

Teen Hebrew Tutors

needed for Or Zarua Hebrew School.

If you have a couple of hours available

after school during the week

and like to work with children,

please contact Ilana Burgess at

212-452-2310, ext. 15.

OZY SERVICES RESUME

In September, we will resume the weekly Or Zarua Youth (OZY) Services. Every Shabbat we will have three groups:

Infants-Kindergarten

11:00 a.m.-noon

Alef Bet Corner

1st-3rd grades

10:30 a.m.-noon

Junior Congregation

4th-6th grades

10:00 a.m.-noon

Special services will be held on the following Shabbatot:

September 13

Hebrew School Shabbat

4th-6th grades

All children are welcome

September 27

Rosh Hashanah Services

See schedule on page 8

October 25

Hebrew School Shabbat

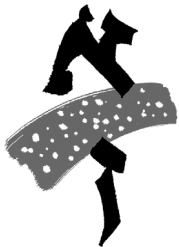
4th-6th grades

All children are welcome

CONGREGATION OR ZARUA

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SELIHOT: *Preparing for Rememberance and Judgment*

By Ron Meyers

In parashat Behaalotecha this summer we read of the Israelites' procedures for moving through the desert. God would manifest in a flame by night and a cloud during the day, and when the cloud would rise from its position on top of the Tent of Meeting, it was time to decamp and move on. As is always the case though, it was not possible for all of the hundreds of thousands to perceive God's signals directly or to respond immediately. So God ordained the practice of sounding trumpets to signal the command to recommence the journey.

We are in a period now of sounding the trumpet. From the first day of

Elul, we blow the shofar, not to mobilize ourselves geographically as was done in the wilderness, but to mobilize ourselves spiritually. The great spiritual demands of the High Holidays are approaching, and we cannot simply leap into action when they arrive. We rouse ourselves this month with the shofar blast to build ourselves up to the task. In this period of the year, we are also guided into the Holidays by the seven haftarot of consolation that are recited each Shabbat from Tisha B'Av to Rosh Hashanah. "Comfort ye", Isaiah reassures us, following the commemoration of the destruction of the Temple. But don't get too comfort-

able, the shofar reminds us, for there is great spiritual work ahead.

These preparations all lead to the great observances of the High Holidays, which begin with Rosh Hashanah on the evening of September 26th. But the preparations themselves culminate in the beautiful Selihot service, to be held this year on September 20th at 10:00 p.m. This service begins the penitential prayers recited each morning until Yom Kippur. It is here that we gather quietly to begin in earnest the business of reflection and forgiveness, entering and sustaining the frame of mind that will enable us to be renewed as we enter another year.

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AARON SHELDEN

OZ Congregants gathered in front of the synagogue on May 20th following the Annual Meeting and the installation of an outdoor mezuzah in a specially designed enclosure.

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New Beginnings at Congregation Or Zarua

By *Ilana Burgess*

Summertime for an educator is a time of Heshbon Nefesh (soul searching). This is a wonderful opportunity to evaluate your achievements in the last year, your goals for the coming year, and your ideas for reaching them. I think that for a Jewish educator the task is twice as important. Why?

As Jewish educators, we teach not only information and skills, but also the beliefs, values and commitment to Judaism that make up a way of life. All these thoughts and feelings went through my mind as I worked during the summer to revise and to build the curriculum for the Or Zarua Hebrew School. What do I want to see happen everyday within the walls of the school? I want to see the school



have a firm academic base, in an environment that is interesting and creative. We have a strong outline in place that is flexible enough to incorporate recommendations from students, parents, and teachers. During Shabbatot we will continue with the OZY programs for the children and we are also planning to add a Hebrew speaking class for middle and high schools student.

I am very pleased to join the Congregation as the new Youth Education Director. For the last 30 years I have been involved in the Jewish communities where I lived and worked as an educator and

volunteered as a lay person in different organizations. Jewish education is very important to me because of my background. I grew up in post-war Hungary in a diaspora that was very anti-Semitic, but my parents still educated their children to be proud Jews, to know about Israel, our heritage and values, and to love and enjoy our holidays. The memory of my parents has always helped me with the challenges I face everyday as a Jewish parent and educator.

