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Shevuos *Festival of Torah*

Sunday and Monday, June 11th and 12th

Light candles Saturday night, June 10th at	9:16 P.M.
Morning Services	8:45 A.M.
Evening Services	8:00 P.M.
Yizkor Memorial Services Monday, June 12th	10:30 A.M.

During the Shevuos Holiday, Rabbi Schwartz will conduct classes in the Book of Ruth.

NEW ADMINISTRATION ELECTED **GALA INSTALLATION JUNE 20th at 8:30 P.M.**

The following officers were elected for the coming year 1978-79 at the General Membership Meeting held on May 28th. They will be installed with the new slates of the Men's Club and Women's League on June 20th.

Congregation: President, Reuben Klein; 1st Vice-President, Fred Kutner; 2nd Vice-President, Max Spielberger; Financial Secretaries, Robert H. Horowitz, Samuel Pausack; Treasurer, Al Hein; Corresponding Secretary, Frank E. Nussbaum; Recording Secretary, Abraham L. Gewertz; Trustees, Bernard Horowitz, Louis Gross, Sol Spitz; Executive Board, Harry Brooks, Robert Liebert, Herman Reisman, Ellis Rich, Abraham A. Somerfield; Delegates to the National Council, Kalman S. Winkler, Charles Rubenstein, Max Spielberger, Fred Kutner, Sidney Klugman; Alternates, Irving Greenfield.

Men's Club: President, Harry Brooks; Vice-President, Herman Reisman; Treasurer, Max Spielberger; Financial Secretary, Abraham L. Gewertz; Recording Secretary, Philip Haiman; Corresponding Secretary, Helmut Bengel.

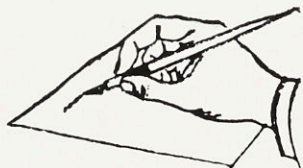
Women's League: President, Doris Schuman; 1st Vice-President, Evelyn Hein; 2nd Vice-President, Betty Waldman; 3rd Vice-President, Harriet Miller; Treasurer, Hannah Katz; Financial Secretary, Fay August; Corresponding Secretary, Hattie Haiman; Recording Secretary, Miriam Margulis; Chaplain, Rachel Schwartz.

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**From the President**

As my tenure as President approaches an end, I find myself looking back over these past two years with some small measure of satisfaction. Our Adult Institute has been expanded through the addition of a Jewish History class on Mondays. The class was scheduled to coincide with our weekly JASA meeting and thus afforded our Senior Citizens group an opportunity to add a new and important dimension to their program of activities. The class was well attended and well received. In all, the Adult Institute remains a source of great pride for us. For this, I once again acknowledge the role of our Rabbi Schwartz who, as Institute Director, has built the Adult Institute to the position of prominence it now enjoys.

We broke new ground in other areas as well. One of those is political action. Nearly 100 members and friends were enlisted to form a mailgram bank in order to make our views known in Washington. As of this writing, nearly 300 mailgrams have been sent in our names to the President and to members of Congress urging them not to compromise the security of the State of Israel. This, however, does not relieve us from writing our own letters. We must develop the habit of writing regularly so that our elected officials, who are dependent upon our votes, remain constantly aware that where Israel is concerned, we are united. I am pleased that my successor, Ruby Klein, has indicated a strong desire to

expand the scope of our Political Action Committee.

On the negative side, my administration has been unable to halt the erosion of our financial picture. Our loss in membership through death and to retirement villages has not been offset by any influx of new members. Skyrocketing costs have not been matched by new revenues. The situation is serious and I know that the new administration will continue to seek solutions to this problem.

Finally, I wish to thank all of you for your kind words and encouragement. I am confident that with such support Ruby will enjoy a productive term of office and YIP will continue to grow.

BERNARD HOROWITZ
President

Salute To Israel Parade**A Report by Ida Fein**

New York Jewry had a special treat for our celebration of Israel's 30th Anniversary. Prime Minister Menachem Begin was the guest of our Mayor in Gracie Mansion, where he enjoyed specially provided Kosher meals.

