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108th Annual Meeting of Kehilath Jeshurun to be Held Sunday Morning, May 4

Torah and Plaque in Memory of
Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein
To Be Dedicated

The Annual Meeting of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun for the 108th year of its existence will be held on Sunday morning, May 4, at 10:30. Invitations will be in the mail shortly. We alert you of the date and the essence of the program so that you may reserve the morning for this memorable occasion.

In addition to electing officers and inducting the largest number of new members in the history of the Congregation, the Annual Meeting will be notable for the fact that we will be dedicating the Torah which has been written in memory of Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein. At the same time, we will also be dedicating a plaque over the late Senior Rabbi's seat which will remain there in perpetuity. The plaque is presented to the congregation by the Sisterhood.

We hope that every member of the Congregation will want to be part of this historic occasion which will bring to a conclusion several programs and activities which the Congregation has conducted in memory of its beloved Senior Rabbi.

Passover Sedarim

First Night	Second Night
Monday	Tuesday
March 31	April 1

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein and Cantor Avrum Davis will officiate on alternate evenings.

Last call for reservations.
Please contact the Synagogue Office:
427-1000

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY BRUNCH THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 16 10:00 A.M.

The first opportunity for the Kehilath Jeshurun family to contribute in support of the newly established Chair in Homiletics and Practical Rabbinics in memory of

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein

Call the Synagogue Office for reservations: 427-1000

Jerry Goodman and Carl Gershman To Keynote Annual Shabbaton March 21 and 22

Recently, a candidate for the Presidential nomination expressed, "Americans ought to thank the Russians for invading Afghanistan. They opened our eyes to the realities of the 80's." That statement applies in a special way to American Jews who face unique challenges here in the United States, in Israel and all over the world.

The Annual Shabbaton of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, which will be held this year on Friday evening, March 21 and Shabbat day, March 22, will be devoted to an examination of these challenges.

On Friday night we will have as our guest, Jerry Goodman, the Executive Director of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. He will speak to us about the changed condition of Soviet Jewry in light of Afghanistan. Mr. Goodman will discuss Israel's new policy and American Jewry's new dilemmas. He will also touch on the problem of Soviet Jewish "dropouts."

On Shabbat day, Carl Gershman, Executive Director of Social Democrats USA and a frequent contributor to "Commentary Magazine"

will discuss the challenges facing American Jews in light of the changing fortunes of America itself. Mr. Gershman will comment on the heightened brutality and aggressiveness of the Soviet Union and certain nations in the Third World. Those who read Mr. Gershman's caveats about Andrew Young in "Commentary Magazine" some three years ago will appreciate the kind of insight which this American Jew has about the problems facing our people in this country. Mr. Gershman is a former member of our congregation and an alumnus of Ramaz.

The Shabbaton, which of course features public worship, Friday night dinner and a Shabbat lunch, promises to be another exceptionally fine occasion for social interaction, intellectual enrichment and spiritual pleasure. It will all begin with *Mincha* and *Kabbalat Shabbat* on Friday evening, March 21, at 6:00 o'clock, in the Main Synagogue. Please call the Synagogue Office at 427-1000 no later than Monday morning in order to arrange reservations.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birth

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua S. Deutsch upon the birth of another grandchild, Sophie, born to their children Ellen and Stanley Deutsch. We hope that the new arrival, together with all the family, will develop in the best tradition of Torah, *chupah* and *ma'asim tovim*.

Bar Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Max Sadinoff upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Jonathan, son of Mrs. Joan Sadinoff and the late Frank Sadinoff. The Bar Mitzvah took place on *Shabbat Shira* and then again on Sunday, *Rosh Chodesh Adar*. Those of the congregational family who were in attendance were thrilled by the exceptional Torah reading and *chazanut* of this splendid young man who is a student in the 7th grade at Ramaz.

We hope that Jonathan will be a source of ever increasing *nachas* to his entire family.

Vive la difference, Efrat

Our faces are red. Somehow, in our congratulations to Efrat Blum, the daughter of Ambassador and Mrs. Yehuda Blum, on her being selected as a winner in the *World Over Purim Cover Contest*, we identified this lovely young lady as a *son* of the Blums.

We are happy to correct that miscue. Among the three children of the Blum family, Efrat is the one and only daughter. *Mazel tov* to her and her parents.

