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EHOD (One)

## LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE BULLETIN

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### From The Rabbi's Desk

And The Lord said to the prophet Ezekiel: "I shall pass over you, and I shall see you rooted in your blood; and I shall say: In your blood shall you live..."

My brother is dead; he was your brother too. He died defending the Golan; he died on Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish calendar, the Day of Forgiveness; he died so that his people could live; he died so that we could live. "In your blood shall you live..."

My brother was young, barely twenty-two. He was infected with the superficial bravado which fills so many of his nation, a bravado born of the necessity to be confident when one feels oneself surrounded by blood-thirsty aggressors, a bravado which attempts to defy a United Nations which awards a standing ovation to a Russian Delegation walk-out in the midst of an Israeli statement, a bravado emanating from the fact that Israel will live because Israel must live. Were it not for Israel's bravado a cruel and silent world would let it die even as they let him die — my brother and your brother — who is dead in the Golan.

"In your blood shall you live..."

My brother was six feet in height, blonde and clear-eyed, but he was slightly stooped despite his youth. His bent shoulders seemed to be carrying a burden — the burden of privileges and responsibility of three-thousand years. With him walked all of Jewish History — Moses, as he breathed his last, looking lovingly upon the land he could not enter but without which his people could not endure.

R. Akiba, as he whispered the *Shma* in the face of Roman torture, bearing testimony to an unconquerable faith in Jerusalem restored, in Israel redeemed.

Six-million souls who lost their lives because they committed the crime of having been born into the chosen People — chosen to live, chosen to love, chosen to die...

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## Schedule of Services

### Friday, November 2

Kindle Sabbath Candles ..... 4:32 P.M.  
Mincha and Kabbalat  
Shabbat ..... 4:45 P.M.

### Saturday, November 3

#### (Lech Lecha)

Shabbat Morning Services ..... 8:45 A.M.  
Genesis 12:1-17:27,  
Isaiah 40:27-41:16  
Talmud Class ..... 3:45 P.M.  
Mincha ..... 4:30 P.M.

### Friday, November 9

Kindle Sabbath Candles ..... 4:24 P.M.  
Mincha and Kabbalat  
Shabbat ..... 4:35 P.M.

### Saturday, November 10 (Vayera)

Shabbat Morning Services ..... 8:45 A.M.  
Genesis 18:1-22:24—II Kings 4:1-37  
Talmud Class ..... 3:40 P.M.  
Mincha ..... 4:25 P.M.

### Friday, November 16

Kindle Sabbath Candles ..... 4:18 P.M.  
Mincha and Kabbalat  
Shabbat ..... 4:30 P.M.

### Saturday, November 17

#### (Chaye Sara)

Shabbat Morning Services ..... 8:45 A.M.  
Genesis 23:1-25:18—I Kings 1:1-31  
Talmud Class ..... 3:30 P.M.  
Mincha ..... 4:15 P.M.

### Friday, November 23

Kindle Sabbath Candles ..... 4:13 P.M.  
Mincha and Kabbalat  
Shabbat ..... 4:25 P.M.

### Saturday, November 24 (Toledot)

Shabbat Morning Services ..... 8:45 A.M.  
Genesis 25:19-28:9 —  
I Samuel 20:18-42  
Talmud Class ..... 3:30 P.M.  
Mincha ..... 4:15 P.M.

### Sunday, November 25

### and Monday, November 26

Rosh Chodesh Kislev

### Daily Minyan

Weekdays ..... 7:15 and 7:50 A.M.  
Sundays and Holidays ..... 8:30 A.M.  
Daily Evening Services

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were lit on the previous Friday  
afternoon.



## EHOD

A new staff will be bringing you Lincoln Square's Bulletin this year. We hope you will find it informative and entertaining. Please help out. A small staff can no longer cover all the doings of our Synagogue. (Just keeping up with the Rabbi demands six reporters.) But we should.

