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A PRAYER FOR 5751

Our Father, Our King, Nullify all harsh decrees upon us. Our Father, Our King, nullify the designs of those who hate us. Our Father, Our King, thwart the plans of our enemies. Our Father, Our King, raise the pride of your people, Israel. Our Father, Our King, hear our voices, have compassion upon us and receive our prayers in kindness and favor.

Rarely has the Avinu Malkeinu prayer spoken our feelings more directly than it will this year during the Selichot season. We will, of course, be praying for forgiveness and exhorting ourselves to repent. But, on our lips and in our hearts will be the most fervent prayer for the well-being of the forces of the United States that are arrayed against a terrible, tyrannical and dangerous man. We pray for our soldiers and we pray for Israel that it may come through this crisis in security and in peace.

Join us for Selichot services this Saturday evening, September 15, at 10:00 p.m. in the Main Synagogue.

A social hour will precede the services in the Social Hall at 9:15.

RABBI RUBIN TO GIVE ROSH HASHANAH SHIUR

Saturday, September 15

Rabbi Eliezer Rubin will deliver a discourse on Rosh Hashanah at a Seudah Shlishit to be sponsored by the KJ Men's Club on Saturday, September 15. The presentation will be made following Mincha which will begin at 6:30 p.m. The entire community is invited to attend.

*All members, their families and friends
and neighbors and guests of our community*

S'lichot SERVICES

Saturday evening, September 15
10 P.M. - The Main Synagogue

SOCIAL HOUR

9:15 P.M. - The Social Hall

Please bring an unopened can or box of food
for the hungry and homeless of our community.

CAN A GET BE FORCED?

RABBI LOOKSTEIN TO EXPLORE THE SUBJECT OF COERCION IN JEWISH LAW AT SHABBAT SHUVAH DISCOURSE

Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will discuss the subject of coercion as it applies in Jewish law at the annual Shabbat Shuvah Discourse which will be given on Saturday, September 22, following Mincha services at 6:00 p.m.

There are a number of Talmudic sources that deal with the subject of forcing a person to give a GET, to sell an object or, in general, to perform a mitzvah. To what extent are the acts valid when they are performed under coercion, perhaps even under threat of death? Rabbi Lookstein will explore these questions within a framework provided by Rabbi Aaron Lichtenstein, the Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshivat Har Etzion, who dealt with a similar subject this past summer in Jerusalem.

The Aggadic part of the discourse will concern the question of coercion in Teshuva. Can one be forced to be religious? Should one

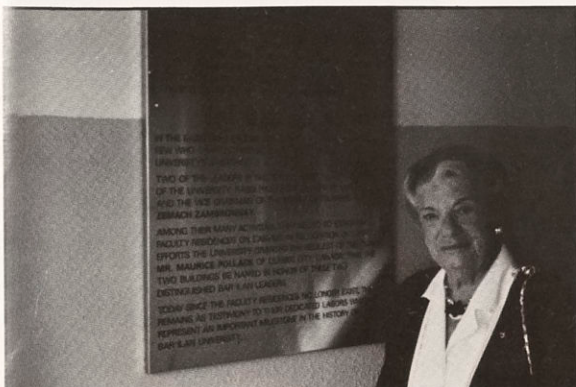
force one's self to be observant? What is the difference between performing mitzvot out of one's own free will and doing so under pressure of any kind—parental, social, or actual force? As we begin to search our own hearts and souls in the period between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, these halakhic and aggadic questions have particular relevance to us. On a halakhic level, they touch on one of the most serious problems that face a modern Jewish society, namely, how to obtain a GET for a woman when her husband adamantly refuses to give one even after being ordered to do so by a court. In the more personal realm, the issue of free will and coercion is of fundamental importance in the institution of repentance.

We invite everyone—men and women—to attend the Rabbi's discourse on Shabbat, September 22.

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN MEMORIALIZED BY BAR ILAN UNIVERSITY

In a very impressive ceremony last June, the late Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, who was President and Chancellor of Bar Ilan University for over twenty years and who presided over its growth from a small, fledgling institution into a full scale university with 7,000 students at the time of his passing was memorialized. A plaque was unveiled in memory of the Rabbi and in honor of his great friend and colleague in the building of Bar Ilan University, Rabbi Zemech Zambrowsky, who is still active in the affairs of the university. The building in which the plaque appears is a center for teaching children with learning disabilities.

At the ceremony Rabbi Lookstein's daughter, our Trustee Dr. Nathalie Friedman spoke movingly about the role her father played in the development of Bar Ilan and the need to remember the work of the founders even as an institution meets the challenges of the future.



Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein shown above with the plaque

KJ AND RAMAZ RENOVATIONS ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF BOTH INSTITUTIONS

When one enters the 85th Street building these days, one can begin to see the results of a very ambitious program of renovation and refurbishing that has taken place largely since school sessions ended last June. An amazing amount of work was done under the supervision of Robert M. Immerman, Project Architect and Steven Meltzer, the director of this project for Lehrer McGovern Bovis, the construction company. From the lay side, the effort has been led by a building committee headed by Fred Distenfeld and Stephen Kule, with the help of many members and professionals, particularly Rabbi Meier Brueckheimer, the Assistant to the Headmasters in the Ramaz Lower School and our Superintendent, Rudy Arjune.

WHAT DID WE TRY TO DO?

The tasks of the architect, construction manager and committee were the following: to find a way to relieve the bottleneck which occurs when a full congregation in the synagogue attempts to pass through one narrow opening into the Auditorium; provision of handicap access to the Main Synagogue; the air conditioning of the entire Synagogue House and Ramaz School building and the replacement of the air conditioning system in the Main Synagogue; the creation of a beautiful new Auditorium which will be useful for assemblies, High Holy Day services and as a banquet facility for the celebration of family smachot and community events; the provision of new windows and lighting for the school building and many other smaller tasks.

WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED?

Thus far, the Auditorium has been completely renovated. On its western side, there is now a passageway into the Main Synagogue through a skylit gallery which has supplanted the former chair storage room spanning the alleyway between the Synagogue and school buildings. The two central bays on the western side of the Auditorium have been opened to their full height; the synagogue wall with its stained glass windows has been revealed and refinished to recall the handsome street facade. A supplemental doorway from the main floor of the synagogue now opens to this gallery where a few steps and a chair lift provide connection to the Auditorium, itself directly on level with the school's elevators.

In addition, we were able to maximize the seating capacity of the Auditorium for a number of its purposes including celebrations, worship and Ramaz School events and performances of a varied nature. In this regard, in addition to the ability to expand into the new Gallery, there will also be another alcove on the eastern side which may be used for added seating, serving, or when closed by sliding panels, the replacement for chair and table storage.

The former permanent stage has been removed and replaced by a series of folding platforms which may be stored against the

backstage wall and concealed behind the new rear curtain when additional table space is desired at floor level. Stage curtains will either create a proscenium as before or retract to the side walls when the room is to be used in banquet mode.

Fine and durable materials have been selected which will give the room a more elegant and classic aspect—wood and stone for the floors, with the stone carrying through in the Gallery, alcove and lobby in an effort to unify the reception space. Wood paneling above the stone wainscot will add warmth and relate to the feeling of the Main Synagogue while differing in the lighter tone of the woods to be employed. We expect that the finishing of the Auditorium will take place during the next two to three months.

A new air conditioning system has been installed in the Auditorium and will extend into the lobby and into the Synagogue office spaces as well. The acoustical environment in the Auditorium has been studied to enhance the ability to hear the children in performance and to provide a "live" sound when the room is used as a worship space.

A new audio-visual system will provide for projection of video and video cassettes and slides and all kinds of media on a large auditorium screen. This will give the school and the synagogue a great deal of flexibility in programming and enable both institutions to take advantage of new visual aids in learning and entertainment.

The lighting in the Auditorium will provide for several modes of operation for the various uses of the room. Simultaneously, all the lighting throughout the school classrooms, lavatories and corridors has been changed to low brightness, energy efficient, new fixtures. Along with the replacement of lighting and windows, the entire school has been repainted, maintaining the bright colors, distinguishing each floor while lightening the overall aspect of the other colors in corridors and classrooms.

The Synagogue's offices have been redesigned. Ultimately, there will be new lighting, finishes and furnishings to make the offices both practical and beautiful.

Food service experts have helped us to design a new Auditorium kitchen and stock it with new equipment. Similarly, the school's cafeteria facilities will also be newly equipped. The gymnasium ceiling has been replaced and new indirect lighting has been installed there as well.