After 16 years of living and working in Israel, I was a principal and a teacher for 15 years in West Palm Beach, Florida. For the past two years I have worked as a Hebrew and Bible teacher at the Solomon Schechter High School of New York. Life

in New York City is very exciting and full of adventure for me. What I enjoy most are classes that I can take at the "Y" and at JTS and being close to my son Nathan and his wife Deena.

I would like to thank everybody for their warm reception, with a special thank you to Rabbi Wechsler, Aliza Kaplan, Alisa Doctoroff, Anne Schneider, Barbara and Lidiya for being helpful and for answering all of my questions with a smile and a warm heart.

I wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year. May we all be written and sealed in the Book of Life. L'shanah tovah.

Editor's Note

The OZ Newsletter welcomes articles submitted by Congregants. Articles should be no longer than 250 words and may be edited for length and clarity. They should be submitted by e-mail (as an attachment, as well as pasted into the text) to the office at admin@orzarua.org.

In order for our newsletter to maintain a bimonthly schedule, all articles must be received six weeks before the issue date. The upcoming deadlines are: Wednesday, September 24th for the November/December issue and Wednesday, November 26th for the January/February issue.

Many thanks for helping the newsletter to appear in a timely fashion.

CELEBRATING SUKKOT

Once again OZ members will have the opportunity to fulfill the commandment of eating in the sukkah which will be erected on the roof of our building.

There will be a catered Shabbat dinner on October 10th and lunch on October 11th. Reservation forms are due in the office on or before Tuesday, October 7th. Dinner will be served at approximately 7:15 p.m., immediately following Kabbalat Shabbat services, which will begin at 6:03 p.m. Lunch on Saturday, October 11th will follow services.

We hope that you will want to attend both of these festive meals. However, since space is limited, please indicate whether you want to attend both meals or only one. If you want to attend both meals, please indicate which meal you would prefer to attend. We will do our best to accommodate as many people as possible. Please complete the reservation

form on page 9 and send your check and completed form to the office by October 7th.

Congregants who would like to bring their own kosher meals to the sukkah on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings, October 12th, 13th, and 14th may make reservations by calling the OZ office. Remember to clean up when you are finished!

Additionally, there will be limited seating on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, when the Hebrew School students will be having dinner in the sukkah. If you would like to eat in the sukkah on either October 15th or 16th, please call the office to ensure your place at the table.

A special treat will be available for parents with young children. During the week of Sukkot, there will be a family lunch with a Jonathan Bayer music program. Watch your mail for complete details.

SINFUL DESSERTS AND... REPENTANCE

An evening of community will usher in the Yomim Noraim for Congregation Or Zarua. Beginning at 8:15 p.m. on Saturday, September 20th, members will gather for a dessert reception. That will be followed by Rabbi Wechsler's selihot lecture on Rabbi Kook's mystical ideas of repentance. At 10:00 p.m., Selihot services will be held in the sanctuary. Everyone is invited.

ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR SERVICES 5764/2003

Friday, September 26

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Evening 6:00 pm–7:00 pm

Saturday, September 27

First Day of Rosh Hashanah

Morning 8:30 am–1:00 pm

Evening 6:30 pm–7:30 pm

Sunday, September 28

Second Day of Rosh Hashanah

Morning 8:30 am–1:00 pm

Tashlikh 5:30 pm–6:15 pm
(Central Park)

Evening 6:35 pm–7:25 pm

Sunday, October 5

Erev Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre 6:00 pm–9:00 pm

Monday, October 6

Yom Kippur 9:00 am–7:16 pm

Calling All Or Zarua Teens!

If you're a seventh through twelfth grader, check out these exciting programs. RSVP to Ilana Burgess at 212-452-2310, ext. 15.

Selihot

Saturday, September 20, 2003

8:15–10:00 p.m.

A special program for teens only. Details to follow.

Teen Shabbat Minyan and Lunch

Saturday, November 8, 2003

10:00 a.m.

