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41 RAMAZ SENIORS WIN STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

We are proud to announce that 31 Ramaz seniors have won New York State Regents Scholarships and an additional 10 placed very high on the Alternate list and will certainly be declared winners within the next couple of months.

The percentage of winners and alternates remains impressively high and constitutes one of the best records of any high school in the State.

We are particularly proud to acknowledge the following winners, who are children of members of our Congregation:

Neil Mosesson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Mosesson;

Naomi Schacter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Friedman;

Ronald Scheinberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg;

Douglas Zippel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlo Zippel;

Joseph Zuckerman, son of Dr. Frederick Zuckerman.

We congratulate all the winners, their families and the entire Faculty and Administration of Ramaz on this significant event.

And While We're at It . . .

It might be of interest to the Congregation to learn that the Ramaz High School Math Team, represented by a group of Juniors in our School, have placed at the very top of the list of all High Schools in the City, including public and private schools. We have earned 5th position with one of our juniors placing 5th in the individual scores, following closely on the heels of four students from Stuyvesant.

Registration at Ramaz Now Proceeding

We would like to call attention to the community that registration in the Lower and Middle Schools of Ramaz is currently in progress. If you know of a child who is interested in attending our school, please have the parents send for necessary applications because space is extremely limited.

Eighth Grade Shabbaton January 17th

On Saturday morning, January 17th, Form II (sometimes called Grade 8) of the Ramaz Upper School will participate in a mini-Shabbaton in our Congregation. For that occasion, students of the 8th Grade will lead the service in the Main Synagogue and officiate in various capacities. Following the service, the students and their parents will participate in a Sabbath luncheon in the Kamber Auditorium.

This Shabbaton will mark the fourth such event in a series of nine which will cover the Elementary and Junior High School of Ramaz, from Nursery through Grade 8. Our object is to invite the Ramaz children and their parents to spend a Sabbath with us and to absorb the atmosphere of the Synagogue and enjoy the spiritual delights of the day. We try to have some special feature for each class, depending upon the age of the children.

This program is coordinated in its entirety by Mrs. William Major, who has spared no effort to make it the success that it has become. She is helped by a committee of mothers from each grade.

We hope, through this program, to extend the Ramaz education beyond the walls of the School and into the area of the life and experience of the family. We are confident that the Congregation enjoys the excitement and interest that come from seeing the children of the School which it sponsors participating in a total Sabbath program.

Ramaz Dinner Dance At Waldorf Astoria January 18th

The annual Dinner Dance sponsored by the Parents Council of the Ramaz School will be held at the Waldorf Astoria on Sunday evening, January 18th. We expect a large representation

RABBI JOSEPH LOOKSTEIN ADDRESSES CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein recently addressed a Convocation of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in the United States held at Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

As reported in the JTA Bulletin, Rabbi Lookstein said, among other things, "Why did it take two thousand years and why did it take a Holocaust that took six million lives, to break the centuries-old silence between church and synagogue?"

The Rabbi asserted that "good-will rhetoric" and "living room dialogue" are not enough. "The key words from now on are action and implementation. If they fail they will only fill the pool of frustration."

The Rabbi urged Christians to "strive to understand the tie between Israel and Jewry." He declared "My own people, the people of Israel, are standing virtually alone, charged with fresh slanders and with a vicious new libel." He was referring, of course, to the declarations of the United Nations General Assembly. "Hostility is not a parochial matter. If the Arab hates the Jew it will not be long before the hatred will spread to others."