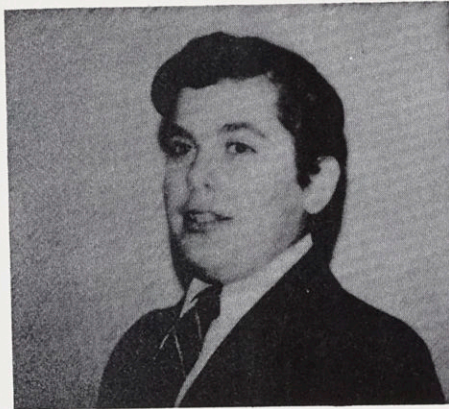
Dr. Meyer Texon Publishes Major Research Work

We are proud to note the publication by our esteemed Trustee, Dr. Meyer Texon, of a book entitled *Hemodynamic Basis of Atherosclerosis*. This volume represents the unique contribution which Dr. Texon has made to the study of the causes of coronary artery disease.

The author, a graduate of Harvard and NYU Medical School, is at present Associate Professor of Forensic Medicine at the New York University Medical Center. He has served for many years as Assistant Medical Examiner in New York City.

We congratulate Dr. Texon on this important work and upon his contribution to the field of medicine through this volume.

BAR MITZVAH



STEVEN GUREWITSCH

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gurewitsch on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Steven, which will take place in our congregation on Shabbat morning, April 12. Steven, a student in the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz will read the entire *Torah* portion and chant the *Haftorah* as well.

The congregation will be the guests of the Gurewitsches that day in honor of this joyous occasion.

SPONSOR A KIDDUSH!

A beautiful and traditional way of observing an anniversary, birthday or other special *simcha* is to celebrate with the community by sponsoring a Shabbat morning *kiddush*. The following dates are the only ones still available between now and the summer:

March, 15, 22, 29

May 24

June 21, 28

Call our Executive Director, Robert Leifert, at 427-1000 to make arrangements.

Nathan Zuckerbrot Organizes New Post of JWV

We are pleased to announce that under the leadership of our esteemed member, Nathan Zuckerbrot, the Jewish War Veterans have established Yorkville Post No. 5, which will meet every 4th Wednesday of the month at 8:00 P.M. at the 92nd Street Y. Mr. Zuckerbrot is Commander of the Post.

In Memoriam

Monroe Markowitz

We were saddened to hear of the passing of this fine Jewish gentleman who, only this past summer, after the passing of his wife, joined our Congregation. He found comfort in our synagogue together with his son, daughter and grandchildren.

Mr. Markowitz was a skillful businessman, known for his integrity and his love for his employees. He also had a measure of piety as a Jew and he worked hard in every phase of his life.

Perhaps the most beautiful tribute to him is contained in a poem written by his granddaughter just after his passing. We reprint it below with our hope and prayer that his children, Martin Markowitz and Phyllis Shapiro, should be comforted among all of us who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem and should know of no further sorrow for many years to come.

LIFE

Life is wonderful, don't throw it away

Every morning we should pray to God for giving us life that day.

God does good and bad, but think of why he had to do it.

A lot of depressions come with life that we have to live with.

But think of all the good things that come with life.

A lot.

Just be thankful that you're alive.

by Laine B. Shapiro

Condolences

We extend our sincere condolences to Mark Fishman on the passing of his beloved mother, Sylvia Fishman. May he be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

We extended our deep condolences to Dr. Ralph M. Sussman on the passing of his beloved brother, Irving Sussman. May the family be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

**Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
To Give Report
On His Israel Mission
This Saturday**

**Third Anniversary
of Anatoly Scharansky's
Incarceration**

This coming Shabbat, March 15, will mark three years since Anatoly Scharansky was imprisoned, allegedly for treason and espionage. His trial was held almost sixteen months later and he was given a thirteen year sentence. This Shabbat will be the 153rd Shabbat for him in prison. He has 523 Sabbaths left until the conclusion of his sentence.

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein is expected to be back this week from his UJA Rabbinic Cabinet Mission to Israel. He hopes to give us a report on what he saw and learned and also to comment on the tragic anniversary which Scharansky and we will be commemorating, he in Chistopol Prison and we at our service in *Shul*.

We invite everyone to share the experience with us at services this Shabbat morning, beginning at 9:00 o'clock.

**Rabbi Bernard Mandelbaum
To Address Seudah Shlishit
This Saturday**

We are proud to announce that our esteemed member, Rabbi Bernard Mandelbaum, will be our guest speaker at a *Seudah Shlishit* this Saturday afternoon, March 15, between *Mincha* and *Maariv* services. *Mincha* will begin at 5:00 P.M. Dr. Mandelbaum is Executive Director of the Synagogue Council of America.

