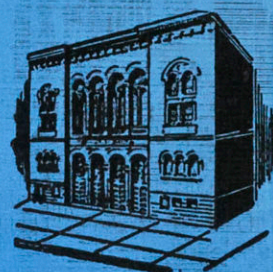


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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE NOW IN PREPARATION

The 1964-65 volume of the Book of Remembrance is now in preparation and will be ready for use by our worshippers for the Shavuoth Festival.

This booklet, together with a special Yizkor order of service, has become a regular feature of our synagogue service. To our knowledge it is the first such volume of its kind in any synagogue.

Worshippers will recall the old days when Yizkor was invariably associated with an appeal for funds. In order to maintain the sanctity and dignity of the service we have eliminated all such appeals.

In order, however, to fulfill the pledge for charity which is a regular part of the Yizkor service, we invite our worshippers to memorialize their dear departed ones by recording their names in our Book of Remembrance and by making a contribution in their memory once a year before Shavuoth.

We try to stress the purely religious character of the offering by limiting it to no more than ten dollars and no less than five dollars for each name to be memorialized.

You have by now received correspondence from the synagogue office concerning the 1964-65 Book of Remembrance. The task of preparing the volume is an exacting one. You are requested, to return the authorization card listing the names of those to be included in the Book, together with your token offering. Please do this without delay.

ETHICS OF THE FATHERS

The first session of the class in the Ethics of the Fathers will be held this Saturday afternoon, April 11th at 5:20 o'clock in the synagogue library.

CORNERSTONE OF NEW BUILDING TO BE SET SUNDAY, MAY 10th

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES TO BE PART OF ANNUAL MEETING

On Sunday morning, May 10th, the ceremonies marking the setting of the cornerstone of the new Ramaz School Building and Synagogue House extension will be held. These ceremonies will be part of the 92nd Annual Meeting of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun.

Elsewhere in this Bulletin, there appears a photograph showing the progress which is being made in our building program. At present, the contractor is engaged in the pouring of the concrete footings. It is expected that, by the time of the setting of the cornerstone, a good part of the steel framework will have been completed.

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation is, in itself, always a magnificent occasion. Each member receives written reports of the activities of the congregation and its affiliates during the year. Elections of officers and trustees are held. New members of the congregation are formally inducted into our midst.

This year, of course, the outstanding feature of the meeting will be the outdoor ceremonies of laying the cornerstone. The ceremonies will be brief but memorable. The occasion will mark a significant milestone in the 92 year history of community service which has characterized Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun.

Following the meeting and the ceremonies, the entire membership will gather in the social hall for a gala buffet luncheon, at which we will all be able to celebrate this occasion together.

Invitations to all the members of the congregation to attend the Annual Meeting and the cornerstone ceremonies will reach you within the next few days. In the meantime please mark your calendars and reserve the morning of Sunday, May 10th. This is an occasion in which every member of the congregation will want to take part.

BRUNCH MEETING FOR YESHIVA UNIVERSITY THIS SUNDAY

For many years Kehilath Jeshurun has stood in the forefront as a supporter of Yeshiva University. Year after year the sons and daughters of Kehilath Jeshurun have shown generous assistance to this unique institution of combined Jewish and general learning.

This Sunday morning April 12th, our congregation will hold its annual Brunch on behalf of Yeshiva University. The Brunch will be held in the Social Hall. The Honorary Chairmen of the event are Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein and Max J. Etra.

Invitations have been sent out to the entire membership to attend the Brunch. Responses have been coming

in beautifully and a large turnout is expected on Sunday morning.

At that time a full report will be given on the National Scholarship Program of Yeshiva University. The participants at the Brunch will learn more about Yeshiva University, about its unique Program of secular and religious studies and about its unsurpassed service to the community.

Those who have not responded yet are invited to join the other members of the congregation on Sunday morning and in this way give their support to an institution of higher learning which is the focal point of Traditional Judaism in America.