When the Prime Minister arrived at the parade, where there were assembled thousands of people, he was warmly greeted. The reviewing stand included many important political dignitaries and Jewish leaders.

During Mr. Begin's speech at the mall of Central Park, he was applauded some 25 times. I also never saw so many police in one area. I hope this outpouring of affection for Israel will let our President, Mr. Carter know how we American Jews feel.

It especially did my heart good to see so many young people of our faith demonstrating for Israel.

Shalom.

SERVICES

Daily — Morning 6:45 A.M.
 Evening 8:00 P.M.
 Saturday 8:45 A.M.
 Sunday 8:00 A.M.

Kindly Note

Beginning Friday night, June 16th and every Friday night through the summer months, services will be at 7:00 P.M.

Men's Club

From the President

My attending different celebrations of the 30th Anniversary of the State of Israel, including the Fifth Avenue march on Sunday, May 7th and the watching of the two-hour show on Channel 9 on Sunday, May 21st, gave me the inspiration of writing about the accomplishments of the tiny State in the Middle East—OUR BELOVED STATE OF ISRAEL.

In 1948 at her establishment, there were only 650,000 Jews in Israel, in 1978 there is a population of over 3,100,000 (KEIN YIRBU). The first budget in 1948 was 40 million lbs. which equaled 140 million dollars, today's budget is 175 billion lbs., which equals 11 billion dollars.

In the beginning, the new state met with super human difficulties. The influx to Israel was great from all corners of the world — hundreds of different groups arrived daily, ranging from the highest culture up to the most primitive elements. Some people did not know how to walk steps, how to sleep in A BED OR WHAT A BATHROOM WAS.

Israel has now over a million workers who belong to different unions and are very productive. The number of students in schools and universities is double the total number of Jews in 1948.

At the beginning, there was only one big Jewish city — Tel Aviv, all other cities had Arabs and Jews. Today Israel has 34 Jewish cities and two minority cities. There are also 119 small cities and villages, 66 are strictly Jewish and 53 minority settlements.

tremendously in the 30 years. Whereas in the early fifties a number of farmers from Texas came to Israel to instruct the Jewish farmers how to work on the fields, how to plant different products and how to raise cattle, today, we can truly say that the agriculture in Israel can equal the agriculture in the United States.

The industry is now on the highest level. It seems that everything that starts with an "A" is produced in Israel — from a needle to a computer, from a nail to a military jet, etc.

One of the most important industries is Tourism. The most modern hotels were built in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Eilat, Haifa and Sodom that can accommodate 2 million tourists yearly, the result of which is a financial gain for the State.

In the field of medicine, I feel that there is no country in the world which can compare to Israel's accomplishments in such a short time.

When you look upon all this progress, your heart fills up with joy and pride, but at the same time there is a lot to worry about. The way to peace is getting filled with obstacles, the enemy powers are getting bigger and stronger, the terrorists are making frequent attacks; however, we must not despair. EMUNAH, BITOCHEN and ACHDUS which means CONFIDENCE, FAITH and UNITY are our main weapons, and we hope that they will help us achieve everlasting peace.

At this time I want to wish all our members and their families A HAPPY and ENJOYABLE SHAVUOS.

HARRY BROOKS

President

Mazel Tov

Our heartiest congratulations to:

Mrs. Fay August, on the birth of her granddaughter.

Mr. & Mrs. Abe Gewertz (Molly is L'Maan Chairlady) on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Mrs. Irene Horowitz, on the graduation of her daughter Ronni from New York Medical College and her entering Einstein-Jacobi Hospitals as an intern and resident.

Our President-elect Reuben Klein, on his receiving his PhD. in Psychology.

Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Katz, on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Marshall Katz.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Siegel, on their retirement to Florida.

GET WELL

Our best wishes for a full and speedy recovery to Pauline Lehman, Ray Lott, Evelyn Rich and Martin Stein.

Our wish: Refuah Shlemah!

IT'S GOOD TO SEE

Al Hein up and around and back at Young Israel and Mrs. Evelyn Rich back home.

