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MEN'S CLUB REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of our Men's Club will be held this Monday night, November 5, at 8:30 in our Synagogue building. Mr. Fred Heiser, President of the Club, has urged all the men of the congregation who are interested in participating in the work of this organization to attend this meeting. At the business meeting, some of the plans for functions for the group will be put into effect. In addition, the usual social hour will follow.

LAST CALL TO JOIN ADULT HEBREW CLASSES

It was gratifying to see such a fine response for the adult courses in Hebrew, from beginners to advanced, being offered on Wednesday nights. For further information call Rabbi Reichel — or visit the classes this Wednesday night.

Beginners and Elementary classes meet at 7:30 P.M.

Advanced class meets at 8:45 P.M.

Opera Benefit Sunday, January 20, 1957 Will Feature Performance of Puccini's "La Boheme" ANNOUNCE CO-CHAIRMAN TO SUPERVISE TICKET SALE



**The Co-Chairman for this year's opera benefit (left to right):
Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Kaplan, Joseph Settel**

Our president has announced the appointment of this year's Opera Committee which will supervise the sale of the tickets for our benefit performance. They are our Directors, Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Kaplan, and Joseph Settel.

We hope that the entire congregation will cooperate with this committee in the important task of disposing of the tickets for the entire Metropolitan Opera House, on Sunday evening, January 20, 1957.

The co-chairmen of the committee have announced that the opera which will be performed for us, by an all-star Metropolitan cast, the Metropolitan Orchestra and Chorus, is the ever-popular Puccini's "La Boheme." Any of our readers who know this opera will agree with us that its beauty and melodiousness make it a fitting choice for our benefit performance.

Within the next few weeks, the Committee will contact every reader of this Review to ask them to help in the sale of tickets. We hope that we can count on 100% cooperation and make this year's effort the most successful so far.

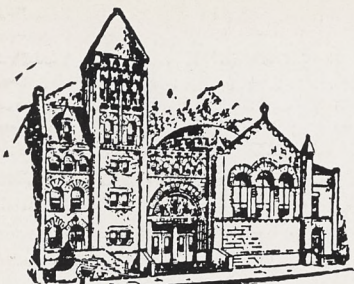
GALA EVENING PLANNED FOR FRIENDSHIP NIGHT THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, IN OUR SYNAGOGUE



**Mrs. Adolph Gittler - Mr. Frank Taks - Mr. Saul Linzer
Co-Chairmen of Friendship Night arrangements**

Fun for all is the aim of Friendship Night, our Synagogue's first joint get-together for this season. New faces and old faces will be encouraged to meet and greet one another in the warm, relaxed, interested W.S.I.S. manner.

The well-known American balladeer, Murray Phillips, will entertain from his extensive repertoire of songs sung in many languages. This gifted tenor (Continued on page 4)



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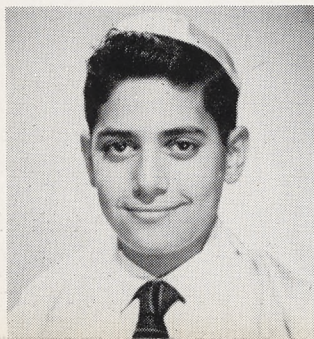
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TOMORROW'S BAR MITZVAH



Stephen Pomerantz

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pomerantz upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Stephen, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. Stephen is a pupil in our Hebrew School.

STAMP CLUBS TO MEET

The first regular meeting of our Stamp Club will take place this Monday evening, November 5, at 7:30 P.M., Mr. Jacob Goldberg, president of the group, has announced. Philatelists, young and old, are cordially invited to attend.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

'Shemoneh Esreh'

"REVERED"

Because Jacob showed a great reverence for the place which was destined to become the ground upon which the Temple was and is to be built. This we pray may come about speedily, and peacefully in our day — Amen.

"THE MOST HIGH G-D".

He is transcendental. G-d is great and mighty when He is reflected upon, from the point of view of His work and His Providence over us. He is also Most High beyond our complete conception, thus the Talmud called to task one who tried to give G-d many appellations. (See previous note above quoting the Talmud, Brachos 33b).

"WHO BESTOWETH LOVING KINDNESS"

Please note, it does not say "kindness" but loving kindness". What is the difference? The Hebrew phrase is significant. "Chassadim Tovim", which means Chassadim — "Kindness" that are Tovim — "good" for us. G-d may show us a kindness by giving us wealth which may cause ruin to our health, morals and well-being, but when He bestows His "loving kindness" it is a loving gift resulting in our good.

