



## MAYER DAVIS ELECTED CANTOR OF CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

We are pleased to announce that at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun Mayer Davis, son of our Cantor Emeritus Avrum and Esther Davis, was elected Cantor of our congregation.

Born in New York City and raised in Far Rockaway, Cantor Davis learned his *chazanut* from his father and also from cantorial studies at the Cantorial Institute of Yeshiva University. He holds a B.A. in Jewish studies from Queens College.

Cantor Davis began his cantorial career at the age of 17, when he conducted his first High Holy Day services. He has held various cantorial positions for over 13 years. Mayer Davis is also a person of diverse musical talents. He has performed as guest soloist with the Zamir Chorale of New York and he was co-founder and lead vocalist of TAYKU, a pioneering contemporary Hebrew music ensemble which performed extensively in concert halls and universities throughout the United States.

An innovative and creative song writer, he has performed musical recitals for various Jewish organizations and he has a diverse repertoire of Jewish music which he has performed for enthusiastic audiences throughout the New York Metropolitan area. He is currently working on a new recording featuring his own original Jewish music as well as the best of new contemporary works. The album is planned for release in the spring of 1991.

Cantor Davis currently resides in West Hempstead, New York, with his wife Rochelle and their three children, Daniel (13), Michael (10), and Elisheva (4).

We welcome Cantor Davis to his new position and we hope that he will inspire us as his father has for the last 17 years to daven spiritedly and to appreciate the beautiful music of the synagogue.

## ISRAEL BOND SABBATH DECEMBER 1 ISRAEL'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON US.

State of Israel Bonds is faced with a crucial emergency this year in the absorption of Russian Jews to Israel.

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Israel Bonds represents the kind of investment that makes sound financial sense in these times of faltering economic growth.

### THE VARIABLE RATE ISSUE (V.R.I.)

Now paying 8¾% has a guaranteed minimum of 7½% and is linked to the prime rate. The V.R.I. has a \$25,000 minimum purchase and is available to individuals, employee benefit funds, foundations and public endowment funds. In some cases it can be redeemed as early as 3 years after purchase.

### THE INDIVIDUAL VARIABLE RATE ISSUE (IVRI)

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Also Available is the 4% CURRENT INCOME BOND which can be purchased in

multiples of \$500. It is ideal for gift giving donations to charities and institutions, and or use in traveling to Israel.

The \$250 STATE OF ISRAEL CERTIFICATE is designed to encourage tourism to Israel and makes an excellent gift.

Israel's future depends on the support we show her now. An investment will guarantee Israel's economic strength while significantly enhancing your financial portfolio.

A bond purchase is by far the most important way to say "I support the right of Israel to exist."

In addition our newest investment is the zero coupon bond. This is an ideal way of providing for a child's or grandchild's education. It is a book-entry Bond that matures March 31, 2000 at \$6,000 per unit.

The purchase price and effective interest yield to maturity is subject to change quarterly and will be announced by the Israel Bond Organization at the beginning of each quarter. The current purchase price is \$3,017.

Come to shul on Shabbat morning, December 1, and show your solidarity with and support of Israel by pledging to purchase State of Israel Bonds.

## MRS. GERTRUDE S. LOOKSTEIN GUEST OF HONOR AT THE RAMAZ DINNER

The Annual Dinner Dance of the Ramaz Parents' Council, scheduled for the Marriott Marquis, on Sunday, January 13, 1991, will honor Mrs. Gertrude S. Lookstein, wife of the founder of Ramaz, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein. Along with Mrs. Lookstein the Ramaz Parents' Council will recognize parents of alumni of the school who now have grandchildren in Ramaz or as alumni of Ramaz.

The theme of the dinner this year will be continuity as the school completes its 54th year of service to the Jewish community. The guest of honor was part of the founding generation of the school. Her son, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, was one of its first students and now, of course, serves as its Principal. All eight of her grandchildren are graduates of Ramaz. One of her eighteen great-grandchildren is now a student in the sophomore class.

The Kehilath Jeshurun family is happy to congratulate Mrs. Lookstein on this most deserved honor. We salute her for her years of love, devotion and service to Ramaz. We hope that many of our members will want to attend this dinner in honor of Mrs. Lookstein. Reservations may be made and ads may be placed in the Journal by calling the business office of Ramaz, 517-5955.

## OPERATION L'HITRAOT TAKES OFF

We reprint for our readers on page 2 Rabbi Haskel Lookstein's article which appeared in the Jewish Week over the weekend of October 26-28. The article describes Operation L'HITRAOT which Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and Ramaz School developed under the leadership of Sandy Eisenstat and Rabbi Lookstein in order to stimulate American Jewish missions to Israel in the coming weeks and months. We are happy to announce that as this Bulletin goes to press more than 16 organizations and communities in the metropolitan area have already scheduled such missions in response to Operation L'Hitraot. Ads were placed by the congregation in the Jewish Week, the Long Island Jewish World, the Jerusalem Post, and the International Edition of the Jerusalem Post in order to stimulate others to follow our example. The KJ mission left on Saturday night, November 10. A mission of 50 students from Ramaz School is scheduled to leave on Monday night, November 19.

