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ISRAEL'S 42nd ANNIVERSARY TO HIGHLIGHT YOM HA'ATZMAUT PROGRAM

Israel Independence Day Celebration Sunday Evening, April 29 at 7:30 PM

Kehilath Jeshurun will once again be the site of a spirited observance and celebration of Yom Ha'Atzmaut - Israel Independence Day, this time in honor of the 42nd anniversary of the State of Israel.

The Zimriah will feature over 200 children of the Ramaz Lower School performing an evening of songs and other artistic impressions.

The theme is: "CHAVERIM KOL YISRAEL - THE UNITY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE".

The children will be performing songs of unity that will emphasize the Jewish communities in Russia, Israel and the United States. The modern day miracle of the great exodus of Soviet Jews to Israel and into freedom will highlight the evening.

There will be a special effort to make a telephone connection to Israel where Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will be leading the KJ/Ramaz contingent of the Israel 1990 Mission. It will be the middle of the night in Israel, hours after the celebration started there. The contingent will have already seen some of the early impact

of this huge and exciting immigration and will have comments about its impact upon our Homeland and its people.

The program is under the direction of our Ramaz Lower School Music Director, Yussie Hayes, who himself has just released a tape of music which he wrote, arranged and recorded. It is an exciting accomplishment for a young, creative musician who we are fortunate to have as part of our KJ/Ramaz family. The leadership of the evening's program will be provided by Rabbi Mayer Moskowitz.

Come for a memorable, enjoyable, fun and entertaining evening. Demonstrate our love for and commitment to our Homeland. It is the best way to spend Yom Ha'Atzmaut if you cannot actually be in Israel. Come with family. Come with friends. Come with children. Come!

**SUNDAY EVENING
APRIL 29
7:30 PM
IN THE MAIN SYNAGOGUE**

118th ANNUAL MEETING TO FEATURE APPOINTMENT OF NEW ASSOCIATE RABBI AND RITUAL DIRECTOR FAREWELL TRIBUTE TO RABBIS COHEN AND GARTENBERG

Thursday, May 17, 1990, at 8:00 PM

The 118th Annual Meeting of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will be held this year on Thursday evening, May 17, at 8:00 in the Kamber Auditorium. Included in the evening's program will be a special farewell tribute to Rabbi Steven Cohen and Rabbi Michael Gartenberg and the selection of the Congregation's first Associate Rabbi since Rabbi Haskel Lookstein was elevated to that post in 1963. As was written in a previous issue of the *Bulletin*, Rabbi Mark Dratch has been approved for that appointment by the Board of Trustees.

For the first time since 1954, Kehilath Jeshurun is appointing a new Ritual Director to succeed Mr. Israel D. Rosenberg. At its April 3rd meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Rabbi Israel D. Bendelstein

to that position. More is written about that elsewhere on this page.

Members of the congregation celebrating significant milestones of membership will be honored. New members to the congregation will be inducted. Rabbi Lookstein will offer eulogies in honor of the memory of those members of the congregation who went to their eternal reward since the last Annual Meeting.

We invite the entire membership of the congregation to attend this important and historic Annual Meeting and to join together at a Collation in the Social Hall following the proceedings.

**THURSDAY EVENING
MAY 17
8:00 PM**

RABBI ISRAEL BENDELSTEIN APPROVED AS NEW RITUAL DIRECTOR OF THE CONGREGATION

Stanley Gurewitsch, President of the congregation, announced that at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, held on April 3, a recommendation of the Officers was approved to appoint Rabbi Israel David Bendelstein as the new Ritual Director of the congregation. Rabbi Bendelstein will be officially elected at the Annual Meeting on May 17.

Rabbi Bendelstein is a graduate of Yeshiva University, from whose Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary he received S'micha in June of 1983. He has been studying in the Gruss Kollel Elyon of Yeshiva University for the past four years. He is a graduate of Yeshiva College, with a B.A. in chemistry, and he studied with Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik for three years.

He has served as a Rabbi with two congregations in New Jersey and a teacher of Talmud and mathematics in several yeshivot. He is an experienced ba'al kri'ah.

Rabbi Bendelstein is married and the father of a 16-month-old daughter. His wife is expecting their second child, please God, very shortly. We look forward to welcoming Rabbi and Mrs. Bendelstein to our congregation and to benefitting from the professional skill and Torah knowledge of this fine young Rabbi.

FROM BEIRUT TO JERUSALEM TO BE NEXT AM HASEFER

Sunday, May 20, 8:00 PM

The next meeting of the Am Hasefer Book discussion club will be held on Sunday evening, May 20 at 8:00. Under discussion that evening will be Thomas L. Friedman's book, *From Beirut to Jerusalem*.

