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YOUNG MARRIEDS DISCUSS "SABBATHS AND FESTIVALS"

A regular meeting of the Young Marrieds group of the congregation was held last Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Perlman. Seventeen couples of the group were present and participated in the program.

The highlight of the evening was a discussion of Rabbi Emanuel Rackman's pamphlet "Sabbaths and Festivals in the Modern Age." The discussion ranged far and wide through the entire subject of Jewish law. Particular interest centered around Rabbi Rackman's distinction between the "fundamental" approach and the "historical" approach to law in general, and to Jewish law in particular.

The official discussion lasted about an hour and a half, but the unofficial carry-over did not conclude until the wee hours of the morning. This last part of the evening was especially enjoyable because the philosophic disputations were integrated with the splendidly prepared collation of our hosts.

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds group is scheduled for Saturday evening, January 26th. Members will receive information on this meeting through the mail.

TORAH LEADERSHIP SEMINAR FOR TEENAGERS DECEMBER 24th - 30th

The Youth Bureau of Yeshiva University will conduct the winter session of its annual teenage Torah Leadership Seminar during the coming winter vacation. The Seminar will begin on Monday, December 24th, and will conclude on Sunday, December 30th. The location will be the beautiful Monsey Park Hotel, near Spring Valley, New York.

Six teenagers from our congregation have already registered for this seminar, but we are most anxious to have as many as possible take advantage of this unique opportunity. The program is a varied one which features basic Jewish studies, the development of leadership skills, recreational activities and, above all, the most intensive and thrilling spirit of which our young people are capable.

Those who are interested are asked to call the synagogue office without delay. The fee is \$66.00 for the week. The Men's Club and the Sisterhood of the congregation, in order to encourage the participation of our young people, makes available a generous scholarship to each participant who desires to take advantage of it.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION NEWS

The services of the Junior Congregation continue to grow in attendance and participation from week to week. This year, something new has been added. Although the supervision of the congregation remains the province of Alan Shapiro, a number of "alumni" of the Junior Congregation who have not yet become Bar Mitzvah but who have passed the age of eleven, are helping in the direction of the services. The boys who have been acting in this capacity are: William Davis, Eliot Kamerman and Robert Kurzweil.

The most gratifying aspect of the Junior Congregation is that the children enjoy it so thoroughly, they come regularly, rain or shine. We are happy to list below the names of those children who have been most regular in their attendance from the beginning of the season through the month of November.

Arthur Aizer
Steven Aizer
Claude Alpert
Marvin Binstock
Samuel Blumenthal
John Fischer
Samuel Friedman
Richard Gelfand
David Hostyk
Laura Kamerman
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William Recant
Alvin Smilow
Marilyn Smilow
Charles Sub
Elliot Taffet
Richard Taffet
Lewis Trencher

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

cordially invites its members and friends to attend the

OPEN LUNCHEON MEETING

Monday, December 17th

in the social hall

Guest Speaker: MR. FREDERICK DVONCH

Topic: "BROADWAY TODAY"

Luncheon will be served at 12:30 o'clock

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 o'clock
"DREAMS COME IN SIZES — WHAT SIZE IS YOURS?"

THE WEEKLY PORTION

VAYETZE

"The Capacity to Give Thanks"

"And she conceived again and gave birth to a son and she said 'This time I shall thank the Lord;' therefore she called him Judah . . ." Concerning Leah's reaction to the birth of her fourth son, the Talmud comments, "From the day on which God created His world, there was no one who gave thanks to God until Leah came and thanked Him."

This comment of the Talmud has raised many questions among the commentaries. Surely we cannot conceive of Adam, Noah, Abraham and other righteous people as having been ungrateful. What then is meant when we say that Leah was the first to give thanks? The answers generally stress the fact that it was in the nature of her thanksgiving that Leah's act was a "first."

Our sages describe Leah as thanking God out of a sense of fulfillment and satisfaction. We may presume that Leah was grateful after the birth of each son. Following the birth of Judah, however, she was satisfied. Although this capacity to bear children was the only consolation which she gained from the marriage which had been arranged by her conniving father, after she had borne four children, she considered herself as having been fulfilled. She thanked in a spirit of satisfaction. She asked no more.

Rabbi M. M. Kasher, the author of *Torah Shleimah*, indicates in his comments that there was another aspect of Leah's thanks which made it a "first" in the world. She thanked God in a public manner by giving her child the name Judah, which in Hebrew means to give thanks. There are many who complain publicly and who bemoan their fate in the presence of others. It is the person of supreme character who is able to thank publicly and to express appreciation in the presence of others for the blessings which have been bestowed upon him and of which he was not entirely worthy.