\$12 fee for lunch

Spend a meaningful Shabbat with Ilana, our new Youth Education Director. We'll daven, talk about how parashat Lech Lecha relates to our lives, and conclude with Shabbat lunch together.

New Publications by Rabbi Wechsler

Completely Honest Weights: A Source Book on Judaism, Business and Ethics for Our Time



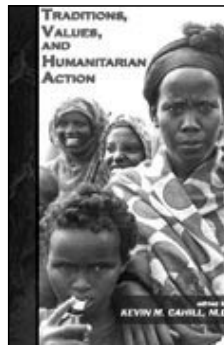
Rabbi Wechsler, together with Marc Sternfeld, a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, has

published *Completely Honest Weights: A Source Book on Judaism, Business and Ethics for Our Time*. This booklet brings together the sacred sources of our tradition with modern day examples of their application, thus clarifying for us our moral roles in the contemporary marketplace. Rabbi Wechsler's English translation and commentary of Tractate Bava Metzia, Chapter 4 and modern business cases will spark many a discussion about

how we go about earning our livelihood—ethically and legally.

Our Congregation studied from this booklet at our Tikkun Leyl Shavuot, and it is being distributed throughout the country in Conservative synagogues for programming during the year. Call the synagogue office if you would like to purchase copies.

Traditions, Values, and Humanitarian Action



Fordham University Press has published its third volume on International Human Affairs, which includes an essay by

Rabbi Wechsler. This pioneering series addresses fundamental ques-

tions at the heart of humanitarian actions: How do different religious, cultural, and social systems—and the values they support—shape humanitarian action? What are the bases of caring societies? Are there universal values for human well-being?

Original essays by international experts explore mandates for humanitarian action in various religious traditions. Rabbi Wechsler's essay, "For the Sake of My Kin and My Friends," is a theological study of the sources for humanitarian action in the Bible and in the Talmud. It serves to present the classical Jewish view of concern for the welfare of others and is complemented by the presentations of Avery Cardinal Dulles, Professor of Catholic theology at Fordham, and Prince El Hassan Bin Talal of Jordan, who presents the view of Islam. Other chapters are contributed by Kofi Annan and Tom Brokaw.

Solomon Schechter School of Manhattan

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2004-2005

Open House for Parents of Prospective K-5th Grade Students
Monday, October 20th at 7:30 p.m.
Park Avenue Synagogue
50 East 87th Street

Meetings for Parents of Prospective Middle School Students (6th-7th Grade)
by appointment

To reserve a place at the open house or to obtain more information, please call Daneet Brill at 212-427-9500 ext. 23 or email dbrill@sssm.org

- Small classes with 2 full-time co-teachers per class (Kindergarten through 5th grade)
- National Solomon Schechter Award Recipient
- Partnership for Excellence in Jewish Education Grant Recipient

TALMUD CLASS TAKES A TURN

Ever since the founding of Congregation Or Zarua, the Talmud class has met on Wednesday evenings and studied a wide variety of ritual subjects. As a result of the study of Masechet Sukkah, for example, Or Zarua built its first sukkah according to the principals learned in the Talmud. Last spring, after eight years of study, we completed the entire

tractate of Berakhot—a study of various prayers recited on different occasions. And now for something new.

Beginning on Wednesday evening, October 22nd at 8:00 p.m., we will begin the study of Masechet Bava Kamma, the first Talmudic tractate that deals with civil law. The first chapter of Bava Kamma is a study of the laws of damages,

what we hold people responsible for when they damage someone else's property.

The Talmud class is open to all, with or without background, and it meets from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. each Wednesday. Please purchase volume one of the Art Scroll Bava Kamma, which will be the Hebrew-English text used in class.

