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FROM OUR RABBI

The Jewish People both as a whole and as individuals have been known at time to be a stiff necked people. This characterization has been around since the time of the Torah. In the Book of Exodus we are witnesses to God telling Moses, "I have seen this people and behold it is a stiff necked people." (Exodus

32:9). The verse itself comes on the heels of the Children of Israel building the Golden Calf.

The Italian Biblical commentator, Sfrono (1475-1550) understands the term "stiff necked" in two ways. The first being that someone who is stiff-necked is one who turns away when they are being rebuked, as they don't' care or want to listen. His second interpretation is that a stiff-necked people or person is one who understands Mussar (Ethics) but clings to their ways anyway. In other words the Children of Israel knew how they were acting was wrong, by only seeing their own interests at hand. This behavior by the Children of Israel was even worse because they were doing it "in the name of god" while Moses was up on the mountain with God. There are numerous examples throughout time how internal strife has brought about negative results, as we can learn from the story of Kamza and Bar Kamza. The Talmudic story tells us:

R. Johanan said: What is illustrative of the verse, Happy is the man that feareth always, but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief? The destruction of Jerusalem came through a Kamza and a Bar Kamza;²⁷ the destruction of Tur Malka came through a cock and a hen; the destruction of Bethar came through the shaft of a leather. The destruction of Jerusalem came through a Kamza and a Bar Kamza in this way. A certain man had a friend Kamza and an enemy Bar Kamza. He once made a party and said to his servant, Go and bring Kamza. The man went and brought Bar Kamza. When the man [who gave the party] found him there he said, See, you tell tales about me; what are you doing here? Get out. Said the other: Since I am here, let me stay, and I will pay you for whatever I eat and drink. He said, I won't. Then let me give you half the cost of the party. No, said the other. Then let me pay for the whole party. He still said, No, and he took him by the hand and put him out. Said the other, since the Rabbis were sitting there and did not stop him, this shows that they agreed with him. I will go and inform against then, to the Government. He went and said to the Emperor, The Jews are rebelling against you. He said, How can I tell? He said to him:

Send them an offering and see whether they will offer it [on the altar]. So he sent with him a fine calf. While on the way he made a blemish on its upper lip, or as some say on the white of its eye, in a place where we [Jews] count it a blemish but they do not. The Rabbis were inclined to offer it in order not to offend the Government. Said R. Zechariah b. Abkulas to them: People will say that blemished animals are offered on the altar. They then proposed to kill Bar Kamza so that he should not go and inform against them, but R. Zechariah b. Abkulas said to them, Is one who makes a blemish on consecrated animals to be put to death? R. Johanan thereupon remarked: Through the scrupulousness² of R. Zechariah b. Abkulas our House has been destroyed, our Temple burnt and we ourselves exiled from our land. (Babylonian Talmud Tractate Gittin 55b-56a)

As we can see from the story the internal animosity of Kamza and Bar Kamza brought about the destruction of Jerusalem and the community. It would seem that the Talmud is telling us that ego can be destructive when used in a negative and personal manner and comes in place of equality and peace.

While we may at times be a stiff-necked people there is another path that we can go down. It is one that may at times seem difficult but one that in the end is much more beneficial. What is that and where can this be found? It is found in the verse "you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." (Exodus 19:6). We can understand from this verse that God is commanding us to act in a holy manner and become one of priests. The priest "is set apart by a distinctive way of life consecrated to the Service of God and dedicated to ministering to the needs of the people." (Etz Chayim page 437) The only way to minister to the needs of others is to remember that everything we do must be in the Service of God. When this occurs then our stiffnecks become of a different variation. That variation being, one that allows us to thrive even in the face of adversity.

In order to ensure our mitzvah based and desired outcome we must follow the teachings of Pirkei Avot and be like the disciples of Aaron "loving peace and pursuing peace." (Pirkei Avot 1:12) The path towards this is through humility and following the example of Moses who was known as "a very humble man, more humble than anyone else on the of the earth." face (Numbers 12:3) Our commentators tell us that it was only when all the Tribes uniformly realized while in the desert that they must follow Moses example that they began to thrive and build the foundations for the next chapters in our history. That chapter being the building of a new country in their homeland. As we begin our next chapter and the building of our futures, let us find these qualities of Moses and Aaron within ourselves and thus become a Kingdom of Priests, a Holy Nation, Ohavei Shalom (Lovers of peace) within Ahavath Sholom.

