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ABRAHAM CARMEL TO ADDRESS MEN'S CLUB FORUM MEETING Noted Convert to Judaism to Discuss "Why I am a Jew"

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend

THE FIRST ADULT INSTITUTE OPEN LECTURE

in the series

"Four Jewish Communities and Their Leaders" This Wednesday evening at 9:00 o'clock

in the social hall

- Lecturer -



DR. SIDNEY B. HOENIG

Professor of Jewish History, Yeshiva University

- Topic -

"Philo and Alexandrian Jewry"

Presentation of Adult Institute Certificates to

Mrs. Joseph Hostyk — Dr. Miriam E. Trachman — Dr. Sadie E. Trachman

Refreshments will be served

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 o'clock "TOWERS OF BABEL ARE STILL BEING BUILT"

Abraham I. Carmel, author of the book, "So Strange My Path" will be the guest speaker at the first forum meeting of the season for the Kehilath Jeshurun Men's Club on Tuesday, evening, November 13. The meeting is open to all the friends of the congregation, ladies as well as men.

Our guest speaker is now known in many Jewish communities throughout the world as one who has engaged in a long and arduous religious odyssey in the relatively short span of half a century of life. This odyssey brought him from the shores of Protestantism in which he was born, to the spheres of Buddism, Mohammedanism, Hinduism and to the Catholic Priesthood.

In 1948 he applied to the British Beth Din to accept him into the fold of Judaism. His testing period lasted for five years at which point he was officially accepted as a member of the People of Israel.

It is needless to say that Mr. Carmel has traveled widely and read prolifically. He is qualified in a very unique way to discuss his chosen subject, "Why I Am A Jew." His lectures and his book have impressed even the skeptics in the Jewish world with the depth of his convictions and the unqualified sincerity of his search in life. He was not born "Abraham." He chose that name and the life which that name conveys.

A cordial invitation is extended to all our readers to attend this meeting to hear Mr. Carmel's story, to ask questions of him and to remain for the discussion and collation which will follow.

THE WEEKLY PORTION NOAH

A Standout Of A Man

". . . Noah was a righteous man, perfect in his generation; Noah walked with God." In various ways our sages try to explain this threefold description of Noah's character.

One comment is particularly revealing. The generation of the flood was infamous for three cardinal transgressions: thievery, unchastity, and idolatry. Noah was unique in his opposition to these social ills. He was "righteous"—in his actions he did not trespass upon another's material possessions. He was "perfect"—he was in control over passion and lust; and "Noah walked with God"—he shunned the idolatry of his day and the base cults associated with it.

Understanding the Biblical description of Noah's character in this sense, we find a ringing challenge to every man in every generation. The misguided behavior of society is not a valid excuse for an individual's misbehavior. The misplaced values of the age are not endorsements for a poor personal set of values. "Where there is no man around," says the Talmud, "one must strive (doubly hard) to be a man."

This principle is applicable to the devious politician who explains his conduct by the fact that "politics is a dirty business." It is directed to the social climber who taxes himself, his resources and his family because of what "others will say." It even has relevance to high school students and their parents who distort the values of education and life with the apology "the system requires a frantic race for admission to an Ivy League college or its equivalent."

We are all familiar with the observation of our sages that Noah may have been righteous in his corrupt generation but that in the generation of Abraham he would only have been an ethical "also ran." Perhaps this is so, but the simple judgement of the Bible is that Noah was big enough to challenge the standards of his day. No more and no less may be asked of any man.

H. L.

FATHER AND SON MINYAN OPENS 15th SEASON WITH CAPACITY ATTENDANCE

Over one hundred men and boys attended the first service of the 15th anniversary season of the Father and son Minyan last Sunday morning in the synagogue chapel. It was a rousing beginning to what we hope will be another banner year for this important congregational activity sponsored by the Men's Club.

Inasmuch as Sunday was Rosh Chodesh, there was a special festive air to the occasion above and beyond the fact that it was "opening day." The cantors were David Hostyk, Fred Baumgarten, David Kahn and Richard Cohn. The Torah was read by Noah Gurock.

An Informative Lecture

At the breakfast, which was sponsored by Harry W. Baumgarten, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein introduced Fred Kahn, the Chairman of the Father and Son Minyan Committee for the Men's Club, and William Lebowitz who served in that capacity for many years during the Minyan's growth. Following a spirited "benchin," the boys proceeded to the gymnasium and the men settled back to hear a most informative lecture on the subject, "Reaching the Unreached Jewish Youth."

