

**BLESSINGS OF THE NEW MONTH (TEVES)
THIS SATURDAY, SERVICES AT 8:45**

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CHANUKAH STARTS THIS SATURDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 6th

With the lighting of the first candle this Saturday night, we begin the festival of Chanukah. The briefest and best description of the meaning of Chanukah is found in the prayer following the Al Hanisim which is found in the "Shmoneh Esrah" of the Daily Prayer Book. It reads as follows:

"In the days of the Hasmonean, Mattathias son of Johanan, the High Priest, and his sons, when the iniquitous power of Greece rose up against Thy people Israel to make them forgetful of Thy Law, and to force them to transgress the statutes of Thy will, then didst Thou in Thine abundant mercy rise up for them in the time of their trouble; Thou didst plead their cause, Thou didst judge their suit, Thou didst avenge their wrong, Thou deliveredst the strong into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of the few, the impure into the hand of the pure, the wicked into the hands of the

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Giorgio Tozzi To Sing in Supporting Role of "Aida," Our Benefit Opera, On Sunday, January 18, 1959



Giorgio Tozzi as Ramfis

The young American born Basso, Giorgio Tozzi, will appear as Ramfis in our benefit opera "Aida" on Sunday, January 18, 1959.

Although Mr. Tozzi has been with

the Met for only a short time, relatively speaking, having made his debut in March 1955, he already has amassed a devoted following for he is an unusually talented artist. All who have had the opportunity to hear him have been wild in their acclaim.

Mr. Tozzi will make a fitting addition to an outstanding galaxy of stars including **Gloria Davy, Dimitar Uzunov, Blanche Thebom, Mario Zanasi and Louis Sgarro.**

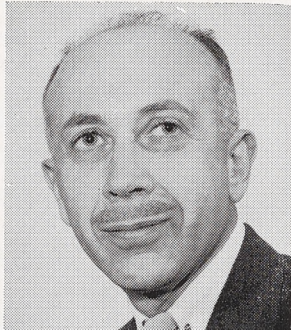
You will be missing something if you do not obtain tickets to this performance of "Aida" with its unusual cast of outstanding stars. If you have already obtained tickets, we suggest that you order some more as a **Chanukah gift** for your friends and business associates.

Prices of tickets range from \$2.50 in the family circle to \$27.50 in the front rows of the Orchestra.

A DATE TO REMEMBER, SATURDAY NITE, DECEMBER 13th, 8:30 P.M.



Mrs. Emanuel Goodman



Bennett Carter



Dr. Frank Fink



Mrs. Monroe Gaines



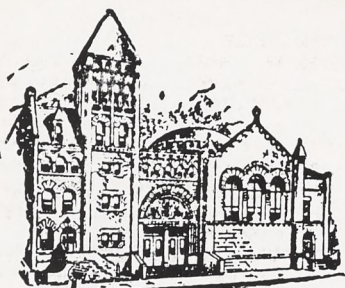
Mrs. Henry Moed

and Mrs. Mannie Alt, the Co-Chairmen of OUR CONGREGATIONAL CHANUKAH PARTY sponsored by our **Women's League, Men's Club and Mr. and Mrs. League.**

Added Attractions:

Highlights of the opera "Aida" by Mr. Herman Cohen. Unique Art Demonstration by Mr. Abraham Rosenthal, a well-known artist.

Come One! Come All! No admission charge. An opportunity to get acquainted and socialize with your fellow congregants. Don't miss this enjoyable evening.



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CHATS ABOUT W.S.I.S.

by Morris Jablow

You, dear readers, know that the annual Opera Benefit Performance, will take place at the Metropolitan Opera House, on Sunday evening, January 18th, 1959, when the famous opera "AIDA" will be presented with an outstanding cast of world-renowned artists led by Gloria Davy, Dimitri Uzunov, Blanche Thebom, Mario Zanesi and Giorgio Tozzi.