We are informed that Rabbi Lookstein's address was extremely well received. He spoke as the representative of the religious community of America in his capacity as President of the Synagogue Council and as Chairman of the International Committee for Interreligious Consultations.

from our Congregation. If there is anyone who has not as yet made a reservation but who would like to attend the Dinner, please contact the School Office immediately at 427-1000.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten, Mrs. Milton Berkowitz, Lewis Braff, Mrs. S. Lawrence Brody, Mrs. Arthur B. Colvin, Mrs. Irving M. Geszel, Dr. Isidore Givner, Leo R. Goldman, Mrs. David Gordon, Norman Greenberg, Mrs. Charles B. Jacobs, Mrs. Fred S. Kahn, Abraham R. Kirshon, Stephen J. Kule, Mrs. Robert J. Leifert, Mrs. Asher S. Levitsky, Dr. Bernard Mandelbaum, Mrs. Abram Miller, Jacob M. Miller, Mrs. Leo Ritter, Mrs. Irwin B. Robins, Frank Roth, Charles Scheidt, Irwin Schloss, Mrs. Emanuel M. Simon, Mrs. Arthur D. Steinthal, Mrs. Marco Wachter, Mrs. Philip Wald.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Z. Badner, Mr. and Mrs. Maks L. Birnbach, Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Doft, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Rosenthal, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Shlomo Segall, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Weiss.

Births—

Mazel tov to our new members, Mr. and Mrs. Muni Hammer, upon becoming grandparents for the first time, through the birth of a baby girl to their children, Dr. and Mrs. David Hammer. We hope that the family will derive much joy from this blessed addition.

Warmest congratulations also to another new set of grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smilow, whose children Mr. and Mrs. Yehiel Schwartz, just had a baby boy. May he grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah and ma'asim tovim.

A hearty mazel tov also to Mr. and Mrs. David Perlman upon the birth of a son. May this new arrival also bring much joy to the entire family.

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Emory Klein on the birth of their first grandchild, a baby boy — Barak — born to their children, Dr. and Mrs. Steven Klein, who are both graduates of Ramaz. May Barak someday follow his parents as students in our School.

A special mazel tov to our dear member, Mrs. Nettie Alpert, upon the birth of her first great-grandchild, a son, born to her grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Silverman.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Spilky upon the recent arrival of a grandson — Eric Shawn — born to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Teller.

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN ADULT INSTITUTE

is pleased to invite the community to a public lecture
ON TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 13th, AT 9:00 P.M.

Our members
DR. AND MRS. ALBERT HORNBLASS

will speak to us on

**POLAND 1939 — POLAND 1976
A PERSPECTIVE OF THE HOLOCAUST**

Dr. and Mrs. Hornblass recently participated in a fact-finding mission to Poland as part of an in-depth study of the significance of the Holocaust as applied to current events and the condition of Polish Jewry today. The study was conducted by the U.J.A. Young Leadership Cabinet, of which Dr. Hornblass is an active member.

MAZEL TOV TO FRIEDMAN — LOOKSTEIN FAMILIES

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Israel Friedman upon the birth of their first granddaughter — Erica — born to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Schacter. A very special mazel tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein upon this birth of their first great-grandchild. We also thank Rabbi and Mrs. Lookstein for the recent congregational kiddush which they sponsored in honor of the occasion.

Weddings—

Mazel tov to our members Mr. and Mrs. Michael Jaspan upon their recent marriage. Congratulations also to our members Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jaspan the proud parents of the groom and Mrs. Henry Rafsky, the groom's grandmother upon this simcha in their family.

Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perlman upon the marriage of their granddaughter, the former Deborah Lynn Lieber to Mr. Mark Robert Friess.

May both families share many more happy occasions with us in the years ahead.

Condolences—

We extend our condolences to Mr. Jack Meresman on the loss of his brother, Mr. David Meresman, and of his mother, Mrs. Ida Meresman, both within a short period of time.

Our sympathies also to Dr. Harry Goldin upon the loss of his sister, Mrs. Anna Turner.

Our sympathies to Mr. Samuel M. Eisenstat upon the untimely passing of his brother, Jay Eisenstat.

Our consolations also to Dr. Irving Geszel upon the loss of his mother, Mrs. Maiku Heshel.

May the bereaved be comforted among all of us who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem, and may they be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

SUNDAY AND TUESDAY NIGHT STUDIES

The next session of Dr. Mayer Herskovics' lecture series on **Latter Day Jewish Luminaries** will be held on Sunday evening, January 11 at 8 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. Martin E. deGraff, 120 East 81st Street.

