

Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin



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ANNUAL RAMAZ DINNER TO FEATURE A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN

The Annual Dinner of Ramaz, which will be held this year on Sunday evening, January 20, 1980, at the Waldorf, will have a special meaning to members of the K.J./Ramaz family. It will constitute a memorial tribute to the Founder and first Principal of Ramaz, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, of blessed memory.

In the Dinner Journal, members of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, friends of the School, parents and alumni will have an opportunity to express their own feelings about our late Senior Rabbi. Tributes of one page or less may be written by anyone who feels that he or she has been touched personally by the life of the Rabbi.

The program of the Dinner will feature a chorus of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School. The students will present a cantata in narrative and song, which will constitute a celebration of the life's work of the Founder of the School. That presentation will be part of an old Jewish tradition which says that when disciples of a Master reflect on the life of their teacher, they do not mourn but, rather, they drink *l'chaim*. This Dinner, in effect, will be the *l'chaim* of the K.J./Ramaz family to our collective father. It will be our way of saying that his life's work will continue and his memory will remain an inspiration for all of us to maintain the kind of Congregation and School of which he could have been proud.

For further information about the journal and the dinner please call the Ramaz office, HA7-1000.

"AND ALL WILL BE INSCRIBED IN YOUR TORAH"
(Psalms, 139:16)

In loving memory of

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN
CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

invites you to the
opening ceremony for

The Writing of a Torah Scroll
on Sunday morning
November 18, 1979 at nine-thirty
in the Main Synagogue

PROGRAM:

Shacharit Services

ADDRESSES:

Elie Wiesel

Rabbi Israel Miller

Beginning the Writing of the Torah

A Buffet Breakfast will be served
following the program

RSVP: 427-1000, ext. 65

Within Our Family

Births

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Kamerman on the birth of their first child, Rebecca Brody Kamerman. Our congratulations to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Kamerman on the birth of their first grandchild and to Mrs. S. Lawrence Brody upon becoming a great grandmother for the first time.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. David Perlman on the birth of their daughter Cindy Debra.

Mazel tov also to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Orwasher upon the birth of their first grandchild, David Scott Orwasher, born to their children Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Orwasher of Los Angeles, California.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chrein upon the birth of their first child, a son. As this Bulletin goes to press the *brit millah* is being scheduled to take place in our Synagogue House.

We hope that all of the new arrivals will be a good source of happiness to their respective families.

Special Birthday

Mazel tov to Mrs. Malvina Wachter upon the celebration of her 80th birthday in September. In her honor a special *kiddush* was hosted by her children, Mr. and Mrs. Marco Wachter, on Shabbat Shuvah and a lovely party was held for her in the Kamber Auditorium attended by her family and many of her friends. May God grant that she celebrate many more happy birthdays and that she be able to continue her life of piety, friendship and many good deeds in behalf of worthy institutions.

Engagement

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. A. Milton Brown upon the engagement of their granddaughter, Debbie, to Jeffrey Silver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morton Silver of Brooklyn. Debbie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Warren Brown of Rosalyn, Long Island. We hope that the wedding will take place in happiness and blessing.

Weddings

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth on the forthcoming marriage of their granddaughter, Donna Rose Roth, to Mr. Michael Treppner of Rhodesia.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Low on the marriage of their daughter Shelley, our new member, to Martin Kaufman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mayer Kaufman of Pittsburgh.

Bar Mitzvah

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth on the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Jonathon Adam Roth, which will take place next Thursday morning, November 15, at the Western Wall in Jerusalem.

Academic Advancement

Congratulations to our member, Rochelle Levine, upon receiving her Ph.D. in Psychology from Rutgers University. Her dissertation concerned the drawings of young children. We are pleased to extend our warmest wishes to Dr. Levine upon this magnificent achievement and to wish her well in her professional career.

Academic News

We received in the mail from the Committee on Admissions at Harvard a delightful booklet entitled "Besides Bagels ... A Guide to Jewish Life at Harvard." It describes all of the opportunities for religious life, kosher dining, social life, academic lectures and many other things which make Harvard and Radcliff a fine place for Jewish students.

What made the book even more interesting to us is that one of the major authors is our own Rebekah Zuckerman, a graduate of Ramaz and the daughter of our Trustee, Dr. Fred Zuckerman and Mrs. Miriam Seiler.

