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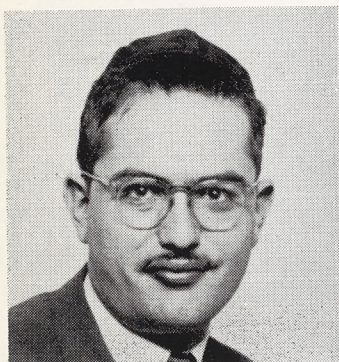
20 Kislev, 5724

We join all humanity
in mourning the death of

**President
John F. Kennedy**

A memorial service was held in
our Synagogue on the day of
his funeral.

FRIDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS AND ONEG SHABBAT TO BEGIN TONIGHT



Rabbi Morton Garfiel

All our neighbors, ladies and gentlemen, are cordially invited to participate in the study of the Sedra of the week which will again be conducted three week-ends by our member, Rabbi Morton Garfiel, beginning tonight, Friday evening, December 6th at 7:45 o'clock.

Our sweet-singing Cantor Joseph Ellner will likewise highlight the Friday evenings with zemiros and rehearsals with his Men's Choral Group which will assist him at the Sabbath services.

Refreshments will be served.

COLLEGIATES GET-TOGETHER

Another reunion of our Collegiates will take place at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel on Friday evening, December 20th, at 8:30 o'clock.

Teenagers (13 to 16)

Join the fun Sunday mornings at 11:15. For details call TR 7-8281.

W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE

*"Tal Umater" in Shmonah Esray
as of Thursday Night, Dec. 5th*

Friday, December 6th

Light Candles Before4:11
Mincha4:15

Rabbi Garfiel's Class on the Sedrah
and Zemiros with Cantor Ellner 7:45

Saturday, December 7th

Morning Service9:00

Sedra: Vayeshav

Junior Congregation10:45

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class2:55

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class.....2:55

Mincha3:55

Seuda Shlishis

Sabbath Terminates5:08

Week of December 8th

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45

Monday Morning6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Tuesday Morning6:45, 7:45, 8:15

Wed., Thurs. & Friday

Chanukah6:30, 7:30, 8:10

Mincha Daily4:20

Wednesday Nights — Rabbi Pekier's

Talmud Class8:00

Friday, December 13th

Light Chanukah and Sabbath

Candles Before4:11

Mincha4:15

Rabbi Garfiel's Bible Class7:45

Saturday, December 14th — Chanukah

Morning Service8:45

Sedra: Miketz

Blessing of New Month

Junior Congregation10:45

Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class2:55

Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class.....2:55

Mincha3:55

Reader of Service:

Abraham Kraushar

Reader of Torah: Robert Spira

Seuda Shlishis

Host: Mr. Nathan M. Woloch

Sabbath Terminates5:09

Week of December 15th

Sunday - Chanukah7:00, 8:00, 8:40

Mon. & Tues. - Rosh Chodesh

Teves and Chanukah

6:30, 7:30, 8:10

Wednesday - Chanukah

6:30, 7:30, 8:10

Thursday6:45, 7:45, 8:30

Friday6:45, 7:45, 8:15

Mincha Daily4:20

Friday, December 20th

Light Candles Before4:13

Mincha4:20

Rabbi Garfiel's Bible Class7:45

CHANUKAH



Beginning with Tuesday night, December 10th, Chanukah will be celebrated in Jewish homes and Synagogues eight days.

This festival commemorates one of the major turning points in Jewish history. In 168 B.C.E., the Syrian emperor, Antiochus Epiphanus, launched a campaign of religious persecution against the Jews. His soldiers likewise desecrated the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. For three years Judah the Maccabee led a valiant army of loyal followers against the mighty Syrian legions. After routing the enemy hordes, they rededicated the Holy Temple and reestablished the traditional worship. This consecration was celebrated for eight days.

To this day we kindle Chanukah lamps to celebrate not only the events of the hoary past but also as a symbol of the Almighty's mighty deeds throughout the ages.

The Lighting of The Chanukah Menorah

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

On Friday, we light the Chanukah candles **before** the Sabbath candles; on Saturday night the Chanukah candles are kindled **after** Havdalah is made.

Benedictions Over the Candles

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

Baruch a-tah ado-e-lo-kenu me-lech ha-olam she-assah ni-sim la-avo-se-nu ba-yamim ha-hem baz'-man ha-zeh.

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.

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Manhattan Day School Dinner

The Manhattan Day School Dinner, which was cancelled in respect to the memory of President John F. Kennedy, will take place at the Pierre Hotel on Wednesday evening, December 11th. For reservations and further details call the school office MO 3-5200.

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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th IS THE LAST DAY FOR RESERVATIONS FOR OUR JOINT GALA CHANUKAH PARTY

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MEN'S CLUB

H. WILLIAM HIRSCH AND HIS CO-OFFICERS RE-ELECTED Installation Of New Officers At Meeting Monday, December 16th

By unanimous acclaim all the officers of our Men's Club were re-elected for another term: H. William Hirsch — President, Murray Rosenberg — 1st Vice-President, Max Klein — 2nd Vice-President, Julius Wiesel — Secretary, and Henry Kaufman — Treasurer. The officers will be installed at the next meeting of our Men's Club on Monday evening, December 16th, in the Men's Club Gold Room. New faces and new members will be most welcome.

You will like the fun and thrills of Game Night on Thursday at the Manhattan Towers.

CELEBRATING THEIR SILVER ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. George Gersony

Congratulations to our Trustee and Mrs. George Gersony upon their Silver Wedding Anniversary. We wish them scores of years of good health and happiness.

HEBREW SCHOOL NOTES

Our pupils will perform at the Hebrew School Chanukah Assembly on Sunday morning, December 15th at 10:30 o'clock. Parents are welcome.

