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Cholent with a Chance of Meat--Shul prays for a good kiddush

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TIGER WOODS CONVERTS TO JUDAISM

Florida--Tiger Woods revealed today that he has converted to Judaism, and plans to alter his sex as well.

"I'm making radical changes in my life,"
Woods announced at a news conference outside his
Florida home. "I'm becoming a woman and giving
up golf. I'm getting rid of my club and balls."

Woods said his gender-bending operation is part of a concerted effort to show his wife how sorry he is for his marital infidelities.

Asked why he converted, Woods explained, "As a Jewish woman, I hope to work as a mikvah lady. That way I can continue to see other women, only now it'll be a mitzvah."

RABBIS BUSTED FOR MONEY LAUNDERING

New Jersey--Three rabbis from Deal, New Jersey, were arrested by the FBI on Friday morning for participating in a money-laundering operation.

The trio was nabbed as they removed loads of soggy \$100 bills from washing machines at Abe's Clean and Green Laundromat in downtown Deal.

"Money laundering is a serious crime," said FBI director Eliasz Feit. "The paper clogs the washer's filters, making it impossible for other customers to get their clothes clean."

In an ironic twist, authorities were alerted to the scam by a Deal yeshiva principal who is a friend of the rabbis.

When asked why he informed on his friends, the principal replied, "Because they're idiots. They don't even understand what money laundering is."

RECESSION SPARKS NEW HOLIDAY RULES

New York--In an effort to help Jewish families cope with the current recession, the Orthodox Union announced today that it has adopted radical measures to go into effect immediately.

The new cost-cutting plan, dubbed "Halfy Holidays," will cut all Jewish holidays in half. Chanukah, for example, will be celebrated for just four days instead of the usual eight.

"It'll save families money on candles and oil, not to mention presents for the kids," said Rabbi Pinny Saiver, head of the OU's Finance Department.

Sukkos will also become a four-day holiday.

"Not just half a Sukkos," Rabbi Saiver explained, "but half a sukkah, too. That's a significant savings on building materials and decorations."

Under the new plan, a four-day Passover will feature only one seder instead of two.

"Less matzo, less money," Saiver noted. "And Pesach hotels will be forced to charge only half their usual rates. I'm only sorry we didn't think of this before the recession."

OBAMAS' DOG GIVEN HEBREW NAME

Washington--President Barack Obama revealed today that the First Family's dog, Bo, was named for a Hebrew word.

"We chose 'Bo' because Rahm Emanuel, my Chief of Staff, told me it means 'come' in Hebrew," Obama explained. "Sasha and Malia think it's cool to fetch the dog in a foreign language. When they say 'Here, Bo,' what they're really saying is 'Come here.""

Obama noted that Bo's Hebrew name is especially fitting because the canine is Jewish. His breed is an alta cocker spaniel.

"Rahm taught the dog to dance the canine hora," Obama said. "We may even give Bo a Bark Mitzvah at the White House."

NEW "CASH FOR CLUCKERS" PROGRAM

Chicago--With the recent closing of the Rubashkin's Agriprocessor slaughterhouse in Iowa, chicken farmers are now finding an increased demand for their poultry.

Kosher food suppliers are now offering farmers top dollar for all varieties of chickens, including friars, pullets, capons, and roasters. Many suppliers have allied themselves and formed a new incentive program called "Cash for Cluckers."

"We're willing to pay farmers whatever it takes to get more kosher chickens onto supermarket shelves," said Rabbi Shai Shoichet, head of the Kosher Poultry Suppliers' Union, a kosher poultry suppliers' union.

PIRATES ATTACK KOSHER CRUISE SHIP

Somalia--On Sunday night, Somali pirates hijacked a kosher cruise ship sailing in the Caribbean Sea.

The passengers, who were held hostage for three days, were Jewish singles on a two-week pleasure cruise. The pirates gained easy access to the ship because they boarded during Masquerade Night. Crew members assumed the hijackers were merely passengers disguised as pirates.

By Wednesday, the pirates had abandoned the vessel and returned to Somalia.

"Five of the women insisted on marrying me," said pirate Long John Silver from his home in Mogadishu. "They kept asking where my buried treasure was."

Another pirate said one female followed him everywhere aboard ship, insisting that she knew a "top New York ophthalmologist" for his eye-patch condition. "She also made appointments with her osteopath for my wooden leg and hook hand," he added.

The pirates fled the ship after partaking in a "4-K buffet" that featured kugel, knishes, kasha, and kishke.

"Who can eat that garbage?" Silver exclaimed. Meanwhile, most of the passengers expressed disappointment that the pirates had left.

"I gave Long John my phone number," said one female, "but he hasn't called me, even though he promised to."

JEWISH SWINE FLU DISCOVERED

Atlanta--The Center for Disease Control warned this week that a new swine flu had begun to manifest in parts of the world.

Labeled the "Jewish swine flu," this strain is thought to be even more potent than the Mexican variety.

"We're just learning about JSF," said Dr. Lane D. Parsha, head of the CDC. "We don't know yet what causes the disease, but we do recognize its symptoms."

Parsha said symptoms include:

- wishing "Hog sameach" on Jewish holidays
- attending boar mitzvahs
- becoming a ham radio operator
- wearing pigtails for peyos
- studying Porky Avos
- referring to the former Israeli prime minister as Menachem Bacon
- eating chazzerai

Parsha added that a kosher vaccine for JSF is currently being developed by the inventor of Bacos.

RABBIS DEBATE GLOBAL WARMING

Jerusalem--A panel of nine Orthodox rabbis met in Jerusalem this week to discuss the question: Is global warming permitted on Shabbat?

Four of the rabbis maintained that global warming is allowable, since it is merely warming and not cooking—an activity strictly forbidden to observant Jews on the Sabbath.

The rest of the rabbinical panel disagreed.

"Once you allow global warming," warned Rabbi Herr Splitter, "it can easily lead to boiling temperatures, and boiling is clearly forbidden on Shabbat."

Asked how the problem of global warming might then be avoided, Rabbi Splitter suggested, "Find a non-Jew to warm it for you."

GRANDMOTHER DETAINED AT AIRPORT

New York--An elderly Jewish grandmother was detained at La Guardia Airport yesterday morning before being allowed to board her flight to Cleveland.

Security officials became suspicious when an X-ray machine showed the 86-year-old woman wearing extra-large underpants as she passed through the screening area at the terminal.

Fearing a possible underwear bomber, alert officials whisked the elderly woman to a private room nearby, where she was wanded and frisked.

After a thorough interrogation, the grandmother, listed on the passenger manifesto only as "Bubby," was released and allowed to board the plane.

The woman seemed unfazed by it all.

"I guess they've never seen bubby pants before," she chuckled.

BALLOON-BOY PARENTS TO OPEN PARTY STORE

Colorado--Richard and Mayumi Heene, the Colorado parents who perpetrated a hoax last year by reporting that their six-year-old son was trapped inside a giant airborne balloon, announced today that they plan to open a Jewish party store in Denver.

"Jews love balloons, especially at bar and bat mitzvahs," Richard Heene said at a news conference.

"We'll offer kids a ride inside a giant balloon," his wife explained. "And it'll be 100 percent safe, since they won't really be inside."

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