In a gripping and thought-provoking account, Friedman describes with intense vividness what it is like to live in a city gone mad, like Beirut. He portrays the PLO and the Intifada in stark, realistic terms, describing the politics of extremism, fundamentalism, and terrorism. The review of this important work is sure to arouse the passions of all who participate.

The discussion will be led by Cindy April and will take place in the home of Drs. Paula & Adam Bender, 150 East 77th Street at Lexington Avenue.

All members of the congregational family are invited to participate. Please call the synagogue office to indicate your attendance.

KJ CALENDAR

April 28, Saturday 7:40 PM	Gruss Lecture I & Seudah Shlishit
April 29, Sunday 7:30 PM	Yom HaAtzmaut Zimriah
April 30, Monday 7:00 AM	Yom HaAtzmaut Service & Breakfast
May 5, Saturday 9:00 AM	Couples Club Shabbaton
May 5, Saturday 7:50 PM	Gruss Lecture II & Seudah Shlishit
May 8, Tuesday 10:30 AM 12:30 PM 8:00 PM	Sisterhood Boutique Sisterhood Annual Luncheon F.I.N.D Meeting
May 12, Saturday 7:50 PM	Gruss Lecture III & Seudah Shlishit
May 13, Sunday 12:00 PM	Salute to Israel Parade
May 17, Thursday 8:00 PM	118th Annual Meeting
May 19, Saturday 8:00 PM	Shavuot Lecture by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks & Seudah Shlishit
May 20, Sunday 8:00 PM	Am Hasefer Book Discussion Club
May 23, Wednesday 7:00 AM	Yom Yerushalayim Service & Breakfast
May 29, Tuesday 9:30 PM	Shavuot Dinner & Tikkun Leil Shavuot
June 9, Saturday 9:00 AM	Women's Tefillah Group
June 13, Wednesday 8:00 PM	Ramaz Graduation
June 21, Thursday 5:00 PM	Ramaz Lower School Advancement Day

The KJ Couples Club

Cordially invites its members and friends to its
ANNUAL SHABBATON AND LUNCHEON

including a

**FAREWELL TRIBUTE TO
 RABBI STEVEN and BETH COHEN
 and**

RABBI MICHAEL and MIRIAM GARTENBERG

Services led by the members of the Couples Club

Saturday, May 5, 1990

Adults \$23.00 Children \$10.00

Gilda & Charles Guttman and Vivianne & Robert Kurzweil

Co-Chairpersons

Reservations may be made through the Synagogue Office
 (427-1000)

THREE GRUSS KOLLEL LECTURES TO BE HELD

Once again this year we will have the privilege of holding the Gruss Kollel lectures at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Three lectures, given by Fellows of the Gruss Kollel Elyon of Yeshiva University will be held on three consecutive Shabbatot, April 28, and May 5 and 12.

The Gruss Kollel Elyon is an advanced Institute of Talmudic and Rabbinic studies. Its benefactors, Joseph and the late Caroline Gruss, are well known to us as munificent benefactors and unequaled supporters of Jewish education on all levels.

The Gruss Kollel has been modeled after the famous Kollel of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan, spec- tor of Kovno, whose scholars formed the intel- lectual basis of Talmudic leaders for that generation. The Gruss Fellows represent a broad spectrum of scholarships and learning experiences. From their ranks, it is hoped, will come authentic spiritual leadership for our people in this time and place.

The three scholars who will address the con- gregation are all graduates of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University. All three are currently on the facul- ty of Yeshiva University in one of its many departments.

The Men's Club of the congregation will be pleased to host Seudot Shlishit on each of the three Shabbatot. We invite the entire congrega- tion to come and hear these illuminating, young scholars discuss their assigned topics.

KJ POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND JCRC PRESENT MIDEAST HIGHLIGHTS

TRADE AGREEMENT.

The warming between Israel and the Soviet Union has resulted in a new trade agreement bringing to an end the 1967 break in economic relations.

ISRAEL AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

Foreign Minister Moshe Arens signed an agreement with President Vaclav Havel for the resumption of full diplomatic relations between Israel and Czechoslovakia, severed in 1967.

ISRAEL AND ETHIOPIA.

Israel opened an embassy in Addis Ababa following the resumption of full diplomatic relations with Ethiopia. A special division assists in the reunification of Ethiopian families with relatives in Israel.

ISRAEL AND THE MOON.

In commemoration of the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America, the United States, Europe and Asia will participate in a race to the moon. Israel will submit a design for the European Space-Ship and, if chosen, will represent Europe in the race.

