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OUR OPERA BENEFIT AT THE MET ARTISTIC AND FINANCIAL SUCCESS

A capacity audience was spell-bound by the outpouring of great vocal artistry and spectacular pageantry on the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House in the performance of Aida for the benefit of our Synagogue on January 17th.

The artistic success was equalled by the realization to the W.S.I.S. of the largest net amount received in twenty-six years of benefit performances—this despite a heavy snow-fall preceding the performance.

Hundreds of telephone calls were received by the Synagogue office in the hope of purchasing a cancelled ticket. About \$800 were refunded to persons requesting tickets in locations that were sold out — the reason that this sum is not larger is because many extended themselves and sent additional checks for more expensive seats.

Requests for tickets came from many distant countries including Australia, England, South America and France.

The W.S.I.S. was host to many dignitaries of stage, screen and TV. With us that evening were the cast of "Hello Dolly" (occupying three boxes), Sammy Davis, Jr. and cast of "Golden Boy", John Gielgud, Skitch Henderson, and novelist Pearl Buck. Many boxes were occupied by industrial firms, too numerous to mention, as well as members of the Philharmonic.

Our Opera Committee Chairman Herman H. Cohen, and Co-Chairmen Jacob Kaplan and Alexander Rauchman, are to be congratulated for their super-heroic efforts. We likewise wish to congratulate our members, congregants and friends for sharing in this wonderful project. A vote of thanks also to the Synagogue staff, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kaplan, Miss Esther Blumberg and Miss Sheila Ellner, who answered over 100 phone calls a day and compiled a long list of people who are looking forward to attending next year's benefit.

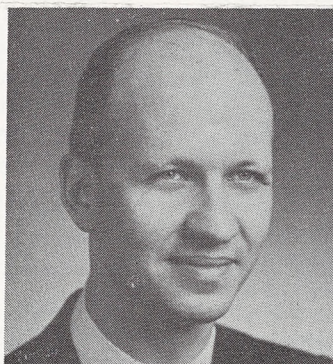
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W.S.I.S. PUBLIC LECTURE

Monday, February 15th, 8:30 P.M.

"Judaism's Encounter With Christianity"

GUEST SPEAKER



Prof. Irving Greenberg

Our members, congregants, neighbors and readers from near and afar are cordially welcome to our Public Lecture on Monday evening, February 15th, at 8:30 o'clock. The topic for the evening, "Judaism's Encounter with Christianity — Retrospect and Prospect," is very timely. Our guest speaker, Prof. Irving Greenberg, is well qualified by his scholarship and research in the subject to enlighten all his listeners.

Professor Greenberg received his Ph.D. from Harvard University and was ordained by the Beth Joseph Rabbinical Seminary. He was Fulbright Lecturer in History at the Tel Aviv University and is presently Associate Professor of History at Yeshiva College. Dr. Greenberg has recently been awarded a special grant by the National Foundation for Jewish Culture to write a book on the Mussar movement in the 19th century. He is also Chairman of the Advisory Board of Yavneh, the National Jewish Students Association.

Our Lecture Series is co-sponsored by our Men's Club, Women's League, Mr. & Mrs. League, Lincoln Center League, Elite Club, Young Adults League, and P.T.A.

Admission Free

thanks the participation of our guest stars, Leontyne Price, Irene Dalis, Richard Tucker, Robert Merrill, Ezio Flagello and Louis Sgarro, Conductor William Steinberg, General Manager Rudolf Bing, Assistant Manager Robert Herman, Assistant Artistic Administrator Paul Jaretzki, Box Office Manager Alfred Hubay and Box Office Treasurer Sol Wallace.

THE OPERA CO-CHAIRMEN

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will be honored this Saturday, January 30th with a KIDDUSH tendered by our Synagogue as well as deserved tribute.

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W.S.I.S. PRAYER SCHEDULE**Friday, January 29th**

Light Candles Before4:51
Mincha4:55

Saturday, January 30th

Morning Service9:00
Sedra: Mishpatim
Blessing of New Month
Junior Congregation10:45
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class
(in Yiddish)3:30
Mr. Isaac Allen's Talmud Class
(in English)3:30
Mincha4:30
Reader of Service: Mervyn Frankel
Reader of Torah: Levi Pekier
Seuda Shlishis
Host: Mr. Bruno Bayer
Sabbath Terminates5:49

Week of January 31st

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Mon. & Thurs.6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tues. & Wed. — Rosh Chodesh
Adar I6:30, 7:30, 8:10
Mincha Daily5:00
Weds. — Rabbi Pekier's Class8:00

