

KOL NIDRE WILL BEGIN
WEDNESDAY AT 5:15 P.M.

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE

ANNUAL LUNCHEON

WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL

Monday, December 13 - 12 o'clock



Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel
Chairman

The major fund-raising function on the Women's League calendar which is to be held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on Monday, December 13th at 12 o'clock, promises to be more outstanding than ever.

The following capable staff of officers for this event are making elaborate plans to insure a delightful afternoon for all who attend: Chairman, Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel; Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Walter Freeman, Mrs. William Foont; Treasurer, Mrs. Lester Udell; Co-Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Kirsch; Treasure, Chest Co-

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A RECURRING PROBLEM

The Jewish Biblical Festival Succos will begin on Monday eve, Oct. 11th through Wednesday night Oct. 13th, and with Monday, Oct. 18th through Wednesday night, Oct. 20. This Holiday will fall on school days this season.

Whilst this is no problem to the students of the Jewish All Day Schools and Yeshivoth, the vast majority of Jewish youth, who attend secular schools, will have to absent themselves these days.

Students should bring to the attention of the school authorities, well in advance that there are many students of the Jewish faith—who should not be penalized for missing examination and 'special' lectures, because they cannot attend school or write on Biblical Festivals. If necessary, do not hesitate to call upon your rabbi to assist you.

Our young people must realize that this situation, serious as it may be, is but one of the many challenges in life that they will have to face as Jews. They should grasp this as another opportunity they have as loyal Americans to establish their rights to Freedom of Religion, one of the cornerstones of our blessed country.

O.A.R.

YOM KIPPUR



Cantor Zalmon Yavneh

who will usher in the solemn fast of the Day of Atonement by his chanting of the traditional Kol Nidre in our Main Synagogue this Wednesday evening at 5:15.

The climax of the penitential season of the year comes with the Day of Atonement. With the chanting of the Kol Nidre on Wednesday before sundown, we usher in this all-important day.

Yom Kippur Eve

In many ways, the preparation for the Day of Atonement is almost as important as the day itself. Thus, the physical hachanah, or preparation for the fast, is emphasized by our Sages. As Rabbi Hiya says: "All who eat and drink plenty on the ninth (of the month) are thought of as if they had fasted on both the ninth and tenth days (of the month)." It is forbidden to fast on the eve of Yom Kippur and the day is viewed as somewhat of a holiday.

Spiritually, too, the preparation for the Day of Atonement is most important. Thus, every man must beg forgiveness from his neighbor whom he has wronged. "The Day of Atonement will atone for sins between man and G-d but not sins between man and man until the men are reconciled to each other, as it is written in Leviticus 16:30 'That ye may be clean from all your

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SUCCOS PREPARATIONS ALREADY BEGUN;

LULAVIM AVAILABLE THROUGH RABBI PEKIER

The proper observation of the Succos holiday cannot be accomplished without adequate preparation well in advance. Such preparations must provide for the acquisition of the traditional lulav and esrog which the Bible commands us to "take" during the holiday and for reservations for meals in a succah in which the Bible commands us to "live" during the holiday. Only with these preparations can the celebration of the holiday be really considered complete.

The lulav and esrog can be ob-

tained through our sexton, Rabbi Pekier. He can be reached either at the synagogue office, TR 7-8281 or in the evening, at his home, SC 4-5163. The proper preparation of the lulav may often take some time. May we urge our readers to contact Rabbi Pekier as soon as possible.

Reservations for meals in our congregational succah may be made in the synagogue office. For further information telephone the synagogue office.



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MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE

Just a reminder that there will be a Get-Together in the Succah on Wednesday, October 13, at 8:30 P.M.

HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

Parents are urged to acknowledge without delay all notices that our pupils will bring home with them from time to time. They should review carefully the Holiday schedule with their children so that all classes which meet will have 100% attendance.

Women's League Luncheon

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Chairmen, Mrs. Emanuel Goodman, Mrs. Andrew Weiss.

Subscription is \$15.00 per person which can be raised by selling a book for the \$50.00 gift certificate.

Won't you please make your reservation without delay by sending in your check made payable to Women's League of W.S.I.S., or by writing or phoning to Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel, Chairman, 25 West 81st Street, TR 4-5068.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Adon Olum Prayer

"HE IS THE LORD OF THE UNIVERSE
WHO REIGNED ERE ANY CREATURE WAS FORMED."

