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## GREETINGS FROM JERUSALEM

### A Note From Rabbi Warmflash

Dear Friends:

Greetings from Jerusalem. We have been here just over a month and are finally getting settled in. I have been studying in three places: The Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Studies (Talmud and Midrash), The Center for Conservative Judaism (Bible) and Hebrew Union College (Advanced Hebrew Grammar). Beth is making pottery in a studio near Machane Yehuda, Jerusalem's open air fruit and vegetable market. Aryeh and Ora are in Israeli public schools and doing surprisingly well despite the language. Talia is in a gan (nursery) run by the city. It is a lot different from what she was used to at B'nai Tikvah: over 35 children with only 1 teacher and 1 aide and no support or supervisory staff whatsoever. She has had the hardest time adjusting (unlike Aryeh and Ora who attend Solomon Schecter, she knew no Hebrew at all when we came.) Still, each day she seems a little happier.

Physically, life in Israel is much harder than life in the US. There are fewer creature comforts and everything costs a great deal more here. Food is about 25% more expensive, gas/oil and consumer goods are even higher than that. We bought a car to use while we are here: a 1983 Subaru with over 90,000 miles on it. We got a bargain at \$7500. The saving grace is that we should be able to sell it for about the same amount when we leave.

Because of the high cost of living, Israelis practice conservation in a way which seems extreme by American standards. For example: it is just too expensive to leave the hot water heater on all the time. When you want a hot shower, you have to remember to turn it on an hour in advance and to shut it off when you are finished. Similarly, most people here don't heat their houses except when absolutely necessary. Other than a few hours in the morning and evening, the furnace is left turned off. After a few weeks living here you really appreciate how easy, comfortable and wasteful our American lifestyle is.

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## FROM THE RABBI

Nonetheless, it's wonderful to be living here. It is hard to convey the joy that I feel just to be living and studying Torah in Eretz HaKodesh, the holy land. On Shabbat, the streets are filled with people on their way to synagogues or to visit family and friends. The TV and radio have daily programs on Jewish culture and the people refer to Biblical events as easily and as naturally as to current affairs. Every day here we meet new and interesting people from around the world. And everyone--from the storekeepers to the garage mechanic, to the bank manager, to the cop on the beat--everyone we meet is Jewish.

One final observation before I close: it is hard for outsiders to appreciate the tremendous impact that the Gulf War had on many who lived through it in Israel. People here still talk about it a lot. I have the sense that for many young Israelis, it was even

more psychologically traumatic than previous wars in which Israel was far more directly involved. In part, this is probably a consequence of the feelings of impotence which came as a direct result of Israel's decision to honor the American request and not retaliate against Iraqi Scud missiles. Many are still haunted by memories of sleepless nights in sealed rooms waiting with their kids in gas masks for missiles which could hit anywhere and might bring terrible death. The consequence of these feelings is anger against an American administration which acts as though Israel had made no sacrifices at all.

Shalom,  
Rabbi Andrew Warmflash



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#### **FIFTY+FIFTY+FIFTY+**

The mini luncheon meeting was well attended in spite of the cold damp weather and we all enjoyed a delicious luncheon.

On March 24th at 1 pm, Claudia Wong and Marianne Whitehead, Master Gardeners, will present a slide presentation "Care of House Plants." Many will have questions to ask--I've already have some on my African Violets.

Ron Becker, who has been researching the history of the "Synagogue in New Jersey" on a grant from Rutgers University, and probably has included B'nai Tikvah in his work, will be the speaker on April 28 th.

Fifty Five/Alive Mature Driving will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, April 29th and 30th. Those attending must be present both days to receive credidation for the course from AARP and might be given a discount from their car insurance companies. There is an \$8.00 fee. For a small donation, a luncheon will be available for those attending. No food may be brought into the temple. A few openings are available. Call Ann Cherson for additional information. **YOUR CHECK AND RESERVATION MUST BE IN BY MARCH 24th.**

Due to the death of the creator of the show "Joley," it has been postponed. In its place "A Night in the Catskills" a musical review starring Claire Barry, comedian Bobby Shields, violin virtuoso Sasha Torma and dancers. We hope you will still come and enjoy the show.

A trip to Drumthwacket is

planned for the warmer weather. It is beautiful and magnificent, and has a historical background. It is also the home of our Governor, Jim Florio.

