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The Or Zarua

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# **Preparing for Passover**

Exodus outlines the commandments for Passover. One of the commandments, the search for hametz (Bedikat hametz) takes place after sundown on Tuesday, April 18. After ending the search and collecting any hametz, one makes a Statement of Nullification (bitul) in order to give up ownership of any hametz that may be around but which you are not aware of. The burning of the hametz (biur hametz) takes place the following morning (Wednesday morning). Finally, the sale of the hametz (mekhirat hametz) is an important step in the preparation for Passover.

These measures ensure that there are no loopholes in the observance of the following commandments:

- You shall put an end to leaven from your houses...(Exodus 12:15)
- No leaven shall be found in your houses...(Exodus 12:19)
- No leavened bread shall be seen with you...(Exodus 13:7)

A form authorizing Rabbi Wechsler to sell your hametz is included later in this newsletter. The form must be received at the Or Zarua office by Tuesday, April 18th to allow sufficient time for the Rabbi to organize the sale.

No hametz is to be eaten after 10:39AM Wednesday April 19th. On erev Pesah, Wednesday morning, we will daven shaharit at 7:30AM at the office Bet Midrash (1384 Lexington Avenue) to mark the fast of the first born. A full schedule of the services for Passover is contained later in this newsletter and in the calendar.

We are arranging a Pesah Meal Match for the First Seder (Wednesday April 19th). This is a wonderful opportunity to open your home to other members by inviting them to join your Seder. The more the merrier!!! Return the enclosed form to the Or Zarua office and we'll match guests and hosts for Seder.

Continuing our tradition, Or Zarua will conduct a communal Seder at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun on the second night of Passover. Look for the invitation in the mail, and be sure to return the form included before Wednesday April 12th in order to reserve your place.

We begin to count the Omer during Passover. Beginning with the second night of Passover and every night for the following seven weeks, it is a duty to count the days. The counting of the Omer for the next seven full weeks culminates with Shavuot.

### **Guidelines for Passover**

(Updated this year)

This guide was prepared for 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 Parts A and C under "Permitted Foods," have been amended to reflect more recent decisions of the Committee affecting the status of peanuts, peanut oil, cheeses and canned tuna.

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

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Due to on-going construction at the synagogue, services are held elsewhere as noted in this newsletter.

Dr. Harlan J. Wechsler, Rabbi Alisa Robbins Doctoroff, President

> Newsletter Editor Jeanette Brizel

# **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 to the New York Board of Rabbis. These two organizations see to it that Jews who cannot make Passover for themselves are still able to celebrate the holiday and also 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; many will benefit. Checks may be made out to "Congregation Or Zarua" and mailed to the office, 1384 Lexington Avenue, NYC 10128.

# **Sell Your Hametz**

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 (Ed. Note: page #5. Please fill out and send the coupon to the Or Zarua office Tuesday, April 18th to insure that your hametz is sold before Passover. It is customary to enclose a contribution to Or Zarua's Ma'ot Hittim Fund with your authorization.

# **New Education Program**

# "The Oral Law in Jewish Thought: Where History and Theology Converge"

What was revealed by God at Mt. Sinai? How much of Jewish law is viewed as traceable to this seminal event in Jewish history? This course, which will meet in the period culminating in the holiday of Shavuot that celebrates the giving of the Torah, will focus on the classical Jewish conviction that God revealed at Sinai a body of oral law to clarify and complement the written Torah. This notion of the Oral Law, which has shaped Jewish thought and practice and whose historical truth remains a matter of religious faith, lies at the core of traditional views concerning the authority and legitimacy of the halakhic (Jewish legal) system. It will be seen that conceptions of the nature and divinity of the Oral Law illuminate Jewish attitudes towards law, history, truth, and man's relationship to God.

Rabbinic texts encompass a diversity of views regarding the scope of the Oral Law and man's interpretative role in revelation. The maximalistic notion of the Oral Law predominant today in traditionalist circles in fact reflects only one strand of thought within rabbinic Judaism. We will begin by exploring the varied conceptions of the Oral Law within classical Judaism, and then address numerous theological and historical issues generated by differing views on revelation, including:

- the extent to which the Oral Law is considered a divine legal corpus
- the historical roots and rationalization of dispute in the halakhic system
- the justification for originality and innovation in Jewish legal discourse
- the status of minority opinion in halakhic argumentation

Ultimately, the course will touch upon broader themes relating to the convergence of theology and history: Does Jewish theology need to survive historical scrutiny for the modern Jew? Should our religious convictions be contingent upon beliefs concerning particular historical events? Our investigation of traditional Jewish conceptions of the origins and development of the Oral Law will allow us to grapple with these important questions.

