is used to sweep the piece of *hametz* into the wooden spoon, which is then used to place it in a bag. It is best to use a candle to illuminate the areas; however, it is perfectly acceptable to use a flashlight or other light source.

The custom of using a wood spoon and feather is actually mostly unknown to those that practice this custom. One suggested reason for the candle, feather and spoon is as follows:

- **Candle** — In pre-modern day was really the only way to find things in tight spaces.
- **Feather** — A feather was used throughout the year to egg the challah, and therefore burnt in the *hametz*.
- **Wooden Spoon** — Wooden spoons cannot be kashered and therefore *hametz*dig "wooden" spoons were burnt as well together with the *hametz*.

Every part of every room of the house where *hametz* may possibly be found must be searched using this process. Rooms where *hametz* is not normally brought (such as a bathroom) need not be searched.



Searching for Leaven by the light of a candle. The woodcut illustrations of Jewish holiday and ritual observance in Minhagim (Customs), published by Solomon Proops, Amsterdam, 1707, with descriptions and instructions in Yiddish, offer us a glimpse of Jewish life at the end of the seventeenth and the beginning of the eighteenth centuries, Minhagim (Customs), Amsterdam, 1707. Hebrew Section, Library of Congress Photo)

By filling in this form, you will be delegating Rabbi Kenter your agent for the sale of *hametz*.

Delegation of Power of Attorney for Sale of *Hametz*

Know EVERYONE BY THESE PRESENTS: That I, the undersigned, do hereby make, constitute and appoint Rabbi Barry A. Kenter, my true and lawful attorney to act in my place and stead, for me and in my name and in my behalf to sell all HAMETZ owned and possessed by me (knowingly or unknowingly) as stated in the TORAH and defined and interpreted by the SAGES OF ISRAEL (e.g., HAMETZ that tends to harden and to adhere to a surface of inside of pans, pots, or other cooking or eating utensils, of whatsoever nature, and all kinds of live animals that have been eating HAMETZ or mixtures thereof, and to lease all places wherein the aforementioned HAMETZ owned or possessed by me may be found), especially in the premises located at the following address(es): [PLEASE WRITE OUT]

This authorization includes the sale of any and all HAMETZ that is in my possession on the morning of April 19 of this year at the time of sale, and transit goods that may be delivered to me during the period of April 19 to April 27 after sunset of this year, whether owned by me wholly or in part, or through shares of stock in corporations which own or deal in HAMETZ. All the aforesaid HAMETZ is to be sold to a non-Jew of the Rabbi's choosing, at any time during the time legally allotted for the sale of HAMETZ. The buyer has free access to the HAMETZ acquired by him. The place where the HAMETZ is located may be rented to the buyer for the period April 19 to April 27, 2019 after sunset inclusive, and the rabbi is authorized to act as the agent for such rental.

The exact assessment of quantity and value will take place at any time agreed upon between the Rabbi and the purchaser, even after the Passover holiday. The buyer's deposit is to be paid to Rabbi Barry A. Kenter.

RABBI BARRY A. KENTER has the full power and authority to assign or appoint a substitute or substitutes to act in his place and stead with all the same powers and authority that I have invested in him and I do hereby ratify and confirm all that my said attorney, or his substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents.

This authorization is effected by my signature to this document.

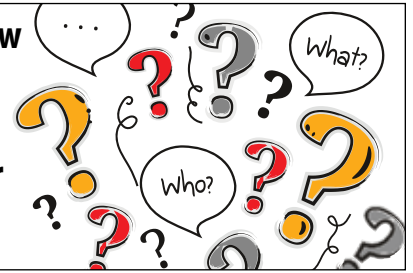
Done this _____ day of _____ of the Common Era, in the City of _____ in good faith, and with no reservation at all.

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This form must be returned no later than Monday, April 15, 2019.

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This Pesah, please remember, through your contributions, families who need your assistance to help make Pesah.

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Siyum Behorot (Fast of the Firstborn) and the LeCoff Siyum Breakfast

Friday Morning, April 19, 7:15 AM

It has been a traditional practice of our people that the first-born attend services on Erev Pesah and take part in a siyum (a study period based on a Rabbinic text). This is followed by the festive LeCoff Siyum Breakfast. This service will be held on Friday morning, April 19, beginning at 7:15 AM with the morning Shahaarit Service, followed by the Siyum Behorot and the LeCoff Siyum Breakfast.

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By Betty the Caterer

Wednesday, April 24

Doors open at 5:00 PM; Last seating at 6:30 PM

Wine will be available for purchase.

Dinner will be followed by an evening service at 7:30 PM.

Look for more information in our Passover mailing.

Preparations for *Pesah* 5779

This year, the **Festival of *Pesah***, which celebrates the liberation of the Jewish people from Egyptian bondage, will be ushered in on **Friday evening, April 19, 2019**. Festival services will be held on **Saturday morning, April 20, at AJ at 9:15 AM; Saturday afternoon minhah, at AJ at approximately 1:00 PM; and Sunday morning, April 21, at AJ at 9:15 AM.**

The sederim will take place in our homes on Friday evening, and again on Saturday evening.

The concluding days of the festival are **Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27**. On Friday morning, services will be at AJ at **9:15 AM** and on Saturday morning, they will be at AJ at **9:15 AM**.

The following information has been compiled to assist you in your *Pesah* preparations for this year.

Siyum Behorot (Fast of the Firstborn)

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Observance

The Passover home atmosphere is created each year by the traditional practice of thoroughly cleansing the home to remove all traces of *hametz*, or leavened products that are forbidden for Passover use, in preparation for the welcoming of *Pesah*; and through the meticulous avoidance of the use of *hametz* throughout the Passover days, both at home and when away.

The term *hametz* is applied not only to foods that are avoided during *Pesah*, but also to the dishes and utensils in which such foods are prepared or served during the year. These dishes or utensils may not be used during *Pesah*, unless “kashered,” i.e., prepared for Passover use, as described in this guide. Wherever possible, new dishes and utensils, or those that are reserved only for use on Passover should be used during the holiday.

Ma’ot Hittim: It is a mitzvah to contribute to the congregation’s Ma’ot Hittim (lit. Food Money) Fund that provides assistance to needy families to help them observe *Pesah* in the traditional manner. Contributions should be made by check, payable to the “Adath Jeshurun Ma’ot Hittim Fund,” and sent to the rabbi’s office.

Mechirat *Hametz*, the “Selling of *Hametz*,” is a traditional practice that enables us to fulfill the Biblical injunction against owning *hametz*. The ancient rabbis determined that our obligation on Passover encompasses not only avoiding eating *hametz* on Passover, but also not owning any *hametz* during Passover. They understood that it would be economically prohibitive to discard all forms of prohibited *hametz*, and then restock our kitchens after the eight day holiday. So they devised a procedure whereby we may set aside all of our *hametz* items, and sell them to someone who is not Jewish through an official transaction which is arranged by Rabbi Kenter. A form to “sell” your *hametz* is on page 13. The items sold should be segregated in the house so that they are clearly designated as *hametz* and not used by mistake. While dishes, pots and utensils used during the year do not need to be sold and are not covered by the sale, they, too, should be designated as *hametz* and separated so that they are not used in error on Passover.

Bedikat *Hametz*, the “Search for *Hametz*,” is a ceremony held on **Thursday evening, April 18**, to mark the final removal of all leavened products, and indicate that the home is ready for *Pesah*. Bread crumbs are placed conspicuously in rooms where food is ordinarily eaten and a “search” for them is conducted. There is a colorful tradition of using a candle for illumination while searching for these remnants of *hametz* which are then collected into a wooden spoon, using a feather as a whisk. The collected crumbs, and the wooden spoon, if used, are reserved for the “Burning of *Hametz*” the next morning. The prayers said at this time are found at the beginning of a traditional *Haggadah*.

Biur *Hametz*, the “Burning of *Hametz*,” takes place on **Friday morning, April 19, before 10:00 AM**. By that time all *hametz* should be removed from the house and all Passover preparations should be ready.

Guide to Permitted and Prohibited Foods, Cooking Utensils, and Preparing the Kitchen for *Pesah*

The following material is based on decisions of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly, the worldwide organization of Conservative Rabbis, and has been modified by Rabbi Kenter. For the Rabbinical Assembly’s Guide, go to www.rabbinical-assembly.org.



1. Forbidden Foods:

All products which are intrinsically *hametz*, or contain *hametz*, may not be eaten on Passover. *Hametz* is defined as the leavened products of five species of grain: wheat, oats, barley, rye, and spelt. The grains themselves are not forbidden, only the “leavened” products of these grains, products made by the process of their fermentation. For that reason, matzah can be made from any of these grains. Today, you can even find gluten free matzah. Because the process by which products made of these grains becomes *hametz*, as defined by the rabbis, is very complex and technical, anything made from, or derived from, these grains requires a seal of rabbinic supervision, a “hechsher,” to guarantee that they are free of *hametz*, and permitted for Passover use. Moreover, the complexity of modern food processing requires that processed foods be similarly certified for Passover use to insure that they contain no *hametz* in them. Some obviously forbidden products in this category are leavened bread and cakes, biscuits and crackers, cereal, and liquids that contain ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

In addition, there is a custom in Ashkenazic communities, those of us whose ancestry is from Eastern Europe, to refrain from eating a category of foods known in Hebrew as “kitniot,” which encompasses rice, corn, peas, most beans, and legumes. These products are prohibited only by custom. They are not *hametz*. Ironically, the classical rules for these foods are more stringent than for *hametz* itself! Sephardic Jews do not observe these prohibitions at all. Rabbi Kenter has taken the position that it is permissible to use these products on Passover, although one may elect to continue to refrain from them out of respect for ancestral tradition. If one continues to refrain from eating these foods on Passover, the prohibition is only on the foods themselves, or mixtures containing them; however derivative products, like oils or sweeteners, are permitted.

