

*April 2011*

## *Standing Up for Freedom this Pesach*

What does freedom mean to one who is not imprisoned? How do we achieve this elusive dream? Can any one of us ever say we are truly free -- of addictive behavior, of unjustified prejudice or, perhaps, of chasing a lifestyle that does not provide us with the wealth of blessings that can be ours? Is there such a reality of being "free as a bird?"

According to the following Talmudic fable, not even birds are truly free: A seemingly free and easy-going bird settled on a window sill, looking for some crumbs. While perched there, he saw a comfortable-looking bird inside the house with an attractive dinner spread before her. "Oh, how fortunate you are, my friend," said the wandering bird to his well-fed and well-feathered friend, "you have your meals on time without working or struggling to find them. I have to worry about where and how I will find my food every day."

The house bird answered: "yes, you see my fine food, but you do not see my cage. You are free to roam where you wish, but I am locked up here."

Freedom always looks greener on the other side of the fence. So then why does our Tradition see freedom as an unqualified good? -- When Moses came to Pharaoh, he did not say merely: Let My people go! He said, in the name of God: Let My people go so that they may worship Me! As God had said to Moses: "This is the sign



that I have sent you. When you take this people out of Egypt, you shall worship Me on this mountain."

Thus, freedom to one who has just been freed, or to a person who has never been in prison, means the exchange of a false master for a true Master. The false master may be a tyranny, a neurosis, an unquestioned, hypnotic response or a self-delusion. The true Master is conscience, rational thinking, reality, and our Tradition (filled with both wisdom and common sense). And it doesn't stop there. Our Tradition has made it an obligation for us to pursue justice and give tzedakah to help someone in need.

However, existentially, freedom can feel like a burden - carrying a heavy psychological and spiritual price. Achad Ha'am, a prominent Jewish

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## April Schedule

**Shabbat Evening: 7:30 p.m.**

**The next TBD Service at the JCC will be on Friday, April 22 at 6pm in the Senior Lounge.**

**Shabbat Morning: 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday Minyan: 9:30 a.m.**



## Happy Pesah!

You may now find Temple Events on our online calendar at [www.tbdrochester.org](http://www.tbdrochester.org); find out what is going on or submit a new event for the calendar. As always, you may also reach us by calling the office at 585-266-3223.

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**The mission of Temple Beth David** is to provide an environment where the concepts of community prayer, education, and service to the greater Jewish community are provided within the context of Conservative Judaism. We pride ourselves on being a friendly, participatory, egalitarian community, welcoming all to be a part of our synagogue family.

# Journey for Identity

Helen Kashtan, VP Administration

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Two teens from our congregation have been selected to participate in Journey for Identity 4, a trip that connects teens from Israel and Rochester. Brandon Davis, a sophomore at Irondequoit High School, and Sam Kashtan, a junior at Brighton High School, will

each be paired with an Israeli teen. The Israeli teens will arrive on July 18 and spend a week getting to know their local counterparts. The group will then travel to Poland, where they will spend the next week learning about Jewish life, visiting synagogues,

cemetaries, and concentration camps. From Poland, they will travel to Israel for 10 days.

## Cabaret Night a Success!

Helen Kashtan, VP Administration

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Thank you to Bonnie Abrams for presenting her show, "Welcome to My Mid-Life Crisis" as a special fundraiser for Temple Beth David on February 27. The successful event was co-chaired by Susan Meynadasy and Teresa Kielar. Bonnie was joined by several of her musical friends, including Sam Asher, Alan Hopkins and Glenna Chance. Thanks to Pam Rosen and Gary Cohen, Scott and Lori Davis,

Helen and Howard Kashtan, Maria Dewhirst, and Bill Scheuermann for their help with set-up, clean up and ticket sales.



***Rabbi Berg is available by appointment.  
She looks forward to hearing from you.***

***Phone 585-319-4407***

***Email: [rabbivivaberg@gmail.com](mailto:rabbivivaberg@gmail.com)***

## Don't Miss Family Services at Temple Beth David

**Family Service for school aged children will meet the first Shabbat of the month at 10:30 in the small sanctuary. Children and parents can become familiar with the basics of the Shabbat morning service, talk about Torah and hear related stories. We look forward to seeing your family there.**

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Kraus at 385-3696.

