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EMILY BRAUN SPEAKS ON *Jewish Women and Their Salons*

Shabbat Lunch, January 10, 2004

Professor Emily Braun will discuss “The Power of Conversation: Jewish Women and Their Salons (1780-1945)” in her presentation to fellow Congregants during Shabbat lunch on Saturday, January 10th.

The private space of the salons allowed women, generally excluded from public life, to shape and promote innovations in modern music, literature, politics and art. Dr. Braun is currently co-curating (with Emily Bilski) an exhibit on this topic for

The Jewish Museum. The exhibit, scheduled to open in February, 2005, will highlight the most influential domestic salons in Europe and America from late 18th-century Berlin to Hollywood between the World Wars.

Dr. Braun, Professor of Art History at Hunter College as well as CUNY Graduate Center, is an international authority on modern Italian art and Fascist culture. She received her Ph.D. from NYU Institute of Fine

Arts and was the recipient of a Senior Research Grant from the Getty Foundation.

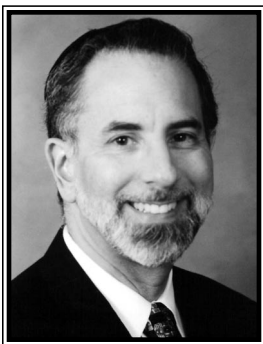
In both 1982 and 1990 she received the Henry Allen Moe Prize from the New York State Historical Association for the best art catalogue. *continued on page 2*



JENNIFER MONTGOMERY BARRON

Scholar-in-Residence RABBI REUVEN KIMMELMAN

February 6 and 7, 2004



Rabbi Reuven Kimmelman will lead the Or Zarua community in a Shabbat of study on February 6th and 7th. Rabbi Kimmelman is an expert in the history of the prayer book and professor of Classical Judaica at Brandeis University. The theme for the weekend will be “The Distinctive

Ideas of the Prayerbook.”

With a doctorate from Yale University in Religious Studies, Professor Kimmelman has held the position of Five

College Professor of Judaic Studies at Amherst College and has taught at Mount Holyoke, Smith, Trinity and Williams as well as at the Jewish Theological Seminary and Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He has also been a Senior Scholar of CLAL and has served as Scholar-in-Residence for the UJA Young Leadership Cabinet, The Wexner Heritage Foundation, the JCCA Biennial Conference and the General Assembly of UJC. He is currently Scholar-in-Residence of the JCC on the Palisades.

Rabbi Kimmelman is widely published in scholarly and popular journals covering areas of Bible, history, ethics, *continued on page 3*

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From the Youth Department

By Ilana Burgess

Hebrew School life has been very busy these past few months. Students learned about the High Holidays and about the holiday of Sukkot. We were successful in fulfilling the mitzvot of decorating and learning in the sukkah, but a wind-storm changed our plans for celebration and dining in the sukkah. We moved our celebration indoors to the social hall and students, teachers and parents enjoyed dancing, singing, and listening to stories.

At the end of October, we held an open house for our parents. First, I met with parents and we talked about curricula, special programs, and special events planned for the year. Then, parents met with their children's teachers for a more specific overview of the grade-level curriculum. We realized that we all have the same goals and that the children's education comes first.

At the beginning of November, on Shabbat Lech Lecha, we held a teen minyan and Shabbat lunch. We

discussed the *parsha* (Torah portion of the week) and what we can learn from the *Tanach* (Bible) that we can apply to our everyday lives. The discussion continued over lunch, and as the parents came to pick up their teens they joined our conversation. We talked about Abraham's behavior in his relationship with God as compared with his behavior toward his family and others. The students enjoyed more sophisticated *drash* (interpretation) on Torah than they were familiar with from their Hebrew school experience.

As we plan for the future, we would like to expand our library and our technical capabilities. The Isaac family has generously donated video equipment that will enable us to play Israeli videos as well as domestic system videos. We are in need of a printer, a copier and scanner, preferably all in one. Also, if you have any gently used Jewish books, CDs, videos or DVDs that your family has outgrown, we will gladly accept them as donations.

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. If possible, digital images should be high-resolution files at 300 dpi.

In order for our newsletter to maintain a bimonthly schedule, all articles must be received six weeks before the issue date. The deadline for the March/April 2004 issue is Wednesday, January 28th.

