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### NINETY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING FEATURES CENTENARY PROCLAMATION, RE-ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The Ninety-Ninth Annual Meeting of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun was held in the Auditorium on Tuesday evening, May 4th. A capacity crowd filled the Auditorium for the occasion.

The evening was marked by the unanimous adoption of a special resolution concerning the one hundredth anniversary of the congregation. The resolution which was presented by Irwin B. Robins, and adopted by acclamation, reads as follows:

#### CENTENNIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the year 5732 on the Jewish Calendar, corresponding to the year 1972 on the general calendar, marks the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, and

WHEREAS, Kehilath Jeshurun has for an entire century maintained itself as a congregation, loyal to the traditions of Israel and faithful to the rituals and practices of the Jewish religion as prescribed by the Shulchan Aruch, the official repository of Jewish Law, and

WHEREAS, Kehilath Jeshurun has throughout its history taught and encouraged its members and worshippers to live in accordance with the directives of our faith, to be ever responsive to the needs of the Jewish people everywhere and to practice justice and mercy to all the children of man, and

WHEREAS, Kehilath Jeshurun has always sought to inspire its entire religious fellowship with love for the ancestral Homeland of the Jewish people and with allegiance to the princi-

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ples and institutions of American Democracy, and

WHEREAS, Kehilath Jeshurun has continuously dedicated its major efforts and energies to the cause of Jewish education, by establishing the Ramaz School, the first and foremost congregation-sponsored Day School in America, and by maintaining afternoon and evening religious classes for old and young, and

WHEREAS, Kehilath Jeshurun through the religious pattern that it has set has provided a model for other congregations and has thus helped to advance the prestige and influence of Traditional Judaism in the American and world Jewish Community,

THEREFORE, be it resolved:

That the year 5732 on the Jewish calendar be declared the Centennial Year of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and that commencing with the High Holy Days of that year, a series of events be planned for the appropriate celebration of the Centennial.

That during the course of the year scholars and other personalities of world renown should be invited to present to our congregation learned addresses on Traditional Judaism and on a variety of subjects that are of interest and concern to modern Jewry.

That a historian of note be commissioned to write a history of Kehilath Jeshurun so that the record of the congregation, and of the American Jewish community of which it was a part, may be preserved for posterity.

That a Centennial Fund be collected, the proceeds of which should be used to make necessary improvements and alterations in our synagogue structure and to further beautify our House of God, and to provide the material resources whereby the mortgage debt of the synagogue may be reduced or liquidated.

As we proclaim the Centennial of Kehilath Jeshurun, we offer our gratitude to Almighty God who inspired the founders of this congregation a century ago with wisdom and idealism. We reverently offer our thanks to our Heavenly Father for the bounty and goodness that He bestowed upon us over the years. We invoke His benediction upon ourselves and upon our children, and upon those who will come after them. May His presence never depart from our midst.

ברוך שהחינו וקימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה

Blessed be He who gave us life and preserved us and enabled us to reach this day.

#### **Election of Officers**

Mr. Hyman I. Bucher, Chairman of the Nominations Committee of the congregation, presented the present Officers for re-election to their respective offices. Harry W. Baumgarten, Nathan Salzman, Martin R. Rochlin and Edward Low were elected unanimously. Mr. Baumgarten then read a moving Pres-

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#### Elections (Cont'd)

idential Report in which he reviewed the achievements of the past year and gave a glimpse into some of the possibilities for the one hundredth anniversary.

Mr. Hyman I. Bucher, on behalf of the Nominations Committee, presented the following Trustees for election to a three year term:

Hyman I. Bucher Harry Etra Alexander Gross Eugene Hollander Benjamin Kaufman Isaac E. Okun Martin R. Rochlin E. David Rosen Irwin Shapiro Dr. Meyer Texon

Mr. Ira F. Weisman was elected as Honorary Trustee for life.

