



## New English Principal

### A REAL "GO-GETTER"

The Magen David Yeshivah is proud to advise that it has a new English principal. His name is Mr. Barney Weiss, married and the father of three, who is also the principal of Public School 121 in Brooklyn.

Mr. Weiss, at one time in his distinguished career, was also a teacher of Hebrew and a principal of a Talmud Torah.

To assure that our students receive the best possible education, Mr. Weiss will see to it that the curriculum of the Yeshivah is correlated with that of the public schools and also, that our children get the best possible books and materials to aid them in their studies.

After checking on their past records, Mr. Weiss has come to feel that we are good but could be even better because we are beginning with a select group and have a "high caliber student body." The pupils are almost two years ahead of the national norm for reading (their reading level is almost two years ahead of those students in public schools in comparable grades) and also, they are about one year ahead in mathematics. However, there is room for improvement in their handwriting and he is working with the teachers to improve this. Also 10% of the pupils need speech work and he has already called in a specialist to give them this help.

Mr. Weiss has great plans for making more use of audio-visual materials such as films, records, radios, etc. We need, however, more radios for the classes as well as 2 T.V. sets. These will help us take advantage of the many fine programs specially prepared for use in the schools. (Ed. Note: Donations of radios or T.V. sets would be greatly appreciated). As you can see, although Mr. Weiss has been with us only several short weeks, he has studied us and our needs and has made plans that will be of benefit to our children.

## Annual PTA Membership Tea

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

You are cordially invited to attend our Annual Membership Tea and the Installation of Officers for 1959-60 which will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 27th, 1959 at 1:30 o'clock in the Main Social Hall of the center at 50 Avenue P, Brooklyn, N. Y.

This gathering promises to be a most interesting and stimulating event with the special feature of the raffling off of the FREE TUITION to some lucky student.

The success of our P.T.A. depends upon your attendance and cooperation with your newly elected officers. They can only be as good as the membership behind them and each and everyone contributing only a little time and effort together can and will make them successful.

*Attend! Participate! Enjoy Yourself!*

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### GREETINGS FROM NEW PRESIDENT

It is my great pleasure to greet you as the new president of the Magen David Yeshivah PTA. I look forward to serving you to the best of my ability and know that with your cooperation, we will make our school one of the greatest Yeshivahs in New York City.

Sylvia Dabbah

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### LIKE TO LEARN HEBREW?

Like to keep up with your child and learn or brush up on your Hebrew? Rabbi Dershowitz will gladly lead a class of parents in elementary Hebrew once a week if enough parents are interested in coming to them.

The classes should be very helpful to mothers who want to help their children in their studies. Please contact Rabbi Dershowitz at CL 9-2827 and let us have your name.

### CHARTER FLIGHT TO ISRAEL

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We are very pleased to report that we have negotiated with El Al Airlines for a charter flight to Israel on a 91 passenger jet-propelled aircraft to leave New York next July and to return after five weeks in Europe and Israel. The total cost for this trip (passage only) will be \$495. For an additional \$500 we can provide de-luxe accommodations at first class hotels for the complete five week tour.

Seats will be assigned strictly on a first-come, first-served basis. The first 21 reservations for passage and land arrangements will be given first class seating on the airplane. (Normal first class round trip fare alone, is \$1340. Our price, including tour expenses and hotel accommodations, is only \$995.)

For those desiring economy land accommodations, or for teenagers, only \$845 will pay all tour and hotel accommodations. (Normal round trip, economy fare alone, is \$840.)

Reserve your seat now by remitting a \$100 deposit for each plane reservation and \$100 for each land accommodation's reservation. *Remember, better seats are assigned on a first-come, first-served, basis.*

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For information call Rabbi Dershowitz now — CL 9-2827.

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Rabbi Zecharia Dershowitz*

Most parents send their children to the Yeshivah to secure a religious education. Yet they often fail to provide them with proper supplementary education, which will insure the development of a religious child. We in the school can only provide a background of religious knowledge and experience. It is the job of the parents to supplement this background with true religious experience at home. The teaching of morning prayers, for example, is meaningless, if you, as a parent, do not require your child to pray. Sabbath observance, as a further example, can be taught in a meaningful way only, if at home, the child is permitted and encouraged to carry out the precepts that he has learned. Candle-lighting, Kiddush and Synagogue attendance must be parts of the regular home observance of the Sabbath.

So much for religious observance. In the subject matter of the Hebrew department too, parents must participate. A child must know that his parents will recognize accomplishment in Hebrew work as well as in English work. They must be able to understand a child's home work assignments and test papers. In short, the child must feel that you, the parent, are proud of his work in Hebrew, and are anxious for him to carry out his religious teachings at home.

