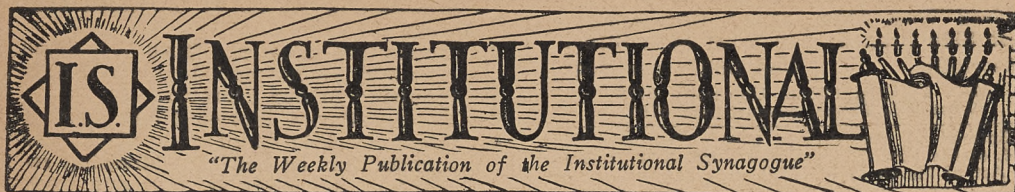


PURIM GREETINGS.



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THIS IS FOR YOU DIRECTOR

Dear Sir:

A very important meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Thursday Mar. 5th, at 8.15 o'clock sharp, at West Side Branch 148 W. 85th St.

It is absolutely essential that we have one hundred per cent attendance at the meeting, as there are some very urgent matters that must be settled.

Kindly reserve that evening for the I. S. as I count on you all to be present

Sincerely yours,

ISAAC SIEGEL, Pres.

I. S. DAUGHTERS TO CONDUCT THEATRE PARTY MARCH 24th.

The I. S. Daughters, one of our most active groups will conduct what promises to be a well-attended Theatre Party on Tuesday, March 24th at the Coliseum Theatre, B'way at 181st St.

A splendid program of vaudeville attractions and an outstanding motion picture presentation are some of the features which will help make this party most distinctive. Of course all I. S. friends and their friends too will be there. By all means reserve your tickets now. They may be purchased through any of the members or from Executive Director Abraham Bernstein.

This splendid group has always been associated with the furtherance and better development of I. S. work.

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURIM MASQUE.

Miss Frances Phillips, Girls Worker and her Social Comm. announces that Purim Masque tickets can now be secured through the S. E. Office or from any member of the Comm. A splendid program of entertainment features has been prepared. Evidently this year's Masque and Dance will by far surpass the best of previous years.

Remember: Saturday Nite, March 7th. Admission 50c. Proceeds for I. S. Passover Relief. Dance conducted under auspices of the Girl's Clubs.

MEN'S CLUB PREPARES FOR GALA AFFAIR IN ROAST, ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCE

March 15th to be a classic according to predictions.

The Men's Club of the West Side Branch will conduct one of the most unusual and distinctive social functions this year in the form of a Frankfurter Roast, Entertainment and Dance.

The committee has arranged a splendid program of entertainment features, has purchased enough frankfurters and refreshments to appease even the most Gargantuan appetite, and has secured the services of a splendid aggregation of rhythm dispensers and blues-chasers.

This gala affair will be conducted in the gymnasium at the main building on Sunday evening, March 15th. Tickets are only \$1.00 and may be secured either thru the Men's Club or the executive offices at the Main Building. The proceeds will be devoted to the furtherance of the welfare work of this active organization.

GAMMA SIGMA PI TO CONDUCT ANNUAL DANCE.

The Gamma Sigma Pi Sorority, recently designated by Mr. Cohen as the official social-welfare project group of the S-E Dep't, will conduct its annual dance April 25th at the Level Club.

These charming and active girls have at all times been a distinct asset to the Institution. They have volunteered their services as club-leaders, they have conducted Junior Parties, and last year treated a very large number of orphans to a theatre party and entertainment. The proceeds of this year's dance will be devoted to family case work and Junior work within the I. S.

G. S. P. Dances have always been outstanding social successes. This dance promises to surpass all previous dances. By all means, you should get your ticket now right now.

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To the many friends and sponsors, the Board of Directors, the Executive Staff, and to the vast constituency of the I. S. the Editorial Staff of the "Institutional" begs leave to extend its best wishes for a joyous Purim.

Abraham Mason, a very active member of the excellent Fracarus Club, was elected President of the De Witt Clinton High School General Organization.

The De Witt Clinton High School is the largest High School in the world. We feel proud that an I. S. man has been the recipient of such unusual honor. We wish much luck to President Mason.

You can conceive your own editorial from this item. The Seacs a Junior Club is going to conduct an Open Meeting Celebration. The Jeshurun an Intermediate Sr. Club is assisting them with advice and some talent.

SUGGESTION FOR CLUB PROGRAMS

1. Talk by Leader on the story and significance of Purim or on allied subjects.
2. Recitations-(Poetry, Prose selections especially recommended may be had by inquiring in our Library.
3. Reading-Purim Stories (Note above.)
4. Group or Solo Singing — Chorus or soloists may be had by addressing request to S-E Staff at least one week previous to date of celebration.
5. Games — see "Handbook & Games" in Library. Especially recommended are-
 - a. Mock Trial of Haman
 - b. Farce Club Session
 - c. Shaloch Monos Party (Package Party)
 - d. Masquarade.
6. Reading of original essays or Debate. Topics suggested for Essays-
 - a. Story of Purim
 - b. Esther and Other Heroines of History
 - c. Hamans-Old and New.
 - d. Mordecai and Other Jewish Heroes.
 Humorous Topics for essays-
 - a. Why a Hamantash can never be a Matzoh.
 - b. Eulogy on the Death of Haman
 - c. Haman writes a sermon
 Topics suggested for Debates-
 - a. Resolved, that Esther was justified in Denying her Jewish Origin.
 - b. Resolved, that Nationalism and not anti-Semitism is the Fundamental cause of Zionism.
 - c. Resolved, that Esther was a greater heroine than Deborah.
 - d. Resolved, that Purim is a means of continuing the Historic Development of the Jewish People.
7. Cross Word Puzzles Contest— PURIM cross words may be secured by written request sent to S-E Office.