B'shalom and Friendship,

Rabbi Andrew Bloom

CANTOR AND EDUCATION DIRECTOR



Miriam: The Water That Has Sustained Our People By Cantor Shoshana Abrams Kaikov

We all know Miriam as the daughter of Amram and Yocheved, and the sister of Moses and Aaron. In the Torah, she is referred to as "Miriam the Prophetess" and is portrayed alongside of Moses and Aaron as delivering the Jews to freedom from a miserable life in Egypt. According to Midrash. Miriam was the leader of

the women of Israel. She was their advocate and inspired them each day.

The name Miriam fascinates me. It comes from the two Hebrew words, "mar" for "bitter" and "yam" for "sea." Many commentators have speculated that her name comes from the fact that Miriam was born during the beginning of Pharaoh's bitter decrees that embittered the Jews' lives with difficult labor. "Mar" can also mean "water," which is beautiful, as she has always been associated with water. Water is extremely important in Judaism, as we understand that it is our sustaining life force. Jews often refer to the Torah as our water of life, and we read Torah on Mondays, Thursdays, and the Sabbath, because just as we can't go too long without water, a Jew should never go too long without the Torah. We also see water embedded into our liturgy.

So going back to the name, Miriam, we know it is associated with this idea of water, this sustaining life force. To begin, we know of the famous story of Miriam rescuing her brother, Moses, from the Nile, the main body of water in Egypt.

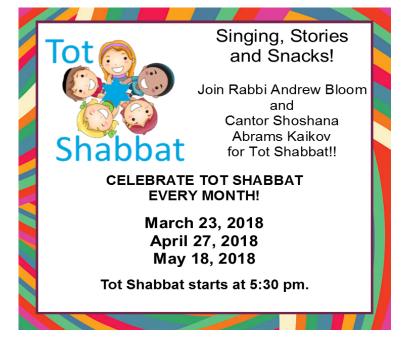
We also know of the miraculous episode of the crossing of the Sea of Reeds. The waters of the sea split and the Israelites pass through in safety. Moses sings a song praising God, and Miriam leads the women in joyous singing and dancing in celebration of this incredible moment in time. Again, Miriam is closely connected with water. She dances and sings with the women on the shore of the Sea of Reeds. On the seventh day of Passover, we chant this section of the Torah, referred to as the Song of the Sea. If you have never heard this segment of the Torah chanted, it is definitely worth experiencing, as there is a special trope associated with the journey across the sea. It is also worth coming to see the way the Torah looks in Exodus 15 with its "brick on brick" layout.

We see this symbolism of water, yet again, when we read about Miriam's Well. This is my favorite of Miriam's connections to water. It is said that when Miriam was alive, a well followed the Israelites as they wandered. As long as she lived, no one ever went thirsty. It was even said that healing herbs grew near this well, so that Miriam's prophetic power became a source of healing. Her well nourished the people and kept them comfortable and at peace. It is said, though, that when she died, so, too, did her well and the people went thirsty. Miriam's well is a symbol of her impact on the Israelites. She was a life force for not only the women, but for everyone. She nourished the people through her music, her joy, her gentle, yet powerful leadership style. She taught the people to experience pure joy after experiencing difficult pain. Nowadays during our Passover Seders, we not only designate a special cup of wine for Elijah, who many believe will appear one day as an unknown guest and herald the coming of the Messiah, many also designate a cup filled with water, referred to as Miriam's cup. It symbolizes Miriam's well and the restorative powers of the water that followed our people. Many keep Miriam's cup on the Seder table as a sign that they are inclusive of everyone.

As you can see, Miriam was not only a life sustaining force, she was a healer and also a guardian. She taught us to rejoice and to unite as a people. Although all of the women of the Bible are unique, Miriam holds a special place in our tradition. While she does not live today, her legacy continues to live on through our mothers, sisters, and daughters. She comes to life in our Passover Seders and through our water liturgy. She lives on through female leadership. We invite her into our community when we rejoice in our tradition, celebrating with joyous singing and dancing. May we all be blessed with the insights of Miriam the prophetess, and may we teach our children to follow in her footsteps as leaders of our faith.



