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Rabbi's Message

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Dear Friends,

As we prepare to go to print, the news from *Eretz Yisrael* weighs heavily on our consciousness. Once again, the antagonism and hatred of our enemies has reared its head. Gone is any sense of relaxation, which may have crept into our prayers; we are again on high alert. Lest we believe that, as residents of the Diaspora, we are not directly involved in the events of a land thousands of miles away, the following *Midrash* tells us quite the opposite.

Moshe asked G-d, "How is it that *Yosef's* bones will enter the land of Israel, yet I will not enter?" G-d replied: When *Yosef* appeared before Pharaoh, he said, "For I was stolen away from the land of the Hebrews"; when *Yitro's* daughters came and reported, "An Egyptian man came and saved us from the shepherds", you listened silently and did not say, "I am a Hebrew." (*Devarim Rabbah* 2:8)

Moshe was one of the greatest servants of G-d ever to live. He devoted his life to bringing the Jewish people close to G-d and urging them to go to *Eretz Yisrael*. Nevertheless, explains *Rabbi Chaim Shmuelevitz ז"ל*, only through identifying oneself as a resident of *Eretz Yisrael* does a Jew retain his or her connection with their homeland. Wherever in the world a Jew lives, it is but his temporary home; he is always "from the land of the Hebrews."

The months of *Tamuz* and *Av* mark a period of time in which we mourn our exile and yearn for the return of all Jews to *Eretz Yisrael*, with the *Shechinah* and the *Beit Hamikdash*. Now more than ever, we must reaffirm and strengthen our ties to our Homeland. Let us constantly "Pray for the welfare of Jerusalem" in word, deed and thought.

May we soon merit seeing the complete redemption.

All the Best!

Rabbi Azriel and Michal Blumberg

High Holiday seats will be available soon on a first-come, first-served basis. Please respond promptly when you receive the upcoming mailing.

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From the Board of Directors

Probably the most important responsibility of the board of directors is to tend to the financial wellbeing of the shul. This year has been particularly challenging in that regard and the board has been devoting much of its efforts toward evaluating and improving our fiscal health. I would like to especially thank Jonathan Kamens, chair of the membership committee, for making an accounting of our membership and dues situation and making an initiative to allow all of our members to become up to date in paying our dues. Recently we sent out letters to all of our members and I am asking that everyone respond promptly. Our membership is our lifeblood. An enthusiastic and involved membership will benefit all of us.

Jon also worked on our email lists and along with Seth and Jen Gordon, on our new website www.kadimahtorasmoshe.org. Check out this full-featured website regularly. I also want to thank Rabbi Blumberg and Elena Kogor for preparing this edition of the bulletin.

In the last bulletin, I mentioned the initiative that was starting to identify how we can improve the experience of our volunteers. The committee has conducted interviews of people who have done jobs for the congregation to try to recognize the steps that we can take to allow more people to take on responsibilities in a satisfying fashion. Everyone can help by thinking about ways to be more involved.

Have a good summer.

Dean Solomon
Chairman of the Board

You are invited to join an ongoing shiur exploring the

Foundations of Halacha

A journey through the sources behind Halachos relevant to everyday life,
from the Talmudic discussions through modern-day responsa.

Given by

Rabbi Azriel Blumberg

“The Shabbos Yard”

Grass, Dirt, Trees and Rocks ♦ Play Ball! ♦ Insects ♦ Don’t Forget the Lotion!

Wednesday nights 8:30 p.m.



Around the Shul

- Many thanks to Ruth Bernstein, our previous bulletin editor, for all her hard work. May the Bernstein family have much success in their new location and remain part of the KTM family for many years to come.
- Yasher Koach to Sue Miller for her work on the Yizkor Book and many thanks to those who participated in and supported this project.
- On Sunday, May 28 KTM held a breakfast in honor of Yom Yerushalayim and Memorial Day. Thank you to all who helped with the menu and set-up. We salute Bernie Goldstein, Malcolm Rosen and the other veterans who made a touching memorial to all those who gave their lives for the freedoms we enjoy.

Memorial plaques erected in the past year were dedicated. *Tebillim* was said in the memory of the deceased, and Jeffrey Houben gave a perspective on the life of Robert Cohen, former president and dedicated member of KTM.

The program ended with a DVD presentation, “In the Courtyards of Jerusalem”, produced by Andrew Gold. The presentation showed many faces and aspects of this great and holy city, as well as some of the challenges it faces. It met with a hearty round of applause.

- KTM recently hosted a Shabbaton for the New England Chapter of Yachad. Our members have long been involved with Yachad’s efforts to involve individuals with developmental disabilities in mainstream Jewish communal activities, both as advisors and as participants. It was a pleasure and an honor to once again share a Shabbat experience with them.
- Yasher Koach to all who participated in our Tikun Leil Shavuot; to our speakers – Jen Gordon, Andrea Kamens, Rabbi Eliezer and Yaakov Finkelman and Rabbi Blumberg – and to Dan Simkovitz and Ann Geller, who prepared shiurim but were gracious enough to save their material for another occasion so the rest of us could speak for a longer time!