The next session of Dr. Hayim Tawil's course on **The Age of the Patriarchs** will be held in the Synagogue House on Tuesday, January 13 at 7:45 P.M.

In Memoriam

IRWIN CHABON

Dr. Irwin Chabon was a warm human being whose profession was a calling and an art. His patients loved him. His colleagues appreciated him. His friends in the Congregation respected him.

He was gentle, warm, and most generous in so many ways. He was an exemplary husband, a loving and devoted father, and a reliable and warm friend.

We will all miss him dearly. We pray that Ada, Brenda and Arthur may derive strength from his memory and may be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

FANNYE POPKIN

One of the outstanding members of the Congregation and its Sisterhood passed away after a long illness. Fannye could be depended upon to do anything worthwhile for any cause that needed her time, her talent and her efforts.

She was cherished by everyone in the Congregation, respected for ability, and genuinely loved by so many in Kehilath Jeshurun. Elegant and majestic in stature, she was soft, sweet and generous in nature.

Together with her beloved husband and son, we mourn her passing. We pray the family be spared further sorrow and granted health and happiness for many years to come.

KEHILATH JESHURUN FOR SOVIET JEWRY

We are pleased to report that the organization known as Kehilath Jeshurun for Soviet Jewry (K.J.S.J.), which was extremely active during 1972 and 1973, has now been reorganized and will embark upon several areas of activity during the next few months. Suzanne Eisenstat and Harry Kleinhau have been re-elected as Co-Chairpersons. Robbie Bensley was elected Secretary.

The following activities are planned for the year:

1. To finance, through dues, the sending of reading materials and other items of religious and national interest to Jews in the U.S.S.R., in response to their specific requests.

2. A committee of K.J.S.J. will send packages to Jewish activists and "refusniks" in the U.S.S.R. This project is being coordinated by the Ezra Fund of the Rabbinical Council of America and the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. Our task will be to gather materials from sources in our community and to package them.

Soviet regulations have now made it impossible to send cash into the Soviet Union. The government takes 90¢ out of every dollar. The only way, therefore, to maintain the "refusniks" is to send them packages, the contents of which can be sold and the proceeds from which sustain them for months.

3. K.J.S.J. will mobilize Congrega-

tional support along the lines of professional groups and other agencies. These groups will then join such other organizations as the Legal Coalition for Soviet Jewry and the Medical Committee for Soviet Jewry, which serve under the general umbrella of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry.

What You Can Do

We would like to enlist your cooperation by joining K.J.S.J. Our dues are \$10 for the year. All monies raised will be exclusively for projects to help Soviet Jews.

Please use the form provided with this Bulletin to join K.J.S.J. and help us in our work. Please check the appropriate box if you would like to serve actively on one or more committees.

A Special Seudah

On Saturday, December 20, a Seudah Shlishit was held, featuring two recent emigres from Russia — Natalia Sharansky and Mikhail Steiglitz. The 150 congregants who attended were able to get an insider's view of Soviet repression and Communist self-intimidation from these two very interesting and articulate guests. Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome L. Stern for their sponsorship of this function.

Sisterhood Launches Fund-Raising Effort for New Chupah

Forty members of our Sisterhood attended a special donor luncheon at the home of Mrs. Romie Shapiro. The ladies enjoyed an unusual afternoon.

After a delightful luncheon, the ladies were treated to a musical interlude presented by The Kavon Sisters. They then had an opportunity to view the splendid art collection of the Shapiros.

Most of all, the guests felt that the afternoon provided them with the sat-

isfaction of a special accomplishment. They, and others who were unable to attend, contributed more than one thousand dollars towards the acquisition of a new Chupah for use at weddings in our synagogue.

Designs for the Chupah are now being prepared. It is hoped that within a year the Chupah will be ready.

Donations to the Sisterhood for this project will be welcome.

K.J.S.J. MEMBERSHIP

I should like to join K.J.S.J. Enclosed are my \$10 dues, made payable to Kehilath Jeshurun for Soviet Jewry.

☐ I would be happy to be active on one or more committees of K.J.S.J.

Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Address

City and Zip

Telephone

All checks and forms should be mailed to Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, 125 East 85th Street, New York, N.Y. 10028.

DATES AND EVENTS

Sisterhood

Next Open Meeting, January 19
at 12:30

Program: **THE PLANT DOCTOR,
A LOOK INTO NATURE'S WINDOW**

Couples Club

TENNIS NIGHT

Saturday, January 31
Limited number of reservations

Singles

ONEG SHABBAT AND SHABBAT LUNCH

February 6-7

Reservations may be made by
remitting your check of \$6.50
payable to K.J. Singles,
to the Synagogue Office.

Men's Club

Annual Theatre Party
Thursday evening, February 12

A MATTER OF GRAVITY

starring Katherine Hepburn

Tickets still available

For reservations information,
contact the Synagogue Office

Friendship Circle

A SENIOR CITIZEN'S GROUP

meeting weekly on Wednesdays
at 1:30 in the Synagogue House

MEMBER IN PRINT

We are pleased to announce the appearance in print of a book called **Nature in Needlepoint** with designs by our new member, Mrs. Eva Brent. The book presents twenty original designs for needlepoint, featuring the beauty and elegance of nature's most striking wild creatures. It is published by Simon and Schuster in New York.

Members interested in pursuing needlepoint work are invited to visit Mrs. Brent's new showroom at 121 East 57th Street (telephone 838-4222).

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, January 9

Lighting of Candles	4:29
Evening	4:40

SATURDAY,

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

Weekly Portion: BO

Haftorah: JEREMIAH 46

Evening	4:40
Conclusion of Sabbath	5:27

FRIDAY, January 16

Lighting of Candles	4:35
Evening	4:40

SATURDAY, Shabbat Shirah —

Hamisha Asar B'Shevat

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

Weekly Portion: BESHALAH

Haftorah: JUDGES 4

Evening	4:50
Conclusion of Sabbath	5:34

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	8:30
Father and Son Minyan	9:30
Evening	4:50

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Milton Berkowitz	Pres. Men's Club
Asher S. Levitsky	Pres. Couples Club

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

"The Sting"

JK will sponsor a movie night on Saturday night, January 10th, at 8:00 P.M. in the Auditorium. The feature film, "The Sting" will be shown. Admission is 75¢. Refreshments will be sold, with proceeds going to the Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem. Call Nathan (799-2319) or Pamela (988-9785) for more information.

Freshman-Sophomore Shabbaton

A Freshman-Sophomore Shabbaton will be held for high school students on the weekend of January 23-24 at K.J. The program will begin on Friday evening and run through late Saturday night. The cost, including meals and the Saturday night activity, is \$10. If you are interested, please contact David or Ricki Bernstein at 289-4921.

Bikur Cholim

The weekly visitation program to Mt. Sinai Hospital is now fully under way. Each Shabbat afternoon, a small group goes to the Hospital with the names of Jewish patients interested in seeing Shabbat guests. Since we have about seven groups, each group goes once every two months or so. Join this "mitzvah" and very rewarding activity: Call Beth at 249-4118.

Volleyball

Tuesday nights, Jan. 13 and 27, are J.K. Volleyball nights in the

Ramaz gym at 8:30 P.M. A light snack is served afterwards. Come on down!

Junior Congregation Officers

The Junior Congregation officers for the month of Tevet were:

Steven Brown	President
Joshua Rochlin	Vice-President
Hannah Robins	Secretary
Daniel Silverman	Gabbai

Those elected for the month of Shevat will appear in the next issue of the **Bulletin**.

Junior Congregation Trip

The second trip of the year will take place in February. Those who are regular attending members in January will be able to join us on Sunday, February 1, for ice skating. Contact Bernie (289-4921) for details.

Saturday Afternoon Groups Schedule

The afternoon groups have begun the second half of the season, and expectations are high for some exciting events. If you're anywhere from Nursery age through 8th Grade, join us on Sabbath afternoons from 3:00 — 4:30 P.M.

Groups will **not** meet on January 24.

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