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## Cantor's Notes

*Cantor Patti Turner*

### Chag Sameach!

I belong to a blog list called Emuna Daily, by Rabbi David Ashear. It is a daily blog about developing emunah – faith. I really enjoy reading it. Even though I do not have issues with emunah, I still get so much more by reading it every day.

On Friday Rabbi Ashear asked the question that I am sure many of us might ask ourselves. We are commanded in Torah to tell the story of *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim* – the Exodus from Egypt. “The Haggadah teaches us that this mitzvah applies *afilu kulanu chachamim* –even if each and every participant in the *Seder* is a Torah scholar and already has thorough, detailed knowledge about the story of *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim*. Moreover, the Haggadah states...the more one speaks about the events of the Exodus, the more ‘praiseworthy’ he is.”

“The question is why is there a *mitzvah* to tell a story that we already know? One explanation is that Pesach is *Chag Emunah* – the Holiday of Faith. The purpose of gathering together and talking about *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim* is to reinforce and bolster our *emunah*, our belief that HaShem runs the world and is constantly assisting us. And when it comes to *emunah* knowledge is not the main thing; it’s the feeling that matters. A person can hear the same story several times over, but each time it penetrated deeper into his soul and strengthens his *emunah* even more.

... We are to speak repeatedly of the wonders HaShem performs, because each time we hear about them our faith is enhanced. Moreover, even if we have already heard a certain story or message, it can have a great impact when we hear it at a different stage of life or under different circumstances. (Each one of us who has been studying Torah on Saturday mornings over the past eight years can identify with that statement!) Even if it is the exact same idea, we hear it and approach it from a different perspective at

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## Prez's Menschen-ings

Happy Pesach!! Our apologies for the lateness of this month’s newsletter. It has been just a little more crazy than usual, getting ready for the family and Congregation’s Seders. Our Annual Second Night Seder was a wonderful gathering of members, family, and guests that came together to celebrate the retelling of the story of our freedom from slavery, the Exodus. Thank you to all that participated and helped throughout the evening, with special thanks to Mr. T., Brittni Coe and Kathy Friedberg for the planning and execution of the evening.

We will conduct the Yizkor Memorial Service on Saturday morning, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00AM. Please note that we have changed the time for this service.

Our Purim Celebration was on Friday night, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM. We had a wonderful group, most of who came in costume and everyone had a great time. Special thanks to Cantor Patti for her leadership and Alan Prager for his incredible reading of the Magillah.

Our Torah Dedication service was on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, as the Torah Study group completed the reading of Shemot (Exodus). Our second Torah was dedicated and we honored Hilda Pritsker and Jan & Tom Ashby (former members) for their very generous donations to the Torah Fund, as well as everyone else who contributed to the Torah Fund. Please be sure to check the plaque on the wall by the Ark.

We are pleased to announce that the Congregation is now a member of the Kroger Community Rewards Program. This means that your purchases at Kroger help to raise funds for Ner Tamid, without costing you a penny. All you need to do is signify that Ner Tamid is your charity of choice. Our number is 93262; just add that to your rewards account at [www.Kroger.com](http://www.Kroger.com). You can sign up for a Rewards account at that address if you don’t currently have one.

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## Educational & Upcoming Events

- ☆ Annual Second Night Seder, Apr. 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM
- ☆ Yiskor Memorial Service, Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM
- ☆ Torah Service, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM

- ☆ Every Shabbat, 7:30 PM, Friday Night Services.
- ☆ Every Shabbat 10:00 AM, Shabbat Morning Service, 10:45 AM Torah Study.

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- Stories ➤
- Anecdotes
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- Quotes



Share your interests and points of view with the rest of us that we all may grow.

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## Congregation Ner Tamid's CARE COMMITTEE



Congregation Ner Tamid's CARE COMMITTEE brings a "neighbor helping neighbor" approach to providing aid and support to congregants who need help during difficult times. We offer help with cooking because of illness or accidents; and provide assistance to families in mourning or with other special needs.

If you know of an individual, or family, in the C-N-T community who can use our assistance, or if you want to join our team, please e-mail: KAThy Friedberg at: [KAT@CongregationNerTamid.org](mailto:KAT@CongregationNerTamid.org)

## ONEG SHABBAT GUIDELINES

☆ If you are unable to provide Oneg on your assigned date, please find a replacement for yourself or feel free to send in a donation or drop items off beforehand. Thank you!