His discourse will be a discussion of the *Hallel* service which has been a topic of recent intense study and research for him. The entire community is invited to join us for this presentation.

**APRIL HIGHLIGHTS
THREE IMPORTANT DATES
FOR CONTEMPORARY JEWS**

In the month of April there are three very important dates for the K.J./Ramaz family to remember.

HOLOCAUST DAY.

The first is Saturday night, April 12, Holocaust Day on the Jewish Calendar. We will conduct a special program that evening and we ask you to reserve the time for that program. Once a year we remember the six million Jewish martyrs. This year it comes out on a Saturday night, giving us a good opportunity to remember the victims and the survivors of the Holocaust.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT.

The second important date is Sunday evening, April 20, Yom Ha'atzmaut. On that occasion we will also have a special program which will feature the choruses of the Middle School and the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz in celebration of the 32nd Anniversary of Israel's Independence. During these days when the Jewish State is under assault from all sides it is important for us to express our support by participating in such a program and it is also desirable that we remind ourselves how grateful we should be for the privilege of living in

the generation of the beginning of the redemption. We can do all of this by setting aside the evening of April 20, for prayer, rejoicing and remembering.

SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

The final date, Sunday, April 27, is Solidarity Sunday for Soviet Jewry. We expect that every member of the Kehilath Jeshurun / Ramaz community will feel it his or her personal obligation to march that day and demonstrate his or her understanding of the needs of Soviet Jews and, particularly, the plight of our brothers and sisters who have been refused visas or who are now in prison. The recent change of climate in the relationship between the United States and the Soviet Union has caused a precipitous drop in the number of visas issued during January and February. The figure for those two months is 40 percent less than the figures for last year. The door is, if not closing, certainly being tightened. The Soviet government and Soviet Jews will be watching to see what kind of reaction American Jews have. The most important barometer for that reaction is Solidarity Sunday. Everyone who comes will have a share in demonstrating that we care. We need everyone.

Mazel Tov To Sylva Zalmanson

An event which can only be described as beautifully symbolic, took place during the first week in February. Sylva Zalmanson, wife of Eduard Kuznetsov, gave birth to a baby girl in a hospital near Ramat Gan.

Sylva, who has worshipped in our synagogue and who was received and feted in Ramaz, spent four years in jail as one of the defendants in the first Leningrad hijack trial. Her release from prison came about through an extraordinary effort led by a member of this congregation.

Last April, her husband, who was the pilot of the aircraft which was allegedly to be hijacked, was released from prison and arrived in New York three days before Solidarity Sunday. Many of us greeted him in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza before 100,000 people on that memorable Sunday. Husband and wife were reunited for the first time in almost ten years.

Now they are the parents of a baby girl. May she grow up to be a source of happiness to her parents and strength to the people and Land of Israel.



PREPARING FOR PASSOVER

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I. What and Why is Chametz?

When the Israelites emerged from Egyptian slavery, they left in great haste. Consequently, they could not bake their bread in the usual manner. There was not sufficient time for the dough to rise and for the bread to become leavened. The product of such a leavening process is called *chametz*. It consists of grain (or flour) mixed with water and allowed to stand for more than a brief period without being baked completely.

In order to relive the experience of our ancestors, we avoid *chametz* throughout the entire Passover festival. We neither eat it nor own it during the holiday. We try to use up whatever products we have before the festival. What we cannot use, we store away in one place and sell to a non-Jew through the Rabbi of the synagogue (a form for this purpose is found on Page 6 of this Bulletin.)

Before the festival, we conduct a symbolic search of the house (*Bedikat Chametz*) to ensure that all *chametz* has been removed from our premises. On the morrow following the search we symbolically burn what we have found (*Bi'ur Chametz*).

During the eight days of the festival we use only products that are free of *chametz* and we eat matzah (unleavened bread) in order to experience the haste of our forefathers when they went forth from slavery to freedom.

II. Preparing the Home for Passover

In addition to not using *chametz* products during the festival, we also avoid the use of dishes and utensils which have been used with *chametz* all year round. For that reason it is necessary to have two additional sets of dishes for Passover use. These are stored away in a closet throughout the year and brought out for use only on Passover. At the same time, the year-round dishes and utensils are stored away, out of sight, during the Passover festival.