#### **New Members Inducted**

One of the special highlights of the Annual Meeting was the induction of new members. The following families were presented by Mr. William Lebowitz, Chairman of the Membership Committee:

Mr. and Mrs. Neil H. Brenner Mr. and Mrs. Alex Boyar Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bryskin Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Burak Mrs. Harry Burak Mr. and Mrs. Charles Censor Mr. and Mrs. Philip Daffner Mr. and Mrs. Herman Elfenbein Mr. and Mrs. Alfred M. Frankel Dr. and Mrs. Harry Goldin Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gorfinkle Mr. and Mrs. Isaac J. Hazan Dr. and Mrs. Norman Kaplan Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kleinhaus Mr. Herbert Lukashok Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Messeloff Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Reinhardt Mr. and Mrs. David Revasch Miss Helen J. Rosenblum Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rubinstein Mr. and Mrs. Allen Santocki Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Sarnoff Mr. and Mrs. David Scheinfeld Mrs. Fannie Schimmel Mrs. Jennie Shapiro Dr. Michael Sigall Mr. and Mrs. Shamai Simon Mr. and Mrs. Jerome L. Stern Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Tanz Dr. and Mrs. Felix Wroblewski

#### **Anniversary Celebrants**

Several members of the congregation who were celebrating significant milestones of their affiliation with the congregation were honored with scrolls of honor. They were presented with formal citations by Irwin Shapiro. They include William B. Fischberg, Dr. Emory Klein, Reuben N. Popkin and Adolph Schimel, who were celebrating their twenty-fifth anniversary. Ira F. Weisman, the golden anniversary celebrant, was mentioned by Mr. Shapiro and later praised by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, although illness prevented his attendance at the meeting.

#### **Memorial to Departed Members**

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein presented brief eulogies for the members of the congregation who passed away since the Ninety-Eighth Annual Meeting. Those memorialized were:

Sadie J. Angel
Bessie Bornstein
Philip A. Brenner
Nathan D. Brown
Dr. Herbert D. Cooperman
Elsie Engel
Joseph N. Friedman
Bessie C. H. Goodman
Abraham Gribetz
Hon. Samuel H. Hofstadter
Jacob J. Rosenblum
Harry L. Septimus
Ella Weiss
Samuel L. Zuckerman

Following Rabbi Lookstein's words, the Cantor chanted the Memorial Prayer.

#### **Annual Meeting of Ramaz School**

The Annual Meeting of Ramaz School was then called into order by A. Phillip Goldsmith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Ramaz. Lawrence A. Kobrin, Co-Chairman of the Constitutional Committee, presented an amendment to the by-laws to provide for the rotation of Trustees and Officers. The amendment was passed by acclamation.

Mr. Jess Ward, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, then presented a proposed list for the Board of Trustees of Ramaz. The following were elected to the Board:

#### one year term:

Elias M. Black Morris S. Galler Joel Lewittes Oscar Perlberger Joseph Roth Henry M. Rem Stephen Sarnoff Abbott Simon

#### two year term:

Albert H. Bernstein Alexander Gross George Jacobs Edward Low Max Sadinoff Elgin Shulsky Samuel Singer Jess Ward

#### three year term:

Harry W. Baumgarten A. Milton Brown Max J. Etra A. Phillip Goldsmith Eugene Hollander Joseph Lorch Jack Nash Isaac E. Okun Sidney Scheinberg

#### **Parent Trustees**

Abe Newborn S. Daniel Abraham Ludwig Bravmann

#### **Alumni Trustees**

Hon. Harrison J. Goldin Lawrence A. Kobrin Melvin D. Newman

#### **Honorary Trustees**

Joseph E. Adler Ira F. Weisman

The formal part of the evening concluded with remarks by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein. He reminisced about his forty-seven years in Kehilath Jeshurun which span virtually half the lifetime of the congregation. He spoke of the past and its glories, of the present and its promises, of the future and its opportunities. As he put it, it was like an Erev Yom Tov soul searching in preparation for the great festive centennial that lies ahead of us.

Following the meeting, the congregation proceeded to the Social Hall for a social hour and buffet reception catered by Victor Mayer in his usual good taste and delightful manner. It was an enthusiastic end to an inspiring evening.

#### In Memoriam

#### Joseph N. Friedman

The entire congregation was saddened and grieved to learn of the passing of one of its most beloved and respected members. Our main synagogue was crowded to capacity with close to one thousand mourners at the funeral service of this young, pious Jew.

