

HAVE YOU MADE
YOUR RESERVATIONS
FOR UJA DINNER ON MAY 7?

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BAR MITZVAH



Clifford Weinstein

We extend our heartiest congratulations to our beloved President and Mrs. Lester Udell, and Mrs. Moe Weinstein, the grandparents, and to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Weinstein, upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Clifford Weinstein.

MEMO TO OUR MOTHERS:

Have you sent in your reservations for the Mother and Daughter Breakfast which will be held on May 5th?

Our Man of the Year

M. JACK BERLIN

"His loyalty deserves your recognition"
Said our President, Lester Udell

Telephone the Synagogue Office today to indicate that you wish to insert your greetings in our Souvenir Album to be presented to the Man of the Year in June

Yizkor Appeal Made in Synagogue On Behalf of Building Fund Campaign

MAURICE GREENSTEIN APPOINTED VICE-CHAIRMAN

CHAIRMAN CALLS FOR RESERVATIONS FOR UJA DINNER

The UJA Chairman of our Synagogue, Director Jacob Kaplan, has appealed to the congregation — both the men and women — for their reservations to our UJA dinner which will be held on Tuesday evening, May 7, at the Hotel Esplanade, and honor Director Jacob Goodman.

Some of the urgency of the UJA's need at this time is indicated in a message from the organization on page 3. Where lives are at stake — as in this case — an appeal strong enough can hardly be made. We hope that all our readers will telephone the synagogue to make their reservations and attend the dinner. By their attendance, they will give their tangible support to the most important campaign of our generation — a campaign to save Jewish lives all over the world.



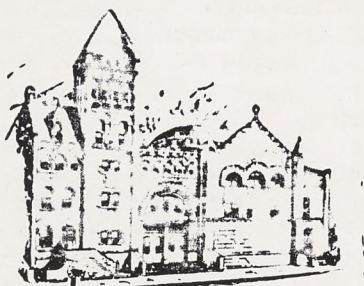
Director Maurice Greenstein

We are happy to announce that our Director Maurice Greenstein has been appointed the Vice-Chairman of the Building Committee.

On the last day of Passover, the Yizkor Appeal was devoted to the drive of the Building Fund. The response of the congregants present was most gratifying but the Committee hopes that those who were on vacation for the holidays will not let the Synagogue suffer thereby.

Mr. Greenstein emphasized that it was most important that pledges be made promptly so that our Building Program may be started very soon.

The Building Fund Committee, under the co-chairmanship of Directors Saul Linzer and Benjamin Glazer, has already begun to mail to our membership brochures describing the important project that we are undertaking. We are sure that all our readers will find this material of interest to them. We hope that it will lead them to give this crucial drive their support.



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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Nisan 25

Light candles before6:25
Evening service6:30

Saturday, Nisan 26

Kedoshim, Leviticus 19:1-20:27

Haftarah: Amos 9:7-15

Prayers for the New Month

Morning service9:00
Youth congregation10:00
Junior congregation10:30
Sabbath kindergarten10:30
Oneg Shabbos (Boys 9 to 12) 3:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class 5:00
Mr. Allen's Talmud Class5:00
Mincha6:00

Reader of Torah: Sanford Ward

Reader of Service: Murray Yavneh

The Sabbath terminates7:16

Sunday, Nisan 27

Morning services7:15, 8:15, 9:00
Daylight Saving Time

Wednesday and Thursday —

Rosh Chodesh

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

Daily Services

Morning services6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha7:30

Followed by the explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Awveenu Mahlkaynu Prayers

"INSCRIBE US IN THE BOOK OF MERIT"

So that our spiritual reserve, in His treasure may be sufficient to be worthy of a Happy New Year, — that we should not be overdrawn.

"INSCRIBE US IN THE BOOK OF FORGIVENESS AND PARDON"

Forgiveness refers to the sin and pardon to the sinner.

"LET SALVATION SOON SPRING FORTH"

The term "cause to sprout" is used. Although we do not see the plant grow for some time, we pray for a speedy salvation, as the quick sprouting of a plant.

"RAISE UP"

The Jews have a great contribution to civilization, but because of the exile, it is neither noticed nor appreciated. As a rule the Jew and what he represents are not given their proper appraisal, see the present and old history textbooks, on the ancient and Medieval periods. Perhaps a paragraph is devoted to Israel and its contributions. We pray for a proper evaluation, so that Israel may benefit therefrom, as well as mankind.

