

*From the Desk of the Rabbi...*

**BIG CHEEKS** [from bulletin *B'nai Abraham*, Hagerstown, MD]

A boy was born the grandson of slaves in a poor neighborhood of New Orleans known as the "Back of Town." His father abandoned the family when the child was an infant. His mother became a prostitute and the boy and his sister had to live with their grandmother. Early in life he proved to be gifted for music and with three other kids he sang in the streets of New Orleans. His first gains were coins that were thrown to them. A Jewish family, Karnofsky, who had emigrated from Lithuania to the USA, had pity for the 7-year-old boy and brought him into their home, initially giving him 'work' in the house, to feed this hungry child. He remained and slept in this Jewish family's home where, for the first time in his life, he was treated with kindness. When he went to bed, Mrs. Karnofsky sang him a Russian lullaby. He would sing it with her. Later, he learned to sing and play several Russian and Jewish songs. Over time, this boy

**Save the Date!**

### Sisterhood Happenings!

- Thursday November 9 1:00 p.m.,  
General Meeting. Speaker: Karen Selig
- Wednesday, November 15, 7:15 p.m.  
The Book Club will discuss *Man in the Blue Moon* by Michael Morris

### Men's Club Goings On!

- Tuesday November 14, Dinner at 5:15 p.m.  
at Amici's Italian Restaurant followed by  
7:30 p.m. basketball game at Flagler  
College (free to county residents). All are  
welcome.
- Thursday, November 30 , 6:30 p.m.