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WILL OUR OPERA BENEFIT BE AN ARTISTIC SUCCESS AND FINANCIAL FAILURE?

The West Side Institutional Synagogue has been fortunate in obtaining the services of Anthony Amato as impresario of its Gala Opera Performance to be held at Town Hall on March 16, 1975 at 2 P.M.

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Chairman of this gala event is Herman H. Cohen with Co-Chairmen Alexander Rauchman and Bernhard Spira.

The prices of tickets are listed below. Please call the Synagogue office TR 7-7652 or mail in the coupon.

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WSIS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SUNDAY, FEB. 23

11:15 A.M.

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*Preceding the meeting breakfast
will be hosted by the Men's Club
for all the members at 10:00 A.M.*

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AGENDA

- * Election of Trustees
- * Other matters as may properly come before the meeting



R.S.V.P.

PURIM NOTES

Reading of Megillah

Monday Night, Feb. 24 and

Tuesday Morning, Feb. 25

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Parshas Zachor

The Purim theme starts on the Saturday before Purim when we read in an additional Scroll of the Torah, "Zachor—Remember what Amalek did to you" (Deut. XXV:17-19), the description of the cowardly attack of the Amalekites against the Israelites in the desert. According to tradition, Haman was a descendant of the Amalekites.

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Fast of Esther Monday, Feb. 24

The day before Purim is observed as a minor fast day in commemoration of the fasting of the Jews before their deliverance.

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CONGREGATIONAL SEDER RESERVATIONS

Congregational Sedorim will be held at the Esplanade Hotel — Papilsky Caterers. For further details and reservations kindly contact our office without delay: 877-7652.

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RABBI O. ASHER REICHEL Editor

WSIS Prayer Schedule

Week of Feb. 10		
Daily Mornings		6:45, 7:50
Tues. & Wed. Morns—Rosh		
Chodesh Adar	.....	6:30, 7:40
Minchah—Followed by Exposition		
of Halachos by Rabbi Reichel	.....	5:15
Friday, February 14		
Kindle Candles Before	.....	5:11
Minchah	.....	5:20
Sat., Feb. 15—Sedrah: Terumah		
Rabbi Reichel's Sedrah Class	.....	8:30
Morning Services	.....	9:00
Rabbi Reichel's Talmud Sanhedrin		
Class (in English)	.....	4:00
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Shevuos		
Class (in Yiddish)	.....	4:00
Minchah	.....	5:00
Seudah Shlishis		
Sabbath Terminates	.....	6:07
Week of February 16		
Sunday Morning	.....	8:30
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class	.....	9:00
Mon. Morn (Washington's B'day)	.....	8:30
Daily Mornings	.....	6:45, 7:50
Minchah	.....	5:20
Fri., February 21—Candles by		
Minchah	.....	5:19
Sat., Feb. 22—Sedrah: Tezaveh		
Parshas Zachor		
Sedrah Class 8:30	Service	9:00
Talmud Classes	.....	4:10
Minchah	.....	5:10
Sabbath Terminates		6:15
TURN CLOCK AHEAD AT NIGHT		
Sun., Feb. 23—Morning		
Minchah		6:30
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Mon., Feb. 24—TAANIS ESTHER		
Morning Services and		
Selichos		6:30, 7:40
Minchah (Vayechal)		6:15
Followed by Maariv and		
Reading of MEGILLAH		
Tues., Feb. 25—PURIM		
Morning—MEGILLAH		6:15, 7:20
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Wed. to Fri. Mornings		
Minchah (Tues. to Thurs.)		6:35
Fri., Feb. 28—Candles by		
Minchah		6:30
Sat., March 1—Sedrah: Kee-Sissa		
Parshas Parah		
Sedrah Class 8:30	Service	9:00
Talmud Classes	.....	5:15
Minchah	.....	6:15
Sabbath Terminates	.....	7:23
Week of March 2—Minchah		
Fri., March 7—Candles by	.....	6:40
Minchah	.....	6:36
Sat., March 8—Vayakhel-Pekudei		
Sedrah Class 8:30	Service	9:00
Parshas Hachodesh		
Blessing of New Chodesh		
Talmud Classes	.....	5:20
Minchah	.....	6:20
Sabbath Terminates	.....	7:31
Week of March 9—Minchah		
Thurs.—Rosh Chodesh Nisan	.....	6:45

SHABBOS SHEKOLIM APPEAL

Our annual appeal is made on behalf of over thirty institutions of Torah in the Holy Land and in the United States. We urge all our readers to participate in this vital effort for the worthy and needy Yeshivos. The names of the donors will appear in the *Review*.

