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YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL

Laymen's Sabbath
SATURDAY, MARCH 31st

Shabbos Parshos Hachodesh Services commence at 8:45 A.M.

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## A Forward Look

Lou Friedman

#### Young Israel Grows Up

On the night of March 3rd, 1973, Young Israel took a giant step forward. In our inexorable march to the forefront of the Young Israel movement, with faultless judgment and with acclamation that saw no dissenters, we opened our hearts and welcomed home in perpetuity, our spiritual leader whom we have all learned to cherish with profound respect, our own Rabbi Schwartz.

How very seldom in life is there a marriage of two strong forces meeting head on and destined to be interlocked with a bond that is unbreakable. Young Israel of Parkchester, pioneered by a nucleus of dedicated men, whose love for Orthodoxy allowed for no compromises, was forged together by an abiding devotion to Torah and by a strict adherence to meaningful Worship. What was unique in the birth of Young Israel was

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#### A Forward Look (Cont'd)

the close relationship existing between the men who fathered and founded it. Respect for one another guided them and motivated them always. Their trust in each other's faith was the foundation upon which Our Home was built.

Rabbi Schwartz was born into a family steeped in traditional Orthodoxy. The closeness of his family stemmed from a life of Yiddishkeit that stressed the homogeneity of family life. He was destined to become the exponent of Orthodoxy which he practices with meticulous care. Both his brothers are Rabbis. too, and all three brothers are Rabbis well within the Orthodox spectrum. It is somewhat remarkable that fate brought together Young Israel of Parkchester and Rabbi Schwartz. The vagaries of life often militate against two strong like-minded forces meeting one another. This time, however, fate and circumstance brought the two together, some fifteen years ago. It was then ordained that never the twain shall part.

As was brought out at the Torah Dinner Rabbi Schwartz is a "man for all seasons". Young in years and relating remarkably well with the youth of our congregation, he is on an equal footing with the elders of our Synagogue. His knowledge and credibility are impeccable, and he is as a sage in his wisdom and in his spiritual leadership. In an outpouring of love and affection for the Rabbi and the Rebbitzen, the response had no equal. The congregation, on that Saturday night of March 3rd, showed the depth of its gratitude to Rabbi Schwartz. The Rabbi has proved most vividly that in every Jewish heart there beats the torch of Tradition, Torah and Orthodoxy.

We give thanks to our committee for its masterful stroke in executing life tenure with our Rabbi. We offer our heartfelt gratitude to the Rabbi and the Rebbitzen for accepting this marriage with us. We take pride in ourselves for conveying to them the warmth that lies within us, and in wanting the Rabbi and Rebbitzen to share our lives with us. While we cannot offer them wealth and materialistic enrichment, we do offer them the good life and the riches of togetherness. They have won our hearts and have earned our very deep respect and affection. The Parkchester community shines the brighter, for we have carved out a permanent niche for one of its foremost citizens.

One couldn't help but burst with pride hearing other Rabbis describe our Rabbi Schwartz with such superlatives as gifted, extremely knowledgeable, compassionate, understanding, and the healer of the spiritually afflicted. There is no greater satisfaction than knowing you have the respect and the admiration of your peers. This was the message of the many Rabbis who spoke at our Simcha, and from those Rabbis who sent telegrams from near and from far away Israel.

Rabbi Schwartz has well earned his life tenure. Young Israel may well be proud of the night of March 3rd, for on that day it became of age.

To Sol Spitz and his Committee we are grateful for a masterful achievement!

## Women's League

Women's League was well represented at the beautiful Siyum party Saturday evening, March 3rd, 1973. Congratulations to the members of the Cheva Shas Talmud class and Rabbi Schwartz.

Much praise to the hard working members of the committee who arranged the details and made everything run smoothly. The distinguished guest rabbis spoke wisely and wittily with much warmth for our own Rabbi Schwartz.

One group who is hardly ever noted but deserves much praise are the agile, deft, patient and above all tactful young men who acted as hat check attendants, waiters, and general cleaner-uppers. They are truly *Young Israel* and we should pledge that all generations will

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# FROM THE MEN'S CLUB

With the advent of the 1973 Baseball training season, our own Baseball Booster Club is getting busy. By this time we have already ordered tickets for the 1973 Baseball season as well as for the World Series. These tickets will be distributed at our April meeting and the rest will be mailed to our members. Since this is our major fund raising project for our Synagogue, I appeal to all our members to become active in this worthwhile cause. This is not a one man job and we must have the full cooperation of everyone in order to assure the success of this project.