### Family Service Schedule

**April 2  
May 14**



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social thinker of the early part of the twentieth century, coined the phrase: *avdut betokh cherut*, "slavery in the midst of freedom." His insight applies equally well to the tyranny of the self we often impose upon ourselves and the tyranny of social injustices to which we sometimes blind ourselves.

What can we do at our Pesach seders this year to help free ourselves of the slavery within and among us? Our Tradition teaches, "whoever saves a life, it is considered as if he saved an entire world." I interpret this as a personal imperative to first save or heal ourselves and then to do our part to save or heal the world, -- *tikkun atzmeinu* (heal ourselves) and *tikkun olam* (heal the world) -- we heal ourselves and then we heal the world -- and then we return to heal ourselves so that we can return and heal the world -- and so on, throughout our lives.

As we tell the story of our redemption from Egyptian slavery at our Pesach seders, we are to see ourselves as having personally experienced this miracle of going from slavery to freedom. In some illuminated Haggadot from the middle ages, small mirrors are interwoven with this sentiment from our text. Perhaps this year, as we look at our personal task masters, we can also glimpse the difficult lives and the hard realities that many innocent people throughout the world face every day. We can, but we need not only, include profiles from India or Darfur or Haiti. But we don't have to look that far. In Rochester, the wealthier and poorer among us live in close proximity to one another, but we are worlds away in our different realities of existence.

We might also consider the prevalence of slavery today, in all its guises. Are there addictive behaviors at home that we need to address that diminish our lives? Can we match up

our passion for social justice with one of the numerous organizations that currently exist to help make a difference in peoples' lives? Will we sit idly by as countless children, women, and men continue to endure abuse, social marginalization and economic or even actual physical enslavement or will we stand up and promote freedom, not only for ourselves, but for all people?

Let us soar like eagles, elevating ourselves and those we can reach into a world that can become a sanctuary of peace and freedom.

Hag kasher v'sameach,

Rabbi Aviva Berg

## The Young Family Shabbat

The Young Family Shabbat is a new song-oriented service designed for families with children in 3rd grade and younger, including the littlest ones. All the major aspects of a Shabbat service are included through songs, movement and stories. Please join us in the social hall at 10:45 a.m. on the following dates:

**April 23rd**



## TZEDAKAH OPPORTUNITY



**Did you know?? STAPLES allows Temple to recycle up to 10 printer cartridges each month and receive \$2 each in Staples Rewards credit to use in purchasing office supplies. Please drop off your printer cartridges-- we will recycle them!**

**Thank you for your donations!**

## **Temple Office Hours for April**

**Open Sunday mornings**

**April 3 and April 17**

**9am - Noon and**

**1:00-5:00 pm**

**Note: Volunteer Phone Coverage**

**Sunday Mornings Apr. 10 & 24**

**Monday - Friday 9:30am - 2:30pm**

**Tuesday afternoons 4:00pm to 6:00pm**

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April 10, 19 - 26 (whole week of Passover)

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**Would you like to volunteer your time that day?**

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**Our first collection dates: April 3 and April 10**

**For more information or to schedule  
an appointment please contact 266-3223  
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### **Shiva Chevra Volunteers Needed!**

Please contact Merrie Franklin at [merrie\\_franklin@yahoo.com](mailto:merrie_franklin@yahoo.com) to have your name added to the list of congregants who are contacted to attend a minyan and support a family in mourning.

Thank you in advance for your support.



# Community Yom Hashoah Commemoration

This year's Yom Hashoah service will take place on Sunday, May 1st, 2011 at the JCC, 1200 Edgewood Ave. at 4 PM. The service, "Bearing Witness to Hope: Journeys with Survivors" will focus on the 2010 trip to Germany and Poland that students and faculty from Nazareth College and Hobart William Smith Colleges took together with community members and Holocaust Survivors. Sally Wasserman, one of the survivors who accompanied the group, will be the keynote speaker. Students who took the journey will

also offer their reflections.

Our own cantor, Sam Asher, will chant the prayers and lead songs, accompanied in some parts of the service, by Bonnie Abrams. Bonnie is the Director of The Center for Holocaust Awareness and Information (CHAI) of the Jewish Federation of Greater Rochester, the organization which organizes the annual remembrance. Helen Kashtan is co-chairing the event.



