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AM haSEFER GROUP DISCUSSES "CHILDREN OF THE KIBBUTZ"

Next Meeting to be held March 14th

The next meeting of the Am haSefer Group will be held on Tuesday evening, March 14th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Theodore R. Fink, 110 East End Avenue. The discussion will center around A. J. Heschel's, "Man Is Not Alone." Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will lead the discussion.

The most recent meeting of the Am haSefer Group featured a discussion of "Children of the Kibbutz," by Melford E. Spiro. The discussion was led by Dr. Norman V. Balinson.

Dr. Balinson described the book as an objective, well-written, scientific study of how children are reared in a kibbutz setting. On the basis of the book it would appear that the upbringing to which the children are exposed is rather well-equipped to prepare them for communal living. It is this goal which, of course, presents a problem to Americans who read the book with a certain bias against socialized living. In order to appreciate the book and what it describes, it is necessary to try to diminish our natural bias against the theory described.

During the presentation by Dr. Balinson and the discussion that followed, it was apparent that there are legitimate criticisms which might be leveled against the book. Certainly one is that the author does not try to describe the general method of kibbutz child rearing. He focuses on one particular kibbutz which is not at all representative.

Especially lacking is a treatment of how child rearing is achieved on a religious kibbutz. In that kind of setting there are many differences which would be worth noting.

Members of the Am haSefer Group are urged to begin their reading of Heschel's book and to plan to be with the group for the next meeting on March 14th.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood

cordially invites its members and friends to its

Open Luncheon Meeting

This Monday afternoon, February 27th, 12:30 o'clock

in the Social Hall

— Guest Speaker —

MR. VELVEL PASTERNAK

— Topic —

"CHASSIDIC MUSIC: ITS THEMES, SOURCES AND INSPIRATION"

Luncheon will be served promptly at 12:30 o'clock

The Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon

will be held on

Wednesday, April 12th

Make Your Reservations

Reserve the Date

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

"HUMANE SLAUGHTER LEGISLATION IN THE OFFING"

A Pulpit Briefing



Ki Tissa

God's Sabbath — Not Man's

The subject of the Sabbath is introduced in this week's portion by the words: "But you shall observe my Sabbaths." The commentary, Alshich, offers a penetrating explanation of this strange expression.

Moses, the Midrash tells us, originally requested a day of rest for the Jewish people in Egypt. He successfully persuaded Pharaoh that the slaves would produce better if they were given the Sabbath day for rest each week.

When God tells Moses to instruct the Jewish people concerning the command of the Sabbath, He is careful to tell him that the Sabbath is more than a day of physical rest. "But you shall observe My Sabbaths." You shall keep the Sabbath as I have ordained it and as I, as it were observed the Sabbath following the creation of the world.

I "do not tire and am not fatigued" (Isaiah, 40). My Sabbath is primarily a day of spiritual meaning and only secondarily of physical rest. On my Sabbath your primary obligation is to refrain from creative activity. You must understand the Sabbath in My terms and not as a servant of your needs.

This is particularly relevant to the pragmatic and rationalistic temperament of our day. There are many who define the Sabbath in their own terms, not in terms of God's will. Some of us see the Sabbath purely as an opportunity to engage in special activities, ranging from basketball in the park to a leisurely drive in the country. The justification for this by well-meaning youngsters and adults is that these are not weekday activities.

They are not Sabbath activities either. They are fine on Sunday; but it is precisely because they are engaged in on Sunday that Sunday has no Sabbath spirit. A Shabbat experience is realized only when a family strives to observe the Sabbath as God ordained it and not as man might have designed it had he been its architect.

If the Sabbath spirit has eluded us in part or in full, let us try to find it through God's injunction to Moses: "But you shall observe My Sabbaths." We will find that God's Sabbath reading becomes ours too.

H. L.

THANK YOU

Our thanks to our esteemed Trustee, Mr. Joseph E. Adler, for filling in last Saturday as Torah reader during Mr. Rosenberg's illness. Those who braved the snowstorm to come to the synagogue were rewarded with a beautiful reading.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO SECOND YEAR OF TALMUD EL-AM NOW AVAILABLE

First Year's Subscriptions can still be entered

We are happy to announce that this year once again the congregation will serve as a subscription center for the history-making publication of the Talmud El-Am. This is the unique edition of the Talmud which appears in pamphlet form — ten pamphlets per year — and which contains an excellent embellished English translation, together with the commentaries which are necessary for home study.

During the past year, close to 100 subscriptions were sold through the auspices of the congregation. This service is available to the readers of the Bulletin without profit. We are now ready to accept subscriptions for the second year of publication.

The second year, like the first, will offer part of the first Tractate of the Talmud, Berakhot. This Tractate deals with the services of prayer and the blessings which we recite daily and on special occasions.

The cost per subscription is \$13.00. This special price is made possible by the fact that all of the publications come to the synagogue address. The office then forwards the publication to the individual subscribers.

Those who did not take advantage of the year's publication can still do so at this time. The cost for the first year is also \$13.00. Please use the form which appears in this Bulletin; mail it to the synagogue office without delay so that the publications can reach you as they appear.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Michael M. Barany, Benjamin Bartel, Mrs. Al Feiner, William B. Fischberg, Bernard D. Fischman, Dezso Goldner, Dr. Frank Goodman, Mrs. Joseph Greenberg, Mrs. Louis M. Lipschutz, Dr. Moses Nussbaum, Henry Reinhold, Eugene R. Sarezky, Mrs. Samuel S. Silverstein, Mrs. Albert Wald and Albert A. Zuch.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Martin J. Haber, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard N. Stadin.