COME TO ISRAEL

in November with Congregation Or Zarua

CONNECT

with your roots and the Or Zarua family

SHOW SUPPORT

for our Israeli brothers and sisters by being there with them

TAKE ADVANTAGE

of a unique opportunity to attend the United Jewish Communities General Assembly in Jerusalem

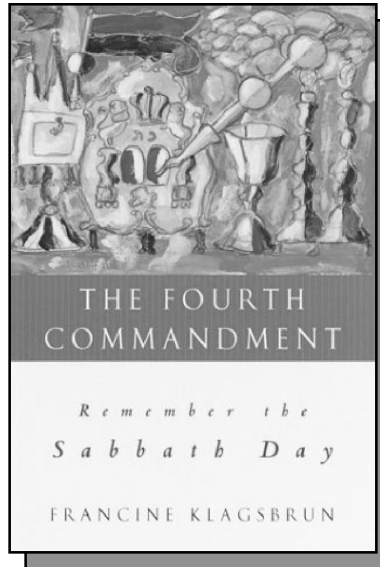
- ★ Travel to Israel with Rabbi Wechsler and members of the Or Zarua family from November 15th to November 21st
- ★ Stay at the King David Hotel
- ★ See the sights and hear the latest news at the General Assembly
- ★ Visit the Rabbi's apartment in the Old City of Jerusalem

This is a trip for everyone—singles or couples, young or old, committed or curious.

For more information, call the Or Zarua office at 212-452-2310.

FRANCINE KLAGSBRUN TO DISCUSS *The Fourth Commandment*

The Book Discussion Series opens a year of reading and discussing good Jewish books on Sunday, September 7th in the OZ library with acclaimed author, columnist and lecturer Francine Klagsbrun, who will join us to discuss her recently published book, *The Fourth Commandment: Remember the Sabbath Day*. Don't wait until Yom Kippur afternoon to learn with Francine. Cynthia Ozick writes, "To enter this radiant book—whatever your background or experience—is to have your life renewed." Drawing on Bible, Talmud, Kabbalah and family history, the book is a most readable, personal and affectionate exploration of the meaning of remembering and observing the Sabbath.



Congregants and their guests are welcome to attend Or Zarua's Book Discussion Series. Participating in book discussions at OZ is a wonderful way for congregants to learn and get

to know one another in a casual setting. We choose fiction and non-fiction with Jewish subjects or content, both classic and contemporary works. Leadership of our discussions rotates among our members. We meet in the Or Zarua library on the 4th floor about once every six weeks on Sunday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Light refreshments are served.

Mark your calendars for the following gathering as well. On Sunday evening, October 26th we will discuss *Adjusting Sights* by Haim Sabato, a short novel offering an observant Israeli soldier's response to tank combat on the Golan front in the 1973 war and the loss of a close friend.

SHABBAT LUNCH

Saturday, November 1st

Our first Congregational Shabbat Lunch for 5764 will be held on Saturday, November 1st. As usual, there will be an outstanding program. In addition, as this is the first Shabbat of the month, we will also have Minhah, Seudah Shlishit, Ma'ariv and Havdalah in the late afternoon. Please watch your mail for reservations.

ETROGIM AND LULAVIM FOR SUKKOT

The joyous holiday of Sukkot begins Friday evening, October 10th. If you are unable to get to an etrog market yourself, Congregation Or Zarua will arrange for the purchase of Etrogim and Lulavim. All orders are delivered in complete sets with the four minim: Etrog in box, bagged Lulav with Hadassim and Aravot. Three different sets, each certified for use on Sukkot, are available:

Standard Sets	\$40.00 each
Muvchar (Choice) Sets	\$52.00 each
Mehudar (Gorgeous) Sets	\$65.00 each

If you wish to purchase Etrogim and Lulavim sets, the Or Zarua office must receive the completed order form on page 9 by Tuesday, October 7th. Members may also call in orders by 3:00 p.m. on October 7th. Etrogim and Lulavim sets may be picked up at the Or Zarua office on Wednesday, October 8th from 1:00-5:00 p.m., Thursday, October 9th from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Friday, October 10th from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

HESED COMMITTEE

Programs for the New Year

Celebrate the New Year with DOROT

For our fourth consecutive year, Congregation Or Zarua will participate in DOROT's annual Rosh Hashanah food delivery to the homebound elderly. Please join other volunteers on Sunday, September 21st at 11:00 a.m. at the 92nd Street Y, and help bring the taste of a sweet New Year and the joy of friendship to those who are often alone during the High Holy Days.