ISRAEL AND THE ARABS.

Arab countries including Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Iraq will be sending buyers to Israel's agricultural exhibition. This is the first time this is being done with their nationality openly revealed.

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REMARKS BY ZEV RAIZ TO PRESIDENT BUSH AT THE WHITE HOUSE

On Wednesday, April 4, Carmela and Zev Raiz were received by President Bush in the Oval Office. Following remarks by the President, Zev Raiz spoke the following words to the leader of the free world:

Mr. President:

Jewish people give their thanks at this time of the year for being released, more than 3,000 years ago, from Egypt. We are grateful for our delivery from today's Egypt — Communist Russia.

We know that without faith in God we could not have reached this marvelous moment when we are free citizens of Israel — the land of our dreams. We thank you Mr. President, and we thank all Americans — who helped us win two freedoms. Spiritual freedom — our ability to learn and observe the faith of our fathers — and physical freedom, which enables us to live where and how we choose.

I am sure that, under your guidance, the United States will continue to support people everywhere who battle for freedom.

I can report to you, Mr. President, that Soviet Jews are grateful for America's very recent role in the renewal of flights directly from Hungary to Israel. We all trust that, with similar firm actions in the future you will gain a distinguished place in the Haggadah that is now being written — the account of the Great Modern Exodus of Russian Jews and their return to the land of their fathers.

Thank you.

F.I.N.D. TO HOLD COMMUNAL MEETING

F.I.N.D., Families In New Directions, will hold its next meeting on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 8:00 PM, in the Board Room of the congregation. At that time, members of the group who are single parents within KJ and Ramaz will meet with Rabbis of the community in order to share with them insights into the special needs and circumstances of F.I.N.D.'s members.

Those who would like further information about this group are asked to call our Executive Director, Robert J. Leifert, at the Synagogue Office, 427-1000.

MIDEAST HIGHLIGHTS

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ISRAEL AND JAPAN.

Honda has broken with the Arab League boycott of Israel.

ISRAEL AND EGYPT.

A delegation of Egyptian businessmen recently arrived in Israel in an effort to improve commercial relations between the two countries.

ISRAEL AND KENYA.

Ben Gurion University has undertaken a research project to improve agricultural production in Kenya.

OPERATION EXODUS LAUNCHED AT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AND SABBATH

At a historic Board Meeting held at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein on March 27, members of the Board of Trustees, augmented by other members of the congregation, raised more than \$340,000 for Operation Exodus, the special campaign of UJA-Federation in New York, to support the aliyah of Soviet Jews to Israel. On March 31, the Sabbath immediately following the meeting, an open appeal was held in shul and an additional \$300,000 was raised for this purpose.

The campaign here in our congregation, which is the first of any congregation in New York, has been spearheaded by Elise and Henry Feuerstein, Chairpeople, and Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein and the Officers of the congregation. We are gratified with the response thus far and we hope that before the campaign is concluded every member of the congregation will do his or her part to turn the miraculous dream of Soviet Jewish aliyah into a glorious reality.

We are living in historic times. What would we have given two years ago to have a possibility of absorbing 1,000,000 Soviet Jews in Israel over a period of a few years? That is exactly the prospect that faces us now. We know that Kehilath Jeshurun will rise to this unprecedented opportunity and we are confident that the New York Jewish community and Jews throughout the United States will do the same.

The general pattern that we are asking people to follow is to make their regular campaign gift and then add to it a similar amount or more for Operation Exodus, the latter pledge being payable over a period of three years if necessary. Thus, for example, if a person's normal campaign gift is \$5,000 the person would repeat the gift, at the very least, and then add an additional \$5,000 or more for Operation Exodus. That second \$5,000 can be paid over a period of three years.

This pattern has been followed so far by most of the donors. In many cases, however, people have greatly increased the amount which they are giving to Operation Exodus over and above their regular campaign gift. The outpouring of support has been extremely gratifying.

The goal in this congregation is \$900,000, which means settling 50 families in Israel at an average cost of \$18,000 each. For a congregation with, thank God, over 800 families the figure of \$900,000 or more should not be difficult to reach. We hope, of course, to surpass that goal and to be able to do our share in helping the New York Jewish community to reach its announced goal of \$100,000,000.

Pledges and payments can be made directly through the congregation's office. Please send it to the attention of Rabbi Lookstein.

