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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY... Lessons From a Snowstorm

Snow is beautiful. I'm looking outside my house - 2 days after the 30 inch snowfall - and I see animal tracks, I see beautiful, pure white snow in the trees. It could make a wonderful picture post card. But then I had to shovel. It's a good thing I only use one finger to type because my arms and back are killing me! Looking at the snow is tranquil and serene but shoveling it makes me want to move to Florida or at least to an apartment building!

But being stuck inside has helped remind me of how wonderful my family is. Frankly it has taken me some time to get used to spending so many hours with my wife and children! We had leisurely Shabbat meals, we had quality conversations, and we had movie night and a super bowl party. How decadent!

Yet at the same time we heard from shul that people have been without power and the plow had yet to reach their neighborhood. We understand how fragile life is and how easily the things we take for granted can be interrupted. Thankfully we have a community that cares that can be accessed if rides are needed or visits to the doctor need to be arranged. In times like a snow storm we recognize more than ever how important our community can be.

Let's not wait for the next snowstorm to realize these lessons. Let's try to schedule more time with our family once our routine gets back to "normal." Let's also be sure to make time to volunteer with our Chesed Committee because we have people in our shul who need our help all the time - not just during a snow storm.

B'vracha,
Rabbi Jonah Layman

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Recently, **Jack** and I attended a lecture by **Norman Podhoretz**. The occasion was the publication of his latest book "Why Are Jews Liberals?" The discussion was at Beth Shalom in Potomac and it's possible that Jack and I were the only liberals in the room of 200 Jews. For background, **Norman Podhoretz**, now a very vital 80 years young, was the editor of Commentary magazine for 35 years, after having grown up on the political left and stayed there until the late 1960s when he drifted right (perhaps the same meaning as when **Mae West** said "I was once pure as the driven snow, but I drifted.") He was a product of Columbia University, the University of Cambridge and JTS. He was and may still be affiliated with the Hudson Institute. I guess he is now considered a neoconservative.

[Please remember that I am reporting on a lecture and a book, not espousing a position of Shaare Tefila Congregation.]

He feels that it was once correct for Jews to support liberalism but he says that now that allegiance is "irrational" – his word. He noted during his talk that unlike other ethnic or religious groups, Jews do not become more conservative, on the whole, as their income and wealth rise. He suggests in many cases the Jewish attachment to liberalism is because Jews care about those who are marginalized in America, as we were. He said that now Jews are voting against their own interests. His point was that we don't recognize that while Jews in America advanced in the mid-20th century when meritocracy took hold and group quotas which had limited Jewish education opportunity and professional advancement were subordinate to rewarding individual achievement; thus he feels we no longer benefit when the Democratic Party principles prevail. He claims that Democrats tend to favor higher taxes and more government regulation, which usually, according to **Mr. Podhoretz**, don't produce the sort of economic expansion that would benefit the marginalized. He also has trouble understanding why Jews would align themselves with a party that supports affirmative action.

He also pointed out that the Jewish tendency to secularism and social liberalism puts the Jewish future in danger. He stated that Jews are the least religious group in America: just 16% of Jews attend services at least monthly and 42% of Jews do not attend at all. He paired the Jewish tendency for secularism with the falling Jewish birth rate and intermarriage, both of which threaten the Jewish population in America. (I just heard a statistic from **Rabbi Stephen Wernick**, the new Executive Vice President of USCJ, that 50% of Jewish women in America under the age of 35 do not have children.)

He focused some of his arguments on Israel and the threat of global anti-Semitism and the attitudes of liberal Jews regarding these issues. He feels that Jews are more passionate about abortion rights and health care than about support for Israel and preventing Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon.

Here at Shaare Tefila, we care passionately about Shaare Tefila, thank goodness. All of us, liberal or conservative, progressive or reactionary, we share the same concerns about each other and are there for our members, with shivah platters, with an offer of driving, with a call to cheer the ill, and to celebrate the progress in our construction project.

Call me, write me, give me your ideas, your suggestions, and of course your compliments,

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FROM THE SISTERHOOD

Unfortunately snow canceled many events last month. Hopefully spring is around the corner and we can again make plans. Here is what to look forward to:

Sunday, March 7, is our Women's Pesach Seder with Tikvat Israel's Sisterhood.

