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## Rabbi David Golinkin, Scholar-in-Residence November 5 and 6, 2004



On November 5 and 6, Rabbi Professor David Golinkin will join us for a Shabbat of study on the theme of

### Conservative Halakhah in Israel Today.

At dinner following Friday night services, Rabbi Golinkin will discuss **How Are These Responsa Different from All Other Responsa? The Responsa of the Vaad Halacha of the Rabbinical Assembly of Israel.** During Saturday morning services, the rabbi's topic will be **The Struggle on Behalf of Agunot in Israel Today.** At lunch following Saturday morning services,

the topic will be **The Redemption of Captives: How Far Should Israel Go?**

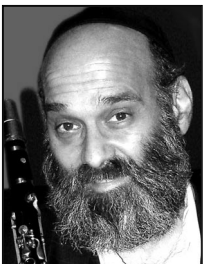
A major rabbinic scholar, Rabbi David Golinkin is former Dean of the Rabbinical School at the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem. He is currently Professor of Jewish Law at the institute and has served as its president since July, 2000. Rabbi Golinkin is also chairman of the Jewish Law Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly of Israel, which writes responsa and gives halakhic guidance to the Masorti (Conservative) Movement, and he is Director of the Schechter Institute's Center for Women in Jewish Law, whose goal is to find halakhic solutions for *agunot* ("chained women") who are unable to

obtain a *get* from their husbands.

Rabbi Golinkin is the author and editor of eighteen books and over one hundred forty articles, responsa and sermons. Central themes of the rabbi's work have been questions of women and Jewish law, Jewish medical ethics, Shabbat, the State of Israel, Jerusalem, and prayer. Rabbi Golinkin has offered new interpretations showing how Jewish law can be observed in contemporary society.

Reservations are essential for Friday evening dinner and Saturday lunch. The cost is \$25 per person for each meal. To reserve a seat, please mail a check to the synagogue by November 2, call 212-452-2310 (ext. 39) or visit [www.orzarua.org](http://www.orzarua.org).

## HANUKKAH WITH THE ANDY STATMAN TRIO



We are pleased to announce that the Andy Statman Trio will be performing at Or Zarua on Saturday evening,

December 11. Those of you who heard Chaim Dovid last year know that he transformed the sanctuary. The Andy Statman Trio, with Jim Whitney on

bass and Larry Eagle on percussion, is certain to do the same.

Virtuoso Andy Statman has worn many hats—he has collaborated with everyone from Itzhak Perlman to David Grisman to Bob Dylan. You might first have heard him as a wizard on the mandolin during the "new-grass" movement. He went on to master the clarinet as a protege of klezmer clarinetist David Tarras and to become

a driving force in the resurgence of klezmer, hailed as "the John Coltrane of klezmer" for his jazz improvisations.

But anyone wondering whether he will be playing bluegrass or klezmer on December 11 will be in for a surprise, because his music has evolved to encompass these and many more genres: niggunim, blues, jazz, world music. He has gone back to the

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# YOUTH EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

By *Ilana Burgess*

During the first two weeks of the school year, students participated in many activities. We started by learning about the High Holy Days, eating apples and honey, decorating the sukkah, and having dinner in the sukkah.

One of our most memorable programs was the fifth-grade field trip to Central Park on September 21, where we learned about the migration of the monarch butterfly. It was a beautiful afternoon and the students enjoyed being outside of the classroom. We met Mr. and Mrs. Stadin at Belvedere Castle, where Mr. Stadin explained the life cycle of the butterfly. We heard how this little "bug," with the help of G-d, travels three thousand miles to Mexico and returns at the

end of winter. Many students thought that the most exciting activity was blowing the shofar in a natural setting, as our ancestors did many years ago.

Here is how a few students reviewed the trip:

Anna Brenner: "I never knew that every year a new generation of butterflies migrates from Canada to Mexico. I wonder how they know where to go."

Devin Kreitman: "I enjoyed seeing the caterpillar."

Adrianna Sisley: "I loved to listen to the shofar."

Ortal Issac: "I loved hearing the shofar, learning about the monarch butterfly, and seeing it fly away."

Elliot Rapaport: "I think blowing the shofar in the park was really fun."

## Editor's Note

The Congregation Or Zarua Newsletter welcomes articles submitted by Congregants. Please email your text and/or images to the office at [admin@orzarua.org](mailto:admin@orzarua.org), both as an attachment and as part of the message. We may edit your article for length and clarity. If possible, digital images should be high-resolution files at 300 dpi.

