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## THE "FOUR SPECIES"

The essence of mitzvas lulav is to take the four species and hold them in the hand. Nevertheless, the preferred manner of performing the mitzvah is to wave the lulav in all six directions: the four horizontal ones, and upwards and downwards; with each waving of the lulav consisting of three movements to and fro.

The meaning of these *na'anu'im* (wavings) is given in the Talmud: "One waves them to and fro to Him who owns the four directions; up and down, to Him who owns heaven and earth. That is to say: the four species are an allusion to G-d's having created all of existence, and that there is naught besides Him."

The Talmud continues: "One waves them to and fro in order to restrain harmful winds; up and down, in order to restrain harmful dews." For Succos is the time of judgment for water and rain for the entire year and the four species give symbolic expression to our prayers for the blessing of water (the esrog needs more water than other fruits of the tree; palm branches grow in valleys which have an abundance of water; myrtles and willows grow near water).

The Sages have decreed that the mitzvah of the four species should not be performed on the Sabbath, even if the first day of the festival falls on the Sabbath, lest one come thereby to violate the prohibition of carrying in a public domain on the Sabbath. (This Rabbinic decree is similar to the one prohibiting the sounding of shofar on the Sabbath.)

The mitzvah of lulav applies only by day and not by night.

## Hoshana

After Hallel is said during the days of Succos or after *musaf*, depending on local custom, a Torah scroll is taken out of the Ark and brought to the *bimah* (pulpit). The cantor and the congregation say aloud: "*Hoshana*" four times as indicated in the prayer books. Afterwards a prescribed prayer is said each day; each of these prayers follows the alphabetical order. Simultaneously the entire congregation circles the *bimah* with esrog and lulav in hand. During the first six festival days, there is one *hakafah* (circling) while on Hoshana Rabbah (the last day of Succos) there are seven *hakafos*.

This custom recalls the Sanctuary where the Cohanim encircled the altar with praise and joy once each day and seven times on Hoshana Rabbah.

## Hoshana Rabbah

Hoshana Rabbah is the last day for the observance of the four species and succah (in the

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Diaspora customs vary with reference to the mitzvah of Succah also on Shmini Atzeres). It is called Hoshana Rabbah ("rabbah" — numerous), since more *hoshanos* are said on this day than on all the previous days of the festival.

It was a custom of the Prophets (Chagai, Zechariah and Malachi) to take an aravah, to recite a special prayer over it, and then beat it on the ground. Unlike other Rabbinic commandments over which a blessing is recited, no blessing is recited over the aravah since it was enacted as a custom.

The aravah which is taken on that day after the esrog and lulav are set aside also alludes to prayer. As we put aside the four species we say: We possess neither the taste of Torah, nor the fragrance of mitzvah, neither the esrog nor the lulav, nor the hadas — we are all like this aravah. What then do we have? Only mouths with which to pray like this aravah similar to a mouth.

It is customary to stay awake all night and to say *Tikun* from the book of *Dvarim*, the *Tehilim*, and to "unite" the night and the day through Torah and prayer.

From THE BOOK OF OUR HERITAGE  
by Eliyahu Kitov

## "YAVNEH" COLLEGIATES TO MEET AT W.S.I.S.

W.S.I.S. will host the Simchas Torah Weekend of "Yavneh" (National Religious Jewish Students Association) on the West Side.

The young people will participate in our Saturday night *hakafos*.

Everyone is welcome.

## SUCCOS

On Friday eve, October 8, we usher in the Festival of Tabernacles. Breakfast in the Succah will be available following each of the weekday morning services.

The Mr. & Mrs. League Succah Decorating Committee headed by Chairman Sally Goodgold and Co-Chairman Rose Schwartz, will decorate the Succah on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Oct. 6 and 7.