Keep healthy!

Women's League

From the President

I have had the privilege and honor of being President of the Women's League for the past four years and this is the last article that I will be writing in that capacity. At our May 17th meeting, a new administration was elected. I believe they are an exceptionally fine group of ladies who will be in office for the next two years; I extend my heartiest congratulations and very best wishes to Doris Schuman and all the officers for a wonderful and exciting tenure and pledge my support in whatever way I can possibly help. Doris has been our very responsible Financial Secretary for a number of years and I know that she is going to function as well in her new position. Doris, may you have the blessings of good health, patience, perseverance and the help of all our good friends in the Women's League (as I did during my term in office).

On May 24th, we held our Annual Donor Supper at Arele's of Queens and, as usual, it was a tremendous success. This splendid evening, the culmination of our year's work, certainly did justice to the most conscientious efforts of our charming chairlady, Helen Sochrin and her extremely able committee, consisting of Pauline Lehman (who regrettably is still hospitalized and could not attend this function; we all send her our love and best wishes for a Refuah Shlemah), Esther Harap (whose wonderful husband, Al, has helped in so many ways), Sara Miller and Sophie Levine. Everyone is deserving of many thanks, but Helen, especially (and her dear husband, Sam, who has been such a great help) gets additional thanks for having done a Yeoman job. She accepted this very demanding chairmanship in the middle of the year when her predecessor, Gert (and Sam) Miller, moved to Florida. She has performed like a real trouper, not only bringing in new and interesting merchandise for the Donor Table and selling much of it herself (competing with super salesladies Frances Pausack and Betty Waldman), but assuming the planning of the Donor Supper as well — all in all, superlative accomplishments!

In the four years that I was President of the Women's League, I have had the wonderful opportunity of associating

with many beautiful ladies, not only outwardly; I refer to the inner beauty of each one who has given so much of herself in terms of energy, devotion and timeless effort to the activities of our Women's League. Each in her own area is truly an Aishes Chayil and deserves special mention and thanks, but I must single out these few people:

Florence Maslow, who also in the middle of the year, assumed the chairmanship of our Tuesday Koffee Klatches when Sara (and Al) Kaufman moved to Florida. She and her committee have worked so very conscientiously throughout the year to make this project a great financial and social success.

Evelyn Hein (with the very able assistance of her dear husband, Al) was the chairlady of our White Elephant Sale in April. Although this was a so-called, one day project, and her committee was very proficient, much preparatory work was done for months in advance by Evelyn and Al and the end result was very financially rewarding; and

Betty Waldman, whose efforts were so effective in bringing us very interesting programs for each meeting.

Additional thanks go to:

Rabbi Schwartz, who has been available to us, not only as our spiritual leader, but also as a participant in our programs whenever so requested;

Hattie Lesser for her regular help with our clerical work; and most certainly

My own dearest husband, Harry, who assuaged my fears, catered to my whims and encouraged me in every way possible to carry the responsibility of leadership, which all helped to make my Young Israel life a little easier for me. It was a delight working with him as a team and publicly do I give him a great big thankful kiss for all his help.

With much pleasure do I extend my grateful thanks to ALL officers, chairladies, committee members and members who have given me so much Nachas during my four years as your President. These are years that I will always remember with special warmth. They have been enjoyable and gratifying years for me, and I hope I have brought some satisfaction into your lives as well. I do know that the wheels of all the activities

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Woman's League (Cont'd)

of the Women's League have run very smoothly, and together we have all been a very successful team. May G-d grant that it continues that way!

Congratulations to Dr. Reuben Klein on his election as President of the Synagogue and to Harry Brooks as he becomes President of the Men's Club for the 13th (Bar Mitzvah) year and all their officers, as we look ahead to our next year of activities in behalf of the Synagogue.

For the final time as President of the Women's League, Young Israel of Parkchester, with love and gratitude do I extend to all officers, members and friends my best wishes first, for a Happy Shevuoth, and then for a very pleasant, relaxing and happy summer. Shalom!

