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RAMAZ ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR A NEW BUILDING

Board of Trustees Votes Historic Resolution at Close of 40th Anniversary Year

On May 5th, the Ramaz School Board of Trustees, headed by Joseph Lorch as Chairman, voted unanimously to launch a building campaign designed to provide a new building for the Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School and a refurbished structure for the Lower School to be ready to open in September, 1979.

The site of the new building, which will house Grades 7 through 12, is presently occupied by the auxiliary buildings of Finch College. Plans call for the demolition of these buildings which will provide a large site on which a new structure can be built with all of the modern facilities necessary for providing the students of the Ramaz with the best in Jewish and general education. Some of the facilities that are planned for the new building include a regulation high school gymnasium, an Olympic-size swimming pool, laboratories for the physical and biological sciences, a stage that will be adequate for the increasingly sophisticated dramatic productions of the school, a Beit Midrash for a special Talmud program, a spacious library with ample stacks and many other features.

The building plan also calls for the refurbishment of the 85th Street building which will house the Nursery through Grade 6 and form a single unit Lower School. The excellent facilities that already exist in this building which include a gymnasium, two play roofs, a library, laboratory, art room and the like, will make an ideal setting for the Lower School. It is contemplated that the 82nd Street building will be sold as part of this project.

Expansion of Quality, Not Quantity

The building program is being undertaken at this time, according to a Principal's Letter sent to the parents by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, not because of a desire to expand the school in numbers but rather to enhance the educational opportunities for Ramaz students. In order to do this, the school needs increased space and additional learning facilities. The present buildings, while adequate in the past, do not properly serve the educational needs of the children today and certainly will not in the generation to come. Many of the facilities are already overcrowded and heavily taxed. The new building program will solve these physical problems.

The Congregation's Role

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun has been the sponsoring congregation of Ramaz since its founding by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein forty years ago in September, 1937. The members of the congregation have watched the school grow into one of the finest educational institutions in the world. By their generous participation in a Building Fund 15 years ago, the members greatly enhanced the quality of that education and made possible the acceptance of many students into the school who otherwise would never have been able to come.

As the school faces its next forty years, it is comforting to know that it has the good will and the active support of the members of Kehilath Jeshurun. Our relationship with Ramaz is a mutually beneficial one. Kehilath Jeshurun has made it possible for Ramaz to flourish. Ramaz, for its part, has given life, vitality and historic meaning to Kehilath Jeshurun and all for which it stands.

The Rabbi closed his letter to the parents in words that surely apply to the membership of our congregation as well. "This building program is one step in a process designed to ensure a future of educational excellence for the students of Ramaz and the community of which it is a part. In order to bring the program to fruition, we will need God's help in a large measure and we will need your support in an unprecedented, generous fashion.

We know that we can count on your support. Together we will pray for God's help as well."

Anatoly Sharansky Charged with Treason



The above picture was taken by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein after he had given Anatoly Sharansky his tallit and tefillin on the last day of his trip to the Soviet Union in October, 1975. Mr. Sharansky, at present, needs all of our prayers because he has been officially charged with treason and espionage, "crimes" which entail a sentence of between 10 years and death if conviction follows.

While we are talking about new buildings for Ramaz and academic honors for members of our community, it is important that we think during this summer about this little Jewish hero who languishes in a Soviet prison, with no communication to or from his dear ones for the past three months and with a future that is uncertain at best and deadly at worst.

During the coming weeks, it will be our task not to forget him. It will be our responsibility to answer any and every call for his support. The Soviet Union, by charging one of the two best known refusniks with such a horrible crime, without foundation—he is as much a spy as you or we are—is clearly testing President Carter and the world to see whether we care about one Jew or not. If Sharansky can be executed or even put away for a long sentence, the very

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Condolences

We extend sincere condolences to Mrs. Joseph Lorch on the passing of her beloved mother, Florence B. Speier.

Similar condolences to Dr. David Woldenberg on the passing of his esteemed father, Morris Woldenberg.

Engagement

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Mandelbaum upon the engagement of their daughter, Naomi, to Neil Rosenblum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Rosenblum of Oceanside.

Community Service

Congratulations to Mrs. Leon Meyers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silverstein and daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Meyers, upon her installation as President of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Westchester Day School in Mamaroneck, New York. Joan, who is a graduate of the school, was inducted into the office of the presidency by her mother, Mrs. Samuel Silverstein, who served in that same capacity 22 years ago.

