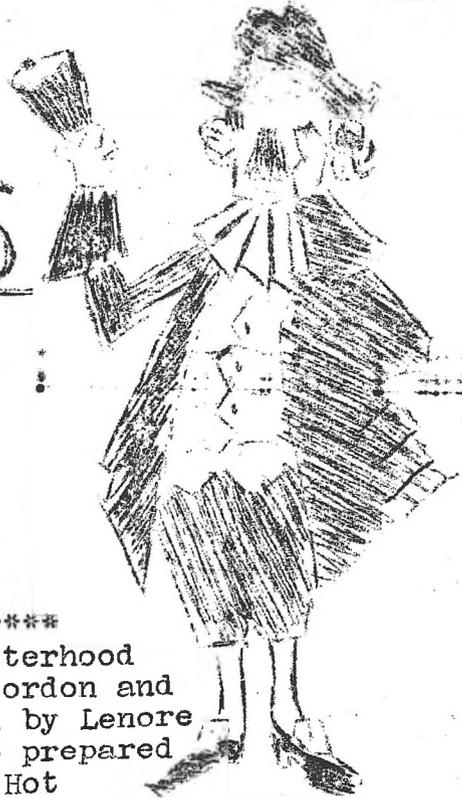


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DID YOU ATTEND - On Thursday, January 18th, Sisterhood had their paid-up membership supper. Annabel Gordon and Goldie Passman were co-chairmen, ably supported by Lenore Baum, Giselle Zimelman and Annamerle Taylor who prepared a delicious meal of American Chop Suey, Salad, Hot fresh rolls, topped with Peach shortcake and coffee. Their thanks to Gail Hartglass, Livie Lieberman and Adele Kress for their table settings and to Regina Potolsky, Sylvia Gilman, Bea Setlin and Nettie Gershenson who helped serve.

To commemorate Tu Bi-Shevat (Jewish Arbor Day) each table had dates, figs and raisens and Susan Dworken explained their significance. The women then participated in card games of their own choosing and for those who didn't play, Jay Ketover conducted Beano games. A good time was had by all!

WITH THE RABBI:

For the past three weeks Rabbi Dworken has:

- Spoken at Bonnie Eagle High School
- Spoken twice at Cape Elizabeth High School
- Spoken at Woodfords Church
- Spoken to the Girl Scout Troop at Woodfords Church
- Spoken at the Washington Street Methodist Church
- Lectured at a special convocation at St. Joseph's College
- Lectured at Andover Newton Theological Seminary
- Made arrangements to deliver a three part lecture at Trinity Episcopal Church

MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO DROP IN

Members of a Congregation who sometimes get the urge to talk to their Rabbi about matters big or small, personal or communal; who want to ask a question or just plain "rap" often hesitate to do so because they either do not want to bother or they don't want to bother the Rabbi. Yet I do welcome these moments.

MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI (continued)

Perhaps the most rewarding aspects of belonging to a congregation sometimes come from such private talks. Even for the Rabbi himself, these personal contacts are often among the more satisfying moments.

My study is always open to you. I only ask that you call first to make sure that I am in.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Steven M. Dworken

N.C.S.Y. NEWS

Since our marvelous Shabbaton, we have had several meetings of our newly organized chapter.

In January, we went to a movie as a group with Dr. and Mrs. Morrill Shapiro as our chaperones and we enjoyed a great evening out together.

We are planning an Oneg Shabbat in February and hope the entire congregation will join us for our services.

In January, we were well represented at a shabbaton in Brookline, held at Young Israel, and found the entire region still raving about the hospitality of Portland.

Now we are planning for a four day weekend at Camp Deerwood in Great Barrington, Mass. for February vacation. This is the "fun" event of the season because it is held at a lakeside resort and winter sports are available. Dr. and Mrs. Shapiro have been invited as camp "parents" and are going with us.

Mrs. Dworken has agreed to direct a program for us for entertainment at the Purim Seudah and we also are setting tables for the dinner.

