



## ROMAN RUTMAN TO ADDRESS CONGREGATION THIS SHABBAT MORNING

The Kehilath Jeshurun community will have its first opportunity to hear a direct report from a Soviet Jewish emigre when Dr. Roman Rutman will address our Shabbat congregation this coming Saturday morning, December 16. He will speak to us in the auditorium immediately following the morning service.

Dr. Rutman was welcomed to the congregation in a moving ceremony last week when he was called to the Torah to "bench gomel" in gratitude to God for having freed him from the desperate condition which afflicts Soviet Jews in Russia. Following his b'racha the congregation rose in his honor and welcomed him in song, concluding with the melody of the Soviet Jewish renaissance: Am Yisroel Chai.

Dr. Rutman, who holds two doctoral degrees in mathematics — his specialty is cybernetics — is the man with whose family Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein spent the greatest part of their Moscow visit two months ago. He was crucially involved in the underground movement to encourage support and maintain Aliyah from the Soviet Union. Endowed with a brilliant mind and a retiring, sensitive personality, he makes a deep and abiding impression upon all who come in contact with him. In our congregation he has established close friendships with Nechi and Noam Shudofsky and Rosalie and Harry Kleinhaus who were hosted by the Rutmans in their home in Moscow during the past month.

Dr. Rutman's wife and son are now in Israel. He is visiting America under

## CAPACITY CROWD HEARS RABBI JOSEPH B. SOLOVEITCHIK AT CENTENNIAL LECTURE

An historic experience was witnessed by over one thousand members of the congregation and the wider Jewish community, last Wednesday night, December 6th, when Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, generally acknowledged as the greatest Jewish scholar of our day, came to our congregation to present a Centennial Lecture in the main synagogue. There was scarcely a seat on the main floor or in the balcony — in fact several dozen people listened to the lecture over a loud speaker system in the auditorium — as the Rabbi arrived for the lecture.

This lecture was part of a Centennial series designed to highlight those facets of Jewish life which molded and determined the nature of Kehilath Jeshurun over the past one hundred years. We highlighted Israel at our Centennial Convocation with the appearance of Ambassador Tekoah. We expect that before too long Foreign Minister Abba Eban will make up for the address which had to be postponed because of his illness last October.

Some two weeks ago Elie Wiesel presented another facet of this theme with his memorable lecture on "How to Remember". The invitation to Rabbi Soloveitchik was extended because of his symbolization of the fusing of Jewish knowledge and commitment

with the knowledge and life of western civilization.

The Rabbi personifies this fusion in his own person. His greatness as a Torah scholar is unquestioned. He is responsible for at least two generations of rabbis and scholars trained in Yeshiva University under his tutelage, who present his ideas to the community. The Rabbi is also a gifted scholar in philosophy and world thought, having received his doctorate from the University of Berlin in Kantian Philosophy. No one who was present on December 6th has any doubt about the astonishing range of knowledge, thought and ideas which permeate the being of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik.

His lecture was entitled "The Synagogue as an Institution and an Idea." The lecturer outlined his concept of the synagogue in both of these aspects. Space does not permit us, in this bulletin, to give a full review of the lecture.

### A Promise:

We do promise, however, (B'li Neder) to outline the lecture in the next issue of the bulletin and, if necessary, to devote two issues to it. Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will also give a review of the lecture in his Monday morning class for women on January 8th.

## PLEASE RESERVE JANUARY 6th

The Congregation is advised that on Shabbat morning, January 6, we will

the auspices of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and the U.J.A.

It is an honor for the congregation to have as its guest this heroic Jewish personality whom God has brought from slavery to freedom.

have as our guest, Rabbi Samuel Nathan, the President of the Yeshurun Synagogue in Jerusalem. He will address the congregation as part of the formal congregational association which is being established between Kehilath Jeshurun and the Yeshurun Synagogue in Jerusalem on the occasion of our Centennial Celebration.