And we will try. Robert Burnat is Business Manager. Advertisement inquiries (and why not place an ad?) should be addressed to him. On the editorial side, Pearl Kaplan is our first Assistant to the Editor. Both Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kaplan are veterans of synagogue activity. If the budget holds, we will feature the art work of Max Schwarz and the photography of Thomas Koevary. Both these men have been constant and quietly reliable members for some time. It goes without saying that there could be no Bulletin without Martha Cohn. For the record, though, bulletin errors are ours, not Mrs. Cohn's or the Rabbi's. Similarly, any slights, by commission or omission, are unintentional, but they are also ours.

The staff's ambition, simply, is to match the best synagogue with the best synagogue bulletin. Your ideas should be placed in the Suggestion Envelope posted on the bulletin board on the second floor — or you could call or write, and we will respond. Keep us posted on your activities. This procedure comports with our new name, Ehod, One.

Ehod recalls the very first midrash Rabbi Riskin related to the fledgling congregation of Lincoln Square. The story suggests an origin for the Shma: When Jacob's health was failing, and he knew that he would die shortly, he summoned together all his sons. Yet, as they gathered before Jacob, they were unrecognizable to him. The sons were clean-shaven; they wore Egyptian garb. In sum, they were strangers.

The sons sensed their father's unease. Desperately they wanted to convey to Jacob before his death that, despite the seeming difference between their attire and his, despite the seeming difference between their values, their beliefs, their aspirations and his, actually their values, beliefs and aspirations were one and the same. The sons wanted to convey their identity with the sons Jacob knew when together they entered Egypt 17 years before.

So in one voice they proclaimed: "Shma Yisroel, hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One." Hear, O Jacob our father, your God and our God is one and the same God.

And Jacob understood. Just as he expired, he murmured back, "Blessed be His Glorious Kingdom Forever and Ever."

The goal of oneness has guided the congregation through its formative years. This theme underlies the Melanie Ross Youth Center, the Drop-in Center, and all our Out-Reach and In-Reach programs — in short, the heart of the Synagogue.

The "divine challenge" of Lincoln Square is to forge one vibrant, caring, all-inclusive community. The bulletin is entitled Ehod to serve as a monthly reminder of that goal.

## Hospitality

The following persons opened their homes to our visitors over the Holidays. Thank you!

Rabbi and Mrs. Shlomo Riskin  
 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Abelow  
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## High Holy Day Services

by Frank L. Taks, Chairman

We had approximately 1100 people praying with us for the High Holy Days. We also had 400 people at our Special Yizkor Services conducted by Peter Abelow, assisted by Bill Stanley and Henry Winston. Rabbi Riskin conducted one Yizkor Service outside.

I would very much like to thank my Co-Chairmen: Ben Fruhlinger, ~~Henry Moed~~ and ~~Henry Winston~~, and their Committee, namely ~~Irwin Helfeld~~, Mark Wald, ~~Gerson Wald~~ and Morris Weiner in assisting Mrs. Cohn in the selling of tickets and in mailing them out.

I particularly would like to thank Ben Fruhlinger for taking complete charge of the Services in the Auditorium, and the following who helped with the ushering: Morris Apelast, Sidney Lukin, Dr. Martin Mussman, Jonathan Barzilay, Bernard Skolnick and Bob Burnat, Jonathan Dashif, Ron Platzter, Mickey Platzter, Harold Obstfeld, Richie Rothenberg and Joel Wachs. They did a terrific job in taking care of the more than 800 worshippers. 700

I want to thank Roy Stern and his Committee who took care of the ushering in the Sanctuary—Alan Garfunkel, David Olivestone, Peter Abelow, Bill Stanley and Mel Moed.

All in all, we had one of the most orderly and enjoyable Services ever held in our Synagogue.

## Miracle or Hurricane?

by Ephraim Buchwald

For the general newcomer to the "Miracle of the West Side," Lincoln Square Synagogue is impressive. But for a freshman administrator at the synagogue, Lincoln Square is more of a hurricane. The pace of activities is frantic and furious and the growth from day to day can be seen and felt. Confusion and crises, emergency campaigns and appeals are taken in stride and are considered rather normal.

