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LONG RANGE PLANNING

It has been brought to our attention, recently, that boys and girls who register in the junior high schools, high schools, and colleges, may choose "morning" or "afternoon" schedules. There are indeed many factors which every boy and girl has to consider in making his or her choice. But there is a very important problem facing those who choose the afternoon schedules, which usually comes to the fore when it is already rather difficult to solve. What does one do about the winter days, when the Shabbos begins at 4:10 — or even at 4:45?

Many youngsters who would not think of breaking the Shabbos laws — and spirit — have been unable to help themselves when their school marks and academic plans were at stake. Many Jewish boys and girls have been lost, Jewishly speaking, *(Continued on Next Page)*

COLLEGIATE GROUP'S CLOSING EVENT

The closing event of the season for our Collegiate Group will take place this Sunday evening, June 9, at 8:30 P.M. A very interesting and pleasant social evening will be in store for all who attend. The out-of-town collegiates, back from school, are especially invited to this meeting.

Building Fund Brochure Describes Need To Our Congregation of New Social Center

BOOKLET HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED BY MAIL

The recently printed and distributed brochure, which outlines our plans for the new Social Center to be constructed adjacent to our Main Synagogue, is an important step in the campaign of our Building Fund Committee. The

TALMUD TORAH CLOSING EXERCISES

On Thursday, June 13th at 6:45 P.M., our Talmud Torah will conduct its annual closing exercises. The program of the evening will include a presentation by the pupils of the background of the names of their respective classes. This year our classes were given the names of Great Spiritual Leaders in Jewish History. Merit awards to those who have attended our Junior Congregation regularly, and to the winners of the Lag B'Omer outing. The Mr. and Mrs. League have provided gifts for our pupils who have been outstanding in scholastic effort. We urge all parents to attend this affair. The assembly will begin promptly at 6:45 and will close by 8:00.

Regular classes will meet daily up to Wednesday, June 12th inclusive.

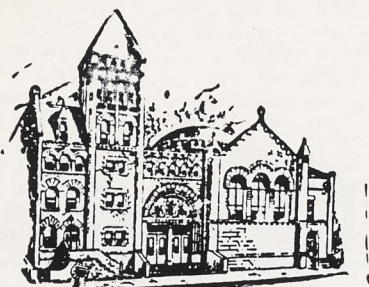
Committee's Co-Chairmen, Directors Saul Linzer and Benjamin Glazer have expressed the hope that every one of our members and friends will obtain and read copy of this booklet. By doing so, we can be sure that all will be aware of this important congregational project.

In the beautifully printed pamphlet, there appears an outline of the reasons for the need for the new Social Center which ought to be emphasized. The new building will be designed to provide better facilities for our many activities, including religious education, recreational activities, social functions, synagogue and club meetings, and for the development of our children.

The new building will indeed be a great step forward to enrich the congregational life of our Synagogue. We hope to be able to begin the actual construction work very soon. It is imperative, therefore, that we get the support of every member and friend. Let us hear from you today.

FINAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INSERTION OF ADS IN SOUVENIR ALBUM

We have arranged with our printer for an additional opportunity to have your ad or greeting included in our Souvenir Album to be presented to our Man of the Year, Mr. Jack Berlin. We will be able to include any ads received up to Monday, June 10. If you have not already called the Synagogue Office, let us hear from you immediately.



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MAZEL TOV



Lenore R. Lazarus

Our heartiest congratulations to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weisenfeld, and to the grandfather, Rabbi Philip Flatow, upon the forthcoming marriage of their son, David Joshua, to Lenore Ruth Lazarus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lazarus of Elmhurst.

Miss Lazarus is a senior student at Hunter College. Mr. Weisenfeld graduated from Columbia University. He is an Industrial Engineer.

VETERAN'S POST TO MEET WEDNESDAY

The next regular meeting of the Buddy Friedman Post of the Jewish War Veterans will take place Wednesday, June 12, at 8:30 P.M. in our Synagogue building. All the members and friends of the congregation who are eligible for membership are urged to attend the meeting and join the Post.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

V'hoo Rachum

"O OUR FATHER, MERCIFUL FATHER"

When the word "rachaman" "Merciful" is used, it is a petition, that in spite of the fact, there is reason for anger, we ask for mercy.

The term father, and not mother, is employed in regard to such a petition. Woman was created from BONE, and is not easily bendable, whilst man, created from earth, is soft, and easier to be broken.

