

SISTERHOOD OPENING MEETING — A SUCCESS

The first meeting of the Sisterhood season was held last Monday afternoon in the Social Hall of the synagogue. This meeting marked not only the beginning of the season, but also the Sisterhood's return to its "home base" after a year's absence.

We extend a hearty welcome home to our Sisterhood. We are confident that their outstanding success achieved last year, while away from home, will be even surpassed this year, in their regular quarters.

The meeting was officially opened by the President of the Sisterhood, Mrs. William Lebowitz. She welcomed the members back from the summer and back to the Sisterhood home.

The Program Chairman, Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, introduced the speaker, Mr. Frederick Dvorch, who spoke on "Current, Modern and Theatre Music." His interesting address was very well received. Mr. Dvorch, who has a long and honored musical background in theatre and on the concert stage, presented a variety of controversial thoughts on contemporary music. An animated question and answer period followed his address.

A vote of thanks is due to the hostess committee who prepared the delicious lunch. The members of the committee for this meeting were; Mrs. Hyman Abrams, Mrs. A. Milton Brown, Mrs. Cel Silberman, and Mrs. Bertha Witkin.

The next official function of the Sisterhood is the Collegiate Oneg Shabbat, which is being sponsored together with the Men's Club, on Friday eve-

You are cordially invited to attend the second lecture of
our Adult Institute on the theme

MEDIEVAL JEWISH HISTORY

entitled

JEWISH CULTURE AT ITS HEIGHT

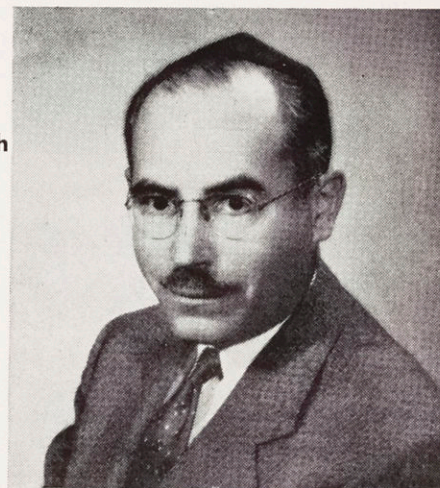
which will be delivered on

Wednesday evening, November 10th

at 9:00 o'clock

—Lecturer—

DR. IRVING AGUS



Prior to the lecture at 8:00 o'clock, classes will be held in Maimonides' Code of Law, A Survey of Genesis, and Modern Hebrew Literature. Those interested in attending these courses are invited to attend and register for the classes.

ning, November 26th. Members of the Sisterhood are urged to set aside that Friday evening for an interesting and stimulating Oneg Shabbat with our returning collegiates.

Theatre Party, December 4th

The Sisterhood Theatre Party, "The Country Wife", which will be held at

the Vivian Beaumont Theatre of the Lincoln Center of the Performing Arts, will take place on Saturday night, December 4th.

If you have not as yet made your reservations, please do so by calling the synagogue office or the Chairman of the Sisterhood Theatre Party, Mrs. Eugene Hollander.

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SATURDAY AT 11:00 A.M.

"SODOM AND GOMORRAH —

Recurring Symptoms of Social Pathology"



LEKH LEKHA

"On Being A 'Loner'"

The first commandment of God to Abraham, "Lekh Lekha" is generally translated by us: "Get out from your land, from your birthplace, and from your father's house." Samson Raphael Hirsch, in his commentary on the Bible, indicates that this translation misses the point. If movement were really commanded, then the words land, birthplace and father's home, if not superfluous, are at least in reverse order.

Actually the expression "Lekh Lekha" means quite simply, "go for yourself" or "go to yourself." It is a matter of orientation rather than movement. It is a question of direction rather than distance. It is a process of personal growth rather than physical escape.

In a sense, this first command to Abraham has been the historical mission of the Jew; to be different, to act in a unique fashion, to become a "loner." The commandment is even more poignant when it is issued to Abraham in Babylonia, a land whose Biblical name means mixture or, in modern parlance, assimilation. "And the entire land spoke one language."

The theme for such existential loneliness is Kedushah. We usually translate that word as holiness. In reality, it means setting apart, isolation, distinction. Thus, Kiddush renders the Sabbath day different from the other days of the week; Mikdash is the name for the sanctuary that is unique from secular places; and L'hakdish means to set something aside.

The Jewish people, as the descendants of Abraham, are called Am Kadosh, a people set apart. Our behaviour must be exemplary, our character must be unique; our standards should be different from those which prevail in our society; and our worship and love should be directed toward Him who is most unique in our world.

"Go for yourself, from your land, from your birthplace and (if necessary) even from your father's house."

H. L.

PHILLIP LERNER
BAR MITZVAH

We extend a hearty mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lerner upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Phillip.

