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Sunday, April 28th, 2013

at the River Market Pavilion in downtown Little Rock, Arkansas. The festivities kick off with a classic Jewish breakfast of lox, bagels and cream cheese, plus blintzes and kugel, at 8:30 a.m.

The festival begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. Nosh away on delicious corned beef, Israeli kabobs and rugelach...oh my!! New York's got nothin' on this!

Admission to the festival is free.

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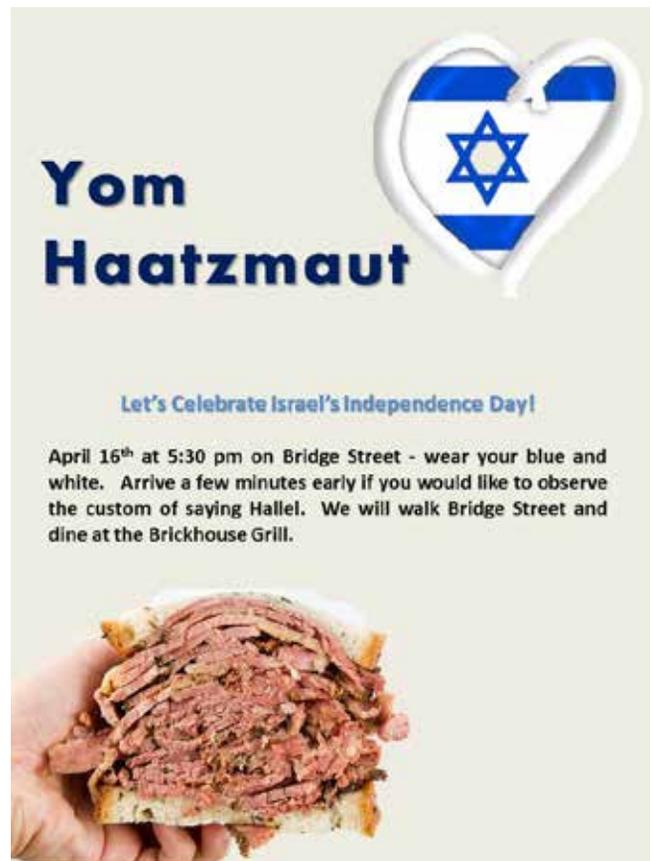
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Yom Haatzmaut

Let's Celebrate Israel's Independence Day!

April 16th at 5:30 pm on Bridge Street - wear your blue and white. Arrive a few minutes early if you would like to observe the custom of saying Hallel. We will walk Bridge Street and dine at the Brickhouse Grill.



Davar

“A Matter for Discussion”



Rabbi Richard Chapin

Lo, the winter is past.
Flowers appear on the earth,
The time of singing is here
The song of the dove
Is heard in our land.

With the arrival of Pesach, we turned to the biblical book, the Song of Songs, in anticipation of

a beautiful Spring season in Hot Springs. As it says in our Haggadahs, “the poetry of nature and of love, evokes the love between God and the people Israel, and their Covenant-betrothal. Indeed, one of the great religious tracts penned by the rabbis is a commentary on the Song of Songs, in which the unique relationship Israel shares with God is explicated. What distinguishes this ancient narrative thematically is the pursuit of Israel by the Almighty. God pursues man; it is not the other way around.

Many years ago the greatest Jewish theologian of the 20th century, Abraham Joshua Heschel, voiced the same idea in his classic work, “God In Search of Man.” We keep looking for God, as the song says, “in all the wrong places,” but the irony is that He is looking for us! A word that is repeated constantly through the biblical generations is AYECA -- “Where Are You?” It is a question God asks all our great leaders throughout Jewish history: “Where are you?” It is not that God is mystified by our geographical location; He needs no GPS to uncover His flawed creation. Rather God wants to know what kind of people we are. Are we charitable in our relationships? Are we good children, parents, grandparents? Do we repent of our failings and try to amend our sinful behavior? These are the locations where God seeks to commune with us. It is the recognition of God’s search for us that allows us to engage first in TIKKUN MEDOT, “Repair of our Human Attributes,” and then in

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Membership

Save the date – yes, again!

In cooperation with the Sisterhood, on May 17, 2013, CHI’s new members of 2012 will be honored at the annual Sisterhood Shabbath service at 5:15 PM in Burgauer Hall with a festive Oneg. Following this at 6PM, Rabbi Chapin will conduct the Sisterhood Shabbat service. Our newest members will be called to the bima to be recognized and welcomed.