In another part of this bulletin, there is a notice about parent's education. Avail yourself of this opportunity to keep up with your children, and to be able to stimulate them with regard to their Hebrew work.

## THE MEANING OF SUKKOT

*Rabbi David Bitton*

The Feast of SUKKOT is commemorative of the pioneer days of the Jewish people. When our ancestors in ancient times left Egypt, they wandered for forty years in the wilderness before they entered the promised land, pitching tents or building booths wherever they stopped. The Almighty, therefore commanded the Jewish people, throughout all generations, to celebrate the Feast of Booths for seven days. From the fifteenth through the twenty-first day of the month of Tishri, they are to dwell in booths.

The Sukkah in general symbolizes spiritual happiness. The measurement and parts of the Sukkah have for us a special meaning.

1.— The Sukkah is valid as a dwelling only when it is not smaller than seven square spans and ten spans high. This equals seventy cubic spans, to teach us that we must abridge the pleasure of this world during our life span of seventy years, and that is also why we remain in the sukkah for seven days only.

2.— The Sukkah is valid only if built under the sky, not under a tree or roof. The stars should be visible overhead. This signifies that one should strive all his life to be close to "Hashem" and no partition should separate him from the Almighty. He should always try to understand that the Universe about him was created by God.

3.— The Sukkah is valid only when its shadow is greater than its sunlight, in order to teach us that man should always prefer to be under the protection and shelter of God, rather than rely upon his physical strength.

4.— The Sukkah is valid only when the "SECHACH" which we put on the top is not made of such material that can accept impurity. This indicates that one should look for his soul to be pure and not let any impure morals or character traits overpower him.

5.— Finally, the Sukkah is a modest place, not solid or strong as a concrete house. It is exposed to all winds, good and bad. This is to show us that when one is exposed to his enemies that are stronger than he, he should not be afraid. This modest shelter of God is more protection for him than a solid material. As King David said in his song, "For He will hide me in His shelter in a harsh day; He will hide me in the shade of His tent; to see the pleasure of God and to visit His holy dwelling."

## SISTERHOOD DOINGS

*by Gladys Shabot*

Hi!! Sisterhood wishes you a very happy holiday season. We are all anxiously getting back into the swing of things, as the saying goes, and once again we welcome you all. Whether you have been active with us in past seasons, or haven't as yet gotten around to it, we are eager for you, and need your help.

Our calendar this year is a full and very promising one, so come join with us in satisfying work.

Our first function will be a dessert-luncheon and card party. It is to be held at the Club 100 on Tuesday, October 20, at the nominal cost of two dollars a ticket. Besides the usual delicious refreshments and pleasant afternoon, we have an added attraction. The time clock raffle will take place during the afternoon. The prize, as you know, is a \$500 United States Saving Bond. So be with us for the excitement, won't you?

The next function of this year will be our Annual Fashion Show. However, instead of the usual luncheon, we are offering a cocktail party in conjunction with the Fashion Show. It will be held on Tuesday, November 10 — at the Ocean Parkway Jewish Center. For further details keep your ears and eyes open. You'll be hearing much more in the immediate future!

In our next article, we shall have more to say about our forthcoming Card Party at the Center on December 8, our matinee theater party in early January, and, of course, our popular Annual Membership Tea to be held on February 16. We are also scheduling a Gala Dance, which we shall tell you more about soon.

Join us in work, and in the fun of our functions. As you can see, we have wonderful plans, and we know we can count on your support.

We'll see you at Club 100 on October 20 — and we hope you win!

## OPEN LETTER TO STEPHEN SHALOM

The community wishes to express its gratitude and heartfelt thanks to you for your untiring efforts on behalf of the stock raffles sold this summer.

There was a record-breaking net receipt of approximately \$9000 to be used for the joint benefit of the Magen David Center and Yeshivah.

You are an inspiration to all. Thank you once again for all you have accomplished.



## INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

Question: *What subject do you like best this year?*

Asked of 5th Grade Students

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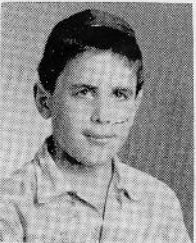
Elliot Serure: —

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Mal Serure. I find geography very exciting because I learn all about different lands, and just by reading about them I feel that I have been to that land.



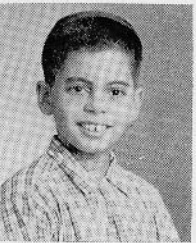
Solomon Sasson: —

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Edmond Sasson. Reading is my best subject because it is dramatic, exciting and sometimes very funny. By reading you learn many wonderful things.



Eddie Shamah: —

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Albert Shamah. I like spelling the best because I am very good at it. I get 100% on every test.