Condolences

We extend our sincere condolences to Mrs. Eleanor Gaynes on the passing of her beloved son, Arthur Rosen. We also wish to console our Trustee, David Rosen, on the passing of his beloved brother. May the family be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to our esteemed Trustee, A. Phillip Goldsmith, a former Vice President of the Congregation, on the passing of his beloved sister, Betty Benjamin. May he and his family be comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

Tennis Night

WHO: *Couples Club Members*
and *Those Who Should Be*

WHEN: *Saturday, December 1st*

WHERE: *Midtown Tennis Club*

COST: *\$25 per couple*

Reservations: Call Stephen Kule 535-5288
Other games for non-Tennis Players

BAR MITZVAH



Mark Schein

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schein upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Mark, which will be observed in our synagogue on Shabbat morning, November 10.

Mark who is a student in the Horace Mann School, will read the *Haftorah* at services in our synagogue that Saturday. The entire congregation will be the guests of the Scheins for *kiddush* in honor of this occasion.

We are happy to celebrate this joyous occasion together with the Schein family.

In Memoriam

Michael Barany

We lost one of our finest on *Chol Homoed Sukkot*, suddenly and most grievously. It was sadly symbolic that Mike died on the holiday on which, in the past, he gave so much pleasure and service to the congregational family.

Mike always did everything on a grand scale. His love for K.J., for its children, for its activities, and for its entire membership was full and uncompromising. The Boy Scouts, the Men's Club, the Father and Son *Minyan* and, most of all, the *Sukkah* were all the beneficiaries of his incredible energy and his boundless goodness.

We will miss his warm smile and happy fellowship in the Congregation and in Ramaz. We mourn his passing even as do his wife, Marcia, to whom he was so supremely devoted, and his sons Craig, Kenneth and Keith, for whom he was a loving and supportive father.

May they and we be comforted among all who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

OUR THANKS TO WALTER KOPPEL AND THE LADIES OF THE SISTERHOOD

How can we say thank you adequately to Walter Koppel who personally organized the Sukkot weekend during which, in four meals, we accommodated almost 800 diners. The mood was great, the food of Kay Caterers was fine, the ambience was delightful and everything ran smoothly under the watchful eye and indefatigable organization of Walter, aided and abetted by many of the young people in the Congregation and, particularly, Walter's son Michael.

We are greatly indebted to him for a wonderful Sukkot. The only thing that hampered our activities somewhat was completely beyond Walter's control: the incessant rain. Next year we are sure that Walter will find a way to control that as well.

And the Ladies

As usual, the Sukkah was decorated by a group of women led by Mrs. Ady Outman, whose herculean efforts will never be forgotten. In a driving rain she was busy putting up the foliage. One cannot imagine a greater labor of love. She was greatly assisted by Mrs. Harry W. Baumgarten who personally cut some of the *s'chach* out on Long Island and brought it in to our Sukkah.

Among the other women who rendered yeoman service in decorating the Sukkah were: Tova Bulow, Rae Gurewitsch, Monica Meislin, Claire Mazo, Ami Texon, Joan Weisselberger, Bertha Witkin and Mimi Zabarkus.

FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE SYNAGOGUE

Friday evening, December 7

Services
Family Dinner
Program

Call for reservations: 427-1000
Sponsored by the KJ Men's Club

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Since the Annual Meeting of the Congregation in May of this year, we have received applications for membership from a large number of people in the community. Those applications have been submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval. We are very happy to welcome the following who have now become affiliated with Kehilath Jeshurun.

Fortuna Abramoff
Hon. Robert and Diane Abrams
Mrs. Mona Ackerman
Victor and Helaine Barnett
Mr. and Mrs. Abraham J. Cohen
Sharon Dane
Patricia A. Delaney
Dr. Sasha and Frieda Englund
Ernest and Roslyn Friedman
Anne Goldstein
Milton M. Gottesman
Robert W. Gottesman
Dr. Allen and Jessica Gribetz
Joseph and Paula Grossman
Zev and Pearl Hack
Diane Hodges
Paulette Hutterer
Dr. Brian L. and Hana Katz
Judah E. and Amelia Klein
Charles and Lena Korn
Gregory and Evelyn Katz
Jacqueline Katz