"RAISE UP THE STRENGTH OF THY ANNOINTED"

We cannot depend on the nations, as we see it today in the U.N. in its talk about "sanctions" against the little nation of Israel, but not against the mighty nation of Russia. —

"FILL OUR HANDS WITH THY BLESSINGS"

We pray for G-d's blessings and not for those of the nations. Although we have from the days of Abraham until the present exemplified the truth of Scripture.

"BE THOU A BLESSING"

In every nation wherein we have lived. The nations have become such because of our skill, and industry, yet they have dealt not as debtors. They have forced us into limited businesses, neighborhood schools, colleges and universities.

Six million Jews were cremated in these modern times. Shocking as that was, no nation lifted a finger to stop it until Hitlerism became a danger to it. Therefore, we pray for G-d's blessings and not of those of the nations.

"FILL OUR STOREHOUSES WITH PLENTY"

That we may not need be concerned too much about our material needs.

"HEAR OUR VOICE"

Even without words, a sigh or a cry for instance.

"HAVE PITY"

That things should not get worse.

"AND HAVE MERCY UPON US"

By taking us out of our present difficulty.

"OUR PRAYER"

Referring to those who can pray. We ask it not merely out of mercy, but with G-d's "will", which is a stronger motive. He is happy when people come for help.

"OPEN THE GATES OF HEAVEN"

This is a still stronger appeal. It should not be difficult to reach Heaven.

"WE ARE BUT DUST"

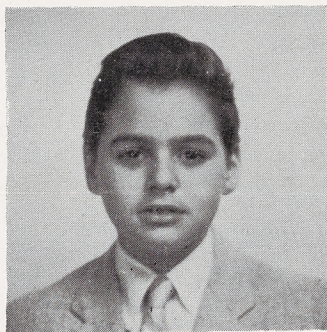
What can G-d ask of us, for we are what we are.

Women's League

OPEN MEETING TO BE HELD AT SYNAGOGUE ON MONDAY, APRIL 29, at 12:30

All the members of the Women's League and their friends are cordially invited to attend an Open Meeting at the Synagogue Building on Monday, April 29, at 12:30 P.M.

BAR MITZVAH



Robert Beller

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Beller upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Robert, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. Robert will read the sedrah of the week.

Mazel Tov also to the grandparents, Mrs. Sarah Altman, and to Mr. Simon Beller.

Important business highlighting our Closing Luncheon will be discussed, so please come early. If you have promised a raffle prize for this function, please bring it at this time.

Mrs. Michael Weingarten, our Program Chairman, will bring you current events and anecdotes of timely interest in her usual exciting and charming manner.

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein will continue to discuss Bible History with his usual exciting and participating audience.

Come and have a cup of coffee while discussing the books in our free circulating library. If you have already borrowed a book, please bring it back and exchange it for another.

MR. & MRS. LEAGUE REMINDER

CLOSING DINNER

SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 26th

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CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member, Mr. Benjamin Ehrenfeld, upon the passing of his brother, Albert Ehrenfeld, of Tel Aviv.

THIS IS A TIME TO SAVE LIVES AND BUILD WORLDS

There is a Rabbinic saying to the effect that he who saves one life in Israel is as one who has built an entire universe. This, then, is indeed a time to save lives and build worlds. Not since 1936 have Jewish lives been so threatened. Not since 1948 has Israel been in greater danger.

Hardly a day passes without a hostile incident directed against Israel's people. Revolution and massacre sweep the Hungarian countryside — the refugees include thousands of Hungarian Jews, fleeing for their lives. In Egypt, a poisonous Nasserism degenerates completely to become a latter-day Nazism — Jews are jailed, deported, their property confiscated, their institutions sequestered. In the Arab-oriented countries of North Africa, Jews now face increasing hostility.

In the comparable threat of the 1930's, some were saved, but most were lost. In those years, there was no Israel to take them in — and no means to get them out.

But, today there is an Israel, ready to welcome every Jew in need of haven. Today, there

are the life-saving agencies of the United Jewish Appeal ready to rescue tens of thousands from lands of fear, terror, totalitarianism and death —

IF YOU DO YOUR PART IN FULL — NOW!

The West Side Institution Synagogue will launch its 1957 campaign on behalf of the UJA on Tuesday, May 7, at 6 P.M. at the Hotel Esplanade, West End Avenue and 74th Street, with a dinner for our Director Jacob Goodman.

You have received an invitation. Did you respond?

