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Passover, known in Hebrew as Pesah (פסח) or Hag Ha'Aviv ("Spring Festival") begins this year on Friday evening, April 14th. The first Seder will take place on Friday night. Or Zarua will hold a congregational Seder, by

advance reservation only, on the second night of Passover at the Ramaz Lower School, 125 East 85th Street, between Lexington and Park Avenues.

Or Zarua will hold Passover services on Yom Tov evenings, Friday night, April 14th at 6 p.m., Saturday night April 15th at 7 p.m., Thursday night April 20th at 6 p.m. and Friday night April 21st at 6 p.m.; in addition to 9 a.m. morning services on Saturday, April 15th, Sunday, April 16th, Friday, April 21st and Saturday, April 22nd. *Yizkor* memorial services are recited and the Song of Songs is read at services on Saturday, April 22nd.

An eight day holiday, Passover celebrates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt, as related in the Book of Shemot (שמות or "Exodus"), the second of the five books of the Torah. In the story of the exodus, God "passed over" the houses of the children of Israel on the night the firstborn of the Egyptians were smitten, the last of the ten plagues. The doorposts of the Israelites had been marked with the blood of the lamb Moses had ordered them to sacrifice. On the following morning, the Israelites left Egypt in a hurry, and did not have time to allow the dough to rise. On that account, *Matzah* (מצה unleavened bread) is eaten on Passover. Bitter herbs,

School News

The Hebrew School classes have been busy since the last edition of the Newsletter. All of the classes participated in the Tu B'Shevat Seder in honor of the holiday and tasted from the three different kinds of fruits (fruits that are edible outside but not inside -- plum; fruits that are edible inside, but not outside -- banana; and fruits that are entirely edible -- grape).

All classes were also recently visited by Rabbi Wechsler. Rabbi Wechsler brought his tefilin and talit to show the Bet class; he spoke with the Dalet

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Adult Education News

Talmud Class

The regular class in Talmud, taught by Rabbi Wechsler, meets every Wednesday evening from 8 to 9:30 p.m. in the Or Zarua synagogue building at 127 East 82nd Street. This year, the subject of study is Tractate Berakhot, which examines the foundations of the prayer service. The Talmud class is free to all members of Or Zarua, and may be joined at any time. Knowledge of Hebrew or Aramaic is not required.

Professor Anne Lapidus Lerner to Lecture on the Poetry of Yehuda Amichai, Apr. 25 and May 1

Professor Anne Lapidus Lerner of The Jewish Theological Seminary, will deliver two lectures at Or Zarua this year about the poetry of Yehuda Amichai. The first lecture is on Tuesday, April 25th from 8-9:30 p.m. and the second lecture is on Monday, May 1st from 8-9:30 p.m. Both lectures will take place at the synagogue building, 127 East 82nd Street.

Transliterated Prayer Book Available

A transliterated version of the Siddur Sim Shalom is available for use at Shabbat morning service. Copies may also be purchased at the Or Zarua office, at a cost of \$10 each. Please call Enid Menzies at the Or Zarua office for further information.

מזל טוב

Mazal Tov To

Alan and Jinx Bandler, on the engagement of their daughter, **Susan**, to **Joel Korn**. The wedding is to take place this coming June.

Dina Evan, on the engagement of her son, **Fred Horowitz**, to **Arlene Saphier**. They'll wed on August 24th.

Miriam Keltz, on her marriage to **Bruce Pomeranz**

Mort and Evelyn Schwartz, on the March 5th birth of their grandson, **Jacob Aaron Zodikoff**. Parents are **Miriam** and **David Zodikoff**.

Herbert and Lorraine Shapiro, on the birth of their grandson, **Jonathan Chira Shapiro**.

Hinda and Don Sussman on the February 23rd birth, in Jerusalem, of their granddaughter, **Adva Mazal Aharoni**. Parents are **Sherri** and **Ben Aharoni**.

Alan Weick and Hong Peng, on the birth of their daughter, **Dina Shoshana**, on February 24, 1995.