Join us on Sunday, April 22 at 9:30 am and includes Breakfast, tour of the synagogue and children can sit in on classes.



Coming Up

Tuesday, May 1-Last Tuesday for Rabbi Bloom's Adult Education Classes-For Women Only and Tuesday Adult Education

Thursday, May 3-Lag Ba'Omer

Sunday, May 6-Last Day of Religious School this school year.

Sunday, May 13-Yom Yerushalayim

Saturday, May 19-Erev Shavuot, Study and service starts at 8:30 pm

Sunday, May 20-Shavuot, services starts at 9:30 am and 6:00 pm

Monday, May 21-Shavuot with Yizkor, services start at 6:55 am and includes a Yizkor service. An additional Yizkor services will be held at 10:30 am

Monday, May 28-Memorial Day, morning minyan service starts at 9:00 am

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Y'All Come: Texas Jewish Hist'l Society Gathering, April 13-15, in Cowtown

Fort Worth will be host city for the Texas Jewish Historical Society's 38th Annual Gathering, **April 13-15**. The weekend program will look into the past —with a Friday-night sermon from Beth-El's Rabbi Brian Zimmerman about "The Heartbeat of Jewish Fort Worth"— and examine recent history, from the revival of Klezmer music to updates about Russian and South African émigrés shaping DFW today.

The wandering Jews who settled in Texas weren't just the banana peddlers, scrap-metal dealers, and Galveston-Plan immigrants of a century ago. During the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s, scores of Cape Town Jews and Russian Refuseniks made Texas home. These expats will be the focus of a multi-media, Saturdaymorning panel, "Gone 2 Texas: Two Waves of Immigration, Soviet & South African." The panel, from 10 a.m. to noon at Beth-El, will conclude with sandwich platters from Yogi's Deli.

Among the panelists will be Joan and Boris Gremont, South African natives who moved to Dallas in 1978 and spearheaded the "Roots to Boots" project of the Dallas Jewish Historical Society. This program has posted online more than 80 oral-history interviews with North Texas Jews from South Africa. Speaking about the Soviet experience will be Alex Nason, a nuclear engineer and entrepreneur who learned English when his family arrived in Texas from Moldova in 1981. Thirty years later Alex was named Fort Worth's B'nai B'rith Person of the Year. Panelists will compare and contrast the reasons they made the trek to Texas, describe the cultural shocks, and discuss how their foreign-born children have fared. The panel moderator will be diaspora historian Mark Greenberg, director of Jewish Studies at the University of Houston. On display will be paintings by artist Izakil Goldin, who immigrated from Minsk in 1979, and Dr. Denis Benjamin, whose watercolors picture exotic flowers and animals of his native South Africa.

Klezmer music is part of Russian-Jewish culture and part of the conference. The Society invites everyone to a Saturday-night Klezmer Havdallah and BBQ featuring Klezzoup!, a troupe of Fort Worth musicians who play the piano, saxophone, base, flute and trombone. The evening begins at 7:30 at Beth-El. Vocalist Monica Braverman and fellow musicians will explore the klez/jazz revival in Texas and across the USA. Attire is denim, bandanas and your dancing boots.

Our Condolences

To Rita S. Hoffman, Tami Hoffman and Alyce Alter and their entire family on the loss of Ted Hoffman.

To Michael and Pat Linn, Bernard and Gem Linn, Jordan and Suzie Linn and their entire family on the loss of their father, Herbert Linn.

To Annette Dover, Joan and Howard Katz, Janet and Rob Holliday, Carolyn and Ron Bernell and their entire family on the loss of their father, Frank Lipper Dover.

To the Wolstein family on the loss of Michelle Youngblood.



FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I am always surprised that at Passover, so many of my childhood memories come rushing back. Passover is not my favorite holiday. As a matter of fact, I do not remember going to services on Passover; even though I had attended a small 'chader' with an amazing Rabbi. I

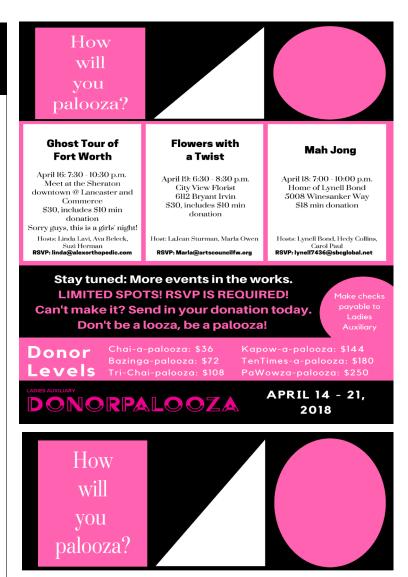
do recall going with my grandmother to the lower east side of Manhattan as she selected the wine. That was my first experience at wine tasting, and this was way before my Bar Mitzvah. For many years our family, including great uncles, aunts, and cousins managed to cram into a small walk up apartment on the lower east side. The pleasant aromas as well as the nasty smells seem to accompany these limited memories.

Later in life, my father decided he would conduct his own Seder. He did, and opened his home to friends, and cousins. These seemed to be almost fleeting memories, save for the pots, pans and dishes that were kept in a large carton stuck in the closet. My job, was to help my grandmother (who lived with us) bring the box down and help with the cleaning of the kitchen, scouring everything, and lining the cupboards and shelves with foil or towels. We did use a candle and feather as we searched for any chumatz. I would do that, but I think the family was just humoring me. Somehow, we too managed to cram friends and relatives into a two bedroom apartment. I loved the cakes that grandmother baked and if left alone could devour a loaf by myself. I still hope that one day I will find her receipt as the carton of pots, pans and dishes are still in my father's attic.

Of course, when I moved from New York, we hosted the Seder at our home, or we would attend the Seder of others. With two young children in tow, we ventured to New York to spend a Passover with my parents. My mother (of blessed memory) wanted our children to experience a "real Seder". The men sat at one end of the table, the women at the other. My maternal grandfather and my father would get into a discussion on the dripping of the wine, should it be from the pinky or from the cup. After three hours, and before dinner was served, our little children had crawled into a corner and fell asleep. Following dinner, the women were in the kitchen and the men continued until about 2 o'clock in the morning. Pat and I decided that that was not what we would do. It was a learning experience.

In a sense we have created our own Seder, our only regret this year is that we are not geographically close to our children and work schedules do not allow us to be together. We are however, grateful that we can spend time with extended family and friends and create additional memories. I do hope that you have managed to reflect on your childhood memories of Passover, and that you have created a Seder that your children will remember. As we cross the Red Sea, maybe next year we will be in Israel.





Greetings Fellow Paloozers,

We hope you had the opportunity to attend one of our Donorpalooza events last year. We had a fun time and hope you were able to come to an event.

Did you forget what Donorpalooza was all about?

Donorpalooza is your way to participate in the Ladies Auxiliary annual fundraiser. Instead of one big event, we have several small events hosted by our own members.

You can participate by either attending one or more events or simply by making a donation. Your support helps our wonderful gift shop, the only kosher kitchen in Fort Worth, and most importantly, our beloved Religious School.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask by contacting me at mrsstephaniezavala@gmail.com or 817.703.5003. We look forward to seeing you at an event and to put your donor dollars to good work.

Sincerely, Stephanie Zavala Ladies Auxiliary Board Member/Event Chair

DONORPALOOZA APRIL 14 - 21, 2018

CALLING ALL LADIES

The Ladies Auxiliary of Congregation Ahavath Sholom invites you to Celebrate the End of Passover!

Join us for an Open Meeting SUNDAY
April 8
10 AM in the Brachman Parlor

> Please join us for a Leaven-filled treat!

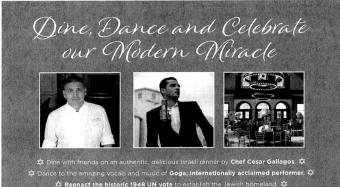
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Birthdays

