

CORNERSTONE SET FOR NEW SYNAGOGUE HOUSE AND RAMAZ SCHOOL BUILDING

Impressive Ceremonies Follow 92nd Annual Meeting ETRA, ROTH, SHULSKY RE-ELECTED; IRWIN SHAPIRO NEW SECRETARY

One of the most memorable days in the lives of the members of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun — young and old — was experienced last Sunday, May 10th. On that day, some three hundred and fifty members of the congregation participated in the 92nd Annual Meeting of Kehilath Jeshurun and witnessed the historic ceremony of the setting of the cornerstone for the one million and a half dollar construction project which will provide a new synagogue house for the congregation and a new building for Ramaz School.

The auditorium of the synagogue house was filled to overflowing for the occasion. Many of the members brought their children for the cornerstone ceremonies because they wanted them to be part of this historic moment.

The cornerstone ceremonies themselves were brief but moving. They began with a reading from Psalm 127 by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein. They continued with the symbolic laying of the cornerstone by the officers of the congregation and were concluded by a brief but moving prayer by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

There were a great deal of drama and emotion crowded into the several minutes during the cornerstone ceremony. Many of the camera enthusiasts exercised their art to preserve this occasion for posterity. There were several members of the congregation who could be seen with a tear in their eyes,

reflecting their joy at being able to be present at such an historic occasion. In general, there was a mood of gratitude and reverence, of fulfillment over the accomplishment and faith for the future.

31 New Members Inducted

Prior to the cornerstone ceremonies, President Max J. Etra called the 92nd Annual Meeting of the congregation to order in a gaily decorated auditorium bedecked with flowers. On display on the stage were one hundred and

thirty five trowel plaques which were on hand for distribution to those members of the congregation who displayed exceptional generosity in their contributions to the Building Fund.

Ira F. Weisman, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, presented the name of thirty-one new members whose applications for membership had been approved by the Board and who were now being presented for formal induction into the congregational family.

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The symbolic ceremony of the setting of the cornerstone. From left to right Irwin Shapiro, Secretary Elect; Elgin Shulsky, Treasurer and Chairman of the Building Committee; Joseph Roth, Vice President; Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein and Max J. Etra, President.

*We extend our best wishes
for a happy Shavuoth to our
members and friends.*

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

"NON-VITAL JEWISH STATISTICS"



A view of the newly inducted members seated in a special section

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth —

We extend our hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Greenberg upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Alexander. The Alexanders reside in Houston, Texas.

We wish the family much Nachas at all times.

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Ernest Adler, Dr. Norman V. Balinson, Justin J. Bayer, Mrs. Samuel M. Cohen, Mrs. Samson Eichler, Milton Eletz, Mrs. Caroline Goldstein, Alexander Gross, Mrs. Adolph Levy, Hermann Merkin, Hon. George Postel, Abris Silberman, Mrs. Michael E. Sorock, Mrs. Oscar

Trencher, Mrs. Ruth Wax, Joseph Wolf, Herman Wouk, and Mrs. Albert A. Zuch.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bachrach, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coan, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Colin, Mr. and Mrs. Martin E. de Graaff, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Karlin, Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Nadler, Mr. and Mrs. Irving I. Schur, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wald.

Get Well —

We wish a speedy recovery to Herman Greenberg who recently underwent surgery. We are pleased to hear that he is feeling much better, and look forward to his return to our midst.

GEOFFREY ALLAN BROFF BAR MITZVAH

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Mrs. Stanley R. Broff, upon the Bar Mitzvah of her son, Geoffrey. The Bar Mitzvah will be held on Saturday, May 23rd.

The Bar Mitzvah celebrant is a student in the 7th grade of the Barnard School. The entire Congregation will be the guests at the Kiddush following the service.

PARK EAST RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Registration for the Fall Semester of the Park East Religious School is now taking place. In order to insure proper classification of students, and the smooth reopening in September, registration is being conducted during the months of May and June.

The school offers a six year course of study. The First Grade meets twice a week. Grades Two through Six — three times a week. Upon graduation, students are eligible to enroll in the Manhattan Hebrew High School.

Parents are urged to re-register their children in the school without delay. Parents of potential new students may see Mr. Noam Shudofsky, Principal for further information regarding the school's program.

SISTERHOOD NEEDIEST CASES FUND

We acknowledge with thanks, contributions to the Sisterhood's Neediest Cases Fund from the Feinberg Twins, Mrs. William Lebowitz, Mrs. Joseph Roth and Mrs. Malvina Wachter.

Contributions to this Fund should be sent to the Chairman of the Fund, Mrs. Joseph Roth, 891 Park Avenue.