Please submit your text and/or images for the January/February 2005 issue by Monday, November 22.

## Hebrew School Events

### NOVEMBER 2004

- Saturday, November 6** Hebrew School Shabbat Class, 10:00 a.m.
- Saturday, November 13** Teen Minyan and Lunch, 10:00 a.m.
- Friday, November 19** Sixth Grade Dinner (*following services*)
- Wednesday/Thursday, November 24-25** Thanksgiving (*no classes*)

### DECEMBER 2004

- Saturday, December 4** Hebrew School Shabbat Class, 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 8** Hebrew School Hanukkah Party, 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, December 9** Hebrew School Hanukkah Party, 5:00 p.m.
- Friday, December 10** Family Hanukkah Dinner, 5:45 p.m.
- Monday, December 20** Winter Vacation (*no classes*)

**Keep us up to date.** Please make sure that we have your current mailing address and phone numbers as well as your email address, so we can send you our weekly email alerts. Call Lidiya at 212-452-2310 (ext. 10) to update this information, share your family's good news (such as births and marriages), and make known an illness in your family.



**Fifth-Grade Field Trip to Central Park.** Clockwise from upper left: A mariachi band bids farewell to the butterflies migrating to Mexico; Ilana Burgess explains the connection between the butterfly migration and Rosh Hashanah; Daniel Norflus (left), Daniel Wolf, Anna Brenner, Devin Kreitman, Jeremy Klapper, Elliot Rapaport, Adrianna Sisley and Ortal Isaac learn about the life cycle of the monarch butterfly; and Richard Stadin instructs Anna Brenner in blowing the shofar.

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**ANDY STATMAN**

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Hasidic origins of klezmer, exploring the link between spiritual awareness and melody in his own adventurous improvisational fashion. Statman is impossible to pin down. In an article in *The Forward* earlier this year, Jon Kalish quoted a friend as saying that Statman has “big ears...he’s interested in everything and ultimately it all finds a place in his own music.”

The concert will begin at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. We will be advertising this concert to the public, but we want to make sure that our members have first rights to tickets. To reserve seats, call 212-452-3210 (ext. 39) or visit [www.orzarua.org](http://www.orzarua.org).

**Special Meals with OZ Congregants**

**SHABBAT DINNER WITH RABBI GOLINKIN**

**Erev Shabbat, Friday, November 5**  
*Services begin at 4:30 p.m., Dinner at 6:00 p.m.*

**SHABBAT LUNCH WITH RABBI GOLINKIN**

**Saturday, November 6**  
*Immediately following services*

**OZ ANNUAL HANUKKAH DINNER**

**Erev Shabbat, Friday, December 10**  
*Services begin at 4:10 p.m., Dinner at 5:45 p.m.*

**Reservations for all events are essential.**

*\$25 adults; \$15 children (ages 5-12); under age 5, no charge*

RSVP: Tel 212-452-2310 (ext. 39) / Fax 212-452-2301 / [www.orzarua.org](http://www.orzarua.org)

# HESED COMMITTEE

## Celebrate Hanukkah with Two Programs

### Join DOROT and Or Zarua

Bring the joyous lights of Hanukkah into the homes of senior citizens on the Upper East Side by joining DOROT's holiday food package delivery on Sunday, December 12. Help put a smile on their faces. The time commitment is just two hours, but the memories will be long-lasting for you and for them. After a brief orientation, you will be off to visit a senior with a package of goodies in hand. Participants of all ages are welcome—this is a wonderful family activity! DOROT will provide fun holiday craft activities for children during or after the visit. *To join us on December 12, please contact Aaron Shelden at 212-734-4004 or ashelden@aol.com*

### Or Zarua's Second Hanukkah Toy Drive

Or Zarua is hosting its second Hanukkah toy drive from November 15 to December 3. Gifts will be distributed by the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty to children in hospitals and to those in low-income families throughout New York City. Please bring new, unwrapped gifts

to the collection boxes both in the social hall and on the sixth floor. Educational toys and books are especially welcome. *Contact Susan Sussman at 212-879-6889 or smsussman@aol.com with any questions.*