**Sermons:** December 16th — Guest Speaker  
December 23rd — Rabbi Haskel Lookstein  
December 30th — Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein



## A COMMENT ON WOMEN'S LIBERATION

(We quote below an item from the Jewish Telegraphic Agency's weekly news digest which describes a presentation by our devoted member, Dr. Ruth Skydell, sometimes referred to as Mrs. Adrian Skydell, or should we say Ms. Ruth Skydell? In any event we were proud to note the item. ed.)

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The "popular myth of Judaism's derogation of women" was assailed Wednesday night by a woman psychologist at the biennial convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations in Boca Raton, Fla.

Dr. Ruth Skydell urged that every Orthodox synagogue and every Jewish Studies department in American colleges should offer courses on the status of women in Jewish Religious Law to refute such "false charges."

Dr. Skydell is assistant professor of guidance and counseling at Long Island University's Graduate School. She said the women's liberation movement posed a "double-edged" problem for Jewish women, since one of its "key tenets" is that all religious and particularly Jewish Religious Law, "relegate women to an inferior position."

The other challenge, she said, was the contention of "militant feminists" that the woman satisfied to be wife, mother and home-maker "is nothing but a slave."

She asserted, in rebuttal, that Jewish Law has always held women in "high esteem." She said labor saving devices had largely ended homemaking as a "creative outlet" for women but that this meant they could develop their talents in other directions, once they had completed their responsibilities as mothers.

But she said that those women who find fulfillment as homemakers could find support in the teachings of Harvard Psychoanalyst Erik Erikson. She quoted him as saying that the world now needed at the highest decision-making levels humanistic qualities women seemed naturally to have.

These were listed as a sense of what survival means, a willingness "to stop short of murder," and an interest in producing life and maintaining it. That view, Dr. Skydell said, appeared to be in "strong agreement" with the Jewish concept of the "Woman of Valor," the "highly-regarded, self-actualizing woman."

## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Abram Abeloff, Dr. Richard Ascher, Harry W. Baumgarten, Mrs. Sidney Goldblatt, David Goldberg, Mrs. Dezzo Goldner, Mrs. Harold Greenberg, Dr. Samuel Gross, Israel Jacobs, Mrs. Richard Kolb, William Lebowitz, Mrs. William Lebowitz, Irving Levine, Mrs. Milton Medwin, Mrs. Norman D. Mosesson, Solomon J. Novick, Mrs. Isaac E. Okun, Dr. Norman Orentreich, Mrs. Henry A. Rafsky, Mrs. Herman Riederman, Mrs. Jack A. Rothenstein, Mrs. Richard M. Sachar, Mrs. Jules M. Sax, Mrs. Mary Schleifer, Nat Shaffir, Mrs. Irwin Shapiro, Mrs. Jennie Shapiro, Dr. Max L. Som, Leo Spilky, Mrs. Herbert R. Steinmann, Mrs. Jess Ward, Marco Wachter, Mrs. George Weiss, Miss Irene Weiss, Miss Vilma Weiss, Dr. David Weisselberger and Mrs. Robert Zessman.

### Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Charles I. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Max J. Etra, Mr. and Mrs. Al Feiner, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Friedland, Mr. and Mrs. Irving M. Geszel, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Goldblatt, Mr. and Mrs. Dezzo Goldner, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Greenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hazan, Mr. and Mrs. Norman H. Jaspán, Mr. and Mrs. David L. Lippoff, Mr. and Mrs. Louis M. Lipschutz, Mr. and Mrs. Mordie Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Neustadter, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben N. Popkin, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Rothenstein, Dr. and Mrs. Meyer Shapiro, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smilow and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Usdan.

## SAMUEL SINGER HONORED BY YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

Over sixty members of the congregation were present at the Annual Chanukah Dinner of Yeshiva University last Sunday night to participate in the outstanding honor accorded to our esteemed Trustee, Samuel Singer. Mr. Singer was presented by Yeshiva University with its Heritage Award. Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein made the presentation in a moving manner, citing Mr. Singer's contributions to our community and the outstanding family spirit and solidarity for which Sam Singer's family is so well known.

