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From The Desk of The Rabbi **LIBERATION PROCEEDS IN STAGES**

One of the characteristics of youth is impatience. While older adults are tempered by the realities of human passivity and inertia, young people agitate for immediate change and progress. Unwilling to concede that society moves very slowly, unable to accept human suffering and callousness, our colleges remain centers of agitation and protest as young people attempt to translate their dreams of a redeemed humanity into a living reality.

Let us imagine Moses as a young man plagued with this same impatience. Having to watch his people suffer under the strains of Egyptian slavery must have been a tortuous agony. Whether Moses identified completely with his people or not, we know from the Torah narrative that in his youth, he was so passionate about his people and justice that he did not hesitate to intervene to redress grievances and to assist the weak and the needy. Did Moses, like us in our time, pray for divine assistance? Even as a Prince of Egypt, he could not alter the politics of his government. After all, the Jews had been slaves in Egypt for over 200 years, and there was no sign of the Egyptian dynasty relenting at all.

Finally after nearly 80 years of life experience, Moses encounters G-d, the Ancient Holy One. In the process of liberating the Jewish people, G-d also teaches him and us a lesson in persistence. Liberation comes in stages, not all at once. Permanent change in human nature requires time, patience and determination. Cosmetic alterations may come easily, but permanent and significant growth emerges over a long period, and only with great effort.

The Torah in Parsha Va'era describes G-d telling the Jewish people: ***"I am the L-d, I will free you from the labors of the Egyptians and I will deliver you from their bondage. I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and through extraordinary chastisements. And I will take you to be My people and I will be your G-d."***

These four verses of liberation, ***"I will free you . . . I will deliver you . . . I will redeem you . . . I will take you,"*** became the single paradigmatic emblem of Jewish redemption. According to Midrash Shemot Rabbah, The Sages ordained four cups to be drunk on the eve of Pesach to correspond with these four expressions, in order to fulfill the verse: ***"I raise the cup of deliverance and invoke the name of the L-d (Psalm 116: 13)."*** Thus, each cup of wine at the Seder represents a different aspect of the process of liberation. The Ramban (13th Century Spain) states: ***"Each aspect of deliverance marks an advance toward the goal of complete freedom."***

Thus, the first step, ***"I will free you,"*** refers to the cessation of external bondage. The first prerequisite for any human freedom is that external oppression cease. However, the absence of outside pressure is not in itself freedom.

The next step, ***"I will deliver you,"*** refers to leaving the sovereignty and control of the former oppressors. Remaining under their influence, even if no longer under their servitude, precludes true liberation.

The third stage of freedom, ***"I will redeem you,"*** involves a reorientation of values. It is through the mighty acts which accomplished the Exodus from Egypt, the signs and wonders that the Israelites came to understand that human pomp and pretension were unable to provide ultimate meaning and value. The temptations of Egyptian society were, in the final analysis, mere glitter and distraction from what made life ultimately significant.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Of all the Jewish Holidays, Passover has always been my favorite. The entire house changed. Our regular food closet was cleaned out and Chametz was removed, the house was thoroughly cleaned and the dishes changed out. The morning of the first seder, we were not allowed to eat in the house.

It was also a tradition for my Dad would take us out to the local donut shop for breakfast and then take us to school. The first Seder was usually at my Bubbe's house. We had the immediate family but also the adopted family. These were the extra aunts and uncles, and grandparents who were my grandparents' friends. There were always extra friends as well.

Since my Zayde died when I was 4 year old, my uncle ran the Seder. There was lots of commotion but everyone was happy. Most importantly, there were the smells from the kitchen. Both my mother and Bubbe had been cooking all day.

We would go through the Seder with everyone participating and I had to do the Four Questions until my brother and cousins were able to do them. Not only was the story told, we sang together, told jokes and everyone ate their fill. From the very beginning, this was a special time. One year, Uncle Sam decided to get my younger brother a little shicker with the full four cups of wine. Another year, my uncle had a colleague of his dress up as Elijah. When my younger cousin opened the door, Elijah came in and said hello to everyone and had some wine and then left.

It has been a tradition in many homes to have a collection of Haggadahs that had been used over the years. If I had to describe all the food, I would end up writing pages. During that week, I ate all my favorite foods. By the way, my Bubbe and her generation had to be the ones who invented the 20 course meal! I used to think Passover meant passover the plate of chopped liver etc.

As I got older, the seriousness of the holiday became important. The universal message of wanting to be free and the universal human goal of freedom. The holiday of Passover is probably the first holiday to celebrate the gift of freedom by any people.

Hashem also taught us this gift had a price. We lost people along our way in the desert. We had to learn to accept this gift and understand the importance of it. Not all our people were willing to accept it. The incident of the golden calf taught us what Hashem wanted us to accept.

