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ROBERT E. ZIMET ELECTED NEW TREASURER AT 120th ANNUAL MEETING

OTHER OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

The 120th Annual Meeting of the congregation held on Tuesday evening, April 7, witnessed the selection of a new Treasurer, the selection of seven new Trustees, an expression of appreciation to the six retiring Trustees and our Treasurer and the reelection and reappointment of fourteen other Trustees. Also reelected were the other five Officers of the congregation, while 61 new families representing 103 adults were inducted into membership.

At the same time, we were pleased to honor thirteen families marking special anniversaries in the congregation and to present the second annual "Volunteer Of The Year" Awards to six outstanding members of KJ. Rabbi Lookstein delivered brief eulogies to fourteen members of the congregation who died during the past year.

Finally, President Stanley Gurewitsch's presidential report offered a series of "thank you's" to a significant numbers of members of the congregation and to members of the professional staff for their highly dedicated work which helps to distinguish Kehilath Jeshurun in the American Jewish community.

The invocation was delivered by Rabbi Mark Dratch and the national anthems sung by the assembly were led by Cantor Mayer Davis.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, there was a brief meeting of the Ramaz Schools chaired by Steven R. Gross, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. At its conclusion, Rabbi Lookstein delivered closing remarks and the assemblage then proceeded to the Social Hall for a social hour around a lovely collation.

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RAMAZ GRADUATES 100 FROM RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN UPPER SCHOOL 44 To Spend Next Year Studying Torah in Israel

We are proud to congratulate the entire Ramaz family and Kehilath Jeshurun, the sponsoring congregation of Ramaz, upon the graduation from the Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein Upper School of 100 students who have completed a rigorous course of study in both General and Judaic Studies.

44 to Israel

Along with all of the honors which the students have earned, our greatest source of pride is the fact that 44 percent of the class will spend next year studying Torah in Israel in a variety of institutions for

young men and young women. This is a substantial increase over the highest percentage we have ever had in this program which began 12 years ago.

Twenty of the students will be attending Yeshivat HaKotel in the Old City of Jerusalem. Among the other institutions to which the graduates will be going are Tochnit Torat Yerushalayim (formerly BMT), Midreshet Lindenbaum, Midreshet Moriah, Orot, Machon Gold, Maa-lei Adumim and Nativ-USY.

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RABBI ADAM MINTZ APPOINTED ASSOCIATE RABBI

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the congregation, President Stanley Gurewitsch announced the appointment of Rabbi Adam Mintz as the new Associate Rabbi of Kehilath Jeshurun succeeding Rabbi Mark Dratch. He is currently serving as the Rabbi of The Young Israel Of Woodmere in the absence of Rabbi Billet who is currently spending a sabbatical year in Israel.

Rabbi Mintz earned his *Semicha* in 1985 and then, in 1988 earned Yadin Yadin Semicha (advanced Rabbinical Ordination) from the Rabbi Isaac Eichanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University. He previously received a masters degree in Medieval Jewish History from the Bernard Revel Graduate School of YU and graduated from Yeshiva College summa cum laude with a degree in Jewish History.

Prior to his service in Woodmere, Rabbi Mintz served as the Rabbi of Congregation Rosh Pinah in Riverdale and has taught in and administered Jewish educational programs for adults and children at Lincoln Square Synagogue, The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway, The Frisch School in Paramus and MTA. He has published widely in a variety of Jewish publications.

Rabbi Mintz's wife, Sharon, (nee Lieberman) is pursuing a Ph.D. in Medieval Art History at Columbia University. She currently serves as curator of Jewish Art at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

We welcome Rabbi and Mrs. Mintz and their son, Noam, and look forward to a warm and satisfying tenure in our midst.

THANK YOU SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

The many activities and projects of the KJ Social Action Committee serve to benefit those in need throughout the year. We do these things because it is the right thing to do and we are proud to be in a position to benefit others. We guide ourselves by Jewish principles and Torah values.

While letters of gratitude are sent to the Social Action Committee it is the members of the congregation who "do the helping". The committee is simply the conduit to make these things happen and, in that light, invites members of the congregation to join the committee and to help in its worthwhile efforts. To become a part of this vibrant group of members, please call Chairperson Doris Travis at 755-5376.

Simcha Sharing Fund

The KJ Simcha Sharing Fund is a project whereby members of the congregation who observe various celebrations (weddings, engagement, parties, bar and bat mitzvahs, anniversaries, graduations, birthdays, etc.), send a contribution to this special fund at a suggested rate of 3% of the cost of the function.

KJ BIKUR CHOLIM SOCIETY HONORED

On April 30, 1992, the KJ Bikur Cholim Society was honored at the Annual Volunteer Awards Presentation at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center for fifteen years of continued service. An inscribed Tiffany glass disc, which is currently displayed in the Synagogue Office, was presented to the group.

We urge volunteers to participate in this most worthwhile project. Please call Harry Kleinhaus at (212) 719-4133 or Sue Robins at (212) 737-1431 or 744-0995.

It is through this fund that we contribute to institutions that help feed the homeless and hungry.

If you have had such a simcha in your family recently we urge you to send in such a contribution to the SIMCHA SHARING FUND in care of the synagogue office.

Toy Drive

Each boy and girl in the congregation from the age of 1 through the age of 12 is asked to contribute one brand new birthday present received at the time of his/her birthday party to the Mitzvah Toy Collection. Every time we accumulate 10 to 15 toys or games we send them to an institution that gives them to needy children or recent Jewish immigrant children.

If your child is not yet a part of this project please send a note to the synagogue office or give us a call and indicate your child's name, birth date including year and we will send a birthday card at the appropriate time. We ask you to bring in such a gift and your child will then be presented with a certificate of honor for

this act of tzedakah. It is a meaningful way of teaching a child to give tzedakah when the young person gives a gift that he or she has not already used and played with.

Food Drives

In cooperation with DOROT, an organization of the Upper West Side serving the Jewish elderly, members of the Social Action Committee participate in holiday food deliveries and visits three times a year. They take place prior to Rosh Hashanah, Chanukah and Passover. Not only is the delivery of food welcome, but the brief visit of a caring Jewish individual is very meaningful and warming.

Members of the congregation are encouraged to participate in such efforts. The next one will be prior to Rosh Hashanah on Sunday morning, September 20th. To join in the KJ effort, please contact Social Action Chairperson, Doris Travis at 755-5376.



Bikur Cholim Society leaders Sheila Freilich, Harry Kleinhaus, Brenda Bernstein, Sue Robins and Rabbi Lookstein.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

Are you? Are all members of your family registered? *They should be!*

According to the Synagogue Council of America, close to one million American Jews are not registered to vote. Although it has often been assumed that all Jews always vote, this is no longer true.

In the past more Jews have been devoted participants in the electoral process and have influenced elections and the passage of important legislation favoring the Jewish domestic and Israel agenda.

Voting now will influence the election of the next Supreme Court Justices which will impact on our lives well into the 21st century. The influence of the Jewish community may be eroded if the present declining trend in voting by Jews continues.

We can and must restore our voting clout at the ballot box. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Here is what we all must do

1. Be sure that we and all members of our families are registered.
2. Students attending college and children away from home should be registered either in their primary residence or at home and vote by absentee ballots.
3. Senior citizens who relocate should be informed of how, when and where to register in their new location.
4. Snow birds and others who may be away from their legal residence on Election Day should be advised on the use of absentee ballots and be aware of applicable deadlines.

5. Urge everyone you know (friends, relatives, neighbors, business associates) to be registered.

6. Be informed about candidates and election issues.

We are not suggesting for whom you should vote. We are, however, strongly urging you to be sure you are registered now so you can vote in the November elections.

VOTE IN ALL NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3, 1992

THANK YOU KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD ALSO RECOGNIZED

DOROT

Generations Helping Generations

171 W. 85th Street
New York, NY 10024
(212) 769-2850

May 4, 1992

Dear KJ Social Action Committee,

Thank you so much for participating in our Passover food drive. Your donations helped to complete 500 packages filled with meaningful holiday foods, candies and hand made cards which were delivered to our friends on the Upper West Side. We appreciate the time and effort you and your congregation contributed in making this program a success. Your generosity has touched many people at this holiday time.

Please extend our heartfelt thanks to all involved. We look forward to working with you in the future.