ANNUAL SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON AND BOUTIQUE

Tuesday, May 8, 1990

Boutique: 10:30 AM

Luncheon: 12:30 PM

Handbags * Tablecloths * Napkins * Silver * Jewelry
Judaica * Children's Gifts * Stationery * Semi-Precious Jewelry
Ceramics * Watches * Much, Much More

Fashion Show by Robert David Morton

Proceeds to benefit Soviet Jewry

Babysitting available for Nursery 3 and 4.

\$60 per person in cash or raffles

Celebrate Israel's Forty-Second Anniversary

at the

SALUTE TO ISRAEL PARADE

Sunday, May 13, 1990

12:00 Noon

Fifth Avenue and 57th Street to 86th Street

Come out to Fifth Avenue and welcome the parade to the KJ Community.
GIVE A WARM SALUTE TO THE BEAUTIFUL CONTINGENT FROM RAMAZ.

NEW BOOK ON NEW YORK JEWS HIGHLIGHTS KJ/RAMAZ AND ITS RABBIS

We are proud to announce the publication of a new volume titled *New York's Jewish Jews—The Orthodox Community In The Interwar Years* by Dr. Jenna Weissman Joselit.

Dr. Joselit discusses the immigrant generation of Orthodox Jews and their children and how it evolves into a modernized synagogue and rabbinate. Much of her presentation is built around Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, Ramaz School, Rabbi Moses Z. Margolies ("The Ramaz") and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

Dr. Joselit has been a member of our Adult Institute faculty and has spoken at the congregation previously. We believe members of KJ will find this book to be fascinating reading and will shed much light on the history, philosophy and traditions of our own community and the leadership that guided it toward where it is today.

Copies of the book may be purchased at Judaica Classics by Doina in the synagogue lobby.

YOM YERUSHALAYIM SERVICE

Kehilath Jeshurun will observe Yom Yerushalayim - Jerusalem Day on Wednesday, May 23, with services beginning that morning at 7:00. This will be followed by a special breakfast in honor of the occasion.

5750/1990 marks the 23rd anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem which took place during the Six Day War in June of 1967. It is an important milestone and historic moment in Jewish history. To show our pride, we are all encouraged to attend services that morning and to participate in the breakfast that follows.

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FAREWELL TO THE KJ FAMILY BY ISRAEL & GOLDIE ROSENBERG

April 1, 1990

For the past 36 years I have had the pleasure and the privilege of serving at Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz as the Ritual Director and Cantillation teacher.

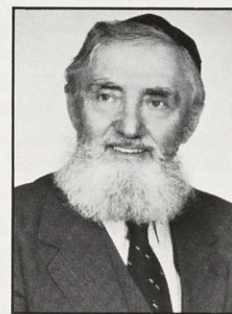
How does one say good bye to so many friends, acquaintances and children I have served in good times as well as in sad times?

During these many years my wife, Goldie and I have felt that we, indeed, had a wonderful family and we were always proud to be affiliated with you and we grew closer to you. We rejoiced with you on your simchas, bar mitzvahs, anniversaries, birthdays and weddings. On the other hand we suffered for you and felt for you, God forbid, in sad times always trying to be helpful, consoling and comforting to you and close to each and every one of you.

There was a special bond between me and the regular daily worshippers who come every single day no matter what the weather was to help preserve the minyan- these dear people I shall miss mostly - the members all of whom I have taught for years for their bar mitzvahs and their children now all of whom I have pet names for and all of them I specifically call by his Hebrew name endearing him to me and making him proud of his Hebrew name and Jewish heritage.

All you wonderful parents and your precious children, each and every one of you—I will miss greatly. To all our membership and acquaintances of KJ who have known me over the years or whom I have helped one way or another—it was a pleasure and you too will be missed! You were always there for us to rejoice at our children's bar mitzvahs and weddings thereby enriching our friendship and our lives by your concern and your attendance.

There, however, comes a time when one feels he must return. The very many duties and responsibilities I was responsible for in the background (which hardly anyone knew about) all of which help run your synagogue services, simchas and affairs smoothly started to be just too much on one person, especially



Israel D. Rosenberg

since the congregation has grown and keeps growing, kein yirbu, since I first came here—all of this became very clear to me how important it was to retire especially before the High Holy Days which had been taking a toll on my health. My wife and my family tried for the past few years to point it out to me but I couldn't and wouldn't see this. This year, however, I finally understood that as much as I love you all and enjoy being needed by you, I needed most of all to take care of myself and my health. After giving ample notice to the Rabbi and sitting for countless numbers of hours while others took notes on all my varied duties and how they would take over, I finally left temporarily for my first High Holy Day season as a private Baal Habos. We both missed KJ and all our people very much! — But we fully intended to finish the year in May when I originally started out at KJ on May 1, 1954. When we went to Florida in January I didn't know I would be hit with bronchitis and the Florida Bombshell Flu and not be able to come back for Purim and Pesach. Nevertheless I talked long distance with each boy involved in reading the Megillah and reminded each to study the tapes I left him.

