



PURIM 1965: SUPREME JOY AND CAPACITY ATTENDANCE

"There has never been a Purim like it." These words were spoken by one of the worshippers who attended the Purim eve services on Wednesday, March 17th. No doubt, these words were on the minds of many of the almost 900 adults and children who were present in the main synagogue that evening. There was not a seat to be had on the main floor, while almost the entire balcony was also filled with those who came to enjoy and participate in the Purim spirit.

Ten young men from Ramaz fairly outdid themselves in the reading of the Megillah. They were:

Richard Etra	Sidney Rosen
David Kahn	Steven Schacter
Avram Kogen	Steven Schleifer
Judah Kogen	Jonathan Shor
Jay Pearlberg	Morris Whitcup

David Herman, a senior at Ramaz, served as Cantor for the evening. It ought to be added that several of these readers came out of sick beds to appear that evening and yet no one knew of their difficulties.

There was an additional — though unsung corps of readers from the 8th grade at Ramaz who studied the chapters of the Megillah in order to substitute for a "regular" who might be too ill to participate. We wish to thank the following alternates:

Alvin Adler	Richard Kahn
Samuel Blumenthal	Joseph Low
Robert Gluck	Ronald Morgenstein
David Grossman	Roger Oppenheimer
Herbert Hauser	Richard Silberman
Michael Jaspán	

A special vote of thanks is due to Mr. Isaac Rapaport, of the Ramaz faculty.
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MEGILLAH READERS



Shown above are Ramaz Students who officiated as Megillah Readers, at our Purim Service. From left to right they are: Morris Whitcup, David Herman, Richard Etra, Steven Schleifer, Jonathan Shor, David Kahn, Judah Kogen, Avram Kogen, Jay Pearlberg. Not shown are Sidney Rosen, and Steven Schacter.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun

extends a cordial invitation to its members

to attend

a

Brunch Meeting

for the

National Scholarship Program of Yeshiva University

THIS SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 28th, 10:00 O'CLOCK

in the Social Hall

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will preach this Saturday at 11:00 A.M.

"A NEW 'CRITIQUE OF PURE REASON' "



SHEMINI

"Things That Make A Difference"

Although it is difficult to establish the reason for the laws of Kashruth which are presented extensively in this week's portion, one observation concerning them seems to have special significance. At the conclusion of the laws, the Torah says: "And you shall make yourselves holy for I am holy." On this verse the Talmud comments, that just as God is different from man so the Jew is to be different from others in his behavior.

It might be said that such a rationale for Kashruth might not exactly serve as an American Jew's "cup of tea." We are accustomed to think of ourselves as part of a national melting pot in which the unique flavor of each ethnic group is surrendered toward the enrichment of the total character of the nation. If this be so — and students of American history and sociology seriously question such a view — then there is nothing further to say.

If, however, we are prepared to accept the Torah's challenge and to maintain our uniqueness for the sake of Judaism and for the ultimate enrichment of all mankind, then Kashruth would seem to make a fundamental contribution to our distinctiveness.

The act of eating is at once the most normal human activity and at the same time the most frequent one. When a Jew adheres to the dietary laws he is marking his uniqueness three times a day. His tastes are determined not only by physical cravings but by moral criteria. The restaurants which he visits are evaluated not only by their interior decor but primarily by their religious standards.

In the home this difference is all the more apparent. Parents and children are unconsciously aware of their heritage when they sit down to the table.

The adherence to the code of Kashruth is an essential feature of the uniqueness of the Jewish People as a whole and an indispensable factor in the religious make-up of each Jew as an individual.

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*The Kehilath Jeshurun Sisterhood**Annual Donor Luncheon*

will take place

this Wednesday, March 31st

at 12:00 o'clock noon

*Park Lane Hotel**Crystal Room*

— Guest Artist —

SHOSHANA SHOSHAN, Soprano

of the

Israel National Opera, Tel Aviv

For last minute reservations contact the Synagogue Office

IMPORTANT NOTICE

As many of you know, the Mid-Manhattan community has been conducting a campaign to construct a new Mikvah (ritualarium) on West 78th Street. The city's decision to include the site of our present Mikvah in a large urban renewal project, has made this necessary.

With the help of the generous members of the Mid-Manhattan community, it is expected that construction work on a beautiful new ritualarium on West 78th Street will be completed before the summer. In the meantime, however, the city can no longer allow us to use the old Mikvah. The last night of its operation will be Sunday, March 28th.

