

**ATTEND OUR SELICHOS SERVICE
THIS SATURDAY NIGHT AT 1 A.M.**

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CLUBS DEPARTMENT YOUTH NEWS

Calling all Teen-Agers — Sunday evening, September 27th, from 7 to 10 p.m. has been set aside as general registration period for our youth groups.

The 14-15 year olds are having a social Ice Skating Party this Sunday. Meet in front of Synagogue at 2 P.M.

Wednesday, September 16th, the first in a series of meetings of our parents Youth Advisory Committee was held.

Our Game Room on the sixth floor is now open every Sunday, 2-4:30 P.M. and 7-10 P.M. and Wednesday evenings, 7-10 P.M. Bring a friend and meet new ones at our Youth Center.

The Youth Adult League is now accepting membership applications. Its dynamic program of the season will be announced shortly.

Jerry Wohlberg, Director

WOMEN'S LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

**FIRST OPEN MEETING OF THE SEASON — GUEST SPEAKER
OUR ASSOCIATE RABBI O. ASHER REICHEL — HIS SUBJECT WILL BE
"THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR FAITH"**



**Mrs. Fred Goldstein
President of the Women's League**

Mrs. Fred Goldstein, President, cordially invites all the members of the Women's League as well as all the women of our Congregation and their friends to the first **Open Meeting** of this season which will be held on **Monday, September 28th at 12:30 P.M.** in the Synagogue.

Our Guest Speaker will be our

Selichos This Saturday Night, 1:00 A.M.

ONLY ONE WEEK TO ROSH HASHONA — SOME SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

This Saturday night at 1:00 A.M. all of us, both men and women, will show our earnest desire to repent and to return more fully to the faith, by giving up part of our sleeping hours and gathering instead in our Synagogue to say the "Selichos" prayer. "Selichos" is the plural of the Hebrew word "Selicho" which means forgiveness. As truly G-d fearing people, we are hesitant to approach our maker on the High Holy Days without having made prior preparations to repent. This is the essence of "Selichos".

Beginning with Saturday night or early Sunday morning, "Selichos"

will be said each morning thereafter before the "Shacharis" prayers until Rosh Hashona. Among the prayers included in "Selichos" are "Sh'ma Kolenu", "Ashamnu" (the confession) and the "Yud Gimmel Middos" (the Thirteen Attributes).

Some Seats Still Available

When "Selichos" approaches, it is assumed that all of us have already secured our tickets for the High Holy Days. If for any reason you have not as yet purchased your tickets, you may still do so. We have some seats left at each of our three Services, the Main Synagogue, our own Air-conditioned Grand Ballroom upstairs; and the Air-conditioned Assembly Hall of the Manhattan Towers Hotel. But you must contact the Synagogue office, TR 7-8281 or 8251, as soon as possible, before it is too late.

AN OLD JEWISH CUSTOM

It is a tradition with our people to settle all debts and obligations before the New Year. Members have been receiving statements indicating their indebtedness and we trust that they will follow this sacred custom of our people and send in what they owe as soon as possible before the High Holy Days.

If you have misplaced your statement our office will be pleased to mail you another one and will be glad to explain any questions you may have. Therefore, start the New Year right by clearing up now your dues, pledges and any other obligations.

Associate Rabbi O. Asher Reichel who will talk on "Foundations of our Faith". This lecture promises to be both interesting and informative.

Mrs. Samuel J. Goldberg, a new Executive Board Member, will introduce the Guest Speaker.

Coffee and cake will be served at 12:30 sharp. Please be prompt so that our very interesting program may start on time.

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MRS. GOLDSTEIN'S MESSAGE

As your president, I am eagerly looking forward to greeting you and resuming our joint efforts in behalf of our Womens League. I wish to extend to you and your dear ones our best wishes for a very Happy and Healthful New Year. I express the hope that we continue, together, to give our strength and experience for the work in which we are engaged, for many years to come.

Sincerely,
(Mrs. Fred) Lillian C. Goldstein



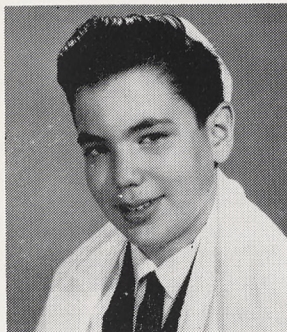
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BAR MITZVAH



Stephen Joel Bernard

Heartiest congratulations to our members Mr. and Mrs. Milton M. Bernard upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Stephen Joel, which will be celebrated in our Synagogue tomorrow morning. Mazel Tov also to both grandmothers.