Following is a list of our honorees:

- Karen and Timo Johnson,
- Lori Hutchinson,
- Sally Sangster and son Eli Evans,
- Elan Grenman and wife Jennifer and children Etai and Mayan,
- John and Phyllis Hearn,
- John and Marilyn Blumbeks, and
- David and Cheryl Cohen.
- Jon Linder & daughter Stephanie

A special prayer will be said for Jason Kandel, of blessed memory.

Also, Ruth Sedler, outgoing Sisterhood President, will thank and recognize all outgoing officers of Sisterhood. The newly elected officers of Sisterhood will be given the reins and responsibility of leadership and appreciation will be paid them for taking on these awesome duties. Sisterhood is the backbone and strength of most congregations which is very true of our Sisterhood. And certainly, outgoing president Ruth and her board of officers have done a magnificent job during the last two years.

Carol Kleinman and I thank all of the congregation for recommending new members. We hope that you will continue to make us aware of Jewish individuals who may want to learn more about CHI.

Joanne Reagler,

Co-Chair; Membership Committee

Meet the Congregants

John and Phyllis Hearn

Four years ago John and I bought our Hot Springs lake home retreat. John was owner of Kaufman Seeds, Inc., a grass seeds corporation that imported and exported seed within the US and to/from several foreign countries. However, in March of 2011 John was diagnosed with cancer. Thanks to an early diagnosis and M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, John made a heroic recovery. The diagnosis was a reality check for the two workaholic Hearn's. We decided to retire. This past December Kaufman Seeds was dissolved. During 40 years in the seed industry John mentored many colleagues and this past January he was honored as "Seedsman of the Year" at the Southern Seeds Convention in New Orleans.

My career centered around educational programs for gifted students. All three of our children had been identified for this program when I was asked to teach and coordinate the GT Program at our small school district. I jumped at the chance and incorporated Quiz Bowl, Mock Trial, Model UN, Destination Imagination, and Odyssey of the Mind into our curriculum. I have served as District Director in Arkansas for both AGATE and AAGEA. After my children graduated high school, I slipped "across the border" to Texas to earn a two-state retirement. When I retired in Texas, Texarkana Independent School District asked me to stay on as GT curriculum consultant.

We have three children: son Michael Hearn in San Francisco who graduated from Brown; daughter Susan Laves who graduated from Penn and son-in-law Stuart, who live in Austin with two precious grand-girls, Alissa and Lucy; and daughter Laura who went to Columbia and decided to stay in New York since it was "just her speed."

John and I are so glad we decided to check out Temple CHI, last fall. From our first Shabbat service we felt so warmly welcomed. After a bit of Jewish Geography, we found many connections to friends and family. At present we are Bi-Congregational. Mt. Sinai Congregation of Texarkana remains home, while we embrace the CHI-Lights of new friendships and Jewish experiences in Hot Springs.

Sisterhood



Our Sisterhood meeting will be THE SECOND MONDAY IN APRIL, April 8, 11:00 AM Burgauer Hall. This is our annual lunch for the residents of Levi Towers. The Carousel Readers Theater will again be our entertainment. Our hostesses for this event are: Betty Kleinman, Betty Forshberg, Jo Carroll Lewald,

Ruth Sedler and Jean Gershner who will again bring her marinated asparagus. Millie will be providing the dessert.

We will have an abbreviated meeting. We will be electing our new slate of officers:

- President: Carol Kleinman
- Vice President: Anita Williams
- Secretary: Karen Reagler
- Treasurer: Ruth Sedler

As of the time of the writing of this article we have not yet had Passover, but I would like to pre-thank everyone who participated to make the event a success. I would particularly like to thank Sue Koppel and Mary Klompus for all of their hard work in organizing this event.

Our March meeting was a wonderful dinner with our husbands and guests. We welcomed our newest Sisterhood member Phyllis Hearn and her husband John who both attended our event. A delicious dinner was provided by our hostesses: Joanne Reagler, Sharon Waxler, and Millie Baron. We then played a rousing game of human bingo. A wonderful time was had by all. (see photos on page 8)

We are winding up our year. We will be voting on Sisterhood Woman of the Year at the May meeting. You must be present to vote, so please make sure you attend our final meeting so you are able to cast your vote. Since our April meeting has a short time for business, we will postpone discussion of the recommendations of the fi-

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Weekly Parshah

April

Shemini

April 6, 2013

Aaron and his sons begin to officiate as Kohanim (priests); a fire issues forth from G-d to consume the offerings on the Altar and the Divine Presence comes to dwell in the Sanctuary.