Joseph and Ida Katz
Theodore Krulwich
Arnold and Fran Lederman
Merrill S. Lichtenfeld
Martin Markowitz
Monroe Markowitz
Charles D. and Leslie Maurer
Jerry and Myriam Menkin
Janet and Mark Mittler
Marc and Frida Norris
Dr. Benjamin and Talia Pagovich
Harry B. Pascal
David and Francine Perlman
Charles and Ora Ramat
Dr. Jacob and Margaret Rand
David Rhodes
Arnold B. and Doris Schulman
Phyllis M. Shapiro
Harry A. Silber
Rabbi Isaac N. and Frances Trainin
Dr. Joel and Tova Weinberg
Dr. Isaac and Geraldine Wiener

We welcome them into the fellowship of the Congregation and we hope that their association with us will be a long, happy and mutually rewarding one.

A. MILTON BROWN TO BE GUEST OF HONOR AT YESHIVA UNIVERSITY CHANUKAH DINNER

We are very proud to announce that our esteemed Trustee and former Secretary, A. Milton Brown, will be a guest of honor at the Annual Chanukah Dinner of Yeshiva University on Sunday evening, December 9, at the Waldorf.

Milton Brown is one of the most cherished members of our congregation. Ever since he joined Kehilath Jeshurun with his wife Lillian, he has played a vital role in the development of K.J. and the growth of Ramaz School, of which he is also a Trustee.

His sons, Warren and Benjamin, were

raised in our congregation and the latter now serves as Secretary of K.J. Shortly, we hope to celebrate with him the Bar Mitzvah of Benjy's middle son, Alan.

A Yeshiva University Chanukah Dinner is always an important event for our community. This year, however, it is a *must* for the K.J./Ramaz family. We hope that many of our family will join on Sunday, December 9 to honor one of the most deserving sons of this community for his service of man and to God.

Please call Irwin Shapiro or the Synagogue Office for reservations.

OUR THANKS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAYS

We are grateful to all of the synagogue officials — both professional and volunteer — who helped to make these High Holy Days so memorable.

In particular, we want to express our gratitude to Cantor Avrum Davis for struggling valiantly against illness and for inspiring us with his singing; to Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg who also suffered illness during this period but, nevertheless, managed to do all of the things that were necessary to make the High Holy Days run smoothly; to Moshe Rosenberg who filled in for his father admirably whenever necessary; to Rabbi Mayer Moskowitz who inspired all of the worshippers in the Auxiliary Service and on the second day of Rosh Hashanah in the Main Synagogue with his *davening* of *Musaf*; to Dr. William Herzig who *davened Shacharit* and sounded the *Shofar* in the Auxiliary Service with his usual expertise; to Binny Shudofsky who read the Torah on Rosh Hashanah in the Auxiliary Service; and to all of the ushers and synagogue officers and leaders who helped to organize both of our services and maintain the high standard of dignity, decorum and inspiration which made the past festival season so beautiful. Finally, we are most appreciative to Rabbi Haskel Lookstein and Rabbi Maurice Wohlgeleinter for their leadership, sermons and interpolations, allowing us to experience our traditionally meaningful *Yamim Tovim*.

A REQUEST WITH RESPECT TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

We are very anxious to send to all students at college and university, whether at home or away from home, a complimentary subscription to *Moment Magazine*. This magazine, edited by Prof. Leonard Fein of Brandeis University, is packed with beautifully written, soft-sell material on Judaism, the Jewish people and the Jewish predicament at this moment in history. It is excellently written; its subjects are sensitively chosen and it is ideally suited for the interest and needs of university students.

We will be happy to send a subscription to any child of a member of the Congrega-

CONGREGATION ORACH CHAIM TO CELEBRATE ITS CENTENNIAL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16

We are proud to congratulate our sister congregation, Orach Chaim, at 1459 Lexington Avenue, on the occasion of its celebrating its 100th anniversary of service to the community.

The congregation is one of the nicest features of East Side Jewish life. Its spiritual leadership, for many years by Rabbi Simon Langer and now continued by Rabbi Kenneth Hain, has been of the highest caliber. Its members include many of our good friends here in the community and some of the K.J. membership which maintains a double affiliation.