Our pupils will receive Chanukah Candles and Menorahs with the compliments of our Women's League.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

We point with pride to our member, Mr. Charles H. Bendheim, and our Trustee, Mr. Henry L. Kraushar, who are Chairman and Co-Chairman, respectively, of the Annual Dinner of the Ponevez Yeshiva at the Hotel Pierre on Wednesday, December 18th; to Trustee Henry Hirsch upon his election to the Presidium of Yeshiva Torah Vodaath; to our life member, Mr. Morris J. Sydney, who was honored at the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Louis Levine-Royal Lodge of Brith Sholom (held in our Congregation's Ballroom) of which he is one of its founders and past presidents; to Mr. Isidor Scharfman who was honored on the occasion of his 78th birthday at a Dinner tendered by Mary Mann Philanthropic League of which he is President; and to our member, Mr. Isidore Teitelbaum, who was honored by the Ionic Lodge of the F. & A.M. on his Fiftieth Masonic Birthday . . . Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. George Wiener in their new home . . . Welcome home to Miss Astrid Heyman from her visit to Europe, Mrs. Eva Margolis from Mexico, and to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kestenbaum, who were on a brief visit from England . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for Mrs. Rose Gura . . . Mazel Tov to our Women's League member, Mrs. Esther Turtz, and to Dr. Philip Greenwald, upon their marriage in our Synagogue; to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gertner, upon the birth of a son to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Gertner in Israel; to our Women's League member, Mrs. William Weeden, upon the birth of Alexander to her children, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gittler; and to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ukeles, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Oppenheimer, upon the birth of Karen to their children, Cantor and Mrs. Alfred Oppenheimer . . . Best wishes to Mrs. Anna Dworkin and her son, Mr. Ben Dworkin, on their trip to Florida.

Rebecca F. Goldstein Women's League

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Those who attended our Donor Luncheon on Monday, December 2nd, can only sing praises for its beauty, dignity and enjoyment. It was the most outstanding one we have ever had. We thank everyone of our members for being present and especially **Ida Shlansky** and **Evelyn Udell** for selling the most Subscription Books. Our thanks to the Chairman, Mrs. Irving Balmuth, and her wonderful Co-Chairmen and co-workers as well as the entire Committee for working so diligently for the financial and social success of this function.

Kosher Cruise

The Mizrahi Women will benefit if you will make reservations for the Kosher Caribbean Cruise beginning January 6th by phoning its office at GR 7-4720.

DONORS TO THE APPEAL FOR HOMES FOR CHILDREN IN ISRAEL WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

CONDOLENCES

We sorrowfully record the passing of the following members of our Congregational Family and extend our deepest sympathy to their dear ones: **Bertha Allen** — our late Women's League member, wife of our member and Talmud Instructor, Mr. Isaac Allen.

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DAILY NEWS

3-in-One For Sutherland Jan. 5

By DOUGLAS WATT

Joan Sutherland, the Australian lark, will sing three roles in one evening on Sunday, Jan. 5, at the Met. She'll appear in a full-staged first act of Verdi's "La Traviata," do the Mad Scene from "Lucia di Lammermoor" and wind things up with the third act of "La Sonnambula."

The affair will benefit the West Side Institutional Synagogue, holding a gala celebration for its 25th year of Met benefits.

The full "Lucia" had been scheduled for that night but due, apparently, to the fact that Miss Sutherland will open the next season in a brand-new "Lucia" production, all this season's scheduled performances of the Donizetti work have been canceled.

Others Set

George Schick will conduct "Traviata" and Silvio Varviso will lead the other two.

Sandor Konya will be the Alfredo in "Traviata," Richard Tucker will sing the Tomb Scene in "Lucia" and Nicolai Gedda, Giorgio Tozzi, Jeanette Scovotti and Lili Chookasian will appear in the "Sonnambula" scene.

Met's Scratch
Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor" scheduled as a vehicle for Joan Sutherland this season at the Metropolitan not to be heard there this year, it is being replaced by a new production of "Traviata" which will be sung in December. She has done "Sonnambula" there before.

Joan Sutherland to Sing 'Lucia,' is '64 Met Opener

NOVEMBER 16, 1963

MET BENEFIT SLATED BY JOAN SUTHERLAND

Joan Sutherland will make her first appearance with the Metropolitan Opera this season in a benefit on Jan. 5, singing roles from three different operas. She was originally scheduled to sing the complete "Lucia di Lammermoor," the season's first, on that night. She will do the mad scene from "Lucia," however, as one of the three.

For the other two, the soprano will be heard in the fully staged first act of "La Traviata" and in the third act of "La Sonnambula." Miss Sutherland's first complete "Traviata" with the Met will be sung in December. She has done "Sonnambula" there before.

The change in schedule was made because of the Met's decision to open the 1964-65 season with a new production of "Lucia" with Miss Sutherland

musical and revue workshop at South Theatre. . . . part in the

New York Times

PARMENTER

needed more performances in the role before singing it in New York to get it, as Mr. Breslin explained, more fully "under her belt."

In an interview on Monday

in the title role, rather than one of "Norma" as first planned for Miss Sutherland. By agreement between Miss Sutherland and Rudolf Bing, general manager of the Metropolitan, the season's five additional performances of "Lucia" will be dropped. The old "Lucia" is being retired early to give the new production undivided attention between now and next opening night.

Several other Met stars will sing at the Jan. 5 performance which is a celebration of the 25th anniversary of the West Side Institutional Synagogue, 120-138 West 76 Street.

Except for the Jan. 5 program, the replacements for the canceled performances have not yet been announced.

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