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ABOUT MRS. GOTTLIEB

The Sisterhood is particularly happy to present a program from the Department of Consumer Affairs of New York City at its open meeting scheduled for this coming Monday, at 12:30.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Harry Gottlieb, is an outstanding woman who has established an exceptionally fine record of public service in consumer affairs, in mental health organizations and in Jewish communal leadership. She has presented programs at N.Y.U. and at Hunter in addition to appearing at many communal gatherings.

Mrs. Gottlieb is a close associate of nd works with the well-known Bess Myerson who is Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Affairs in New York. The Sisterhood is proud to present this eloquent and accomplished lady to its membership and to all friends who would like to attend the meeting on Monday.

BON VOYAGE TO RABBI AND MRS. JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

At the beginning of next week Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein will leave for a five-week trip to Israel. The primary purpose of the trip will be to enable the Rabbi to work in behalf of Bar-Ilan University of which he is Chancellor.

While there, he will meet with leading government officials and involve himself in matters other than education.

We wish our Rabbi and Rebetzin a productive trip and a safe return to ur midst.

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Cordially Invites All Ladies

to an Open Meeting

This Monday, January 24th

at 12:30

Guest Speaker: MRS. HARRY GOTTLIEB

of the N.Y.C. Department of Consumer Affairs

Dessert Luncheon Will Be Served

RAMAZ ON T. V.

This Sunday morning, Channel 4 at 9:30

We are pleased to announce that the Hebrew Dramatics Society of the Ramaz Upper School will present an original program on television this Sunday morning. The show is entitled "To Jerusalem with Love". It is a pageant in song, dance and narration.

The 9:30 show will be on NBC T.V., Channel 4. It is directed by Rabbi Mayer Moskowitz and features some 30 Ramaz youngsters, among them members of the congregation. Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, who wrote the translation for the script, will introduce the program on T.V.

The show is presented as part of

the Jewish Heritage Program, a half hour of TV time under the auspices of the New York Board of Rabbis. It is in color. Don't miss it!

ADVANCE NOTICE

Please be advised that Hon. Pinchas Sapir, Minister of Finance of the Government of Israel, will be the guest speaker occupying the pulpit in our main synagogue on Shabbat morning, February 5th. We hope that the entire community will turn out to give Minister Sapir the support and encouragement which so esteemed a member of Israel's government deserves.

Sermons: January 22 — Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein January 29 — Rabbi Haskel Lookstein

COUPLES CLUB HOLDS MEETING IN RABBI'S HOME

The Couples Club of the Congregation heard Rabbi Eugene Borowitz discuss his book "Choosing a Sex Ethic" at a most interesting meeting held in the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein last Saturday night.

A fine turnout of couples participated in a lively discussion on the different sexual ethics which have adherents in our day. The options included: The pleasure ethic, the love ethic and the marriage ethic.

The discussion was based upon Jewish sources as they might be interpreted in the light of the modern experience. While Dr. Borowitz' book was originally intended for college students, its relevance for more mature couples was readily apparent to all who attended the meeting and participated in the discussion.

A LOOK BACK AT THE MEN'S CLUB THEATER PARTY

A large crowd of Men's Club members and friends thoroughly enjoyed the "Prisoner of Second Avenue", the best hit show in many a season garnered by the Men's Club for its annual theater party. We are grateful to Neil Simon, Mike Nichols and everybody else for giving us this hit.

William Lebowitz and Maurice N. Jaffe deserve special credit as Chairman and Co-Chairman, respectively, of the theater party. Behind the scenes, however, the past President of the Men's Club, Martin R. Rochlin, rendered particularly outstanding service in making this function the great success that it was.

The attendance and the participation of so many friends and members will greatly enhance the Men's Club philanthropic program this year. We are most grateful to all who participated in this splendid effort.

REMINDER TO LADIES

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein's Study Group in the weekly portion continues to meet every Monday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the Synagogue Library.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Week of Jan. 22-28

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Abraham R. Kirshon, Mrs. Leo Ritter, Mrs. Fred S. Kahn, Lewis Braff, Mrs. Isaac Hazan, Mrs. Merryl Dee Shaffir, Samson Eichler, Carlo K. Zippel, Alfred M. Frankel, Morton Kamerman, and Dr. Max Miller.

Anniversaries-

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Maks L. Birnbach, Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Chapman, and Mr. and Mrs. David Gordon.

Week of Jan. 29 - Feb. 4

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Norman Orentreich, Stanley G. Reiss, Mrs. Lewis Braff, Melvin D. Newman, Mrs. Abe Newborn, Martin G. Haber, Dr. Robert Wallach, Mrs. Emory Klein, Mrs. Louis Orwasher, Dr. Irwin Chabon, Mrs. Philip Jadek and Mrs. William Etra.

