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TICKETS AS A CHANUKAH GIFT**

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## CHANUKAH NOTES

The Chanukah festival continues today with the lighting tonight of four candles. The candles tonight should be lit **before** the Sabbath candles and tomorrow night, **after** the Havdalah is made.

## THE ROLE OF ALL JEWS IN THE CHANUKAH CELEBRATION

In our emphasis upon the wondrous victory in relation to Chanukah, we are apt to overlook the role played by Jewish mothers, children and older people. It is therefore in order to remind ourselves when we think of the victory of the Hasmoneem, of the story of Hannah and her seven sons, which also exemplifies the bravery of the Jewish children. The role of the Jewish women in general is well portrayed in the

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## Gerhard Pechner In Supporting Role in "Tosca" Our Benefit Opera on Sunday, January 19, 1958

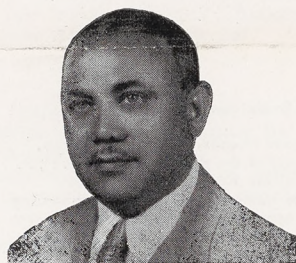


**Gerhard Pechner**  
As the Sacristan in "Tosca"

The veteran basso, Gerhard Pechner, will appear together with Zinka Milanov, Carlo Bergonzi, and Walter Cassel, in the supporting role of the Sacristan in the opera "Tosca" by Puccini, at our benefit performance on Sunday, January 19, 1958 at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Pechner is well known to most of our congregants, having appeared some years ago at one of our Souvenir Journal Receptions for the "Man of the Year". He also has appeared a few years ago at one of the Manhattan Day School Dinners. Both times he was very well received for his vocal renditions. Pechner has been with the Metropolitan Opera since November, 1941.

## LAST CALL FOR RESERVATIONS FOR OUR CHANUKAH PARTY



**Leon Herman**  
Chairman Men's Club  
Chanukah Committee



**Dr. Frank E. Fink**  
Co-Chairman Men's Club  
Chanukah Committee

The Chanukah Party Committee are busy accepting reservations for **Saturday Night, December 21st, at 8 P.M. in the Synagogue Building.** You join us this evening with your relatives and friends by sending in your check for **\$2.50 per person**, to the Synagogue or call (TR. 7-8281) and make your reservations.

This will be an evening of fun

and rejoicing for all. There will be delicious refreshments, wonderful entertainment, songs, games, and prizes.

### REMEMBER

The Date: Saturday Night, Dec. 21st  
The Time: 8:00 P.M.  
The Place: The Synagogue Building  
The Program: "The Milos", outstanding Hypnotist and Mentalist  
Refreshments — Games — Prizes

The Opera Committee consisting of Messrs. Herman H. Cohen, Jacob Kaplan, and Joseph Settel, urge all members and friends of the Synagogue to participate with us in this delightful musical event and at the same time, help the Synagogue carry on its manifold activities. They further urge that if you already obtained your tickets, that in the spirit of Chanukah, you ought to give a pair of tickets as a Chanukah gift to your relatives, friends or business associates.

Tickets are priced from \$2.50 in the Family Circle to \$25 a ticket in the front row of the orchestra. Our Synagogue office stands ready to serve you. Just phone TR. 7-8281 or TR. 7-8251 or write W.S.I.S., 122 W. 76th Street, New York 23, N.Y.

## HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

There will be regular Hebrew School classes this Sunday morning, December 22nd. On Monday morning, December 23rd, the classes of Petach Tikva and Haifa will meet from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M., and the classes of Tiberias, Jerusalem and Tel Aviv will meet from 11:00 to 12:30.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Mrs. Regina Margareten

The entire Congregation felicitates our matriarch, Mrs. Regina Margareten, on the occasion of her 95th birthday. We wish her all happiness "ad meah v'esrim shanah" unto 120 years.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

THE ASHRAY PSALM

(Continued)

"THE LORD UPHOLDETH ALL THAT FALL, AND RAISETH UP THOSE THAT ARE BOWED DOWN."

Humility weighs heavily upon the scale of merit. Many a sin is erased by a tear falling from a contrite soul.