Get Well—

We were happy to learn that young Elliot Taffet, the son of our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Taffet, is coming along nicely following recent surgery. Many members of the congregation have asked about his progress. Thank God, he is well on his way to a fine recovery.

Congratulations—

We extend our hearty congratulations to Mr. Noam Shudofsky, our Youth Director and Ramaz School Administrator, upon his being granted a Principals License by the Jewish Education Committee. Mr. Shudofsky is a recent recipient of a second Masters Degree. He was granted a Master of Arts Degree in Secondary Guidance and Personnel Administration at New York University. He is presently a Doctoral Candidate in the field of Religious Education.

Condolences—

We extend our heartfelt condolences to our devoted member, Justin J. Bayer, upon the passing of his beloved mother, Frances Bayer.

We pray that the family will be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

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RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN ON LECTURE CIRCUIT

We are happy to note that our Associate Rabbi has been invited to a number of important lectures recently. Two weeks ago he spoke before some 600 persons at the bi-monthly meeting of the Metropolitan ORT Organization. This Sunday he will speak at the Men's Club breakfast meeting of the Lincoln Square Synagogue.

On March 6th he will participate in a symposium on "State and Religion in Israel," for the Baltimore district of the Zionist Organization of America. On the following night he will address the cultural meeting of Congregation Bet Torah, the Syrian Sephardic Congregation in Brooklyn.

ADULT INSTITUTE CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 10:00 A.M.

- Hebrew for Beginners
- Hebrew II
- Hebrew III

8:30 P.M.

Talmud Class

Tuesday, 10:00 A.M.

Advanced Hebrew

Wednesday, 8:00 P.M.

- El-Am Talmud
- Elementary Yiddish
- Cantillation

8:15 P.M.

Modern Hebrew Literature

PLEASE NOTE:

Because of the Sisterhood Luncheon Meeting, which will take place this Monday, February 27, the class on Studies in Judaism will not be held.

**JUNIOR CONGREGATION
Saturday, February 26th**

Cantors

- Craig Barany
- Claude Alpert
- Binyamin Shudofsky

Teenage Torah Reader
Steven Schacter

OF TOPICAL INTEREST

The sermon on "Humane Slaughter Legislation in the Offing," postponed because of the snow of last Saturday, will be delivered, please God, this coming Sabbath morning — rain or shine.

Many of our readers have no doubt noticed public announcements on this subject in the press. In fact, a determined campaign is now under way spearheaded by allegedly "humane" organizations. The issues, moreover, are somewhat clouded by a divergence of opinion in Jewish circles — specifically within the orthodox camp — on how to react to this latest challenge.

For these reasons, and others, the sermon period will be devoted this week to a pulpit briefing on this subject.

OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

JUDAICA EXHIBITION AND AUCTION

We have been informed of a fine exhibition and auction of Judaica, which will take place at the Parke-Bernet Galleries, 980 Madison Avenue, beginning with Friday, March 10th. The exhibition will continue on Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 11th, March 14th and 15th between the hours of 10:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. The auction will be held on Thursday afternoon, March 16th at 1:30 'clock.

The items on exhibition are from the personal collection of our devoted member, Herman Davidowitz. The selection includes paintings, Chanukah Menorahs, spice boxes, megillahs, jewelry, alm boxes, marriage contracts of old and many other ritual objects.

Why not take your children along when you attend the exhibition? It will be a source of great interest for them, as well as for you, to view the fine collection of religious articles.

Yahrzeits

February

- 25—BENJAMIN LEVY
- 25—SARAH ROTHENSTEIN
- 25—ISAAC ERNST
- 26—ISRAEL ETRA
- 26—ADOLPH BERNHARDT
- 26—PHILIP J. SPILKY
- 26—MILLIE KLAPPER
- 26—DAVID ISAAC ROSSANT
- 26—SIMON J. VOGEL
- 28—LEAH KATCHER
- 28—ISRAEL MANDELBAUM

March

- 1—JACOB FREEDMAN
- 1—NATHAN PODELL
- 1—ESTHER KEREW
- 2—LESTER NIGHTINGALE
- 2—IRA I. KAPLAN

SISTERHOOD NEEDIEST CASES

We acknowledge with thanks, a contribution to our Sisterhood Neediest Cases Fund by Mrs. Samuel Singer.

Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Joseph Roth, Chairman of the Neediest Cases Fund, 891 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021.

**MEMORIAL EVENING,
TUESDAY, MARCH 21st**

Invitations to the Memorial Evening, which will be held at our Synagogue on Tuesday evening, March 21st, have already been mailed to all members of the congregational family.

The evening has been set aside to memorialize amidst appropriate prayers, loved ones who have passed on.

For those who wish to order a memorial plaque, the price of which is \$250.00, a reservation form appears below.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES RESERVATION FORM

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles5:20
Evening5:20

SATURDAY

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall11:00

Weekly Portion: Ki Tissa

Exodus 30:11 - 34:35

Haftorah: I Kings 18:1 - 39

Evening5:30
Conclusion of Sabbath6:10

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
Sunday Morning8:30
Father and Son Minyan9:30
Evening5:20

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