All volunteers will first receive a short orientation about DOROT and the visit in which they will participate. Then one to three volunteers will visit their assigned senior for about an hour. If you would like to volunteer for this wonderful act of hesed, please contact Aaron Shelden at 212-734-4004 (day), 212-734-2888 (eve), or ashelden@aol.com. Families are encouraged to participate—all ages are welcome—it's a truly lovely experience.

Books for Israel

With the Israeli economy struggling, the Books for Israel Project is seeking donations of English language books for Israeli public schools. Or Zarua will help by holding a book collection drive during the month of September. You can help by donating books, making a donation to the Hesed Fund to help pay for shipping, or by volunteering to sort and pack books. Our collection sites will be in the Or Zarua social hall and on the sixth floor. Please donate gently-used

or new books appropriate for school use. Of particular interest are encyclopedias, children's science and reference books, history books, classic fiction, and poetry. Sturdy, hardcover books are preferred. Also welcome are books in Braille, books with large print text, and professionally made or homemade story books accompanied by listen-along audio cassette tapes. For more information, please visit the website at <http://www.edu-negev.gov.il/bs/b4i/welcome.html> or contact Lynn Michalson at 212-626-4787 or Phyllis Brochstein at 212-754-4997.

Second Annual Or Zarua Blood Drive, February 29th

Planning for the second Or Zarua Blood Drive is underway and volunteers are needed now! The February 29th event will include a bone marrow registration drive, children's activities, and, of course, brunch!

Please contact James Rothman to help at 212-472-1739 or jarohtman2@aol.com. Let's make this drive a great success!

Dress an Israeli Bride

Wouldn't you rather put that wedding dress collecting dust in the closet to good use in Israel? With the assistance of Ziv Tzedakah Fund (www.ziv.org), gently-used wedding dresses are being collected for brides in Jerusalem. Rabbanit Bracha Kapach, who is known throughout Jerusalem for her charitable work, lends the donated dresses to young women in need. Now, because of the difficult economic situation in Israel, the need is greater than ever. Donating your dress is a loving way to perform the great mitzvah of hachnassat kallah—welcoming the bride. If you have a dress to donate, please drop it off at the Or Zarua office.



Or Zarua Congregants who volunteered to deliver Passover food and visit the elderly through DOROT on April 13, 2003.

EDUCATION: COURSE OFFERINGS

Question: What do a course in Modern Hebrew Language, adult Bar/Bat-Mitzvah instruction, and a Crash Course in Reading Hebrew have in common?

Answer: Many things. First, they will all be offered this fall at Or Zarua. But read on to discover further connections.

Building on last spring's introductory course, an advanced beginners' Hebrew language class will convene on Mondays on the synagogue's 7th floor, starting on Monday, October 27th. Classes will meet on consecutive Mondays at 7:30 p.m. for 10 weeks (except for December 22nd and 29th), so that the last class is scheduled for January 12th.

The only prerequisite for this course is a reading knowledge of Hebrew and familiarity with the Hebrew alphabet. (If you are not yet a Hebrew reader, do not despair; see the Crash Course in Reading Hebrew described below.) The course will include Hebrew conversation, use of multimedia (pictures, songs, Israeli newspapers, etc.), grammatical structures, and our beloved etymologies. Use of an appropriate textbook will be discussed. Please register with the office.

Also being offered on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m., immediately preceding the Hebrew language class, is an adult Bar/Bat-Mitzvah class. If you missed out the first time around, and today look on with feelings of long-

ing when children come of age and do their Haftarah (signs of Bar/Bat-Mitzvah Deficiency Syndrome—a condition striking many mature women, but sometimes men, with a strong sense of deprivation), this course will provide the remedy. Or perhaps you would simply like to learn to do a Haftarah. Then this class is also for you. We will study as a group on Mondays, probably in the library. A reading knowledge of Hebrew is strongly suggested before one undertakes this course, as experience shows that it is easier that way. Please notify the office to register and for any further details.

