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*We extend best wishes
for a Happy Purim to our
members and friends.*

PURIM NOTES TO PARENTS

This Wednesday evening we will usher in the holiday of Purim with the traditional Purim service, highlighted by the reading of the Megillah. This service is of exceptional interest to the children of our congregational family. We have made special arrangements in order to ensure that they will be comfortable and happy.

All children will receive the appropriate noisemakers with which to react demonstratively to the mention of the name of Haman. Special sections in the synagogue will be reserved for them.

Parents are requested to conform to the following arrangements for their children:

1. All children will meet in the Social Hall at 5:20 P.M. They will receive their groggers and the instructions for their use. Ramaz and Park East Religious school teachers and several members of our Teenage Group will be on hand to supervise the children.

2. From the Social Hall, the children will be brought to their special sections in the Main Synagogue. Parents are requested to leave the children to the supervision of those who are in charge. The children will be much better off this way and their elders will be able to enjoy the service that much more.

The Purim Schedule

5:20—All children assemble in the Social Hall

5:30—Mincha Service in the Main Synagogue.

6:00—Ma'ariv and the reading of the Megillah.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun

cordially invites you, your family and friends to attend

Purim Services

This Wednesday Evening, March 17th

Mincha Service — 5:30 P.M.

Ma'ariv Service — 6:00 P.M.

The reading of the Megillah will follow

Ramaz Students Who Will Officiate As Megillah Readers

Richard Etra

Jacob Pearlberg

David Herman

Sidney Rosen

David Kahn

Steven Schacter

Avram Kogen

Steven Schleifer

Judah Kogen

Jonathan Shor

Morris Whitcup

MEGILLAH READING FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN THURSDAY, 10:30 A.M.

It is not commonly known that the main obligation to hear the reading of the Megillah is on Purim morning. For sociological reasons only, the emphasis in America has been on the evening reading.

The reading of the Megillah, moreover, is as incumbent upon women as upon men, for Esther was the heroine of the miraculous deliverance of the Jews from the hand of Haman. Most women, however, find it difficult to attend the 7:00 A.M. services on Purim Day.

This year, therefore, we are inaugurating a "first" in our Congregation. A special reading of the Megillah for women — and all children who would like to attend — will be held on Thursday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 in the synagogue chapel. Several young boys from the congregation and Ramaz have volunteered to do the reading for this occasion.

So, come ladies and bring your children on Thursday at 10:30. Joy will reign supreme — for everyone except Haman.

**Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach this Saturday at 11:00 A.M.
"SOBER MOMENTS IN A SEASON OF REVELRY"**



SHABBAT ZACHOR

"Remember . . . Do Not Forget"

This week, we will read, in addition to the regular weekly portion, a special section from the Book of Deuteronomy wherein the Bible commands us to remember what Amalek did to the Jewish people when we left Egypt.

This particular reading from the Torah is the only reading during the year which is ordained by the Torah itself. All other readings are ordained by the rabbis in the Talmud. In reading the passage for Shabbat Zachor, however, we are fulfilling the Torah commandment: "Remember what Amalek did to you."

There is, however, also a negative commandment in this special reading. The passage ends with the words: "Do not forget." Apparently the Torah realized that it would be possible for a people to remember an historical atrocity by verbalizing it once a year and yet forget about it thereafter.

The remembering of Amalek's act has come to be understood in Judaism as the memory of all similar attacks upon the Jewish people throughout our long and frequently bitter history. Concerning all of these it is important that we be reminded never to forget.

Human nature is such that forgetting frequently means forgiving. There are some acts, however, which simply ought not to be forgiven. This is essentially why the Jewish community the world over has unanimously cried out against allowing the Statute of Limitations for war crimes to run out in Germany. The signs now indicate that the German Parliament will remove the limit. We hope that the signs are accurate.

We are not a vengeful people. As a matter of fact, the Torah enjoins us not to take revenge and not to be vengeful. But the Torah also requires us to "destroy the iniquity from among us." If iniquity is to be destroyed in the most extreme cases, then it must be remembered first.

People tend to remember only the pleasant things and only those things which they want to remember. There are some things, however, which we are required to remember whether we want to or not. It is in such cases that the Torah bids us: "Remember . . . do not forget!"

H. L.

"ART, ANTIQUES AND ACCESSORIES" TOPIC OF SISTERHOOD MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 22nd

The next meeting of the Sisterhood will be held on Monday, March 22nd, in the Versailles Suite of the Croydon Hotel. Coffee and cake will be served before the meeting, at 12:30 P.M.