Thank you to **Cathy Plotkin** and Bobbi Gorbin from TI for planning this event.

Tuesday, March 16, we are having a program called Healthy Back. Pesach is around the corner! When one thinks of the holiday, we think about shopping for groceries, cleaning our homes, changing over our kitchens and cooking for the chag. While doing these chores, it is important to do what we can to avoid injury. The Sisterhood is offering a timely program in anticipation of these holiday preparations -- how to keep your back healthy through all of the schlepping, cleaning and cooking for the chag. We are fortunate to have **Dr. Sheila Amon**, doctor of chiropractic, provide attendees with tools to assist them to strengthen their back and help maintain good posture for preventing injuries. **Dr. Sheila Amon** is a practicing chiropractor who has been in practice for over 25 years. In addition to treating patients, she has taught healthy back exercise classes throughout Montgomery County. Thank you to **Freda Krosnick** for arranging this program and **Marjorie Fuhrmann** for hosting.

Sunday, March 21, Seaboard Region Torah Funds High Tea, Le'avdah ul-shamrah/ To Plant and Preserve, at Har Shalom, at 3:30. Cost is \$18 covert plus a minimum donation of \$36 to Torah Fund. If you have purchased a pin, you just need to pay the covert. Check should be payable to our Sisterhood Shaare Tefila and sent to **Charlotte Potosky**, 3505 Beret Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Mark your calendars now for Spring Education Day Event. Scheduled for April 11, 2010 in Richmond, VA. Anthropologist and Judaic Scholar **Vanessa Ochs** will speak and after lunch we will visit the Virginia Holocaust Museum. Cost is \$18 and more information will be provided at a later date.

Thank you to everyone who helps with Kiddush shopping set up and cleanup.

And as always **buy Scrip**; it is our biggest fund raiser. Sisterhood has already given \$5,000 to the synagogue. Please help us raise more-you have to buy food anyway!!

B'shalom,

Deborah Letow

THANK YOU...

Many thanks to our Shaare Tefila "family" for the love and support you provided me and my family during my mother's (**Melva Abraham**) illness and ultimate death on January 25th. The visits, meals and many donations to the synagogue were and are so very appreciated. Many people do not realize or ever experience the power and love of a community - we have, and are truly blessed.

Thank you so very much,

Richard, Wendy, Steven and Shira Abraham

BUILDING UPDATE

Your continued support has paid off! Due to your on-going financial commitment, we recently raised \$197,000. Given that increase to our capital campaign, the Board of Directors voted in February to construct the entire building at this time. Yes, we will be finishing the Sanctuary and Chapel now and we will not need to construct our building in phases.

On the permitting front, I am thrilled to report that we have received the approved Building Permit from the Department of Permitting Services. The Sediment Control Permit needed to begin grading work on the site has also been approved. With these two approved permits in hand, we have the needed permit documentation required by Monument Bank to close on the loan.

The synagogue team led by **Ron Miller**, who is coordinating with the bank to obtain the loan, estimates the closing will occur mid to late March. After loan closing is completed, we will start site work on our property. **Hy Grosberg** has been appointed as our construction project coordinator. As such, **Hy** will attend regular progress meetings at the site with our builder, **Bob Hammen** and our architect, **Don Mahoney**, as well as communicate progress to our synagogue leadership during the construction period.

We hope that by the time you read this article the weather will be sunny and the snow will have melted so we can begin site development and construction of our new home. Thank you again for your patience and dedication to the shul as we proceed with the construction phase of this project

Judy Carroll
Project Manager

and Wendy Abraham
Relocation Vice President

PESACH SERVICE SCHEDULE

Date	Start Time	Location
March 29	6:00 pm	TBA
March 30	8:00 am	Olney Theatre
March 30	6:00 pm	TBA
March 31	8:00 am (incl Mincha serv)	Olney Theatre
April 4	6:00 pm	TBA
April 5	8:00 am	Olney Theatre
April 5	6:00 pm	TBA
April 6	8:00 am (incl Mincha serv)	Olney Theatre

Please note: there will be no Ma'ariv service on 3/31 or 4/6

PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

The Rabbinical Assembly has a comprehensive document about Passover preparation available on its website. You can access it at:

<http://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/docs/Passover%205770.pdf>

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DELICIOUS SHABBAT KIDDUSHIM

Our Shaare Tefila community has been fortunate to be able to take advantage of a delicious Kiddush after Shabbat services each week. You are probably wondering how you can become involved in such an event. Here are your two options:

1. Sponsor a Kiddush for a \$150 minimum.
2. Challah and a Shmeor-The cost is \$18 for two sliced challahs, 2 containers of cream cheese or hummus.

