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REMEMBER SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th FOR THE DEDICATION OF OUR NEW SANCTUARY AND DINNER IN OUR NEW BALLROOM

We look forward to a record attendance by our own congregants as well as our friends and neighbors — especially those who consider the W.S.I.S. their spiritual home — present at the Dedication Services of our new Sanctuary on Sunday afternoon, December 17th. This event will be graced by many dignitaries in public life.

Now is the time for all our members, congregants, and friends to make their liberal pledges toward our Building Fund and to sponsor rooms, stained glass windows, doors, and other appurtenances in our Sanctuary. Special Donors' Plaques may likewise be reserved. You may wish to discuss your plans with our officers very soon. A list of items is available in our office.

W.S.I.S. Prayer Schedule

Friday, November 17th

Light Sabbath Candles Before.....4:20
Minchah4:25

Saturday, November 18th

Morning Service8:50
Sedra: Vayera
Junior Congregation11:00
Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class
(in English)3:15
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class
(in Yiddish)3:15
Minchah4:15
Reader of Service: Robert Levine
Reader of Torah: Elliot Spira
Sabbath Terminates5:15

Week of November 19th**Sunday & Thanksgiving Day**

Mornings7:15, 8:30
Mon. thru Fri.6:45, 7:50
Minchah Daily—Followed by
Exposition of Halachos
by Rabbi Reichel4:25
Wed. — Rabbi Pekier's
Talmud Class8:00

Friday, November 24th

Light Sabbath Candles Before.....4:14
Minchah4:20

Saturday, November 25th

Morning Service8:50
Sedrah: Chayay Sarah
Junior Congregation11:00
Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Class.....3:10
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class.....3:10
Minchah4:10
Reader of Service: Mervyn Frankel
Reader of Torah: David Kahn
Sabbath Terminates5:11

Week of November 26th

Sunday Morning7:15, 8:30
Mon. thru Fri.6:45, 7:50
Minchah Daily4:20

Friday, December 1st

Light Sabbath Candles Before.....4:12

JERUSALEM VICE MAYOR GUEST SPEAKER SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

**Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen**

At our Sabbath services on November 25th our congregants will have the pleasure of hearing a first-hand report on the Holy City of Jerusalem and all of Israel from its Vice Mayor and member of its City Council, Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen. Rabbi Cohen, who has just arrived on our shores on a national speaking tour on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, was Chief Chaplain in the Israeli Air Force. He is Dean of the Machon Harry Fischel in Jerusalem and is a member of the Israeli Bar.

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Our Collegiates Welcome

"Revival of Jewish Law on the Temple Mount" will be the title of the talk of the featured guest personality, Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen, Vice Mayor of Jerusalem, at a city-wide Collegiate Forum in our Synagogue on Wednesday evening, November 22nd, at 7:30 o'clock. A social hour will follow. Admission free.

These forums for collegiates are co-sponsored by the Synagogue Youth of U.O.J.C.A., Yavneh Religious Jewish Students Association, Young Israel Intercollegiate Council, and the Midtown Synagogue Collegiates, through a grant in memory of the religious philanthropist, Harry Fischel.

Our Rabbi, Dr. O. Asher Reichel, is coordinator of this program.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PROGRAM FOR YOUNGSTERS

We are delighted to inform our parents that beginning with December 2nd we shall launch a Sabbath afternoon program for their youngsters, 7 to 9 years of age, which will include games, stories, singing, entertainment and refreshments.

Even if you do not have young children of your own, surely you must know of children in the community who would enjoy participating in such a program. If every reader would send us the name, address and telephone of one child, we would be assured of a growing youth program in our Synagogue.

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RABBI O. ASHER REICHEL.....Editor

SUCCOS AT THE WSIS

Our Succah this year must rate again among our finest for its inspiring beauty. Our Congregational gratitude to our Mr. and Mrs. League Succah Committee under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Maurice Goodgold and Co-Chairmanship of Mrs. Howard Bisgeier and to their dedicated co-workers: Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Benjamin, Mrs. Helen Bernath, Mrs. Millie Bisgeier, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gursky, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heiser, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Klein, Mrs. Adeline Morris, Mrs. O. Asher Reichel, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rudnick, Mrs. Friedel Salmon, Mr. Samuel Schwarzman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Stein and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ten Brink. A special citation to Messrs. Cliff Breeden and Nat Santoro for contributing their professional decorative services. Our thanks also to: our Women's League for supplying the wherewithal for the decorations as well as the Kiddush; Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Soffer for fruit; Mr. Sidney Siegel of Lou G. Siegel's for rolls; and Messrs. Fred Heiser and Simon Steinlauf for special materials. A special vote of appreciation to Mrs. Esther Ehrenfeld who took personal charge of the Kiddush the entire Yom Tov for our hundreds of worshippers. Assisting with the serving and ushering were Mr. Benjamin Miller, Sima Hecht, Miriam Reichel, Rebecca and Hannah Romerovski, and others.

