

# Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin



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## DEPUTY MAYOR OF JERUSALEM TO HIGHLIGHT THANKSGIVING DAY PROGRAM THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER, 23rd

### Zamir Chorale To Present Musical Renditions

We are happy to announce that this year's Thanksgiving Day program will be dedicated to the historic events of the past year. We will not only give thanks for all the usual blessings with which we are endowed, but we will also express our special gratitude for the deliverance of the State of Israel from danger last June, and for the restoration to Israel of the entire City of Jerusalem and the rest of the West Bank of the Jordan.

In keeping with this special character of our Thanksgiving Day program, we will have a revised order of readings and prayers. A special booklet is now in preparation, which we hope will capture the unique spirit of our times.

#### Special Guests —

We have invited as our guest speaker for the program, Hon. Shear Yashuv Cohen, the Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem. The title of his address will be: "Jerusalem the Golden — Today and Tomorrow."

In order to lend a further festive note to the occasion, we have also invited the Zamir Chorale to render a number of appropriate selections for this program. This celebrated choral group under the direction of Stanley Sperber, is composed of 110 young men and women from college and

graduate schools. The group has recently returned from a summer in Israel, where their musical renditions were acclaimed enthusiastically by the Israeli public.

Our Thanksgiving Day program will, of course, be conducted by the

Rabbis of the congregation and Cantor Cohen. It begins on Thursday morning, November 23rd, at 11:00 o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this year's program and to offer thanks in concert for the many things for which we are all grateful.

### *The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood*

cordially invites its members and friends to attend

### *The Opening Luncheon Meeting of the Season*

which will be held

**This Monday afternoon, November 13th, 12:30 o'clock**

in the Social Hall of the Synagogue House

**RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN**

will speak on the current best seller

**"THE CHOSEN" by Chaim Potok**

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

**RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SABBATH AT 11:00 A.M.**





## THE WEEKLY PORTION

### LECH LECHA

#### "Giving a Life or Devoting a Life"

Our sages in the Talmud conceived of the life of our forefather, Abraham, as being highlighted by ten tests of his faith. God administered ten "nisyonot" to him, designed to demonstrate his trust in, and loyalty to, Him.

The first of these opens this week's portion and is contained in the words "Lech lecha" — "go forth from your father's house and your birthplace to the land which I will show you." The last, too, was introduced by the words "Lech lecha" — "go forth to Mt. Moriah and bind your son upon the altar to be offered there as a sacrifice."

Now, we are aware of the fact that the Midrash describes a trial prior to the first "Lech lecha", namely, the readiness of Abraham to be cast into a fiery furnace in his homeland rather than renounce his faith in one God. Why do our sages seemingly overlook this crucible test and consider that the first real trial began with "Go forth?"

One observer answers this question in a most instructive manner. Our sages do not consider the fiery furnace to be a test because that merely calls for giving up one's life for God. The true religious test begins with "Go forth" and calls not for **giving up** one's life for religion but rather for **devoting** one's life to religion.

The truest test of man's religious posture is in his ability to devote his entire life to God, to dedicate his entire being to religion, to demonstrate an ongoing, all-pervasive and all-encompassing commitment to goodness and righteousness. Such a test is reflected in the Divine command, "Hithalech l'fanai v'heye tamim," "go forth before me and live perfectly."

All of us, under a momentary stimulus, are capable of reacting with greatness and nobility. If we needed any proof of this we have only to look back to the recent period of adversity in Israel. But reacting well in times of stress is not the distinguishing characteristic of the descendants of Abraham. Our greatest pride should come from our ability to react nobly and religiously, not only when the chips are down, but when the normal patterns of life obtain.

To be ready to give up one's life in an emergency is praiseworthy. To be committed to devoting one's life to God and to His ways at all times, however is the true test of one's Jewish identity.

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## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Benjamin Bartel, Victor Binstock, Mrs. Israel Cummings, Mrs. Louis Etra, Mrs. Joseph S. Gruss, Philip Jadek, Alfred Kahn, Frederick Margareten, Bernard Podell, Dr. Martin Schub, Mrs. Herman Smilow, Mrs. Sam Taffet and Dr. Frederick Zuckerman.

### Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Max Backer, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Citron, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kahn, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Reinhold, Mr. and Mrs. Saul L. Rosenbluth and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sigall.

### Births—

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Klein, upon the birth of a daughter to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Klein.

We extend hearty congratulations to our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Freezer, upon the birth of a daughter. Our hearty Mazel Tov wishes to the proud grandparents, our esteemed Trustee, Nathan Salzman and Mrs. Salzman.

### Engagement—

We extend our hearty congratulations to our devoted member, Herbert N. Abrams, upon his engagement to Miss Carolyn Weiss. Mazel Tov wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Abrams on the happy event.

### Communal Leadership—

We are proud to announce the election of our devoted member and Vice President of the Men's Club, Martin R. Rochlin, as President of the Jewish Lawyers Guild. He was officially installed in office at the Annual Dinner of the organization last week.

### Condolences—

We record with sorrow the passing of our devoted member, Bernard Breitbart, the beloved father of our esteemed member, Mrs. Joseph Schlang.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to our esteemed member, Max J. Etra, upon the passing of his beloved mother, Hannah Etra.

