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### MEN'S CLUB MEETING THIS MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th

Mr. Leon Herman, President of the Men's Club announces that this coming Monday night October 20th at 8:30 P.M., the Men's Club will hold a regular meeting in our Synagogue Building.

This meeting is very important in that the members will be able to participate in the planning of furnishing our new clubroom. All ideas as to making our clubroom sociable and cozy will be welcome.

At this meeting also plans for the Season's events will be discussed. Your presence is therefore of the utmost importance. Come and bring your friends.

#### SOCIAL DEPARTMENT NOTES

#### Opening Of Gymnasium for The New Season

Beginning with Thursday evening, October 30th at 7:30 P.M., the half-million dollar gymnasium of P.S. 87 will again be available for the members of our Youth Department. For further information, please call the Social Department at the Synagogue.

### Young Congregant Pledges \$1,000 — Building Loan Out of His Bar Mitzvah Presents

PROMISSORY NOTES ALREADY MAILED TO LENDERS.

#### MR. AND MRS. LEAGUE CARNIVAL NIGHT

Saturday night, October 25th is the occasion of the first social event that the "Mr. and Mrs. League" will hold in our new building. An informal Carnival has been planned, including games, stunts — and prizes galore.

On the "Midway" you will get a chance to see old acquaintances and meet new ones. Please come, bring your friends and meet your friends.

No admission charge. Refreshments will be served.

#### YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE

Young people over 22 of our Congregational Family who wish to become Charter Members of our Young Adult League are cordially requested to write or call Rabbi O. Asher Reichel at once.

Reserve Sunday night, November 2nd for a very important function of the League.

An interesting sidelight about the Gemilas Chesed" Loan drive for our New Building just came to our attention. One of the youngsters attending services with his daddy listened to the appeals made by our Rabbi and president with rapt attention. Upon its completion, he volunteered "Daddy, don't you think I ought to lend some of the money I received in Bar Mitzvah presents towards the Building Loan?" "How much do you want to lend?" his father countered with an inner glow. "\$1,000." the youngster answered immediately. Whereupon the father pledged a \$1,000. loan for his son.

Sometimes a youngster's heart is more understanding than many an adult's mind. Therefore listen to your heart and send us your loan towards the completion of our Building. We will give you a promissory note to repay the loan at the end of two years.

Those who have sent us their loans have already received promissory, notes from us. As we mentioned in last week's Review, every loan is backed by \$1,200,000. in assets, free and clear.

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#### MAZEL TOV ON THEIR 40th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY





Director and Mrs. Phillip F. Frankel

We are happy to extend our felicitations to Director and Mrs. Philip F. Frankel on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

May it please G-d that we should all be present at the celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.



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#### **BAR MITZVAH**



William Kenneth Gross

A hearty Mazel Tov to our Director and Mrs. Jess E. Gross, upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, William Kenneth, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. We also want to extend our hearty felicitations to the grandma, Mrs. Yetta Wohl.

#### **PLEASE NOTE!**

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

# THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

### Thirteen Principles of The Faith

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"I believe with Perfect Faith that to the Creator, Blessed be His Name, it is right to pray, — and that it is not right to pray to any being besides Him." (Continued)

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The conviction of all believers in prayer is that they are speaking to One who hears and cares for them. This is one of the strongest evidences that the quest for G-d is real. When one prays to G-d, it is, as the Rabbis put it, "Like a man who talks into the ear of his friend."

The seeming incongruity of the two principles, G-d's immutability and man's hope for mercy and pardon from G-d, has to some extent occupied the attention of our Sages. "If our condition for a whole year is determined in advance, what is the good of daily supplication for G-d's help in times of trouble?" Such is the question asked in the Talmud, Rosh Ha-shanah (16a), and the answer is given. "Prayer is of good effect both before the decree and afterwards." It is always in the power and in the will of the Almighty to accede to our petition and to fulfill our wishes.

Whilst, however, insisting on the belief in the efficacy of prayer, our Sages teach us that it would be wrong to expect that every petition uttered before G-d must be granted. We pray to the Almighty, being convinced that it is in His power to grant what we pray for; but we must trust in the wisdom and mercy of G-d, that the rejection of our petition is also for good.