On the afternoon of Shmini Atzeres our Rabbi Dr. and Mrs. O. Asher Reichel were "at home" to the entire Congregational Family. It was gratifying to behold a steady stream of our congregants participating in this annual tradition.

The holiday celebration came to a gala conclusion on Saturday afternoon, Parshas Noach, at an elaborate Seudah Shlishis replete with delicious food and many inspiring talks, which was hosted by our Simchas Torah Chassanim, Messrs. Morris Segerman, Bernhard Spira, and William T. Steinlauf.

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MEN'S CLUB NOTES**REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, NOV. 20th, at 8:30 P.M.****Agenda:**

1. Report of the Nominating Committee for the officers for the coming year.
2. Report of the gifts to be given on December 18th. Please forward your checks to the Men's Club to the Synagogue office.

Thanks to Sam Gursky for chairing a spirited and informative discussion on the proposed New York State Constitution at our last meeting.

GETTING PERSONAL**By Sanford Solarz**

We point with pride to our member, Mr. Erwin H. Lipstadt, who was the guest of honor at the annual dinner of the Monument Dealers & Allied Trades Division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies . . . Our congratulatory welcome mat is spread out for their return from abroad to Mr. & Mrs. Max Brooks, Mrs. Ralph Garfiel, Rabbi & Mrs. Morton Garfiel, Mr. & Mrs. Emil Glucker, Mr. & Mrs. Warren R. Goldsmith, Trustee & Mrs. Leon Herman, Mr. & Mrs. Leo Jacobowitz, and Mrs. Irving Stebbins . . . Mazel Tov and all best wishes to our members, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Cohen, upon the **engagement** of their granddaughter, Jane Leslie, daughter of their children, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel M. Greenfield of Rockville Centre, to Myron Ira, son of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Gould of No. Bellmore; to Executive Director & Mrs. Harold Kaplan upon the **birth** of Tracey Gail to their children, Mr. & Mrs. Philip M. Hanover; and to our member, Mr. Simson Schulz, upon the **birth** of Martin to his children, Rabbi & Mrs. Samuel Blech . . . At the Seudah Shlishis last Saturday afternoon our member, Rabbi Morton Garfiel, gave us a vivid report on his recent visit to the Holy Land . . . All best wishes in their new homes to Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Klein and Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Kobrin . . . Our prayers for a speedy recovery for Mrs. Baruch D. Drenger, Mr. Michael Intrator, Mr. Morris Lieberman, Mr. Lipa Silberstein, and Mrs. Klara Wassertheil.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION NOTES

All youngsters are welcome on Saturdays at 11 A.M. Officers elected: Daniel Klapper, President, and Jacob Gar, Gabbai.

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Happy Birthday to:

Patty Alton, Trustee Sol Bellsey, Trustee Joseph Buchsbaum, Judith P. Cohn, Trustee Murray Cumsky, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen, Stuart Cohen, Mrs. Arthur G. Degen, Serena Ellner, Susan Etlinger, Michelle Gershbein, Jay S. Goodgold, Mrs. Mortimer Greer, Norman Grober, Lawrence Hecht, Rabbi Jason Jacobowitz, Jay Kobrin, Penninah Langer, Alan Mirken, Mrs. Aaron Neustadter, Karen Oppenheimer, Mrs. Daniel Rich, Hon. Pres. Samuel W. S'egel, Jeffrey Smith, Patricia Soll, Barbara Stoper, Michael Teitelbaum, Marc Weinstein and Suzanne Weiss.

Happy Anniversary to the:

Irving Feuerlichts, Dave Gertz, Rabbi Jason Jacobowitz, Maurice Kalkers, Henry L. Landaus, Sol Redlichs, Maurice Spanbocks, and Henry Zimmerns (their 25th).

FORTHCOMING COMMUNAL EVENTS**Torah Umesorah Annual Dinner**

Sunday, Nov. 19th - New York Hilton
(Call YU 9-1717 for Reservations)

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Beth Medrash Gevoah of Lakewood Annual Dinner

Monday, Dec. 4th - Hotel Pierre
(Call WA 4-1424 for Reservations)

REBECCA F. GOLDSTEIN WOMEN'S LEAGUE

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON TO BE HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20th

Chairman



Mrs. Lillian Ettlinger

Co-Chairman



Mrs. Irving Karpf

Have you paid your dues? Have you invited a new member to join us? Come to our Membership Luncheon with your new member and have a most enjoyable afternoon. Enjoy a delicious lunch, door gifts, and entertainment. If you have paid your dues of \$6.00, you are our guest and your new member who pays her dues is likewise, our guest. Invite all new prospective members. Only with your cooperation will this function be a success.

