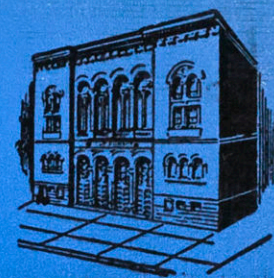


# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin



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## Adult Education Brochure Highlights Reorganization of Program Two Six Week Semesters Offered: Dr. Agus to Lecture on Jewish History

By this time, you have probably received — or you will shortly receive — the 1963-64 edition of our Adult Education Brochure. In it are described the various courses which the Adult Institute will sponsor throughout the year. The brochure highlights the new reorganization plan for Adult Education in our congregation.

In addition to several weekly courses which we shall continue to offer on Monday mornings and evenings, the coming year's program presents two six week semesters — one in the fall and one in the spring — during which courses will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 9 and from 9 to 10.

From 8 to 9 we shall offer a course in Elementary Hebrew, for those who have no reading knowledge of Hebrew whatsoever; a course in Sabbath Prayers for those who already have a reading knowledge of Hebrew, but who desire to learn the substance of the prayers recited in the Synagogue on the Sabbath and to gain practice in their recitation; a course in cantillation for those who wish to learn to chant a Haftarah and how to officiate as a cantor at weekday services; and a course in Maimonides' Code of Law for those who wish to study the fundamental laws of Judaism as viewed by this great medieval scholar and philosopher.

Following the 8 to 9 courses, Dr. Agus will conduct a class beginning at 9:10 and ending at 10:00 P.M. During the six Wednesday evenings of the fall semester, his course will deal with Jewish History in the Biblical Period from 2,000 B.C.E. until 586 B.C.E. During the spring semester he will deal with the second Jewish Commonwealth which ends at the onset of the Common Era.

### The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

cordially invites its members and friends to attend

### The Opening Luncheon Meeting of the Season

which will be held this

**Monday, October 21st, 12:30 o'clock**

in the social hall

— Guest Speaker —

**Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein**

— Topic —

**"LETTING GO"**

**A review of Philip Roth's latest novel**

The first classes will meet during the week of November 4th. The first Wednesday evening of the fall semester will be November 6th. For the rest of the dates, please consult the Adult Institute Brochure or call the Synagogue Office.

Plan to attend one or more courses in our Adult Institute this year. Send in the registration card which is enclosed with the Adult Institute Brochure or contact Rabbi Haskel Lookstein in the Synagogue Office. Whatever the investment in time and effort which may be required, the rewards and returns will more than compensate for it.

### FLASH!

At its first meeting of the year, the Executive Board of the Kehilath Jeshurun Men's Club reached an important decision about which we hope to inform you in our next issue of the Bulletin. In the meantime, we would like to give notice that this decision entails the cancellation of plans for a theatre party on Wednesday, November 27th. We feel that when you learn the entire story you will agree that the cancellation was well worth while.

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

**"NOAH WAS A RIGHTEOUS MAN"**

**What are the Criteria of Righteousness?**



## THE WEEKLY PORTION

## NOAH

## "Priorities"

"God said to Noah: 'I have decided to put an end to all flesh, because the earth is filled with thievery because of them . . .'" Our sages indicate that the Generation of the Flood was guilty of three prime sins. The first two were idol worship and unchastity while the third was petty thievery — including thefts which were too petty to be punished. Our sages indicate further, on the basis of the verse quoted above, that the decision by God to destroy life on earth was made not because of the first two sins but rather because of the third (see Rashi's comment on Genesis 6:13).

Implicit in this Talmudic inference from the Biblical text is the high priority which Judaism places upon ethical values in society. Apparently the sins of idolatry and unchastity which are essentially of a personal nature, and the first of which touches only upon man's relationship with God, were not as decisive as was the social evil of dishonesty and disrespect for the property of one's fellow man. It was the breakdown in the moral order of society which brought God to the conclusion that he had to start all over again in populating the world.

The Torah implies, however, that idolatry and unchastity lead to social disorder. When man cannot discipline himself in the personal realm, he is incapable of self-control in the public sphere. When man does not entertain respect for the Father of all creation, he cannot place a proper value upon his brothers in creaturehood. In short, when the Fatherhood of God is denied, the brotherhood of man is in jeopardy.

There is a further implication to be drawn from this account which touches on the essence of Jewish belief. The way to insure an ethical foundation for society is to develop in man a loyalty to a divine order. When man is responsive to the will of one God he can then be trained to adhere to a uniform moral code. When he does not worship a plurality of divine forces he may learn to eschew relative standards in social justice. When man becomes accustomed to following the ritual law precisely and scrupulously, he may then be capable of adhering to absolute principles of moral behavior. Such a man would no more engage in petty thievery — even of an unpunishable variety — than he would perpetrate grand larceny.