Communal Recognition

We were very proud to see our member, Steven Kule, quoted extensively in a recent issue of the Jewish Week. Steven is a leader in UJA circles and serves, together with Irwin Robins, as co-chairman of the UJA Committee of the Congregation.

Bat Mitzvah

We rejoice with Mrs. Benjamin Gaynes upon the Bat Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Lilianne Rose Rosen, which was held in Paris on Shabbat, June 10-11. Lilianne is the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rosen who are formerly cherished members of our congregation.

Dr. Emanuel Stein To Go On Aliya

We are proud to announce that our esteemed member, Dr. Emanuel Stein, will be going on aliya this June. Dr. Stein has been a member of the Congregation for more than a decade. He is a learned Jew, steeped in Zionism and the Hebrew language.

We wish him well and we promise to visit him in the Holy Land.

Gelfand Aufruf

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. H. Harold Gelfand upon the forthcoming Aufruf of their son, Richard, which will take place on Shabbat morning, September 18th. Dr. and Mrs. Gelfand will be joint sponsors of the kiddush that morning which will be a special one in honor of this great occasion in the life of their youngest child.

SENIOR RABBI IN NEW ASSIGNMENT

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein was just appointed to the prestigious position of Chairman of the National Religious Advisory Council of the United Jewish Appeal. He enters upon his new office in June.

The National Religious Advisory Council is an important arm of the United Jewish Appeal. The Council consists of several hundred rabbis from all over the United States who meet periodically in this country and in Israel to further the cause of the United Jewish Appeal.

An important session of this Council will take the form of a mission to Israel some time in November.

We congratulate Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein on the new honor that came to him and on the challenge that this honor represents.

Congratulations Dr. (And Almost Rabbi) Steven Lorch

We are delighted to congratulate our members, Shari and Steven Lorch upon Steve's attainment of the Ph.D. degree at Teachers College of Columbia University. Dr. Lorch's dissertation was on the subject "The Convergence of Jewish and Western Culture as Exemplified Through Music: Some Educational Consequences."

Dr. Lorch will, please God, receive his ordination from Yeshiva University this month. Beginning in September, he will be the Vice-Principal of the Associated High School in Toronto where he will be able to put into practice some of the ideas which he developed theoretically in his graduate work.

We are pleased to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lorch on this twin, outstanding achievement on the part of their son who, we are proud to say, is a graduate of Ramaz. We are sorry to lose Steve and Shari but we are happy that they will be bringing their talents, warmth and enthusiasm to the service of an important Jewish community. May God bless the work of their hands.

Kiddush in Their Honor

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lorch are sponsoring the kiddush on Shabbat morning, June 11th, in honor of their children.

Ramaz Freshman Wins 8th Place in World-Wide Bible Contest in Jerusalem

We are proud to announce that Miriam Sobolofsky, a Freshman in the Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz, won 8th place in the international Bible contest which was held in Jerusalem on Yom Ha-Atzma'ut.

Miriam, who is a graduate of the S.A.R. Academy in Riverdale, was a national winner last year. This entitled her to compete in the international contest this year. Her record of achievement is truly remarkable.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sobolofsky on the achievement of their daughter.

Ramaz 7th Grader Places 2nd In National Bible Contest

We are proud to congratulate Ari Bergwerk, a student in Form I in the Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz, upon placing second in the Junior Division of the National Bible Contest run by the Torah Department of the Jewish Agency. Ari will be eligible for a trip to Jerusalem next year when he will compete in the International Finals.

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bergwerk, the proud parents of Ari. Congratulations to the school and all good wishes to this remarkable young man for future academic success.

Farewell to Dr. & Mrs. Bruce Fisher

We bid farewell to Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Fisher who have been part of our congregational family for the past couple of years and who have contributed from their own warmth and enthusiasm to the ambience that we have tried to foster at Kehilath Jeshurun. Dr. and Mrs. Fisher will be moving to Springfield, Mass. where Bruce will be in medical practice.

A number of anonymous members of the "Fisher section" in the main synagogue are co-sponsoring the kiddush on Shabbat morning, June 18th, in honor of the Fishers. This will be their last Shabbat with us.

Dr. and Mrs. Fisher and their son, Mark Chaim Solomon, who was born here have made a contribution to the Jess Ward Library in order to purchase books for Sabbath use. The books are donated in honor of our Ritual Director, Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg



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ACADEMIC HONORS



KEHILATH JESHURUN EXTENDS HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS TO . . .