REPRINTED FROM THE JEWISH WEEK

## ESSENTIAL FOR AMERICANS TO 'SHOW UP' IN ISRAEL NOW

By Haskel Lookstein

American Jews are correctly, outraged by the Arab rock throwers and knife wielders in the Holy Land who attack worshippers at the Western Wall and innocent civilians in the streets.

We are angry at a United Nations that condemns Israel unfairly and ignores the atrocities of Israel's enemies. We are disappointed in the Bush administration's readiness to join in that condemnation in the interest of maintaining the coalition of the nations of the world against a vicious and dangerous tyrant in Iraq.

All of our rallies have addressed these awesome problems. We must maintain vigilance and pressure in the weeks and months ahead to deal with these vital issues.

But there is another problem that we have thus far ignored and which threatens to dwarf all of the others in importance. That problem is the disappearance of American Jews from the streets of Jerusalem and all of Israel during the past three years and, particularly, for the past three months.

Those few who have returned from spending the High Holy Days season in Israel report that the hotels are empty. At one point during Sukkot there were nine guests in the Jerusalem Hilton, where once one practically needed to know a government minister to get a room during a festival season. We hear reports that one-third of all the hotel workers in Israel will be laid off by Nov. 1. That represents the loss of at least 1,500 jobs.

The issue, however, is far more than economic. It is the morale of our brothers and sisters who know they are repudiated by much of the world—they now fear they are also being abandoned by American Jews. That fear is potentially much more destructive than Arab rock throwers, U.N. blame throwers and even United States guilt throwers. The feeling that Israelis are isolated even from the Jewish community here is potentially so demoralizing as to raise the possibility of hopelessness in Israel itself.

If, in fact, we leave the streets of Israel empty of American Jews, then we are handing the Arabs their greatest victory. If we are afraid to go on missions, and to pray at the Kotel, to see the beautiful sights of the Holy Land, what do we expect of Israelis? When will they turn around and call us cowards, traitors or, even worse, bystanders as were our forebears 50 years ago.

The terrible irony of our timorous mood here is that the facts of life in Israel are vastly different from what American Jews fear. I was in Tel Aviv during the last three days of August, when the talk of gas masks and storing provisions was at its height. Friends questioned me about why I was going at such a dangerous time.

However, I felt absolutely no danger. I looked at the crowds on the beach, the sunbathers around the pool in the Tel Aviv Hilton and all of the other people going about their business of working or touring.

The reality in Israel is so different from the false images conjured up on TV and in the newspapers. The reality is, quite clearly, that it is much safer to walk on any street in Israel than on Park Avenue and Fifth Avenue in New York.

It is up to you and me to change this distorted perspective about Israel. It is up to us to show other American Jews that a visit to Israel is joyous, uplifting, inspiring and very safe. The only way to do this is by going. You and I must drop whatever we are doing and go to visit.

That is why Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and the Ramaz School have launched Operation L'Hitraot with a mini-mission to Israel. It will leave Nov. 10 and return Nov. 16. We urge other congregations and schools either to join us or, better yet, to form their own mini-missions. Give up a week and gain a land.

If you had the flu for a few days, your business or profession would not cease to exist. Instead of the flu, then, fly to Israel on El Al and see and be seen in the Holy Land.

There are some problems about which we can only scream but cannot solve. The perception of American Jewish abandonment of Israel, however, is one problem that is immediately solvable.

A prominent motion picture personality once said: "Ninety percent of life consists of just showing up." Perhaps we might say that 90 per-cent of what we can do for Israel right now is to just show up. *L'hitraot!*

*Rabbi Lookstein, spiritual leader of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and principal of Ramaz School, is chairman of the Greater New York Coalition for Soviet Jews and the author of "Were We Our Brothers' Keepers: The Public Response of American Jews to the Holocaust, 1938-1944."*

## KJ RALLIES FOR ISRAEL - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

A mass rally for Israel and Jerusalem was held in the Main Synagogue of the congregation on Sunday afternoon, October 21, at 5:00 o'clock. The synagogue was filled with over 1,000 persons while about 700 gathered outside to hear the rally on loudspeakers on East 85th Street.

Among the speakers at the rally were Attorney General Robert Abrams; Comptroller Elizabeth Holtzman; Manhattan Borough President Ruth Messinger; Consul General Uriel Savir; Rabbi Mark Angel, President of the Rabbinical Council of America; and Kenneth Bialkin, Chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York.

Rabbi Lookstein, who presided at the rally spoke stirringly about the three reasons for this rally. First, to stand up and express ourselves in the face of dangers to Israel; second, to protest the falsification of facts and conditions by members of the media who mislead the American public about what is actually going on in Israel; and, third, to answer the treachery of the United Nations and to take public exception to the position taken by the United States in supporting a resolution which condemned the Israelis who responded to an attack by Arab rock throwers at the Kotel without condemning the perpetrators of the action who had desecrated our holiest place on earth.

The Rabbi then indicated that there is a fourth reason for the rally, namely, to launch Operation L'Hitraot (described elsewhere on this page). He called upon the assemblage to join us in our mission of November 16-21 or, preferably, to form their own missions in their own communities and to show up in Israel to see and be seen.