It was especially heartwarming to see the unusually large number of

### Engagement—

Congratulations to Israel A. Englander on his engagement to Joan Lichtner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Lichtner of Lawrence, Long Island. Mr. Englander is the son of Mrs. Rose Englander and the brother of our member, Mrs. Jack Nash. We wish the prospective bride and groom and their families much joy.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Levine on the engagement of their daughter, Judith, to Alex Angerman of Kew Garden Hills, N. Y. Mr. Angerman is the son of Mrs. Sylvia Angerman. Mazel Tov to the bride and groom and to their families.

### Condolence—

We mourn the passing of Lillie Rosenthal, the beloved mother of Mrs. Samuel Marcus. We pray that the Marcus family will be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

### Get Well—

We pray for a speedy recovery for our esteemed Trustee, Alexander Gross, who is currently in the hospital. Similar wishes to three members of the congregation who have returned home from the hospital and who are in varying stages of recovery: Justin Kingson, Joseph Perlman, and Joseph Rossant. We hope all of them will be restored to full health very shortly.

### Professional Advancement—

Congratulations to Dr. Charles I. Cohen, President of the Men's Club, upon his appointment to the faculty and staff of the Mt. Sinai Hospital and Medical School as Chief of the Section of Periodontics. We wish Dr. Cohen well in this new position.

business associates of Mr. Singer who joined with the Singer family in attending the function, honoring their friend and colleague and rendering support at the same time to Yeshiva University.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Singer. May they continue to merit the esteem and love of the Kehilath Jeshurun community and the wider Jewish community for many happy and healthy years to come.

## NEEDIEST CASES FUND

Our thanks to Mesdames: Ben Perlman, Joseph Adler, Edward Lebowitz and Helen F. Dayton for their contributions to the Sisterhood Neediest Cases Fund. Contributions may be sent to Mrs. Joseph Roth, 891 Park Avenue.



## Youth Shabbat and Shabbaton Held Last Week

A gala program was held for freshmen and sophomores in our community over the past weekend, part of which the entire congregation enjoyed as a Youth Shabbat. Aside from the cantors and readers who acquitted themselves so well and who brought so much pleasure to our Shabbat morning worshippers, we would like to thank the following for their efforts in helping to make this program the success it was.

**Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg**, who labored long and hard to prepare the readers and cantors.

**Rabbi John Hellman**, a worshipper in our community and a member of the faculty of the Ramaz Upper School, who coordinated the entire weekend.

**Marc and Cheri Belzberg**, freshmen at Yeshiva and Stern Colleges respectively, who served as advisers. The Belzberg brother and sister team come from Vancouver, British Columbia.

**Samuel Friedman, Levi Schnairson, Daniel Wyschogrod, Michelle Adler, Barbara Friedman and Debbie Kalb**, all of whom served as advisers and helped to give the program both direction and spirit.

The highlights of the weekend were the Friday night discussion led by Dr. Roman Rutman, interspersed with questions and answers and spirited singing and dancing and the Shabbat afternoon discussion on "Where Judaism Differs" led by Mr. Abraham Carmel, the author of "So Strange My Path" and a member of the faculty of the Yeshiva of Flatbush High School.

An outstanding feature of the Shabbaton in which all of the congregation participated, was the brilliant address presented by Joseph Klausner at the Seudah Shlishit on Shabbat afternoon. Joseph discussed the subject "Blessings over Mitzvot" with great insight and expertise. It was a pleasure to listen to so young a man deliver a lecture on so high a level.

There were many young people who helped to formulate and direct this program, too many to thank in this Bulletin. A special word of thanks, however, to **Steven Berkowitz**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Berkowitz, who was the most consistent worker in support of the project.

## KIDDUSH HOSTS

Kiddush on Saturday, December 23rd will be sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Saul Linzer in honor of the Aufruf of their son Bruce.

## THREE B'NOT MITZVAH TO BE HONORED AT SEUDAH SHLISHIT THIS SHABBBAT AFTERNOON

We are happy to announce that a new program will be launched this Shabbat afternoon, December 16. It will take the form of a Seudah Shlishit at which we will honor four young ladies from our congregational family who have recently reached their twelfth birthday and who are, therefore, recognized by the Jewish community as responsible members of the Jewish people. This stage is commonly referred to as Bat Mitzvah.