Our guest speaker, Mr. Abraham Stern, Director of the Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University's Community Service Division, discussed the causes of juvenile delinquency among Jews and non-Jews as viewed by sociologists. He tried to show how the program of the Youth Bureau was directed toward meeting some of these causes and counteracting them. In a future issue of the Bulletin, when space permits, we will review this lecture in a comprehensive fashion in order to bring its contents to the attention of our readers.

The first Men's Club meeting of the year, combined with the first Minyan of the year, was a memorable occasion and speaks well for the vitality of the Men's Club and its programs. Elsewhere in this Bulletin you will find an announcement of the next forum meeting of the Men's Club on November 13.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth -

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rosenzweig upon the recent birth of a son. May he be a source of "Nachas" and joy to the family.

Birthdays -

Many happy returns of the day to A. Milton Brown, Mrs. Julius Charnow, Mrs. Jules Gourary, Mrs. Gedeon Heller, Saul Linzer, and Mrs. Ira W. Nadler.

Marriage —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed Trustee, A. Phillip Goldsmith and Mrs. Goldsmith, upon the marriage of their daughter Linda to Mr. Edwin Simon.

We wish the young couple many years of happiness together.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Gura, and Mr. and Mrs. Stuart D. Perlman.

Get Well -

We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Simon J. Vogel, who recently underwent surgery, has returned home and is well on her way to recovery.

We look forward to her return to our midst.

Nostalgia From California —

Harvey Leifert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Leifert, who is now on the faculty of the San Francisco State College, observed his first High Holy Day season away from home and wrote nostalgically about Kehilath Jeshurun. Among other things, he writes, "Services here are a bit different from K. J. -not in content, but in atmosphere . . . The degree of order during the services falls far short of that to which I have been accustomed, with frequent murmurs of conversation, many small children whining and with walking to and fro during all parts of the service . . You don't realize the value of the K. J. rules until you see a service without them.'

We understand from Harvey's letter that a Yeshiva Rabbi has been engaged and will assume his position in the congregation next February. A former student of Rabbi Lookstein in Practical Rabbinics, he will no doubt institute the dignity and decorum in San Francisco to which Harvey was accustomed in New York.

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THANK YOU

The dignity and beauty of our High Holy Day services in the synagogue are due to many factors. One of the most important is the work of the senior and junior ushers. These ushers render yeoman service to the Synagogue with no more compensation than the gratitude from their fellow worshippers and the knowledge that they have helped to make the services of worship more meaningful to so many.

We list below the names of the senior ushers, the junior ushers, and the usherettes. In listing them we simultaneously express our hearty thanks to them for their splendid cooperation and their generous assistance throughout the year and, particularly, during the recent High Holy Days.

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FATHER AND SON MINYAN

SECOND SERVICE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4th

Cantors:

Simon Lerner William Davis Steven Gross Jerry Stern

Breakfast Sponsor:

Ira F. Weisman

ADULT INSTITUTE CLASSES BEGIN Diversified Subjects Enable All to Participate

On Wednesday evening, November 7th, when the Kehilath Jeshurun Adult Institute begins its sessions, all those interested in broadening their Jewish knowledge will find a class which fits their individual needs. Courses have been arranged which enable adults with varying educational levels to participate in interesting and enjoyable sessions in their respective classes.

We list below the weekly courses and we invite you to enroll in one or more. All classes will begin meeting on Wednesday, November 7th, unless otherwise indicated.

STUDIES IN THE BIBLE

(A Class for Women)

A class designed to explore the contents of Genesis, from the birth of Abraham until the conclusion of the book, with a view toward understanding its basic themes and its relevance for contemporary life. The language of instruction is English.

Hours: Mondays, 11 A.M. to 12 Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein First Session: Monday, November 12

TALMUD CLASS (Evening Session)

A class open to students with a fair degree of fluency in reading Hebrew, which will study the fourth and fifth chapters of the Tractate "Beizah".

Hours: Wednesdays, 8 - 9 P.M. Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

TALMUD CLASS (Morning Session)

A class similar to the one above which will study the Tractate "Berachoth." Each session will be followed by a light breakfast served in the Social Hall.