We shall miss you and you'll miss us I know but we'll always think of you fondly and you'll always be in our hearts and in our prayers. God Bless You!

Affectionately,
Goldie and Israel Rosenberg

SPONSOR A KIDDUSH

A beautiful and traditional way of observing a yahrzeit, anniversary, birthday or special simcha is to celebrate with the community by sponsoring a Shabbat morning kiddush. We list here some available dates in the coming months.

April 28
May 5, 19, 26
June 16, 23, 30
July & August - all are available

Please call Chani Wolk in the Synagogue Office at 427-1000 to make arrangements.

ACADEMIC NEWS REQUESTED

At this season of the year we are already beginning to think of the milestones and honors which the members of the Congregation and their families will be experiencing during the coming months.

We would like to record all of those honors in the *Bulletin*. If you or anyone you know is observing such a milestone or receiving a particular honor in academic or professional life, we ask you to please send us the information without delay. It is one more way of creating the family spirit we like to foster at KJ and Ramaz.

We hope to hear from you soon.

ISRAEL D. ROSENBERG — A SON'S APPRECIATION

by Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg

Mr. Rosenberg retired this past winter after serving Kehilath Jeshurun as its Ritual Director for 36 years.

It was another Shavuot morning, over fifty years ago, in the Polish town of Levertov, and the Levertover Chassidim waited. Nine o'clock, ten o'clock, but the Rebbe, Rav Moshe Yechiel Elimelech Rabinowitz did not emerge from his room to daven. Finally a delegation of Chassidim gathered the courage to seek the reason for the delay. "The final *niggun* we sang last night was a depressing one," explained the Rebbe. "Before we can start this morning we need a new melody - an uplifting one, to set the mood for receiving the Torah. Call in Srul David, di kleineh Itcheh Motteh." And so astonished Chassidim found themselves approaching thirteen year old Yisroel Dovid, son of the Rebbe's assistant Yitzchok Mordechai, with instructions to extemporaneously compose a *Niggun Shel Simcha*. Only once the boy had composed that *niggun*, taught it to the assembled Chassidim and led them in dance, did the Rebbe begin the Tefillah. Israel David Rosenberg has been weaving melodies into the fabric of Jewish life ever since.

His melodic interpretation of a poetic letter written by the previous Lubavitcher Rebbe is still sung by Chassidim; the *niggun* he wrote for my mother when they were engaged is a family treasure, the prelude to a duet - so far - of forty-two years. It played at my wedding, testimony to undiminished love and devotion.

Drinking deeply at the Chassidic fountains of his youth: Levertov, Lubavitch, Amshenov, Modzitz, he imbibed their Torah, spirit and music. He was the uncanny knack of hearing a melody once and remembering it exactly as sung. Sadly, yet proudly, that was to become his life's work.

When the institutions and individuals that peopled his youth in pre-war Poland became memories reflected only in the tears he shed secretly, his job became recreating them from the wisp of a melody recalled. From what he had seen "in der heim" my father brought a sense of "heimishness" to these shores. Not heimish in the sense used to promote hotels or brands of gefilte fish, but in the feeling of rootedness, of connection to truths of an ancient tradition as practiced by one who saw firsthand how it all was done. Small wonder that one current member, descended of Gerer Chassidim, ended her search for a synagogue when she heard a Kriyat HaTorah and Havdallah that transported her back to the time when nusach was an art.

If Neginah is the language of the soul,

perhaps that explains why this ba'al menagen is uniquely able to touch the souls of others. Many are the forms of uneasiness that can afflict the shul goer, and each found a perceptive diagnostician and skilled therapist in the Ritual Director of KJ. Successful executives, at home in any boardroom, can feel totally lost in the unfamiliar routines of shul life. The road from door to seat is serpentine and the windings of tefillin labyrinthine. Enter Mr. Rosenberg: First experience of the Jew-off-the street, tour guide, shoulder, teacher, friend, diplomat, peacemaker, keeper of the arena in which any Jewish soul can find its creator.

The mourner, coming to services to recite Kaddish for a loved one, seeks God out of pain, bitterness and despair, and needs a roadmap toward hope. Enter the master cartographer. When the brother of a well known Jewish scholar and author concluded Kaddish for his wife, he told his brother, "this man saved my life!" How? By sitting next to him, day after dreary day. No one will ever know the words that passed between the two, of if any passed at all; healing is communicated on many levels whose common denominator is Chesed.

