

# THE YOUNG ISRAELITE

YOUNG ISRAEL OF PARKCHESTER 1375 VIRGINIA AVENUE THE BRONX

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## You Are Cordially Invited To Attend Our Fourth Torah Dinner SATURDAY NIGHT, MARCH 3rd at 8:30 P.M.

We will celebrate with our Chevra Shas — Talmudic Circle, the Simcha of the completion of the Gemara Moed Katan which the group has studied so diligently these past two years.

We will also honor our esteemed spiritual leader for the past 15 years, Rabbi Maurice L. Schwartz, by presenting him with

LIFE TENURE

A catered dinner will be served.

Distinguished rabbis and community leaders will participate.

Music and entertainment by the Lapidim orchestra. \$3.00 per person

No solicitations

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SOL SPITZ, Chairman

## **Our Banquet In Retrospect**

What a wonderful, stimulating, gratifying evening we had that Saturday night, February 3rd, the night of our 33rd Anniversary Dinner. Not only was it a financial success, it was also a tremendous social success. Well organized, well attended, smooth, it reflected the long hours of planning put in by your committee. How I wish all of you could have been present to witness the closeness, the warmth, the goodwill and fellowship that prevailed. Food and liquor were plentiful, as were the broad smiles, the relaxed faces and the happiness throughout the evening.

Nate Berliner, was honored with the proper flourish and fanfare. Nate and his Mildred responded gracefully and graciously. As always, our Rabbi was both witty and wise in his presentation of the plaque to our guest of honor, and in summing up Nate's dedication and devotion to Young Israel. Nate's reply was in a humorous vein for which he was warmly applauded by the audience.

In addition to the guest of honor, we were also privileged to have as our guests Mr. Nash Kestenbaum, President of the National Council of Young Israel; as well as its Director, the Executive Vice-President, Rabbi Ephraim H. Sturm.

The high point of the evening was the nostalgic, traditional dance of the Handkerchief between Rabbi Schwartz and the Rebbitzen. It was a delight also to watch the men dance the Hora, while the ladies formed a ring around them and danced counter-clockwise, with the men moving in the opposite direction. The Rabbi was then raised on high, as he sat on a chair, and was marched around the room.

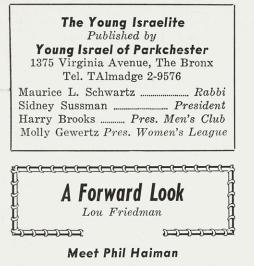
This was Fiddler on the Roof with only the light-hearted scenes. How beautiful it is for all Young Israel to celebrate together and share the blessings of togetherness.

Now that we have celebrated our 33rd Anniversary, we are planning for our 34th Anniversary. So get ready?

May I publicly thank my Committee for a job well done. The Committee:

Harry Brooks John Greenfield Al Hein Max Spielberger Mack Waldman Harvey Erenstein Lou Gross The Committee Bob Liebert Sid Sussman Kelly Winkler

LOU FRIEDMAN, Chairman Banquet Committee Page Two



The mantle of dignity oftentimes is worn by men whose credentials are questionable. Daily exposure to people and events brings them into sharper focus, revealing a facade clearly seen through for the sham it is.

There are those, however, one meets only too rarely in life whose impact on the scene is a positive one. They themselves do not lay claim to any magic formula setting them aside from others around them. Should you display signs of admiration, they modestly discount whatever it was that triggered your reaction and immediately change the subject, steering you away from them. Phil Haiman fits well into this latter category.

I have been privileged to sit side by side with Phil in our Synagogue, not only Saturday, but also weekday mornings. From the unobtrusive individual I had known at the beginning; from the pleasant, polite, self-effacing congregationalist, there emerged a warm, considerate. knowledgeable friend. Stored within an average frame, with features that are most impressive, and topped off by a generous supply of snow-white hair, is a wealth of information, education and knowledge of Hebrew history, Hebrew translations and Hebrew lore. From him you learn the basis, the reason, the emergence of certain expressions and procedures, rituals and ceremonies. And this is not thrust at you to overwhelm you. These facts you deduce from your conversations with him, from discussions and events. You begin to recognize that

you are privileged to sit with a man who is remarkable indeed.

Much to Phil's embarrassment, and as much as he dislikes to be in the limelight, he has been recognized by our own Kelly Winkler to be one of the outstanding chasanim who can capably handle and interpret the meanings of the Saturday Shochris and Musaf services. His expression of the Shabbos celebration, and his chants and nuances clearly reflect the spirit of the unique psalms and liturgies that add to the joy of a Shabbos service. He is called upon periodically as Maftir to recite the Haftorah for the day.

On those occasions when we talk about our children, who are contemporary in age, Phil's eyes light up with pleasure and pride. The tenderness and devotion with which he treats the subject reflects well the relationship that must exist between Phil and his children. While he is reluctant to say too much about "his boys" for fear that he may be taking advantage of his listener, you can easily detect the depths of his feeling for them. And when he does voice his thoughts, and does go into some detail, you begin to sense the esteem and the respect, the admiration and the love that his boys have for him and for their Mother.

