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SHABBAT HAGADOL Haftarah: Malakhi 3:4-24

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## NEWS&NEWS&NEWS

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### Condolences to:

Amy Rosenfeld on the death of her grandmother, Rose Comora.

## On Shabbat

### 9:00 AM Torah Study Group

Upper Hirsch Hall Lobby. Led in rotation by Rabbi Jeremy Kalmanofsky, Deborah Mowshowitz, Rabbi Marion Shulevitz, and Linda Shriner-Cahn.

### 10:00 AM Morning Services

Sanctuary Minyan  
Minyan M'at  
Minyan Rimonim

### Children's and Family Services

#### Tot Service

For families with children ages 4 and under 11:00 a.m. – Noon.

#### Family Service

For children ages 5-7 and their parents. 10:45-12:15pm.

#### Big Kids Service

For children ages 8 and up and their parents. 11:00-12:15pm.

### Important Shabbt Gym Notice:

Effective immediately, we ask parents not to allow their children to play on the parallel bars in the gym AT ANY TIME. This is for our children's safety. Any individual who does not respect this policy will be asked to leave the gym. Thank you.

### Shabbat, April 24

#### Fifth West Side Minyan Learning Shabbat

#### "Intersections of Jewish and Secular Law"

Led by WSM lawyers Iris Korman and Carol Goldstein. We will participate in an abbreviated but halakhically complete davenning and spend about an hour in study.

## PESACH AT AC

### Schedule of Services

#### Monday, April 5:

Mincha/Ma'ariv at 6:30 PM

#### Tuesday, April 6:

Morning Services at 10:00 AM

Mincha/Ma'ariv at 7:10 PM

AC Community Seder led by

Rabbi Kalmanofsky 7:45 PM

#### Wednesday, April 7:

Morning Services at 10:00 AM

#### Monday, April 12:

Morning Services at 10:00 AM

#### Tuesday, April 13:

Early Service with Yizkor at 7:00 AM

Morning Services including Yizkor

at 10:00 AM

### Sale of Hametz

If you would like to authorize Rabbi Kalmanofsky to sell your hametz, please visit the synagogue before 10:45 AM on Monday, April 5. The form is at the front desk. One must also stop eating hametz by 10:49 that morning, and burn it by 11:54.

### Feeding the Hungry

As in past years, we are collecting non-perishable packaged foods for the food pantry run by the West Side Campaign Against Hunger. Food may be brought until Monday morning. Monetary contributions are also welcome; checks may be made out to the Ansche Chesed Rabbi's Discretionary Fund or made payable directly to the West Side Campaign Against Hunger.

### Siyyum of the First Born

Monday, April 5. Morning minyan at 7:20 followed by siyyum & burning of hametz.

### Sunday Night, April 18

(note date change)

#### Yom HaShoah

We will have the opportunity to see the film "Hiding and Seeking" by Oren Rudavsky, who will join us for a discussion, followed by the annual all-night community reading of names of Jews who perished in the Holocaust. Ansche Chesed will be host congregation this year. If you would like to participate in the reading of names, contact Rita Falbel, rfalbel@med.cornell.edu or 212-873-3129.

## Family and Youth News

### Thursday, April 15, 7-8:30 PM

#### How Do You Explain the Holocaust to Children?

Join other parents to talk about this complex issue in a discussion facilitated by Gary Pretsfelder, Head of Upper Elementary Division & Interim Head of Middle School at Solomon Schechter of Manhattan, and Dr. Henry Kronengold, school psychologist at Solomon Schechter. Suggested donation \$5/ family. The gym will be open.

### Shabbat, April 24

#### Leah Shakdiel

noted Israeli feminist and peace activist will speak on

#### "The Second Zionist Revolution: Geneva, Yeruham, and Women on Religious Councils"

Mincha will be at 6:15 pm followed by a Seudah Shlishit, The Third Meal of Shabbat and the speaker. We will conclude Shabbat with evening prayers and Havdala at 8:19.

### Sunday, April 18

#### Outings Group Hike

Palisades Interstate Park: Northern Section. A moderate 6+ mile hike (4 hours) with great views. Reserve by 6pm Monday, April 12 by calling 212-678-7881. Rain cancels. Car-pooling.

### Tuesday, April 20 at 7:30pm

#### Israeli Fiction Reading Group

Everyone is welcome to join in the discussion of the first 92 pages of Savyon Liebrecht's *Apples from the Desert: Selected Stories*, published by The Feminist Press at CUNY. (The group normally meets on the first Tuesday of the month).

### March for Women's Lives

#### Sunday, April 25

If you would like to join friends from the AC community to travel to Washington DC for this important march for reproductive choice, please call Ellen Tucker at 212-865-9064 ext. 415 in the AC office. The cost for the bus is \$40 per person. *We have filled one bus, and are now taking reservations for another.*

### **Toda Rabba to:**

The people who have donated items to the eBay drive as well as the people who have helped recruit volunteers, accept donations, sort them and move them - **Bettina and Serefin Berch, Jordan Horvath, Sharon Kass, Marjorie Blum, Rene Hausman, Linda and Jack Messing, Jennifer Rosenberg, Mary Feinberg, Ellen Schorr, and Marty Green.** Special thanks to Jordan and Randi for their ideas on how to organize the event, Sharri for help with the bulletin, Eric for logistical support and especially the maintenance staff for helping with setting up and moving the donations. Also special thanks to **Jordan Horvath, Sheryl Reich and Michael Brochstein** who helped come up with the idea. We also appreciate all of the work that The Auction Ladies (Fern Flamberg and Jane Shahmanesh) have put into this activity.

