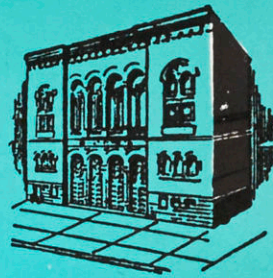


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APPLICATIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS APPROVED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At its recent meeting, the Board of Trustees of Kehilath Jeshurun approved the applications of the following for membership in the Congregation:

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We are very happy to welcome all of these ladies and gentlemen into the fellowship of Kehilath Jeshurun. We hope that their affiliation with us will be a long and happy one.

LAST CALL FOR MADISON SQUARE GARDEN RALLY

We still have a few tickets left at \$8, \$10 and \$25 for the Freedom Lights for Soviet Jewry evening at Madison Square Garden on Monday, December 13th. Please call the synagogue office for these tickets.

Do not be silent in the face of the plight of Soviet Jewry!

LAST CALL FOR SISTERHOOD THEATRE PARTY

There are just a handful of tickets left for the Sisterhood Theatre Party on Monday evening, December 13th for the movie, "Fiddler on the Roof." For reservations call Mrs. Richard Kolb at AT 9-5574.

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RAMAZ 35th ANNIVERSARY DINNER TO HONOR MRS. GEORGE JACOBS

It is a source of special pride to the congregation as well as to the Ramaz family that Mrs. George Jacobs will be the guest of honor at the 35th Anniversary Dinner Dance of the Ramaz School Parents' Council. The affair will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria, Sunday evening, January 23rd.

Lillian Jacobs is completing her 30th year of service to Ramaz in various capacities. At present she is the As-

sistant to the Principal. She has played an essential and comprehensive role in helping Ramaz to earn the acclaim of the Jewish world as a successful pioneer in American Jewish education.

We know that many members of the congregation will want to join the Ramaz family in paying special honor to Mrs. Jacobs on this occasion.

Reservations may be made by calling the Ramaz office at HA 7-1000.

Sermons: December 4th, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein
December 11th, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

A CHANUKAH MESSAGE**Eating and Drinking on Chanukah**

According to the Shulchan Arukh, there is no special mitzvah to eat and drink on Chanukah. There is, of course, an old tradition to partake of dairy foods on the holiday. This stems from the fact that Judith fed the Greek general a heavy dairy meal and then when he slumbered she cut off his head, thereby hastening the Macca-bean victory. Nevertheless, there is no such thing as an obligatory festive meal — seudat mitzvah — on Chanukah.

Why is this so? According to Rabbi Israel Meir Ha-Kohen (in his commentary, the Mishnah B'rurah) eating and drinking are part of the Purim festival, but not the Chanukah experience. On Purim, we celebrate a miracle of physical survival. Haman threatened to destroy the Jews of Persia. Through a miracle, we were saved and hence we rejoice over our physical survival by the physical act of eating and drinking.

The Chanukah experience, on the other hand, had nothing to do with the survival of Judaism. Antiochus did not threaten to destroy the people, but rather the religion. His concern was not with life, but rather with a way of life.

When the Maccabees emerged victorious, therefore, their victory was one of the spirit. The military triumph was incidental to the spiritual victory.

Our celebration of this miracle, consequently, should be primarily of a spiritual character. We light candles, we sing Chanukah songs, we recite Hallel and Al Ha'nissim and, as we do so, we thank God for the survival of the Jewish way of life in the face of impending assimilation and religious annihilation.

There are places in this world where religious persecution threatens to snuff out the flame of Judaism. On the other hand, there are places where assimilation threatens to achieve the same goal. On Chanukah time, as we light our candles, we should pray that the miracle of old may be renewed in our day and that the Jewish way of life should survive and be strengthened, kindling a flame in our hearts and ultimately in the hearts of all mankind. Baruch-she'asah nissim la-avote-nu bayamim hahem bazman hazeh.

A happy Chanukah to all!