Editor's Notice to our Readers

All articles and notices to be printed in the Newsletter must be submitted to me, Stephen A. Agus, editor, at least seven days in advance of the publication date. **The next publication date is June 1, 1995.** The full text of the article, if more than 100 words, should be delivered, preferably on 3.5" IBM formatted disk, ASCII text to me at 239 East 79th Street, Apartment 14-F. If a computer disk is not available, a clean, ribbon typed copy, suitable for scanning, may be substituted. Short notices may be faxed to me at 221-8237.

Calendar of Events and Candle Lighting Times

All Shabbat and festival morning services, *except as may be noted below*, are held promptly at 9:00 A.M. in the synagogue building, 127 East 82nd Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues. Friday and Yom Tov evening services are held at 6 p.m., except as may be indicated otherwise.

April, 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	שבת
					March 31 - Light candles at 6:01 p.m.	1 - Shabbat HaHodesh - Rosh Hodesh Nisan - Parashat Tazria
2	3	4 - Hebrew School trip to Matzah factory	5 - Talmud Class, 8-9:30 p.m.	6 - Hebrew for Beginners, synagogue, 7:45-9 p.m.	7 - Light candles 7:09 p.m. - Services at 6 p.m.	8 - Parashat Mezoza
9	10 - School Committee meeting, synagogue, 7:30 p.m.	11 - School family Passover celebration, synagogue, 4-6 p.m.	12 - Talmud Class, 8-9:30 p.m.	13 - Search for hametz in evening - Hebrew School vacation begins	14 - Erev Pesah - Shabbat and Siyum Beikhorim at 127 East 82nd Street, 7:30 a.m. - First Seder in evening - Light candles 7:16 p.m. - Evening services at 6 p.m.	15 - First Day Passover - Evening services, 7 p.m. - Second Seder in evening - Light candles 8:16 p.m. - Congregational Seder at Ramaz School, 125 East 85th Street, 8 p.m.
16 - Pesah, Second Day, Services at 127 East 82nd Street at 9 a.m.	17 - Pesah, Third Day - Hol Hamoad	18 - Pesah, Fourth Day - Hol Hamoad	19 - Pesah, Fifth Day - Hol Hamoad	20 - Pesah, Sixth Day Hol Hamoad - Light candles 7:22 p.m.	21 - Pesah, Seventh Day - Yom Tov services at 127 East 82nd Street at 9 a.m. - Light candles 7:23 p.m. - Services at 6 p.m.	22 - Last Day of Pesah - Yizkor recited - Shir Hashirim
23	24	25 - School classes resume - Prof. Anne Lapidus Lerner, Poetry of Yehuda Amichai, synagogue, 8-9:30 p.m.	26 - Yom HaShoah Service, synagogue, with Fanya Gottesfeld Heller, 8 p.m.	27	28 - Light candles 7:31 p.m. - Services at 6 p.m.	29 - Parashat Aharai, Mahar Hodesh - Shabbat Mevorkim HaHodesh
30 - Rosh Hodesh Iyar, First Day - Book Club meeting at home of Helen and Roger Ferst, 345 E. 81st						

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May, 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	שבת
	1 - Rosh Hodesh Iyar, Second Day - Prof. Anne Lapidus Lerner, The Poetry of Yehuda Amichai, synagogue, 8-9:30 p.m.	2 - School faculty meeting, office, 6:15 P.M.	3 - Talmud Class 8 - 9:30 p.m.	4 - Israel Independence Day	5 - Light candles 7:38 p.m.	6 - Parashat Kedoshim
7	8	9	10 - Talmud Class 8-9:30 p.m.	11 - Parent/Teacher conference, NBS, 6-8:30 p.m.	12 - Light candles 7:45 p.m.	13 - Parashat Emor
14	15	16	17 - Talmud Class 8-9:30 p.m.	18 - Lag BaOmer - School Lag BaOmer picnic, 4-6 p.m. (5/23 rain date)	19 - Light candles 7:52 p.m.	20 - Parashat Behar
21	22	23	24 - Talmud Class 8-9:30 p.m.	25 - Last day of school	26 - Light candles 7:58 p.m.	27 - Parashat Behukotai
28	29	30	31 - Annual membership meeting, synagogue. Dessert, 7:30 p.m., meeting begins 8:15 p.m.			