If one elects to use these products on Passover, one must still be vigilant to be sure they do not contain any admixture of hametz. For further information, contact Rabbi Kenter.

2. Permitted Foods:

A. All foods served during Passover should be from unopened packages. Unused portions of a jar or box of a permitted food used during the year may not be used on Passover.

B. The following foods require no *Kosher for Passover* label if purchased before or during Pesah according to all authorities. This category is comprised of fresh foods that have not been processed, and include fresh fruits and vegetables (for kitniot, see above), eggs, fresh fish and fresh meat.

C. The following foods require no *Kosher for Passover* label if bought before Passover but if bought during Passover, they require a label. Foods in this category are non-hametz, they are in their natural state, and are not processed with any hametz. In all cases, unopened packages and containers must be used. Some examples are pure coffee; granulated and brown sugar; pure teas; salt (not iodized — iodized salt may not be used on Passover); pepper; pure spices; frozen, canned or bottled fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for kitniot, see above); milk; butter; cottage cheese; cream cheese; ripened cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft) and Camembert (soft); tuna packed solely in water, without vegetable broth or hydrolyzed vegetable protein; frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives); baking soda.

D. The following foods require a *Kosher for Passover* label at all times for Passover use. This category is comprised of products made from the grains that can become hametz, or are derived from them, and processed foods that may be mixed with food products that might be hametz. Some examples are: all baked products (matzah, matzah flour, matzah farfel, matzah meal, and any products containing matzah, such as Passover cereals, cakes and cookies); canned tuna (if one wants to be sure that there is no impermissible vegetable broth and/or hydrolyzed protein); wine; vinegar; liquor; oils and sauces; dried fruits; candy; chocolate flavored milk; ice cream; yogurt; and soda.

3. Detergents. If permitted during the year, powdered and liquid detergents do not require a *Kosher for Passover* label.

4. Medicine required for one's health is permitted. There are some who draw a distinction between medicine needed for life-threatening illness and those that are not, and suggest that the latter not be used because the inactive ingredients might include hametz. Rabbi Kenter takes the position that all medicines are taken to insure one's health and dividing medications into those that are

for life-threatening illness and those that are not is a spurious distinction.

Kashering of Utensils

It is best, where possible, to have separate eating and cooking implements that are used only on Passover. However, many items used all year long can be "kashered" and made fit for use on Passover. After the holiday, they are again permitted for year-round use.

There are specific procedures for kashering utensils, appropriate to each type of material and use. According to Jewish law, halachah, hametz can be purged from a utensil by the same process by which it was absorbed in the utensil (ke-voleo kakh poletu). Therefore, utensils used in cooking are kashered by boiling, those used in broiling are kashered by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are kashered by rinsing. Some materials, like pottery and plastic, and baking utensils, cannot be kashered at all.

Here are some basic rules for kashering common items. Feel free to consult Rabbi Kobrin with any questions.

1. Earthenware (china, pottery, etc.) may not be kashered. However, **fine translucent china** that has not been used for over a year may be used if thoroughly cleaned and washed in hot water.

2. Metal utensils (wholly made of metal) on which food is cooked directly above or below an open flame or electric broiler, (spit, broiler pan) are scrubbed and cleaned to remove all visible food residue, and then heated as much as possible. Metal utensils used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) should be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Metal baking and roasting utensils cannot be kashered.

3. Glassware: Glass tableware used year-round should be thoroughly washed and rinsed, or run through the dishwasher. Glass utensils used for baking and roasting cannot be kashered. There are other authorities who require more restrictive processes to kasher glassware.

4. Plastics: Plastics used in food preparation are generally not kashered for Passover. However, the Rabbinical Assembly has taken the position that "heavy duty plastics . . . which can withstand very hot water and do not permanently stain" can be kashered by boiling like metal utensils.

5. Ovens and stovetop: Every part that comes in contact with food is scrubbed and cleaned of any visible food residue. Then, standard ovens should be heated as hot as possible for an hour. If there is a broil setting in the oven, it should be used. Self-cleaning ovens should be put through the self-cleaning cycle. Any remaining residue should be wiped out, and if necessary, a second cycle should be run. Continuous cleaning ovens are kashered in the same manner as regular ovens. Gas and electric stovetops should be heated as hot as possible for a half

hour. Gas stove grates can be kashered by putting them in the oven during kashering. It is customary to cover the stovetop with tin foil after kashering. Microwave ovens should be cleaned of any visible food residue, and then a cup of water should be placed inside and the oven should be put on High for twenty minutes. The microwave should then be wiped clean. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be kashered for Pesah.

6. Dishwasher: Some people believe that a dishwasher can not be kashered for Passover. For those who wish to kasher it, first, the drain area should be inspected for any food that has collected, which must be removed. Then a full cycle with detergent should be run. The dishwasher should then not be used for twenty-four hours. The dishwasher should then be run once more on the hottest cycle.

7. Electrical appliances: Depending on the appliance, every part should be thoroughly cleaned. Parts that come in contact with food — for instance, the beaters of a mixer — must be cleaned in a manner indicated above, depending on the material it is made of. Metal beaters would be immersed in boiling water. Enameled beaters cannot be kashered, and separate beaters should be purchased for Passover use only. Toaster ovens used for hametz cannot be kashered because of the difficulty in removing all residue of hametz. The rule of thumb is, if the parts that come in contact with hametz are removable, they can be kashered in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules for metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be kashered. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned, whether they come in contact with food or not.)

8. Kitchen tables, cabinets and counters: If used with hametz, they should be thoroughly cleaned. Some cover them as well. Granite countertops can be kashered by pouring boiling water over them. Other countertops and shelving should be covered if food will be prepared on them.

9. Kitchen sink: A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.

10. Hametz foods and non-Passover dishes, pots and utensils: Hametz whose ownership has been transferred by selling as described above should be separated in such a way as to prevent accidental use during Passover. Similarly, dishes, pots and utensils used during the year for hametz food preparation, which cannot or have not been kashered for Passover, should also be separated in such a way as to prevent accidental use. ^a



Zooming In on My Rabbinical Studies

By Hazzan Howard Glantz

As you might imagine, I get a lot of questions about my rabbinical school studies. Many are curious about online studies and the technology employed called Zoom. Understandably so, they are surprised to learn these classes are taken completely online, in real time, and classmates as well as teachers can be anywhere in the world with a working internet connection and simply a computer, tablet or even a smartphone.

The Academy for Jewish Religion (AJR) is a seminary that was founded in 1956 and is at the forefront of pluralistic rabbinic training. You can learn more by visiting its website (www.ajrsem.or) but allow me to bring you part of my experience at this most unique and extraordinary institution. As an educational institution, the AJR prides itself on bringing teachings that respectfully span the full spectrum of Judaism; the faculty crosses denominational lines and represents the full spectrum of our blended Jewish community.

Just a few years ago, a decision was made by the leadership at AJR to expand online offerings and improve them with the cutting-edge technology of Zoom classes. These screens and cameras allow for people like me to take classes in Yonkers, NY without ever leaving my home or office. Though the savings of a minimum 5-hour round-trip commute is major for me and makes possible the otherwise untenable, imagine the benefit it has for my classmate in the Netherlands.

With all the benefits I have described, we do come together each fall and spring for a multi-day retreat and intensive meaningful encounter. It is here at my Spring Intensive, after a day of thought-provoking sessions, that I would like to bring you further into this experience for which I am so grateful.

At the left, I am with my Talmud chevruta partner, Steven Edersheim. Steven has lived all over the world working in finance and investments. Now he is in rabbinical school. Chevruta partners work on the same section of Talmud and we help each other to be the most prepared for class each week.



Usually, the next day after any given class I receive a recording of the class which I can use to review and improve my notes and understanding of the material we covered.

Below is a screenshot of one of my Talmud classes. On the top left is the physical classroom where you can see the professor, Rabbi Hoffman, with an open laptop, and my chevruta



partner across the table. What you can't see are large screens with each student participating individually visible in the room.

Middle top is Danielle, my classmate who is a Reform cantor in Florida. Top right is Gail, who is a Hillel director in Greensboro, North Carolina. Bottom left is the front view of Professor Hoffman and likely you recognize the guy talking on the bottom right.

At the right are both Rabbi Peg Kerschenbaum (left) and Dr. Ora Horn Prouser. I am very fortunate to have Rabbi Peg as professor for Biblical Hebrew Grammar in that she is helping me to see Hebrew as if through new eyes. Her credentials include a Doctoral study in Classics at NYU and City University of New York; an MA in Classics from Columbia University; and a BA in Greek and Classics, from Brooklyn College.




Dr. Prouser is Executive Vice-President and Academic Dean of the Academy. She holds a PhD and BA in Bible from The Jewish Theological Seminary of America; and a BA from Columbia University. Ora is author of *Esau's Blessing: How The Bible Embraces Those With Special Needs* and many articles about making the Bible speak to central existential concerns, specifically regarding ethical dilemmas and individual growth. This trimester I am learning from Dr. Prouser in a class entitled "Reaching out to World Jewry." In this course we are learning about Jewish communities throughout the world, thereby expanding our view of Jewish life. Our hope is that this work will lead to a pilot program for AJR to connect with Jewish communities throughout the world including Cuba, Uganda, Madagascar, and Minsk.

