



RELIGIOUS SERVICE, Friday, January 20, 1984, 8:15 p.m.

ANNA R. COHEN, GUEST SPEAKER

Dir. Museum Development for Holocaust Memorial Council

"OUR PRECIOUS LEGACY FROM THE HOLOCAUST"

CONGREGATIONAL TORAH SERVICE, Sat. Jan. 21, 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

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"Precious Legacy" Talk at Beth Am Fri., Jan. 20th, Describes Holocaust Treasures

The American Jewish community has come into possession of a significant amount of precious objects saved from the Nazis and recently brought to light. The Director of Museum Development for the United States Holocaust Council, Anna R. Cohen, will be at Beth Am on Friday evening, January 20th, to speak at our 8:15 p.m. service on the subject of, "Our Precious Legacy".

The Holocaust Council has arranged an unusual display of objects saved from destruction which will be on display here at Miami Beach beginning January 21st as the first stop on a national tour. Ms. Cohen will describe this rich treasure and indicate what it means for the future of world Jewry.

Services will be conducted by Rabbi Herbert M. Baumgard and Rabbi James Simon, assisted by Don Bennett, Cantorial Soloist.

Dr. Harry Orlinsky, Bible Scholar, Speaks at Beth Am, Thursday, January 26th, 8 PM

Dr. Harry Orlinsky, well known to Beth Amites, will be speaking at the Temple again this season, but on a Thursday evening (January 26th at 8 P.M.) Dr. Orlinsky's topic is, "The Politics of Bible Translations." All members of Beth Am and their friends are invited. There is no admission charge.

Dr. Orlinsky's appearance here this year is part of our Forum series and is being presented as an interfaith program to which clergy and lay people of all faiths are invited. His appearance is underwritten by a contribution in memory of George Light.

Dr. Orlinsky, who is the Editor in Chief of the new Jewish Publication Society translation of the Holy Scriptures, is the only Jewish scholar to serve on the Protestant translation of the Bible, known as the Revised Standard Version. There has been a multiplicity of translations recently including some which speak of God in non-masculine language. Some Christian translations of the New Testament speak of Jesus in non-masculine language. Dr. Orlinsky, who is one of the world's great Hebrew and Greek scholars, where these languages relate to the Bible, will describe the background which helps determine the direction a Bible translation may take. He will also compare the new translations and what the Bible actually says.

Foster Home Wanted

Rabbi Baumgard is seeking a family willing to provide a foster home to a thirteen year old Jewish girl. The father, who has custody of the child, has problems which make it impossible for him to care for the daughter. Arrangements will be made through a governmental agency. If interested, please call the Temple Office.

Helen Friedman, Director of Task Force on Cults Guest Speaker at Brotherhood Breakfast Jan. 22nd

The proliferation of cults in the U.S. is continuous and ongoing. Many young people today are being hypnotized by deceptive and devious methods. What do they offer to both young Jewish and Christian youngsters of today that they cannot find in their own religion? These thoughts and others will be the topic of discussion at the next Brotherhood Breakfast Forum on Sunday morning, January 22nd, at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Lounge.

Speaker will be Helen Friedman, Executive Director of the Task Force on Cults and Missionaries of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation. This Task Force is part of a nationwide and worldwide Task Force on Cults and Missionaries. Ms. Friedman is also a former member of Rev. Moon's "Church." Her topic will be, "The Cults Will Get You If You Don't Watch Out - The Problems of Cults and the Jewish Community."

Admission to this all-you-can-eat Brotherhood Breakfast Forum will be \$2.50 for Brotherhood members and \$3 for all non-members. Come on down and bring the young people with you. All are invited.

Introduction to Judaism Classes

The new semester for Temple Beth Am's Introduction to Judaism Class has started. Classes meet each Wednesday from 7:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m. in Room 23.

The Introduction to Judaism class is open to all Temple members who wish to broaden their knowledge about basic Judaism. In addition, the course is required for all prospective Jews by choice.

If you have any questions or wish further information, contact Rabbi Simon at the Temple Office.

Temple Beth Am's Young Family League Presents a Family Picnic, Sun., Jan. 29th

On Sunday, January 29th, at 12:00 Noon on the Temple grounds the Young Family League will hold a family picnic. Bring your own lunch. We will provide the punch, desserts, sports and games.

In addition, there will be special entertainment programming for children and the entire family. Space is limited, so please reserve immediately by returning the completed form to the Temple Office. Cost will be \$7.50 per family for the entire day.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

No. Adults _____ No. Children _____



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

The New Year

The month of January is named after the old Roman God Janus who was two-headed. Janus could look forward and backward at the same time. At the onset of a New Year, we inevitably look backward to measure what happened during the past year, and we look forward in hope and anticipation.

It is common to believe that we celebrate on New Year's Eve in anticipation of a wonderful New Year. Similarly, we celebrate when a baby is born. We are so full of hope for that child and for the joy that that child will bring us. The ancient Rabbis remarked that this kind of celebration is odd. "Why do we celebrate when a ship begins its voyage?" they asked. "Shouldn't we rather celebrate when the ship returns to port and the voyage is successfully concluded?" "When the ship begins its voyage," one Rabbi stated, "you cannot know what difficulties it will have. Surely it will encounter storms, maybe pirates, maybe a mutiny. On the other hand, when the ship has returned to safe harbor, heavy laden with merchandise, then is the time to celebrate."