"THE LORD UPHOLDETH ALL THAT FALL AND RAISETH UP ALL THOSE THAT ARE BOWED DOWN."

Man's fall as a rule is of his own making, but he is raised by the power of G-d, as we read in Hallel "He raiseth up the lowly out of the dust, and lifteth up the needy from the dunghill" (Psalm 113 verse 7). This is an evidence of the nearness of G-d. He is a Personal G-d, a G-d of Providence.

"THE LORD IS RIGHTEOUS IN ALL HIS WAYS AND LOVING IN ALL HIS WORKS."

He is like a Tsadik. He declares the way of the Law. In practice, in His works, He is a חסיד shows His love.

PSALM 20

"THE LORD ANSWER THEE IN THE DAY OF TROUBLE."

We generally pray for our well-being for the future. Here we say, that even when trouble has already come. G-d may answer our prayer for deliverance.

"THE G-D OF JACOB."

Why in the name of Jacob, and not Abraham or Isaac? The answer is because Jacob suffered most and was answered.

"HELP."

Man works, but is helped by another. We need G-d's help.

"FROM THE SANCTUARY."

from holiness. This kind of help emanates from the highest and is most effective.

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This refers to the new strength which G-d gives.

RABBI GOLDSTEIN'S PRAYER EVOKES RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT EISENHOWER

When President Eisenhower suffered a mild stroke recently, our beloved Rabbi, Herbert S. Goldstein, composed the following prayer in the President's behalf, and offered it at our Sabbath Services; "Heavenly Father, we pray for the health and well-being of our President, Dwight David Eisenhower, standard bearer of the United States of America. In his well-being, we find hope for world peace. In his thinking, war is unthinkable. We invoke thine aid in behalf of world amity that he be spared to our country and to mankind as well, to continue unabated his sincere efforts for world peace. And let us all say, Amen."

One of the congregants, Mr. Emanuel Goldman, a friend of the President, present at the Sabbath Service, sent a copy of the prayer to the President and it evoked the following reply:

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

December 4, 1957.

Dear Rabbi Goldstein:

One of my good friends, Emanuel Goldman, sent me a copy of the prayer delivered by you at services at the West Side Institutional Synagogue on November thirtieth. My feeling of profound appreciation is equalled by my sense of humility in the thoughts you therein expressed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein West Side Institutional Synagogue 120-138 West 76th Street New York, New York

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to our member Mrs. Gabriel Neustadter upon the passing of her sister, Mrs. Lillie Glaubinger.

**Chanukah Notes**

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story of Judith who in order to save her city from the siege by the Syrian general Holofernes, enticed him to partake of her cheese pancakes and wine. She thus got him drunk and drowsy and then beheaded him, throwing his army into confusion and relieving the besieged city. This by the way is the origin of the Chanukah "latkes".

The elders too showed remarkable bravery as exemplified in the story of Mattathias and Eliezer the elder.

The lesson of Chanukah, therefore, teaches us that all religious people, regardless of sex or age, should unite in their efforts for Judaism. If they do this they can be assured that G-d's wonders will be forthcoming as demonstrated in the times of the Maccabees or as we say in Al Hanisim prayer, "in those days and at the present time."

**Benediction Over The Candles**

Baruch a-tah ado-noi e-lo-he-nu me-lech ha-olam a-sheh kid-sha-nu b'mitz-vo-sav v'tziva-nu l'had-lik ner shel cha-nukah.

Blessed be Thou, O L-rd, our G-d, Ruler of the world, who didst sanctify us by Thy commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

Baruch a-tah ado-noi e-lo-he-nu me-lech ha-olam she-asah nis-sim la-a-vo-se-nu ba-yamim he-hem baz'man-ha-zeh.

Blessed be Thou, O L-rd, our G-d, Ruler of the world, who didst wondrous things for our fathers, in days of yore at this season.

**GYM NOTES**

Flash! The W.S.I.S. Basketball Team beat the Ohab Zedek Team twice in a row. The score of the first game on our court was 58-42 and of the second in their gym 63-52.

All teen-agers interested are invited to attend Thursday nights at 7:30 o'clock in the P.S. 87 Gym. The next session will be on January 2nd.