Our purpose is not to duplicate the corresponding ceremony for boys which in most cases has obscured the religious nature of such an occasion. We merely feel that in this day and age where much more is expected of women in religious performance, commitment and even leadership, it is important to highlight the transition from immaturity to responsibility which tra-

dition ascribes to the twelfth birthday of a Jewish girl.

We propose to do this periodically for individual young ladies in the congregation as they reach their religious majority. Members of the community will be invited to the Seudah Shlishit. One of the rabbis will address the young ladies and traditional z'mirot will be sung in their honor.

This week we will make up for some lost opportunities by honoring three girls who have just reached this stage of maturity: Pamela Nash, Gabrielle Rem, and Rachel Shudofsky. We invite worshippers and friends to attend this Shabbat afternoon beginning with Mincha at 4:00 P.M. in order to enhance this occasion and to give support to this new feature in our congregational life.

## Men's Club Theatre Party On January 8th

The congregation is reminded that the Men's Club will hold its only fund raising function of the year on Monday evening, January 8th, in the form of a Theatre Party to Neil Simon's new play "The Sunshine Boys."

The Men's Club supports various activities in the congregation including the Father and Son Minyan, the Boy Scout Program, the purchase of Prayer Books, the Park East Religious School, summer Scholarships at camp and the Scholarship Fund at Ramaz which receives a generous subsidy every year. The Men's Club deserves your support for its program and invites you to spend an enjoyable evening at the theatre at the same time.

For tickets to what promises to be a first-rate hit — and a worth while charitable venture — we ask you to contact the synagogue office.

## THANKS FOR OUR CHANUKAH PARTY

A gala Chanukah Party was held under the joint sponsorship of the Sisterhood, Men's Club and Couples' Club on Saturday night, December 2. We are grateful to the following for having made this affair so enjoyable: Mrs. Leo Davenport, Mrs. Eugene Alpert, Mrs. Milton Berkowitz, Mrs. Beatrice Kolb, Mrs. Ira Nadler, Dr. Charles I. Cohen, Mr. Milton Berkowitz, and Mr. Benjamin Brown.

## A Public Service Announcement for Prospective Ramaz Parents

Registration for the Ramaz Lower School for 1973-74 is now in progress. Parents who are interested in grades from the Nursery through Grade 8 are asked to communicate with the school office (HA 7-1000, ext. 31) without delay, inasmuch as space is extremely limited. We would not want to exclude a child from an opportunity for a Ramaz education because of the lateness of an application.

Applications for the freshman class in the High School for next year can no longer be accepted. The entrance examination for outside students was administered to a record number of applicants last week.

## PLEASE NOTE

With the coming of the winter vacation season the Adult Institute classes will be suspended on Monday, December 25 and January 1. Synagogue services on those Monday mornings, which are days on which places of business are closed, will be held at the more reasonable hour of 8:30 in order to enable more worshippers to attend. We hope that men will take advantage of this opportunity.

Because of the mailing problems at this season of the year, we will not issue another Bulletin until the first week in January.



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## Schedule of Services

### Friday, December 15, Asarah b'Tevet

Lighting of Candles .....4:10  
Evening .....4:30

### SATURDAY

Morning .....9:00  
Junior Congregation .....10:15  
Pre-School Service .....11:00

#### Weekly Portion: Vayigash

Genesis 44:18 - 47:27

#### Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:15 - 28

Evening .....4:00  
Conclusion of Sabbath .....5:10

### FRIDAY, December 22

Lighting of Candles .....4:15  
Evening .....4:30

### SATURDAY

Morning .....9:00  
Junior Congregation .....10:15  
Pre-School Service .....11:00

#### Weekly Portion: Vayehi

Genesis 47:28 - 50:26

#### Haftarah: ! Kings 2:1-12

Evening .....4:30  
Conclusion of Sabbath .....5:13

### FRIDAY, December 29

Lighting of Candles .....4:18  
Evening .....4:30

### SATURDAY

Morning .....9:00  
Junior Congregation .....10:15  
Pre-School Service .....11:00

