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# PASSOVER SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 25

#### Monday, March 26, Erev Pesach

Eat NO chametz after 9:20 A.M.
Burning and sale of chametz UP TO 10:30 A.M.
Congregational Seder 7:10 P.M.

Our Rabbis are available for consultation in connection with Passover problems.

# PASSOVER NOTES

#### Search for Leaven

The search for leaven should be conducted on this Sunday evening, March 25 as soon as possible after sunset. The appropriate blessing and the Aramaic formula, 'Kol Chamira,' should be recited. The latter declares that the master of the household wishes to annul and "declare as the dust of the earth" all manner of leaven of which he has no knowledge and which he did not find during the search.

The entire household (including the children) should take part in the search.

Especial care should be taken that none of the chametz left over for

#### SALE OF CHAMETZ

Our sexton, Rabbi Pekier, will be available to attend to the sale of chametz on Saturday evening, 8-9:30; on Sunday morning; Sunday evening; and Monday morning. The sale of chametz must be completed by Monday morning at 10:30 A.M.

Monday morning be scattered about the house, but be placed in one spot.

#### **Erev Passover**

The crumbs which were collected in the search the night before, should be burned by 10:30 on Monday morning. At this time the second 'Kol Chamira' formula should be recited. This declaration differs from the one recited the evening before in that it declares 'null and void' all manner of leaven that the owner has or has not seen or gathered. Thus, any chametz which remained in a Jew's possession over the Passover holiday, whether by accident or purposely, without having been 'sold' in accordance with requirements of Rabbinic law, is forbidden to be eaten even after Passover.

Chametz must be sold before 10:30 A.M. on Monday morning before the second Kol Chamira formula is recited.

No Matza, however may be eaten (Cont'd on Page 3)

# Benjamin Glazer To Head Reception Committee For "Man of the Year"



Benjamin Glazer

We are glad to add the name of our hard-working Director, Mr. Benjamin Glazer, to the list of those who are actively engaged in the plans to honor our "Man of the Year." Mr. Glazer has been appointed to head the Committee in charge of the Reception which will be tendered to our "Man of the Year," Vice-President Max Moskowitz, on Tuesday evening, June 19, in our Synagogue.

The work of all those men who have been asked to serve in various committee posts cannot be successful unless every one of our readers participates in some measure in the work for the Souvenir Album which is to be presented to the "Man of the Year" at the reception in June. If every one of our worshippers, friends, and members, would insert a greeting of his own and obtain just one or two additional greetings, our Album would easily be one of which all could be proud.

We hope, no, we are sure, you will do your share.

#### LAYMAN'S INSTITUTE NOTES

The next lecture by Professor Hoenig, under the auspices of our Layman's Institute, will be given on Wednesday evening, April 4, at 8 o'clock.



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#### TOMORROW'S BAR MITZVAH



Stanley Robert Kaplan

Our heartiest congratulations to our Director Harold Kaplan and Women's League Board Member, Mrs. Kaplan, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Stanley Robert, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. Mazel Tov also, to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Reisman.

Stanley is a student at Manhattan Day School. He will read the entire Sedrah

Director and Mrs. Kaplan will tender a kiddush following the morning services.

# THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

## Blessings Before The 'Shma'

"WHO FORMEST LIGHT AND CREATIVE DARKNESS, WHO MAKEST PEACE AND CREATEST ALL THINGS."

In Isaiah, Chapter 45: verse 7, we read, "I make peace and create evil." Our substitution of ALL THINGS instead of CREATEST EVIL, is to indicate that nothing bad comes from G-d. What happens may always be turned into good.

# "IN MERCY THOU GIVEST LIGHT TO THE EARTH AND TO THEM THAT DWELL THEREIN."

G-d's mercy in giving light, is manifested by the way He does same. He does not suddenly thrust upon us the light of noon, after the darkness of night. This would be most detrimental to our eyes, and our vision. G-d gives us the light gradually from early morning until noon. Then, too, He does not suddenly bring on the night, after the

strong light of noon, but gradually the light becomes less and less until sunset ,and then nightfall. Then, also the sudden change of temperature would be dangerous as far as our general health is concerned. Then, also, one season does not change into the other suddenly, but gradually.