We may add a third aspect to this novel thanksgiving of Leah. She did not say "I give thanks;" she rather said, "I shall thank." Moreover, she named her son Judah which, in Hebrew, is thanksgiving in the future tense. This is surely an indication of the depth of her feeling.

RAMAZ DINNER ON JANUARY 20th

The twenty-sixth anniversary dinner of Ramaz School, sponsored by the Parents' Council, will be held on Sunday evening, January 20th at the Waldorf Astoria.

This advance notice is being given to the membership of Kehilath Jeshurun in order that the date might be fixed in their minds.

The proceeds of the dinner go entirely to the Scholarship Aid Program of the school. It is through this program that hundreds of deserving children are able to enjoy the advantages of a Ramaz education.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to M. H. Berkson, Dr. Mortimer J. Blumenthal, Dr. Leo Edelman, Mrs. Max J. Etra, Mrs. Isadore Givner, Eugene Hollander, Mrs. Harry Kaplan, Mrs. Gerald S. Kaufman, Mrs. Sarah Klein, Mrs. Frederick Margareten, Dr. Gizella Perl, J. William Rosenbluth, Leon Sigall, Dr. Miriam E. Trachman and Nathan Warshaw.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillip Goldsmith, Dr. and Mrs. Ira I. Kaplan and Hon. and Mrs. George Postel.

Welcome Home and Congratulations —

We welcome home Mr. and Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon from a trip abroad and extend to them a hearty Mazel Tov upon the engagement of their daughter Ann to Mr. Richard Barr.

It is easy to give thanks at the moment when a blessing is conferred. This is not, however uniquely a human quality; even a domesticated animal will lick the hand that feeds it at the moment.

The ethical measure of a man can be seen in his capacity to give thanks in the future, long after the immediacy of the blessing is gone and when most people have forgotten the pleasure and the gratification which the blessing brought. A man must never forget the good which has been done to him by God or by fellow man. He must be able to say "This time, I shall thank."

The capacity to remain eternally grateful, we might note, is not only the measure of man's ethical standing, but also a constant stimulus to his unending state of happiness.

H. L.

BOOKS FOR CHANUKAH

We list below a selection of books of Jewish interest which would be appreciated gifts for Chanukah.

Subscription to Tradition—the magazine published by the Rabbinical Council of America comes in two issues a year. The subscription price is \$2.50 for one year, and \$4.00 for two.

Subscription to the Jewish Publication Society of America—subscriptions are available in denominations of \$6.00, \$12.50, \$25.00 and up. Depending upon the amount of the subscription, the recipient can make his own choice of two, five or more books each year.

Soncino Talmud—An 18 volume edition of the Talmud in English, this gift is a valuable addition to any library.

Hertz Pentateuch—the classic edition of the Torah in one or two volumes with the popular commentary of the late Chief Rabbi of England.

Hirsch Pentateuch—a new edition of the Torah with the scholarly and homiletical commentary of Samson Raphael Hirsch.

Soncino Bible—an edition of the entire Bible in 14 volumes. The commentary consists of excerpts from the various medieval commentators. These volumes may be ordered as a set or individually.

Jewish History—Several excellent one volume histories of the Jewish People are available. Those by Solomon Grayzel and Rufus Lears are of a popular nature, while that of Margolis and Marx is of a technical nature. The last named is an indispensable reference work for students.

Faith of Judaism—Isadore Epstein's excellent presentation of Jewish philosophy which is well suited to the inquiring mind of a young scholar or a mature student.

In His Image—The celebrated volume by Dr. Samuel Belkin propounding the Jewish philosophy of man as derived from Jewish law.

Horeb—A new two volume edition of a classic work by Samson Raphael Hirsch which is a storehouse of information on Jewish law, customs, ceremonies, and practice.

The above is only a partial listing of the many choices which might be made for gift books. The synagogue office will be happy to suggest further titles to you or to order the titles listed above. The Sisterhood Gift Shop will also be a beneficiary of such a gift.

**BENEVOLENT FUND
CHANUKAH CANDLES**

We thank all those who have already sent in their contributions to the Benevolent Fund for Chanukah candles.

We wish to remind those who have not done so that their contribution to the Benevolent Fund would be of greatest benefit at this time.