We open our prayers with a Declaration of Faith, that G-d is the Master of the Universe.

This describes G-d as self-suffi-

cient. He does not need the glory, or partnership, of any of His creatures. It is we, who should declare His glory and praise.

"AT THE TIME WHEN ALL THINGS WERE MADE BY HIS DESIRE."

The emphasis is put on "His Desire," by HIS WILL. This is essentially the difference between the Jewish philosophical conception of the Universe and that of the general philosophical cause of the world (the Absolute or the First Cause,—the Machine) but the Creator who willed His creation, who Controls, and rules over His creations. He did not, as the philosophers would have us think, create the world, and let it

run on its own momentum. If that were so, there would be no room for prayer. He would be stripped of Will, and would be unable to perform miracles.

Thus our prayer emphasizes that He is not a blind machine. Yea, more than that as we shall read in a later part of our daily morning prayers,

"He is the L-rd of wonders, who in His goodness, reneweth the work of creation every day continuously."

"AND AFTER ALL THINGS SHALL HAVE AN END,
THE REVERED ONE SHALL REIGN."

In other words, after all speculation shall come to an end and Science shall have its sway, the end is not in sight. We must say with Jacob, if we are honest, "Surely the L-rd is in this place, and I did not

know it." (Genesis 28:16) The awareness of the "Revered" one, after Science leaves us incomplete, will be conducive to that noble sixth sense,—namely, Religion.

"WHO WAS, WHO IS, AND WHO WILL BE IN GLORY."

The four letter proper name of G-d יהוה (which, by the way, we are forbidden to pronounce as it is

written) is derived from the tenses of "is," "was" and "will be"—past, present and future.

"HE IS ONE AND THERE IS NO SECOND TO COMPARE TO HIM,
TO CONSORT WITH HIM."

This verse describes the Unity of G-d, not only His oneness, but to be compared to Him, or to associate

with Him, is a denial of His UNITY. Judaism alone professes this pure and unentangled Unity of G-d.

"WITHOUT BEGINNING, WITHOUT ENDING."

Here we have a description of the

Eternity of G-d, not limited to time.

"HE IS MY G-D, MY REDEEMER LIVETH."

G-d has never been put to death. My Redeemer liveth, or my living Redeemer indicates the deathless-

ness of G-d. We do not, or cannot take refuge in a G-d who cannot save Himself in time of distress.

"HE IS MY BANNER AND MY REFUGE, THE CUP OF MY SALVATION . . ."

The banner is for going forward, and refuge is the place of shelter for sake of defense in our distress. In both instances, we are dependent upon Divine favor. "He does not

merely raise a banner, He is the BANNER: HE does not only hold out the cup of Salvation, He is the consummate "Cup of Salvation."

"INTO HIS HAND I COMMEND MY SPIRIT, WHEN I SLEEP, AND WHEN I AWAKE."

This indicates that our Hymn was meant both as part of our Night

Prayer as well as of our morning prayer.

"THE LORD IS WITH ME, AND I SHALL NOT BE AFRAID."

In other words, man with his spirit and body alone, is alone, but with G-d, he is never alone, and is without FEAR. This verse, "The L-rd

is with me and I shall not be afraid," should be on our lips as a constant support, against nervousness, or against any fear that may beset us.

MAZEL TOV



Sandra Goodman

Our heartiest congratulations to our second Vice President, and Mrs. Max Moskowitz, and to our member Mr. Jacob Goodman, and our Women's League Executive Board member Mrs. Hilda Goodman, upon the engagement of their granddaughter and daughter Sandra, to Herbert Ortner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ortner.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

There will be a Junior High Holy Day Service for the children of Talmud Torah age during the High Holidays at 10:30 A.M., as well as Saturday morning.

SEAT RESERVATIONS

Our readers who may be interested in making seat reservations for Yom Kippur are requested to get in touch with our office immediately as there are some seats available for Yom Kippur in our main Synagogue, the Manhattan Towers Hotel, and our auxiliary service in our building. Telephone TR 7-8281.

YIZKOR SERVICES

On Yom Kippur, Thursday, October 7, Yizkor services will be recited at our Synagogue. If you wish to have Special Memorial Prayers recited for your dear ones, please fill out the form below and mail it to us.