1-Apr	Marilyn Blinderman	12-Apr	Joan Katz	24-Apr Robin Tirsun
1-Apr	Richard Levin	13-Apr	Dr. Dennis Schuster	26-Apr Cantor Shoshana Abrams Kaikov
5-Apr	Linda Collins	13-Apr	Judd Vermillion	27-Apr Dr. Bernard Zilberg
5-Apr	Susan Platt	17-Apr	Christine Brown	28-Apr Viqui Litman
7-Apr	Dr. Julian Haber	17-Apr	Amy Luskey	28-Apr Efraim Marco
8-Apr	Stephanie Zavala	17-Apr	Sigi Rodriguez	29-Apr Adelene Myers
9-Apr	Hanna Hochster	20-Apr	Dr. Carole Mendelson	29-Apr Stephanie Webster
11-Apr	Eliot Barnett	20-Apr	Dr. Bruce Weiner	30-Apr Deanna Benjamin
11-Apr	Arnold Gachman	22-Apr	Frizelle Kaftan	30-Apr Doris Blum
11-Apr	Martis Herman	23-Apr	Ronna Gilbert	30-Apr Elaine Bumpus
11-Apr	Naomi Rosenfield	23-Apr	Michael Williams	30-Apr Arvie Cooper
12-Apr	Marvin Beleck	24-Apr	Mark Fierer	

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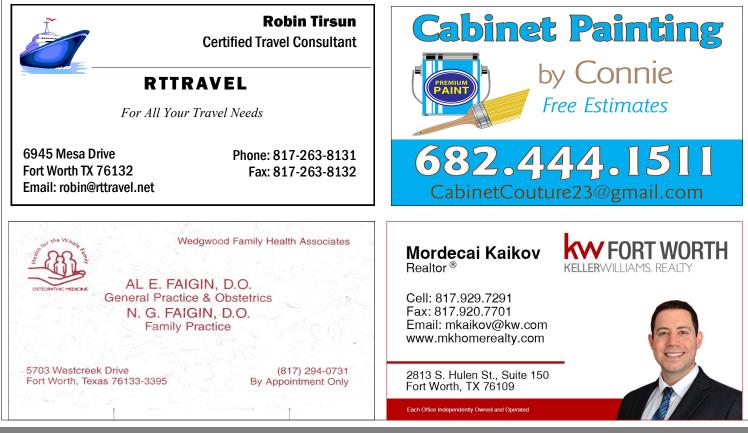
Wedding Anniversaries

7-Apr	Laurence and Harriet Anton	50
17-Apr	Ebrahim and Linda Lavi	30
19-Apr	Robb and Lisa Evans	10



Children's Birthdays

14-Apr	Jerome Berger
24-Apr	Zachary Azerad
27-Apr	Sean Butler
28-Apr	Annie Ostrinsky
29-Apr	Benjamin Karten



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YAHRZEITS-MAY THE MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES BE A BLESSING FOREVER

Sun. April 1, 16 Nisan Flora Benjamin Gertrude Lander

Mon. April 2, 17 Nisan Matilda Abrams Frances Adler Joseph Fahn Frank Greenberg Selma Israel Philip Michaelson

Tue., April 3, 18 Nisan Sam Bernstein Larry Blackman Ruth Bonn Lena Butler Dr. Hubert Gibson Rowena Kimmell Raye Paul Louis Raff Gerald Reisberg Annette Taylor Louis Ueitlin

Wed., April 4, 19 Nisan Helen Bodzy Ann Hurwitz Anne Jolly Milton Mintz Milton Schuster Charlie Tills

Thu., April 5, 20 Nisan Leonard Coplin George Corbin Jack Friedman Reweka Koppelman Tom Reed Bessie Rosenthal Goldie Tills

Fri., April 6, 21 Nisan Mickey Faigin Max Fleischmann Betty Perlman Elias Renov Shalene Sosland Hannah Weisblatt Sat. April 7, 22 Nisan Samuel Baum Olive Bercu Rose Greenberg Sam Kimmell Burton Tobor Rose Zimmerman

Sun., April 8, 23 Nisan Herman Berman Marshall Blackman Joe Carr I.H. Cohen Elizabeth Edenbaum Sandra Rowitzer Rose Schwartz

Mon., April 9, 24 Nisan Maurice Cohn David Edenbaum Charlie Goldberg M. A. Lesser

Tue., April 10, 25 Nisan David Bernstein Morris Corbin Morris Persky

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Sun., April 15, 30 Nisan Ann Ruth Kaftan Leon Kitner Muriel Levin Harry Rhein James Rosenthal Maurice Stine Jack Whitman

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Tue., April 17, 2 Iyar Getlaya Belenkaya Frank Goldberg Sadie Louis Sam Mellinger