Presently, both sons are stationed in Hawaii in the United States Services. Both are attorneys. The older son, Mark, is a Major with the United States Marines, and is the Deputy Staff Advocate General. Mark is proud of his Jewish heritage and, as often as he can, he conducts the Shabbos services for the men overseas. Arnold is a Lieutenant (Sr. Grade) serving with the United States Coast Guard as a trial attorney.

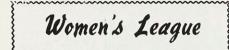
I'm sure that Phil will forgive me for my taking "advantage" of a friend. These thoughts have been with me for some time, and I feel that I must share a relationship exemplifying true Yiddishkeit and Torah.

# NEW MEMBERS

We welcome as a new member to our ever growing Young Israel family, Jacob Goldner.

May our association be a long and fruitful one.

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#### **President's Message**

Congratulations and thanks to all who participated to make our 33rd Anniversary Banquet the success and memorable occasion it proved to be.

Particularly I salute the ladies in the Women's League who anticipated and covered all the goals about which the orators spoke — spend so much time in the Synagogue as if it were a second home, inspire the men to get going ("power behind the throne") inspire themselves to make that extra effort, and were able to present a substantial check for the use of Young Israel of Parkchester, with our best wishes.

It is noteworthy that we were able to do so much so early in the season.

Also, as you could not help noticing, the ladies prettied themselves up for the occasion — no great effort — hair dos, gowns, etc., LET THE MEN DO ALL THE TALKING — and then all participated in the vigorous dancing and festivities. May we all continue to cooperate peaceably and in good health for many anniversaries to come.

Molly Gewertz President

# Women's League News

After missing the last two gala affairs, due to family troubles, it was a joy to be back where the action is — SWING —and I do mean swing.

Our men have it all over the youths, they know how to let their 'hair?' down, forget the cares of life for a few hours and really go. Our own Rabbi Schwartz and Rabbi Sturm and Nash Kastenbaum of National Council were right in there swinging with the best of them.

Our women, the shining lights of the evening all dressed up in their best bib and tucker, a fashion show of what the best dressed women wear, and not to be outdone, kept up with the men in their gaiety.

Believe me, it is worth coming to our yearly affairs, for happiness and good fellowship is hard to find any where else. To keep this happy trend, we of Women's League would like to welcome May Fisher, Esther and Rae Gottlieb, Estelle Haas, Esther Harap, Beatrice Kanter, Sylvia Kaplan, Anna and Sara Miller and Rae E. Pollack to our midst — may our association be a happy and fruitful one.

Still on the happy side we would like to congratulate and wish them lots of success in their continued education. Roslyn, daughter of Mrs. Leon Margolin, graduated from Queen's College Magna Cum Laude and will teach Hunter College Elementary School, while studying there for her masters degree. Marc T., son of Mrs. Ann Rosenberg, graduated from Bronx High Schol of Science, with a New York State Regents Scholarship; he yet to make up his mind which college he would like to attend.

Another up coming beautiful planned gala affair will be our Donor Dinner May 1st, Tuesday evening at Arele's and you still have time to make your donor, so hurry and get going or again you will miss out on a tremendous fantastic event.

This is the time to be jolly — Wednesday afternoon, May 2nd, will be the Lma'an Hayeled Luncheon at the Roosevelt Hotel and the fee is \$15.00 per person — sorry if I said less.

See you in print if you see me first. Your News Reporter, Fannie R. Brown

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 I	Lehman	TA	2 - 8009
Gertrude	Miller	UN	3 - 1655

Lma'an Hayeled:

Happy occasion cards for a nominal fee available, call Fannie R. Brown — TA 9-4021.

Sunshine Lady:

Molly Gewertz— TA 9-9231

White Elephant Sale: Co-chairman Rose Parness — TA 3-3982



I can truly say that I am proud of our Young Israel's accomplishments. Whether it is the Annual Banquet and Journal, the stained glass windows project, or the Baseball Booster Club and World Series conducted by the Men's Club, or the White Elephant sale, the donor table and many other projects undertaken by the Women's League, they all meet with great success.

While the above sounds optimistic, let us not be too complacent about the future. We have much work ahead of us. All our projects need much concentrated effort, and we cannot sit with our hands folded and expect the other fellow to do the job. Therefore, I urge all our members to be alert, be aware, and be busy. Let us face the new year of 1973 with renewed energy to continue our conscientious work.

> Harry Brooks President

## SPECIAL NOTICE

The Men's Club and the Women's League have their regular meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. Please reserve the date and make sure to attend the meetings. A most interesting and exciting program has been planned for our March 14th meeting.

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# New Community Mikva To Be Constructed

The Rabbinical Board of the Bronx, known as the Vaad Harabonim, has recently been reorganized and has launched a campaign for the construction of a new modern Mikva ritualarium. The site of the new Mikva is 2144 Muliner Ave. between Pelham Parkway South and Lydig Avenue, the Bronx. The plans call for an ultra modern facility encompassing the latest in design and decor to meet the esthetic needs of this important Mitzvah. The campaign will be officially opened at a borough wide community breakfast Sunday, March 4th at 2222 Cruger Avenue, with representatives of every synagogue in the Bronx. Our Rabbi Maurice L. Schwartz serves as secretary of the Board.