There are certain types of utensils that can be ritually cleansed — or kashered — for Passover use. These are discussed below.

1. Silver and Metal Utensils

Silverware, small pots and metal utensils with no wooden handles may be kashered for Passover use. They must first be cleansed thoroughly and then allowed to stand unused for at least twenty-four hours. They are then completely immersed in a kettle or vat of boiling water.

Larger pots and kettles may be kashered by first cleansing them as above and then filling them with water to the very top, allowing the water to boil and then placing a hot iron or stone inside the pot so that the boiling water runs over down the sides of the pot.

We might add that china, pottery and utensils that have different parts glued together and items that cannot be cleansed thoroughly (such as a sieve) cannot be kashered for Passover use.

2. Glassware

Glasses or glass plates which have not been used for hot liquids or solids during the year may be kashered for Passover by immersing them in cold for a period of three days prior to Passover. The water need not be changed during that three day period.

May we stress that glass utensils (such as Pyrex) which are used with heat must be treated as china and cannot be kashered. The best procedure for glassware is to have separate glassware for Passover use.

3. The Stove and Oven

Every part of the oven and stove must be thoroughly cleaned with a chemical cleanser and then allowed to stand for twenty-four hours or more without being used. The top range and the oven must then be heated at the highest setting and allowed to stand for a period of about two hours at that setting.

In addition, during Passover, a special metal sheet is placed over the top of the range to prevent contact with the Passover utensils.

III. Passover Foods

Most foods that are used on Passover require rabbinic supervision. This is especially true of all processed foods. It is important to realize that a

KASHER-IN


Tuesday Night, March 25

Kehilath Jeshurun will sponsor its *Kasher-In* this year on Tuesday night, March 25, from 7:30 until 9:30 P.M.

Large containers of boiling water will be available in the second floor kitchen of the Kamber Auditorium so that people can bring their silver and metal utensils and prepare them for Passover use.

A Word of Caution

Remember that in order to *kasher* something for Passover the item to be *kashered* must first be cleaned thoroughly with a chemical cleanser and allowed to stand unused for at least 24 hours before the actual *kashering* procedure.

label indicating that the product is "Kosher for Passover" does not assure us of the adequacy of the supervision. Wherever possible, congregants should use  products which have a special Passover supervision. If not, it is important to check on the reliability of the particular Rabbi who is giving the endorsement. Please feel free to ask Rabbi Lookstein in the event of any doubt on this matter.

1. Grain Products

All grain products require strict rabbinic supervision for Passover use.

2. Milk and Dairy Products

These, too, require supervision. Milk, however, may be purchased before Passover without supervision. If one has to purchase it during the festival, however, it requires supervision. Powdered milk, such as Alba, may be used on Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

3. Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

All of these may be used (except for legumes — peas, beans, rice and corn which are all treated like *chametz*). If these fruits and vegetables are sold in a general grocery store, they should be washed very carefully before being used on Passover.

4. Dried Fruits

These should carry a Passover endorsement.

Preparing for Passover (cont.'d)**5. Frozen Fruits and Vegetables**

With the exception of the legumes that were mentioned above, frozen fruits and vegetables, if they are not mixed with anything else, should be usable for Passover without a rabbinic endorsement. Pure fruit juices may be purchased before Passover without a rabbinic endorsement.

6. Cosmetics

All cosmetics can be used for Passover inasmuch as they are not foods. This includes toothpaste.

7. Baby Foods

If you have a baby who must be fed formula or baby food which contains *chametz*, the baby's utensils and foods should be kept absolutely separate from everything else in the house. It should also be understood that when you are selling the *chametz* you are selling this food also and that you will make up to the buyer whatever has been used during the course of the festival.

8. Coffee

Some questions arose in the past about the adulteration of coffee with grain products. In the absence of specification, therefore, it would be preferable to purchase coffee with proper supervision for Passover.

9. All other foods

Those processed foods not mentioned in this listing require special supervision for Passover use.

10. Chametz after Passover

According to Jewish law *chametz* which was owned by a Jew during the holiday may never again be used by any other Jew. Therefore, after the holiday is over, one should make sure to buy *chametz* products from a Jew who has sold his *chametz* and not from a Jewish establishment which might have had the particular *chametz* product on the shelf during Passover. In order to avoid confusion, it is best to purchase such products from non-Jewish storekeepers until such time as the Passover stock has been completely used up and replenished with new foods.