The Rabbis were discussing birth and death when they began discussing the ship and its voyage, but we can apply their wisdom to our thoughts about the year that is past. Many terrible things happened during this past year, war in the Middle East, Grenada, rattling of atomic bombs, tales of crime and accidents, etc. Yet in spite of these things, most of us made it through that year in pretty good fashion. Some of us have scars and were battered around; business wasn't so good, some of us were out of a job; part of the time we were ill in bed - yet with it all, we made it, and there were also some very good times. As a Rabbi, I can tell you of thousands of people who went to the hospital to be successfully cured. Most of us were able to get away for a marvelous vacation in an exotic place. We were able to enjoy a gourmet meal from time to time. We enjoyed the luxury of a modern car as we drove on smooth roads (think of our American forebears who took days to ride by stagecoach or horseback on dirt roads from New York to Philadelphia). We not only had enough clothes to wear, we were able to choose designer labels. Most of us enjoyed daily contact with friends and family.

During the past year, we didn't have to worry about a roof over our head. We hardly lacked for entertainment; all we had to do was turn on our car radio or our TV. By means of modern scientific magic we sat on the fifty yard line for professional football games and watched Hollywood stars perform in a hundred different movies. We did not lack for air conditioning or heat when they were needed, either in our home or in our car.

True enough, during the past year we watched people in the Middle East get killed by bombs, but we emerged unscathed and unthreatened. When we needed some physical relaxation, we jumped into our pool or went to our exercise club. Most of us can afford to send our children to college, even if the college isn't Ivy League. We don't have to settle for rice or beans for our food, and we can afford a cocktail or a glass of wine when we have the inclination.

All in all, as we look back upon the year that has passed, most of us fared rather well. In ages past, a king would not have had it so good. Hail to the year that is past! What wonderful experiences it offered us. Let us not be guilty of ingratitude. We have plenty of time to salute the New Year. Maybe it will be half as gracious to us. Then, it too will be entitled to a celebration in its honor.

The first of January, and its accompanying celebration, is a relic of an old pagan holiday. Rosh Hashanah is another kind of New Year Holiday. It is entirely involved with matters of the spirit. On Rosh Hashanah we look not so much forward or backward as inward. Since the themes of Rosh Hashanah are different from those of the Roman New Year, we will need another column at another time to discuss those themes.

Miami Jewish Home Douglas Gardens Another Community Resource Agency!

The Miami Jewish Home at Douglas Gardens does far more than provide skilled and long term nursing care to its almost 400 aged residents. The Home's outreach programs touch the lives of more than 20,000 of our community's frail elderly and their families.

They research all aspects of aging, (even put together a special kitchen for the infirm older person living alone), have an adult day care center and treatment program, an outpatient mental health center wherein they do counseling, have services for the homebound, do group therapy, etc., and now have a brand-new program of respite care service for those with Alzheimer's disease — to name a few. For further information, or to join So. Dade Friends of Douglas Gardens, call Susan Holtzman, 751-8626.

Of course, they have a THRIFT SHOP, the proceeds of which help to keep up with the above-mentioned programs. If you have clothes, furniture, etc. to give away, call 751-3988. (It's tax-deductible.)

On the grounds, there is a CONGREGATE LIVING FACILITY called IRVING CYPEN TOWERS, which consists of one bedroom apartments. One hot meal per day is served, transportation is provided to shopping, events, etc., and planned social activities are available. To rent, you must be ambulatory. For further information call 751-2501.

In re this agency and other community agencies, call Evelyn Goodman, 661-8458, for information.

JOAN'S JEMS by Joan Schwartzman

Mazel tov to Charles and Lynne Brooks upon the engagement of their daughter Jill to Dr. Jeffrey Hammond. The young couple plan a winter wedding. . . We are delighted to share the news that Dr. William E. Silver has been appointed Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Miami School of medicine - department of surgery. Bill has served as a past president of Beth Am. Mazel tov Sara Price, daughter of Bob and Marlene who has been invited as a Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Miami. She will receive a B.A. in English. Mazel! Mazel tov to Irene and Bill Baros upon the recent marriage of their Jimmy to Eunice Martin the daughter of Murry Tall. Both of our newlyweds were educated in our religious schools and were very active in our youth groups. . . Congratulations to Teddi Segal who won first prize in a recent tennis tournament at Kings Bay. Mazel to Evelyn and Bern Goodman upon the engagement of their son Ross to Marci Levin. . . I, too, wish to share the news that my son Steven Schwartzman has announced his engagement to Susan Trupkin daughter of Harvey and Irene Trupkin. Both our young people were educated at Beth Am and plan a Temple wedding. . .

B'Nai Mitzvah

Saturday, January 21

9:15 a.m.



Andrew Gottlieb, son of
Dr. Stuart Gottlieb and
Ms. Susan Leaventon

11:15 a.m.



Sabina, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Frank



Scott, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Savitt