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

EMILY BRAUN

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In 2002-03, she was the Mel and Lois Tukman Fellow of the New York Public Library's Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers.

Professor Braun has authored, co-authored and edited several books, including *Mario Sironi and Italian Modernism: Art and Politics under Fascism*; *Thomas Hart Benton: The America Today Murals*; *From Manet to Matisse: The Hillman Family Collection*;

and *Italian Art in the 20th Century*.

Most recently she has published exhibition catalogue essays on Gustav Klimt, Cubism and Futurism, Amedeo Modigliani and Sol LeWitt. Dr. Braun is also curator of the Leonard A. Lauder Collection and the Alex Hillman Family Foundation Collection.

This program promises to be exciting, enlightening and exotic. Lunch reservations are required. Please use the reservation form on page 11. *Child care will be available.*

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TU B'SHEVAT: *The Beginning of the Beginning*

By Ron Meyers

The old man planted a carob tree, knowing perfectly well that it would not bear fruit in what little remained of his lifetime. When his neighbor asked why, he said that he was planting for the next generation, just as previous generations had planted for him. And from this we are reminded of the precept from Pirkei Avot, "It is not your duty to finish the work, but you are not free to ignore it."

Planting a tree is an act of faith, a beginning whose end is at the distant limits of our vision. To celebrate trees in the middle of the winter is just as distant a vision. At this time of year, we are not yet experiencing the renewal of the agricultural cycle. But we know that very deeply, the trees

are emerging from dormancy and the possibility of growth is returning. It is not yet the beginning, but it is the beginning of the beginning.

Just as every achievement has a beginning, every beginning has itself a beginning—an imperceptible first movement towards a far-off goal. And such beginnings are everywhere. We have all heard of how a butterfly's wings may stir up a storm across the globe. Almost any event may be the beginning of something. Tu B'Shevat invites us to imagine the world of possibilities that may flow from our smallest acts in the cold, dark winter. Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees, occurs this year on February 7, 2004.

OZY SERVICES

Each Shabbat, we have three different grade-level services:

Infant through Kindergarten
 11:00 a.m. to noon

Alef Bet Corner
 1st through 3rd grades
 10:00 a.m. to noon

Junior Congregation
 4th through 6th grades
 10:00 a.m. to noon

Each month, we have a special Hebrew School Shabbat service, which all Hebrew School students in the 3rd through 6th grades are encouraged to attend. Students from other schools are welcome as well.

The next Hebrew School Shabbat services will take place on Saturday, January 24th and February 28th.

REUVEN KIMMELMAN

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liturgy and current affairs. He is the author of *The Mystical Meaning of Lekhah Dodi and Kabbalat Shabbat* (in Hebrew). He is currently writing two books: one focuses on the meaning and history of Jewish prayer and the other discusses terrorism, war, democracy and other issues in the Jewish ethics of power.

Following Kabbalat Shabbat services, which will begin at 4:59 p.m. on February 6th, Rabbi Kimmelman will discuss "The Erotic and the

Mystical: The Case of Lekhah Dodi." During lunch immediately following Shabbat morning services on February 7th, the focus of his talk will be "The Origin and the Meaning of the Blessing—Its Implications for a Jewish Philosophy of Pleasure." Our scholar will then share his thoughts on "Why is Divine Sovereignty the Central Affirmation of the Jewish Liturgy" at Seudah Shlishit.

Reservations are required for Friday evening dinner and Saturday lunch. Please use the registration form on page 11. *Child care will be available.*

Keep us up to date. Call Lidiya at 212-452-2310 x10 if there is an illness in your family or to share your family's good news, such as births and marriages. Also, be sure the office has your current address and phone numbers.

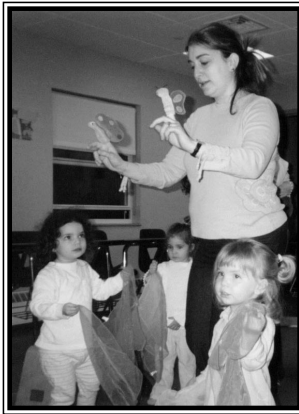
Calanit

By Meredith Katz

“*A chat, Shtayim, Shalosh, Tayshah, Esser!*” My two-year-old counts in Hebrew the same way she counts in English: with great enthusiasm! Hebrew numbers, parts of the body and names of animals are just some of the content explored through music and games by the newest and youngest group of Or Zarua students, the toddlers of the Calanit program.