Join us at our coming events and meetings. Come and bring a friend. Again, call me at 297-3575 for additional information.

Looking forward to your joining us,  
Ann Cherson

#### **UNITED SYNAGOGUE YOUTH**

Shalom,

Well, once again I am writing to my fellow congregants about USY.

First, our February events: ice skating and "desserts around the world" were great successes. We look forward to our upcoming plans for tye dying, the Purim Carnival and a hypnotist.

If you are between grades 9th and 12th, you are eligible to join USY. If you would like more information or are a current member wanting to get more involved, please call Barry Safeer (advisor) 422-8543 (before 9 pm please) or Beth Greenberg (that's me) 422-0945. I look forward to seeing old and new faces at our upcoming events.

L'hitraot,  
Beth Greenberg/President  
USY, B'nai Tikvah Chapter

USY-local chapters,  
International Scope!

During winter break this past year, I had the privilege of attending USY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.

With my summer job earnings and a generous grant from the Rabbi, I was able to spend what was an incredible week in Boston with USYers from all over the country.

We arrived on Thursday night and immediately retreated to our hosts homes in Brockton Massachusetts. Friday afternoon we saw some of the sights of Boston with the Brockton (Mass.) chapter and the mid-west region. We also spent a peaceful Shabbat with them and took college tours on the way to the hotel on Sunday. From Sunday through Thursday, we stayed in the Marriot Copely Place Hotel with over 1,000 USYers from all over the country. We prayed everyday, 3 times a day, had many interesting and informative study groups on the theme "The Jewish Family," we discussed parent-child roles, and that controversial topic of intermarriage. We also heard many fascinating speakers talk about such topics as Downs Syndrome and how to keep Judaism alive. Of course, the convention was not all prayers and study groups. We got lots of free time to spend seeing the many sights of Boston.

Next year, the convention is going to be held in Baltimore, Maryland. If it is anything like the Boston convention, it will be an amazing week. I highly encourage as many USYers that can to go.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me at 422-0945.

B'shalom,  
Beth Greenberg

#### MANY THANKS! BLOOD DONORS

Our Blood Donor Drive has bounced back from last January's low. "Thank you" to the thirty-five folks who made it their business to be part of this mitzvah, this gift-of-life. Thanks also, to those good people who pitched in to help it all go well: Sue Stein; Shirley Engel; Suzanne Engel; Mort and Althea Wurmbrand. The South Brunswick Community Blood Bank will hold its next Donor Drive on April 11th\* at the Community Center on New Road, Kendall Park.

Martin I. Engel

\* Editor's note...those observing Shabbat may want to make alternate arrangements as April 11th is a Saturday.

#### COMING SOON!

Mark your calendars! B'nai Tikvah's Annual Picnic will be held at Reichler Park in South Brunswick on Sunday, June 28. Watch for details in future issues of HaKol or call Alan Kane (418-1913) for information.

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If you know of anyone that might want to record their stories, we would greatly appreciate hearing from them. We can offer transportation to those who need it. We also provide a copy of the videotaped interview, for the family use.

It has never been more important to get this job done. Right-wingers, neo-Nazis, and Holocaust deniers are all too visible in our society today. *We must have the tools to fight them.* With your help we will succeed.

Anyone interested can call me at 842-1900, Ext. 769, or write c/o the Center. Thank you for your concern.

Barbara Nassberg  
Project Coordinator  
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**BIKKUR CHOLIM**

A mitzvah, a commandment, a good deed. All of the preceding and then some. It's as old as the Torah. It's new to B'nai Tikvah. It's the committee formed to visit our members who are in the hospital

(all of the local ones and those in New York and Philadelphia), those who are recuperating at home, and those in nearby Nursing Homes. We stand ready to share a friendly hello, a smile, or just a greeting to the members of our B'nai Tikvah family who are out of touch. We must have your help. If we don't know of the person who is laid up, we cannot get to see them. Please contact the Office and Wendy will give the committee the message or contact Cantor Goldberg and he will do the same.

**THURSDAY MORNING  
...MINYON?anyone**

Please let Mark Binder (274-2797) or the Synagogue Office know if you'd be willing to attend one of our Thursday am services; 7:00am - 7:45am. Light breakfast to follow...we'll even provide the coffee. It's a wonderful way to awaken your spirit.

