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REBEKAH ZUCKERMAN ONE OF TWO RAMAZ SENIORS CITED BY NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

We are very pleased to congratulate Rebekah Zuckerman, the daughter of our member, Dr. Frederick Zuckerman, upon winning a place as a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. She is one of two Ramaz seniors to have been so honored in this prestigious program.

Eleven other Ramaz seniors were awarded Letters of Commendation in this competition. Among them is Roger Mosesson, son of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Norman D. Mosesson.

The total of 13 students honored in the National Merit Scholarship Competition represents twenty-five percent of the senior class in Ramaz and constitutes a great honor to the school. We congratulate all of the students for their splendid achievement.

AND DON'T FORGET THE RAMAZ DINNER JANUARY 22, 1978

The enriched academic program at Ramaz in both general and Judaic Studies is directly the result of the support which members of this community render to the school. That support is forthcoming through the attendance of members of the Congregation at the Ramaz Dinner each year. The Dinner for this season will be on Sunday evening, January 22nd at the Waldorf-Astoria. As usual, it will be a great affair in support of a great cause.

AND WHILE WE'RE AT IT, DON'T FORGET REGISTRATION

This is the season of the year when registration opens for the 1978-79 academic year at Ramaz. Parents who have children of beginning school age, particularly for Nursery, Kindergarten and Grade 1, are urged to apply now so that we will be able to accommodate the children of this community first. Please do not delay. Call the School Office for application forms.

Chanukah Dinner of Yeshiva University to be Held at Waldorf Astoria Sunday, December 11

The annual Chanukah Dinner of Yeshiva University will be held this year at the conclusion of the festival of Chanukah, Sunday evening, December 11, at the Waldorf-Astoria. The dinner will be in honor of three new officers of the Board of Trustees: Hon. Herbert Tenzer, Chairman; Stanley Stern, Vice-Chairman and Ludwig Jesselson, Treasurer.

Yeshiva University is currently undergoing a large-scale reorganization in its academic and service areas. Several new University-wide vice-presidents have been appointed by Dr. Norman Lamm, President of the University. Their appointment augurs well for the development of new curricula in the undergraduate and graduate divisions of Yeshiva.

Victor Geller Returns

One of the nicest developments in the reorganization is the return of Victor B. Geller as Dean of the new Division of Communal Services. Dean Geller is one of the most astute observers of Jewish life in this country, particularly with respect to Orthodox community organization and administration. At a recent convention of rabbinic alumni of Yeshiva, Dean Geller explained what this new division will mean to the community.

The division will be composed of four departments. The Department of Rabbinic Services will help to serve the needs of the Yeshiva rabbi in his pulpit or professional work. The Director of that department will be Rabbi Herschel Schacter.

The Department for Synagogue Services will be headed by Rabbi Robert Hirt and will be concerned with

establishing relationships with congregations and communities all over the country. This department will service the congregations with religious and educational programs and try to guide new communities in strengthening and developing their synagogue life.

A third department headed by Dr. Abraham Stern will be concerned with Youth Services in an expanded format. In addition to the highly successful Torah leadership seminars, there will be Torah tours out of town and around the world. Family Shabbatonim will be organized and other activities of a similar nature will be launched.

Finally, there will be a Department of Educational Services which will establish relationships with Orthodox Day Schools throughout the country and which will also help to service bureaus of education in the United States, providing personnel for the bureaus and the schools which they service.

The creation of this new Division of Communal Services, headed by Dean Geller and by Robert Hirt as Assistant Dean, means that Yeshiva is making a new commitment to serve the total Jewish community in a vigorous way. We applaud this development as a sign of Yeshiva's deep sense of responsibility toward the totality of Jewish life in America.

Come to the Dinner

We urge our congregants to make reservations for the Yeshiva University dinner as soon as possible. Yeshiva is on the move. If it is to move effectively and successfully, it requires the support of communities such as ours. Your attendance at that dinner will constitute such support.

We welcome the parents and students of the 6th Grade of Ramaz for a Shabbaton in our Congregation on November 19th.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Births

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Kobrin upon the birth of Deborah Sue.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Zigman on the birth of Meredith. *Mazel tov* also to the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wolf.

We hope that the new arrivals will grow up in the best tradition of Torah, *chupah* and *ma'asim tovim*.

