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### FATHER AND SON MINYAN BEGINS 19th SEASON THIS SUNDAY

The Father and Son Minyan, sponsored by the Men's Club of the congregation, will begin its 19th season this Sunday morning at 9:30. The service will be held in the 6th floor chapel. As in the past, the Minyan will be under the supervision of Rabbi Haskel Lookstein. The Assistant Director of the Minyan for this year will be an alumnus of this program, David Kahn.

The program of the Minyan hardly needs elaboration in this Bulletin. It is well-known that it begins with a service from 9:30 to 10:30, follows with a breakfast until 11:00 and concludes with a gymnasium period which enables the boys to leave the building before 1:00 o'clock.

It is a balanced program in every respect. It provides necessary training for pre and post Bar Mitzvah boys in the daily service; it gives them an opportunity to learn about prayer and to experience it in an inspiring manner; it enables them to learn how to conduct a service as cantor; and it encourages the young people to come together, to eat together and to play together, under the auspices of the House of God. The opportunities offered for informal education in such a format are not to be overlooked.

Father and sons are invited to join us this Sunday morning at 9:30 for the opening session. We will be the guests at breakfast this week of the President of the Men's Club, Mr. Abraham R. Kirshon.

The Kehilath Jeshurun Men's Club

cordially invites its members and friends to attend

The Opening Forum Meeting of the Season

which will be held

This Thursday evening, November 9th, 8:30 o'clock

in the Assembly Hall of the Synagogue House

-Guest Speaker-



PINCHAS PELI

-Topic-

"THE SIX DAYS ARE OVER — BUT NO SABBATH YET"

Ladies Invited

A collation will be served

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

### WEEKLY PORTION NOAH "Priorities"

"God said to Noah: I have decided to put an end to all flesh, because the earth is filled with thievery because of them . . ." Our sages indicate that the Generation of the Flood was guilty of three prime sins. The first two were idol worship and unchastity while the third was petty thievery - including thefts which were too petty to be punished. Our sages indicate further, on the basis of the verse quoted above, that the decision by God to destroy life on earth was made not because of the first two sins, but rather because of the third (see Rashi's comment on Genesis 6:13).

Implicit in this Talmudic inference from the Biblical text is the high priority which Judaism places upon ethical values in society. Apparently the sins of idolatry and unchastity which are essentially of a personal nature, and the first of which touches only upon man's relationship with God, were not as decisive as was the social evil of dishonesty and disrespect for the property of one's fellow man. It was the breakdown in the *moral* order of society which brought God to the conclusion that he had to start all over again in populating the world.

The Torah implies, however, that idolatry and unchastity lead to social disorder. When man cannot discipline himself in the personal realm, he is incapable of self-control in the public sphere. When man does not entertain respect for the Father of all creation, he cannot place a proper value upon his brothers in creaturehood. In short, when the Fatherhood of God is denied, the brotherhood of man is in jeopardy.

There is a further implication to be drawn from this account which touches on the essence of Jewish belief. The way to ensure an ethical foundation for society is to develop in man a loyalty to a divine order. When man is responsive to the will of one God, he can then be trained to adhere to a uniform moral code. When he does not worship a plurality of divine forces, he may learn to eschew relative standards in social justice. When man becomes accustomed to following the ritual law precisely and scrupulously, he may then be capable of adhering to absolute principles of moral behavior. Such a man would no more engage in petty thievery — even of an un-punishable variety — than he would perpetrate grand larceny.

The creation of a new breed of human beings — of which Abraham will be the prototype — will result in the acceptance of one God and thence the assumption of one supreme moral standard.

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## RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN TO DISCUSS "THE CHOSEN" AT FIRST SISTERHOOD OPEN LUNCHEON MEETING ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th

The first open luncheon of the year for the Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood will be held in the newly-decorated social hall of the congregation, on Monday, November 13th, at 12:30 o'clock. Our guest for the afternoon will be Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, speaking on the current best-seller, "The Chosen," by Chaim Potok.