Thank you to Dan Simkovitz for arranging the program, and to all who attended and made the night – and our early *Minyan!* – a success.

- Thanks to Judy Brooks, Ann Geller and Ruth Warren for organizing and preparing a delicious *Shabbat/Shavuot* lunch. Thank you to Lillian Stern for providing elegant table settings, and to all those without whom this event would not have been the wonderful communal celebration of *Yom Tov* that it turned out to be.

Our Members and Friends

- Mazel Tov to all of this year’s graduates: Eli Andler, Margalit Bayone, Mordechai Horwath, Yakov Salzberg, Esther Shatz, Adin Shuchatowitz, Martin Solomon, Gretchen Solomon, Josh Warren and Shani Wecker.
- Mazel Tov to: Rabbi and Mrs. Halbfinger on the birth of a grandson; Julie & Andrew Gilson on the birth of a granddaughter; Anne Fischer and Joe Greissdoff on their engagement and upcoming marriage; the Houben family on their recent Sefer Torah Dedication; Linda and Jeremy Nussbaum on the birth of a son.
- Condolences to: Jerry Warren on the loss of his mother; Bonnie Besdin on the loss of her mother; Charlotte Rosen on the loss of her sister, Estelle Berger; the Freedman & Feinberg families on the loss of Alan Freedman; Susan Miller on the loss of her mother, Sylvia Nason.
- Hatzlacha Rabbah to the Bayone and Bernstein families in their new homes.



Sisterhood News by Cheryl Sisel

- Yasher Koach to Ann Geller for chairing this year's very popular Pre-Pesach Wine Tasting and Workshop. Thank you to Rabbi Blumberg for answering all our Hilchot Pesach questions. The Pesach Wine tasting was enjoyable, informative, and successful. An excellent selection of wines was provided by Gimbel's Liquors of Brookline. Wine was available for sale after the meeting. A portion of the proceeds was donated to the shul.
- Yasher Koach to Dvora Baronofsky and Cheryl Sisel for chairing our end-of-the-year Mother's Day brunch. Everyone had a great time participating in the challah baking and braiding lessons, and then got to take home a challah to bake and enjoy. Thank you to Tova Rochel Rabinowitz and her able assistant, daughter Esti. Thank you so much to Rebitzin Halbfinger for her input during the board meeting preceding the program.
Plan to join us for our very important planning board meeting *IY"YH* Monday, July 31. We need your input.
- The Sisterhood High Holiday Greetings Book is a nice way to wish your friends a Shana Tova U'Mtuka and help the shul at the same time. Watch your mail!

Children's and Family Programs by Cheryl Sisel

- Although the rain was coming down outside, on June 10th, Shabbat Parshat Naso, it was a bright and sunny spring day at KTM. Everyone who attended our annual picnic stayed warm and enjoyed great friends and terrific food. Thank you to Rabbi Blumberg for an inspiring D'var Torah. Thank you to Cheryl Sisel and Andrea Kamens for chairing this successful event. Thank you to the many others who contributed to the picnic's success by purchasing supplies: Jen Gordon, Joel Sisel and Lillian Stern. Thank you to our talented cooks: Jon and Andrea Kamens, Jen Gordon, and Juliette Simkovitz. Thank you to our clean-up crew Cheryl Sisel, Julie Gilson, Judy Menkes and Juliette Simkovitz.
- The Children's groups went very well this year, thanks to Cheryl Sisel, Jon and Andrea Kamens, Seth and Jen Gordon and Ruti Haas. Thank you also to the group leaders: Nathan Gilson, Bayla Lawless, Michael Stern-Cohen, Lauren Simkovitz, Adina Shatz, Zahava Gale and Josh Warren. Thank you, and my apologies, to anyone I forgot to mention. Your help is greatly appreciated.
- If the group leaders are available, the Children's groups will, P"YH, continue over the summer. Announcements will be made in shul.

Our thanks to the following people for their support of our Yizkor Book project. Their entries were received after the print deadline.