## PASSOVER SERVICES REMINDER

Pesach 1st Day, Tues., April 19  
Services held at TBD at 9:30 am

Pesach 7th Day, Mon., April 25  
Services held at TBA at 9:00am

Pesach 2nd Day, Wed., April 20  
Services held at BHBI at  
9:30am

Pesach 8th Day, Tues., April 26 Services  
held at TBD at 9:00 am  
(Yizkor service)



## Temple Beth David Spring Cleanup SUNDAY, MAY 1 (Rain date May 15)

11:00 am to 1:00pm

Bagels, lox, coffee and juice provided!

Bring your work boots and garden tools!

Contact Scott Davis at 266-8208 or  
Ed Drexler at 586-3855 to R.S.V.P.



## Men's Club Shabbat Weekend Saturday, April 30

Join us Saturday Morning for Services  
Followed by a Kiddush Luncheon  
Sponsored by TBD Men's Club  
Havdalah and Game Night, Saturday Evening  
From 7:30pm to Midnight, In Irondequoit

RSVP Jonathan Papkin at 576-0130  
or [jpapkin@aol.com](mailto:jpapkin@aol.com) for details and location

## News from Ritual

Gary Cohen, VP Ritual

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Passover will begin at sunset on April 18th (Monday) and services will be observed jointly between TBD, Temple Beth Am (TBA) and Beth Hamedresh – Beth Israel (BHBI).

The first and last days of Pesach, Monday (April 19th) and Tuesday (April 26th), respectively, will occur at TBD, while the second day (Wednesday April 20st) will occur at BHBI and the seventh day (Monday April 25th) at TBA – TBD will not be open for either the second or seventh

day. The service on April 26th will include Yizkor.

Each of the services on the first and second days will begin at 9:30 AM, while each of the services on the seventh and eight days will begin at 9:00 AM.

While Shavuot is still a few months away (with services on June 8th and 9th), a special dinner and study session are being planned for the evening of June 7th – further details will follow.



## Sponsored Kiddushes and Cholents

- Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon Mar. 5 **In Honor of Bethany Sack's Bat Mitzvah**, by her mother and father, Carol Sacks and Jonathan Sacks.
- Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon Mar. 26 **In Honor of Eliana Lande's Bat Mitzvah**, by her mother and father, Marc Lande and Linda Servetnick.
- Sponsored Kiddush April 2 **In Memory of Samuel Katzman**, by Philip and Joanne Katzman.
- Sponsored Kiddush April 30 **In Honor of Men's Club Shabbat**, by TBD Men's Club.
- Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon May 7 **In Honor of Jacob Eckhaus' Bar Mitzvah**, by his parents, Neal and Sue Eckhaus.

Please call the temple office to sponsor a kiddush or cholent today! 585-266-3223

# Pesah Guide 2011 Rabbinical Assembly

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*Pesah Guide 5771*

## RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY PESAH GUIDE

by Rabbi Barry Starr and the CJLS Kashrut Subcommittee  
The Torah prohibits the ownership of hametz (leaven) during the festival of Pesah. Because of this restriction, Pesah is the Jewish festival that requires the most preparation. This Rabbinical Assembly Pesah Guide provides a brief outline of the policies and procedures relevant to preparing a home for Pesah.

With significant changes in the nature and manufacture of kitchen products and foodstuffs, new policies are required to maintain a kosher-for-Pesah kitchen. As well, there are many significant differences of opinion among rabbis regarding the laws of Pesah. This guide is intended to help families maintain a *Pesahdik* home in accordance with the principles of Conservative Judaism and its understanding of Jewish Law.

### KASHERING OF KITCHEN APPLIANCES AND UTENSILS:

It is customary (and easiest) to remove the utensils and dishes that are used during the year, replacing them with either new utensils or utensils reserved for exclusive use on Pesah. This is clearly not feasible for major kitchen appliances and may not even be possible for dishes and utensils. There is a process for kashering a variety of utensils and appliances.

The general principle used in kashering is that the way the utensil absorbs food is the way it can be purged of that food. This principle operates on the basis of the quality or intensity of how the particular item absorbs food. Kitchen items used for cold food can be kashered by rinsing, since no substance has been absorbed by the dish or glass.