Our Assistant Rabbi, like the protagonists in the book, comes from a somewhat mixed spiritual background, with both Chassidic and "Misnagdic" strains. He was also known, in his youth, as a rather accomplished baseball player. It is from this varied background, therefore, that he will discuss Potok's book and the author's attempt to show the clash and resolution between the various worlds which are manifested within its pages.

We expect the afternoon to be an interesting and illuminating one, and a cordial invitation is extended by Mrs. Leon Feldman, President of the Sisterhood, to all members and friends to join the Sisterhood for the afternoon.

Ladies may wish to make note of the following dates for future Sisterhood gatherings:

> Friday night, November 24th Monday, December 18th Monday, January 22nd Saturday night, February 10th (Concert at Philharmonic Hall) Monday, February 26th Monday, March 25th Monday, April 29th Tuesday, May 7th (Annual Donor Luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria) Monday, May 20th

A full calendar describing all the events and meetings for the year has been sent to all members of the Sisterhood. Ladies who would like to receive this calendar are invited to communicate with the synagogue office.

We hope that the ladies of the congregation will participate fully in what promises to be a most stimulating and worthwhile season. They can begin by coming on Monday, November 13th.

### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to A. Milton Brown, Mrs. Julius Charnow, Mrs. Jules Gourary, Saul Linzer, Mrs. Ira W. Nadler, Mrs. Gabriel J. Robbins, Isidore Wassner, and Mrs. Isidore Wassner.

### Anniversaries—

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

#### Birth-

We extend our hearty congratulations to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silverstein, upon the birth of a son to their children, Dr. and Mrs. Norman Sohn.

May the new addition to the family be a source of joy and nachas at all times.

### Marriage-

We extend our hearty congratulations to our esteemed Trustee, Mr. Alexander Gross and Mrs. Gross upon the marriage of their daughter Alice to Mr. Leonard Smokler.

A hearty Mazel Tov to our esteemed Trustee, Mr. William Lebowitz and Mrs. Lebowitz upon the marriage of their son, Elliott, to Miss Flora Fogel. The wedding took place in Shreveport, Louisiana.

May the newlyweds be blessed with many years of happy married life.

### Get Well-

We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to the following members who are recuperating from recent illness: Mrs. Irma Jacoby, Debra Miller and Bertold Weinsberg.

### Condolences-

We record with sorrow the passing of our devoted members, Pauline Einstein and Rose B. Kolker.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to our devoted member, Mrs. Benjamin Bartel upon the passing of her beloved mother, Bessie Babich.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to our devoted member, Mrs. Saul Linzer, upon the passing of her beloved mother, Miriam Goldenheim.

We hope that the families will, henceforth, be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

#### Member in the News-

We congratulate our esteemed Trustee, Joseph H. Moss, upon his appointment as Chairman of the 60th Anniversary Jubilee of the Brooklyn Hebrew Home and Hospital for the Aged.

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### ADULT INSTITUTE WEEK

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15th

The following courses will begin sessions during the coming days.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6th 8:30 — 9:30 P.M.

The **Talmud Class**, studying the Tractate, Pesachim, continues its weekly sessions.

Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th 10:00 — 11:00 A.M.

The Intermediate Hebrew Class for women launches its fourth season of study. New students are invited.

Instructor: Mrs. Noam Shudofsky

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th 11:00 — 12:00 Noon

The **Studies in Judaism Class** for women begins its sessions in discussion Jewish philosophy and thought.

Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th 8:00 — 9:00 P.M.

Maimonides Code of Law

A Class in the study of the laws of the Preservation of Life as outlined by Maimonides.

Instructor: Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

(Fall semester only)

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### **BEGINNERS HEBREW**

A class in reading and simple speech for those who cannot read Hebrew. The goal is to be able to follow a synagogue service competently.

Instructor: Mrs. Charles Cohen
(Fall and spring semester)

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### MODERN HEBREW LITERATURE

A college level class, conducted in Hebrew, which will study Agnon and other authors.