A partial view of the capacity attendance at the Annual Meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING AND CORNERSTONE CEREMONIES

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Their names are:

Dr. and Mrs. Norman V. Balinson
 Mr. and Mrs. Michael Barany
 Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloom
 Dr. and Mrs. Charles I. Cohen
 Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Cohen
 Dr. and Mrs. Irwin Chabon
 Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Etra
 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
 Dr. and Mrs. Moses Nussbaum
 Mr. Ralph Perlberger
 Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Rashbaum
 Mrs. Sarah Rosenthal
 Mrs. Ruth Ryp
 Mrs. Ruth Salit
 Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Schwartzenfeld
 Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Silverstein
 Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spilky
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stadin
 Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Trencher
 Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Zuckerman
 Mr. and Mrs. Martin Zuger

The new members were elected into the congregational family by unanimous vote. The President expressed, on behalf of the congregation, a hearty welcome to the inductees and the collective hope of the Kehilath Jeshurun family that their membership in our midst would be a long and mutually rewarding one.

There next followed the traditional practice of honoring these members of the congregation who were celebrating important milestones in their affiliation with Kehilath Jeshurun. Several celebrants could not be with us but their anniversaries were announced and appropriate scrolls were sent to them. On hand were Mr. and Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel, who received the commendation of the congregation. They were presented by Joseph Roth, Vice-President. Mr. Siegel serves as a Trustee of the congregation while Mrs. Siegel is the daughter of one of the founders of Kehilath Jeshurun.

Nominations Committee Report

The Chairman of the Nominations Committee, Harry W. Baumgarten, then presented a slate of Trustees for election by the membership. The following Trustees were re-elected to terms of three years each:



Mr. and Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel receive congratulations from Joseph Roth, Vice President, on their 25th Anniversary as members of the congregation.

Max J. Etra
 A. Phillip Goldsmith
 Samuel A. Marcus
 George Postel
 Samuel Rosen
 Nathan Salzman
 Elgin Shulsky

Mr. Baumgarten then presented the name of Max J. Etra for a twenty-fifth consecutive term as President of the congregation. Mr. Etra was elected by acclamation and ovation — a clear indication that the congregation respects his leadership and is grateful for the contributions of time, strength and substance which he has made to the life of Kehilath Jeshurun over the past quarter of a century.

Mr. Baumgarten then presented Joseph Roth for another term as Vice-President of the congregation and Elgin Shulsky for another term as Treasurer. Both nominations were greeted by an enthusiastic response on the part of the membership and both men were

elected to their respective offices by unanimous vote.

The Chairman of the Nominations Committee then announced that Dr. H. Harold Gelfand could not serve another year as Secretary because of the pressures of his work. The chairman offered the name of Irwin Shapiro as the nominee for Secretary. The nomination of Mr. Shapiro, who serves as an Associate Trustee of the congregation and who is a member of the Board of Directors of Yeshiva University's high school division, was warmly received by the membership. He was unanimously elected to the office of Secretary. He is the youngest occupant of that office in more than twenty years, a sign of the youth and vigor of the Kehilath Jeshurun family.

The President, Max J. Etra then introduced Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein for a few words of eulogy for those of our family who have passed away since last we met at an annual meeting. The Rabbi spoke movingly of:

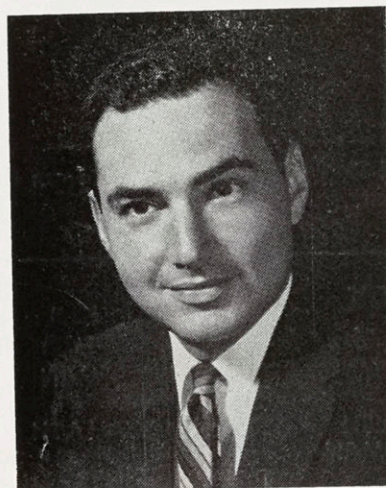
Ida Astor
 Henrietta Bachrach
 Stanley R. Broff
 Rose Gudis
 Rose Kanarek
 Lillian J. Rossant
 Elsie Strauss
 Morris Zuckerman

At the conclusion of the Rabbi's remarks Cantor A. Joseph Cohen chanted the memorial prayer while the congregation stood with bowed heads.

Ramaz Annual Meeting

At this point, the President turned the chair over to A. Phillip Goldsmith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of

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IRWIN SHAPIRO
 Secretary Elect

TIKUN LEL SHAVUOTH**Saturday Evening Torah Session**

There is a tradition on the first night of Shavuoth, to hold a study session which highlights the nature of the Festival as the anniversary of the giving of the Law. In days gone by, it was the custom to conduct such a session throughout the night.

This year, as was begun last year, the congregation will sponsor a modified — and somewhat less vigorous — version of this practice. On Saturday night, May 16, at 10:30 P.M., a Torah study session will be held in the social hall of the congregation. The highlight of this session will be an halakhic (legal) discourse on "Shavuoth — Law and Lore" to be delivered by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

Following the session, a light collation will be served. The program is scheduled to conclude before midnight.

A cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested, to attend this renewal of an ancient practice, on Saturday night, May 16, at 10:30 P.M.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN and K.J. TEENAGERS ON RADIO

On Sunday morning, May 24, on station WNBC, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will lead a discussion with four teenagers from our congregation on the subject of "Why should I remain a Jew?"

The program, "In Good Faith" will be on the air from 8:10 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. Early risers that Sunday will hear the Rabbi and Florence Kalischer, Vivian Pik, Stuart Podell and Steven Silverblatt.

YOUTH CORNER**Final Youth Activity of Year, May 16.**

Shachar, the Teenage Group of the Congregation is holding its final activity this Saturday, May 16, following services. The induction of officers for the 1964-65 program year will be one of the highlights of the program. A panel discussion entitled, "Youth at the Crossroads" will be one of the features of the day. Participating panelists are: Harriet Garfinkel, Florence Kalischer, and Steven Gross.

ANNUAL MEETING AND CORNERSTONE CEREMONIES

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Ramaz School, for a brief annual meeting of Ramaz. The meeting concerned itself with the election of the following Trustees:

Joseph E. Adler
A. Phillip Goldsmith
Max Sadinoff
Sidney Scheinberg
Abbott Simon
Jess Ward

Closing Remarks

The meeting was concluded with the traditional closing remarks of Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein. The Rabbi spoke of the generations which had gone before in our congregation and which had paved the road for the present. He spoke of the immigrants who came to this country and who founded this congregation in a spirit of piety and dignity. He spoke of their contributions to Jewish education. He said that they left for our generation the task of building for the future.

The Rabbi pointed out that it is a reflection of their greatness and their capacity to transmit a tradition, that we today have maintained ourselves as an orthodox congregation, have founded and developed a school with 650 children on both elementary and high school levels, and have now embarked upon an important building program for our future needs.

The Rabbi expressed the hope that all of us would be present to see this building completed and to embark upon even more ambitious plans in the future.

Following the meeting and the cornerstone ceremony, the members of the congregation gathered at a special buffet luncheon at which the spirit of brotherhood and sociability reigned amidst ample refreshments.

One could hear two words expressed throughout the period of sociability — "Mazel tov." Everyone was wishing it to everyone else. In truth, we have been blessed with good fortune and with abundant blessings. We have to be thankful. May our deep feelings of gratitude for the past be matched by the fulfillment of our hopes for the future.



A partial view of the assemblage as Rabbi Haskel Lookstein reads from the Psalms at the beginning of the cornerstone ceremony.

THE JEWRY BOX**WEEK OF MAY 3rd**

JOSEPH ROTH
MICHAEL L. SCHLOSS

WEEK OF MAY 17th

HERMAN SMILOW
SAM TAFFET
NATHAN GOLDSMITH
BENJAMIN GOTTESMAN

WEEK OF MAY 24th

BENJAMIN PERLMAN
ELGIN SHULSKY
DR. ROBERT WALLACH

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

PLEASE NOTE

A report on the Sisterhood's closing meeting of the season, which is taking place as we go to press, will appear in the next issue of our Bulletin.

SHAVUOTH IN OUR SYNAGOGUE

The festival of Shavuoth will be observed this year on Sunday and Monday, May 17th and 18th. As always, it will be an inspiring occasion at Kehilath Jeshurun.

In keeping with the special traditions of this holiday, the synagogue will be gaily decorated with green foliage. The final benediction of the year will be pronounced by the Kohanim at the regular services.

Special features, first day —

The first day of the holiday is marked by the reading of that part of the Torah which contains the Ten Commandments. Prior to the reading, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will chant the traditional Akdamuth prayer.

Special features, second day —

On Monday, the Book of Ruth will be chanted by four young men of our congregational family. They are:

Bruce Linzer
David Kahn
Steven Herzig
Robert Pik

These young men have spent time and effort in preparation for this reading. Their instructor has been our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg. The reading of the Book of Ruth will begin at 10 o'clock. Please be in your seats before that time.

Memorial prayers will be recited on Monday for the last time this year until the Day of Atonement in the Fall. For these memorial prayers the 1964-1965 Book of Remembrance will be distributed.

Make Shavuoth a joyous festival for yourself and for your family by observing it with your family in the House of God.

SCHEDULE OF SHAVUOTH SERVICES

Saturday, May 16th, Shavuoth Eve

Evening 8:00

Sunday, May 17th, Shavuoth I

Morning 9:00

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach at 11:00 o'clock

Evening 6:15

Monday, May 18th, Shavuoth II

Morning 9:00

Memorial Prayers are recited as part of this service

Evening 8:00

A HOLIDAY MESSAGE

A Uniquely Jewish Festival

The Festival of Shavuoth is the only holiday on our religious calendar which can be said to be an occasion unique to Judaism.

