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Clinton to Seek Presidency Again

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FAIRLAWN, March 21— Bill Clinton, former President of the United States and recent political strategist, announced today



that he has decided to make a bid for the presidency of the Conference of Presidents of Major Conferences of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations (COPOMCOPOMJO).

Bored with making millions of dollars for speeches around the world and tired of criticism of his efforts to shore up a recent sagging election campaign, Clinton said, "I miss being president. If there's one thing I'm good at, it's raising money. And isn't that what COPOMCOPOMJO spends most of its time doing anyway? And heck,

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MASSIVE RECALL AFFECTS PURIM, PESACH SHOPPERS

Hamantashen, Egg Matzos Affected; Nostalgia Kicks In As Rabbis Require Entire House to Be Kosher for Passover

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FAIR LAWN, March 21— A massive recall swept through the entire Jewish community shortly before Purim and has already affected sales of hamantashen. It is expected to reverberate through the Passover selling season and have a great impact on the sale of matzos and other Kosher for Passover products this year.

The recall started at a kiddush two weeks before Purim in the basement of Congregation Ohev Kessef in Manhattan. Members of the Men's Club were reminiscing



Yeast dough hamantaschen, old seltzer bottles, egg matzos, chicken fat, kosher Pepsi for a nickel — all were recalled this week by members of the Men's Club of Cong. Ohev Kessef.

about holidays past when they all began to recall eating yeast dough hamantaschen as children and realized that the only hamantaschen available today are made with cookie dough. Over Shabbat meals, the recall spread through the community as more and more

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UJA Buys Cable TV's Food Network; All Recipes Glatt; Celebrity Chefs Set to Take Jewish Names

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FAIR LAWN, March 21— The United Jewish Appeal, coming off a spectacular fund-raising year and awash with a large budget surplus, announced today that it has purchased the Food Network cable television station and, starting this summer, will only use glatt kosher ingredients in the recipes that they prepare on TV.



Reaction was positive among the celebrity chefs who appear regularly on the network's cooking shows. Most have agreed to comply with the new rules and are

Food Network celebrity chefs Rivka Ruchel Ray and Schmeril Lagasse plan Yum-O kosher meals that really kick it up a notch.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: *The Golden Globes and the Oscars were a good warm-up act. Now, the moment you have been waiting for: the Kronikle presents its own Silver Gragger awards for the outstanding film achievements of 2007.*



ATONEMENT: Panic sets in when the Israeli rabbinate rules that all Jews outside of Israel must celebrate two days of Yom Kippur.

AUGUST RUSH: A harrowing tale of a Jewish housewife who spends half the summer cooking for the holidays because they fall early that year.

BEE MOVIE: When a fluctuation in the Gregorian calendar forces Rosh Hashanah into early September, apiaries compete to make enough honey for the holiday, only to find that the local rabbinical council has determined that honey is both fleishig and treyf.

EASTERN PROMISES: Sparks fly and tempers rise when a shul's membership realizes that the Aron Kodesh is on the wall that actually makes people face west.

ENCHANTED: A single woman from the Upper West Side expands her search for a mate by rounding up and kissing a bunch of frogs, hoping that one of them will turn into a mensch.

I'M NOT THERE: A Conservative shul-going woman faces a harsh reality when she tries to make the minyan at her new Orthodox synagogue.

JEW-KNOW: The story of a controversial game show, whose mission is to find the smartest Jew in the world.

LIONS FOR LAMBS: A spiteful restaurant owner begins substituting treyf for kosher meat, as clueless rack-of-lamb eaters unknowingly devour the king of the jungle.

NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN: Two American retirees sneak onto a Birthright Israel bus and struggle to cope with loud rock music and instant messaging.

ONCE: A *baal teshuva* kid regales his yeshiva classmates with stories of the life he left behind.

SWEENEY TODD: A frightening tale of an *Upsherin* gone bad.

THE BORN ULTIMATUM: After their tenth child is born, a 30-year old ultra-orthodox mother insists on separate bedrooms.

THE BUCKET LIST: In Disney's latest animated adventure, one congregation attempts to commit all the *Al-Chets* in just two weeks before Yom Kippur.

THE EYE: When a mysterious plague descends on a small town, a local mother claims it's because she put an *ayin hora* on her son, who never calls.

THE GREAT DEBATERS: Hillel and Shammai get the biopic treatment in what critics are hailing as "the Talmudic epic of the year."

THE HEARTBREAK KID: The Goldbergs were thrilled when their son Brett went to Israel to explore his Jewish heritage. Then he extended for *Shanah Bet*. And then he returned, to inform his mother that she was to call him Boruch, and that he couldn't eat in her house anymore.

THERE WILL BE BLOOD: The circumcision slasher flick from Quentin Tarantino. Bagel brunch buffet to follow all screenings.

Massive Recall Affects Shoppers

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congregants recalled other pleasures of their youth that are no longer available.



New Passover rules require EVERYTHING in the house to be covered with foil.

Murray Schmendrick recalled, "I remember when we ate egg matzos the whole week of Pesach, except for the seder, and now they've become off limits except for children, sick people, and the elderly."

"And do you recall how we used to shmeat matzos with chicken fat and drink Pepsi with an OU hechsher that cost only five cents a bottle and seltzer from those heavy glass bottles?" added Alton Cacker.

"Yes," Schmendrick agreed, adding "and do you recall how we used to cover only the kitchen counters with aluminum foil for Pesach? Now, with the new rabbinical ruling, we have to cover everything in the house, including the bathroom."

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planning to assume Jewish names.

Rivka Ruchel Ray was the first to applaud the changes, saying, "I look forward to the challenge of preparing 30-minute meat meals without milk and cheese, and I hope that all the new recipes will be yum-o."

Schmeril Lagasse readily agreed. "The shows were getting boring and too predictable," he said. "Using kosher ingredients will really kick it up a notch."

Viewers will see some changes immediately. Other changes will come as the chefs learn the fine points of kosher cuisine. One change that Rivka Ruchel will make immediately will be to replace her most commonly used ingredient, EVOO (Extra Virgin Olive Oil), with ESCF (Extra Schmaltzy Chicken Fat).

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"I'm more Jewish than some of those dudes."

Maxwell Phoneline, current head of COPOMCOPOMJO, welcomed Clinton's bid, but took issue with his remark that limited the organization to fundraising. "Actually, COPOMCOPOMJO has been very active the past few years," he said, putting two conference calls on hold. "Last year, we had a major initiative to reduce global warming (see the 2007 Purim Kronikle) and the year before that, we sponsored the first Jewish Life Olympics (see the 2006 Purim Kronikle).

Clinton may not have clear sailing as he campaigns for the COPOMCOPOMJO presidency. At press time, Mitt Romney also expressed interest in running for the post. "I believe that COPOMCOPOMJO needs a president who shares the same family values, has experience running the Olympics and, like many Jewish members, also wears funny underwear," he said.