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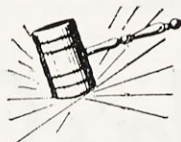
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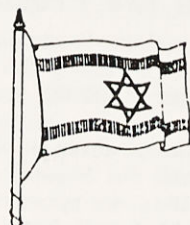
**General Membership
Meeting and Breakfast**



**SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 28th
at 9:30 A.M.**

Election of officers
* Yearly reports * Plans for the
future*

Be sure to attend!



**JOIN US FOR THE
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SUNDAY, MAY 21st**

Register for the bus which will be
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MONDAY, MAY 22nd at 8:30 P.M.

Guest Speaker
RABBI HARRY D. SILVER

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From the President

Young Israel of Parkchester has always stood for service to the community. We are proud of all the programs and activities we sponsor. During the recent Passover holiday we added still another service. Under the impetus and leadership of Al Hein, we sponsored and successfully held two sederim. The first seder was attended by over forty people; the second by over thirty. Besides a delicious catered meal, each seder featured the recitation of the full Hagadah — complete with Ma Nishtana, Dayenu and all of the familiar songs. Explanations of the symbols and rituals of the seder were provided as well.

A hearty "well done" goes to Al and Evelyn Hein for their efforts and to Rabbi Schwartz for his support and for arranging for Rabbi Tash of Pelham Parkway to lead the seder. Those who attended were unanimous in their praise. (Except for the few who complained that the portions were too large.) It should be pointed out that many of those who attended would not have otherwise been able to attend a seder at all. Thus, we can again be very proud of our shul.



REMINDER: Congress has until May 28th to reject President Carter's proposed arms sale to the Arabs. It is imperative that we write to our senators and representatives urging them to vote down any sale of arms to the Arabs. Do it today.

BERNARD HOROWITZ
President

Five to Receive Bas Torah Honors

Five students of our Talmud Torah's Girls' Class will receive Bas Torah honors on Sunday morning, June 4th at 11 A.M., it was announced by Rabbi Schwartz. The five girls, Ellen Goldfinger, Florence Goldfinger, Sharon Lazarus, Erica Meyers and Dinah Miller have completed their basic curriculum during the past four years and showed an interest in Jewish living and experience. An exciting program and beautiful ceremony is being prepared by their teacher Shira Weinberg and everyone is invited to attend.

Men's Club

From the President

I am writing this article in tribute to my dear wife Norma, who is about to complete her term as President of the Women's League. Since she is the only President who served four years, and had all the years very successful administrations, I will leave to the members of the Women's League for their SWAN SONG. My tribute bears the title —

"A GOOD WIFE IS A CROWN TO HER HUSBAND"

A good wife's husband is a happy man, the days of his life are doubled.

A worthy wife cares for her husband, and all his days are contented.

A good wife is a precious gift, the lot of the G-d fearer.

Be he rich or poor his heart is glad, and his face is always cheerful.

Her grace will give him happiness, her wisdom makes him healthy.

A quiet woman is a precious gift, a prudent wife is priceless.

A good wife is as beautiful, as sunshine on the mountains.

Like the lamp on the holy candlesticks, is her lovely face on her body.

Like columns of gold on a silver base, are her shapely legs on well-turned ankles.

HARRY BROOKS
President



Women's League

From the President

We were favored at our pre-Passover meeting with an address by our Rabbi Maurice L. Schwartz, who discussed important and interesting information regarding preparation for, and observing the Holiday. As always, we enjoyed listening to Rabbi Schwartz and thank him for being with us. I do hope everyone had a very Happy Passover.

My thanks also go to Hattie Haiman and Fay August for their efforts in concluding their very successful annual project.

Betty Waldman volunteered to be our delegate to the newly formed Parkchester-Unionport Jewish Community Council, which is a coalition of all the Jewish Communal Organizations in the Parkchester-Unionport area, the objective of which is to improve the social, cultural and religious welfare of the Jewish people within this community. Let us hope this will be a successful endeavor, as it surely is an important one.

A very gratifying experience for me was the presentation of Women of the Year Certificates and pins to Pauline Lehman, co-chairlady of the Donor Table and Florence Maslow, chairlady of the Tuesday Koffee Klotches, very well deserving awardees. They are extremely hard working, devoted to their responsibilities, always ready and willing to do their utmost, even beyond the call of duty. They are certainly the personification of our active Women's League members. Pauline, unfortunately, was not present at this meeting, as she has been hospitalized for surgery, but I am pleased to report that she is recovering and I know that we will all be happy to see her back at the Donor Table just as

soon as she is well enough (P-G). We sincerely hope that Pauline and Florence will enjoy their distinction as 1978 Women of the Year and will continue their wonderful participation in the Women's League for many years.

I have been asked to remind all members and friends to write letters and cards, or send telegrams to Pres. Carter, Congressmen and Senators requesting that no arms be sent to the Arab countries. It is extremely important that these people be bombarded with mail urging that the President withdraw his promise of military aid to these countries.

Welcome back Hannah Katz, and all other vacationers from their winter vacation in Miami.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17th, when there will be election of officers for next year.

The very last project of this year is our Donor Dinner on Wednesday, May 24th, at Arele's of Queens. Helen Sochrin, chairlady, and her most able committee, have planned a beautiful evening and we're all going to have a marvelous time. See you there!

NORMA BROOKS
President

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PUJCC Needs Volunteers

The Parkchester-Unionport Jewish Community Council has now opened a full time office in our area. The office is located in Temple Emanuel and will be open as an information and referral service for area residents.