For the information of all, we list two Mikvahs in Manhattan which may be used until such time as our new Mikvah is completed:

536 West 187th Street

Tel: WA 3-9548

313 East Broadway

Tel: GR 5-8514

WITHIN OUR FAMILY**Birthdays —**

Many happy returns of the day to Hyman Abrams, Leon Daniel, Mrs. Bessie C. H. Goodman, Benjamin Kaufman and Manfred M. Magnus.

Anniversaries —

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Mr. and Mrs. George Weiss and Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Zessman.

Marriage —

Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Einhorn upon the marriage of their daughter, Ann to Mr. Edward H. Lubin.

May the young couple bring joy and happiness to their families.

Condolence —

We express our heartfelt sympathy to our devoted member, Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg, upon the passing of her beloved father.

We pray that she may be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

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ty, for his preparation of the readers. Worshippers have come to expect from his trainees nothing short of perfection — and their expectations are always fulfilled.

The Children

Close to 250 children filled the children's section to overflowing this year. They were extremely attentive to the reading of the Megillah and, though they carefully obeyed the restrictions on excessive noisemaking, they gave Haman more than his due. We do not expect to hear from Haman again for a long time.

We would like to thank Mr. Friedland and Mr. Miller, the Supervisors of the Lower School, and our own Youth Director, Mr. Noam Shudofsky, for their attention to the needs of the children. Our thanks also to the teachers of Ramaz and the Park East Religious School who helped in the supervision of the children. A special vote of thanks to a group of volunteers from our Teenage Group who assisted in maintaining order in the children's section. Their names are:

Larry Breindel	David Mandelbaum
Barry Halpern	Robert Pik
Aaron Holzer	Vivian Pik
Rochelle Jadek	David Sharon
Helen Jarney	Barbara Spilky
Steven Lorch	Sharon Wolf

An Innovation for Purim Morning

This year, for the first time, we conducted a reading of the Megillah at 10:30 on Purim morning. This was arranged specially for women and children. We were most gratified with the results of this experiment.

The synagogue chapel was just about filled by the women and children who attended. An informal and most enjoyable atmosphere prevailed. Three of the evening readers and four of the alternates — Samuel Blumenthal, David Grossman, Herbert Hauser and Roger Oppenheimer — combined to provide an exciting reading of the Megillah.

As we said: "There has never been a Purim like it." We hope, however, that there will be many similar ones in the future.

**DR. IRVING AGUS PUBLISHES
TWO VOLUMES ON
MEDIEVAL JEWISH HISTORY**

We are happy to announce the publication of two scholarly volumes by Dr. Irving A. Agus, on "Urban Civilization in Pre-Crusade-Europe. The volumes were just published by Yeshiva University Press. These two books are, literally, storehouses of information on the structure of the Jewish community in the tenth and eleventh centuries in Northwestern Europe. The material is gained from the rabbinic responsa of that period and covers all aspects of community life.

Many of the students of our Adult Institute who have heard Dr. Agus' lectures will no doubt want to acquire these volumes for their own library. We are able to make the volumes available to them at \$12.00, instead of the regular \$15.00 price. Those who are interested are asked to call the Synagogue Office and we will make the necessary arrangements.

Our congratulations to an esteemed teacher and friend of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun on this happy milestone in his illustrious scholarly career.

**AN AMERICAN SPONSORED
CAMP IN ISRAEL**

The Rabbinical Council of America, together with the Torah Culture Department of the Jewish Agency, sponsors a camp for American children in Israel — "Camp Daromah." The season is a six week period which includes all of the regular camping activities together with tours through the country.

The camp is staffed by professional camping leaders and supported by the Rabbinical Council of America. The total cost is \$895.00.

Further details may be obtained by calling the Rabbinical Council of America, 84 Fifth Avenue.

**SHACHAR'S SABBATH LUNCHEON
HIGHLIGHT OF YOUTH
PROGRAM YEAR**

Our Teenage Group held its fourth Cultural Luncheon on Saturday, March 13, in the social hall. The fine weather helped to bring out fifty seven young people to this popular activity.

Shabbat "Zemiroth" were followed by an interesting and informative session that featured Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein in a program entitled "Israel in Focus."

The format of the activity followed that of the popular T.V. Program, "Meet The Press." A panel of three youth members, Elaine Hyams, Bruce Linzer and Robert Pik asked questions of topical interest and about events that made the headlines during the Rabbi's recent visit to Israel. Steven Silberblatt served as moderator of this event.