Items used on a stove absorb the food and thus need a stronger level of action, namely expelling the food into boiling water through a process called *hag'alah*. The most intense form of kashering applies to items used directly on a fire or in an oven and these utensils require a process of kashering called *libbun*, which burns away absorbed food.

Specific items are covered below.

a. To kasher metal pots, silverware, and utensils, thoroughly clean the item with soap and water. Then, following a strict 24-hour waiting period during which the item is not used, immerse the item in water that has been heated to a rolling boil *hag'alah*. For pots and pans, clean handles thoroughly. If the handle can be removed, one must remove it for a more thorough cleaning. To effect *hag'alah*, the item must be completely exposed to the boiling water. Pots and pans are either immersed in a larger pot of boiling water (for large items, this may be done one section at a time), or filled

with water brought to a rolling boil, after which a heated stone is dropped into the pot, causing the water to overflow to cover the sides of the pot. In the case of silverware, every part of each piece must be exposed to the boiling water. Following this *hag'alah* process, each utensil is rinsed in cold water.

b. Heavy-duty plastic items, including dishes, cutlery or serving pieces, provided they can withstand very hot water and do not permanently stain, may be kashered by *hag'alah*. If there is some doubt as to whether a particular item can be kashered, consult your rabbi or religious authority.

c. Purely metal utensils used in fire must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and then must be subjected to direct fire *libbun*. To accomplish this, place the item in a self-cleaning oven and run it through the self-cleaning cycle, or use a blowtorch. The use of a blowtorch is a complicated and potentially dangerous procedure and may result in discoloration or warping of the metal item being purged. Exercise caution when performing *libbun*. Metal baking pans and sheets cannot be kashered because they require direct fire, which will cause warping.

d. Earthenware (china, pottery, etc.) cannot be kashered. However, fine chinaware that was stored and not used for over a year may be used after thorough washing. This china is considered *pareve* and may be designated for meat or dairy use.

e. Ovens and ranges: Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly cleaned. This includes the walls and the top and bottom of the oven. The oven or range should then be heated at its highest possible temperature. The oven should be heated at maximum heat for an hour; the range top should be heated until the elements turn red and glow. Parts of the range top around the elements that can be covered should be covered (usually with aluminum foil), and carefully heated. After a general and careful cleaning, a self-cleaning oven is put through the full cleaning cycle while empty. Following this process, the oven should be cleaned again to remove any ash. If the oven was very dirty to begin with, two cycles may be needed to assure a thorough cleaning.

f. Smooth glass-top electric ranges require kashering by *libbun* and (pouring boiling water over the surface of the range top). First, clean the top of the range thoroughly; then turn the coils on maximum heat until they are red-hot. Then carefully pour boiling water on the surface area, over and around the burners. The range top may now be used for cooking.

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g. Microwave ovens that have no convection option should be thoroughly cleaned. Then place an eight-ounce cup of water inside the oven and microwave until the water almost disappears. (At least 6 of the 8 ounces need to evaporate.) Do not heat until the water is completely evaporated, as this may damage the oven. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be kashered.

h. Convection ovens are kashered like regular ovens. When cleaning, be sure to thoroughly clean around the fan.

i. Glass dishes used for eating and serving hot food are to be treated like any dish used for eating and serving hot food. These dishes may be kashered by cleaning and then immersing in boiling water. Glass cookware is kashered in the same method used for a metal pot (see paragraph "a" above). The issues regarding glass bakeware are complex. Some authorities allow glass bakeware to be kashered, while others do not. Drinking glasses or glass dishes used only for cold foods may be kashered by a simple rinsing. Some follow the custom of soaking them in water for three days.

j. A dishwasher needs to be cleaned as thoroughly as possible, including the inside area around the drainage and filters. Then run a full cycle with detergent (with racks inserted), while empty. After 24 hours of not being used, the dishwasher is again run empty (with racks inserted), and set on the highest heat for the purpose of kashering. If the sides of the dishwasher are made of enamel or porcelain, the dishwasher cannot be kashered for Pesah.

k. Other electrical appliances can be kashered if the parts that come in contact with *hametz* are metal and are removable, in which case they may be kashered like all other metal cooking utensils. If the parts are not removable, the appliances cannot be kashered. We recommend the purchase of small appliances designated for strictly Pesah use, thus avoiding the difficulty of kashering these appliances.