Anniversaries-

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Michael M. Barany, Mr. and Mrs. Herman D. Gimbel, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roth, and Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cummings.

Births-

A hearty Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs.

Abraham R. Kirshon upon the birth of their first grandchild, a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Nico Claps in Rome, Italy. We hope that this will be only the first of many happy occasions for the Kirshons and their children.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Max Sadinoff upon the birth of a grandson. The baby was born to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sadinoff. Best wishes also to the proud uncle, Seymour Sadinoff.

Wedding-

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

Academic Advancement-

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Samson Eichler upon the earning of a Ph.D. by their son, Joel Eichler. Joel, who is a graduate of Ramaz, earned his Ph.D. in clinical psychology and is practicing his chosen profession in the Boston area.

Condolence-

We convey our fullest expressions of condolence to David Landau on the passing of his beloved wife. May God spare him further sorrow for many years to come.

CALLING ALL WOMEN!

You are invited to the opening Rally of the New York U.J.A. Women's Division, Tuesday, February 1st at 10:00 o'clock in the Grand Ballroom of the New York Hilton.

Address by David Schoenbrun, noted radio and television commentator.

Presentation of Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Award to Elie Wiesel.

Musical program by the cast of the new Israeli musical, TO LIVE ANOTHER SUMMER.

Call U.J.A. at CO 5-2200 for tickets

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THE CASE FOR CORONERS

The following letter appeared in the Jerusalem Post while I was in Israel. One of the signers is our own former member, Dr. Theodore R. Fink who went with his family on Aliyah a year and a half ago. By the way, he sends his warmest greetings to all of the K. J. family.

Dr. Fink, among others, is fighting a lonely battle to change the law governing autopsies in Israel. This struggle is made more difficult by the violence of certain extreme religious groups and also by the reluctance of Rabbinical authorities in Israel to deal constructively and creatively with the Halakhic rules concerning autopsies, particularly in view of the knowledge gained recently in the medical sciences. We felt that this letter would be of interest to the readers of the Bulletin for the light which it sheds on an issue with which our readers have some familiarity.

H. L.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, - As a pathologist and as an internist with training in pathology, there is surely no need for Dr. Glazier (December 31) to impress upon us the vital contribution of autopsies to medicine. We have had clear evidence of this in our ofessional training and clinical experince over many years. We know that without autopsies, certain diseases which are today amenable to treatment would not have even been discovered. The possibility of advancing medicine in general and helping the individual who suffers from a specific disease in particular through the performance of autopsies is clearly accepted by the entire enlightened community regardless of its religious background and belief.

Our community as a whole, including its religious leaders, abhores and condemns violence of any sort, and there is surely no need on our part (incidentally we are religious) to reemphasize this. Should the allegations in Dr. Glazier's letter about the Public Committee for Human Dignity be found to be true, we, among others, would surely support strong action against them by the authorities, including an immediate injunction by the court preventing their further activity in that they incite against public safety.

Unfortunately, however, and to our dismay, Dr. Glazier and others who have alt with this subject, in the pages of nis and other newspapers in our country, studiously avoid the major issue concerning autopsy performance confronting our medical and lay community. No one in this day and age questions the value of pathology or of autopsies. What many of us question is the right of a small group of people, in this case physicians, to decide when an autopsy is obligatory. Is this an abrogation of civil rights or not? This is the issue that must be discussed; these are the questions that must be answered:

1. Should the right to grant permission or to deny permission be vested in the next of kin or should it rest with the medical profession?

2. In what instances of death does the general good (e. g. suspicion of foul play, unknown diseases etc.) warrant the transfer of this right from the next of kin to a public body?

3. Who is this public body and what are the general political and legal situations in which the right of decision must rest with it?

We consider it presumptuous on Dr. Glazier's part to suggest that in Israel, where these questions are being raised, we abide by answers which are unacceptable in the country in which he practises medicine. The situation in the U.S.A. is very different from that in Israel. One of us having been an active pathologist in the United States for over 15 years, we need not inform Dr. Glazier or your readers that no autopsy is performed in any one of the 50 states unless a signed and witnessed permission is granted by the next of kin. The only exceptions to this are cases which the law specifically defines (foul play, nonattendance of a physician, etc.). These are reviewed by a coroner, a government official who decides whether the case warrants an autopsy. It is fatuous for physicians who do not accept halachic norms to talk of halacha as the guiding principle in performing autopsies. Dr. Glazier's approach to our situation in Israel, were it applied to the public he serves in the United States, would raise cries of indignation about the abrogation of basic civil rights.

The fact that, at present, a law exists in our country to permit physicians to make this decision is no reason to stifle public discussion on the issue, and the importance and value of pathology is of secondary consideration in this discussion.

