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MEMO TO TODDLERS:

Tell Your Folks It's ...

Time To Begin



A person's happiness depends mainly on his sense of belonging to his group. Without this feeling, he is never secure, is always maladjusted.

Hence, Jewish education is vital, not only for the Jewish people, but **for the child himself**. And just as important as the curriculum or the teaching method is **the time of starting**. The child must acquire his sense of belonging to our people, must build his defenses, **early** in life — **before** he meets any unpleasant experiences as a Jew.

For this purpose, Jewish kindergartens have sprung up everywhere. Here our youngest children experience the joys and beauties of Jewish living — by celebrating holidays, playing games, singing songs, and listening to stories. Here they develop a firm, indestructible sense of happy "belonging". No public school, kindergarten, or private nursery school, however "progressive" it is, can provide this kind of joyous Jewish experience.

Our Sunday Morning Kindergarten will open after the Succos Holidays, beginning with Sunday morning, October 31st. The hours will be from 10.30 A.M. to 12.30. If you wish to enroll your child in our Sunday Morning Kindergarten, write, phone, or even telegraph our Hebrew School office at once.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends:

We are happy to inform you that a number of our members who were not with us for Yom Kippur sent their pledges for our Annual Appeal for the support of our Synagogue.

We trust that all those members who were not with us will do likewise. We hope you will cooperate with us. We are open 365 days a year, and we expect all our friends to do their duty.

Looking forward to your response, I am

Sincerely yours,
LESTER UDELL
President

U O J C A ANNOUNCES NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America will take place November 11-14, 1954. The site of the Convention will be the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Assembling under the theme "Three Hundred Years of Orthodox Progress in America", the Convention will review the development of traditional Judaism in this country and give expression to dynamic trends of a growing orthodox community. This four day Convention will be devoted to mapping a positive program of religious action for the Union's 720 affiliated congregations throughout the forty-eight states and Canada.

Through its Community Activities Division, Program Bureau, Speakers Bureau, Kashruth Division and Armed Forces Division, the Union's activities cover all phases of Jewish life.

This year's convention, assembling nearly one thousand delegates and religious and civic leaders from all over the country will be an event of historic significance, marking a new era for traditional Judaism in this country.

Our members, both men and women, who would like to serve as delegates should contact the Synagogue office.

SIMCHAS TORAH CHASANIM TO BE HOSTS TO CONGREGATION

We are very happy to invite the entire congregation, both men and women, to the annual Chasanim Party which will be held after the Mincha services tomorrow afternoon. The invitation is extended on behalf of the hosts at the party, the three Chasanim: Mr. Henry Kraushar, Chasan Torah; Director Herman H. Cohen, Chasan Bereshis; and our beloved President Lester Udell, Chasan Maftir.

We hope that as many as possible will consider this a personal invitation and attend this function which has always been numbered among the most successful of the Synagogue's activities.

Mincha services will begin at 3:45 and the party will follow the conclusion of the services.

ARE YOU A BIT RUSTY IN YOUR HEBREW?

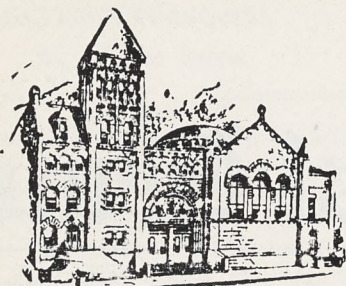
Here's your chance to learn
the language

Classes in Hebrew for Adults — **Beginners, Elementary, and Advanced** levels will be conducted by our Laymen's Institute in our Synagogue.

Classes will be held on Monday, or Wednesday evenings. There is a nominal registration fee of \$5.00 for the entire season. College students, gratis. Our readers and their friends are invited to join these classes, by writing to Rabbi Reichel at the Synagogue, and indicate which of the three levels they wish to join.

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club requests all our readers — men and women — to reserve Monday evening, November 1st, for the installation of officers, at the W.S.I.S. There will be entertainment and refreshments.



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SCOUTING NEWS

Mr. Emanuel Fine, District Commissioner of the Boy Scouts of America and a member of our Congregation, is happy to announce that our Cub Pack No. 530 is being re-organized for the coming year. Parents of boys between the ages of 8 and 11, are urged to contact the Hebrew School office if they wish to enroll their sons in our Pack. Volunteers are urgently needed for Den mothers, Cub Masters, and Committee members composed of the parents. Unless our parents who are able and willing to participate in the program do so, we cannot guarantee a place for their children in the Scout program.