YESHIVA SHE'ARIT ISRAEL

2600 Ocean Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11229
(718) 891-4333

May 25, 1992

Dear KJ Social Action Committee,

Please accept our sincerest thanks for the wonderful toys that your Mitzvah Toy Committee just made available to some of the newly arrived Russian children.

Within two short years our unique Yeshiva has grown from a handful of students to more than 300 youngsters eager to regain their lost heritage and become full-fledged members of the Jewish community.

Your program of providing a mitzvah opportunity for a KJ birthday boy or girl by offering toys to those less fortunate has struck a very responsive chord here at She'arit.

Again, many thanks for spearheading such an exciting program.

THE EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE

197 E. Broadway
New York, NY 10002
(212) 475-6200

May 29, 1992

Dear KJ Social Action Committee,

We are grateful to Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun for the generous contribution made to the Alliance's Project O.R.E., an outreach program for the Jewish homeless elderly. Your support is truly an act of *tzedakah*.

The people whose lives you have touched with your generosity will receive kosher hot lunches as well as weekend meals, for some the only food they consume during a given day. Project O.R.E. does more than just feed people. The staff provides counseling, referral for treatment, help in securing entitlement and in finding shelter. Our goal is to eventually find permanent housing and support for the clients.

One visit to the Project O.R.E. outreach center convinces people that we are performing a mitzvah, providing a warm, comforting and safe place for so many of our people. Our hope is that some day there will no longer be a need for Project O.R.E. Please convey to the members of Kehilath Jeshurun the appreciation of our Trustees, staff and most of all, the people we serve.

OHEL

Children's Home and Family Services

4423 16th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11214
(718) 851-6300

May 27, 1992

Dear KJ Social Action Committee,

Please extend our thanks to the members of the KJ Social Action Committee for its generous donation in support of the food programs at OHEL.

The idea of sharing *S'machot* with the needy reflects a sensitivity similar to that which led to the creation of OHEL 20 years ago. As celebrations with our families represent milestones in our growth and development, OHEL is dedicated to giving children suffering from abandonment, neglect or abuse a childhood filled with positive experiences, warm memories and the chance to live a fulfilling life.

You deserve to share in a recent joyous occasion in the OHEL family. Several months ago, a young couple stood under a Chupah on Long Island. Most of the attendance admired the beautiful bride and the handsome groom. What they did not realize was that almost 20 years ago, this young man came to OHEL, having lost his mother, and without anywhere to live. Placed with a loving OHEL foster family, he matured, acquired a profession, and now begins a new life and his own family. We approach each of the children that depend on us, believing that within each one lies the greatest of potential.

Thank you again and we invite you to visit some of our residences to learn more about OHEL'S Foster Care Program.

PROJECT EZRA

197 E. Broadway
New York, NY 10002
(212) 982-4124

March 30, 1992

Dear KJ Sisterhood,

Our sincere appreciation on behalf of all our elders at Project Ezra who had the pleasure of attending a most joyous and beautiful "peoplehood" program at Kehilath Jeshurun. As we took the bus ride back to the Lower East Side, our members were deeply touched and their hearts filled with joy and happiness as they reflected on being treated with such respect, warmth and love. It was really as if we were *mishpacha* and being welcomed home with opened arms.

Words cannot truly reflect the feelings of our elders and how much an afternoon like this means to them. It was obvious to all in attendance the feelings of love, friendship, and happiness that filled the room as our members enjoyed an afternoon of food, music, and friendship. For a few brief hours our elders were magically transported from the tenements and city housing projects in the Lower East Side to a very special afternoon that they will remember with much happiness for a very long time. The members of our "Ezra family" feel a renewed sense of life and spirit as they share and participate in "peoplehood" programs such as this.

I would like you to please express our appreciation to the members of the KJ Sisterhood who participated and helped make this a very special day. Our members enjoyed very much listening to Rabbi Mayer Moskowitz and, of course, the sweet and beautiful voices of the Ramaz School student's chorus conducted by Mr. Yussie Hayes.

On behalf of our elders please accept our thanks for giving and enabling all of us to do TIKUN OLAM, creating a better world.

A C A D E M I C Kehilath Jeshurun extends

Ephraim R. Bernstein, son of Brenda G. and Albert H. Bernstein and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Jonathan David Boyarsky, son of Shirley and Neal Boyarsky, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was a member of the Service Squad and played on the Soccer and Hockey Teams. He will attend MTA in the fall.

Aryeh Brueckheimer, son of Helen and Rabbi Meier Brueckheimer, upon his graduation from the eighth grade at Yavneh Academy, with the Midos Award. He will attend MTA in the fall.

Matthew Bryskin, son of Doina and Dr. Larry Bryskin, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was Assistant Captain of the Hockey Team and played on the Soccer Team. Matthew will attend Yeshivat HaKotel in the fall and will continue his studies at Yeshiva University.

Matthew Cohen, son of Naomi and Dr. Charles Cohen, who will be doing medical research at Hadassah Hospital this coming year.

Sharon Cohen, daughter-in-law of Naomi and Dr. Charles Cohen, who will be doing doctoral research in Medieval Jewish History at Hebrew University this coming year.

Jodi Comet-Dorf, daughter of Michelle and Dr. Joel Comet, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She received the Sue Moskowitz Chesed Award for demonstrating exceptional concern for people and kindness to those in need. She served on several committees including Jewish Affairs, Yom Iyun and AIPAC. She was a member of the Spanish Honor Society, Editor of the Spanish portion of the yearbook and on the staff of *Likrat Shabbat*. Jodi was also a member of the Chorus and the cast of *Les Miserables*. She was a Junior High Advisor and a participant in the school trip to Russia. Jodi will attend Midreshet Lindenbaum in the fall and will continue her studies at Stern College.

David Debora, son of Lea and Frank Debora and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation with honors from Queens College with a BA in Psychology and Economics.

Adam Dicker on receiving his MD from Cornell University Medical College and completing the MD/Ph.D. program. Adam is starting his internship in General Surgery at Lenox Hill Hospital and will continue his residency in the Department of Radiation Oncology at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Zev Jacob Eigen, son of Barbara and Ron Eigen, upon his graduation with honors from Ramaz and the recipient of a Letter of Commendation in the National Merit Scholarship Contest. He received the Award for Commitment and Outstanding Performance. Zev was one of the class speakers at the Commencement Exercises of the Ramaz Upper School. He was Editor of *Parallax* and participated in the Mock Trial. He was a member of the Spanish Honors Society and Studio Art, an advanced art course. Zev will attend Cornell University in the fall.

Elizabeth Eilender, daughter of Teresa and Dr. Kasriel Eilender and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation from Johns Hopkins University with a BA in Political Science. She will attend Boston University Graduate School in the fall.

Lily Eisenstat, daughter of Suzie and Sandy Eisenstat, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She is the recipient of the National Foundation for the Advancement of the Arts Scholarship, as well as the Fannye Popkin Memorial Award for excellence in fine arts. Lily was a member of the Business Investment Club. She will attend New York University in the fall.

Joshua Gallin, son of Nancy and Dr. Richard Gallin and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation with distinction from Carlton College, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, with a BA in Economics. He will attend the University of Chicago Graduate School in Economics.

Jonathan Gruenhut, son of Lynnette and Jerry Gruenhut, on being a top performer in this year's worldwide *Chidon Hatanach*. He will enter the tenth grade of the Ramaz Upper School in the fall.

Benjamin Gruenstein, son of Elaine Gruenstein and the late Walter Gruenstein, upon his graduation with honors from Ramaz, as a winner in the National Merit Scholarship Contest and with the highest average in Judaic and General Studies. He received The Governor's Citation for outstanding academic achievement and the Mathematics Award for excellence in all phases of mathematics. Benjamin is also the recipient of the George Washington University Mathematics and Science Award. He was a member of the Math, Debating and Computer Teams. Benjamin will attend Harvard University in the fall.

Carole Halpert-Spivack on receiving a Masters Degree in Social Work from Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work.

Ann Hornblass upon receiving a Masters Degree in Counseling from New York University.

Jonathan Hornblass, son of Ann and Hon. Jerome Hornblass and a graduate of Ramaz, upon receiving a Masters Degree in Journalism from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

Jan Kestenbaum upon receiving a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University.