## A NOTE ON KOHELETH

Now that the High Holy Days are behind us, there are several highlights which remain with us. One of the most outstanding of these is the recollection of the beautiful reading of the Book of Koheleth on Shabbat Chol Hamoed by eleven of our teenage boys. Our worshippers came in large numbers and at an early hour that day in order to be sure not to miss a word. They were well rewarded for their interest.

Some may not realize that the reading of Koheleth at this time of the year creates a special hardship for the boys and for their teacher, Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg. This is the time when the boys are just beginning their school work. Many of them are currently taking college entrance examinations and Regents Scholarship tests. As far as Mr. Rosenberg is concerned, if a Ritual Director can be said to have a "busy season", the High Holy Day period certainly qualifies for this description more than does any other period.

It is a credit to the boys and to their mentor that this book is read year after year in such splendid fashion. We are confident that during next year's "busy season", the results will be the same, and perhaps even better.

## THANK YOU!

One of the reasons for the beauty of Simchath Torah night in our Synagogue was the splendid way in which the children were supervised. Assisting our Youth Director, Mr. Noam Shudofsky, in this supervision were several young ladies of our congregational family. We wish to thank the following for their cooperation.

Clara Davis  
Ruth Kahn  
Florence Kalischer  
Harriet Garfinkel  
Pearl Moskowitz  
Vivian Pik  
Susan Stern

The creation of a new breed of human beings — of which Abraham will be the prototype — will result in the acceptance of one God and thence the assumption of one supreme moral standard.

H. L.

## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

## Birth —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed Trustee, Mr. Samuel A. Marcus and Mrs. Marcus, upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Martin S. Marcus.

May the parents and grandparents derive much "nachas" from this new addition to the family.

## Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Harry Abramson, Miss Gertrude Breiner, Alfred S. Casner, Mrs. Alfred S. Casner, Mrs. Milton Eletz, Sidney Horwitz, David Joseph, Mrs. Edward Lebowitz, Mrs. Alex Lichtman, Samuel Rosen, Irving Saltz, Mrs. Irving I. Schnur, Mrs. Meyer Texon and Maurice Weiger.

## Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kommel, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Shulsky and Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Trautman.

## Get Well —

We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to our devoted member Louis W. Yohann, who is in the hospital. He is returning home shortly.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Aaron H. Onish who underwent surgery recently and is recovering nicely in the hospital.

## Congratulations —

Our hearty congratulations to our new member, Dr. Samuel W. Bloom, Associate Professor of Sociology at the State University of New York College of Medicine, Downstate Medical Center. He is the author of a new volume entitled "The Doctor and His Patient" — a sociological interpretation. The volume was published by the Russell Sage Foundation.

### JUNIOR CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1963

## Cantors

David Hostyk  
Simon Lerner  
Peter Oppenheimer

## Torah Reader

Steven Herzig



## YOUTH ACTIVITIES PROGRAM NOW IN FULL SWING

Under the leadership of our new Youth Director, Mr. Noam Shudofsky, the Youth activities program of the congregation is now moving into high gear for the season. On this page you will find a description of the various groups whose sessions have begun or are beginning this week. If you know of a youngster who has not been invited to one of these groups, but who conforms to the age of one of them, please send in his name and address to the Synagogue Office. We will be happy to invite him to participate.

For this purpose you may use the form provided on this page.

### TEENAGE GROUP

Our Teenage Group is composed of high school students from the 9th through 12th grades. The group's plan for the season includes a variety of cultural, religious, social and recreational activities.

The first social affair of the season will take place this coming Saturday evening, in the social hall of the congregation. On Sunday, November 23rd, the group will hold its first in a series of Shabbat Luncheons which will take place immediately following the regular services and at which a suitable program will be presented.

The young people are already engaged in a variety of committee functions. At present, a new name has been chosen, a newspaper is in the process of planning and a variety of novel activities are in the works.

### JUNIOR GROUPS HOLD FIRST MEETINGS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

Four Ramaz Seniors who are members of **שחר** the Teenage Group of Kehilath Jeshurun, have been appointed as Leaders of the boys' and girls' Junior Groups for the 1963-64 program years.

Harriet Garfinkel and Vivian Pik will lead the Girls' Group.

Steven Gross and Stuart Podell will continue to lead the Boys' Group.

The focal point of the weekly get-togethers will be topical discussions on various facets of Jewish culture. The full flavor of the Shabbat spirit will be captured by the young people participating in Israel song and dance. The groups will periodically visit places of interest on Sunday afternoons.

Membership in the Junior Chapters is open to boys and girls, ages 9 - 12. The first meetings will take place this Saturday, October 19th, at 3 o'clock — boys in the gymnasium, and girls in the auditorium.