**YOUNG ADULTS LEAGUE**

The Actions Committee of our Young Adults League will meet this Monday evening, December 23rd, at 8:15 o'clock, Mr. Leonard Stecher, Chairman of the group, announced.

**FORMER PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOR AT THE "WORLD ACADEMY" DINNER, JANUARY 12, 1958**

The "World Academy was organized 5 years ago as an outgrowth of the "United Research Institutions for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem" now widely scattered in the Holy City. These institutions will be brought together on one campus, where eight new buildings will be erected at the cost of two million dollars.

An historic plot of land has been purchased in the beautiful section of Bayit V'Gan, consisting of more than four acres, facing the Tomb of Doctor Theodor Herzl, the founder of modern Zionism.

When completed, the Academy will house the following institutions:

1. The Institute for the study of Torah legislation in Israel as it may be applied to modern times.
2. Seminars for the study of comparative law to which some of the greatest judicial minds in the world will be invited to participate.
3. The Institute for the Revised Edition of the Talmud Bavle and Talmud Jerushalmi.
4. The Institute of the Talmudic Law Encyclopedia.
5. The Seminary for the study of the Bible as a challenge to higher criticism.
6. Central library, for Jewish research.
7. World Academy Press.
8. "Or L'Olam", an intellectual missionary movement for Jewish youth that will interest all young Jewish students.

Moshe Shapiro, Minister of Religion and Welfare in Israel, is the Chairman of the Executive Committee: Dr. Leo Jung, Rabbi

of the Jewish Center of New York City, is the Chairman of the Publication Committee. Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie of Great Britain, Chief Rabbi Jacob Caplan and Baroness G. de Rothschild of Paris are the European members of the Board of Trustees.

An American committee, consisting of prominent rabbis, jurists, and lay leaders of the leading Jewish communities in America, has been formed.

The Jewish nation has never been strong numerically, politically, military, or even economically. Its strength through the ages is to be found in its spiritual fibre rather than in its materialistic fabric.

The great problem since the creation of the State of Israel, has been, will the new State take its proper place in the world of today? Will it again become outstanding as a spiritual center for all mankind?

This challenge of history is now being met by the "World Academy for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem."

At the Dinner on January 12 in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria, we are fortunate in having as our guest of honor the former President of the United States, Harry S. Truman who first recognized Israel as a state. We want to thank him for what he did for Israel and for what he stands for today.

This Dinner promises to be a memorable affair. You and your wife are invited. We look forward to seeing you. Please send your reservations to our chairman Mr. Gustav Stern, 122 West 76th St., New York City. Tel. SU. 7-1051. Cover charge \$100.

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**W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE**

Light Candles Friday Evening to.....	4:11
Weekly Portion — Mikaytz	
Genesis 41:1-44:17, Numbers 7:24-29	
Zechariah 2:14-4:7	
Friday Evening Service .....	4:25
Saturday morning Service .....	8:45
Blessing for the New Month of Teves	
Youth Congregation .....	10:00
Junior Congregation .....	10:30
Sabbath Kindergarten .....	10:30
Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls) .....	3:00
Rabbi Reicvhel's Talmud Class .....	2:45
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class .....	2:45
Mincha .....	3:45
Reader of Torah: — Richard Kobrin	
Reader of Service: — Roger Linker	
The Sabbath Terminates .....	5:02
<b>Daily Services</b>	
Sunday Morning.....	7:00, 8:00, 8:45
Monday & Tuesday.....	6:30, 7:30, 8:15
Wed., Thurs., Fri. ....	6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Mincha .....	4:25

Followed by the Explanation of the Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein

**Yahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque**

Dec.	Kislev	
21	28	Abraham Yedwabnik
22	29	Sam Siegel
		<b>Teves</b>
24	1	Tillie Pomerantz
25	2	Marie Adler
		Samuel Adler
		Julius Bayer
		Isaac Tumpowsky
26	3	Rose Lauer
27	4	Bithia Sheifer

Note: Yahrzeits candles should be lit the night prior to the yahrzeit day.

