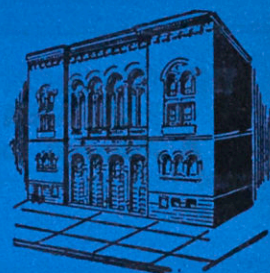


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27 MEMBERS TO BE INDUCTED AT 92nd ANNUAL MEETING

Cornerstone Laying to be part of Festivities on Sunday, May 10th

As announced last week, the 92nd Annual Meeting of Congregation Kehilath-Jeshurun will be held on Sunday morning, May 10th, at 10:30 o'clock. Following the meeting, an impressive ceremony marking the setting of the cornerstone for the new Synagogue House and Ramaz School Building, will be conducted.

After the cornerstone ceremony, the membership of the congregation will be invited to a special luncheon reception in the social hall of the Synagogue House.

Induction Ceremony for New Members

In accordance with our established practice, the 27 new members, whose applications were approved by the Board of Trustees during the past twelve months, will be formally inducted into the membership of the congregation at our Annual Meeting. Those who, together with their families, will be officially welcomed that day are:

Dr. and Mrs. Norman V. Balinson
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Barány
Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloom
Dr. and Mrs. Irwin Chabon
Mr. and Mrs. Herman D. Gimbel
Mrs. Joseph Golding
Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Goldsmith
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grossman
Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kadushin
Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Kinzler
Mr. Emanuel Lewis
Dr. and Mrs. Louis Linn
Miss Stephanie R. Luloff
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Meilach
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Neustadter
Mr. Ralph Perlberger
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Rashbaum
Mrs. Sarah Rosenthal
Mrs. Ruth Ryp
Mrs. Ruth Salit
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Schwartzfeld
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Silverstein
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spilky
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stadin

\$70,000 in NEW CONTRIBUTIONS ANNOUNCED AT YESHIVA UNIVERSITY BRUNCH

An enthusiastic group of men and women gathered last Sunday morning, in the social hall of the Synagogue House for a Brunch in honor of Yeshiva University. There were no gimmicks used to elicit support; there were no special guests to serve as an attraction; the excellent turnout was due solely to the awareness on the part of the members of Kehilath Jeshurun of the importance of this greatest institution of Jewish learning in the world.

Max J. Etra, President of the congregation and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University, presided at the Brunch. He presented in eloquent fashion, the accomplishments of Yeshiva University, its blueprint for the sixties, and its needs for 1964.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, an Honorary Trustee of Yeshiva University, and a member of its distinguished faculty, spoke briefly about the significance of Yeshiva University for the American Jewish scene. He said, in part, that were there to be no Yeshiva University today, the complexion of Orthodox Judaism in this country would be decidedly different if, indeed, there would be a complexion at all. He indicated that Yeshiva University represented the efforts on the part of Jewry

in America to maintain the traditions of our people while yet being part of twentieth century western civilization.

The reaction of those in attendance was both heartwarming and extremely generous. At this Brunch alone, over \$70,000 in contributions for the 1964 calendar year were announced by members of our congregation. To the best of our knowledge, this places Kehilath Jeshurun at the head of all Orthodox Jewish Congregations which render support to the University. We might add that this is a position of leadership which has been a traditional one for our congregation.

A. Milton Brown served as Treasurer for our 1964 campaign. The Co-Chairmen for the Brunch were: Joseph E. Adler, Harry W. Baumgarten, Eugene Hollander, Henry M. Rem, Joseph Roth and Elgin Shulsky.

We would like to thank all of the above named gentlemen for their co-operation. We express, in conclusion, our gratitude to all the members of the congregation who contributed so generously and to those who will yet contribute to the current year's operating budget of Yeshiva University.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Trencher
Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Zuckerman
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zuger

In addition to the names listed above, those whose applications for membership will be entered and approved before the date of the Annual Meeting, will also be inducted into membership on Sunday, May 10th.

Memorial for Departed Members

At the Annual Meeting, the congregation will honor the memory of its members who passed away since last we met. Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will

offer brief eulogies in their memory and Cantor Cohen will chant the memorial prayer.

Special tribute will also be paid at the Annual Meeting to those members who are celebrating important anniversaries of their affiliation with Kehilath Jeshurun.

The entire occasion, of course, will be highlighted by the impressive cornerstone ceremonies about which we will inform our readers in the forthcoming issues of the Bulletin. In the meantime, plan to be with us on Sunday, May 10th, at 10:30 a.m.

**Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Saturday at 11:00 A.M.
"DISTURBING TRENDS IN THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY"**

THE INDEPENDENCE OF JUDAISM

A Message for Israel Independence Day

The 5th of Iyar, this Friday, April 17th, marks the sixteenth anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. This annual Yom ha Atzmaut — Israel Independence Day — gives us the opportunity to celebrate a great historical moment in Jewish history.

The celebration of the independence of the State of Israel should properly be observed in a manner which conforms to the traditions of Judaism. The parades and the fireworks, the parties and the political speeches, are secondary to us. They may conform with the pattern of independence day celebrations of nations all over the world; they do not, however, reflect the independent spirit of Judaism in its treatment of such occasions.

We celebrate our deliverance from Egyptian bondage and our national birth during the Festival of Passover in prayer and in thanksgiving. Surely, the celebration of our deliverance from homelessness and the rebirth of Jewish nationhood should be carried out in a similar manner.

This is even more true when we consider that it was prayer which kept alive the love of Zion and the longing for a return to the Holy Land throughout the 1900 years of exile. If the Jew had not recited the psalm of the return to Zion in the Grace After Meals throughout a period in which his daily bread was hard to come by; if the Jewish People had not looked forward to the return of God to Zion in daily prayer at times when prayer itself was a hazard to life and limb; if a nation had not mourned the destruction of a Temple throughout centuries of exile during which there was much more for which to mourn; it is quite possible, even probable, that there would be no Jewish State today.

At our services this Sabbath, we will mark the anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel in an independent Jewish manner. We will render thanks to God for the many miracles which he has wrought in bringing our dreams to reality. We will offer prayers to the Almighty for the continued welfare, growth and development of the still fledgling Jewish State.

Join us at the Synagogue this Saturday morning to mark an historical occasion in a manner consonant with our historic tradition.

H. L.

ENTHUSIASTIC REACTION TO NOVEL SISTERHOOD PROGRAM

The reaction to last week's fascinating program at the Sisterhood Luncheon Meeting can best be described as spirited. The program, entitled "Self-testing our Prejudices," was presented by Miss Tess Siegel representing the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith.

Following her introduction by Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman, Program Chairman, Miss Siegel began by reviewing briefly the program of the Anti-Defamation League in general and explaining the nature of the self-testing procedure specifically.

Each woman present was then given a ten question form to fill out. The form contained questions designed to bring to the surface latent prejudices which we possess with respect to color, race, country of birth, economic class, and even with respect to ourselves as Jewish.

After a group of women assisted in tabulating the answers. Miss Siegel interpreted the entire group's reactions and called attention to the subtle prejudices which turned up in the answers. Her interpretations and analysis became

the subject of an enthusiastic — and frequently volatile discussion.

Many of the women asked to be heard on the subject. Some agreed wholeheartedly with the speaker and felt that the conclusions drawn from the answers were correct, if not always flattering. Others took exception to her conclusions and pointed out what they felt to be internal faults in the questions. Still others accepted the conclusions while defending certain prejudices as being justified.

The close of the meeting was determined by the time factor rather than any loss of interest. The debates and arguments carried on past the adjournment. One thing is certain: the salutary effect of stimulating thought and discussion on many of the vital social issues of our day was appreciated by all present and will no doubt contribute to their social values for a long time to come.

The next meeting of the Sisterhood, will be held on Monday, May 11th. The guest speaker for this final meeting of the year will be Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed Trustee, William Lebowitz and Mrs. Lebowitz upon the birth of a daughter to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Lebowitz.

May the family derive much "nachas" from the new arrival.

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Ira W. Nadler, Mrs. Elaine Brody, and Dr. Meyer Texon.

Engagement —

A hearty Mazel Tov to Norman C. Ryp upon his engagement to Miss Ellen Stern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stern of Woodmere, Long Island. Our best wishes to our new member, Mrs. Ruth Ryp, the mother of the groom, on this happy occasion.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Etra.

CONDOLENCE

We extend sincere condolences to Mrs. Joseph Roth, upon the passing of her beloved sister, Gussie Berger.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the members of the bereaved family. We pray that the Almighty may spare them further sorrow for many years to come.

KIDDUSH HOSTS

The Kiddush last Saturday was sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Shapiro on the occasion of the birth of a son. We wish them and the grandmother, Mrs. Samuel Feder, much nachas.