Engagements

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. James Clark upon the engagement of their daughter, Susan, to Harlan Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Ellis of Rockville Centre. We pray that the wedding which is planned for next spring will take place in happiness, good fortune and blessing.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Karp upon the engagement of their daughter Judi to Sidney Moskowitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Moskowitz. The prospective bride and groom are both graduates of Ramaz.

A Twin Mazel Tov

We are doubly happy to extend a *mazel tov* to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Aizer upon the engagement of their sons, Arthur and Steven. Arthur is engaged to Elaine Shalom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shalom, of Brooklyn and Deal, New Jersey. Steven is engaged to Michelle Tawil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tawil also of Brooklyn and Deal.

The Aizers and their prospective *machatanim* are all part of the Sephardic tradition. We are happy, therefore, to extend to them the traditional Sephardic greeting of "Chazak U'Varukh."

MR. AND MRS. NATHAN FINK CELEBRATE 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

A warm *mazel tov* to our esteemed members, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fink upon the recent celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. The Congregation rejoices with this wonderful couple who serve the Jewish community in so many capacities and who represent a marvelous example of what a Jewish couple should be in terms of love and respect for each other, personal piety and a sense of responsibility for the welfare of the Jewish community.

May we be privileged to celebrate many future anniversaries with them.

In Memoriam

Abraham Kamber

One of the most generous benefactors in the history of the congregation was called to his eternal reward during the closing stages of the Sukkot Festival.

Abraham Kamber, whose benefices earned for himself and his wife the honor of having the Kamber Auditorium dedicated to both of them, appreciated the opportunity to help Jewish education and to provide comfortable surroundings for religious and spiritual activity. He was also extremely generous to many important Jewish causes in the community.

A quiet, refined gentleman who never raised his voice or spoke ill of anyone, he was known in the business world for his impeccable honesty and integrity. He was also known in the community for his beautiful relationship with his life's companion whose tender ministrations to him in these last years were a great source of comfort and in fact prolonged his life.

We extend our sincere condolences to Mrs. Kamber and to all the family as we join them in mourning this remarkable Jewish gentleman.

David Gordon

He was a respected, senior member of the Congregation whose roots in this community go back more than five decades.

David Gordon was a warm, lov-

ing husband and father, a reliable and conscientious man who throughout his married life worked together with his wife in our community.

His children grew up in our Synagogue through many happy and spiritually filled years. We extend our condolences to his wife and family and we pray that they be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

Paulette Cohen

We record with sorrow the passing of a creative, talented and artistic personality. Paulette Cohen, together with her husband, Julius Cohen, who is a member of the Heyman family, rejoined our Congregation recently after originally having been brought up in this community.

Mrs. Cohen was a deep feeling, warm and loving person whose qualities were appreciated best by those who were her closest relatives and friends. A private personality by nature, she expressed herself eloquently through her multitude of paintings and through a strong will for life and its many joys.

We extend our condolences to her dear husband and to all the members of the bereaved family.

Mazel Tov to the Bulows

Our warmest congratulations to Tova and Norman Bulow upon the celebration of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. We are very happy for this fine family which has contributed so much to our community during its relatively brief stay in our midst.

Thanks also to the Bulow children, Jeremy, Seth, Janet, Ephraim and Shoshana, for sponsoring the kiddush on Shabbat, October 29th in honor of this happy milestone in the life of their parents.

Condolence

We extend our sincere condolences to our devoted member, Mrs. Saul Nack, upon the passing of her beloved sister, Mrs. Elaine Truboff. May she be comforted among all of us who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ANDREW (MARATHON) LASSNER

We are pleased to congratulate young Andrew Lassner of Grade 6 in Ramaz, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Lassner, upon his completing the New York Marathon on Sunday, October 23. Andy, 11 years old, ran the 26 mile course in three hours and forty-two minutes; that's forty minutes under his time in the Yonkers Marathon last May.

Cited in the New York Times on October 21 as a member of the New York Road Runners Club, Andy was one of only two participants (among 5,000) who ran in a kipah.

It was symbolic that Andy's "feat" came on the day following our reading from Isaiah, chapter 40: "They that have faith in God shall renew their strength . . . they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not be faint." May he go "from strength to strength."

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

J. K. Shabbaton

Plans for the November 11-13 J. K. Shabbaton are well under way, and arrangements are being made to house our guests, a group of teenagers from Temple Beth-El of Norwalk, Connecticut. If you have not already made your reservation, please contact Pam Nash (998-9785) or Mindy Lookstein (879-3240). The cost is \$13.50, including all Shabbat meals and breakfast on Sunday. The Saturday night activity ("Laseroak" at Hayden Planetarium) is also included in that fee.

