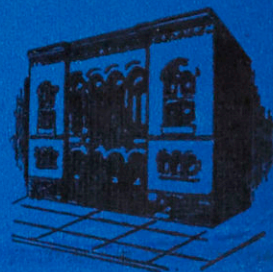


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GREETINGS

With this issue of the Bulletin, we resume publication of our weekly organ, in which we hope to bring to our readers — members and friends in the community alike — congregational news and announcements.

This issue is the first of Volume 23, representing our twenty-third year of bringing to our readers such reading matter of congregational activities as we know will interest them. We note with pride that our "reading public" is increasing steadily, and that the response to the items carried in the columns of the Bulletin is, similarly, becoming increasingly warmer.

You can help make the Bulletin even more attractive by furnishing us with bits of information that you feel will be of interest to our readers. Your comments on the Bulletin, in general, have always been most welcome, and will continue to be greatly appreciated.

We hope you have enjoyed a pleasant and restful summer, and we look forward to having you participate in our activities during the coming year.

RESERVATIONS FOR HIGH HOLIDAY SEATS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

ברוכים הבאים

The entire congregational family joins in extending a hearty welcome to Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein, who returned this week from a summer spent in Europe and Israel. As part of his trip Rabbi Lookstein conducted a retreat for Chaplains in Germany, and attended the dedication ceremony of the Bar-Ilan University in Jerusalem.

We would also like to welcome back from abroad our devoted president, Max J. Etra, our esteemed vice-president, A. Phillip Goldsmith and Mrs. Goldsmith; our esteemed trustee, A. Milton Brown and Mrs. Brown; our devoted trustee, Oscar Perlberger and Mrs. Perlberger; and our esteemed members Dr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Gross, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Rothenstein.

Our Synagogue Office is now prepared to accommodate the residents of our community who are interested in observing the holidays with us. Members of the congregation have, for the most part, indicated their preferences to us with regard to their seats; we are now in a position to attend to the needs of our neighborhood friends who wish to usher in the new year at Kehilath Jeshurun.

Just a word to some of our members: when the office communicated with you during the summer in connection with the holiday seats, we asked you to return the card that was enclosed, so that we might know whether you will require additional seats for members of your family. We note that a number of our members have not returned this card to the office, and while we realize that the matter may have been overlooked completely in the "rush" of vacation plans, we hope our members realize the importance of notifying the office of their plans and needs. Prompt attention to this matter will enable us to serve our members better and to accommodate our seat holders as well.

The services this year will, as always, be impressive and beautiful. Steps are being taken to assure the maximum comfort for our worshippers, so that from both the spiritual and the physical standpoints the services will be enjoyed to the fullest extent. Special attention is called to the fact that we anticipate a capacity congregation at the services, and we expect every seat in the synagogue to be occupied. We therefore urge our worshippers not to bring their children or other guests unless a seat reservation has been made for them.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SESSIONS TO RESUME SEPTEMBER 12th and 13th

Sessions in the afternoon Religious School for the coming year will be resumed on Monday and Tuesday, September 12th and 13th it was announced by Theodore Comet, Principal.

Those classes that meet on Monday, Wednesday and Sunday will begin on September 12th, and the Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday groups will resume on Tuesday, September 13th.

Students are being notified as to which daies they will attend. The usual opening General Assembly was dispensed with in order that the children meet directly with their teachers to get the classes under way.

Registration is now in progress and will continue for a limited time. This

is to insure that classroom study will start on a firm basis for all children with a minimum of lost time.

The special class for six and seven year olds that was inaugurated two years ago will continue to meet on Sunday mornings.

We take pride in the steady progress that our school makes from year to year. Last year we were selected by the Jewish Education Committee as a model school. While there has been a fine increase in the number of students entering our school, pupil enrollment is limited in order for us to maintain a personal relationship between teacher and student and be-

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SISTERHOOD NEWS

"On the part of our Sisterhood I would like to extend to all our members and friends our warmest greetings as we begin another activity year", announced Mrs. Hyman Abrams, President. "We are very proud of the fine philanthropic, social and cultural program that our Sisterhood sponsors, and we look forward eagerly to getting together with our old friends and meeting new ones. Information concerning meeting dates will be announced shortly. We extend a cordial invitation to all neighborhood women to join in our rewarding and enjoyable work".