Our Women's League will again defray the expenses for the decoration of our Succah as well as the Kiddush and Motzi for the entire congregation during the Yom Tov.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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RABBI O. ASHER REICHEL ..... Editor

## PRAYER SCHEDULE

### Week of October 5

Mornings ..... 6:45, 7:50  
Minchah — Followed by Exposition  
of Halachos by Rabbi Reichel ..... 6:20  
Friday, Oct. 8—Erev Succos  
Light Candles Before ..... 6:10  
Minchah ..... 6:15  
*Kiddush in Succah All Yom Tov*  
Saturday, Oct. 9—SUCCOS I ..... 9:00  
Minchah ..... 6:05  
Light Festival Candles After ..... 7:01  
Sunday, Oct. 10 SUCCOS II ..... 9:00  
Rabbi Reichel's *Talmud Succah*  
Class (in English) ..... 5:10  
Rabbi Pekier's *Talmud Avodah Zarah*  
Class (in Yiddish) ..... 5:10  
Minchah ..... 6:10  
Festival Ends ..... 6:59

### Monday to Thursday — CHOL HAMOED

#### *Breakfast in Succah*

Morning Services ..... 6:30, 7:40  
Minchah ..... 6:10  
Friday, Oct. 15—HOSHANA RABBAH  
Morning Services ..... 6:15, 7:15  
*Breakfast in Succah*

Light Sabbath and Festival  
Candles Before ..... 5:59  
Minchah ..... 6:05  
Saturday, Oct. 16—SHMINI ATZERES  
Morning Services ..... 8:45  
Reading of KOHELES and YIZKOR  
Minchah ..... 5:55  
HAKAFOS at Maariv  
Light Festival Candles After  
Sabbath Ends ..... 6:50

### Sunday, Oct. 17—SIMCHAS TORAH

Morning—HAKAFOS ..... 8:50  
Minchah ..... 6:05  
Festival Ends ..... 6:49

### Week of October 18

Mornings ..... 6:45, 7:50  
Minchah ..... 5:55  
Friday, Oct. 22—Candles by ..... 5:49  
Minchah ..... 6:00  
Saturday, Oct. 23—Sedrah: *Brayshis*  
Rabbi Reichel's Bible Class ..... 8:30  
Morning Services ..... 9:00  
Blessing of New Chodesh  
Minchah ..... 4:40  
Chassanim *Seudah Shlishis*  
Sabbath Terminates ..... 6:41

### Week of October 24

Sunday Morning—ROSH CHODESH  
CHESHVAN ..... 8:15  
Rabbi Pekier's Talmud Class ..... 9:00  
Monday—ROSH CHODESH ..... 6:30, 7:40  
Daily Mornings ..... 6:45, 7:50  
Minchah ..... 5:50  
Friday, Oct. 29—Candles by ..... 5:39  
Minchah ..... 5:50

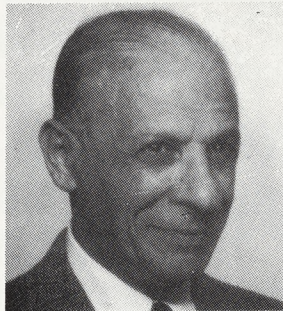
*Beginning with Standard Time (in November) Kree'as Shma should be recited before 9 a.m. — thus before coming to services on Saturday morning.*

## MEN'S CLUB NOTES

### BREAKFAST MEETING SCHEDULED SUNDAY, OCT. 31

Members and prospective members of the Men's Club are urged to attend the monthly Breakfast Meeting on Sunday morning, Oct. 31, at 10:00 o'clock.

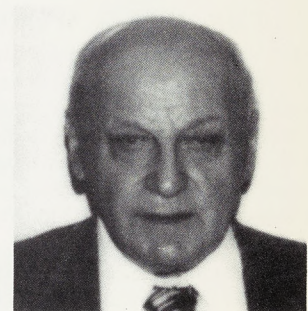
### OUR HONORED CHASSANIM FOR SIMCHAS TORAH



HAROLD GUTTMAN



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BRUNO BAYER

Our member Kurt Benjamin, the Chassan Torah, will be called to the closing Aliyah of the Torah. Our Trustee, Harold Guttman, the Chassan Brayshis, will be called for the first Aliyah in Genesis. Bruno Bayer, member of our Advisory Board, Men's Club officer and of our Chevrah Kadishah, will be the Chassan Maftir and will chant the Haftorah from the Book of Joshua.