Rabbi Lookstein answered questions on a variety of subjects in depth and clarity. "The Ruth Eitani Case," "Who Is a Jew?," "The Cairo, Bonn, Jerusalem Triangle," "Shall Israel Enter Full Diplomatic Relations with Germany," "Should Religious Law Be Enacted Through Knesset Legislation," "The Jordan Water Project," "Can The Orthodox Rabbinate Meet the Needs of the Israeli Jew?," "How Can The Sephardic and Ashkenazic Communities Bridge Their Difference?" were among the questions raised. Each participant presented a detailed outline of the problem, before asking his questions.

Our thanks to a parent's committee which helped in the arrangements and again derived considerable pleasure from the whole affair. The members of the committee were Mesdames Herman, Kadis, Linzer, Pik and Vivian Pik. Both the adults and youth felt that the Rabbi had created a wonderful air of informality and imparted a wealth of knowledge and humor in the highest spirit of the Sabbath.

THE JEWRY BOX

**Served During
WEEK OF MARCH 14th**

JERRY BRUSS
DAVID MILLER
ALEXANDER MORGANSTERN

**Will Serve During
WEEK OF MARCH 28th**

LOUIS ORWASHER
JACK PERLBERGER
OSCAR PERLBERGER
BENJAMIN PERLMAN
MORTIMER J. PROPP

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

Cong. Kehilath Jeshurun

125 East 85th Street

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**Friday**

Lighting of Candles5:55
 Evening5:45

Saturday, Shabbat Parah

Morning9:00
 Junior Congregation10:15

Weekly Portion: Shemini**Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47****Numbers 19:1 - 22****Haftorah: Ezekiel 36:16 - 38****Rosh Chodesh Prayers**

Rosh Chodesh Nisan will be on
 Saturday, April 3rd.

Evening6:00
 Conclusion of Sabbath6:45

Daily Services

Morning7:30
 Sunday Morning8:30
 Evening5:30

JUNIOR CONGREGATION**Saturday, March 27th****Cantors**

Richard Gelfand
 Samuel Newborn
 Alvin Smilow

Sermonette

Samuel Freedman

Torah Reader

Michael Jaspán

**CLOSE TO \$1500 CONTRIBUTED
FOR PASSOVER RELIEF****Have you contributed yet?**

The first paragraph in the Laws of Passover as they appear in the Shulchan Aruch (Code of Jewish Law) reads in part as follows: "It is customary to purchase wheat and to distribute it to the poor for Passover; and all who have lived in the city for at least twelve months are obligated to support this project."

The practice of providing for the poor for Passover takes precedence over all of the intricate laws pertaining to the festival. This is as it should be. The observance of the seder and the care to dispose of chometz are hollow gestures if they do not stimulate us to a meaningful concern for the welfare of those who are in need.

The response to our Passover Relief Appeal has been most gratifying. As of the publication date of the Bulletin some 100 persons have contributed just short of \$1500 to this Appeal. There are many, however, who have not as yet made their contribution. We urge them to do so without delay. The funds are needed in advance of the holiday in order to be of greater benefit to the recipients.

YAHREZITS**March**

27-ANNIE EDELMAN
 27-MOSES DAVIS
 28-ELSE LEVY
 29-BENJAMIN RYP
 29-JOSEPH B. GIMBEL
 30-GITEL BACKER
 30-ETTA SCHLANG
 30-DAVID FRANK PHILLIPS
 31-PAULINE WAGNER
 31-JOSEPH RITTER
 31-IDA RAPPOPORT

April

1-FRANZISKA GOTTSALK
 1-SAMUEL LEVY
 1-JACOB KOPIT
 1-MOSHA A. MORRIS
 1-JACOB WOLF BAB
 2-BARUCH DAVID KAPLAN
 2-SAMUEL FINE
 2-ISRAEL DAVID LASCOFF
 2-SHRAGE FISCHER
 2-ROZELLA BRENNER
 2-ROSE KANAREK

K. J. CALENDAR**SATURDAY, 2:00 P.M.**

Intermediate Boys
 Social Hall

3:00 P.M.

Intermediate Girls
 Library
 Junior Girls
 Room 301

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

Yeshiva University Brunch
 Social Hall

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

Hebrew for Beginners

11:00 A.M.

Bible Class for Women

8:00 P.M.

Advanced Hebrew
 Talmud

**WEDNESDAY, 12 Noon**

Sisterhood
 Annual Donor Luncheon
 Park Lane Hotel
 Crystal Room

**COMING EVENTS****SATURDAY NIGHT**

April 3rd
 Teenage Spring Social

**SISTERHOOD
KIDDUSH HOSTESSES****Saturday, March 27th**

Mrs. Samuel B. Goodman
 Mrs. Samuel Gross
 Mrs. Nathan Kalischer
 Mrs. Edward Lebowitz