Aaron's two elder sons, Nadav and Avihu, offer a "strange fire before G-d, which He commanded them not" and die before G-d. Aaron is silent in face of his tragedy.

G-d commands the kosher laws, identifying the animal species permissible and forbidden for consumption.

Tazria/M'tzora

April 13, 2013

The Parshahs of Tazria and Metzora continue the discussion of the laws of tumah v'taharah, ritual impurity and purity.

Tzaraat (often mistranslated as "leprosy") is a supra-natural plague, which can afflict people as well as garments or homes. If white or pink patches appear on a person's skin (dark pink or dark green in garments or homes), a kohen is summoned. Judging by various signs, such as an increase in size of the afflicted area after a seven-day quarantine, the kohen pronounces it tamei (impure) or tahor (pure).

A person afflicted with tzaraat must dwell alone outside of the camp (or city) until he is healed. The afflicted area in a garment or home must be removed; if the tzaraat recurs, the entire garment or home must be destroyed.

When the metzora ("leper") heals, he or she is purified by the kohen with a special procedure involving two birds, spring water in an earthen vessel, a

piece of cedar wood, a scarlet thread and a bundle of hyssop.

Acharaei Mot/K'doshim

April 20, 2013

Following the deaths of Nadav and Avihu, G-d warns against unauthorized entry "into the holy." Only one person, the kohen gadol ("high priest"), may, but once a year, on Yom Kippur, enter the innermost chamber in the Sanctuary to offer the sacred ketoret to G-d..

The Parshah of Kedoshim begins with the statement: "You shall be holy, for I, the L-rd your G-d, am holy." This is followed by dozens of mitzvot (divine commandments) through which the Jew sanctifies himself or herself and relates to the holiness of G-d.

Emor

April 27, 2013

The second part of Emor lists the annual Callings of Holiness—the festivals of the Jewish calendar: the weekly Shabbat; the bringing of the Passover offering on 14 Nissan; the seven-day Passover festival beginning on 15 Nissan; the bringing of the Omer offering from the first barley harvest on the second day of Passover, and the commencement, on that day, of the 49-day Counting of the Omer, culminating in the festival of Shavuot on the fiftieth day; a "remembrance

of shofar blowing" on 1 Tishrei; a solemn fast day on 10 Tishrei; the Sukkot festival—during which we are to dwell in huts for seven days and take the "Four Kinds"—beginning on 15 Tishrei; and the immediately following holiday of the "eighth day" of Sukkot (Shemini Atzeret).

Next the Torah discusses the lighting of the menorah in the Temple, and the showbread (lechem hapanim) placed weekly on the table there.



To read more complete descriptions of the weekly parsha, visit the CHI Website at http://hschi.org/Parsha_lp.html

Locusts Go Biblical--but Are they Kosher?

By Renee Ghert-Zand

If it were a movie, Israel's real-life nightmare would be a cross between "The Birds" and "The Ten Commandments."

Just in time for Passover, the Holy Land has been plagued by millions of locusts swarming in from across the Egyptian border.

Hysterical news reports warned Israelis in the southern part of the country to stay inside and close all doors and windows to protect against the Biblical calamity, said to be the worst to descend upon the Holy Land in decades.

But at the same time, some were searching out the pests in hopes of hauling in a tasty — and arguably kosher! — treat.

The skies across southern Israel were blackened this week by the flying insects. Some fields were damaged before the Agriculture Ministry was able to send out crop-dusters to battle the tiny beasts. Fortunately, the pesticide application to 1,865 acres that began early Wednesday morning and extended throughout the day managed to prevent the locusts from doing more damage and moving on to the country's central regions. Also, a cold front is expected to come in and knock out any remaining swarms.

"It's like an insect cemetery down here," Omri Eytana, a farmer from Moshav Kmehin the Nitzana area, told Army Radio as he inspected his fields after the crop-dusting was over. He reported that his tomato plants, which were protected by nets were in good shape, but that there was extensive damage to potato crops.

It was feared that the locusts would cause hundreds of thousands of shekels of damage, but now it seems that farms fared better than expected. Shmuel Turgeman, who heads a government-run fund that organizes insurance for farmers, said the situation was "under control."

To the dismay of some rabbis, some people were taking advantage of this rare occasion to feast on insects, which are generally deemed un-kosher. One such locust connoisseur, Rabbi Natan Slifkin, wrote in a blog post for The Times of Israel, that the Torah permits the consumption of certain types of locusts.