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WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Week of Dec. 4-10

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Joseph Aizer, Max Dattner, Mrs. Nathalie S. Herman, Stephen Sarnoff, Mrs. Benjamin Gottesman, Mrs. Jacob Freezer, Mrs. Leo Davenport, Arthur B. Colvin, Mrs. Meyer Shapiro, Mrs. Merritt Roher, Dr. Mortimer J. Blumenthal, Mrs. Ralph M. Sussman, Dr. Gizella Perl, and Mrs. Irwin Chabon.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Levy, Dr. and Mrs. Irwin Chabon, Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Sachar, Hon. and Mrs. George Postel, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Bernstein.

Week of Dec. 11-17

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Leon Sigall, Dr. Miriam E. Trachman, Mrs. Isidore Givner, Elliott H. Eisman, Mrs. Moses L. Ehrlich, Eugene Hollander, Mrs. Max J. Etra, William Lebowitz, Mrs. Dezso Goldner, Solomon J. Novick, Marco Wachter, Martin Markson, and Irving Levine.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillip Goldsmith, Dr. and Mrs. Kasriel K. Eilender, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin, Mr. and Mrs. Norman D. Mosesson, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smilow and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Usdan.

Wedding—

Congratulations and all good wishes to Mrs. Nathalie Herman upon the marriage of her daughter Sue Ellen to Dr. Charles Randolph of White Plains. We wish the young couple much happiness in their life together.

Engagement—

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Avner upon the announcement of the engagement of their son, George, to Miriam Lux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lux of Far Rockaway, New York.

Condolence—

We express our fullest sympathy to Mrs. Samuel Bucher, one of our cherished senior members, upon the passing of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah B. Holiner. Similar expressions to our esteemed Trustee Hyman I. Bucher, the brother of Mrs. Holiner. We pray that the entire family will be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

FATHER AND SON**MINYAN SPONSORS**

Under the energetic leadership of Milton Medwin, the Father and Son Minyan Committee of the Men's Club has elicited an imposing array of sponsors for this program. We are grateful to the following gentlemen who have contributed generously by serving as sponsors for the Minyan:

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HAPPY DAY FUND

Our thanks to Mrs. Rose Schloss, Mrs. Bernard Fischman, Mrs. Samuel Gross, Mrs. Joseph Greenberg, Mrs. Morris Morgenstern, Mrs. George Jacobs, Mrs. Elgin Shulsky, Mrs. Meyer Texon, Mrs. Samuel Feder, Mrs. Erwin Linden, Mrs. Alexander Gross, Mrs. Jacob Shulman, Mrs. Leon Spilky, Mrs. Bruss and Mrs. Sidney Schwartzenfeld for their contributions to the Sisterhood Happy Day Fund. Contributions may be sent to Mrs. Abraham Silver, 1199 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y.

AN EVENING WITH DAVID RIVLIN

One of the most informative evenings in many a year was spent, under the sponsorship of the Men's Club on Tuesday, November 16th, when David Rivlin, Consul General of the State of Israel in New York, held an informal briefing with close to 200 listeners. Disdaining the usual half hour speech followed by ten minutes of questions, the Consul General responded to the kind words of Dr. Charles Cohen and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein who, respectively, chaired the meeting and introduced him, and then proceeded to call for questions from the gathering. Here follow some of the topics that he touched upon and a few of the many insights which he gave to the audience.

1. On the issue of Conservative and Reform Judaism's full participation in Israel with official religious status, the Consul General explained that there is significant legitimacy to their claim. Conservative and Reform Jews are vitally interested in the State of Israel and have every right to state their claim in the Jewish State. He felt however, that now was not the time for raising this issue inasmuch as it touched upon sensitive points of personal status and religious life. He felt that the issue was bound to create serious religious and spiritual strife in a state which desperately needs unity to face many other problems.