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### CHASSANIM PARTY TO BE HELD SATURDAY, OCT. 23

The Chassanim will be the hosts of a festive *Seudah Shlishis* on Saturday, Oct. 23, following Minchah at 4:40 o'clock. All our congregants, men and women, are welcome.

### Saturday, Oct. 30—Sedrah: *Noach*

Sedrah Class ..... 8:30  
Services ..... 9:00  
Talmud Classes ..... 4:30  
Minchah ..... 5:30

#### *Seudah Shlishis*

Host: Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Schneider  
Sabbath Terminates ..... 6:33  
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### Week of October 31

Daily Minchah ..... 4:40  
Friday, Nov. 5—Candles by ..... 4:31  
Minchah ..... 4:40

### Saturday, Nov. 6—Sedrah: *Lech Lecha*

Sedrah Class ..... 8:30/Services ..... 9:00  
Talmud Classes ..... 3:20  
Minchah ..... 4:20  
Sabbath Terminates ..... 5:24

### Week of November 7

Daily Minchah ..... 4:30  
Friday, Nov. 12—Candles by ..... 4:23  
Minchah ..... 4:30

### Saturday, Nov. 13—Sedrah: *Vayera*

Sedrah Class ..... 8:30/Services ..... 9:00  
Talmud Classes ..... 3:15  
Minchah ..... 4:15

#### *Seudah Shlishis*

Sabbath Terminates ..... 5:18

### A TIMELY THOUGHT

There are some people who are away from the Synagogue on the High Holy Days. However, they should not forget their obligations to their Synagogue for the seat they occupied throughout the year and their Yom Kippur pledge.

### CHILDREN ESPECIALLY INVITED TO SIMCHAS TORAH SERVICES Saturday Night, Oct. 16, and Sunday Morning, Oct. 17

The children, who are always welcome in our Synagogue, are our special guests on this night. They will receive special Simchas Torah flags which they will carry during the *hakafos* (Torah processions). They will also be presented with sweets with the compliments of our Women's League.

### YOUNG COUPLES INVITED

Our Young Couples are cordially invited to attend the first Get-Together of the season on Tuesday evening, Oct. 12 at 8:15 o'clock. Refreshments in the Succah.

For further information contact Co-Chairmen Michael & Eleanor Surkis (Phone 873-1882) or Jay & Trudy Zimmern (Phone 595-6921).

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## REBECCA F. GOLDSTEIN WOMEN'S LEAGUE

### SUCCOS MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, OCT. 11

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend the Succos meeting Monday, Oct. 11, at 12:30 P.M. Martha Horwitz will host the affair in honor of Sophia Karpf's birthday. Our own Rabbi Reichel will be the guest speaker. Join us for a most pleasurable afternoon.

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### BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, OCT. 25

Mesdames Lucy Gold, Maly Steinlauf, Anna Stoll and Kate Waters cordially invite the Executive Board to be their guest at a Luncheon to be followed by a Meeting on Monday, Oct. 25, at 12:30 P.M.

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### OPEN MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, NOV. 8

Members and prospective members are cordially invited to an Open Meeting on Monday, Nov. 8, at 12:30 P.M. Program details will follow in the mail.

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### MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON TO BE HELD MONDAY, NOV. 22

A beautiful Luncheon is being arranged to welcome new members and all paid-up members as our guests in the Synagogue Ballroom. Ethel Segerman is Chairman of the Luncheon; Lucy Gold and Kate Waters are Co-Chairmen.

### MR. & MRS. LEAGUE NEWS

The Succah Supper Meeting will be held on Monday evening.

The hosts at the Board meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 10, will be Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bitner.

One half hour before the meeting, at 8:00 P.M., Rabbi Reichel will lead in a discussion on "gems" in the current Sedrah.