The Jewish communities of North Africa have apparently been eating the *Schistocercia gregaria*, or Egyptian desert locust species for centuries. Since Ashkenazi communities have never had a custom

prohibiting the eating of locusts (which did not visit them in colder climes), they are allowed to partake of the insects visiting Israel now. Slifkin, presumably an Ashkenazi Jew, enjoys the critters for



their crunchy exteriors and chewy insides.

A kind of locust culinary mania has gripped the country in the past few days. Blogger Allison Kaplan Sommer wrote on her Facebook page that she was surprised to see a chef demonstrating ways to cook locusts on a TV cooking show. The Yediot Ahronoth newspaper ran locust recipes, including one for "Locusts in Coconut Milk" calling for one kilogram of locusts either grilled or pan-fried and served on skewers topped with a coconut sauce seasoned with green onion, ginger, garlic, salt and pepper.

Slifkin is more of a purist. Since the insects do not require kosher slaughtering, he just drops them in a pot of boiling water or oil, removes them and pops them in his mouth.

From the Rabbi's Desk

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TIKKUN OLAM, "Repair of the World."

We have many books to guide us in our quest, beginning with the Bible. We also have the days of the Jewish calendar to remind us of the journey from slavery (the story of Passover) to acceptance of the Law (the holiday of Shavuot). Study and practice our tradition with your hearts, your souls, and your minds. The rewards, for ourselves and all whom we love, are eternal.

With deep affection,

Richard and Jeanne

Todah Rabbah תודה רבה

Thank you to everyone who made our Passover seder so meaningful – and delicious.

- Soup: Carol Kleinman
- Matzo Balls: Betty Forshberg
- Eggs: Joanne Reagler, JoCarroll Lewald
- Vegetables: Mary Klompus, Ruth Sedler
- Potatoes: Sue Koppel, Mary Klompus
- Charosis: Millie Baron
- Seder Plate: Patti Fleischner
- Centerpieces: Sharon Waxler
- Cakes: Elaine Gartenberg, Kim Baron, Karen Reagler, Sharon Waxler, Mary Klompus

Thank you to our set up crews:

- Betty Kleinman
- Mary Klompus
- Sue Koppel
- Sharon Waxler
- Carol Nanez
- Adam Baron
- Kathy Klein
- Saralee Stark

Holocaust Project

By Joanne Reagler

COMMERATION, HOPE AND PEACE – A COMING TOGETHER will be held this year on Thursday, April 25 at the First Baptist Church. This is the third year the interdenominational service remembering the millions of Holocaust victims is being held as a special part of the Holocaust Educational Project. The Hot Springs Ministerial Interfaith Fellowship, under the leadership of Rabbi Chapin, is bringing this program to the community in the hopes of teaching tolerance among all people by keeping alive the tragic lessons and memories of the Holocaust.

Reverend John McCallum and his congregation and staff are hosting the event. Ministers from other churches, as well as Congregation House of Israel, will be participating. Please put this down on your calendars so that we will be well represented on this very meaningful day. More details will be available later on.

At the request of the Lakeside Middle School, Rabbi Chapin presented an exciting program to about 250 7th graders on the significance of the Holocaust. Mr. Neil Robinson of Lakeside introduced Rabbi Chapin to the youngsters. Among other things, the students were asked to make a list of what they would pack if told they had 3 minutes to get their things in a small bag for this "trip the German soldiers had arranged for them." Can you imagine the answers? Well, I think our rabbi charmed the faculty and students alike. Student participation brought the horrific experience home to each.

The Holocaust Project is beginning to plan activities for the 2013-2014 year. If anyone knows of any school or group who would like a program, please contact Joanne Reagler, Carla Mouton, Sue Koppel, David Wilson or Patti Fleischner through Congregation House of Israel at 501-623-5821.

Pope Francis I's Jewish Connection

Pontiff Earned Reputation as Humble Friend of Community

Jorge Mario Bergoglio, the Argentinian cardinal who was elected pope late Wednesday and has taken the name Francis I, is said to have a good relationship with Argentinian Jews.

Bergoglio, 76, a Jesuit, was the choice of the College of Cardinals following two days of voting in Vatican City. He is the first pope to come from outside Europe in more than a millennium; reflecting the changing demographics of Catholics, he comes from Latin America.

As archbishop of Buenos Aires, Bergoglio attended Rosh Hashanah services at the Benei Tikva Slijot synagogue in September 2007.

Rabbi David Rosen, the director of interfaith affairs for the American Jewish Committee, told JTA that the new pope is a "warm and sweet and modest man" known in Buenos Aires for doing his own cooking and personally answering his phone.