One of the highlights of the rally was a performance of Jerusalem songs by the Chorus of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz, led by Caroll Goldberg. The rally came to a conclusion with a beautiful song presented by Cantor Mayer Davis, a song of love for Jerusalem and loyalty to Zion.

Synagogues from the mid-Manhattan community supported the rally fully and sent their congregants to be part of the assemblage. It was community action at its best, led behind the scenes by the JCRC. In the face of terrible pressure on Israel and unfair condemnation of our people, New York Jewry stood up and protested in this rally and in similar rallies throughout the metropolitan area and said to the world: "We will not be silent in the face of such injustice."

### KJ SINGLES CHANUKAH PARTY OPENING NIGHT - THE FIRST CANDLE

Tuesday, December 11, 1990

7:00 p.m.

FOOD, FUN, MUSIC &  
CANTOR MAYER DAVIS

\$10.00 with Paid Reservations by December 6.

\$12 at the door

### THE NEXT GATHERING OF THE WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP PARASHAT VAERA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1991

9:00 A.M.

IN THE MAX J. ETRA CHAPEL

**RABBI HERSHEL SCHACHTER  
TO SPEAK WEDNESDAY,  
DECEMBER 12**



Following the success of Rabbi Herschel Schachter's Teshuvah Shiur, we are proud to announce that he will be delivering the second in a series of monthly presentations on Wednesday evening, December 12. The title of this presentation is "IS IT A MITZVAH TO MAKE ALIYAH?"

The series of five lectures/shiurim, each presented on the second Wednesday of the month from November through March is built around the theme: ISRAEL-THE LAND AND THE STATE.

Rabbi Schachter is the Rosh Kollel at Yeshiva University and is one of the outstanding Talmud scholars of our generation. The lectures each begin at 8:00 p.m. and the admission is \$5 per person.

All members of the congregation and community are invited and, in fact, encouraged to attend these outstanding lectures.

**AM HASEFER TO DISCUSS  
NEW YORK'S JEWISH JEWS**

January 20, 1991

The next meeting of the Am Hasefer Book Discussion Club will be held on Sunday evening, January 20, 1991 at 8:00 p.m. The book under discussion will be Dr. Jenna Joselit's new volume: NEW YORK'S JEWISH JEWS-THE ORTHODOX COMMUNITY IN THE INTERWAR YEARS.

The book is of special interest to us as Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein's unpublished autobiography supplied much information for the author. It describes many features of our congregation and synagogue and many members of our community were interviewed by Dr. Joselit as part of her research.

The discussion will be lead by the author.

It will be held at the home of Israel and Nathalie Friedman.

All members of the congregation are invited.

**SIEGEL'S OF SECOND AVENUE  
NO LONGER CERTIFIED KOSHER**

We regret to inform you that Siegel's restaurant and take-out stores on Second Avenue between 85th and 86th Streets and between 74th and 75th Streets are no longer under the supervision of the Midtown Board of Kashrut. We can no longer vouch for the reliability of the kashrut at either store.

**DAF YOMI**

WITH

**RABBI ISRAEL D. BENDELSTEIN**

every weekday morning at 6:30 a.m.

Saturday, Sunday & Legal Holidays 7:30 a.m.

**DR. LOUIS FELDMAN & RABBI MARK DRATCH HIGHLIGHT  
WEDNESDAY EVENING LECTURES**

We are delighted to report that the Wednesday evening double header lecture series has gotten off to an outstanding start. We welcome the return this year of Dr. Louis Feldman who was received with outstanding enthusiasm last year in his first lecture series for us. Dr. Feldman's series devoted to the topic CHALLENGES TO UNITY: THE HISTORY OF DIVERGENT JEWISH MOVEMENTS takes place on selected Wednesday evenings at 8:30 p.m.

Dr. Feldman's series is preceded on those same Wednesday evenings by Rabbi Mark Dratch's presentation of TOPICS IN BEREISHIT. Those lectures begin at 7:15 p.m. Rabbi Dratch evaluates major themes of the Book of Genesis through a study of the biblical text and classical and modern commentators.

Dr. Feldman points out that Jewish unity has always been elusive. The series studies famous and infamous movements throughout Jewish history that challenged this ideal: The conditions that lead to their formation their beliefs and practices, their successes and failures. Professor Feldman explores such issues as faith, revelation, individualism, nationalism and messianic fervor. He points out historic parallels to the contemporary scene and the ramifications.

The schedule for both series is printed below.