### Israeli Night at Ronald McDonald House

On Thursday, January 27, Or Zarua will host its annual "Israeli Night" at the Ronald McDonald House at 405 East 73rd Street, a residence for children in treatment for serious illnesses at local hospitals. The Hesed Committee needs about ten volunteers to provide kosher desserts and to help serve an Israeli buffet to the children and their families. This wonderful evening features folk dancing and music by OZ members. It is an opportunity to interact with young patients and their families from all over the world. Israeli Night provides dinner for these families, as well as a welcome distraction from illness. If you are unable to volunteer, please drop off a dessert at the House on January 27 by 6:00 p.m. *Contact Stephanie Failla at 212-480-3111 (days) or 212-472-7506 (evenings) for information or to volunteer.*

### Or Zarua Blood Drive and Children's Hesed Activities

Take a leap and sign up for the Or Zarua blood drive on Sunday, February 13. The drive will start after morning Minyan. We will serve brunch and offer children's activities. *To volunteer assistance or to donate, please contact James Rothman at 212-472-1739 or jarothman@yahoo.com.*

For more information about Or Zarua's Hesed Committee, please contact Lesley Palmer at 212-772-9673 (evenings) or 212-282-4190 (days) or Lesley@nyc.rr.com. Your donations to the Hesed Fund sustain these and other activities, such as the Monday night meal serving for the Neighborhood Coalition for Shelter's residence on 81st Street. *Please donate!*



### DOROT Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery on September 12.

*Back row, left to right: Gerry Solomon, Phyllis Solomon, Mina Greenstein, Aaron Shelden. Front row, left to right: Lesley Palmer, Joan Schulick, Michaela Palmer, Bilha Goodman, Diane Okrent, Carla Glasser and Juliana Glasser.*

# Or Zarua Book Discussion FAQs

**H**ere are answers to some frequently asked questions about book discussions at Or Zarua:

## Where are the meetings?

We meet in Or Zarua's library on the fourth floor of our building at 127 East 82nd Street.

## When?

We meet on Sunday evenings at 7:30. We break at about 9:00 for a cup of decaf and a nosh together.

## Can you be more specific about the nosh?

Our snacks vary according to the choice of the evening's hospitality volunteer.

## What is the next book?

On December 5 we are discussing the debut novel, *In the Image*, by a wonderful young writer, Dara Horn. Thane Rosenbaum writes that the book is a "tender and touching story of vanished worlds and recovered lives." Martha Mendelsohn will lead our discussion.

## Does the same person lead all the time?

Participants rotate in leading our discussions, so if you have expertise to share or an interest in a particular book, let us know.

## I cannot come in December. What's after that?

On January 23, 2005, we will discuss the well-received new novel, *The Liberated Bride*, by the Israeli author A. B. Yehoshua.

## How do you pick books to read?

Participants select the books based on recommendations and published reviews. We look for fiction and nonfiction volumes on issues of concern to the contemporary Jewish community. We welcome books authored by members of Or Zarua.

## Can I come even though I have not finished or started the book?

We'd be glad to have you and your guests join us. There are no grades. For anyone reluctant to show up without doing the reading, on March 6, Michael Terry, Chief of the Dorot Jewish Division of the New York Public Library, will tell us about the library's extraordinary exhibition of historical documents celebrating three hundred fifty years of Jewish presence in New York. A book is not assigned.

## Is there anyone I can call with other questions?

Call Reed Schneider at 212-860-8611 or email arlm1199@aol.com.

## WWW.ORZARUA.ORG

*Or Zarua is only a click away!*

**O**ur new website is a great resource both for existing and prospective members.

Use [www.orzarua.org](http://www.orzarua.org) to:

- View our calendar and check service times
- Sign up for events
- Make donations on-line
- Learn about educational programs for adults and for children
- Keep informed about our Congregation

## DO YOU ENJOY SINGING ISRAELI SONGS?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN MORE ISRAELI SONGS?

CAN YOU SHARE SOME SONGS WITH OTHERS?

DO YOU SENSE A NEED FOR MORE MUSIC IN YOUR LIFE,  
BUT DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO?

## COME JOIN US AT OR ZARUA'S NEW HEVRAT ZEMER!

WE WILL MEET ONCE A MONTH AT OR ZARUA.

FIRST MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, AT 7:30 P.M.

*Nashir! Let's sing for the joy of it! And remember how much fun that is!  
Please bring any instruments that would enhance our singing.*

## AND ABOVE ALL, BRING YOURSELVES!

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS? CONFLICTS?