. . . **Leonard Alpert**, grandson of Mrs. Nettie Alpert, upon his graduation from Trinity College.

... Craig Barany, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Barany, upon graduating from Boston University with a B.A. in Political Science and a minor in Business Management.

Nettie Alpert, upon graduating from Washington University, Magna Cum Laude with awards in Mathematics and Philosophy. Lon, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, has been awarded a fellowship to pursue his studies in Philosophy of Language at M.I.T.

. . . Nanette Berk, granddaughter of Mrs. Nettie Alpert, upon her graduation from Dean Junior College.

and Mrs. Mortimer Blumenthal, son of Dr. and Mrs. Mortimer Blumenthal, upon receiving his M.D. degree from N.Y.U. Medical School. Samuel is a graduate of Ramaz.

... Mark Brecker, son of Mrs. Mildred Brecker, upon being selected as a recipient of the "Outstanding Young Men of America" award. Mark, who has his own full time law practice, has been admitted to practice in the Federal District Court and has also been admitted to the New Jersey Bar Association.

. . . Ruth Davis, daughter of Cantor and Mrs. Avraham Davis, upon graduating Barnard as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Her degree is in Psychology.

and Mrs. Leon A. Feldman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Leon A. Feldman, who is the recipient of a National Science Foundation Fellowship for research in Geology on the Brachipods and community ecology of the Onondage Limestone.

. . . Susan R. Feldman, daughterin-law of Dr. and Mrs. Leon A. Feldman, upon earning an M.A. degree in Early Childhood Education from Lehman College, C.U.N.Y.

. . . Tamar Feldman, of Philadelphia, granddaughter of Mrs. Gertrude Linzer, upon her graduation from Stern College for Women.

... **Dr. Bruce Fischberg**, son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Fischberg, who has been appointed Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

... Shari Goodstein, daughter of Mrs. Arlene Goodstein and niece of our members, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Hornblass and Hon. and Mrs. Jerome Hornblass. Shari, a group leader at KJ, will be graduated from Ramaz this month as a winner of a Regents

Scholarship and a leading lady in the Ramaz English Dramatics Society. She will attend Brandeis or SUNY in the fall.

Dr. and Mrs. Bernard Kabakow, upon her graduation from Ramaz this month. Beth has won a Sherut (Service Award) which reflects the kind of outstanding service she has rendered to the school and the congregation over the past few years. She has been a leader of the JK's and also a group leader here in KJ.

... Alan Kalischer, a former Ramaz student, son of Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Kalischer, upon receiving his M.D. degree from New York Medical College. Alan will start his residency in Internal Medicine at the Down-State Medical Center in Brooklyn.

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobs and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kamerman, both of whom are graduates of Ramaz. Judith will be graduated from Ramaz this month with a letter of commendation in the National Merit Scholarship competition, a Regents Scholarship and an award as the President of the Upper School Chorus. Admitted to Barnard Judith has chosen Queens College for the opportunity to major in Early Childhood Education.

. . . Miriam Karp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karp — and a Ramaz graduate — upon her graduation from Brooklyn Law School.

and Mrs. Morton Kassover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morton Kassover and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kassover, on his graduation from Ramaz where he was an outstanding member of the basketball team. Peter will enter the University of Pennsylvania in the fall.

. . . **Shelley Low**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Low, upon her graduation from Fairleigh Dickinson with a B.S. in Marketing. She will shortly receive her Mrs. degree from Fred Baumgarten.

... Robert Meislin, son of Dr. and Mrs. Aaron Meislin, upon his forthcoming graduation from Ramaz this month. Robert has won the History Award of the school as well as a Regents Scholarship. He was an All Star member of the basketball team and a leader of the recent Freshman Seminar. He will attend Columbia College in the fall.

. . . **Debbie Milstein**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Milstein, who has been elected to the National Hillel

Commission. Debbie is a junior at Hunter College.

... Rachel Milstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Milstein, upon her graduation from Yeshiva University High School for Girls of Manhattan.

Mrs. Norman D. Mosesson, who has made the Dean's List at Polytechnic Institute of New York upon completion of his junior year as a Civil Engineering major.

Mrs. Norman D. Mosesson, who has made the Dean's List at Polytechnic Institute of New York where he completed his freshman year as a Mechanical Engineering major.

Dr. and Mrs. Norman Orentreich, upon her receiving a B.A. degree from Middlebury College.