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A Guide to Passover

This guide was prepared by the Rabbinical Assembly Committee on Jewish Law and Standards by Rabbi Mayer Rabinowitz. It was accepted by the Committee on December 12, 1984. The last paragraph of the introduction, as well as Part A under "Permitted Foods", have been amended to reflect more recent decisions of the Committee affecting the status of peanuts, peanut oil and certain cheeses.

The Torah prohibits the ownership of *hametz* (חמץ leaven) during *Pesah*. Therefore, we arrange for the sale of the *hametz* to a non-Jew. The transfer, *mekhirat hametz* (מכירת חמץ), is accomplished by appointing an agent, usually the rabbi, to handle the sale. It is a valid and legal transfer of ownership. At the end of the holiday, every agent arranges for the reversion of ownership of the now-permitted *hametz*. If ownership of the *hametz* is not transferred before the holiday, the use of this *hametz* is prohibited after the holiday as well (*hametz she-avar alav ha-Pesah* - חמץ שעבר עליו הפסח).

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of *hametz* during *Pesah*, and since many common foods contain some admixture of *hametz*, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for *Pesah*.

During the eight days of *Pesah*, *hametz* cannot lose its identity in an admixture. Therefore, the minutest amount of *hametz* renders the whole admixture *hametz* and its use on *Pesah* is prohibited. However, during the rest of the year, *hametz* follows the normal rules of admixture, i.e., it loses its identity in an admixture of one part *hametz* and sixty parts of non-*hametz* (בטל בששים). This affords us an opportunity to differentiate between foods purchased

before and during *Pesah*.

What follows is a general guideline. However, Rabbi Wechsler should be consulted when any doubt arises. *Kosher le-Pesah* labels that do not bear the name of a rabbi or one of the recognized symbols of rabbinic supervision, or which are not integral to the package, should not be used without consulting Rabbi Wechsler.

Prohibited foods include the following: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereals, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley oats, spelt, rye and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods (*kitniyot* קטניות) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, corn, legumes (beans and peas; however, string beans are permitted). The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards has ruled unanimously that peanuts and peanut oil are permissible, as peanuts are not actually legumes. Some Ashkenazic authorities permit, while others forbid, the use of legumes in a form other than their natural state, for example, corn sweeteners, corn oil, soy oil. Sephardic authorities permit the use of all of the above. Consult Rabbi Wechsler for guidance in the use of these products.

Permitted foods: A. The following foods require no *kosher le-Pesah* (כשר לפסח) label if purchased prior to *Pesah*: unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives (however, be aware that coffees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP); sugar, pure tea, salt (not iodized); pepper; natural spices; frozen fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes, see above); milk; butter; cottage cheese; cream cheese; ripened

cheeses such as cheddar (hard), muenster (semi-soft) and Camembert (soft); frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives); baking soda.

B. The following foods require no *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased before or during *Pesah*: fresh fruits and vegetables (for legumes, see above), eggs, fresh fish and fresh meat.

C. The following foods require a *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased before or during *Pesah*: All baked products (*matzah*, cakes, *matzah* flour, farfel, *matzah* meal and any products containing *matzah*); canned or bottled fruit juices (these juices are often clarified with *kitniyot* which are not listed among the ingredients. However, if one knows there are no such agents, the juice may be purchased prior to *Pesah* without a *kosher le-Pesah* label); canned tuna (since tuna, even when packed in water has often been processed in vegetable broth and/or hydrolyzed protein - - however, if it is known that the tuna is packed exclusively in water without any additional ingredients or additives, it may be purchased without a *kosher le-Pesah* label); wine, vinegar, liquor, oils, dried fruits; candy; chocolate flavored milk; ice cream; yogurt; and soda.

D. The following processed foods (canned, bottled or frozen) require a *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased during *Pesah*: milk, butter, juices, vegetables, fruit, milk products, spices, coffee, tea and fish, as well as all foods listed in category C.