**When providing Oneg, please keep the following guidelines in mind:**

- An inexpensive, small centerpiece would be appreciated. Vases will be provided for flowers.
- Oneg suggestions include a sheet cake or two dozen cookies as well as fruit, nuts, trail mix or vegetables.
- Juice and wine will be provided.
- Paper products and silverware will be provided.
- Set up should be done before Services, but, if necessary, can be done quietly during Services.
- Clean up includes emptying trash cans, sweeping and mopping floors, washing and putting away all items used, and wiping down countertops.

If you are aware of a special occasion [anniversary, birthday, graduation, etc.] and would like to provide Oneg on a date not scheduled for yourself, please feel free to contact the Oneg provider scheduled and make arrangements with them. [Kat@CongregationNerTamid.org](mailto:Kat@CongregationNerTamid.org)



The Harlan S. Friedberg Memorial Yahrzeit Plaque is a thoughtful way to remember loved ones who have departed from us but will never be forgotten.

Memorial Plates, each with a light to be illuminated for the Yahrzeit, are available that can be inscribed with up to three lines of personal engraving which may include the departed's name, Hebrew name, if desired, and the Hebrew and Gregorian dates.

The cost of each Memorial Plate is \$180.00. The ten times Chai will provide for the continued funding of additional Memorial Yahrzeit Plaques, as they become necessary, as well as the cost of the individual Memorial Plates and engraving.

If you have someone's name that you would like to have placed on the Yahrzeit Plaque, please contact Randy Friedberg or any member of the Board. Much as the Mourner's Kaddish is a spiritual reaffirmation to the goodness of life, so shall these Memorial Plates be a visual reaffirmation and tribute to the goodness of our loved one's lives.

## Upcoming Holidays

### Passover Apr. 3-15

**Passover** or **Pesach** (from Hebrew פֶּסַח *Pesah, Pesakh*), is an important biblically derived Jewish festival.

The Jewish people celebrate Passover as a commemoration of their liberation by Gd from slavery in Egypt and their freedom as a nation under the leadership of Moses. It commemorates the story of the Exodus as described in the Hebrew Bible especially in the Book of Exodus, in which the Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt. According to standard biblical chronology, this event would have taken at about 1300 BCE.

Passover commences on the 15th of the Hebrew month of Nisan and lasts for either seven days (in Israel) or eight days (in the diaspora). In Judaism, a day commences at dusk and lasts until the following dusk, thus the first day of Passover only begins *after* dusk of the 14th of Nisan and ends at dusk of the 15th day of the month of Nisan. The rituals unique to the Passover celebrations commence with the Passover Seder when the 15th of Nisan has begun. In the Northern Hemisphere Passover takes place in spring as the Torah prescribes it: "in the month of [the] spring" (בחדש האביב Exodus 23:15). It is one of the most widely observed Jewish holidays.

In the narrative of the Exodus, the Bible tells that Gd helped the Children of Israel escape from their slavery in Egypt by inflicting ten plagues upon the ancient Egyptians before the Pharaoh would release his Israelite slaves; the tenth and worst of the plagues was the death of the Egyptian first-born.

The Israelites were instructed to mark the doorposts of their homes with the blood of a slaughtered spring lamb and, upon seeing this, the spirit of the Lord knew to *pass over* the first-born in these homes, hence the English name of the holiday.

When the Pharaoh freed the Israelites, it is said that they left in such a hurry that they could not wait for bread dough to rise (leaven). In commemoration, for the duration of Passover no leavened bread is eaten, for which reason Passover was called the feast of unleavened bread in the Torah or Old Testament. Thus *Matzo* (flat unleavened bread) is eaten during Passover and it is a tradition of the holiday.