Happy Day Fund —

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Happy Day Fund from Mrs. Bernard D. Fischman, Mrs. Alexander Gross, Mrs. Edna Kravette, Mrs. Oscar Perlberger, Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman and Mrs. Simon J. Vogel.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasions with others by making a gift to the Happy Day Fund. Contributions are to be sent to the Happy Day Fund Chairman, Mrs. Samuel Gross, 311 East 72nd Street.

ASSOCIATE TRUSTEES FOR COMING YEAR APPOINTED

Max J. Etra, President of the Congregation, has announced the appointment of Associate Trustees to serve for the synagogue year 1955-56.

Jacob P. Shulman was named to join seventeen other members who were re-appointed for another one-year term. These include: Messrs. Hyman Abrams, Ernest Adler, Justin J. Bayer, Hyman I. Bucher, Jerry Coan, Hyman I. Cohen, Eugene Hollander, Norman Jaspan, Leo B. Kagan, Martin Klein, William Lebowitz, Hermann Merkin, Oscar Perlberger, Joseph Roth, Jack A. Rothenstein, Romie Shapiro and Elgin Shulsky.

To the new appointee we extend our congratulations and best wishes.

We extend similar felicitations to those Associate Trustees who were re-appointed, with the assurance that their continued presence on the Board will help immeasurably in the future welfare of the synagogue.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Maximillian W. Goldstein, Mrs. Hermann Merkin, Aaron H. Onish and Mrs. Louis J. Singer.

Engagement —

We are happy to extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Katz on the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Sharon, to Lewis Dean Katz.

Anniversaries —

Greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham I. Holzer, Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Scheidt, Mr. and Mrs. Romie Shapiro and Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Zuch.

Welcome, Mr. Schlang —

We are happy to welcome back from an extended tour of Israel our esteemed Honorary Trustee, Isadore Schlang.

Speedy Recovery —

We extend best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery to our esteemed member, D. Harry Kleinfeld.

And Since The Last Bulletin —

Our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stokar, had their first child, a son, Saul Jacob. The proud grandparents are our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stokar.

Lois Cohen, daughter of our esteemed Trustee, Hyman I. Cohen, and Mrs. Cohen, was married to Julius Littman.

Faith Kommel, daughter of our devoted Trustee, Alexander Kommel, and Mrs. Kommel, was married to Richard Gabriel.

CONDOLENCES

During the summer our congregation lost an esteemed member in the passing of Dr. Nathan Rosenthal. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved family.

Sincere condolences are also extended to Mrs. Irving Buchalter and Mrs. Isidore Etra on the passing of their father, Michael Weinschel; to Mrs. Hyman I. Cohen on the loss of her mother, Rose Struckler; to D. Harry Kleinfeld on the passing of his mother, Jennie Kleinfeld; and to Abraham R. Winer and Dr. Nahum J. Winer on the passing of their mother, Hannah B. Winer.

SOMETHING FOR YOU TO CONSIDER

We would like you to consider a matter that is often called "touchy". For various reasons many people shy away from it. And yet it is one of the necessities of life that are best taken care of before tragedy strikes. We are referring, of course, to the arranging for one's cemetery needs.

Why a Family Plot?

—It is in keeping with the Jewish tradition, a tradition that originated with our first Patriarch, Abraham, to provide a common burial ground for one's family. The first purchase of property of which there is a Biblical record is associated with a family plot.

—There is gratification in meeting with one's kin in life; there is consolation to be found at the ancestral resting place where one may visit and perform his devotions in reverence to all who passed on before him.

—The acquisition of a family plot is economically more practical than the purchase of individual graves.

Why on Kehilath Jeshurun Grounds?

—The final resting place is a religious sanctuary. When located on the grounds of an old and established congregation such as Kehilath Jeshurun it will be maintained with dignity and cared for with tenderness.

—Sordid commercialism, unesthetic environment, indelicate practices should never be associated with a Bet Olam, the place of eternal rest. Kehilath Jeshurun with a record of eight decades of spiritual ministration can be relied upon for good taste, propriety and integrity.

