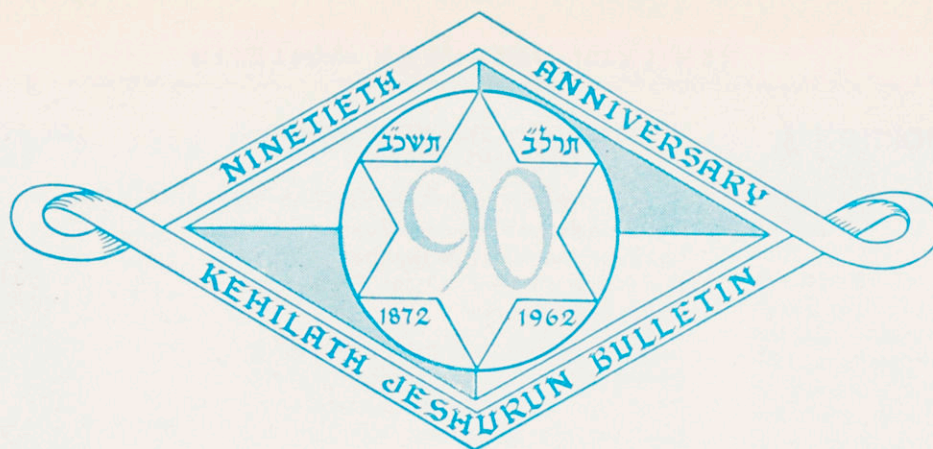


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## WELCOME TO ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

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

Throughout the summer we published a limited summer edition dealing with the summer activities of the congregation.

In resuming our weekly bulletin, we are issuing the first edition of volume 31, representing our thirty-first year of bringing to our readers such reading matter of congregational activities as we hope will interest them.

We plan to continue this year the series, "The Weekly Portion", in which are discussed concepts and interpretations pertaining to the portion of the week. We also hope to continue the column, "Headlines of Jewish Interest", in which we record items of Jewish news which might otherwise not come to the attention of our readers.

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.

### Welcome Home —

The lack of space in the Bulletin does not permit us to welcome individually those members of the congregation who have just returned and who will shortly return from their summer vacations. We wish, therefore, to extend a collective welcome home to all of our members who have just returned from Europe and to all of our summer travellers. Welcome back to our midst.

## MIDNIGHT SELICHOth SERVICE

The High Holy Day Season, will be ushered in on Saturday night, September 22nd 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 to greet the newcomers. This "social hour" will begin at 11:30 p.m.

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 interpolations and explanations. 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.

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. A special invitation is extended to the teenagers and young adults of our community to come and to bring their friends.

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.

## WITH RABBI LOOKSTEIN IN ISRAEL

Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein should be on the high seas by the time this Bulletin reaches you. They will return home, please God, early next week. Much of their time abroad was spent in Israel where the Rabbi reviewed the status of Bar Ilan University of whose Board of Governors he is President.

While in Israel the Rabbi delivered a paper at the World Conference on

Jewish Education held in Jerusalem. He was asked by Moshe Sharett to submit the paper to the Jewish Agency for publication following the extremely favorable comments on it in the public press. Rabbi Lookstein was also elected this summer to the Merkaz Olami of Mizrachi, an executive council of 15 members which directs the world movement of Religious Zionists.

**Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 A.M.**

**"A RELIGIOUS CHECKLIST FOR THE YEAR-END INVENTORY"**



## THE WEEKLY PORTION

### KEE TAVO

Among the acts and attitudes which are included in the curses in this week's portion is the failure "to uphold the commands of this Torah regarding their performance." On the surface this category presents a difficulty. If it includes the violation of any command in the Torah, then the preceding categories dealing with incest, hired murderers, exploiters of the weak, etc., are superfluous.

Nachmanides, therefore, considers this category to be a general one referring not to the performance of the mitzvot but rather to the acceptance of them. He cites that the paramount concern here is in the affirmation of the validity of the commandments by the Jew, the acceptance of them in his heart, and the understanding that they entail some form of retribution. "But if he violates one of them (the commands), for example by eating . . . (non kosher foods) because of his desire, or by not using a sukkah or a lulav due to laziness, he is not included in this . . ."