l. Tables, cabinets, and counters should be thoroughly cleaned and covered for Pesah. Suitable coverings include: contact paper, regular paper, foil, or cloth that does not contain *hametz* (e.g. treated with starch made of *hametz*). Note that the covering material should be made of material that is not easily torn.

m. Many countertop surfaces can be kashered simply by a thorough cleaning, a 24-hour wait, and (pouring

boiling water over surfaces). For this process to be effective for kashering, the surface must have no hairline cracks, nicks or scratches that can be seen with the naked eye. Plastic laminates, limestone, soapstone, granite, marble, glass, Corian, Staron, Ceasarstone, Swanstone, Surell, and Avonite surfaces can be kashered by this method. A wood surface that does not contain scratches may be kashered by in the same way. Ceramic, cement, or porcelain countertops cannot be kashered using this process. The potential effectiveness of this method depends on the material of which the counter was made. A full list of counter materials that can be kashered (according to their decisors) may be found on the website of the Chicago Rabbinical Council (CRC).

n. A metal kitchen sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and scrubbing the sink (especially the garbage catch), letting it sit for 24 hours, and then carefully pouring boiling water over all the surfaces of the sink, including the lip. A porcelain sink cannot be kashered, but should be thoroughly cleaned and used with Pesah dish basins and dish drains, one each for dairy and for meat.

o. Non-Passover dishes, pots, utensils, and hametz foods that have been sold (see below) should be separated, covered, or locked away to prevent accidental use.

## FOODS:

The Torah prohibits the ownership of *hametz* (flour, food or drink made from the prohibited species of leavened grain: wheat, oats, barley, rye or spelt) during Pesah. Ideally, we burn or remove all *hametz* from our premises. In some cases, however, this would cause prohibitive financial loss. In such cases, we arrange for the sale and subsequent repurchase after Pesah of the *hametz* to a non-Jew. The transfer is accomplished by appointing an agent, usually one's rabbi, to handle the sale. This must be considered a valid and legal transfer of ownership and thus the items sold must be separated and stored away from all other foods and supplies. At the end of the holiday, the agent arranges to repurchase the items on behalf of the owner, since the *hametz* at that time is again permitted. (One must wait until certain the repurchase has been transacted.) If ownership of the *hametz* was not transferred before the holiday, the use of any such *hametz* remains prohibited after the holiday and any such products should be given away to a non-Jewish food pantry.

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of *hametz* during Pesah, and since many common foods contain some *hametz*, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for

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**Pesah.** An item that is kosher all year round, that is made with no *hametz*, and is processed on machines used only for that item and nothing else (such as ground coffee) may be used with no special Pesah supervision. As we learn more about the processing of foods and the ingredients they contain, relying on the kashrut of a product for Pesah that does not hold a Pesah *hekhsher* – stamp of approval) may be problematic. Wherever possible, processed foods ought to have a *Kosher l'Pesah hekhsher* from a reliable source. Since that is not always possible, however, our guidelines reflect some acceptable alternatives. Any food that requires a *kosher l'Pesah hekhsher* must have a label that is integral to the package and should display the name of a recognizable, living supervising rabbi or creditable kosher supervision agency, if possible. If the label is not integral to the package or if there are questions regarding the label, the item should not be used without consulting a rabbi or religious authority.

## PROHIBITED FOODS:

Prohibited foods *hametz* include the following: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, or coffees containing cereal derivatives (i.e. anything made with wheat, barley, oats, spelt, or rye). Any food containing these grains or derivatives of these grains (the five prohibited species for Pesah) is forbidden. Flavorings in foodstuffs are often derived from alcohol produced from one of these grains, rendering that food *hametz*. Such products require Pesah supervision.