OU Directory

There is a special Directory published by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America which contains a complete listing of their kosher for Passover products.

BEDIKAT CHAMETZ

One of the most beautiful and meaningful ceremonies associated with Passover is "*bedikat chametz*"—the search for *chametz*. The ceremony is composed of three parts.

1. Reciting a special blessing over the *mitzvah* of the removal of *chametz*.
2. The search of the house by the light of a candle to find vestiges of *chametz*.
3. The reciting of the formula of nullification of *chametz*.

The ceremony this year will be observed on Sunday night, March 30th. Children especially will be impressed by the ceremony. It should, therefore, be performed with enthusiasm and dedication.

The children should be asked to place the pieces of *chametz* in the various rooms—a practice which ensures that the search will not be in vain. They can hold the candle and the feather; they should examine their own possessions, dressers and desks, for long forgotten relics of *chametz*.

Passover is a beautiful festival. It is a serious one, too. Both these aspects can be captured twenty-four hours in advance of the festival by a careful observance of the ritual of *bedikat chametz*.

Disposal of Chametz

No *chametz* may be eaten on Monday morning, March 31 after 9:40 A.M. All *chametz* must be completely disposed of by 10:40 A.M.

Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Monday morning, March 31. There are those who prefer to perform this ritual in person. Rabbi Lookstein and Mr. Rosenberg are available for that purpose. For those who cannot attend to this matter in person, there is a form provided on Page 6 which authorizes Rabbi Lookstein to sell your *chametz*. This form should be returned to the synagogue by Monday morning, March 31, not later than 8:30.

Services for First Born

Passover Eve is a traditional fast for first born. It is obligatory upon every first born who cannot observe the fast on Monday to attend the special service on that day and to participate at its conclusion in the light collation that is served. The service for the first born (*Siyum Bechorim*) will be held in the chapel on Monday, March 31 as part of the regular morning service which begins at 7:30.

SOME SEDER SUGGESTIONS

The Passover Seder is probably the most meaningful of all home observances in the Jewish calendar year. It has been designed as a masterpiece of pedagogic method to interest the young, to maintain their enthusiasm and to teach important lessons. In order to get the most out of the Seder, there are a number of things that should be kept in mind.

1. Be sure that there is a Haggadah for each member of the Seder.
2. The leader of the Seder should study the Haggadah in advance and decide upon questions and stories which he might want to use at various points in order to awaken interest.
3. The reading of the Haggadah should be rotated among the different people around the Seder table. Passages can be read in Hebrew and/or in English.

4. Recite all blessings in unison so that everyone feels a part of the ceremony.

5. Do not be afraid to interrupt in the middle of a reading to ask a question, to make a point or to launch a discussion. Wherever possible, try to relate the historical passages to modern events.

6. Children should perhaps be asked to prepare in advance a dramatization of certain portions of the Haggadah which lend themselves to such an exercise. Examples are the Four Sons and also the Pesach, Matzah and Maror.

7. Do not let the hunt for the *Afikoman* transcend the importance of the Seder itself. Let that be done during the meal. The determined "thief" should be rewarded with a prize of Jewish significance.

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

Will Conduct a
Shabbat HaGadol Shiur
on Saturday afternoon,
March 29
Between Mincha and Ma'ariv
Mincha Services begin
at 5:20 P.M.

**Rabbi Jack Bieler
to Conduct Passover Shiur**

Rabbi Jack Bieler will give the third
discourse in his *Yom Tov* series on
Saturday afternoon, March 22.
The *Pesach Shiur* will be held one
hour before *mincha*, at 5:00 P.M. in
the Etra Chapel.

**Bikkur Cholim Society
to Provide Matzah
To Patients At Memorial Hospital
Through
Horowitz Margaretan Gift**

The KJ Bikkur Cholim Society will
have a new project this year in order to
make the experience of Passover more
meaningful and supportive to patients
at Memorial Hospital. Through the
courtesy of Horowitz Bros. and
Margaretan, a box of matzah will be
provided to every Jewish patient in
Memorial Hospital.
We feel that this service to the pa-
tients will help them through the dif-
ficult *yom tov* period when they are
separated from home and, frequently,
from families. This is but another way
in which the Bikkur Cholim Society is
trying to do its service for the com-
munity. We thank the family of our
Honorary Trustee, Fred Margaretan
for enabling us to carry out this *mitz-*
vah.

