



### 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance March 23rd

Pictured above in the usual order, are Alan Kessler and Herman Feldman, Co-Chairmen of the 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance, discussing plans with Rabbi Herbert M. Baumgard.

The 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance will be held on March 23rd at the Intercontinental Hotel. All members of the congregation have received invitations and reservations should be sent in NOW. This promises to be a truly gala affair.



# The American Jew - A Jewish Perspective Breakfast Topic Sunday, March 16

You have heard from Arthur Teitelbaum and Itzhak Aloni, and now the Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am is proud to bring you Barry D. Schreiber, Commissioner of Dade County, to give you another viewpoint of the American Jew - as seen by one in daily intimate contact with this extraordinary diverse ethnic group.

Barry Schreiber's activities in Dade County have results in honors and recognition unusual for such a young man. In 1976, he received the Shofar Award, National Council of Young Israel and he was voted the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1977. In 1979, he received the Chief Rabbi Herzog Gold Medal Award - Religious Zionists of America. Further, in 1978, he was the Founder and Honorary Chairman, Israel Jubilee, and in 1980, he is Chairman of the "Mid-East Update" organized under the auspices of the Community Relations Committee of Greater Miami Jewish Federation.

A member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, he also finds time to work with B'nai Brith, the South Florida Conference of Soviet Jewery, the Democratic Club of North Dade, the Dade County Citizens Safety Council, and is Vice-President of the Red Mogen David.

Barry Schreiber's observations and comments must be heard to ensure that background against which one can make intelligent decisions, and so we urge you to mark your calendars and attend our Congregational Breakfast which begins at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 16, 1980, in Beth Am's Youth Lounge. The usual donations of \$1.50 for Brotherhood members and \$2.00 for all others will prevail. Your guests and the ladies are always welcome.

### Yom Hashoah Program on Miami Beach, April 13th All Invited to This Holocaust Program

On Sunday evening, April 13th, at The Theatre of Performing Arts on Miami Beach, the Jewish community will present the Honorable Justice Arthur Goldberg, former United States Supreme Court Justice and Ambassador to the United Nations, as its main speaker in a program recalling the Holocaust.

The occasion is what has now become a regular national holiday for the Jewish community, "Yom Hashoah." There will be a large choral group featuring voices of young people throughout the city and artistic presentations from all of our young people. You are encouraged to attend.

> PASSOVER WORKSHOP How to prepare for a seder in the kitchen and in the classroom. Creative Passover cuisine, and a creative approach to the seder! Rabbi Chefitz teaches, THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 20, 8:00 PM in the Youth Lounge

### FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

# **On The Modern Sexual Scene**

(Part Two)

#### 6. THE IMPORTANCE OF STANDARDS

Every society down through human history has established sexual standards to insure the propagation of children and to insure the stability of the society. Jewish rules concerning sex have been designed to strengthen family life and to promote the development of the individual "in the image of the divine". The discovery of the pill and other birth control devices does not really alter the basic Jewish view of what are appropriate sexual relations. If anything, because these modern devices make it easier to violate desirable standards, it becomes all the more important that each person conduct himself/herself with restraint and dignity.

7. RESPECT FOR STANDARDS DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE MUST REGARD THOSE WHO VIOLATE THE STANDARDS AS CRIMINALS.

Jewish sex standards are concerned with mutual trust and love, with personal integrity, with the stable family, and with the proper atmosphere for the raising of Jewish children. Standards are essential as a guide and as an ideal for all who are able to live up to them.

Sometimes things happen which make it excruciatingly difficult to live by these standards. Each case of a deviation from the standards must be considered on its own merits. Compassion and forgiveness towards all human beings is also a Jewish standard. Even while we try to understand those who deviate from the standards, WE MUST NOT LOSE SIGHT OF THE GOAL. THE GOAL IS FOR A COMMUNITY OF PEOPLE FOLLOWING THE STANDARDS. Because we can have sympathy in special cases for those who violate the standards does not mean that basic Jewish sex values do not exist. The truth is that unless each of us strives mightily to live by the standards, our community life will become a jungle.

8. PARENTS WHO ACT IN VIOLATION OF SEXUAL ETHICS ARE ESTABLISHING A PATTERN FOR THEIR CHILDREN TO FOLLOW AND ARE MAKING FOR THE BREAKDOWN OF FAMILY AND SOCIETY.