**GETTING PERSONAL**

by Sanford Solarz

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Our Congregational gratitude to Mrs. Fred Goldstein, President of our Women's League, and Mrs. Mannie Alt, in charge of Arrangements, for their great work in preparing and dispensing our Women's League Chanukah treat for the children of our Talmud Torah at their very impressive Assembly . . . Our Mr. and Mrs. League notched another success with their Las Vegas Night in our Synagogue Building last week. For the success of the affair much of the credit must be given to the co-chairmen, Mr. Norman Grober and Mr. Burton Kebart, and the Committee consisting of: Dr. and Mrs. Monroe Gaines, Rabbi and Mrs. Morton Garfiel, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Goldsmith, Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Goodgold, Mrs. Norman Grober, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gursky, Mrs. Burton Kebart, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heiser, Mrs. O. Asher Reichel, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reisman and Mr. Alfred Schwartz. The original and exotic decor was the result of the dedicated work of Mrs. Morton Garfiel . . . Pleasant vacationing in Florida to Director and Mrs. Siegfried Benheim, Director Abraham M. Drukman, and in South America to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Kuber . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. Harry Perlman . . . Mazel Tov and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Engle upon the birth of twin boys, Lawrence and Howard R., and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Weitzman.

**Birthday Greetings:**

Dec.

- 20—William Ball  
Alan Jay Kalker  
Mrs. M. J. Kleinfeld  
Harlan Andrew Levy  
Abraham Robinov  
Mrs. Jess Ward
- 22—Seth Michael Goldstein  
George Levinson
- 23—Sherrie Signe Chrein
- 24—Mrs. Milton M. Bernard  
Frank Frohman  
Mrs. Alexander M. Golden  
Director Adolph Meiowitz  
Reuben Richman
- 25—Charles Cohen  
Mrs. Julius Cohen  
Max M. Horowitz  
Mrs. Regina Margareten  
Rose Pekier
- 26—Simeon H. F. Goldstein

- Mrs. Bertha F. Rafsky  
Toby Wohl
- Anniversary Greetings:**
- 21—Director & Mrs. Herman H. Cohen  
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Zimet
  - 23—Mr. & Mrs. Ab'ham M. Goldberg
  - 24—Mr. & Mrs. Aaron W. Gross  
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Perlman
  - 25—Mr. & Mrs. Max M. Horowitz  
Mr. & Mrs. Irving Sabsevitz
  - 26—Director & Mrs. Joseph Landowne

**CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE  
18-23**

This is your **SENIOR LEAGUE REPORTER** coming to you once again from **STATION W.S.I.S.**

You are invited to attend a **CHANUKA PARTY** on **SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 22, at 8:00 o'clock** in our **SOCIAL HALL.**

A pleasant and entertaining evening has been planned and fun is in store for all. Refreshments will be served.

All are welcome! Come and bring your friends and your friends' friends.

**LAYMEN'S INSTITUTE NOTES**

Rabbi Garfiel will meet his Hebrew Class on Monday evening, December 23rd, at 8 o'clock in the Daily Synagogue.

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**GREAT DAY  
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The Women's League Annual Luncheon held at the Croydon Hotel last Monday, December 9th, far exceeded our Committee's fondest hopes. In spite of the inclement weather and the subway strike, the afternoon was an outstanding social and financial success.

A special vote of thanks to our diligent Chairman, Mrs. William Wedeen and her two hard working "right arms", Mrs. Eddie Schreiber and Mrs. Samuel W. Siegel. Thanks, also, to every Women's League Member of the Committee who worked so ardently for the success of this function.

The afternoon's festiveness was greatly enhanced by the generosity of: Abe Harris of the American Tobacco Company, Cigarettes; Alfredo and Warendorf, Flowers; Barton's Bonboniere, Mints; Mrs. William Horwitz, Table Prizes, Mrs. Fred Goldstein and Mrs. William Wedeen, Perfume.

**JUNIOR LEAGUE TO FEATURE  
BAND THIS MONDAY EVENING**

The Chanukah Social of our Junior League, our teen-agers group, will be held on Monday evening, December 23rd, beginning 8 o'clock. The co-chairmen of the event are Francine and Alan Brill. A live Band will be one of the features of the evening. There will be contests, prizes, and refreshments. Come one, come all.

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