2. Answering a question on Israel's vote concerning the admission of Communist China to the U.N. (Israel actually voted with the United States to make the matter an important issue requiring a two-thirds majority and then proceeded to vote with the vast majority for the approval of China's admission to the U.N.), the Consul General explained that Israel was simply following the principles of real politique. We do not know, said David Rivlin, what position China will take tomorrow or next year. One thing is certain: she represents a large percentage of the world's population and she is now the third super power. Israel cannot ignore her even as she cannot ignore the other two super powers and the fourth super power, which he felt a united Europe would be in the very near future.

Mr. Rivlin pointed out that the Soviet Union at one time spoke with great enthusiasm about the creation and maintenance of a Jewish State. He reminded the audience that the first arms which enabled the State to survive in the face of the initial Arab

onslaught came from the Soviet bloc. Now things are very different. The same changes have characterized Israel's relations with France, Great Britain and other countries. Even the United States has not been consistent in its support for Israel's policies.

Who knows what the future holds? The vote for China was a realistic one which leaves many avenues open. To have voted against her admission would certainly not have been wiser or more effective.

3. About the scandal in Sinai involving the oil fields, the Consul General made the following points. We do not know the details of the scandal. We do know that a ministerial committee has been appointed to investigate the issue and that therefore all the results will be fully publicized. This is required by law.

The fact that we are shocked at such a situation speaks very well for Israel. We expect purity and integrity from the Jewish State and any blot on that record offends us. This is a difficult expectation to maintain but one of which we are very proud.

Finally, Israel is not responsible for how a reporter chooses to write an article; nor is Israel to blame for the night editor who decides to display a scandal article on page 1 of the New York Times, thereby insuring its dissemination in all public media. This is purely an administrative decision which cannot be controlled. Mr. Rivlin bemoaned the fact that the New York Times and other public media, do not show the same interest in the thousands of great stories which come out of Israel regularly and which speak much more accurately of the heart and soul of the Jewish State.

4. On the issue of the Black Panthers, Mr. Rivlin said that they are, basically, human beings with social and economic problems. They want a fair share of the economic pie. Some of them are underworld characters, but to castigate them in general as criminals is an offense to reason. There are some Polish Jews in Tel Aviv who are also underworld characters.

The name they chose is terribly unfortunate, although it does assure them notoriety. It has a distinctly different ring in America than in Israel. The Panthers are only a symptom of a grave problem which must be solved. It is the problem of the growing difference between the "haves" and the "have-nots," a difference which

PROCEDURES FOR LIGHTING CHANUKAH CANDLES

Chanukah begins this year on Sunday evening, December 12th. The central feature of the festival is the kindling of the lights at home.

The following are a few items which should be kept in mind:

1. **The Menorah** — While one Menorah suffices for the household, it is customary — and desirable — for each member of the household to light his own Menorah. This is particularly recommended for the children in the family who will take special delight in kindling their own Chanukah lamps.

2. **The Time for Lighting** — The candles should be lit as soon as possible after nightfall (30 minutes after sunset). They should be allowed to burn for at least 30 minutes.

On Saturday night at home, the candles are lit after Havdalah. On Friday afternoon they are lit before the Sabbath candles and they should be large enough so that they will remain lit for about an hour and a half.

3. **Arranging the Candles** — The candles are set from the right side of the Menorah as the candlelighter faces it. Each night an additional candle is added.

4. **Lighting the Candles** — The candles are lit from left to right — starting with the newest candle first. We begin by lighting the "Shamash." Then the blessings are recited — three on the first night and two on the other nights. After the blessings are recited we light the candles by the flame of the "Shamash."

The reason for using the "Shamash" is in order to avoid using the candles themselves — the candles are holy (for ritual purposes only) and may not be used (for light or for kindling each other).

5. **Concluding Songs** — Following the lighting of the candles we sing ha-Nerot ha-Lalu, which explains the reason for the ceremony, and Maoz Tzur, a ballad which describes in several stanzas how Divine Providence has intervened at various points in history to save the beleaguered Jews from their enemies.

plagues many nations in the Western world.