J. K. Oneg Shabbat

On November 18, at 8:00 P.M., all high school age students in the community are invited to hear Michael Goldberg speak on what it's like to be "the lone kippah" on the campus of R.P.I. (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) in upstate New York. Some may recall Michael (Ramaz, Class of '75) as the coordinator of the Freshman Seminar and one of the stars of the Ramaz basketball team.

The Oneg will be held at the Bernsteins', 425 East 86 Street.

J. K. Gym Night

Are you tired of sitting at your desk poring over your books? Have biology, chemistry, English and history (especially history) gotten the better of you? Then come down to the Ramaz gym on Tuesday, November 22. The gym will be open for the use of all J.K.'s 8:30-10:00 P.M.

Junior Congregation

Junior Congregation's first trip of the year will take place on Saturday night, November 19. We will be meeting at 7:15 P.M., in front of the Synagogue and going to Madison Square Garden for the Knick-Pacer basketball game. All those who regularly attend Junior Congregation are eligible to join us at a special discount rate. For more information, call David Bernstein at 289-4921 or Eugene Major at 879-4783. Seats are limited.

Shabbat Afternoon Groups

There will be no groups on November 12 and November 26. On all other Saturdays, the groups begin at 3:00.

BABYSITTING SERVICE

J. K., our high-school age youth group, sponsors a babysitting service for families in our community. The rate is \$1.75 per hour, 25¢ of which goes to our "Tzedakah" fund. This fund has been used in the past to aid our adopted "shtible" on the Lower East Side. To arrange for a babysitter, call Mindy Lookstein (879-3240) or Beth Goldman (734-2079).

KJ-RAMAZ BLOOD DONOR DRIVE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 9:30 - 2:30

For the third year in a row, the KJ - Ramaz Blood Bank will hold its Blood Donor Drive. This year it will be on Sunday, November 20th from 9:30 A.M. until 2:30 P.M.

The Blood Bank covers all members of the Congregation and their families and parents of Ramaz students and their families. In the event of an emergency, if a family in the group needs blood, they can obtain it free of charge by calling Abe Esses at 860-3166 or they can contact the Synagogue Office and we will make the necessary arrangements.

In order for the Blood Bank to continue in operation, however, we must have a minimum number of donors

each year. It is an act of communal responsibility, therefore, for anyone between the ages of 17 and 65 to come on Sunday, November 20th and to give blood.

There is a mitzvah too

We should add that giving blood under any circumstances is always a mitzvah of the highest priority. Since a blood transfusion is always a matter of saving a life (in accordance with the Jewish legal definition of what constitutes saving a life) it follows that anyone who gives blood is performing that great mitzvah. We thank the Men's Club and its Chairman for the Blood Drive, Abe Esses, for making this mitzvah available to us.

YOUNG MARRIEDS GROUP TO BE ORGANIZED

We are pleased to announce the formation of a new group for young married couples in the community. The group will include couples in their 20's and 30's.

The opening meeting of this new organization will be held in the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein, 993 Park Avenue, on Saturday night, December 3, at 8:30. The occasion will provide an opportunity for all of the couples to meet each other and to discuss forthcoming activities.

It is a source of gratification to us that, thank God, there are so many young married couples who worship in our Synagogue on a regular basis or, at least, occasionally. We have invited all of those of whom we could think to this first meeting. It is likely, however, that we have missed some who should have been invited. If you are in this category or if you know of someone who is, please contact the Synagogue Office and we will be happy to invite you or them to the meeting on December 3rd.

Bar Mitzvah



Gil Schwartz

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schwartz upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Gil, which will take place in our Synagogue on Shabbat morning, November 19th.

Gil, a student in Form II at Ramaz, will chant the Maftir and Haftarah at services that morning. The entire Congregation will be the guests of the Schwartz family for Kiddush following services.



Steven Brown

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Brown upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Steven, which will take place in our Synagogue on Shabbat morning, November 26th.

Steven, a student in Form II of Ramaz, will chant the Torah portion and the Haftarah at our services that Shabbat. He will be following in the footsteps of his father who was also Bar Mitzvah in our Congregation.