Leaders and Club Officers are urged to study the Bulletin on the observance of Purim issued by the Jewish Welfare Board. Copies may be borrowed from Leader's Library.

Purim is observed by-

The reading of the Megillah on Tuesday EVENING. The Megillah is a scroll on which the Book of Esther is written.

The sending of gifts to friends and relations known as SHOLOCH MONOS.

General merry-making.

We are happy to congratulate our Director Mr & Mrs. Max Moskowitz upon the marriage of their daughter Hilda to Mr. Jacob Goodman. We extend our very best wishes to the newlyweds.

IN TIMES OF NEED AND DEPRESSION THE I. S. SERVES.
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Purim

The Feast of Purim, which commemorates the events told in the Book of Esther, is one of our jolliest holidays. It occurs on the 14th day of Adar. During the reign of Ahasueros the Jews of Persia would have suffered utter annihilation had not Queen Esther, a Jewess, intervened on behalf of her people. Haman, the King's most favorite minister, acquired a hatred for Jews in general because of his jealousy of Mordecai, her cousin. He, therefore, secured the King's consent to have all the Jews destroyed on a certain day, which he chose by lots (Purim). The Queen heard of this and at a feast to which she invited both the King and Haman, she informed the King that Haman was plotting the destruction of her people for it was at this banquet that Esther revealed her identity as a Jewess. The King became furious and ordered the execution of Haman. The 14th of Adar, which Haman chose as the day for the massacre of the Jews, was then proclaimed as a day when Jews might instead bring punishment upon their enemies. Thus the tables were turned and each year, the 14th of Adar, called "PURIM" because it was chosen by lots, is being celebrated with much joviality as merry-making.

The story of Purim indicates that Jews, from their earliest days in exile, have had to contend with anti-semitic forces. There are many Hamans of one kind or another that have arisen in Jewish history. Antiochus was only another type of a Haman. The medieval inquisitors were Hamans of still another brand. In modern times also there are anti-semites who accuse the Jews of treachery and disloyalty. But as long as the Jew remained loyal and devoted to his ideals he was able to withstand the attacks of the various Hamans.

FREE MID-WEEK MEMBERSHIP DANCES RESUMED

The free mid-week membership dances were resumed last Wednesday. A great many members attended. Music was supplied by the popular Billy Green's Orchestra.

The primary purposes of this activity is to afford a social medium-inexpensive, of course, whereby the many members of the I. S. may develop new contacts and friendships. Secondly, the Staff is given opportunity to meet the membership under less formal circumstances. This activity is open for House Members only. Outsiders are not admitted because of space limitation.

Clubbery

The Arista Club will conduct a series of lectures beginning this Saturday night. They are inviting a number of outstanding speakers to address the Arista members, their friends and others. These lectures will be conducted in the Library. Refreshments will be served following the lecture and the discussion. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

We can always associate superlative praise with the Fracarus. This splendid group has volunteered the services of the Club Orchestra for the Purim Masquerade on March 7th. The Fracarus will conduct their initial dance on March 14th. This group deserves co-operation of every member of every club in this institution. Their dance will be one of the outstanding social successes of this year.

The Buddies plead, begged, cajoled, threatened, bribed and induced us to mention their name in the "Institutional" for the past few weeks. Al-right, so we mention their name — Buddies.

The Omaha Club reminds you that their Dance will take place Sunday, March 21st. This dance will far surpass the successful dance they conducted the early part of this season.

The Amigas are mighty proud. So are we. Miss Dorothy Gershenoff has been picked as one of the most attractive participants in the Queen Esther Purim Carnival. She is now in the Semi-Finals. A trip to Palestine will be the prize for the most attractive girl chosen. We would like to receive post-cards from Palestine-so would the others wishing you luck Dorothy.

PAWNEES TO CONDUCT ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

Mr. Arthur S. Coleman, the indefatigable Club Leader of the popular Pawnees, is now arranging an Athletic Carnival to be conducted by the Pawnees, half the proceeds of which will be turned over to the Institution, for unemployment relief. Mr. Coleman has secured the services of a number of outstanding athletes and promises an unusual program replete with unusual features.

At the time of this printing the date has not been set. Our next issue will contain a program of the carnival and other necessary information.

DON'T FORGET THE BIG PURIM MASQUE * * MARCH 7th.

Athletics

SWIMMING TOURNAMENT

An Inter-Club Swimming Tournament will be held for Intermediate and Senior Clubs beginning with Sunday, March 8th.

SCHEDULE

March 8th 11:00 Jeshurun vs. Tranquillity
 11:45 Kawecos vs. Pawnees
 12:30 Elks vs. Arista
 15th 11:00 Jesters vs. Falcons (EPU)
 11:45 Buddies vs. Viaks
 12:30 Argoes vs. Fracaras
 1:15 Duces vs. Spartans

EVENTS

Two (2) lap free style
 Two (2) lap Breast stroke
 Eight (8) lap relay (4 men)
 Plunge for distance

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RULES

- 1-A.A.U. rules will govern the tournament.
- 2-Five men may be entered by one club in each event (Except the Relay).
- 3-One member may compete in two events and the relay.
- 4-All men competing in the tournament must be members of the club they represent, in good standing, PRIOR to December 2nd, 1930.
- 5-A match shall be declared forfeit if one team does not appear FIFTEEN (15) minutes after schedule time.

SCORE

1st place, 5 points; 2nd place, 3 points;
 3rd place, 2 points; 4th place, 1 point.

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