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

"CALORIES DO COUNT"

An Inquiry Into The Dietary Laws

THE WEEKLY PORTION

SHEMINI

"Barbaric Generosity"

In this week's portion, the Torah presents a list of birds and fowl which are "unclean", or, in modern parlance, "unkosher." Among the birds so disqualified is one which is familiar to us in its symbolic sense — the stork. However blessed the symbol of the stork may be, its flesh is not fit for consumption according to Jewish Law.

The Hebrew term in the Bible for the stork is a rather strange one. It is called a "Chasida." Rashi, commenting on the name, indicated that it derives from the generosity of that bird in providing food for its friends. The word, according to this comment, is derived from the Hebrew "Chassid," which means "overflowing," overabundant, or over-generous.

The Torah gives no reasons for the disqualification of certain birds and the validation of others. Nevertheless, rabbis through the ages have questioned, at least in a spiritual sense, the disqualification of a bird like the "Chasida," which is known for its generosity. The question is particularly urgent, because Nachmanides cites the reason for the disqualification of birds as coming from their barbarity. All the birds which are disqualified are birds of prey. Those which are acceptable are not carnivorous but rather herbivorous. Why, then, is the stork — a generous and friendly bird — disqualified?

One "Chasidic" sage, Rabbi Yitzchok Meyer of Ger, explained the reason for the disqualification. He notes that Rashi describes the bird's generosity with its friends only. Rabbi Meyer says that anyone who is generous only with his friends is in truth to be considered disqualified.

While this may be facetious logic with regard to the "kashruth" of birds, it is an urgent ethical lesson for human beings. It is hardly admirable when one is generous to his friend. Such generosity is mutually rewarding. If nothing else, it begets friendship and loyalty from the beneficiary to the benefactor. It is not indicative of a genuine love for human beings but rather of the strength of a relationship between two people. Friendship means the readiness for sacrifice. Its essence entails generosity between the two partners.

To restrict one's generosity to one's friends, however, is an indication of

barbarity. This was the practice of the ancient peoples and the more modern barbarians of the middle ages. Generosity was limited to one's family, perhaps to one's closest associates, perhaps to those who lived within one's city. To practice generosity beyond those limits, however, was most unusual. That is why, despite the growth of society and the development of social institutions during the middle ages, the Europeans of that day would still be considered as barbaric in character today.

A truly "kosher" human being is one who is solicitous of all human beings. His generosity is unlimited by national and geographic boundaries. His concern for the welfare of mankind is universal.

H. L.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

invites its members and friends

to the

Annual Donor Luncheon

which will be held

THIS WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 15th

12:00 noon

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For last minute reservations call the Synagogue office

THE JEWRY BOX

WEEK OF APRIL 5th

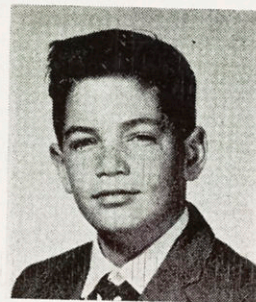
DR. MAX MILLER
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WEEK OF APRIL 12th

JOSEPH JAME
JACOB POUST
IRWIN SHAPIRO

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

JOHN FISCHER BAR MITZVAH



We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Laszlo Fischer, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, John.

The Bar Mitzvah celebrant is in the third grade of the Park East Religious School. He will read the prophetic portion as part of the regular services this Saturday.

FINAL LIST OF PASSOVER CONTRIBUTORS

We are pleased to list below the names of our members and friends whose Passover contributions were received after the publication of the Passover issue of the Bulletin.

We extend our thanks to all those who have contributed to this year's Passover appeal.