Stephen is a student in our Hebrew School.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ARMED FORCES OR AT COLLEGE

We would like to send the W.S.I.S. Review to your children who are serving in the Armed Forces, or who are away at College. We believe that they would welcome it because they would want to know what is happening back home and at the W.S.I.S.

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THE PRAYER BOOK

COMMENTS BY RABBI HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN

Psalm 126

(Continued)

"HE SHALL COME HOME WITH JOY BEARING HIS SHEAVES" Please note the plural "sheaves". He will reap not only what he has sown, but many times that amount.

In 1914, I heard the late Rabbi Wolkin of Russia, who came to this country with the late Rabbi Meir Hildesheimer (both of blessed memory) to organize the Agudath Israel. Rabbi Wolkin gave an ingenious explanation of these last two verses. He said "sowing" also refers to charity, as we read in our prayers: "Zoh-ray-ah Ts'daw-kohs" — "sowing charities". Then he explained that whether one "sows" or gives charity tearfully (another appeal!) or whether one gives cheerfully, in both cases they receive reward. But this seems unfair. However, he said, "He who goes and gives grudgingly, certainly gets his reward, but it is only "the measure of his seed"; he gave a dollar, get his reward for the dollar. But he who gives the same amount gladly receives as his reward "MANY SHEAVES", many times the amount he has given.

This Psalm is read before the "Grace after meals."

"BY THE RIVERS OF BABYLON, THERE WE SAT DOWN, YEA, WE WEPT WHEN WE REMEMBERED ZION" This may mean either we sat down, settled there in Babylon in sadness, as is the custom of the mourner (See Isaiah, Chapter 47, verse 1). Another interpretation may be that we settled down, as the prophet Jeremiah declared that we should plant, build houses, and be at peace. In either case we could not forget Zion.

"WE HANGED UP OUR HARPS" Here too there may be two interpretations (1) We gave up joyous occasions, but only for a time, as indicated by the word "taw-lee-nu" — "we hung up" our harps, temporarily, but did not put them away permanently. (2) "The meaning seems to be that the exiles used to accompany their dirges on the harp while sitting by the rivers to lament. When, however, their captors came upon them there and maliciously asked them to go on singing for the amusement of the audience, the harps were laid aside." (A. Cohen Soncino edition Book of Psalms)

"FOR THERE THEY THAT LED US CAPTIVE" The nations always wanted us to forget Zion.

"THE SONGS OF ZION" To sing these songs joyously, for the sport and entertainment of our enemies, was to the captives an awful profanation and degradation.

"IF I FORGET THEE, O, JERUSALEM, LET MY RIGHT HAND FORGET HER CUNNING" What has the right hand to do with forgetting Jerusalem? The answer is that Jerusalem, the Holy City, represents our roots; if one casts aside his roots, he loses his strength. Therefore, the right-hand is employed here, as the symbol of a rule of a man's strength.

"HER CUNNING" is not in the original Hebrew, but some such description is indicated.

"ABOVE MY CHIEF JOY" No joyous experience is to be higher than that of our feeling for Jerusalem. This verse might be translated better, perhaps, as at the height of my joy I may never forget thee O Jerusalem.

"REMEMBER" We ask to remember the children of Edom, the Romans, for what they did. They were ruthless, like the Nazis of our day. They destroyed the Temple entirely, laid waste to the Holy City, and attempted to destroy the Jewish religion.

"THE DAY OF JERUSALEM" The sad day of Jerusalem when all this occurred.

"O DAUGHTER OF BABYLON" referring to the city of Babylon.

**ISRAELI DIARY OF
MRS. HERBERT S. GOLDSTEIN**

June 26, 1958

(Continued)

As we approached the City of Beer-sheva the all-over picture became oriental. In the middle of a large flock of sheep was a well. At the well were shepherds and shepherdesses drawing pails of water from the well with ropes, and then feeding their sheep from the pails. It was a real biblical scene, strongly reminiscent of Jacob and Rachel at the well.

We saw a Bedouin village with many camels, many sheep and the tents in which the Bedouins live, practically underground.

In this vicinity is the agricultural school dedicated to Haim Weizmann which specializes in Negev agriculture. Each part of Israel has a different type of agriculture, depending upon its soil. The Negev soil is very dry and is only useable for certain types of agriculture. This requires a great deal of experimentation.

