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RAMAZ SCHOOL OPENS SESSIONS IN NEW BUILDING

On Monday, children from the 4th grade through the 12th met for the first time in the new Ramaz School building on 85th Street. The Primary School, from the nursery through the 3rd grade met in the refurbished and renovated school building on East 82nd Street.

The Certificate of Occupancy was already authorized by the Building Department of New York City, allowing the school full use of all facilities. The "oohs" and "aahs" of the children were welcome sounds after the prolonged raucous noises of drilling and hammering.

The school enrollment has reached an all-time high. It is regrettable that a substantial number of applicants had to be turned away. Entering its 28th year, Ramaz School is still educating students from all parts of the city. Most gratifying is the fact that the number of students from the immediate neighborhood has grown considerably.

HIGH HOLY DAY SEATS

Regular worshippers and those who have recently moved into the neighborhood, are urged to make their reservations for High Holy Day seats without delay. The synagogue office is open from 9:00 in the morning until 5:00 in the evening to assist in making seating arrangements.

There are relatively few men's seats available, and there are hardly any ladies' seats left. We are compelled therefore, to follow the practice of assigning seats on a first come first serve basis. Please do not delay. If you are interested, you must act immediately.

You, your family and friends are cordially invited to attend

Selichoth Services

This Saturday Night, September 18th

12:30 A.M. in the Synagogue

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will conduct the service

Cantor A. Joseph Cohen will officiate

A Midnight Snack

11:30 P.M. — Social Hall

Sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE FOR THE HOUSE OF GOD

What the well dressed man — and woman — should wear in the House of God is a matter of great importance. Now that the High Holiday season is almost with us, it might be well to call attention to this subject.

One is rather impressed when on Sundays and holidays he observes devotees of other faiths going to their respective places of worship. The men wear dark clothes and black shoes. The women invariably are dressed becomingly but in modesty, and generally with their heads covered by a hat.

The Jewish tradition is concerned with appropriate attire. Jewish law

speaks about "Sabbath dress" and "holiday dress." In our culture this is well understood.

May we, therefore, urge our people to bear this in mind for the coming High Holidays as well as for all Sabbaths and holidays. A dark suit and black shoes — not tan, not loafers — should be the standard for men. As for the ladies, they will understand what modesty in dress is and what is truly in keeping with the sanctity of the House of God.

No more need be said, and a blessing upon all who will heed these words.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SATURDAY at 11:00 A.M.

"WHERE ORTHODOX JUDAISM DIFFERS"



KEE TAVO

"Blessings and Curses"

The portion of the week is perhaps best known for the inclusion in it of a series of blessings and curses. The blessings will result from Israel's pious behavior while the curses or punishments will ensue from Israel's misdemeanors.

It is not an accident that this portion comes at the end of the year; immediately prior to the penitential season. According to our sages this schedule is intentional. This is the season of the year when the Jew examines his actions with a view toward their improvement. It is at this point in our lives that we contemplate our roles vis-a-vis God.

Ideally, the Jew ought to worship God out of love — Avodah me'Ahavah. We should observe His commandments because we understand them and feel that they contribute to our lives in an ethical, moral and spiritual sense.

Unfortunately, we cannot always be so circumspect or sober in our reaction to religion. Even the most righteous man experiences at some time or other the "yoke" of God's law and the burden placed upon him by our covenant with the Almighty.

As such a time, it is necessary that the Jew worship out of reverence and out of a sense of obligation. This is what the section of blessings and curses say to the Jew. Ideally we should serve without thought of reward or punishment. In practice however, one must be conscious of "Morah Shamayim" — the fear of and reverence for heaven.

This thought is expressed in the first Chapter of the Ethics of the Fathers as follows: "Do not be like a servant who serves his master in consideration of a pending reward; rather, be like a servant who serves his master without thought of reward; and (nevertheless) let the fear of Heaven be upon you."

H. L.

K. J. TEENAGERS ATTEND YESHIVA SEMINAR

A fine delegation of teenagers of our congregational family participated in the 1965 summer Torah Leadership Seminar, which was held at Camp Morasha from Wednesday, August 25th through September 2nd. The Torah Leadership Seminar is held under the auspices of Yeshiva University.

This year, close to 300 youngsters from all over the United States and Canada attended the sessions of study, prayer, work and play, which is part of the program dedicated to the teaching of Jewish living to teenagers.