The Bar Mitzvah celebrant, who is a student at the Manhattan Day School, is a regular attendant at our Sabbath services. At the services this Saturday, Phillip will read the Torah portion and the prophetic chapter.

The congregation will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lerner at the Kiddush following the services.

Classes For Women Begin This Monday Morning

On Monday morning, November 8th, three classes will be offered to women. These classes will continue until shortly before Passover.

The classes are as follows:

Studies In Judaism

The Women's Bible Class which has met for four consecutive years will recess this year in favor of this special offering. This one year course will use as a text, Meyer Waxman's "Judaism—Religion and Ethics" a highly readable and informative survey volume on Judaism.

Among the topics to be discussed are: religious institutions (holy days, prayer, dietary laws, the Jewish family), Jewish philosophy (God, creation, reward and punishment, the Messiah, repentance and law), and Jewish ethics (dignity of man, holiness, sin and guilt, modesty, anger, etc.).

Hours: Mondays, 11 to 12 Noon

Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

(Note: This course will not be given on days when a Sisterhood meeting is scheduled)

MEMORIAL MEETING FOR
SAUL J. LANCE

On Monday evening, November 8th, a memorial meeting will take place in the Social Hall of our Synagogue for Saul J. Lance, distinguished son of Kehilath Jeshurun. President Buell Gallagher of City College and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will be among those who will pay tribute to Saul Lance, and Cantor Cohen will chant the memorial prayer.

The entire family of Kehilath Jeshurun is urged to attend this evening of tribute to one who had the esteem and affection of the entire Congregation.

The memorial service will begin at 8:30 P.M.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Julius Charnow, Mrs. Jules Gourary, Saul Linzer, Mrs. Ira W. Nadler and Mrs. Herman Smilow.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Gura and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sigall.

Hebrew For Beginners

The purpose of this course is to enable students with no prior knowledge of Hebrew to read, write, and speak simple Hebrew. The course is designed to prepare the student, at its completion, to follow a synagogue service competently, a purpose that has been realized for some seventy men and women in the past seven years in courses like this one at our Institute.

Hours: Mondays, 10 to 11 A.M.

Instructor: Mrs. Alice Rothkowitz

Second Year Hebrew

A continuation of last year's highly successful elementary course for last year's students as well as for new students who wish to build on an elementary knowledge of Hebrew.

Hours: Mondays, 10 to 11 A.M.

Instructor: Mrs. Noam Shudofsky

A cordial invitation is extended to all women to attend one or two of these classes beginning this Monday morning.

CAPACITY AUDIENCE HEARS MOVING REPORT ON SOVIET JEWRY BY RABBI ISRAEL MILLER

Some 200 men and women filled the Social Hall of the congregation last Thursday evening to hear Rabbi Israel Miller, President of the Rabbinical Council of America, report on his recent journey to the Soviet Union. The occasion was the first Men's Club meeting of the season. Abraham R. Kirshon, President of the Club, presided.

Quoting a Talmudic saying: "Hearing is not to be compared to seeing," Rabbi Miller explained how his insights into the desperate plight of Soviet Jewry were deepened by the things that he saw and the conditions which he learned to understand.

The audience sat in rapt attention as the speaker described the atmosphere of fear in the Jewish community, a fear that was so pronounced, "that you could cut it with a knife."

The crowds in a few of the large synagogues in Russia are misleading. Close observation of them leads to the awareness of the absence of men and women under the age of fifty.

Outside of a few synagogues, there are no living Jewish institutions in Russia. There are no Torah institutions. There is consequently little hope for the survival of Judaism in that country, for Judaism survives from generation to generation only on the basis of education. There are some 500,000 Jews in Moscow but there are less than 100 circumcisions a year, an indication of how the most basic practices of Judaism have been discontinued.

Positive Factors

There is, however, some reason for hope. Despite the absence of schools, there is still a youth that identifies with Judaism. Although they have learned very little of Judaism, large numbers of young people danced in the streets following Simchath Torah.

In some of the Soviet Republics, there is greater toleration of Judaism. There is even some Jewish education which is being carried on in Republics like Georgia.

Perhaps the most encouraging sign is our observation of the sensitivity of the Russians to criticism from abroad on the subject of anti-Semitism. Our protests and demonstrations have an impact upon a government that wants to see itself, and be seen by others, as organizing a society without internal hatreds.

While the rabbinic delegation from the Rabbinical Council of America was visiting Russia, there were three major concessions which were made by the Soviet Government. Permission was granted to print 10,000 prayer books, to bake matzoh in Moscow and to open a Yeshiva for the training of Rabbis in the capital city.

Inasmuch as the problem of Soviet Jewry is now on the agenda of the nations of the world, there is hope that the sensitivity of the Russians on this subject will lead to greater opportunities for Russian Jewry to maintain itself and to survive in the years to come.