MEN'S CLUB NOTES

MEN'S CLUB TO HOST BREAKFAST FOR SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP
ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, at 10:00 A.M.

All members of the Men's Club are invited to the monthly Breakfast Meeting of the Men's Club on Sunday morning, February 23rd at 10:00 A.M. Members of the Synagogue will be guests at the breakfast. Following the Men's Club meeting the annual Synagogue Membership Meeting will be held at 11:15 A.M. in the Ballroom.

On Saturday, March 8th, the Men's Club will host a Kiddush following the morning services.

ALL WELCOME
TO OUR

CONGREGATIONAL PURIM PARTY

MONDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 24

Following the Reading of the Megillah

Buffet Supper

Admission Donation \$4.00 by reservation only paid in advance.
(Please mail your reservations to the Purim Party Committee
or call the Synagogue office at 877-7652.)

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Purim Notes (Cont'd)

Purim celebrates the deliverance of the Jews of Persia from extermination by the plot of Haman, Prime Minister of King Ahasuerus of Persia, 2448 years ago. He chose the 13th day of Adar by casting lots from which the name Purim is derived. By the vigilance of Mordecai, who exposed a conspiracy against the king's life, and the intervention of his cousin, Esther the Queen, the Jews were saved. The crafty Haman was hanged on his own gallows which he had prepared for Mordecai and the King appointed Mordecai Prime Minister in his place.

It is obligatory upon men, women and children to listen to the reading of the entire Megillah at night and day because all were included in this evil decree of Haman.

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Children Welcome

Our parents are urged to come with their children to the Purim services on Monday night at 7:00 and on Tuesday morning. The children will receive the traditional greggers and hamantashan with the compliments of our Women's League.

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The Book of Esther also enjoins us to make Purim a special occasion for giving gifts, known as "Mishloach Manos", consisting of at least two portions of prepared food. We are also to give charity that day.

On Purim afternoon the festive meal is begun before sundown.

The day after Purim is called Shushan Purim, in commemoration of the Jews of Shushan who defended themselves for two days.

MR. & MRS. LEAGUE NEWS

The hosts at the Board meeting on Wednesday, February 12th, will be Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rudnick. One half hour before the meeting, at 8:00 P.M., Rabbi Reichel will lead in a discussion on gems in the current Sidrah.

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Mildred Jacobs is one of our long standing members who takes part in all our functions. She is looking forward to greeting each and everyone of you on this memorable afternoon. Please let us know that you are coming to our DONOR LUNCHEON on Tuesday, March 11th, at the Hotel Esplanade at 12:00 noon. Chairman and Co-Chairman Jeannette Jacobs and Mildred Rivkin are working with their Committee to make this affair the most outstanding and the best we have ever had. Make your reservations for yourself and your friends.

Guest of Honor



Mrs. A. James Jacobs

OPEN MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend an OPEN MEETING on Monday, February 10th at 12:30 in the Synagogue. Mrs. Daniel Poling, National Chairman of the Young Mothers Council, will be our guest speaker. She will provide us with some interesting and informative ideas on "What Women will LOSE Under the Equal Rights Amendment."

Coffee and cake will be served. All welcome.

BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 3

Mesdames Helen Bernath, Jeannette Jacobs, Mildred Rivkin and Ida Shlansky cordially invite the *Executive Board* to be their guests at a LUNCHEON to be followed by a MEETING on Monday, March 3rd at 12:30 P.M. Please be prompt.

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Young marrieds are cordially invited to attend a Social Evening on Tuesday, March 4th, at 8:30 P.M. in our Synagogue. The evening will feature Dr. Jonathan Zizmor, a prominent dermatologist. He has conducted a column in the *Jewish Press* on his specialty. Michael and Eleanor Surkis (873-1882) and Jay and Trudy Zimmern (595-6921) are the Chairpersons for the evening. Refreshments. For further information you may call them.

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CONDOLENCES

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

Susan Finkelstein — sister of Mrs. Julius Lipman, our Women's League member.

Julia Weil Levy — sister of our member, David S. Elkins.

Gean Orlin Heller — wife of George H. Heller.