Below I am flanked by Rabbi Matthew Goldstone, the Rabbinics Curriculum Coordinator (left) and Rabbi Jeffrey Hoffman, Rabbi-in-Residence and Director of Institutional Assessment (right). For me, this trimester, they are a brilliant educational team making Talmud accessible and come alive.




Rabbi Goldstone holds a PhD from New York University; and an MA from The Jewish Theological Seminary. His BA is from Brandeis University and he has engaged in Talmudic studies at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies and Yeshivat Shvilei Hatorah. Matthew is the author of *The Dangerous Duty of Rebuke: Leviticus 19:17 in Early Jewish and Christian Interpretation*, co-author of *Binding Fragments of Tractate Temurah and the Problem of Lishana Aharana*, and author of articles on rabbinic literature as well as articles on the Gospels in light of early Jewish literature. He has served as adjunct faculty at The Jewish

Theological Seminary, The University of Pennsylvania, and Hunter College. Rabbi Goldstone has been the recipient of a number of fellowships and has received several awards for his scholarship and teaching.

Rabbi Hoffman holds his DHL in Liturgy, and his rabbi ordination and MA from The Jewish Theological Seminary of America. His BA was earned at The State University of New York at Albany and he has participated in undergraduate and graduate studies at The Hebrew University, Jerusalem as well as Talmudic studies at Yeshivat HaMivtar in Jerusalem. Rabbi Hoffman is the author of *Karov L'Chol Korav, For All Who Call: A Manual For Enhancing the Teaching of Prayer* and editor of *Siddur Tisha B'Av* for The Rabbinical Assembly. He is also the author of many articles and reviews. At AJR, Rabbi Hoffman directs the Accreditation Project, supervises tefillot, oversees rabbinical students' senior projects, and meets with students on academic and professional issues. 



The two pictures above are of my rabbinical school, the Academy for Jewish Religion, in Yonkers, NY, and most of the time I attend classes from the comfort of my study at our beloved Congregation Adath Jeshurun.

On Tuesday, February 12, it snowed, and instead of missing the experience of praying as a community, we still did so on time and this is how it looked. It was very moving. 



The AJ New Way Forward (AJNWF) Project is Complete!

Now the Heavy Lifting Begins.

A year ago, when AJ congregants learned that we would be embarking on a year of transition, what would have been a period of challenge and uncertainty was transformed into one of new opportunity. AJ leadership saw the chance for a new beginning, the start of a new vibrant future for AJ. It would be a new way forward.

In that spirit, under the leadership of **Naomi and Skip Atkins, Michele Rifkin, and Neil Wernick**, AJ New Way Forward, or AJNWF, was launched. Its purpose would be to ensure that our congregation becomes, and remains, a vibrant, self-sustaining, enduring and growing inter-generational community, committed to one another, our rich history, and our evolving future.

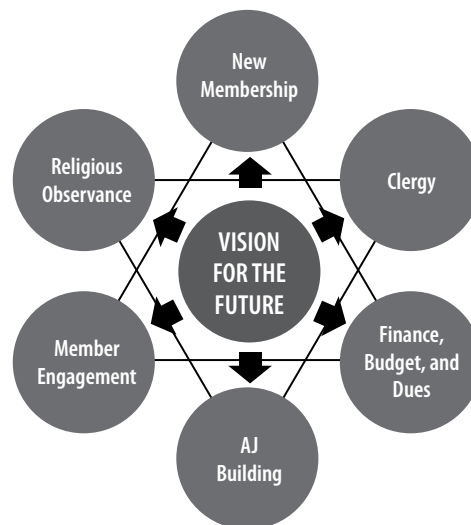
The AJNWF leadership team saw only one legitimate way to accomplish this; it would be through the engagement and full participation of AJ membership, as a whole, in charting AJ's future. Thus, the commitment of 15 group leaders, 175 parlor meeting attendees, more than 300 survey respondents, and over 80 town hall participants provided invaluable input and ensured that virtually all member viewpoints would be heard and fully represented.

The research, feedback, and ongoing member communications have reliably guided the evolution of realistic conclusions which honor congregants' expressed thoughts and wishes for AJ's present and future, and challenging recommendations which, when fully implemented, are certain to help secure the vibrant future for which we are all hopeful.

The recommendations require shared responsibility among leadership, membership, and clergy. Beginning with a reorganization of the AJ Board of Directors aligned with newly defined strategic committees, every Board member will actively participate on one or more strategic committees and existing committees will be incorporated into the new structure.

The result will be a network of interdependent teams, with integrated goals and responsibilities. At the heart of the new organization is a Vision Committee, under the leadership of the Executive Committee, and includes the co-chairs of each new strategic

committee. The Vision Committee will establish the enduring mission, goals, and operating guidelines for each strategic committee, creating a list of critical changes which honor the sentiments and priorities that congregants expressed throughout the AJNWF process.



All of what AJNWF has accomplished thus far has been made possible through your commitment and involvement. There is much more to do and AJ is counting on your continuing dedication and willingness to help. Stay tuned for next steps.

With thanks and sincere appreciation,

Michele, Naomi, Neil, and Skip



ABOVE: The AJ synagogue office staff and friends made their annual trip down to the Ronald McDonald House on Chestnut Street to cook dinner for families on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. From left to right: Marjorie Trager, Debbie Miner, Robert Friedman, Michelle Ravitch, Rachel Ravitch, Joel Ravitch, Beryl Rosoff-Verbit, Judy Brown, and Merrill Brown.

The Search for a New Rabbi

The letter below was communicated to AJ congregants by email and snail mail. We hope you'll come to AJ and meet the rabbinical candidates.

Dear AJ Friends,

The AJ Rabbi Search Committee has been hard at work over the last two months completing a questionnaire to the Placement Office of the Rabbinical Assembly, reviewing candidates' resumes, and conducting phone and online video interviews. We have narrowed our search, thus far, to two interesting and qualified candidates, **Rabbi Moshe Saks** and **Rabbi Shai Cherry** (bios at right).

In March, over two separate weekends, we will all have the opportunity to personally meet these rabbinical candidates. Both are excited to meet you, and to learn more about what makes AJ so special.

During their respective weekend visits, please join us for Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached on Friday evening at 6:15 PM, followed by an Oneg Shabbat, where you will have a chance to mingle. Then come to Shabbat services at 9:30 AM on Saturday morning, in the sanctuary, where each rabbi will participate in services. We will gather in the Orleans Auditorium after services for an extended Kiddush lunch, where you will have a further opportunity to mingle and ask questions. Then join us for Minḥah, Ma'ariv and Havdalah services on Saturday evening. Finally, each rabbi will be at AJ for a Meet, Greet, and Eat on Sunday morning at 9:00 AM after morning minyan, where you will have one more opportunity to meet him and ask him questions.

March 1-3: Rabbi Moshe Saks and his wife, Meira, from Scranton, PA

March 1: Strings Attached and Oneg, beginning at 6:15 PM

March 2: Shabbat morning service beginning at 9:30 AM, followed by an extended Kiddush lunch

March 2: Minḥah, Ma'ariv and Havdalah service, 5:20 PM

March 3: Meet, Greet, and Eat. 9:00 AM, after morning minyan

March 22-24: Rabbi Shai Cherry and his wife, Dr. Rebecca Cherry, from Solana Beach, CA

March 22: Strings Attached and Oneg, beginning at 6:15 PM

March 23: Shabbat morning service beginning at 9:30 AM, followed by an extended Kiddush lunch

March 23: Minḥah, Ma'ariv and Havdalah service, 6:45 PM

March 24: Meet, Greet, and Eat. 9:00 AM, after morning minyan

We strongly encourage you to come out for these events. We want you to meet the candidate rabbis and let them know how unique our synagogue and community are. After each candidate's visit, you will receive an online survey to provide your input on each. This is your opportunity to tell us how you feel and give us your feedback. Your participation is vital, so please complete the survey.

We need you to RSVP if you plan to attend the Oneg Shabbat on Friday evening, the Kiddush luncheon on Saturday, and/or the Meet, Greet, and Eat event on Sunday morning. Please send an email to rsvp@adathjeshurun.info, and note whether you will be attending the Friday night Oneg, the Kiddish luncheon on Saturday, and/or the Meet, Greet and Eat event on Sunday. Let us know how many in your family will be attending. Alternatively, you can call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611.

Thank you in advance for your interest and involvement in these important events for AJ's future.

Bernie Dishler and Naomi Atkins
Co-chairs, AJ Rabbi Search Committee

David Reibstein and Judy Stutman Izes
AJ President and Executive Vice President

Bios

Rabbi Moshe Saks

Rabbi Moshe Saks, born and raised in Philadelphia, is presently the Spiritual Leader of Temple Israel of Scranton, PA. He attended Central High School in Philadelphia, and graduated from Yeshiva University in NYC with a BA in History and BHL (Bachelor of Hebrew Letters) in Jewish History. Rabbi Saks then attended JTS, where he was ordained as a Rabbi, along with earning an MA in Rabbinics. He received his DD (Doctor of Divinity) from JTS in 2007.

Rabbi Saks, when last in the Philadelphia area, serving Congregation Tifereth Israel of Lower Bucks County, was the *Rav Ha-Machshir* in charge of Kashrut for the Philadelphia Region of the Rabbinical Assembly. He has served a number of congregations, including Beth Tzedec Congregation in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, where he received the Alberta Centennial Medal for Community Leadership in 2004.