We are happy to have Sheldon Stern as our advisor and are looking forward to a great year under his and Rabbi Dworken's leadership.

Susan Shapiro, President

The following letter was received right after our NCSY week-end at the Synagogue, but due to limited space in the Congregational Bulletin we were unable to print same until now....

"It is impossible to put into words the heartfelt thanks and gratitude I want to express to the many dozens of people who helped to make the NCSY Shabbaton week-end such a tremendous success.

The walls of the shul were literally bursting with singing, chanting and praying youngsters, as well as with our congregants, who participated with animation and pride.

To quote the regional director "Never have so many come so far to receive so much" from any community.

Personal thanks to our own Rabbi Dworken for the many hours he spent planning for this with me. And much appreciation to all those who worked so diligently and opened their homes so graciously to provide "so much for so many". Our congregation has never experienced such a joyful and traditional Sabbath in its lifetime.

Following our example, Bangor now has formed a chapter and will host

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the March Shabbaton, so we will have the "nachas" of seeing yet another community share in the joy we have just experienced.

May you all be granted the health and ability to continue this meaningful work in the future.

Sincerely,

Muriel Shapiro

EXCITING CULTURAL WEEKEND - Circle your Calendar!

The Abraham S. and Fanny B. Levey Day School-Hillel Academy in honor of Israel's 25th Anniversary proudly presents AN ISRAELI SHOWCASE - a gala exhibition and sale of original Israeli Art, Crafts Fashions and Jewelry provided by Yarkon Galleries, Brookline, Mass.

Please join us in viewing this exciting and extensive collection of archeological artifacts, paintings, hand blown glass, jewelry, fashions, furniture, ceramics, and wall hangings.....a showcase of works by Israel's finest artists and craftsmen, to be held at 76 Noyes Street.

PRIVATE SHOWING FOR PATRONS

Saturday, February 3, 1973 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

EXHIBITION AND SALE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

February 3rd 9 - 11 PM February 4th 1 - 11 PM

If you are desirous of becoming a patron and have not been contacted, please understand that the day school has a limited working group and is therefore unable to call every family in the city. Therefore call Mrs. Eser Davidson 773-2600, Mrs. Harvey Berman 772-6873, Mrs. Ben Romanow 773-5110 and they will arrange for a patron invitation to be sent to you.

Speaking about The Abraham S. and Fanny B. Levey Day School-Hillel Academy, did you know that Susan Dworken has been volunteering her services once a week. She has been teaching the younger boys and girls Hebrew songs, dances and games. If you have ever watched 6 and 7 year olds trying to master the Horah, then you know this is no simple task.

Annabelle Millstein is another volunteer at the day school. She has been their music teacher and both Annabelle and the children really enjoy their sessions.

Harriet Slivka has been doing her student teaching at the Levey Day School and reports from the school indicate that she has the makings of a fine teacher.

NICE THINGS TO KNOW

I wonder if our congregants are aware of the fact that for more than a year, Stanley Labovity has been conducting a class for all children who attend Shul on Saturday. Not only do they have a junior service but they seem to love his bible stories.

BROTHERHOOD NEWS

The brotherhood of the synagogue paid tribute to Mayor Edward I. Bernstein at a recognition breakfast Sunday January 21 to which more than 175 persons including officials of the city, members of the clergy and judiciary and other dignitaries attended.

Mayor Bernstein, a member of the synagogue and its board of directors, is the first Jew to be named a mayor of Portland under the recently revised city charter. Mitchell Cope, another synagogue member, had served as chairman of the City Council.

The mayor was presented with a bible by Rabbi Steven M. Dworken and with a suitably framed citation by Arthur M. Waterman, a vice-president and cochairman of the breakfast, who also served as toastmaster. President Saul Brenerman, the other cochairman, greeted the guests and members.

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As we are all aware, our Brotherhood has not been very active this past year. This is not said as criticism but with regret.