According to Nachmanides, therefore, there are two levels of disregard for the Torah which are recognized by the Torah itself. The first level is characterized by a full acceptance of the law but by only a partial compliance with it. On this level the Jew recognizes the validity of shabbos, kashruth, and all the other laws but, for one reason or another, he is not able to conform fully to all the requirements of the law.

This is characteristic of a group of people who have been called "the non observant orthodox." Every Jew is in this category to the extent that he violates some part of the law while still accepting its full validity. This is not unlike the fellow who exceeds a speed limit for one reason or another without disputing the right of the city to impose limits and the obligation of the police to enforce them.

The second level of disregard is of an entirely different nature. Here the validity of the law itself is questioned and the right of the Torah to impose limits is challenged. To people of this outlook, Judaism is not law but custom or folkway, habit or tradition. There is no binding character to Jewish practice and the Jew is not obligated to conform to the standards of the Torah.

The crucial interpretation of Nachmanides here is that the entertaining

## SISTERHOOD EXECUTIVE BOARD

### OPENING MEETING

The season's opening meeting of the Sisterhood Executive Board will be held on Monday, September 17th at the home of Mrs. Oscar Perlberger, 1165 Park Avenue.

The agenda for this meeting includes plans for the Federation activities, other philanthropic causes and a plan for the Sisterhood activities during the coming year. A delicious luncheon will be served at 12:30 promptly.

In addition to the business portion of this meeting, this first gathering following the summer season will give the members of the Sisterhood Board an opportunity to greet each other. We know that you all look forward to that.

The members of the Board are urged to attend this meeting so that the Sisterhood season may get under way in a grand style.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO

### FOUR GRADUATES

Last June, after the publication of the weekly Bulletin had been terminated, graduation exercises were held at the Manhattan Hebrew High School, with which our congregation is affiliated and which offers a high school Hebrew education to graduates of elementary Talmud Torahs.

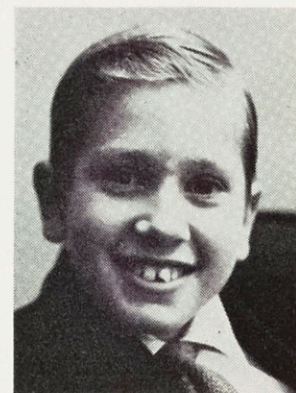
Four young ladies who are graduates of the Park East Religious School were among the graduating class. They are Fannie Fox, Barbara Gelfand, Paula Kreinen and Judith Mipaas. We understand that all of these young ladies plan to continue in the post graduate division of the school. We want to congratulate them on their splendid achievement and on their commendable interest in furthering their Jewish education.

of such a position is equally to be deplored whether it is toward all 613 mitzvot or confined to only one rule. The denial of the validity of one law in a God given system is tantamount to repudiating the whole structure. Moreover, if one accepts the law, then even if, at a given moment, he cannot fulfill it entirely, he leaves the door open for a return. If, however, the law itself is denied, there is nothing to which to return.

H. L.

## KEN PAUL BIEGELEISEN

### BAR MITZVAH



We extend our hearty congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Hyman I. Biegeleisen upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Ken. The Bar Mitzvah will be held in our synagogue this Sabbath.

Ken, who is a student of the Park East Religious School, will read the prophetic portion as part of the regular services. The congregation will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Hyman I. Biegeleisen at the kiddush following the services.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

Mr. Herbert N. Abrams  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Abramson  
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Goodman  
Mr. and Mrs. Meir Goldstein  
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Gura  
Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Pack  
Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Podell  
Dr. Stephan S. Rosenak  
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg  
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Schwartz  
Mr. and Mrs. Irving Saltz

Applications for special membership have been received from Mrs. Elaine Brody and Mrs. Esther M. Hoffenberg.

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 and hope that their affiliation with the congregation will be a long and happy one.