Rabbi Saks, his wife, Meira Shapiro Saks, and their five children have all been active at Camp Ramah in the Poconos for the past 35 years.


Rabbi Shai Cherry

Shai Cherry holds a doctorate in Jewish Thought and Theology from Brandeis University where he studied with Professor Arthur Green and wrote his dissertation on Jewish responses to Darwinism. He was subsequently ordained from the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles.

Rav Shai began his career as a Jewish educator in 1988 when he was team-teaching seventh graders with Rabbi Brad Artson. Rav Shai has been teaching adult Jewish education for over twenty years since he was a graduate student in Boston. In 2010, Rav Shai founded Shaar Hamayim, a Jewish Learning Center where he continues to teach teens and adults.

Rav Shai wrote the first user-friendly book on Jewish biblical commentary: *Torah through Time: Understanding Bible Commentary from the Rabbinic Period to Modern Times*. He is also the featured lecturer for The Great Course's "Introduction to Judaism." Rav Shai has taught at Vanderbilt University, UCLA, the American Jewish University, and currently teaches at the University of San Diego.

His next book, *Coherent Judaism*, will be published in early 2020.

Rav Shai is married to Rebecca Cherry, MD, a pediatric gastroenterologist. They have three children from the ages of 17 to 10: Tehila, Rina, and Shalev. Tehila will be attending Barnard College in the fall. 

Other rabbinical candidates may be scheduled; stay tuned!

B'nai Mitzvah Dvar Torah Speeches

Over the past several months several of our wonderful young men in the congregation have celebrated becoming a bar mitzvah. This month we would like to highlight **Aaron Leventhal, Eli Check, and Spencer Epstein** — three dedicated students who have grown up at Adath Jeshurun and continue to demonstrate a strong commitment to their community both within and beyond our synagogue.

Aaron was called to the Torah to become a bar mitzvah on the 2nd of Kislev, 5779 (November 10, 2018). Eli was called to the Torah to become a bar mitzvah on the 30th of Kislev, 5779 (December 8, 2018). Spencer was called to the Torah to become a bar mitzvah on the 7th of Tevet, 5779 (December 15, 2018).

The bar mitzvah speech for each of these young men is printed below.

Aaron Leventhal (November 10, 2018)

Shabbat Shalom. For my bar mitzvah, my Torah portion is Toldot. Toldot is a story about Jacob and his twin brother, Esau, getting into a fight. This is the perfect portion for me simply because I have an older sister and, like most other sibling relationships, we tend to fight now and then. Esau and Jacob's fight, though, was about who would get a birthright of the first born to become the heir to God's blessings to Isaac and his father, Abraham. So yes, their fight was a little more important than my sister and I fighting over who has the worst attitude towards the other.

My mother and I were discussing about different points of view between Jacob and Esau. We thought about the relationship between Jacob and Rebecca, Esau and Isaac, and even the relationship between Esau and a bowl of soup. Come to think of it, if Esau wasn't so selfish, Jacob and Esau wouldn't be having a problem, now would they. Anyway, I personally thought of a different relationship. The relationship between the entire family and the Jewish people as a whole. Minus the soup and the birthright, outsmarting his older brother in a questionable way eventually will make Jacob worthy to lead, to proceed successfully in life, and ultimately worthy to be a Jew just the same as me standing here today becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Since Avraham, each of our forefathers had to do something to achieve success. Each one worked hard or planned for that moment when they would get to realize their birthright. What they didn't think of, though, was how each of them and their wives would change Jewish and world history. Jacob and Esau were just a small part of a bigger spectrum. When Rebecca got pregnant (finally), God said to her, "Rebecca, you have two nations within your womb; the older will serve the younger." Yes, it could possibly mean that Jacob and Esau would go on to lead two distinct nations, but to me, I think that this means that

the twins within Rebecca, that those two nations, would indeed be different but remarkably similar as well.

So yes, Jacob does get the birthright and yes, Esau finds out that Jacob gets the better blessing from Isaac and becomes thirsty for revenge. But why? Because of a blessing? This blessing gave Jacob the responsibility to be the ancestor of the Children of Israel (later, us Jews). It's not about the "stuff" when the smoke clears. My Torah portion is just teaching us to accept being a Jew, to cherish Judaism, and really just show us how important our religion is. So not surprisingly, Esau doesn't quite get it. Nevertheless, as we'll discover next week, Esau comes to forgive Jacob, Jacob comes to understand his brother's anger, and, when they come face to face again, they make up and decide to behave as brothers.

I believe that it was their destiny as siblings to find a way to adjust (not try to kill each other) as well as to try to find a creative relationship between one another. They will ultimately learn respect for each other as friends, as enemies, and . . . as family.

I would love to thank the awesome Hazzan and Rabbi for helping me throughout this adventure to becoming a Bar Mitzvah and of course my family for helping me and pushing me every step of the way.

Shabbat Shalom!

Eli Check (December 8, 2018)

Shabbat Shalom.

My Torah portion is Vayigash, a continuation of the Joseph story. My portion is about how Joseph and his father, Jacob, are reunited after many years. The reason their meeting is super special is because Jacob thought he was dead. Both Joseph and Jacob's youngest son, Benjamin, were born by Jacob's favorite wife, Rachel.

Forgiveness and redemption; that is the main theme of my parsha. Joseph was the victim of his brothers' jealousy. They were jealous because Jacob, their father, loved Joseph more than his other sons. He loved Joseph more because he was the son of his favorite wife, Rachel. He also gave Joseph gifts he did not give his other sons, most famously a rainbow-colored cloak. Eventually, they tried to kill him because of their jealousy by casting him into a pit and leaving him for dead. Unbeknownst to them, not only did he survive but his skill and intelligence led him to become the second most powerful man in Egypt behind the Pharaoh. Years later, Joseph would meet up with his brothers once again in Egypt. However, his brothers were not aware it was Joseph. They thought it was just another Egyptian official. Joseph chose not to reveal his true identity to his brothers. While the parsha does not say exactly why, I think he was

testing his brothers. Testing them to see if they were the same people who had abandoned him all those years ago or if had they changed. He tested them by framing them in the theft of a silver goblet and demanded their younger brother Benjamin be given to him as a prisoner. Joseph wanted to determine if they would betray Benjamin as they had betrayed him so many years ago. The brothers were saddened by that order and did not want to sacrifice their youngest brother. Not wanting to lose a brother and bring sadness to his father, the eldest brother bravely offered himself in place of Benjamin. This act of sacrifice so touched Joseph that he revealed himself to his brothers and the reunion caused a cry heard across half of Egypt.

Joseph sent his brothers back to retrieve their father Jacob and bring him when they returned to Egypt so their family reunification could be complete. They settled in a prosperous area of Egypt and led a happy life in the new land. They were soon joined by thousands of other Jewish families seeking relief from the famine that spread across the lands. (On a related note, the Jews would remain in Egypt for another hundred years or so until another famous Jew, whose name escapes me, led them out of Egypt. But that's another different story for a different Parsha.)

After reading my parsha I am happy that Joseph's family could be reunited. I personally agree that family is the most important thing in the world, and when it comes to forgiveness, I think it's best to want to forgive those who love you the most. Try as I may I do not think I could forgive Simon and Owen if they threw me in a ditch left, me for dead, or potentially sold me into slavery. But since it hasn't happened to me yet I don't know for certain. But having been blessed with a kind and caring family in a home that shows love, patience, and tolerance to all who live there I can certainly understand Joseph's desire to forgive his family and feel that togetherness again. The greatest happiness anyone can feel is the bond between a family. And maybe their dog.

Nun, Gimel, Hey, Shin. Neis Gadol Hayah Sham. Translates into "A great miracle happened here." That is how many Jews interpret the letters of the dreidel. The rejoining of Joseph's family was itself a great miracle. And though they lived in relative comfort among other Jews in Egypt they were still second-class citizens. Free to practice their religion in private, but shunned in society. Hanukkah is a celebration of a different miracle. This holiday calls for a proud display of Jewish culture. What's more, it calls for family and friends to join together to celebrate a joyous event. In fact, the Talmud (via Wikipedia) suggests options for how people can celebrate the holiday. The one that stood out for me was the one where you light one candle per night per household, which means you go to different family and friends' houses which symbolizes family, friendship, and community. The burning of the candles

and placing the Hanukkah conspicuously (like in your window) is a statement showing your Jewish pride. It is wonderful that we live in a place where we are free to exercise our religious freedom. And I personally feel truly blessed to spend the sixth night of Hanukkah with you, my closest friends and family.

Spencer Epstein (December 15, 2018)

Shabbat shalom! My Torah portion, Parashat Vayechi in the book of *Genesis*, tells of Jacob on his deathbed and his two requests of his youngest son, Joseph. Jacob on his deathbed requests his son Joseph to have him buried in the land of Israel, and for him to be able to bless his two grandsons, Ephraim and Manasseh, Ephraim being the younger of the two. Joseph being the great son that he is, grants his dying father's request and brings his sons to him to be blessed. Joseph places his sons before Jacob with the intent of his eldest son to be blessed first. Jacob, however, wanted the younger of the two to be blessed first, so he switched his hands crossing them so that his right is over Ephraim and his left over Manasseh. Joseph tried stopping his father from doing this because he believed that by blessing Ephraim over Manasseh that Ephraim would become favored over Manasseh. Joseph, being the youngest of Jacob's children, was favored by their father, hence the reason his sibling tried to kill him. Joseph wanted his sons to be equal which was why he wanted his eldest blessed first so that Manasseh would not get jealous of Ephraim.