Those members who attended our February meeting, had the pleasure of listening to Mr. Gabriel Goldberger, a recent newcomer to the United States from Russia. He told us of his and his family's personal experience as Russian citizens. Those who were absent really missed an exciting and interesting program. We are trying to provide stimulating programs at all our meetings and urge each and every one of you to try to attend our future gatherings.

At this time I want to wish all our members and their families a HAPPY PURIM.

HARRY BROOKS President

#### Women's League (Cont'd)

work together to keep all projects going successfully for the coming year.

The White Elephant Sale is scheduled for May 20th, 1973, Sunday, one project where all can participate. Call Rose Parness or Fay Spitz. New merchandise is needed and willing workers gratefully accepted.

Barton's Candy and Cake Passover items orders should be in by March 27th, so that it can be delivered in time for the holiday. See or call Ruth Kohen — at Tuesday Koffee Klotches or TA 9-0735. New members and old members — hope to welcome you all at the next meeting.

MOLLY GEWERTZ President

### Women's League News

It is wonderful to belong to a Women's League whose parent body, our shul, the Young Israel of Parkchester does so much in a charitable and spiritual way for all members of all branches, the Men's Club, the Golden Ringers and the Women's League.

At the Torah Dinner honoring our Rabbi Schwartz with tenure, our women, as usual, were outstanding in their decorum and a fashion show of what the well dressed woman should wear. Our own Rebbitzen Rachel was a shining example with an inner glow that was reflected in her pretty face. The surprise of the evening was Ethel, their daughter (when did she become such a beauty; wasn't it only yesterday when she was so small?). The evening was a 'standing room only' success with many, unfortunately, turned away; as I have said time and time again, when our shul has an affair, get your reservation in early, or you'll be sorry.

All the dignitaries, and there were quite a few, Rabbis from all over, National Council President Nash Kestenbaum, Borough President Abrams, all spoke in praise of our Rabbi; if we didn't know it before, we know it now, how fortunate we are in our possession, not only is he a very learned man, a 'Talmud Chochim' but an educator, a very charitable man and a spiritual leader of the community, yet a very humble man. Molly Gewertz, President of Women's League, in a short, well-spoken speech, presented him, in our behalf, with a sterling silver Havadallah Set that we feel sure will be a prized possession in their home.

We have another fabulous evening planned and you all still have a chance to get in on the fun. Our DONOR DINNER will be coming up in May and our chairman Dottie Haimowitz, assures us of a wonderful time but you must do your part and you still have time.

We are in the Passover Barton Candy business and chairman Ruth Kohen needs lots of orders to reach the top — Fay Spitz, our White Elephant co-chairman needs helpers and merchandise — The Boutique table has new, beautiful, inex-

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#### Mr. & Mrs. Club

- 1—Do you enjoy participating in different types of dancing from around the world?
- 2—Would you like to participate or watch various games of fun with your friends and fellow neighbors?

If your answers to the above are yes, then please join us on Saturday night, March 31st at 8:30 P.M. in Levin Hall. Reservations may be made in advance for a donation of \$5.00 per couple for non-members by calling Carol and Harvey Erenstein at 824-6114. Donation at the door that evening will be \$6.00 per couple for non-members and \$3.00 per couple for members.

Refreshments will be served and a good time will be had by all. We urge you to be there. Bring your friends. You're in for a treat that can't be beat. See you!

Carol and Harvey Erenstein

## MAZEL TOV Our heartiest congratulations to

Mark, son of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Cooper, on his Bar Mitzvah in our Young Israel on March 24th.

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Kutner, on the birth of their grandson Opher Ephraim to their children Rabbi & Mrs. Joel Kutner.

Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Zwisohn, on the birth of their granddaughter Debra Gayle to their children Meryl and Harold Marshak.

An Apology

Robyn Stacy Kideckel's name was omitted inadvertently from the Journal. However, it was included in the drawing for the TV. We beg forgiveness.

#### **GET WELL**

Our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to Mrs. Florence Groginsky and Mrs. Hilda Klein.

Our wish - Refuah Shlemah!

#### Women's League News (Cont'd)

pensive costume jewelry besides regular merchandise and a large selection of Israeli goods — come Tuesday, eat hearty and our salesladies Gert Miller, Pauline Lehman, Fannie Frown and our new member Sara Miller will be glad to help you with your selection. You get DONOR CREDIT for everything, when you buy and when you give of your services — so you see it is easy to make donor, but hurry.