#### Biblical origin

Called the "festival [of] the ma-

tzot" (Hebrew: חַג הַמַּצּוֹת *hag hamatzot*) in the Hebrew Bible, the commandment to keep Passover is recorded in the Book of Leviticus:

In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at dusk is the LORD's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD; seven days ye shall eat unleavened bread. In the first day ye shall have a holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work. And ye shall bring an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days; in the seventh day is a holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work. (Leviticus 23:5-8)

The biblical regulations for the observance of the festival require that all leavening be disposed of before the beginning of the 15th of Nisan. An unblemished lamb or goat, known as the Korban Pesach or "Paschal Lamb", is to be set apart on Nisan 10, and slaughtered at dusk as Nisan 14 ends in preparation for the 15th of Nisan when it will be eaten after being roasted. The literal meaning of the Hebrew is "between the two evenings". It is then to be eaten "that night", Nisan 15, roasted, without the removal of its internal organs with unleavened bread, known as matzo, and bitter herbs known as maror. Nothing of the sacrifice on which the sun rises by the morning of the 15th of Nisan may be eaten, but must be burned. The sacrifices may only be performed in a specific place prescribed by Gd (for Judaism, Jerusalem, and for Samaritans, Mount Gerizim).

#### Passover Seder

The Seder is a ritual performed by a community or by multiple generations of a family, involving a retelling of the story of the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt. This story is in the Book of Exodus (*Shemot*) in the Hebrew Bible. The Seder itself is based on the Biblical verse commanding Jews to retell the story of the Exodus from Egypt: "You shall tell your child on that day, saying, 'It is because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt.'" (Exodus 13:8) Traditionally, families and friends gather in the evening to read the text of the Haggadah, an ancient work derived from the Mishnah (*Pesachim* 10). The Haggadah contains the narrative of the Israelite exodus from Egypt, special blessings and rituals, commentaries from the Talmud, and special Passover songs.

While many Jewish holidays revolve around the synagogue, the Seder is conducted in the family home, although communal Seders are also organized by synagogues, schools and community centers, some open to the general public. It is customary to invite guests, especially strangers and the needy. The Seder is integral to Jewish faith and identity: as explained in the Haggadah, if not for divine intervention and the Exodus, the Jewish people would still be slaves in Egypt. Therefore, the Seder is an occasion for praise and thanksgiving and for rededication to the idea of liberation. Furthermore, the words and rituals of the Seder are a primary vehicle for the transmission of the Jewish faith from grandparent to child, and from one generation to the next. Attending a Seder and eating matza on Passover is a widespread custom in the Jewish community, even among those who are not religiously observant.

Each participant receives a copy of the Haggadah, which is often a traditional version: an ancient text that contains the complete Seder service. Men and women are equally obliged and eligible to participate in the Seder. In many homes, each participant at the Seder table will recite at least critical parts of the Haggadah in the original Hebrew and Aramaic. Halakhah requires that certain parts be said in language the participants can understand, and critical parts are often said in both Hebrew and the native language. The leader will often interrupt the reading to discuss different points with his or her children, or to offer a Torah insight into the meaning or interpretation of the words.

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Please remember to support our Community Service activities (see page 11) including our new association with the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Don't forget to add Ner Tamid to your Tom Thumb Rewards Program, and the Amazon Smiles program.

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Where you are more than just a name!**

Shalom,  
Randy

# Weekly Parshas

## Shemini

### Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47

After seven days of investiture into the Priesthood, Aaron and his sons assume their offices and offer communal sacrifices on the EIGHTH day (Shemini). A fire from God, symbolizing Divine blessing, consumed their offerings.

Two of Aaron's sons, Nadav and Avihu, brought an incense offering on their own initiative, and are struck down by God for their actions. Instructions from God and Moses to Aaron and his remaining sons with respect to public displays of grief make it amply clear that the priests hold a consecrated and elevated position, which takes priority over their personal needs. To prevent a recurrence of priestly error, the priests were warned to refrain from imbibing any intoxicant.

The Sidra concludes with a thorough exposition of the laws of Kashrut: a listing of the permissible and prohibited animals and physical features establishing these criteria.

## Tazria

### Leviticus 12:1 - 13:59

This Sidra opens with the laws of confinement following childbirth. Biblical law deemed women to be "ritually unfit" after giving birth. At the conclusion of this period, the mother was enjoined to bring a burnt offering and a sin offering, and she could then resume normal activity.

The laws dealing with leprosy, and the restrictions placed upon lepers, follow somewhat logically. Anyone with a skin disease was also considered to be ritually unfit, and a period of confinement was imposed upon the individual by the priest, who examined the afflicted individual at regular intervals. These passages demonstrate most convincingly that the priests' role extended beyond the precincts of the Sanctuary and the domain of the sacrificial cult.