We rejoice with the congregation on this happy milestone which will be observed at

a special centennial convocation on Sunday, December 16 at 12 noon in the main sanctuary of the congregation. Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will be a speaker at that event. Members of our congregation who would like to attend may call our synagogue office for tickets. We have been assured that our members will be most welcome at this happy event in our community.

We would also like to congratulate the President of Congregation Orach Chaim, our good friend Julius Lassner, on his leadership of the congregation in this historic period.

"For you were once strangers ..."

A 15-man Israeli volunteer medical team together with supplies and equipment is the first step in a program announced by the Government of Israel to extend medical and humanitarian aid to the Cambodians. As there are no diplomatic relations between Israel and Cambodia, the aid will reach them through Thailand. The Embassy of Israel in Bangkok is cooperating with the Thai Red Cross and the Thai Prime Minister's office in channeling the aid to its destination, which is the field clinics presently located along the Thai-Cambodian border.

According to the decision of the Government of Israel, which was one of the first countries to respond to the desperate situation of the Cambodians, an inter-ministerial committee composed of representatives of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Health, Labor and Social Betterment and El Al Israel Airlines, has been established in order to coordinate activities for the speedy dispatch of aid.

This step is another in the series of assistance programs to refugees which began in June 1977 when the present Government of Israel took office and made as its first decision the offer of asylum to 66 Vietnamese refugees.

The most recent stage in this assistance came on October 23rd when Israel opened its doors and heart to 197 Vietnamese refugees, including 41 who had been rescued on the high seas by an Israeli naval vessel.

Prior to receiving this group, Israel, in January 1979 had provided a haven for 103 "boat people" from Southeast Asia who have now, like the first group, become rehabilitated and absorbed in Israel. All are learning Hebrew and the children among them are regularly attending school. Many have found jobs in their own fields, such as television repair, textile work, printing and midwifery. Others have received retraining for professions which offer good opportunities for work in the country. Most notable is Dr. Hwa, a cardiac surgeon now on the staff of Tel Hashomer Hospital near Tel Aviv.

tion or, for that matter, any college or university student who is a resident of our neighborhood. All we ask you to do is to send us the name and mailing address. We will do the rest.

We will also invite the student to activities and events here in the Congregation which may be of interest to him or her. Please cooperate by sending us the information immediately.

RAMAZ TO OPEN NURSERIES FOR 3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS IN SEPTEMBER 1980

REGISTRATION IN PROGRESS FOR ALL GRADES FOR 1980-81

We are pleased to announce that as part of the development plan of Ramaz which includes the completion of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School building on East 78th Street and the renovation and refurbishing of the 85th Street building which will house the entire Lower School, Ramaz will open for the first time in its history a Nursery for 3-year-olds along with its regular Nursery program for 4-year-olds.

Children who will be three years of age as of December 31, 1980 will be eligible for the early Nursery group. Those who will be four years of age as of December 31, 1980 will be eligible for the older Nursery class. Both groups, together with the two Kindergarten classes, will meet on the 4th floor of the 85th Street building which will be redesigned as a pre-school department with outdoor play facilities and all of the latest equipment and arrangements for children of this age.

Registration is now in progress for all the grades of the School from Nursery through Grade 12. For further information and for applications, please write to Mrs. Daniele Lassner, Director, Office of Admissions, Ramaz School, 125 East 85th Street, NYC 10028, or call 427-1000, ext. 31.

Remember, it is not at all too early to apply. In fact, the application rate is running ahead of last year and we certainly do not want to disappoint any parent because a class will have been already over-subscribed. Please, therefore, act now.

5 RAMAZ STUDENTS ARE SEMIFINALISTS IN NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

We are pleased to congratulate the following 5 students of last year's Ramaz Junior class who earned positions as Semifinalists in the 1980 National Merit Scholarship Competition.

Hal Blumenfeld
Deena R. Cohen
Seth Kaye
Gilbert Kepecs
Ethan Schwartz

In addition, 13 students earned Letters of Commendation in this competition. They are:

Honey S. Berk
Leonard B. Cooper
Jonathan David
Steven David
Richard I. Finkel
Beth E. Goldman

Michael S. Goldrich
Samuel J. Levy
Matthew A. Lindenbaum
Eugene Major
Miriam Richter
Alan J. Stadtmauer

Bruce A. Tuckman

We congratulate all of the students involved, as well as their parents on this significant honor. At the present time we do not know whether the Semifinalists will

become Finalists, though for each of them this is a likely possibility. In our eyes they are already winners, as is the School in which they received their education.

