

**STRONG RESPONSE TO APPEAL
FOR THE MINYAN**

We are happy to report that the article in our last issue of the Bulletin as well as a special letter to the membership from Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein elicited a very strong response from the Kehilath Jeshurun family in support of our daily minyan.

Many members have sent in their reply cards enlisting in a week of Jewry duty and, in some cases, volunteering to serve an additional week. The result was immediately recognizable in our daily services last week which averaged over 25 worshippers every morning.

It was truly a heartwarming response to a cold weather appeal. We are most grateful to the respondents and we urgently request that the other members of the congregation follow this excellent example.

There is a form in this Bulletin which we ask you to clip out and return to Mr. Rosenberg at the synagogue office indicating that you will serve a particular week of Jewry duty. Please do not delay in responding. Let us all work together to enhance the morning services and to warm up the spiritual climate on these cold winter days.

We look forward to hearing from each and every member of Kehilath Jeshurun in this sacred matter.

In the adjoining box, are the members who served a term of Jewry duty during the past two weeks.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTES TEMPORARY
REDUCTION IN COST OF CEMETERY PLOTS**

At its January meeting, the Board of Trustees of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun voted a temporary reduction in the current price of plots on the cemetery grounds of the congregation in Mount Carmel and on Beth-El. The purpose of this policy which will be in effect only for a few months is to make it possible for members of the congregation and the community to acquire a plot more reasonably and, in that way, to plan intelligently for the future.

A Touchy Subject

Planning for the purchase of cemetery plottage is often considered too touchy a subject for consideration. Many families wait until a death occurs before taking care of such a matter. This pattern is almost traditional in Jewish history. It was manifested by the first Jew, Abraham, who only after the passing of his wife Sarah looked about for a final resting place for the members of his family. We all know how the unscrupulous Efron, the Hittite, took advantage of our forefather at such a time.

JEWRY BOX

Jed Abraham, Louis Ehrenberg, William Fastenberg, Herman Gimbel, Samuel Goodman, Harry Green, Harry Heyman, Robert R. Heyman, Joseph Hostyk, Philip Jadek, Alfred Kahn, Irving Levine, and Edward Low.

This pattern has been repeated throughout history and is reflected in the behaviour of many families today. The result is a good deal of anguish, high pressure salesmanship practiced at the moment when the purchaser is least able to think rationally and a consequent making of many mistakes, most of which are irreversible.

Kehilath Jeshurun would like to afford families who can face the inevitable with rationality the opportunity to plan in advance for their eventual needs. We maintain beautiful grounds in Queens on Mount Carmel, a cemetery with a long and historic tradition in the New York Jewish community. We also maintain a large new area in Beth-El Cemetery in nearby New Jersey (fifteen minutes from the Bridge).

Both grounds are maintained with reverence and dignity in keeping with the tradition of a congregation which is almost one hundred years old. The cost of plottage is moderate and, for the next few months, even more attractive for those who wish to take advantage of the opportunity.

Within the next few days you will be receiving a questionnaire from the Committee on Memorials which will help us to ascertain the needs of the congregational family in this area. In the meantime, if there is any information which you desire, please call Mr. Rosenberg at the synagogue office.

**RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SATURDAY AT 11:00 A.M.
"AND MIRIAM WENT FORTH..." COMMENTS ON THE LIBERATED WOMAN**

A WORD ABOUT "KOSHER" LETTUCE

(I am indebted to a distinguished friend of mine in the Orthodox Rabbinate, Rabbi Irving Greenberg of the Riverdale Jewish Center, for bringing the item described below to my attention.)

It is not often that an observant Jew can bring his tradition to bear directly upon a poignant human problem. One such opportunity came up a year or so ago when the Jewish community — including Orthodox spokesmen — encouraged Jewish wine companies to avoid the purchase of grapes grown in California under exploitative conditions for the migrant workers there. In part as a result of the pressure exerted by the Jewish community, this situation was corrected and Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers Union won a new contract, featuring decent human working conditions.