We have also learned over time, we must continue to fight for our freedom such that every generation must accept this gift and the responsibilities it gives us. One such responsibility has been to help the freedom of all people.

Perhaps, the requirement to keep the Passover Seder was to ensure that every generation be taught this is a gift and responsibilities that this gift meant. In some ways, the war in the Ukraine is a reminder of this universal message.

I hope everyone has a wonderful, joyous and yet meaningful Passover.

Michael C. Tobes

APRIL Bimah Schedule

2 Dr. Michael Tobes
9 Dr. Stan Weiner
16 Sean Hammel
23 Steve Roosth
30 Samantha Clark

Remember, if you can't be on the Bimah when scheduled, you need to find a replacement.

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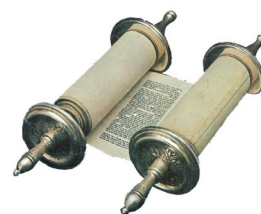
APRIL BOARD MEETING

Sunday, April 10, 2022
If you have an item for the agenda,
please call or e-mail

Dr. Michael Tobes or
Samantha Clark



shabbat shalom



APRIL SCHEDULE OF READINGS

Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings

Saturday	April	2	Rosh HaChodesh Shabbat HaChodesh Morning Service TAZRIA Torah Reading Leviticus 13:29 - 13:59 Maftir Exodus 12:1 - 20 Haftarah Exekiel 45:16 - 46:18	9:00 A.M.
Sunday	April	3	Tephillin Service	8:00 A.M.
Saturday	April	9	Morning Service METZORA Torah Reading Leviticus 14:33 - 15:33 Haftarah Malachai 3:4 - 24	9:00 A.M.
Friday	April	15	Siyyum Bechorim-Fast of The 1 st Born	7:00 A.M.
Saturday	April	16	Morning Service PESACH 1st Day Torah Reading Exodus 12:21 - 12:51 Maftir Numbers 28:19 - 25 Haftarah Joshua 3:5 - 7, 5:2 - 6:1, 6:27	9:00 A.M.
Sunday	April	17	Morning Service PESACH 2nd Day Torah Reading Leviticus 22:26 - 23:44 Maftir Numbers 28:16 - 25 Haftarah II Kings 23:1 - 9, 21 - 25	9:00 A.M.
Saturday	April	23	Morning Service PESACH 8TH DAY Torah Reading Deuteronomy 14:22 - 16:17 Maftir Numbers 28:19 - 25 Haftarah Isaiah 10:32 - 12:6	9:00 A.M.
Saturday	April	30	Shabbat Machar Chodesh - Birchat HaChodesh Morning Service ACHREI MOT Torah Reading Leviticus 17:1 - 18:30 Haftarah I Samuel 20:18 - 42	9:00 A.M.
Sunday	May	1	Yom HaShoah Remembrance	2:30 P.M.





April 2022

1	ii8:25PM	2	\$9:29PM ROSH HODESH Service: 9:00 am Parsha: TAZRIA Bimah: Dr. Michael Tobes
8	ii8:30PM	9	\$9:34PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: METZORA Bimah: Dr. Stan Weiner
15	ii8:35PM EREV PASSOVER Siyyum Bechorim- Fast of the First Born: 7:00 am	16	\$9:39PM/ii9:39PM PASSOVER I Service: 9:00 am PESACH 1st Day Bimah: Dr. Michael Tobes
22	\$9:43PM/ii8:40PM PASSOVER VII	23	\$9:44PM PASSOVER VIII (YIZKOR) Service: 9:00 am PESACH 8th Day Bimah: Dr. Michael Tobes
29	\$9:47PM YOM HASHOAH	30	\$9:49PM Service: 9:00 am Parsha: ACHREI MOT Bimah: Samantha Clark
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TORAH STUDY
AFTER SERVICES/BRUNCH
NO STUDY on April 16th or 23rd



TODAH RABAH

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MAZEL TOV

TO

HANNAH YATES

ON BECOMING A BAT MITZVAH

May this new chapter of your life deliver many blessings in the years to come.

We also wish Hannah and her mother, LeeAnn, a safe journey as they return to their home in Michigan. You will be missed!

CAA Board and Congregation

April Celebrations

Birthdays

- 2 Michael Roosth
- 4 Pauline (Polly) Roosth
- 12 Marvin A. Beleck
- 15 Lilybeth Clark
- 16 Katie Amanda Rose
- 22 Asher Joseph Taxon
- Ad Shoshana Hekier
- 23 Jessica Reilly Silverberg
- 24 Debbie Roosth
- 26 Edward T. Jacobs
- 28 Rachel Elmakiss
- Melinda Beaver
- 29 Matthew Karten
- 30 Gabriel Green
- Joanne Feld

☆☆ Sunday School

plans to meet on

April 10, 2022

at 10 a.m.