Friday, February 5th

Morning Services6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Light Candles Before5:00
Mincha5:00

Saturday, February 6th

Morning Service9:00
Sedra: Terumah
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class3:40
Mr. Allen's Talmud Class3:40
Mincha4:40
Reader of Service: Seymour Klein
Reader of Torah: Ronald Bernard
Seuda Shlishis
Host: Mr. Robert Hofbauer
Sabbath Terminates5:56

Week of February 7th

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:15, 8:45
Mon. & Thurs.6:45, 7:45, 8:30
Tues., Wed. & Fri.6:45, 7:45, 8:15
Mincha Daily5:10

Friday, February 12th

Light Candles Before5:09
Mincha5:10

Saturday, Feb. 13th—Morning9:00

Men's Club**MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MONDAY, FEB. 1st**

Our congregants and readers are cordially invited to join our members at our meeting on Monday evening, February 1st, at 8:15 o'clock, in the Gold Room on the fourth floor. Following the business program you are invited to join us for refreshments and socializing.

MEN'S CLUB THEATRE PARTY

Mr. Gerard Benjamin, Chairman of our Theatre Party, is happy to announce that tickets are available for Rodgers & Hammerstein's "The Sound of Music" at the Rivoli Theatre, for Sunday evening, March 7th. A limited number of reserved orchestra seats are available at six dollars each. Checks should be made payable to the "Men's Club", and may be sent to the Synagogue office.

OUR SECRETARY-TREASURER**Benjamin Etzkowitz**

We felicitate the newly elected Secretary — Treasurer of our Men's Club. A Lincoln Center resident, Mr. Etzkowitz has been an active member and a regular congregant since he moved into our community several years ago. Our very best wishes to him.

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, "takhrik-him."
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, "Kreeah," 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.
11. Embalming and other problems should be discussed with your Rabbi.

**WSIS CALENDAR
OF EVENTS****Monday, Feb. 1, 11:30 A.M.**

OPENING BIBLE CLASS
BY RABBI REICHEL
PRECEDING WOMEN'S
LEAGUE MEETING

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Monday, Feb. 1, 12:30 P.M.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE OPEN
MEETING

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Monday, Feb. 1, 8:15 P.M.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

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Tuesday, Feb. 2, 8:00 P.M.

ELITE CLUB SOCIAL

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Tues., Feb. 2 and 9, 8:00 P.M.

ADULT HEBREW CLASS

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Monday, Feb. 15, 8:30 P.M.

WSIS PUBLIC LECTURE

Condolences

We sorrowfully record the passing of the following of our Congregational Family and extend our deepest sympathy to their dear ones:

Sol Anstendig — our member, husband of our Women's League Board member, Mrs. Sylvia Anstendig.

Celia Fried — sister of our Women's League Board member, Mrs. Rose Gura.

Julius Vorchheimer — father of Mr. Fred Vorchheimer.

REBECCA F. GOLDSTEIN WOMEN'S LEAGUE

OPEN MEETING TO BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 1st

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend an OPEN MEETING on **Monday, February 1st at 12:30 P.M. in our Women's League Clubroom.** The program of the afternoon — "The Vatican Council and the Jews" by Mr. Irving Levine, guest speaker.

Coffee and Cake will be served.

"HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BIBLE" MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1st

Our own **Rabbi O. Asher Reichel** has graciously consented to lecture on "Highlights from the Bible" on the same day as our Open Meeting at **11:30 A.M.** Come early and take advantage of listening to a most interesting talk.

A question period will follow each lecture.

CHILDREN'S VILLAGE LUNCHEON MONDAY, MARCH 15th



Mrs. Martin Levine

Plans are being formulated for our Annual Children's Village Luncheon. The new Chairman **Rae Levine** is very enthusiastic and wants to make this Luncheon the best ever. She can do this only if each one cooperates with her fully. Let's get behind her by inviting all our friends and relatives, making donations to help defray expenses and bringing treasure chest gifts. The admission for this Luncheon is \$6.00 per person.

THE PAINTING OF OUR SYNAGOGUE

"How beautiful are Thy tents, O Jacob." These words of the Bible came to the minds of many of our worshippers as we beheld the painting that has been started to enhance the beauty of our Synagogue, thanks to Mr. H. William Hirsch who succeeded in securing the cooperation of the Men's Club and the Mr. and Mrs. League, and to our Senior Rebetzin, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, who made the first contribution to start the project.

