

A HAPPY PASSOVER TO ALL

KEHILATH JESHURUN BULLETIN

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A PRAYER FOR OUR BOYS

The following is a prayer composed by Rabbi Lookstein and which he suggests should be recited in every home at the Seder table:

Father of Mercy, into Thy keeping do we give our sons. Do Thou shelter and protect them. Be Thou their refuge and fortress. Endow them with strength and courage, with firmness and fortitude. Let them not flinch nor falter in the performance of their duty to God, to country and to mankind.

Make us worthy of their heroism and humble for their many sacrifices. Let them know that the prayers of fathers and the blessings and tears of mothers attend them always. Grant unto them and their companions-in-arms a speedy and complete victory. Bring them back to us safe in body, sound in mind and strong in spirit. Let our loving arms welcome them back to a world in which shall reign brotherhood and peace forevermore. Amen.

MEN'S CLUB DONATES PRAYER BOOKS

Our Men's Club donated the sum of \$200 to the congregation for the purchase of Holiday prayer books. As a result of the organization's generosity, we shall have enough uniform prayer books for the Passover Holidays for all our worshippers. We are most grateful to the Men's Club for their practical kindness.

"NEXT YEAR WE SHALL BE FREE MEN"

A Passover Message from Rabbi Lookstein

The opening paragraph of the Seder ritual contains the declaration, "This year we are slaves, next year we shall be free men". This is an affirmation of faith in the unconquerable spirit of man and in the ultimate power of God's deliverance.

In the spirit of such faith does the Jew prepare to celebrate his Passover festival. He is aware that millions of his brethren have been destroyed in the lands of bondage. He is aware, too, that hundreds of thousands more are in shackles in the occupied lands of Europe. Yet, he dares to hope, and seeks to infect the entire world with that hope.

Every holy congregation of Israel should this year re-dedicate itself during our festival of emancipation, to the tasks of freedom that must come and to the obligations of democracy to follow. Every Israelite, man, woman and child ought to come to the House of God and out of the ancient Holiday liturgy, draw renewed inspiration for the days that lie ahead. Every family ought to meet at the Seder table and recognize in every symbol the memories of the past and the hope for the future. To our fellow citizens of all faiths this is a Holiday season of prayer and penance. To the community of Israel, too, this festival of Passover is an occasion of holy consecration.

A happy Passover to you, dear brethren and to all your families. May emancipation soon come to all the world. And may peace and security be the portion of Israel and all humanity.

**RABBI LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH ON BOTH DAYS OF THE HOLIDAY
AT 10:45 A.M.**

PASSOVER RELIEF FUND REACHES NEW HIGH

About \$1600 has already been obtained in response to our annual Passover Relief appeal. A number of our friends have as yet not responded. When they are heard from it will be possible to reach the \$2500 quota set for this year.

In the meantime we have already turned over \$1000 to the Yorkville Passover Relief Fund for distribution among the poor in our community. Contributions were also sent to Hias, Ezrath Tora and Vaad Hahatzala, the agencies that take care of the refugee rabbis and students in all parts of the world. A small subsidy was also allocated to the refugee rabbis in Palestine and a contribution of \$100 was sent to the Jewish Welfare Board for special Passover packages for our boys in the armed services.

We have listed these subsidies because we are anxious that those who have not made their contributions yet should realize how important it is for them to respond. All these agencies will receive additional allocations from us just as soon as additional funds arrive. Before you sit down at the Seder table make sure that you have done your duty by those in need.

There follows a list of the contributors from whom we heard since the last bulletin: Benjamin Gottesman, Sol Lustbader, Herman Theaman, Louis J. Singer, Henry Hantman, Misses Cecelia and Irene Weiss, Benjamin Jacoby, Jacob M. Guedalia, Mrs. J. Freedman, Besse Silberman, I. Gilman, Pvt. E. Robbins, Leigh Robbins, A. R. Kirshon, Julius Kohn, Harry Fischel, David Kass, T. Landau, Irwin B. Jacobs, B. Leder, Samuel J. Wikler, Adolph Klein, Elihu Katz, H. C. Brandman, Samuel Zatlin, David Baum, Joseph Feldman I. Kaplan, Jules Gourary, Charles Buttermann, Leo Edelman, Philip Bachrach, S. B. Cooperman, Mrs. Annie Frankel, M. Lentz, Mrs. Esther Pollack, J. J. Lubell, Leon Daniel, Ira F. Weisman, Maurice A. Bergman, S. I. Silberman, Max Doctorow, Samuel Rosen, Sam Bucher, Alex-

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Open Letter From the President

Dear Members and Friends:

One of our many activities for the past year was the sending of "gift boxes" to our boys abroad. The following letter speaks for itself:

"Dear Friends:

I was the receiver of one of your grand packages and I must repeat — grand packages. It's a good feeling to know that the folks back home are thinking about their children overseas. I wish you could have seen the sparkle in the eyes of the boys who were given one of your gifts. No amount of money could have taken the gift from them.

We sincerely and deeply appreciate everything you are doing for us. Thanks a million.

Sincerely yours,

Sgt. Irving E. Bach"

Our membership has grown by leaps and bounds. But of course we are always anxious to welcome new members to assist in the many important and vital tasks we accomplish. Won't you join with us and do your bit for humanity?

With best wishes for a very happy holiday, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Jacob) Rose Rudd

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MEN'S CLUB NEWS

*You and your men friends are cordially invited
to attend the Regular Monthly Meeting*

TUESDAY, APRIL 18th at 8:30 P.M.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The annual membership meeting of the congregation is scheduled to take place on the evening of April 25th in the social hall of the synagogue. Those who are familiar with these meetings know that they are events to look forward to. A full report of the year's activities is always rendered. The program for the coming year is presented. The membership is thus introduced to the inner life of the congregation. In addition to all that, of course, the annual meeting is a gala social event at which the men and women folk of the congregation meet as members of one family. Remember the date.

RAMAZ SCHOOL NEWS

The Parents' Council had its monthly meeting, on March 28th. So stimulating was the speaker, Mrs. Hilda Holt, and so enthusiastic were the responses to the guest, that the meeting did not break up until midnight.

**THEATRE PARTY OF THE
PARENTS' COUNCIL**

"The Searching Wind" will be held on May 10th. The play is by Lillian Hellman, the stars are Cornelia Otis Skinner, Dudley Digges, and Dennis King. Orders for tickets will be promptly filled by Mrs. Fanny Lewittes, 585 West End Avenue.

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SPECIAL SERVICES FOR THE FIRST-BORN

The traditional services for the first-born will be held Friday morning as part of the regular morning services at 7:30 A. M.

TWO MORE IN THE SERVICE

Last week witnessed the induction of two of our young congregants into the military service. The young men are, Jackie Kaplan and Joseph Backer. God be with you, boys.

PASSOVER SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, PASSOVER EVE.
Morning Services 7:30 A.M.
Special Service for the first-born, Siyum will be conducted following the regular service.
Chometz may not be eaten after 10:30 A.M., and should be completely disposed of by 11:30 A.M.
Mincha Services 6:30 P.M.
SATURDAY, APRIL 8, PASSOVER I
Morning Services 9:00 A.M.
Mincha Services 7:00 P.M.
SUNDAY APRIL 9, PASSOVER II
Morning Services 9:00 A.M.
Mincha Services 7:15 P.M.
Services During Chol Hamoed
Morning 7:15 A.M.
Evening 6:30 P.M.

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