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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE NOW IN PREPARATION

The 1963-64 volume of the Book of Remembrance is now in preparation and will be ready for use by our worshippers for the Shavuoth Festival.

This booklet, together with a special Yizkor order of service, has become a regular feature of our synagogue service. To our knowledge it is the first such volume of its kind in any synagogue.

Worshippers will recall the old days when Yizkor was invariably associated with an appeal for funds. In order to maintain the sanctity and dignity of the service we have eliminated all such appeals.

In order, however, to fulfill the pledge for charity which is a regular part of the Yizkor service, we invite our worshippers to memorialize their dear departed ones by recording their names in our Book of Remembrance and by making a contribution in their memory once a year before Shavuoth.

Since this memorial booklet is not intended for fund raising, we try to stress the purely religious character of the offering by limiting it to no more than ten dollars and no less than five dollars for each name to be memorialized.

You have by now received correspondence from the synagogue office concerning the 1963-64 Book of Remembrance. The task of preparing the volume is an exacting one. You are requested, therefore, to return the authorization card listing the names of those to be included in the book. Please send the card with your token offering to the synagogue office without delay.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun

cordially invites its members

to attend the

91st Annual Membership Meeting of the Congregation

which will be held

this Thursday evening, May 2nd

at 8:30 o'clock

in the auditorium of the Synagogue House

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A buffet reception will follow the meeting

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 o'clock

"BEN-ZVI — A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO THE SECOND PRESIDENT OF ISRAEL"

THE WEEKLY PORTION

Tazria-Metzora

"The Abrahamic Rite"

Our portion for this week opens with a commandment which is first mentioned in the Book of Genesis: the obligation to circumcise all male children on the eighth day following their birth.

The commandment requires that a physical operation be performed for the purpose of "introducing the child into the covenant of Abraham." For this reason it must be performed by a mohel and not by a doctor; for this operation requires not only perfect skill — which any experienced mohel possesses — but also a total commitment to Jewish law and practice — which a doctor may or may not possess.

The commandment requires further that the circumcision must be performed on the eighth day — even if that day is the Sabbath or the Day of Atonement. If the child's health is in question, then the circumcision **must** be postponed until the health question disappears. On the other hand, circumcision **before** the eighth day in no way satisfies the religious requirement.

While the value of circumcision as a hygienic practice, in the broad sense of that term, is unquestionable, the religious reason for the command is in order to serve as an "Os", a symbol of the child's entrance into the Abrahamic covenant. The fact that the child makes this entrance long before he is capable of understanding the significance of that covenant is characteristic of the Jewish view of education in general. We teach the young to observe and perform God's commands at an early age so that they may someday be able to arrive at a mature understanding of their heritage. Performance thus precedes, and does not follow, comprehension.

A most optimistic rationale for this commandment is offered by the author of the Sefer haChinuch. God, as it were, does not complete the creation of man, but, instead, leaves the final perfection of the body to man himself. If such is the case in man's physical creation, how much more is it true of man's spiritual personality which is given to man to develop, to nourish, and to enhance.

H. L.

METS VS. GIANTS
FOR JUNIOR CONGREGATION
REGULARS

The reward for regular attendance at the Junior Congregation during the past season will be in the form of a trip to the Polo Grounds on Sunday afternoon, May 5th, where our regulars will witness a double header between the New York Mets and the San Francisco Giants. The tickets have already been obtained, the children have already been notified, the permission of the parents has already been solicited, and all is in readiness for a tumultuous afternoon — with God's help and an assist from the weatherman.

Such a reward is presented annually to those children in the Junior Congregation who maintain a regular attendance throughout the year. This year we are happy to say that 36 children have qualified for the reward. This represents a 20% increase over last season which, of course, makes the investment of the Congregation both more expensive and, at the same time, far more gratifying.

We list the names of the children below who have been invited to participate in this special treat, and we compliment them for their loyalty to the Junior Congregation during the past season.

Arthur Aizer
Steven Aizer
Claude Alpert
Marvin Binstock
Samuel Blumenthal
Pearl Borger
William Davis
John Fischer
Jerome Friedman
Samuel Friedman
Richard Gelfand
David Hostyk
Michael Jaspan
Richard Kahn
Francine Klein
Leonard Klein
Melanie Klein
Philip Lerner
Simon Lerner
Gail Linden
Nancy Linzer
Naomi Markson
Adrian Mecz
Peter Oppenheimer
Roger Oppenheimer
Joel Ranells
Judy Ranells
William Recant
Richard Rem
Sari Scheinberg

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth —

We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Maks L. Birnbach on the birth of a son.