After the bombing of the AMIA Jewish community center in 1994, he "showed solidarity with the Jewish community," Rosen said.

In 2005, Bergoglio was the first public personality to sign a petition for justice in the AMIA bombing case. He also was one of the signatories on a document called "85 victims, 85 signatures" as part of the bombing's 11th anniversary. In June 2010, he

Photo: (L-R) Rabbi Sergio Bergman (Reform Ordinee of HUC), Rabbi Alejandro Avruch and Pope Francis I (Jorge Bergoglio) lighting Chanukah candles at WUPJ congregation NCI Emanuel in Buenos Aires, Argentina



visited the rebuilt AMIA building to talk with Jewish leaders.

"Those who said Benedict was the last pope who would be a pope that lived through the Shoah, or that said there would not be another pope who had a personal connection to the Jewish people, they were wrong," Rosen said.

Soon after the chimney of the Sistine Chapel sent up a puff of white smoke signifying that the cardinals had selected a successor to Pope Benedict XVI, Francis addressed thousands of faithful from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica.

"Buonasera," he told them, saying "Good evening" in Italian, and thanked his fellow cardinals for going "almost to the ends of the earth" to find him.

Benedict was the first pontiff to step down since 1415.

Israel Singer, the former head of the World Jewish Congress, said he spent time working with Bergoglio when the two were distributing aid to the poor in Buenos Aires in the early 2000s, part of a joint Jewish-Catholic program called Tzedaka.

"We went out to the barrios where Jews and Catholics were suffering together," Singer told JTA. "If everyone sat in chairs with handles, he would sit in the one without. He was always looking to be more modest. He's going to find it hard to wear all these uniforms."

Bergoglio also wrote the foreword of a book by Rabbi Sergio Bergman and referred to him as "one of my teachers."

Last November, Bergoglio hosted a Kristallnacht memorial event at the Buenos Aires Metropolitan Cathedral with Rabbi Alejandro Avruj from the NCI-Emanuel World Masorti congregation.

He also has worked with the Latin American

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Sisterhood Dinner



Photos from the March 4 Sisterhood Dinner:

Top; Hal Koppel, Saralee Stark

Center: Mike Waxler, Millie Baron, Sue Koppel

Bottom: Betty Forshberg, Joanne Reagler

Religious School

Preparing For Passover

The excitement is building as Passover nears! And the children of the Religious School have been busy learning to prepare for the special holiday. A special Passover class was taught by none other than our ISJL fellow, Sam Kahn! Sam brought plenty of enthusiasm to the school when the children made their very own seder plates. They had fun learning a matzah dance and gave presentations on the seder plate. The children were very interested and eager to learn and asked great questions, including, "If charoset represents the mortar of our slavery – why is it sweet?"

The following week, the children continued their Passover learning, focusing upon preparing a household for the holiday while making household blessings. The third grade students learned about searching for chametz and kinyot. Students shared their favorite Passover memories and decided that they liked eating matzah. The first grade class made awesome charoset and was kind enough to share with everyone for snack. The children agreed; it was the best snack ever. The Religious School is enjoying their Spring Break, but will return after Passover with plenty of enthusiasm when they are ready to learn about Counting the Omer.

Set fire to the night!

Lag b'Omer

Saturday April 27th
Bon fires, story telling, hot dogs!
Religious School Camp-out
120 Roberts Ridge Terrace

The Orthodox Surge

By David Brooks

Note: David Brooks is an Op-Ed columnist for the NY Times, Senior Editor of the Weekly Standard and a Contributing Editor for The Atlantic Monthly, and Newsweek Magazines.



In Midwood, Brooklyn, there's a luxury kosher grocery store called Pomegranate serving the modern Orthodox and Hasidic communities. It looks like a really nice Whole Foods. There's a wide selection of kosher cheeses from Italy and France, wasabi herring, gluten-free ritual foods and nicely toned

wood flooring.

The snack section is impressive. There's a long aisle bursting with little bags of chips and pretzels, suitable for putting into school lunch boxes. That's important because Orthodox Jews spend a lot of time packing school lunches.

Nationwide, only 21 percent of non-Orthodox Jews between the ages of 18 and 29 are married. But an astounding 71 percent of Orthodox Jews are married at that age. And they are having four and five kids per couple. In the New York City area, for example, the Orthodox make up 32 percent of Jews over all. But the Orthodox make up 61 percent of Jewish children. Because the Orthodox are so fertile, in a few years, they will be the dominant group in New York Jewry.