A new situation has now arisen of a similar nature. It involves iceberg lettuce which is also harvested by migrant workers in California under intolerable conditions: long hours, low pay and unnecessary exposure of men, women and children to pesticides which are hazardous to health. The lettuce growers have tried to evade the issue by signing contracts with the Teamsters Union. The Farm Workers Union has called these "sweetheart contracts", designed to forestall genuine improvements.

It is told of the great Chassidic sage and saint, Rabbi Simcha Bunim, that he once visited a matzo factory and saw the workers there being exploited. "God", he exclaimed, "the gentiles

falsely accuse us in a vicious libel of using the blood of gentiles in our matzo. That is false. But we do spill Jewish blood into our matzo — the blood of the exploited workers." He thereupon issued a most unusual ruling. He declared the matzo produced under exploitative conditions as being "forbidden food", i.e. non-kosher.

You see, then, that lettuce too can be kosher or non-kosher. Without making any declaration in this matter, might I suggest that kosher Jewish homes avoid the use of the lettuce described above. It is possible to purchase lettuce with a union label. The label is a black Aztec eagle which appears on the lettuce wrapping or on the crate in which the lettuce was packed. About 25% of the lettuce on the market is so labelled. It should be asked for in your supermarket.

A Dividend for Israel

It might be of interest for our readers to learn that Cesar Chavez, the leader in this struggle for working conditions, has also been a devoted friend of Israel. His support is particularly welcome because as a Mexican-American he enjoys considerable prestige in "Third World" and in Leftist circles which have been quite susceptible to Arab propaganda. It is important that friends who support us in our struggles should be encouraged in their battles for human values.

Here, then, is a chance to strike a noble blow for kashrut. Buy kosher lettuce — and ask for it specifically where you shop! H. L.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Week of February 6th - 12th

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Abraham Silver, Mrs. Joseph N. Friedman, Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Abe Newborn, Adolph Citron, Adolph Levy, Dr. Samuel Stromberg, Ralph Perlberger, Oscar Perlberger, Dr. Meyer Shapiro, Mrs. Joshua S. Deutsch, Maks L. Birnbach, Joseph A. Perlman, and Mrs. Victor Binstock.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Markson, Dr. and Mrs. David Weisselberger, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mandelker, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Linzer, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lefkowitz.

Week of February 13th - 19th

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Roy E. Abraham, Mrs. Alvin Katz, Edward Lebowitz, Mrs. Adolph Citron, Alexander Lichtman, Maurice N. Jaffe,

Mrs. Alex Herbst, and Mrs. Samuel L. Zuckerman.

Birth—

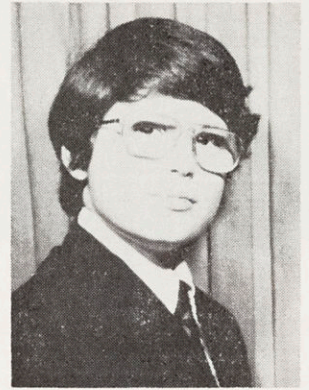
Mazel Tov and all good wishes to our new members Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gorfinkle upon the birth of their first child, a son. May the new arrival be a source of joy and pride to his parents and grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, Chupah and Ma'asim Tovim. Mrs. Gorfinkle is the former Elaine Waldman, for many years an outstanding teacher of mathematics at Ramaz.

Retroactive Congratulations—

We are happy to extend good wishes and a hearty mazel tov to two new members of the congregation who were special celebrants at the twin Bar Mitzvah held in our synagogue last Shabbat. We refer to the proud grandmother of the Isaac boys, Mrs. Fannie Schimmel and to the

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BAR MITZVAH



STEVEN MARC BERKOWITZ

Congratulations and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Berkowitz upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son Steven which will take place at services in our synagogue on Saturday, February 13th.