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Harry Abramson, Henry K. Chapman, Mrs. Herman Davidowitz, Lafay Dribben, Mrs. Sidney Flatow, Mrs. Anne L. Flax, Mrs. Abraham L. Marcus, Mrs. Oscar Perlberger, Simon Vogel and Victor Wouk.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Perlberger.

New Residence —

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman I. Bucher on their moving into a new home.

Bon Voyage —

Best wishes for a pleasant trip and a safe return are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Hecht, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Heyman, and Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Trautman, who left this week for Israel.

Similar wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Etra who left this week for a European trip.

Honors —

Congratulations to our esteemed Trustee, Samuel Rosen, who is to receive the Annual Tzedakah Award from the Commission on Synagogue Relations of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. Mr. Rosen, who is to be honored for his service to philanthropy in general and Federation in particular, will receive his award at the Commission's Annual Dinner on Monday night.

Congratulations to our esteemed Trustee, Henry M. Rem, who has been chosen to be a recipient of the President's Award which will be presented by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America at its Annual National Dinner on May 5th at the Hotel Americana.

A MODERN RITUALARIUM

is located in our community
at 158 West 97th Street
MONument 3-0300

Alvin Smilow
Marilyn Smilow
Charles Sub
Elliot Taffet
Richard Taffet
Lewis Trencher

TEENAGERS SCORE MORAL VICTORY

The Kehilath Jeshurun teenage group is participating in a Baseball League conducted by A.C.T.I.O.N., the association of teenage groups affiliated with Orthodox synagogues in Manhattan, the Bronx and Westchester. The team will play a schedule of eight games during a period of five weeks, including several double headers.

We regret to inform our readers that the first game ended only in a moral victory for our side. Although we outfielded the opposition, and in many respects outfought our opponents, the final score was Kingsbridge Center of Israel 3, Kehilath Jeshurun 2. It is, of course, a well-known fact that some of the finest teams — even in the Major Leagues — experience some difficulty in getting away from the starting gate in mid-season form. We are confident, however, that as the season progresses, true class will make its presence felt.

We are indebted to Dr. William Herzog who accompanied the team at its first game and who reports that

JUNIOR GIRLS MEET ON SABBATH AFTERNOONS

The Sabbath afternoon Oneg Shabat group for girls, ages 9 through 12, is continuing its regular meetings every Saturday afternoon at 3:00 in the auditorium of the Synagogue house. The group continues under the direction of Miss Barbara Dratler.

All girls who are members of the group and those who are not, but who conform to the age level of the group, are invited to resume attendance this Saturday afternoon at 3:00.

our youngsters conducted themselves admirably in all respects.

Please note: our teenagers will have an opportunity to show their talents in a different area on Youth Sabbath, which will be held in our Synagogue on Saturday, May 11th. A full program of activities is being planned for that day. Further details will follow in future issues of the Bulletin. In the meantime, please reserve that date and be sure to be in the Synagogue on Saturday morning, May 11th.

AM HASEFER GROUPS TO MEET

The two groups in our Am haSefer program will hold their concluding meetings of the year during the next few weeks.

Group One will meet at the home of Mrs. Anne Flax, 140 East 72nd Street, on Tuesday evening, May 7th, at 8:15. The book under discussion will be "The Modern Jew Faces Eternal Problems" by Aaron Barth.

Group Two will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Markson, 315 East 68th Street, on Monday evening, May 13th, at 8:15. On that occasion the group will discuss the pamphlet "Prayer" by Dr. Eliezer Berkovits. The pamphlet, published by Yeshiva University, has already been mailed to all members of the group.

The members of both groups are urged to complete their reading in time for the meetings and to return the card provided with their invitation, so that our hosts will know to expect them.

