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RESERVATION FOR SUCCAH MEALS

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HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES



Please Tell Your Friends

We are happy to announce the formation of three **beginners' classes** for appropriate age levels.

These are in addition to our advanced classes. Inasmuch as sessions have already begun we will have to close registration very shortly.

If you have any questions about registration, please do not hesitate to call our Principal, Rabbi Reichel, immediately at the Synagogue or leave a message for him and he will be glad to contact you.

OUR NEW NEIGHBOORS

If you, our reader, or any of your friends have just moved into our neighborhood, we would like to invite you and them to share our synagogue with us, at your spiritual home, the Synagogue. Rabbi Goldstein and Rabbi Reichel will be glad to assist you in making your social as well as religious adjustments. Our phone number is TR 7-8281.

YOM KIPPUR APPEAL FOR MAINTENANCE AND BUILDING FUND MEETS ENCOURAGING RESPONSE

At our Synagogue's Yom Kippur services, last Tuesday and Wednesday the traditional appeals were made by our officers and Rabbis for regular maintenance funds and loans and gifts towards our new building costs.

The appeals in all three of our services, met with most encouraging responses.

Our President, Lester Udell, stressed the fact that the W.S.I.S. depends on each and every one of

its members and worshippers. If you were away for the High Holidays, or for some reason did not make any pledge at the appeal, we trust that you will not forget to send your contribution to the Synagogue Office, as many have already done, who were out of town for the holidays.

Only with the financial help of all our friends can the W.S.I.S. continue its many varied activities and services to the community. We hope you will aid us.

SUCCOTH, THIS MONDAY AND TUESDAY



With the setting of the sun on Sunday evening, we usher in Succoth, — the Festival of Tabernacles. Following the solemn High Holidays, it is in contrast, a time of joyous celebration. The keynote of its observance is as expressed in the phrase "Vesumachtaw Bechagchaw" — "And thou shalt rejoice in thy festival."

The Succah:

The festival derives its name from the Succah, a temporary dwelling built especially for the holiday. The temporary nature of the Tabernacle is symbolic of the tribulations faced

by the Jew in this world. The roof is covered with palms and other greens permitting both sunlight and starlight to enter. While the Tabernacle is not a permanent dwelling it should be remembered that during Succoth one should eat his meals there.

The Esrog and Lulav:

Symbolic of Jewish unity are the Esrog and Lulav. The Esrog, a citron which has both taste and fragrance, represents those who are both learned and observant. The Lulav, a palm-branch, having taste but no fragrance symbolizes the learned who have not been as righteous as they should have been. Attached to the sides of the Lulav are the myrtle and willows. The myrtle has only fragrance representing the many observant but unlearned. The willow has neither fragrance nor taste representing those who are neither righteous nor learned. We hold the four species together when the blessing is said, as an indication of the necessity of unity.

CHOL HAMOED

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth days are known as "Chol Hamoed". "Chol" means ordinary week day and "moed" means holiday. In other words, these days are considered as half-holidays. Work is allowed on these days. But we are to make them as much a holiday as is possible. We observe Chol Hamoed by eating in the Succah, making a blessing over the esrog and lulav, and by reciting the Hallel and holiday musaf in our prayers. In addition we are to do only the work that is necessary.

The entire Congregational Family
is cordially invited to
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for their annual Shemini Atzeres
"At Home"

Shemini Atzeres, Monday, Oct. 6
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Apt. 31 6 o'clock



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MR. & MRS. LEAGUE IN CHARGE OF SUCCAH DECORATIONS

Members of the Mr. and Mrs. League and all brave souls are invited to come to the Synagogue Saturday night, September 27th at 8:30 o'clock to lend a hand in the decoration of our new Succah.

YIZKOR SERVICES

On Shemini Atzeres, Monday, October 6, 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 to us.

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I hereby request you to offer the Memorial Prayer

for my

whose Hebrew name is

and I hereby donate \$.....

Name

Address

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Thirteen Principles of The Faith

(Continued)

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"I BELIEVE WITH PERFECT FAITH THAT THE CREATOR, BLESSED BE HIS NAME, WAS THE FIRST AND WILL BE THE LAST.

This principle of our Faith lays down the principle of the Eternity of G-d. It is absolutely impossible to separate the idea of existence from the idea of G-d. G-d is always existent, therefore no beginning nor end can be set to His existence. He is אלקי קדם (Deut, 33:27) "the G-d of yore, — the Eternal G-d", and on the other hand, His existence is beyond the life or age of this world, as we read in Psalm 102, Verses 26 and 27, "They shall perish but Thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt Thou change them and they shall be changed. (27) But Thou art the same, and Thy years shall have no end"; and as we read in Psalm 90, Verse 2, "Before the mountains were brought forth, or even Thou gave birth to the earth, and the world, even from Everlasting to Everlasting Thou art G-d."

