

HANUKAH FEATURE

IN HONOR OF HANUKAH, JEWISH 8-DAY TRADITION OF SACRED CANDLE LIGHTING, THE LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE WILL PUBLISH A SERIES OF STORIES TO COMMEMORATE THE HOLIDAY WHICH COMMENCES AT SUNDOWN SUN., DEC. 8 AND LASTS UNTIL THE EVENING OF SUN., DEC. 16.

(NO MATTER HOW YOU SPELL IT - CHANUKAH, HANUKKAH, HANUKA, HANUKAH - IT ALL ADDS UP TO HAPPY HOLY DAYS WITH SUCCESSIVE CANDLES ON THE MENORAH.)

Lubavitch 176 Anniversary

NEW YORK (LNS) -- Ten of thousands of Jews in communities around the world will celebrate the '19th of Kislev' - this year on Tuesday, December 3, the 176th anniversary of Rabbi Schneur Zalman of Liadi's release from Czarist prison. Festivities of the day will be highlighted at the Lubavitch world headquarters in Brooklyn, with a special public address by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, on that night. The address will be transmitted live to many Jewish communities throughout the world by a special communications hookup.

To Chabad-Lubavitch Chassidim the '19th of Kislev' is highly significant because the liberation of Rabbi Schneur Zalman in 1798 provided him with a new lease on his active life and for the flourishing Chabad Ideology and movement, and enabled renewed assiduous promulgation of Chabad teachings amongst the Jewish masses.

Rabbi Schneur Zalman (5505-5573/1745-1812), or 'Der Alter Rebbe,' as he is called, founded the Chabad-Lubavitch movement. He promulgated Chassidic teachings among Jews in Russia, Poland and Lithuania.

After numerous attempts to curb his rapidly growing influence, some of his adversaries falsely accused him of betraying the Czarist government, mainly because of his support of the Jews in Palestine, then under the rule of Turkey, an enemy of Russia.

As a result of these denunciations, Czar Paul ordered the arrest of Rabbi Schneur Zalman, who was then taken under heavy guard from his home in Liozna, in White Russia, and incarcerated in a fortress prison in Petersburg. There he was confined for 53 days.

On the 19th day of the month of Kislev, Rabbi Schneur Zalman was found innocent of the charges and was released from prison, and received special permission to carry on his work.

The liberation of 'Der Alter Rebbe' is considered more than a personal victory in one man's fight. The 19th of Kislev symbolizes the



RABBI SCHNEUR ZALMAN

verity and ultimate triumph of Torah Judaism as embodied and practiced in the Chabad Chassidic way of life.

Several volumes of Rabbi Schneur Zalman's Chassidic manuscripts have recently been published by Kehot Publication Society, the Lubavitcher publishing house. His voluminous Shulchan Aruch and many other Chassidic works have been reprinted many times. His 'Tanya,'

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the basic work of Chabad-Lubavitch philosophy, has been reprinted more than 70 times, and has been translated into numerous languages.

Two biographical volumes about his life and teachings have also been recently published by Dehot publications in Hebrew and English.

In Israel thousands of Jews will gather to commemorate the day in Kfar Chabad, the Lubavitcher town near Tel Aviv. Followers there and throughout Israel and in many other parts of the world will be listening to the transmission of the Rebbe's address from New York.

In the Greater New York area the Rebbe's address will be heard on radio station WEVD AM/FM.

The Rebbe will deliver his address at Lubavitch world headquarters, at 770 Eastern Parkway, in Brooklyn, on Tuesday, December 3, at 9:00 p.m.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- An austerity program for top echelon government officials and government department has been announced by the Cabinet to conform with the belt tightening being enforced on the public at large.

LOS ANGELES -- Senator Hubert H. Humphrey at Jewish National Fund luncheon, charged that "the Ford Administration's failure thus far to support its own foreign aid proposals imperils the prospects for a lasting peace in the Middle East.

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