### **Mishloach Manot Thanks**

Thanks to all of the people who helped with making the Mishloach Manot project another successful event this year. **Marilyn Wolff Diamond, Ross Diamond and Eric Hollander** for helping with purchasing and picking up items; and the many volunteers who helped assemble and distribute the mishloach manot including: **Bettina and Seferina Berch, Ellen Flax, Eric Gertner and Nina Yahr, Roberta Kupietz Shapiro and Shosh Shapiro, Alan Divack, Nan Siegmund and Jeannette Rose Moreland, Sheila and Sheldon Lewis, Marjorie Blum, Sue Martin.** Thanks to the staff who were a great help including Randi, Sharri and Marisol, and the maintenance staff who helped with setting up and moving all the boxes. We also want to thank Sondra Schiff of A To Zen Organizing for her tips on getting organized that were included in the Mishloach Manot, and Real Simple Magazine for donating the magazines to help us with getting organized. The volunteer list sheet was misplaced so our apologies if we missed anyone who helped out with this event.

### **Dorot Passover Food Collection: Macaroons**

Please bring boxes of macaroons to AC **this weekend.** They will be delivered to Dorot on Monday for inclusion in Dorot's annual Passover package delivery which will take place Sunday, March 28 from 10am to noon. If you'd like to deliver a package to an elderly homebound neighbor, call Dorot at 212.769.2850 for more information.

### **Ebay - Last Chance!**

Due to requests by members who want to participate in the eBay drive but didn't have time to get to Ansche Chesed with their items last week we are also going to be accepting donations this **Sunday March 21st from 10-11:30 am.**

Based on our experience from the last two weeks the following is a list of the types of items in good condition that we can sell on eBay and that we will be accepting on Sunday: Designer clothes and accessories (particularly handbags); new (or almost new) clothing (women's, men's, children's and baby's), preferably with tags. Gifts (china, glassware, silver, silverplate — brand names, new or gently used), artwork, collectibles, electronics (computers, faxes), appliances, cameras, watches and jewelry. (We find that books, records and audio tapes — unless they are out of print and highly collectible — are difficult to sell on eBay). Please think about what items are sold on eBay when you put together your items for donation. If you have any questions please call Jane at the Auction Ladies (917-885-2596).

### **Nominating Committee Formed**

Each year a Nominating Committee is appointed to bring new leadership to Ansche Chesed's Board of Trustees. All officers are elected for one year terms (maximum of 3 consecutive years) and Board members are elected for 1, 2 or 3 year terms such that approximately 1/3 of the Board is up for election every year. As in the past, the committee welcomes the suggestions of all our members for both officer and trustee positions. Send them by e-mail to [nominate@anschechesed.org](mailto:nominate@anschechesed.org) and all committee members will get your e-mail or mail or leave a note in the office marked to the attention of the Nominating Committee. The members of the Nominating Committee are Jordan Horvath, chair (by tradition, the immediate past or outgoing President chairs the committee), Ruth Sharfman, Mark Sirota, Leah Strigler and Michael Weiss.

### ***This Year at Ansche Chesed April 18 at 10:00 PM These Are the Names... The Community Gathers for Yom HaShoah***

Until 7:30am, April 19; continued at the JCC from 8:30am-6pm. This is the sixth year of the vigil during which members of the community will join in reading names of Jews murdered during the Holocaust.

### **March for Women's Lives Sunday April 25**

Many women's rights organizations are co-sponsoring a "**March for Women's Lives**" on **Sunday, April 25, 2004**, in Washington D.C. The aim of this march is to rally support for the continuing protection of reproductive rights.

#### **What is the March for Women's Lives?**

The March for Women's Lives will bring a broad diversity of women and men together on April 25 in Washington D.C., to demonstrate staunch support for women's reproductive health, justice and freedoms, as well as access to family planning services and abortions. The original name, March for Choice, was changed to March for Women's Lives in order to better reflect the urgency of the issues and help engage more groups concerned with a wider variety of aspects of women's lives.

#### **Why is the March for Women's Lives so important?**

Now more than ever, women's right to privacy and freedom to make personal choices affecting their lives are under assault. Nationally and globally, access to reproductive health services is being restricted and women's ability to have a child or to end a pregnancy is slowly but steadily being chipped away. Several pieces of legislation pending in Congress threaten to further curtail women's ability to make these personal decisions according to their own convictions and without government interference. Recent reproductive rights cases have been decided by the Supreme Court by a 5 to 4 margin. With challenges to reproductive rights more threatening than ever, the time for a massive demonstration of overwhelming support for women's lives is now!

**If you would like to join friends from the AC community to travel to Washington DC** for this important march to protect reproductive choice, please call Ellen Tucker at 212-865-9064 or respond to this email. The cost for the bus is approximately \$40 per person. If we have 45 people, we will have our own bus leaving from AC.

### **Amazon.com & AC**

If you make a purchase from Amazon.com through the following link, they will donate from 5% to 15% of the purchase price to AC. Sign on to: <http://www.anschechesed.org/education/bookstor/amazon2.htm>