When we got to Beersheva we headed for that section of the town where a market is held every Thursday for the neighboring communities. Donkeys drawing heavily laden carts, camels with packs hanging down both sides of their humps, men and women in typical Arab attire were walking in the middle of the street, with no regard for traffic. Of course the pace of camels and donkeys makes walking in the middle of the street not too dangerous.

**Vahrzeits From
Our Memorial Plaque**

Sept.	Elul	
26	23	Leo Maltin Saul Moskowitz Therese Salomon
28	25	Louis Becker
29	26	Abraham Eisenman Lipman Pimstein
30	27	Gittel Mellman
Oct.		
1	28	Joseph Siegel Markus Weingarten
2	29	Nathan Joseph Spector Anna Belle Levy

PLEASE NOTE!

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



**WHAT IS ROSH HASHONA?
YOM KIPPUR? SUCCOT?
WHAT IS A SHOFAR?
A MACHZOR?**

These are the subjects about which your children will receive a thorough knowledge if they will be enrolled in our Hebrew School before the Holiday season. The 6-7 year old Beginners Class will meet this Sunday morning at 11:15 o'clock. All other classes are already in session. Children who will be enrolled this week (before Rosh Hashono) will receive a beautiful gold-plated Mogen-David pin as a memento of this holy occasion in their lives. Our principal, Rabbi Reichel, will be glad to discuss with you the educational program of your children.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

- Light Candles Friday Evening Before 6:29
- Weekly Portion: Netzavim Vayelech
- Deuteronomy 29:9-31 Isaiah 61:10-63:9
- Friday Evening Service6:15
- Saturday Morning Service8:50
- Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class5:15
- Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class5:15
- Mincha (followed by Seudah Shlishis) 6:15
- Ethics of the Fathers Chapters 5 and 6
- The Sabbath Terminates7:25
- Selichos Services1 A.M.

Daily Services

- Sunday Morning 8:15, 8:45, 9:15
- Monday and Thursday Mornings about 6:45, about 7:15 and about 8:25
- Selichos 6:20 and 8:00
- Tuesday and Wednesday about 6:40, about 7:15
- Selichos about 7:50 and about 8:25
- Mincha6:40
- Friday Morning — Z'Chor Bris Slichos 5:20 and 6:35
- Morning Services6:40 and 8:00
- Light Candlesbefore 6:19
- Mincha6:15

KINDLY NOTIFY US

Whenever one is ill, kindly notify the Office of the Synagogue so that the Rabbi may visit the patient and a prayer for refuah shlama be said. Unless we are informed, we have no way of knowing.

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

The new administration of our Men's Club, headed by its President, Leon Herman, got off to an auspicious start at the ceremonies attendant upon the honoring of our ex-president Bennett Carter and the installation of its new officers last Saturday night in our Grand Ballroom. The affair was exceptionally well attended and the buffet supper and general camaraderie made for a most enjoyable and stimulating evening . . . Welcome home from abroad to Mr. and Mrs. Manny Kay . . . Heartiest congratulations to Jeffrey Lindenbaum, son of our members Dr. and Mrs. Henry K. Lindenbaum upon his graduation last June from The Bronx High School of Science, his entry into New York University (uptown), and his winning a New York State Regents Scholarship . . . Mazel Tov to Men's Club Recording Secretary and Mrs. Jacob Goldberg upon the birth of a son to their children Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Nelson . . . All best wishes in their new home to Mr. and Mrs. William Alton; and to Mr. Lawrence Kobrin, a former associate editor of this Bulletin, in his new law office . . . The host of our weekly Saturday afternoon Seudah Shlishis tomorrow will be our Director Jacob Goodman . . . Good to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mirken are on the mend after their recent auto accident while touring Europe.

Birthdays Greetings Sept.

- 25—Judith Bernstein
Mrs. Morris Edelson
President Lester Udell
- 26—Philip Nager
- 27—Solomon Drukker
Etta T. Gertz
Ellen May Greenfield
Joseph Moses
- 28—Mrs. Mae Feltman
George Samuel Greenstein
- 29—Mrs. Jess E. Gross
Jonathan (Livingston) Harris
- 30—Mrs. Lenore Finkelstein

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- 1—Mrs. Jacob Bayer
- ### Anniversary Greetings Sept.
- 28—Mr. & Mrs. Joseph M. Kleinfeld

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