Mazel tov wishes are also extended to our esteemed President, Mr. Harry W. Baumgarten and to Mrs. Baumgarten, the proud uncle and aunt of the Bar Mitzvah.

Steven, a fine student in Form II at Ramaz, will chant the entire portion from the Torah as well as the Prophetic portion at our services. The entire congregation will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Berkowitz at Kiddush following services.

BOYS SHABBAT GROUPS CHANGE SCHEDULE

Effective this Saturday our two boys youth groups will be meeting at different times. The older group will now meet at 2:30 and the younger group will meet at 3:30.

In Memoriam

JACOB J. ROSENBLUM

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun mourns the passing of one of its distinguished members of long standing. Mr. Rosenblum was a brilliant lawyer, a fine gentleman and a wonderful Jew.

Perhaps his happiest hours were spent in our House of God, wrapped in a Talit and engaged in prayer with almost a Chassidic fervor. He had the kind of concentration in prayer and the love for it which were the envy of many of his fellow worshippers.

We will miss his warmth, his smiling countenance and his great love for Judaism. May God console Mrs. Rosenblum and her children among all of us who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

SISTERHOOD OPEN MEETING

The Open Meeting of the Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood held on January 25th in the Social Hall of the Synagogue House was highly successful. The unusually large turn-out attested to the exceptional interest in the special program.

Dr. Maurice E. Chernowitz, Professor of Fine Arts at Yeshiva University, lectured and showed slides on the "Art of the Renaissance." The audience was fascinated by his interesting and knowledgeable discussion of a number of outstanding artists of the period. A question and answer period followed the lecture.

The second lecture in this series, "Art of the 19th Century" will be held on Monday, March 22nd. Refreshments will be served at 12:30 with the lecture beginning at 1:00.

All ladies are invited.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION TO SEE METS PLAY

All regular participants in our Junior Congregation services will be invited to be the guests of the congregation on Sunday, May 23rd to see the New York Mets play the Atlanta Braves.

For those youngsters who have not been attending services regularly there is still opportunity to be invited by becoming a regular "davener" at our Junior Congregation Service. These services take place each Saturday morning at 10:15 A.M. in the synagogue chapel.

TU B'SHEVAT

Tu B'Shevav which falls on Wednesday, February 10th is the Jewish Arbor Day also called the New Year of Trees. It is customary that on this day we eat a new fruit.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR MORNING SERVICES

Please note that on Friday, February 12th and Monday, February 15th — both legal holidays — our morning services will be held at 8:30 o'clock.

RIVERSIDE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

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A Note About Women's Attire in the Synagogue

Recent changes in the style of women's attire warrant a serious word on our part concerning the appropriate dress for synagogue worship.

What may be proper — and even flattering — attire for a dinner party or for a sporty occasion is not necessarily appropriate in the House of God. Recently, a few worshippers — usually, guests at a simcha — have introduced improper styles of dress in the synagogue.

May we, therefore, ask specifically that women worshippers abstain from wearing any kind of pants-suit at services. May we also remind married women that Jewish law requires that they cover their hair when in the synagogue.

We trust that all will understand the spirit in which these comments are made and that all will comply with these simple requests.

Reserve the Following Dates

for the Sunday Supper Lecture Series

Sunday, March 7th

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

Subject: "CAN JUDAISM CHANGE?"

An Orthodox Answer to an Unorthodox Question

Sunday, March 28th

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein

Subject: "WHO IS A JEW?"

Suppers at 6:00 P.M.

Lectures to Follow

Sponsors: The Sisterhood

The Men's Club

The Couples Club

The Adult Institute

ADULT INSTITUTE SCHEDULE

The following is the class schedule for the next two weeks:

Shabbat

8:00 A.M.

Chumash and Rashi I

4:30 P.M.

Chumash and Rashi II

Mondays

11:00 A.M.

Studies in Judaism

8:30 P.M.

Talmud Class

Sunday evening, February 7th

8:00 P.M.