You probably also know that this project is one of the chief sources of revenue for the maintenance of our many activities.

The capacity of the Metropolitan Opera House is over 3500 seats, and if we sell all of the seats we can have a very satisfactory income. The sale of all of these seats can only be accomplished by each and every one of you.

We earnestly appeal to you, to actively participate in this project, by purchasing tickets for yourselves, and enjoy a marvelous musical evening, and sell a few more to your friends and associates. This gigantic task of selling these tickets can be achieved **only** if each and every one of you do your share. Please act **now**.

THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Thirteen Principles of The Faith

(Continued)

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"I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THE CREATOR, BLESSED BE HIS NAME, KNOWETH ALL THE ACTIONS OF MEN, AND ALL THEIR THOUGHTS, AS IT IS SAID, 'HE FASHIONETH THE HEARTS OF THEM ALL, HE CONSIDERETH ALL THEIR WORKS'."

This principle declares the Omniscience of G-d. He knows all the activities of man, and does not disregard them, as read in Genesis, Chapter 6, Verse 5, "And the Lord saw that man's wickedness on earth increased . . . and accordingly brought on the flood, or as we read in Genesis, Chapter 18, Verse 20. "Because the cry against Sodom and Gemorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous," . . . Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and upon Gemorrah brimstone . . ."

(To be continued)

PIERRE VAN PAASSEN TO SPEAK IN OUR SYNAGOGUE THIS SATURDAY



Pierre Van Paassen

Pierre van Paassen, internationally famous author and analyst of world affairs, will speak at our Synagogue on Saturday, Dec. 6.

Dr. van Paassen is one of the most widely read authors of our time. His "Days of Our Years" is one of the classics of our generation.

Mr. Ben Gurion said that "Van Paassen's work is one of the foundation stones of the Medinat Israel." The Prime Minister called Dr. van Paassen "the chief of the spiritual Haganah." During the Arab riots of 1929 in Jerusalem, he was attacked and wounded by mobsters in the service of the Grand Mufti.

Dr. van Paassen has served as one of the world's outstanding newspaper correspondents. He interviewed Hitler and Mussolini several times; when the Nazis assumed power, he was one of the first to be expelled from Germany.

OUR YOUTH CONGREGATION

In addition to our Junior Congregation conducted for the junior members of our Hebrew School and Yeshiva pupils, a Youth Congregation will meet on Saturday mornings at 10:30 o'clock for those boys and girls who are able to participate in a regular service and to lead in all parts of the prayers. Our own Junior Congregation alumni, James Herlands and Stanley Kaplan, will be in charge of the Youth Congregation.

The Junior Congregation will henceforth meet on the second floor and the Youth Congregation on the fourth floor.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS TO MEET THIS WEDNESDAY

George Hindell, Commander Buddy Friedman Post #297 Jewish War Veterans announces a meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 1958 at 8:30 P.M., at our Synagogue.

We are appealing to all the Post members to bring at least one veteran to this important meeting.

Refreshments will follow the meeting.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

All our readers — young and adult — are invited to join a Photography Club which will be conducted by our former Men's Club President, Mr. Bennett Carter. This is a grand opportunity to become acquainted with all aspects of photography under the direction of an expert in this field. All interested should leave their names and addresses in the Social Department office.

Our Women's League

LAST CALL FOR RESERVATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL LUNCHEON ON DECEMBER 8th



Treasurer
Mrs. Eddie Schreiber

The Treasurer of our Annual Luncheon, Mrs. Jen Schreiber and her Co-Treasurer, Mrs. Bertha Koch are happy to report that reservations and monies are coming in every day. However, they would like to advise you to try to **pay for your reservations in advance**, in order to make it less confusing at the door and less bookkeeping for the treasurers. The Luncheon will feature a delicious lunch, a lavish treasure chest, gifts for each and every guest and a **well-known musical comedy couple will entertain us with their distinctive songs.**

Reservations may still be made by calling the Luncheon Chairman, Mrs. William Wedeen, (Su 7-0069) or the Synagogue, (TR 7-8281).

