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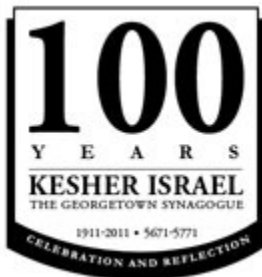
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To **Evelyn Range** on her engagement to Anders Nerman from Vancouver.

For general inquiries,  
email [info@keshet.org](mailto:info@keshet.org)

To **Kate Bodner** and **Ryan Shofnos** on their engagement.

To **Toby Dachman** and **Richard Munz** on their engagement.

### **Stores From Which One May Buy Chometz Following Pesach**

BJ's, Brookville Market, CVS, Costco, Food Lion, Harris Teeter, H-Mart Han Ah Rum, K-Mart, Magruder's (all), Petco, Petsmart, Potomac Wine and Spirits, Rite-Aid, Royal Farms, Sam's Discount Warehouse, Shoppers Food Warehouse, Trader Joe's, Walgreens, Walmart, Wegman's, Whole Foods, Winn-Dixie and all establishments under Capitol K supervision.

*Please note that chometz may NOT be purchased at Giant, Safeway or Target immediately after Pesach as the distributor who supplies these stores is Jewish. Chometz may be purchased from these stores beginning on May 13, 2012, four weeks after Pesach.*

### **Plotinsky Baby Meals Sign-up**

Mazal tov to **David, Paulina, and Alex Plotinsky** on the birth of their son and brother, Adrian Joseph. Given the upcoming chag, baby meals will begin after Pesach. You can sign up to make them a meal here:

[www.tinyurl.com/PlotinskyMeals](http://www.tinyurl.com/PlotinskyMeals)

### **Shabbat Service Time Alert**

This Saturday, **April 21**, the congregation will come together to daven in one minyan in the main sanctuary at 8:15am to celebrate the bar mitzvah of Jared Cooper. There will be no separate 7:30 or 9:00 am Shacharit services on that day.

### **Women's Tefillah**

The next meeting of the Alper Memorial Women's

### **Daily Minyan**

With the coming of Daylight Savings Time we return to weekday z'man Mincha/Maariv. Please help us make a minyan as often as you can.

### **Hospitality**

If you have an extra place at your table for Shabbat, please [email the Hospitality team](mailto:info@keshet.org) so we can accommodate those who need a Shabbat meal. Thank you!

### **Keshet Classes**

Wednesdays  
- 7:30pm *Great Jewish Thinkers*  
- 8:30pm *History of Biblical Exegesis of Medieval and Modern Commentators*

### **Mikvah**

To respect the privacy of women using the mikvah, please do not use the kelim (utensil) mikvah after sundown.

### **Sponsor Kiddush!**

We provide kiddush every week for the congregation, with or without sponsors. Help support us by contributing to our kiddush fund. No donation is too small! Email [info@keshet.org](mailto:info@keshet.org) for more information about kiddush sponsorship.

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Tefillah & Study Group will meet on **April 21** at 6:30 pm in the bayit for mincha kria Tazria-Metzora. This meeting will also include the next session of the exciting learning topic about the *Women of Bereshit: The Real Housewives of Cana'an*, with **Rebbetzin Sharon Freundel**, as well as davening, leyning, and shmoozing over seudah shelishit. All women in the community are invited to attend. Volunteers are needed to leyn and to give the Dvar Torah. If you would like to volunteer, please contact **Olimpia Nowicka Sulla** at [olimps75@yahoo.com](mailto:olimps75@yahoo.com).

### ***Post-Passover Kids Pizza Party***

This Sunday, **April 22**, at 5:30 pm, meet at Keshet to make and bake your own pizza! Please RSVP to Lili at [children@keshet.org](mailto:children@keshet.org) by Thursday, April 19.

### ***Election Season at Keshet Israel***

Keshet's current Board of Director's 2-year term is ending this June. A Nominating Committee has been formed to develop a slate of Officers and Directors to serve for the next 2 years. **All members are welcome and encouraged to apply.**

If you are interested in serving or want more information about the positions and the election process, please contact **Matt Horowitz**, Nominating Committee chair at [nominations@keshet.org](mailto:nominations@keshet.org).

The members of the Board that the Committee will be nominating are:

- President
- Vice President (with a focus on synagogue programming)
- Vice President (of Operations)
- Treasurer
- Financial Secretary
- Corresponding Secretary
- Recording Secretary
- Director (of Ritual Matters)
- Director (of Social Programming)
- Director (of Educational Programming)
- Director-at-Large
- Director-at-Large

For more information about Board, its makeup, or the

election process, the shul's bylaws can be found here:  
[http://www.keshet.org/governance/by\\_laws.shtml](http://www.keshet.org/governance/by_laws.shtml).