The class will meet on four Sunday mornings between Passover and Shavuot - April 30, May 7, May 21, and June 4 from 10-11:30 a.m. - at the bet midrash in the synagogue office. It will be led by our congregant Marc Ashley, an attorney who formerly was a doctoral candidate in Jewish Studies at Columbia University, where he received an M.A. degree in Religion. No prior knowledge of Hebrew or Aramaic will be required; all primary texts will be studied in English translation. All congregants are welcome and encouraged to join in this examination of a classical Jewish theme. Please contact the synagogue office (410-6041) to register for the course.

Bagels & coffee will be provided.

# Take Part In Or Zarua's Pesah Meal Match

### First Night, April 19th, Seder Home Hospitality

On the first night of Pesah, many OZ members conduct their own home seders gathering family and friends around expanded tables. Some might find the evening more festive by including additional guests. They extend invitations to those congregants who may enjoy joining such home seders.

We invite those members who would like to be included in a home seder to fill out the form in the Newsletter and return it to the Or Zarua office by Wednesday, April 12th.

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 (batel be-shishim). This affords us the 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) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, 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. 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 label if purchased prior to Pesah: unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives (however, be aware that cof

fees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP); sugar; pure tea (not herbal 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.

# Medicines

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 is not for life-sustaining therapy, some authorities permit, while others prohibit. Consult Rabbi Wechsler.

# 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 poleto). 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.

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# Schedule of Passover Services (5760/2000)

### Wednesday, April 19 Erev of Passover

Shaharit at 1384 Lex 7:30 a.m. Minhah-Maariv at Shaaray Tefila 6:30 p.m. Candlelighting 7:19 p.m.

Thursday, April 20 First Day of Passover
Shaharit at (92nd Street Y) 9:00 a.m.
Minhah-Maariv at Kehilath
Jeshurun 7:30p.m.
Candlelighting 8:21 p.m.

Friday, April 21 Second Day of Passover
Shaharit at (92nd Street Y) 9:00 a.m.
Minhah-Maariv at Shaaray
Tefila 6:30 p.m.
Candlelighting 7:19 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25 Seventh day of Passover
Minhah-Maariv at
1384 Lex office 6:30 p.m.
Candlelighting 7:26 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26 Seventh Day of Passover
Shaharit at (92nd Street Y) 9:00 a.m.
Minhah-Maariv at
Shaaray Tefila 7:30 p.m.
Candlelighting 8:28 p.m.

Thursday, April 27 8th Day of Passover Shaharit at (92nd Street Y) 9:00 a.m. Festival ends 8:28 p.m. A.Eathenware: (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 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 drinking 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.

Glass Cookware: there is a difference of opinion as to whether it is to be kashered. One opinion is that it must be kashered. After a thorough cleansing, there should be water boiled in them which will overflow the rim. The other opinion is that only a thorough cleansing is required.

Glass Bakeware, like metal bakeware, may not be kashered.

E.Dishwasher: After not using the 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.

### 1. 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.

# Help Us Help Others—Hesed Fund

Your donations to Or Zarua's Hesed Fund and to the Hesed Food Fund make possible our congregation's outreach to the needy. The Monday night dinner for low-income and formerly homeless people, the Purim Spiel Donation Drive, and other activities depend on your support. We have a new Hesed Committee, and lots of ideas about how to help others in our community. Please send your donations to the office, made payable to Congregation Or Zarua, noting the contribution is designated for either the Hesed Fund or the Hesed Food Fund. so that we can continue these efforts.

# OZY Junior congregation Services

Junior congregation services for children ages 7-13 allow participants to read from the Torah, discuss the Parsha, and sing during services. As always, high school students are welcome to help out and may receive school community credit for their efforts. Junior Congregation services are scheduled for April 15.

# Save These Dates

Thursday, April 20 Congregational 2nd Seder - look to the mail for your invitation. You'll want to reserve space

Monday, May 1 7:30pm Yom HaShoah Maariv Service — Temple Shaaray Tefila

Tuesday, May 9 7:30pm Yom Hazikaron Minhah service/ special prayers for Yom Ha'Atzmaut - 1384 Lex Office Bet Midrash

# **Youth Hesed News**

Or Zarua Youth Hesed is looking forward to joining our friends at Dorot again this year for the Passover Package Delivery. We will be meeting at Dorot at approximately 11:30 AM on Sunday April 16, 2000. After a short orientation with Dorot staff, we will visit elderly members of the Upper West Side Jewish Community and bring them Passover food and supplies.