RESERVE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 13
for
WOMEN'S LEAGUE
ANNUAL LUNCHEON
at
THE WALDORF

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

"Yigdal" Prayer

7) "THERE HATH NEVER YET ARISEN IN ISRAEL
A PROPHET LIKE UNTO MOSES."

This too is a cardinal principle upon which our Torah rests as we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 34, Verse 10: "And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the L-rd knew face to face." Thus the Eternal character of the Torah is assured. Otherwise if a greater prophet than Moses can arise, he can and may abrogate and nullify the Torah which was issued by a lesser authority than he. Therefore, the Torah in its concluding verses tells us that there never was or will be a great prophet than Moses. Some may think that the Torah will be abrogated, in a later generation, in favor of another law. As an anti-toxin against such a poisonous heresy, the Torah certifies as to its permanency and immutability by declaring that there would never arise another such Prophet as Moses. Moses was the greatest prophet for four reasons,—1) Moses spoke without any intermediary, 2)

Moses received his prophecy during the daytime, directly, and not in a vision, in a trance, in a dream, or in a state of suspended animation, like the other prophets, 3) Moses spoke to G-d "as one speaks to a friend" without any special exertion, while the other prophets were exhausted after receiving divine messages as Daniel said, "And there remained no strength in me" after Gabriel had spoken to him, 4) The other prophets had to wait for their prophecies to come to them, as we read in regard to Elisha. Moses, however, could go to seek prophetic vision whenever he required it, as we read in the Book of Numbers, Chapter 9, verse 8, "And Moses said unto them, wait ye, and I will hear what the L-rd will command concerning thee." So too does Israel become an eternal people, so long as it remains the People of the Torah, the Eternal Book.

8) "THE LAW OF TRUTH G-D GAVE UNTO HIS PEOPLE"

The Torah is true because its ordinances are TRUE and constituted with the best in life. The Torah is the "Golden Mean" in life. The Torah is neither ascetic nor epicurean. It does not sanction celibacy.

Extremes are untrue and false to human nature, as we read in Leviticus, Chapter 18, verse 3, "Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, which if a man should do, he shall LIVE by them."

"BY THE HAND OF HIS PROPHET WHO WAS FAITHFUL IN HIS HOUSE"

The Torah is not the work or the imagination of Moses, as he himself said in Numbers, Chapter 16, verse 28, and Moses said: "Through this shall ye know that the L-rd hath sent me to do all these deeds; that I have not done them out of my own heart." Moses was unlike many a servant who called everything his own, or ours as "our house," instead of "my master's house," or "our land" etc.

Moses was called the "Faithful in G-d's House. He personified G-d, speaking of Him mostly in the FIRST person and of himself in the THIRD person, as for instance, "I am the Lord thy G-d who brought thee out of Egypt" or the Lord spoke to Moses saying, The Rabbis aptly expressed this thought epigrammatically, "The Divine Schechina was speaking out of the throat of Moses."

9) "G-D WILL NOT ALTER NOR CHANGE HIS LAW"

Nothing can be added or diminished as we read in Deuteronomy, Chapter 13, verse 1, "Thou shalt

not add thereto and thou shalt not diminish therefrom.

DO YOUR CHILDREN ATTEND
OUR HEBREW SCHOOL

For further information, visit or call
Sunday morning or daily afternoon TR 7-8281

OUR BEAUTIFUL SUCCAH



Mrs. Max Koch
Co-Chairman

Mrs. Max Koch and Mrs. Myron Friedlander, conscientious and hard-working Co-Chairmen of our Women's League Succah Committee, wish to express their appreciation to all those who helped make our Succah, this year, more beautiful than ever before.

Special thanks to the following men and women who came to help decorate the Succah Erev Yom Tov: Mr. and Mrs. Al Braff, Miss Florence Cornell, Myron Friedlander, Hyman Gordon, Mrs. O. Asher Reichel, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Silver, Frank L. Taks, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ward and Samuel Ward.



Mrs. Myron Friedlander
Co-Chairman

Grateful appreciation to Willie of Plaza Fruit Market for his generous donations of fruit and vegetables, and to the women and young ladies who took care of the hundreds of people who came into our Synagogue Succah to make Kiddush and Motzie during the holidays. Included among them were: Mmes. Sol Bellsey, Harry Cohen, Pauline Fichter, Harold Kaplan, Max Koch, Philip Rosenbaum, Morris Segerman, Irving Silver, and Mlles. Ronnie Cohen, Annette Friedman, Judith Gold, Barbara Hecht, Barbara Kaplan, Doris Linker, Madge Schochat, Joyce Shulster, Rita Weinstein, Yonina Yavneh.