The solution to that problem lies in housing and education. Above all, the solution requires money which must come not only from the Israelis but from world Jewry which wants Israel to solve its social problems.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, December 3rd

Lighting of Candles4:10
Evening4:30

SATURDAY

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation10:15
Pre-School Service11:00

**Weekly Portion: VAYISHLAH
GENESIS 32:4 - 36:43**

Haftorah: OBADIAH 1:1 - 21

Evening4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath5:09

FRIDAY, December 10th

Lighting of Candles4:10
Evening4:30

SATURDAY

Morning9:00
Junior Congregation10:15
Pre-School Service11:00

**Weekly Portion: VAYESHEV
GENESIS 37:1 - 40:23**

Haftorah: AMOS 2:6 - 3:8

ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS

Rosh Chodesh Tevet will be on
Saturday, Dec. 18th and Sunday,
Dec. 19th.

Evening4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath5:09

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning7:30
Sunday Morning8:30
Father and Son Minyan9:30
Evening4:30

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December

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- 4—Esther Burnett
- 5—Solomon Rubin
- 5—Rucher Breindel
- 6—Abraham Jacob Simón
- 6—M. Jesse Henry
- 6—Herman H. Messing
- 6—Mildred Gordon
- 6—Josif Hirschberg
- 6—Yechiel Reinhold
- 6—Bessie L. Warner
- 7—Hannah Bernhardt
- 7—Gussie Ost
- 8—Belle Weisman
- 8—Chanah Weiler
- 8—Ephraim Bernstein
- 8—Agusta Levy
- 8—Menashe Salzman
- 9—Rachel Goldstein
- 9—Max Bernard
- 9—Anna Rosenblatt
- 9—Alice Einhorn
- 9—Chaim Usher Lieberman
- 10—Jacob Barany
- 10—Lena Sacher
- 10—Sarah Schenkman
- 10—Fannie Studnick
- 10—Isaac Koenigsberg
- 10—Gussie Lehr
- 11—Charles Rosen
- 11—Jacob Levin
- 11—Dr. Aladar Brody
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- 11—Saul Nadler
- 11—Sophie Dorkin
- 11—Gabriel Neustadter
- 12—Rebecca Ringel
- 12—Sarah Shulsky
- 13—Charles Goldman
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- 13—Harry Latucha
- 13—Rose Math
- 13—Sora Golda Kamber
- 14—Samuel Kahn
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- 16—Abraham Jacobs
- 16—Jacob Riskin
- 16—Helena Trencher
- 16—George Steinman
- 16—Lillian Lewis
- 17—Jacob M. Schultz
- 17—Tobe Mann
- 17—Lea Haber
- 17—Fred Kahn

CALENDAR REMINDERS

Call or write for reservations for:

Yeshiva Chanukah Dinner

Sunday, December 12th

Young Adults Shabbat Luncheon

Saturday, December 18th

**Synagogue Council of
America Dinner**

Sunday, December 19th

Men's Club Theatre Party

for Simon and Nichol's
Prisoner on Second Avenue
Monday, January 17th

**RAMAZ SENIORS ON
ISRAEL RADIO PROGRAM**

About two weeks ago, a group of Ramaz Seniors together with their teacher of Hebrew Language and Literature, Mrs. Edna Apek, held a panel discussion for about a half hour on the special Israel radio program which is heard nightly on WEVD-FM at 8:00. The students discussed their commitment to Israel, as children who have grown up in America. They also analyzed the extent and nature of Anti-Semitism in America. The entire discussion was conducted in Hebrew.

The reaction to the program was so enthusiastic that the tape was transferred to Israel where it was played on Kol Yisrael on two separate occasions during the past week. The program in Israel is called "The Teen-Agers' Club."

Our students were also invited to serve on a panel for the purpose of evaluating the Israel radio program here and determining the extent of interest in it and some future directions which the program might take. Three members of the Ramaz faculty will join with them.

CHANUKAH DINNER DANCE and FOLK ROCK CONCERT

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