Many people have a feeling of love for the House of G-d, and are anxious like Bezalel who helped in the creation of the Tabernacle, to do their

share. Because of his great love for all the detailed work, he was called Bezalel, which means "in the shadow of G-d." Like Bezalel may we be in the shadow of G-d and receive His protection for helping to beautify and glorify the Synagogue. We would like the further painting of the Synagogue and the sandblasting of the front of the Synagogue to begin soon.

Please fill in the coupon below and mail same to us. All the names of the contributors will be announced in our Review and we hope that in the immediate future we will have received sufficient contributions to enable us to complete the work.

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ADULT HEBREW CLASSES

Rabbi Morton Garfil will resume teaching our Adult Hebrew Class on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 8:00 P.M. If you have some background in Hebrew it will be worth your while to join the class.

MR. & MRS. LEAGUE

Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Heiser will be the hosts at a Board meeting on Wednesday, February 10th, at 8:30 P.M.

ELITE CLUB SOCIAL TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd

Single people over 28 are cordially invited to the monthly Social of our Elite Club, which will be held on Tuesday, February 2nd, at 8:00 P.M. Nominal admission charge.



We are happy to welcome the following new members into our Congregational Family: Mrs. Martha Eisman, Mr. and Mrs. Max Gottfried, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Klein, Mr. Michael Miron, and Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Weissbard.

GETTING PERSONAL

By Sanford Solarz

We point with pride to our Trustee, Mr. Abraham M. Druckman, who was the recipient of personal invitations from the President and Vice-President of the United States to participate in the inaugural festivities in Washington; to Professor Josef Alexander, composer, conductor and concert pianist, who had the first performance of his Symphony No. 2 played by the Orchestra of America at Carnegie Hall, and whose other compositions have been played by the New York Philharmonic and other prominent symphonies; and to Mrs. Evelyn Favus, who is having an exhibit of her colored ink drawings at the Charles Z. Mann Gallery, 1104 Lexington Avenue through the first week of February . . . Congratulations to our member, Mr. Gabriel Feigenbaum, upon his marriage to Janini Keller; to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan K. Gross upon the marriage of their son, Hillel, to Felise Garelick, daughter of Mrs. Joseph Renov and the late Rabbi Philip Garelick; to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Max Selsky upon the birth of Justin Charles, to their children, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold C. Brasch; and to Mrs. Esther Lobell, on the birth of Laureen Lee to her children, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mansfield . . . We are happy to have visiting us again from Israel, Rabbi Shear-Yashuv Cohen, son-in-law of our Senior Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, and member of the Executive Committee of the City Council of Jerusalem. He was our guest preacher . . . Many thanks to Mrs. Joseph Klein for preparing the Women's League Tu B'Shevat delicious treats for our Hebrew School children . . . Welcome home from Israel to Dr. and Mrs. Meyer Texon; and to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Kuber Rabbi and Mrs. Isidor M. Binder, Trustee and Mrs. Murray Cumsky and Trustee and Mrs. Joseph L. Rosenberg from California and points south . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for Dr. Mortimer Greer, Mr. Sol Redlich and Dr. Leon Wulman . . . Our thanks to Mr. Carl Grossberg for his generous supply of Snow Melt . . . Congratulations to Lester, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Handler, upon passing the Bar. He is associated with the law firm, Jung, Selikoff & Rothman.

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Jan.

- 29—Mrs. Arnold C. Brasch, Robert Levine, Mrs. Arthur Udell
- 30—Mrs. Gabriel S. Goldstein, Elliot Kamerman, Aaron I. Reichel, Laurie Udell
- 31—Trustee William Foont, John D. Garrett, Mrs. Leopold Hirsch, Mrs. Jules Howard

Feb.

- 1—Mrs. Rebecca H. Becker, Carol Bernstein, Mrs. Ben Glazer
- 4—Jay M. Cohen, Richard Weinstein
- 5—Mrs. Isidore Ehrman
- 6—Henry Cohen, Mrs. Joseph Cohen, Buddy Diamond, Mrs. Arthur H. Hecht, Linda Levine
- 7—Marian Byalick
- 8—Mrs. Myron Smith
- 9—Fagey Ellner
- 10—Audrey Adelson, Michael Goodman, Deborah Krauss

ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

Jan.

- 29—Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Cohen
- 30—Mr. & Mrs. Ben K. Eisenberg
- Mr. & Mrs. Elliot Wohl

Feb.

- 1—Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Klein
- 2—Dr. & Mrs. Arthur H. Hecht
- 5—Mr. & Mrs. Leon Tauber
- 6—Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Z. Shapiro
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