Lma'an Hayeled luncheon is also coming in May and that is a Mitzvah — not only do you get a delicious luncheon at the Roosevelt Hotel, but you help maintain a home for girls in Israel.

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.

#### **Donor Merchandise:**

Pauline 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:

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#### White Elephant Sale:

Co-chairman — Rose Parness — TA 3-3982 Co-chairman — Fay Spitz — TA 9-5070

#### **Barton's Passover Candy**

Ruth Kohen — TA 9-0735

### From Rabbi & Mrs. Schwartz

The Rebbitzen and I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest thanks to the synagogue administration and entire Torah Dinner committee involved in the planning of the March 3rd celebration. It will be a night we will long remember and cherish. Our sincerest Todah Rabah to the entire Young Israel family for this wonderful evening of Torah and dignity, where once again we felt, as we have so many times in the past, the sincerity and warmth of Young Israel.

## PASSOVER FUND (Mo'os Chittim)

There is hardly a local charity in Jewish life that has appealed more warmly to the heart of the Jews than the Mo'os Chittim Appeal, providing Passover needs for poor families in dire and wretched circumstances.

Our Young Israel of Parkchester has never failed each year to put this Passover help into the outstretched hand of every deserving individual and institution, whether in our own locality, in Europe or in Israel. Last year, over \$1300 was dispensed to various worthy causes.

Please send your contribution to the synagogue office and help those who need it most. Your preparations for Passover are not complete without having given your Mo'os Chittim contribution.

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

#### ain nemara new BIRTHDAYS

(2) Leon Brown; (3) Jay Rosenberg; (4) Mary Zuckerman, Sondra Fox, Loretta Solomon, Philip Haiman; (5) Kate Gewirtz; (7) Phyllis Grossman; (8) Rosann Kalish, Shirley Silverman, Stella Carlin; (9) Leslie Erenstein; (10) Norma Siegel, Murray Weinreb, Ruth Kutner; (11) Rose Schaffer, Miriam Friedman; (12) Grace Green, Reba Septimus, Irving Greenfield, David Cohen; (13) Alfred J. Daniels; (14) Murray Heller; (15) Kenneth Horowitz, Stephanie Jaret, Anne Konigsberg, Robert Kaplan, Louis Friedman, Joseph Krenkel; (16) Charles Schwartz, Bessie Vegatsky; (17) Jerome Shelby; (18) Eugene Fink; (19) Marion Silverman, Norma Brooks; (21) Roslyn S. Scher, Sophie Speck; (22) Ruth Weiden; (23) Robert Cohen, Frances Pausack, Beatrice Buchsbaum, Bob Lott, Helen Winkler; (24) Pearl Feinstein, Lois Danis, Jerry Lott; (25) Emma Slavin; (26) Alex Sobel, Leslie Sobel, Renée Canter; (28) Rae Call, (29) Helen Leibowitz.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

(4) Mr. & Mrs. Sam Berman; (6) Mr. & Mrs. Milton Carlin; (7) Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Bernstein; (9) Mr. & Mrs.

#### CONDOLENCES

#### Our deepest sympathy to

Mr. William Bogner & Family, on the loss of their beloved wife and mother Mildred Bogner.

Mrs. Rebecca Kichen, on the loss of her beloved sister Bessie Sundelson.

Mr. Nathaniel Saperstein, on the loss of his beloved brother.

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

#### RESERVE

Sunday Evening, April 1st

# 61st Annual Dinner of THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUNG ISRAEL

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#### RESERVE

Sunday Morning, June 10th

for our

#### Annual U.J.A. Breakfast

honoring our own

#### LOUIS FRIEDMAN

Nathan Groginsky; (10) Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Fox; (11) Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Kossak, Dr. & Mrs. William Frishman; (13) Mr. & Mrs. Sol Spitz; (16) Mr. & Mrs. Robert Horowitz; (19) Mr. & Mrs. Max Kaplan; (20) Mr. & Mrs. Leo Slavin, Mr. & Mrs. Al Messing, Mr. & Mrs. M. L. Barr; (21) Mr. & Mrs. Harold Speck; (26) Mr. & Mrs. Helmut Bengel; (28) Mr. & Mrs. Philip Osroff \* \* \* and many happy returns.

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|         | Evening    | 5:40 | P.M. |
| Saturda | 8:45       | A.M. |      |
| Sunday  |            | 8:00 | A.M. |

#### Calendar of Events

March 24th — Bar Mitzvah of Mark Cooper

March 25th — Executive Board Meeting and Breakfast

March 31st — Mr. & Mrs. Club Square
Dance

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