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WEST SIDE REAL ESTATE IN THE NEWS

A recent article in the New York Times notes that besides the much talked about government supported building operations in our community, private builders are taking a new interest in the West Side.

Ten new luxury apartment structures are currently under way within walking distance of our Synagogue. Among them will be a twenty-story structure on Riverside Drive and 78th Street, a thirty-five story rental building on West 72nd Street off Central Park West, a six-story cooperative at 2 Riverside Drive, and a seventeen-story cooperative on 70th Street off West End Avenue. The others are in the upper 60's and 80's.

WHERE ARE ALL OUR GRADUATES?

In order for the names of our June graduates to appear in the final issue of this season's **Review** we must have the information in our office by May 28th.

Kindly include the name of the graduate, the school, degree, if any, and the school he or she will enter next September.

MRS. SAMUEL GURSKY REELECTED PRESIDENT OF MR. & MRS. LEAGUE



Mrs. Gursky

At the last meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. League Board the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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A very exciting program of activities has been planned for our young married couples for the coming year. We hope that more of our readers will join the ranks of our Mr. & Mrs. League.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS SABBATH



*Dr. Frank E. Fink, Commander
Buddy Friedman Post, J.W.V.*

The Buddy Friedman Post of the Jewish War Veterans, which meets in our Synagogue, cordially invites its members and all veterans of our community to attend services this Saturday morning in honor of Memorial Day.

Mr. Robert F. Hofbauer, Senior Vice-Commander of the Post, will serve as Cantor at Shachris.

Dr. Frank E. Fink, Commander of our Post, will bring greetings to our Congregation on this occasion.

HEBREW SCHOOL LAG B'OMER OUTING

This Sunday, our children will meet in front of the Synagogue at 9:30 A.M., and then proceed to Riverside Drive Athletic Field at the foot of 72nd Street for our Annual outing and inter-school tournament. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the events.

Children must have consent slips signed by parents before they join the outing.

In case of inclement weather the outing will be postponed and regular classes will be held.

Mrs. Davids' class will meet at the regular hour in our building on Sunday, May 27th, at which time they will have their own Lag B'Omer party and celebrate the completion of their basic studies in Hebrew script.

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FUNERAL PRACTICES

In time of tragedy it is comforting to be cognizant of the hallowed Jewish laws and traditions concerning the burial rites.

1. The deceased should be provided with a religious attendant, "Shomer."
2. There must be proper "taharah" or washing of the remains by religiously qualified persons.
3. The remains must be dressed in traditional Shrouds, "takhrikhim."
4. A simple wooden coffin should be used.
5. There should be no public viewing of the body.
6. Flowers and music are not permissible.
7. The law requires that a tear, "kreech," be made in the garment of the mourner. For this purpose a jacket, vest, sweater or dress should be used. The "ribbon" does not satisfy the requirements of the law and should not be used.
8. The grave must be filled in before commencing the funeral service.
9. There must be no Sabbath violation in the preparations for the funeral.
10. The burial should take place as soon as possible after death.

THE PRAYER BOOK

Comments by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

The Friday Evening Psalms

PSALM 29

This Psalm and not the 100th Psalm, should have followed Psalm 99 in order. The reason for its omission is that Psalm 100 is a Thanksgiving Psalm belonging properly to the morning daily prayer-service. This Psalm 29 is most fitting for the Sabbath, describing G-d as "King enthroned forever," after the various storms, evidences of G-d's might and majesty, have subsided.

1) SONS OF MIGHT

The children of the STRONG, the Patriarchs, who are more acceptable, than others. The Strong with G-d in faith are greater, giving inspiration and courage amidst storm and stress, than the average person acting the same way.

2) IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

Scripture always stresses the figure of speech, "the Beauty of Holiness," and not as the Greek philosophers did in the expression, "the Holiness of Beauty." I fear we too are exchanging Beauty for Holiness.

3) THE VOICE

The ten voices mentioned in this Psalm represent strength. When one is zealous or rages he cries out with a powerful voice.

UPON THE WATERS

G-d showed His Strength at the Red Sea.

9) MAKETH THE HINDS TO GIVE BIRTH

These are realities. The hinds give birth and other animals take the calf.

10) THE L-RD SAT ENTHRONED AT THE FLOOD; YEA THE L-RD WILL SIT AS KING FOREVER

What a glorious prophecy. Just, as after the Flood, all understood there is an Almighty G-d, so in the future with the coming of the Messiah mankind will perceive G-d righting history and believe in and subscribe to the Moral Law, — the Torah. Thus we read in the next and closing verse.

11) THE L-RD WILL GIVE STRENGTH TO HIS PEOPLE

This strength is always an allusion to Israel's Torah.

THE L-RD WILL BLESS HIS PEOPLE WITH PEACE

The result of this Strength will and must ultimately bring Peace.

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REBECCA F. GOLDSTEIN WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Closing Board Meeting To Be Held On June 4th

It is very important for every member of the Board of Directors to attend this meeting on **June 4th at 12:30 P.M.** in our **Women's League Clubroom**. Your ideas and suggestions are very much needed to formulate our plans and programs for the coming season. Mark the date on your calendar and make every effort to attend.

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Women's Branch Chapter Entertained by Women's League

On Monday, May 14th, the Metropolitan Chapter of the Women's Branch of the U.O.J.C. of A. were the guest of our Women's League for a Dessert Luncheon and Installation Meeting. Many thanks to **Jen Schreiber** for pinch-hitting for our President who was unable to be present to welcome the guests. A special thanks to **Rose Schwager** for preparing the delicious repast and to the following women who helped her with the serving: Mesdames Sylvia Anstendig, Kate Goodman, Rose Gura, Bertha Koch, Minnie Lehman, Debbie Lehman, Miriam Morse, Anne Soffer and Jen Yabrow.