Ashkenazic rabbinical authorities have added the following foods *kitniyot* to the above list of prohibited foods: rice, corn, soy, millet, beans, and peas. These and other plant foods (e.g. mustard, buckwheat, fennel, fenugreek, and sesame seeds) are not permitted on Pesah. Although many rabbinic authorities have prohibited the use of peanuts and peanut oil, the Conservative movement's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has permitted their use and consumption on Pesah, provided that these items have proper kosher certification and do not contain any *hametz* ingredients. Most Sephardic authorities permit the use of all the *kitniyot* foods other than those that might have come in contact with the prohibited grains. Most Ashkenazic rabbinical authorities also forbid processed products derived from *kitniyot*, whether liquid

or solid. These might include, but are not limited to: corn sweetener, corn oil, soy oil, and ascorbic acid (vitamin C). Israeli products are often marked "contains *kitniyot*" and thus Ashkenazic Jews who do not use *kitniyot* need to be vigilant when purchasing Israeli products for Pesah.

## PERMITTED FOODS:

a. The following foods require no *kosher l'Pesah* label when purchased before or during Pesah: fresh fruits and vegetables; eggs; fresh fish (whole or gutted); fresh or frozen kosher meat other than chopped meat; whole (unground) spices and nuts, including whole or half pecans (not pieces); pure black, green, or white tea leaves or teabags; Nestea regular and decaffeinated unflavored tea; coffee (unflavored regular); baking soda and bicarbonate of soda.

b. The following items may be purchased before Pesah without a Pesah *hekhsher* but if bought during Pesah require a *hekhsher*: white milk, Tropicana 100% orange juice, filleted fish, frozen fruit (with no additives), pure white sugar (with no additives), olive oil (extra virgin only), non-iodized salt, quinoa (with no additional ingredients).

c. The following products require reliable *kosher l'Pesah* certification (regular kosher supervision is not sufficient), whether purchased before or during Pesah: all baked goods (matzah, Pesah cakes, matzah flour, farfel, matzah meal, and any other products containing matzah), 100% fruit juices, herbal teas, canned tuna, wine, vinegar, liquor, decaffeinated coffee and tea, dried fruits, oils, frozen uncooked vegetables and all frozen processed foods, candy, chocolate-flavored milk, ice cream, yogurt, cheeses, butter, and soda. (For Sephardic Jews, the presence of *kitniyot* in some of these products does not present a problem, as long as there is no *hametz*.) In some cases an onsite inspection of a local dairy performed by the *mara d'atra* (religious authority) may suffice to resolve potential questions. Any processed food bought during Pesah must have a *kosher l'Pesah* certification.

d. Any detergents, cleaners, etc. which are not a foodstuff and which are not eaten, may be used for Pesah and do not require a *hekhsher*. These items include: isopropyl alcohol, aluminum products, ammonia, coffee filters, baby oil, powder and ointment, bleach, charcoal, candles, contact paper, plastic cutlery, laundry and dish detergent, fabric softener, oven cleaner, paper bags, plates, wax paper, plastic wrap, polish, sanitizers, scouring pads, stain remover, and bottled water with no additives.

e. Medicines: Prescription medicines are permitted. Non-prescription pills and capsules are permitted; for liquids, check with your rabbi or religious authority.

Please contact your local Conservative rabbi or local religious authority if you have any questions.

# Servicemen's Passover Project

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This Passover season, the Temple Beth David community has the opportunity once again to help our brothers and sisters serving the nation in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world celebrate Pesach by sending care packages of kosher for Passover food.

For the fourth year, the members of Temple Beth David and the families of the Temple school will be sending Passover Care Packages to Jewish service members. Last year, the Temple and the School sent 50 such packages to soldiers/sailors serving in Afghanistan, Iraq, Korea and bases in the U.S. and this year they hope to serve even more. The Passover packages contain: a Haggadah, matzos, grape juice, gefelte fish, macaroons, chicken soup and other items.

This year we are looking for volunteers to solicit donations from local businesses to cover the cost of the Pesach foods (such as gift cards to Wegmans or Tops) and shipping the



packages to Army/Navy bases on the coasts from which the Army flies them to the soldiers.

If you wish to donate to this worthy project please send a check made payable to the "Temple Beth David" and place "Soldier's Passover Package Project" on the memo line. Donations can be sent to: Temple Beth David, 3200 St. Paul Blvd, Rochester, and N.Y

14617 or dropped off at the Temple Office. Donations should be sent by Monday 4/4/2011.

If you have any questions or would like to help with the project, please contact Keith Freedman at [kdfreedy@aol.com](mailto:kdfreedy@aol.com).