V

"I BELIEVE WITH PERFECT FAITH THAT THE CREATOR, BLESSED BE HIS NAME, AND TO HIM ALONE, IT IS RIGHT TO PRAY, AND THAT IT IS NOT RIGHT TO PRAY TO ANY BEING BESIDES HIM."

G-d (whom we have accepted as the Creator, and Ruler, as the only G-d, as the Eternal G-d, as the Perfect Being without physical form), is now presented as Almighty. He alone can command or direct the forces of Nature at His Will. Therefore, He alone is to be petitioned and worshipped in Prayer. When we communicate our wishes to G-d, we are "eo ipso" reminded to examine our desires, whether they contain anything unholy, unjust or ignoble. Prayer to G-d has therefore the salutary effect of purifying, refining and ennobling our heart.

There have been those whose conception of G-d compelled them to deny Him direct influence on human affairs, and that He can be moved by man's prayer. Again, others believe that the laws of nature, whether given by G-d or not, are so permanent that they never change under any circumstances. How can one, holding such a point of view really pray to G-d to grant us our petition? Can a prayer offered in such a frame of mind be called a "prayer without lips of deceit"? In opposition to such theories, the daily prayers contain the following:—

"G-d who createth anew every day regularly the work of the Creation."

"He formeth light, createth darkness, giveth life to the dead", we thank Thee for our lives, and for Thy miracles which Thou performest every day in our behalf."

One who has been dangerously ill, and after having found that man with all his science and resources, was incapable of affording relief, gradually recovers his former health; and one who has shared with others a common danger, and while his companions, under exactly the same circumstances, perished; but was saved; and one who, having exhausted every means conceivable of obtaining a livelihood, at length finds a new path of subsistence opened to him. All these have experienced the Divine help and His nearness in their distress. They have learned to recognize the miraculous power of Providence. But it is not only in such extraordinary events that the finger of G-d is seen. To him who has "eyes to see," they appear daily and hourly."

WOMEN'S LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

COME TO OUR "HOUSE WARMING" ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 27th.

Have you seen our New Building? With great pride we cordially invite you to our new building to a HOUSE WARMING LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY on Monday, October 27th at 12 Noon. Bring your friends and relatives and help us raise \$1,000 towards furnishing our beautiful and spacious new kitchen.

Don't Forget

Date: Monday, October 27, 1958
Time: 12 Noon
Place: Our New Synagogue Building.

Admission to all: \$5.00 per person

Dates to Remember:

October 1st (Wednesday): Open Meeting and Succoth Luncheon

October 13th: Board Meeting. Mrs. David Elkins and Mrs. Harry Ward, Hostesses.

October 27th: House Warming Luncheon and Card Party

OUR MEN'S CLUB

As we draw near the most joyous holiday of the year, I offer you our sincerest wishes for a most enjoyable holiday.

Now at the very beginning of the year, I appeal to you to attend the meetings. Your presence will be the barometer for our efforts. It will spur the administration on to greater achievements. It will be more than an indication of support, it will be an inspiration to all of us.

Leon Herman
President

AN URGENT REMINDER

Our Rabbis will be glad to write letters to the school authorities for all our youngsters who will need them in order to be excused from attending classes on Mondays and Tuesdays, September 29th and 30th and October 6th and 7th — the Festival days.

The By-Laws of the Board of Education of New York City provide that pupils are permitted to absent themselves from school "for religious observances."

Classes on Chol Hamoed

Regular classes will be in session on Wednesday and Thursday, October 1st and 2nd. Our pupils may bring their friends to join them on those days to partake of refreshments which will be served them in our Succah.

There will be Services for the children of our Congregational Family on Saturday morning and on the Festival days.

MEALS IN OUR SUCCAH

Reservations for the evening meals during Chol Hamoed and for Shemini Atzeres should be made at once by phoning our office TR 7-8281. Price per meal is \$4.25.

Full Breakfast may be had in the Succah on Chol Hamoed, after any one of our three morning services at one dollar per breakfast.

OUR MEN'S CLUB DOES IT AGAIN

A wonderful team under the joint chairmanship of Alexander Kirsh and Bennett Carter with the unstinting cooperation of the Men's Club president, Leon Herman, did a superb job in conducting the auxiliary services for the High Holy Days in the Manhattan Towers Hotel.

Mr. Alexander Kirsh, chairman in charge of ticket sales, deserves special recognition not only for his devotion to his task, but also for his daily attendance and personal interest in the work in spite of all hardships.

Mr. Leon Herman has to be given credit for leading the ritual proceedings in a very dignified and impressive manner and likewise Mr. Bennett Carter and Mr. H. William Hirsch for their arrangements of the honors.

Special mention must be made of the valuable work done by Mr. Fred Heiser for his ushering duties.

Others on this committee who helped in one way or another are: Dr. Frank Fink, Jacob Goldberg, Harry Kaplan, Phil Nager, Max Selsky, Frank Taks and Harry Ward.

Mr. Irving Silver, also a member of the Men's Club, officiated as Cantor.

Yahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

Sept.	Tishri	
27	13	Chia Ethel Kessler Esther Michael
28	14	Marie Plottel Goodstein Hilda E. Talmud
29	15	Isaac Finesilver Becky Stern Morton L. Landowne Clara Goodman
30	16	Max Bilgrey
Oct.		
1	17	Sarah Ida Leah Fine Ida Fannie Gell Dora Katz
2	18	Morris Bearman

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

- Light Candles Friday Evening up to6:28
- Weekly Portion — Hah-Azeenu
- Deuteronomy Chapter 32 — Prophets, 2 and Samuel 22:1-51
- Friday Evening Services6:30
- Saturday Morning Services9:00
- Junior Congregation10:30
- Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class5:30
- Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class5:30
- Mincha6:30
- The Sabbath Terminates7:19
- Sunday Morning Services7:15, 8:15, 8:45

Sunday Erev Succos

- Sunday Mincha6:20
- Light Candles6:26
- Monday Morning—First Day Succos** 9:00
- Junior Congregation10:30
- Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class5:30
- Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class5:30
- Mincha6:30
- Light Candles
- Tuesday Morn.—Second Day Succos** 9:00
- Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class5:30
- Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class5:30
- Mincha6:30
- Festival Terminates7:14

Chol Hamoed Services

- Thursday, Friday Mornings 6:30, 7:30, 8:00
- Mincha6:30

PLEASE NOTE!

A modern Ritualarium (Mikvah) is located in our community, at 158 W. 97th St., MO 3-0300.


GETTING PERSONAL

by **Sanford Solarz**

Our High Holy Days Services were, as always, a profoundly inspiring religious experience. Officiating, were our beloved Rabbis, Herbert S. Goldstein and O. Asher Reichel, who delivered inspiring messages, Rabbi Milton Furst, assisting for the Holy Days, who spoke most interestingly, and our golden-voiced Cantor Zalman Yavneh, whose rendition of the prayers gave perfect expression to the holiness of the occasion. Mr. Israel Kestenbaum excelled, as usual, in the blowing of the Shofar . . . For helping maintain decorum at the services, our heartfelt gratitude to the noble efforts of our Head Usher, Lawrence Kobrin and Messrs. Jules Cohen, Fred Goldstein, Harold Gross, James Herlands, Stanley Kaplan, Joseph Klein, Jay Kobrin, Joseph Neustadter, Herbert Perlman, Albert Schmeidler, Leonard Stecher, Martin Zimet and Sidney Zimet. Our overflow services were ably directed by Messrs. Alexander Golden and Gabriel F. Goldstein and ushered by Paul Foont, Ned Kirsh, Joseph Moses and Isaac Perlman . . . Our heartiest welcome back home to our Talmudic lay-teacher, Mr. Isaac Allen and his wife and their daughter, Ruth. Mr. Allen will resume his lectures on the Talmud commencing on Succos . . . Also our hearty welcome back home from points west and north to our treasurer, Mr. Samuel Silver and Mrs. Silver . . . Mazel Tov to our Director and Mrs. Edward Jacobs upon the birth of Adrienne Cindy to her children, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Levine . . . All best wishes to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brandes and to Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Brandes in their new homes . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for Mr. Al Braff and to Mr. Harry Perlman . . . Our revered Rabbi Goldstein has been signally honored by the invitation to him to deliver the Benediction at the Interfaith Rally at the Central Park Mall on Sunday afternoon, September 28th.

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Birthday Greetings:

Sept.

- 24—Irving Feuerlicht
Mrs. G. Richard Rubenstein
- 27—Solomon Drukker
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Ellen May Greenfield
Joseph Moses
- 28—Mrs. Mae Feltman
George Samuel Greenstein
- 29—Mrs. Jesse E. Gross
Jonathan (Livingston) Harris
- 30—Mrs. Lenore Finkelstein

Oct.

- 1—Mrs. Jacob Bayer
Diane Beth Kreisman
- 2—Sylvia Jacoby
Mrs. Leon Kantrowitz
Albert Schmeidler

Anniversary Greetings:

Sept.

- 28—Mr. & Mrs. Joseph M. Kleinfeld

SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES

Now that our new facilities for our Youth Department are about ready, we look forward to a revitalized program with ever growing numbers of our young people.

Hobby, cultural and social clubs for our youth of **all** ages are being organized for the coming season. All boys and girls who are interested in our Youth Activities Program are urged to phone Rabbi Reichel at the Synagogue, or step in to see him.

CONDOLENCE

Our heartfelt sympathy to our Women's League member, Mrs. Lea Pye, upon the loss of her brother, Frank Leventhal.

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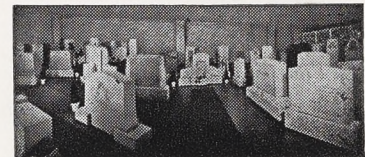
Stanley Kaplan

Stanley Kaplan, son of our Director and Mrs. Harold Kaplan, will read the entire Sedrah of this week.

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