Birthday Greetings

May

- 21—Felice Reisman
- 25—Richard B. Goldstein
Barbara Miller
Aaron Neustadter
- 26—Eugene Mark Bergman
David Goldberg
Mrs. Harold Miller
Murray B. Yavneh
- 27—Mrs. Joseph Blankfort
Mrs. Mark Linker
Buddy Udell
- 28—Scott S. Bergman
Mrs. Monroe Gaines
Mrs. Irving Kobrin
Mrs. Max Zahler
- 29—Louis Landowne
- 30—Sandra Kay Grossman
Mrs. Edgar L. Rybakoff
- 31—Rachel Ann Goldsmith

Anniversary Greetings

- 25—Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Udell
- 29—Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Rotto
President & Mrs. Lester Udell
- 30—Dr. & Mrs. M. S. Gershweir
Mr. & Mrs. Julius Schreiber
- 31—Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Tessler

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

Friday, May 25th

*Light Candles Before	7:57
*Mincha	6:40
Saturday Morning	9:00
Sedra — Bechukosai	
Junior Congregation	10:40
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	7:00
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class	7:00
Mincha	8:00

Perek V

Reader of the Torah: Roger Linker	
Reader of the Service: Stanley Kaplan	
Sabbath Terminates	8:53

DAILY SERVICES

Sunday Morning	7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Monday & Thursday	
Mornings	6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday	
Mornings	6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha	8:10
Wednesday — Rabbi Pekier's	
Talmud Class	7:10
Friday, June 1st	
*Light Candles Before	8:02
*Mincha	6:40
Saturday, June 2nd	8:50
Blessing of New Month	

* Those who usher in the Sabbath with the Congregation at an early hour should recite the full "Shma" and count the Omer after dark.

SEFIRA CHECK LIST

Week Beginning Friday, May 25th

Friday night	37 Omer
Saturday night	38 Omer
Sunday night	39 Omer
Monday night	40 Omer
Tuesday night	41 Omer
Wednesday night	42 Omer
Thursday night	43 Omer

JUNIOR CONGREGATION NOTES

The following were elected as officers of the Junior Congregation: Ronald Bernard, President, Ben Brief, Vice-President, Hillel Reichel, Cantor of the Month, Rose Pekier and Hannah Romerovski, Hostesses.

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A NOTE TO OUR ANONYMOUS CORRESPONDENT

Dear Friend:

Your constructive suggestions are well taken.

I wish you would speak to me about them because great ideas at times require much deliberation in order for them to be realized.

Sincerely,

O. Asher Reichel
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As a matter of fact there is no guarantee of kashruth in the name of any company, per se. One should always look for the Ⓢ emblem on the label.

GETTING PERSONAL

by Sanford Solarz

Congregational felicitations to our distinguished member, Supreme Court Justice Harry B. Frank, upon being designated Chairman of the newly-founded West Side Community Concerts, which will sponsor free outdoor concerts in our community; and to Mr. Harry Brandt who was presented with "The Order of the Legion of Merit of the Republic of Italy," by the Government of Italy . . . At our tomorrow Sabbath morning services Robert Levine will chant the concluding part of the Service; last Saturday Michael Widlandski chanted the part . . . Our heartfelt welcome into our Congregational family to Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Benjamin . . . Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slayton (our Women's League Board member) upon the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Robert Glasser; and to our Women's League Board member and Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Jen Yabrow, upon the Bas Mitzvah of her granddaughter, Susan Reich . . . Bon voyage to Director and Mrs. Maurice Greenstein upon their trip to California and to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slayton on their trip to Florida . . . Welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Lipman from Florida, and from Israel to Mr. and Mrs. Alader Bernath and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zagayski.

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REGIONAL CONVENTION IN JAMAICA, N.Y. WEEKEND OF JUNE 1st

Our teenagers are invited to spend a wonderful weekend as our delegates to the Regional Convention of the Long Island and Bronx-Manhattan Regions of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth of the UOJCA from Friday afternoon, June 1st, until Sunday afternoon, June 3rd, in Jamaica, N.Y.

The exciting program includes recreational activities, Saturday night entertainment, an oratorical

contest, group singing and discussions.

The cost for the entire event including lodging and food is only \$8.50. Headquarters will be at The Congregation Mishkan Israel of Jamaica, 153-14 90th Avenue, Jamaica 32, N.Y.

Send your reservations at once to Rabbi Elihu Marcus at the above address. Also kindly inform Rabbi Reichel that you plan to attend.

JUNIOR LEAGUE BOWLING PARTY SUNDAY EVE., JUNE 3rd

The closing event of our Junior League (Senior High School students) will feature a Bowling Party on Sunday evening, June 3rd. All

who wish to participate in this event are to meet in front of the Synagogue at 7:00 P.M., Mr. Berglas, the club advisor, announced.

NATIONAL CONVENTION WEEKEND OF JUNE 21st

The ninth annual National Convention and Torah Pilgrimage of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America will take place this year in New York City and at The Pine View Hotel, Fallsburg, New York, from Thursday through Sunday, June 21, 22, 23 and 24.

The program features an exciting religious, social, educational and organizational exercise for select teenagers, an opportunity to make new friends, interesting seminars and workshops, Israeli music and song, prominent guests, convention business, fascinating discussions, social and recreational activities, a

boat tour around New York City, outstanding awards and contests, elections of national NCSY officers, leadership and skill sessions.

Because of last year's overwhelming response, coupled with the heartwarming and enthusiastic reaction of the participants and the rapid growth of NCSY as reflected in the twenty-four regional NCSY conventions which have taken place this year, a response far beyond the three hundred places available is anticipated.

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