Or Zarua Youth Hesed members will be receiving a flyer in the mail prior to the event. For more information about this and other OZYH activities, please call Howard Blass (OZYH Director) at 230-1774.

This page contains forms to participate in the Pesah Meal Match and authorize Rabbi Wechsler to sell your Hametz. All forms should be returned to the Or Zarua office by mail at 1384 Lexington Avenue, NYC 10128 or by fax (212) 410-2137.

Pesah Weal Watch Reply Form

Fill out and send back so that it is received by April 12

Yes I would like to be a Guest\_\_\_\_\_\_
Are you planning to bring children? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_ (check one)
How many, and what ages? \_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Fill out and send this coupon so that it is received by April 18

Dr.Harian I. Wechsler, Rabbi

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# April-2000-April-2000-April-2000-April-2000

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Temple Shaaray Tefila 250 East 79th Street (entrance on 2nd Ave) (OR) 92nd Street Y 1395 Lexington Avenue						1 9am Shemini (Ramaz Upper School Building) 60 E. 78th Street Shabbat Hahodesh 11-12noon Junior Congregation OZY service 5:30pm Minhah/Maariv/ Seudah Shlishit (1384 Lex)
7	23	4 8-9pm Torah-Haftarah class (1384 Lex) 7:30pm OZBY study group/office (1384 Lex)	Spm Talmud Class (1384 Lex)	9	7 6:30pm Minhah-Maariv (Shaaray Tefila) 7:07pm Candle Lighting	8 9am Tazria 92nd Street Y Hebrew School Shabbat classes
6	10	1.1 8-9pm Torah-Haftarah class (1384 Lex)	8pm Talmud Class (1384 Lex)	13	14 6:30pm Minhah-Maariv (Shaaray Tefila) 7:14pm Candle Lighting	9am Metzora 92nd Street Y Shabbat Hagadol 11-12noon Junior Congregation OZY service
16	17	18	19 7:30am Shaharit/Siyum Bekhorim (1384 Lex) 6:30-7:30pm Passover/Minhah-Maariv & (Shaaray Tefila) 7:19pm Candle- lighting 1st Seder	9am Shaharit/Passover 1 service (92nd Street Y) 7:30pm Minhah-Maariv (Kehilath Jeshurun) 8:00pm Congregational Second Seder 8:21pm Candlelighting	9am Shaharit/Passover 2 service (92nd Street Y) 6:30pm Minhah-Maariv & candlelighting	<b>22</b> 9am Shabbat Hol Hamoed Pesah (92nd Street Y)
30 10-11:30AM Oral Law Course (1384 Lex) 7:30pm Book Club/Hitler's Pope: The Secret History of Pius XII by John Cornwell/		25 6:30pm Minhah- Maariv/Passover 7 evening service (1384 Lex) 7:26pm Candlelighting	<b>26</b> 9am Shaharit/Passover 7 morning service (92nd Street Y) 7:30-8:15pm Minhah-Maariv/Passover 8 evening service (Shaaray Tefila) 8:28pm Candlelighting	27 9am Shaharit/Passover 8 morning service/Yizkor (92nd Street Y) 8:28pm Festival ends	28 6:30pm Minhah-Maariv (Shaaray Tefila) 7:29pm Candle Lighting	29 9am Ahare Mot (92nd Street Y)

# **Contributions**

All contributions listed were received on or before March 20, 2000. Capital Campaign and Bimah Fund contributions are not listed.

# DESIGNATED SPECIAL PURPOSE GIFT (Purim Spiel)

Barry & Mimi Alperin
Harriette Rose Katz
Fred & Vivian Kenvin
Samuel & Francine Klagsbrun
Terry Krulwich & Paul Posner
Mark & Georgina Lowenthal
Frederick & Martha Mendelsohn
Joshua & Beth Goldberg Nash
Samuel & Ruth Perelson
Margery Price
Arthur Rosenbloom & Evelyn Kenvin
Albert & Claire Schussler
Michael & Ellen Schwartz
Robert & Ellen Bromberg Skolnick
Seymour & Cathy Zises

### Gift in Kind

Jonathan & Deborah Bakin Herbert & Judith Lukashok Mark & Lynn Somerstein Richard & Audrey Stadin