"SHOW US A SIGN FOR GOOD"

An "ohs" "a sign" is a term referring to all times. We ask G-d for "a sign for good" which should last for all times.

The word "ohs" "sign" is employed three times in the Bible, as a covenant for all times. 1) In regard to circumcision, as we read in Genesis Chapter 17, verses 11 and 13, "and it shall be as a sign of the covenant between Me and you" . . . "for an everlasting covenant", 2) In regard to the Tefilin, as we read in Exodus, Chapter 13 verses 9 and 10, and 16, "and it shall be unto thee for an "ohs", "a sign" upon thine hand" . . . "from year to year", and 3) In regard to the Sabbath, as we read in Exodus, Chapter 32 verse 16 and 17, "And the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath . . . throughout their generations . . . it shall be an "ohs" a sign forever." It has well been pointed out, that when a business fails, — the sign is removed. So too, it is a sign that a Jew is bankrupt, when the sign of circumcision, of the phylacteries, or of the Sabbath, fails to be present in his life.

"THERE IS NONE LIKE THEE O G-D . . . ABOUNDING IN LOVINGKINDNESS AND TRUTH"

G-d does not only show us "chesed" "lovingkindness" but "rachv chesed" "very much love".

"REMOVE FROM US THE STROKE OF DEATH"

Why do we add the word "makos" "the stroke"? It would be sufficient to say "Remove death". The answer is that there are some things in life that are equivalent to death as for instance pain, exile, great poverty, etc. Similarly we say on the Festivals, (when we pray for

rain and for dew, and at the close of the Musaf Service on Rosh Hashonah and on Yom Kippur) grant it to us "for life and not for death". Why the addition, "and not for death", because there are certain things that are akin to death.

Long Range Planning (Cont'd)

because we did not foresee this problem in time for them to fortify themselves accordingly.

We urge our readers to bring the problem to the attention of all parents of school children. Students who are registering soon for high school and college should apply for the morning sessions.

Any Rabbi will be happy to help along with a letter or a call to the school officials concerned.

O.A.R.

FOR INFORMATION

regarding family plots or single graves in our Congregation's Memorial Park in Mt. Eden, contact our Synagogue Office today.

YIZKOR APPEAL ON SECOND DAY OF SHAVUOS MADE ON BEHALF OF MANHATTAN DAY SCHOOL

At the Yizkor Services on the second day of Shavuos, last Thursday, the annual appeal in our Synagogue was made for the work of the Manhattan Day School. This is the Jewish all-day school in our neighborhood.

While the response on the part of those present was most heartening, we hope that those who were not present at our services for one reason or another will not neglect to support this most important institution.

The W.S.I.S. should feel a special responsibility towards the Manhattan Day School. Our synagogue was one of the original sponsoring institutions, with our Rabbi Goldstein as its founder. Many of our congregants are among its most ardent leaders and workers. Our own Vice-President Samuel W.

Siegel, is the president of the School, with Lester Udell and Siegfried Bendheim as vice-presidents of the School.

The advances made by the Jewish all-day school movement in the past few decades has been one of the most encouraging things on the American Jewish scene. As an example, the Manhattan Day School, will have by next September over 400 students. The achievements, however, should not let us forget the vast amount of work that still needs to be done. This work — which is the basis for the entire future of our community — will take the support of the entire Jewish community, but especially those interested in the vitality of traditional Judaism.

Checks payable to Manhattan Day School may be sent to our office.

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LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

In order that our wonderful library books do not go to waste over the summer months, Miss Blumberg, of our Synagogue Office, has generously offered to be Librarian for the months of June, July, and August.

So that we do not interfere with her office work, we have arranged for the women who wish to borrow books and return them to come during the hours of 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. on Mondays, June 24, July 29, and August 26

LUNCHEON PRIZES

In our article last week, we did not mention the following who helped to make our luncheon the success it was by generously contributing prizes:

Mrs. Irving Balmuth, Mrs. Regina Eberson, Mrs. Isidor Stoll, and Alfredo Florists. We also wish to thank the additional hostesses, Mesdames Irving Balmuth, Myron Friedlander, and Andrew Weiss.

SOME BASEBALL TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Some baseball tickets are still available for the very interesting and exciting game between the leading Chicago White Sox and the New York Yankees, a double-header, to be played on Sunday, June 23.