Another really impressive thing about the store is not found in one section but is pervasive throughout. That's the specialty products designed around this or that aspect of Jewish law. There are the dairy-free cheese puffs in case you want to have some cheese puffs with a meat dish. There are the precut disposable tablecloths so you don't have to use scissors on the Sabbath. There are the specially



designed sponges, which don't retain water, so you don't have to do the work of squeezing out water on Shabbat.

Pomegranate looks like any island of upscale consumerism, but deep down it is based on a counter-cultural understanding of how life should work.

Those of us in secular America live in a culture that takes the supremacy of individual autonomy as a given. Life is a journey. You choose your own path. You can live in the city or the suburbs, be a Wiccan or a biker.

For the people who shop at Pomegranate, the collective covenant with God is the primary reality and obedience to the laws is the primary obligation. They go shopping like the rest of us, but their shopping is minutely governed by an external moral order.

The laws, in this view, make for a decent society. They give structure to everyday life. They infuse everyday acts with spiritual significance. They build community. They regulate desires. They moderate religious zeal, making religion an everyday practical reality.

The laws are gradually internalized through a system of lifelong study, argument and practice. The external laws may seem, at first, like an imposition, but then they become welcome and finally seem like a person's natural way of being.

Meir Soloveichik, my tour guide during this trip through Brooklyn, borrows a musical metaphor from the Catholic theologian George Weigel. At first piano practice seems like drudgery, like self-limitation, but mastering the technique gives you

the freedom to play well and create new songs. Life is less a journey than it is mastering a discipline or craft.

Much of the delight in life comes from arguing about the law and different interpretations of God's command. Soloveichik laughingly describes his debates over which blessing to

say over Crispix cereal, which is part corn, but also part rice. Jonathan Sacks, the chief rabbi of the

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2013 Jewish Food Festival!

Join Us for the 2013 Jewish Food Festival!



The 2013 Jewish Food festival will be held Sunday, April 28, 2013 at the River Market Pavilion in downtown Little Rock, Arkansas. The event will begin with a special Jewish Breakfast at 8:30 am. The festival begins at 10:00 a.m. and concludes at 4:00 p.m.

Admission to the festival is free of charge.

In 2012, over 12,000 visitors enjoyed the Jewish Food Festival. Again this year, the 2013 Jewish Food Festival will include traditional Jewish foods such as old fashioned corned beef sandwiches, lox, bagels and cream cheese, kosher hot dogs, rugelach and many more wonderful Jewish delicacies. Want a traditional Israeli meal of kabobs, falafel and Israeli salad? Then the 2013 Jewish Food Festival is the place to be.

The Jewish Food Festival will also feature cultural and religious booths that will showcase various aspects of Jewish life from Arkansas to ancient Israel. Learn about Jewish holidays and life cycle customs and enjoy an exciting kid's area with plenty of activities from face painting to a whole area for jumping activities.

Entertainment throughout the day will include contemporary and traditional Jewish music. Back by popular demand will be the B flats, the Klezmer Band, the Shechinotes and many other wonderful acts.

We look forward to seeing you at the Jewish Food Festival! Come Hungry.

The Jewish Federation of Arkansas seeks to promote tolerance, understanding and excitement in creating a vibrant community of Jewish learning and growth that crosses all borders to pursue care for the poor, food for the hungry, and advocacy and compassion for everyone who needs it.

2013 Festival Entertainment Schedule

Jeff and Russ - 10:00 am

Jana and the Schechinotes - 10:45 am

Jerry Jacobson - 11:30 am

Stars of David - 12:15

Meshugga Klezmer Band - 1:00

Temple Israel Ruach Band - 1:45

B-Flat Minor - 2:30



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Jewish Congress and held meetings with Jewish youth who participate in its New Generations program.

“The Latin American Jewish Congress has had a close relationship with Jorge Bergoglio for several years,” Claudio Epelman, executive director of the Latin American Jewish Congress, told JTA. “We know his values and strengths. We have no doubt he will do a great job leading the Catholic Church.”

In his visit to the Buenos Aires synagogue, according to the Catholic Zenit news agency, Bergoglio told the congregation that he was there to examine his heart “like a pilgrim, together with you, my elder brothers.”



“Today, here in this synagogue, we are made newly aware of the fact that we are a people on a journey and we place ourselves in God’s presence,” Zenit quoted the then-archbishop as saying. “We must look at him and let him look at us, to examine our heart in his presence and to ask ourselves if we are walking blamelessly.”