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## Metzora

### Leviticus 14:1 - 15:33

The Sidra Metzora is a continuation of the laws applying to the people afflicted with skin diseases. When a person was cured of leprosy, the priest examined the individual prior to his/her re-admission to the Israelite encampment. The procedures for ritually cleansing the leper lasted eight days.

Objects as well as people could contract a form of leprosy, and the Torah discussed the spread of leprosy to clothing and other fabrics, and to the walls (including stone walls!) of houses. Depending on the severity of the infestation, the house might be closed or have to be torn down, without the possibility of re-using the materials.

Other bodily discharges also render a person (and all that she/he comes into contact with) ritually unfit. These matters are dealt with at the parasha's conclusion.

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(Cantor Continued from page 1) different times. A story which did not strike as especially relevant the first time we heard it may be profoundly relevant and meaningful now.

On the night of the *Seder*, when we have the *matzah* and *marror* in front of us on the table, we receive special divine assistance in bringing *emunah* to ourselves and others. This is precisely why we are commanded to tell the story of *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim* on this night. We have a golden opportunity to reinforce our *emunah*, and the more we speak about the Exodus, the more we capitalize on this opportunity, the greater its impact, and the more "praiseworthy" we are.

(However) One does not have to be a great Torah scholar to properly fulfill this *mitzvah*. Even sharing simple ideas that make HaShem more real to people fulfills this *mitzvah* at its highest standard.

It was once revealed to the Ba'al Shem Tov that a certain simple Jew from a small village brought HaShem as much satisfaction on the night of the *Seder* by telling the story of *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim* as the Ba'al Shem Tov did. The Rabbi was curious to know how this Jew achieved such a lofty stature, and so he went to visit him and asked how he told the story of *Yetzi'at Mitzrayim* on the night of the *Seder*.

Well, I didn't really know what I was supposed to do," the man said, "but when I came home from the synagogue I desperately wanted to do this *mitzvah*, the best I could. So I sat down with my family and told them that there was a very evil king named Pharaoh who caused the Jews a lot of pain and suffering, and HaShem, our Gd., came and saved His people from this wicked man. I told my family, 'Let us thank HaShem and praise Him for helping us.' We all drank a cup of wine. I then said the same thing again with even more feeling: 'There was a very wicked, cruel man who tortured our forefathers. HaShem saved us from all the pain and suffering that we went through and made great miracles to take us from Egypt. Let's drink to that.' And we drank again. I did this two more times, and this was my *Seder*.

This brought HaShem so much gratification because it made HaShem real, and the more real we make HaShem to our families and tell the people around us, the loftier our achievement is, and the greater our *Seder* is. May HaShem help each and every one of us to fulfill this *mitzvah* properly and infuse ourselves and all the people around us with firm, genuine *emunah*. (Not only during this season of celebrating our freedom, but during the whole year, as we strive to become a "light unto the nations.")"