KJ CHANUKAH PARTY

Saturday Evening, December 15, 1979

8:00 P.M.

For the entire Congregation

A Call to the K.J.-Ramaz Community For Blood Donors, Sunday, December 2

On Sunday, December 2nd, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., the Annual Blood Drive of Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz will be held in the Social Hall of our Synagogue House. This once-a-year event provides coverage to the entire congregational and school family for the blood needs of all members, parents and students and their immediate families during the course of the year.

In order for us to have that coverage, we must have a very substantial number of donors. People under the age of 65 are eligible to give blood. We call, therefore, upon all others in the congregational and Ramaz families to do their part in making this Blood Bank possible.

From the point of view of good citizenship, from the point of view of Jewish law which considers the giving of blood an act of *pikuach nefesh* and from the point of view of community solidarity, the donation of blood on Sunday, December 2nd represents an important mitzvah, obligation and privilege. We hope that everyone who *can* give, will give.

Youth Corner

Junior Congregation - Our Junior Congregation meets every Shabbat at 10:30 AM. This Sunday, November 11, Junior Congregation members will attend the Chassidic Song Festival. We will leave from the synagogue lobby at 1 PM.

Shabbat Afternoon Groups - For the month of November our groups meet at the following times: Kindergarten - Third Grade 3:00 - 4:30, Fourth - Eighth Grade 3:30 - 6:30.

JK News - Our High School-Collegiate student minyan is now being led by Elliot Goldofsky. Services are in the Sixth floor Chapel at 9:30 AM promptly on Shabbat mornings. They conclude with a shiur conducted by Rabbi Jack Beiler.

Concert - We have acquired a limited number of tickets to a concert by DIASPORA YESHIVA BAND at Yeshiva University on Thursday night, November 15. Contact the synagogue office to reserve your seats. All tickets are \$6.00 each.

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KJ Couples Club Production

SOUTH PACIFIC

Sunday, February 17, 1980

Auditions for Singers, Dancers, Actors,
Actresses, Scenery Designers, Painters,
Stage Managers, Lighting People

Come: Monday, November 19th
7:00 PM

INSTITUTE FOR THE CREATIVE MIDDLE YEARS

On Tuesday, November 27, Yeshiva University will sponsor an all day program "Institute for the Creative Middle Years." The program, intended for women contemplating entry or reentry into the work market and for those seeking career changes, will also concern itself with the challenges of volunteerism.

The program, beginning at 9:30 A.M., will take place at the Koch Auditorium, Stern College for Women, 245 Lexington Avenue, at 35th Street. The registration fee of \$35 includes a box lunch. The program will conclude at 4:30 P.M.

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Schedule of Services

FRIDAY, November 9

Lighting of Candles 4:26
Evening 4:40

SATURDAY, November 10

Morning 9:00
Weekly Portion: Vayera
Haftarah: II Kings 4
Evening 4:40
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:20

FRIDAY, November 16

Lighting of Candles 4:20
Evening 4:30

SATURDAY, November 17

Morning 9:00
Weekly Portion: Haye Sarah
Haftarah: I Kings 1
Rosh Chodesh Kislev will be on
Tues., Nov. 20 and Wed., Nov. 21
Evening 4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:16

FRIDAY, November 23

Lighting of Candles 4:15
Evening 4:30

SATURDAY, November 24

Morning 9:00
Weekly Portion: Toledot
Haftarah: Malachi 1
Evening 4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:12

FRIDAY, November 30

Lighting of Candles 4:12
Evening 4:30

SATURDAY, December 1

Morning 9:00
Weekly Portion: Vayetze
Haftarah: Hosea 12
Evening 4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:09

FRIDAY, December 7

Lighting of Candles 4:11
Evening 4:30

SATURDAY, December 8

Morning 9:00
Weekly Portion: Vayishlah
Haftarah: Obadiah
Evening 4:30
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:08

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Sunday Morning 8:00
Father and Son Minyan 9:30
Evening 4:30