We have serious doubts whether the present law meets the needs of our public. This is obvious to many of us in view of the public agitation that exists and in view of the fact the law in our country differs so radically from that in every other western society. We believe that the law requires review and possible revision.

The agitation against the law may also be the result of the loss of confidence in the medical public by the segment of the public that does not agree to unrestricted autopsies, as clearly established by the report of the State Comptroller. Who knows, perhaps if the law in its present form had been adhered to more strictly, the innovative features (no family consent) in it would have gained acceptance. The present situation, we believe, suggests the need for the establishment of a coroner's office, as an impartial arbiter of cases in which doubt or question exists for the need for autopsy. This office would deal with all cases in which autopsy is required regardless of family consent. The law would clearly define these cases. All others would be subject to family consent.

All of the numerous public statements being made about how important pathology is are only a smoke-screen to prevent a frank and candid discussion of the civil rights aspect of this issue.

> DAVID M. MAEIR, M.D. THEODORE R. FINK, M.D. Shaare Zedek Hospital

Jerusalem, January 2.

HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

The New York State Department of Education announced late last month that Yeshiva University was declared eligible for financial assistance from the state and would receive \$673,600 in so-called "Bundy Funds". Included among a list of colleges for which Bundy money was approved were the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine and Manhattan College. In a letter to Dr. Samuel Belkin, Commissioner Nyquist expressed the hope that these funds "will continue to assist Yeshiva University to render its important contribution to higher education in New York State."

Our readers will also be interested to know that one thousand teenagers from 90 cities in the United States and Canada attended the three Torah Leadership Seminars sponsored in New York, Canada and California over the recent winter vacation. The seminar in New York was headed by a member of the Ramaz faculty, Ephraim Buchwald. Noam Shudofsky, Administrator of Ramaz, served on the faculty.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY, January 21, 1972

Lighting	of	Candles	4:40
Evening			4:50

SATURDAY

Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation .	
Pre-School Service	

Weekly Portion: Bo Exodus 10:1-13:28 Haftorah: Jeremiah 46:13-28

Evening			5:00
Conclusion	of	Sabbath	5:41

FRIDAY, January 28, 1972

Lighting	of	Candles	4:50
Evening			5:00

SATURDAY, Shabbat Shirah

Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	
Pre-School Service	

Weekly Portion: Beshalah Exodus 13:17 - 17:16 Haftorah: Judges 4:4 - 5:31

Evening			5:00
Conclusion	of	Sabbath	5:48

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	8:30
Father and Son Minyan	9:30
Evening	5:00
Monday, January 31, Tu	B'Shevat

OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

The Zamir Chorale of New York and its associate chorale in Boston will present a joint concert at the McMillen Theater, Columbia University, Broadway and 116th Street, on Sunday evening, January 30th, at 8:00 o'clock. For tickets call 666-2330 or 866-6990.

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YAHRZEITS

January

- 22-Rabbi Samuel Schreiber 22-Jesse Wilton Goldman 22-Dora Dershowitz 23-Bessie Wallach 23-Samuel Kleppner 23-Akiva Schweitzer 23-Blanka Rosenak 23-Floyd Katske 24-Max Phillips 24—William Prince 25-Anna Haber 25-Jonathan Ira Himmelstein 26—Joseph Freed 27-Celia Kav 27-Rive K. Weinstein 27—Emanuel Weinbaum 27—Stelle Hayman 28-Hannah Breindel Rokeach 28-Joseph Corak 28-Dr. Nathan Berkowitz 28—Aaron Rechtschaffen 29—Leona Abrams 29-Mary Devorah Kleiman 30-Samuel Galler 30-Dora Miller 30-Benjamin Gottfried 30-Fannie Lewittes
- 30—Fanne Lewitte
- 31—Eliezer Gross
- 31—Harris Mandelbaum
- 31—Philip Snyder

February

- 1—Rebecca Colvin
- 2—Fanny Debrovner
- 2—Gussie Poust
- 2—Max Kessler
- 2—Rebecca Bookbinder
- 3-David Goldstein
- 3—Sarah Wroblewski
- 4—Minnie Katz

NEW LINE OF KOSHER BAKED PRODUCTS AVAILABLE AT FINAST STORES

We are happy to announce that the Association of Orthodox Rabbis of Massachusetts has provided reliable supervision for a whole range of baked products which are available in Finast Stores. Shoppers should look for a KVH insignia with or without the word "Pareve". The second word will, of course, indicate that besides being kosher the product does not contain any dairy ingredients.

The Massachusetts rabbinic group is providing an outstanding community service through this effort because it makes available a wide range of breads, rolls and doughnuts that were not previously available to the kosher eating public.

KOSHER BUTCHERS

For the information of residents of our neighborhood, we list the butchers under the supervision of the Park East Kashruth Board.

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