Our New Cemetery —

—A beautiful, completely modern Jewish cemetery, Beth El is only seventeen minutes from the George Washington Bridge and easily accessible by automobile and bus.

—Beth El rolls gently over land that is high and dry; that is uniformly graded to minimize the hazards of inclement weather and that is esthetically landscaped to be pleasing to the eye.

For further information contact our Ritual Director, Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg, at the Synagogue office (SACramento 2-0800).

MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Best wishes to all Men's Club members and friends were extended by Hyman I. Bucher, president, at the commencement of the new activity season. "With a fine group of officers and Executive Board we can anticipate a very successful year," added Mr. Bucher. "However, we do need the support of our membership. A fine program is being prepared to take care of the social and cultural area while our philanthropic commitments will include additional support for Synagogue projects."

Full details on what lies ahead will be announced soon. Meanwhile here are a few items of importance:

Father-and-Son Minyan

Our Sunday morning Father-and-Son Minyan will reconvene right after the High Holy Day season. It will continue under the supervision of William Lebowitz, chairman of the Father-Son Minyan committee. The Bulletin will announce the opening date of this important activity.

Theatre Party —

Arrangements have been made for our annual Theatre Party. We will not say here just what play we have selected but you can be assured that it is a good one with a star some consider the greatest actress on Broadway. The date we will divulge so you can reserve it already. It is November 14. So mark it down on your calendar.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RESUMES

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tween the school and the home. Classes are small in size, and each pupil has the benefit of personal attention on the part of his teacher. Those who attended the Graduation Exercises last June were able to get some idea of the excellence of our school.

Aside from the formal classes, learning takes place through Arts and Crafts, Music, Dramatics and trips to institutions of Jewish interest. The afternoon Religious School makes learning fun.

Early Enrollment —

We would like to impress upon our readers the importance of early enrollment. If you have a youngster — or know of a boy or girl of Talmud Torah age, contact the office immediately. The hours of instruction remain from 4 to 6 o'clock, two afternoons a week, and Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 12.

MIDNIGHT SELICOTH SERVICES TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 10th

The High Holiday season will be ushered in Saturday night, September 10th, at 12:30 a.m., when the traditional Selichoth Service will be held in the Synagogue.

Preceding the services, a "Midnight Snack" is being arranged by the Sisterhood and Men's Club, to which all the members of these groups, as well as the entire membership of the Congregation, are invited. The get-together is being planned in order to give our congregational family an opportunity to meet in an informal, social atmosphere for the first time this year. While partaking of a delightful snack, our members will have a chance to renew old acquaintanceships and to greet each other after a lapse of several months. This "social hour" has been called for 11:30.

The last few years have brought ever-increasing numbers to the mid-

night Selicoth services. Ladies have enjoyed attending this service, where they are seated in a special section of the Synagogue that has been reserved for them. In fact, entire families have joined in worship at our services which are made more intelligible and meaningful with every successive year.

The service lasts a little over an hour. Prayer books, with English translations, are made available to all. The prayers are made clear and understandable through Rabbi Lookstein's explanations. Congregational melodies and responsive readings will form part of the service. Young as well as old will be inspired by the manner in which the service is conducted.

Our warmest invitation is extended to our worshippers to attend the Selichoth Service once again this year, to usher in the High Holiday season in the proper religious spirit.

Be Sure To Attend

SELICOTH SERVICES

on Saturday, September 10th

at 12:30 a.m.

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN will conduct the service

CANTOR JACOB KONIGSBERG will officiate

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY***

Evening 6:15

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion: Ki Tabo

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8

Haftorah: Isaiah 60:1-22

Evening 7:15

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:10

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30

Sunday Morning 8:30

Evening 6:00

*Sabbath candles should be kindled 20 minutes before sunset. Those, however, who conform to our schedule of ushering in the Sabbath at 6:15 should also light candles at that hour.

Yahrzeits**September**

- 3—MARIE DANIEL
- 4—MAX BREINER
- 4—ALBERT SOKOLSKI
- 4—SAMUEL KOLKER
- 4—ALBERT A. KAPLAN
- 4—ESTHER MARTHA SMITH
- 5—JACOB M. HOLZER
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