Seminar in Modern Jewish Thought

in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. David

Rosen, 1185 Park Avenue.

There will be no classes on Monday, February 15th.

Dear Mr. Rosenberg:

I agree to serve for a week of Jewry Duty beginning with Sunday morning,

.....and ending with Friday morning,

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, February 5th

Lighting of Candles5:00
Evening5:10

SATURDAY, Shabbat Shirah

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation.....10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall11:00

Weekly Portion: Beshalah
Exodus 13:17 - 17:16

Haftorah: Judges 4:4-5:31

Evening5:10
Conclusion of Sabbath5:50

FRIDAY, February 12th

Lighting of Candles5:05
Evening5:15

SATURDAY

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation.....10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall11:00

Weekly Portion: Yitro
Exodus 18:1-20:23

Haftorah: Isaiah 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6

Evening5:20
Conclusion of Sabbath6:04

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
Sunday Morning8:30
Father and Son Minyan9:30
Evening5:15

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The Kiddush this coming Sabbath morning will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lebowitz in honor of the birth of a grandchild.

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6—Herman Feder
7—Hannah Breindel Rokeach
7—Joseph Corak
7—Dr. Nathan Berkowitz
8—Leona Abrams
8—Mary Devora Kleiman
8—Charles Marcus
9—Samuel Galler
9—Dora Miller
9—Benjamin Gottfried
9—Rosa Salzinger
9—Fannie Lewittes
9—Henry Hauer
10—Eliezer Gross
10—Harris Mandelbaum
11—Rebecca Colvin
12—Fanny Debrovner
12—Gussie Poust
12—Max Kessler
12—Rebecca Bookbinder
13—David Goldstein
13—Sarah Wroblewski
14—Minnie Katz

15—Emma Schlinger
15—Joseph Gottschalk
15—Fannie Shientag
15—Rose Gelfand
15—Philip Citron
15—Abraham J. Reinstein
16—Julius Hebold
16—Hanna Fischel
16—Jenny Marmer
16—Julius Hebold
16—Hyman Glassman
17—Toby Theresa Goldman
17—Rebecca Jacobs
17—Tillie Cohen
18—Isaac Claman
18—Jacob Levy
18—Aaron Hyman
18—Sari Joseph
18—Jennie Sorock
18—Moses Aaron Alpert
19—Joseph Weinstein
19—Miriam Golden
19—Benjamin Brown
19—Yetta B. Levey
19—Isaac Lieberman
19—Jacob Aaron Goldblatt
19—Leonard Breslow
19—Benjamin Brown

Within Our Family (Cont'd)

equally proud and matchless great-grandmother of the twins, Mrs. Jennie Shapiro. Congratulations also to the great-granduncle and aunt, our esteemed members Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fink.

May the whole family enjoy many more happy occasions in the future.

Communal Honors—

Congratulations to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. David Goldberg, upon the honor which was paid to Mrs. Goldberg's son, Marvin Bienenfeld. Mr. Bienenfeld was the guest of honor at the Annual Dinner of the Hebrew Institute of Boro Park which was held in the Hotel Americana.

Congratulations and all good wishes to Andrew Fier upon his election to the presidency of the Hebrew Institute for the Deaf, a fine school which gives a Jewish and general education to Jewish children who are hard of hearing.

Similar good wishes to our esteemed Trustee E. David Rosen upon his acceptance of the post of dinner chairman for the fifth annual dinner of the Hebrew Institute which will be held at the Hotel Biltmore on March 28th.

We hope that the work of these two members of our congregation will bear fruits for this worthy institution.

Get Well—

We extend our heartiest wishes for a Refuah Sh'laimah to our member Joseph Rossant who is at present in Mount Sinai Hospital. We hope he will be restored to good health very shortly.

Condolence—

We express our fullest condolences to Mrs. James Clark upon the passing of her beloved father, Rubin Fried. We pray that God may spare her further sorrow for many years to come.

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