**SELECTED WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

DATE	RABBI DRATCH 7:15 P.M.	DR. LOUIS FELDMAN 8:30 P.M.
NOV 28	The Gods of the Patriarchs	The Essenes: Pacificism and Asceticism
DEC 5	The Barrenness of the Matriarchs	The Dead Sea Sect: The Jewish Apocalypse
DEC 19	Fathers and Sons	The Sicarii and Zealots: Massada
JAN 23	Jewish Mothers and Wives	The Karaites: Rejection of the Talmud
JAN 30	Genesis as a Source of Halakhah	Shabbetai Zevi and Jacob Frank: Sanctity Through Sin
FEB 6	Where Angels Tread	Hasidism: Popular Religious Ecstasy
FEB 20	Haman and the Book of Genesis	Mussar: Jewish Ethics
MAR 6	Joseph the Righteous	Haskalah: The Enlightenment
MAR 20	The First Exile	Classical Reform Judaism: A Response to Emancipation

**MEN'S CLUB SEUDAH SHLISHIT  
PROGRAM CONTINUES IN FULL SWING  
Sponsorships Available**

The Kehilath Jeshurun's Men's Club is pleased to announce the schedule of Seudah Shlishit Programs for the next several weeks.

The Men's Club welcomes sponsors who may wish to dedicate a seudah shlishit in honor of a birthday, anniversary or other *simcha* or on the observance of a *yahrzeit*.

DATE	TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
Dec 1	4:00 p.m.	Rabbi Dratch	Child Abuse
Dec 8	4:00 p.m.	Rabbi Rubin	Pre-Chanukah Lecture
Dec 15	4:00 p.m.	Abigail Kahn	Bat Mitzvah
Jan 12	4:15 p.m.	Rabbi Dratch	The Criminal Justice System
Jan 26	4:30 p.m.	Dr. Charles Liebman	New Trends Among Israeli Jewish Fundamentalists

Other Seudah Shlishit programs available for sponsorship are scheduled for the following dates:

February 9, 23	May 4, 11
March 9, 16	June 1, 8, 15, 22
April 13, 20	

**THE KEHILATH JESHURUN MEN'S CLUB  
CORDIALLY INVITES  
THE ENTIRE CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY TO  
THE ANNUAL MEN'S CLUB SABBATH AND KIDDUSH**

Saturday, December 8, 1990

Services will be lead by the members of the KJ Men's Club

## TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR SYRIA'S JEWS

There are still 4,000 Jews living in Syria. These Jews cannot leave Syria without leaving behind their loved ones and large amounts of money. Two Syrian Jews have been imprisoned for almost two years with no clue as to why they were put there or when they will be tried.

Syria's practice of torturing its prisoners, harboring terrorists, and denying its citizens basic human rights, prompted the United States government to label Syria officially a "terrorist nation". After each of the Israeli wars of 1948, 1967, and 1973, Syrian Arabs rioted against Syrian Jews, injuring persons and destroying property. Syria still considers itself to be at war with Israel.

Because of the events in the Persian Gulf, the United States is now considering an alliance with Syria. The time is running out for Syria's Jews!

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Send a Freedom-Gram to President Bush and/or Secretary of State Baker. By dialing 1-800-257-4900 and asking for "Hotline 9500", a Freedom-Gram prepared by the Council for the Rescue of Syrian Jews will be sent. The cost is \$7.25 and it will be billed to your telephone.

It is important that we speak out in behalf of our brothers and sisters in Syria and the time to do so is today. Please do call now and send a Freedom-Gram.

## RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE GREATER NEW YORK COALITION FOR SOVIET JEWRY

### Many from the KJ and Ramaz Family are chosen With Him

We are happy to congratulate Rabbi Haskel Lookstein upon his re-election as Chairman of the Greater New York Coalition for Soviet Jewry. Elected with him are a large number of members of the KJ/Ramaz family who have served and continue to serve the cause of Soviet Jewry. They are:

Honorary Chairman:	Elie Wiesel
Vice Chairmen:	Naomi Cohen Ezra Levin Howard Rubenstein Dr. Noam Shudofsky Melvin Stein
Executive Committee:	Pearl Hack Alvin Hellerstein Dr. Albert Hornblass Joseph Kaplan Nathan Lindenbaum Leon Meyers Rabbi Dale Polakoff David S. Weil
Board of Directors:	Tova Bulow Samuel M. Eisenstat Ceil Kabakow Irving Kagan Audrey Lookstein Dan Ordan Marcella Rosen Nechi Shudofsky

It is most gratifying to see so many of our community involved in the second most important cause in Jewish life today: the fight for the emigration of Soviet Jews from Russia and their absorption in Israel.

## FIRST PRESENTATION OF NEW TOY COLLECTION GIVEN TO MISHKON

We are pleased to announce that the first 20 presents donated by children of the congregation on the occasion of their birthdays have been given to Mishkon to be given to their residents. Mishkon is a home for 48 severely retarded and physically handicapped Jewish children located in Brooklyn. The program is based on the premise that although a retarded child's intelligence is limited he or she has the same capacity to feel, develop, to respond as other children, given the most favorable circumstances. They are challenged to reach their highest potential and are accepted and valued as human beings on their own terms and at their own levels.

The age range of Mishkon residents is from birth to 21. Children attend special education classes in public school or Hebrew day school.

The New Toy Collection is a project of the Social Action Committee. Children of the congregation up to Bar Mitzvah age have been asked to select one unopened and unused present that they have received for their birthday and give it to a child with special needs whether he be retarded, handicapped, poor, homeless or a recent immigrant. We are proud that so many of our children have already volunteered to be a part of this program. Other children who wish to participate should contact Robert Leifert in the synagogue office or drop us a note telling us your name, birth date including year and grade in school.