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Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein spoke of him as a man whose life was a song to God chanted in a melody of piety and in a tone of reverence and humility. He lived Torah, loved Torah and learned Torah with every fiber of his being.

The heritage he leaves for his dear wife Eleanor and his splendid boys Samuel and Allan will be an inspiration to them and to his many friends and admirers in Kehilath Jeshurun. The days and years will pass, but the melody of Joe's life will linger on.

May the entire Friedman family and all of us be comforted among those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

#### VIEWS OF THE 99th ANNUAL MEETING



Presidential report to 99th Annual Meeting. Left to right: Ed Low, Martin R. Rochlin, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, Harry W. Baumgarten, Nathan Salzman, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, A. Phillip Goldsmith, Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Cantor A. Joseph Cohen.



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Adolph Schimel is all smiles as President and Vice President share his happiness.



Mr. and Mrs. William B. Fischberg after receiving citation.



The Capacity attendance during the singing of the National Anthem.



A partial view of the new members during the induction ceremony.



Mrs. Reuben Popkin and son, David, receiving citation from Harry W. Baumgarten for Reuben Popkin.



Dr. and Mrs. Emory Klein listening to their presentation by Irwin Shapiro.

#### WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Week of May 22nd - 28th

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Samson Eichler, Dr. Moses L. Ehrlich, Herbert Lukashok, Joseph Wolf, Edward Low, Justin J. Bayer, Hon. George Postel, Gertrude Block, Mrs. Caroline Goldstein, Mrs. Adolph Levy, Norman D. Mosesson, and Mrs. Albert A. Zuch.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wald, Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Nadler, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Silverstein

Week of May 29th - June 4th Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Elgin Shulsky, Mrs. Abraham Silver, Mrs. Solomon J. Novick, Mrs. Joseph H. Moss, Harold Greenberg, Mrs. Julius Cohen, Lawrence Gorfinkle and Adolph Schenker.

#### Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Stromberg, Dr. and Mrs. Alvin Katz, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Skydell, Dr. and Mrs. William Etra, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kotimsky, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Colvin.

Engagement-

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spilky on the engagement of their granddaughter, Shari, to Philip Landa, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Samuel Landa of Queens.

Kiddush Sponsors-

The Kiddush this Shabbat morning will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smilow in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn.

#### FEDERATION HONORS RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

We are proud to announce that Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein has been elected a Life Trustee of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York. The Rabbi was so designated at the annual meeting of Federation held last week. He was cited for his "outstanding leadership to Federation and the Jewish community and many years of loyal devotion for the benefit of people of all races and faiths in the greater New York community." The Rabbi serves as Associate Campaign Chairman and he is a member of Federation's Functional Committee on Jewish Education.

## SIMON LERNER AND JOSEPH KLAUSNER WINNERS IN NATIONAL BIBLE CONTEST

Congratulations to Simon Lerner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lerner on winning first place in the National Bible Contest sponsored by the Jewish Agency. Simon, a student at Yeshiva University High School for boys is the second Lerner to win this coveted award (his brother Philip won it four years ago).

Similar good wishes to Joseph Klausner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Klausner, on placing third in this national quiz. Joseph, a student in the 8th grade at Ramaz, astounded the judges with his expertise. At so tender an age he shows great promise for future scholarly achievements.

#### PLEASE NOTE

The following butcher shop is no longer under the supervision of the Park East Kashruth Board:

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# TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOTH SPECIAL PROGRAM ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

This year's Tikkun Program on the first evening of the Shavuoth Festival will be carried out in a special format.

At 10:30 P.M. we will gather for an evening of study and fellowship. The fellowship will be enhanced by appropriate holiday refreshments.

The study will concern the Ten Commandments. Together with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, the group will learn the Ten Commandments with the Commentary of Rashi and the Ramban (Nachmanides).

All hearty souls — men and women, boys and girls — are invited to this program for the study of the basic principles of Judaism as understood by the two greatest medieval Jewish commentators.

The program ought to be concluded by midnight at which time the entire group can go out in the streets and "see the sky open."