Gabriel Levy: —

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Levy. Spelling is my favorite subject because I find it very easy. I was one of the best spellers last year.



Jack Franco: —

Son of Mr. & Mrs. Lou Franco. Arithmetic is my favorite subject. When I grow up mathematics will be a very important part of my work.



## WHAT'S NEW IN THE CLASSROOMS

Mrs. Masters of Grade 1-1, is now stressing the subject of Home for Social Studies. As she so well puts it, "We stress our own home in comparison with other homes in other lands. We stress that our home, regardless of how humble it may be, is the center and boundary of all affections." What type of home, what materials are found therein, etc. are talked about and arts and crafts are used to illustrate everything.

Class 1-2 of Mrs. Klein, has a pet turtle, Tim, that they are learning about and having fun with.

Mrs. Blank's class, 2-2, is starting a new unit on "Fall is here." They are making a chart showing things one sees, hears, smells, tastes and feels in the Fall. They are watching the birds as they begin to fly South and taking keen interest in the nature around them.

Grade 7, in its Social Studies period, is studying the City of New York. It has divided itself into teams of two and each team will report on an interesting and colorful area of the city (Lower East Side, Greenwich Village, etc.) The reports will be based on reading, research and personal observation.

## FIRST S. Y.

### GIRL SCOUT TROOP FORMING

A Girl Scout Troop, open to girls between the ages of 7 — 17 years is now being formed at the new Shaare Zion Cong., 2030 Ocean Parkway.

Mothers who are interested in either enrolling their daughters or in helping out, please contact Mrs. Elaine Hedaya at ES. 6-1959, after 8:00 p.m., Monday to Thursday.

So far, five mothers have shown interest in working actively with the Girl Scouts but several more are needed. Depending on the number of girls joining up, we will also get at least two leaders from the Scout organization to show the way. Please act soon on this if interested.

## TALMUD TORAH PLANNED

Rabbi A. Hecht made an announcement at the Shaare Zion Cong. during the High Holy Days advising us that plans for a Talmud Torah are being made. Parents who cannot send their children to Yeshivah and who are interested in sending their children to a Talmud Torah should contact him.

## B. B. WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

B'nai Brith is proud to announce its new Fall schedule which promises to appeal to all women.

We will start the season with an informative speaker on Interior Decoration. This first meeting is to be on October 14th.

For our second meeting, we are arranging to have the prominent child psychologist Mr. Elias Kagan, of B'nai Brith fame, address our members. This should be around November 4th.

Then, in honor of Chanukah, we are planning a huge Dance for Saturday night, December 9th.

In the midst of Chanukah, December 29th, we have something extra special planned for the children. It is to be a presentation of Cinderella, put on by our own members.

In January, we are hoping to get a lovely Japanese girl to speak on the art of Flower Arrangements.

Later on, on February 10th, we have planned a meeting with a Hypnotist as our main attraction. This is always an intriguing idea.

Again, in March, theater party tickets will be sold to a hit play. Our last season's choice, "Destry Rides Again" proved a successful choice and we know you will approve of our selection this season. As you can see, our members look forward to a full and lively schedule of events. New members are always welcome.

R. Abadi

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New hands are needed to help put out this Bulletin. It is a monthly issue that everyone looks forward to reading but unfortunately, we will not be able to keep on publishing unless we get several more women willing to help out. We need some people to report on what is happening in the community and its various organizations, to write some of the columns, to collect advertisements and to help in the mailing.

Please, volunteer. The work is stimulating and rewarding. Leave your name with Rabbi Dershowitz at CL 9-2827, and we will be glad to contact you when it's time for the next issue.

**MILESTONES**

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**BIRTHS**

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 Mr. & Mrs. Dave Braha — Girl  
 Mr. & Mrs. Leo Sutton — Girl  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ike Esses — Girl  
 Mr. & Mrs. Sam Saka — Boy  
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Mazria — Boy

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 David - son of Mr. & Mrs. Bob Cohen

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 Sylvia Sutton to Jack Catton  
 Diane Sultan to Dave Haddad  
 Barbara Aboudy to Eli Franco  
 Louise Shrem to Milton Horowitz  
 Gloria Cohen to Meyer Fallas

**MARRIAGES**

Shirley Shamah to Michael Mamiye  
 Ruth Tawil to Albert Manopla  
 Claire Fraiman to Eli Salem  
 Sandra Shabot to Albert Grazi  
 Diana Ades to Fred Dweck  
 Renee Hedaya to Albert Khadari

Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary —  
 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Missry

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If your name is mentioned in the Milestones column, kindly mail in your \$2.00 to the Magen David Yeshivah in care of Milestones.

Please call in your announcements to Mrs. Esther Barry, CL 6-1480 so no Milestones will be overlooked.

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