By blessing his grandchildren, Jacob adopted them as his own, seeing redeeming qualities in them that his own children lacked. Taking his grandchildren as his own meant when he died, Ephraim and Manasseh would obtain an

equal portion of his wealth, along with his other children. So what were these qualities that Jacob saw? Well, Jacob saw kindness, compassion, and ambition, all of which are needed to be the tribes of Israel that Jacob saw that they would become, rather than his own sons. Ephraim and Manasseh also showed they could be humble. By not being like the upper-class Egyptian society, they chose to be Jewish, embodying kindness and compassion. When we bless our boys today, we think of Ephraim and Manasseh and the qualities they possess, wanting our children to possess them as well. Like Manasseh, I am the eldest sibling, and I believe that, as an older brother, it is my responsibility to set a good example for my brother and community, but I also can't let Asher be the favorite.

As I move forward with my life, I believe it is important to hold these values close and to remember them and to hopefully teach them to others and make the world a better place. Right now, this country is divided, people are always fighting, and can't come to an understanding. They are so fixed on the idea that they are right and won't even try to understand where other people's opinions are coming from. We need to remember the values of understanding and kindness, especially today.

I want to thank Rabbi Kenter who guided me in learning about my Torah portion so that I could share this d'var with you today.

Thank you to Hazzan Glantz, who helped me prepare for my Torah reading. I couldn't have done this without you and your amazing trop skills.

And to my parents, thank you not only for today, but for everything you do for me. I love you. 🤗

Adult Education Program and Light Breakfast Sunday, March 10, following 9:00 AM Minyan

The Dos Equis Man is NOT the most interesting man in the world... that honor goes to Morris "Two Gun" Cohen!

The AJ Adult Education Committee presents the incredible saga of Morris Two Gun Cohen, **following 9:00 AM minyan** and a complimentary light breakfast.

Criminal, gambler, boxer, gun runner, Zionist, diplomat, POW, entrepreneur, raconteur, synagogue donor, bodyguard to Sun Yet-Sen of China, and he was good to his parents! Come and meet Morris Cohen in a presentation that includes actual interview footage.

Our speaker will be **Dr. Carol Harris-Shapiro**, AJ congregant, ordained Reconstructionist Rabbi, and a member of the faculty of the Intellectual Heritage Department of Temple University. (Last year, Dr. Harris-Shapiro presented a great series about Jewish communities in China.)

It is vital that we receive your **RSVP to the synagogue office (215.635.6611) no later than Thursday, March 7.** 📧

Kol HaKavod to our December and January Torah and Haftarah Readers

<i>Eli Check</i>	<i>Larry McAfoos</i>
<i>Helene Epstein</i>	<i>Aviva Minkoff</i>
<i>Spencer Epstein</i>	<i>Susan Novack</i>
<i>Dr. Allan Freedman</i>	<i>Lorna Rosenberg</i>
<i>Robert Friedman</i>	<i>Rabbi Seymour Rosenbloom</i>
<i>Howard Gershman</i>	<i>Rosalind Schiller</i>
<i>Hazzan Glantz</i>	<i>Dr. Nathan Schnell</i>
<i>Mindy Goldstein</i>	<i>Morey Smerling</i>
<i>Aaron Leventhal</i>	<i>Meryl Sussman</i>
<i>Anna Leventhal</i>	<i>Marcia Webber</i>
<i>Michal Leventhal</i>	<i>Ken Weilerstein</i>
<i>Jordan Lieberman</i>	<i>Neil Wernick</i>
<i>Mike Markowich</i>	<i>Iris Winegrad</i>
<i>Rabbi Boaz Marmon</i>	<i>Richard Zeises</i>

Do you know someone with Parkinson's Disease who needs a little extra support?

A Parkinson's support group meets the first Thursday of every month from 1:30 to 3:00 PM in the AJ library. This support group is a way for people to help Parkinson's Disease patients cope with problems they all share. The group offers social and emotional support to patients and their care partners, education and information from peers and professionals and a chance to be active for oneself and for others in the community. Members give and receive information and encouragement through the mail, phone calls, and group meetings. Contact Suzanne Reichwein at 215.829.7273 or sreichwein@pahosp.com for more information.

How's Your Hebrew reading?

Interested in learning to read Torah? Over the last year, I have had the privilege of volunteering with several adult congregants, and I think we have learned a lot and laughed a lot. I have been tutoring students individually, moving at their pace, accommodating schedules and reaching individual goals: Learning the letters from scratch, filling in knowledge where it is missing, being more comfortable with the Hebrew of the service, right on through reading Torah. It is my belief that every adult can learn to read Hebrew. You can do as much or as little as you choose. If it "doesn't work for you," we can always stop. How about giving it a try? Contact the synagogue office at 215.635.6611 if you are interested. — Susan Novack

Fun in the kitchen

Please join us on **Sunday, March 31, at 4:30 PM**, as we prepare and serve dinner at The Ronald McDonald House at Front Street and Erie Avenue in Philadelphia. The Ronald McDonald House serves as a home away from home for families of critically ill children receiving treatment at local hospitals. We will be cooking and serving dinner to those families.

This event is open to all ages, and would be a fun community service project for pre-teens and young adults. This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone!

Please contact Judy Stutman Izes at 267.254.6633 or jpsizes@aol.com to volunteer, for carpool info, or to get information about our next visit to The Ronald McDonald House. This program is lovingly sponsored by AJWA Sisterhood.



CALLING ALL COOKS! (from clueless to expert)

Join chefs and friends as we prepare for Sisterhood Shabbat!

Thursday, March 14

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (desserts)

Friday, March 15

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM (entrees, etc.)

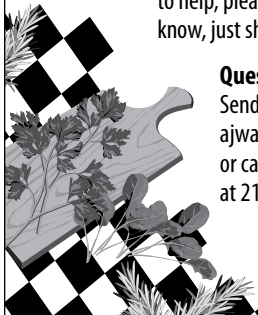
Schmooze, Laugh and Learn!

Kvell as you help create an extraordinary kiddush luncheon for your AJ community!

If you know when you'll be coming to help, please tell us. If you don't know, just show up!

Questions?

Send an email to ajwasisterhood@gmail.com or call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611.



AJWA Sisterhood

President: Amy Blum




Sisterhood Shabbat on Saturday, March 16

Save the date of **March 16, 2019, for AJWA Sisterhood Shabbat** when we will welcome **Jen Burke**.

Jen Burke has had a lifelong connection with Adath Jeshurun. Her grandmother, **Florence Kogen**, was an active congregant and member of the Sisterhood and her three children, Lucas, Rebecca, and Sara, attended the Preschool. In the summer of 2007, her youngest child, Sara, was diagnosed with brain cancer. Family, friends, community, and especially Sara's classmates, rallied around the Burke family and formed a powerful network of support. It was this support system that enabled the Burke family to cope with the challenges that faced them each day.

Tragically, Sara passed away on May 12, 2008, leaving behind a legacy of hope and love. Jen Burke founded Sara's Smiles Foundation as a tribute to Sara's strength, determination, and positive attitude. Sara's Smiles' mission to support pediatric oncology patients was borne of the love, compassion, and support that the family received throughout Sara's struggle. It is Jen's goal to provide that same experience for families walking in her footsteps.

Sara's Smiles Foundation, a designated 501(c)(3) organization, was created by Sara's family to carry on her memory, spirit, and legacy of hope, determination, and cheer. Sara made many, many happy memories in the hospital and this was the primary inspiration for the foundation. The mission of Sara's Smiles is to help create a warmer, more positive, more empowered experience for children diagnosed with cancer. The Foundation offers resources that not only educate, but also create a positive, personal environment. 



Sara Burke was a vibrant, energetic, fun-loving five year-old. She loved arts and crafts, mac'n cheese, music, her Big Wheel, and her big brother and big sister. On July 6, 2007, Sara was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. She underwent many surgeries, chemotherapy, stem cell transplants, and procedures of all sorts. Sara's initial brain surgery left her with significant deficits such as left-sided weakness and double vision. Sara worked very hard in a variety of therapies to regain her strength, coordination, and independence. The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia became a home away from home for Sara and her family. She and her mother Jen lived there for seven months.

Tragically, on May 12, 2008, Sara lost her courageous battle with cancer. She leaves behind a legacy of hope and love that is truly inspirational. Sara battled her disease with fierce determination and an unwavering positive attitude, living every moment to its fullest, even under the most adverse circumstances. Although physically distant from the world she knew, Sara was able to harness the power of love and support. This energy filled her heart, brightened her outlook, and strengthened her resolve to fight.



ABOVE: "Sara's Castle," on the AJ Playground. Sara's Castle was built with the help of the Burke family in honor of Sara. When she attended the Preschool, she drew a picture of a beautiful castle which served as the model for our modern playground castle. Look for the annual fundraising event called "Sundaes for Sara" when the AJ Preschool sells ice cream sundaes to support the upkeep of the castle.

You are invited to join us for
Sisterhood Shabbat

**Saturday, March 16
 9:30 AM**

Featuring a beautiful, multi-generational service led by the women of AJWA Sisterhood

**Annette W. Black Memorial Lecture
 Jen Burke,
 Founder of Sara's Smiles Foundation**

A Tribute to Florence Kogen z"l,
 Jen Burke's Grandmother

Followed by a fabulous kiddush luncheon

Everyone is welcome!



Would you like to participate in the AJWA Sisterhood Shabbat service? SAY YES!