While the project is not yet completed, enough of it has been finished to enable the congregation and the school to function normally this year. Our ability to complete a major part of this undertaking is the result of a team of hard working professionals, volunteers and craftspersons who all had a common goal; the enhancing of the life of a major synagogue and an exemplary school and helping both institutions to prepare themselves for the Twenty-First Century.

RAMAZ ELECTS OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At its closing meeting of the Board of Trustees for the past academic year on June 4, the Board re-elected Arthur C. Silverman, Chair, Steve Gross, Vice Chair, David Kahn, Treasurer and David Sarna, Financial Secretary. Ezra Merkin was elected Secretary replacing Ira Gober who has retired from that office after having served with distinction as an Officer. Rosalie Kleinhaus was elected Second Vice Chair, a new position created at the Annual Meeting of the membership of the school which was held as part of the Annual Meeting of the congregation.

It is interesting to note that four out of six officers are alumni of the school, and Mrs. Kleinhaus is the wife of an alumnus. Although the Chair himself did not have the privilege of attending Ramaz, his two sons did and, in addition, he built the 78th Street building.

We wish the new officers well and we hope they will continue to lead the lay affairs of Ramaz with wisdom and responsibility.

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT AND PROGRESSIVE DINNER INAUGURATE COUPLES CLUB SEASON

The KJ Couples Club is looking forward to an exciting year. The first event will be the New Members Service and Kiddush on Saturday, October 27. Shira Lookstein Baruch and Barbara Plasse will be chairing this event. Members of the Couples Club will be organizing the service.

The Progressive Dinner, chaired by Dr. Jerilyn and Ken Kronen, will be held on Saturday, November 17.

Roberta Baumgarten and Rosalind Levine will continue to serve as co-presidents. The Board includes: Susan Alpert, Treasurer, Sara Lamm Dratch, Diana Friedman, Karen Gibofsky, Howard Katz, Dr. Jerilyn Kronen, John Lieberman, Dr. Norman Magid, Warren Newcorn, Barbara Plasse, Robert Rothman, Carolyn Rubin, Ronald Slevin and Dr. Phil Wilner.

WHO'S IN THE KITCHEN

In the spirit of genuine equality, the KJ Men's Club has embarked on a project to produce a cookbook of recipes developed and produced by men of the congregation.

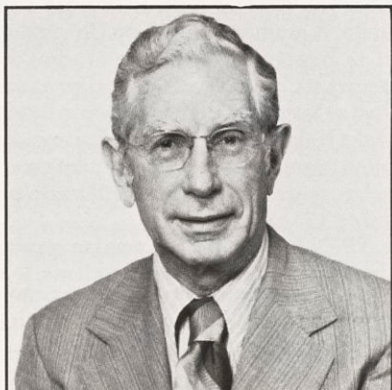
The book will cover everything from appetizers to desserts with special emphasis on Shabbat and Yom Tov meals. Other items to be included would fit into menus of family gatherings, outdoor barbecues, and formal sit down dinners.

All men of the congregation are encouraged to contribute a recipe. The only requirement for inclusion is that the dish be prepared by men and that it taste good! Full credit will be given for each recipe.

Recipes should be sent to Men's Club President Asher Levitsky or to the Synagogue office marked: Men's Club Cookbook.

HIGHEST TORAH HONORS OF THE YEAR TO WILLIAM G. LEBOWITZ, DR. STEPHEN STOWE AND MICHAEL JASPAN

The Officers of the congregation are proud to announce the appointment of three outstanding members of the congregation to the highest Torah honors of the year which will be conferred upon them as we complete the reading of the Torah on Simchat Torah, Friday, October 12. The installation ceremony will take place on Shmini Atzeret, Thursday morning, October 11.



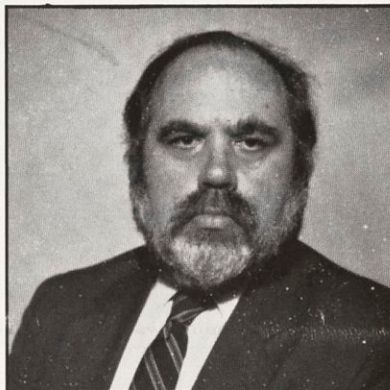
**WILLIAM G. LEBOWITZ,
CHATAN TORAH**

Our Chatan Torah and his wife Bertha have been leading forces at KJ for the last forty years. Born on the Lower East Side of Russian immigrants, Bill Lebowitz became a successful businessman and now serves as Executive Vice President of Alconox, a company which manufactures important supplies for hospitals.

Bill served as Vice President of the congregation and very often occupies a presiding seat alongside the Holy Ark. He has been a Trustee for the past thirty years. He was President of the Men's Club and one of the founders of the Father and Son Minyan, a Sunday morning activity which produced graduates who know how to daven and do so well all over the Jewish world. For many years he came to the regular morning minyan in our congregation.

His wife Bertha, born in Russia into a religious and highly intellectual family, served as President of the Sisterhood and has participated in many vital activities in the life of KJ. Together they are the parents of two sons, Lionel on Long Island and Elliot in Dallas, Texas and the proud grandparents of three grandchildren and two great grandchildren, with a third, please God, on the way before Yom Tov.

It is a privilege to honor Bill Lebowitz in celebration of his many years of devoted and vital service to this community.



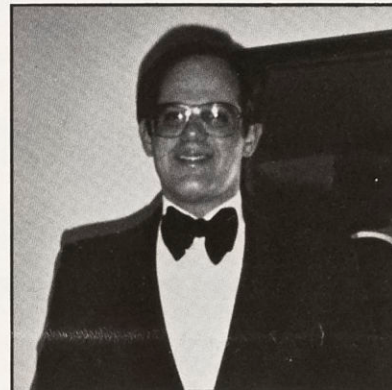
**DR. STEPHEN STOWE,
CHATAN BERESHIT**

Our Chatan Bereshit is a more recent arrival at KJ, but during his tenure he has already participated in many important efforts in the life of the congregation. A Trustee of KJ and Vice President of the Men's Club, Steve Stowe is the first to volunteer for any needed service of chesed, whether it be attending a minyan in a house of mourning or helping to run the Sukkah meals on Sukkot. He is also an active member of our Social Action and Political Affairs Committees.

His most outstanding contribution to this community however, has been the pioneering and organizing role he took in the creation of our Hatzoloh organization on the Upper East Side. It is safe to say that if there is one person without whose efforts Hatzoloh would not exist today in our community, that person is Dr. Stephen Stowe. He has worked for it day and night and helped to create this great life saving service for the Upper East Side Jewish community.

A prominent physician highly respected in the medical community, with particular accomplishments in pediatrics, radiology and oncology, Dr. Stowe is currently pursuing additional training at New York University-Bellevue Medical Center as a fellow in anesthesiology, and with it all he still has time for KJ, and we know that as soon as his training is over, he will be back as a regular at the morning minyan as he was for the past few years.

It is gratifying to be able to extend this tribute to Dr. Stowe and to give his mother, Mrs. Lenore Stowe some added nachas in the process.



**MICHAEL JASPAN,
CHATAN MAFTIR**

For Chatan Maftir we honor a young man who represents a fourth generation in KJ. He is the great grandson of the late Harry and Jane Fischel who were literally among the builders of this congregation and its synagogue at the turn of the century. His grandfather, Dr. Henry Rafsky was a Vice President of this congregation and occupied the same pew where Michael sits in shul together with his father, Norman Jaspán. His late grandmother, Bertha Rafsky, sat in the same seat occupied by her daughter, Dr. Jeanne Rafsky Jaspán and now alongside her is Terry Harary Jaspán. Michael and Terry's children, Steven and Joseph represent the fifth generation in this magnificent story of Jewish continuity.

Michael is Secretary/Treasurer of the Ariel Institute organization in America whose head is the renowned Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen, Chief Rabbi of Haifa. Michael, a graduate of NYU with both an MBA and a law degree is a practicing attorney and also the Executive Director and Vice President of the Harry and Jane Fischel Foundation. He has been an Officer of our Couples Club, serves on the Board of the Men's Club and is an Associate Trustee on the Board of KJ, where his father served with distinction for so many years. Terry and Michael devote themselves to the congregation and to Ramaz in every way and represent the kind of family for which this congregation and school exist.

It is a source of great pride to us to be able to celebrate this saga of Jewish survival here on the Upper East Side of Manhattan by honoring Michael and his family and, in so doing, expressing our gratitude to God for enabling us to reach this moment in our congregational history.