THIS IS THE MATZAH OF HOPE

At the Seder table one should have four Matzot, the three traditional ones and an additional Matzah, which will not be eaten and which symbolizes the plight of our brethren in the Soviet Union, most of whom are unable to obtain Matzah for Passover.

Just prior to the reciting of the four questions, the reader of the Seder should lift this extra Matzah and read the following proclamation:



On Passover, all Jews celebrate freedom. Yet our brothers in the Soviet Union must still observe this holy time in secret. These are the Jews for whom the exodus is not yet a reality.

The Matzah of Hope represents those who are not with us tonight — Jews who have been refused exit visas and who suffer daily harassment and Prisoners of Conscience who endure the hardships of cruel imprisonment. Their "crime": the desire to live as Jews, among Jews, in a free land.

We pause for a moment during this Seder to reaffirm our solidarity with Soviet Jewry. We pledge ourselves to continue to work for their freedom. We vow that, once they are free, we will help them rebuild their lives. We will not rest until the task is complete, for until all Jews are free, no Jew is free.

REMEMBER SOLIDARITY SUNDAY, APRIL 27th.

FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ

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or in my place of business, or in any other place, without reservation and
limitation.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
.....day of

.....
Signature

Please return to the Synagogue Office by Monday, March 31 at 8:30 A.M.

Passover Relief Campaign Well Under Way

We are gratified that just from the bulletin article of a few weeks ago, well in advance of sending appeal letters, over \$2,000 has come in for Passover Relief. We know that most people wait to receive the letter and then send their contributions at that time.

May we make a special plea to you to be exceptionally generous this year. We are under a great deal of pressure from the Joint Passover Association and from many needy and worthy institutions, not to mention the individual charities which we must dispense, to provide very generous funds at this season of the year.

Members of this community know that we do not conduct appeals in the synagogue for any causes except Yeshiva University, UJA and Israel Bonds. Everything else comes together in this one appeal. We need your generous help now and we hope that you will send your gift immediately.

In our next issue of the bulletin we will be pleased to list all of the contributors to the Passover Relief Appeal. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter which deserves the first priority in the preparation for Passover.

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Schedule of Passover Services

Monday, March 31, Passover Eve

Morning Service..... 7:30 A.M.
A special service for the first born (Siyum) will be conducted following the regular services.
Evening..... 6:00 P.M.
Yom Tov begins at..... 6:01 P.M.

Tuesday, April 1st, Passover I

Morning..... 9:00 A.M.
Evening..... 6:10 P.M.
Candle lighting after 6:57 P.M.

Wednesday, April 2nd, Passover II

Morning..... 9:00 A.M.
Evening..... 6:10 P.M.
Conclusion of Yom Tov..... 6:55 P.M.

Services for Thursday and Friday Chol Hamoed

Morning..... 7:15 A.M.
Evening..... 5:45 P.M.
Lighting of Candles on Friday Evening..... 6:06 P.M.

Saturday, April 5th, Shabbat Chol Hamoed

Morning..... 9:00 A.M.
Song of Songs will be read
Evening..... 6:15 P.M.
Conclusion of Sabbath..... 7:01 P.M.

Sunday, April 6th

Morning..... 8:30 A.M.
Evening..... 6:00 P.M.
Yom Tov begins at..... 6:08 P.M.

Monday, April 7th, Passover VII

Morning..... 9:00 A.M.
Evening..... 6:15 P.M.
Candle Lighting after 7:03 P.M.

Tuesday, April 8th, Passover VIII

Morning..... 9:00 A.M.
Memorial Prayers are recited as part of this Service
Evening..... 6:15 P.M.
Conclusion of Yom Tov..... 7:06 P.M.

Couple's Club Shabbat April 19

Following the success of its recent Oneg Shabbat and this weekend's productions of "Guys and Dolls", President Stephen Kule announced plans for a Couple's Club Sabbath on Saturday, April 19.

Couple's Club members, and those

who should be, will conduct all parts of the *Shabbat* morning services. A luncheon for all young couples of the KJ — Ramaz family, their guests and children will follow. Reservations should be made now by calling the Synagogue Office.

A Tribute To A Wonderful Teacher

The poem of this title, presented below, was written by our member, Mr. George Weiss, in recognition of Rabbi Maurice Wohlgernter. It was read at the conclusion of the last class of this year's series: Seminar in American Jewish Fiction. It is a beautiful tribute and expressed the sentiment of all those who were privileged to participate.