DONOR LUNCHEON AT THE PLAZA MONDAY, DECEMBER 4th

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CHOSEN FOR OUR BENEFIT
PERFORMANCE OF
CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA
AND PAGLIACCI
ON SATURDAY NIGHT,
FEBRUARY 24th**

By Alexander Rauchman

In a speech at the opening ceremonies of the City Center of Performing Art on December 11, 1943 Mayor LaGuardia said,

"Someday the great art center will be housed in a magnificent structure."

All LaGuardia could get from the New York Board of Estimate was a sum of \$65,000 for the remodeling of the old Mecca Temple. The great prophesy of LaGuardia was the Lincoln Center of Performing Art which was built at a cost of many millions of dollars to which the New York City Opera moved in January of 1966, occupying one of the four buildings in the compound—the New York State Theatre next door to the Metropolitan Opera House.

To opera buffs and connoisseurs it was only natural to make comparisons. The critics did. The late Olin Downs was the first in his review of its initial performance on February 21, 1944. In fact one night last year the same opera was given at both opera houses. The critic of the N. Y. Times, Harold C. Schonberg, who was present at the N.Y. State Theatre Performance of the N.Y. City Opera, ended his review by stating that the performance "is so much better than the Met's."

If one was to say that because of the excellence of performance of the standard repertory at the N.Y. City Opera was the reason for its survival even these past 23 years would be far from the truth.

There are three other reasons for its survival:

1) America had hundreds of young singers with no home. Many had found their way to European Opera Houses or the Metropolitan. The N.Y. City Opera was the home they needed. In fact the vast majority of American opera singers today who have made it to the top owe their good fortune to the N.Y. City Opera. 2) The second reason for survival of the N.Y. City Opera is that not only does it present the standard repertory but has been a pioneer in presenting new and premiere performances of operas. "A list unparalleled

by any opera house in the world," said Schonberg of the N.Y. Times.

To date there were some 34 World and N. Y. Premiere performances of operas. To name a few, The Dybbuk by Tamkin, The Golem by Ellstein, Carmina Burana by Orff, Good Soldier Schweik by Kurka, Orfeo by Monteverdi, Flaming Angel by Prokofiev, Ariadne by Strauss, Don Rodrigo by Ginastera, Lizzie Borden by Beeson, and the Ballad of Baby Dog by Moore.

To mount those productions cost many millions of dollars. Even if the New York State Theatre were sold out (as it was this fall season) the cost would never be recovered. Thanks to contributions by individuals and foundations does the N. Y. City Opera survive. Grants to the N. Y. City Opera come from such organizations as the Ford Foundation, the Rockefeller, IBM, The Chase Manhattan Bank Foundation, Bank of Commerce, Bankers Trust Company, Loews Theatres and Hotels, Readers' Digest (who paid for the scenery for CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA and PAGLIACCI, which you will see at our benefit performance).

The third reason for its survival is that its General Directors were men of unusual musical gifts — Laszlo Halasz, Joseph Rosenstock, Erich Leinsdorf, and its present musical director, Julius Rudel. Viennese by birth (1921), an efficient administrator by experience, and a great musical — a G-D given gift.

Maestro Rudel knows every aspect of music drama (opera) being associated with the N. Y. City Opera from its very beginning when he started as an assistant conductor and coach. Today Julius Rudel is



Julius Rudel, General Director of the New York City Opera Company

known throughout the musical world and has conducted leading symphony orchestras and opera performances throughout the world—Vienna Volksooper, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Chautauqua Opera Co., Italy Symphony in Bologna, Vienna State Opera, Festival of Two Worlds in Spoleto Italy, and many others.

One of the greatest tributes paid to Julius Rudel was made by Harper's Magazine in May 1966: "In artistic terms, under Julius Rudel's direction the influence of the company has been incalculable and its place in New York cultural life, and indeed in the cultural life of the whole country, through its national tours."

One may now understand why the N. Y. City Opera Company was chosen for our Benefit Performance of CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA and PAGLIACCI on Saturday night, February 24th, at Lincoln Center.

Have you already sent in your order? If not, call the Synagogue office TR 7-8281 and make your reservations.

CONDOLENCES

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

Hannah Etra — mother of our member, Mr. Max J. Etra, and Mrs. Nicholas Markovits.

Adolph S. Landau — father of Mr. Theodore A. Landau.

Jonas Selz — our congregant.