Renzo Gattegna, the president of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, offered Italian Jewry’s congratulations to the new pope with the “most fervent wishes” that his pontificate could bring “peace and brotherhood to all humanity.”

In particular, Gattegna voiced the hope that there would be a continuation “with reciprocal satisfaction” of “the intense course of dialogue that the Jews have always hoped for and that has been also realized

through the work of the popes who have led the church in the recent past.”

The Orthodox Surge

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British Commonwealth who is on a tour through New York, notes that Jews are constitutional lawyers: “The Torah is an anthology of argument with a shared vocabulary of common restraint.”

But there are still obligations that precede choice.

For example, a young person in mainstream America can choose to marry or not. In Orthodox society, young adults have an obligation to marry and perpetuate the covenant and it is a source of deep sadness when they cannot.

“Marriage is about love, but it is not first and foremost about love,” Soloveichik says. “First and foremost, marriage is about continuity and transmission.”

The modern Orthodox are rooted in that deeper sense of collective purpose. They are like the grocery store Pomegranate, superficially a comfortable part of mainstream American culture, but

built upon a moral code that is deeply countercultural.

This sort of life involves a fascinating series of judgment calls about what aspects of secularism can safely be included in a covenantal life. For example, Soloveichik’s wife, Loyaliza, was admitted into Harvard, but she went to a religious college, Yeshiva, instead. Then she went to a secular professional school, Yale Law, and now works as an assistant U.S. attorney.

All of us navigate certain tensions, between community and mobility, autonomy and moral order. Mainstream Americans have gravitated toward one set of solutions. The families stuffing their groceries into their Honda Odyssey minivans in the Pomegranate parking lot represent a challenging counterculture. Mostly, I notice how incredibly self-confident they are. Once dismissed as relics, they now feel that they are the future.

Bimah Honors

April 5

Cynthia Rephan
Millie Baron

April 12

Betty Kleinman
Hal Koppel

April 19

Karen Reagler
Michael Waxler

April 26

Joanne Reagler
Mary Watermann

Sisterhood

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nance committee until the May meeting. WRJ has notified me they have received my request for dues modification and will notify me shortly of their decision. We have already paid our 2012/2013 dues so this will be for the 2013/2014 year. Thanks for your patience in this matter. I would like everyone to have as much time to discuss their suggestions and opinions as they wish.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at these final events of the year.

Ruth Sedler

Sisterhood President

Oneg Thanks



Thank you to the following for sponsoring an Oneg during the month of April

April 5

Cynthia Rephan
Millie Baron

April 12

Betty Kleinman
Hal & Sue Koppel

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Mary Watermann

What better way to celebrate Shabbat or special events than with the CHI Community.

Reminder: If you are scheduled for an upcoming Oneg and need to change dates, please find someone to switch with and then let Carol Kleinman know so the information printed in the bulletin will be correct.

Mazel Tov

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Anniversaries

Susan and Lou Siegel April 1

Birthdays

Barbara Morgan	April 4
Larry Levi	April 7
Annette Baim	April 14
Brian Waxler	April 14
Rachel Kleinman	April 16
Jordan Chalmers	April 18
Betty Kleinman	April 23

Abracadabra Revealed

How many times have we heard the TV magicians and playing children use the famous incantation "Abracadabra?" But how many of us recognize its ancient Aramaic/Hebrew origins? The word contains both *Bara*, meaning 'to create,' and *Dabar*, meaning 'to speak,' literally translating as "I create through what I speak," or "May what I say come to be."

~Elliot Cohen, founder of a new Progressive Jewish meditation chavurah, Ohr Menorah, in Manchester, England.

Remembrance: April Yahrzeits

~ *Zichronam Livracha - May their memories be for blessing* ~

Kaddish Recited on April 5

Max Prushansky
Father of Carol Kleinman

Michael Goldenberg

Patsy Kallsnick

Jetta Benedikt

Hattie Kleinman Travis

Adolph Uzick

Eva Brown

Don Kallsnick

Dena Zoblotsky

Kaddish Recited on April 12

Bertha K. Marcus
Mother of Imy Marcus

Craney Bellin
Mother of Ruth Sedler

Hilde Heimlich

Isaac Regowsky

Kaddish Recited on April 19

Bernard Rephan
Father of Jerry Rephan

Sam Savel
Grandfather of David Cohen

Harold Gottlieb

Dr. Milton S. Meyer

Alfred M. Cohen

Sam Zipkes

Laurence Lockwood II

Kaddish Recited April 26

Irma Chalmers
Mother of Jerry Chalmers

Albert Marshall Wise
Father-in-law of Jerry Tanenbaum

Suzi Rosenzweig

Julius Leiber

Fannie Hurwitz

If you have an addition or correction relative to the Yahrzeit lists, please notify us by sending an email to info@hschi.org.