Wed., April 18, 3 Iyar Bernard Asch Dorothy Goldberg Henrietta Goldberg Dr. Guillermo Guzman Sima Kisin Tillie Marks Arthur Paderewski Abraham Potnick Charles Rosenberg Mariam Stein

> Thu., April 19, 4 Iyar Ida Applebaum Jacob Goldring Mary Hendelman Rachel Levy Elathea Passmore Jacob Petrofsky Jack Rashti Eli Saidkin Rose Sneidereine

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Sat., April 21, 6 Iyar Sarah Chary Bessie Eisenman Annie Engler Saul Freundlich Ruth Levinger Berta Nogen Edna Schiff William Schwartz Yetta Schwartz Joseph Shanblum

Sun., April 22, 7 Iyar William Blum Myer Bronstein David Gross Lewis Lamark Israel Radin Lillian Sankary Charlotte Siegel Harry Wexler

Mon., April 23, 8 Iyar Ethel Friedman Muriel Gachman Oscar Glickman Charles Miron John Neft John Stein

Tue., April 24, 9 Iyar Joe Glazer Lilly Gordon Louis Kboudi Ann Long Annie Schwartz

Wed., April 25, 10 Iyar Sarah Brown Lena Factor Gitel Gaetzka Phillip Mendelson Sol Sankary Rebecca Weinman Thu., April 26, 11 Iyar Ruth Carey Belle Cohen Sol Flamholz Leslie Frankrich Dr. Louis Levy Newman Roberts Sarah Saikin Florence Schwartz Betty Stauber Maxine Zeidman Saul Zodin

Fri., Apr. 27, 12 Iyar Rose Beckoff Mary Coopersmith Adele Fritzel Lilly Ginsburg Irwin Hertzman Bella Michel Lester Nussbaum, Sr. Max Pila Joe Siegel Audrey Wolpa

> Sat., April 28, 13 Iyar Hannah Antweil Bernice Baum Harry Cohen Louis Oxman Harry Sloan Ben Tudzin

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MATZO GNOCCHI SOUP

(to keep the matzo dumpling light, don't overtax the dough!)

Broth

- 1 large kosher chicken
- 3 large carrots, peeled, cut into 1-in pieces
- 1 head of celery, stalks cut into 1-inchpieces, leaves set aside
- 3 large leeks, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 head of garlic, halved crosswise
- 2 tablespoons whole black peppercorns

Matzo Gnocchi and Assembly 1 large (11 to 12 ounce) russet potato 1/4 cup matzo meal 1 tablespoon finely minced fresh chives 1 tablespoon finely minced flat-leaf parsley nutmeg (to taste)

kosher salt (to taste) 3 large egg yokes, beaten to blend ground black pepper (to taste) extra virgin olive oil to drizzle

Broth—Place first 8 ingredients and 5 quarts water in a large stockpot; season with salt. Bring to a simmer over medium heat. Skim foam from surface; reduce heat to low and cook, keeping at a low simmer and skimming occasionally, for 3 hours.

Using tongs, remove chicken from broth and reserve for another use. Strain broth into a large bowl through a fine-mesh sieve (if desired, line sieve with cheesecloth for clearer broth); set aside. Discard solids. DO AHEAD: Can be made 3 days ahead. Chill uncovered until cold. Cover; keep chilled.

Matzo Gnocchi and Assembly—Preheat oven to 400°. Bake potato until tender, about 1 hour. Let cool slightly. Peel potato and pass through a ricer or food mill, or press through the holes in a colander into a medium bowl. Add matzo meal, herbs, and nutmeg; season to taste with salt. Add yolks; stir to form a dough.

Divide dough into 4 pieces. Working with 1 piece at a time and keeping the others covered with a kitchen towel, roll dough into a 12-inch-long rope. Cut into 1-inch pieces. Transfer gnocchi to a parchment paper-lined rimmed baking sheet. Cover with towel.

Bring broth to a simmer in a large pot over medium heat. Season with salt and pepper. Add gnocchi; simmer until tender, 4–5 minutes. Divide mixture among bowls. Drizzle with oil; garnish with celery leaves.