# "AND IN HIS GOODNESS RENEWEST THE CREATION EVERY DAY CONTINUALLY."

Some philosophers say that it is true that G-d created the world, but it ended there. Our prayer tells us of G-d continually, daily, recreating the world. G-d is not a blind force, but an active, living, ever-present G-d. We thank him daily for returning our soul to our bodies. As we

say in the Mohde Ahnee Prayer, as soon as we open our eyes in the morning, "I give thanks unto thee Living and Existing King, that Thou hast returned unto me, my Soul (into my body), with mercy. Thy faithfulness is abundant.

#### "HOW MANIFOLD ARE THY WORKS."

This prayer is from one of David's greatest psalms. (Psalm 104 Verse 13) This Psalm describes creation. It mirrors the account of the First Chapter of Genesis, describing poetically the creation of the world. According to Humboldt, it is David's greatest Psalm.

Our prayer follows, as is to be expected.

#### "IN WISDOM HAST THOU MADE THEM ALL."

G-d's creations are distinguished, not only for their great size, but also for their minuteness. Were it not for the magnifying microscope, many a creature would elude the naked eye.

The entire creation is not a forced

sequence of cause and effect beyond His control. Had it been conceivable that He withdrew His goodness for the briefest possible time the whole fabric of existence would collapse into nothingness.

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on Erev Passover. The reason for this is that we must eat matzah at the Passover Seder in the evening. and the Rabbis wanted to insure that every Jew would have an 'appetite' or desire for the matzah at that time.

#### Fast of the First-Born

Every first-born male child, should fast on Erev Passover, in thankfulness to G-d for having spared the first-born of the Israelites when he smote those of the Egyptians. It is customary, however, to arrange a 'Siyum', the festivities attending the completion of a tractate of the Talmud, so that the first-born may attend a Seudath Mitzvah, (the meal connected with a Mitzvah), and thus may eat then and during the day.

#### What is Chametz?

Special care should be taken by all our co-religionists to verify the Passover kashruth of bakeries and other food stores. Such signs as "Holiday," "Festival" or "Passover Cakes" do not mean kosher for Passover. Unless these bakeries have authoritative endorsements, their products should not be used for Pesach. If in doubt, we urge you to contact our rabbis.

#### Dishes and Utensils

Since we are not permitted to have any trace of leaven in our food during Passover, special attention must be given to dishes and utensils. It is, of course, best to use dishes and utensils especially set aside for Passover use. However, under certain conditions some of these utensils used during the year . may also be used on Passover, if they are "Kashered" or prepared for Passover use.

Silverware which has been used during the year may be Kashered by immersion in boiling water.

The Synagogue facilities for public kashering of vessels will be available on Sunday, March 25th, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Utensils that are used for frying and broiling require direct fire to the glowing point for kashering.

### W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Nisan 11 Light candles before
Sat., Nisan 12—Shabbos HaGadol
Weekly portion: Tsav
Leviticus 6:1-8:36 Malachi 3:4-24
Morning service8:50
Junior Congregations10:30
Chazanim: Stanley Klein,
Michael Rosenberg
Sabbath Kindergarten10:30
Oneg Shabbos (boys 9 to 12)3:00
Mincha4:30
Reader of Torah: Samuel Ward
Reader of Service: Herschel Gold
Halachic Discourse by
Rabbi Reichel5:00
The Sabbath terminates6:40
Sunday, Nisan 13
Morning services7:15; 8:15; 9:00
Monday, Nisan 14 — Frey Pesach

#### Monday, Nisan 14 — Erev Pesach Morning services and Siyum for first-born ......6:15; 7:00; 7:45 Eat no chametz after ..... Burning and sale of chametz up to .... Light Festival candles before.....5:55 Evening service .. Congregational Seder ...

