



# Kehila Kedosha Janina

Synagogue and Museum

280 Broome Street, New York, NY 10002

## March 2008 e-mail newsletter

Dear Friends of Kehila Kedosha Janina,

Our first e-newsletter received acclamations and we are thrilled. As stated, our internet newsletter will become a permanent feature. It will be an additional tool to inform the world of our accomplishments and of events relating to Greek Jewry. There were some glitches that we will continue to work on. Many had trouble seeing the images. Therefore, we will include a copy of the e-letter in an attachment in future mailings.

If you are on our e-mailing lists, you will receive our e-letter automatically. If for any reason you do not wish to receive the e-mail newsletter, please inform us.

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## NEWS

### Kehila Kedosha Janina News

The second meeting of the **Kedosha Kedosha Janina Book Club** took place on **Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 noon**. The selection for discussion was "Greece-A Jewish History," by K.E. Fleming. Future Book Club meetings will be on the first Sunday of the month. Refreshments will be served at each meeting. The chosen selection for the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting was "Farewell To Salonica" by Leon Sciaky. If you do not have a copy of this book you can order it by sending a \$19 check [\$15 plus \$4 P&H within the continental USA] made out to KKJ Museum and mailed to Marcia Haddad Ikonopoulou, Association of Friends of Greek Jewry, One Hanson Place, Huntington NY 11743.

[\$5 per participant suggested contribution to cover cost of food at all KKJ Book Club meetings].

**Koula's Kitchen** is back! On **Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00**, Koula [and her humble assistants] demonstrated the preparation of traditional Greek-Jewish Purim specialties. Afterwards, a feast with all the delicacies will be served.

**Participation in Koula's Kitchen is by pre-registration [your \$5 fee can be paid on the day of the event].**

**Traditional Purim services will be held at Kehila Kedosha Janina on Thursday, March 20th starting at 6:00pm. We will open at 6:00pm for Mincha followed by Arvith and then the Megillah Reading.**



We are in grateful appreciation to Henry Watkin [Ganis Family] for the donation of this magnificent Megillah to our museum.

**[www.kkjsm.org](http://www.kkjsm.org)**

**Please check our website for our Holiday Calendar [Pessah and Shavuoth], our updated book list and our new calendar of upcoming events.**

**New Books for Sale**

We are proud to add the following items:

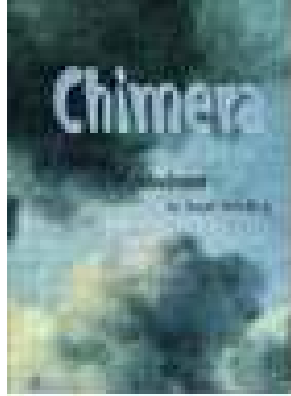
***Chimera-A Period of Madness***

**\$15**

by Isaac Bourla

Published by Bloch Publishing for Sephardic House.

Chimera is the third book in Sephardic House's 'Greek Holocaust Memoirs and Studies' series and tells the story of one of the youngest Greek Jews to survive the infamous Buna industrial complex at Auschwitz.



***Ladino Reveries***

**\$15**

By Hank Halio of Blessed Memory

This Ladino classic is now available at Kehila Kedosha Janina.



**New CD's for Sale**

Sarah Aroeste: Puertas

**\$15**

Ladino songs with a modern soul



Sarah Aroeste: A La Una: In the beginning

**\$15**

A funky blend of traditional Sephardic Ladino music mixed with rock and blues.



**Note: To order any of these items [or others listed on our website] contact us at [kehila\\_kedosha\\_janina@netzero.net](mailto:kehila_kedosha_janina@netzero.net) or [kehila\\_kedosha\\_janina@verizon.net](mailto:kehila_kedosha_janina@verizon.net) [please remember to include Postage & Handling: \$4 for first item and \$1 extra for each additional item]. If you are outside the continental USA and wish to order, contact us directly.**

### **Annual January 27<sup>th</sup> Holocaust Commemoration**

**Due to the death of the Archbishop of Greece, the scheduled events in memory of Greek-Jewish Holocaust victims on January 31<sup>st</sup> at the Greek Consulate in NYC were postponed to February 21<sup>st</sup>.**

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, a standing-room only crowd gathered at the Greek Consulate [69 East 79<sup>th</sup> Street], hosting by the new Consul General in New York, Aglaia Balta. Moving speeches were given by Consul General Balta, Consul General of Cyprus, Mr. Andreas Panayiotou and His Eminence, Archbishop Demetrios. The speeches were followed by a showing of the Song of Life about the saving of the Jews of Zakynthos, and a reception upstairs.



Photo of statue in honor of Metropolitan Bishop Chrysostomos and Mayor Lucas Carrer located on site of former synagogue of Zakynthos.

## Annual Tours To Jewish Greece



Volos Sunset

This year we will be visiting **Salonika, Ioannina, Volos** [with day trips to **Meteora, Pelion** and **Skiathos**] plus optional extensions to **Santorini, Mykonos, Rhodes or Israel**. Book a 3 or 4-day cruise. We will do it all for you. Come with us to see the beauty of Greece and a Jewish Greece you will see with no one else. Our past participants describe our tours as a life changing experience-join us-see why! For a complete itinerary plus prices (basic itinerary [11 days] is presently priced at \$3945 per person double occupancy-with the fluctuations in the euro, we cannot guarantee these prices past April 1<sup>st</sup>), contact us at [kehila\\_kedosha\\_janina@netzero.net](mailto:kehila_kedosha_janina@netzero.net).



Thessaloniki: White Tower



Lake Pamvotis

Ioannina

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**Photos from Ioannina and Kehila Kedosha Janina [by Vincent Giordano as part of his continuing "Before the Flame Goes Out" project on documentation of the Romaniote communities] at**

**Museum of Biblical Art**

1865 Broadway at 61st Street  
New York, NY 10023-7505

**Opening reception was March 6, 2008 at 6:00 pm.** The exhibit will be open through July 13<sup>th</sup>.

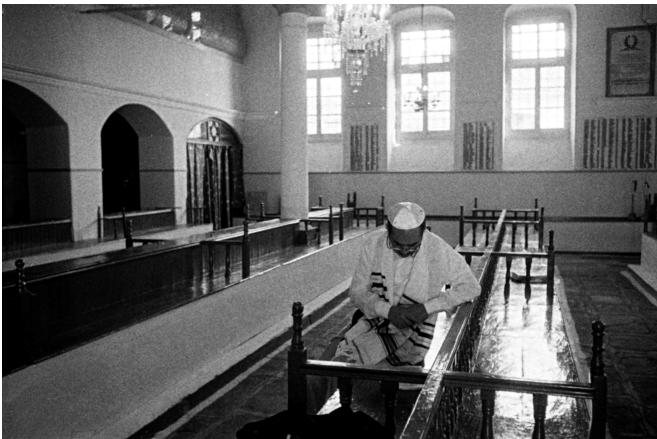


Photo of interior of synagogue in Ioannina compliments of Vincent Giordano.