**Chag Sameach**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 NISAN 12	2 NISAN 13	3 NISAN 14 <b>Erev Pesach</b> ערב פסח <b>1st Night Seder</b>  <b>No Services</b>  7:31 PM	4 NISAN 15 <b>Pesach I</b> ב' א'פסח יו' <b>6:30 PM Annual 2nd Night Seder</b>  <b>No Torah Study</b>  8:40 PM (18 min)
5 NISAN 16 <b>Pesach II</b> פסח יום ב'  1st day of the Omer  8:41 PM	6 NISAN 17 <b>Pesach III (CH"M)</b> פסח יום ג' (חל המועד)	7 NISAN 18 <b>Pesach IV (CH"M)</b> פסח יום ד' (חל המועד)	8 NISAN 19 <b>Pesach V (CH"M)</b> פסח יום ה' (חל המועד)	9 NISAN 20 <b>Pesach VI (CH"M)</b> פסח יום ו' (חל המועד)  7:36 PM	10 NISAN 21 <b>Pesach VII</b> פסח יום ז' 7:30 PM Services: Joel Goodman Oneg: <b>Jessica &amp; Carv Miller</b>  6th day of the Omer  7:36 PM	11 NISAN 22 <b>Pesach VIII</b> פסח יום ח' 10:00 AM Yiskor – Memorial Service 10:45 AM Torah Study  7th day of the Omer  8:45 PM (18 min)
12 NISAN 23  8th day of the Omer	13 NISAN 24  9th day of the Omer	14 NISAN 25  10th day of the Omer	15 NISAN 26  11th day of the Omer	16 NISAN 27 <b>Yom HaShoah</b> יום השואה Holocaust Memorial Day 12th day of the Omer	17 NISAN 28 7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Mardi &amp; Robert Moon</b>  13th day of the Omer  7:41 PM	18 NISAN 29 Parshat: <b>Shemini</b> שמיני Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47 10:00 AM Shabbat Service 10:45 AM Torah Study  14th day of the Omer  8:50 PM (18 min)
19 NISAN 30 <b>Rosh Chodesh Iyyar</b> ראש חודש אייר  15th day of the Omer	20 IYAR 1  16th day of the Omer	21 IYAR 2  17th day of the Omer	22 IYAR 3 <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> <b>Yom HaZikaron</b> יום הזכרון Israeli Memorial Day 18th day of the Omer	23 IYAR 4 <b>Yom HaAtzma'ut</b> יום העצמאות Israeli Independence Day 19th day of the Omer	24 IYAR 5 7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Karen Jennings &amp; Mark Pierce</b>  20th day of the Omer  7:47 PM	25 IYAR 6 Parshat: <b>Tazria – Metzorah</b> פרשת תזריע -- מצרע Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33 10:00 AM Shabbat Service 10:45 AM Torah Study  21st day of the Omer  8:56 PM (18 min)
26 IYAR 7  22nd day of the Omer	27 IYAR 8  23rd day of the Omer	28 IYAR 9  24th day of the Omer	29 IYAR 10  25th day of the Omer	30 IYAR 11  26th day of the Omer		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<p>1 IYAR 12</p> <p>7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Marcy &amp; Alan Prager</b></p> <p>27th day of the Omer</p> <p> 7:52 PM</p>	<p>2 IYAR 13</p> <p>Parshat: <b>Acharei Mot – Kedoshim</b> פרשת אֲחֵרֵי מוֹת -- קְדוֹשִׁים Leviticus 16:1 – 20:27</p> <p><b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b></p> <p>28th day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:29 PM (18 min)</p>
<p>3 IYAR 14</p> <p><b>Pesach Sheni</b> פֶּסַח שֵׁנִי</p> <p>29th day of the Omer</p>	<p>4 IYAR 15</p> <p>30th day of the Omer</p>	<p>5 IYAR 16</p> <p>31st day of the Omer</p>	<p>6 IYAR 17</p> <p>32nd day of the Omer</p>	<p>7 IYAR 18</p> <p><b>Lag Ba-Omer</b> לֵיל בַּעוֹמֵר</p> <p>33rd day of the Omer</p>	<p>8 IYAR 19</p> <p>7:30 PM Services: <b>Randy Friedberg</b> Oneg: <b>Hilda Pritsker</b></p> <p>34th day of the Omer</p> <p> 7:57 PM</p>	<p>9 IYAR 20</p> <p>Parshat: <b>Emor</b> אֲמֹר Leviticus 21:1 - 24:23</p> <p><b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b></p> <p>35th day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:34 PM (18 min)</p>
<p>10 IYAR 21</p> <p><b>Mother's Day</b></p> <p>36th day of the Omer</p>	<p>11 IYAR 22</p> <p>37th day of the Omer</p>	<p>12 IYAR 23</p> <p>38th day of the Omer</p>	<p>13 IYAR 24</p> <p>39th day of the Omer</p>	<p>14 IYAR 25</p> <p>40th day of the Omer</p>	<p>15 IYAR 26</p> <p>7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Harry Rav</b></p> <p>41st day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:02 PM</p>	<p>16 IYAR 27</p> <p><b>Shabbat HaChodesh</b> שַׁבַּת הַחֹדֶשׁ Parshat: <b>Behar – Bechukotai</b> פרשת בהר -- בְּחֻקֹּתַי Leviticus 25:1 – 27.34</p> <p><b>10:00 AM Torah Service</b></p> <p>42nd day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:39 PM (18 min)</p>
<p>17 IYAR 28</p> <p><b>Yom Yerushalayim</b> יוֹם יְרוּשָׁלַיִם</p> <p>43rd day of the Omer</p>	<p>18 IYAR 29</p> <p>44th day of the Omer</p>	<p>19 SIVAN 1</p> <p><b>Rosh Chodesh Sivan</b> ראש חודש סיון</p>	<p>20 SIVAN 2</p> <p><b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>21 SIVAN 3</p> <p>47th day of the Omer</p>	<p>22 SIVAN 4</p> <p>7:30 PM Services: <b>Cantor Patti Turner</b> Oneg: <b>Suzy Smith</b></p> <p>48th day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:07 PM</p>	<p>23 SIVAN 5</p> <p><b>Erev Shavuot</b> שְׁבוּעוֹת Parshat: <b>BeMidbar</b> בְּמִדְבַּר פרשת במדב Numbers 1:1 - 4:20</p> <p><b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b></p> <p>49th day of the Omer</p> <p> 8:44 PM (18 min)</p>
<p>24 SIVAN 6</p> <p><b>Shavuot I</b> שְׁבוּעוֹת</p>	<p>25 SIVAN 7</p> <p><b>Memorial Day Shavuot II</b> שְׁבוּעוֹת</p> <p> 8:48 PM (18 min)</p>	<p>26 SIVAN 8</p>	<p>27 SIVAN 9</p>	<p>28 SIVAN 10</p>	<p>29 SIVAN 11</p> <p>7:30 PM <b>5th Friday – Social Activity</b> Oneg: <b>Renée &amp; Larry Spritzer</b></p> <p> 8:11 PM</p>	<p>30 SIVAN 12</p> <p>Parshat: <b>Nasso</b> נֹסָא פרשת נשא Numbers 4:21 - 7:89</p> <p><b>10:00 AM Shabbat Service</b> <b>10:45 AM Torah Study</b></p> <p> 8:48 PM (18 min)</p>
<p>31 SIVAN 13</p>						

