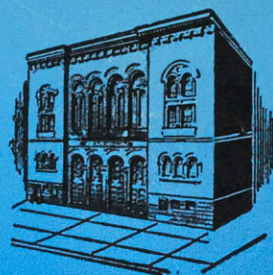


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MIDNIGHT SELICOTH SERVICES SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th

The High Holy Day Season will be ushered in on Saturday night September 17th with the traditional Selichoth Service.

As in past years, this service which inaugurates the penitential season, will contain all of the special features which have made it a wonderful experience for the entire congregational family.

"Midnight" Snack

The proceedings begin with a "Midnight" Snack, sponsored 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.

Our Congregational family has been scattered all over the world during the past few months. Many new people have recently moved into the neighborhood and will be worshipping with us for the first time. The pre-Selichoth snack is an ideal time to meet old friends and greet the newcomers. This "social hour" will begin at 11:30 P.M.

Selichoth Service at 12:30

At 12:30, the congregation will assemble in the main synagogue for the Selichoth Service. The service, which lasts a little over an hour, is rendered more intelligible by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein's clear interpolations and explanations of the prayers. Cantor Cohen will lend a tone of inspiration through his musical interpretations of the special prayers. Congregational melodies and responsive readings will enable all to participate actively.

For the convenience of the ladies, a special section will be reserved for them on the main floor of the Synagogue.

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MAIN SYNAGOGUE RE-DECORATED

Other Improvements Made in Synagogue Structure.

Our worshippers will be thrilled when they enter our main synagogue and see what has been done in it. Beautiful as it always was, it has become even more so.

The synagogue has been completely re-decorated. A new color scheme was used. Those who, for more than a decade, were accustomed to a rather sombre and subdued color scheme will find the new one most refreshing.

In addition, new rows of lights were installed in the sections under the balcony. Worshippers seated there will appreciate the improvement made.

Other necessary improvements were made over the course of the summer. Hallways, lobbies and foyers were painted. Stained glass windows were repaired. The Social Hall is in the process of undergoing structural as well as decorative changes. Classrooms and hallways in the Synagogue House were re-done. A diligent and dedicated House Committee labored throughout the summer, under the leadership of Mr. Oscar Perlberger, Mr. Jacob P. Shulman and Mr. Alexander Gross, with the consultation of Mr. Fred Haas, who has been made

available to us through the courtesy of our esteemed trustee, Mr. Samuel Rosen.

A craftsman receives his material compensation. Nonetheless, in our case a special reward is called for. We, therefore, express our thanks to Mr. Sam Jeby, President of the Jebson Painting Company, who did such a superb painting and decorating job in our sacred premises.

The Practical Side

There is always a practical side to matters of this kind. When all the work is finished, the congregation will have expended some fifteen thousand dollars to make all of it possible. Neither effort nor cost were spared to increase the beauty of our House of God, to provide greater comfort for our members, and to make our facilities more usable for our constantly expanding program of activities.

We hope that our membership will have all of this in mind when approached for the Annual Synagogue Appeal. We are confident that in appreciation for all that was done they will respond with even greater generosity than is their accustomed practice.

WELCOME TO ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

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

Throughout the summer we have published a bi-weekly summer edition dealing with the summer activities of the congregation.

In resuming our weekly bulletin, we are issuing the first edition of Volume 29, representing our twenty-ninth year of bringing to our readers such reading matter of congregational activities

as we know will interest them.

We shall endeavor to make Volume 29 substantially different from its predecessors. During the course of the year we plan to publish much material which is not limited to announcements and reviews of congregational activities.

As space permits, we hope to publish a weekly column dealing with the Portion of the Week, a column devoted to news from the Jewish world, a column dealing with activities and problems of the Jewish community at large, and other similar material designed to make the bulletin a source of general interest and information.

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Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 A.M.

FIVE KJ TEEN AGERS ATTEND YESHIVA SEMINAR

From August 25th through Labor Day two hundred teen agers from all parts of the United States and Canada participated in the Sixth Annual Torah Leadership Seminar conducted by the Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University.

Among this group, which also included a young man from South America, were five youngsters from our congregational family. They are:

Paula Ballan
Joel Eichler
Paula Kreinen
Alan Shapiro
Mark Wallach

They joined and participated prominently in twelve days of study and recreation, of work and play, of song and dance, of prayer and of Jewish living.

Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein were present for most of the Seminar. The assistant rabbi, as chairman of the youth committee of Yeshiva's Rabbinic Alumni Organization, played a leading role in the conduct of this seminar. Mrs. Lookstein, besides spending many social hours with the teen agers, also led a Hebrew speaking group which was part of the program.

According to Rabbi Lookstein, it is difficult to appreciate the impact of this program upon these young people without actually witnessing the proceedings. Of the two hundred youngsters who attended, more than eighty percent do not come from a traditional background. Many of them were exposed to the Sabbath, Kashruth, and other basic Jewish institutions for the first time. They participated in at least two hours of formal lectures and discussions every day, not to mention the informal talks with the rabbis and advisors. They learned leadership skills for use in their youth groups at home. Most of all, they became imbued with the spirit of traditional Jewish living and, almost unanimously, they left with a desire to live the life of a traditional Jew.

This desire is, of course, difficult to realize in practice and the youngsters are aware of this. Each in his own way, however, and to the extent that he is able, tries to work slowly toward the goal of living in accordance with the principles of the Torah.

The work that the Youth Bureau is doing, headed by Abraham Stern and Cy Shavrick, cannot be adequately ap-

YOUR COOPERATION PLEASE

A Word to Members

When the office communicated with you during the summer in connection with the High Holy Day seat reservations, 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 some 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.

MEMBERS & FRIENDS

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We hope you will enjoy these new features of our publication and we would appreciate hearing from you concerning your reactions to these various innovations.

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.

HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks a contribution to our Happy Day Fund from Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasion with others by making a gift to the Happy Day Fund.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Robert H. Zessman, 12 East 87th Street, the Happy Day Fund Chairman.

preciated as yet. Statistics, impressive as they are, do not tell the whole story. Suffice it to say that five young members of our family have had a taste of what Judaism can offer them in intellect and in spirit, in mind and in heart; and they loved it. We hope that the experience will have a positive effect upon their young lives and that this December, when the Winter Seminar takes place, other young people from our community will take advantage of an opportunity which now beckons to all.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

In recent weeks the following have applied for membership in the congregation:

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Berkson
Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Magnus
Dr. and Mrs. Norman Orentreich
Mr. and Mrs. David Pik
Mr. Stanley Reiss
Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Shapiro
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Steinman

Applications for special membership were received from the following:

Mrs. Bessie C. H. Goodman
Mrs. Sarah Klein
Mrs. Dora Kopit
Dr. Miriam E. Trachman
Dr. Sadie E. Trachman

The applications will be processed in accordance with the established practice of the congregation. In the meantime, we wish to extend a hearty welcome to the applicants and their families. We hope that their affiliation with Kehilath Jeshurun will be a long and happy one.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Hyman Abrams, Albert Amittay, Hyman I. Cohen, Mrs. Uscher Doppelt, Sidney Flatow, Mrs. Samuel Frank, Samuel Frank, Lawrence A. Kobrin, Mrs. Aaron H. Onish, Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman, Joseph Roth, Murray J. Schlusel and Raymond Schwartz.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Morton Kamerman, Mr. and Mrs. Saul J. Lance and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lebowitz.

Collective Welcome Home —

Many members of the congregation have returned or will shortly return from their travels across the country and beyond the sea. Space does not permit us to welcome them individually. We take this opportunity, therefore, to welcome them collectively upon their safe return to our midst. We hope their travels have rendered them invigorated, informed and inspired.

KIDDUSH HOSTS

The Kiddush this Sabbath will be sponsored by our members Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Perlman in honor of the engagement of their son Stuart.

1960-61 JEWRY DUTY PROGRAM LAUNCHED

Letters Sent to All Members

This week every member of the congregation received a letter from Max J. Etra, President, asking him to enlist in our program of Jewry Duty for the 1960-61 season. This marks the beginning of the second year for this revitalized program which involved most of our members last year.

Jewry Duty, a "first" with Kehilath Jeshurun, is a plan by which each member of the congregation is "summoned" to attend the morning services during one week of the year. By means of this plan the Daily Minyan is able to continue without interruption and many of our members have an experience which they would otherwise miss — praying at the daily morning service.

The letter which each member has received contains a tentative assignment for that individual. On a return card there is provision either for the acceptance of the week indicated or for the substitution of another week which may be more convenient to the "Jewror."

A Small Request

We are very anxious to have even greater participation in this year's program than in last year's. We ask all our members to fill out the return card which they received and send it to the office without delay in order that we might be able to formulate the final schedule for the program.

Through your cooperation the daily minyan will continue without difficulty, an invaluable religious service will be rendered to all of us who require a minyan from time to time, and you will be rewarded for participating in a most sacred activity.

