



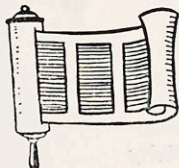
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PURIM SERVICES

Fast of Esther

Wednesday morning, March 22nd 6:30 A.M.

Reading of the Megillah (Scroll of Esther)

Wednesday evening, March 22nd 6:30 P.M.

Thursday morning, March 23rd

Early Service 6:00 A.M. — Reading of Megillah 6:30 A.M.

Later Service 8:00 A.M. — Reading of Megillah 8:30 A.M.

Don't forget to fulfill your Purim obligations:

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Sunday, March 19th

at 2:30 P.M.

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 Bernard Horowitz *President*
 Harry Brooks *Pres. Men's Club*
 Norma Brooks *Pres. Women's League*

From The President

What an evening it was! It was our 38th Anniversary Banquet in honor of our founding member "Kelly" Winkler. The warmth of feelings towards Kelly pervaded the banquet hall. From start to end, the spontaneous outpouring of affection for Kelly was obvious. We were all saying, each in his or her own way: "Thank you Kelly. Thanks for all you have done for us."

In my opening remarks I spoke warmly of Kelly from the depths of my own emotions. I spoke of his many accomplishments and good deeds. I spoke of his ability to uplift us on a Shabbos or Yom Tov with the "sweet-song and heartfelt tones" of his melodious voice. As I spoke, I could actually feel a strong rapport and sense of closeness with the audience. I felt a magic in the air as I praised this one-of-a-kind man.

This, I said to myself, was just one more way of showing our affection.

Nathaniel Saperstein, First Vice President of the National Council of Young Israel, also spoke warmly of Kelly. Mr. Saperstein recalled his own early years in Parkchester and praised Kelly as the kind of man who exemplifies the ideals of the Young Israel movement.

The emotional highlight came with the introduction of Rabbi Neil Winkler. Neil spoke movingly, comparing his father to the Biblical Bezalel. As Bezalel had fashioned the first sanctuary, so had Kelly done in Parkchester. He saw his father imbued and blessed with the same G-d given attributes as are recorded in the Torah for Bezalel — wisdom, understanding and knowledge. His father had served as a model of the successful synthesis of a modern, yet pious Torah Jew.

By the time Kelly accepted his gift

from Rabbi Schwartz, emotions were running deep and we were ready for an outlet to really let loose. And let loose we did, wildly and ecstatically, to the accompaniment of Joe King's spirited brand of music. An unmatched excitement filled the air. The evening belonged to Kelly. And so did our hearts.

BERNARD HOROWITZ
President



We welcome as new additions to our evergrowing Young Israel Family Morris Azar and Mrs. Anna Cheynovitz.

May our association be a long and beneficial one.

66th Anniversary Dinner*of the***National Council of
Young Israel****Sunday, April 9th***OUR OWN***SOL SPITZ***SHOFAR AWARDEE***Women's League Chit Chat***by Ann Konigsberg*

Abe and Molly Gewertz's daughter Johanna awarded a Fullbright Scholarship for study in England for one year . . . Harry and Norma Brooks off for a southern vacation . . . Sara and Alex Kaufman enjoying a new grandson . . . Welcome back to Frieda and Ed Breiner and Irving and Clare Greenfield after a vacation in Miami Beach . . . Bon Voyage to Rose and Max Spielberger, off for a trip to Israel.

If you have any news, let me know and I'll see you in print.

Purim Wit And Humor

A Hasid was privileged to have as a guest of honor, for his Purim Seudah, a distinguished grandson of a sainted Rebbe. When the wife of the Hasid placed the traditional **Kreplah** on the table, the guest took one and said:

"I am taking one to recall our God who is One Alone in the heaven and on earth."

He then took two and said:

"I am taking two to recall Moses and Aaron."

He then took three and said:

"I am taking three to recall the three patriarchs — Abraham, Isaac and Jacob."

He then took four and said:

"I am taking four to recall the four mothers in Israel — Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah."

He continued in the same manner until he finally reached twelve **Kreplah** and said:

"I am taking twelve to recall the twelve tribes of Israel."

The host, seeing that the guest's appetite was not yet satisfied and that he was prepared to continue devouring **Kreplah**, hastened to summon his wife.

"Leah, come quickly and remove the plate of **Kreplah**, as I suspect that the Rebbe may desire to recall the six hundred thousand Israelites who went forth from Egypt."