*To Rabbi Maurice Wohlgernter
Our sincere, heartfelt thanks,
For the instructive, joyful Wednesday
evenings,
Which, in his class we spent.*

*Most of us are extensive readers
Since our early childhood days,
But his learned, lucid explanations,
Lit up some untread ways.*

*From Melamed, Roth to Bellow
With his literary scalpel he probed,
And opened to us brand new vistas,
Of which the novels were composed.*

*We learned to seek, and search and
wonder*

*For symbols behind each name,
And line up the chief protagonists,
Like in an evenly, well matched game.*

*So we come to bid a fond farewell,
To our Rabbi, teacher, friend,
But if you come to our Sabbath services,
You can meet him and shake his hand.*

January, 1980

Gloria B. Kobrin

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A SPECTACULAR PURIM!

Saturday night, March 1, was an unforgettable experience for the overflow crowd which sat and stood in the Main Synagogue of Kehilath Jeshurun to hear the *Megillah*. It was simply a spectacular event which defies description.

We are very grateful to Steven Berkowitz, Neil Mosesson, Steven Koppel, Roger Mosesson, George Blumenthal, Robert Riederman, Craig Barany, Robert Meislin and Moshe Rosenberg who read the *Megillah* in that order. We are extremely appreciative of Stue Chesner's work in organizing the children and the devoted service of so many teenagers in helping to make the event a happy and educational one for the children as well as for the adults.

The morning of March 2 was equally spectacular. We are proud of Joshua Mehsher, Andy Kaplan, Moshe Scheinfeld, Matthew Lindenbaum, Steven Eisman, Carl Mosesson, Bennet Lindenbaum, Steven Brown, Ethan Schwartz, Matthew Cohen, Eugene Major, Bert Rosen and Peter Miller who *davened* and read the *Megillah* and who made the occasion a most memorable one. Once again, we appreciate the care which our teenagers and the leaders of the Youth Department gave to our children in order to make this Purim even better than all of the lovely ones we enjoyed before.

After the *Megillah* on Saturday night Ramaz students sold falafel, pizza, humantashen, ice cream and soda. The proceeds went to a special project of

the G.O. of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School which consisted of sending 24 copies of Avital Scharansky's book "Next Year in Jerusalem" together with a personal letter on behalf of her husband Anatoly to 24 heads of States. What more appropriate thing could be done on Purim but to work for the survival and release of a fellow Jew who is in prison?

The night activity was capped by a magnificent performance of "Fiddler on the Roof" by the faculty of Ramaz to a standing room only audience. Proceeds will go to the Ramaz Scholarship Fund. It was a production that left everyone jovial and happy.

The *Megillah* says that these days of Purim shall not pass. For us at Kehilath Jeshurun this year's Purim fit that description perfectly. It will surely never pass from our memories. We will recall it with fondness and with the enthusiasm which our young people gave to it in this year of 5740.

We are extremely grateful to our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg, for having prepared the young men both for the evening service and the morning service for the reading of the *Megillah* and the *davening*. The past few weeks have been difficult ones for Mr. Rosenberg because of his illness. It is all the more remarkable and commendable that he was able to complete this preparation in time and with so much talent.

GUYS AND DOLLS

A few tickets may still be available for this weekend's KJ Couple's Club production.

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Rabbi Haskel Lookstein to Lecture At YMHA on "What American Jews Were Doing While Six Million Died"

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will deliver three lectures at the YMHA on the general subject "What American Jews Were Doing While Six Million Died." Readers of the bulletin will recall that this was the subject of the Rabbi's dissertation for which he received a Ph.D. from the Bernard Revel Graduate School of Yeshiva last June.

The lectures will be held on Wednesday evenings, at 6:15, April 9, 16 and 23. The first lecture will be concerned with *Kristallnacht* and the *St. Louis*. The second will deal with the revelation of the Final Solution and how Jews reacted to the news. The third lecture will concern itself with the conclusion of the Holocaust, the Hungarian occupation and a general review of the response of American Jewry to the Holocaust while it was happening.

Those interested in tickets for the lectures should contact the YMHA at 427-6000.

Jobs For Russian Jews

The International League for the Repatriation of Russian Jews has started a project of placing Russian immigrants in the United States with Jewish companies which will allow them the opportunity of observing Shabbat and Yom Tov. If you have job opportunities which Russian Jews might be able to fill, please contact the office of the League directly at 315 Church Street, Suite 200, New York, N.Y. (the telephone number is 212 431-6866).

