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Our 33rd Anniversary Dinner

Have you made your reservations for our Annual Dinner to be held Saturday night, February 3rd, 1973 at 8:30 P.M. at the Van Cortlandt Jewish Center, 3880 Sedgwick Avenue in the Bronx? Whether or not you have brought in Ads, you must make a reservation. Please indicate with whom you would like to sit. For those without cars, we will try to get you a ride. We'll try — but you must contact us.

The cost is \$40.00 per couple, unless you have brought in \$130 in Ads. Which reminds me, have you given us your personal Ad for \$10.00? Please do.

You will be reading this just days before the night of the Banquet. You can't possibly pass up this wonderful opportunity to be together socially with your fellow Young Israelites. It's nice to look forward to — to dance away the hours — to sing — to eat — to drink — and to laugh.

It's good for the soul — it's great for one's libido — it's a great relaxer. So why not send in your reservation today. You dance to a great orchestra — Joe King and his gang — all graduates of Fiddler on the Roof. The cost is only \$40.00 per couple. It's a bargain because it's costing us more.

We honor our Past President, Nate Berliner, a dedicated and devoted worker for Young Israel, who has given us years of service and inspiration. He is deserving of a healthy turnout.

May I look forward to meeting and greeting you on February 3rd at the Van Cortlandt Jewish Center?

Shalom!

Lou Friedman

Chairman — Banquet Committee



Your Ads Are Needed Now!

With the Banquet only some days away, we find ourselves dangerously short of our goal in Ads. We are worried, and we appeal to you for help. There is still time to "Bring In That Ad," and with your help we can meet our quota. Make that extra effort for the sake of our Young Israel of Parkchester.

Give us your personal ad. It's only \$10.00. And in addition, have you sent in the names of your children and grandchildren for the Booster Page in the Journal? It costs only \$2.00 for each name. And each \$2.00 entitles you to a chance at a drawing to win a television set.

So you see, there are many ways you can help. And by helping Young Israel, you help yourself. Please!



Weekend at Grossingers

Our weekend at Grossinger's is scheduled for March 23rd, 24th and 25th. For reservations call Harry Brooks at 881-0790.

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Are you with it? Because I'm not, and I don't think you are either.

During the past month we attended three weddings; in each case the "Chusan" and the Bride were in their twenties. Each wedding as well attended; each had its dance music; and each had a plentiful supply of food. But there the similarity ended. Two of them were in the traditional form-fitting "Chusan-Kolla" format, while the third was in the freewheeling liberalized version, composed in an off-Broadway theatrical style, acted out by the two main characters, with never a thought to the spectators, witnesses and audience.

I had never witnessed the new-type wedding, and was not prepared for the events as they unfolded. The bride and groom had requested a hands-off policy from their parents, who were merely just "one of the guests," and who just paid the bill. There was only a sprinkling of relatives. Most of the guests were the friends of the couple. The ceremony was make-shift and not organized. The groom had composed the words to the ritual or ceremony. The Rabbi's part was played down. The whole thing lasted only a few minutes, and will be remembered only because it was uninspiring.

The parents on both sides were just spectators. They did not mingle with one another. The meal was buffet style. There was no table-hopping by the parents or by the bride and groom. I never met the parents of the groom. We just were never introduced. The band was a young group and played dance music only for the young ones. Nothing that we could

dance to. There was none of the gaiety and spontaneity and togetherness. And, of course, there was no group dancing, no waltzes.

On the other hand, the other two weddings were in the traditional style which has existed for scores of years, and which brought nachas and pleasure to every guest. The parents were consulted and played a prominent part, second only to the bride and groom. Each affair was well organized, where the guest was made to feel that he belonged and that he added to the occasion. The parents participated in the ceremony, and as they all stood under the "Chupa," the happiness just radiated out to the guests sitting in the Chapel. The pride and joy reflected on their faces is the nachas a parent is entitled to. There are too few moments in our lives that we are able to relive in pleasure. A wedding is a momentous event, not only to the bride and groom, but to the parents and to the friends and relatives attending. The parent spends more generously for these moments and is eager to share the joys with those who have been close to him.