From The Purim Anthology
By Philip Goodman

PURIM DELICACIES

The commandment in the Book of Esther to observe Purim as days of feasting and gladness, and of sending portions to one another, and gifts to the poor (Esther 9:22) gave rise to the creation of many delicacies especially for this festival. The traditions of both Seudat Purim (Purim meal) and Mishloach Monot (sending of portions) resulted in the introduction of new dishes in the Jewish home. On the occasion of the Seudah, the Jewish housewife had an opportunity to demonstrate her culinary ability.

The Purim culinary art developed differently in the different lands where Jews resided. The most popular of the Purim dishes still in vogue today are the Hamantashen and Kreplah.

The tri-cornered Hamantashen, baked dough filled with poppyseeds, derives its name from a combination of the two German words — Mohn (poppy seed) and Taschen (pockets). Because of the association of this cake with Purim, its original name, Mohntashen, was revised to Hamantashen, recalling the enemy of the Jews in the Persian empire. Some have interpreted the three-corner delicacy as symbolic of the three cornered hat said to have been worn by Haman while he was prime minister. More recently it has become a common practice to fill the Hamantashen with prunes.

Another favorite Purim dish is Kreplah, triangular pieces of dough filled with chopped meat. Purim shares Kreplah with two other significant days in the Jewish calendar — the eve of the Day of Atonement and Hoshana Rabba. The folklorist cleverly gives the following reasons for their popularity: Kreplah are eaten on those days on which there is "beating."

In some places it is customary to eat cooked beans with salt, usually called Nahit or Bub. This vegetarian dish is in remembrance of Esther's diet, while she lived in the court of Ahasuerus.

Men's Club

At the request of a number of members of the Men's Club I consented to continue serving as President until the May elections. I want to express my gratitude to those members who have thus expressed their confidence in me and now business will go on as usual.

This article will serve to acknowledge a person of renown who really deserves it, the heading of this article is: A NAME TO BE REMEMBERED.

I am sure that very few members are aware of the name NAFTOLI HERTZ IMBER, the author of the song "HATIKVAH," which became the official Hebrew hymn for the Jewish people and the State of Israel.

Imber was born in 1956 in Galicia. At the age of 11 he wrote his first song "AUSTRIA" and at the age of 22 he wrote the words "OD LO OVDO TIKVOSEINU" as part of the Hatikvah, which he completed later on. He was very poor, always dressed shabbily and at one time he tried to attend a Zionist gathering and since nobody knew of him, he was physically expelled from the meeting room.

The HATIKVAH was sung for the first time in 1898 at the first Zionist Congress in Basel, Switzerland, but the author's name was not mentioned.

Imber lived in Israel for four years and then came to the United States, where he lived for 17 years. He was a talented writer and continued to write songs about ZION, but the Jewish and Hebrew writers never took him in their circles. Since he was not employed, he was named the KING OF SHNORERS, because he lived only on handouts from the rich.

Imber died on Simchas Torah in 1909, his last wish was to be buried in the Holy Land. After 44 years the Israeli Government ordered that his remains should be brought to Israel, where he was given an official government funeral and was buried on the Herzl Mountain in Jerusalem.

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

HARRY BROOKS
President

Women's League

From the President

Our February meeting was held, thankfully, on a lovely Sunday morning with a good attendance of both women and men. Mr. Sidney Mehl, Assistant Manager of The Bank Leumi on Fordham Road, advised us of some interesting and otherwise unknown facts related to this bank, such as the availability of \$50 bonds which eventually mature at \$100 (grandmas and grandpas, these are lovely gifts for the einiklach). Thanks to Betty Waldman, program chairlady, for having organized this interesting program.

At our business meeting following, chairladies reports were given and the following matters were discussed:

1 — Fay Spitz and Reba Pollack will co-chair a Brunch and Fashion Show on SUNDAY, MARCH 26th at 11 A.M. Several women volunteered to serve as models for the beautiful fashions that will be shown. Ladies bring your husbands along so that they can help you make your purchases of spring clothes (everyone needs a new little frock to help chase away these winter blues).

2 — Evelyn Hein, chairlady, discussed the White Elephant Sale to be held on Sunday, April 2nd from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. All saleable merchandise is needed and, of course, customers, too, on that date.

Frances Pausack and Hattie Haiman will co-chair a Luncheon Card Party on Sunday afternoon, May 21st. All members, families and friends are urged to attend for a very pleasant afternoon.

4 — We all welcome Helen Sochrin as the new co-chairlady of the Donor Table. Helen announced Thursday, May 25th, as the date for our Annual Donor Supper, to be held again in Arele's of Queens, where we have always had a most enjoyable evening. Remember, there is still some time for all members to bring in the money necessary to earn a Donor so that we can all be together to share a wonderful time.

