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ANSCHE CHESSED HINENI



VAYIKRA (Leviticus 1:1-5:26) Shabbat Zachor

March 15, 2008 / 8 Adar II 5768

Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21-44:23

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Condolences to:

The family of our member **Nancy Alfred Persily**; Nancy's son **Nathaniel Persily** and his wife Andrea, and their son Aaron, who are also AC members.

Mazal Tov to:

Maxwell Padway, Michal, Foster, and Emmett Padway on the celebration of Max's bar mitzvah this Shabbat.

Shabbat

Shabbat Morning Parsha Study

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Rabbi Kalmanofsky continues weekly study sessions based on the Torah interpretations of Rashi and Rashbam.

Shabbat Morning Services

10:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Minyan

Minyan M'at

Minyan Rimonim

Services for Children and Families

11:00 a.m.

Mishpacha Shabbat (Ages 3 and under).

Minyan Yigdal (Ages 4 to 7)

Big Kids Service (Ages 8 to 12)

Teen Tefillah (post-b'nai mitzvah)

Today at 4:00 p.m.

Psalms for the Heart 4:00 p.m.

Rabbi Jeremy Kalmanofsky

This reading group looks at the Psalms as devotional texts. Everyone is invited to discuss familiar and unfamiliar texts, and to see how they might shape your spiritual experience.

Monthly. Next session April 12.

Shabbat Gym

Shabbat gym does not meet today. Next week, March 22, is the last session.

PURIM IS COMING!



ANSCHE CHESSED ANNUAL PURIM CARNIVAL – COME IN COSTUME!

Sunday, March 16, 11:00am-2:00pm

The fun begins with a Magic Show, followed by Games & Crafts: Face Painting, Throw-A-Pie-At-The-Rabbi, Shushan Palace, Obstacle Course, Karaoke, Used Book Sale, Make-Your-Own-Crown...and more! Fun for all ages! \$10/Child, includes admission to Magic Show & 25 Tickets

Mishloach Manot Madness for 4th-7th Graders

Sunday, March 16, 12:30 p.m.

Students in grades 4 to 7 will prepare packages and deliver them to The Jewish Home and Hospital. For more information, contact Sarah Waxman at 212.865.0600 ext. 207 or HebrewSchool@AnsheChesed.org

Mishloach Manot

We will be putting together the gift packages on Wednesday, March 19 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Come help out and meet your fellow members. Packages may be picked up starting at 6:30 on Purim eve, Thursday, March 20 and may also be picked up on Friday. Volunteers are needed to distribute packages. Contact Janet Scharf if you can help at jascharf@gmail.com.

Purim Eve Service for Families

Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.

Featuring an age-appropriate retelling of the Purim story and Purim songs with Hazzan Natasha Hirschhorn & Rabbi Lauren Kurland. Followed by a Megillah reading in the Sanctuary, with a costume parade for the children. Open to all.

Adult Purim Eve Services

Thursday, March 20

Ma'ariv 7:15 in the Sanctuary followed by Megillah reading and Purim festivities. Minyan M'at in Hirsch Hall West Side Minyan and Minyan Rimonim on the 5th floor

Morning Megillah Reading

Friday, March 21

The Megillah will be read at morning minyan, which will begin at 7:00 a.m.

Panim El Panim: Face to Face

From April 1 to mid-June, AC will host a branch of **The Interfaith Assembly on Homeless and Housing's** "Education Outreach Program," a series of life skills classes for people on their way out of homelessness. You can participate in three ways: **1) Become a mentor.** Each participant meets with his or her mentor six times during the 12-week program. No special skills or experience are needed. **2) Sponsor a student.** Each of the 15 participants receives a subsidy of \$360. You can contribute all or part of that amount. **3) Cook a meal.** Each evening that the program meets the participants are provided with a meal. If you would like to become involved, please contact Rabbi Kalmanofsky by email at rjk@anshechesed.org or by phone at 212.865.0600 ext. 210.



AC Outings Group Square Dance

This Sunday, March 16, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Fun for All! Do-Si-Do! Swing your partner!

With square dance caller Allan Brozek.

Lessons throughout the evening starting at 7:15pm. No partner, experience or reservations necessary. AC/MOMC members \$15 / Non-members \$20.

Israel-Zionist Reading Group

Monday, March 17 at 7:45 p.m.

The Israel/Zionist Reading Group will be starting a new book, and new participants are welcome. The group will discuss the first chapter of NEW ESSAYS ON ZIONISM (paperback, 2007) edited by Michael Oren and others.

Davening workshop with Hazzan Natasha Hirschhorn

Monday, March 24, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

“Singing with the Angels: Musical Visions of the Kedushah”

Veteran and first-time prayer leaders are invited to the third in this series of workshops.

Bar and Bat Mitzvah Students Lunch and Learn

With Rabbi Kalmanofsky

Saturday, March 22, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

For bar and bat mitzvah students and their families. \$15 advance contribution per family appreciated. RSVP to LKurland@anschechesed.org.

In the Community

Jewish Renaissance and Revival in America

A Conference in Memory of Leah Levitz Fishbane

Sunday, March 16, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The Jewish Theological Seminary, 3080 Broadway (at 122nd Street) in New York City. The day includes talks from many prominent scholars, including Jonathan Sarna, Shuly Rubin Schwartz, Riv-Ellen Prell, Arthur Green, and Arnold Eisen. At The Jewish Theological Seminary, 3080 Broadway at 122nd Street. For more information and a link to the program and registration page, go to <http://www.jtsa.edu/x8440.xml>

Memorial Day Weekend at Camp Ramah in the Berkshires

Friday, May 23 – Monday, May 26

The Best Jewish Singles Weekend Ever!

Join us for fun-filled days of sports, socializing and relaxing in Ramah's unique Jewish setting. Planned highlights include Square Dancing, a Beach Party, Hiking, Volleyball, Softball, Swimming, Boating, Swing Dancing (with instruction), Canoeing, Ga-Ga and many other activities.

www.WingdaleUniversity.org. Profits from this weekend will benefit the work of Camp Ramah in the Berkshires.

Revolutionary Text Study!

**A Six-Part Series on Michael Walzer's
*Exodus and Revolution***

Do you have the same conversations at your Passover Seder, year after year? Are you looking for something that might spice things up this time around? Do you crave substantive and meaningful Jewish learning in community? If so, here's the program you've been waiting for! Learning in chevruta and Over the course of 6 weeks, we will study *Exodus and Revolution* through intensive learning in *chevrutah* (in pairs) and through facilitated discussions that will be guided by some of NYC's leading scholars and activists.

Dates: **Weekly, starting on Wednesday March 12th** and ending on Wednesday, April 16th (March 12th, 19th, and 26th and April 2nd, 9th, and 16th). 7:00-9:00 p.m. **(You may attend single sessions).**

Location: Hebrew Union College @ 1 West 4th Street (corner Broadway), near Washington Square. RSVP: Audrey Sasson at 212.792.2871 or asasson@ajws.org or asasson@avodah.net. Sponsored by AJWS, AVODAH, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, Encounter, Uri L'Tzedek, Mechon Hadar, JFREJ, MyJewishLearning.com, and Just Congregations of the Union for Reform Judaism.

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