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# All in the Family

To submit information, contact the Temple Office at 266-3223

## April Birthdays

| <u>Name</u>             | <u>Date</u> |                        |          |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| Benjamin Saltzman       | April 1     | Marsha Greenberg       | April 16 |
| Rebecca Saltzman        | April 1     | Jacob Snider           | April 16 |
| Lois Markus             | April 2     | Ellen Gertzog          | April 17 |
| Harold Fishman          | April 3     | Eric Levy              | April 18 |
| Ethan Kramer            | April 4     | Phillip Lederer        | April 19 |
| Philip Weinstein        | April 4     | Matan Gavriel Presberg | April 23 |
| Seymour Zivan           | April 5     | Nahoma Maytel Presberg | April 24 |
| Sam Cohen               | April 6     | Miss Sylvia Stiller    | April 24 |
| Isaac Asher             | April 10    | Susan Meynadasy        | April 25 |
| Henry Markowitz         | April 10    | Carolyn Schiff         | April 25 |
| Joshua Michael Freedman | April 11    | Samuel Langmann        | April 26 |
| Harry Cohen             | April 12    | Michael Horowitz       | April 27 |
| Rhea Feinberg           | April 12    | Hanna Kielar           | April 27 |
| Lisa Klein              | April 14    | Alayna Hersch          | April 28 |
| Rickie Gordon           | April 16    | Judith Levy            | April 29 |

## April Anniversaries

| <u>Name</u>                     | <u>Date</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Richard & Debbie Steinfeld      | April 8     |
| Robert & Tammy Hersch           | April 20    |
| Marc Lande & Linda Servetnick   | April 30    |
| Jose Zayas & Barbara Fein-Zayas | April 30    |

### Get Well Wishes Going Out to:

**George Ritz**  
**Morris Herman**

## Save the Date!

Sunday, May 22, 2011

Hebrew School Graduation  
School Registration  
for 2011-2012



## תיקון עולם

### Tikkun Olam

It's almost Passover-- time to clean out the cupboards. And, of course, there are people who can use that food...

So, drop off your chametz (and any other non-perishable items-- in non-breakable containers) by Tuesday, April 12 to the box outside of the office, and we'll make sure it gets to people who can use it.

**JOIN US FOR  
SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER**

**PROFESSOR FRED A. LAZIN**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2011**



Seymour and Lillian Abensohn Visiting  
Professor of Israel Studies, American  
University, Washington DC, August 2010 - Lynn & Lloyd Hurst Family  
Professor of Local Government, Dept. of Politics & Government, Ben Gurion  
University of the Negev, Israel (Emeritus).

Professor Lazin will be visiting Temple Beth David, 3200 St. Paul Blvd.,  
Rochester, New York, on Shabbat, April 9th, and will be speaking during  
services and after kiddush on the following:

Israel Update: Professor Lazin will present an in depth analysis of the current  
political situation in Israel & the Middle East. How have the election of  
President Obama & Prime Minister Netanyahu and increasing Iranian influence  
affected Israeli interests & prospects for an Israeli settlement with the  
Palestinians, Syrians & the Arab World? Will the Egyptian upheaval be good  
for Israel?

All are welcome for Shabbat services and Professor Lazin's update.






# Yahrzeits

From April 1 to April 30, 2011 (Adar-II 25 to Nisan 25 5771)