It was never enough for my father that his Ramaz and KJ Bar Mitzvah students be proficient; it was a given that every accent would be in place, every sheva properly pronounced, with no mercha-tipcha combos allowed to masquerade as tipcha-merchas. But he wanted more. Every boy had to be a favorite, with his own inside jokes, his own special relationship, even his own pet name of endearment. I believe not even Matot-Massei well read gave him as much satisfaction as the time a timid student approached with hurt in his eyes because "you have a nickname for everyone else in the class except me!" Wherever I go in communal life I find his students, expert Torah readers and teachers who still recall most his warmth, his love and his pedagogy. Doctors will forget their stethoscopes and lawyers their briefs (oops!) before one of my father's students forgets his Chinese Munach.

Sometimes he has done the near impossible. How do you tell an indignant Board member, just arrived in shul from the airport, that he cannot lead services for his father's *yahrzeit* . . . unless he puts on a tie? Whom do you send to the Amud when three people have *yahrzeit* the same evening . . . ? How do you shoehorn three services of people into two High Holidays services, and manage still to please those who

"must have seventeen consecutive women's seats in the main shul overlooking their husbands at an angle, degrees of which to be specified"? For some twenty years, after the bookkeeper who had done it left, my father managed to pull off the miracle year after year. The year he gave it up, the third service was founded.

I am convinced that, in view of the delicate diplomacy for which he was called upon, God provided him with one supernatural ability. On occasion, the most prudent course of action for him would be to absent himself, and then - poof - like the haunting strains of a forgotten song, he would disappear. This sense of timing was finely honed. My brother calls it the best imitation of a water-cooler this side of Deer Park. Rabbi Joseph Lookstein A"H, described it differently. "Your father doesn't disappear, heh, heh, heh, he evaporates!"

It's not surprising that when my father began his class in the Chassidic philosophy of the Tanya, most of his students were psychiatrists. Somehow, these surgeons of the soul found common ground in the analysis of the Jewish neshama and its potential. What nobody knew was that this class was an echo of another, much earlier one, begun one Elul way back when Rabbi Joseph Lookstein asked if they could schedule a steady *chavrusa* in the study of Tanya. The volume with the Rabbi's notations still can be found in the shul.

To have given all he has, is admirable. To have done so without seeking credit is rare. (How many people know that he earned Semicha before coming to KJ, yet never used the title Rabbi?) To have done it without neglecting his family is nothing short of remarkable. Only someone blessed with an understanding and equal partner like my mother could aspire to hit the high notes my father has.

Niggunim don't end; they permeate secret places of the heart long after their actual chords are hushed. What next? Certainly not rest-tzaddikim ein lahem menucha - the righteous, says the Talmud, are not entitled to rest when there is so much to be done: the nusach and melodies of Modzitz, personally witnessed, still unredeemed; the tales of Vilna, Japan, Shanghai waiting to be told; generations of descendants reaching for the Torah and love they no longer have to share. Ma, put me down for a *chavrusa* in Tanya; I couldn't be in better company.

Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg is the Assistant Rabbi of the Riverdale Jewish Center.

THIRD ANNUAL SHAVUOT DINNER TO BE SPONSORED BY KJ MEN'S CLUB

Under the sponsorship of the KJ Men's Club, the entire Kehilath Jeshurun family is invited to reserve space at our third annual Shavuot Dinner, to be held on the first night of Yom Tov, Tuesday evening, May 29, in the Kamber Auditorium.

In earlier years, many people commented that they had not had sufficient time to go home following Mincha and Maariv services, have a Yom Tov dinner and be back in time for Tikun Leil Shavuot learning. The catered dinner served after Maariv will allow many more people to attend Tikun Leil Shavuot beginning at 11:30 that evening.

The chairmen for the event this year are Larry Creizman, Dr. Marrick Kukin and Michael Schochat. The cost is \$20.00 per adult and \$15.00 per child.

Members of the congregation are asked to make reservations now by sending a check to the synagogue office.

We believe this will be an exciting way to again start off a beautiful Shavuot for the congregational family, and we urge you to invite friends and relatives to join with you.

RABBI ELIEZER RUBIN TO HEADLINE TIKUN LEIL SHAVUOT OBSERVANCE

Tikun Leil Shavuot this year will be on Tuesday evening, May 29, following the special Yom Tov dinner and siyum ha-Tanach sponsored by the Men's Club of the congregation. Tikun Leil Shavuot will begin at 11:30 in the Social Hall.