Here are some Sponsorship points of which to be aware:

- ◇ As soon as you have an idea to sponsor a Kiddush, please contact **Jill Goldwater**, our Executive Director. Clear the date with her. She is our point person. She will guide you through the process and make sure that your preferred date is given calendar preference.
- ◇ The absolute minimum cost for a sponsored Kiddush is \$150. Please understand that this does not preclude your co-sponsoring a Kiddush for a simcha, to honor someone, or celebrate a traditional rite of passage event.
- ◇ You and **Jill** will discuss the number of people you expect at the shul for your specific Shabbat. The equation that you should be thinking of is this: your guests plus regular shul attendees equal the number of people whom you should plan to serve for the Kiddush. Next, please let **Jill** know about your food ideas for the menu. Likes, dislikes, food restrictions, and/or food allergies should be important considerations. From there, **Jill** will work with Fran and Ethel, getting back to you about our suggestions for your Kiddush. Now you will have a firm idea about the cost and the delicious menu.
- ◇ Once this is cemented, **Jill** will contact Fran Kensky. She, knowing your food wishes and then calculating the needed quantities, will contact the most appropriate catering venues (Shalom/Goldberg's/Milk and Honey etc.) to order many of the food items for your sponsored Kiddush. Other items may also be purchased at Costco and/or Trader Joe's.
- ◇ Ethel will contact one of the five Kiddush Captains and 5 Shabbat Shoppers to assign needed tasks to insure that your sponsored event meets your highest expectations.
- ◇ It is certainly worth noting that these hardworking Sisterhood women (with a giant assist from **Rabbi Layman**, chief schlepper, and **Mary Margaret Bayo**, our Shaare Tefila Administrator) are really the worker bees who make our Shabbat Kiddushim sweet and put the buzz into our events. When you see them, please take a moment to thank them for their hard working volunteer work.

Here are some Shmeor points of which to be aware:

- ◇ You can not claim a specific date for a Shmeor, so please do not plan for this or count on when it will take place. Understand that "your" Shmeor could be usurped by a family or shul sponsored event.
- ◇ The purpose of a Shmeor is not to honor anyone or anything. Your donation will get two challahs and something to put on your slices. That's it! If you wish to honor someone, then honor them by a sponsorship.
- ◇ Your Challah and Shmeor donation will be acknowledged in the weekly Daf and during the Shabbat service.
- ◇ A Shmeor and a sponsorship occurring together will not happen! Our goal is to spread the wealth (so to speak), insuring that we have something for Kiddush on as many Shabbatot as possible.

THE USHEROD TORAH FROM AUSCHWITZ

Donated to Shaare Tefila by the Goldstein Family

Sunday, January 31, 2010 an article titled "Rabbi to the Rescue: **Menachem Youlus** is called the Indiana Jones of Torah recovery" was published in the Washington Post. This article raises some concerns that some of the stories surrounding the discovery and rescue of these Torahs, from Eastern and Central Europe, may have been fabricated.

I fully stand behind **Rabbi Youlus** and am absolutely sure that the Torah purchased by my family and subsequently donated to Shaare Tefila is an original Torah that was at the Usherod Ghetto and taken to Auschwitz in May 1944.

I learned about this Torah one day when visiting Rabbi Youlus. We are friends and I often speak with him about various things. I find him to be a great source of information about Judaism. At one such meeting, he asked me if I wanted to see a Torah that he had bought in Germany from a Nazi guard that worked in the Auschwitz Camp. I said sure, it would be fascinating. He started telling me the story as to how he obtained this Torah. He then said that the Torah was in the Usherod Ghetto and taken to Auschwitz by an elderly man named **Sender**. Usherod sounded familiar to me. I thought that my mom may have been there. I called my mother right away and she confirmed that indeed she was in Usherod Ghetto. I shared this news with **Rabbi Youlus**.