**EVENING MINYONS**

We need your voice! To gather the reluctant minyon goers. Elliott Danto is doing a wonderful job but if you can spare about an hour or two a month, to help him ensure we make minyon, it would be GREATLY appreciated. Run to do this mitzvah! Call him at 297-6175.



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**A NOTE FROM RANDY SOLOMON**  
*Educational Director*

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of two upcoming important matters.

On Sunday, March 15th, we will have a special Purim show at the school. Since the show will be from 10:40-12:pm in the sanctuary, on this date ALL students will attend the LATE SESSION ONLY.

There will be no early session (9-10:25) on Sunday, March 15th. Please make note of this. A parent or other responsible adult must accompany children in Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade. Children must sit with this adult during the show.

Parents or other adults are encouraged to attend with their children especially Aleph and Bet students. Children in Aleph through Hei may attend without a parent, but will, in this case, sit with their teacher.

All students should check in with their teacher upon arrival at the program to ensure attendance credit for the day.

We hope all children will stay for the Purim Carnival and lunch which will begin immediately after the show. Students should bring money with them for this purpose if attending without a parent.

Please be sure your children know whether you will pick them up directly after the show or whether they should attend the

Carnival and meet you later. This is crucial, so please review the arrangements with your child.

PLEASE REMEMBER-ALL STUDENTS WILL ATTEND LATE SESSION ONLY ON SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH.

On another matter, later this month you will be receiving by mail, all necessary materials to register your children for our '92-'93 religious school program, k-high school.

Completed forms will be due by mail between April 1st and April 8th. Specific procedures are detailed in the material that will be mailed to you.

It is extremely important that you carefully and precisely follow all instructions for registration.

Should you not receive these materials by March 20th, please call the SCHOOL OFFICE to request them.

DO NOT CALL BEFORE MARCH 20th as the materials are not being mailed out until mid-March.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Shalom,  
Randy Solomon

**NURSERY SCHOOL UPDATE**

What's the best thing this month? Ask the children and they'll tell you -- the start of Mommy's Stay & Play Day. It's a special day when Mommy comes to school and plays with you - no siblings, phones, cleaning, etc. Daddy will also have his day on a Sunday.

Also discussed during the month was George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Cherry ice cream was served in celebration of our first President.

An awareness of handicapped individuals was initiated by professional puppeteers from Monmouth Department of Parks with their presentation of "Kids on the Block."


February is registration month for the nursery school for the September '92-June '93 school year. Please tell your friends and neighbors and encourage them to visit the school and observe us in action. An option extended day (8:30-3:30) is planned for next year. Parents may choose 2,3,4 or 5 extended days.

A new Spring Mommy & Me group for children 18-24 months (as of April 1st) is planned for April. If interested, please have your name placed on our waiting list - call 297-0295.

#### OUT OF THE MOUTH OF BABES...

Michael's mother handed him the tuition check to submit to the nursery school office. Michael asked her if it was Tzedakah money.....While discussing things the children did over winter vacation, Yair told the class that he saw "Beauty and the Beast." The discussion could have ended there except for Yair's complaint. He was disturbed about the commercial he had seen on television about the movie playing at a theater near you." He explained that he lives right across the street from the Synagogue and to get to the movie he had to get into the car. Therefore, the movie wasn't playing right

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SHELLY & RICHARD ANGRIST on the birth of their son.

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OUR FIRST CONGREGANT TO BE FEATURED IS SAM ROSENZWEIG. THESE EDITORS FEEL FORTUNATE TO KNOW HIM...HE IS A REAL

"MENSCH"!

While we have others in mind, we welcome any suggestions. If you would like to be an interviewer for us, please let us know.

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JEWISH FAMILY LIVING

*Purim,*

*contributed by Meryl Heit*

The holiday for March is Purim. It celebrates (if you don't already know) the victory of

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CONGREGATION B'NAI

MARCH	day	time	event
Sunday	8		Hebrew School Program - Gimel Parents
		7:30 pm	Musical Production: Guarding The Garden Performed by the Teva Troupe
Wednesday	11	[pm]	Sisterhood Card Party / Social Hall
Thursday	12	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Kadima / Youth Lounge
Friday	13	8:00 pm	Shabbat Services. Guest speaker: Steve Ramson discusses Mental Health issues.
Saturday	14	9:30 am	Shabbat Services
		[pm]	Couples Club Activity
Sunday	15	10:40 am - 12:05 pm	Children's Purim Show, no early session for school (Carnival follows)
		[pm]	Purim Carnival ALL ARE WELCOME!
Monday	16	8:00 pm	Sisterhood Board Mtg.
Wednesday	18	7:00 pm	Children's Megillah Reading (don't forget to wear a costume!)
		8:15 pm	Adult Megillah Reading