Calanit is named for a beautiful, protected, dark-red Israeli wild flower which grows in the spring after the winter rain. Many pre-schools in Israel are named after flowers. Our Calanit program is run by Tania Goldreich, an experienced early-childhood educator who devel-

oped the original Or Zarua Shabbat class for the under-five age group. In the classes I observed, she led the children as they sang about Old MacDonald’s friend “Dod (Uncle Moshe)” and did the Hokey Pokey in Hebrew, very gradually adding new words to their growing vocabulary.



Teacher Tania Goldreich leads Hannah Merczynski-Hait (left), Elsie Moche and Esther Katz in songs and dances.

She taught them about Hanukkah through art and music and rounded off each class with a snack preceded by the appropriate *brachot*.

We are very excited that Calanit will continue this winter. Classes will be held on Wednesday mornings from 10:30-11:20, from January 14th through March 31st. Children must be between 18 and 36 months old to partic-

ipate and must be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or caregiver. Please contact Ilana Burgess at 212-452-2310 x15 for more information.

“Precious Legacy” Exhibition Planned

We are planning to organize an exhibition of objects and memorabilia of Jewish significance gathered from our own members. Although these objects may have little intrinsic value, they comprise our own “precious legacy” because they have been passed down in families or are associated with meaningful events. The exhibition will be a wonderful way to share family stories from within our own community.

We are asking Congregants to offer items with interesting histories and to help collect and write about the objects. Please contact Bobbi Coller at 212-987-2067 if you have something that you would like to exhibit or if you would like to work on this project.

MAKE LAUGHTER AND FRIENDS AT PURIM SPIEL

First Rehearsal

Sunday, January 4th, 10 a.m.

Second Rehearsal

Thursday, January 8th, 7 p.m.

We need *everyone* there from the beginning, so be sure to come to Or Zarua, 127 East 82nd Street!

- actors • singers • narrators
- schlepers • directors • producers
- designers • stage hands • ushers
- fun-loving kids & adults •

Please pass this announcement on to your friends and fellow OZ’ers. RSVP to our producer, Barbara Sassoon, at barbdee@aol.com.

TODDLERS’ SUKKOT CELEBRATION



Over 50 Or Zarua children and their parents gathered in our sukkah on Hol Hamoed Sukkot to celebrate the holiday with a musical program featuring Jonathan Bayer. Nancy Wolfson Moche organized this first family event for pre-schoolers. Children sang, danced, made musical instruments, and enjoyed a pizza lunch with their parents. Watch for similar events for pre-school children later this year.

The Beauty of Kabbalat Shabbat

By Aaron Shelden

Have you been to Congregation Or Zarua's Friday Night Services? I started attending regularly four-and-a-half years ago when I was saying Kaddish for my mother, of blessed memory. I found the peacefulness, warmth and community very gratifying. I have continued to attend Kabbalat Shabbat services, although, admittedly, not often enough. But every time I do attend, I am reminded of how special it continues to be. Starting with minhah services, you

begin to get in the mood. Following minhah, Rabbi Wechsler teaches for a few minutes relating to Shabbat. Then, the Congregation moves into the wonderfully spiritual and inspirational singing for Kabbalat Shabbat. The words uplift. The music ascends. And you start Shabbat on a high note. Here, in your communal home, you readjust your psyche so that, when you return to your family home, you are already enriched by the beauty of Shabbat.

Our Friday Night Services have begun to take off, with more and more people finding the pleasure of this experience for themselves—including many new faces who have come to explore the Or Zarua experience. It's amazing how many of these people tell us that they feel at home here! Why not start the feeling every Friday night at candlelighting time? Come think, study, participate, make new friends, feel renewed. Call 212-452-2310 x42 for service times. Join us, feel at home.

SUNDAY MINYAN PROGRAMS

January 11th

Schoenberg/Kandinsky Exhibit

Following the 8:45 a.m. minyan and 9:25 a.m. traditional breakfast, meet at The Jewish Museum at 11:00 a.m. (92nd Street at Fifth Avenue) to view the Schoenberg/Kandinsky Exhibit and tour the museum. The entrance fee is \$10 for non-members.

