



To The Congregation Of Temple B'nai Israel

There will be a regular meeting of the Congregation on Thursday June 7th, 1956 at 8:30 P.M. promptly. The business of the meeting will be as follows:

- 1) To receive and approve the recommendations of the Board of Trustees relating to the salary and other conditions necessary to the calling of a Rabbi.
- 2) To receive and approve the proposed Budget for the fiscal year 1956-57.
- 3) Any other business which shall be proposed in accordance with Constitutional requirements.

TEMPLE AUDITORIUM TO BE DEDICATED IN HONOR OF MEMORY OF HARRY J. LEVINE, FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 8th.

Our services on Friday evening, June 8th at 8:45 p.m. will have a two-fold importance. We will be honoring the memory of the late Harry J. Levine, whose untiring efforts brought about the construction of our present edifice. There is no man in our Congregation who contributed more of himself than Harry Levine. A plaque in his honor will be dedicated on this night.

We shall also have the privilege of listening to Rabbi Kenneth Stein as the GUEST SPEAKER. Rabbi Stein is at present the Associate Rabbi in the White Plains Liberal Congregation. He hold degrees of L.L.B. and L.L.D.

This evening should prove to be an inspiration for all.

HONOR RABBI BAUMGARD JUNE 15

On Friday evening, June 15, 1956, at 8:45 P.M., Rabbi Herbert M. Baumgard will be honored by the congregation of Temple B'nai Israel of Elmont, on the occasion of his appointment as Director of the Greater Miami Region for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

A special committee under the chairmanship of Marilyn Brand, is arranging an outstanding program and an Oneg Shabbat following the special Friday night service.

Many community dignitaries and U.A.H.C. leaders have been invited to attend.

It is hoped that the entire congregation will attend and take part in this tribute to the man who has been spiritual leader for the Temple, for the past 8 years and has done so much to make the congregation, one of the most outstanding in the nation.

The Oneg Shabbat will be sponsored by the Temple, and promises to be one of the finest ever prepared for a Friday evening service.

GRADUATION PARTY IN OUR NURSERY SCHOOL

Our very successful year in the Nursery School will culminate in a graduation party and show to be held on June 21st at 1 P.M. at the Temple. Our excellent cast will include the young ladies and gentlemen of the school who will also serve as hosts and hostesses. We hope that a large attendance will make the occasion a real success.

The School is also planning a parent-teacher meeting on June 6th at 8:30 P.M. at the Temple, where plans for next year will be discussed. We are accepting registration for next fall and this meeting should be of interest to anyone planning to register a child.

Calendar of Events

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

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| Friday, June 8th 8:45 p.m. | —GUEST SPEAKER
RABBI KENNETH STEIN
Dedication of Temple Auditorium In Honor of Blessed Memory Harry J. Levine
ONEG SHABBAT BY
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richter 10 yrs.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cohan 10 yrs.
Mr. and Mrs. Al Cohen 21 yrs.
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gendel 12 yrs.
Mrs. Tillie Levine in memory of Harry J. Levine. |
| Saturday, June 9th, 10:00 a.m. | —BAR MITZVAH, Jeffrey Kass, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Kass
BAR MITZVAH, Fred Weinstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weinstein |
| Friday, June 15th, 8:45 p.m. | —SERVICE HONORING RABBI HERBERT BAUMGARD (This will be the last formal Friday evening service in which Rabbi Baumgard will participate) |
| Saturday, June 16th, 10:00 a.m. | —BAR MITZVAH, Ronald Freistat, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Freistat
BAR MITZVAH, Stuart Breidbart son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Breidbart |

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The next deadline of the Temple Bulletin is Monday, June 11. 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 that date will be held for a later issue. Please do not phone information.

RABBI'S COLUMN

Friday night, June 15th, will be the last formal Friday evening service which it will be my pleasure to conduct for Temple B'nai Israel. (The last two Friday evenings in June have been allotted to guest speakers). It is part of the tragic quality of reality that during the moments when lasting statements should be uttered, only the commonplace words manage to come to the fore. I know, as of now, that the emotional quality of that evening will be such, that I shall be something less than an orator on the occasion. Indeed, I doubt if I shall be able to say anything at all.