**Shabbat Candle Lighting Times:**

March 13	5:41 pm
20	5:49 pm
27	5:56 pm
April 03	6:03 pm
10	6:11 pm
17*	6:18 pm
24	6:25 pm

\* First Seder

TIKVAH CALENDAR

Thursday	19	6:45 am	Morning Minyon -- Megillah Reading
Friday	20	8:00 pm	Shabbat Services
Saturday	21	9:30 am	Shabbat Services
		10:15 am - 12:15 am	Junior Congregation
		[pm]	Ad Journal Dinner/Dance
		[pm]	Kadima (off premises)
Sunday	22	[am]	Passover Food Sale
		2:00 pm	1st Annual Cantor's Concert @ The State Theater in New Brunswick
Tuesday	24	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	50+ meeting
Wednesday	25	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Kadima (youth lounge)
Friday	27	8:00 pm	"Singles" Shabbat Service
Saturday	28	9:30 am	Shabbat Services Guest Speaker: Rabbi Kerry Olitzky
APRIL			
Thursday	1	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	USY Meeting
Friday	3	8:00 pm	Shabbat (Gimel) Services
Saturday	4	9:30 am	Shabbat Services -- Sisterhood Leads Congregation.
		10:15 am - 12:15 pm	Junior Congregation

SHABBAT

Shabbat candles should be lit on Friday about  
eighteen minutes before sunset

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו קלך השלם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו  
וענינו להרליק נר של שבת.

Barukh atah ad--ai elohainu melekh ha-olam, asher kid'shanu  
b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

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add holiness to our lives and who gave us the mitzvah to kindle Shab-  
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### PURIM REBUS (ANSWER KEY)

Ahasuerus was king of the Persian Empire. He gave a seven day feast. Vashti, the queen, gave a feast for the women. On the seventh day Ahasuerus called for Vashti to come before him. He would show everyone how beautiful she was. Vashti refused to come and was sent away.

Mordechai and Esther over Haman [boo hiss!, etc.] in ancient Persia.

Purim has always been a carnival holiday during which people did a lot of merrymaking and partying. But there are four specific mitzvot which people traditionally observed. One is to hear the Megillah which contains the Book of Esther, the story of the aforementioned victory over Haman [boo, hiss, etc.]

The Megillah is a parchment scroll somewhat similar to the Torah but with a single wooden winder rather than two. It has its own special trop or cantillation. During the reading, everybody is supposed to break out in loud noise each time Haman's name is said. This is to fulfill the curse -- Yimah shmo -- may his name be erased. Any noise making device is fine although a grager is traditionally used. Those with young children can help them make their own gragers by putting dried beans in between two aluminum pie pans and stapling the pans together.

In the Megillah, Mordecai commanded Jews on Purim to "make them days of feasting and gladness, and of sending portions one to another and gifts to the poor" (Esther 9:22). That verse gives you the other three mitzvot.

The Rabbis interpreted one mitzvah, that of "feasting and gladness," to be an especially festive meal, Seudah Purim, starting before sundown on the eve of Purim. (I have a source which claims the seudah comes at the end of Purim so take

your pick.) In fact, one Rabbi stated that "a person should be so exhilarated (with drink) on Purim, that he does not know the difference between 'cursed be Haman' and 'blessed be Mordecai.'" Of course, some rabbis believe this was just a suggestion, not a commandment, and others felt it meant you should just drink a little more than usual.

The mitzvah of "gifts to the poor" or Mattanot Leevyonim has been combined with another custom, Mahatzit Hashekel, which in Biblical times, was the half shekel collected for upkeep of the Temple in Jerusalem. Nowadays, many congregations still set out collection plates in the vestibules of their synagogues in which members can place money for the poor. Don't forget, B'nai Tikvah Tzedaka Funds for this.