## WHERE DID THE FOOD FROM KOL NIDRE NIGHT GO?

Following our Kol Nidre night food collection, we received a beautiful letter from Bill Rosenberg of Project Ezra thanking the KJ family for its "Thoughtful, generous and much needed donation."

The food was distributed through Congregation Anshei Berzan, a small shtetl on Stanton Street. The synagogue is lead by Rabbi Joseph Singer, a well known figure throughout the Lower East Side helping many of the elderly, isolated, needy members of the Jewish community, as well as new Russian immigrants, enabling them to experience a joyful and happy new year. It is distributed with dignity and joy and accepted by the recipients in the way it was given.

Congregation Anshei Berzan provides daily breakfast, kiddush program, and light food to take home for those individuals in the community that need assistance. Programs such as this serve as an umbilical cord of life to our elders and remind them that they are not alone or forgotten but rather remain vibrant, important, intergal members of the larger Jewish community.

The KJ Social Action Committee in turn thanks the members of the congregation who were so generous in bringing the food on Kol Nidre night and asks that you bring Chanukah food packages to the synagogue on December 9, 10 and 11 as described below.

## FOOD DRIVE SET FOR CHANUKAH

Our KJ Social Action Committee's Kol Nidre Food Drive was so successful that we have been asked to sponsor another food collection in behalf of Project Ezra.

The elderly on the Lower East Side will be having their Annual Chanukah party with Project Ezra and we wish to provide each participant with a package of special foods. We hope to service 100 guests.

The packages should contain the following items:

- Parkaged dried fruits
- Chocolate Chanukah gelt
- Instant coffee and tea
- Individual wrapped cakes

Please bring as many such packages as you can, each one preferably in its brown bag. The food can be dropped off in the KJ lobby on Sunday-Tuesday, December 9, 10 and 11, immediately before Chanukah.

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## PROCEDURES FOR LIGHTING CHANUKAH CANDLES

Beginning with Tuesday evening, December 11

While the practice of gift giving has become an integral part of the Festival of Lights, the lights themselves are the principle observance of the holiday and should be highlighted as the central feature of Chanukah in the home.

1. **The Menorah**-While one Menorah suffices for the household, it is customary-and desirable-for each member of the household to light his own Menorah. This is particularly recommended for the children in the family who will take special delight in kindling their own Chanukah candles or oil lamps. It is preferable to fulfill the mitzvah of lighting the Chanukah Menorah by using either oil lamps or wax candles. An electric Menorah may be placed in the window in order to fulfill the precept of publicizing the Chanukah miracle to those who are passing on the street.

2. **The Time for Lighting**-The candles should be lit as soon as possible after nightfall (30 minutes after sunset). They should be allowed to burn for at least 30 minutes.

On Friday afternoon, December 14 (the 4th night) they should be lit before the Sabbath candles and they should be large enough so that they remain lit for about an hour and a half. These special longer lasting candles are available at "Classics By Doina" in the synagogue lobby. You will need five (5) candles for each menorah.

3. **Arranging the Candles**-The candles are set into the Menorah from the right side as the candle lighter faces it. Each night an additional candle is placed into the Menorah.

4. **Lighting the Candles**-The candles are lit from left to right as the candle lighter faces the Menorah-starting with the newest candle first. We begin by lighting the "Shamash". Then the blessings are recited-three on the first night and two on the other nights. After the blessings are recited, we light the candles by the flame of the Shamash.

The reason for using the Shamash is in order to avoid any practical use of the Chanukah candles. These candles are holy and their sole purpose is a ritual one-to proclaim the miracle of Chanukah.

5. **Concluding Songs**-Following the lighting of the candles we sing *Ha-nerot Ha-lalu* which explains the reason for the ceremony and *Maaz Tzur*, a ballad which describes in several stanzas how Divine Providence has intervened at various points in history to save us from our enemies.

### CHANUKAH CANDLES

Through the courtesy of the Kehilath Jeshurun Benevolent Fund Chanukah Candles have been sent to every recipient of the *KJ Bulletin*.

The proceeds of this Fund are used for deserving individuals who might not otherwise come to the attention of public charity.

Those who wish to make a contribution should make checks payable to the "KJ Benevolent Fund" and send them to the synagogue office.

May you and your family have a happy Chanukah.

### THE KJ SISTERHOOD

presents a

### GROOMING DEMONSTRATION

by

Andrea York of FRAICHE COSMETIQUES

Monday, December 3, 1990

1:30 p.m.

This informative program will teach women how to look their best in the shortest amount of time using healthy skin care products and will include a "make-over". Question and answer period will follow. Coffee and cake will be served.

### F.I.N.D.

### Families in New Directions) Celebrates First Anniversary

Tuesday, November 27, 1990 7:45 p.m.

Whether you are experiencing life changes due to separation, divorce or the death of a partner.....F.I.N.D. can help give you and your family the support and encouragement you may need.

Join us at the home of Agnes Kolevzon, 470 West End Avenue on Tuesday evening November 27 at 7:45 p.m. Please call her at 877-4137 to indicate you are coming.