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

You, and your friends are cordially invited to attend

## *An Open Lecture*

**This Wednesday evening, November 15th, 9:00 o'clock**

in the Social Hall of the Synagogue House

The First Lecture in the Series

**"DIRECTIONS IN ORTHODOX JUDAISM ON THE AMERICAN SCENE"**

—Guest Speaker—

**DR. CHARLES S. LIEBMAN**

—Topic—

**"THE IMPACT OF AMERICAN LIFE UPON ORTHODOX JUDAISM"**

—All Are Welcome—

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



## NEWS FROM AN ARMY CAMP

We note with satisfaction the news from Fort Jackson, South Carolina, that Private Stephen Texon, son of Dr. and Mrs. Meyer Texon, officiated as cantor at services on Yom Kippur. The following is a brief excerpt from a letter of his which speaks for itself:

"Thank God I was able to observe the latter days of Sukkot in the proper manner. My friend, Charles Kleinhaus, (a Ramaz High School graduate) and I ran the services. I have never felt so committed to Judaism before and, perhaps, it took an Army situation to elicit this feeling. I am grateful that I am not a Jew by habit, accident or compulsion, but a Jew by the deepest convictions."

Those of us who have heard Stephen officiate at services on youth Sabbaths and chant the prophetic portion in our synagogue know the kind of feeling and talent that he displayed at Fort Jackson. We all pray for his welfare.

## KIDDUSH SPONSORS

The kiddush this Saturday will be sponsored by Mrs. Reuben Westerman in celebration of the recovery of her husband from recent illness.

## SISTERHOOD HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks recent contributions to our Sisterhood Happy Day Fund from: Mrs. Samuel Gross, Mrs. George Jacobs, Mrs. Morris Morgenstern, Mrs. Rita Shulman, Mrs. Elgin Shulsky, Mrs. A. Strauss, Mrs. I. Wachter and Mrs. Robert Wallach.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasions with others by making a contribution to the Sisterhood Happy Day Fund.

Contributions should be sent to the Chairmen of the Happy Day Fund, Mrs. Harry Heyman, 120 East 81st Street or Mrs. Leon Spilky, 1160 Park Avenue.

## MARKING A FAMILY EVENT?

Many members of the congregation follow the practice of marking a family milestone by sponsoring a Sabbath kiddush or a Father and Son Minyan breakfast.

In so doing, other members of the congregational family participate with the celebrant in marking the event.

Please be good enough to contact the Synagogue Office if you wish to sponsor a Sabbath Kiddush or a Father and Son Minyan. We will be happy to notify you of the dates that are available.

## OVER 160 REGISTER IN ADVANCE FOR ADULT INSTITUTE COURSES

As this Bulletin goes to press, we are just about to begin the Fall Semester of the Kehilath Jeshurun Adult Institute. There are already 160 registrants who indicated their intentions to attend classes in our Institute this year.

It is anticipated that within the next week additional students will register, and bring our roles to over 200.

The wide interest displayed in the course offerings in our Adult Institute this year is most gratifying. It indicates that the statement of the Chairman of the Adult Education Committee, Mordie Mann, is correct: "There is a course in our Adult Institute which meets the needs of each member of the congregational family. It is only necessary for the member to understand the need and to act accordingly."

Although some of our classes have already begun, it is not too late to register and to attend the course of

your choice. We reprint below the Adult Institute calendar for the coming week and we invite you to attend the course of your choice:

## Monday morning —

10:00-11:00—Intermediate Hebrew

11:00-12:00—Studies in Judaism  
(a women's class)

## Monday evening —

7:30-8:30—(Special time for this week only) Talmud class

## Wednesday evening —

8:00-9:00—Maimonides' Code  
Beginners' Hebrew  
Modern Hebrew Literature

9:00-10:00—Lecture Series

Dr. Charles Liebman on:

"The Impact of American Life upon Orthodox Judaism."

## MEN'S CLUB FATHER AND SON MINYAN

The Father and Son Minyan got off to its nineteenth season at its first service of the year this past Sunday. The service was attended by over sixty men and boys, including a fine contingent from the Cub Pack, sponsored by the Ramaz Parents Council.

The cantors at the first service were; George Blumenthal, Aaron Holzer, Wayne Kadis, Robert Nelson.

The breakfast was sponsored by the President of the Men's Club, Abraham R. Kirshon.

The next Minyan will be held this coming Sunday morning at 9:30. The cantors will be; Barry Apfelbaum, Craig Barany, George Blumenthal and Lewis Trencher.

The breakfast will be sponsored by Ira E. Westerman.

A cordial invitation is extended to all men and boys to attend this second service of the year for the Father and Son Minyan and to remain for the breakfast and gym period which will follow.

## THE YOUNG MARRIEDS GROUP

of the congregation

will hold its opening meeting  
of the season

This Saturday night, Nov. 11th,  
8:30 o'clock

in the Auditorium of the  
Synagogue House

—Program—

Slide lecture entitled  
"ISRAEL FROM A NEW  
PERSPECTIVE"

Presented by

Rabbi and Mrs. HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

## JUNIOR CONGREGATION

Saturday, November 11th

## Cantors

Allan Friedman  
Craig Barany  
Ronald Deutsch

## Teenage Torah Reader

Joseph Low

## Sermonette

Binyamin Shudofsky



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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES****FRIDAY**

Lighting of Candles ..... 4:25  
Evening ..... 4:30

**SATURDAY**

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

**Weekly Portion: Lech Lecha**

Genesis 12:1 - 17:27

**Haftorah: Isaiah 40:27 - 41:16**

Evening ..... 4:30  
Conclusion of Sabbath ..... 5:15

**WEEKDAY SERVICES**

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



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12—JETTY WASSNER  
13—ESTHER FELDMAN  
13—KATHARINA WEISS  
13—MORRIS GOODMAN  
13—ARNOLD WEISS  
14—MORRIS WEISS  
14—MORDECAI YAAKOV BARTH  
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15—SAMUEL LEVY  
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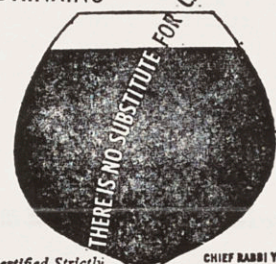
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