Rabbi Eliezer Rubin will lead off the Tikun with a one hour shiur. Following that, he and Rabbi Cohen and Rabbi Gartenberg will learn through the night with all those who will participate in this great observance of the giving of Torah. There will be an opportunity also for high school students to study for their Talmud finals together with the Rabbis.

Topics and times of the various shiurim will be announced at a later date. In the meantime, plan to be with us for Tikun Leil Shavuot, enjoy the Torah and the refreshments throughout the night and participate in the sunrise service on Wednesday morning, the first day of the festival.

RABBI JONATHAN SACKS TO SPEAK AT SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Saturday, May 19

Our Visiting Scholar, Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, will deliver the final lecture in his Seudah Shlishit series this year on the subject of Shavuot. It will be presented on Saturday afternoon, May 19, following Mincha which will begin at 7:45 PM.

Rabbi Sacks' series has been sponsored by the Men's Club of the congregation and all men and women of the community are invited to attend.

Schedule For Shavuot Services

Tuesday, May 29, Shavuot Eve

Lighting of the candles 7:58 PM
Evening 8:15 PM
Tikkun Leil Shavuot 11:30 PM

Wednesday, May 30-Shavuot I

Morning 9:00 AM
Lighting of candles after 9:01 PM
Evening 8:15 PM

Thursday, May 31-Shavuot II

Morning 9:00 AM

The Book of Ruth will be read
Yizkor is recited as part of this service

Evening 8:20 PM
Conclusion of Yom Tov 9:02 PM

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LAST CALL

Once again during this season of the year, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will publish a **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** in which the names of departed dear ones are recorded by their living relatives who recite *Yizkor* for them four times a year. At the *Yizkor* service there is a prayer which says that an offering has been made in memory of those for whom *Yizkor* was recited.

Members of the congregation and the community-at-large may authorize us to publish the names of their departed relatives by making a token contribution of \$10 or more for each name to be memorialized. Please use the form below if you wish us to record names for you.

The Book will go to press on Monday, April 30, so that it will be ready in time for *Shavuot*.

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun Book of Remembrance

Enclosed please find my *Yizkor* offerings* for the entire year in memory of those listed below, who are to be recorded in the **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** published by the congregation.

☐ Please duplicate last year's listing(s) Offering\$ for people
Please add the following:

FULL NAME IN ENGLISH (PLEASE PRINT)	OFFERING
Name	\$
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Your Name	
Address	
Phone	

☐ Please check here if you did not have a listing last year.

*This offering is a token of reverence and is designed to be within reach of all.
We suggest a contribution of \$10 or more for each name.

This form should be returned to our office by Monday, April 30, at 11:00 AM.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazel tov to Smadar and Dr. Abraham Goldstein on the birth of a son.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roth on the birth of a granddaughter, Ashley Ilana, born to their children Anne and Jack Mail.

Mazel tov to Elizabeth and Isaac Shalom on the birth of a daughter, Natasha Joy.

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Noam Shudofsky on the birth of a grandson, Yehuda Aharon, born to their children Miriam and Binyamin Shalev of Mitzpeh Hoshaya.

May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah and maasim tovim.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel tov to Mrs. Mildred Hostyk on the engagement of her grandson, David to Hannah Handler of New Jersey.

Mazel tov to Mrs. Gertrude Linzer on the engagement of her grandson, Ari Ginsberg, son of Elliot and Mindy Linzer Ginsberg to Sharon Kramer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Kramer of Englewood, New Jersey.

May these weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

SOCIAL ACTION CLOTHING DRIVES EXPAND TO INCLUDE LOWER EAST SIDE JEWS AND SOVIET IMMIGRANTS

Pickups now Available

Project Machson II

Project Machson II, a program which distributes much needed furniture, clothing and packaged and canned foods to newly arrived needy Russian immigrants is now able to pick up items directly from people's homes. The project operates under the auspices of the Metropolitan New York Coordinating Council on Jewish Poverty which is partially funded by the UJA-Federation.

Project Machson II will arrange to come to your home to pick up used furniture, clothing, china, cutlery, kitchenware (provided your home is kosher) and merchandise such as new bed linens, new sheets, new towels and working appliances such as tv's, vcr's, alarm clocks, blenders, toaster ovens, etc. Please note, however, that they will only accept furniture and clothing that is in good condition.

There is no minimum number of bags required for pick up. If you are interested in participating in this very worthwhile project, please call Project Machson II directly at 267-9500 and identify yourself as a "donor". Please allow two weeks lead time in order for them to arrange your pick up on their schedule.