May the Chatanim and their families enjoy health and happiness and continued service to this community in the years to come.

TOY COLLECTION FOR NEEDY CHILDREN WELL UNDER WAY

We are most pleased to announce that the KJ Social Action Committee has started a special mitzvah campaign just for children of the congregation. In an effort to help Jewish children who are homeless, needy and sick, as well as some who have come from Russia, an effort has been made to ask our pre-Bar Mitzvah children to take one of the new presents they receive on their birthday and contribute it to our *New Toy Collection for Needy Children*.

We know that our children will feel very good about sharing and that the boy or girl who receives one of these new presents will have a much happier birthday too.

Close to one hundred of our children have already promised their participation in this ef-

fort. Toys have already started coming in during the summer. Participants in the program will receive birthday greetings from Kehilath Jeshurun and their donations will be recognized by a special certificate.

We are grateful to the members of this committee, Sharon Katz, Esther Kolatch, Vivianne Kurzweil, Gertrude Linzer and Dr. Rochelle Morse as well as the Chairperson, Lillian W. Leifert, for establishing this project and giving our youngsters an opportunity to learn more about chesed and mitzvot by giving up something that is new and never been used.

Other children who have not yet signed up for this program may do so by contacting the Synagogue office and giving us their name, grade and birth date.

A LETTER FROM THE RAMAZ BOARD CHAIRMAN

To the Editor of the CKJ Bulletin:

On the front page of the July 13 *Kehilath Jeshurun Bulletin* there is a list of colleges and universities to be attended by graduates of the Class of 1990. The list is substantially accurate but needs some clarification.

No 1990 graduates will be attending Dartmouth, Duke, Goucher, MIT, or Princeton. However, I am proud to say that they will be attending several other important institutions of higher learning omitted from your list. These are: Carnegie Mellon, Clark, Emory, the University of Rochester, the University of Chicago, and Wellesley.

For the record, Dartmouth accepted two Ramaz students; Goucher, four; and Princeton, three. These students chose to attend other colleges. Indeed, one student accepted to Princeton preferred to become a Max Stern Scholar at Yeshiva University which was one of the most thrilling pieces of news I have received as Chair of the Ramaz Board of Trustees.

Accolades for the finest college admissions record in the 52 year history of Ramaz School go to Assistant Dean Ira Miller and to college guidance counsellors Rabbi Jay Goldmintz and Mr. Albert Goetz, whose dedication to the welfare of our students knows no bounds. They and the Dean's Office handled over 560 college applications which resulted in close to 400 acceptances.

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Silverman

CHILDREN'S SERVICES SCHEDULE

One of the greatest delights in our High Holy Days experience is the continuing increase in the number of children who worship with us on these important days. In keeping with the KJ tradition of maintaining a beautiful and meaningful religious experience for both children and adults, the following arrangements have been made:

All children over the age of twelve (seventh grade and up) should have tickets for them in either the Main Synagogue or one of the Parallel Services.

Children in the sixth grade and younger should participate in one of the several children's services listed below. In this way, all children and their parents, are able to participate in the synagogue aspects of the High Holy Days.

ROSH HASHANAH I & II	11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.
Junior Congregation (2nd to 6th Grades)	3rd floor
Nursery-Kindergarten-1st Grade	4th floor
Toddler Congregation (Ages 1-3)	Gym
YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE NIGHT	6:50 P.M.
Junior Congregation (2nd to 6th Grades)	3rd floor
Nursery-Kindergarten-1st Grade	4th floor
YOM KIPPUR DAY	11:00 A.M.-1:30 P.M.
Junior Congregation (2nd to 6th Grades)	3rd floor
Nursery-Kindergarten-1st Grade	4th floor
Toddler Congregation (Ages 1-3)	Gym

BENTZI SPITZ NAMED NEW YOUTH DIRECTOR

The congregation is delighted to announce the appointment of Bentzi Spitz as the new KJ Director of Youth Activities. Bentzi comes to us with many years of youth work experience. He was NCSY chapter advisor at the Queens Jewish Center, Forest Hills and served as a madrikh for B'nei Akiva in Brazil and Venezuela. A graduate of Yeshiva University, Bentzi is beginning graduate studies in Engineering at Columbia. He studied for a year and a half at Yeshivat Kerem b'Yavneh in Israel. He speaks Hebrew, Spanish and Portuguese and enjoys travel and flying—in the pilot's seat.

Shabbat morning programs will begin on September 15.

The TEEN MINYAN is a regular service coordinated by our high school students. It is open to all those in grade 7 through college who wish to participate in a meaningful and inspiring prayer experience geared to young people. It meets in the eighth floor Board Room on Saturday mornings at 9:30 and is conducted by Rabbi Eli Rubin.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION is for all children in grades 2-6 and meets in the Max J. Etra Chapel beginning at 10:30 a.m. It also meets on all holidays, including Kol Nidre night. In addition, groups for toddlers and nursery and kindergarten students also meet at 10:30 a.m.

Many exciting activities for Friday nights and Shabbat afternoons and special programs and trips are being planned for certain Saturday nights and Sundays. This promises to be an exciting year for the youth of our congregation—a season no youngster will want to miss! Details will arrive in the mail very soon.

CANTOR AVRUM DAVIS ELECTED

We are pleased to announce that our esteemed Cantor Emeritus, Avrum Davis, has been reelected to the Board of Directors of the Cantorial Council of America.

During Cantor Davis' many years of association with the Council, it has grown to include cantors from across the United States, Canada and Israel, serving in some of the most important and prestigious congregations in the world. We are proud that Cantor Davis has played a most important role and has been a vital ingredient in the development of this professional association.

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THIS IS THE SEASON

ELUL

The forty day period beginning with Rosh Chodesh Elul and continuing through Yom Kippur has historically been a time of repentance and forgiveness for the Jewish people. These days correspond to the time when Moses received from God the second set of Tablets. These second tablets serve as an indication of God's capacity for forgiving, specifically His forgiveness for our sin with the Golden Calf. Therefore, numerous customs have been instituted throughout the generations to enable us to take advantage of this opportunity for divine forgiveness.

One of the most beautiful and moving of these customs is the sounding of the shofar each morning after the Shacharit service. The blasts of the Shofar serve as a divine alarm clock, awakening all of us to the need for self-evaluation and improvement.

Similarly, we continue the custom of reciting, as a community, the entire Book of Psalms during this period of the year. It is a custom that was initiated by Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, of blessed memory, and helps to sensitize us to the messages transmitted by the Psalmist.

Finally, beginning with the week which precedes Rosh Hashanah we recite Selichot prayers each morning. The essence of these prayers is the recitation of God's Thirteen Attributes of mercy upon which we call during this period of penitence. We also recite Vidui (Confessional) during the Selichot prayers and in so doing begin our petition for God's forgiveness.

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAYS

ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, September 19, Rosh Hashanah Eve

S'lichot Service ('Z'chor Brit) 6:30 a.m.
Regular morning services will follow

Candle Lighting 6:39 p.m.
Evening (*An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared*) 6:45 p.m.

Thursday, September 20, Rosh Hashanah I

Morning 8:00 a.m.
Evening 6:45 p.m.
Candle Lighting after 7:34 p.m.

Friday, September 21, Rosh Hashanah II

Morning 8:00 a.m.
Candle Lighting 6:35 p.m.
Evening 6:45 p.m.

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Saturday, September 22

Morning 9:00 a.m.
Evening 6:00 p.m.

Shabbat Shuvah Discourse by Rabbi Lookstein

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:30 p.m.

TSOM (FAST OF) GEDALIAH

Sunday, September 23

Morning 8:00 a.m.

DAILY SERVICES

*Morning 7:30 a.m.
Evening 6:30 p.m.

*Slichot services will be held on Monday and Tuesday mornings before Rosh Hashanah and during the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur one half-hour before the regular service.

YOM KIPPUR

Friday, September 28, Yom Kippur Eve

Morning 7:15 a.m.
Mincha 2:30 p.m.
Candle Lighting 6:24 p.m.
Kol Nidre 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 29, Yom Kippur

Morning
Main Synagogue 8:30 a.m.
Auditorium 9:00 a.m.
Social Hall 9:00 a.m.

Yizkor (Memorial Prayers) are recited as part of this service

ROSH HASHANAH

Rosh Hashanah, the beginning of our year, brings with it all of the resolution for spiritual improvement that are part of a new beginning. The tone of the day is determined by a mixture of feelings of trepidation and celebration. We remain aware of this day as the beginning of God's judgement, and yet we enter into it with the confidence that God will accept our prayers and grant us forgiveness. It is a time which has traditionally been associated with the synagogue service, and yet there are many beautiful ceremonies that take place at home.