The last mitzvah, is "sending portions to one another," or Mashalach Monot (more commonly called Shalach Monos), giving food, candy, and pastries to friends and relatives. The exact requirement is to give at least two different foods to two different people. You can put just about anything that tastes good in your Shalach Monos packages -- Hamentaschen, candy, raisins, peanuts, fresh and/or dried fruit, cookies -- but the foods must be ready to eat without any further preparation or cooking needed. Some people even practice a folk-art tradition of using specially decorated plates.

Many Purim customs have developed in response to Mordecai's command to be joyous: in East Europe,

children dressed in costumes and sang humorous Purim songs or acted in plays. Carnivals, parades, pantomimes, and masquerades depicting scenes from the Megillah were held -- practices which continue right here in our own temple and Hebrew school. Another folk custom was to make posters announcing the month of Adar (in which Purim occurs) often with a fish as a motif since Adar coincides with the zodiac sign of Pisces.

At the Purim seudah, some communities recited a Purim Kiddush consisting of a nonsensical stringing together of biblical verses. There were other types of "Purim Torah" besides this silly kiddush -- elaborate parodies of the Talmud and other traditional texts. A favorite theme might be why you should drink only wine and why water is bad and not kosher. In some yeshivot, a Purim "rabbi" was elected from among the students who gave lectures parodying the real teachers with sometimes biting satire.

Besides Hamentashen, popular food for the Seudah included chick-peas and foods containing seeds and nuts like baklavah (one tradition holds that Esther, in order to keep kosher, ate only seeds and legumes), and kreplach. Since the country of Hodu -- Turkey -- is mentioned in the Megillah, some Jews in Eastern Europe eat turkey. Italian Jews eat cookies called orecchi di Haman or Haman's ear.

In Israel, where Purim has experienced a great revival due to nationalistic feelings, an elaborate parade with floats,

marchers, costumes and dancing is held every year. Those watching the parade are in constant danger of being bonked with plastic hammers carried by troublemakers!

Happy Purim --  
Meryl Heit

### BLOWING THE SHOFAR

Class for students of all ages (8-88). (Students not Bar or Bat Mitzvah by the High Holidays will be permitted to blow only the T'Kiah G'dolah during the main service.)

The class schedule will be Wednesdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24, August 26, September 2, 9, 16, 23 at 7:00 pm.

There will also be a class trip to the lower East Side on Sunday, September 6. Will have a walking tour, lunch at Ratner's and purchase the Shofars. Guests of students and all synagogue members are also invited to join us.

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Computers have found their way into almost all aspects of our lives. Computers are beginning to be used as a teaching tool in schools. The schools, however, are limited in how much computer time can be offered to an individual student and what kind of equipment is available. How can we ensure that our children will have the knowledge and skills they will certainly need as they grow?

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## CROSS OUT HAMAN

Long ago in the kingdom of Persia, Haman, a wicked minister of the king, tried to kill all the Jews. He didn't succeed. On Purim the story of the Jewish victory over Haman is read from Megillat Esther. Each time Haman's name is read we make noise to drown out his name.

HAMAN appears 30 times in the letters below. Cross out each one you find.

SAMPLE

~~H~~~~A~~~~M~~~~A~~~~N~~ ~~O~~~~H~~~~H~~~~A~~~~N~~  
~~K~~~~K~~~~O~~~~U~~~~Y~~~~T~~~~R~~~~A~~  
~~N~~~~A~~~~D~~~~E~~~~R~~~~S~~~~N~~~~M~~  
~~M~~~~O~~~~M~~~~F~~~~O~~~~U~~~~R~~~~A~~  
~~X~~~~D~~~~S~~~~A~~~~B~~~~E~~~~E~~  
~~C~~~~E~~~~R~~~~B~~~~N~~~~J~~~~U~~~~Z~~  
~~Y~~~~O~~~~U~~~~N~~~~A~~~~M~~~~A~~~~H~~