# Jewish Passover Jokes!

## HIP To Offer Passover Insurance by N. Salomon

Brooklyn, NY -- Beginning April 1st, a major New York health insurance company will begin offering a new type of specialty insurance, geared to the Orthodox Jewish community.

HIP (acronym for "Hardships Inflicted by Passover"), will begin to cover observant Jews who were harmed by Passover-related difficulties. The move comes after the company received numerous reports over the past few years of broken or missing teeth, clogged intestines, wine-stained white shirts and haggada's, and popped pants buttons. Other damages include sore thumbs resulting from breaking thick matzos at the center, particularly during the yachatz ritual.

"Due to the risky nature of this venture, HIP will be encouraging our clientele to implement preventative measures to avoid the occurrence of such incidents," HIP's Chief Operating Officer Noah Levin said in a statement released yesterday.

The statement goes on to state that HIP has reached an agreement with Home Depot, in which orthodox rabbis will be contracted to kasher the industrial circular saws in accordance with the laws of Passover. Members of the HIP Passover Plan will be able to present their HIP card at any Home Depot location, and have their matza cut by the circular saws.

A number of Home Depot employees criticized this move out of concern that the saws will be severely damaged while attempting to cut the matza. "It's one thing for the saws to cut through 4-inch plywood," complained Bill Ding, a saw operator at a local branch, "but Matzah - now that's gonna put a strain on our equipment that I don't think they are built for."

Other measures include an alliance

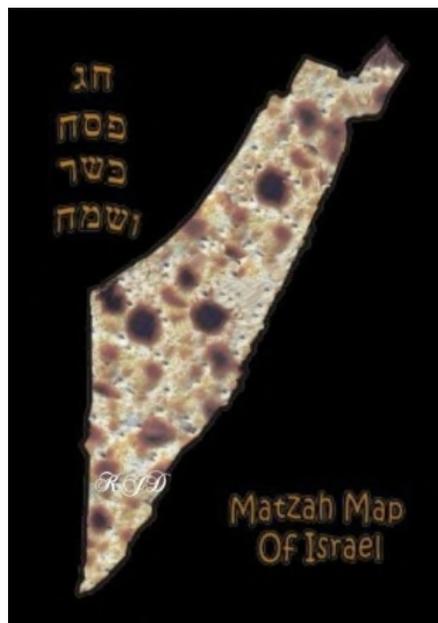
with Bedford Sewer. This partnership will allow members who are afflicted by the "bread of affliction" to use their services free of charge, to clear any bodily or structural plumbing back-ups.

Duane Pype, a manager at Bedford Sewer, is geared up for the job. "We've cleared some major back-ups in the past, but this is one challenge we have never faced before and are looking forward to," he said.