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Earl Givant Drs. Etta and Bruce Miller

In honor of: Cantor Shoshana Abrams Kaikov Jewish Women International MATZO BREI 2 sheets of matzo 2 large eggs Salt and pepper 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

Break matzo into 1/2" pieces; place in a medium bowl. Cover with very hot tap water. Let stand for about 30 seconds, then drain. Beat eggs in another medium bowl; season with salt and pepper. Add drained matzo; mix until combined and a wet batter forms. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Spoon scant 1/4-cupfuls of batter into skillet, making 4 pancakes. Fry, turning once, until golden and just cooked through, about 1 minute per side. Serve with jam, syrup, or whatever you'd like. These rock!

MATZO-ALMOND CROCCANTE (Italian brittle)

Nonstick vegetable oil spray 5 sheets of matzo 1 3/4 cups sugar 3/4 cup margarine 1/4 cup honey 1/3 cup sliced almonds, lightly toasted 5 oz semisweet or bittersweet chocolate (don't exceed 72% cacao), melted 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper 1 1/2 teaspoons coarse sea salt (such as Maldon)

Line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper; coat with nonstick spray. Place matzo on sheet in a single layer, breaking as needed and overlapping slightly, leaving no gaps. Stir sugar, margarine, honey, and 1/4 cup water in a heavy saucepan over low heat until sugar dissolves. Increase heat medium-high and boil without stirring, to occasionally swirling pan and brushing down sides with a wet pastry brush, until caramel is a deep amber color, 13–15 minutes. Pour caramel evenly over matzo. Immediately sprinkle almonds over. Let cool. Drizzle melted chocolate over caramel. Sprinkle cavenne and salt over. Let stand until chocolate sets, about 30 minutes. Break into pieces.

MATZO GRANOLA

1/2 cup coarsely chopped walnuts2 tablespoons light-brown sugar1/2 teaspoon coarse salt3 crushed whole-wheat matzos1/4 cup safflower oil2 tablespoons honey1/2 cup chopped dried fruit

Stir together matzos, walnuts, oil, sugar, honey, and salt. Spread evenly on a rimmed baking sheet. Bake at 300 degrees, stirring every 10 minutes, until toasted, 25 to 30 minutes. Let cool. Break into smaller pieces. Stir in dried fruit.

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9:00 am 6:00 pm 6:45 am

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1—16 Nisan	2—17 Nisan	3—18 Nisan 10:30 am For Women Only	4—19 Nisan	5—20 Nisan	6—21 Nisan	7—22 Nisan 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
o:uu pm Evening Service		6:30 pm Adult Education with Rabbi Bloom			Service Candle Lighting Time: 7:35 pm	Havqalah: 0.20 pm
Passover	Intermediate Day	Intermediate Day	Intermediate Day	Intermediate Day	Passover	Passover with Yizkor
8—23 Nisan	9—24 Nisan	10—25 Nisan	11—26 Nisan	12—27 Nisan	13—28 Nisan	14—29 NIsan 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
		with Rabbi Bloom			Shabbatt 6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat	RS Shabbaton PreK-12 Grades
		6:30 pm Adult Education with Rabbi Bloom			service—CAS Family Dinner follows services Candle Lighting Time: 7:39 pm	Havdalah: 8:33 pm
15—30 Nisan	16—1 Iyar	17—2 lyar	18—3 Iyar	19—4 Iyar	20—5 Iyar	21—6 lyar
Ladies Auxiliary		10:30 am For Women Only with Rabbi Bloom		6:30 pm Meeting of the CAS	6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat	Havdalah: 8:38 pm
April 15 to 22		6:30 pm Adult Education with Rabbi Bloom			Candle Lighting	
Rosh Chodesh	Rosh Chodesh		Yom HaZikaron	Yom Ha'atzma'ut	Time: 7:45 pm	Tazria-Metzora
22—7 Iyar RS New Family Open House	23—8 Iyar	24—9 Iyar 10:30 am For Women Only with Rabhi Bloom	25—10 Iyar	26—11 Iyar	27—12 Iyar Tot Shakhat	28—13 Iyar 9:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
12:30 pm Jerusalem Monopoly		6:30 pm Adult Education			6:00 pm Kabbalat Shabbat service	Bar Mitzvah of Cole Edrich
		with Rabbi Bloom			Candle Lighting Time: 7:50 pm	Havdalah: 8:43 pm Acharei Mot-Kedoshim
29—14 Iyar	30—15 Iyar					