Alan Robbins remembers

Lena Rabinovitz, mother

Sam Rabinovitz, father

Simon and Ludmila Zilberstein remember Michail Zilberstein father,

Eva Zilberstein mother,

Eugenia Zilberstein Step-Mother,

Zoya Trushkova mother



Cards

Mazel Tov to

Julie & Andrew Gilson on the birth of a granddaughter
Rabbi and Mrs. Halbfinger on the birth of a grandson

2006 Graduates

Michael & Lisa Shatz on Esther's graduation
Charlotte & Mal Rosen on their fiftieth wedding anniversary
Bernie & Judy Goldstein on grandson Jason's graduation
from high school
Ann Fischer on engagement and upcoming marriage

Get Well to

Shirley PENCHUK

Joel Sisel

Marvin Levenson
Chuck Miller
Sylvia & Marcus Nason

Condolences to

Jerry Warren on the loss of his mother

Bonnie Besdin on the loss of her mother

Charlotte Rosen on the loss of her sister, Estelle Berger

Freedman & Feinberg families on the loss of Alan Freedman
Sue Miller on the loss of her mother

Sisterhood KTM

Dorothy & Sid Krimsky
Lillian Stern & Michael Stern Cohen
Charlotte & Mal Rosen
The Winnett Family
Bernie & Judy Goldstein

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Dorothy & Sid Krimsky
Annette & Herb Klaver
Charlotte & Mal Rosen
Annette & Herb Klaver

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Barbara Gray

Sisterhood KTM

Susan & Chuck Miller & Family

Dorothy & Sidney Krimsky

Robert & Beth Fox & Family

Judy Menkes

Judy Brooks & Jim Lawless & Family

Shirley PENCHUK

Naomi, Harvey, & Helene Weiner

The Bayone Family

Judy Katz & Dean Solomon & Family

Charlotte & Mal Rosen

Shari & Ira Michaelson & Family

Joy & Barry Wolfson & Family

Annette & Herb Klaver

Shirley PENCHUK

Sammy & Eileen Smookler

Lillian Stern & Michael Stern Cohen

Susan & Chuck Miller & Family

Judy Menkes

Myrna Morris

Charlotte & Mal Rosen & Family

Jean Abrams

Rebeca & Richard Snyder

Gloria Pearlmutter

Evelyn & Alan Alpert

Moshe & Elena Kogos



Synagogue Services

Shabbat Mornings	8:45 a.m.
Weekday Mornings	7:00 a.m.
Sunday Mornings	8:30 a.m.
Weekday Evenings Mincha/Maariv	15 minutes before sunset
Erev Shabbat Summer Schedule (through September 1) Mincha	7:00 p.m.

Children's Shabbat Services followed by children's kiddush

Ages 0-4 with adult	10:30 a.m.
Ages 5-8	10:30 a.m.
Junior Congregation	
Pre-bar mitzvah boys	10:00 a.m.
Pre-bat mitzvah girls	10:00a.m.

Classes

Talmud-Mas. Beitzah	Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Rabbi Azriel Blumberg
Talmud-Mas. Avodah Zara	Monday	7:30 p.m.	Rabbi Finkelman at his home
Basic Hebrew Reading	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Ann Geller
Foundations of Halacha	Wednesday	8:30 p.m.	Rabbi Azriel Blumberg
Parshat Hashavua	Shabbat	one hour before Mincha	Rabbi Azriel Blumberg

Maayan Classes

Kadimah-Toras Moshe will be hosting two series of classes by Maayan this summer given by Rabbi Rafi and Atara Eis from Jerusalem.

Sefer Dvarim (Deuteronomy): Moshe's Lessons on Holiness *Atara Eis*

Tuesdays July 11, 18, 25 and August 1

9:30 a.m.

Tuition \$60.

Utopia and Catastrophe: The Book of Yeshayahu *Rabbi Rafi Eis*

Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25, and August 1

8:00 p.m.

Tuition \$60

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The usual list of donations will appear in the fall bulletin.



Week of	Weekday Mincha	Parsha	Candle Lighting	Shabbat Mincha	Havdalah
July 16-22	8:00 PM	<i>Matot - Mas'ei</i>	7:57 PM	7:45 PM	9:04 PM
July 23-29	7:50 PM	<i>Devarim - see Tish'a B'av schedule</i>	7:50 PM	7:40 PM	8:57 PM
July 30-Aug. 5	7:45 PM	<i>Va'etchanan</i>	7:42 PM	7:30 PM	8:49 PM
Aug. 6-12	7:35 PM	<i>Ekev</i>	7:33 PM	7:20 PM	8:40 PM
Aug 13-19	7:25 PM	<i>Re'eb</i>	7:23 PM	7:10 PM	8:29 PM
Aug 20-26	7:15 PM	<i>Sboftim</i>	7:12 PM	7:00 PM	8:18 PM
Aug 27-Sept 2	7:05 PM	<i>Ki Tetzei</i>	7:00 PM	6:50 PM	8:07 PM
Sept 3-9	6:50 PM	<i>Ki Tavo</i>	6:48 PM	6:40 PM	7:55 PM

Tisha B'av - Wed, Aug. 2 – Thurs. Aug 3

Mincha Erev Tisha B'Av	7:45 p.m.	Shacharit	7:00 a.m.
Fast begins	8:03 p.m.	Mincha	7:30 p.m.
Maariv Followed by Eicha	8:30 p.m.	Fast ends	8:46 p.m.