Considering all factors, however, what hope there is may be compared to the lighting of a match in a dark room. Some light is provided, to be sure; but the initial striking of the match gives the illusion of more light than is actually present.

It is our task to continue to protest and to help in every possible way. It is also our task to pray; for the survival of Russian Jewry will require more than human effort. Ultimately, it will depend upon a miracle from Heaven.

Rabbi Miller closed his talk by citing the passage from the Service on the Sabbath Preceding the New Moon, a passage which he cited to the congregation in Moscow when he spoke there this Summer: "May he who wrought miracles for our fathers and redeemed them from slavery to freedom, speedily redeem us and gather our dispersed from the four corners of the earth. All Israel are brothers, and let us say Amen."

Ramaz Dinner To Be Held Sunday, January 23, 1966

The Ramaz Dinner will be held this year on Sunday evening, January 23rd, in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria. The event is always one of the most beautiful functions of the year.

There is always a fine representation of members of the Kehilath Jeshurun Family at the dinner. We are, therefore, giving advance notice of the date of this affair. Further information will follow in a future issue of the Bulletin.

THE JEWRY BOX

Served During

WEEK OF OCTOBER 24th

EUGENE ALPERT
JONATHAN BLOOM
ALEXANDER GORDON

Will Serve During

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7th

DR. NORMAN V. BALINSON
PHILIP PERLMAN
NORMAN A. SHUTMAN

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

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles4:30
 Evening4:40

SATURDAY

Morning9:00
 Junior Congregation10:45
 Pre-School Service
 Room 40511:00

Weekly Portion: Lech Lecha**Genesis 12:1 - 17:27****Haftorah: Isaiah 40:27 - 41:16**

Evening4:30
 Conclusion of Sabbath5:20

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
 Sunday Morning8:30
 Evening4:30

**Junior Congregation To Meet At
 10:45 o'clock This Saturday**

The Junior Congregation will meet
 this Sabbath **only** at 10:45 o'clock. The
 services will be held in the Chapel.

SISTERHOOD**KIDDUSH HOSTESSES****Saturday, November 6th**

Mrs. Samuel B. Goodman
 Mrs. Samuel Gross
 Mrs. D. Harry Kleinfeld
 Mrs. Abraham L. Marcus
 Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg
 Mrs. Jacob P. Shulman

**JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE GROUPS
 BEGIN ACTIVITIES THIS SATURDAY**
JUNIOR GROUPS

The Boys Group and pre-teen Group
 meet each and every Saturday after-
 noon. Their Ongei Shabbat Programs
 include discussions, games, Sabbath
 Zemirot and refreshments. Steven
 Schacter will serve as leader of the
 Boys Group for students in Grades 3
 to 5. Aaron Holzer will once again
 serve as leader of the Pre-Teen Group
 for students in Grades 5, 6 and 7.

INTERMEDIATE GROUP

Two Intermediate Groups have been
 organized for pre-adolescents, Stuart
 Podell again serves as leader of our
 Eighth Grade Boys Group. Pearl Mosk-
 owitz has been appointed again as
 leader of the Sixth and Seventh Grade
 Girls Group. These groups meet for an
 Oneg Shabbat Program each Saturday
 afternoon.

YAHREZITS**November**

6—MORRIS WEISS
 7—JACOB ADLER
 8—MARGARETTE BALLIN
 8—JACOB HELFER
 8—HENRY REINHOLD
 9—LEON KAMAICKY
 9—NATHAN BECKER
 9—REBECCA LAYTON
 10—MOSES EINHORN
 10—LOUIS KANAREK
 11—JACOB POUST
 11—MEYER SOM
 11—ROSE HIRSCH
 11—RAE HEFTER
 11—JULES GOURARY
 12—ESTHER NATELSON
 12—ROSE WOLBERG

K. J. CALENDAR**THIS WEEK****SATURDAY, 3:00 P.M.**

Boys Group-Library
 Boys Pre-Teen-Social Hall
 Intermediate Boys — 504
 Intermediate Girls — 404

MONDAY**Classes for Women****10:00 A.M.**

Hebrew for Beginners
 Second Year Hebrew

11:00 A.M.

Studies in Judaism

12:30 P.M.**Sisterhood Board Meeting**

at the home of
 Mrs. Robert H. Zessman

8:30 P.M.

SAUL J. LANCE
 Memorial Meeting
 in the Social Hall

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WEDNESDAY, 8:00 P.M.**Adult Institute Classes**

Maimonides' Code of Law
 A Survey of Genesis
 Modern Hebrew Literature

9:00 P.M.

Jewish History Lecture
 — Lecturer —
 Dr. Irving Agus

COMING EVENTS**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13th**

Youth Weekend

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8:30 P.M.

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

— ADVANCE NOTICE —

The K. J. Men's Club Theatre Party

"SWEET CHARITY"

will be held on

Saturday night, January 29, 1966

at the

Palace Theatre

— Reserve the Date —