Rabbi Youlus then proceeded to tell me that another family had inquired about this Torah. This other family happened to be our cousins. They were interested in this Torah because my cousin **Helen** has told her children how her grandfather, named **Sender**, had carried a Torah into Auschwitz and was murdered because he did not want to let go of the Torah.

My family is very confident that this Torah did indeed take the journey as stated by **Rabbi Youlus**. The Nazi that sold him the Torah told him all of the above. **Rabbi Youlus** has no knowledge of what camp my mother was in, prior to me telling him. My cousin's grandfather, **Sender**, was a coincidence that **Rabbi Youlus** couldn't have known about.

As the article states, quoting someone, **Rabbi Youlus** exudes honesty, and integrity, and he's as pleasant as could be. If **Rabbi Youlus** were fraudulent and dishonest, he wouldn't be selling Torahs for \$15,000-\$20,000. He would be selling them for \$100,000.

I am very upset about the article that will cause **Rabbi Youlus** much stress and possible financial setbacks. I have been in contact with him and offered to help him in any way.

Bill Goldstein for

The Goldstein-Kopolowitz Memorial Foundation

- ◇ PLEASE NOTE: Beginning on July 3, the cost of the Challah and Shmeor will be INCREASING to \$36.00.

Do not hesitate to contact **Jill**, **Fran** or **Ethel** with questions and your ideas for wonderful Kiddush events. We look forward to working with you as we continue to provide our shul community a delicious Shabbat.

Fran Kensky and **Ethel Levine**
Sisterhood Catering Committee

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YOUTH CORNER

Lynn Berk

The Purim Carnival was a huge success. The room was overflowing with excited children dragging their parents along from booth to booth. We welcomed Shaare Tefila families and HDI families to our annual event. The prizes were new and exciting and the kids frantically tried to accumulate the needed number of tickets for the prizes they wanted. A giant blow-up dinosaur a stuffed realistic polar bear and a silver scooter were among the big prizes the kids were trying to win. Thank you to all of the staff, teens, parents and middle-schoolers who helped out with set up and the running of the booths. A big thank you to the Kitchen Committee who handled all of the food for the event.

The 3rd Annual B'nai Mitzvah Retreat will be held March 20 - 21. All current 5th & 6th graders are registered to participate in the overnight program. On Saturday evening, we will play fun ice breakers games, Jewish identity exercises, eat ice cream, make their own yads for torah reading and learn about mitzvot. They will have fun socializing while playing with Play Station, Air Hockey, Basketball, Pool and Dance, Dance Revolution. On Sunday morning, the group will discuss the mitzvah of wearing *tefilin* and have the opportunity to wrap them for the first time. The parents are invited to join us for brunch and a discussion "Putting the Mitzvah Back Into Bar Mitzvah." We will complete the morning with a "Mitzvah Fair," Representatives from a variety of organizations will join us and set up tables where families can get an overview of the type of Mitzvah Projects available to their children and then get information on specific projects they might like to get involved with.

Passover comes at the end of March this year and our groups are busy with Passover Programming. Bonim is hosting a Pre-Passover Adventure on Sunday, March 21st. Our youngest kids will make several types of Passover candy, have a Passover Treasure Hunt and watch a special Passover movie. Machar will be going out of the building to a grocery store for a very special Passover Scavenger Hunt. They will be in teams looking for "heschers" on a variety of grocery items. The teams to complete their list will be declared the winner. On Sunday evening, March 28, USY will be holding "A Burn Your Chometz" event on the patio right out side the Social Hall. They will using the Youth Department's fire pit to burn the chometz.

Group Calendars

Bonim March 21	Pre Passover Adventure	USY March 14	Trapezeing
Machar March 21	Passover Store Scavenger Hunt	March 28	Burn Your Chometz Event
Kadima March 5 -7	Regional Spring Kadima Kallah	April 3	Passover Movie Nite
March 14	Rock Climbing at Earth Tek		



Shabbat "from around the world" Dinner

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Friday, March 12, 2010

6:00 pm Shabbat Service 7:00 pm Shabbat Dinner

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(across the street from Olney Elementary enter at the back of the building)

Cost: \$18 Member/\$22 NonMember (ages 13+/adult)

\$10 Member/\$12 NonMember (ages 6-12) Under age 5 (free)

Registrations will be accepted on a first come-first served. Limit of 85 people for the dinner.