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Yom Kippur

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sins before the L-rd." (Yomah 85b)

Conversely, too, each man must, in order to properly prepare himself for the Day of Atonement, forgive in his heart, or in person if this is possible, all who have offended him. Thus, the L-rd may likewise forgive him for his own offenses.

"Repentance, Prayer, and Charity"

A part of the Holiday Services declares that "repentance, prayer and charity will avert the evil decrees." Each man during this season repents in his heart, and says the many penitential and other prayers of the season. To fulfill the last of the three items, it is the custom to give charity to worthy causes at this time of year. Thus, at the afternoon service preceding Yom Kippur charity plates are placed on a table, for the worshippers' convenience. During the Kol Nidre services, appeals are made for worthy charities.

Yom Kippur Service

There are four parts to the Yom Kippur service. The first is the traditional shachris or morning service. This includes many additional penitential psalms and prayers. The portion of the Law dealing with the Yom Kippur sacrifices in the Temple is read.

The Mussaf service is then begun. During the repetition of the Amidah prayer by the Cantor, various hymns and petitionary prayers are sung. The basis of the Cantor's repetition is a recitation of the procedure of the Yom Kippur service in the Temple in Jerusalem. Many of the melodies used date back to the days of the Holy Temple.

The Mincha or afternoon service is highlighted by the reading of the Book of Jonah as the special Haftorah. This story serves to point out that man is unable to escape from the hand of the L-rd should he transgress. The final mercy of the L-rd towards Jonah and the people of Nineveh also serves as an important lesson.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening	5:20
Weekly Portion — Vayelech	
Deut. Chapter 31	Hosea 14:2-10
	Michah 7:18-20

Friday Evening Service	5:30
Saturday Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:30
Mincha followed by Halachik Discourse	
by Rabbi Reichel	4:10

Reader of Torah: Richard Kobrin
Reader of Service: Murray Yavneh

The Sabbath Terminates

Daily Services:

Sunday Morning	6:45, 7:45, 8:45
Selichos	6:15, 8:20
Monday Morning	6:45, 7:20, 8:30
Tuesday Morning	6:45, 7:25, 8:30
Selichos	6:20, 8:05
Mincha	5:20

EREV YOM KIPPUR

Morning Services	6:45, 7:30, 8:15
Selichos	6:30, 8:00
Mincha Services	1:30, 3:30
Light Candles up to	5:13
Kol Nidre	5:15

YOM KIPPUR

Thursday Morning	8:00
Junior Congregation	10:45
Yom Kippur Terminates	6:02

FRIDAY SERVICES

Morning	6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha	5:20

Getting Personal

By Sanford Solarz

The New Year for our Congregational Family augurs well with the entry into it of so many new members: David Epstein, Samuel Goldman, Haskel Hait, J. S. Hausman, Dr. Karl H. Landes, Abraham Mandel, Aron Pick, David Pick and Irving Rosenberg . . . Our Welcome Home and Congregational Citation of Merit to Dr. Seymour Reichlin who recently returned from England, not only with his family but a Ph.D. degree which was received by him while overseas . . . Best wishes to Stephen Eisenberg who is now pursuing his studies at Alfred University . . . The hosts of our weekly Sabbath Seudah Shlishis tomorrow afternoon will be Leo and Harry Heidenreich . . . Mazel tov to Mrs. Jenny Yabrow upon the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Silberstein . . . Welcome to our Director and Mrs. Henry Blankfort who have come especially from their home in California to spend the High Holy Days in our Synagogue . . . Wedding Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Lew Bengis, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Frankel and Director and Mrs. Jacob Kaplan, and particularly to Dr. and Mrs. Leo Lindenbaum who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary recently . . . Many happy returns of their Birthdays to Gail Allison Barsky, Mrs. Jacob Bayer, Mrs. Julius Bayer, Dr. David E. Block, Mrs. Max Dabek, Sylvia Jacoby, Laura Kamerman, Mrs. Leon Kantrowitz, Hillel Moses Reichel and Albert Schmeidler.

Good news for any of our members and friends is good news for our entire Congregational Family. So please don't keep it to yourself, let the office know and the news will appear in this column so that all may share the joy of the happy newsmakers.

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