APPEAL MADE FOR HOMES FOR CHILDREN IN ISRAEL

Last Tuesday, on Shemini Atzeres, our Rabbi, Herbert S. Goldstein, and President, Mr. Lester Udell, made a very stirring appeal for one of our important Synagogue projects, the Homes for Children in Israel. Those present responded with an encouraging generosity.

Our Sages have said that he who saves one life in Israel is thought of as if he had saved an entire world. How great must be the merit, therefore, of those in our Congregation who participate in the spiritual saving of the lives of children in Israel. The Homes for Children in

Israel is a religious-humanitarian cause.

May we urge, therefore, those of our readers who were not present at the holiday Appeal to send in their contributions to the Synagogue Office and join us in this project. Contributors to the Appeal will be listed in the Review. Checks should be made payable to "Home for Children in Israel" and sent to the W.S.I.S. office.

FOR INFORMATION

about the purchase of a plot or single grave at the beautiful Memorial Park at Mt. Eden Cemetery, contact the Synagogue Office.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to 4:48
Weekly Portion — B'rayshees
Genesis 1:1 - 6:8 Isaiah 42:5-25; 43:1-10
Special Prayers for the New Month
Friday Evening Service5:00
Saturday Morning Service9:00
Junior Congregation10:30
Mincha3:45

followed by Party of the Chasanim

Reader of Torah: Sanford Ward

Reader of Service: Herschel Gold

The Sabbath Terminates:5:40

Daily Services

Sunday Morning6:45, 8:00, 9:00
Daily Mornings
Monday, Tuesday, Friday 6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Rosh Chodesh
Wednesday & Thursday6:30, 7:30, 8:15
Minchah Services4:55

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Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

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GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

We were privileged to have among our worshippers at our Yom Kippur Services, Dr. Joseph Burg, the Israeli Government Cabinet Minister of Communications. Rather symbolical, we believe, in the light of the constant communications of our beloved Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein and so many of our members with the State of Israel . . . We were happy to have with us for the High Holy Days, Pvts. Harvey Shapiro and Jack Verschleiser on leave from the Armed Forces; Morty Cohen in from Detroit; Max Ketterer and Isaac Wolfson of London; Robert Kirsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kirsh, back home after serving with the Armed Forces in Korea . . . We welcome into our midst Gordon Mandell of Cincinnati, who acquitted himself so beautifully in our Succah. We were proud of David Beier, son of our Director and Mrs. Samuel K. Beier, who also spoke in the Succah most interestingly on his trip to Israel . . . Gabriel F. Goldstein, chanted Koheles with his usual inspirational approach at our last Sabbath morning services . . . Good to have back with us again Mr. Max Harris looking so well, thank G-d . . . All best wishes in their new home to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Schraub . . . Mazel tov to Elsie Oelberger and Melvin R. Meyers who were recently married at the nuptial altar of our Synagogue; to Dr. and Mrs. William D. Weiss upon the birth of a daughter, Cathy Gail; and to our Director and Mrs. Jacob Kaplan upon the birth of Rachel Ann to their children Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kaplan . . . **Wedding Anniversaries** greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bayer, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Feinstein and Mr. and Mrs. Leopold Lunitz . . . Many happy returns of their **birthdays** to Judith Livingston Bernstein, Rabbi Abraham Burstein, Michael Citron, our Men's Club President Abraham Eisenman, Anna Streit Gross, Roy Hines, Mrs. Harold Kaplan, Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum, Mrs. Jack Levine, Mrs. Joshua Levine, Harry Silberstein, Michael Henry Sahn, Lois Jane Ullman and our Women's League President, Mrs. Michael Weingarten . . . The latest addition to our Sabbath services is an official page caller, Mr. Leon Herman, whose practice at the Manhattan Towers Service is coming in very handy.

GOOD NEWS FOR BAR MITZVAH BOYS AND BAS MITZVAH GIRLS

Beginning Monday, October 25, at 7:00 o'clock, Rabbi Goldstein and Rabbi Reichel will conduct a popular class in "JUDAISM TODAY" for our young people. This class promises to be very interesting and worthwhile. Following the sessions the boys and girls will meet in our Game Room for a recreational program.

We hope that all our young men and young women will take advantage of this opportunity.

YOUNG MEN CONDUCT SATURDAY MINCHA SERVICES



The young men of our Congregation will resume the leadership of the Saturday afternoon services as Chazanim and Readers of the Torah. Rabbi Reichel will be glad to add the name of any young man to the list of participants in this popular weekly youth activity.

This most successful innovation of our Synagogue may be considered a truly worthwhile educational activity and we hope that as many as possible will contact Rabbi Reichel and ask to be placed on the list.

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