Mrs. Arthur T. Bernstein
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David Spiegel

Mattie Steinfeld

Albert Wald

David Warshavsky

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Joseph Wolf

Herman Wouk

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Mortimer J. Blumenthal, James Clark, Dr. Herbert D. Cooperman, Usher Doppelt, Mrs. Elmer G. Engel, Alexander Feifer, Mrs. William B. Fischberg, Mortimer D. Goldman, Nathan Goldsmith, Kalman Kinzler, Dr. Jack Lieberman, Morris Morgenstern, Jules Podell, Mrs. Louis Schneider, Mrs. Elliot W. Siegel, Dr. Ralph Sussman and Mrs. Louis W. Yohann.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Myron M. Bogdonoff, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Goldsmith and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth.

THANK YOU

We wish to extend hearty thanks to the eight young men of the congregational family who read the "Song of Songs" so beautifully on the last day of the Passover festival. Close to six hundred worshippers who were present at the service were the beneficiaries of the time and effort expended by the boys in preparing for this reading.

Special thanks are due to our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, who supervised the preparation of the readers.

The readers were:

Richard Etra, Steven Gross, David Herman, Aaron Holzer, Alan Kalischer, Nathan Kamerman, Stuart Podell and Martin Rosenberg.



Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein with the President of the State of Israel, Zalman Shazar, following a private conference during Rabbi Lookstein's recent trip to Israel.

YOUTH CORNER

ACTION ON THE MOVE

The first Weekend Conclave has been scheduled for the Bronx, Manhattan, Westchester region of Action. It will take place at Weiss' Farm, South Branch, New Jersey on the weekend of April 17th to 19th. This type of weekend demonstrates the true value of having a synagogue centered youth group. There will be no gala banquets and dances with expensive orchestras. Rather, our participating youth will create a true seminar spirit of fellowship in the beautiful, simple surroundings at the farm.

The cost for the entire weekend is \$14. For further information contact Don Etra, RH 4-0746 or Mr. Noam Shudofsky in the Youth Office.

WE ARE POURING CEMENT FOR THE FOOTINGS



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Joseph H. Lookstein Rabbi
Haskel Lookstein Assoc. Rabbi
A. Joseph Cohen Cantor
Israel D. Rosenberg Ritual Director
Noam Shudofsky Youth Director
Joseph Glatt Exec. Director

Officers of the Congregation

Max J. Etra President
Joseph Roth Vice-President
Dr. H. Harold Gelfand Secretary
Elgin Shulsky Treasurer
Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin Pres., Sist.
William Lebowitz Pres. Men's Club

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles 6:10
Evening 6:00

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:
Shemini**Leviticus 9:1-11:47****Haftarah: I Samuels 20:18-42****ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS**

Rosh Chodesh Iyar will be on Sun-
day, April 12th and Monday, April
13th.

Evening 6:20
Conclusion of Sabbath 7:05

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Sunday Morning 8:30
Evening 6:00

CONDOLENCE

We extend our sincere condolences
to Mrs. Isidore Silver, upon the pass-
of her beloved brother, Moe Claman.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended
to the bereaved family.

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12-BARNET G. LEDER
12-DORA SHAPIRO
13-ISRAEL H. SHAPIRO
13-RACHEL DAVIS
13-ROSE LUSTBADER
13-BERTHOLD BREINER
13-MAY ATLAS
13-DEBORAH KAGAN
13-ESTHER RAPOPORT
14-SADIE SIEGEL
14-MINNA CITRON
15-SAMUEL FEIFER
15-MOOSHA REBECCA
COHEN
16-GIZELA LANDAU
16-SAMUEL WILNER
16-HAROLD RUBIN
17-EVA B. JACOBS
17-HYMAN ROSENBLUM
17-ESTHER SCHWARTZ
17-REGINE BIRNBACH
17-SAMUEL SCHREIBER

SISTERHOOD**KIDDUSH HOSTESSES****Saturday, April 11th**

Mrs. Morton Kamerman
Mrs. Richard Kolb
Mrs. Joseph Roth
Mrs. Adrian Skydell

REMINDER**AM haSEFER GROUP I**

will hold its
concluding meeting of the season
on Tuesday evening April 14th
at 8:30 o'clock

The book under discussion will be
"Europe and the Jews"
by Malcolm Hay

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