Jeffrey B. Kobrin, son of Ruth and Lawrence A. Kobrin and grandson of Mrs. Hortense Kobrin and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation from Columbia College, where he was active in Jewish campus life, with a BA in English. He will spend next year pursuing Torah studies at Yeshivat Har Etzion in Israel.

Michael Lawrence Kule, son of Wilma and Stephen Kule and grandson of Mrs. Goody Dane, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He served as President of the Student Government and Chairman of the Business Investment Club. He was Captain of the Hockey Team and a member of the Soccer Team. Michael was also a member of the Service Squad. He will attend Tochnit Torat Yerushalayim at Beit Midrash L'Torah in the fall, before beginning his studies at Boston University.

Aryeh Adin Leifert, son of Jaclyn and Robert J. Leifert and grandson of Mrs. Lillian Leifert, upon his graduation from the eighth grade at Yavneh Academy. He was the Assistant Editor of the yearbook. Aryeh will attend the Ramaz Upper School in the fall.

Jesse Lemberger, son of Ruth and Ervin Lemberger, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was Junior Captain of the Math Team and a member of the Historical Simulations Society. Yishai was also a member of the Basketball Team and the Band, and received the Band Award at the commencement exercises. He also participated in the school trip to Russia. Yishai will attend Yeshivat HaKotel in the fall, before beginning his studies at Columbia University School of Engineering.

Alexander S. Libin, son of Margery and Dr. Barry Libin, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was Sports Editor of the Rampage and Editor-in-Chief of SportsWire. Alexander was also a member of the Tennis Team and the Spanish Honors Society. He will attend University of Rochester in the fall.

Abigail Masha Lindenbaum, daughter of Belda and Marcel Lindenbaum and granddaughter of Mrs. Rita Kaufman,

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heartiest congratulations to . . .

upon her graduation with honors from Ramaz. She received The Aron and Leah Swergold Memorial Award for excellence in Talmud and the English Award for excellence in literature and critical writing. Abigail is also the recipient of the Chorus Award and the Boston University Book Award. She was a member of the Chorus, the Chamber Chorus and the Stage Crew. She was an active member of the Dramatics Club and performed in *Les Miserables* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. Abigail also participated in the school trip to Russia. She will attend Midreshet Lindenbaum in Jerusalem in the fall, before beginning her studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

Philip Lindenbaum, son of Ruth Lindenbaum Wise, upon his graduation from the Riverdale Country Day School. He will attend the University of Wisconsin in the fall.

Joshua Lookstein, son of Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein and grandson of Mrs. Esther Katz and Mrs. Gertrude Lookstein and a graduate of Ramaz, who is spending nine weeks in Australia as one of the leaders of the Yeshiva University Counterpoint Mission to run Torah seminar programs for teenagers in Australia. Josh is entering his senior year at Yeshiva University as a candidate for a BA and MA in Medieval Jewish History.

Harris Louis Lukashok, son of Ruth and Ed Lukashok, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was Managing Editor of the Rampage and Co-Editor of Sports-wire. He was also Vice President of the Business Investment Club and played on the Hockey and Soccer Teams. Harris will attend Yeshivat HaKotel in the fall, before beginning his studies at SUNY Binghamton.

Sara Meltzer, daughter of Marilyn Meltzer Muhlbauer and the late Thomas Meltzer, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She was Co-Stage Manager and a member of the Business Investment Club. Sara will attend New York University in the fall.

Daniel Messeloff, son of Esther and Jonathan Messeloff, upon his graduation from Ramaz. He was Literary Editor of the yearbook and participated in Studio Art. Danny was also a member of the Math and Soccer Teams. He will attend Washington University in St. Louis in the fall.

Jeffrey Mittler, son of Janet and Mark Mittler and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation with honors from Brandeis University with a BA. He was Coordinator of the Admissions Volunteer Program

as well as Manager of the school's basketball team. Jeffrey is currently enrolled in the New York University Post Graduate Pre-Med Program.

Diana Hilary Newman, daughter of Carol and Mel Newman and granddaughter of Mrs. Rita Kaufman and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation summa cum laude from Barnard, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She received honors in American Studies. Diana will be teaching English at the Ramaz Upper School in the fall.

Jillian Perlberger, daughter of Carol and Ralph Perlberger and granddaughter of Mrs. Claire Perlberger, upon her graduation with honors from Williams College with a BA in English.

Ori Plasse, son of Barbara and Dr. Terry Plasse, upon his graduation with honors from the Jeffrey C. Tenzer High School. He received the Presidential Academic Fitness Award and certificates of honor in Social Studies, Literature and Mathematics. Ori will attend Hunter College in the fall.

Deborah Podell, daughter of Judy and Dr. Robert Podell and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation cum laude from Barnard College with a BA in Psychology and Biology. She will continue pre-med studies in the summer and fall.

Douglas Propp, son of Eve Propp and Seymour Propp, upon his graduation from The Wharton School of Business of the University of Pennsylvania with an MBA. He received this degree after seven years of working for CNN in Atlanta, Georgia, where he worked as cameraman and news editor for such stories as the uprising in Haiti and the invasion of Panama. He also covered then Vice President Bush's campaign for President and had dinner with him at the White House after his election.

Andrew Rechtschaffen, son of Pamela and Rabbi Manfred Rechtschaffen, upon being awarded an Honorable Mention in the competition sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. Andrew will enter the tenth grade of the Ramaz Upper School in the fall.

Steven Rubenstein, son of Amy and Howard Rubenstein and grandson of Mrs. Ada Rubenstein and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation cum laude from University of Pennsylvania with a BA. He is joining the firm of Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, Inc. Public Relations Co.

Jessica Saroff, daughter of Susan and Hon. Michael Mukasey, upon her graduation

from the University of Miami. She will be returning to New York City to work in the retail clothing business.

Elizabeth Scheck, daughter of Lynn and Wolf Scheck and granddaughter of Mrs. Ruth Alpert and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation from American University with a BA in Communications. She is now in Los Angeles working in the motion picture industry.

Sidney Scheck, son of Lynn and Wolf Scheck and grandson of Mrs. Ruth Alpert, upon his graduation from Boston University. He is now in Atlanta, Georgia in a training program in Hotel Management with the Ritz Carlton chain.

Deborah Major Schwartz, daughter of Gabriella and Dr. William Major and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation magna cum laude from Barnard College with a BA in Psychology.

Tobi Alicia Schwartz, daughter of Carol and Jesse Schwartz, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She was Photographer of the yearbook and a member of the Photography Club. Tobi performed in the school presentation of *The Mikado*. She was also a member of the Chorus and Chamber Chorus. She will attend New York University School of Business in the fall.

Valerie Schwartz, daughter of Yechiel and Marilyn Smilow Schwartz, a Ramaz graduate and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smilow, upon her graduation as salutatorian from the eighth grade at Yeshiva of Central Queens. She will enter the Ramaz Upper School in the fall.

Jonathan Shapiro, son of Ruth and Irwin Shapiro, upon his graduation magna cum laude from Yeshiva College. He received the Arnold N. Bertha Lowan Memorial Award for excellence in Physics.

Daniel Silverman, son of Donna and Arthur Silverman and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation from the Sy Syms School of Business of Yeshiva University with a BS degree. He served as President of the Accounting Society and received the Dean's Award for Service and Character in Accounting. He was also awarded an Associate in Arts degree from the James Striar School of General Jewish Studies and received the Pekarsky Award for excellence in Jewish Studies. Danny was elected to Who's Who Among College Students in American Colleges and Universities. He will be joining the national accounting firm of Grant Thornton in the fall.

ACADEMIC HONORS *(continued)*

Leonard Silverman, son of Donna and Arthur Silverman and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation from the School of Law of New York University with a J.D. degree. He will become an associate of the law firm of Dewey Ballantine in the fall.

Beth Smigel, daughter of Louis and Lois Smigel, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She was Co-Founder and leader of the Modern Dance Club and a member of the Junior Varsity Basketball Team. She was also involved in the Business Investment Club. Beth co-choreographed and performed in the Ramaz Senior play, Bye Bye Birdie. She will attend University of Pennsylvania in the fall, where she was accepted early decision.

Michelle Steindecker, daughter of Rebecca and John Steindecker and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation from Johns Hopkins University, where she was a member of the Tennis and Squash Teams, with a BA in Political Science.

Susan Steinthal, daughter of Nancy Steinthal and a graduate of Ramaz, upon her graduation magna cum laude from Princeton University. She was selected from 1,100 students to speak at the Baccalaureate Ceremony. Susan will attend University of Chicago Law School in the fall.