Through all this, the Joseph Shapiro Academy opened with a record enroll-

ment, a host of new course offerings and a supplementary experiential-oriented program. While Rabbi Riskin's classes remain the main attractions, other course offerings have come into their own and now boast devoted followings and substantial enrollments. For the first time, the Shapiro Academy has accepted students for a teacher's degree program.

## MELANIE ROSS YOUTH CENTER

The most impressive success record however, belongs to the Melanie Ross Youth Center. Under the leadership of Mordecai Reich, the Melanie Ross Youth program began the year from scratch (a few telephone numbers and addresses) and has, in a matter of 3½ weeks, developed an enthusiastic following of close to 50 teenagers. The program features weekly Sunday night meetings, with guest performers and entertainment, and was recently highlighted by a free Sukkah dinner with Rabbi Riskin as the guest speaker. In the offing for the future: Emergency "Help Israel" programs, a Shabbat Retreat in the country, special week long seminars, entertainment specials, unusual trips, a regular Shabbat program, etc.

As part of the program of the Melanie Ross Youth program, a drive to "reach out" to unaffiliated local youth has met with a good measure of success. Some of the individual case histories are moving and inspiring and I hope to be able to share them at an appropriate time.

To all this can be added the Sukkah Mobile, the Lincoln Towers "reach out" program, the Lincoln Square Torah Van, the local High School lecture program, the Drop-in Center, the Beit Cafe, the Basic Judaism-publications project, and more. It is not difficult to conclude that the Lincoln Square "Hurricane-Miracle" shows no signs of abating. We can be particularly proud of the synagogue's trailblazing efforts to reach Jews of all affiliations and backgrounds by undertaking model projects and programs that, we hope, will eventually become a standard part of the Jewish community.

Support the U.J.A. Emergency Fund. Buy Israeli Bonds. Thusfar Lincoln Square has collected approximately \$250,000.



## Sisterhood News

by Beatrice L. Wald

The inaugural Sisterhood function for the New Year was a Membership Tea held in our beautiful Succah October 14th. Delightful weather for the season added to the pleasure of being in our Succah, attractively decorated by our Junior League. The refreshments were delicious and the opportunity to socialize added to the festivities.

As always there are the "doers" who deserve recognition and thanks for their efforts. Our Membership Chairman Jeanette Jarashow singles out the competent Hospitality Committee, headed by Bess Bergman, co-workers Cele Edelman and her sister Mitzi Reinglass, also Beulah and Ruth Gluckman together with their other helpers, for the fantastic job they did in preparing and serving.

Sonya and Irving Chesnin's efforts made possible our viewing of an informative and delightful film on the life of Prime Minister Golda Meir. This was a memorable ending to the day's program. Only the tragic news of the Israeli war dampened the enjoyment of the event.

Those who had the catered meals in the Succah must have noticed the significant improvement over past years. This was due to the considerable ability of Cele and Henrietta Edelman who organized the seating lists. The lists were effectively used by Hostesses Sue Golub and Jeanette Aptheker to seat guests.

Without the very gracious Hilda Goldner, the Kiddush in the "little Succah" in front of the Shul wouldn't have been just right. She presided over and managed the setting-up of tables with wine and cake in her usual, seemingly effortless way. Hilda, we appreciate and thank you for a job well done.

We hold our next meeting Monday evening, November 19th at 8 o'clock. As a special treat, honoring Hebrew Music Week, our own Cantor Sherwood Goffin will entertain in his inimitable manner. Please plan to attend.

Information will be in the mail soon about our Raffle.

Let us hope that our world will be brightened soon with good news from Israel.

**Anita Hamada**

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*Judaism Magazine*, in its Fall Edition, features a review of the Conservative machzor written by our Rabbi. Reprints of the piece entitled "Modern Prayer—At What Sacrifice?" may be obtained through the magazine.