Refuah Shelemah

Please remember to contact Carol Kleinman or Betty Forshberg if you or someone you know is ill, in need of help or has experienced a death in the family. We are here to help.

The following people are in our thoughts and prayers:

- *Louis Kleinman*
- *Annete Baim*
- *JoCarroll Lewald*
- *Frances Iverson*
- *Scott Foley*
- *John and Leslie Jameson*

April 2013

21 Nisan 5773 - 20 Iyar 5773

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:05AM/6:53PM §7:36PM 7:36PM Passover VII	2 6:05AM/6:54PM §7:39PM Passover VIII (Yizkor)	3 6:03AM/6:55PM	4 6:01AM/6:56PM	5 6:00AM/6:57PM 6:30PM 5:15 p.m.: Oneg Shabbat 6:00 p.m.: Erev Shabbat Service	6 5:58AM/6:58PM §7:43PM
	21 Nisan/6 L'Omer Eruvin 24	22 Nisan/7 L'Omer Eruvin 25	23 Nisan/8 L'Omer Eruvin 26	24 Nisan/9 L'Omer Eruvin 27	25 Nisan/10 L'Omer Eruvin 28	26 Nisan/11 L'Omer Eruvin 29
7 5:56AM/6:59PM §7:44PM Yom Hashoah	8 5:55AM/7:00PM Noon: Sisterhood Meeting	9 5:53AM/7:01PM	10 5:52AM/7:04PM Rosh Hodesh I	11 5:50AM/7:02PM Rosh Hodesh II	12 5:48AM/7:04PM 6:46PM 5:15 p.m.: Oneg Shabbat 6:00 p.m.: Erev Shabbat Service	13 5:47AM/7:05PM §7:50PM
27 Nisan/12 L'Omer Eruvin 30	28 Nisan/13 L'Omer Eruvin 31	29 Nisan/14 L'Omer Eruvin 32	30 Nisan/15 L'Omer Eruvin 33	1 Iyar/16 L'Omer Eruvin 34	2 Iyar/17 L'Omer Eruvin 35	3 Iyar/18 L'Omer Eruvin 36
14 5:45AM/7:06PM	15 5:44AM/7:07PM §7:52PM Yom Hazikaron	16 5:42AM/7:08PM §7:53PM Yom Ha'Atzmaut	17 5:41AM/7:09PM	18 5:39AM/7:10PM	19 5:38AM/7:11PM 6:53PM 5:15 p.m.: Oneg Shabbat 6:00 p.m.: Erev Shabbat Service	20 5:36AM/7:12PM §7:57PM
4 Iyar/19 L'Omer Eruvin 37	5 Iyar/20 L'Omer Eruvin 38	6 Iyar/21 L'Omer Eruvin 39	7 Iyar/22 L'Omer Eruvin 40	8 Iyar/23 L'Omer Eruvin 41	9 Iyar/24 L'Omer Eruvin 42	10 Iyar/25 L'Omer Eruvin 43
21 5:35AM/7:13PM	22 5:33AM/7:14PM	23 5:32AM/7:15PM	24 5:31AM/7:16PM §8:01PM Pesach Sheini	25 5:29AM/7:17PM 5:30 pm: Board Meeting	26 5:28AM/7:18PM 7:00PM 5:15 p.m.: Oneg Shabbat 6:00 p.m.: Erev Shabbat Service	27 5:26AM/7:19PM §8:04PM 9:30 a.m.: Torah Study Lag B'Omer celebration
11 Iyar/26 L'Omer Eruvin 44	12 Iyar/27 L'Omer Eruvin 45	13 Iyar/28 L'Omer Eruvin 46	14 Iyar/29 L'Omer Eruvin 47	15 Iyar/30 L'Omer Eruvin 48	16 Iyar/31 L'Omer Eruvin 49	17 Iyar/32 L'Omer Eruvin 50
28 5:25AM/7:20PM §8:05PM Lag B'Omer Jewish Food Festival, Little Rock	29 5:24AM/7:21PM	30 5:22AM/7:22PM				
18 Iyar/33 L'Omer Eruvin 51	19 Iyar/34 L'Omer Eruvin 52	20 Iyar/35 L'Omer Eruvin 53				

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