Tuesday, Nisan 15 — Passover	I
Morning Service	9:00
Junior Congregations	.10:30
Kindergarten	
Light Festival candles before.	
Evening service	
Congregational Seder	
Wednesday, Nisan 16 - Passo	ver II

Wednesday, Nisan 16 — Passover II
Morning Service9:00
Junior Congregations10:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class5:00
Mr. Allen's Talmud Class5:00
Mincha6:00
The Holiday terminates6:45
Thursday and Friday—Chol HaMoed

#### Morning services ......6:30, 7:30, 8:15 6.10 Mincha .....

#### Dishes That Cannot Be Kashered

- (a) All dishes of any porous material, such as chinaware, pottery, or earthenware.
- (b) Utensils that may be damaged by hot water, e.g. where a utensil is glued together.
- (c) Knives and utensils with handles of wood, plastic, etc.
- (d) Vessels that cannot be thoroughly cleansed, such as a sieve.

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#### CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Julius Shapiro, upon the loss of his brother, Elias Shapiro;

And to Mr. Samuel Weintraub, upon the passing of his wife, Esther;

And to the family of our late member, Samuel Robert Gardner;

And to the family of our late member, Al M. Sanders.

We pray that the Almighty will spare the bereaved from further sorrow for many years to come.

#### YIZKOR SERVICES

On the last day of Passover, Tuesday, April 3, 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

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## GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our youth took over our Synagoque last week-end and doing themselves proud, they did us proud also — Certainly, encouraging not only for the future of our Congregation, but the future of American Jewry. At the Friday evening and Sabbath services, they conducted themselves like "Old Pros". The Father and Son Sunday morning Service and Breakfast, which was sponsored by our Men's Club, was the usual inspirational and culinary delight. The next such father and son event is scheduled for some Sunday morning in April . . . Happy holidaying in Florida to Director and Mrs. Saul Linzer, and up-state New York to Director and Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz ... Happy to have back from Florida Director and Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim . . . We are proud of Jeffrey Lindenbaum, son of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Lindenbaum, for making the Senior Honor Society of Joan of Arc Junior High School, and for his admission as a sophomore to the Bronx High School of Science . . . The host at our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seuda Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. Marcus Gruss . . . Samuel Ward delivered a very interesting talk at the Youth Sabbath afternoon Seuda Shlishis . . . All best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Adler in their new home . . . Mazel tov and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Dewey M. Last upon the marriage of their daughter, Renee, to Richard Moss; and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jaspan upon the birth of Susan Henrie, granddaughter to the late Doctor and Mrs. Henry A. Rafsky and to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac A. Jaspan. Many thanks to Mr. Leon Herman for providing a case of eggs for the Father and Son Breakfast last Sunday.

#### **Birthday Greetings**

March

23—Herbert Hirsch

24—Freddy S. Goldstein Mrs. Joseph Shulster Director Harry Ward

25—Mrs. Harry Appel Jay Harold Ball Leslie Bellsey Aaron W. Gross

26-Mrs. Henry Blankfort Israel Kestenbaum (his 65th)

Elliot Landowne Jeffrey Paul Strauss

27—Louis Cohen Tack Verschleiser David Weisenfeld

28—Melvyn Gross Herbert L. Ortner

#### Wedding Anniversary Greetings

23—Hon. V.P. and Mrs. Max E. Sanders Mr. and Mrs. Mel Scher

25-Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Oltarsh

27-Mr. and Mrs. David L. Messina

29-Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weiner

#### **HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES**



All our parents are invited to attend our pre-Passover assembly and "Model Seder" this Sunday morning, March 25th at 10:30 o'clock. Delicious refreshments have been provided for by our P.T.A. Preceding the program, the following pupils who take advantage of our music lessons will perform: Eudis Cohen, Kenneth Cohen and Debra Wollowitz.

Parents should consult the Passover week schedule that has been distributed among the pupils of our Talmud Torah. Additional copies are available in the office.

Parents are urged to encourage their children to attend the Junior Congregations on each day of the coming Passover Festival.

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