Don't miss our Women's League outstanding and gala function of the year on **Monday, December 8th at 12 Noon in the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf Astoria, Park Avenue and 50th Street.**

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. George Gersony upon the passing of her mother, **Mrs. Regina Eber-son**, a devoted member of our Women's League and mother-in-law of our Director, George Gersony; to the family of the late **Gezella Daniel**, one of the "Daughters of the I.S."; and to the family of our late member, **Fred Hausdorff.**

BAS MITZVAH CLUB

The next meeting of our Bas Mitzvahs will be held in Rabbi Reichel's study on Sunday morning, December 7th, at 11 o'clock.

WEEKLY TEEN-AGE EVENTS

Sundays 10:30 A.M. — Jewish Information Hour with Lawrence Kobrin.

Thursday, 7:30 P.M. — Gym program at P.S. #87 with Elliot Wohl.

Chanukah Notes

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righteous, and the arrogant into the hands of them that occupied themselves with Thy Law: for Thyself Thou didst make a great and holy name in Thy world, and for Thy people Israel Thou didst work a great deliverance and redemption as at this day. And thereupon Thy children came into the oracle of Thy house, cleansed Thy temple, purified Thy sanctuary, kindled lights in Thy holy courts, and appointed these eight days of Chanukah in order to give thanks and praises unto Thy great name."

Benediction Over the Candles

The benediction over the lighting of the candles may not be found in every Siddur, therefore, we are reprinting the blessings below:

Baruch a-tah ado-ello-ke-nu me-lech ha-olam a-she- kid-sha-nu b'mitz-vo-sav v'tziva-nu l'had-lik ner shel cha-nukah.

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

Baruch a-tah ado-e-lo-kenu me-lach ha-olam she-asah nis-sim la-a-vo-se-nu ba-yamim ha-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.

This blessing is recited **only** on the first evening of Chanukah:

Baruch a-tah ado-e-lo-ke-nu me-lech ha-olam she-he-che-ya-nu v'ki-y'ma-nu v'hi-gi-a-nu laz'man hazeh.

Blessed be Thou, O L-rd our G-d, Ruler of the world, who has granted us life, sustained us, and permitted us to reach this joyous season.

The Lighting of

The Chanukah Menorah

The first candle is placed at the extreme right of the Menorah. Each following night the additional candle is placed to the left of the previous ones. However, the order of lighting the candles is from left to right — so that the latest additional candle is lit first.

STAMP CLUB TO MEET

Philatelists both young and old are cordially invited to this week's meeting of the Stamp Club which will take place this Monday evening, December 8th, at 7:30 o'clock.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Light Candles Friday Evening up to	4:09
Weekly Portion — Vayeshev	
Friday Evening Service	4:20
Chumash and Rashi	8:15
with Rabbi Garfiel	
Saturday Morning Service	8:45
Blessing of New Month (Teves)	
Youth Congregation	10:30
Junior Congregation	10:45
Chazanin: Franklin & Jack Koppel	
Oneg Shabbos (Boys and Girls	
from 7 to 11 years)	3:00
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	2:45
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	2:45
Mincha	3:45
Reader of Torah: Stephen Texon	
Reader of Service: Lawrence Kobrin	

Chanukah Schedule

Daily Services	
Sunday Morning	7:00, 8:00, 8:45
Monday through Thursday	6:30, 7:30, 8:15
Friday Rosh Chodesh	6:30, 7:15, 8:00
Mincha	4:20

Vahrzeits From Our Memorial Plaque

Dec.	Kislev	
6	24	Jacob Hurwitz
7	25	Celia Bayer
		Moric Goldfinger
		Audrey Massott
8	26	Annie Simon
		William Gluck
9	27	Adolf Bendheim
10	28	Abraham Yedwabnik
11	29	Sam Siegel
		Teves
12	1	Tillie Pomerantz