"At times we get discouraged and seem to think that G-d is angry, and does not answer our prayers. We have asked for money, for success, for strength and yet we have not been blessed with any of these things. G-d may show His kindness to us, my friends, in denying us some of the things for which we prayed and longed. But just as the parent does not and should not fulfill every wish of the child, so does the Omniscient, the Allwise G-d, deny us for our own good, some of our petitions. The poet put it, "Not what we wish, but what we need. Oh let Thy grace supply, the good unasked, in mercy grant; the ill, though asked, deny."

Do not make thy prayer a fixed claim or demand, which must be fulfilled, but a supplication for mercy, which may or may not be granted."

The history of King Ahab and the people of Ninevah show that the evil decreed against any sinner takes no effect if the sinner repents and is turned into another man. It is as the secular philosopher put it, that Philip drunk is not Philip sober. In other words, Philip sober is a different person than the man Philip drunk. For the **new** being Philip, sober, there is **no** evil decree.

The change that takes place in man himself is the direct effect of prayer, it prepares and qualifies him for receiving benefits and protection from evil. (See Rabbi Joseph Albo in his philosophical Book "Ikkarim" 4:16).

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## AN INVITATION TO ALL OUR COLLEGIATES

We are going to start off our season with a "Tour of Our New Building" followed by a social, in our new SOCIAL HALL with music and refreshments.

The date — Sunday evening, October 26th

The Time — 8:00 o'clock sharp

Please be prompt. A fun-packed evening is in store for all. Come and bring 'ur 'ends.

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### A NOTE TO HEBREW SCHOOL ALUMN!

You are really missing something if you do not attend the Jewish Information Hour with Mr. Lawrence Kobrin on Sunday mornings, at 10:30 o'clock.

We hope to see you this Sunday morning, October 19th and every Sunday morning.

#### NOTICE OF UNVEILING

The unveiling of the monuments of the late Gertrude and Myron Friedlander will take place on Sunday Cctober 19 at 1:30 P.M. at Union Field Cemetery, rain or shine.

### Women's League Activities

#### Important Open Meeting on October 20th

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend a very important meeting of the Women's League on Monday, October 20th at 12:30 P.M. in our Synagogue Building.

This will be the last meeting before our Housewarming Luncheon and Card Party. It will be a good time for you to hear about our final arrangements for this wonderful, happy and gala afternoon.

A very interesting program has been planned for you by our very capable Chairman, Mrs. Michael Weingarten. However, since she is on jury duty, Mrs. William Foont, the dynamic, charming lady who always has something interesting to say, will pinch-hit for her.

Coffee and cake will be served.

Return your library books and borrow others at this meeting. Mrs. William Foont, Library Chairman, is always ready to help you in your selections — give her some business.

#### MAKE \$1,000 IN ONE DAY



#### Chairman Housewarming Luncheon Committee

For our Synagogue Family, the new Building is the realization of a twenty year dream. We have worked and planned for this end and now it is here. Like all women, the kitchen is very important to us. Wouldn't you like to see our beautiful, spacious kitchen fully equipped with bright shiny utensils? Then, come to our Housewarming Luncheon and Card Party on Monday, October 27th at 12 Noon in our new Ballroom. ONLY EACH ONE OF YOU CAN MAKE THIS FUNCTION A SUCCESS. Bring all your relatives and friends.

For your convenience, detach the slip below and mail it to the Women's League immediately with your check for your reservation.