Volunteers with cars are needed on an occasional basis to help drive potential new tenants around our community. Call PUJCC Program Director Steve Rutland 9 A.M.-5 P.M. at 828-3400. Call, too, if you have any suggestions or problems.



Mazel Tov

Our heartiest congratulations to:

Mrs. Ruth Calman, on the marriage of her son Jack to Nancy Harris.

Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Isaacs, on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Michael in our Young Israel, and to the grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Al Sherman.

Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Kolb, on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Seth.

Mrs. Rose Lerner, on the marriage of her son Kenneth.

Mr. & Mrs. Al Panzer, on the appointment of their daughter Dr. Caroline Leitman to the position of Administrator at her Community College in Cleveland.

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Trompeter, on the engagement of their son Dr. Joseph Trompeter to Toby Scheinbart.

OMER PERIOD

A period of forty-nine days (7 full weeks 7 x 7), beginning with the second night of Pesach and ending with Shavuot — thereby linking the exodus (rebirth of the people) with the revelation (encounter between the people and G-d). It is a mitzvah from the Bible to actively count these days.

"And from the day on which you bring the sheaf of wave offering — the day after the Sabbath — you shall count off seven weeks. They must be complete." (Leviticus 23:15)

The prevailing mood for this entire period is one of semi-mourning. Weddings are not supposed to take place; you should not cut your hair, etc. This is explained variously as

1. A period of apprehensive anticipation of approaching Mount Sinai and the revelation of G-d.
2. The critical time when the fate of the season's crops as determined; and
3. Traditionally, a period in remembrance of the plague which killed many of Rabbi Akiba's students (2nd century C.E.).

The 33rd day of this period — Lag Ba-omer (Iyar 8) — is a special day of celebration. This also is interpreted either as a rite of spring or as the day when the plague lifted. In any event, it is a day of outings and midnight bonfires. There are no specific rituals associated with it, but the prohibitions relating to mourning are lifted.

(From The Jewish Catalogue)

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome Mrs. Dorothy Sokolow as a new addition to our ever-growing Young Israel Family.

May our association be a long and beneficial one.



IN HONOR OF THE 30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL



Jerusalem, O Jerusalem

By Selma Seidel

We shall never forget thee, O Jerusalem,
Whence our Priestly Nation came.

J — is for "Judaism", for which our
Martyrs fought with bravery;

E — Is for the "Exodus", that freed us
from Pharaoh's slavery.

R — is for the "Rabbis", who were our
great teachers, scribes and sages;

U — is for the "Unification", which
we've prayed for all these ages.

S — is for the "Sanctity", our Holy
Temples had to offer;

A — is for the Holy "Ark", that was the
Ten Commandments' coffer.

L — is for our Jewish "Laws", which we
so religiously obey;

E — is for the "Exiles", who now return
to stay.

M — is for the "Mitzvahs", which we so
righteously keep;

Thy Guardian, O Jerusalem, doth neither
slumber nor sleep.

May thy beauty and thy sacred treasures
never be allowed to perish

For in thee, "Holy Jerusalem", lie the
roots and heritage we cherish.



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



BIRTHDAYS

(1) Justin Green, Max Green, Reba Pollack, Sidney Sussman; (2) Bea Mandel, David Robinson. (3) Sam Berman, Gene Kohen, Marcia Turchin. (4) Steven Fusfeld; (5) Michelle Gross, Irene Stern; (6) Barbara Gura, Mark Steiner; (8) Yetta Daniels; (9) Benjamin Kohen; (10) Melvin Zwisohn, Alan Groginsky, Charles Siegel, Max Melzer; (11) Leslie Ackerman; (12) Esther Maslin; (13) Marcus Weiden, George Rockman; (14) Susan Zuckerman; (15) Rachel Bernstein, Mae S. Willner, Lester Kornblum; (17) Barry Smith, Steven Weinreb, Yuditha Winkler, (19) Rose Weinreb, Stephen Astor; (20) Stuart Gross, Neil Rosenberg, Essie Ornitz; (21) Harvey Berish, Linda Schnur; (22) Morris Mednick, Harold Lehrer, Robert S. Yablonsky; (24) Abe Ondelman; (26) Alexander Levy, Rona Jacobs, Betty Waldman, Julia Zaret; (27) Theodore Gewertz, Minna Stein, Melvyn Diamond, Mildred Berliner; (28) Dr. Leonard Sussman; (29) Evelyn Panzer, Joanna Harris, Rose Sherman; (30) Arnold Green, Marilyn Besen, Arnold Haiman; (31) Joel Waldman, Allan Katz, Betty Wadler.

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ANNIVERSARIES

(1) Mr. & Mrs. Ted Buchsbaum, Mr. & Mrs. David Astor; (10) Mr. & Mrs. Al Gura; (14) Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Levin; (20) Mr. & Mrs. Werner Loew, Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kornblum; (26) Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Weiden, Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Sussman, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Feinstein, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Katz; (28) Mr. & Mrs. Fox; (29) Mr. & Mrs. Carl Felman; (30) Mr. & Mrs. Albert Harap, Mr. & Mrs. Boris Stern, Mr. & Mrs. Konigsberg; (31) Mr. & Mrs. Murray Weinreb * * * and many happy returns.

**Our deepest sympathy to:**

Mrs. Jesse Frank and Family, on the loss of their beloved mother Rose Tavelman.

Mrs. Mildred Linder and Family, on the loss of their beloved husband and father, our former recording secretary, Meyer Linder.

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

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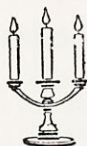
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