Please come and join in!!

Calling all artists!

If you are an artist or even a little bit crafty we want you to join the arts and crafts club. The intention is for this club to continue projects that create items to be distributed in hospitals to encourage patients. With Barry Jacobs' instruction he will guide us to continue a volunteer mission which has been going on for many years. If you are interested in ART CLUB please call or text Kimberly Walls at: (903)283-4438 or email at wallskj@gmail.com.

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☐ Cemetery Fund - **CAA CEMETERY**

RABBI'S MESSAGE

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The moment of redemption was that time when Israel realized that ultimate worth -- the goal of the religious endeavor -- came in serving something ultimate, rather than furthering any human conceit.

The fourth stage of freedom, **"I will take you to be My people,"** refers, according to the Bekhor Shor (12th Century, France), to the meeting of G-d and Israel at Mount Sinai. Ultimately, freedom is much, much more than the absence of external restraint. Freedom is the ability to assume responsibility for one's own life and for one's community as well. We are most free, most fully human, when we help ourselves and others to live up to our best potential as caring human beings and as serious Jews.

Thus, the freedom of Torah -- the only true freedom that Jews can enjoy -- is a call to responsibility, toward spiritual adulthood. By assuming responsibility for the 'Mitzvot,' by taking our place in the unbroken chain of Jewish observance, tradition and transmission, we renew the ancient process of liberation which our ancestors experienced in Egypt. We observe and celebrate Pesach and our Seders which renew our commitment to that process of liberation. When each of us proceeds through the stages of liberation, we exchange the modern-day Pharaoh of materialism and the contemporary idolatry of the self with the purifying service of the Holy Blessed One and acts of love toward our fellow human beings. The process begins anew today just as holiday of Pesach symbolizes renewal. It calls to all of us.

With Torah Blessings and a Hag Sameach Pesach!

Rabbi



SALE OF CHAMETZ - DEADLINE THURSDAY, APRIL 14th 2022

Any Chametz owned by a Jew during Passover Week becomes "Trefa" and is forbidden for actual use or benefit forever. It is usually impossible to dispose of all Chametz before Passover, so every Jew should arrange for a formal Mechirat Chametz, or sale of that Chametz. Please return Chametz sales forms to:

3501 South Donnybrook,
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along with your donation for this essential service.

FORMS MAY BE FOUND INSIDE THIS BULLETIN, ONLINE, AS A pdf ATTACHMENT TO THE WEEKLY SEDRA OR IN THE SHUL LOBBY AND SOCIAL HALL.

Our 3 pg. "Guide to Passover" may be found as an attachment to the Weekly Sedra beginning in April or on our website.

If you need a hard copy, please contact CAA offices.

If you wish to sell your chametz, please fill out this form and return it no later than 4:00 P.M. Thursday, April 14, 2022. Please note on your check that it is for Chametz. Normally, these funds go to pay for wine and grape juice. The funds will go into the Breakfast Fund, since those items are paid for out of the Breakfast Fund. Rabbi

Definition of CHAMETZ:

In Exodus 12:15 the Bible tells us, "Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread; on the very first day you shall remove leaven from your houses..." The Rabbis specified five grains which can become chametz: wheat, barley, spelt, rye, and oats. Ashkenazic authorities added to this list rice and kitniot, or legumes (including beans, peas, lentils, corn and maize, millet, and mustard). Sephardic authorities, prohibit only the five specified grains, thus Sephardic Jews are allowed to eat legumes and rice during Passover.

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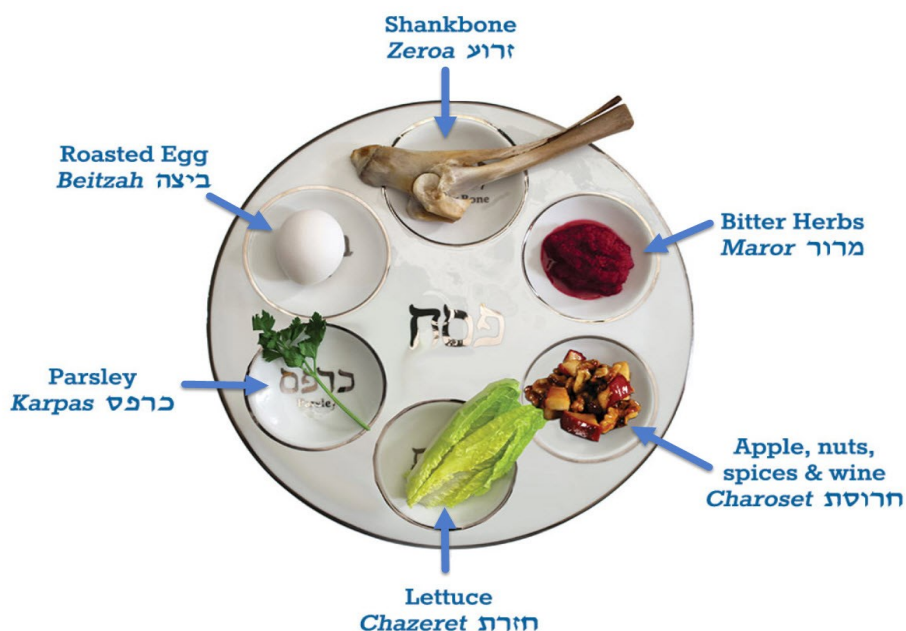
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Whereas, according to our religious tradition, it is forbidden to possess or to keep any CHAMETZ during PASSOVER, I hereby authorize Rabbi Alan Learner to serve as my agent to sell all my CHAMETZ (leaven), whether in my home or elsewhere.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