This brings us to the Crash Course in Hebrew Reading. If you are interested in being able to follow the upcoming holiday services better, or you wish to meet the prerequisite for the Hebrew language course, or you want to make the adult Bar/Bat-Mitzvah class go more smoothly, then this is your course. Intensive lessons in reading should enable students to acquire a degree of fluency in following a Hebrew text, whether prayers or modern Hebrew vocabulary. The schedule is: Mondays and Tuesdays, September 8th, 9th, 15th, and 16th, and Monday, September 22nd, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the synagogue. Again, please register at the office.

All courses will be taught by Mark Somerstein. We hope to see you in September and/or October. Make the connection.

OR ZARUA YOUTH HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES 5764/2003

Rosh Hashanah

Saturday, September 27
10:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Sunday, September 28
10:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

2-5 years old
(accompanied by an adult)

Grades 1-3

Grades 4-6

Grades 7-9
(only the first day of
Rosh Hashanah)

Kol Nidre

Sunday, October 5
6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

Grades 1-3

Grades 4-6

Yom Kippur

Monday, October 6
11:15 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

2-5 years old
(accompanied by an adult)

Grades 1-3

Grades 4-6

Grades 7-9

The playroom will be open for very young children **only** if accompanied and supervised by an adult.

Sukkot Meal Reservations

*Please reserve the following number of places for
Sukkot Dinner or Sukkot Lunch:*

			<input type="checkbox"/> Sukkot Dinner Fri., Oct. 10th	<input type="checkbox"/> Sukkot Lunch Sat., Oct. 11th
___ ADULTS	X \$25.00 EACH =	\$ _____		\$ _____
___ CHILDREN OVER AGE 5	X \$15.00 EACH =	\$ _____		\$ _____
___ CHILDREN UNDER AGE 5	X \$ NO CHARGE =	\$ _____		\$ _____
___ TOTAL RESERVATIONS	TOTAL COST =	\$ _____		\$ _____

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____

If you are interested in both meals, please check your first choice as we are trying to accommodate as many people as possible.

Completed form with your check or fax must be received by 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7, 2003 at:
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Etrogim and Lulavim

I would like to purchase the lulav and etrog sets listed below:

___ STANDARD SETS	X \$40.00 EACH =	\$ _____
___ MUVCHAR (CHOICE) SETS	X \$52.00 EACH =	\$ _____
___ MEHUDAR (GORGEOUS) SETS	X \$65.00 EACH =	\$ _____
___ TOTAL SETS	TOTAL COST =	\$ _____

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

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THE OR ZARUA COMMUNITY

CONGRATULATIONS

Charles & Valerie Diker, on the marriage of their daughter Patti to David Stark
 Ron & Lori Kaniuk, on the birth of their daughter, Danielle Blake
 Jessica Korn, on her marriage to Ron Liebowitz
 Terry Ann Krulwich & Paul Posner, on the engagement of their son, Jeremy, to Rabbi Paulette Gross
 Henry & Joan Michelman, on the birth of their granddaughter, Noa Isaacson
 Jeremy Posner, on his engagement to Rabbi Paulette Gross
 David & Susan Shapiro, on the birth of their grandson, Wolff Win Goldberg
 Yaakov & Roberta Shechter, on the birth of their granddaughter, Natasha Finkelstein
 Gil & Lynn Weitzman on the birth of their son, Eli Jacob

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to:
 Richard & Iris Abrons
 Stanley & Susan Alt
 Joseph & Rachel Feldman
 Charles & Anne Mayer
 David & Caroline Shechter
 Ronald & Joanne Slevin

CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to:
 Barry Alperin, on the death of his mother, Ruth Alperin
 Ilana Burgess, on the death of her mother, Esther Siedner
 Bobbi Collier, on the death of her mother, Florence Gelfand
 Leslie Cornell, Wendy Cornell & Mikhail Levin, on the death of their mother, Phyllis Cornell

Laurel Eisenbruch, on the death of her father, Lester Label Rosenblatt
 Shula Koton & Michele Cooperberg, on the death of their husband and father, Theodore Koton
 Linda Spitzer, on the death of her mother, Rose Kirsten

May they and their loved ones be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

CONTRIBUTIONS

All contributions listed were received on or before July 29, 2003.

Capital Campaign contributions are not listed.

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