REMINDER TO PARENTS

In last week's Bulletin, we asked for information on young members of our community who are at college, in the city or out of the city. This information will serve two purposes. First, it will enable us to publish a college registry later this month. Second, it will make it possible for us to invite college students to participate in the activities which the congregation will schedule during their vacation. Those who are out of town will also be placed on our mailing list so that they will receive the Bulletin regularly.

We have received a fine response from our first notice. We ask all those who may not as yet have taken care of this matter, to please fill out the form in this Bulletin and to return it to the synagogue office without delay.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

The Kiddush, this Saturday, will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Klein in celebration of the "aufruf" of their son, Harvey.

**OPEN HOUSE AT YESHIVA
AND STERN COLLEGES**

High school juniors and seniors are invited with their parents to attend Yeshiva University Open House this Sunday, December 9th, beginning at 10 A.M. and concluding at 3:30 P.M. Programs will be held simultaneously at the Yeshiva College for men, Amsterdam Avenue and 186th Street (LO 8-8400), and the Stern College for Women, 253 Lexington Avenue at 35th Street (MU 5-0150).

The Open House program includes greetings and orientation by the faculty of the colleges, a discussion of career opportunities in the arts and sciences, a review of the Jewish studies opportunities, luncheon, a tour of the facilities and a review of student life with emphasis on extra curricular activities.

All students and parents who are interested are urged to attend these programs. It would be preferable to call either Yeshiva or Stern College in advance of the program and let them know that you are coming.

**JUNIOR CONGREGATION
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th****Cantors**

David Hostyk
Simon Lerner
Roger Oppenheimer

Torah Reader

Richard Etra

NEW ENDORSEMENTS BY $\textcircled{U}$

We are informed by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America that its $\textcircled{U}$ — the kosher seal of approval — has been granted to the Empire Kosher Poultry Co. The company makes available frozen chickens and chicken parts which are ready for frying. We understand that these products are available in the New York area.

Thomas' Products

An additional product that now has the $\textcircled{U}$ endorsement is Thomas' White Loaf (readers are asked to look for the word "pareve" on the label. This product is added to Thomas' Protein Bread, Gluten Bread, Whole Wheat Bread, Date Nut Loaf and English Muffins which already carry the endorsement.

The full kashruth directory of the $\textcircled{U}$, as well as its monthly announcements of new products, may be obtained by writing to the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, 84 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**Friday**

Lighting of Candles 4:10
Evening 4:20

Saturday

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:**Vayetze, Genesis 28:10-32:3****Haftarah: Hosea, 12:13-14:10**

Evening 4:15

Torah Reader

Stuart Podell

Conclusion of Sabbath 5:00

Discourse on the Mitzvoth
"Judicial Procedures in Crime"

Sunday

Morning 8:30
Father-and-Son Minyan 9:30

Daily Services

Morning 7:30
Evening 4:20

THE JEWRY BOX**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 25th**

ALBERT COLIN
LARRY STERN

WEEK OF DECEMBER 9th

DR. ALBERT CORNELL
DR. LEO EDELMAN
DAVID GORDON

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to maintain the Daily Minyan.

**SISTERHOOD
KIDDUSH HOSTESSES****SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8th**

Mrs. Jack Lieberman
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K. J. Boys Group
Gymnasium

K. J. Girls Group
Auditorium

MONDAY, 11:00 A.M.
Bible Class for Women

MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.
AM HASEFER GROUP II

TUESDAY, 8:05 A.M.
Talmud Class

7:30 P.M.
Teenage Gym Night

WEDNESDAY, 8:00 P.M.
ADULT INSTITUTE CLASSES

Talmud Class
Hebrew for Beginners
Hebrew 2
Intermediate Hebrew
Advanced Hebrew

9:00 P.M.
Koheleth

THURSDAY, 8:30 P.M.
Board of Trustees Meeting

COMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18th

Am Hasefer Group I

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22nd

Teenage Hanukah Hop
Social Hall

Yahrzeits**December**

8—JULIUS GOLDSTEIN
8—SADIE MARX
8—SAMUEL SPENCER
8—JULIUS GOLDSTEIN
9—ESTHER GOODMAN
9—IGNATZ SCHLINGER
10—LEONTINE SCHALL
10—MEYER STEINBERG
10—GITA REM
11—HANNA GROSSMAN
11—SOPHIE HEYMAN
11—SARAH KATZ
12—CELIA PERLOW
12—ABRAHAM LOUIS MILLER
12—LOUIS HEFTER
14—RUCHEL BREINDEL
14—SOLOMON RUBIN