MY DONATION FOR THE SALE _____

In order to symbolize one is transferring the authority to sell, it is customary to make a token monetary donation for that transfer.



Yahrzeits

APRIL 1 - APRIL 7

- 5 Rosa Lee Roosth Mellinger
Eva Zuckerman
Maurine Muntz
6 Sidney Manuel Kahn
Mike Cohen
7 Thomas Dula
Louis Shafts

APRIL 8 - APRIL 14

- 8 Ida Hannah Lazarus
Jacob Meyer
9 Betrice Goldfeder
Bennie Roosth
Bob Benjomin Taylor
11 Jerry Lee Jeffers
Manuel Zimmerman
12 Frances Bromberg
Pearl Krumholtz

APRIL 15 - APRIL 21

- 18 Sam Levine
19 Clara Levine

APRIL 22 - APRIL 28

- 22 Abraham Flicker
24 William D. Roosth
26 Ralph Davis
27 Judge Earnest Stevens
Ruth Waghalter
28 Maurice Block

APRIL 29 - MAY 5

- 29 Isabell Davis
30 Anna Eisen
1 Morris Rudman
3 Hyman Smith
4 Arthur Frank
Mary Mirsky
5 Raye Bromberg
Ruth Gross
Selma Greenberg
Pauline Heffler Roosth

MAY 6 - MAY 12

- 6 Jerome Wolf
Mary Hendelman
Betty Beck
Boris Tobes
7 David Learner
8 Otto Heffler
Eva Offrict
12 Max Chodow
Sarah Golenternek

MAY 13 - MAY 19

- 13 Celia Roosth
Joe Roth
Rose Terlitsky Chrona
14 Fannie Heffler
15 Charles Greenwald
William Kelfer
Rebecca Tuck
16 Dr. Hyman P. Roosth
17 Irving M. Goodman
Abraham Offrict
18 William Kelfer
Rebecca Tuck
19 Simcha Bigus
Leibel Bigus
Moshe Bigus
Chanah Bigus
Malkah Bigus
Aaron Bigus
Avram Bigus
Ester Bigus
David Bigus
Frayde Bigus
Pinchas Bigus
Yaakov Mordechai Bigus
Rae Forman
Ruth Mastbaum
Haim Mastbaum
Nathan Mastbaum
Aaron Mastbaum
Hilary Mastbaum
Jacob Mastbaum

MAY 20 - MAY 26

- 26 Michael Schumer

MAY 27 - JUNE 2

- 27 Rosa Krumholtz
28 Paul Forchheimer
Louis Glassser
30 Jacob Fridkin
Mollie Sherman
Bessie Spero
31 David Gross
2 Thelma Sobel
Sam Gross

JUNE 3 - JUNE 9

- 3 Sadie (Babe) Lulky Weintraub
Tanchum Meir Roosth
Myer Kline
5 Florence Strum
6 Isadore Mellinger
7 Freida Schumer
8 Henry Berry
Doris Ginsberg Diamond

JUNE 10 - JUNE 16

- 10 Sadie Wapner
11 George Vainer
Isaac Benedict Heffler
12 Feiga Ginsberg
Israel Sutton
15 Louis Sherman
16 James Harold Hill

JUNE 17 - JUNE 23

- 17 Harry P. Goldberg
18 Samuel Cohn
20 Rose Rudman
21 Dorothy Cohen Smith
23 Etta Golenternek Gross
Thomas Werbner

JUNE 24 - JUNE 30

- 24 Robert Muntz
Sam Sable
Bill Werbner
25 Sol Ginsberg
26 Eugenia Levite
29 Herman Shafts



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FOR RABBI LEARNER

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4:15 -7:15 P.M.

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Each leaf is \$100.00 and should take about 3 weeks from order, to receipt, to placement on the tree. You may choose the placement of your leaf. Please consider these things when you are placing an order. If you are interested in a leaf, please contact Leanne the secretary and I will be more than happy to help you!

Thank you, Leanne