| <u>Name</u>              | <u>Observed</u> | <u>Jewish</u> | <u>Name</u>             | <u>Observed</u> | <u>Jewish</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Louis Gerber             | Apr. 3          | Adar-II 28    | Ruth Haymoff Comisar    | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     |
| Betty Segelin            | Apr. 4          | Adar-II 29    | David Levin             | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     |
| Samuel Katzman           | Apr. 5          | Nissan 1      | Dora Lustik             | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     |
| Sara Lambert             | Apr. 5          | Nissan 1      | Lester Rappaport        | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     |
| Benjamin Schultz         | Apr. 5          | Nissan 1      | Rose Snow               | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     |
| Anne Solomon             | Apr. 5          | Nissan 1      | Abe L. Weinstein        | Apr. 17         | Nissan 13     |
| Frank Connuck            | Apr. 6          | Nissan 2      | Morris Fleisher         | Apr. 18         | Nissan 14     |
| Bess Friedman            | Apr. 6          | Nissan 2      | Isadore Karinsky        | Apr. 18         | Nissan 14     |
| Shirley Goldman          | Apr. 6          | Nissan 2      | Sylvia Kowal            | Apr. 18         | Nissan 14     |
| Trudy Perry              | Apr. 6          | Nissan 2      | Harry Simon             | Apr. 18         | Nissan 14     |
| Esther Stein             | Apr. 6          | Nissan 2      | Harry Toker             | Apr. 18         | Nissan 14     |
| Harold Binder            | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Jonas Berkov            | Apr. 19         | Nissan 15     |
| Philip Fradin            | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Rita Schnidman          | Apr. 19         | Nissan 15     |
| Alan L. Heyneman         | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Matilda Greenstine Wolf | Apr. 19         | Nissan 15     |
| Herman H. Levine         | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Max Feldman             | Apr. 21         | Nissan 17     |
| Lena Ornstein            | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Blanche Gordon          | Apr. 21         | Nissan 17     |
| Florence Sanow Rappaport | Apr. 7          | Nissan 3      | Benjamin Lehrer         | Apr. 21         | Nissan 17     |
| Betty Baker              | Apr. 9          | Nissan 5      | Myron Rothschild        | Apr. 21         | Nissan 17     |
| Earl J. Cohen            | Apr. 9          | Nissan 5      | Mark Schiff             | Apr. 21         | Nissan 17     |
| Rose Frank               | Apr. 9          | Nissan 5      | Fannie Bronstein        | Apr. 22         | Nissan 18     |
| Emily Leah Renzel        | Apr. 9          | Nissan 5      | William C. Kruchten     | Apr. 22         | Nissan 18     |
| Baby Robert Stuart Berke | Apr. 10         | Nissan 6      | Jennie Stein            | Apr. 22         | Nissan 18     |
| Dorothy Sugarman         | Apr. 10         | Nissan 6      | Allen Greenberg         | Apr. 23         | Nissan 19     |
| William Epner            | Apr. 11         | Nissan 7      | Joseph Marzouk          | Apr. 23         | Nissan 19     |
| Ezze Levin               | Apr. 11         | Nissan 7      | Harvey Louis Priceman   | Apr. 23         | Nissan 19     |
| Ezze Levin               | Apr. 11         | Nissan 7      | Harold Rosenbaum        | Apr. 23         | Nissan 19     |
| Mark Millstone           | Apr. 11         | Nissan 7      | Samuel Applebaum        | Apr. 25         | Nissan 21     |
| Philip Nakrach           | Apr. 11         | Nissan 7      | Selma Bachman           | Apr. 26         | Nissan 22     |
| Richard L. Howell        | Apr. 12         | Nissan 8      | Ruth Drexler            | Apr. 26         | Nissan 22     |
| Joseph Gastel            | Apr. 13         | Nissan 9      | Eli Caplin              | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Julius Judovitz          | Apr. 13         | Nissan 9      | Samuel Chait            | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Louis Orlen              | Apr. 13         | Nissan 9      | Sylvia Gertzog          | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Maurice Phillips         | Apr. 13         | Nissan 9      | Ethel Levin             | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Sarah Benne              | Apr. 14         | Nissan 10     | Harold Phillips         | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Charles Zallom           | Apr. 14         | Nissan 10     | Jacob Raphael           | Apr. 27         | Nissan 23     |
| Richard Braiman          | Apr. 15         | Nissan 11     | Maurice Herzog          | Apr. 28         | Nissan 24     |
| Charlotte Koltun         | Apr. 15         | Nissan 11     | Leonard Lutzky          | Apr. 28         | Nissan 24     |
| Sadie Leitman            | Apr. 15         | Nissan 11     | Janette Shindel         | Apr. 28         | Nissan 24     |
| Nathan W. Stamler        | Apr. 15         | Nissan 11     | Bernard Cramer          | Apr. 29         | Nissan 25     |
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| Katherine Gan            | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     | Dora Schulman Kaufman   | Apr. 29         | Nissan 25     |
| Samuel Garey             | Apr. 16         | Nissan 12     | Myer Povolotsky         | Apr. 29         | Nissan 25     |
|                          |                 |               | Seymour Weingarten      | Apr. 29         | Nissan 25     |



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