It is good to hear that some of the new young members together with our more experienced members of Brotherhood are getting together to revitalize the Brotherhood programs. This is exciting news and we look forward to learning more details.

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New Material for the Congregational Record must be in the office no later than March 1.

See you soon.

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Sisterhood President, Muriel Shapiro
Synagogue President, Saul Brenerman
Brotherhood President, Jay Ketover

A. S. LEVEY TO BE HONORED BY YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

On September 16, there will be an historic event at our synagogue. A Portland Friends of Yeshiva University Breakfast will be held under the chairmanship of our past president, Gerald Pollack. The guest of honor will be no other than our own beloved benefactor Abraham S. Levey.

Yeshiva University is the oldest and largest university under Jewish auspices. First begun only as a Yeshiva, Yeshiva University now encompasses four high schools, five undergraduate schools, plus many graduate schools including the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, the backbone of America's Orthodox rabbinate; Albert Einstein School of Medicine; and graduate schools in education, Judaica social work and science.

Everyone is invited to honor Abraham S. Levey and Yeshiva University. Details will follow.

MORTON SLOSBERG HONORED FOR HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

Morton Slosberg, who for years has served as a devoted and dedicated member of the Chevra Kadisha and later was its president for almost a decade was honored, along with his charming wife Bunny, at a dinner attended by members of the board of directors and their wives.

Morton and his family will move from Portland to Miami.

Morton leaves the Jewish community of Portland with an exhilarated sense of accomplishment, for it was under his administration that the Chevra Kadisha purchased land on Ashmont Street on which there is now being constructed a modern Jewish funeral home.

The officers, directors and members of the synagogue wish Morton and his family much luck in the sunny south and hope to see them back in Vacationland when the heat of summer makes living in the deep south uncomfortable.

DO YOU HAVE OUR BLUE BEADS?

By error, someone at the recent Donor's Dinner gave away beaded flowers which belong to the Sisterhood. These beaded flowers are quite expensive and are the products of hard work. If you are one of those who inadvertently took home some of these flowers, please return them to the synagogue office. In all the Sisterhood is missing fourteen (14) flowers.

A SISTERHOOD PROJECT WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION

The Sisterhood is undertaking a unique project this winter which should have the support of its members. It's a SIMCHA TABLECLOTH.

The cloth will be inscribed with the names of Sisterhood members and their families--for a fee of course. The needlework will be done by our talented Lenore Baum.

Look for more details after the holidays. Annabel Gordon is in charge of the project.

SUMMER END FUN FOR TEENERS

The N.C.S.Y. has rented Camp Pesquasawasis at Poland, Maine, from Sunday, August 26 through Sunday September 2 and there are plans for a funfilled week of activities. Those boys and girls between the ages of 13 to 18 are eligible to attend and membership in the N.C.S.Y. is not obligatory. Here's a chance to rap with your peers from throughout New England, New York and Canada in a traditional Jewish setting.

For further information contact Heidi Lelansky, Mrs. Morrill Shapiro or the Rabbi.

Cost of the week's stay is \$67.50 for N.C.S.Y. members and \$69.50 for non-members. Reservations are limited, and must be in by Aug. 19. A limited amount of scholarships are available.

In this issue of Shaarey-ing the News you will find a Calendar showing candle lighting time for the entire year. Please be sure to remove this from the paper and keep it for reference.

DID YOU FORGET:

DID YOU FORGET TO SEND IN THE NAMES WHICH YOU WANT MEMORIALIZED IN OUR BOOKLET TO BE PRINTED FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS? SEND THEM IN NOW. DON'T WAIT. THE TIME BEFORE WE MUST HAVE THIS AT THE PRINTERS IS ALMOST HERE.

DID YOU FORGET TO PAY YOUR SHUL DUES. REMEMBER DUES MUST BE PAID IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR TICKETS FOR SERVICES ON THE HIGH HOLY DAYS.