The Kiddush this Saturday will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kolb.

SISTERHOOD DONOR LUNCHEON

The Annual Donor Luncheon of the Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood is being held as this Bulletin goes to press. A full report on this gala event will be rendered in the next issue of the Bulletin.

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES SATURDAY, APRIL 18

Mrs. Hyman Abrams
Mrs. Jacob H. Alpert
Mrs. Myron M. Bogdonoff
Mrs. A. Milton Brown
Mrs. Sam Bucher
Mrs. James Clark

AM HASEFER DISCUSSES "BEST BOOK YET ABOUT ISRAEL"

Group II of our Am haSefer Program held its third meeting of the year last week, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Markson. The book under discussion was "The United States and Israel" by Nadav Safran.

The consensus of the group was very much in agreement with Dana Adams Schmidt of the New York Times Book Review, who called this book "the best book yet about Israel." Published by the Harvard University Press, the book deals comprehensively with every phase of Israeli life and with the larger issues which helped to create Israel and which determine the course of its existence.

The author discusses each of his subjects in depth. In analyzing the economic, political, religious, military, and international life of the Jewish State, the author always has recourse

to the beginnings of the Zionist Movement and to the trends and forces which served to shape the life of Israel even before it became a State.

As a topic for discussion, the excellent qualities of the book render it somewhat uninspiring. The author deals so comprehensively with each subject; he discusses the various viewpoints concerning each issue so well that there is little left to discuss. As a source of interest and as a mine of information about the birth and the existence of the State of Israel, the group agreed that this book has no parallel.

It is highly recommended for the interested American Jew who desires to be informed about this most significant development in Jewish life in our day and, perhaps, in the past two thousand years.

REMEMBER AND COOPERATE

Last week, all of our members and friends received a mailing concerning the 1964-65 edition of our Book of Remembrance. The booklet will be published shortly before Shavuoth.

The purpose of this service is to provide a means for fulfilling the pledge for charity which is a regular part of the Yizkor service, without compromising the sanctity and dignity of that service by conducting a public appeal.

The offering, which is made in order to list the name of a dear one in the booklet, is not intended for fund raising purposes. We try to stress the purely religious character of that offering by limiting it to no more than ten dollars and no less than five dollars for each name to be memorialized.

We hope that you will remember your dear ones who have been called to their eternal reward by making this modest offering. We ask that you also remember to cooperate with us by sending us the necessary information without delay, so that we may proceed with the arrangements of this booklet.

THE JEWRY BOX**WEEK OF APRIL 5th**

DR. MAX MILLER
ABRAHAM SILVER

WEEK OF APRIL 19th

STANLEY G. REISS
HENRY M. REM
SAMUEL ROSEN
SIDNEY FLATOW

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

INVITATION TO ETHICS

Last Saturday afternoon the annual Ethics of the Fathers class began a six week session in the library of the Synagogue. The class will meet under the leadership of Rabbi Haskel Lookstein for the six week period between Passover and Shavuoth.

The class will study this year the first chapter of this topical book of the Talmud. The chapter presents the favorite ethical and moral aphorisms of the leading sages of each generation from the days of the Great Assembly until the completion of the Mishna. The class is conducted in English.

Last week over thirty men and women attended the first session. We extend a cordial invitation to all who are interested to attend this week's session at 5:30.

THANK YOU

In the absence of our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, who is recuperating from illness, Stuart Podell read the entire weekly portion from the Torah last Saturday with very little notice. We wish to extend our appreciation to him for this service.

At the same time, we would like to thank, in advance, eight young men of the congregation who have volunteered to read the Torah portion for next week. They are:

Lanny Binstock
Steven Gross
David Herman
Richard Kahn
Alan Kalischer
Robert Pik
Stuart Podell
Bernard Skydell

We appreciate the effort which they will have to expend to prepare for this reading. At the same time, we wish Mr. Rosenberg a speedy recovery.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

Saturday, April 18th

Cantors

Samuel Friedman
Simon Lerner
Alvin Smilow

Sermonette

Richard Kahn

The newly elected officers for the month of Iyar are:

President — Philip Lerner
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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 6:20
Evening 6:00

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:

Tazria-Metzora
Leviticus 12:1-15:33

Haftarah: II Kings 7:3-20

Evening 6:30

Torah Reader

Bruce Linzer

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:10

DAILY SERVICES

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

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