**From The Rabbi's Desk (Cont'd)**

My brother walked with his past, and he felt the obligation and desire to eternalize this past in his land, in his children, in his future. But now *he* must be eternalized in *our* future, for my brother is dead. He is your brother, too. "In your blood shall you live..."

And my brother has children, who will never again know the security of a father's hand. And my brother has parents, who will never again know the concern of a son's dedication. His parents and children hopelessly await his return from the



By Thomas Koevary

Northern Front, as we must await his return—for we are his parents, and we are his children, even as we are his brothers and sisters. And we have a pledge to our brother, which is a pledge to our past and future, which is our challenge to ourselves and to the world:

"We shall avenge the blood of God's servants which has been shed!

Those who were beloved and sweet in their lives,  
and in their deaths were not parted,  
who were swifter than eagles and stronger than lions."

Our brother has died so that we could live. And our brother will live, in us and through us, for a glorious future which will redeem all of Jewish History and the world.

"In your blood shall you live"

In his blood shall he live

In his blood shall we live.

May the Lord who establishes peace on High establish peace upon us and upon all of Israel,

Amen.



## Vahrzeits

ABRAHAM ZIEVE  
Friday Evening, October 26  
Saturday, October 27  
BENNY BERNSTEIN  
Sunday Evening, October 28  
Monday, October 29  
IRA MERMAN  
Sunday Evening, October 28  
Monday, October 29  
CECILE SOBEL  
Monday Evening, October 29  
Tuesday, October 30  
HENRY HERMAN WOLF  
Thursday Evening, November 1  
Friday, November 2  
ISAAC KAUFMAN  
Saturday Evening, November 3  
Sunday, November 4  
FANNIE RODETSKY  
Saturday Evening, November 3  
Sunday, November 4  
ILIJAH BARKAN  
Monday Evening, November 5  
Tuesday, November 6  
JACOB STARK  
Monday Evening, November 5  
Tuesday, November 6  
YETTA FEINSTEIN  
Tuesday Evening, Nov. 6  
Wednesday, November 7  
SARAH LEAH FELDMAN  
Wednesday Evening, Nov. 7  
Thursday, November 8  
MORRIS MORRISON  
Wednesday Evening, November 7  
Thursday, November 8  
ANNA SCHWARTZMAN  
Thursday Evening, November 8  
Friday, November 9  
SAMUEL EDELMAN  
Friday Evening, November 9  
Saturday, November 10  
NORMAN NOTOV  
Tuesday Evening, November 20  
Wednesday, November 21  
MORRIS SOBEL  
Tuesday Evening, November 20  
Wednesday, November 21  
RACHEL WIENER  
Tuesday Evening, November 20  
Wednesday, November 21  
LOUIS BLOOM  
Wednesday Evening, November 21  
Thursday, November 22  
ISAAC WASSERMAN  
Friday Evening, November 23  
Saturday, November 24

## Art Show and Sale

The One Man Art Show and Sale, with Zvi Raphaely, originally scheduled for early this month, has been postponed because of the war.

On the re-scheduled date, to be announced, Zvi Raphaely, noted Rabbi and Painter from Jerusalem, will personally appear at Lincoln Square Synagogue to tell about his life in the Jewish art world and present his work. Zvi was born in Egypt, reared in Paris, where he learned to paint at the école des Beaux Arts, and now lives the life of a Chassid and artist in Jerusalem.

## Bach is Back

It hurts us to say it. Our midnight Simchat Torah service relied heavily on two non-Bachs — Perry Davis and Jonathan Herlands. Without their ruach, our celebration would have been just bach. Thanks. (It should be noted, though, that both have only been married a short while and this may explain their spirit.) Contributions by our own, Marc Sonnenschein and Yitzchak Rosen, were also appreciated.

At our November 11th Shabbat luncheon, Bach looks forward to welcoming and meeting "Effie" Buchwald, the Synagogue's new Director of the Joseph Shapiro Academy and Melanie Ross Youth Center. Mel Moed, as usual, has been the man chiefly responsible for the luncheon.