### **Hesed Food Fund**

Mina Greenstein, in memory of her father, Hyman C. Baylis
Jacob & Esther Oberman, in memory of Lillian Balter
Jacob & Esther Oberman, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Dr. Yehuda Nir Jacob & Esther Oberman, in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Fran Davidson's grandson Barry & Judith Schneider
Charles Spielholz & Sharon Seiler
Jerome & Linda Spitzer, in honor of the birth of Samantha Goldberg Nash, daughter of Joshua and Beth Goldberg Nash
Lynda Wertheim

### **Hesed Fund**

Robin Blumenthal, in memory of her father,
David Blumenthal, on his yahrzeit
Barry & Bobbi Coller, in memory of
Yehuda Nir's mother, Sidia Grunfeld
Barton & Georgia Farber
Frederick & Martha Mendelsohn
Jacob & Esther Oberman, in memory of
William Tannenbaum's brother,
Jack Tannenbaum
Jacob & Esther Oberman, in honor of the
birth of Linda and Jerry Spitzer's first
granddaughter, Hannah Beth Spitzer
Samuel & Ruth Perelson
Richard, Audrey & Jonathan Stadin
William & Muriel Tannenbaum, in honor

of Thelma and Sol Borodkin for their many kindnesses

William & Muriel Tannenbaum, in honor of Diane Okrent and Aaron Shelden for their many kindnesses William & Muriel Tannenbaum, in memory of his brother, Jack Tannenbaum

### Hevra Kadisha Fund

Jerome & Linda Spitzer, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

### Kiddush Fund

Barry & Bobbi Coller, in memory of their parents, Dr. H. Harold Gelfand and Ruth Coller, on their yahrzeits David & Michele Cooperberg & Family in memory of his father, Arthur Abraham Cooperberg, on his yahrzeit Simon & Janet Katz, in honor of their granddaughter Emily's bat mitzvah David Kogut, in memory of his father, Leon Kogut Helen Ferszt, in memory of her brother, Gerald Karp, on his yahrzeit Avram Jezer & Andrea Weintraub in honor of their aufruf and marriage Jerry & Patti Josepher, in memory of his mother, Rose Shechter Josepher, on her yahrzeit Steven Katz & Deborah Markson-Katz in memory of his father, Harry Katz, on his vahrzeit David Kogut, in memory of his sister, Irene Kogut Laster, on her 8th yahrzeit Terry Krulwich & Paul Posner Marilyn Krulwich in memory of her mother, Sara Appleman Lewis Owen Lewis & Eve Wolf, in memory of Owen's father, Seymour Lewis, on his first yahrzeit

Frederick & Martha Mendelsohn, in memory of his mother, Etta Mendelsohn Joshua & Beth Goldberg Nash, in honor of the birth and naming of their daughter, Samantha Goldberg Nash Yehuda Nir & Bonnie Maslin, in memory of Yehuda's mother, Sidia Grunfeld, the sole Holocaust survivor of her generation of the Hagar family of Poland Lawrence & Leslie Rusoff, in honor of

Lawrence & Leslie Rusoff, in honor of the birth and naming of their twins, Samantha and Jordan

Lynn & Rachel Somerstein and David &
Debby Tyler, in honor of the birthday of
their husband and father, Mark Somerstein
Jerome & Linda Spitzer, in memory of

his father, Harry, on his yahrzeit
David & Sara Stone, in memory of her
grandmother, Sara Appleman Lewis
Miriam Wallerstein, in honor of the 3rd
birthdays of Julia and Avery Wallerstein
Miriam Wallerstein, in honor of the
birth in Israel of two great nieces
and a great nephew
Lynda Wertheim, to celebrate her good

successful operation
Rafael Yossifov & Jessica Forman, in honor
of the naming of their daughter, Mika Ana
Forman- Yossifov

health and the 2nd anniversary of her

# Kol Nidre Appeal

Julie Alperin Craig, Marsha & Ariela Basson Marshall & Marilyn Butler Henry Berry & Susan Gotbetter Alexander & Susan Deutsch Ira & Betsy Dizengoff Harvey Himel & Beth Fisher Leonard & Fleur Harlan Mark & Hannah Kinn Neal & Maude Kozodov **Judith Nadler** Harvey & Linda Newman Paula Offricht Wendy Schriber Stephen Stern & Laura Siegel Jack Steinberg & Sharon Weinstock Thomas & Alice Tisch Chaim Wachsberger & Liz Neumark Harlan J. Wechsler & Naomi Friedland-Wechsler