February 8th

OZ Family Fun at P.S. 6 Gym

Following the 8:45 a.m. minyan and 9:25 a.m. traditional breakfast, meet

at P.S. 6 at 10:30 a.m. (81st Street between Madison and Park Avenues) for OZ Family Fun at P.S. 6 Gym. A full or half basketball court is available. We must bring our own basketballs. Other gym space is also available to participants who bring their own volleyballs and nets; hockey sticks, pucks and nets; baseball tees, plastic baseballs and bats; kickballs, etc. P.S. 6 will provide a security person and restrooms. OZ has use of the gym from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATES

**FRIDAY,
MARCH 12TH**

Shabbat Across Or Zarua
Celebrate Shabbat at the homes of fellow OZ members

**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 24TH**

Happy Birthday, Or Zarua
Speaker: Norman Podhoretz

Or Zarua Super Bowl Party, February 1st

Come and enjoy the Super Bowl with your friends at Or Zarua. We are planning a party at the synagogue building with a "family atmosphere" and great Kosher food from Dougie's, including ribs, chili, grilled chicken salad, buffalo wings, dessert, and much more.

Minhah/Ma'ariv will be held at



4:45 p.m. in the sanctuary. The game should begin about 6:00 p.m. and will be shown on a "big screen" TV in the Social Hall. All are welcome. Voluntary contributions may be made to the Congregation's Minyan Fund.

Please RSVP by January 25th to Sheldon Adler at 212-735-2136 or by email at sadler@skadden.com.

HESED COMMITTEE

Israeli Night at Ronald McDonald House

On Tuesday, January 27th, Congregation Or Zarua will host its fourth annual dinner at the Ronald McDonald House, a residence for both American and foreign children who are in treatment for serious illnesses at local hospitals. The House, located at 405 E. 73rd Street, provides a warm, welcoming environment for families at a subsidized rate for as long as they need to reside.

Each year, Or Zarua hosts for House residents a joyous evening featuring an Israeli dinner buffet, folk dancing, and songs led by Congregation members. Volunteers are needed for this truly special evening. You can help the Or Zarua Hesed Committee by:

- Donating kosher desserts (to be dropped off at the House on January 27th by 5:30 p.m., although alternative arrangements can be made)
- Assisting with set-up and decorations from 5:15 p.m.
- Serving food from 6:00 p.m.
- Cleaning up from 7:00 p.m.
- Helping to lead singing and/or folk dancing from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To help or to ask questions, please call Stephanie Failla at 212-472-7506 (evenings) and 212-480-3111 (days). Please note that children under the age of 18 may not volunteer. Space is limited, so volunteers will join us on a first-come basis.

A Few Good People Needed

More than 60% of Or Zarua Congregants have already contributed to the Annual Kol Nidre Appeal. This is a great start towards our goal of 100% participation. However, just as Or Zarua relies on the financial generosity of its members to sustain our community, we also rely on the generosity of our members' time. Please let us know in which of the following ways you are interested in helping the community:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hesed Committee (acts of kindness for the ill and needy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chanting Torah or Haftarah | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen Programming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hevra Kadisha (supporting mourners) | <input type="checkbox"/> Leading davening | <input type="checkbox"/> Hebrew School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Book Discussion Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushering at Shabbat services | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosting a Shabbat meal at home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending Morning Minyan | <input type="checkbox"/> Visiting the elderly or ill | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosting a Pesah seder at home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending Friday Night Kabbalat Shabbat services | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Congregational special events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending Sunday Minyan | <input type="checkbox"/> Israel Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Helping in the synagogue office with mailings |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Drive blood donation | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Programming (pre-school age children) | |

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Please send completed form or fax to:

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FEBRUARY 29, 2004

Second Annual Or Zarua Blood Drive

Last year, Or Zarua's first annual Blood Drive was a fantastic success, with almost 40 pints collected! This year our goal is to do even better, collecting at least 50 pints and doubling our registrations for the national Bone Marrow Donor Registry. Or Zarua's second annual Blood Drive will be held at the synagogue on Sunday, February 29, 2004 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., following morning minyan. Activities will be offered for children while their parents donate, including making sandwiches for distribution to the homeless. Refreshments also will be provided.

