



Happy New Year — L'Shono Tovo!

Calendar of Events

HIGH HOLY DAYS

ROSH HASHONAH

- Monday, September 27, 8:15 P.M.—Rabbi Baumgard's Sermon: "Is the World For Us or Against Us?"
- Tuesday, September 28, 10:00 A.M.—Rabbi Baumgard's Sermon: "How Can a Scientific Person Pray?"
8:30 P.M.—Evening Service.
- Wednesday, September 29, 10:00 A.M.—Rabbi Zlotowitz's Sermon: "The Power of Shema Yisroael".

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

- Monday, September 27, 2:30 P.M.—Rabbi Zlotowitz's Sermon: "The Wonderful Garden".
- Tuesday, September 28, 2:30 P.M.—Rabbi Baumgard's Sermon: "The Bird in the Gilded Cage".

YOM KIPPUR

- Wednesday, October 6, 7:30 P.M.—Kol Nidre Service.
- Thursday, October 7, 10:00 A.M.—Yom Kippur Services.
3:00 P.M.—Children's Services.

PLEASE ATTEND ALL SERVICES PROMPTLY

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday, September 24—**Friday Evening Services.**
Rabbi Baumgard's Sermon: "Can the New Year be a New Beginning?"
Oneg Shebar by: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berzok in honor of their seventh wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pollackov—fifteenth anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bossak—thirteenth anniversary.
- Saturday, September 25—**Bar Mitzvah** of Paul Silverstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Silverstein.
- Friday, October 1—**Friday Evening Services.**
Rabbi Zlotowitz's Sermon: "Return Unto the Lord".
- Monday, October 4, 8:30 P.M.—Youth Meeting, Rabbi's Office (see article page 3).
- Tuesday, October 5—Men's Club Board Meeting.

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Extend their wishes for a joyous New Year
to all the members of the Congregation

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BERNARD ZLOTOWITZ
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New Year

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For the New Year
from

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Greetings From The Sisterhood President, Dolly Kremer

I am grateful for this opportunity on behalf of the Sisterhood to extend to you my sincere and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Our combined and devoted efforts during the past years have made possible the completion of our building.

I hope that Sisterhood through its members will continue to be a source of strength to our Temple, and that the year 5715 will bring security, freedom, and peace to all mankind.

Greetings From The President Of The Men's Club, Irving Holczer

On behalf of the officers and trustees of the Men's Club I extend warm wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. May the Men's Club in the coming year benefit from your presence and interest.

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DEADLINE

The next deadline of the Temple Bulletin is Monday, SEPTEMBER 27. All copy will be picked up from the Bulletin Box in the Temple office at 8:30 P.M. on that date. Material submitted after then will be held for a later issue. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Editor

"MINUTES of the PREVIOUS MEETING"

In order to keep the Congregation well-informed on its proceedings, the Temple Board of Trustees will publish, as a regular feature of the Bulletin, digests of its minutes. The most recent meeting was held on September 7, and as always was open to the entire membership.

Mr. Samuel Shack, Chairman of the Membership Committee reported that twenty-one families have affiliated with the Temple who never belonged before. All members, especially new ones, are urged to attend all the Congregational Meetings.

Our Temple Affairs Committee is at work on the Annual Installation festivities which usually take place in March. Plans are being made so that the Installing ceremonies will be open to all.

Mr. Morris Emanuel, Chairman of the Board, announced that due to the dissolution of Congregation Beth Shalom we shall be the recipients of several gifts and a cash donation from them.

Newly elected to the Temple Board are Mr. Samuel Rothstein, Mr. Murray Kershow, and Mrs. David Brand. These people will fill unexpired terms until the regular elections in February. At this last meeting Mr. Sol Rothenberg tendered his resignation, and the Board will act to fill the vacancy at its next meeting.

—Edythe Marlowe

Rabbi's Column

Anyone who visits the Temple office these days at any time from 9 A. M. to 11 P. M. will learn what a tremendous operation our Temple has become. Our Temple is intimately concerned with the lives of 2,500 people, when we consider the membership of all of our affiliates. Some of you know what it is to be responsible for supervising 10 or 50 or 100 people, but what about 2,500 people whose birth, death, marriage, pain, joy are your intimate concern? As Rabbi of the congregation I see my task as monumental, and it is just impossible for me to deal with every situation. That I am able to proceed from day to day on something resembling a sane schedule is due to the voluntary contributions in labor and time of a few devoted people. Even those who are technically paid members of the professional staff make voluntary contributions to the congregation in time and labor which are far beyond the call of duty.