We are pulling together the service and are currently organizing the parts. If you are an AJWA Sisterhood member (or would like to become one!) and would like to co-lead a Hebrew prayer or participate in an easy, small group English reading, please say so. We'd love for you to be included. If you are interested in participating, send an email to ajwasisterhood@gmail.com or call Mindy Goldstein at 610.506.0632.

**Sisterhood Shabbat
 Saturday, March 16, at 9:30 AM**

Are You An Angel? Please consider becoming a Sisterhood Shabbat Angel!

Your donation of \$25 (or more) will help make possible AJWA Sisterhood's 2019 wonderful Shabbat service, speaker and luncheon. It is a program that reaches out to the entire AJ family and is met each year with great anticipation and enthusiasm! All Shabbat Angels will be gratefully acknowledged in the Sisterhood Shabbat program. Thank you!

Please return this form and your check to AJWA Sisterhood Shabbat Angels, 7763 Old York Rd., Elkins Park, PA 19027. Make checks payable to "AJWA Sisterhood" with "Shabbat Angel Donation" on the memo line.

Name _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

AJWA Sisterhood Ongoing Events and Causes

Join us for one or all of these AJWA Sisterhood-sponsored activities!

Yoga

For ALL levels of ability! Taught by Esther Goldberg, Certified Yoga Instructor.

Friday morning class 9:30 to 10:30 AM \$12 per class.

For more information on yoga, contact Esther Goldberg at zymesther@gmail.com or 215.676.8685. Walk-ins are welcome.

Robyn Orodenker Book Club

A guided discussion group held on designated Monday nights at 7:45 PM in the Braemer Auditorium. Reading of the book is required!

March 25: *Stir: My Broken Brain and Meals That Brought Me Home*, by Jessica Fechter

May 6: *Karolina's Twins*, by Ronald H. Balson



Questions or Interested in being a discussion leader?

Contact Liane Sher at 215.635.4613 or Judy Szekely at 215.635.8812.

Stitchers

If you are interested in learning about creating Judaic hand crafts, come be a part of "Stitchers." We are primarily stitchers, practitioners of the needle arts. No special experience is necessary. New learners are welcome. For more information, contact Dr. Rita Altman-Weinberger, 215.627.4698 or altmanrc1@verizon.net.

Wednesday mornings, AJ Library, 10:00 AM to noon

Cook For A Friend

Cook For A Friend, a unique program that prepares meals for those in need, is in search of volunteers (a.k.a. friends) to cook. Cook For A Friend meets once a month on a weekday evening and once a month on a weekday morning.

Evening sessions Sandy Basicckes (215.782.8586)

Daytime sessions Sue Lawson (215.680.7112)

Laurel House Shelter and Domestic Violence Services for Abused Women and Their Children

For a list of needed items, go to laurel-house.org. Only new, requested items, please! NO gift-wrapped items, clothing, shoes or accessories. Please bring NEW items to the Braemer Auditorium coat closet and place in the box marked "Laurel House" or bring to any AJWA Sisterhood event.

Cooking at Ronald McDonald House

Join us to prepare meals for families staying at the House at Front and Erie Sts. Contact Judy Stutman Izes at 267.254.6633 or jpsizes@aol.com for more information.



COLLEGE CONNECTION

Surprise your college student with a taste of home! College students enrolled in the AJ College Connection Program will receive the monthly *AJ News* and enjoy holiday packages sent to school. Children of member families only.

Please send the following information to Sandra Goldberg at saglp@aol.com or call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611: Student Name, School Address, Student Email Address, Parent Email Address and Expected Year of Graduation.

AJ Men's Association

President: Ed Moses



Adath Jeshurun Men's Association

AJ Men's Association Shabbat

Join the AJMA for a participatory service on **Friday, April 5**, we're calling **Hearing Men's Voices in Prayer!** All congregants are invited to join with the AJMA for this joyous, vocal, and instrumental, participatory service followed by lite bites. The service begins at **6:15 PM**.

A shout-out to all AJ men who are eager to participate with their voices and/or musical instruments. Informational meetings scheduled for Monday, March 25 and Thursday, March 28, following evening minyan and then, rehearsals scheduled for Sunday, March 31 at 10:00 AM, Monday evening, April 1, and Thursday evening, April 4.

Be a Men's Mensch! Help sponsor Lite Bites following services by kindly donating \$18. Please make checks payable to AJMA and forward to synagogue office, indicating "AJMA Mensch" in the memo line. Thank you in advance.

AJMA Yom HaShoah Program

On **Sunday, April 28**, Adath Jeshurun Men's Association, in conjunction with the annual Yom Hashoah observance, will present a one-act play reading by two AJMA actors. *The Interview*, by Peter Swet, is a suspenseful work which

explores the lingering trauma of the Holocaust in a post-World War II American setting.

Discussion and light refreshments to follow the performance. There is no RSVP required or charge for the program.

The presentation will begin at **2:00 PM** in the Orleans Auditorium and it is vitally important that members of the audience arrive promptly for this program. Thank you.

Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program™

Light A Candle, Preserve A Memory
Yom Hashoah.....Sundown, May 1, 2019

The Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program is a creation of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (FJMC). Beginning on April 1, the yellow candles will be available in the AJ office. A limited number of candles will also be available at the Sunday, April 28 performance of *The Interview* (see the description in the previous column).

Donations are gratefully accepted to help defray the cost of the candles and to help underwrite production costs for *The Interview*.

AJMA thanks you! 

The Yellow Candle™ was created in 1981 by FJMC clubs in Canada, New England and elsewhere to keep alive the memory of the Six Million who perished in the Shoah. The Candle is modeled after a traditional Jewish memorial Yahrzeit candle that burns for 24 hours during periods of mourning and on the Yahrzeit anniversary of a family member. The candle's yellow wax serves to remind us of the yellow arm band which Jews were forced to wear during the Nazi regime. A photo on the candle container shows young people visiting Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp. This reflects the importance of teaching our youth the lessons of the Holocaust and of remembering the Six Million. In addition, the program logo is a yellow Magen David (Star of David) outlined with barbed wire, with the word "Jude" in the middle. This preserves the memory of the armband or cloth patch that Jews were forced to wear in the ghettos of Eastern Europe.

2019 World Wide Wrap

The World Wide Wrap was held at AJ this year, sponsored by the AJMA, Beth Sholom Men's Association, and the MBIEE Men's Association



AJ Preschool and Infant Center

Early Childhood Director: Anita Block

A Lesson About Community Service

We are so proud of our children and staff for the outstanding community service project commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. On Monday, January 21, while many schools and centers were closed, we prepared 114 lunches for Manna on Main Street in Lansdale.

The downstairs lobby was arranged with tables, each covered with an item for the lunch. At the first station, the children decorated white lunch bags **1**. Then they moved onto the station for sandwich making. Wearing plastic gloves and using a scoop, the children added tuna and a leaf of lettuce on top of a freshly baked roll and slipped it into a plastic baggie before placing it in the lunch bag. Next, three pickles were put into a baggie and added to the lunch bag **2**. Then the children moved onto the fruit station to get an apple for the lunch bag. The next stop was the cookie station. Two cookies were placed in a baggie and added to the lunch bag. **3** At the last station, the bags were stapled with a note from Adath Jeshurun Preschool and Infant Center **4**. Thanks to **David Kaplan** for delivering the lunches to Manna on Main Street.

Our day didn't end with this project, because it was also Tu B'Shvat and we wanted to celebrate the birthday of the trees. Prior to that day, each of the classes prepared a tree to display outside of the classroom announcing that Tu B'Shvat was coming. The tree-making was part of the discussion about the holiday and all the wonderful gifts that trees give us.

For our celebration, we cleared the tables from the Braemer Auditorium and spread green tablecloths on the floor (one for each class). The children gathered around their "picnic" space. We sang songs and tasted some of the fruits from trees and vines. There were pomegranates, apples, grapes, olives, strawberries, and star fruit. The fruits represented the different types of species that are part of a Tu B'Shvat seder. Children also had an opportunity to drink four cups of "wine" progressing from white (winter) to a tinge of purple, more purple and then finally, all purple (spring).

It is our hope that the lessons we teach at this early age, mitzvot, tzedakah and appreciation, will be embedded in the spirit of our children. As it is stated in *Proverbs 22:6* "Train up a child in the way (s)he should go, And when (s)he is old (s)he will not depart from it." **4**

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Come play Mah Jongg and meet new friends!

We meet Wednesday mornings in Room 10 from 9:00 AM–12:00 noon.

March:
6, 13, 20, and 27

April:
3, 10, 17, and 24

For more information, contact Judy Szekely at 215.635.8812 or gszekely3@comcast.net.

ALL LEVELS WELCOME!

SCOUTING FOR FUTURE SCOUTS!

Boy Scout Troop 185 and Cub Pack 185 are looking for boys who are ready for adventure, fun, making new friends and learning new skills.

Boys ages 6–10, contact Dan Robbins at robbinsdb@gmail.com, or 215.782.8931; boys ages 11–17, contact Neil Schmerling at taxscout@aol.com or 215.742.1758.



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LUNCH AND LEARN NOONTIME TORAH Tuesdays, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

The Rabbinical Assembly—Mid-Atlantic Region invites you to join us weekly at noon in AJ's Library for the study of Torah. A rabbi and other like-minded individuals await you to engage in exciting discussion and thoughtful analysis of the weekly Torah portion or other stimulating topic. Each class is self-contained so you can plug in at any given week. Bring a dairy lunch and a Bible; drinks will be provided. All are welcome. For more information or a list of other locations, call AJ at 215.635.6611.