The Hebrew word "Gomel" (bestoweth) can also be rendered as "Ripening" or "Maturing". (See Numbers, Chapter 17, Verse 23) G-d sometimes delays giving us bounties, in order that they may reach us, in a ripened or a mature form.

"AND IN LOVE WILL BRING A REDEEMER."

This is not a reference to the Messiah. G-d will send great men in every generation to intercede, with the Powers that be, for the welfare of His people. The Messiah is for one time, but not for every generation.

"FOR HIS NAMESAKE"

Even although we may be unworthy, G-d for the greater glory of His name, will come to our rescue. The Psalmist declares: "Not for our sake, oh Lord, not for our sake, but for Thy Name oh G-d. (Psalm 115 verse 1).

"IN LOVE": Besides all this (namely the merits of the Patriarchs and the glory of His name) we call upon G-d to bestow His kindness, with love.

(During the 10 days of repentance the following should be said).

"REMEMBER US UNTO LIFE O, KING"

First of all the king is regarded as having dominion over the life of his people. Therefore we say unto G-d, Give us not merely life, but the kind of life which Thou, O G-d, desireth.

"DESIREST" Not merely in terms of years, but also in terms of spiritual wealth.

מלך "KING" who presided over our destiny.

עוזר "HELPER" Man works, but G-d helps him to be successful.

מושיע "SAVIOR" When man is powerless then G-d helps entirely.

ומגן "AND SHIELD" Indicating G-d helps us when in trouble as a shield of protection.

"WRITE US IN THE BOOK OF LIFE" In ancient Judea to be enrolled in the Book of Life would imply membership in the Holy Commonwealth; to be blotted out, would be to suffer disfranchisement. This idea was carried over to the spiritual world. ("Israel Abrahams).

Our Women's League

FASHION TRIP ACROSS THE OCEAN

TO HIGHLIGHT ANNUAL LUNCHEON ON DECEMBER 10



Mrs. Joseph Kirsch
Chairman of
Subscription Books

Two of our constant, loyal "behind the scenes" workers for the Annual Luncheon of the Women's League are our faithful Chairman of Subscription Books, Mrs. Joseph Kirsch, and her go-getter Co-Chairman, Mrs. Lester Udell. They are happy to report that reservations and monies are coming in, but they would like each member of our Women's League to feel responsible for at least one ticket to our gala luncheon. A subscription or ticket is \$15 per person which can be raised by selling a book. You may be the



Mrs. Lester Udell
Co-Chairman of
Subscription Books

winner of a beautiful glass and brass tea wagon worth \$150 which is to be given away at the Luncheon. Additional books may be secured from Mrs. Joseph Kirsch, 55 Central Park West, telephone SU 7-1189.

Hurry and get your reservation in. Help your committee make our December 10th luncheon our biggest and most enjoyable one to date. December 10th, 1956, the Sert Room of the Waldorf Astoria is reserved for members and friends of the Women's League of the W.S.I.S.

MRS. JACOB GOODMAN TO BE HOSTESS

The entire Executive Board of our Women's League is invited to a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Jacob Goodman, 40 West 77th Street, on Monday, November 5, at 12:30 P.M.

An important meeting of the Board will follow the luncheon. All members are urgently requested to attend.

BAZAAR — DECEMBER 16, 17, 18

We need merchandise.

Please helps us make a success of this function.

Mrs. Harry Ward — Mrs. Jacob Isseks

Women's League Co-Chairmen

Mr. H. William Hirsch — Mr. Bennett Carter

Men's Club Co-Chairmen

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Monday November 19, at 12 noon, at the Franconia Hotel.