I could not possibly say anything to you in the nature of a farewell which I have not said to you many times already. I have said to you that Judaism is mistakenly looked upon as a religion merely for old ladies and Sunday School children. I have urged you, as adults, to realize that only an adult reaching into his greatest self, can possibly grasp the profound implications of a religion such as Judaism. I have tried to present to you, in my limited fashion, the notion that Judaism is at its center an attitude towards life capable of transforming chaos into order, darkness into light, the profane into the holy. I have

asked you to probe with me, and alone in the privacy of your study for the gems which lie waiting for him who dares to look into the vast treasury of Jewish books and tradition.

I have never been one to try to overwhelm you with an emotional appeal. Inspiration can be of short duration to him who relies upon the eloquence of another. The real inspiration to the ennobled living which Judaism prompts comes only when you labor regularly over the sacred teachings of our fathers and seek to translate their experiences into meaningful experiences for ourselves. One cannot be a Jew in the 20th century unless he has first stood at Mt. Sinai with Moses; unless he has shared Elijah's experience at Mt. Horeb first hand. We must feel the sting of the taskmaster's lash in Egypt before we can really understand the suffering of those about us. We must share the experience and the learning of our fathers before we can call ourselves real Jews, because being Jewish means to be a part of eternity.

Many of us here at Temple B'nai Israel have begun the process of becoming Jews. We, at least, have come to understand, that becoming a Jew involves a process. To some religions you can be converted by saying, "I believe". To become a Jew you must be able to say, "I have felt, and thus I know". We can make the present our own only by projecting ourselves into the past and the future.

Too many of you have come to services and said, "Rabbi, nothing happened to me". Too few of you said, "Why should anything happen to me? I brought nothing with me. I waited for a miracle, but I did not bring a desire to learn and a willingness to sacrifice".

It shall not be long ere we go our separate ways. But we can still walk together, if we choose. I shall seek to walk the path with Abraham and Moses. Though I may stumble out of laziness or lack of purpose, I shall still try to walk with Isaiah and Jeremiah. I have this great faith, nonetheless, that if you, too, seek to walk the path with such as these, and seek to converse with them, and to study with them, then, indeed, we shall meet often. It is my great prayer that we may share in the future that fellowship that knows neither time nor place, which spans the continents and the ages alike. I shall be looking for you.

IN MEMORIAM

Tammuz 1	Jean Katz	June 10
" 4	A. Nierenberg	" 13
" 5	Morris Fogel	" 14
" 5	Leo Kuttner	" 14
" 11	Esther Teitler	" 20

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

This may seem a bit premature but inasmuch as the New Year arrives on September 6th and since many of you will be away during July and August, we are enclosing the following application form which is to be returned to us at your earliest convenience.

Wish your family, friends and neighbors a Happy New Year through the pages of the Bulletin.

One dollar (\$1.00) will list your name. Five Dollars (\$5.00) will give you an individually boxed greeting consisting of five lines, worded as you request.

As the holidays are early this year, all greetings must be received prior to August 15, 1956 to be included in the ROSH HASHONAH issue.

Fill out and enclose this form with your remittance and address to Editor of Bulletin.

TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Mr. and Mrs.

Address

Additional Remarks

MEMBERS OF JUNIOR CHOIR

The following children are members of the Junior Choir who appeared in the Cantata on June 1st for Family Service Night:

Marcia Newman	Jeff Marvin
Charles Emanuel	Richard Levy
Jeffrey Gilbert	Sandra Kramer
Judith Golub	Barry Gottfried
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Meryl Panetz	Sheila Ronsen
Roberta Krupnick	June Reisman
Joan Lerner	Eve Roshevsky
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Betty Newman	Leslie Osterweil
Gail Gordon	Susan Schwartz
Peter Adlowitz	Nancy Golub
Susan Golden	Susan Fondiler
Heather Marshall	Ellen Streifeld
Jesse Hack	Susan Penzel
Ronald Seldin	Susan Spector
Donald Feinsilver	Arlene Kaplan

HODGE PODGE 1956 FINAL REPORT

Income from Sale		
of Tickets	\$2,503.50	
Expenses	1,353.70	
	\$1,149.80	
Less Donor	115.00	
		\$1,034.80
Income from Ads in		
Playbill	480.00	
Less Cost of Printing	243.00	
	237.00	
Less Donor on Ads	96.00	141.00
Net Profit		\$1,175.80

Sisterhood Notes

SISTERHOOD MEETING—JUNE 19th

Last meeting of the Season will be held on June 19th—Esther Gropper, our newly-elected President presiding. Newly installed officers are as follows:

President—Esther Gropper
 Vice Pres. of Program and Ed.—Helen Rochester
 Vice Pres. of Membership — Jean Kaufman
 Vice Pres. of Fund Raising — Alice Kramer
 Vice Pres. of Service Groups—Shirley Montner
 Recording Secy.—Marilyn Brand
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 Asst. Treasurer—Muriel Miller

TICKETS FOR "SHOW-BOAT" GOING!