We are pleased that the following teenagers of our congregational family took advantage of the program which was offered to them:

Bella Bryks
Judy Dratler
Peter Feldman
Aaron Holzer
Nathaniel Lipstadt
Pearl Moskowitz
Sidney Rosen
Steven Schacter

Donald Etra participated at the Torah Leadership Seminar as a Senior advisor. He was also inducted into the Yolanda Benson Honor Society.

We know that they have gained from their experience at the Torah Leadership Seminar and we are confident that it will have a positive effect on their future.

Thank You Men's Club and Sisterhood

Both the Men's Club and Sisterhood of our congregation have for many years provided financial grants for the teenagers at the Torah Leadership Seminar. This year once again, both affiliates of the congregation were kind enough to provide grants. We extend a hearty thanks to them for their support of this important teenage activity.

PARK EAST RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

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Contact the Principal,
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WELCOME HOME, MR. PRESIDENT

We extend a hearty welcome home to Max J. Etra, President of the congregation, who returned last week from a trip abroad. We are happy to have him back in our midst.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Rose Alpert, Mrs. Hilda S. Berger, Dr. Samuel W. Bloom, Mrs. Leo Edelman, Mr. Isidore Epstein, Mrs. Herman Greenberg, Isidore Grossman, Mrs. Ralph Spencer, and Mrs. Malvina Wachter.

Anniversaries

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Lichtman and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Meilach.

SELICOTH DURING THE WEEK

While the "midnight" Selichoth Service has a glamour and importance all its own, the reciting of these penitential prayers does not end with that service.

During the week preceding Rosh Hashanah (Monday through Friday) Selichoth will be recited at 7:00 A.M., one half hour before the morning service. On Sunday, Rosh Hashanah Eve, the special service of Z'chor Brith, chanted by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will begin at 7:30. Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, Selichoth will continue to be recited one half hour before the morning service.

Plan to be with us for one or more of the mornings. Bring your sons. Although the hour is not especially convenient, the religious feeling that attends the worshippers is inspiring and well worth the effort.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Thursday evening, October 28th
MEN'S CLUB OPENING MEETING

— Guest Speaker —

Rabbi Israel Miller
President, Rabbinical Council
of America

—topic—

"Mission to Moscow - 1965"
A Report on Soviet Jewry

SPECIAL NOTICE

On this coming Sabbath and on the next one, the interval between Mincha and Ma'ariv will be devoted to brief discourses on the laws and traditions of the Rosh Hashanah season. All are welcome.

RAMAZ SCIENCE TEACHER ENGAGES IN RESEARCH

Mr. Harry Fierman, instructor in science at the Ramaz Upper School, participated in a research program at the Polytechnic Institute in Brooklyn. His special field of research was chemistry. The research program is subsidized by the National Science Foundation.

SISTERHOOD BOARD TO MEET SEPTEMBER 20th

The first meeting of the Sisterhood Board for this season will be held this Monday afternoon, September 20th, at 12:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Oscar Perlberger, 1165 Park Avenue.

Mrs. William Lebowitz, President of the Sisterhood, has informed us of the grand plans and interesting events that are scheduled for the Sisterhood season.

We are certain that all the members of the Board will be on hand this Monday, as the Sisterhood season officially begins.

Sisterhood Committee Chairmen Appointed

We list below the names of Sisterhood Committee Chairmen for the coming season.

Programs

Mrs. Abraham R. Kirshon

Membership

Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein

Donor Luncheon

Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin, Chairman

Co-Chairmen

Mrs. Samuel Gross

Mrs. Saul Linzer

Mrs. Leon Spilky

Hospitality

Mrs. Greta Pik

Mrs. Samuel Witkin

Kiddush

Mrs. Greta Pik

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Neediest Cases

Mrs. Joseph Roth

Happy Day Fund

Mrs. Jacob P. Shulman

Mrs. Harry Heyman

Kindly Service

Mrs. Samuel Gross

Social Service

Mrs. Seppy I. Silberman

JUNIOR CONGREGATION BEGINS THIS SATURDAY

This Saturday morning, September 18th, at 10:15, the Junior Congregation will hold its opening service of the season. The service will be held, as in the past, in the chapel of the synagogue.