JQuest B'Yachad/ Etgar Experience

AJ/Beth Sholom Sunday Hebrew School Leader
and K-6 Youth Leader: Holli Goldenberg

While still remaining combined with KI for Tuesday Hebrew school this year, AJ and Beth Sholom revamped our combined Sunday program. We are using the Etgar Hebrew School Curriculum for Conservative Synagogues. We have decided to call our Sunday program the Etgar (challenge) Experience!

Happy almost spring! January and February were cold but productive months at The Etgar Experience! We enjoyed spending Shabbats together, chatting over breakfast on Sunday mornings, and learning more about Judaism. We had two awesome youth events during these months. We had a Pajama Havdalah in January and a Winter Wonderland event in February. Please see below for future important dates! 📅

Important Upcoming Dates for K-6!

March 16 — Saturday Hebrew School at AJ

March 17 — No Hebrew School

April 7 — Youth Event: Art Workshop with Jane Hirshberg, following Hebrew school at Beth Sholom

April 13 — Saturday Hebrew School at Beth Sholom

April 14 — No Hebrew School

April 21 — No Hebrew School

Kleinlife: Montgomery County Dr. Gabriel & Alma Elias Center

Welcoming Everyone 60 and Older! Don't Miss Out!

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 9:45 AM to 2:00 PM

- **FREE Daily Kosher Lunch by Betty the Caterer***
*Reservations preferred, donations accepted
- **FREE Transportation by Transnet Suburban Transit**
- **Lifelong Learning Classes**
- **Current Event Discussions, Book Reviews, Arts, Lectures**
- **Chess, Mah Jongg, Knitting, Intergenerational Events**
- **Daily Fitness/Exercise program**
- **Holiday and Multi-Cultural Activities**

**Don't sit home alone — join us at
KleinLife: Montgomery County!**

Please call 215-635-5244 for more information.

Kleinlife

KleinLife: Montgomery County is funded in part by Montgomery County Aging and Adult Services, Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia, Herschel Elias and the Elias Foundation, and the George and Lillian Berman Fund.

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Attention Teens!

Make sure that you are receiving emails from OYRYouth@gmail.com to keep you updated about our award-winning events.

Also, follow OYRUSY on Instagram and "friend" OYR USY on Facebook to see the latest information about what the teens of OYR are doing.

Any questions or to add your (or your teen's) email address to our mailing list, contact oyr youth@gmail.com.

Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached

followed by an Oneg Shabbat
(lite dinner bites with friends)

**Friday Nights at 6:15 pm:
March 1, 22 and 29.**



לזכר עולם In Remembrance

Anyone interested in perpetuating the memory of a loved one at AJ should contact the office for information at 215.635.6611. Yahrzeits of the following individuals will be observed as follows:

FEBRUARY 24, 2019 to MARCH 2, 2019

19 Adar I 5779 to 25 Adar I 5779

To be read on Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2



Jennie Abrams
Avram G. Adler
Jennie Baruch
William Bass
Jennie Benjamin
Milton Berger
Gerson Blankfield
Minnie Blankfield
Eva Loewenstein Bloch
Margaret Boehm
Pauline Boss
Fred E. Braemer
Harry E. Chamow
Ethel R. Chernicoff
Miriam Copperman
Ada Davidoff
Lena G. Dean
Albert Dreil
Dr. Nettie Solomon Edeiken
Susan Elaine Edelman
Minnie Bernstein Feingold
Joseph Friedman
David Gaber
Zelda Glauser
Rachel Goldberg
Esther Goldman
Robert D. Goldman
Benjamin Greenbaum
Albert R. Gross
Lewis Gumpel
Mildred F. Halin
Rose Heimerling
Esther Hertzfeld
Bessie Hunn
Carrie Isenberg
Emma Garfield Israel
Gertrude Kancher
Rose E. Katzenstein
William Keiser
Evelyn Kiner
David Koppelman
Annie Levin
Harry Lipshutz
Michael Loeb
Mussie Love
Gertrude Luber

Judith Markowitz
Betty Libby Mason
Annie Maxman
Dr. William J. Mellman
Gertrude Metzger
Louis Meyerhoff
Sydel Minkoff
Harvey Nevler
Rose Nitzberg
Charles N. Oberfield
Harriet Panitch
Frances S. Pincus
Dora Prager
A. Lois Remstein
Manly Rider
Max Rosen
Sarah Rosenthal
Dr. Robert W. Rubin
Rose Sadowsky
Carrie Blumenthal Saltzman
Sarah Schiff
Dorothy Schlesinger
Herman Schwartz
Dorothy Katz Seidel
Anna Shalevitz
Isabella Shapiro
Shirley Sheffler
Jennie Sickles
Harry Sigel
Louise Stern Simpson
Anna R. Sobel
Samuel A. Sopenoff
Barbara M. Steinberg
Howard Stern
Selma Strauss
Dora Warren
Nelson Wax
Samuel Weber
Pauline Weinberg
Pauline Weitzenkorn
Jennie Wildman
Isadore Witkin
Seymour Witman
Dr. Sidney M. Wolfe
Rickie Wollenberger
Evelyn Yaffe

MARCH 3, 2019 to MARCH 9, 2019

26 Adar I 5779 to 2 Adar II 5779

To be read on Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9



Rabbi Leon Album
Sylvia Alloy
Alexander A. Aron
Franklin G. Banks
Laurie Hope Beechman
Dr. Donald Berkowitz
Morris J. Blitz

Max E. Cohen
Moses Cohen
Milton Abraham Dauber
Herbert A. Demchick
George J. Dishler
Norman Dissin
Benjamin F. Dolfman

Abe Felix
Joseph Fine
Maurice Fisher
Abraham L. Ginsberg
Nettie Goodman
Lewis Gordon
Mollie Grant
Alexander Green
Leonard A. Green
Ida Haber
Nathan Hoffman
Dorothy Jacobson
David Jaffe
Yetta Katzner
Bena Strauss Kellert
Matilda B. Krupnick
Frank Leon
Gustav Levi
Rose Meadow Levinson
David E. Lewis

Beth Cravitz Manusov
Moses Marcus
Simon Mustokoff
Florence Platt
Sima Robinson
Samuel Rosenbaum
Lewis Morris Rosenberg
Bernard Sacks
Sarah Winkelman Salvin
Alexander Schupler
Sol Shore
Nathan Smith
Morris Steinberg
Isadore Strauss
Nettie Subin
Nathan S. Taksey
Rose Waxman
Louis Weiss
Israel Werner
Dr. Rose B. Wohl

Rose Leidner
Tillie Loeb
Clara Lowenstein
Paul B. Lurch
Jay Oberfield
Morris D. Rose
Jennie Saft

Sharon J. Silver
Samuel J. Simon
Betty Slotnick
Leah Zimmerman Taylor
Harry H. Vederman
Herman Zerden

MARCH 24, 2019 to MARCH 30, 2019

17 Adar II 5779 to 23 Adar II 5779

To be read on Friday, March 29 and Saturday, March 30



Isaac Alkus
Doris Dannenhirsh Beshunsky
Miriam Chacker
Sidney H. Damsker
Celia Dannenhirsch
Dr. Abraham George Dinenberg
Gussie Engel
Lewis Feld
Saul Finestone
Emma Fingerman
Albert Joseph Fuller
Bessie Garfield
Abraham J. Hirsch
Rose Jacobs
Ted Kellem
Hyman Kibrick
Leon Kimmelman
Michael Kosmin
Herman Krupnick
Bella Leidner
Rosalie Ulm Leowenheart

Abraham L. Levi
Claire B. Marmon
Rachel Newmayer
Harry Norvick
Moses Price
Shirley Price
Rosa Rosenberg
Rabbi Yaakov G. Rosenberg
Michael Rosenfelt
Herman Senet
Jeannette Sams Shapiro
Marcus Sonnenfeld
Evelyn R. S. Steinberg
Lucien M. Stern
Marie Stern
Stanley L. Stern
Esther R. Suzner
Howard Mitchell Tracer
J. Irving Weinberg
Rae Z. Weinberg
Anna Zitin

MARCH 31, 2019 to APRIL 6, 2019

24 Adar II 5779 to 1 Nisan 5779

To be read on Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6



Cyrus Adler
Louis F. Anathan
Clara Lemisch Auerbach
Elizabeth Barcus
Clara B. Block
Simon E. Block
Harry Blumberg
Dr. George I. Blumstein
Hattie Mitchell Brav
Louis Brody
Leo Brooks
Lt. Com. S. Walter Clayman
Lenore Cooperman
Sabina Cuker
Oscar Feinstein
Mathilda Frank
Anna Freedman
Barbara Widman Freedman
Edward Ginsburg
Antonie Goldstein
Rose A. Greenbaum
Gustav Heidelberg
Hyman Hopen

Dr. Michael Scott Kane
William Karsif
Leon Katz
Morris Kauffmann
Maurice A. Kendall
Albert Abraham Kutner
Jennifer Lesnik-Emas
Samuel Levi
Isadore Levinson
Dr. Simon A. Levit
Betsy Marcus
Dr. Philip Mogil
Lillian Polsky
Morris Rosenberg
Martin Rubin
Rebecca Saller
Isaac Samuel
Bertha M. Sichel
Henry S. Sichel
Annie Kass Spector
Lewis Viner
Max M. Waxman