Entertainment and prizes.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Cheshvan 28

Light candles before4:32
Evening service4:45

Saturday, Cheshvan 29

Weekly portion: Toldos

Genesis 25:19-27:9 I Samuel 20:18-42

Blessing for New Month

Morning service9:00
Youth congregation10:00
Chazanin: Seymour Klein, Stanley Klein, Lewis Pekier
Junior congregation10:30
Sabbath kindergarten10:30
Oneg Shabbos (Boys 9 to 12)3:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class3:10
Mr. Allen's Talmud Class3:10
Mincha4:10
Reader of Torah: Lawrence Kobrin
Reader of Service: Samuel Ward
The Sabbath terminates5:23

Sunday, Cheshvan 30 —

Rosh Chodesh

Morning services7:00, 8:00, 8:45

Monday, Kislev 1 — Rosh Chodesh

Morning services6:30, 7:30, 8:15

Daily Services

Morning services6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha4:45

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Our beloved President, Lester Udell, was honored with the Chairmanship of the Dinner Committee Meeting of the Beth Medrash Govoha of Lakewood, which will be held at the Riverside Plaza Hotel on Tuesday evening, November 13th . . . The Convention of the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, recently held in Atlantic City, was considerably livened by the participation of our charming Junior Rebbetzin Mrs. O. Asher Reichel . . . Among our members who participated at the Convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America was Hon. Albert Wald, who presided at one of the sessions, and Messrs. Stephen Klein and M. Morton Rubenstein . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seuda Shlishis tomorrow, will be our member, Mr. Leo Lehman . . . Our heartfelt gratitude to Warren R. Goldsmith for his generous gift of classical records for our Social Department Library . . . We are also happy that they are at last out — a speedy recovery to Rachel Goldsmith on the removal of her tonsils and adenoids.

Birthday Greetings**Nov.**

- 3—Arthur M. Aibinder
Mrs. Sam Ehrman
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Nathan Kirsh
Alan Lee Rimberg
- 6—David A. Buchsbaum
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- 7—Mrs. Samuel K. Beier
Henry Kaufman
- 8—Jules S. Cohen

Anniversary Greetings**Nov.**

- 2—Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Kinzler
- 3—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fiedler
- 5—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Segerman
- 7—Mr. and Mrs. Solomon M. Strausberg

SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES

The first issue of our Youth Dept. Publication, "The Maccabee Times" edited by our Maccabees, has recently appeared. Copies will be gladly sent to all younger and older teen-agers in our Congregational family, upon request to our Journalism Club, c/o W.S.I.S. Social Department.

Friendship Night This Sunday

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and guitarist is an outstanding radio, television and recording artist. Come listen to him; join with him in singing and perhaps request one of your very favorite songs to be sung.

Our excellent chairmen, Mrs. Adolph Gittler and Mrs. Winnie Pack, for the Women's League, and Mr. Frank Taks and Mr. Saul Linzer, for the Men's Club, have provided food for the mind, for the heart and for the stomach. A lavish spread will help make Friendship Night a not-to-be missed evening. Come with your family and friends and meet our family and friends in the Synagogue Social Hall on Sunday, November 4, at 8:15 P.M.

**LAKEWOOD YESHIVA
TO HOLD DINNER**

We think any of the Jewish community in this city who are interested in the furtherance of traditional Judaism — in the fullest sense of the term — should be eager to offer their support to the work of the Beth Midrash Gevoha in Lakewood, New Jersey. The work of that institution represents America's effort to save the remnant of the once great Jewish scholarly community of Europe.

On Tuesday evening, November 13, the Beth Midrash will hold a dinner to raise funds to continue its work at the Riverside Plaza Hotel. Any of our readers who are interested in attending this dinner may obtain further information from either Rabbi Goldstein or Lester Udell.

**DONORS FOR HOMES FOR
CHILDREN IN ISRAEL**

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CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our Women's League board member, Mrs. Lillian Cohen, and to our Men's Club member, Jack Cohen, upon the passing of their husband and father, our late member, **Herman Cohen.**

**ASSOCIATION OF MEN'S CLUB
SET CONVENTION**

The First Annual Convention of the Association of Men's Clubs of the Yeshiva University Synagogue Council will be held on the weekend of November 16-18 at the Brunswick Hotel in Lakewood, N. J.

Although this is the first convention for this fledgling organization, a record attendance is expected. The program will combine a layman's retreat for Saturday with business and workshop sessions on Sunday and will include a gala entertainment session on Saturday night. Special programs have been arranged for the ladies so that husbands and their wives may enjoy the entire week-end together.

The Men's Club, because of its social nature, invariably acts as an arm of the Synagogue, extending a welcome hand to the Jewish community. The Association of Men's Clubs through its convention and general activities, expects to fill the need for a central organization to help men's clubs in their task of promoting fellowship under the banner of the Synagogue.

Our members who wish to attend the Convention should leave word at the Synagogue for the Men's Club Committee in charge.

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