A child who denies this to his parent takes from him, perhaps unintentionally, a moment from his life. It is a time, too, that the child realizes the closeness of the parent and the love of each for the other. He faces a moment of truth that serves to strengthen the bond between them. He feels a gratitude to which he never gave voice before. This, the wedding serves to produce, and it is all to the good. It is the wise child who goes along with the wishes of the parent because he understands that the "Wedding Day" does not belong solely to the bride and groom. It is shared equally with those in his life whose desire is happiness for the child.

~~~~~ TREES FOR ISRAEL ~~~~~

Since this is the month when we celebrate the New Year of the Trees, Tu B'Shvat (15th day of Shevat) we would like to apprise our membership that those interested in purchasing Trees for Israel or donating to the Jewish National Fund can call our worthy member and official JNF representative Mr. Jack Bernstein at UN 3-6495 and he will be happy to fulfill your request.

Women's League

President's Message

Ladies: Thank you for your cooperation in the six months past: Your attendance at meetings: Your dedicated work in various activities and general friendliness.

For the New Year — keep it up and intensify — like everything else — if you are good, more is expected of you — so wish ourselves lots of energy to complete the season successfully and joyously. Resolution: to read through mail.

I am looking forward to greeting you all, all dressed up, at the 33rd Anniversary Banquet on February 3rd.

Molly Gewertz
President

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Women's League News

As we said farewell to 1972 and hello to 1973, I am sure the foremost wish in all our hearts was that PEACE will come to the world and all our boys will come home to stay. It seemed as if the weather was in accord with this hope — it felt as if the rain was washing the ills of the world away and starting the New Year with a shiny new day.

There seems to be a continued sojourn to warmer climate by our members, Sara Kaufman, Rose Weinstein, and Charlotte Lehrer joined the Florida brigade — to them we say keep warm and happy.

Our boutique is opened again and you will find it a congenial place to come to — come in and browse, meet friends, eat a hearty lunch, play cards and at

the same time get beautiful novelties at much less than you would pay in stores. We also have a beautiful line of Israeli items — come see us to believe us.

I am still in the "HAPPY OCCASION CARD" sending — two things occur when you send one of our cards — you give a donation to a worthy cause, Lma'an Haya'ed home for girls in Bnai Brak in Israel, and we take care of sending your best for a happy event on time. Again, if you would like to be in print give me the news and I'll print it.

Your News Reporter,
Fannie R. Brown

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Women's League news items should be sent to Fannie R. Brown, 1366 White Plains Road.

Hebrew and Bible Classes every Tuesday morning, followed by a Koffee Klotch at noon. The Donor Gift Shop will also be open at this time.

Please contact:

Donor Merchandise:

Pauline LehmanTA 2-8009

Gertrude MillerUN 3-1655

Lma'an Haya'ed:

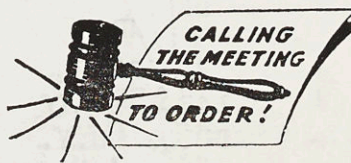
Fannie R. BrownTA 9-4021

Sunshine Lady:

Molly GewertzTA 9-9231

White Elephant Sale:

Rose ParnessTA 3-3982



SPECIAL NOTICE

The meetings of the Men's Club and Women's League are scheduled for the second Wednesday evening of each month.

Please reserve the date and attend!

FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

The Jewish people traditionally celebrate Rosh Hashanah as their New Year.