Contact Johanna Kaplan at 212-362-9032 or email [jkaplan37@nyc.rr.com](mailto:jkaplan37@nyc.rr.com)  
or Yaakov Shechter at 212-570-9413 or email [yaakovs@verizon.net](mailto:yaakovs@verizon.net)

# OUR PRECIOUS LEGACY: *Treasured Objects from Or Zarua Families*

EXHIBITION PREMIERS DECEMBER 16

By Phyllis C. Solomon

Come and hear Hazzan Julius Goldberg chant Kol Nidre and other Jewish melodies—such was the enticement of the Yiddish-language poster displayed in Rochester, New York, over eighty years ago. One huge pair of tailor's scissors and a set of well-worn tefillin, used by the Jewish tailor in Russia who cut cloth for the czar's army uniforms a hundred years ago. An original deed for "one square foot of land for the first seat on the left side of the Western Wall in the synagogue in Revere, Massachusetts," dated July, 1928. A kiddush cup, a spice box, and havdalah candleholders—items given as gifts for the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bober in 1918. Treasured items all, and but a few of the items donated by twenty-four Or Zarua

families for exhibition when "Our Precious Legacy: Treasured Objects from Or Zarua Families" goes on display in the synagogue's social hall beginning December 16, 2004.

From religious objects to the worlds of music and art to sepia-toned photographs to legal documents, these items are priceless to our Congregation. Many of the artifacts are linked with meaningful events in the lives of our ancestors.

The 1920s poster for Julius Goldberg advertises the talents of Or Zarua member Susan Kopelowitz's grandfather. The pair of scissors was a tool of the trade for Richard Stadin's grandfather. The deed was purchased by Marilyn Shapiro's grandfather, who was the synagogue's builder. The anniversary gifts were presented

to the great-grandparents of Herb Lukashok.

Under the leadership of Dr. Bobbi Collier, volunteer committee members have interviewed the donors to learn the history of the articles and how they arrived in our community. These family histories will be an integral part of the presentation.

The exhibition coincides with the three hundred fiftieth anniversary celebration of the first Jewish settlers' arrival in America. Accordingly, the committee has planned a lecture at a Shabbat dinner on February 11, 2005, by a specialist in American Jewish history and immigration. "Our Precious Legacy: Treasured Objects From Or Zarua Families" will beautify our synagogue's social hall throughout the winter.

## THE MYSTICAL POWER OF MUSIC

featuring

**Rabbi Avraham Arie Trugman**

Monday, November 1, 7:30 p.m.

Rabbi Trugman will play the dulcimer and sing Reb Shlomo Carlebach's songs, as well as some of his own, to demonstrate the spiritual connection of music, song and prayer.

*OZ members are welcome to bring their friends to this exciting and spiritually uplifting program.*

## OZY SERVICES

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

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

**Alef Bet Corner**  
First through Third Grades  
10:00 a.m. to noon

**Junior Congregation**  
Fourth through Sixth Grades  
10:00 a.m. to noon

Each month during the school year, we have a special Hebrew School Shabbat service, which all Hebrew School students in the third through sixth grades are encouraged to attend. Students from other schools are welcome as well.

The next Hebrew School Shabbat Class will take place on Saturday, November 6.

# THE OR ZARUA COMMUNITY

## MAZAL TOV

Marsha and Craig Basson, on the birth of their daughter, Bayley Danielle  
 Ellen Donath, on Alexander's Bar Mitzvah  
 Jacqueline and Jason Friedland, on the birth of their son, Abraham  
 Pamela and Eric Fuchs, on Ariella's Bat Mitzvah  
 Jared Greisman and Beth Goldstein, on their marriage  
 Scott Lerner and Caroline Pearl, on their marriage  
 Susan Lorin and Martin Kupferberg, on Sam's Bar Mitzvah  
 Chaya Moskowitz and Edward Manning, on their marriage  
 Ellen and Zion Ozeri, on the marriage of Ellen's daughter, Gabrielle Robin Markowitz, to Yoel Leinwand  
 Laurie and David Pauker, on Michael's Bar Mitzvah  
 Fredda Plesser and Andrew Turtel, on the birth of their daughter, Micole Sydney Plesser Turtel  
 Helene Ruddy, on the marriage of her son, Jeffrey, to Karen Davidson  
 Barbara Scott and Jonathan Bromberg, on Alexander's Bar Mitzvah  
 Lidiya and David Yunatanov, on the birth of their daughter, Liora

## NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to:  
 Edna and Isidoro Aizenberg  
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 Beatrice and Ohad Niv  
 Fredda Plesser and Andrew Turtel  
 Ruth and Michael Sherman  
 Shirley and Sidney Stillman  
 Lara Zises

## CONDOLENCES

*Our deepest sympathy to:*  
 Mordecai Kraushar, on the death of his father, Abraham  
 Judy Lewis, on the death of her mother, Pearl Putterman  
 Liz Neumark and Chaim Wachsberger, on the death of their daughter, Sylvia  
 Marcella Rosen, on the death of her husband, David Sacks  
 Helene Wolff, on the death of her mother, Jennie Simon  
*May they and their loved ones be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.*

## CONTRIBUTIONS

*All contributions listed were received between August 1, 2004 and September 30, 2004. Capital Campaign contributions are not listed.*

## DESIGNATED SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND

Pamela and Mark Gold, in memory of Mark's mother, Ruth Gold  
 Evelyn Kenvin and Arthur Rosenbloom

## KIDDUSH FUND

Joanne and Marc Ashley, in honor of their 13th anniversary  
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 Judith and Herb Lukashok, in memory of Judith's parents, Martha and Abraham Berg, on their yahrzeit  
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 Barbara Scott and Jonathan Bromberg, in honor of Alex's Bar Mitzvah

Sharon Seiler and Charlie Spielholz, in honor of Talia's 7th birthday and in honor of their 12th anniversary  
 Abby and Philip Thomas, in honor of Lev's 12th birthday  
 Naomi Friedland-Wechsler and Rabbi Harlan J. Wechsler, in honor of Tzali and Hannah Leah

## GENERAL FUND

Marcel and Sheldon Adler, in honor of Mariel Schneider's Bat Mitzvah  
 Willi and Arthur Aeder, in honor of Pat and Alan Davidson's 50th anniversary  
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 Judith Kuttler, in honor of Pat and Alan Davidson's 50th anniversary  
 Judith and David Lewittes, in memory of Isaac Axenzow, on his yahrzeit  
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 Jacob Oberman, in honor of Pat and Alan Davidson's 50th anniversary  
 Laura Resnikoff, for the good health of Alan Nadel; congratulations to Paul Glasserman upon his appointment to Vice Dean; many good wishes to Beth Goldstein and Jared Greisman upon their engagement; thanks to the Kenvin/Rosenbloom family; in celebration

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of many wonderful years to Alan and Pat Davidson; condolences to Helene Wolff; and thank you for the Rosh Hashanah aliyah Leona and Neil Schluger, in celebration of Hannah Leah's marriage  
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 Pearl and Owen Pell, in memory of Pearl's mother, Lillian Serill  
 Susan and Andrew Plevin, in memory of Susan's mother, Nancy Steinthal, on her *yahrzeit*  
 Marilyn Pomerance, in honor of Janet and Simon Katz's 50th anniversary  
 Vera and Robert Silver, in memory of their daughter, Ruach, and in honor of Hannah Leah's marriage  
 Robyn and Bruce Silverman, in honor their anniversary and Robyn's conversion

## KOL NIDRE APPEAL

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# HANUKKAH: EIGHT DAYS, ONE PEOPLE

By Ron Meyers

What better way to celebrate a big event than to keep on celebrating? We often extend the joy of a wedding with sheva-brachot dinners; on Hanukkah we light candles and more candles, creating more and more light each day. The rededication of the Temple in 165 B.C.E. after its desecration by the Syrians was an event that surely merits such an abundance of festivity.

One of the only other events to rival the celebration of the rededication was the original dedication of the Tabernacle, our ancestors' mobile Temple in the wilderness, when each of the twelve tribes took a day to

present a lavish array of gifts. We read of that dedication throughout Hanukkah, starting each day's reading, in the playful mood of the holiday, with the corresponding day in the Tabernacle story.

But there is a serious core to the levity of Hanukkah, which is underscored by this reading. The twelve days of dedication were a moment of uncommon unity amongst the twelve tribes, much as the reclaimed Temple of Hanukkah was a center of Jewish unity amid the threat of dispersion and exile. *Hinei ma-tov u-ma naim, shevet achim gam yachad.* How fine and pleasant it is for brothers and

sisters to come together in harmony. That really is something to celebrate.

We light the first candle this year on December 7 at the right-hand end of the menorah, placing our candles each night from right to left, and lighting them from left to right.

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