In sharp contrast to the dedication of some of these people is the attitude of those people who believe that the Temple is an enterprise seeking private profit and that somebody, the vague "you" or "they", is reaping financial benefit from the many activities of the Temple. Some people are not aware that \$50 a year dues is infinitesimal compared to most congregations with our facilities and program. For example, did you know that it costs the Temple \$20 a year per family simply to maintain the building? Did you know that your presence in the Temple costs the Temple office \$10 a year. It costs \$24 a year per family for the Educational Department, exclusive of salaries for Rabbis and Cantor. It costs \$27 a year per family for the salaries of Rabbis and Cantor. It will cost \$40 a year per family to pay the cost of the new building additions being completed. This adds up to something over \$120 a year and does not include miscellaneous expenses, Youth Group Expenses, etc., which take an additional \$20 a year per family. These figures demonstrate that most families are not contributing their share of expenses to the congregation on the basis of dues payments alone.

The difference between expenses and dues income must be met by contributions from our families, those who understand that the "contribution" is really one's rightful share of the community burden. The Temple is forced to ask its members to Tax themselves voluntarily that our budgets may be met. You can do this by making a pledge to the building fund now or on Kol Nidre night. Pledges are being sought on a three year basis, payable at times agreeable to the particular family. This is one way you can become a participant and not a free-loader. See you on board!

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PROMPTLY

President's Message

By Ben Brody

Elul is the Holy Month for us as Jews. There are many of us in the Congregation who during the month of Elul will make a pilgrimage to the cemetery to pay our respects to the departed. We become aware of our moral obligations as Jews and make sure that we will attend services for the High Holy Days. Some will ask for a better year for their families, some for themselves. But as soon as the Day of Atonement has passed, the vast majority of the Congregation will feel that they have fulfilled their obligations to themselves and their community.

Why can't the entire year be as the month of Elul? If it is so wonderful to get into the spirit of Judaism during the Holy Month, just imagine how good it would be to act the same the entire year.

We have gone to great lengths to give you a service that all may enjoy. We have engaged Cantor Conviser for the entire year. A professional organist and a mixed choir are sure to move your esthetic senses.

Please attend our services and bring your neighbors.

On behalf of our Board of Trustees and myself, I wish you a year of health, prosperity, and peace.

WELCOME

The officers and members of Temple B'nai Israel welcome the following families to membership in our Temple:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beller, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Berliner, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. I. Epstein, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Finer, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fleishman, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Kern, Mr. and Mrs. Milton King, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Levine, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Prince, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schweitzer, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sinai, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. Sy Smoley, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Sontag, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Weinflash, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weinstein, Mr. and Mrs. Maury Weintraub.

—Samuel Schack,
Membership Chairman

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TEMPLE FACILITIES AVAILABLE

Harold Lowe, Executive Secretary, announces that the Temple facilities are now available for weddings, Bar Mitzvahs, and other social functions. Detailed information may be obtained in the Temple office, or by calling FLoral Park 4-3636.

SPECIAL CHOIR SINGS FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS

Cantor David Conviser has trained a special choir consisting of four men and nine women for the High Holy Day services. Louis Glassman, Herbert Kramer, Monroe Margoshes, Robert Miller, Selma Baumgard, June Davidson, Sylvia Geffen, Pauline Hazan, Shirley Kimmel, Eleanor Press, Leona Resnick, Beatrice Shuster, and Florence Ulanoff are the participants. The services of a professional organist, Eleanor Cohen, have been obtained not only for the High Holy Days, but also for regular Friday evening services throughout the year.

Many of the choir members, all of whom are volunteers from the ranks of the Congregation, have worked together ever since its inception six years ago when Elaine Newberg and Anne Lerner taught them without the aid of music. The diligence and sincerity with which they have progressed will be evident in the magnificence of their performance, and we must be truly grateful for their generous efforts in helping to enhance our religious services.

It is still possible to join the choir, and male voices are especially needed. Interested parties may contact the Cantor at the Temple office, FLoral Park 4-3636.

RECORD REGISTRATION IN RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

This week of registration has been very hectic. We wish to thank the committee that helped to register the many applicants: Edith Krupnick, Evelyn Newman, Leah Lerner, Emma Shapiro, Shirley Montner, Lillian Meyer, Tobey Klein, Marion Kaye, and Ruth Schwartz. These stalwarts gave of their valuable time to help us avoid a conflicting and confusing situation. Thanks girls.

We see that the new classrooms will not be ready in sufficient time to help us start the school year smoothly. We hope, however, that the crowded conditions of the next few weeks will not deter any of our youngsters from attending class. We will try to make these sessions as enjoyable as possible, but please understand that our physical facilities, when finally completed, will give us enough space for good instruction.

If by some unfortunate set of circumstances either your child was not scheduled correctly, or, your bill was misplaced, or, your fee was not immediately honored, please consult the office and be patient with our efforts. We will straighten out everything to everyone's satisfaction if we are given a little time. So you can help us along as you have done in the past by your consideration of our human frailties.

A Healthy and Happy New Year.

—Seymour Bloom

MEN'S CLUB ENDS SCORE CARD SALE

The Fund Raising Committee of the Men's Club will be at the Temple on Sunday morning, September 26 from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. to collect all monies and tickets from the sale of the World Series Score Cards. Because the Rosh Hashonah holidays begin on Monday evening, September 27, Sunday will be the last day of collection.