Conversely, when we support Jewish sexual ethics by our personal conduct, we are strengthening the family and the Jewish community.

9. THE CURRENT OPEN SEX SCENE HAS LED TO INCREASED UNHAPPINESS.

One of the tests for the propriety of a life-style is whether or not it makes for happiness and well-being. More people are having more "fun" in the open sex scene than ever before, and more people feel isolated and miserable than ever before. Many of those who are depressed and lonely are those who have the most frequent sexual experiences with different people. A life-style that makes for so much unhappiness cannot last for long. What we are seeing is a vogue that must inevitably pass because it does not make for lasting happiness.

More and more young people in their late twenties and thirties are coming to understand that the open sex scene is a trap. 10. TO BE "HIP" TODAY IS TO BE "OLD HAT"

One of the sad results of the current sex scene is that many young people who believe that the old sex standards have validity are made to seem to be "square" and "old hat". The truth is that the open scene is by far the older view. It is precisely the view of the Canaanites of 2000 BCE and the Greeks of 200 BCE. The more modern view is the realization that the family and society are victimized by an open sex scene.

The easiest thing is to live "la dolce vita". The truth is that the squarest of us is capable of that. It doesn't take a great deal of talent to take your pants down. On the other hand, it is no great. accomplishment to join the crowd is discarding those very standards which make civilization possible.

Blessed are those who cherish the binding together of sex and love and family, for they shall know the deeper joys of children and grandchildren. They shall know the enduring thrill of love that bears fruit.

(to be continued next week)

# Nursery/Kindergarten/Day School **Registration Open for Members**

Registration in our Nursey/Kindergarten/Day School will be open for members from February 19 through March 17. We have several members already on a waiting list who will have priority for registration. If you are not on our waiting list and contemplate enrolling your child in our school for the next school year which starts in August of 1980, please call the school office, 665-6228 to obtain information. Space in the school is quite limited.

### **New Generation Makes Debut**

The New Generation, the Junior High singing group of Temple made their official debut on Feb. 2 at Tropical Park for the Museum of Science Fair. They did a super job and were very well received. Their next performance will be at the Astor Hotel on Miami Beach the end of March. They are under the direction of Harriet Potlock.

Joan's Jems ..... by Joan Schwartzman

Proud grandparents once again are Norton and Gloria Pallot. Born to their children Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Braverman is a son, Michael. The Bravermans are also parents of a daughter Lisa Beth. Mazel to all! Mazel to Hazel and Mel Katz upon the engagement of their daughter Terri Sue to Bryan Steve Katz ..... More good news. We are very proud of Beth, daughter of Gerald and Judy Wolfsohn. Beth who is twelve years old had her latest work of poetry entitled "Gas" published in the Young Judean magazine..... Mazel to Dr. Bernard and Dorothy Eingold upon the engagement of their son Alan to Nancy Davis. The young couple plan a June wedding .... Mazel tov to Judge Robert and Jean Newman upon the engagement of their daughter Laurie to Jonathan Levine. The young couple plan a June wedding .... More good news. Grandparents for the first time are Mona and Irvin Goldstein. Born to their son and daughter-in-law Ed and Beth Goldstein is a son Matthew Adam .... Milton Fisher has been appointed to the executive advisory board of the University of Miami's School of Business Administration. Al and Fay Aronson are grandparents once again. Adam Mark Shapiro was born to Sheila and Ira Aronson. Mazel to the entire family ....

### **Organ Donation and Transplant Program**

Lani Abramson, a member of Temple Beth Am, is very active in the Organ Donation and Transplant Program. Lani has become our liaison with the University of Miami in implementing this program.

If you need any first-hand information about the program, contact Lani at 666-1219.

### Beth Am Singles Meet March 16th

WHO! Beth Am Singles (over 40) WHATI Social, Dancing, Coffee, Cake WHEN! Sunday, March 16th, 7:30 P.M. - Donation \$1.00 WHEREI Temple Beth Am, Youth Lounge, 5950 N. Kendall Drive INFORMATION - 274-9069, 221-2416, 821-6234, 264-3766



Dr. and Mrs. Howard Golden

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