## Our deepest sympathy to:

Mrs. Mildred Anker, on the loss of her beloved brother Benjamin Kittay.

Mrs. Doris Bauer and Son, on the loss of their beloved husband and father Samuel Bauer.

Mr. Charles Feinstein, on the loss of his beloved father Morris Feinstein.

Mrs. Anne Goncharoff, on the loss of her beloved father Jacob Wiederhorn.

Mrs. Rae Kideckel, on the loss of her beloved sister Rose Davis.

Mr. Alex Maslin, on the loss of his beloved sister Esther Pine.

Mr. Saul Mond, on the loss of his beloved mother Dora Mond.

Mrs. Bertha U. Silver and family, on the loss of their beloved husband and father Leo Silver.

Mrs. Gertrude Stamler, on the loss of her beloved mother-Sophie Pescovitz. -

Mr. William Zisselman and Family and Mrs. Sarah Portnoy, and Bessie Fishman, on the loss of their beloved wife, mother and sister, Mary Zisselman.

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

## Mr. & Mrs. Club

In spite of the inclement weather, a large turnout came to our "Cabaret Night" on January 27th. Our performers were successful in bringing out the mood of the evening — a fun filled time was had by all.

We are planning a Bingo night for Saturday, February 24th. Please come and bring your friends. Refreshments will be served.

On Saturday, March 31st, we are having a Square Dance and Game Night, with a professional caller. Donation \$5.00 per couple and reservations may be made in advance through any member of our group or by calling Carol and Harvey Erenstein at 824-6114. Donation at door that evening \$6.00 per couple for non-members and \$3.00 per couple for members. We promise you three continuous hours of dancing, fun and food.

Please reserve these dates on your calendar. Carol and Harvey Erenstein

## Too Late for the Journal

The following children's names arrived too late to be printed in the Journal. The names, however, were included in the drawing for the TV. The names: Wendy F. Becker Winifred Schare Donald J. Schare Allan Schare Gary Schare Stuart Schare

Mel Powell

Also too late was the following ad: BEST WISHES FROM MR. & MRS. BERNARD GALPERN.

The winner of the TV was Linda Jaffe, granddaughter of Mrs. Leon Jaffe.

## **Calendar of Events**

February 24th — 8:30 P.M.
Mr. & Mrs. Club Game Night
February 25th — 9:30 A.M.
Torah V'Emunah Breakfast
March 3rd —
Torah Dinner
March 14th —
Men's Club and Women's League
Meetings
March 15th —
Fast of Esther
March 17th — 7:00 P.M.
Reading of Megillah
March 18th —
Purim — Reading of Megillah



Best wishes and felicitation to the following members having birthdays or anniversaries in February:

#### BIRTHDAYS

(1) Beth Anker, Howard Hein (2) Sandra Linder, Susan Hirsh (3) Rose Sloan (4) David Ross, Elaine Alper (5) Michael Solomon, Richard Kurzer (7) Wendy Amsel, Michael Wurmbrand, Mac Bernfeld, Ann Sloan (9) Hy Horn (12) Rose Fox, Meyer Diamond, Larry Sochrin, Albert Beeber (13) Mitzi Fink, Robert Kornblum (16) Joan Friedman, Jeanna Weiss (17) Adrienne Bensch (18) Stuart Shelby (20) Nathan Groginsky (21) David Margulis, Aaron Bernstein (22) Arnold Weinreb, Mitchell Ian Siegel, Abraham Evans (24) Marilyn Sperber (25) Meyer Linder, Carol Erenstein (27) Arline Heller, Barbara Heller, Esther Reisman.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

(2) Mr. & Mrs. Julius Solomon (4) Mr. & Mrs. Jack Levy (5) Mr. & Mrs. Leo Maslow, Mr. & Mrs. Alex Maslin (13) Mr. & Mrs. Jack Parness (15) Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Brown (18) Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Fink (20) Mr. & Mrs. Philip Haiman (22) Mr. & Mrs. Nelson Lacher, Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Goldner (23) Dr. & Mrs. Maurice Appel (27) Mr. & Mrs. Harold Koch \* \* \* and many happy returns.

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## MAZEL TOV

## Our heartiest congratulations to

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Haas, on the marriage of their daughter Joyce to Victor Blechman.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rubinstein, on the engagement of their granddaughter Sari Anne Birnbaum to Robert Silber in Israel.

### **GET WELL**

Our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to Mrs. Mildred Bogner, Jacob Goldner, Miss Esther Gottlieb and Mrs. Hilda Klein.

Our wish: Get well soon and let us see you back at Young Israel. Refuah Shlema.

SC	HEDULE	OF SERVICES	
Daily:	Morning	6:45 A.	М
	Evening	5:10 P.	M
Saturday8:45 A			М
Sunday		8:00 A.	М

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