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Two Torah Writings Held One More Scheduled for March 23 Alumni To Have Ceremony on April 16

Two mini Torah Writing programs were held on February 10 and 24. The first brought together members of the Couples Club and parents and children from the Ramaz Primary School. The second included members of the Congregation whose last names begin from A to J together with parents and children from the Middle School of Ramaz.

Both occasions were beautiful ones. Rabbi Haskel Lookstein spoke about the late Senior Rabbi of the Congregation and related the concept of memory to the act of writing a Torah and to carrying on the life of the person who is remembered. Individual persons and families together were called up to the center *bimah* and everyone — men, women and children — had an opportunity to physically participate in the Torah Writing ceremony. The program in each case was enhanced by the participation of a small group from the Upper School Chorus of Ramaz, conducted by Frannie Robins, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin B. Robins. In addition to conducting, she also provided an original musical composition based on Psalm 121 which she composed in memory of the late Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

Everyone who was at both occasions felt that he and she had participated in a very significant religious experience and many made it a point to speak to us and write about the experience itself.

The final Torah Writing ceremonies will be held on March 23 for all remaining members of the Congregation and for parents and students of the Rabbi Joseph H Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz. In addition, there will be a special Alumni gathering on Wednesday evening, April 16, to which all graduates of the School have already been invited. The dedication of the Torah is scheduled for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday, May 4.

Soviet Emigre Orchestra To Perform At Carnegie Hall

The Soviet Emigre Orchestra, featuring the finest of the recently arrived emigre musicians will present a concert at Carnegie Hall on Tuesday evening, March 25, at 8:00 P.M. The orchestra includes artists from such renowned ensembles as the Bolshoi and Kirov Theaters as well as the Leningrad and Moscow Philharmonic Orchestras.

The program will include Haydn's

Symphony 45 (Farewell), Bach's Violin Concerto in A Minor, Tchaikovsky's Serenade for Strings, and Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik.

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March 15 Shabbat Hachodesh
Torah Portion: Vayakhel—Pekude
Haftorah: Ezekiel 45

March 22
Torah Portion: Vayikra
Haftorah: Isaiah 43

March 29 Shabbat Hagadol
Torah Portion: Tzav
Haftorah: Malachi

April 5 Shabbat Chol Hamoed
Torah Portion: Exodus 33
Haftorah: Ezekiel 37

April 12
Torah Portion: Shemini
Haftorah: II Samuel 6

April 19
Torah Portion: Tazria — Metzora
Haftorah: II Kings 7

Candle Lighting

Friday, March 14 5:43 P.M.
Friday, March 21 5:51 P.M.
Friday, March 28 5:58 P.M.
Friday, April 4 6:06 P.M.
Friday, April 11 6:13 P.M.
Friday, April 18 6:20 P.M.

Sabbath Services

Friday Evening

March 14 5:50 P.M.
March 21 6:00 P.M.
March 28 6:00 P.M.
April 4 6:00 P.M.
April 11 6:20 P.M.
April 19 6:30 P.M.

Saturday Morning

Shiur 8:00 A.M.
Shacharit 9:00 A.M.
Teen Minyan 9:30 A.M.
Junior Congregation. 10:30 A.M.
Pre-School 10:45 A.M.
Toddlers 10:45 A.M.

Saturday Afternoon

March 15 5:00 P.M.
March 22 6:00 P.M.
March 29 5:20 P.M.
April 5 6:15 P.M.
April 12 6:20 P.M.
April 19 6:30 P.M.

Conclusion of Sabbath

Saturday, March 15 6:38 P.M.
Saturday, March 22 6:44 P.M.
Saturday, March 29 6:53 P.M.
Saturday, April 5 7:01 P.M.
Saturday, April 11 7:09 P.M.
Saturday, April 19 7:16 P.M.

Weekday Services

Morning 7:30 A.M.
Evening 5:45 P.M.

Sunday Services

Morning 8:30 A.M.
Father and Son Minyan . 9:30 A.M.
Evening 5:45 P.M.

Rosh Chodesh

Rosh Chodesh Nisan will be on
Tuesday, March 18. Rosh Chodesh
prayers will be recited on Saturday
morning, March 15.

Rosh Chodesh Iyar will be on
Wednesday and Thursday, April 16
and 17. Rosh Chodesh prayers will
be recited on Saturday morning,
April 12.