The guest speaker, Zelda Schaps, is a graduate of the New York School of Interior Design. She is an instructor of a class in Adult Education on interior design at Brooklyn College.

The subject of her address at the Sisterhood meeting is "Art, Antiques and Accessories In The Home". Mrs. Schaps will outline the basic patterns of fashion and utility in decorative accessories for the home. She will make suggestions on the choice of art and antiques and she will discuss the "reasonable price" for such objects.

In addition to the cultural portion of the meeting, the Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon will be on the agenda.

That function, which is the highlight of the Sisterhood season, will be held on Wednesday, March 31st, at the Park Lane Hotel.

A cordial invitation is extended to members of the Sisterhood and to their friends to attend the meeting on Monday, March 22nd.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays —

Many happy returns of the day to Dr. Abram J. Abeloff, Albert Bernstein, Mrs. Jerry Coan, Mrs. Sidney Horwitz, Henry M. Rem, Leo Ritter, Benjamin Siegel and Reuben Westerman.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Mortimer J. Blumenthal and Mr. and Mrs. Usher Doppelt.

DO YOU KNOW OF A THREE OR FOUR YEAR OLD CHILD WHO NEEDS A NURSERY SCHOOL THAT . . .

1. Will prepare him emotionally and psychologically for formal school education?
2. Will give him the opportunity to live and love our Jewish heritage and to learn the customs and ceremonies which are part of it?
3. Will be staffed by the finest and most experienced teachers who are at home in the Jewish way of life and imbued with the ideals of American civilization?
4. Will offer him the beginnings of reading readiness so that he will be able to enter an advanced kindergarten and a first grade which can dispense with the normal preparatory programs?
5. Will be under the direction and personal supervision of Miss Hannah Harris, the acknowledged dean of pre-school educators in the American Jewish community?

If so, please ask his parents to call Ramaz School at SA 2-2272 and request the application forms. Time is growing short and the limited enrollment has almost reached capacity.

The Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 1965

THE PARK LANE HOTEL

Committee

MRS. REUBEN N. POPKIN, Chairman

— Co-Chairmen —

MRS. SAMUEL GROSS — MRS. SAUL LINZER — MRS. MEYER TEXON

PURIM DAY**Schedule and Notes**

On Thursday morning, March 18th, a special Purim morning service will be held in the Synagogue Chapel at 7:00 o'clock. The highlight of this service is the reading of the Megillah by our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg. Without the traditional noisemakers, the Megillah is appreciated for what it is—a moving and thrilling story of danger and rescue and a stimulus to the praise of God.

The entire service will be concluded by 8:30 to enable all to attend to their daily affairs.

Al ha-Nissim

In the three services of Purim, as well as in the Grace After Meals, the prayer of Al ha-Nissim is added as an expression of thanksgiving to God for the miracle which he wrought for our forefathers.

Exchanging Gifts

A traditional practice on Purim, which is recorded in the Megillah, is the exchange of culinary gifts between friends. This practice is matched by the requirement to give charity to the poor as well.

The Festive Repast

In the late afternoon on Purim Day it is customary to have a Purim Seudah—a festive repast with all the holiday trimmings. The meal lasts until after dark and should be conducted in the merry spirit of the Festival.

SHACHAR MEMBERS

are cordially invited
to attend

**THE FOURTH
CULTURAL LUNCHEON**

this Saturday, March 13th
following the Kiddush in
the social hall

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Guest Panelist

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

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Topic

"ISRAEL IN FOCUS"

Moderator and Panel Members

Elaine Hyams
Bruce Linzer
Robert Pik
Steven Silberblatt

31 RAMAZ STUDENTS WIN REGENTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Once again, this year, the Senior Class of Ramaz High School has achieved one of the highest records of any senior class in New York State in the competition for Regents Scholarships. Out of 48 students in the senior class, 23 were announced last week as winners, while an additional 8 were declared to be alternates, — high on the list. Past experience has shown that the alternates eventually earn a State Scholarship if they choose to attend a college in the State of New York.

Among the winners are 3 young members of our congregational family:

Richard Etra

David Herman

Robert Pik

Our special congratulations to these young people and to their parents.

65% of Class Earn Grants

The achievements of the senior class

this year are a credit to the academic ability of the students themselves. Deserving of special praise are the dedicated teachers who have brought the class to this stage in its development and the members of the supervisory staff and the administration who make possible such achievements.