At the Table

The festival is ushered in by the lighting of candles over which the special festival blessing is recited. The special benediction "Shehecheyanu" is added.

After the reciting of kiddush and the washing of hands, a "motzi" is made over two round challahs (symbolizing the cycle of the year) and the bread is dipped into honey before it is eaten. The symbol concerning a sweet year is readily apparent. The use of a round challah and the dipping of the bread into honey is continued for the entire High Holy Day season, ending with Hoshanah Rabbah.

On the first night of Rosh Hashanah, an apple is dipped into honey. Before tasting the apple, the blessing over fruit is recited. After tasting the apple, a special prayer is recited: "May it be Thy Will to grant us a good and sweet year."

On the second night, it is customary to wear a new garment and to have it in mind when the blessing "shehecheyanu" is recited as part of the kiddush. In addition, a new fruit, not previously enjoyed this season, is eaten. Before eating the fruit, the blessing over fruit is recited.

Tashlich

The Tashlich service takes place this year on the first afternoon of Rosh Hashanah which this year falls on Thursday. This ceremony takes place along the banks of a river or some other body of fresh water. Appropriate prayers are recited as part of this mystical custom, indicating our desire to cast off all sins from our person and correct our ways.

In our community, we customarily gather for Tashlich before Mincha, at 5:30 p.m. near the 85th Street entrance to the reservoir path in Central Park, or at 86th Street and the East River in Carl Shurz Park.

Rosh Hashanah Greetings

On Rosh Hashanah, upon leaving the Synagogue, all extend the High Holy Day greeting: **לשנה טובה תכתבו**

"May You Be Inscribed For A Good Year!"

SHOFAR TIME 10 O'CLOCK

We call to the attention of our worshippers that the sounding of the *Shofar* on Thursday and Friday mornings of Rosh Hashanah will take place at approximately 10:00 A.M.

Please plan to be in attendance at services by that hour so that you will be present for this important religious observance.

SOUNDING THE SHOFAR FOR THOSE AT HOME

Anyone in the community who will be confined to home or hospital and would like to perform the mitzvah of hearing the shofar sounded on Rosh Hashanah can arrange to do so by contacting our Ritual Director, Rabbi Israel D. Bendelstein at the Synagogue office.

THE FAST OF GEDALIAH

On the Sunday after Rosh Hashanah, September 23, we observe the fast of Gedaliah, in memory of the assassination of Gedaliah ben Achikam, the governor of Jerusalem following the destruction of the First Temple in 586 BCE. The death of Gedaliah marked the final hammer blow, as it were, to the first Jewish Commonwealth.

The fast day is observed from before dawn until nightfall which is at 7:30 p.m.

THE TEN DAYS OF REPENTANCE

The ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are traditionally days when Jews aspire to greater spiritual accomplishments. It is customary during this time to accept upon one's self some additional behavior which demonstrates our seriousness and desire to improve. Whether that behavior be in the realm of our relationship with God or our relationship with each other, it provides us with the opportunity to acquire new good habits and to continue them throughout the year.

YOM KIPPUR CANDLE LIGHTING

Provision has been made for the kindling of candles in the Synagogue House on Yom Kippur Eve, Friday, September 28, prior to 6:24 p.m.

Candles will be set up in the lower lobby near the checkroom.

YOM KIPPUR A Day of Self-Denial

The Day of Atonement is, among other things, a day of self-denial. In addition to avoiding food, drink, washing, and the use of lotions and oils, Jewish tradition calls for refraining from the wearing of leather shoes.

The reason for this provision is that wearing a proper pair of shoes makes one feel complete and well-groomed. It is precisely the absence of that feeling of completeness which is called for on the Day of Atonement. Through this mood of moderate self-denial, we are moved to prayer, penitence, and wholesome introspection.

May we request our worshippers take a step in the direction of Jewish tradition by arranging for a pair of non-leather footwear for Yom Kippur this year. An ample selection is available in any shoe store. We think you will find that conforming with this practice will help you to derive more from the most meaningful day on the Jewish calendar.

MASSIVE FOOD DRIVE SET FOR KOL NIDRE NIGHT

Once again under the leadership of the KJ Social Action Committee, our congregation will conduct on Kol Nidre night a massive effort to collect food for homeless and hungry people in the community. This effort will be coupled with one on S'lichot night as well and the participation of many members of KJ in Project Dorot's effort to distribute Yom Tov food to elderly Jews on the Upper West Side.

KOL NIDRE NIGHT

On the eve of Yom Kippur, prior to Kol Nidre services on Friday, September 28, *each* man, woman and child is asked to bring at least one unopened box or can of food so that we may distribute these items to the poor and homeless of New York.

Barrels will be set up in the entrance lobby of the synagogue so that as congregants enter the building, they may drop their packages right into these receptacles. Over the past four years, our efforts have met with outstanding success. We need to do even better this year and thus we ask *everyone* to participate and to bring as many items as you can. We prefer that the items be kosher in order to serve Jewish needs to the greatest extent possible.

S'LICHOT NIGHT

As a "kick off" to our high holiday special effort to feed the hungry, and to prepare

ourselves for performing this mitzvah again on Kol Nidre night, we will also have bins in the entrance lobby in the synagogue so that as congregants arrive to begin the S'lichot season, they may bring then too, unopened boxes or cans of food. Our teshuvah must be aimed at both God and man and efforts such as giving food to the hungry are acts of chesed which we are required to do.

Therefore, please remember to bring food both on S'lichot night, Saturday, September 15 and prior to Kol Nidre as we begin Yom Kippur.

PROJECT DOROT

A number of members of the congregation will be participating in the Dorot Food Distribution Project to elderly Jewish people on the Upper West Side.

It will be held this Sunday, September 16 and the KJ contingent will gather at 10:30 a.m. at the Lindenbaum Center at 270 West 89 Street between Broadway and West End Avenues. At that time, we will be given a brief orientation and assigned a person to visit for about an hour. Participants can go in pairs if they wish to do so.

Please let our Social Action Committee Chairperson, Doris Travis know that you are interested in this outstanding volunteer program by calling her in the evening at 755-5376.

BLESSING THE CHILDREN ON YOM KIPPUR EVE

There is a beautiful custom that a father—or mother—bless his or her child on the eve of Yom Kippur after the meal before the fast. The blessing is much more detailed than the simple Biblical priestly blessing which is given to the children on Friday evening before *kiddush*. We would recommend to you that you bless your children every Friday but that, in particular, you bless them on Yom Kippur eve. The text of the blessing and a translation appear below.

FOR BOYS:

"May the Lord make you as Ephraim and as Menasheh"

FOR GIRLS:

"May the Lord make you as Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah"

May it be the will of our Father in Heaven to place within your heart love and reverence for Him. May you revere God all the days of your life so that you will not sin. May He bless you with the desire to study Torah and observe His commandments. May your eyes look straight ahead, your mouth speak wisdom and may your heart be filled with reverence. May your hands always be involved in the accomplishment of Mitzvot and may your feet run to do God's bidding.

May the Almighty grant you righteous sons and daughters who will also occupy themselves with Torah and Mitzvot all the days of their lives. May He grant you moral substance and livelihood—morally, graciously and abundantly—and may you never have to depend on human help. May your profession always allow time for service to God.

May you be inscribed and sealed in the Book

of Good and Long Life together with all the righteous of Israel.

Amen

For a boy:

יְשׁוּעָה אֱלֹהִים
כְּאַחֲרִים וְכַמְּנַשֶּׁה

For a girl:

יְשׁוּעָה אֱלֹהִים כְּסָרָה רַבֵּקָה
רָחֵל וְלֵאָה.

יְבָרְכֶךָ יי' וְשִׁמְרֶךָ. יְהִי יי' כְּעִי
אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל. יֵשֶׁה יי' כְּעִי אֱלֹהֵי
יִשְׂרָאֵל לְךָ שְׁלוֹם.