Detergents: If permitted during the year, powdered and liquid detergents do not require a *kosher le-Pesah* label.

Medicine: Since *hametz* binders are used in many pills, the following guidelines should be followed: If the medicine is required for life sustaining therapy, it may be used on *Pesah*. If it

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is not for life sustaining therapy, some authorities permit, while others prohibit. Consult Rabbi Wechsler. In all cases, capsules are preferable.

Kashering of utensils: The process of *kashering* utensils depends on how the utensils are used. According to *halakhah*, leaven can be purged from a utensil by the same process in which it was absorbed in the utensil (*ke-voleo kakh p'oleto*). Therefore, utensils used in cooking are *kashered* by boiling, those used in broiling are *kashered* by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are *kashered* by rinsing.

A. Earthenware (china, pottery, etc.) may not be *kashered*. However, fine translucent chinaware which has not been used for over a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

B. Metal (wholly made of metal) utensils used in fire (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible. Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should have water boiled in them which will overflow the rim.

The utensils should not be used for

a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be *kashered*.

C. Ovens and Ranges: Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. Then, oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half hour. If there is a broil setting, use it. Self-cleaning ovens should be scrubbed and cleaned and then put through the self cleaning cycle. Continuous cleaning ovens must be *kashered* in the same manner as regular ovens.

Microwave ovens, which do not cook the food by means of heat, should be cleaned, and then a cup of water should be placed inside. Then the oven should be turned on until the water disappears. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be *kashered* for *Pesah*.

D. Glassware Authorities disagree as to the method for *kashering* cooking utensils. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing the water every 24 hours. The other opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before *Pesah*, or putting them through a dishwasher.

E. After not using the dishwashing machine for a period of 24 hours, a full cycle with detergent should be run.

F. Electrical Appliances: If the parts that come into contact with *hametz* are removable, they can be *kashered* in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rule for metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be *kashered*. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned).

G. Tables, closets and counters: If used with *hametz*, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then they may be used.

H. Kitchen Sink: A metal sink can be *kashered* by thorough cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.

I. *Hametz* and Non-Passover utensils: Non-Passover dishes, pots and *hametz* whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up or covered, and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

חג כשר ושמח !

Youth Services

Services for children ages 2 through 5 are held on the lower level of 127 East 82nd Street every Shabbat morning, promptly at 11:00 a.m. ending at noon. At the conclusion of the Youth Service, the children are escorted to the main service to join our congregants in the concluding hymns and Kiddush. Older children are welcome to serve in leadership roles.

Passover Notes

Siyyum Bekhorim, Friday morning, April 14th

A firstborn, (whether of the mother or of the father) should fast on the day before Passover in commemoration of the deliverance from Egypt. It is the custom of the firstborn to gather with the daily *minyan*, and, on that day, for the Rabbi to publicly complete a tractate of the Talmud. Since the completion -- *siyyum*-- is followed by a festive celebration, a firstborn who is present may eat, and, having eaten, need not fast that day. The *siyyum* will be held this year on Friday morning, April 24th, 7:30 a.m., at the synagogue, 127 East 82nd Street. Please come and join us for *shaharit* services, even if you are not a firstborn.