This month's Cosmic Superiority Award went to Marilyn Cohen for her huge efforts in laying the groundwork for what we hope will be a successful season.

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## Flash

The first bloody incident involving an usher since Roy Stern became Chief Usher occurred over Sukkot, during David Landau's reading of Ecclesiastes. Six-year old Eric Ehrman, suffering from a bloody nose, rushed the usher while dashing to his father, 3rd Vice President Fred Ehrman.

The usher valiantly fought off his young assailant, but eventually succumbed, after receiving large blood splatters. Eric was perfectly well after a quick wash-up at home. The usher is still rinsing. He said he would request an easier post — like guarding Sisterhood meetings.

Roy stated he really could not care less, and that he had no intention of offering a course on Survival Tactics to his ushers. He added that he was very busy with something else.

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## From the Driver's Seat

by Yosef Mackler

From the driver's seat of the Lincoln Square Synagogue Succah mobile during Hol hamoed Succot, traffic in Manhattan was heavy and available parking spaces were scarce, as usual. As soon as a parking space was found, Succah mobile volunteers disembarked from the truck, clutching in their hands the four species associated with Succot. While some volunteers set up literature and refreshment tables, others positioned themselves on street corners actively encouraging Jews to bentch etrog and inviting passers-by to visit our decorated Succah. Succah mobile aides discussed the holiday with interested and curious New Yorkers.

Most passers-by and guests in the Succah responded favorably to the idea of the Succah mobile. Some passers-by criticized the volunteers for performing an insignificant service at the same time that Israelis were fighting a war. Volunteers explained the importance of mitzvot, davka during a war. Approximately 300-500 people visited, and/or bentched in the Succah mobile.

Often a person did not know the blessings associated with the mitzvah of Succot. Aides prepared transliterated copies of the blessings. Children and the elderly especially appreciated the volunteers' efforts to explain the blessings, the holiday, and the Succah mobile's purpose.

The Succah mobile visited the City Hall Rally on October 14th. Other visiting stops during Hol-hamoed included: The Park Crescent Nursing Home. Two volunteers stepped aboard a bus filled with passengers visiting L.S.S. and helped everyone on the bus fulfill the mitzvah of lulav and etrog. One passerby asked a volunteer to accompany her to the Chess House on 72nd Street. Upon being informed of the Succot Holiday, players interrupted their games and made the blessing for lulav.

G-d willing next year the Succah mobile will again appear on the streets of New York. Thanks (ישיב"ח) to the Fluk family for building the Succah. Thanks to each volunteer who participated.



## Roy and Judi

by Louis J. Frank

Every engagement is precious at Lincoln Square. We are particularly pleased when active congregants become engaged. In recent months, we have even been blessed with marriages where both parties have been active members, (the most recent example of which was the wedding of Gershon Fluk & Louise Rosenberg on October 28th).

The Roy Stern-Judi Riskin match, as it involves two super-active members, and as it reaches so many of us, is most particularly special.

### Judi

During one Shabbat *drash*, the Rabbi commented that Miriam is referred to as "the sister of Aaron". Why the "sister of Aaron" and not "the sister of Moshe"? This description, the Rabbi explained, comes to teach us that Miriam was a personage in her own right. Her contribution was substantial, and distinct from that of her more prominent brother.

Judi Riskin's contribution to Lincoln Square has been substantial, significant, and very distinct from that of her more prominent brother. She has earned the deepest respect and love from her students, her peers, and those members of the congregation who have been privileged to have had contact with her.

No one teaches with greater dedication and warmth. "My daughter loves Judi", "my son adores Judi", are very common refrains from her pupils' parents. She is playmate as well as instructor.

No one but she could have produced the childrens' play that spectacularly stole the show at our last Purim party.

Her peers have learned that she is a sensitive, careful student, and a sensitive, caring friend. The affection in which she is held by her elders jumps at you through the sparkle in Mrs. Cohn's eyes, or Mrs. Bergman's, or Mrs. Greer's, or any one of a number of our congregants.