For more information, contact:

Carol Chrein 410-5702  
Dr. Odette Suna 427-1000  
Robert Leifert 427-1000

### Do You Have the What-Page-Are-We-On- in-the-Prayerbook Blues?

••• Come to the Beginyan •••

We are a free, explanatory service under the direction of Rabbi Mark Dratch for those who want to know more about Prayer, Judaism and Jewish Life.

NOW HELD ON SUNDAYS  
at 9:30 A.M.

### OUR THANKS TO ASHER LEVITSKY

Sukkot has come and gone but our gratitude to Asher Levitsky and his family remains undiminished. Year after year he has helped us to organize the Sukkah meal program which he then supervises and actively directs during the course of Yom Tov and Shabbat on the Sukkot festival.

This year again we took care of capacity crowds during Sukkot. Somehow, everyone was accommodated, ruffled feelings were smoothed, adjustments were made, hospitality was shown, and the congregation had a great time. None of this would have been possible without the work of Asher and his children, Joshua and Lily. They were helped by many other people but they bore the lion's share of the burden and they did it with grace, with a sense of humor, and with extraordinary competence.

Our thanks to Asher and the whole family.

### And to the Orwasher Family

We want to express our gratitude to Louis and Abram Orwasher who donated all of the challah rolls and the large challah loaves for all of our Sukkah meals. As usual, they were delicious and somehow they managed to remain fresh from Wednesday erev Yom Tov through Shabbat lunch. What a tribute to the skill and generosity of the Orwasher family. Many thanks!

### A REFUAH SHLEIMAH AND A TODAH RABAH TO RUDY ARJUNE

A synagogue needs many things but one of the most important is a superintendent and engineer who can make the place go and keep it on its feet. We are blessed with one of the best in Rudy Arjune.

From the beginning of the summer, when the construction started, right through the entire High Holy Day season with all of its complications, in view of the renovation program, Rudy worked day and night to keep everything running. The fact that everything went with barely a hitch is a tribute to his commitment, devotion and talent.

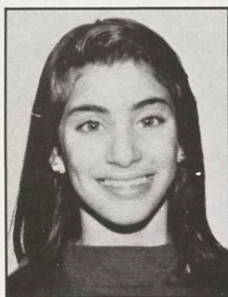
What was not known to many, even those who saw him limping around during the holiday season, is that shortly before Rosh Hashanah he was told by an orthopedist that he had to undergo surgery for the repair of cartilage in his knee. He told the surgeon that he could not possibly undergo that surgery until two weeks after Sukkot, by which time everything would have been returned to normal.

The surgeon called Rabbi Lookstein and asked him a simple question: "Are you aware of the fact that you have a *tzadek* working for your shul?" The Rabbi answered: "Amen!"

Rudy has now undergone the surgery. He is back at work only a little the worse for wear. We hope he has a full and speedy recovery and we look forward to many future years of outstanding service and commitment to the congregation and the House of God.

# WITHIN OUR FAMILY

## B'NAI MITZVAH



**ARIEL LINDENBAUM**

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Armand Lindenbaum on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Ariel which took place on Sunday, October 21. She delivered a Dvar Torah on the fifth commandment, Honor Your Father and Your Mother.

Ariel is a student in the sixth grade of the Ramaz Lower School.



**ABIGAIL KAHN**

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert N. Kahn on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Abigail which will take place at a congregational seudah shlishit on Shabbat Chanukah, December 15 and on Sunday, December 16, in the Main Synagogue. Similar good wishes to the proud grandmother, Mrs. Toni Kahn.

Abigail will deliver a Dvar Torah on the attitudes towards Chanukah from the Macabees to the present.

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



**ANDREW RECHTSCHAFFEN**

Mazel tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Manfred Rechtschaffen on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Andrew which took place on Saturday, November 10, in the Main Synagogue. He read the weekly portion of Chaye Sarah and the Haftorah.

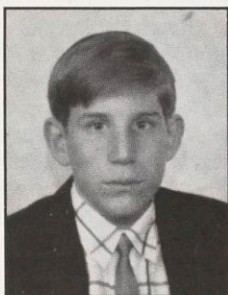
Andrew is a student in the eighth grade of the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of Ramaz.



**REBECCA GOBER**

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gober on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Rebecca which will take place on Saturday night, December 15. She will deliver a Dvar Torah on the Book of Yehudit and the importance of her namesake Rifka as one of the four matriarchs.

Rebecca is a student in the sixth grade of the Ramaz Lower School.



**DANIEL EDELSTEIN**

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Chaim Edelstein on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Daniel which will take place on Saturday, December 15 in the Main Synagogue. Daniel will read the weekly portion of Miketz and the Haftorah.

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

## DANIEL DAVIS BECOMES A BAR MITZVAH

We are happy to extend a Mazel Tov to Cantor and Mrs. Mayer Davis on the forthcoming bar mitzvah of their son Daniel which will take place at the Young Israel of West Hempstead on Parashat Vayigash, December 22.

Daniel, a student in the 7th grade of the Hebrew Academy of Nassau County will read the Torah and Haftorah portions.