The game will be attended by the

CONGRATULATIONS CANTOR AND MRS. YAVNEH

Our heartiest congratulations to our beloved Cantor and Mrs. Zalmon Yavneh who are celebrating their 30th Wedding Anniversary. We wish them scores of years of health and happiness.

members of our Men's Club as their annual baseball party and get-together. Mr. H. William Hirsch is chairman of the event. The funds raised from this annual event go towards the financing of the important Men's Club philanthropic and congregational activities. These worthwhile projects include the sponsorship of the Father and Son Breakfasts, vacation fund for needy children, as well as contributions to recognized charitable causes.

We hope, therefore, that as many will attend this game. The game, incidentally, is sure to be a sell-out due to the lively interest in these two contenders. Tickets are available in the Synagogue Office.

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, Sivan 8

Light candles before8:06
Evening service6:40
Those who usher in the Sabbath at this time should recite the full "Shma" after dark.

Saturday, Sivan 9

Behaaloteka, Numbers 8:1-12:16
Haftorah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

Morning service9:00
Youth congregation10:00
Junior congregation10:30
Sabbath kindergarten10:30
Oneg Shabbos (boys 9 to 12) 4:00
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class ..6:40
Mr. Allen's Talmud Class6:40
Mincha7:40

Reader of Torah: Joel Martz

Reader of Service: Lawrence Kobrin
Ethics of the Fathers — Chapter I

The Sabbath terminates9:00

Sunday, Sivan 10

Morning services7:15, 8:15, 9:00

Daily Services

Morning services6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha8:10

CONDOLENCE

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Etta Jaffin upon the passing of her son-in-law, **Dr. Morton Singer**, husband of her daughter, Judge Sylvia Singer.

GETTING PERSONAL**By Sanford Solarz**

For the beautiful floral decorations in our Synagogue on the Shavuot holidays, our heartfelt thanks to our ever active Women's League . . . After many years of loyal, extraordinarily successful work as Assistant Editor of our Congregation's weekly "Review," Lawrence Kobrin is leaving us for his stint in our country's Armed Forces, and thereafter for what we hope will be a successful career at the Bar. A million thanks, Lawrence, for a job well done and our prayers for your continued well-being . . . Your columnist's son, Stephen Joshua, was elected by an overwhelming majority as Mayor of Midwood High School (student population, 4500). May he forever be a credit to American Jewry . . . At a reception given at the home of our beloved Rabbi and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel for our Mr. and Mrs. League, the presidium members of the League, Mrs. Daniel Gribetz and Mrs. Louis Reisman, were honored with a beautiful gift as a token for their loyal leadership. The Mr. and Mrs. League is a "must" for all the young married couples of our Congregation . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Lea Pye . . . The host at the Seuda Shlisith tomorrow afternoon will be Mr. Samuel Schwarzman . . . Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Max Pretner upon the birth of a daughter to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Karol Chaplin.

Birthday Greetings**June**

- 8—Harvey Z. Shapiro
- 9—Julie Sima Pash
- 10—Director Harry Appel
Mrs. Louis Levy
- 11—Pamela Gross
- 12—Mrs. Hyman Druker
- 13—Jacob Bayer
Evan A. L. Harris
Jonathan Herlands
Diane Lee Udell

Anniversary Greetings**June**

- 8—Mr. & Mrs. Mac Goldstein
- 10—Mr. & Mrs. Leo H. Applebaum
Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Hirsch
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weisenfeld
- 11—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bercu
- 12—Mr. and Mrs. Justin J. Bayer
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gertner
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reisman
- 13—Director & Mrs. Siegfried Bendheim
Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Udell

W.S.I.S. Talmud Torah

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WELCOME TO OUR JUNIOR CONGREGATIONS BIRTHDAY PARTY

At the Kiddush of our Youth and Junior Congregations this Saturday morning, all the youthful congregants will sing "Happy Birthday" to their schoolmates who celebrate their natal days during the months of June, July, and August. We also add our good wishes to: William Aghassi, Stephen Bernard, Joseph Citron, Esti Dunow, Susan Frankel, Judith Frankel, Colin Gaines, Barbara Gould, Michael Gribetz, Jack Groothius, Pamela Gross, Judy Hoff, Stephen Jeffries, Mark Levine, Suzanne Levine, Mervin J. Lindenbaum, David Loft, Joseph Muzayen, Nina Muzayen, Judith Rosenblum, Sandy Sage, Gerald Stark, Diane Stein, Franziske Sternberg, Peggy Ten Brink, Joel Wachs, David Tenenbaum, and Barbara Ann Zahler.

Birthday presents will be distributed to the celebrants with the good wishes of our P.T.A.

We hope to greet all the celebrants and their parents.

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