#### Weekly Portion: Shemot

Exodus 1:1-6:1

#### Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-29:23

### ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS

Rosh Chodesh Shevat will be on  
Thursday, January 4.  
Evening .....4:30  
Conclusion of Sabbath .....5:18

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning .....7:30  
Sunday Morning .....8:30  
Father and Son Minyan .....9:30  
Evening .....4:30

## Y A H R Z E I T S

### December

16—Ferdinand H. Alexander  
16—Dina Luloff  
17—Samuel Abeloff  
17—Sarah Gottesman  
17—Rose Rosengard  
18—Alexander Schlang  
18—Sarah Garfunkel  
18—Leon Braunstein  
18—Bella Jacobs  
18—Solomon Pfeffer  
19—Feiga Broz  
19—Lena Block  
19—Rose Westerman  
19—Louis Scheier  
19—Morris M. Scheinberg  
20—Rachel Liberman  
20—Bertha Perlberger  
20—Henry Basser  
21—Toby Kailes  
21—Rachel Goodman  
21—Abraham Silberstein  
21—Frieda Tilbor  
22—Nathan Silver  
22—Jane Prince  
22—Naomi Kessler  
23—Louis Givner  
23—Sophie Goodside  
23—Joseph Kottler  
23—Irving Okun  
23—Samson Gordon  
23—Maxwell A. Heckler  
23—Harry Lehr  
23—Philip Bachrach  
24—Martha Heckscher  
24—Harry Fischel  
24—Sol Seidner  
24—Alexander Herbst  
24—Ethel R. Meyers  
24—Helene Trainin  
24—Ben Meyers  
25—Annie Mandelbaum  
25—Cecelia Feldberg  
25—Mollie Goldberg  
26—Walter H. Stiner  
26—Samuel Kingson  
26—Harry Goldstein  
26—Jeanne Ruddy Rubin  
26—Sarah Seidenberg  
26—Sarah Earl  
26—Esther Schlang  
26—Joseph Edelman

26—David M. Geszel  
27—William Goldman  
27—Toiba Sonenberg  
27—Isaac Silverman  
27—Dora Herman  
28—Minnie Shapiro  
28—Sam Bucher  
28—Minnie Lipschutz  
28—Sarah Gimbel  
28—Harry Abramson  
28—Frances Susskind  
28—Rebecca Ivry  
29—Jacob J. Landau  
29—S. Lawrence Brody  
29—Abraham Poust  
29—Musia Mendelowitz  
29—Herman Goldman  
30—Julia Adler  
30—Albert Hershkovitz  
30—Bessie Snyder  
30—William Klein  
30—Yetta Weinbaum  
30—Annie Hauer  
30—Rubin Fried  
31—Harry Westerman  
31—Dora Perlman  
31—Louis Goldenheim  
31—Jacob J. Rosenblum

### January

1—Isidor Fischman  
1—Dora Rhodes  
1—Judah Low  
2—Jane Fischel  
2—Clara Lewis  
2—Elias I. Gordon  
2—Louis J. Lebowitz  
2—Amelia Siegel  
2—Haiah S. Fischel  
2—Maxwell Klein  
2—Harry Shanman  
3—Wolf Sigall  
4—Hannah Folkman  
4—Henrietta Hirsch  
4—Louis Heyman  
4—Frederick Sax  
4—Nathan Lipman  
4—Blanche Ehrenberg  
5—Morris H. Gelfand  
5—Dr. Henry Raphael Gold  
5—Max A. Rosengrad  
5—Rebecca W. Wolf

## Of Community Interest

Mr. Leo Rosten, author and editor will be the guest speaker at an evening of **Concern and Compassion** in behalf of the Jerusalem Mental Health Center on Tuesday evening, January 16th, 1973 at 8:30 P.M. at the Fifth Avenue Synagogue. The program will be dedicated to the support of the Department of Child Psychiatry and Development which is geared for prevention and treatment of mentally ill children and teaching and research in the area.

The Jerusalem Mental Health Center is the institution for which Rabbanit Sarah Herzog has given so much effort and support.

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