SISTERHOOD THEATRE PARTY

JANUARY 18th, 1961

"EXODUS"

Reserve the Date!

PARK EAST RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Registration for the Park East Religious School, which we sponsor together with Congregation Orach Chaim and Zichron Ephraim, is now under way. Boys and girls, attending public or private elementary schools, may enroll for classes meeting on Sunday mornings and two afternoons during the week. Those attending first grade or kindergarten, may register for the class which meets on Sunday mornings only.

Classroom sessions begin on Monday, September 12th, according to the following schedule:

Kindergarten, Sundays 9:30 - 12:30

Grades 1 - 2 - 3, Sunday, Monday, Wednesday

Grades 2 - 4 - 6, Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday

All grades meet at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun except for the third grade which meets at Congregation Orach Chaim, and a section of the first grade which will meet at Congregation Zichron Ephraim.

We urge all parents whose children are enrolled in public or private elementary schools to register their children for the forthcoming school semester at the Park East Religious School.

SELICOTH SERVICE

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In recent years, more and more young people have come to feel that Selichoth is not a service for the "old folks," but rather a religious experience which they too find rewarding.

Our warmest invitation is extended to the entire Congregational family to attend the Midnight Snack and the Selichoth Service this year, and thereby usher in the High Holy Day season in the proper religious spirit.

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THE WEEKLY PORTION

For the benefit of our readers who did not receive the summer edition of the bulletin, this is a new series of brief notes on the portion of the week. Each week, the column will deal with the portion to be read in the synagogue on the sabbath of that week.

The purpose of the series is to give a bird's-eye view of the contents of the portion and, from time to time, to dwell upon a concept of particular significance found in the Torah and its commentaries.

Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8

The portion begins with the injunction upon every landowner in Israel during the days of the Temple to bring the first fruits of the land to Jerusalem each year. The presentation of the fruits is accompanied by a declaration describing the role of God in the history of our people from the call to Abraham until the successful conquest of the Promised Land. This passage, quoted in the Haggadah of Passover, will be familiar to many readers.

The portion continues with a further amplification of Divine Providence — the principle of reward and punishment. This passage is known as the "Tocheicha" and the part dealing with punishment is traditionally chanted by the reader in a subdued voice to emphasize the hope that its ominous message should not apply to us.

The portion concludes on a practical note with the injunction to perform God's commandments and remain faithful to the covenant in order that our lives be characterized by enlightened acts.

KOSHER BUTCHERS IN OUR COMMUNITY

For the information of residents of Yorkville we list below the neighborhood butcher shops that are under the supervision of the Park East Kashruth Board.

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| Israel D. Rosenberg | Ritual Director |
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY *

Evening 6:00

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00

Weekly Portion: Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26.1-29.8

Haftarah: Isaiah 60.1-22

Evening 7:00

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:45

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30

Sunday Morning 8:30

Evening 6:00

*Sabbath Candles are kindled twenty minutes before sunset. Those however who conform to our schedule of ushering in the Sabbath at 6:00 P. M. should also light candles at that hour.

YAHREZITS

September

10—JACOB M. HOLZER
10—ANNIE SPIEGEL
11—RACHEL BACHRACH
11—NANCY WECHSLER
12—CHARLES SCHLANG
12—SIGMUND ROTH
13—ABRAHAM GRONOWITZ
13—PEARL DUBINER
14—MOLLIE PODELL
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15—FLORA BACHRACH
16—IDA HASS
16—JOSEF W. SCHREIBER

HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

This column will appear from time to time, as space permits, with a view toward making available to our readers, news of Jewish interest which may not be found in the daily press.

NEW YORK — Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican Candidate for Vice President outlined this week his views on the Arab-Israeli problem. He said in part: "The time has come to try to bring an over-all settlement of the Palestine question in all its aspects. I refer to the status of the Arab refugees, the development of the waters of the Jordan, and other relationships between Israel and its neighbors. The effort to reach such a settlement with justice and fairness to all should be undertaken at a high level. There will, of course, have to be consideration by each side of the problems of the other side. The United States should be willing to contribute generously toward bringing such a settlement about."

(This statement, when viewed together with those of the Democratic presidential aspirant, augurs well for an enlightened policy on Middle Eastern affairs regardless of the outcome of the election. ed. note)

JERUSALEM — The question of Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's possible attendance at the next session of the United Nations General Assembly, which opens this September 20, was being considered in Israel Government circles here.

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Young Adults
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