As Americans we live in a world of another calendar and we cannot separate ourselves from this world completely. Even in the State of Israel they live according to two separate calendars and all official documents bear double dates. The official Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel bears the Hebrew date and the world date.

I, therefore, want to wish all our members and their families a healthy and peaceful 1973.

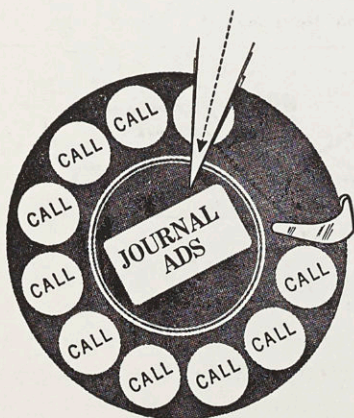
Harry Brooks
President

GET WELL

It's good to see Mrs. Sarah Cohen, Harry Rasch and Arthur Roth home after their recent hospitalization.

Keep healthy and hearty.

Our best wishes for a Refuah Shlemah to Mary Zisselman still at Montefiore Hospital. Get well soon and let us see you at home!



MAZEL TOV

Our heartiest congratulations to:

Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Gewertz on the arrival of their granddaughter Jennifer Grace to their children Joanna and Jim Harris.

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Kutner, on the marriage of their daughter Karen to David Kedmi.

Mr. & Mrs. Emauel Kezner, on the marriage of their daughter Susan to Gary J. Kava.

Mr. & Mrs. David Neuwirth, on the marriage of their son Harvey to Frieda Bondar, a former member of our Hebrew School faculty.

Mr. & Mrs. Max Spielberger, on the birth of their grandson Matthew Harrison to their children Harriet and Elliott Solomon.

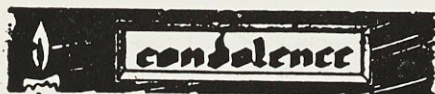
Jonathan Klugman, son of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Klugman, on his receiving a Regent Scholarship.

Mr. & Mrs. Simon Zaret, on the marriage of their daughter Carol to Daniel Pardwell.



We welcome as a new addition Stephen Gutstein to our ever growing Young Israel family.

May our association be a long and beneficial one.



Our deepest sympathy to:

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Frank and Family,
on the tragic and untimely loss of their
beloved son and brother Bruce Frank.

Mr. Julius Raffelson and Mrs. Rhea
Levy, on the untimely loss of their be-
loved wife and sister, Miriam Raffelson.

May they be comforted amongst the
other mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.



RESERVE
SATURDAY EVE., MARCH 3rd
for our gala
Torah Dinner!

Be sure to attend this
memorable occasion



Best wishes and felicitations to the
following members having birthdays or
anniversaries in January:

BIRTHDAYS

(1) Jules Canter, Anne August (2)
Helen Sochrin (3) Alexander R. Horo-
witz (4) Pearl Silverman, Belle Solin-
sky, Beatrice Kutner (5) Geraldine
Smith (6) Bertha Bresenoff, Sidney
Robinson (7) Louis Fusfeld (9) Bar-
bara Katz (10) Charles Felman, Andrew
Smith (12) Karen Horn, Neil Winkler,
Gertrude Kurzer (13) Leonard Eigner
(14) Matthew Weinreb (15) Miriam
Michlin (17) David Astor, Barry Mich-
lin (18) Irwin Ross, Leo Slavin (19)
Stella Bengel (20) Sylvia Liebert, Stuart
Levy (21) Fredrick Gross, Sharon Gross
(22) Scott Yablonsky (23) Elyssa Solo-
mon, Isidore Kramer (25) Leona Del-
mont (26) Ruth Tischfeld (27) Mark
Solomon, Harold Speck (28) Leah Nuss-
baum (29) Sam Miller (31) Jack M.
Lehrer, Arlene Lench.



ANNIVERSARIES

(1) Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Stadler, Mr. &
Mrs. Isidore Felman, Mr. & Mrs. Moe H.
Scher (6) Mr. & Mrs. Max Spielberger
(9) Mr. & Mrs. Louis Milefsky (13)
Dr. & Mrs. Hyman Leibowitz (16) Mr.
& Mrs. Irving Shatkin (17) Mr. & Mrs.
Sidney Dolinko (25) Mr. & Mrs. Benja-
min Kohen (29) Mr. & Mrs. Al Panzer
* * * and many happy returns.

Adult Institute Classes

Monday — 8 P.M. — Bible
 9 P.M. — Basic Judaism
 Tuesday Morning — 10 A.M. — Bible for Women
 11 A.M. — Hebrew I—Beginners
 Hebrew II—Advanced
 Saturday Afternoon — 3:30 P.M. — Talmud
 Sunday Morning — 9:30 A.M. — Mishna Lecture Breakfast
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