H A M A N P U R I M S E R  
 H H A P P A N O U R T I M B V A R F R E J O U R I M S R  
 N N H A M A N F O R L E R A O P R E M S H A B B A T A N Y  
 O N E M A N E S T A I N M O A S A C H A T E S T A H E R  
 H A M E D E H A M H A R D A E N L C H A H S S E V B I T R A E N A B U  
 M O E N P U R I M R A E N A S A J I W E R A M B B A T A N  
 B A P P O R I T A M A A W S A K I H A P P A S S E V T Y R E N B A  
 N B B V A O H M O R X S S O M A V E R S S E V T Y R E N B A  
 A B U Y T T H P A N O T O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 M U E S A V A U H O Y O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 H A M A V A U H O Y O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 S H A A V A U H O Y O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 M N A M A V A U H O Y O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 R E W S S O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 P A S S O M A S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 H V F N O V U S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 A M N O S H A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A  
 A S S N A I S H A L B O P I G N A T H A M A

**SINGLES SHABBAT**

Area Jewish singles of all ages will be invited to Shabbat services on Friday, March 27 with a special Oneg to follow. If you know of a Jewish single who is not affiliated with a congregation, please inform them of this date and the open invitation we are extending.

Publicity for this event will be given to Jewish organizations for singles, as well as local newspapers. For further information contact Bill Greenberg, Membership Vice President @ 297-6953.

**PURIM**

Wednesday evening, March 18 we will have a Purim service especially for small children beginning at 7:00 pm.

The traditional service and megillah reading will begin at 8:15 pm. Everyone is welcome at this service including small children.

Everyone is urged to come in costume for both services. Prizes and refreshments will be given out at both services as well.

The megillah will also be read Purim morning at the regular Thursday morning service. However, services that morning will begin 15 minutes earlier at 6:45 am and may end a little later than usual.

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**CHAMETZ SALE**

It's never too early to start thinking about Passover!

According to Jewish law, you are forbidden to even possess chametz (leavening) during Passover. This prohibition applies not only to food but to the dishes and pots used to cook & serve. Because discarding such materials may entail great financial loss, it is customary to sell such "non-disposable" chametz to a non-Jew (who has a house) prior to the Passover holiday.

If you would like the Cantor to serve as your agent for the sale of chametz this year, please complete the form below and return it with five dollars to the synagogue office, no later than APRIL 16.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, authorize Cantor Dov Goldberg to act as my agent to sell all chametz and all mixtures containing any amount whatsoever of chametz which is in my possession at:

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For the purpose of this agreement, chametz is considered to include, but not be limited to, leavened bread, cakes, biscuits crackers, cereal, coffee substances derived from cereals, wheat, barley, oats, rice, dry peas and dry beans, and all liquids which contain ingredients of flavors made from grain alcohol. A mixture of chametz is defined as any substance, edible or not, which contains or is joined to any chametz in

any quantity whatsoever. I understand that the sale will take place at noon on Friday, April 17, 1992.

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#### COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER

Due to logistical complications we, unfortunately, will NOT be holding a community seder this year.

However, if you are able to host others who do not have a seder to go to, please let the office know of your availability. Likewise, if you would like to be at a seder but are unable to make your own arrangements, don't be shy, let the office know. There are a lot of people who would love to have more company.

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS FROM ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Education Committee is happy to be able to bring you three wonderful events for the upcoming months.

On SUNDAY, MARCH 8, "GUARDING THE GARDEN" will be performed by the Teva Theater Troupe at 7:30 pm. It promises to be an entertaining evening.

On MAY 1 & 2 Rabbi Arthur Green will be our guest and leader for a Shabbaton entitled "SEEK MY FACE, SPEAK MY NAME: A Contemporary Jewish Theology."

And on SUNDAY, JUNE 7 we will be running a Shavuot Dinner.

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




## PURIM REBUS

On Purim, Megillat Esther, the Scroll of Esther, is read. Here's a shortened form of the story. Some of the words have been replaced with pictures. See if you can read it.

Ahasuerus was  of the Persian **M**re.  
He gave a **7** day feast. Vash, the , gave  
a feast **4** the women. On the **7<sup>th</sup>** day, Ahasuerus  
called **4** Vash **2** come  **4** him. Vash  
refused **2** come **&** was ♀ away.

The 's  searched **4** some **1** **2**  
repl Vash. They found a Jewish ,  
**S**ter. She  came the new .

**S**ter's cousin Mordecai lived in the  
ital of shan. He reised **2**  
bow **2** the 's chief minister, Haman.  
Haman t planned **2** kill all the Jews.  
Ahasuerus ld him he could.

Mordecai ld **S**ter w was about  
**2** ha **2** her **P**. She spoke **2**  
the  **&** the Jews were saved.

Answer on page 62.

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