Instructor: Pinchas Peli

(Fall and spring semesters)

### AM HASEFER PROGRAM A Jewish Book of the Month Club

This program, now in its seventh year, enables the registrants to meet four times a year, at six week intervals, to discuss a book of Jewish significance which they will have read during the preceding six weeks. Each morning will have a different discussion leader.

The books to be read this year are as follows:

### END OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE?

George Friedmann

Discussion Leader: Lawrence A. Kobrin

THE GATES OF THE FOREST

Elie Wiesel

Discussion Leader:

Mrs. Theodore R. Fink

TREASURY OF TRADITION

Discussion Leader:

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

THE PROMISED CITY

Moses Rischin

and

ORTHODOXY IN AMERICAN
JEWISH LIFE

Charles S. Liebman

Discussion Leader: Israel Friedman

Information concerning the dates and times of the meetings and the obtaining of all books will be sent to those who register for this program. Those interested in registering can do so by filling out the return card enclosed with the Adult Institute brochure or by writing or calling the Synagogue Office.

### LECTURE SERIES ON DIRECTIONS IN ORTHODOX JUDAISM ON THE AMERICAN SCENE

Lecture No. 1

Wednesday evening, November 15th, 9:00 o'clock
"THE IMPACT OF AMERICAN LIFE UPON ORTHODOX JUDAISM"

Lecturer: Dr. Charles S. Liebman

(Associate Professor of Political Science at Yeshiva University and the author of the celebrated sociological study of Orthodox Jewish life published first in the American Jewish Yearbook).

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### THANK YOU TO A GROUP OF PIONEERS

While the largest part of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun was engaged in fervent and spirited prayer in the Main Synagogue during the memorable High Holy Day season which has just been completed, a small group of pioneers from the congregation were helping to launch a new project which will become increasingly important to us in the years ahead.

We refer, of course, to the beautiful Auxiliary Services which were conducted in the specially furnished Auditorium of our Synagogue House. Some twenty members of the congregation and their families volunteered to worship at these services and thereby give this new effort its Kehilath Jeshurun character.

We are happy to report that the services in the Auditorium quickly became the talk of the entire congregation. That they were a fine spiritual parallel to the traditional services in the Main Synagogue was in no small way due to the efforts of the members of the congregation who worshipped this year at these new services.

We would like to make special mention of those who officiated at these services: Rabbi Mayer Moskowitz, who served as the Cantor and who chanted the Musaf and Kol Nidre prayers with exceptional religious feeling and in

such excellent taste; Joseph N. Friedman, who davented Shacharith and sounded the Shofar; Mordie Mann, who chanted the first part of the services; and George Baumgarten and Steven Gross, who read the Torah.

Our director of Youth Activities, Noam Shudofsky, is deserving of special praise. While Rabbi Haskel Lookstein was in the Main Synagogue during Musaf on Yom Kippur, Mr. Shudofsky conducted the entire Musaf service with all of its traditional Kehilath Jeshurun features in a most impressive manner.

A final word of thanks to the members of the congregation who presided as the lay leaders of the service. In the order of their presiding they were:

> Isaac E. Okun Samuel Singer Elgin Shulsky Eugene Hollander Harry W. Baumgarten Joseph Lorch

The services in our Auditorium this year exceeded our fondest hopes. We have every reason to expect that as the congregation continues to grow in the years to come, this service will continue to be an important and accepted fixture of the spiritual program of Kehilath Jeshurun.

### KIDDUSH SPONSORS

The kiddush this Saturday will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silverstein in celebration of the birth of a son to their children, Dr. and Mrs. Norman Sohn.

The kiddush on Saturday, October 28th, was sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gross in honor of the wedding of their daughter Alice to Mr. Leonard Smokler.

### SISTERHOOD NEEDIEST CASES

We acknowledge with thanks contributions to our Sisterhood Neediest Cases Fund from Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, Mrs. Morris Morgenstern and Mrs. Samuel Zuckerman.