# **Library Book Fund**

Frances Freedman Stacy Schwartz, in honor of her bat mitzvah

# **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

Andrew Alloy, in memory of Sidia
Grunfeld, Yehuda Nir's mother
Craig, Marsha and Ariela Basson, in memory
of Marsha's father, Rabbi Noah Goldstein
Zita Bloom
Robert & Joan Olden
Martin & Rochelle Spergel, in memory
of Mark Somerstein's uncle
Walter & Sara Squire, in memory of the
father-in-law of Arthur L. Schwartz

## **General Fund**

Jerome & Joan Badner, in memory of his father, Hyman Badner Daniel & Lynn Beller, in honor of the Continued on page 8 publication of Mimi Braun's new book, Mario Sironi and Italian Modernism: Art and Politics Under Fascism

Daniel & Lynn Beller, in honor of the anniversary of the founding of Congregation Or Zarua

Leon & Juliet Demb, in honor of Yehuda Nir and Bonnie Maslin

Rosalind Devon, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

Daniel & Alisa Doctoroff, in honor of the birth of Samantha Goldberg Nash, daughter of Joshua and Beth Goldberg Nash

Linda Eidelberg, in memory of her father, Benjamin Basch, on his yahrzeit

Tom & Sondra Ettlinger, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman and their new daughter, Amanda

Helen Ferszt, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

Helen Ferszt, in memory of her father-in-law, Samuel Ferszt

Wayne & Patti Fuchs, in memory of Renee Rosenblatt

Leonard & Constance Goodman, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

Grace Hoffman, in memory of her dear friend, Renee Rosenblatt

Bernard & Frances Laterman, in memory of his mother, Sarah Laterman, on her yahrzeit

Mihail & Wendy Cornell Levin, in memory of Estelle Neuman

Zanvel & Sylvia Liff, in memory of her

beloved fathe, Isidore Barchenko, on his yahrzeit

Frederick & Martha Mendelsohn, with best wishes to Herb Shapiro for a complete recovery

Dara Murray, in memory of her beloved husband, John Leo Murray

Jacob & Esther Oberman, in honor of Ruth Druss' birthday

Laura Resnikoff, to wish Herb Shapiro a speedy recovery

Laura Resnikoff, to extend condolences to William Tannenbaum on the passing of his brother

Charlotte Schwartz, with thanks for being given an aliyah

Charlotte Schwartz, in memory of her husband, Sidney M. Schwartz

Marilyn Shapiro, in memory of Victor Nerfin Robert & Vera Silver, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

Donald & Ellen Simon, in memory of their fathers, Milton R. Simon and Herman B. Perlman, on their yahrzeits

Donald & Ellen Simon, in memory of her mother, Jeanne H. Perlman

Robert & Ellen Bromberg Skolnick, in memory of Robert's father on his yahrzeit Fred & Phyllis Stimler, in memory of

Judith Schneider's father, Benjamin Elgart David & Nancy Sureck, in memory of Sidia Grunfeld, mother of Yehuda Nir

Kurt & Rose Wimpfheimer

# The Or Zarua Community

### **Condolences**

Yehuda Nir on the death of his mother, Sidia Grunfeld

Marc Rosenblatt on the death of his mother, and our member, Renee Rosenblatt

Barbara Sassoon on the death of her mother, Roz B. Freedman

Judith Schneider on the death of her father, Benjamin Elgart

William Tannenbaum on the death of his brother, Jack Tannenbaum

# **Congratulations To**

Arthur & Willi Aeder on the birth of their newest grandson, Boaz Menachem Aeder Solomon & Thelma Borodkin on the March 12th marriage in Washington, D.C. of their granddaughter, Robin Joy Bouckris, to Jonathan Chait

Mimi Braun on the publication of her new book, Mario Sironi and Italian Modernism: Art and Politics Under Fascism

Haskel Fleishaker & Jennifer Mieres on the January 22nd birth of their daughter, Zoe Mieres Fleishaker

Josh and Beth Goldberg Nash on the January 15th birth of their daughter, Samantha Goldberg Nash

Daniel Shuchman on his March 12th marriage to Lori Ellen Lesser and to Daniel's mother Alice Shuchman.

Jerome & Linda Spitzer on the March 3rd birth of their granddaughter, Hannah Beth. Jeffrey and Arlene Spitzer are the proud parents.

Linda Yarden on the arrival of her daughter, Callie Jordan Smith

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### **New Members**

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