The Junior Congregation program will continue for the third year under the personal direction of Noam Shudofsky, the Director of Youth Activities of Kehilath Jeshurun. Those who attended last year certainly need no invitation to return. Those who did not are urged to take advantage of this unique opportunity for religious worship and training for the young.

The attendance and the participation at Junior Congregation services have been growing from year to year. Last year the average attendance was close to 50. The children served as cantors, Torah readers, and gave regular weekly sermons, a feature in which the girls were also included. A fitting climax to the service is the kiddush, which is served in the synagogue library. Our first kiddush will follow our first service this Saturday morning.

An invitation is extended to all boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 12 — a minimum reading knowledge of Hebrew is required to attend this first service.

Theatre Party

Mrs. Eugene Hollander, Chairman

Mrs. Albert H. Bernstein,

Co-Chairman

Federation

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United Jewish Appeal

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Mrs. Alexander Gross

Gift Shop

Mrs. Edgar Trautman

Mrs. Edward Lebowitz

Oneg Shabbat

Mrs. Joseph Hostyk, Chairman

Chanukah Program

Mrs. Meyer Texon, Chairman

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We recently received applications for membership in the congregation from:

Mr. and Mrs. William Furst

Miss Henrietta Goldfein

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Green

Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Radel

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin B. Robins

Dr. and Mrs. Wolf Zukerman

This brings the total of those who applied for membership during the month of September, to ten. We extend a hearty welcome to the applicants and to their families.

To be sure, there are many reasons for becoming part of a congregation such as Kehilath Jeshurun. A very practical reason, is seating for the High Holy Days. Our congregation is approaching the point where we will be able to accommodate only members and their families for the High Holy Days.

We, therefore, recommend to those who have worshipped with us in the past and to newcomers in the neighborhood who would like to worship with us, to call the synagogue office for information regarding membership in the congregation.

— OF COMMUNITY INTEREST —

Vigil Demonstration for Soviet Jewry

The major American Jewish Organizations have organized a National Eternal Light Vigil on behalf of the 3,000,000 Jews in the Soviet Union. The Vigil will take place this Sunday, September 19th, at 1:30 P.M. in Washington, D.C.

The American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry which is the sponsoring organization has arranged for a "Vigil Train" which will leave Pennsylvania Station on Sunday, September 19th at 8:30 A.M. and return from Washington at 5:05 P.M. The round trip fare is \$8.00 per person.

The Vigil will give voice to the demand that the basic rights of the Jews of the Soviet Union shall be preserved, equal to those accorded other religious and ethnic communities by the Soviet Union.

We urge members and friends to participate in the historic "Vigil" on behalf of our brethren in the Soviet Union. **"We cannot afford the price of Silence."**

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th

Mrs. Hyman Abrams

Mrs. Jacob H. Alpert

Mrs. Sam Bucher

Mrs. James Clark

Mrs. Louis Schleifer

Cong. Kehilath Jeshurun

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

*Evening6:00

SATURDAY

Morning9:00

Weekly Portion: Kee Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8

Haftorah: Isaiah 60:12

Evening6:45
Conclusion of Sabbath7:35

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
(Selichoth will be recited at 7:00)
Sunday Morning8:30
Evening6:00

*Sabbath Candles are kindled twenty minutes before sunset. Those, however, who conform to our schedule of ushering in the Sabbath at 6:00 P.M. should also light candles at that hour.

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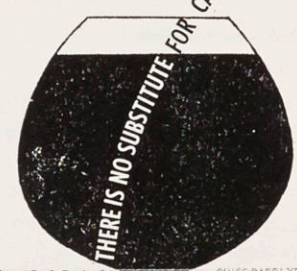
YAHARZEITS

September

- 18—ABRAHAM GRONOWITZ
- 18—PEARL DUBINER
- 18—HARRY GELOFF
- 19—MOLLIE PODELL
- 19—RAY OPPENHEIM
- 19—MOSES H. PHILLIPS
- 19—GERTRUDE HEYMAN
- 19—MORRIS GREENBERG
- 20—JONAS M. LEVEY
- 20—MIKSA ROSENAK
- 20—FLORA BACHRACH
- 21—IDA HASS
- 22—EVE SANDERS
- 22—SAMUEL LUSTBADER
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- 22—MAX SCHEIDT
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