Other faiths have their sabbaths, their festival of freedom, their holidays of thanksgiving and their days of mourning. Judaism, alone, has a holy day to commemorate the giving of a Divine Law — the Torah.

Our sages understood well the uniqueness of this day and the special contribution which it made to the Jewish character and mind. If not for that day (on which the Torah was revealed), says Rabbi Yossi, how many "Yossis" there would be in the market place.

The uniqueness of Rabbi Yossi derives from his acceptance of the Torah. The standards that he follows; the values that he cherishes; the qualities of heart and mind that he develops; his manner of speech; his posture and bearing; all are a result of the impress of God's Law upon him.

How wise and perceptive was the

report of Dr. Robert MacIver to the American Council for Judaism, which the papers carried last week. He asserted that the Sabbath and Kashruth serve to keep the Jew from being totally integrated in American society.

To Dr. MacIver, the sociologist, this may be an academic observation — we have no way of knowing his evaluation of this condition. To the American Council for Judaism, this condition is, of course, lamentable and deplorable. This group long ago discarded Zionism as part of Judaism; now perhaps, it is time to discard Judaism itself and rename the organization "The American Council".

To the traditional Jew, Dr. MacIver's description comes as nothing new at all. The Torah is what renders us unique and its precepts are what create our Jewish identity.

This is the message of Shavuoth. May we comprehend it, remember it, and — better still — live it.

H.L.



Max J. Etra delivering the presidential report. Seated on dais from left to right are Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, Elgin Shulsky, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, Joseph Roth, A. Phillip Goldsmith, Dr. H. Harold Gelfand, William Lebowitz, and Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin. On display in the background are the plaques which were presented to special building fund donors.

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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, MAY 15**

*Evening 6:15

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:
Bemidbar

Number 1:1 4:20

Haftarah: Hosea 2:1-22

Evening 8:00

Torah Reader

Aaron Holzer

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:40

FRIDAY, MAY 22

*Evening 6:15

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:

Naso

Number 4:21-7:89

Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25

Evening 8:00

Torah Reader

Richard Etra

Conclusion of Sabbath 8:45

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 6:15 P.M. should also light candles at that hour.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Cantors

David Hostyk
Simon Lerner
Samuel Friedman

Sermonette

Samuel Blumenthal

Teenage Torah Reader

Elliot Kamerman

FIRST DAY SHAVUOTH

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Cantors

Peter Oppenheimer
Richard Gelfan

Sermonette

Alvin Smilow

Teenage Torah Reader

Elliot Kamerman

SECOND DAY SHAVUOTH

MONDAY, MAY 18

Cantors

Joel Ranells
Roger Oppenheimer
Philip Lerner

Sermonette

Nancy Linzer

Teenage Torah Reader

Stuart Podell

SISTERHOOD
KIDDUSH HOSTESSES

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Mrs. S. Lawrence Brody
Mrs. Benjamin Kaufman
Mrs. Saul J. Linzer
Mrs. George Postel
Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman
Mrs. Mildred Feinberg
Mrs. Nathan Andrews

SATURDAY, MAY 23

Mrs. Herman Davidowitz
Mrs. Morris S. Galler
Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon
Mrs. Haskel Lookstein
Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin
Mrs. Henry M. Rem

PLEASE NOTE

This issue of the Bulletin includes information for the forthcoming two weeks. The next issue will appear on May 29th.

YAHREZEITS**May**

16—MELICHAR HOLLANDER
16—BERTHA HOLLANDER
16—GITEL HOSTYK
17—MORRIS WEISS
17—DAVID WALD
18—MARY GOODMAN
18—JAY J. WEISMAN
18—LINA JAFFE
18—MARY GOODMAN
18—ADOLPH HIRSCH
18—JULIUS DAVID EISENSTEIN
19—JENNIE RESNICK
19—HENRY SCHARF
20—DORA HARRIS
20—MARION GOLD LEWIS
20—ROSE MANDEL
20—SAMUEL GURA
21—MARY J. SILBERMAN
21—MOSES WARSHAVSKY
22—JACOB H. ALPERT
22—JACOB WEISS
22—SAMUEL SHAPIRO
23—HYMAN HYAMS
24—DAVID S. TRACHMAN
24—CHARLES FINKELSTEIN
25—REBECCA E. ABELOFF
25—IRVING BACHRACH
25—REBECCA GREENBERG
25—SAMUEL B. COOPERMAN
25—MARS COHN
26—TANCHUM SILBERMAN
26—MEYER VESELL
26—ABRAHAM L. MARCUS
26—WILLIAM I. COHEN
27—CELIA BREITBART
28—ARTHUR DAVID BOXER
28—NELLIE LENT
28—ROSE S. SMITH
28—HERMAN STERN
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