We'll be looking for you then, on Saturday night, May 29th at 10:30 o'clock.

#### A NOTICE TO PARENTS

In our next issue of the Bulletin, we plan to feature academic honors and milestones which the young people of the congregational family are experiencing at this season of the year. While we have our eyes open for such news, we are not prophets.

We would greatly appreciate the assistance of parents and friends in calling to our attention all such honors and milestones of which they know. We will be happy to congratulate the young people. We depend on their elders for gathering the news.

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#### THE BOOK OF RUTH

The special reading from the Bible on the second day of the festival of Shavuoth is the Book of Ruth. In our synagogue, it is read by four young men. The reading will begin at 10:00 o'clock. The young men who will read will be:

Craig Barany George Blumenthal Samuel Friedman Barry Meislin

# RAMAZ DRAMATICS SOCIETY TO PRESENT JERUSALEM PAGEANT Sunday Morning, May 23rd — Yom Yerushalayim

The fourth anniversary of the liberation and unification of Jerusalem will be observed in our congregation on Sunday morning, May 23rd, which corresponds to Yom Yerushalayim all over the world.

Our observance will be featured by the following special activities:

1. A festival service of prayer at 9:00 o'clock in the Main Synagogue. We will recite the traditional festival Psalms as well as Hallel with a blessing. The young men of the congregation will officiate at this service.

2. A buffet breakfast sponsored by

the Men's Club of the congregation featuring the traditional Sunday brunch fare.

3. A dramatic presentation: "If I Forget Thee O Jerusalem" presented by the Ramaz High School Players and Chorus. The presentation will feature narration, dance and choral music with audience participation.

A cordial invitation is extended to all of our readers of all ages to join us this Sunday morning for what promises to be a glorious celebration of Jerusalem's unification and liberation.

### SISTERHOOD DONOR LUNCHEON ATTRACTS CAPACITY AUDIENCE

The Sisterhood Donor Luncheon of 1971 is now history. It was one of the most successful events in the history of our Sisterhood.

The Chairman, Mrs. Richard Kolb, who occupied this position for the second year in a row, fairly outdid herself in arranging a magnificent display of color, gifts and program. She was ably supported by her Co-Chairmen, Mrs. A. Milton Brown, Mrs. James Clark and Mrs. Meyer Texon.

The proceeds from the luncheon will go toward the furtherance of the Sisterhood's philanthropic program which consists of generous subventions to Ramaz and the Park East Religious School, the provision of scholarships at summer camp and the Neediest Cases Fund.

Mrs. Eugene Hollander, President of the Sisterhood, spoke briefly at the luncheon in gratitude to all of the women who participated. Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein gave a moving address on the subject: "Happiness Through Tears" in which he explained that the Jew has to be capable of functioning constructively and happily no matter what problems or crises may beset him.

The Sisterhood wishes to thank the following ladies who contributed through their efforts to the success of this luncheon: Mesdames Milton Berkowitz, Benjamin Brown, Leon A. Feldman, Nathan Goldsmith, Herman Greenberg, Joseph H. Lookstein, Reuben N. Popkin, George Postel, Martin R. Rochlin, Frank Roth, Leon Spilky, Jess Ward and Samuel Witkin.

#### SCHEDULE OF SHAVUOTH SERVICES

Saturday, May 29th — Shavuoth Eve	
Evening	8:00
Sunday, May 30th — Shavuoth I	
Morning	9:00
Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach at 11 o'clock	
Evening	6:30
Monday, May 31st — Shavuoth II	
Morning	9:00
The Book of Ruth will be read	
Memorial Prayers are recited as part of this service	
Evening	8:10

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#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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FRIDAY, May 21st		
Evening	6:30	
SATURDAY		
Morning	9:00	
Junior Congregation	.10:15	
Pre-School Service	11.00	
Dining Hall	otai	
Leviticus 25:1 - 27:34		
Haftorah: Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14		
ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS		
Rosh Chodesh Sivan will be	on	
Tuesday, May 25th. Evening	8.00	
Conclusion of Sabbath	8:48	
FRIDAY, May 28th, 1971	6.20	
Evening	0:50	
Morning	9.00	
Dra Cabaal Carries		
Dining Hall	.11:00	
Weekly Portion: Bemidbar		
Numbers 1:1 - 4:20		
Haftorah: Hosea 2:1 - 22		
WEEKDAY SERVICES	7.00	
Morning	9.30	
Sunday Morning Evening	6.30	
Evening	0.00	

#### RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN TO SPEAK IN CALIFORNIA

Our Associate Rabbi will not be with us in the congregation this Shabbat. He is flying to Los Angeles on Thursday to address a Yavneh retreat which will be held in the Beverly Hills area of Los Angeles this weekend. He will deliver a series of addresses on the general subject "Shall we Return (to) Sinai?" Our readers can no doubt guess the religious implications of this theme prior to the Shavuot festival as well as the political implications in connection with Yom Yerushalayim.

We wish the Rabbi a productive journey and a safe return.

#### YAHRZEITS

May	30—David Wald
22—Isaac Sadinoff	31—Jay J. Weisman
22—Louis Schneider	31—Mary Goodman
22—Fannie Cohen	31—Lina Jaffe
22—Lillian J. Rossant	31—Adolph Hirsch
22—Martin Smilow	31—Mary Goodman
22—Malvina Smilow	31—Aron Levi
22—Gussie Rosow	31—Rosalia Levi
23—Abraham A. Baum	31—Sarah Braff
23—Osias Garfein	31—Pinchos Goldsmith
23—Sylvia Gold	June
23—William Usdan	1—Jennie Resnick
24—Sarah Hershkovitz	1—Henry Scharf
24—Joseph Braun	1—Irving Goldberg
24—Dora Kaplan	2—Dora Harris
26—Ilona Strulovits	2—Rose Mandel
26—Israel A. Epstein	2—Marion Lewis
26—Ira Zuger	2—Samuel Gura
27—Solomon Linzer	2—Martin Braff
27—Mildred Breslow	3—Alice Bayer
27—Klara Low	3—Mary Silberman
27—Jacob H. Rubin	3—Moses Warshavsky
28—Frank Morganstern	3—Lazar Riederman
28—Arnold Buchler	3—Barbara Riederman
28—Samuel Goldberg	3—Alexander Berner
28—George A. Efron	3—Helen Berner
28—Evelyn Udell	4—Jacob H. Alpert
29—Melichar Hollander	4—Jacob Weiss
29—Bertha Hollander	4—Samuel Shapiro
29—Gitel Hostyk	4—George Avner
30—Morris Weiss	4—Rachel Podell

#### COUPLES CLUB DEDICATES HERTZ BIBLES IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH N. FRIEDMAN

Through the proceeds of the recent Zamir Concert sponsored in part by the Couples Club of our congregation the Club was able to purchase one hundred Hertz Bibles for Sabbath and holiday services in the Main Synagogue.

It was decided to dedicate those Bibles in memory of the late and beloved Joseph N. Friedman, who was a founder of the Young Marrieds Group which was the forerunner of our present Couples Club. Joe always loved to peruse the commentaries as part of his preparation for the Torah

We hope that these Bibles will inspire worshippers in our congregation to study, to learn and to observe the Torah. This in itself will give added meaning to our dedication of these books.

Our deepest thanks to Walter Kop-

pel, Chairman of this project for the Couples Club and to his co-chairman Susan Ascher. Together they made the concert party a social and financial success and made possible the project described above.

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#### MANY THANKS TO RUTH AND **IRWIN SHAPIRO**

We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Shapiro who, upon learning of the new acquisition of Hertz Bibles in the congregation, decided to donate an additional hundred Bibles in memory of Ruth's father, the late and beloved Samuel Schreiber.

Mr. Schreiber personified in his life the Biblical command: "And you shall be involved with Torah day and night." The dedication of these Bibles in his memory is a fitting memorial on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of his passing.

#### THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

invites all ladies to its

CLOSING MEETING OF THE SEASON

Monday, May 24th, at 12:30 o'clock Program

Induction of New Members Reports Election of Officers

Concluding Remarks - Rabbi Haskell Lookstein

Coffee and cake will be served at the beginning of the meeting.

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