PRINCIPALS AT SISTERHOOD DONOR LUNCHEON



From left to right; Mrs. Samuel Gross, Sisterhood Treasurer; Mrs. Haskell Lookstein; Mr. Martin Markson, President Men's Club; Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten, Co-chairman, Luncheon Committee; Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein; Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon, Chairman Luncheon Committee; Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin, President, Sisterhood; Mrs. William Lebowitz, Chairman of Arrangements; Rabbi Haskell Lookstein; Mrs. Joseph Roth, Co-chairman, Luncheon Committee; Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein; Mrs. Elgin Shulsky, Sisterhood Secretary.

Cong. Kehilath Jeshurun

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Synagogue Officials

Joseph H. Lookstein Rabbi
Haskel Lookstein Ass't Rabbi
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Martin Markson Pres. Men's Club

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**Friday**

Lighting of Candles 6:30
Evening 6:00

Saturday

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15

Weekly Portion:**Tarzria-Metzora****Leviticus 12:1-15:33****Haftarah: II Kings 7:3-20**

Evening 6:40

Torah Reader

Steven Gross

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:20

Daily Services

Morning 7:30 D.S.T.
Sunday Morning 8:30 D.S.T.
Evening 6:00 D.S.T.

Please note that on Saturday night, April 27th, Daylight Saving Time goes into effect. The schedule for services and activities beginning with Sunday morning, April 28th, is therefore according to Daylight Saving Time.

YOUNG MARRIEDS MEET

The Young Marrieds Group held a regular meeting last Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Shapiro. The meeting was a most enjoyable one, not only because of the graciousness of our hosts, but also because of the enthusiastic discussion which was sandwiched in between social periods that preceded and followed it.

The discussion centered around the general topic "What Do We Expect From Jewish Education?" The remarks of those present were prefaced by a brief review of the history and structure of the Day School movement in America, delivered by Mrs. Charles Cohen, a member of the group and a former teacher at Ramaz School.

The meeting also served as a bon voyage affair in honor of the President of the group, Neil Hecht and Mrs. Hecht, who left this week for a month's stay in Israel.

**KOSHER BUTCHERS
IN OUR COMMUNITY**

For the information of residents of Yorkville we list below the neighborhood butcher shops that are under the supervision of the Park East Kashruth Board.

Max Backer — 202 E. 87th Street — AT 9-7234.

L. Berger — 1224 Lexington Avenue — TR 7-9888.

Eugent Czeisler — 1520 York Avenue — RH 4-6488.

L. Feldman — 1355 Second Avenue — RH 4-5918.

Fishman and Falkowitz — 1163 Madison Avenue — SU 7-3545.

Iser Salzman — 1279 Second Avenue — RH 4-9823.

Bernard Scheiner — 1200 Madison Avenue — AT 9-5461.

Eli Vizel — 1547 First Avenue — RE 4-2280.

THE JEWRY BOX**WEEK OF MARCH 31st**

JOSEPH JAME
JOSEPH KAGAN
BENJAMIN KAUFMAN
JACOB POUST

WEEK OF APRIL 28th

MAKS L. BIRNBACH
BERNARD PODELL
ARTHUR M. ROSEN

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

K. J. CALENDAR**SATURDAY AFTERNOON****3:00 P.M.**

K. J. Girls Group

THURSDAY EVENING**8:30 P.M.**

91st Annual
Membership Meeting

TUESDAY EVENING**MAY 7th**

Am haSefer Group I
at the home of
Mr. Nathan Flax

YAHREZEITS**April**

27—ISAAC ZUCKERMAN
27—SAMUEL FEIFER
28—GIZELA LANDAU
28—SAMUEL WILNER
28—HAROLD RUBIN
29—EVA B. JACOBS
29—HYMAN ROSENBLUM
29—ESTHER SCHWARTZ
29—SAMUEL SCHREIBER
29—REGINE BIRNBACH
30—MINA HIRSHHORN
30—BERTALON LICHTMMAN
30—HYMAN WEISBERG
30—SARAH RISKIN
30—BENJAMIN SKYDELL
30—BESSIE GOLDBLATT

May

2—SARAH R. FREEDMAN
2—ANNA BOGDONOFF
2—ESTHER RIKER
2—MABEL HEBALD STEIN
2—SARA MERKIN
2—SHOLOM GOLDBERG
2—BARNEY B. SCHLINGER
2—JOSEPH J. MANDEL
2—PHILIP FLATOW
3—SIMON NACHTIGALL
3—CONSTANCE MELNICK

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