. . . David Orwasher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Orwasher, upon receiving a B.A. degree from Vassar College.

. . . Dr. Stuart Podell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Podell, who was appointed Chief of General Optometry at the University Optometric Center of the State College of Optometry, State University of New York.

and Mrs. Israel Rosenberg, upon his graduation from Yeshiva University, Magna Cum Laude, with a B.A. in Economics. Abe, a Dean's List student, was Associate Editor of Hamevaser, Jewish Affairs Director of WYUR Radio, Chairman of the Commuter Affairs Committee and a representative of the Student Organization of Yeshiva.

. . . Noah Scheinfeld, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Scheinfeld, upon his graduation from Manhattan Day School. Noah, an honor student and editor-in-chief of the Year Book, will continue his studies at Manhattan High School.

. . . Mrs. Nechie Shudofsky upon her expected graduation this August from Fordham University with a Master's degree in Special Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sigall, upon receiving the J.D. degree from Fordham University's Law School. He will be associated with the law firm of Shea, Gould, Climenko and Casey, effective in August. Michael is a Ramaz graduate.

. . . Mrs. Rita Woldenberg upon her graduation with a Master's degree in Educational Administration from N.Y.U.

Our Apologies

We apologize for the fact that this Bulletin was mailed a day or two late. The tragic story of Anatoly Sharansky, described on page 1, broke as we were preparing the copy. Our efforts in his behalf simply took precedence over those preparations.

Thank You, Tova

We wish to thank Mrs. Tova Bulow who, in addition to her fine work in founding and nurturing our Bikur Cholim Society this year, quietly served as an editorial assistant for the preparation of the KJ Bulletin. She is not responsible for any of the errors or omissions but she deserves credit for some of the excellent features. We thank her warmly

Anatoly Sharansky (Cont'd)

same thing can be done to all of the leaders of the Aliya movement in the Soviet Union and that movement can effectively, therefore, be crushed.

The answer to this Soviet test depends in a large measure on the way in which New York Jewry will react. The KJ — Ramaz community must lead the way in such a reaction and must galvanize all of its friends to remember, to defend and to fight for Anatoly Sharansky.

Let us not stand idly by!

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SUMMER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday Mornings	7:30
Sabbath Mornings	
Sunday Mornings	8:30
Evenings (Except Saturdays)	

Sabbath Schedule

		Friday	Sabbath	
		Lighting	Afternoon	Sabbath
June		of Candles	Service	Ends
10-11	Sh'lach	. 8:06	8:15	9:10
17-18	Korach	. 8:09	8:20	9:15
24-25	Chukat	. 8:11	8:20	9:15
July				
1-2	Balak	. 8:11	8:20	9:14
8-9	Pinchas	. 8:09	8:20	9:13
15-16	Matot-Masei	. 8:06	8:15	9:08
22-23	D'varim (Shabbat Chazon)	. 8:01	8:10	9:02
29-30	Va-etchanan (Shabbat Nachamu).	. 7:55	8:00	8:55
August				
5-6	Ekev	. 7:47	8:00	8:46
12-13	Re'eh	. 7:38	7:50	8:36
19-20	Shoftim	. 7:29	7:40	8:24
26-27	Ki Tetze	. 7:18	7:30	8:14
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2-3	Ki Tavo	. 7:07	7:20	8:03

Dates To Remember

Saturday, June 11

Blessing for the New Month of Tammuz

Thursday and Friday, June 16th and 17th

Rosh Chodesh Tammuz (Services at 7:15 A.M.)

Sunday, July 3rd

Fast of the 17th Day of Tammuz

Saturday, July 9th

Blessing for the New Month of Av

Saturday, July 16th

Shabbat Rosh Chodesh Av

Saturday, July 23rd

Shabbat Chazon — Tisha B'Av Eve

Evening Services at 8:10 P.M. followed by Ma'ariv and the reading of Lamentations

Sunday, July 24th

Tisha B'Av

Morning Services at 8:30 A.M. with appropriate readings Evening Services at 8:10 P.M.

Saturday, August 13th

Blessing for the New Month of Elul

Sunday and Monday, August 14 and 15

Rosh Chodesh Elul (Services Monday morning at 7:15 A.M.)

AND FOR YOUR FALL CALENDAR

Saturday, September 3rd

Selichot Services at 10:00 P.M.

Monday Evening, September 12th

Rosh Hashanah begins.

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