To Batya and Elana, she is obviously Number One.

### and Roy

Some do their share for the Synagogue by giving time and effort. Some do their share by giving financial support. Roy contributes substantially in both areas.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees. He organized and instructed a small group to serve as Chevre Kadisha. Many times the Rabbi has noted that this is the most compassionate service one can offer. He has been a faithful student at the Joseph Shapiro Academy (although it now turns out that interest



By Max Schwarz

in a certain classmate may have been a motivating factor). At present he is studying to be a Mohel.

He is our tactful, friendly, and effective Chief Usher. This post is particularly important at Lincoln Square in view of our constant ambition to welcome all persons into the community.

His financial contributions are matched by few. In his giving, too, one catches a glimpse of Roy. More often than not, in a Journal or fund drive, there is a contribution by Roy Stern, and then there is an anonymous donation, which is also from him.

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**Roy and Judi (Cont'd)**

If our new couple can be faulted, it must be for their inability to keep a secret. The congregation has felt itself a silent third party to the romance for some time.

So from the entire congregation, HEARTIEST MAZEL TOV to Roy and Judi, to Rabbi and Mrs. Riskin, to Mrs. Irene Stern, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riskin, and to the Stern and Riskin families. A mazel tov for us as well. We look forward to Roy and Judi, now together, assuming a leadership role in the community.

**Mazel Tov**

Mrs. Ruth Belsky on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Eric-Steven.

Rabbi and Mrs. Herschel Cohen on the birth and circumcision of their son, Judah Samson Chaim.

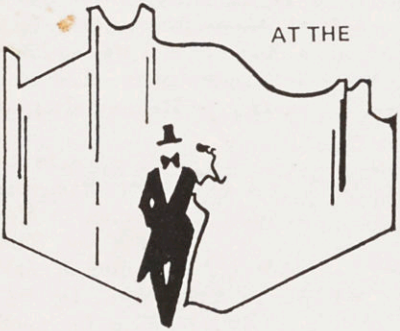
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## Synagogue News & Notes...

Behind the scenes, *Rabbi Cohen* made our Holidays the success that they were... *Frank Taks* also contributed his usual "above and beyond"...

This year we closed down Amsterdam Avenue for Simchat Torah dancing. Next year, Broadway... Our nostalgic dancing-return to the Synagogue's former home at 150 West End Avenue becomes more triumphant each year... 42 *Melanie Ross* Youth Center youngsters enjoyed eating in our Succah... Thank you *Mordecai Reich*... amazing and inspiring Cantor *Goffin* sang aloud every word of the Yom Kippur Evening Service in an unforgettable experience.

The *Roy Stern-Judi Riskin* engagement was the worst-kept Synagogue secret since *Shulie Cohen's* pregnancy... We had been getting indications for some time... Even the announcement day itself was little surprise... Roy's mom, *Irene Stern* had just donated to our Appeal "in honor of the day"... The real tip-off was the Synagogue debut of *Hillel Riskin*... *Ehod* received no word of his impressions of Lincoln Square, but it should be reported he departed soon after he arrived... *Hillel* returned for a spell on Simchat Torah, but he did absolutely no dancing... or walking... or crawling either, for that matter... *Meir Elchanan Goffin* did not show up at all... neither did "Willie" Cohen...

The strong and capable hands of *Adolph Katz* built our Succah... The gentle and capable hands of *Elizabeth Dashif* assisted...

What a Rabbi we have... other synagogues encourage young people to come... but at Selichot services our Rabbi was asking many to leave — "There are other synagogues in the neighborhood"... You could tell no one took it very personally though, thank goodness, since no one left... Considering the crush, there was no way to exit anyway... Some congregants mused they would never again complain about the rush-hour IRT...

The scene was almost repeated for Yom Kippur. Although *Peter Abelow* was conducting a special service in the Beth Medrash, and the Sanctuary and Auditorium were full, the Rabbi held an outdoor service. This could be the beginning of "A Synagogue Without Walls".