At the time of your phone call, you should provide an estimated value of your donation. After pick up, the Metropolitan Council will send you a thank you letter acknowledging receipt of the merchandise and your estimated value of the donation for tax purposes. Items over \$5,000 require your obtaining an independent appraiser who will give you a certificate of appraisal. Remember, it is the donor's estimated value of merchandise.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Zew Braun on the loss in Israel of his father, Yaakov Braun.

Our condolences to Muriel Lukashok on the loss of her brother, Herbert Hirsch.

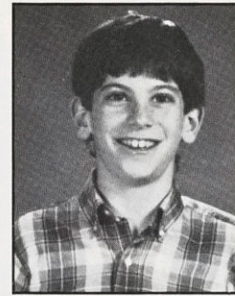
Our condolences to Mark Mittler on the loss of his father, Harry Mittler.

May these mourners be comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

COMMUNAL HONORS

We are pleased to announce that our devoted member, Howard J. Rubenstein, will be honored as The Man of the Year at a dinner dance sponsored by the Marketing Communications Division of UJA-Federation. The gala will be held on Tuesday, June 12, in the Grand Ballroom of the Pierre. Congratulations to Howard and his family for this very important honor through which the UJA-Federation campaign in New York and Operation Exodus will benefit.

BAR MITZVAH



GREGORY BRENNER

Mazel tov to Ruth and Ray Brenner on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Gregory, which will take place on Saturday, May 12, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of Emor and the Haftarah.

Gregory is a student in the seventh grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.

In Memoriam

Herbert Steinmann

He was a long-time member of the congregation who loved our House of God and enjoyed his relationship with the members of Kehilath Jeshurun.

A dynamic and highly sociable man, Herbert Steinmann made a host of friends in the business world. Always the impeccable dresser, his standards of behavior matched his sartorial elegance. He had great love and respect for his late wife, Dr. Anne Steinmann, whose work and scholarship he supported and admired.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his children and to all the members of the bereaved family.

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Good used clothes are being collected at KJ for the Eldridge Street project which distributes clothing to three synagogues on the Lower East Side. The three synagogues contribute clothes to individuals, primarily elderly Jews and younger Soviet Jews, including children, who have arrived in New York with few, if any, changes of wardrobe.

KJ already has a connection with one of the synagogues through Ramaz students who are presently volunteers in the renovation project of the shul led by the socially active and charismatic Rabbi Joseph Singer.

KJ men, women and children who would like to volunteer monthly for occasional service on the newly formed Clothes Line Committee (CLC) at KJ are urged to telephone Mrs. Jane Jacobson at 628-7934. We need help in processing and transferring the clothing here at the synagogue. Contributions of good, clean clothing may be folded and placed directly in the CLC trunk located in the lobby of the Synagogue House.

If you are in the process of "spring cleaning" or redecorating an apartment, this is a wonderful opportunity to help our needy Russian brothers and sisters. All items are distributed within 24 hours of pick up and all merchandise is given for free to these former Soviet Jews. Contributing to this project is indeed an important mitzvah and a great help toward the settling of our brethren now that they have moved into freedom.



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SABBATH SCHEDULE

	Friday Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Sabbath Afternoon	Sabbath Ends
APRIL				
27-28 Tazria-Mezorah	7:28	6:45	7:20	8:28
MAY				
4-5 Achare-Kedoshim	7:35	6:45	7:30	8:35
11-12 Emor	7:42	6:45	7:30	8:43
18-19 Behar-Bechukotai	7:49	6:45	7:45	8:51
25-26 Bamidbar	7:55	6:45	8:10	8:58
JUNE				
1-2 Naso	8:01	6:45	8:15	9:04
8-9 Behaalotecha	8:05	6:45	8:15	9:09
15-16 Shelach	8:09	6:45	8:20	9:13
22-23 Korach	8:11	6:45	8:20	9:14
29-30 Chukat	8:11	6:45	8:20	9:15

DATES TO REMEMBER

Yom Ha'Atzmaut
Monday, April 30 7:00 AM
Yom Yerushalayim
Wednesday, May 23 7:15 AM
Rosh Chodesh Sivan
Friday, May 25 7:00 AM
Memorial Day
Monday, May 28 8:30 AM
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz
Saturday, June 23
Sunday, June 24 8:30 AM

Weekday Services
Evenings 6:30 PM

Mornings 7:30
Mondays, & Thursdays 7:15
Rosh Chodesh 7:00
Sunday 8:30

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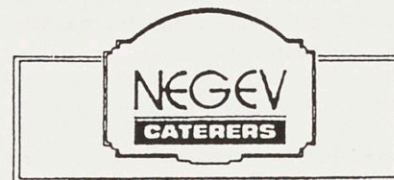
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