Although it is statistically impossible for every student in the class to win a State Scholarship, the entire class is deserving of praise for maintaining an academic standard sufficiently high to enable 65 percent of its members to win such honors.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, which is the sponsoring body of Ramaz School, is proud of the achievements of this class and congratulates the winners and their parents on this academic milestone. We hope that all the seniors will go on to achieve honors and success in their future academic efforts.

A SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS

Now that the spring semester of our Adult Institute has officially ended, we would like to take this opportunity to thank several people who have been particularly instrumental in the success of this program.

First, and foremost, are the teachers who have given of their time and knowledge to bring educational opportunities to so many members of our congregational family. Our thanks to Mrs. Charles Cohen, Instructor in Elementary Hebrew; Mrs. Alice Rothkowitz, Instructor in Advanced Hebrew; Mrs. Noam Shudofsky, Instructor in Elementary Hebrew and in the Prayer Book and the Haggadah.

Our special thanks to Dr. Irving Agus and Dr. Arthur Hyman who delivered the fall and spring lectures respectively in Jewish History and Jewish Philosophy. Their classes were uniformly well attended and enjoyed by all those who participated in them.

A word of thanks is in order to our devoted member, Mordie Mann, who served as Chairman of our Adult Education Committee this year. Serving together with him were:

Edward Abramson

Dr. Theodore R. Fink

Joseph N. Friedman

Lawrence A. Kobrin

Martin Markson

Dr. Frederick Zuckerman

Together with Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, this group of gentlemen planned the program and was responsible for another successful year — perhaps even more so than in the past — of Adult Education in our congregation.

Last of all, we wish to thank the many members and friends of the congregation who took advantage of the program which was offered. We know that they are the chief beneficiaries of their own interest and involvement. We hope that many others will follow their splendid example next year and join us in the most important pursuit in Jewish life — the pursuit of knowledge.

Please Note

Although the spring semester has ended, the Monday morning classes in Hebrew and Bible and the Monday evening classes in Hebrew and Talmud will continue to meet through Monday, April 5th.

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 Mrs. William LebowitzPres., Sist.
 William LebowitzPres. Men's Club

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**Friday**

Lighting of Candles5:40
 Evening5:45

Saturday, Shabbat Zachor

Morning9:00
 Junior Congregation10:15

Weekly Portion: Vayikra

Leviticus 1:1 - 5:26

Deuteronomy 25:17 - 19

Haftorah: I Samuel 15:2 - 34

Evening5:45
 Conclusion of Sabbath6:30

Daily Services

Morning7:30
 Thursday Morning (Purim Day) 7:00
 Sunday Morning8:30
 Evening5:30

SISTERHOOD**KIDDUSH HOSTESSES****Saturday, March 13th**

Mrs. Richard Kolb
 Mrs. Jacob P. Shulman
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 14—ADAH M. STINER
 15—ROCKMORE CLAYTON
 15—HYMAN KORNFELD
 16—SIMON RUBINSTEIN
 16—ABRAHAM D. KATZ
 16—SOL FEIFER
 16—ISRAEL W. DUBINER
 16—REUVEN FRIEDMAN
 17—FANNY SALZMAN
 17—MINNIE COLIN
 18—EUGENE I. GOODSIDE
 18—HENRI UNTERMANS
 18—LEO KAHAN
 18—LIBBY PENZNER
 18—DORA R. WEISS
 19—SARAH ROTHENSTEIN
 19—JACOB S. ADLER
 19—ROSE SIGALL
 19—ISAAC ERNST

LAST CALL!!**Men's Club Theatre Party****"DO I HEAR A WALTZ?"****The Season's Musical Hit****by Richard Rodgers****on Monday, March 22nd**

A limited number of tickets are still
 available. Call the Synagogue Office.

THE JEWRY BOX**Served During****WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28th**

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Will Serve During**WEEK OF MARCH 14th**

DR. LOUIS LINN
 ISAAC MEILACH
 DR. MAX MILLER
 ALEXANDER MORGANSTERN

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to maintain the Daily Minyan.**K. J. CALENDAR****SATURDAY, 12:30 P.M.**

Teenage Cultural Luncheon

2:00 P.M.

Intermediate Boys
 Social Hall

3:00 P.M.

Intermediate Girls
 Library

Junior Boys

Social Hall

Junior Girls

Room 301

**MONDAY, 10:00 A.M.**

Hebrew for Beginners

11:00 A.M.

Bible Class for Women

8:00 P.M.

Talmud Class

Advanced Hebrew



COMING EVENTS

MONDAY, MARCH 22nd**12:30 P.M.**

Sisterhood Open Meeting

8:30 P.M.

Men's Club Theatre Party
 "DO I HEAR A WALTZ?"