We extend similar congratulations to his proud grandparents, our Cantor Emeritus and Mrs. Avrum Davis and look forward to knowing Daniel even better now that his father has become the regular cantor of the congregation.

## RABBI & MRS. LOOKSTEIN BECOME GRANDPARENTS AGAIN

Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein on the birth of a granddaughter born to Dr. Shelly and Debbie Senders in Cleveland. This latest girl in the Lookstein family has been named Tamara Bea.

Similar congratulations to the proud great grandmothers, Mrs. Esther Katz and Mrs. Gertrude Lookstein. May she bring mazel and bracha to her family and to klal Yisroel and may she grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah and ma'asim tovim.

## COMMUNAL HONORS TO MRS. AUDREY LOOKSTEIN AND TO RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

The Kehilath Jeshurun family is happy to congratulate Audrey Lookstein upon her designation as an honoree of the Amit Women's Organization at its Annual Dinner which will be held on Sunday evening, December 2, at the Waldorf Astoria. Mrs. Lookstein serves as a National Vice President of Amit and has been very active in the organization for many years. She was also the founding President of the Gayle Shechter Chapter of Amit Women, which is the local organization on the Upper East and West Sides of Manhattan.

The association of Audrey Lookstein with Amit is one which goes back more than 32 years, when she and Rabbi Lookstein were members of Mizrachi Hatzair, the youth organization of the Mizrachi movement which was guided and supported by the Mizrachi Women's Organization, the forerunner of Amit Women.

We congratulate Audrey Lookstein on this most deserved tribute and express the hope that she will continue to serve Amit Women and the Jewish community with leadership and distinction in the years to come.

## Rabbi Haskel Lookstein To Be Honored By Emunah Women

The Emunah Women Organization, another religious Zionist women's organization with chapters both here and in Israel, will honor Rabbi Haskel Lookstein at its Annual Dinner on Sunday evening, December 9, at the Marriott Marquis. The Rabbi will be the recipient of the Rabbanit Sarah Herzog Memorial Award. He is being cited for his leadership in the struggle for Soviet Jews and for his support of Israel over the past decades.

We congratulate the Rabbi on the occasion of this honor and we wish him many more years of service to the Jewish community.

**BIRTHS**

Mazel tov to Ellen and Sam Dawidowicz on the birth of a son, Matthew Jordan.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Eppler on the birth of a grandson, Ian Daniel to their children, David and Resa Eppler.

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fier on the birth of a grandson, David Ariel, to their children, Amy and Baruch Gitlin.

Mazel tov to Jill and Gregg Haft on the birth of a son, Elliot Jacob. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Maks Eirnbach.

Mazel tov to Elysee and Myron Rumeld on the birth of a boy Jordan Scott. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Bernstein.

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

**ENGAGEMENT**

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Morris Shorofsky upon the engagement of their daughter, Sharon to Alex Mack of New York City.

*May their wedding take place in happiness and blessing.*

**WEDDINGS**

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fier on the marriage of their daughter, Lisa to Richard Goldman, of Newton, Massachusetts.

Mazel tov to Dr. Harry Goldin on the marriage of his grandson, Michael Stern, son of Jessica and the late Dr. William Stern, to Sara Deborah Gribetz, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. Joel Gribetz of Riverdale.

Mazel tov to Abram Orwasher on his recent marriage to Nina Fleckmen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fleckman of Bayside. Similar good wishes to Abram's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Orwasher.

**CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences to Catherine Gura on the loss of her mother, Ruth Kleinschmidt.

Our condolences to Zev Hack on the loss of his brother, Morris Hack.

Our condolences to Richard Hirsch on the loss of his mother, Myrtle Hirsch.

Our condolences to Dr. Norman Javitt on the loss of his mother, Zara Silver.

Our condolences to Jessica Joseph on the loss of her mother, Lauryann Friedman.

Our condolences to Ruth Kobrin on the loss of her father, Eugene Freedman.

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

**ACADEMIC NEWS**

Mazel tov to Leora Shudofsky, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Noam Shudofsky upon receiving her Masters of Social Work degree from Hunter College School of Social Work of the City University of New York. Her specialization is Adolescent Social Work and she is now on the staff of John Jay High School in the Park Slope section of Brooklyn.

**PROFESSIONAL HONORS**

Mazel tov to Phyllis Wagner who received the 1990 Gerald Loeb Award, which honors journalists who have made significant contributions to the public's understanding of business and financial issues. Her article in Crain's New York Business chronicled the rise and fall of Crazy Eddie, Inc.

**PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION**

Mazel tov to Dr. Robert Wallach who was honored by Lenox Hill Hospital for 65 years of faithful devotion and service. The first 57 of those years were in active service, while the last eight have been spent as a consultant and honorary member of the medical staff. Dr. Wallach was among the first dental interns in this country.

**ROBERT ABRAMS REELECTED**

We are delighted to wish a Mazel Tov to our devoted member, Robert Abrams, upon his reelection to the position of Attorney General of the State of New York.

We wish him well in the coming term as he continues to bring integrity to government and public life and serves as a leader of the Jewish people and in behalf of Jewish causes.