Florence Maslow announced that the Tuesday Koffee Klotches are very popular with our many guests who find this

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Women's League (Cont'd)

a very pleasant way to spend an afternoon.

Faye August reminded us of our raffle campaign which will culminate at our Passover meeting on April 12th.

Our Rebbitzin, Rachel Schwartz, has offered to start an Israeli Dance group with the assistance of her daughter, Etel. The first of these fun evenings will be held on TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 21st, just prior to Purim. Join us for fun and hamentashen.

I am very pleased to join the members of the Men's Club in welcoming back Harry Brooks as their president.

I am delighted to wish all officers, members and their families a very happy Purim. I look forward to greeting you on March 21st.

This is a very important afterthought. To all moviegoers, it is urgent that you BOYCOTT the movie JULIA, as one of its stars Vanessa Redgrave, has publicly affirmed her support of the PLO and the eradication of the State of Israel. Do not attend ANY movie in which she is a member of the cast.

NORMA BROOKS
President

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Our heartiest congratulations to:

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gurock, on the birth of their grandson Eli Joseph, born to their children Pamela and Jeffrey Gurock.

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Kezner, whose son David J. Kezner received his Master's of Science Degree in Education.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Rosenzweig, on the marriage of their daughter Judy to Sonney Taragin.

Mr. and Mrs. Moe Scher, on the birth

of their grandson Adam David born to their children Beth and Michael Scher.

CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to:

Mrs. Muriel Blackman and Family, on the sudden and tragic loss of their beloved husband and father Max Blackman.

Mrs. Louis Cenzipa, on the loss of her beloved mother Bertha Wohl.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Panzer, on the sudden and untimely loss of their beloved son-in-law Ronald Smith, and to Mr. Panzer, on the loss of his beloved sister Yetta Fallick.

Mrs. Blanche Rifkin and Howard, on the loss of their beloved husband and father Louis Rifkin.

Mrs. Mae Willner and Family, on the loss of their beloved husband and father, and to Mr. Ben Willner, on the loss of his beloved brother Samuel Willner.

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

LAST MINUTE ADS FOR OUR ANNUAL JOURNAL

They came in after the press deadline

Chai

In Honor of Kelly Winkler

Mrs. Bella Roth

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

BIRTHDAYS

(2) Leon Brown, Andrew Santo, Philip Blacker; (3) Jay Rosenberg, Beth Brownstein; (4) Mary Zuckerman, Sondra Fox, Loretta Solomon, Philip Haiman; (7) Phyllis Grossman; (8) Rosann Kalish, Shirley Silverman, Stella Carlin; (9) Leslie Erenstein, Deborah Katz; (10) Norma Siegel, Murray Weinreb, Ruth Kutner; (11) Rose Schaffer,

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Miriam Friedman, Eve Penyman, Leane Wolfe; (12) Grace Green, Reba Septimus, Irving Greenfield, David Cohen, Nathan Turk, Roslyn Turk; (13) Alfred J. Daniels; (14) Murray Heller; (15) Kenneth Horowitz, Stephanie Jaret, Anne Konigsberg, Robert Kaplan, Joseph Krenkel; (16) Charles Schwartz, Bessie Vegatsky; (17) Jerome Shelby; (18) Eugene Fink; (19) Marion Silverman, Norma Brooks, Yudi Horowitz; (21) Roslyn S. Scher, Sophie Speck; (22) Ruth Weiden; (23) Frances Pausack, Beatrice Buchsbaum, Helen Winkler,

Jerry Lott; (24) Pearl Feinstein, Lois Danis; (25) Emma Slavin; (26) Renee Canter, Terri Lott, Lilian Shulman; (28) Rae Call; (29) Helen Leibowitz.

ANNIVERSARIES

(4) Mr. and Mrs. Sam Berman; (6) Mr. and Mrs. Milton Carlin; (7) Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Bernstein; (10) Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fox; (11) Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kossack, Dr. and Mrs. William Frishman; (13) Mr. and Mrs. Sol Spitz; (16) Mr. and Mrs. Robert Horowitz; (19) Mr. and Mrs. Max Kaplan; (20) Mr. and Mrs. Leo Slavin; (21) Mr. and Mrs. Harold Speck; (26) Mr. and Mrs. Helmut Bengel; (28) Mr. and Mrs. Philip Osroff * * * and many happy returns.

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