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Light Candles Friday Evening up to5:54 Weekly Portion — Noah
Genesis 6:9-11:32 Isaiah 54:1-55:5
Friday Evening Service6:05
Saturday Morning Service8:50
Junior Congregation 10:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class4:30
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class
Mincha 5:30
Reader of Torah: Lawrence Kobrin
Reader of Service: Roger Linker
The Sabbath Terminates6:45
Daily Services
Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
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Followed by the Explanation of the
Shulchan Aruch by Rabbi Goldstein
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### Yahrzeits From Gur Memorial Plaque

Oct.	Cheshvan	
18	4	Udell Cohen
19	5	H. Louis Berman Helen Silver
21	7	Sarah Strasnetsky
22	8	Rebecca Jacobs Etta Markowitz Joshua C. Epstein
23	9	Annie R. Morris
24	10	Jacob Reisman Bella Mirken

# GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

The Annual Shemini Atzeres "at home" of our Revered Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein was a gay and festive and warming experience to the hosts of our members and friends who were so fortunate to have been there. The young folks who so ably helped in making the guests at home included Judy Beier, Bernice Goldberg, Evelyn Goldstein, Susan Gross, Stanley Kaplan, Francine Pretner and Murray Yavneh . . . The children of our Congregation seemed to be here, there and everywhere in our Synagogue for the Simchas Torah festivities. Our heartfelt thanks for the distribution to the children of little Torahs, flags and sweets to Mmes. Mannie Alt, Harry Cohen, Fred Goldstein, Jen Schreiber, Harry Ward, and Jen Yabrow . . . As he does every year, Mr. Gabriel F. Goldstein, son of our revered Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, distinguished himself by the inspirational manner in which he chanted Koheles on Shabbos Chol Hamoed . . . Our apologies for inadvertently having omitted in our last week's issue the following hosts and hostesses who aided in making our Succah the success it was: Mrs. Mannie Alt, Mrs. Harold Kaplan and Mr. Lawrence Kobrin . . . Happy to see Mr. Moses Langer, our Director, at our services after his recent illness . . Just in time to participate in our Succos holiday activities, our member, Mr. Henry Kaufman was able to dispense with his cane and shake off the disability which plagued him for several months past . . . Our prayers for Mrs. David Wiener for a speedy return to good health. Mazel Tov to our Director and Mrs. Edward Jacobs, the grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Myron Goldman, the parents, upon the Bar Mitzvah of Harvey Goldman; to Mrs. Ray Wolfe, our Women's League member, upon the engagement of her granddaughter, Stephanie Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William I. Cohen; and to Mrs. Eva Margolis our Women's League Board Member, upon the birth of a granddaughter, Sally Brett Margolis . . . the host at the Seuda Shlishis last Saturday was our 2nd Vice President Mr. Max Moskowitz and the host at the Seudah Shlishis tomorrow afternoon will be Mr. Aladir Bernath.

#### ISRAELI DIARY OF MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN (Continued)

May 31, 1958
It literally took our breath away as we drove up the circuitous mountainous road leading into Jerusalem. At the entrance to the city a chain of fluorescent lights on high poles has been constructed which almost rival the lighting arrangements at 42nd Street and Broadway. Then too, extensive landscaping, including large numbers of trees, adds beauty and impressiveness to a visitor's first glimpse of the Eternal City.

June 24, 1958
We went first to a project of
ten thousand families' apartments,
erected by the Government of Israel and the Jewish Agency, for new
immigrants. Immigrants are given
apartments upon very small pay-

apartments upon very small payents, over a period of many years. Projects like this, of which there are many throughout the country, take care of the thousands of immigrants who come into Israel every month, almost immediately after their ar-

rival.

We then went to see the Military Cemetery on Mount Herzl. Here Theodor Herzl, as well as many soldiers who lost their lives in the wars of their country, are buried. At the entrance to the cemetery there is a sign which reads: "It is forbidden to enter without a hat, as this is holy ground. Do not smoke, Speak Quietly. Do not indulge in levity of any kind. Do not touch the foliage.". There are flowers of many colors and varieties in which ever direction you look. The stones marking the graves are different from what we are accustomed to seeing in a cemetery. They all lie flat on the ground instead of standing erect, as they do in America.

Two sections of this cemetery are most unusual. One is a replica of a narrow street in the Old City of Jerusalem. The tops of the two walls representing the two sides of the street, rise up to a rounded roof which gives the impression of being

the heavens.

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- 21—Vivian Fay Korngold Mrs. A. Rossett Joyce Shulster
- 22—Mrs. Harold Kaplan Mrs. Joshua Levine Michael Henry Saha
- 23—Lois Jane Ullman

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