Bedikat Hametz -- Thursday evening, April 13th

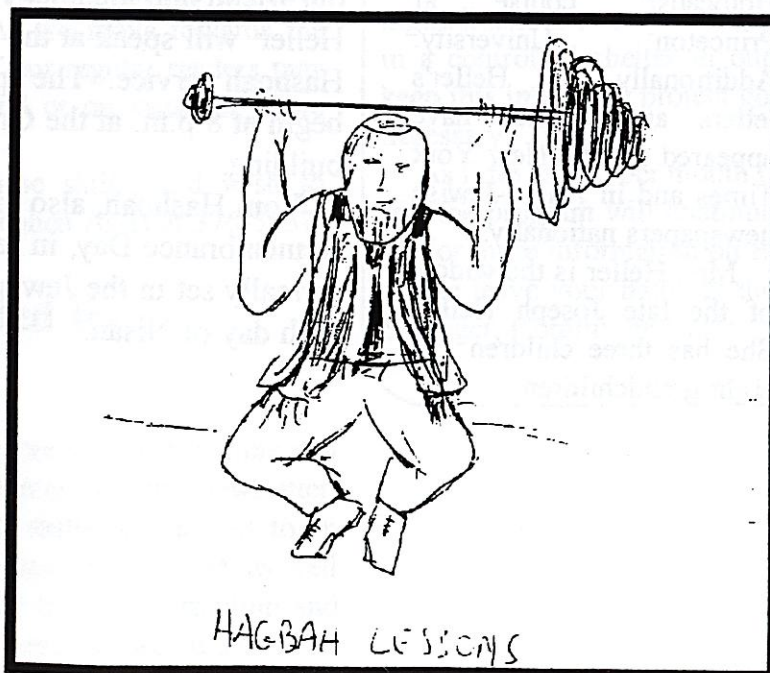
Bedikat hametz (the search for leaven) is customarily done on the night before Passover, immediately after sunset. The *bedikat hametz* is done on Thursday night, preceded by the blessing for *bedikat hametz*. This is followed by the nullification of all unseen *hametz*, as usual. Friday morning, by 11 a.m., all collected *hametz* is burned. The burning of the *hametz* is accompanied by the final nullification of *hametz*.

The appropriate blessings to be recited are printed in Hebrew, English and transliteration elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter,

Ma'ot Hittim

Special funds are raised each year before Passover to make certain that poor Jews will be able to adequately celebrate the holiday. These funds, called *ma'ot hittim* -- wheat money -- are then distributed to the Joint Passover Appeal in New York and the New York Board of Rabbis. These two communal organizations see to it that Jews who cannot make Passover for themselves are none the less able to fully celebrate the holiday. As well these funds enable Or Zarua to invite Jews to our community Seder who could not otherwise afford to be at a Seder that night. Please give generously to this fund. Make out your check to "Congregation Or Zarua -- Ma'ot Hittim". Many will benefit from your kindness

Magid's World by Steven Magid, M.D.



"Hagbah Lessons"

A Portrait of Fanya Gottesfeld Heller

Fanya Gottesfeld Heller studied art history at Columbia University, philosophy and literature at the New School for Social Research and family therapy at the Ackerman Institute. She holds a B.A. and an M.A. in psychology from the New School and is the recipient of a Doctor of Humane Letters, an honorary degree, from Yeshiva University.

She lives in New York City where she is active in numerous social service, educational and cultural organizations. She serves on the boards of The Jewish Museum, Yeshiva University, the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research and the Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers/ADL. Mrs. Heller is a benefactor of UJA's "Project Renewal" in Lod Israel; of the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem; and of Re'uth, a system of

comprehensive long-term care throughout the State of Israel.

She is the author of *Strange and Unexpected Love*; A teenage girl's Holocaust Memoirs (KTAV, 1993). Since the publication of her book, she has spoken extensively on her wartime experience. She was the keynote speaker at the Yeshiva University/Stern College Yom Hashoah program in 1994, and has made several guest appearances at schools, colleges and service organizations. *Strange and Unexpected Love* has been placed on the curriculum of the "Texts and Images of the Holocaust" course at Princeton University. Additionally, Mrs. Heller's letters and articles have appeared in *The New York Times* and in Anglo-Jewish newspapers nationally.

Mrs. Heller is the widow of the late Joseph Heller. She has three children and eight grandchildren.

Fanya Gottesfeld Heller to be Guest Speaker at Yom Hashoah Service, April 26th



On Wednesday evening, April 26, 1995, our friend and member Fanya Gottesfeld Heller will speak at the Or Zarua Yom Hashoah service. The special service will begin at 8 p.m. at the Or Zarua synagogue building.

Yom Hashoah, also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day, in recent years has been formally set in the Jewish calendar for the 27th day of Nisan.

Book Discussion Group

Next meeting, Sunday, April 30th

The next meeting of the Book Discussion Group will take place on Sunday evening, April 30th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Roger and Helen Ferszt, 345 East 81st Street, at First Avenue. The subject will be either a book by Alan Isler, *The Prince of West End Avenue*.