וְיִהְיֶה רְצוֹן מִלְּפָנֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ
שְׂבִשְׂמִימִים, שִׁיתֵן
בְּלִבְךָ אֶהְבְּתוֹ וְיִרְאַתוֹ. וְתִהְיֶה
יִרְאַת יְהוָה עַל פִּנְיֶךָ כָּל יְמֶיךָ.
שְׂלֵא תִחַסֵּא. וְיִהְיֶה חֶשֶׁקְךָ בְּתוֹרָה
וּבְמִצְוֹת. עֵינֶיךָ לִנְכֹחַ יִבְטְחוּ; פִּיךָ
יִדְבַּר חֻקֵּימוֹת; וּלְבָבְךָ יִהְיֶה אִימוֹת;
יָדֶיךָ יַעֲשׂוּ בְמִצְוֹת; רַגְלֶיךָ יִרְצוּ
לַעֲשׂוֹת רְצוֹן אֲבִיךָ שְׂבִשְׂמִימִים. יִתֵּן
לְךָ בָּנִים וּבָנוֹת, צְדִיקִים וְצַדִּיקָנוֹת,
עוֹשִׂים בְּתוֹרָה וּבְמִצְוֹת כָּל
יְמֵיהֶם. וְיִהְיֶה מְקוֹרֶךָ בְּרוּךְ וְיִמְצֵן
לְךָ פְּרָצְתֶךָ בְּהִתְרַבֵּת בְּנֵי וּבָנוֹת.
מִתַּחַת יְדוֹ הִרְחֵבָה, וְלֹא עַל יְדֵי
מִתְנַת בָּשָׂר וָדָם; פְּרָצְתָה שְׂתִהְיֶה
פָּנֶיךָ לַעֲבוֹדַת יְהוָה. וְתִתְּנֶה
וְתִתְּנֶה לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים וְאַרוּכִים.
בְּתוֹךְ כָּל צְדִיקֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל. אָמֵן.

SPECIAL PULL-OUT SECTION

CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS AND OPENING DATES

1990 - 1991

SEPTEMBER

9	Sun	9:30 AM	Beginyan Begins
10	Mon	7:30 PM	Crash Course in Hebrew Reading Begins
11	Tue	Eve.	Men's Club Yankee Baseball Outing
15	Sat	6:40 PM	Seudah Shlishit - Pre Rosh Hashanah Lecture - Rabbi Eli Rubin
		9:15 PM	Social Hour
		10:00 PM	Selichot Services
19-21	Wed. eve - Fri.		Rosh Hashanah
22	Sat	6:00 PM	Shabbat Shuva Discourse - Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
23	Sun		Tsom Gedaliah
28-29	Fri. eve - Sat		Yom Kippur
30	Sun	9:00 AM	Lulav and Etrog Shiur - Rabbi Israel D. Bendelstein
			Sukkah Decorating

OCTOBER

1-2	Mon.-Tues		Sukkah Decorating
3	Wed. eve.		Sukkot Begins
7-9	Sun. - Tues.	7:00 AM	Chol HaMoed Breakfast in the Sukkah following services
9	Tue	6:30 PM	Men's Club Sukkah Supper
10	Wed	6:45 AM	Hoshanah Rabba & President's Breakfast
11	Thur	8:45 AM	Shmini Atzeret
		6:15 PM	Simchat Torah
12	Fri	9:00 AM	Simchat Torah Shiur - Rabbi Eli Rubin/Hakafot Unlimited
		9:00 AM	Simchat Torah
16	Tue	12:00 Noon	Women's Tefillah Group
19	Fri.	8:15 PM	Midtown Lunch & Talmud Begins - Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
20	Sat	8:00 AM	Parashat HaShavuah Begins - Rabbi Eli Rubin
		4:20 PM	Talmud Shiur (Ketubot) Begins - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		5:20 PM	Talmud Shiur (Sanhedrin) Begins - Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
21	Sun	9:15 AM	Seudah Shlishit - Rabbi Jack Bieler
22	Mon	9:45 AM	Talmud (Megillah) Begins - Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn
		7:30 PM	Book of Yirmiyahu Begins - Naomi Armon
23	Tue	8:45 AM	Basic Judaism Begins - Rabbi Mark Dratch
24	Wed	12:00 Noon	The Stories of Joseph Begins - Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
		7:15 PM	Lunch and Learn Begins
		8:30 PM	Topics in Bereshit Begins - Rabbi Mark Dratch
27	Sat		Challenges to Unity: A History of Divergent Jewish Movements - Dr. Louis Feldman
		5:40 PM	Couples Club New Member Shabbat, Kiddush & Home Lunch
31	Wed	7:15 PM	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
			Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman

NOVEMBER

3	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:00 PM	Men's Club Theatre Party (Tentative)
7	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges in Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
11	Sun	8:00 PM	Am HaSefer I
14	Wed	8:00 PM	Problems in the Absorption of Soviet Jews - Rabbi Hershel Schachter
17	Sat	9:00 AM	Women's Tefillah Group
		9:00 AM	Second Grade Shabbaton
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		7:30 PM	Couples Club Progressive Dinner
18	Sun	AFT	Religious Zionists of America Cantorial Concert at KJ
28	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman

DECEMBER

1	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
5	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
8	Sat	9:00 AM	Men's Club Shabbat and Kiddush
		9:00 AM	Fourth Grade Shabbaton
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Pre-Chanukah Lecture - Rabbi Eli Rubin
		EVE	Chanukah Party

12	Wed	8:00 PM	Is it a Mitzvah to make Aliyah? - Rabbi Hershel Schachter
15	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
19	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
JANUARY, 1991			
9	Wed	8:00 PM	Land for Peace? - Rabbi Hershel Schachter
12	Sat	9:00 AM	Women's Tefillah Group
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
13	Sun	6:00 PM	Ramaz Dinner
20	Sun	EVE	Am HaSefer II
23	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
25-26	Fri-Sat		Scholar-in Residence - Dr. Chares Liebman
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Dr. Charles Liebman
		EVE	Men's Club Theatre Party (Tentative)
30	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
FEBRUARY			
3	Sun	9:00 AM	Mitzvah Boutique and Blood Drive
5	Tue	8:45 AM	Book of Judges Begins - Rabbi Mark Dratch
6	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
9	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
13	Wed	8:00 PM	Military Duty - Rabbi Hershel Schachter
20	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
23	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Pre-Purim Lecture - Rabbi Eli Rubin
		EVE	Couples Club Shlock Rock Concert
24	Sun	EVE	Supper Lecture I - Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
25	Mon	7:30 PM	Hebrew Crash Course II Begins
27-28	Wed. Eve-Thu		Purim
28	Thu	AFT	Purim Seudah
MARCH			
1-3	Fri-Sun		Men's Club Retreat
6	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
9	Sat	9:00 AM	Kindergarten Shabbaton
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
10	Sun	EVE	Supper Lecture II - Rabbi Mark Dratch
13	Wed	8:00 PM	The Status of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount - Rabbi Hershel Schachter
16	Sat	9:00 AM	Women's Tefillah Group
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Pre-Pesach Lecture - Rabbi Eli Rubin
17	Sun	EVE	Am HaSefer III
20	Wed	7:15 PM	Topics in Bereshit - Rabbi Mark Dratch
		8:30 PM	Challenges to Unity - Dr. Louis Feldman
22-23	Fri-Sat		Annual Synagogue Shabbaton
23	Sat	AFT	Shabbat HaGadol Discourse - Rabbi Mark Dratch
APRIL			
10	Wed	7:30 PM	Yom Hashoah
13	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit Pre-Yom HaAtzmaut Lecture - Rabbi Eli Rubin
17	Wed	7:30 PM	Yom HaAtzmaut Service & Zimriah
18	Thu	7:00 AM	Yom HaAtzmaut Service & Breakfast
20	Sat	9:00 AM	Nursery Shabbaton
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
MAY			
4	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
6	Mon	7:30 PM	Basic Judaism Begins - Rabbi Mark Dratch
11	Sat	9:00 AM	Couples Club Shabbaton
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Pre-Shavuot Shiur - Rabbi Eli Rubin
12	Sun	8:00 PM	Am HaSefer IV
18	Sat		Shavuot Eve, Dinner & Tikun Leil Shavuot
JUNE			
1	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
8	Sat	9:00 AM	Women's Tefillah Group
		AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Rabbi Jack Bieler
12	Wed	8:00 PM	Ramaz Upper School Graduation
15	Sat	AFT	Seudah Shlishit - Halacha and Contemporary Society - Rabbi Mark Dratch
25	Tue	5:00 PM	Ramaz Lower School Advancement

SUKKAH MEALS

Six catered meals will be served in the Synagogue Sukkah this year. The meals offered will be:

Wednesday, October 3
Sukkot Eve: Dinner
(Two sittings)

Thursday, October 4
Sukkot I: Lunch
Dinner

Friday, October 5
Sukkot II: Lunch
Shabbat Dinner

Saturday, October 6
Shabbat Lunch

Due to the overwhelming demand for Sukkah meals, we must restrict initial reservations to KJ members and their immediate families. The fee for adults is \$20 per meal and for children through high school age \$13 each.