Dara Stern, daughter of Bonnie and Steven Stern, upon her graduation from Cornell University.

Lawrence E. Tanz, son of Judy and Dr. Alfred Tanz and a graduate of Ramaz, upon his graduation magna cum laude from Harvard with a BS in Psychology. Larry was awarded a John Harvard scholarship for academic achievement. He was also elected to membership on the staff of the Harvard Lampoon. Larry will continue his studies at Harvard towards a Master's Degree in Psychology.

P.J. Tanz, daughter of Judy and Dr. Alfred Tanz and a graduate of Ramaz, upon receiving academic first year distinction at Wellesley College and being elected to membership in the Zeta Alpha Literary Society. P.J. is completing her second year at Wellesley.

Steven M. Tanz, son of Judy and Dr. Alfred Tanz and a graduate of Ramaz, who will begin the MBA program at New York University's Stern School of Business in the fall. He is the operations coordinator of investment management services at Prudential Securities.

Dalit Warshaw, daughter of Ruth and Jerry Warshaw, upon her graduation from Ramaz as the recipient of a Letter of Commendation in the National Merit Scholarship Contest. She is a composing prodigy and was the pianist for school plays and the annual Evening of Arts. She was presented with a Special Award at the commencement exercises for sharing her musical talents with the school. She performed in the school production of The Wizard of Oz and was a member of

the Chorus. Dalit will attend the Julliard School of Music and Columbia University in the fall.

Rebecca Anne Weiss, daughter of Doris and Elliot Weiss, upon her graduation from Ramaz. She was a member of the Chorus and the Chamber Chorus. She served as Captain of the Cheerleading Squad and Chairperson of the Graduation Committee. Rebecca was a member of the Sculpture Club and participated in various musical productions and programs. She was a featured soloist at the Annual Warsaw Ghetto Commemorations and many Holocaust programs. Rebecca will participate in the NATIV-USY Program in Israel in the fall.

MAY THEY GO HIGHER AND HIGHER

We extend a warm Mazel Tov to the following young members of the Congregation who participated in Advancement Day Exercises as they completed the Ramaz Lower School.

GAIL ALTMAN daughter of Judy and Howard Altman.

LAUREN COHEN daughter of Hollace and Steven Cohen.

RON EIGEN son of Barbara and Eric Eigen.

SIMON FARHI son of Dina and Jacques Farhi.

RACHEL GERBER daughter of Francine and Morry Gerber.

JULIE GRIBETZ daughter of Jessica and Dr. Allen Gribetz and granddaughter of Dr. Nathalie and Israel Friedman and great-granddaughter of Mrs. Gertrude Lookstein.

JOHANNA GRUENHUT daughter of Lynnette and Jerry Gruenhut.

JESSICA HORNBLASS daughter of Ann and Hon. Jerome Hornblass.

DANIEL KATZ son of Evelyn and Gregory Katz and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Katz.

DANIELLE KATZAP daughter of Sofia and Chaim Katzap.

BENJAMIN KIRSCHENBAUM son of Clarissa and William Kirschenbaum.

EVA JENNY LIPNER daughter of Drs. Deborah and Robert Lipner.

JEFFREY MILLER son of Rochelle and Ira Miller.

TALIA RIKLIS daughter of Diana and Ira Riklis.

OMER ROSEN son of Sara and Abraham Rosen.

EVAN SCHWARTZBERG son of Audrey and Fredrik Schwartzberg.

JESSICA SIGALL daughter of Roberta and Dr. Michael Sigall.

TAMMY WEISBUCH daughter of Paula and Dr. Irwin Weisbuch.

DAVID WEISS son of Barbara and Jerome Weiss.

17 TAMMUZ AND TISHA B'AV

The fast of the 17th of Tammuz falls this summer on Sunday, July 19. The fast begins at 4:35 AM.

Services that morning are at 8:30 AM and evening services will be at 6:45 PM. The conclusion of the fast will be at 9:06 PM.

Tisha B'Av

Tisha B'Av falls this year on Saturday evening, August 8th and Sunday, August 9th.

Mincha on Saturday will begin at 8:00 PM. Shabbat concludes at 8:43 PM followed by Ma'ariv and the reading of Eicha at 9:00 PM.

On Sunday morning, services will begin at 8:30 AM and include the reading of Kinot. Rabbi Eli Rubin will then offer a special Tisha B'Av class.

Mincha services will be at 7:50 PM. Rabbi Rubin will again offer a class one hour prior to Mincha at 6:50 PM. The fast will conclude at 8:38 PM.

SELICHOT

Selichot services will begin Saturday evening, September 19th. The service which will begin at 10:00 PM will be preceded by a collation and gettogether at 9:15 PM.

HIGH HOLY DAY SEATS NOW BEING ASSIGNED

Requests for seats in our three services for the High Holy Days this year have been coming in at an unusually brisk pace. The deadline for such requests was Monday, June 29 and we are pleased to report that most members of the congregation did respond by that date.

If, per chance, you have not yet made your request, we urge you to do so immediately. If your needs have changed and additional seats are required, we will try to accommodate you as best as possible. Should you not need seats you have previously requested, please advise us of that as well.

Rosh Hashanah begins this year on Sunday evening, September 27th and continues on Monday and Tuesday, September 28th and 29th. Yom Kippur is on Tuesday evening (Kol Nidre) and Wednesday, October 6th and 7th.

COUPLES CLUB CONCLUDES ACTIVITY PACKED YEAR Susan Alpert Joins Dr. Diana Friedman as Co-President

A wonderfully successful year for the Kehilath Jeshurun Couples Club recently came to a close. As a result of the strong support and participation of its members, the Couples Club will sponsor the Congregation's Lunch and Learn program for the 1992-1993 academic year. Lunch and Learn is an adult education program intended primarily for senior members of the Congregation and the community.

Thanks go to all board members who worked so conscientiously to make this a special year. Vivian Mark and Sheera Moffson co-chaired the new members' Kiddush to start off the year so beautifully. The stimulating discussion groups in the fall and spring were thoughtfully co-chaired by Warren Newcorn and Dr. Phil Wilner. Robert Rothman and Susan Alpert headed the team which presented a criminally entertaining murder mystery evening and dinner. The Purim Mishloach Manot project was most capably co-chaired by Diana Friedman and Carolyn Rubin while Bobbi Plasse created and presented personalized Mishloach Manot baskets to Jewish patients at the Hospital For Special Surgery.

A festive international Shabbaton for Couples Club members was chaired by Shira Baruch and Judy Spiegel. Dr. Norman Magid continued his efforts this year as a link to the Kehilath Jeshurun youth department which had its most exciting year in recent memory. John Lieberman again spearheaded the Sukkah decorating project while Bonnie Pollak and Karen Gibofsky contributed their advice and support as dedicated board members.

This was also Roberta Baumgarten's last year as co-president having served three terms. During these years of her energetic leadership, the club has grown in size, level of participation and magnitude of program.

The leadership of the Couples Club remains in the capable hands of Dr. Diana Friedman who will be joined by a new co-president, former treasurer Susan Alpert. The new treasurer will be Robert Rothman.

The Couples Club extends special thanks to our Executive Director, Robert Leifert and to the dedicated KJ office staff, Chani Wolk and Hattie Murphy for their guidance, help and support throughout the year.

MEN'S CLUB CONCLUDES FULL SEASON OF ACTIVITY

Under the leadership of an active Board of Officers, KJ Mens Club completed a full season of activity.

Most notable were the thirty Seudah Shlishit lectures and other presentations that attracted "full house" crowds on Shabbat afternoons throughout the year. Series presentations by Rabbi Mark Dratch and by Rabbi Eliezer Rubin were augmented by special guest presentations. The Seudah Shlishit programs offered an opportunity for congeniality and intellectual stimulation.

The Mens Club season started, as it does every year, with its annual Sukka Supper. At Super Bowl time, members gathered in front of the huge 55 square foot screen in the auditorium to enjoy a winter Sunday evening and see the great game while enjoying a stadium dinner.