Edna Claire Oltarsh — wife of our Honorary Trustee and past Men's Club President, Moe Oltarsh, and mother of Stuart Oltarsh and Mrs. Cherie Neger.

Anna Belle Reisman — our congregant, sister of Miss Mina Reisman, our congregant.

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GETTING PERSONAL

Welcome home from the Holy Land to Rebbitzin O. Asher Reichel and Trustee and Mrs. Jacob Frankel.

Citation of Merit to Mrs. Sadie Balmuth, Women's League Honorary Vice President, who will be among the chapter Presidents of the Yeshiva University Women's Organization to be honored at a Luncheon on March 18th at the Waldorf-Astoria. Mrs. Balmuth is President of the Y. U. Maimonides Chapter.

Best wishes to our members, Mr. and Mrs. (Women's League Board member) Max Koch, in their new home.

Congratulations to Edward Philip Milstein, son of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Milstein, upon passing the Bar.

Congratulations to Dr. Joseph Moses, son of Mrs. Bertha Moses, our Women's League member, upon his appointment as Professor of Psychology at Pace College.

Trustee Martin Romerovski was host at a Sabbath Kiddush in honor of his mother's *yahrzeit*.

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Mazal Tov

Engagement

Our Executive Director Robert M. Swartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Swartz of Rochester, N.Y. upon forthcoming marriage to Phyllis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hellman of Levittown, Pa.

Birth

Julie Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Foont and granddaughter of our Vice-President and Mrs. (Women's League Hon. President) William Foont and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Zuckerman.

Bnai Mitzvah

Joel Israel, son of Dr. and Mrs. Norman B. Javitt and grandson of our members Cantor and Mrs. Irving Silver, and Mr. and Ms. Nicholas Markovits.

Michael, son of Professor and Mrs. Bernard Cohen, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Hecht and Rabbi and Mrs. Jacob Cohen, in Israel.

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Heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Jess E. Gross, member of our Synagogue and our Women's League, upon the engagement of her son, William, member of our Men's Club, to Cheryl Sporn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Scherr.

The bride-to-be received her B.H.L. from the Jewish Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary and a B.A. in Music from the University of Richmond, Va. She is Assistant to the Director of the Jewish Braille Institute Library. The groom-to-be received his B.A. in Political Science from American University, Washington, D.C. He is in the insurance business. William's late father was a devoted Trustee of our Synagogue.

Happy Birthday to:

(Feb. 14-28)

Mrs. Harry Altman, Beth S. Bahr, Mrs. David Beilock, Irving Bellsey, Ronald Bernard, Arnold Brasch, Henry Brasch, Judge David N. Edelstein, Mrs. Mervyn Frankel, Philip R. Gelman, Abraham Goldman, James Goldman, Rand Gottlieb, Adam Grumet, Charna Horowitz, Lawrence Kalker, Stuart Kalker, Kenneth Kay, Mrs. Henry K. Landau, Morton Langer, Mrs. Alfred Oppenheimer, Patricia Ortner, Mark Plung, M. Daniel Rotto, Mrs. John Samuelson, Miss Rose Schwager, Mrs. Joseph Shapiro, Steven Spira, Solomon Strausberg, Mrs. Bernard Udell, Hon. Albert Wald, Mrs. Eddie Weinstein, James O. Wexler.

(March 1-13)

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Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Grober and to the grandparents, Mr. Max Grober and Mrs. Jack Grober, upon the engagement of their daughter Marilyn Bess to Jack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Piermont of Fair Lawn, N.J.

The bride-to-be graduated Finch College with a B.A. in Mathematics. The groom-to-be earned his B.A. from Grinnell College and his J.D. from New York Law School. He is a practicing attorney.

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Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Grober and to the grandparents, Mr. Max Grober and Mrs. Jack Grober, upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Linda Lea to Stephen Mark, son of Mr. Benjamin Zipper and Mrs. Nancy Zipper.

The bride-to-be attended Finch School and graduated C. W. Post College with a B. A. in Economics. She is employed at the Chemical Bank. The groom-to-be earned his B.A. in Economics from the University of Rochester and his M.B.A. from Cornell University. He is a tax accountant.

Happy Anniversary to the:

(Feb. 14 - 28)

Gerard Benjamins, Hon. David N. Edelsteins, Howard J. Falchicks, Rabbi Mervyn Frankels, Jacob Goodmans, Morton Langers, Joseph L. Rosenbergs, John Samuelsons, Jack Verschleisers.

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