A reservation form will be sent under separate cover. We recommend immediate response because requests will be honored on a first come, first served basis.

The deadline, *space permitting* is Monday, September 24.

HOSHANAH RABBAH

Special Mitzvot Highlight Interesting and Moving Service

Wednesday, October 10, at 6:45 a.m.

Hoshanah Rabbah services will be held Wednesday, October 10 at 6:45 a.m. in the Main Synagogue.

Hoshanah Rabbah traditionally marks the close of the penitential season. For that occasion, the Cantor is robed in his white *kittel*. Many of the melodies of the High Holy Days are sung. The congregation makes seven circuits around the Bimah with *lulav* and *etrog*, and finally, of course, the *Aravot* are taken and eventually used in their customary colorful fashion.

Following the service, Stanley Gurewitsch, President of the Congregation and his wife Rae, will sponsor breakfast in the Sukkah for all who are in attendance. It will have the traditional fare, embellished for the *Yom Tov*.

The entire community, men, women and children are invited to join us at 6:45 a.m.

SIMCHAT TORAH DAY

Friday Morning, October 12

Be sure to remember the special role of children and adults on Simchat Torah Day. On that occasion, we conduct another full round of *Hakafot* with singing and dancing for all. Plan to arrive before 10:00 a.m. in order to enjoy all the festivities. Remember that the congregation will be guests at a special buffet kiddush, in honor of our *Chatanim*.

Simchat Torah, day and night, are religious occasions of great joy in which every family should participate fully. Please come and celebrate with us!

SPECIAL LECTURE BY RABBI BENDELSTEIN ON LULAV AND ETROG

On Sunday, September 30, Rabbi Israel D. Bendelstein will deliver a class on the four species of Sukkot at 9:15 a.m. in the Max J. Etra Chapel. The class will focus on important things to look for when purchasing the traditional *lulav*, *etrog*, *hadasim*, and *aravot*. These species are used during the recitation of Hallel and in the procession around the

synagogue throughout the Sukkot festival.

In addition, Rabbi Bendelstein will be happy to help you purchase a *lulav* and *etrog*. The purchase of Israeli *etrogim* helps support the economy of Israel.

Reservation forms for the *lulav* and *etrog* will be sent to your home. Please place your order without delay.

SCHEDULE OF SUKKOT SERVICES

SUKKOT

Wednesday, October 3, Sukkot Eve

Candle Lighting 6:15 p.m.

Evening (*An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared*) 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 4, Sukkot I

Morning 9:00 a.m.

Evening 6:30 p.m.

Candle Lighting after 7:09 p.m.

Friday, October 5, Sukkot II

Morning 9:00 a.m.

Candle Lighting 6:12 p.m.

Evening 6:20 p.m.

SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED

Saturday, October 6

Morning 8:30 a.m.

Reading of Kohelet

Evening 6:20 p.m.

Conclusion of Sabbath 7:06 p.m.

DAILY SERVICES

Morning 7:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 a.m.

Evening 6:15 p.m.

CONCLUDING FESTIVAL DAYS

Wednesday, October 10, Hoshanah Rabbah

*Morning 6:45 a.m.

Candle Lighting 6:04 p.m.

Evening (*An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared*) 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, October 11, Shmini Atzeret

Morning 8:45 a.m.

Yizkor (Memorial Prayers) are recited as part of this service.

Mincha 6:15 p.m.

Ma'ariv and Simchat Torah Hakafot will follow

Candle Lighting after 6:57 p.m.

Friday, October 12, Simchat Torah

Morning 9:00 a.m.

Candle Lighting 6:01 p.m.

Evening 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, October 13, Shabbat Bereishit

Morning 9:00 a.m.

Evening 6:15 p.m.

ROSH CHODESH PRAYERS

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan will be on Friday, October 19 and Saturday, October 20

Friday Morning 7:00 a.m.

Friday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Saturday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Conclusion of Sabbath 6:45 p.m.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning 7:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning 8:30 a.m.

Monday and Thursday Morning 7:15 a.m.

Evening 6:00 p.m.

CHILDREN ARE OUR SPECIAL GUESTS ON SIMCHAT TORAH

Thursday Evening, October 11

On Thursday Evening, October 11, the children will be our special guests for the Simchat Torah Celebration in the Main Synagogue. We ask parents to bring their children at 6:00 p.m.

Upon arrival, nursery, kindergarten and first grade children should go to the Etra Chapel in the lobby. Second through sixth graders should proceed to the Social Hall, also on the lobby level.

Led by our youth staff, all children will be escorted into the Main Synagogue with flags and Torah Marshalls will also receive Torahs, in accordance with our well established custom. The children will be able to dance during the *Hakafot*, and we hope that their joy and enthusiasm will inspire the adults to great spiritual heights.

HAKAFOT UNLIMITED Simchat Torah Eve

Thursday Evening, October 11

Following the Thursday Night Simchat Torah service and Hakafot in the Main Synagogue, all who wish to continue the celebration are invited to assemble in the Auditorium for what we call "HAKAFOT UNLIMITED."

During these extended Hakafot we will dance and sing together without a time limitation and in a more relaxed atmosphere. Men, women and children will be able to celebrate the joy of the completion of the Torah. At one point in the festivities we will serve a light, Yom Tov meal. This will be followed by further singing and a brief Torah discourse. Following this part of the evening, we will *bench* together and conclude the festivities.

We hope that the spirit of Hakafot Unlimited will help us usher in a year of joy and happiness—unlimited—with the Torah as our inspiration.

EIRUV TAVSHILIN

Whenever Shabbat follows a Thursday and Friday Yom Tov, as it does this year on Rosh Hashanah, Succos, and Shemini Atzeret, it is permissible to prepare food on Yom Tov on behalf of Shabbat, but one is required to recite the following brachah and statement on the eve of Yom Tov. As the statement is made, two different foods such as a whole bread or challah roll and a hard boiled egg are put away and are designated for use on the Shabbat itself. This food item is known as the *eiruv tavshilin*.

עירוב תבשילין

Recited over food on the eve of a festival that is followed by a Shabbat.

ברוך אתה, ה' אלקינו, מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו על מצות עירוב.

ברוך עירובך יהא שרא לנא למיפא ולבשלא ולאטמנא, ולאדלקא שרנא, ולמעבד כל צרכנא מיומא טבא לשבתא, לנו ולכל הדורים בעיר הזאת.

Blessed art thou, Lord our God, King of the universe, who hast sanctified us with thy commandments, and commanded us concerning the observance of eiruv.

By means of this *eiruv* may we be permitted to bake, cook, keep dishes warm, light Shabbat candles, and prepare during the festival all we need for the Shabbat—we and all Israelites that live in this town.



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WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP TO HOLD SECOND ANNUAL SIMCHAT TORAH GATHERING

Friday, October 12

The Women's Tefillah Group of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will launch its fourth season of tefillot with its second annual Simchat Torah morning. The observance will include a prayer service in the Chapel, vibrant hakafot in the Social Hall and Torah reading. We invite all women of the congregation and the community who would like to join in this tefillah group to come at 9:00 AM and be a part of it from the beginning.

Further information can be obtained by calling the Synagogue office or Dr. Paula Bender or Mrs. Carol Newman.

The schedule for the KJ Women's Tefillah Group for the balance of the year is as follows (all services during the year will begin at 9:00 AM and are held in the Max J. Etra Chapel):

November 17	Toldot
January 12	Vaera
March 16	Vayikra
June 8	Shelach Lecha

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ADULT EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS 1991

RABBIS HERSEL SCHACHTER, LOUIS FELDMAN AND MARK DRATCH HIGHLIGHT WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT KJ

ADULT EDUCATION AT KJ SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

An exciting season of the Adult Institute of Continuing Jewish Education is planned at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Many of the successful programs of previous seasons will continue including Rabbi Lookstein's Shabbat afternoon Talmud class and weekly Midtown Lunch and Talmud, the Bible classes of Rabbi Eliezer Rubin and Ms. Naomi Armon, the Hebrew Reading and Basic Judaism Courses offered in conjunction with the National Jewish Outreach program, and the Am HaSefer. Rabbi Herschel Schachter and Pro-

fessor Louis Feldman will offer lectures as described elsewhere on this page. Rabbi Mark Dratch will address "Halakhah and Contemporary Society" during a series of discussions at Seudot Shlishit and "Topics in Breishit" on selected Wednesday evenings. Rabbi Israel Bendelstein, the new Ritual Director, will conduct Daf Yomi study weekday mornings at 6:30 and Sunday mornings at 7:30. A brochure describing the times, locations, and other details of these offerings will soon be distributed to the KJ/Ramaz community.