**IN MEMORIAM****SOL MILLER**

Kehilath Jeshurun lost a wonderful friend and most committed member in the passing of Sol Miller. He died quietly even as he lived privately and without fanfare.

He was a regular at our afternoon *minyanim* and, of course, on *Shabbat* and *Yom Tov*. There was a smile on his face and a warm glow in his eye as he sat in the back rows of the synagogue praying to God and relating to his fellow man. He never asked for recognition nor sought honors, but he never failed to contribute to appeals for the congregation or for any worthwhile charity.

All of us, whether we knew him or not, are deprived of a wonderful human being and a good Jew who leaves behind a heritage of devotion, commitment and *ahavat Yisrael*.

**ANNA GOLDIN**

A descendant of a great rabbinic family and a loving, warm and enthusiastic Jew was taken from our midst just before the Sukkot festival. Anna Goldin, the wife of Dr. Harry Goldin, lived an exemplary Jewish life which all who knew her admired.

She was breathless in her pursuit of knowledge, Jewish study and an appreciation of the arts. There wasn't a worthwhile moment in life that she missed, including attendance at the opera on the night prior to her succumbing to a very brief illness which led to her demise.

She was the most devoted wife one could possibly imagine, and an extraordinarily loving and supporting mother to her three children who modeled themselves after her and who were a great source of *nachas* to her. Her relationship with her grandchildren was nothing short of worshipful—from both sides.

Our congregation has lost a model of piety and Jewish loyalty. Her family grieves for her but her life's work will continue through her husband, her loved ones and all of us at KJ.

**ACADEMIC RECOGNITION**

Mazel tov to Kenneth Rochlin on receiving the Alumnus Award presented by the American Friends of Yeshivot Bnai Akiva at a dinner in the Grand Hyatt New York. Also recognized on that occasion was our dear friend, Rabbi Aharon Bina, Dean of the overseas program at Yeshivat HaKotel.

**E. FRANKLIN ROBBINS**

One the most senior members in terms of age and affiliation passed away just before the High Holy Days. E. Franklin Robbins' relationship with KJ went back generations. He was a devoted supporter of the congregation and very proud of its role as a modern Orthodox synagogue.

His wife passed away a year ago and his sense of loneliness after her loss could not be adequately mitigated. He was a devoted father and grandfather, with a long history of concern for the Jewish community and its important institutions. On festivals, and particularly on the High Holidays, he occupied a seat in the front row of our Main Synagogue where his father before him had worshipped. We will feel his absence keenly in the years to come.

**HERTHA SIGALL**

An extraordinary personality and a fascinating human being was taken from our midst suddenly and peacefully. She died with her life in order and in the company of those who loved her most, her very devoted family.

The wife of the late Leon Sigall, a Trustee of our congregation for many years, Mrs. Sigall was a devoted member of our congregation, a passionate Jew, and a proud and loyal supporter of the State of Israel.

She was *au courant* with everything that was going on in the world from international news to the stock market reports, and from politics to the fortunes of the New York Mets and the best players in the US Open Tennis Tournament.

Most of all, she was a loving mother to her children, our members Judith Shipper and Michael Sigall, a beloved and loving mother-in-law, and an adoring grandmother whose relationship with her grandchildren spanned the generations easily with no sign of the customary gap.

They and we mourn her passing.



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**SABBATH SCHEDULE**

	Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Saturday Afternoon Services	Sabbath Ends
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
23-24 Vayetze	4:13	4:30	4:30	5:12
30-Dec. 1 Yayishlach	4:10	4:30	4:00	5:09
<b>DECEMBER</b>				
7-8 Vayeshev	4:09	4:30	4:00	5:08
14-15 Miketz	4:09	4:30	4:00	5:10
21-22 Vayigash	4:12	4:30	4:30	5:12
28-29 Vayechi	4:16	4:30	4:30	5:17
<b>JANUARY</b>				
4-5 Shemot	4:22	4:40	4:40	5:22
11-12 Vaera	4:29	4:45	4:15	5:29
18-19 Bo	4:37	4:50	4:50	5:37
25-26 Beshlach	4:45	5:00	4:30	5:44
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
1-2 Yitro	4:56	5:10	5:10	5:52
Weekday mornings				7:30 AM
Monday, Thursday and Rosh Chodesh Weekdays				7:15 AM
Sunday mornings				8:30 AM
Sabbath mornings				9:00 AM

**EVENING SERVICES**

Nov 18-Jan 3	4:30
Jan 6-10	4:40
13-17	4:45
20-24	4:50
27-31	5:00
Feb 3-7	5:10

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Thursday, Nov. 22**  
Thanksgiving Day 8:30 a.m.
- Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 12-14**  
Chanukah 7:15 a.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 15**  
Shabbat Chanukah 8:45 a.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 16**  
Chanukah 8:30 a.m.
- Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 17-18**  
Rosh Chodesh Tevet 7:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 25**  
8:30 a.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 27**  
Asarah B'Tevet 7:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 1**  
8:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 16**  
Rosh Chodesh Shevat 7:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 30**  
Tu B'Shevat 7:30 a.m.

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