Tickets are going fast for our July 15th date at the Jones Beach Marine Theatre! These tickets are on sale for that wonderful classic, "Show-Boat", at regular box office prices — \$3.30 and \$4.40. A deposit will hold your reservation—why not call Blanche Schwartz, VA 5-0172, or Ruth Margoshes, FL 2-2488 now? They will be happy to get your tickets over to your pronto! See you on July 15th, our summer date!

"SPRING WEEKEND" SUCCESS!

As all those on the Spring Weekend will verify, this affair proved again to be a tremendous success. Everybody had a wonderful time, the place was fabulous, the food terrific, the swimming ideal, all combining to make a glorious weekend affair! Thanks to the efforts of Irene Levy and her co-chairman Pearl Blank, we all had a lovely time and look forward to this affair next year!

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1,300 AMERICAN RABBIS DENOUNCE COUNCIL FOR JUDAISM

New York—One thousand three hundred Rabbis representing all three branches of American Judaism—Orthodox, Conservative and Reform—in a joint declaration, denounced the American Council for Judaism, asserting that this group has consistently misrepresented the Jewish people before the bar of public opinion." The Rabbis also charged that the American Council for Judaism "has consistently maligned and impugned the integrity of Jewish institutions, organizations and causes, and has consistently distorted the precepts of Judaism which it purports to serve."

This declaration and the names of the signatories were made public today by Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, President of the New York Board of Rabbis which had circulated the statement in the wake of attacks made upon Israel and Zionism by the American Council for Judaism at its convention in Chicago last week.

The joint declaration severely reprimanded the anti-Zionist organization for what it termed "slanders" against American Jews "who adhere to the ideals of Zionism," and also charged the Council as being "neither American nor Jewish in spirit or in concept."

Although many individual American Rabbis and Rabbinic organizations have assailed the American Council for Judaism in the past, this is the first time that so large a segment of the American Rabbinate has united in a public declaration of such severe criticism against the organization. It was issued, the Rabbis said, "only after searching our conscience," and with the realization of "the full implication of our words."

The declaration also dealt with the Council's attacks on the national fundraising institutions in behalf of Israel in this country. "We view with contempt the Council's attempt to dissuade Americans from helping their fellow Jews and the State of Israel through contributions to the United Jewish Appeal and the Israel Bond Drive," the Rabbis stressed in their declaration, adding: "If the Council is unwilling to aid in the rescue and rehabilitation of harassed Jews, let it at least not frustrate the efforts of those who would."

Concerning the Council's professed brand and interpretation of Judaism, the declaration stated:

"We assert that the Council is neither American nor Jewish in spirit or in concept. We call the attention of the American public to the fact that this group represents numerically an infinitesimal fraction of American Jewry. It has been repeatedly repudiated by the great Orthodox, Conservative and Reform communities in Jewish religious life. It has been repudiated by all major Jewish organizations.

Men's Club News

Annual Men's Club elections for office for 1956-57 were held on May 23, 1956. The following were elected to office:

President
 Bert Miller
First Vice-President:
 Dave Cohan
Second Vice-President:
 Ralph Lennard
Treasurer:
 Nat Hantman
Financial Secretary:
 Charles Greif
Recording Secretary:
 Mike Leventhal
Sergeant-at-Arms:
 Frank Littman
Corresponding Secretary:
 Bill Pollack
Trustees:
 Irving Holczer
 Sy Smolley
 Leon Rochester
 Jerry Schneider
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 Leo Skolnick

MEN'S CLUB

Sunday, June 10th

Gala Family Picnic — Salisbury Park. All Invited—Admission Free with Nassau County Park permit. Exclusive picnic area — Organized games for adults and children.

Saturday, June 16th

Installation and Dance at Temple. Admission Free to paid-up members only.

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