Prospective Members will be invited to this event. If you have any friends, relatives or neighbors to whom we should reach out, please contact Stefanie Levy at membership@shaaretefila.org or call 301-681-3388.

RSVP by Wednesday, March 3rd - Send registration form and check directly to the office to hold your spot!

Name: _____ **E-mail:** _____

____ # Adults (13+) attending; ____ # Children (5 - 12) attending; ____ # Children <5 attending;

____ (Under 5: free)

____ # vegetarians

____ **Total # attending**

\$ _____ **Amount enclosed. Please volunteer to help out with:** _____ **set-up;** _____ **servicing;** _____ **clean-up**

I would like to be on the Bi-Monthly Shabbat Dinner Committee: ____ **Yes** ____ **No**

Send this reservation form and check to: **ShaareTefila Congregation/10881 Lockwood Drive/Silver Spring, MD 20901**

Questions, contact Fran Weiss (faoweiss@verizon.net)

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THE THREAT FROM IRAN

If this were radio or TV, we'd start by saying "We interrupt our regular program to bring you this special coverage of an increasingly urgent situation." The situation we refer to is Iran and its pursuit of nuclear weaponry. There is no question that Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad and his cleric cohorts represent a serious threat to Israel and to Jews everywhere, as well as to the U.S. He has openly and frequently called for the destruction of Israel and to wipe it off the map. He has derided the Holocaust and the slaughter of six million Jews as a myth designed to elicit sympathy for Jews from European governments. His anti-Semitism has been echoed by the clerics who actually run the Iranian regime, and they take every opportunity to sponsor conferences where they publicly declare their anti-zionist views.

The United States, too, has been the target of anti-American statements, referring to us as "The Great Satan" and accusing us of supporting Israel in a war against the Palestinians. They have also called for the demise of the West generally and the U.S. in particular. These are not just words. Iran's regime has backed its words with actions.

It has supported extremism and terrorism in the Middle East. It is, indeed, a state sponsor of terrorism. It provides financial support for Hamas in Gaza and in the Palestinian areas, for Hezbollah in Lebanon, and for Islamic Jihad throughout the Middle East. It has also provided military training and equipment for insurgents in Iraq and been directly involved in killing Americans there.

Nuclear weapons in the hands of this radical Iranian regime would pose a genuine threat for the security of the United States and its allies, including Israel. Iran's continuing effort to develop nuclear weapons also threatens to destabilize all the countries of the Middle East. Iran's military capabilities and its politically bellicose policies have prompted its Arab neighbors to start beefing up their own military forces and to increase their arms purchases. And, if Iran succeeds in acquiring nuclear weapons, it would inevitably lead to a nuclear arms race in the Middle East with potentially deadly consequences.

The question is, what can we do about it. It seems unlikely that the international community, through the UN, can do anything that would effectively stop Iran. Strong sanctions would require approval by both China and Russia---not likely. Israel, against whom the threat is immediate and existential, could conceivably initiate an air strike against Iran's nuclear facilities, as it did against Iraq's Osirak facility some twenty years ago, but such an operation would be much more complex today with no guarantee of success. Moreover, even though the Arab states of the Middle East would be relieved if Iran's nuclear facilities could be taken out, an Israeli strike would be perceived as another act of war against an Islamic state and would intensify the hostility against Israel. Still, there is much that the US can do, short of any decisive military action.

The Israel Project, promoted by the JCRC (Jewish Community Relations Council), is advocating a "carrot and stick" approach in the effort to persuade Iran to abandon its support of terrorism and its pursuit of nuclear weapons. A number of actions is on their list; 1. Cut off the sale of gasoline to Iran. 2. Ban any further investment in Iran's energy sector. 3. Stop buying oil from Iran. 4. Keep pressuring foreign banks and oil companies to stop dealing with Iran's energy sector. 5. Freeze Iranian bank assets and impose sanctions on Iranian entities linked to its nuclear program. 6. End



THEY'RE SAYING

Fran, Stan, Jason, Lauren, and Hariel Kensky travelled the Caribbean cruising to Honduras, Belize, Costa Maya, and the Bahamas with **Fran's** sister and brother-in-law. They were celebrating their 30th and 31st anniversaries and **Lauren's** graduation from the Univ. of MD with a B.A. in Criminology and Criminal Justice. What a wonderful celebration! Mazel Tov. Glad you all had so much fun. You deserve all good things.