### JUNIOR CONGREGATION

The Junior Congregation, which began its sessions just before the High Holy Days has come through the holiday period strengthened and invigorated for the year ahead. The children fairly outdid themselves on Simchath Torah and they displayed quite boldly the splendid training which they receive at Junior Congregation.

We urge all parents of children between the ages of 8 and 12 to impress upon their children the need to attend these services. As pleasurable as it is for a father and mother to sit with a

son or daughter in the Main Synagogue, this is in most cases an inadequate substitute for a Junior Congregation service which has meaning for the child and in which the child can participate as an equal with other worshippers. The Junior Congregation officers for the month of Cheshvan are:

President — Alvin Smilow

Vice-President and Gabbai —

Roger Oppenheimer and

Richard Kahn

See that your child attends these services regularly. Encourage him to arrive before 10:15 at which time the Junior Congregation begins. The Junior Congregation has a Kiddush every Sabbath which, quite frankly, is far more enticing than that enjoyed by the main congregation. Needless to say, however, it is open only to the children.

### FATHER AND SON MINYAN BEGINS SEASON THIS SUNDAY

The Father and Son Minyan, sponsored by the Men's Club of the congregation, will begin its 16th consecutive season this Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock. As in the past, this project will be conducted under the supervision of Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

### Senior Assistants

This year, for the first time, the Rabbi will have as his Assistant Directors, two seniors of Ramaz School who have been most regular in their attendance at this Minyan since the 7th grade. They are Stuart Podell and Steven Wassner. They will take an active part in the conduct of the service itself and will also direct the basketball session in the gymnasium.

The program of the Minyan hardly needs elaboration in this bulletin. It is well-known that it begins with a service from 9:30 to 10:30, follows with a breakfast until 11:00 and con-

cludes with a gymnasium period which enables the boys to leave the building before 1:00 o'clock.

It is a balanced program in every respect. It provides necessary training for pre and post Bar Mitzvah boys in the daily service; it gives them an opportunity to learn about prayer and to experience it in an inspiring manner; it enables them to learn how to conduct a service as cantor; and it encourages the young people to come together, to eat together and to play together under the auspices of the House of God. The opportunities offered for informal education in such a format are not to be overlooked.

This Sunday morning, then, at 9:30, come and join us at the opening session of the 16th season of our Father and Son Minyan. We will be the guests of a past President of the Men's Club, Mr. Ira F. Weisman, at breakfast following the services.

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES RESERVATION FORM

Name.....  
(Please print)

Address.....

Age..... School Attending..... Grade.....

Please mail to Mr. Shudofsky at the Synagogue Office



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Haskel Lookstein	Ass't Rabbi
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Noam Shudofsky	Youth Director
Joseph Glatt	Exec. Director

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

Lighting of Candles	5:50
Evening	6:00

**SATURDAY, Shabbat Rosh Chodesh**

Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:15

**Weekly Portion:****Noah, Genesis 6:9-11:32****Numbers 28:9-15****Haftorah: Isaiah 66:1-24**

Evening	6:00
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**Torah Reader**

Martin Rosenberg

Conclusion of Sabbath	6:40
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**SUNDAY**

Morning	8:30
Father-and-Son Minyan	9:30

**DAILY SERVICES**

Morning	7:30
Evening	5:50

**YAHREZITS****October**

19—SOLOMON H. DEBROVNER  
19—BESSIE LEVINE  
20—JACOB CHARLES LAYTON  
20—FRANCES GOLD  
21—JACOB PERLMUTTER  
21—ANN FLATOW  
21—LEA PFEFFER  
21—LOUIS B. HOFENBERG  
22—ANNE SCHARMAN  
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22—SAMUEL GRODGINSKY  
22—ANNA HELFER  
23—BERTHA MILLER  
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Junior Girls, 3:00 P.M.  
Auditorium

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON**

Junior Boys, 3:00 P.M.  
Gymnasium

**SATURDAY EVENING, 8:00 P.M.**

Teenage Opening Social Affair  
Social Hall

**SATURDAY EVENING, 8:30 P.M.**

Young Marrieds Meeting  
at the home of  
Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein

**MONDAY, 12:30 o'clock**

Sisterhood Open Meeting  
— Guest Speaker —  
Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein

**COMING EVENTS****TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29th  
8:30 P.M.**

Men's Club Meeting  
— Guest Speaker —  
Rabbi Isaac N. Trainin

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nue — RH 4-6488.

L. Feldman — 1355 Second Avenue  
— RH 4-5918.

Fishman and Falkowitz — 1163 Mad-  
ison Avenue — SU 7-3545.

Iser Salzman — 1279 Second Ave-  
nue — RH 4-9823.

Bernard Scheiner — 1200 Madison  
Avenue — AT 9-5461.

Eli Vizel — 1547 First Avenue —  
RE 4-2280.