8:30 P.M. SELECTED PROFESSOR FELDMAN ON CHALLENGES TO JEWISH UNITY

Following last season's very popular lecture series, Dr. Louis Feldman, Professor of Classics at Yeshiva University, will return to Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun to speak on "Challenges to Jewish Unity: A History of Divergent Jewish Movements."

In this twelve-part series to be held on selected Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m., Professor Feldman will analyze famous and infamous movements throughout Jewish history that have challenged the ideal of Jewish unity: the conditions that led to their formation, their beliefs and practices, their successes and failures. Exploring such issues as faith, revelation, individualism, nationalism, and messianism, he will discuss, among others, the Samaritans, Sadducees, Essenes, Karaites, Shabbetai Zevi and Jacob Frank, Mussar, Haskalah, and Classical Reform. The lectures will draw significant parallels to the contemporary scene and evaluate their ramifications.

- Oct. 24 Rebellion in the Bible:
Revolts Against Authority
- Oct. 31 The Samaritans:
A Study in Differences
- Nov. 7 The Sadducees:
Jewish Nationalism
- Nov. 28 The Essenes:
Pacifism and Asceticism
- Dec. 5 The Dead Sea Sect:
The Jewish Apocalypse
- Dec. 19 The Sicarii and Zealots:
Massada
- Jan. 23 The Karaites:
Rejection of the Talmud
- Jan. 30 Shabbetai Zevi and Jacob
Frank:
Sanctity Through Sin
- Feb. 6 Hasidism:
Popular Religious Ecstasy
- Feb. 20 Mussar:
Jewish Ethics
- Mar. 6 Haskalah:
The Enlightenment
- Mar. 20 Classical Reform Judaism:
A Response to Emancipation

WEDNESDAYS 7:15 P.M. RABBI DRATCH TO EXPLORE TOPICS IN BREISHIT

Major themes of the Book of Genesis will be discussed by Rabbi Mark Dratch during a series of twelve lectures on selected Wednesday evenings at 7:15 at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Rabbi Dratch will explore a wide-ranging list of topics including the phenomenology of creation, the nature of Man, and the personalities, concerns and religious development of significant Biblical figures. The texts of the Bible and commentators will be used as springboards for discussing the religious, psychological, political and spiritual aspects of the topics.

- Oct. 24 A Rose by Any Other Name:
The Phenomenology of Creation
- Oct. 31 Man: *Sinner or Saint?*
- Nov. 7 Sibling Rivalry
- Nov. 28 The Gods of the Patriarchs
- Dec. 5 The Barrenness of the Matriarchs
- Dec. 19 Fathers and Sons
- Jan. 23 Jewish Mothers and Wives
- Jan. 30 Genesis as a Source of Halakhah
- Feb. 6 Where Angels Tread
- Feb. 20 Haman and the Book of Genesis
- Mar. 6 Joseph the Righteous
- Mar. 20 The First Exile

CRASH COURSE IN BASIC JUDAISM AND HEBREW TO BE LED BY RABBI MARK DRATCH

Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun will offer crash courses in Basic Judaism and Hebrew Reading in conjunction with the National Jewish Outreach Program. Both courses are open to the congregation and the larger Jewish community and are free of charge.

The Basic Judaism Crash Course is a five-part series that will present an overview of Jewish philosophy and practice and will deal with such issues as belief in God, prayer, Shabbat, Mitzvot, and human sexuality. The classes will be held on consecutive Monday evenings at 7:30 at the synagogue. The first series will begin on October 22, the second on May 6.

The Hebrew Reading Crash Course is a set of five classes designed to teach the basics of Hebrew reading to adults who have no knowledge of the Hebrew language and

RABBI HERSEL SCHACHTER TO PRESENT THIRD ANNUAL TESHUVAH SHIUR

On Wednesday, September 26, 1990, at 8 p.m., Rabbi Hershel Schachter will once again speak on matters relating to the High Holy Day Season in the Main Synagogue of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. The many who have attended the Teshuva lectures in the past felt that these presentations contributed meaningfully to their understanding and observance during this penitential season. The entire community is invited to attend. Admission is \$5 at the door.

MODERN ISRAEL IS SUBJECT OF RABBI HERSEL SCHACHTER

Critical national and sociological issues facing the State of Israel will be analyzed by Rabbi Hershel Schachter at monthly lectures to be delivered at KJ. On five select Wednesday nights Rabbi Schachter, the erudite Rosh Kollel and Nathan and Vivian Fink Professor of Talmud at Yeshiva University, will present halakhic discourses on important contemporary concerns. The entire community is invited to attend these lectures which promise to be educational and enlightening. The fee is \$5 per lecture or \$25 for these five shiurim and the Teshuvah shiur.

- November 14
Problems in the Absorption of Soviet Jews
- December 12
Is it a Mitzvah to make Aliyah?
- January 9
Land for Peace?
- February 13
Military Duty
- March 13
The Status of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount

BEGINYAN MOVES TO SUNDAY

The Beginyan, a weekly explanatory service for those who want to know more about prayer, Judaism and Jewish life, will be held at KJ on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. beginning September 10 in the Max J. Etra Chapel. This informal educational/prayer experience will introduce those with the "what-page-are-we-on-in-the-Prayerbook Blues" to the world of Jewish prayer and help prepare them to attend and participate in regular synagogue services.

The beginyan will be led by Rabbi Mark Dratch.

alphabet. The Hebrew class will also meet on Monday evenings at 7:30. The first series will begin on September 10 and the second on February 25. Contact the synagogue office for more information.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazel tov to our Former Treasurer Norman and Tova Bulow on the birth of twin grandchildren, a boy and a girl, to their children Ephraim and Alisa Bulow.

Mazel tov to Mrs. Blanche Etra upon the birth of a granddaughter, Dorothy Rose, born to her children, Paula and Don Etra in Los Angeles.

Mazel tov to Susan and Wayne Forman upon the birth of a daughter, Daniella Renee.

Mazel tov to Amy and Alex Goldstein upon the birth of a son, Max Andrew.

Mazel tov to Shelly and Martin Kaufman upon the birth of a daughter, Emily Dina. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, our Trustee Ed and Hannah Low.

Mazel tov to Rhonda and Jeffrey Luxenberg upon the birth of a son, Matthew Adam. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smokler and the delighted great grandmother, Mrs. Alexander Gross.

Mazel tov to Gigi and Dr. Wayne Winnick upon the birth of a daughter, Samantha Anne. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Apfelbaum.

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

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel tov to our President, Stanley and Rae Gurewitsch on the engagement of their daughter Anne to Sam Schwartz, son of Drs. Florence and Joel Schwartz of Brooklyn. Similar good wishes to Anne's proud grandmother, Mrs. Rose Gurewitsch.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lefkowitz on the engagement of their son Jay to Elena Neuman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Neuman.

May these weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

WEDDINGS

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kagan on the marriage of their son Joshua to Joan Leviton, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Alan Leviton of Boston.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Israel D. Rosenberg on the marriage of their granddaughter, Dvora, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Mordechai Rosenberg, to Mordechai Eisenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Eisenberg. Many of us recall Mordechai Rosenberg as he grew up in our congregation and we feel special *nachas* in seeing that he now has a married daughter.

CONDOLENCES

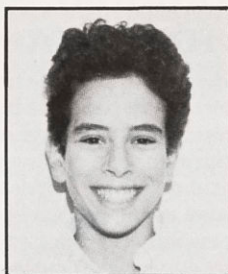
Our condolences to Daniel Beller on the loss of his father, Arnold Beller.

Our condolences to Robert Schwalbe on the loss of his mother, Hanna Schwalbe.

Our condolences to our Trustee, Ronald Tauber on the loss of his father, William Tauber.

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

BAR MITZVAH



JONATHAN GRUENHUT

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gruenhut on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Jonathan, which took place on Saturday, September 8, in the Main Synagogue. He read the weekly portion of Ki Tavo and the Haftorah.

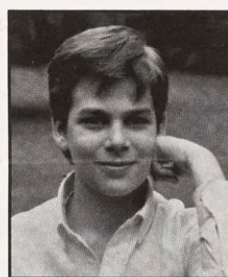
Jonathan is a student in the eighth grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.