### COMMUNAL EVENTS

MANHATTAN JUNIOR LEAGUE, YESHIVA UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION ANNUAL BOUTIQUE — MON. NOV. 15, 8-11 P.M., TUES. NOV. 16, 11-4 P.M., 8-11 P.M., WED. NOV. 17, 11-4 P.M., AT THE WESTBURY HOTEL, MADISON AVE. AT 69TH STREET.

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Congregational thanks to Trustee Murray Rosenberg and Mr. & Mrs. Levi Wechsler for their generous contribution of prayer books.

Welcome home from abroad to Mr. & Mrs. Nash Aussenberg and William T. Steinlauf.

Mrs. Sheldon Schneider assures us that her husband is the only *Ba'al Tekeeah* in her family.

## MAZAL TOV

### Births

Jeremy Ephraim, son of Mr. & Mrs. Philip Bendheim and grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bendheim and Mr. & Mrs. David Hirschfeld.

Meira Esther, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Shelly Schneider and granddaughter of our members Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Schneider, and Rabbi & Mrs. Aaron Shapiro.

### Marriage

Judith Esther, daughter of Professor and Mrs. Eliezer Krumbein and granddaughter of our member, Abraham Krumbein to Phillip Stein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stein.

### Anniversary Greetings to the:

(Oct. 13-31)

William Foonts, Herbert Grosingers, Harold Gross, Sheldon Kalker, Harry Keslers, Robert Kirshs, Theodore Redlichs, Harry Shalitis.

(Nov. 1-14)

Abraham Abramsons, William Altons, William Balls, Abraham Coltons, Mark Linkers, Reuben Metchiks, Larry Newmans, Charles Powers, Martin Romerovskis, Morris Segermans, Solomon Strausbergs, Emanuel Yavnehs.

## CONDOLENCES

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

*Kalman Boyarsky* — brother of Mrs. Louis Shlansky, our member and Women's League Hon. Vice President.

*Nathan Cumsky* — brother of our Trustee Murray Cumsky.

*Louis I. Katz* — father of our member Mrs. David B. Freedman.

*Dr. Barry Sherman* — son of our member Nat Sherman.

*Harry Ward* — our Trustee and founding Director, member of our Men's Club, Chaplain of the Buddy Friedman Post Jewish War Veterans, father of Samuel Ward and brother of Mrs. Celia Stebbins, our Women's League member.

*The Entire Congregational Family*  
*is cordially invited to the home of*  
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*on Simchas Torah Sunday, October 17,*  
*from 3:30 to 5:30*

### Happy Birthday to:

(Oct. 13-31)

Bernard Becker, Mrs. Irving Bellsey, Mrs. Edward Berkowitz, Judith L. Bernstein, Nicole and Tania Cohen of London, Daniel Davis, Dorian Faust, H. Don Golden, Mrs. Herbert S. Goldstein, Dr. Maurice Goodgold, Jane Greenfield, Anna F. Gross Laurie Hanover, Trustee Fred Heiser, David Heiser, Mrs. Alfred Hetz, Roy Hines, Richard Kahn, Mrs. Harold Kaplan, Mrs. Israel Kestenbaum, Vivian Korngold, Mrs. Joshua Levine, Mrs. Arline Padawer, Mrs. Sol Redlich, Michael Sahn, Henri Schmeidler, Craig Siegel, Mrs. Frank Taks, Mrs. Michael Weingarten, Mrs. Louis Wexler, Andrea Wohl, Cantor Zalmon Yavneh, Cyrus Yavneh.

(Nov. 1-14)

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### DO YOU BELONG?

Paraphrasing President Kennedy, the time has come to ask ourselves: What are we doing to enhance the growth of our Synagogue and our membership?

If you are "not yet" a member, please do not delay any longer, and let us hear from you.

We are also quite puzzled why many more of our congregants do not take advantage of our dynamic auxiliary organizations. May we suggest that this autumn our readers resolve to attend the functions as guests — we believe that if they "will taste they will like."

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