BRENDA BERNSTEIN INSTALLED AS SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT

As the Sisterhood season came to a close, a lovely installation ceremony led by Rabbi Lookstein and past President, Rae Gurewitsch received Brenda G. Bernstein as the new President of the organization. During the afternoon, those in attendance reflected on the many accomplishments during the four year Presidency of Dede Alpert. Interesting meetings, major contributions to Ramaz and other worthy institutions, lunch and entertainment for the senior citizen members of project Ezra, boutiques, sponsorship of weekly *Kiddushim*, and assisting in many *shiva* houses of the congregation are some of the ways in which the KJ Sisterhood enhanced this community.

The Sisterhood extends now an invitation to all women in the congregation to attend its first open meeting of the coming year prior to Rosh Hashanah, on Monday, September

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers wanted for limited visiting project at Beth Israel North (formerly Doctors Hospital) on Shabbos afternoon or during the week. Please call Sue Robins at (212) 737-1431 or 744-0995.

The concluding program of the year was a smashing success. Supper at the New York Comedy Club offered a great fun evening of good food and five exceptionally funny comedians. The Mens Club promises to offer such a program again this coming year at an earlier date and we know that members of the congregation will want to make their reservations as soon as it is announced as this year's success will pretty much ensure a "sell out" crowd next year.

**MEN'S CLUB
SUKKA SUPPER
THURSDAY
OCTOBER 15, 1992**

21. At that time, Rabbi Lookstein will review an exciting new book written by a Ramaz alumna, Lynn Davidman. It is entitled "Tradition in a Ruthless World." While it is not at all necessary to have read the book prior to the meeting, adding this volume to your summer relaxation will enhance not only your summer but your attendance at that meeting. A light lunch will be served.

In October, the Sisterhood is planning something it has not done in a long time, namely an evening meeting to which both women and men are invited. The topic will be: "WHO'S MINDING THE CHILDREN?" It will feature a panel of leading professionals and lay women.

The Sisterhood, with the support of its existing membership and new members looks forward to a year of greater activity and service in the congregation and community.

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120th ANNUAL MEETING (continued from page 1)

SIX OFFICERS ELECTED

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
President	Stanley Gurewitsch
Vice President	David Levy
Second Vice President	Fred Distenfeld
Secretary	Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn
Treasurer	Robert E. Zimet*
Financial Secretary	Stephen J. Kule

*Newly elected

RETIRING OFFICER

Frederic H. Baumgarten, who grew up in our congregation and who has served as Treasurer for the past three years has asked to be relieved of that responsibility although he does wish to remain actively involved in the leadership of the congregation and will do that as a Trustee and as a member of the Executive Committee. Warm words of praise were expressed to Fred in recognition of his distinguished service and in anticipation of his continued acts of participation.

SIXTY ONE NEW FAMILIES

Couples Club Co-President, Roberta Baumgarten presented sixty one new families for membership in the congregation (in 1991 forty new families were presented). The meeting approved them unanimously.

Their names are:

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| Linda & Thomas Apple | Lauren & J. Ezra Merkin |
| Eleana & Emmanuel Benador | Ruth & Dr. David Musher |
| Riva Alper & Joseph Bierman | Myrna & Leon Nachtaler |
| Keith M. Breslauer | Enat & Arie Nhaissi |
| Marie & Robert Briefel | Alan Nickman |
| Zeldie Celia | Nancy & Dr. David Payne |
| Deborah & Jonathan David | Rivka & Morris Platt |
| Dr. Ira Davis | Myra & Dr. Steven Reisman |
| Pamela & Adam Emmerich | Rochelle & Michael Ring |
| Dr. Sylvia Friedman | Jill & William Roberts |
| Magda Gottlieb | Anat & Yzhak Rubin |
| Shoshana & Warren Graham | Sally & Gabriel Safdie |
| Drs. Carol Hess-Haber & Clark Haber | Nili & Maurice Sasson |
| Jennifer & Lee Haddad | Miquette & Morton Schrader |
| Carole Halpert-Spivack | Shirley & Paul Schulder |
| Isaac Hazan | Monica & Samuel Shapiro |
| Janet Hersh | Judith & Isaac Sherman |
| Karen Horowitz | David W. Shipper |
| Ari Shapira & Dr. Bonnie Jacobson | Sandra R. Shipper |
| Soeurette Joseph | Gabriela & Jack Shnay |
| Dr. Barbara Kapelman | Charlotte C. Simon |
| Derek Ian Koton | Jana & Lewis Singer |
| Deborah & David Kotz | Dorit & William Slochowsky |
| Eva & Ted Lazarus | Lisa & Lee Snow |
| Judith & On-Wing Lee | Ruth & Jonathan Staiman |
| Sheila & Jeffrey Levine | Steven J. Stein |
| Edith & Salomon Lipiner | Sarah & Mark Tarnofsky |
| Elisa & Jay Lunzer | Clarissa & Harry Uvegi |
| Drs. Helene & Joel Lupatkin | Debra Lynn Weingarten |
| Leyla & Hayim Medine | Alyssa & Dr. Daniel Zanger |



Rabbi Dratch delivering the invocation.



Roberta Baumgarten inducting 61 new families.



Benjamin Brown presenting Nominating Committee Report.

120th ANNUAL MEETING

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

In an effort to recognize the large number of members who contribute to the projects, activities and services of the congregation throughout the year and to further encourage that spirit of volunteerism, Kehilath Jeshurun presented the second set of "Volunteer of the Year" Awards. Certificates and presentations of tribute by Rabbi Lookstein honored the following for their exemplary service:

For leadership of the 21st century fund project:

Fred Distenfeld
Stephen J. Kule

For leadership of our Beginners Services:

Ruby Davis
Jennifer Haddad
Lee Hahhad
George Rohr



Fred Distenfeld and Stephen J. Kule receiving Volunteer Of The Year Awards.

THIRTEEN FAMILIES HONORED FOR SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Rabbi Lookstein presented certificates and beautiful words of tribute marking special milestones of membership in the congregation. The recipients were:

50th Anniversary Celebrants

Mr. & Mrs. Bernard D. Fischman

40th Anniversary Celebrants

Mrs. Herman Katz
Mr. & Mrs. William G. Lebowitz
Mrs. Martin Markson

25th Anniversary Celebrants

Mrs. Leon Alpert
Mrs. Harry Burak
Mrs. Jack Buvitt
Mr. & Mrs. Meyer A. Gross
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Haber
Dr. & Mrs. Robert Hyman
Mr. & Mrs. Saul H. Nack
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Rosenbluth
Rabbi and Mrs. Isaac Trainin



Ruby Davis and George Rohr receiving Volunteer Of The Year Awards.

MEMORIAL TO DEPARTED MEMBERS

Fourteen members of the congregation were called to their eternal reward since the 119th Annual Meeting in 1991. Rabbi Lookstein delivered brief eulogies on behalf of

Hanna Adler
John Castagnello
Hattie Charnow
Rabbi Noah Chodos
Adolph Citron
Caroline Feldman
Harold Friedman

Ella Green
Dr. Majer Landau
Hon. Shirley Levittan
J. William Rosenbluth
Joseph Roth
Rose Frisch Sax
Dr. Robert Wallach



Jennifer and Lee Haddad receiving Volunteer Of The Year Awards.

120th ANNUAL MEETING

RE-ELECTED REGULAR TRUSTEES

The following members were reelected to new three year terms as regular members of the Board of Trustees:

- Elias Buchwald
- Dr. Nathalie Friedman
- Richard Kobrin
- Irwin Shapiro
- Samuel Silverstein

NEW REGULAR TRUSTEES

The following members were elected to three year terms * as regular members of the Board of Trustees:

- Frederic H. Baumgarten (outgoing Treasurer)
- Lionel Etra
- Martine Fox
- Richard Hirsch (term expiring 1993)*
- Michael Jesselson (term expiring 1994)*
- George Rohr
- Ronald Tauber

ASSOCIATE TRUSTEES REAPPOINTED

The following trustees were reappointed for one year terms on the Associate Board by President Stanley Gurewitsch.

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| Hon. Robert Abrams | Michael D. Jaspan |
| George Baumgarten | Howard Katz |
| Neal Boyarsky | Barry Kluger |
| Fran Brown | Robert Kurzweil |
| Rae Gurewitsch | Dr. Norman Magid |

NEW ASSOCIATE TRUSTEES

The following were appointed for the first time to one year terms on the Associate Board of Trustees by President Stanley Gurewitsch:

- Lenore Alpert
- Barry Cooper
- Chaim Edelstein
- Yvonne Koppel-Kopans*
- Dr. Steven Rudolph

*Mrs. Kopans previously served on the associate Board of Trustees.