## 1962-63 Jewry Duty Program Launched

### GOAL — ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PARTICIPATION

During the course of the summer, the synagogue office prepared a comprehensive plan for the 1962-63 Jewry Duty Program. During the coming season, we hope to enlist all the members and friends of the congregation in this holy activity.

Jewry Duty, a "first" with Kehilath Jeshurun, is a plan by which a member in our community 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.

Our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, has drawn up a schedule which will cover the daily services throughout the coming season. He has tried, wherever possible, to assign a member for a week which will be most convenient for him. Our members have already been notified by mail of this assignment. Enclosed with the letter is a return card providing either for the acceptance of the assigned week or for the substitution of another week which the "Jewor" may find more convenient.

#### A Small Request

In order for this program to operate smoothly, we must receive the replies to these letters without delay. In that way, we will be able to prepare the final schedule for Jewry Duty and to launch the program on schedule. Members are asked, therefore, to fill out the return card if they have not already done so and to return it to the synagogue office immediately.

Through the generous participation of our membership, 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 the "Jewrors" will have an opportunity to participate in a most important "Mitzvah."

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#### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

##### Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Leo Edelman, Isidore Epstein, Mrs. Nathan Kalischer, Mrs. Alexander Kommel, Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman, Mrs. Frank Roth, Adrian Skydell and Mrs. Ralph Spencer.

##### Marriage —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Gross upon the marriage of their son, Dr. Elliot M. Gross to Miss Sheila F. Heifetz. The wedding took place last week in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

##### Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Saul J. Lance.

##### Get Well —

Benjamin Siegel recently underwent surgery. He is on the mend and will shortly return home from the hospital. Julius Schwartz was taken ill recently and is convalescing at home.

We wish both of these gentlemen a speedy recovery.

##### Members in the News —

Our esteemed member, Herman Wouk, recently announced that the royalties from his best selling book "This is My God" will be used to establish a scholarship fund to enable gifted Americans to spend a year studying at institutions of higher learning in Israel — Bar Ilan University and The Hebrew University.

Mrs. William F. Herzig recently presented a musical program of operatic arias in the Carl Schurz Park. The program was broadcast over station WNYC.

#### CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to our devoted member, Edward Lebowitz upon the loss of his beloved brother, Hirsch Lebowitz.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to our devoted member Mrs. James Clark, upon the passing of her beloved mother. We record with sorrow the passing of the beloved mother of our devoted member, Mrs. David Joseph.

We extend our sympathy to the members of the bereaved families and pray that the Almighty may spare them grief for many years to come.



## HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

#### Foul Ball

For the second time in recent weeks an Asiatic Moslem country has invited Israel athletes to participate in games and then denied them entry.

Israel is a member of the Asiatic Games Federation and had been invited by Indonesia to participate in the Fourth Annual Asian games. The Israel team which was organized to go to Jakarta was denied entry permits.

The second incident involved the State of Malaya in which games celebrating that country's independence were held. The Israel Soccer Team was invited to compete in the tournament. The British Counsel in Tel Aviv issued the Malayan visas but less than twenty four hours before the Israel team was to embark, the visas were ordered cancelled.

#### 300 Ancient Scrolls Released By India

The White House request to Prime Minister Nehru of India to release 300 ancient Torah Scrolls has been met with a favorable response by India.

Indian authorities had refused to allow the export of the scrolls, inasmuch as restrictions on the export of silver were in force in that country. The scrolls, used by former Jewish communities of Calcutta, are encased in ornate vertical silver containers. Recently, U. S. Ambassador John Kenneth Galbraith reported that success had been achieved and that the scrolls will be released. The scrolls will be distributed to various synagogues throughout America.

#### RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN ON RADIO

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein may be heard on the radio over Station WABC on the program, New York Religious Composite — Today's Judaism. The program, produced in cooperation with the New York Board of Rabbis is on the air Sunday evening from 11:20 P.M. until 11:40 P.M.

The rabbi, who was featured on September 2 and 9, is scheduled to conduct the program again on September 16, 30, and October 14.