Hours: Tuesdays, 8:05 to 8:50 A.M. Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein First Session: Tuesday, November 13

KOHELETH

A topical study of the "Book of Ecclesiastes, a review of its historical background and an analysis of traditional and critical theories concerning it. Sessions for this class will not be held on lecture nights.

Hours: Wednesdays, 9:15 - 10 P.M. Instructor: Mr. David Weisberg First Session: Wednesday, Nov. 14

JEWRY DUTY THIS WEEK

HYMAN I. BUCHER MILTON ELETZ ALEXANDER KOMMEL

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in helping to maintain the Daily Minyan.

HEBREW FOR BEGINNERS

(Rapid Course)

A class for students with no prior knowledge of Hebrew, designed to teach them to read, write and speak Hebrew, and to follow a service in the synagogue.

Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 8 to 9 P.M. (first four weeks; thereafter, Wednesdays only).

Instructor: Mrs. Haskel Lookstein First session: Wednesday, November 7

HEBREW 2

A continuation of the beginners' course offered last year with the aim of increasing the student's vocabulary, developing his spoken Hebrew, and acquiring an understanding of the prayer book.

Hours: Wednesdays, 8 to 9 P.M. **Instructor:** Mr. Joseph Fuchs

INTERMEDIATE HEBREW

A continuation of last year's Hebrew 2 course emphasizing Hebrew conversation, composition, and comprehension

Hours: Wednesdays 8 to 9:10 P.M. **Instructor:** Mr. David Weisberg

ADVANCED HEBREW

A course to develop fluency in speaking and writing Hebrew with an emphasis upon simple modern Hebrew literature.

Hours: Wednesdays, 8 to 9:10 P.M. Instructor: Mrs. Alice Rothkowitz

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3rd

Mrs. Harry Etra Mrs. Nathan Flax

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Mrs. Samuel Gross Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman

Mrs. Albert Wald

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday	
Lighting	of Candles4:30
Evening	4:45
Saturday	

9:00 Morning

Weekly Portion: Noah, Genesis 6:9-11:32 Haftorah: Isaiah 54:1-55:5

Evening4:40

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Torah Reader Bruce Linzer	
Conclusion of Sabbath5:20)
Sunday	
Morning 8:30)
Father and Son Minyan9:30)
Daily Services	

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Evening4:40

November

Morning

- 3-JULIUS ISRAEL
- 3-FANNIE KIRSHON
- 3-MAX H. AKABAS
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- 9-JACOB ADLER
- 9-SAMUEL LEVY
- 9-TZIRLE BROZ

KIDDUSH HOSTS

The Kiddush last Saturday was sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillip Goldsmith in celebration of the wedding of their daughter Lynda to Mr. Edwin Simon.

The Kiddush this Saturday will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Davidowitz in celebration of their son's receiveing his Doctorate in Psychology and a Fellowship for research—both from Columbia University.

THANK YOU, USHERS

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Steven Herzig David Kahn Nathan Kamerman Stanley Kurzweil Bruce Linzer Jonnie Mills Stanley Orwasher Kenneth Perlman Sandy Perlman Robert Pik Stuart Podell David Popkin Freddie Sax Stuart Schlang Marvin Wolf

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K. J. CALENDAR

THIS WEEK SATURDAY 2:30 P.M.

K. J. Boys Group Gymnasium

3:00 P.M.

K. J. Girls Group Auditorium

8:00 P.M.

Young Marrieds Meeting Social Hall

SUNDAY

K. J. Teenagers Trip to Statue of Liberty

MONDAY 12:30

Sisterhood Board Meeting at the home of Mrs. Hyman Abrams 262 Central Park West

WEDNESDAY 8:00 P.M.

ADULT INSTITUTE CLASSES Talmud Class Hebrew for Beginners Hebrew 2 Intermediate Hebrew Advanced Hebrew

9:00 P.M.

ADULT INSTITUTE LECTURE

COMING EVENTS TUESDAY EVENING

NOVEMBER 13th Men's Club Forum Meeting - Guest Speaker -

Abraham Carmel

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19th

Sisterhood Open Meeting - Guest Speaker -Dr. Lillian Kaplan

WEDNESDAY EVENING **NOVEMBER 28th**

Men's Club Theatre Party "Harold"

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