RETIRING TRUSTEES

Following warm and beautiful tributes of praise by past President Benjamin Brown,

- Suzanne Javitt
- Harry Kleinhaus
- Armand Lindenbaum
- Israel Waldman

were retired as Trustees of the congregation having fulfilled the constitutional limit of nine years on the Board.

In addition, Mr. Brown recognized the distinguished service of two other Trustees who have asked to be relieved of trustee responsibilities:

- Herb Mehl
- Arthur C. Silverman



Mrs. Bernard Fischman being honored with her husband for Fifty Years of KJ Membership.



Stanley Gurewitsch and David Levy re-elected as President and Vice President.



Lawrence A. Kobrin presenting Ramaz Report.

RAMAZ SCHOOL MEETING

REGULAR TRUSTEES

The following were elected as regular trustees of the School to serve three year terms:

Israel Englander
Carol Kekst*
Stephen J. Kule
Jean Lindenbaum
Gail Propp

* Two year term

PARENT TRUSTEES

Elected for three year terms as parent Trustees are:

Judith Hauptman Adesnik
Jacob Berman
Jay Zimmern

ALUMNI TRUSTEES

Elected for three year terms as alumni Trustees are:

Francine Gerber
Steven Schacter

HONORARY TRUSTEE

The School was pleased to elect Dr. Alvin Schiff, former Executive Vice President of the Board of Jewish Education, and a long time friend of Ramaz to the position of Honorary Trustee.

RETIRING TRUSTEES

Four Trustees were recognized for their service to the School as members of the Board of Trustees and have now retired from that Board:

Dr. Nathalie Friedman
Pamela Rohr

Arthur C. Silverman (former Chairman)
Avrom Doft

RAMAZ GRADUATES 100

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College Admissions

Once again this year Ramaz has reason to be most gratified at the exceptionally fine record of college admissions. Some of the colleges which our students will be attending in multiple numbers (in some cases in very large numbers) include: Barnard, Brandeis, Brown, Boston, Columbia, Cooper Union, Cornell, Dartmouth, Hampshire College, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Ithaca College, JTS, University of Maryland, MIT, NYU, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton, Queens, University of Rochester, Columbia Engineering, Washington University-St. Louis, Williams, Yeshiva College, as well as SUNY.

We congratulate the Ramaz faculty and administration, as well as the students and their parents on this very fine record of achievement. May the students continue to help build Jewish life here and in Israel as they go on to higher education and assume leadership roles in the Jewish community.

Ramaz Junior High School Wins High Honors in Mathematics

The New York Mathematics League Interscholastic Contest for this year's 7th and 8th grades show that the 7th grade of the Ramaz Upper School came in fourth in New York State out of 385 schools and first in New York County. Carl Bialik's score of 39 gave him second place in the entire state. Aryeh Weinstein was tied for third place. Jonathan Greenbaum also earned a Certificate of Distinction in this contest.

In the 8th grade the Ramaz students came in fourth in New York County, a very flattering achievement.

We congratulate the teachers of the Lower School and the Upper School for these outstanding results.



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TESTIMONY IN CONGRESS

(On June 11th of this year Rabbi Lookstein was asked to present testimony in Congress, as a rabbi, on the policy of the United States as of May 31, 1992 to return to Haiti the refugees who were setting out in boats to seek asylum in this country. The following is a transcript of that testimony which was presented at a hearing of the Subcommittee on International Operations and Western Hemisphere Affairs of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.)

Mr. Chairman:

My name is Haskel Lookstein. I am Rabbi of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun in New York City and Principal of the Ramaz School. I am also Chairman of the New York Coalition for Soviet Jewry and First Vice President of the Synagogue Council of America, a combined body which unites Orthodox, Conservative and Reform congregations and rabbis. I am the author of "Were We Our Brothers' Keepers? The Public Response of American Jews to the Holocaust, 1938-1944," a book which deals with the American and Jewish response to the plight of European Jews during the Holocaust.

Do not stand idly by while your Brother's blood is spilled.

I have come to testify on the current policy of the United States Government to return to Haiti, Haitian refugees who are picked up at sea on their way to seek asylum in the United States. I would like to testify from a Jewish ethical perspective, from an American perspective and from the perspective of history.

I.

From a Jewish ethical perspective, the Bible is quite clear on this issue and the sages of the Talmud clarify the principles further. The Bible states in Leviticus Ch. 19, V. 16, "Do not stand idly by while your brother's blood is spilled." Rashi, the medieval commentator, quoting a source contemporaneous with the Talmud, states that one is not allowed to watch the death of another person if the onlooker could possibly save that person. For example: If a person is drowning in a body of water one must intervene. If a person is attacked by wild animals or by marauders one must similarly intervene. Contemporary conditions in Haiti have been accurately described as representing a serious threat to the life of Haitians, a threat that is both political and economic. The starvation, the disease, as well as the persecution, all fall into the category of serious threats to life. The fact that so many Haitians are ready to risk death at sea in order to escape, merely confirms the extent of the threat.

One should add that the distinction between a threat to life from political persecution, on the one hand, and a threat to life from starvation, disease and terrible economic hardship, on the other, is not one which can stand the test from a Jewish ethical perspective. One is not allowed to be a bystander to someone else's potential death whether that death is caused by persecution or poverty.

One is not allowed to be a bystander to someone else's potential death ...

There is a further principle that I believe operates here. In Deuteronomy Ch. 23, V. 16, the Bible states "Thou shalt not return a slave to its master." Once again Rashi emphasizes the importance of this principle saying that it applies even if the slave were a Canaanite (i.e., a non-Jewish) slave who belonged to a Jew and who fled from outside the Land of Israel into the Land of Israel. The fact that the person is not Jewish and that he came from outside the Land of Israel does not allow a Jew to send back that human being who is running from servitude and subjugation in search of freedom and dignity.

These are Biblical principles by which we all live. We cannot be bystanders and simply watch people desperately try to leave a benighted land and not help them. We certainly cannot send them back to a land where they will be fingerprinted by the police-with all that such a process means-because they tried to escape.

Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.

II.

As an American, I am concerned by two issues. First, we fought a war over the issue of returning a captive or a slave to his master. One hundred and thirty years later we should not reverse the principle for which so many fought and died.

Second, on the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty in 1903 were placed the following words written by the Jewish poet Emma Lazarus in 1883, in the sonnet *The New Colossus*: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." Ms. Lazarus wrote those words about European Jewish immigrants flee-

ing from economic privation and persecution in Eastern Europe and seeking the sun-kissed shores of this blessed country. It deeply offends me as an American and as a Jew to contemplate that these words, which grace the symbol of liberty in New York harbor, might apply to white Europeans but not to black Central Americans. We cannot afford to make such a distinction despite the inconvenience that a potentially large influx of Central Americans might represent to us in this country. The requirement to open our doors to the tired, the poor, the downtrodden and the persecuted should know virtually no limit for a country that correctly prides itself as the Land of the Free. If such an influx will create discomfort for us, so be it. We are not the owners of the world, nor are we the owners of this land. We are all guests in God's world and we must be scrupulously careful when we refuse a place in that world to others who desperately seek it.

We are all guests in God's world ...

III.

Finally, there is the perspective of history. Fifty-three years ago this month, in June of 1939, 907 Jewish refugees, fleeing from Germany, sailed up and down the coast of Miami hoping to be invited to these shores after having been refused landing rights in Cuba. That ship was described in an editorial in the New York Times on June 8, 1939, as "The Saddest Ship Afloat Today." On the following day, the Times editorialized, "We can only hope that some hearts will soften somewhere and some refuge be found. The cruise of the St. Louis cries high to heaven of man's inhumanity to man." Unfortunately, the editorial writer never suggested that America open its doors to these people.

But James Cannon, Jr., Episcopal Bishop of Richmond, Virginia, did suggest it in a letter to the Richmond Times-Dispatch when he wrote "Why did not the President, Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of Labor and other officials... arrange for the landing of these refugees who had been caught in this maelstrom of distress and agony through no fault of their own?" Bishop Cannon charged that the American failure to assist the Jewish refugees on the St. Louis "Was one of the most disgraceful things which has happened in American history and leaves a stain and brand of shame upon the record of our nation."