Many people ask why blood donation is so important. Here are a few facts:

- 9 in 10 people need a blood transfusion at some point in their lives.
- 1 in 10 hospital patients need a transfusion—an average of 3 pints!
- One donated pint is often broken into blood components and can be used to help many different people.
- Donated blood is used to help

patients with a wide variety of conditions and is critical to patients who need surgery.

Who can give? Just about everyone who is at least 17 years old and weighs at least 110 pounds can be a blood donor. (If you are over 75, bring a letter from your doctor.) If you have spent a significant amount of time overseas in the past few years, you may want to double check before making an appointment. Otherwise, it is very likely that you can be a donor.

As in last year's Blood Drive, you can choose to register in the Bone Marrow Donor Registry of the National Marrow Donor Program, a national network of medical organizations that identifies potential bone marrow donors around the country and matches donors with patients who might be treated with a bone marrow transplant. While the odds of matching are low, many patients are successfully treated for leukemia and other diseases with bone marrow transplants. Jews in particular are



Sally Dwek gave at the synagogue in support of last year's Blood Drive.

needed as potential donors because of the likelihood that they will be a close match for other Jews with similar ancestry. Registering requires a simple blood test and takes just a few minutes, so even if you do not wish to donate blood, please consider participating in the Bone Marrow Donor Registry.

This year we are seeking at least 65 potential donors in order to reach our goal of 50 pints collected. Please sign up and bring your friends and family members to donate as well. For more information or to make an appointment to donate, or if you would like to help at this important event (you don't have to donate to volunteer!) please contact James Rothman at 212-472-1739 or jarohtman@yahoo.com.

Although the collection of blood is free, each bone marrow registry costs about \$25. Please consider making a donation to Or Zarua's Hessed Fund to support this effort and other programs that help our community.

Clean Out Your Bathroom Cabinets!

You know those little bottles of shampoo and lotion that you can't resist taking home from hotels (admit it, you've saved a few)? Well, it's time to part with your mini-bottle stash! Please donate toiletries (small bottles of shampoo, conditioner, lotion; bars of soap; toothbrushes and toothpaste) for distribution to the homeless. One of the activities for children to be offered during the Or Zarua Blood Drive will include preparing brown bags with meals and toiletries for those in need. Drop your donations in the collection boxes on the sixth floor or in the social hall during the month of February.

THE OR ZARUA COMMUNITY

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Leslie Berger & Kenneth Drucker, on the arrival of their daughter, Bella Ying Shuai Drucker
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 Alain & Ellen Roizen

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Our deepest sympathy to:
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 David Silver, on the death of his father, Maurice Silver

Tom Tisch, on the death of his father, Laurence Tisch
 Family of Vicki Wimpfheimer
May they and their loved ones be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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Saturday, January 10th, immediately following Shabbat Services,
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Shabbat Dinner, Friday, February 6th and Shabbat Lunch, Saturday, February 7th,
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OZ Book Discussion

Please join our January 25th book discussion, "Two Viewpoints on Israel Today: *Home To Stay* by Rabbi Daniel Gordis and *The Case for Israel* by Professor Alan Dershowitz." *Home To Stay* draws on e-mails Rabbi Gordis sent from Jerusalem to his friends and family in the States from 1998 to 2002, reacting to his family's new life in Israel and the worsening situation there. *The Case for Israel* is Professor Dershowitz's well-received, hard-hitting refutation of anti-Israel propaganda. Read one or both; then come learn and share



insights with other Congregants.

We will meet in the Or Zarua library on the 4th floor on Sunday, January 25th at 7:30 p.m., followed by light refreshments. All

Congregants and their guests are welcome.

Please mark your calendar also for the next gathering on Sunday evening, March 14th. If you have a book recommendation for us, want to be added

to our list for e-mail notices, or have questions about our book discussions, contact Reed Schneider at 212-860-8611 or arlm1199@aol.com.

HEVRA KADISHA MEETING AND ZAYIN ADAR DINNER

Plan to attend a Hevra Kadisha meeting on Tuesday, January 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the synagogue. Sarah Jacobs, a founding member of the Hevra Kadisha at Anshe Chesed, will share her experiences with our group.

On Sunday, February 29th, the Hevra Kadisha will celebrate its work within the community at its annual Zayin Adar dinner, commemorating the yahrzeit of Moses. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to 212-452-2310 x39.

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