### ***Rabbinic Intern Selection Process***

Keshet Israel will once again be hosting a rabbinic intern beginning next fall. The Selection Committee is nearing the final stage in selecting a candidate. Each of the two remaining candidates will be visiting Keshet and spending a Shabbat with the community.

The first candidate, **Tuvia Brander**, will join us the weekend of **April 27th**. Tuvia is a Yeshiva University student majoring in Mathematics and minoring in Jewish Studies with a focus on bible studies. He expects to receive smicha from RIETS in 2014.

The second candidate, **Moishe Farkas**, who join us the weekend of **May 5th**. Moishe is a Yeshiva University student who majored in Economics. He is currently pursuing a masters in Jewish Education. He expects to receive smicha from RIETS in 2013.

Each candidate will give the drasha after minyan on Shabbat morning, both at hashkama and the main service, give an hour-long shiur before Mincha, and speak at Seudah Sheleshit.

We encourage you come and enjoy their various lectures and to provide feedback on the candidates to the Selection Committee. The Committee includes: **Howard Slugh, Sharon Volotzky, David and Sarah Barak, and Ilan Weinberger**. You can send your comments and feedback to the Committee by emailing [intern\\_committee@keshet.org](mailto:intern_committee@keshet.org). You can also provide your comments to Rabbi Freundel, who is serving as an advisor to the committee.

The committee will make its final decision by Sunday, May 13, so please provide your comments/thoughts by then. Once a decision has been made and the candidates are notified, an announcement will be sent to the community.

### ***Yom haShoah Lecture with Dr. Steven Katz***

**Dr. Steven Katz**, Director of the Elie Wiesel Center for Judaic Studies at Boston University and the United

States Holocaust Museum's Senior Scholar in Residence, will be speaking at Keshet Israel on Sunday evening, **April 29** at 8:15pm to commemorate Yom haShoah, on the topic of **Auschwitz**. The lecture will focus on the nature and meaning of Auschwitz, especially for those not killed on arrival. Dr. Katz will consider such central issues as the material conditions under which Jews existed-- food, water, housing, clothing and heating; the issues of corporal punishment; so-called "sportmache" medical experiments; the treatment of women and children; and Jews as slave laborers. Dr. Katz will also speak about the various paradoxes this form of existence created.

There is no cost to attend this event, but please **RSVP** at [www.tinyurl.com/KIYomHashoa](http://www.tinyurl.com/KIYomHashoa).

Prior to joining the faculty at Boston University, Dr. Katz was a Professor of Near Eastern Studies at Cornell University in New York, where he was Chair of the Department of Near Eastern Studies from 1985 to 1988, and Director of the Jewish Studies Program from 1985 to 1989. In addition to holding teaching appointments at Dartmouth College and Cornell University, he has been a visiting professor at Yale, the University of California at Santa Barbara, the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Katz was Chair of the Academic Committee of the United States Holocaust Museum for five years and still serves on that committee and is the Chair of the Holocaust Commission of the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture. He is one of the American representatives to the International Task Force on the Holocaust, established by the King of Sweden, now sponsored by the European Union.

### ***Updating the Keshet Israel Directory***

We are preparing to update the Keshet Israel Directory in mid-April, and we need your correct contact information. Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/7k2wpcg> and complete the short form, or you can provide your information by contacting the synagogue office directly.

### ***Night at the Opera***

On **May 15**, Washington's National Opera will perform

*Nabucco*, the Verdi opera on the Babylonian exile, for the first time in 56 years. Keshet is putting together a group to attend the opera, and would like to gauge interest in participating. We are currently planning a small get-together with a speaker and a light supper before curtain time at the Kennedy Center. Please email Roger Breeze at [rgbreeze@centaurscience.com](mailto:rgbreeze@centaurscience.com) if you'd be interested in attending.

### ***Tzvi Daremblum Memorial Fellowship***

**The Tzvi z"l Daremblum Memorial Fellowship**, awarded annually to a Keshet Israel member, seeks to defray costs associated with Jewish education, either in the U.S. or Israel. Qualified applicants will have a rigorous plan of study. This fellowship was set up by **Ambassador and Mrs. Jaime Daremblum** in memory of their son, **Tzvi**.

For an application, please contact the [shul office](#).

### ***Community Events***

#### **Lecture by Author Lucette Lagnado**

Former Keshet member, author, and reporter for *The Wall Street Journal*, **Lucette Lagnado**, will be giving a lecture at Politics and Prose in DC on Sunday, **April 22** at 1:00pm on her newest memoir, *The Arrogant Years*.

Lagnado is the author of two memoirs of her Egyptian-Jewish family. Her first book *The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit* received the Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature. For more information about the event, click [here](#).

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