We almost had a Synagogue without a ground floor due to plumbing difficulties beyond even *Martha Cohn's* control (and you thought she controls everything)... *Jeffrey Smith* and *Harold Verschleiser* waded to the rescue of our coats... *Marc Eisenmann* thought the flooded downstairs would make an excellent indoor sailboat pond.

The Yom Kippur Appeal was certainly handled with (*Rafael*) *Jozlitt* — like efficiency... Thanks for assisting to *Miriam Alter*, *Mel Moed*, *Renna Brief*, *Larry Tiefenbrunn*, *Jeffrey Smith*, and *Joe Neustadter* in the Sanctuary, and *Ron* and *Mickey Platzer*, *Carol Brown*, *Debbie Klaff*, *Linda Derovan* and *Richie Rothenberg* in the Auditorium.

*Shirley Wald* arranged snacks for the youngsters during this Holiday along with *Barbara Lukin*.

Proudest grandfather award goes to *Henry Moed*... You don't have to be a *Rebecca* to attend Barnard, but it helps — ask the Misses *Green* and *Romeroski*.

Holiday thanks for helping to *Morris Tiefenbrunn*, *Aron Landau* and *Samuel Feld* for assisting our Cantor in making our services so melodious... to *Jeffrey Mackler* and *Gershon Fluk* for another successful year of Succah-mobiling.

*Gershon* barely survived the greatest aufruf candy downpour in Lincoln Square history... Thanks so much to *Amos Alter* for doing practically everything over the Holidays.

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## Inside Out/Will The Vice-President Resign?

by Rifke

The question seems to be on the tip of every tongue. From the Feldman Nursery School to the Joseph Shapiro Academy classes, in the Sisterhood and in the Men's Club, everyone discusses and debates the burning issue—will the Vice President resign? Will Vice President Maurice Spanbock resign?

The problem, of course, is unprecedented in Lincoln Square history. The ramifications are extraordinary.

Apparently, the fifteen families who founded the Synagogue never contemplated the contingency. Our Constitution provides only:

In the event the Vice-President is booted out or resigns, the Eleventh Vice-President shall succeed him. L.S.S. Constitution, Article 7, Para. 1.

This manner of succession presents a myriad of difficulties, not the least of which is that we do not have an Eleventh Vice-President.

An alternative possibility lies in Article 11, Section 2, Para. 3, "Powers of the President":

The President may appoint anybody to any position so long as Mrs. Cohn thinks it's O.K.

(This is also known as the "advice and Cohnsent" provision.)

All sorts of pressures are being exerted on Arthur Morgenstern in the event replacement becomes necessary. The Bachs are pushing for one of their own, while the Sisterhood is urging a woman Vice-President. Marion Spanbock is prominently mentioned by the Young Couples, while the favorite of the Men's Club is Spiro Agnew.

Another possibility, although this seems remote, would be the election of a black. As there is only one black in the Synagogue, the choice necessarily narrows down to Leroy, the Handyman. There has also been some talk of recalling Rabbi Yitzhak Abramson from Saratoga since he portrayed a handyman last Purim, but as this could be considered tokenism, the possibility has been soft-pedalled—although most people feel Rabbi Abramson should be brought back regardless.

A general consensus seems to be forming that any replacement should be a bland person about whom all the elements of the congregation could unite. This is an exceedingly difficult task since no one in our community is bland.

Hopefully the eventuality will not arise. The question has only been raised by the seeming riff growing between Arthur Morgenstern and Maurice Spanbock. This is proved by the fact that every Shabbat Mr. Morgenstern and Mr. Spanbock parade after the Rabbi and Cantor, shaking hands with everyone in the front row, when the Torah is taken out... But, have you ever seen them shake hands with one another????

Anyway, Mr. Spanbock is one of the hardest working vice-presidents in Lincoln Square's history. His take-home legal work from the Synagogue is frequently as time-consuming as his office work.

We really could not do better... unless maybe we got that Young Couples choice mentioned above.