All are invited to join this group. For further information concerning this monthly meetings in which books of Jewish interest are discussed, please call Rochelle Spergel at 935-8975.

Calling All Torah and Haftarah Readers

Congregation Or Zarua continues to rely upon volunteers to read Torah, Haftarah and lead services each Shabbat and festival service. As we have expanded our services this year, so too have our needs increased. As we move towards the summer, when many of our regular readers may be away for the weekend or on vacation, more volunteers are needed.

Should you have these skills, and wish to volunteer, please call Stephen Agus at 376-5757.

Volunteers Needed for Newsletter

All persons who can give lots of their time and energy are urged to volunteer for the newsletter. People with good typing skills, and access to an IBM type computer are especially needed, as well as anyone who can assist in folding stapling and distribution. Please call Stephen Agus at 376-5757 if you want to help.

Youth Hesed Update

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Perdiatrics unit of New York Hospital. We were joined by New York Hospital Chaplain Rabbi Zahara Davidowitz-Farkas, and we discussed a number of possible options, including bringing a "taste" of Shabbat or Purim with us as we meet in teams with children hospitalized in the pediatric unit. We subsequently drew, read stories, and "shmoozed" so

as to lift the spirits of these children. Zahara (as she preferred to be addressed) will work closely with OZYH to help make this Bikur Holim project a continuing success.

For further information on Youth Hesed, please call David Nir (851 5449), Helene Strauss (5358398), or Howard Blas (4725820).

Hesed Committee Needs Your Help for Monday Night Food Program

The Hesed Committee continues to provide Monday night dinner to twenty-five formerly homeless men living in a controlled shelter in our community. In order to keep this important project going, your contributions are necessary.

As little as \$10 per month from each family can insure that the program will continue. Please help.

For more information on Hesed Committee activities, please leave your name at the Or Zarua office for Neal Schluger, Committee Chair.

Reserve Now for Second Seder with Or Zarua

Reservations are being accepted now for the Second Seder, catered by Foremost Caterers, Saturday evening, April 15th at 7:30 p.m., at the Ramaz Lower School Banquet Room, 150 East 85th Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues.

The cost of the Seder is \$60 per adult and child age 12 or over, and \$40 for children ages 6 through 11. There is no charge for children under age 6. A fund is available to assist those families for whom these costs represent a difficult burden at this time. The Seder will be led by Rabbi Wechsler.

This is a perfect opportunity for us to get to know some of our newer members in a relaxed, enjoyable atmosphere, with good food and drink along with some unique perspectives on the Passover story. Haggadot in English and Hebrew are provided.

Reservations and payment must be made prior to April 7th. Please call the Or Zarua office, 410-6041, for reservations or for further information.

Passover

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known as *Maror* (מרור) are eaten at the Passover Seder to remind us of the bitterness of slavery. The sacrificial or "Paschal" lamb is represented at the Seder by the shankbone, or *Z'roa* (צ'רוּא).

The Passover season begins with the first day of Nisan, which is known as the first month of the Jewish year. In anticipation of the first Seder, at which *Matzah* must be consumed, it is traditional not to eat *Matzah* beginning with the first of Nisan. On the evening before Passover, Thursday evening, April 13th, all *hametz* (חמץ) leavening) must be removed and searched for in the home. The following morning it is burned.

Prior to Passover, it is customary to "sell" any *hametz* in the household to a non-Jew. This is normally arranged by the Rabbi to insure compliance with the requirements of *halakha* (Jewish Law). A coupon is found on this page. Please fill out and send the coupon to the Or Zarua office as soon as possible, to insure that your *hametz* is sold before Passover.

Sell Your *Hametz*! Fill out and send coupon

Dr. Harlan J. Wechsler, Rabbi
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Dear Rabbi Wechsler,

Please sell all *hametz* in my possession, at the locations listed below, before Passover, in accordance with Jewish law (*halakha*). Enclosed is my contribution to Or Zarua's *Ma'ot Hittim* Fund.