TESTIMONY (continued)

American failure to assist Jewish refugees on the St. Louis ... leaves a stain and brand of shame upon the record of our nation.

It is vitally important that today, when history repeats itself, we do not repeat the same mistakes. While researching this subject in 1977, I discovered that on June 21st of that year, the day the late Menachem Begin took office as Prime Minister of Israel, his first official act was to grant asylum to 66 Vietnamese who had been picked up by an Israeli freighter

The day ... Menachem Begin took office as Prime Minister ... his first official act was to grant asylum to 66 Veitnamese.

and rejected at several Far Eastern ports. Israel was properly the first to open its doors to the Boat People of Southeast Asia; properly, because the Jewish people lived the tragedy of the Boat People in 1939 and the Jewish State was not prepared to see the errors of the past repeated. The United States of America, which did open its doors to the Boat People of the Far East, should do nothing less for the desperate Boat People of Haiti today. Opening our doors to them would be a righteous act from an ethical point of view, a fitting act in keeping with the American tradition, and a proper response to the lessons of recent history. I plead that the current policy be altered to achieve these results. Thank you.

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PASSOVER RELIEF APPEAL RECEIVES \$40,000 IN CONTRIBUTIONS Over \$30,000 Already Disbursed

We would like to thank the members of the KJ/Ramaz community who contributed a little over \$40,000 this year to the Passover Relief Appeal of the congregation. We can report that a little over \$30,000 has already been disbursed. The balance is being held for needs that will arise over the coming months.

The following is a report of how the money was disbursed:

1. A little over \$17,500 was distributed directly or indirectly to needy individuals in advance of Passover. Of this amount, \$7,500 went directly to the Joint Passover Association which services the needy in the New York metropolitan area.

2. Almost \$5,000 was distributed in grants of \$500 or less to a variety of insti-

FOREMOST APPOINTED EXCLUSIVE CATERERS AT KJ

Following the approval of the Board of Trustees, we are delighted to announce that Foremost, the caterer most used by our members at *shul*, has been appointed the exclusive house caterer of Kehilath Jeshurun.

Foremost operates under the Kashrut supervision of the RCBC (Rabbinical Council of Bergen County). Randy Zablo is the President of the corporation and Ira Schulman is the representative for the KJ community.

In addition to the private functions in the KJ family, they will be catering all Shabbat, Yom Tov and other congregational functions.

The selection of Foremost followed a long and detailed search by a committee headed by Vice-President David Levy and then Treasurer, Frederic H. Baumgarten. We are pleased to have as our house caterer an organization of the caliber of Foremost and look forward to their serving us in an outstanding and creative style.

Should you wish to be in touch with them, you may contact Randy Zablo or Ira Schulman at 201-664-2465.

tutions in America and Israel which serve the community educationally or in other forms of social or communal service.

3. The balance of approximately \$7,500 was distributed in larger grants to institutions and organizations which serve the community here and in Israel. For example, we sent \$1,000 to the Jewish Campus Life Fund which supports the Jewish student programs at Columbia University. We sent \$2,000 to the Hebrew Home for the Aged in Riverdale which has helped a number of our members. We contributed \$1,000 to the Bet Din of America, run by the Rabbinical Council of America, for the service of the community in arranging Jewish divorces and in resolving civil disputes among Jews.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES WANTED

We are anxious to keep in touch with our KJ college students when they are at school. We ask parents and students themselves to please send in the school address, and if possible, phone number for the upcoming academic year. If it is not apparent from the address, please tell us the name of the school attended.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

SCHOOL _____

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

BIRTHS

Mazel tov to:

Louise and Sidney Banon on the birth of a son, Alexander Jay.

Andrea Binder and Mitchell Bacharach on the birth of a son, Barak Fischel Bacharach.

Naomi and Dr. Charles Cohen on the birth of a granddaughter, Atara Malka, to their children, Sharon and Matthew Cohen.

Marcia and Geoffrey Colvin on the birth of a daughter, Leigh Elizabeth. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Ruthie and Heinz Eppler.

Mrs. Harry Etra on the birth of a granddaughter, Anna, to her children, Donald and Paula Etra of Los Angeles.

Frances and Sam Feder on the birth of a great granddaughter, Elizabeth Rachel to their grandchildren, Nancy and Jacky Markovich of Montreal and a great grandson, Samuel to their grandchildren, Karen and Julian Nussbaum of Detroit.

Judy and Robert Friedman on the birth of a son, Elisha Yair.

Rachel and Rony Herz on the birth of a daughter in Israel.

Lillian and George Jacobs on the birth of a great grandson, Zachary Abraham, to their grandchildren, Debra (Kamerman), a Ramaz graduate and Teddy Ganzarski, children of Ruth and the late Norman Kamerman.

Rita Kaufman on the birth of a great grandson, to her grandchildren, Abby and Lt. Col. Mordy Hurwich in Israel.

Tovah and Maurice Kaufman on the birth of a grandson in Israel, Avia Yechiel Yechezkel, to their children Gila and Yisrael Josh Feder.

Gail and Seymour Kramer on the birth of a granddaughter, Jennifer Amy, to their children, Barbara and Michael Korff. Similar good wishes to the proud great grandmother, Mrs. Ruth Alpert.

Shirley and Milton Medwin on the birth of a granddaughter, Melissa Jamie, to their children Marla and Jonathan Medwin of Phoenix.

Loretta and Herbert Mehl on the birth of a grandson, Isaac David, to their children Brenda and Jay Rosner.

Paula and Dr. David Menche on the birth of a daughter, Julia Eve.

Gloria and Norman Mosesson on the birth of a granddaughter, Yael Rifka, to their children Yaffa and Eric Mosesson of Raanana, Israel.

Mazel tov to Dr. and Mrs. Norman Orentreich on the birth of a granddaughter, Ariane Rebecca born to their children Sari and Dr. Michael Mass.

Myra and Dr. Steven Reisman on the birth of a daughter, Danielle Lauren.

Carolyn and Dr. Simon Rosenberg on the birth of a daughter, Ariel Robin.

Ruth and Irwin Shapiro on the birth of a grandson, David Elliot, to their children, Debbie and Dr. Warren Hammerschlag. Similar good wishes to the proud great grandparents, Frances and Sam Feder.

Nechi and Dr. Noam Shudofsky on the birth of a grandson, Yeshaya Mordechai, to their children, Rachel and Stuart Chesner of Maaleh Adumim, Israel.

Clarissa and Harry Uvegi on the birth of a son, Hugo Jake. Similar good wishes to the proud grandparents, Anita and Dr. Robert Payne.

May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, Chupah and Ma'asim Tovim.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mazel tov to:

Jonathan Birnbach on his engagement to Joan Gmorah, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Sherwin Gmorah. Similar good wishes to Jonathan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maks Birnbach.

Dorothy and Prof. Lawrence King on the engagement of their daughter, Deborah to Sagi Shaham, son of Gili and Uri Shaham.

Gail and Seymour Kramer on the engagement of their son, David to Temmi Leifer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Franklyn Leifer of Monsey. Similar good wishes to David's proud grandmother, Mrs. Ruth Alpert.

Edith and Salomon Lipiner on the engagement of their daughter, Karen to Robert Rom, son of Dr. and Mrs. Felix Rom of Switzerland.

Gabriella and Dr. William Major on the engagement of their daughter, Suzie to Jay Spievack.

Barbara and Robert Neustadter on the engagement of their daughter Rona to Barry Birnbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Birnbaum of Long Beach, New York.

Ira Wolff on his engagement to Liane White.

May the weddings take place in happiness and blessing.

WEDDINGS

Mazel tov to:

Helen and Rabbi Meier Brueckheimer on the marriage of their daughter, Leah to Itzy Silver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Krinitz of Englewood.

Gloria and our Trustee, Elias Buchwald on the marriage of their son Lee Ezer to Marlene Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller of Scarsdale.

Marvin Davenport on his marriage to Ruth Schwartz. Similar good wishes to Marvin's parents, Ann and Leo Davenport.

Lillian and Elliot Eisman on the marriage of their daughter, Dana to Michael Cohen.

Gabriella and Dr. William Major on the marriage of their son Steven (Yankie) to Aliza Raskis, daughter of Sherri and Stanley Raskis of St. Louis.