Congratulations and warmest greetings also to the proud grandparents of the Bar Mitzvah, Mr. and Mrs. A. Milton Brown. We will join with them at a Kiddush hosted by the Brown family on November 26th.

A Modern Mikvah

is located in Our Community at
232-4 West 78th Street
(east of Broadway)
Telephone number 799-1520

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, November 4th

Lighting of Candles4:32 P.M.
Evening4:45 P.M.

Saturday, November 5th

Morning9:00 A.M.
Weekly Portion: Haye Sarah
Haftorah: I Kings 1

Rosh Chodesh Prayers

Rosh Chodesh Kislev will be on
Friday, November 11th.
Evening4:45 P.M.
Conclusion of Sabbath.....5:25 P.M.

Friday, November 11th

Lighting of Candles4:25 P.M.
Evening4:40 P.M.

Saturday, November 12th

Morning9:00 A.M.
Weekly Portion: Toledot
Haftorah: Malachi 1
Evening4:40 P.M.
Conclusion of Sabbath.....5:19 P.M.

Friday, November 18th

Lighting of Candles4:19 P.M.
Evening4:30 P.M.

Saturday, November 19th

Morning9:00 A.M.
Weekly Portion: Vayetze
Haftorah: Hosea
Evening4:30 P.M.
Conclusion of Sabbath.....5:15 P.M.

Friday, November 25th

Lighting of Candles4:14 P.M.
Evening4:30 P.M.

Saturday, November 26th

Morning9:00 A.M.
Weekly Portion: Vayishlach
Haftorah: Ovadiah 1
Evening4:30 P.M.
Conclusion of Sabbath.....5:10 P.M.

Junior Congregation meets on Shabbat
mornings at 10:15.

Pre-school services are at 11:00.

Weekday Services

Morning7:30 A.M.
Sunday Morning8:30 A.M.
Father and Son Minyan.....9:30 A.M.
Evening4:30 P.M.

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FROM WALTER KOPPEL TO THE EDITOR OF THE KJ BULLETIN

Dear Editor:

I should like, personally and in the name of my committee of co-workers, to thank you for your touching words in the October 14, 1977 Bulletin.

I must, however, ask you to print a special thanks to all the wonderful boys and girls who helped set-up, serve and clean up during the Sukkot meals. It is these young people who really deserve the whole Congregation's gratitude, for without them, none of the meals could have been taken care of.

Thanking you for printing this letter, I remain,
Sincerely yours,
Walter Koppel

RESERVE THE DATE FOR A GALA CHANUKAH PARTY

We are happy to announce that the Men's Club and Sisterhood of the Congregation will hold a festive Chanukah party on Saturday night, December 10th in the Kamber Auditorium. Full details will reach you in the mail shortly. In the meantime, please reserve the date for what promises to be a memorable evening.

THE SISTERHOOD'S CHUPAH COMMITTEE meets in the library every Monday 2 - 4 p.m.

It is important that everyone bring in her work so that we can start the job of assembling.

Y. U. BOUTIQUE

The Sixth Annual Holiday Boutique, sponsored by the Yeshiva University Women's Organization, will be at the Mayfair House, Park Avenue and 65th Street.

Monday, Nov. 7, 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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PLEASE NOTE

We have enclosed with this Bulletin a remarkable article written by Mosh Decter which will explain many things about the absurdity of the Arab claims for a Palestinian homeland on the West Bank. We are happy to provide you with this article not only for what it will explain to you but also to help you to interpret this matter to others. We would appreciate hearing from you if you have any comments on the article.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN TO ATTEND FEDERATION GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN DALLAS, TEXAS

Rabbi and Mrs. Haskell Lookstein have been invited to attend the General Assembly of Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds which will be held from November 9 through 13 in Dallas, Texas. The Rabbi will be representing the Commission of Synagogue Relations of our New York Federation. He will also lead one of the study sessions on Shabbat morning.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

On Shabbat morning, November 5th, the Kiddush will be sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kahn and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Summer in honor of the birthday of their father, Alfred Kahn. We look forward to celebrating this happy occasion with the entire Kahn family.

NEEDIEST CASES FUND

The Sisterhood expresses its thanks to Mrs. A. Milton Brown, Mrs. Samuel Feder, Mrs. Vera Ickovic, Mrs. Bertha Kellin, Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein, and Mrs. Samuel Singer for their contributions to the Neediest Cases Fund. Contributions may be sent to Mrs. Joseph Roth, 891 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10021.

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