MARCH 10, 2019 to MARCH 16, 2019

3 Adar II 5779 to 9 Adar II 5779

To be read on Friday, March 15 and Saturday, March 16



Gayle Mindy Arost
Philip Blum
Isadore M. Brody
Rebecca Charny
Samuel Cohen
Milton Robert Edelman
Sarah Ellman
Dave H. Emas
Bernhard Feigenbaum
Anna R. Garfinkel
Rose Gorchov
Benjamin Greenstein
Cantor Alexander Gross
Frances Hirsch
Mary Jaffe
Lesser Kohn
Sandor Lederer
Stella Levy
Jettchen Lowenstein
Marcus M. Lyons

Esther Mayer
Benjamin Merow
Lillian Moore-Katz
Isaac Nathans
Dora Wolff Orlick
Samuel Pearlstein
Benjamin Perlman
Reuben Pollock
Sarah Jane Price
Adolph L. Rosenberg
Pauline Rosenberger
Abraham Saltzman
Leah Schepp
Sonia Schwartz
Samuel Silow
Charles S. Simon
Steven H. Starr
Martin J. Vigderman
Israel Weiner
Max Wurzel

MARCH 17, 2019 to MARCH 23, 2019

10 Adar II 5779 to 16 Adar II 5779

To be read on Friday, March 22 and Saturday, March 23



Nancy Sivitz Albertson
Sima Blank
Fleurrette Blum
Fred Brod
Pearl B. Cohen
Gerson Dannenberg
Harry Farber
Lionel Felzer
Lillian Freeman
Benjamin Loewenstein Ginns
Mitchell Glick
Meyer H. Gradwohl

Abraham Green
Richard Gross
Stephanie Gitlow Hanly
Samuel Hirsch
Louis Hoffman
Flora Hyman
Minnie Price Jaffe
Ida Karabell
Morris Kauffman
Rebecca Kauffman
Lena Klein
Minna Daniel Klein

APRIL 7, 2019 to APRIL 13, 2019
2 Nisan 5779 to 8 Nisan 5779

To be read on Friday, April 12 and Saturday, April 13



Martin Aaron
 Dr. Paul Abramson
 Mollie Aronson
 Jennie Arronson
 Helen Atkins
 Esther Bacharach
 Dr. Sheldon G. Bahoff
 Solomon Baruch
 Lewis H. Bergman
 Marshall A. Bernstein
 Minnie A. Bilker
 Eva Bortnick
 Harry Brodsky
 Eva Perlberg Buchsbaum
 Alfred Cachelin
 Rose Chalfin
 Lillian Segal Chilnick
 Harry Derewitz
 Julia Diamond
 Shirley Dolfman
 Abraham Dordick
 Louis Edeiken
 Jack Edelson
 Joshua Eilberg
 Minnie Einhorn
 Jack Forman
 Benjamin Fox
 Leon Frank
 Ruth Feigenbaum Freedman
 Ida Freeman
 Rita Blumenthal Ginns
 John Goldberg
 Morris Goldstein
 George Grant
 Masha Kanoff
 Louise Rosenthal Karp
 Joseph Q. Klein

Harry Kurtzberg
 Leon Landes
 Fan Lapping
 Jesse LeCoff
 Milton W. Lipschutz
 Myer Muchnick
 Isadore Neumann
 Sarah Paller
 Seymour Piwoz
 Abraham Rabinowitz
 Samuel Robinson
 Raymond Rosen
 Samuel Rovins
 Pauline Green Rubin
 Gloria K. Salikof
 Benjamin S. Sands
 Arthur Schneeberg
 Dorothy Schneider
 William Schreiber
 Edith Omanoff Schwartz
 Celia Seligman
 Samuel Shackmaster
 Arnold Jacob Sigel
 William H. Singer
 Abraham Sorkin
 Gertrude Steinberg
 John Felix Stern
 Jacob Strauss
 Sidney Traurig
 Hyman Waldman
 Mary B. Wallfield
 Frances Slifkin Weisman
 Hannah Staub Weiss
 Rabbi David Tovia Whiteman
 Anne Rothberg Wildstein
 Herman M. Wirtschafer
 Leonard Wolf

APRIL 14, 2019 to APRIL 20, 2019
9 Nisan 5779 to 15 Nisan 5779

To be read on Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20



William P. Arost
 Harry Balen
 Herman Barash
 Anna Baylson
 Adeline Berger
 Ruben Bernstein
 Ruth H. Bernstein
 Sarah Block
 Harry Blum
 Carolina Blumenthal
 Louis Budilov
 Hannah E. Cohen
 Harry J. Cohen
 George Corn
 Morris Derewitz
 Rose Dreyer
 Jennie Rosen Drill
 Bertha Feldsher
 Isadore Fineman
 Harry I. Fingles
 Ilse Fleischmann
 David Gelberg

Dr. Louis Gershenfeld
 Elka Gitlow
 Isaac M. Goldberg
 Harry Goldfarb
 Ruth B. Goren
 Sarah Greenberg
 Dr. I. Harold Greenfield
 Max Gunther
 Minnie Harris
 Albert Hollin
 Joy C. Horman
 Dr. Daniel M. Isaacman
 Irene Jaffe
 Esther Kalish
 Dr. Joseph W. Kauffman
 Anna Kauffman
 Koppel Lamb
 Sarah Lande
 Norman Lasker
 Dina Moog Love
 Dolly Marable
 Ethel Malke Metzger

David C. Miller
 John Netter
 Fanny Platowsky
 Bettie F. Podell
 Abraham I. Raphael
 Sandra Raynor
 Jack Abraham Richman
 Jacob E. Rosenberg
 Donald S. Rosenblatt
 Mina Rosenblatt
 Dorothy G. Salus
 Meyer Samson
 Samuel Schwartz
 Jean Selig
 Sarah Shaffer

APRIL 21, 2019 to APRIL 27, 2019
16 Nisan 5779 to 22 Nisan 5779

To be read on Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27



Richard Adelson
 Daniel Aisenstein
 Morris Alkus
 Lena Bekoff
 Ruth Koppenheim Berger
 Jacob Blume
 Lisa Bornstein
 Donald Klein Bortner
 Rose Burak
 Isadore I. Butler
 David Carosin
 Martin A. Cohen, MD
 Alfred L. Cowan
 Max Mendel Cravzow
 Marvin N. Demchick
 Morris E. Deutsch
 Esther S. Dietz
 Max Dresner
 Fannie Durst
 Mary Eckstein
 Abraham A. Einhorn
 Louis Elkins
 Jack Emas
 Myer C. Emerson
 Solomon A. Epstein
 Martin J. Feld
 Eric Fine
 David Harris Fineman
 Dorothy F. Fischer
 Ray Fleishman
 Donald Goldman
 Jennie Goldstein
 Herbert Gross
 Ida Hamberg
 Klara Heidelberger
 Aaron D. Hockstein
 Esther Hoffman
 Harold Hoffman
 Louis Hoffman
 Fanny Hollander
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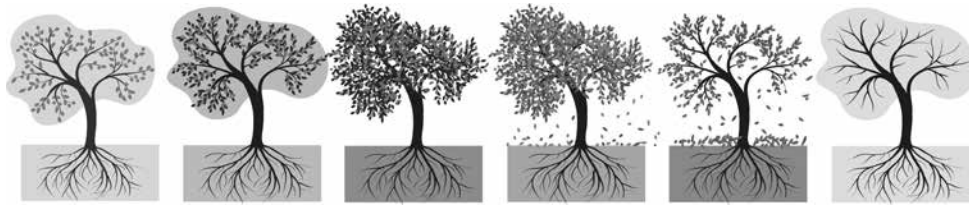
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Births

Logan Fox Marmon, great-granddaughter of Stephanie Felzer
December 17, 2018

Bryce Isaac Tanenbaum, great-granddaughter of Nona Levin Abrams
January 15, 2019

Robert Julius Katz, grandson of Celia Katz
January 29, 2019

Luca Jasper Baill, grandson of Joe and Pam Yohlin
February 1, 2019

Hudson Dean Attermann, grandson of Dr. Harry and Wendy Lessig
February 1, 2019

Shep Jenner Abrams, great-grandson of Don and Roslyn Waldman
February 4, 2019



Simchas

Lori Nicole Buzgon, daughter of Susan and Howard Buzgon, was married to Steven Eric Sclarow on November 17, 2018.

Jason Lieberman, son of Adam and Valerie Lieberman, became an Eagle Scout on December 16, 2018.

Deaths

Gloria Lipshutz, mother of David, Harvey, and Robert Lipshutz
December 19, 2018

Elaine Brown, mother of Beth (Jack) Rosenbloom
December 22, 2018

Allen Aisenstein, husband of Bettyruth Aisenstein
January 15, 2019

Dr. Rela Mintz Geffen, mother of Amiel Monson (Manya)
February 3, 2019

Florence Kogen
February 8, 2019

Dr. Stanley "Shep" Goren, a past officer of Congregation Adath Jeshurun, husband of Janice Braun Goren
February 12, 2019

Sam Feinberg, father of Frank (Sherri) Feinberg
February 13, 2019

Irving Goldberg, father of Michael (Sandra) Goldberg
February 14, 2019

March Milestone Anniversaries

65 YEARS

- Joseph and Mary Katz March 21, 1954
- Gordon and Lynda Taplinger March 28, 1954

35 YEARS

- Robert and Sue Lawson March 22, 1984

30 YEARS

- David and Cecelia Freeman March 6, 1989

April Milestone Anniversaries

20 YEARS

- Brian and Michal Leventhal April 11, 1999

15 YEARS

- Jeffrey and Lucia Grand April 11, 2004

In the January/February issue of *AJ News*, we neglected to include Herbert Stern and Barbara Ziv-Stern in the list of milestone anniversaries. They were married in 1984 and celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on January 8. We apologize for the error.

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