Joan Gould went on a cruise too, and got back to her sister-in-law **Sylvia Gould**, having accidentally fallen with many troubles. She is such a wonderful caretaker and the only person **Sylvia** has. **Joan** looks great.

Steven Abraham, studying to be a Rabbi performed his first wedding. **Wendy** and **Richard** were very proud. They have to tell us more. Grandparents **Ros** and **Leopold** shared the nachas.

Rita Aaronson Lehr and **Richard Lehr** are great grandparents again. **Shalom Joshua Friedman**, son of **Lisa Aaronson F.** and **Murray Friedman** weighed in at 8lbs. 11oz. the end of January. **Lisa** was former U.S.Y. member at Shaare Tefila and now is part of a musical trio (3 women) who have performed in New York, Philadelphia, Olney, and Israel under the name of **Ayelet HaShachar**. Her other child is **Chaim Joseph**. Mazel tov.

Selma Frager keeps busy but has a difficult time. She has been in and out of hospitals, rehab, home, etc. Her courage is unshakeable. She called to wish me a mazel tov. She's very special and so charitable. God should watch over her. Good to hear from her.

Julian Rosenberg's foot has healed and he is already planning his next golf outing.

Ethel Levine's foot procedures have been successful after several surgeries. Can't keep a busy woman down.

Mark and Marjorie Fuhrmann spent a week in San Antonio, Texas.

Sam Krosnick, son of **Freda** and **Jay**, graduated from CES/JDS on Feb.7; then went travelling to Poland, the Czech Republic and Israel with the graduating class. (con't pg 6)

World Bank contributions to Iran. 7. Stop pipeline deals with Iran. 8. Stop the sales of arms to Iran. 9. Deny shipping insurance to companies helping Iran. 10. Divest from Iranian investments. 11. Impose inspections and restrictions on Iranian goods and officials.

The US should take the lead in international efforts to gather accurate intelligence about Iran's nuclear programs and its development of missile capabilities. Its missiles now have the range to reach many European targets and there is evidence that it is seeking an intercontinental capability, as well. Such missiles, with nuclear warheads, in the hands of radical Islamic extremists, would threaten the whole world--not just the US or Israel.

As individuals, we should also write and telephone our Congress persons, both in the House and the Senate, and urge them to vote for tougher sanctions against Iran. Most Senators have already gone on the record as favoring more stringent sanctions. House members should follow suit and the more communications they receive from their constituents, the more likely they are to do so.

Any questions, comments or feedback should be addressed to **Al Kliman** or **Harry Zubkoff**.

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(from page 5) Mazel tov to all the family. Lucky young people now - 4 days. Great trip. Hope he will share his experiences with all of us.

Had the best chestnuts at **Adriana Sandler's** home at Sisterhood board meeting. Never tasted them before. Good attendance.

Jason Ellis will become Bar Mitzvah at Temple Emanuel, March 6. **Mark and Shelley Levitt** celebrated 21st wedding anniversary.

Youth Shabbat was very special, extremely meaningful, and the joint efforts of our young members particularly noticeable. **Rachel Sniffen** was excellent as usual and we all took pride in our youth.

Stephanie Levin, daughter of **Joy and Joshua**, will be participating in The Musical Theater Center's "Spotlight on Broadway" as part of a singing/dancing/acting ensemble. There will be 4 shows the weekend of March 19-21. Tickets are available through The Musical Theater Center in Rockville.

Doreen and Lenny Feldman's son **Jonah David** will have a Photographic Celebration of Synagogues of the World at the Goldman Art Gallery in the J.C.C. in Rockville Feb.21-April 15 from his HaChayim Ha-Yehudin Jewish Photo Library. Please attend. You are in for a treat.

Wishing everyone a gesundt Purim and Pesach. All who are ill, a Refuah Shlayma.