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Martin Markson ..... Pres. Men's Club

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES****\*FRIDAY**

Evening ..... 6:00

**SATURDAY**

Morning ..... 9:00

Weekly Portion: **Kee Tavo**

Evening ..... 7:00

Conclusion of Sabbath ..... 7:40

**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.

**YAHREZEITS****September**

15—MARIE DANIEL  
16—SAMUEL KOLKER  
16—MAX BREINER  
16—ALBERT SOKOLSKI  
16—ALBERT A. KAPLAN  
16—SOLOMON GERSHMAN  
16—FEIVEL WEILER  
17—JACOB M. HOLZER  
17—ANNIE SPIEGEL  
17—HARRY WECKER  
18—RACHEL BACHRACH  
18—NANCY WECHSLER  
19—CHARLES SCHLANG  
19—SIGMUND ROTH  
20—ABRAHAM GRONOWITZ  
20—PEARL DUBINER  
21—MOLLIE PODELL  
21—RAY OPPENHEIM  
21—MOSES H. PHILLIPS  
21—GERTRUDE HEYMAN

**K.J. AND RAMAZ YOUTH  
PARTICIPATE IN YESHIVA  
SUMMER PROJECTS**

The past summer saw active participation of teenagers from the congregation and from Ramaz in two programs sponsored by Yeshiva University.

Those participating in the Torah Leadership Seminar at Camp Monroe, which was attended by 300 teenagers from all over the United States and Canada, included:

Michael Berenbaum, June Breiner, Clara Davis, Donald Etra, Fannie Fox, David Herman, Pearl Moskowitz, Carol Rose, and Susan Stern

June Breiner, who served as an assistant advisor at the seminar, was elected to membership in the Yolanda Benson Honor Society, an elite group of seminarians who have distinguished themselves in personal piety and community leadership. Our hearty congratulations are extended to her on this signal honor.

The Yeshiva University Summer Institute in Israel, a seven week tour of Israel with a European stopover, was enjoyed by the following young people from Ramaz and the congregation:

George Baumgarten, Shani Cohen, Laurie Finck, Mimi Hausman, Ronald Hyams, Paula Kreinen, James Torczyner, and Sidney Ulreich

We note also that Mimi Bock and Leah Heschel, who were graduated from Ramaz in June, are now in Israel. The former is spending a year there in a combined educational and kibbutz program, while the latter will be in the Hebrew Teachers' Seminary in Haifa and plans to remain in Israel indefinitely.

**A REQUEST TO PARENTS**

With the beginning of the academic year many young people in our community will be leaving the neighborhood for out of town colleges. They would no doubt like to hear news of what is going on in the congregation while they are away. We will be happy to send them the Bulletin at their campus address.

Parents are requested to send us the addresses of their children who will be out of town so that we may send them the Bulletin. Our intentions are the best but we need your cooperation.

**CALLING ALL MEN—  
AND WOMEN**

We have been informed by Abraham R. Kirshon, President of the Metropolitan Region of the National Association of Men's Clubs, that the national convention of this organization will be held this year from Thursday through Sunday, November 1-4, at the Pioneer Country Club in Greenfield Park, New York.

This convention brings together members of Men's Clubs affiliated with Yeshiva University from all over the country. The men come with their wives and enjoy a delightful variety of intellectual, social and recreational activities during the course of a three day weekend. Members of our Men's Club who have attended in the past will attest to the enjoyable and inspiring program. In its new setting, high in the Catskill Mountains, the convention is even more inviting than ever before.

Reservations may be made through the Yeshiva University Association of Men's Clubs at Amsterdam Avenue and 186 Street, LO 8-8400, or by calling the synagogue office.

**THANK YOU KIDDUSH HOSTESSES**

Throughout the summer months a group of devoted Sisterhood members under the leadership of Mrs. Samuel Witkin has served devotedly as kiddush hostesses.

We wish to convey our thanks to Mrs. Witkin and to the members of her committee for their help during the summer months in making the Sabbath Kiddush so enjoyable.

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