"I'll be first in line once Passover has passed over," said Al K. Seltzer, a long-time sufferer of heartburn and constipation, as a result of the Passover diet.

Consumers are excited about and have responded well to this new program. The real challenge at hand is dealing with the temptation to ditch the cardboard-like matza and reach for the cake. "There's no insurance for that," said Will Power, a Brooklyn resident.

## Matzah Map of Israel



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## Passover Cleaning Overkill



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## Yahrzeits



### APRIL

- 1 - Bea Hochman, Mother of Mara Bergel
- 3 - Carol Borron, Mother of Jeff Borron
- 5 - Morris Shusman, Grandfather of Dr. Suzy Smith
- 8 - Beatrice Borish, Sister of Herm Silver, H 19 Nisan
- 11 - Mable Egerer, Grandmother of Rabekah James
- 15 - Millye Freed, Great Aunt of ID Freed
- 15 - Hyman Phillip Miller, Father of Cary Miller, H 26 Nisan
- 17 - Judith F. Weisblat, Sister of Harvey Weisblat
- 22 - Frederick Egerer, Grandfather of Rabekah James
- 24 - Sol L Fliegel, (Shoal Lab ben Meyer), Father of Renée Spritzer, H 05 Iyyar
- 24 - Louis Silver, Father of Herm Silver, H 05 Iyyar

### MAY

- 1 - Herman Silver, Husband of Marilyn Silver
- 3 - Mike Friedman, Father of Jolene Weisblat
- 5 - Ruth Leibmann, Aunt of Renée Spritzer
- 10 - Cynthia Villarreal, Daughter of Marilyn Lepley
- 11 - Joel Prager, Father of Alan Prager
- 12 - Estelle L Fliegel, (Ester Golda), Mother of Renée Spritzer, H 23 Iyyar
- 15 - Natalie Ann Sheffer, Mother of Patti Turner
- 20 - Austin Carter, Uncle of Brittni Coe
- 23 - John J. Arden, Father of Stan Arden
- 26 - Jean Silverman Miller, Mother of Cary Miller, H 08 Sivan
- 26 - Samuel Lee Turner, Brother of Ray Turner
- 29 - Faren Penny Feigenbaum, Sister of Kathy Friedberg
- 30 - Rose Gold, Aunt of Joel Goodman & Sheldon Goodman



## Anniversaries

### APRIL

- 11 - Marcy & Alan Prager

### MAY

- 6 - Karen & Thaine Briscole
- 14 - Betsy cook & Don Darden
- 15 - Bobbi & Joel Goodman



## Birthdays

### APRIL

- 3 - Cylinda Young
- 7 - Gabriel Villarreal
- 8 - Gregory Miller
- 8 - Marilyn Silver
- 14 - Alexandra L. Briscoe
- 16 - Shelley Allison
- 17 - Jessica Shore
- 18 - Josh Clark
- 18 - Don Darden
- 18 - Carolyn Jobe
- 18 - Yehda Strumberg
- 23 - Hannah Moon
- 23 - Marcy Prager
- 25 - Yachov Erber
- 29 - Dyllon Hancock
- 29 - Gomel Strumberg

### MAY

- 1 - Brittni Coe
- 1 - Adam Turner
- 6 - Violet Thompson
- 6 - Harvey Weisblat
- 11 - Avi Cagan
- 11 - Micah Villarreal
- 11 - Moriah Villarreal
- 12 - Damion Bertsch
- 16 - Marilyn Lepley
- 16 - Jeffery Shore
- 18 - Benjamin Prager
- 20 - Meagan Turner
- 21 - Benjamin Clark
- 27 - Trey Geltmeier
- 30 - Weston Hardowin
- 30 - Brandon Putman
- 31 - Brandon Garcia
- 31 - Chani Erber

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if you can give us a couple of minutes of your time.

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- ☆ Collect manufacturer coupons for Military bases overseas (contact Marilynn Lepley)
- ☆ Donation bottles for a variety of community & outreach service organizations.

**Misheberach**      *The Friedberg / Moon families wish Refuah Shlema*  
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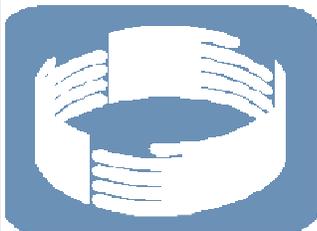
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