

# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin

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Rabbi Lookstein will deliver the third lecture in his series on

## ISRAEL AT THE RELIGIOUS CROSSROADS

This Saturday morning at 10:45

subject

**"RECONSTRUCTIONIST JUDAISM: WHAT IS IT?"**

### A GAY PURIM

Kehilath Jeshurun has consistently observed every major and minor Jewish festival in an appropriate congregational manner.

With that thought in mind we have arranged for a special Purim celebration this year. Purim night will be on Monday, February 26th. The festival will be inaugurated with Maariv services led by the Cantor at 6:45 p.m. — then will follow the reading of the Megilla accompanied, of course, by the traditional percussion instruments in the hands of the children. Refreshments will then be served for members of the congregation, the Men's Club and Sisterhood in the gymnasium of our school building.

While the adults will be at supper, a special program of entertainment has been arranged for the children in the auditorium of our school building. Later in the evening the adults will join the children to listen to an operetta performed by the Ramaz School Chorus.

We are not saying much but you will agree that it is not necessary to say more. If ever an opportunity to celebrate Purim in gay and festive traditional spirit was afforded you, this is it. We are giving you ample

notice in advance. Please reserve that night and plan to spend it with us.

### STEWART SOMMERS WOUNDED IN ACTION

A report has reached us that Stewart Sommers, son of our esteemed member, Jack Sommers, and member of the Bernard family was wounded in action while performing a hazardous assignment for which he had volunteered. Young Stewart, who had previously been decorated for heroism, is now hospitalized somewhere in England. His battalion was part of the First Army under the command of General Hodges. We wish our young hero a speedy recovery and we pray for his well being and safe return.

### BOY SCOUT SABBATH

This Saturday will be Boy Scout Sabbath in our synagogue. The congregations' Troop 656 together with the Girl Scouts and Cub Packs will attend services in a body. A special Boy Scout ceremony will be one of the features of the service. We call upon all Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cubs to attend and to be in uniform next Sabbath.



CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

invites you and your friends to attend the

MEGILLA SERVICES and PURIM CELEBRATION

on Monday evening, February 26, at 6:45 P.M.

OPERETTA BY RAMAZ CHORUS

Entertainment

Refreshments

WHAT IS

RECONSTRUCTIONIST JUDAISM

On the last two Sabbaths our congregations were larger than usual. Those who came were eager listeners to two lectures delivered by the Rabbi on the general subject "Israel at the Religious Crossroads." Two weeks ago they were informed about "Reform Judaism." Last week's lecture dealt with "Conservative Judaism."

The Rabbi will continue his series this Saturday with a discussion on "Reconstructionist Judaism." This is one of the latest versions of Judaism that has created quite a stir. We may be sure of a very forthright treatment of this subject. Rumor has it that the Rabbi is not too kindly disposed to this version of Judaism. Yet we may expect a fair and unbiased presentation as we have been accustomed to receive from our pulpit. Do not miss this Saturday's lecture.

SISTERHOOD NEWS

Red Cross Luncheon

K. J. Sisterhood never to be outdone when important drives are on, has designated Monday, March 5th as Red Cross Day. We shall serve lunch and participate in a social afternoon. Subscription is only \$1.00. All proceeds will go to the Red Cross. We ask our members to bring all their friends and support a world-wide cause. We have many new members on our roster. Here is a chance to come and get acquainted with one another. A friendly as well as fraternal welcome awaits you.

CONDOLENCES

We record with sorrow the untimely passing of Mr. Charles Leff who, but a short time ago, joined our congregation as a member. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to his brother, Joseph Leff and to all the members of his family.



*We Cordially Invite You and Your Men Friends  
to Attend the Regular Monthly Meeting*

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20th, at 8:30 P.M.**

*in the  
SOCIAL HALL  
to hear*



**DR. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES**

*speaks on*

**"A CHRISTIAN LOOKS AT JUDAISM"**

This famous minister of the Community Church and outstanding liberal brings us an interesting viewpoint on Judaism—from the outside looking in.

Rabbi Lookstein will follow the speaker with a short address.

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**Collation**

**THE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY  
GROWS**

The congregation welcomes Mr. Morris Ratnoff as a new member whose application was just received. . . . The Men's Club announces that Leonard Berkowitz, Emanuel Bellman and Julius Lipsitz have joined their organization . . . The Sisterhood numbers have been augmented by the

addition of Mrs. Bessie Hellman, Mrs. Abraham J. Weinberg and Mrs. Samuel Witty who recently joined.

**GIRL SCOUT TROOP LEADER**

Eli Garfein, Chairman of our Scout Committee, has procured a talented and most attractive leader for the Girl Scout Troop, the lovely Miss Sena Segal.



**Synagogue Officials**

Joseph H. Lookstein ..... *Rabbi*  
Victor Gold ..... *Cantor*  
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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Monday, February 19, 1:00 P.M.—  
Sisterhood Board Meeting  
Monday, February 19, 8:30 P.M.—  
Talmud Class  
Tuesday, February 20, 3:30 P.M.—  
Chess and Checker Club  
Tuesday, February 20, 7:15 P.M.—  
Girl Scout Meeting  
Tuesday, February 20, 8:00 P.M.—  
Meeting of Brownie Girl Scout  
Parents  
Tuesday, February 20, 8:30 P.M.—  
Regular Men's Club Meeting  
Thursday, February 22, 7:15 P.M.—  
Troop 656 Meeting  
Monday, February 26—PURIM CELE-  
BRATION

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles ..... 6:10  
Mincha Services ..... 6:20

**SATURDAY**

Morning ..... 9:00  
Weekly Portion: Terumah Exodus  
25:1-27:19  
Haftarah: I Kings 5:26-6:13  
Mincha Services ..... 5:50  
Sabbath Circle ..... 6:10

**DAILY SERVICES**

Morning ..... 7:30  
Sunday & Thursday mornings 8:30  
Evening ..... 6:20

**YAHREZITS FOR THE WEEK**  
NACHMAN FISCHEL

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RACHEL HUTKOFF  
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