—Sol Rothenberg

YOUTH MEETING

Rabbi Baumgard, and Herbert Bloom, Director of the Youth Groups, invite the parents of children between the ages of 13-20 to a special Youth Meeting to be held in the Rabbi's Office in the Temple on Monday evening, October 4 at 8:30 P. M.

YOUTH GROUP SEEKS LARGE MEMBERSHIP

Registration for the Junior Youth Group, (ages 13, 14, 15 who are eighth graders or High School Freshmen or Sophomores) will be held on Thursday evening, October 21 at 8:00 P. M. at the Temple. The fee is \$1.50 for the year, and a wonderful program of club meetings, sports and socials is planned under the able direction of new professional leaders.

Everyone eligible for the Senior Youth Group (from 16 years who are High School Juniors and up) is invited to a "Get Acquainted Ball" on Saturday evening, October 9, at the Temple. There is no charge, and the tops in music and refreshments are promised. Formal registration for the Senior Youth Group will take place on Thursday evening, October 14, with a fee of \$3.00 for the year.

The first Basketball practice for both groups will be held on Tuesday evening, October 5, at 7:30 P. M. in the gym of the Dutch Broadway School.

—Rita Compain

CONFIRMATION CLUB MEETS SEPTEMBER 25

The first meeting of the Confirmation Club was a victim of Hurricane Edna. She and the Rabbi had a good time. Those who registered for the group (highest registration in the history of the Temple) and others interested are invited to be present on Saturday morning, September 25 at 11:30 A.M. At that time we will nominate temporary officers and discuss the best time for our meetings in the future. The program will include discussions on topics suggested by the young people, songs, dances, and arts and crafts as desired by the young people. Those who will be 16 by the end of September, 1955 are eligible for the Club.

REGISTRATION STILL OPEN FOR PRE-CONFIRMATION CLUB

The Pre-Confirmation Club for young people 13-15 has been swamped with applications. The program will be non-formal, including discussions, song and dance, arts and crafts, etc., as desired by the young people. Rabbi Baumgard will preside. The young people in this age grouping are urged to contact the Rabbi. No previous religious schooling is required.

PERSONALS

Heartiest congratulations to the Franks and the Goldmans on the birth of their sons; and to the Brands and Sherwyns on the birth of their daughters.

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Sincere get-well wishes are in order for the Bossaks' little son Billy who suffered an eye injury; and to Leon Rochester's mother.

—Harriet Reisman

TEMPLE FUND RAISING TO STRESS PLEDGES

With the High Holy Days rapidly approaching, and with the Temple building nearing completion, Congregation members are turning their thoughts to what they should give this year to support Temple B'nai Israel in its efforts to enlarge the Jewish community spirit in Elmont. The answer, says Sam Krupnick, Fund Raising chairman, is, for those members who have not done so, to pledge to the Temple Building Fund.

In line with this thought, attention is brought to members that the appeal for funds during the holidays will stress Building Fund Pledges. All members making such a pledge between now and the High Holy Days will be remembered during the services, while those who have completed their pledge will be honored with certificates.

Pledges have been coming in in increasing numbers. This is due mainly to the hardworking members of the Building Fund Pledge Committee. Much work can be saved these committee members, if those who have not yet pledged will send in the signed pledge card mailed earlier in the summer to all congregants. It should be remembered that your pledges are needed to help pay for the building and facilities that will give your children the fuller, richer Jewish community life they need and deserve.

—Arthur Hiller

REGISTRATION OPENS FOR ADULT COURSES

Adult Education will begin classes on Wednesday, October 27 and will continue for ten weeks with a full and varied program. The courses are as follows:

Basic Judaism (including Customs and Ceremonies), Instructor Rabbi Herbert Baumgard.

Great Jewish Books, Instructor Rabbi Bernard Zlotowitz.

Basic Hebrew, Instructor Rabbi Bernard Zlotowitz.

Advanced Hebrew, Instructor Shirley Montner.

Painting Workshop, Instructor Edythe Marlowe.

Dramatic Workshop, Co-op Group.

Adventures in Music; and Dramatic Julie Spector.

Registration for these courses will be at Temple B'nai Israel, September 20, 21, 22, and October 4 and 5 in the evening. Registration fee will be \$5.00 for two cultural courses; \$5.00 for Painting. Adventures in Music, and Dramatic Workshop will have no registration fee. For any further information call Marilyn Brand, PR 5-3753, or Edythe Marlowe, CU 5-8420.

—Marilyn Brand

Don't forget to register for Sisterhood's Rhythmic Calisthenics course and the Public Speaking Course. All those interested call Marilyn Brand, PR 5-3753 or Edythe Marlowe, CU 5-8420.

ESSAY CONTEST

The Kiwanis Club of Valley Stream is sponsoring an essay contest on "What My Religion Means To Me". Winners will receive special awards at a dinner at the Valley Stream Park Inn on Tuesday, October 19. The essay must be 100 words or less. All essays must be turned in to Rabbi Baumgard by October 12. Temple B'nai Israel will name at least one winner.



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