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

### YOUNG MARRIEDS TO OPEN SEASON SATURDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 11th

Albert H. Bernstein, President of the Young Marrieds Group of the congregation, has announced that the opening meeting of the group for this season will be held on Saturday night, November 11th, at 8:30 o'clock, in the auditorium of the synagogue house.

The reason for the special location of this meeting can be found in the special nature of the meeting itself. The feature of the evening will be Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein's slide lecture entitled: "Israel from a New Perspective." This lecture was originally given in early September while many of the members of the Young Marrieds Group were still away from the city. Because of the many requests, the Looksteins are giving a return performance.

Due to the special nature of the program, the meeting will be open, not only to members of the Young Marrieds Group, but also to young married couples whom they might wish to bring as their guests. Members are asked to inform Brenda Bernstein at UN 1-5222 in the event that they wish to bring a guest couple or couples.

A collation will be served as part of the evening's program.

### JUNIOR CONGREGATION Saturday, November 4th

#### Cantors

Craig Barany Binyamin Shudofsky Allan Friedman Henry Zimet

### Teenage Torah Reader Alvin Smilow

### Sermonette

Jerold Berkowitz

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We congratulate Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein upon his recent appointment as a member of the New York Coalition.

The Coalition, whose purpose is to deal with the varied needs of our expanding city, is comprised of leading representatives in the fields of education, industry, commerce and the clergy.

We are proud that our Rabbi was chosen as a member of this important committee.

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION -Kashruth News-

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### LECTURE BY PINCHAS PELI THIS THURSDAY EVENING TO LANUCH MEN'S CLUB SEASON

Pinchas Peli, a leading figure in Israel's literary and intellectual life, will deliver the first forum lecture of the season for the Men's Club of the congregation, this coming Thursday evening, November 9th, at 8:30 o'clock, in the auditorium of the synagogue house. His topic will be: "The Six Days Are Over — But No Sabbath Yet."

Mr. Peli, known throughout Israel as both a popular and erudite lecturer and thinker, has been Editor-in-Chief of Panim el Panim, a pictorial weekly in Israel, since the founding of that weekly in 1957. The magazine has come to be known as Israel's "Life Magazine."

The author of two collections of

short stories, two books of poetry and a volume of essays, Mr. Peli has also been Literary Editor of "Mosad Harav Kook," a major research and publishing center of Israel. Mr. Peli is currently on a one-year appointment to the faculty of Yeshiva University. He is an extremely creative thinker, possessed of exceptional wit and humor, and known for his perceptive insights into Israel's life and thought.

The topic which he has chosen for his lecture speaks for itself. We know that his talk will be both enjoyable and instructive. A cordial invitation is extended to all men and women to attend the lecture and to remain for the collation and social hour which will follow.

### The Kehilath Jeshurun Men's Club

Annual Theatre Party

"HOW NOW, DOW JONES"

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### **FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles .....4:30 Evening .....4:45

### SATURDAY, SHABBAT ROSH CHODESH

Morning ......9:00 Junior Congregation ......10:15 Pre-School Service Dining Hall .....11:00

> **Weekly Portion: Noah** Genesis 6:9 - 11:32

Numbers 28:9 - 15

Haftorah: Isaiah 66:1 - 24

Evening ......4:40 Conclusion of Sabbath .....5:20

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	8:30
Father and Son Minyan	9:30
Evening	4:40

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- 7-SAMUEL GRODGINSKY
- 7-ANNA HELFER
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### K. J. CALENDAR

### SUNDAY 9:30

Season's first session of the Father and Son Minyan

#### 10:00

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

MONDAY 8:30 P.M.

Talmud Class

### WEDNESDAY **Adult Institute Classes** 8:00

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### **THURSDAY** 8.30

Men's Club Opening Forum Meeting Guest Speaker: Mr. Pinchas Peli

### COMING EVENTS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13th Sisterhood Open Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15th

Adult Institute Lecture

**Guest Speaker:** Dr. Charles S. Liebman



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