Address:

Apt. No.

City, State, ZIP

Other locations (summer home, office):

Name:

Date:

The Removal of *Hametz* - Blessings

Note: On the night before Passover (this year, on Thursday evening, April 13th) hametz is ritually searched for", with feather, candle, and wooden spoon. Bread crumbs are strategically placed to be found during the search. On the following morning, the hametz is removed and burned.

On the night preceding Passover, before the search:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ
עַל בְּעוּר חֻמֶּץ.

*Ba-rúkh a-tá A-do-nái e-lo-háy-nu mé-lekh ha-o-lám a-shér ki-de-shá-nu be-mitz-
vo-táv ve-tzi-vá-nu al bi-ur ha-metz*

Blessed are You, O' Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with
Your commandments, and has commanded us concerning the removal of *hametz*.

Immediately following the search:

כָּל חֻמֵּיךָ וְחֻמֵּיךָ דְּאֵפָא בְּרִשּׁוֹתֵי, דְּלֹא חֲמַתָּה וְדְּלֹא בְעִרְתָּה,
לְבָטֵל וְלִהְיוּ כְּעֶפְרָא דְּאַרְעָא.

*Kól ha-mí-ya va-ha-mí-ya de-i-ka bir-shu-tí, de-lá ha-mí-táy u-de-lá vi-ar-táy, li-
ba-tél ve-le-he-váy ke-áf-ra de-ár-a.*

May all *hametz* in my possession which I have not seen or removed, be as though it
did not exist, and as without value, like the dust of the earth.

After removing all hametz by 11 a.m. Friday morning, April 14th, say:

כָּל חֻמֵּיךָ וְחֻמֵּיךָ דְּאֵפָא בְּרִשּׁוֹתֵי, דְּחֲמַתָּה וְדְּלֹא חֲמַתָּה, דְּבְעִרְתָּה
וְדְּלֹא בְעִרְתָּה, לְבָטֵל וְלִהְיוּ כְּעֶפְרָא דְּאַרְעָא.

*Kol ha-mí-ya va-ha-mí-ya de-i-ka bir-shu-tí, de-ha-mi-táy u-de-lá ha-mi-táy, de-vi-
ar-táy u-de-lá vi-ar-táy, li-ba-tél ve-le-he-váy ke-áf-ra de-ár-a.*

May all *hametz* in my possession, whether I have seen it or not, whether I have
removed it or not, be as though it did not exist, and as without value, like the dust of
the earth.

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Michelle Schaerf

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כָּל דֹּכָפִין יִיתִי וַיִּכּוֹל, כָּל דֹּצְרִיק יִיתִי וַיִּפְסַח

Let all who are hungry come and eat; all who are in want come and celebrate the Passover

Let us extend a hand

We hope that no one in our synagogue family will be without a place to go for Passover. Please let us know if you have room at your first Seder -- Friday night, April 14, 1995 -- or if you need a place to go.

I/We have room for _____ people at my/our Passover Seder

I/We need a place to go for Passover.
No. of people: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

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*All contributions to the Hesed
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Contributions of as little as
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allows Or Zarua to continue
to feed twenty five formerly
homeless men in our
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will be listed at a later date.*

We welcome . . .

Congregation Or Zarua welcomes the following new members to its growing congregational family:

Linda Charet
Brian and Susan Engel
Richard Gottlieb
Marjorie Kogan
Jeremy Mack
Joshua and Beth Nash
David and Erica Panush

Youth Hesed News

The Or Zarua Youth Hesed (OZYH) group has been quite busy lately planning a number of Hesed type activities. On Wednesday, March 8th, the members of the group met at the home of Helene and Jonathan Strauss. We prepared Mishloah Manot

(gifts) and a Purim Shpiel for a prePurim March 10th visit to the residents of the DeWitt Nursing Home on East 79th Street.

On February 22nd, we met at the home of David and Sarah Maslin Nir to discuss volunteer opportunities in the

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Condolences to

Barry Coller, on the death of his mother, Ruth Coller.
Joshua Nash, on the death of his grandmother, Rose Englander-Zeller

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