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

We are deeply grateful to Hon. Dr. Leonard Greenberg our City's Commissioner of Air Pollution Control for his generous and thoughtful donation to our Congregational Library of a set of Tanach and Machzorim, and also to Director and Mrs. Adolph Meirowitz for their generous contribution of fine furniture . . . Our Congregational Citation of Merit to our member, Mr. David J. Hurwitz, for the honors to be given to him by the Loyal League Philanthropies at a testimonial at the Waldorf-Astoria on December 20th, for his services on behalf of underprivileged children . . . Happy vacationing to our Director and own Metropolitan Opera impressario Herman H. Cohen and his wife in the West Indies. We trust that upon his return he will be greeted by news of a sold out house for our Metropolitan Opera benefit performance of "Aida" on January 18th . . . The host of our weekly Sabbath afternoon Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be Mr. Emanuel Gluck . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman (our Womens League Treasurer) upon the marriage of their daughter, Pearl, to Murray Strauber; to Mrs. Isidor Freedman, the mother, and to Mrs. Jess Ward the sister, upon the marriage of Harriet Freedman to Carl Marcus; to our Director and Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Women's League Executive Board member upon the birth of Fran Ellen to her children, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis; to our Women's League Executive Board Member, Mrs. Toni Iger on her becoming a great grandmother, and to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Martin Iger, and to the parents Mr. and Mrs. Norman Green; and to Rabbi and Mrs. Paul Eilberg (nee Rachel Spiegel, Rabbi Goldsteins' former secretary) upon the birth of Keila Yoheved . . . Welcome home from Florida and to our services to Mrs. Ruth Braff . . . We are happy to see Mrs. Fanny Vogel back at Synagogue after her recent illness. . . . The Men's Club party last Saturday night was a huge success. Don't miss their next event.

Birthday Greetings:

Dec.

- 5—Mrs. Hyman Feld
- 6—Linda Nan Levine
Rachel Pekier
- 7—Elizabeth Schnur
- 9—Director Henry Blankfort
Director Moe Oltarsh
Lewis Pekier
- 10—Michael Blankfort
Mrs. Jacob Isseks
Judy Kraushar

HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

Parents are urged to make the Chanukah festival one that the children will remember for a long time — through family participation in the lighting of Chanukah candles and in the distribution of Chanukah gifts. All our pupils will receive Chanukah candles and Menorahs with the compliments of our Womens' League.

Parents of our Hebrew School pupils and friends are cordially invited to attend the Chanukah Assembly to be held on Sunday morning, December 14th at 10:30 o'clock.

The Sunday Morning Kindergarten will have their own celebration that morning in their own classroom.

Our parents are urged to study carefully the report cards that will be distributed to our pupils, and to return them to the teachers as soon as possible.

**YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE
GALA CHANUKAH SOCIAL**

Our Young Adults (over 22) are invited to a gala Chanukah Social with a live band on Sunday evening, December 14th at 8 o'clock. Formal invitations have been mailed to all members on our Young Adult League mailing list.

Young Folks among our Congregational family are asked to send in their names, addresses and phone numbers to the Young Adult League c/o the Synagogue, in order to keep posted on the varied program being planned by the League.



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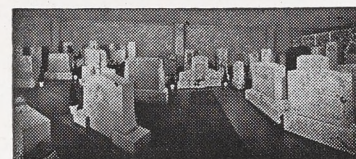
THE YOUTH CORNER

High School Seniors and Juniors are invited to the first get-together of "Club 76" on Friday night, December 12th, at 8 o'clock. The group will also meet on Saturday night, December 20th, at 8 o'clock for a social program. Present plans are to meet one Friday night and one Saturday night each month.

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"Tweenagers Club" for boys and girls 14 years of age (plus or minus) will have a Chanukah social and other events at frequent intervals.

Those interested in receiving personal invitations to events of these clubs should leave their names in the Social Department office.

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