ROGER COHEN

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Cohen on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Roger, which will take place on Saturday, October 20, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of Noach and the Haftorah.

Roger is a student in the eighth grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.



HILAN WARSHAW

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Warshaw on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Hilan, which will take place on Saturday, November 3, in the Main Synagogue. He will read the weekly portion of Vayera and the Haftorah.

Hilan is a student in the eighth grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.

COMMUNAL HONORS

Congratulations to our member Gershon Kekst who will receive the 1990 Louis Marshall Award at a dinner to be held by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America on Monday evening, November 12. May he continue to merit the praise of the community for his support of worthy institutions.

DAF YOMI FEVER SPREADS TO UPPER EAST SIDE

Daf Yomi fever has spread to the Upper East Side of Manhattan. Our synagogue now sponsors the only daily Daf Yomi east of Central Park led by our Ritual Director, Rabbi Israel D. Bendelstein.

"Daf Yomi" - literally "daily page" was initiated by Rabbi Meir Shapiro, of blessed memory, the Lubliner Rav. It offers an opportunity for those who do not have the time, to do what otherwise would seem to be an overwhelming task; to complete the study of the entire Talmud or Oral Law. By studying a page of the Talmud every day, one can accomplish this amazing feat in only seven years. Major media coverage was given on April 26, 1990, as 20,000 Daf Yomites participated in the ninth completion of the Talmud at Madison Square Garden. The number of participants has reached record proportions, with more Daf Yomi sessions being given world wide than ever before.

Truly, Daf Yomi means more than just a page. It has become a tradition and a household word for countless Jewish families.

The Daf Yomi is given daily in the synagogue library one hour before morning services - each weekday at 6:30 a.m., and Sundays at 7:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Rabbi Bendelstein at the synagogue office, 427-1000.

In Memoriam

IRVING KOBRIN

Mr. Kobrin's association with Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz went back more than 50 years. He was a frequent worshipper in our congregation even before he and his beloved wife, Hortense, joined our community after their move to the East Side. His three sons are all graduates of Ramaz and active in a wide variety of communal endeavors both in our community and beyond it. Two of his grandchildren are also graduates of Ramaz while three more are students in the school.

Mr. Kobrin was a throwback to an age when piety and refinement always went together. He was a deeply religious man who loved to daven and who thoroughly enjoyed listening to sermons and lectures. At the same time, he was chivalrous, elegant, gentle and extraordinarily generous in his behavior and relationships.

His lifelong love affair with his dear wife was a marvelous example of how two people could grow together in love, idealism, shared values and as the patriarch and matriarch of a wonderful family. They have lost the head of that family. We have lost an outstanding example of what a modern Orthodox American Jew was and can still be.

MEN'S CLUB TO SPONSOR SEVERAL SERIES OF SEUDAH SHLISHIT LECTURES

RABBI ELI RUBIN TO GIVE PRE YOM TOV LECTURES

Rabbi Eli Rubin will present six lectures at various Seudot Shlishit on important topics relating to upcoming holidays. The dates and topics are:

Sept. 15	Rosh Hashanah
Oct. 11	Simchat Torah (Thursday evening at Hakafot Unlimited)
Dec. 8	Chanukah
Feb. 23	Purim
Mar. 16	Pesach
Apr. 13	Yom Ha'atzmaut
May 11	Shavuot

RABBI JACK BIELER TO SPEAK AT SEUDAH SHLISHIT

"The Jewish Communities: A Halakic View of Pluralism" will be the topic of Rabbi Jack Bieler's lecture at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun on Saturday, October 20. Rabbi Bieler, former KJ scholar-in-residence for eleven years and now a distinguished member of the faculty and administration of the Hebrew Academy of Greater Washington, will speak at a Men's Club sponsored Seudah Shlishit following mincha at 5:20 PM. In addition to Rabbi Bieler's October 20 lectures, he will also speak at a Seudah Shlishit on June 8.

In Memoriam

DR. MORTIMER J. BLUMENTHAL

We mourn the passing of a long-time Trustee and former Secretary of the congregation who, together with his wife Jean, reared four children in KJ and in Ramaz.

A gifted and brilliant psychiatrist and teacher of psychiatry and pastoral counseling, Dr. Blumenthal stood out as a *giant in the field of chesed*. His home was open to all and often filled with dozens of guests. His readiness to counsel and render help of all kind was unfailing. His founding role in our *Chevre Kadisha* was a sacred obligation which he *never* missed until these last months when, physically, he simply could no longer serve.

We have all lost a great friend and a wonderful model of *menschlichkeit*, modesty and Jewish piety and pride.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Jean, to their children and grandchildren and to the entire KJ family.

RABBI MARK DRATCH TO ADDRESS CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AT SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Rabbi Mark Dratch will address contemporary issues concerning the interface between Jewish law and contemporary society during a series of twelve lectures to be held on Shabbat afternoons. The attendees will enjoy the food, song, and camaraderie of the Seudah Shlishit between Mincha and Maariv and explore halakic perspectives on such "page one" issues as Living Wills, Child Abuse, Clergy Malpractice, The Rights of Minorities in Israel, Infertility, the Death Penalty, and Environmentalism.

Oct. 27	The New Technology and Shabbat
Nov. 3	The Ethics of Selecting Political Candidates
Nov. 17	Living Wills
Dec. 1	Child Abuse
Dec. 15	Clergy Malpractice
Jan. 12	The Criminal Justice System
Feb. 9	The Rights of Minorities in Israel
Mar. 9	Infertility
Apr. 20	The Death Penalty
May 4	Obligations of Jews to non-Jews
June 1	Stool Pigeons in a Jewish Court
June 15	Environmentalism

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In Memoriam

REUBEN POPKIN

Mr. Popkin had a long and distinguished history in our congregation going back almost half a century. He and his beloved late wife, Fannye, together with their son, David, were a fixture in our House of God Sabbath after Sabbath. Mr. Popkin basked in the glory of his wife's communal and artistic accomplishments and he was extraordinarily proud of his loving son, daughter-in-law and delightful granddaughter.

A Southern gentleman from a part of the country where assimilation rather than Jewish commitment was the norm, Reuben Popkin retained his strong Jewish roots throughout his life and transmitted them to his family. To see him sit in shul with a broad smile on his face brought happiness to those around him and joy to our congregation.

His honesty and impeccable behavior were a credit to the Jewish people and to a life of Torah and mitzvot. He will be missed in our community now and in the years to come.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to all the members of the bereaved family and we pray that they may be spared further sorrow for many years to come.

In Memoriam

DR. BENJAMIN PAGOVICH

Suddenly, and most tragically, a wonderful Jew and a great servant of our people was taken from us at a young age long before his life work was complete.

Dr. Pagovich headed a marvelous family in our community. His wife, Talia and their three sons and daughter have lost a head of household who loved them and who gave his all for them.

But, Dr. Pagovich also gave his all to his patients and to the community. An expert urologist, he performed thousands of circumcisions on Soviet Jewish immigrants to this country under the auspices of the FREE organization. This was his passion, his pride and his privilege as a Jew who revered God and served His children.

May God console his family at this difficult time and give them and us the strength to carry on together his noble tradition.

May God comfort all of the mourners among all of us who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.

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SABBATH SCHEDULE

	Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Saturday Afternoon Services	Sabbath Ends
SEPTEMBER				
7-8 Ki Tavo	6:59	6:45	7:10	7:54
14-15 Nitzavim Vayelech	6:47	6:45	6:20	7:42
OCTOBER				
19-20 Noach	5:52	6:00	5:20	6:45
26-27 Lech Lecha	5:42	5:50	5:10	6:36
NOVEMBER				
2-3 Vayera	4:33	4:40	4:00	5:28
9-10 Chaye Sarah	4:26	4:40	4:25	5:20
16-17 Toldot	4:19	4:30	4:00	5:16

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings	7:30 AM*
Monday, Thursday and Rosh Chodesh Weekdays	7:15 AM*
Sunday mornings	8:30 AM*
Sabbath mornings	9:00 AM

*From September 17 to 27, Slichot services are held 1/2 hour before the regular service

Evening Services

Sept 9-18	6:45 PM
Sept. 30-Oct. 2	6:30 PM
Oct. 14-25	6:00 PM
Oct. 28-Nov. 1	4:50 PM
Nov. 4-8	4:40 PM
Nov. 11-15	4:30 PM

DATES TO REMEMBER**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

Tsom Gedaliah
 Morning Services at 8:00 AM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
 Morning Services at 9:00 AM



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