Sara and Joseph Nathanson on the marriage of their daughter, Eugenia to Ofer Jacobowitz, son of Genia and Michael Jacobowitz of Lawrence.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Carol Chrein on the passing of her father, Abe Horn.

Our former Associate Rabbi, Mark Dratch on the passing of his mother, Barbara Dratch.

Helen Friedman on the passing of her mother, Rose Markus.

Alice Geisler on the passing of her mother, Helen Gottlieb.

Estelle Goldman, on the passing of her mother, Eva Feigenbaum.

Maevae Gyenes on the passing of her mother, Eleanor Cooney.

Ella Lewis on the passing of her sister, Anne Bernstein.

Susan Pike on the passing of her mother, Elaine Lazarowitz.

Arthur Rosenbloom on the passing of his father, Irving Rosenbloom.

Gail Schaffer on the passing of her mother, Ruth Tuller.

Thelma Steinberg on the passing of her father, Harry Himelstein.

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

In Memoriam

Rose Cantor

A bright, competent and extraordinarily resourceful woman, Rose Cantor was a joyous worshipper in our congregation for many years. She kept a kosher home and lit the Sabbath candles faithfully. She was proud of her place in our synagogue.

A loving and devoted mother, there was nothing she wouldn't do for her son, even as he was exceptionally devoted to her. She died in her late 90's only after celebrating his 75th birthday.

A woman of deep and abiding faith in God, she leaves that legacy to her children and to the congregation. May her memory be blessed.

KIDDUSH SPONSORS

We invite members of the congregation to sponsor Shabbat Kiddush after services each Saturday. Most weeks during July and August are available. This is a nice way to celebrate an anniversary, birthday, academic milestone or to observe a *yahrzeit*. The cost is \$250.

To reserve a kiddush, call Chani Wolk at the Synagogue office, 427-1000.

COMMUNAL RECOGNITION

We are proud to congratulate our member, Dr. Wallace B. Lehman on being awarded the "Rofeh Award", the Award of Healing, by The American Committee For Shaarei Zedek Medical Center at its recent Nassau County Tribute Dinner. Dr. Lehman, Chief of Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery at the Hospital for Joint Diseases Orthopedic Institute, has spent many years in medical service at various institutions in Israel, including Shaare Zedek Medical Center. Every year he returns to Shaare Zedek to both operate and to teach new medical procedures. We join in this wonderful tribute to an outstanding individual.

We congratulate our members, Joyce and Richard Hirsch, on being honored as long-time benefactors of the Be'er Hagolah Institutes, at their recent Tribute Dinner held at The Pierre Hotel. Since 1979, Be'er Hagolah has established itself as the pre-eminent Jewish institution dedicated to the education of Russian immigrant children, providing both traditional Jewish and advanced secular classes. We compliment Be'er Hagolah on honoring two outstanding members of our community.

Congratulations to our devoted members, Susan and Martin Sanders, upon the recent dedication of the renovated Menachem Zion Synagogue in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem. What a great way in which to express support of Israel in general and religious life in Israel in particular.

COMMUNAL LEADERSHIP

We proudly announce the election of two of our members to the Board of Directors of B'nai Brith Hillel/Jewish Association for College Youth: Daniel J. Ordan as President and Harvey Z. Arfa as Vice President. We support these fine members in their new leadership roles in the community.

Mazel tov to Lawrence A. Kobrin upon his appointment as Treasurer of the Jewish Week, the leading Anglo-Jewish newspaper in the world.

COMMUNAL SERVICE

We are happy to announce that Sue Robins, one of the founders of our KJ Bikur Cholim Project 15 years ago and one of the founders of the Coordinating Council On Bikur Cholim Of Greater New York, has been elected Associate Chairperson of the Board for the 1992-1993 term. The leadership of the Council will be well served by Sue who is devoted and committed to the concept and action of Bikur Cholim.

**ROBERT LEIFERT
HONORED BY
UJA-FEDERATION**

We are proud to note that our Executive Director, Robert J. Leifert was honored by UJA-Federation at a reception sponsored by the Commission on Synagogue Relations. Bob was honored for his work as Chairman of the Task Force on the Jewish Aged and in recognition of its accomplishments.

B'NAI MITZVAH

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Feder on the Bar Mitzvah of their great grandson, David Sandel, son of Linda and Tommy Sandel.

Mazel tov to Gabrielle and Seymour Propp on the recent Bar Mitzvah of their son, Emory Benjamin Ryback Propp, at Park East Synagogue.

**Jack Lefkowitz Named
Honorary Treasurer of JNF**

We are pleased to congratulate our member, Jack Lefkowitz, who has devoted a lifetime of service to Israel and the Jewish community upon being named Honorary Treasurer of the Jewish National Fund. Since 1920, when he was a member of the Young Judea Zionist Youth Organization, he has been working for the JNF. He joined the JNF Board of Directors in 1950 and has held the post of Vice President, Treasurer and Chairman of the Personnel and Budget Committees. In Israel, a forest and grove have been planted in the name of Jack Lefkowitz and his wife, Sue.

**JOIN US FOR
JEWRY DUTY
THROUGHOUT THE
SUMMER**

Our Thanks to the Lunzers

We are grateful to two of our new members. Elisa and Jay Lunzer, who made a gift of a beautiful tzedakah box for use in a house of mourning. They made the gift in honor of their joining the congregation and express the hope that the box would have very little use.

We are grateful for their thought, generosity and wishes.

**Mazel tov to
Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg**

Congratulations to Rabbi Moshe Rosenberg and to his beloved parents, Mr. and Mrs. Israel D. Rosenberg, upon Rabbi Rosenberg's designation for the Rabbinic Leadership Award at the June Dinner of the American Friends of Yeshivot Bnai Akiva. Rabbi Rosenberg is doing an outstanding job as Associate Rabbi in the Riverdale Jewish Center and as brilliant teacher of Talmud in the Marsha Stern High School for Boys at Yeshiva University.

Similar congratulations to our esteemed member, Judge Jerome H. Hornblass for his honor along with the Yeshiva Eitz Chaim Foundation at that same dinner.

COOKBOOK PUBLISHED

We are pleased to congratulate Mindy Ginsberg, daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Linzer and a Ramaz graduate, on the publication of her third cookbook, entitled "300 International Jewish Recipes for Friends and Family". The cookbook is available for purchase at Classics by Doina in the Synagogue Lobby.

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SABBATH SCHEDULE

	Lighting of Candles	Friday Evening Services	Saturday Afternoon Services	Sabbath Ends
JULY				
3-4 Korach	8:11	6:45	8:20	9:14
10-11 Chukat	8:09	6:45	8:20	9:12
17-18 Balak	8:05	6:45	8:20	9:07
24-25 Pinchas	7:59	6:45	8:15	9:00
31-Aug. 1 Matot-Masei	7:53	6:45	8:10	8:53
AUGUST				
7-8 Devarim	7:45	6:45	8:00	8:43
14-15 Vaetchanan	7:36	6:45	7:50	8:32
21-22 Ekev	7:26	6:45	7:40	8:22
28-29 Re'eh (Rosh Chodesh)	7:15	6:45	7:30	8:10
SEPTEMBER				
4-5 Shoftim	7:04	6:45	7:15	7:59
11-12 Ki Teitze	6:52	6:45	7:00	7:48
18-19 Ki Tavo	6:40	6:45	6:50	7:34
25-26 Nitzavim	6:29	6:40	6:15	7:22

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings	7:30 a.m.
Sunday mornings	8:30 a.m.
Monday & Thursday	7:15 a.m.
Rosh Chodesh Weekdays	7:00 a.m.
Sabbath mornings	9:00 a.m.

Evening Services
July 5-September 25 6:45 p.m.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sunday, July 19**
Fast of 17th of Tamuz
Morning Services at 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, July 31**
Rosh Chodesh Av
Morning Services at 7:00 a.m.
- Saturday Eve, August 8**
Tisha B'Av Eve
Mincha at 8:00 p.m.
Shabbat concludes at 8:43 p.m.
Maariv and Eicha at 9:00 p.m.
- Sunday, August 9**
Tisha B'Av
Morning Services at 8:30 a.m.
Afternoon Services at 7:50 p.m.
- Sunday, August 30**
Rosh Chodesh Elul
Morning Services at 8:30 a.m.
- Monday, September 7** Labor Day
Morning Services at 8:30 a.m.
- Saturday Night, September 19**
Selichot Services at 10:00 p.m.

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