NORMA BROOKS
President

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I would like to thank our Rabbi and Rebbitzin, Rachel, dear members and friends of Young Israel who have been so wonderful, thoughtful and good to me by remembering me in every way possible. I would also like to thank the committee for naming me one of the Women of the Year and extend my best wishes to Flo Maslow who shared this honor with me.

Wishing all members and friends a healthy and happy summer, and with G-d's help I hope to be working for Young Israel as soon as it is possible.

Sincerest thanks and love to all,

PAULINE LEHMAN

CONDOLENCES**Our deepest sympathy to:**

Messrs. Arnold and Bernard Kideckel, on the loss of their beloved mother Rae Kideckel.

Mrs. Esther Zonana and Family, on the loss of their beloved husband and father Irving Zonana.

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

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

BIRTHDAYS

(1) Herman Reisman, Moe H. Scher, Richard Lehrer; (2) Robert Smith; (3) Jonathan Klugman; (4) Helen Joffe, Nathan Lotker; (5) Irving Roseman, Robin S. Stromberg; (6) Beverly List, Rhoda Moskowitz; (7) Ruth Astor; (9) Joseph Fox; (10) Michael Feller, Ellis Rich, Helen Ross, Philip Edelman; (11) Joan Felman; (13) Jack Katz; (15) Joseph A. Brown; (16) Nathan Berliner; (17) Sheila Lott; Daniel Workman; (18) Max Kaplan; (19) Daniel Gross, Fay Spitz, Gail Weinreb, David Kezner, Irving Michlin; (20) Ira Bernstein, Syd Thau, Bella Spill; (21) Jeanne Sherman, David Katz; (22) Leona Levitan; (23) Jack Levy, Selma Seidel; (24) Esther Frishman, Sidney Greenberg; (25) Mitchel Workman; (27) Seth David Gross, Wendy Becker; (30) Sue Weiden, Molly Gewertz.

ANNIVERSARIES

(3) Mr. & Mrs. Max Pollack; (4) Mr. & Mrs. Harry Brooks; (6) Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Workman; (10) Mr. & Mrs. Harry Seidel; (12) Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Levine, Mr. & Mrs. Morris Shelby; (14) Mr. & Mrs. Herman Reisman; (15) Mr. & Mrs. Fred Kutner; (18) Mr. & Mrs. Hy Cohen; (19) Mr. & Mrs. Morris Wiesenfeld, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Zucker- man; (20) Mr. & Mrs. Morris Rosenberg, Mr. & Mrs. Emanuel Kezner; (21) Mr. & Mrs. Irving Geller; (24) Mr. & Mrs. Herman Ringelheim, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Slove; (25) Mr. & Mrs. Al Levine, Mr. & Mrs. Melvyn Gross; (27) Mr. & Mrs. Al Hein; (30) Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Gewertz * * * and many happy returns.

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

BIRTHDAYS

(11) Harriet Shatkin; (12) Al Sher- man, Ray Lott, Charlotte Lefkowitz, Molly Katz; (14) Mirabelle Becker; (15) Martin Berish; (16) Bertha Hirsh; (17) Maxine Krenkel, Allison Schnur; (18) Herman Wacht; (19) Marc Lazarus; (20)

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Birthdays (Cont'd)

Ira Fusfeld; (21) Helmut Bengel, Rene Gross, Louise Kornblum, Max Klein; (22) Abraham Sommerfeld; (23) Roni Friedman; (24) Bilie Silver, Philip Osroff; (26) Paula Oberman, Jacob Spill; (28) Olivia Spitz, Bella Roth, Hayim Schwartz; (29) Ruth Cohen, Hyman Michlin.

ANNIVERSARIES

(2) Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Robinson; (4) Dr. & Mrs. Mervyn R. Kaplan, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Hirsh; (5) Mr. & Mrs. Irving Balbert, Mr. & Mrs. Dick Ponyman; (7) Mr. & Mrs. Hyman Michlin; (8) Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Stromberg; (9) Mr. & Mrs. Jack M. Lehrer, and many happy returns.

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