At our UJA dinner on May 7, both men and women will be welcome. No one will be forced to pledge more than he can afford to give. Please remember that we are counting on you. Kindly telephone or write now so that we can make the proper reservations for you. Israel is calling her brothers and sisters and she expects each and everyone of us to do his or her duty.

Jacob Kaplan,
Chairman

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

The success of our Congregational Sedorim, which were exceptionally well attended, was due in no small part to the efforts of the Chairman of the Seder Committee, our Treasurer, Mr. Samuel Silver and Director and Mrs. Morris Jablow. On the first night the traditional four questions were asked by Aaron Israel Reichel, son of Rabbi and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel, and grandson of our beloved Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein and Ilene Goldsmith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Goldsmith, and grand daughter of Mrs. Celia Stebbins. The door was opened for the Prophet Elijah by Miss Ilene Weiner and Miss Ruth Selsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Selsky.

On the second night the questions were asked by Stephen Bernard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bernard. The door was opened for Elijah by Miss Ronnie Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Cohen, and granddaughter of our Director, Mr. David Cohen; and by Miss Annette Friedman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Friedman . . . Welcome for a visit from the West Coast to our Director and Mrs. Henry Blankfort, and from Florida to our Director Jonas Leisten and to Mr. Frank Frohman . . . The hosts at the Seuda Shlishis last Saturday were our Director and Mrs. Jess Ward in honor of their 18th wedding anniversary. Tomorrow afternoon, Mr. Bruno Bayer will be the host at the Seuda Shlishis . . . Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Max Pretner upon the forthcoming marriage of their son, Eli, to Judith Abramson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Abramson . . . Eli's aufruf will be held in our Synagogue tomorrow morning . . . It was good to see so many of the younger generation joining their parents and grandparents at our Services for the Passover Holidays . . .

Birthday Greetings**April**

- 26—Bruno Bayer
Gerry Susan Gursky
Isidor Lauer
- 27—James Barry Ostrove
Mrs. Joan H. Strausberg
Harold Udell
- 28—Bernard Bercu
- 30—Emanuel Buchalter
Mrs. Daniel Gribetz
Mrs. Maurice Kalker

May

- 2—Evelyn Goldstein

BOOK REVIEW

Ethics of the Fathers, with comments by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, second printing, 1956, Bloch Publishing Co.

One of the most well-known sections of our Talmud are those chapters known as Pirke Avot, or, Ethics of the Fathers. Included in the customary service for Sabbath afternoon, they have therefore been printed in all prayerbooks and have been widely read and quoted through the ages.

This volume represents a reprinting of an English commentary written originally in 1923. The comments are as pertinent and as helpful now as when they were written as the public demand which led to the second printing so well indicates.

While there are various works available in Hebrew commenting on these chapters, only a very few can be had in English. This volume therefore is a most welcome one to all whose knowledge of Hebrew will not permit them to read the standard Hebrew texts. Even for the more widely read, however, much can be found of interest.

The comments offered in this book are of a type that will appeal to all. They are both inspiring and informative. Thus, they give some of the sources of the references in the Ethics of the Fathers as well as commentary on the present-day implications of the thoughts expressed.

One of the important advantages of the book is its excellent format. Of small overall size, the large Hebrew and English print (on facing pages) is convenient and easy-to-read. The comments are printed beneath the text on each page, avoiding the necessity for flipping pages while reading. In fact, the entire

Anniversary Greetings**April**

- 26—Mr. & Mrs. Bruno Bayer

May

- 1—Mr. and Mrs. Sol Konstant

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**MEN'S CLUB TO MEET
THIS MONDAY**

A meeting of our Men's Club — which had been postponed because of the holidays — will be held this Monday evening, April 29, in our Synagogue, beginning at 8:30 P.M. All the men members of our congregation are cordially invited to attend the meeting and participate in the activities of the Club. The group's program includes philanthropic ventures as well as social functions.

We hope that all who have received tickets for the Men's Club Baseball Party, which will take place on Sunday, June 23, will indicate to the Committee in charge, or the Synagogue Office whether they will be able to use the tickets and whether they wish any additional tickets as well.

work might be easily slipped into a pocket or purse for convenient reading. Another feature is the inclusion of the complete Sabbath afternoon service at which time the Ethics of the Fathers are traditionally read.

It is important that traditional Jews be made aware of the full meaning and import of the contents of their tradition and especially the liturgy. This book — which may be obtained through our synagogue office — fills that function admirably and should commend itself to the attention of all our readers.

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