Many Happy Anniversaries.
Buy scrip. Give to charity. Call those who are ill. Love each other. See you in shul. Love you all. L'Hitraot, **Zipporah**

Happy Birthday to our Youth!

Jason Ellis
Ziggy Goldstein
Stephanie Levin
Sarah Levitt



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Rina Torchinsky

SELL YOUR CHAMETZ

The main ritual of Passover preparation is ridding our homes of all grain and leavened products (*chametz*). To actually throw out our food would be wasteful. The rabbis 1500 years ago devised a legal fiction which would permit us to leave the food in our homes. By selling the *chametz* to someone not obligated to observe the holiday, we fulfill the commandment "do not have *chametz* in your possession."

In order to "sell" your *chametz*, complete the form below and return it to Rabbi Layman by Monday morning March 29, 2010. When "selling" our *chametz*, it is customary to make a donation called *ma'ot chitim* to enable those who are poor to celebrate Passover. All monies will be donated to MAZON: The Jewish Response to Hunger. Please make your check out to Mazon.

I (we) hereby authorize Rabbi Jonah Layman to serve as my (our) agent to sell my (our) *chametz*. I (we) understand that I (we) cannot touch the *chametz* in my (our) home from 10:00 AM Monday March 29, 2010 to 8:15 PM Tuesday April 6, 2010.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 15 ADAR שושן פורים ▶ Choir practice Board Meeting	2 16 ADAR	3 17 ADAR RS Adult Ed	4 18 ADAR Religious Committee Meeting	5 19 ADAR 5:46 9:30 am Torah w/ Rabbi Layman, Bresler House 10:30 am Hebrew Class w/Cantor Wendi 6 pm Shabbat Service, Norbeck Country Club	6 20 ADAR כי תשא פ' פרה מוצאי שבת 6:57 9 am Shabbat Service Jason Ellis, Bar Mitzvah @ Temple Emanuel
7 21 ADAR RS 11:00 am Talmud Class w/Rabbi Layman Kadima USY BB Sisterhood Women's Seder	8 22 ADAR ▶ Choir practice Sisterhood Board Meeting	9 23 ADAR	10 24 ADAR RS Adult Ed	11 25 ADAR	12 26 ADAR 5:52 9:30 am Torah w/ Rabbi Layman, Bresler House 10:30 am Hebrew Class w/Cantor Wendi 6 pm Shabbat Service and Shabbat Dinner Sandy Spring Bank	13 27 ADAR ויקהל - פקודין פ' החודש מוצאי שבת 7:03 9 am Shabbat Service, Olney Theatre Mini Minyan/Jr. Cong. Membership Shabbat BIG READ
14 28 ADAR RS 11:00 am Talmud Class w/Rabbi Layman Kadima USY BB	15 29 ADAR ▶ Choir practice Education Committee Meeting	16 1 NISAN ראש חודש ניסן Sisterhood	17 2 NISAN RS Adult Ed	18 3 NISAN Finance Committee Meeting	19 4 NISAN 6:59 9:30 am Torah w/ Rabbi Layman, Bresler House 10:30 am Hebrew Class w/Cantor Wendi 6 pm Shabbat Service,	20 5 NISAN ויקרא מוצאי שבת 7:10 9 am Chesed Shabbat, Olney Theatre
21 6 NISAN RS 11:00 am Talmud Class w/Rabbi Layman Kadima USY BB	22 7 NISAN ▶ Choir practice	23 8 NISAN	24 9 NISAN RS	25 10 NISAN	26 11 NISAN 7:06 9:30 am Torah w/ Rabbi Layman, Bresler House 10:30 am Hebrew Class w/Cantor Wendi 6 pm Shabbat Service, Olney Elementary School	27 12 NISAN צוה מוצאי שבת 7:17 9 am Shabbat Service, Olney Theatre Men's Club Shabbat
28 13 NISAN	29 14 NISAN ערב פסח 7:08 OFFICE CLOSED @ 1 pm	30 15 NISAN יום א' פסח מוצאי יו"ט א' 7:19 OFFICE CLOSED	31 16 NISAN יום ב' פסח מוצאי יו"ט ב' 7:20 OFFICE CLOSED			



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