

Community News



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SISTERHOOD TO HOLD DINNER DANCE

Plans have been completed for the Center Sisterhood Annual Dinner Dance to be held at the Jewish Community Center, Saturday Evening, December 26th, 1953. Dinner will be served at 8:00 p.m. followed by dancing until midnight.

December 15, 1953

BANGOR, MAINE

The affair promises to be a huge success due to the wonderful work of the following committees:

Food Committee: Mrs. Max Kominsky, Mrs. Neil Glazier, Mrs. Harold Grodinsky, Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. Jacob Zitaner, Mrs. Hyman Cooperstein.

Table Decorations: Mrs. Martin Schnieder, Mrs. Louis Cooper, Mrs. Leo Kupsenal, Mrs. Ben Shapero.

Mrs. Louis Cooper is in charge of orchestra arrangements, and Saturday Mrs. Nathan Sucher is the public-Tuesday ity chairman. Thursday

There will be a full course catered meal, and dancing to the music of John McDonough's orchestra.

Reservations can be obtained by calling the following numbers: 5631 or 5224.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Swing Their Partners

The second meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. Club held last night, attracted more than 50 couples. Square dancing and community singing led by Mr. William Bennett featured the evening's program.

A short business meeting preceded the social hour and plans were discussed for the next meeting to be held on Saturday evening, January 9th.

Refreshments of hot dogs, pop and chips were served by the committee consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Sucher, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Glazier, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Farer, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Saltzman, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kaprow, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schneider.

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

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Dec. 31

Dec. 20 Roller Skating Dec. 21 Cartoon Show Dec. 22 Afternoon of games Dec. 23 Swimming-Y.M.C.A. Dec. 24 Crafts Dec. 27 Movie-Tales of Robin Hood Dec. 28 Jr. Olympics Dec. 29 Roller Skating Dec. 30 Games and Amateur Show

VACATION PROGRAM

YOUTH PROGRAM

New Year's Party

Dec. 19	Record Dance	8:30 p.m.
 Dec. 22	Open House	8:00 p.m.
Dec. 24	Hebrew Dancing Nite	8:00 p.m.
Dec. 28	Roller Skating	1:30 p.m.
Dec. 29	Movie—Good Earth	8:00 p.m.
Dec. 30	Bowling	8:00 p.m.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!

J. C. C. Sisterhood

ANNUAL DINNER-DANCE

Saturday Evening, December 26

8:00 P. M. to 12:00 Midnight

Dancing to the Music of

John MacDonough's Orchestra

Full Course Dinner

Subscription \$8.50 Per Couple

For Reservations Call 5224 or 5631

1954 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN NEARING SUCCESSFUL CLOSE

"Every family a member of the Center in 1954" is the slogan of the Center Membership Campaign now in progress. Max Kominsky, 2:00 p.m. president of the Center, in a letter 2:00 p.m. to our community has called atten-2:00 p.m. tion to the expanded Center pro-2:00 p.m. gram. Speaking of our membership campaign, Mr. Kominsky 2:00 p.m. stated, "The desire of our Center 2:00 p.m. is to serve the leisure time needs 2:00 p.m. of our children, youth and adults, 1:30 p.m. and with an active and participat-2:00 p.m. ing membership we shall continue to offer programs and activities to 2:00 p.m. meet these needs."

Members of the Center serving as campaign workers include: Edward Allen, Abe Berg, Shirley Berger, Milford Cohen, Donald Day, Julius Gass, Dr. Howard Kominsky, Max Kominsky, Max 3:30 p.m. Lacritz, Dr. Joseph Ornstein, Sid-3:00 p.m. ney Paul, Jack Rapaport, Mrs. Maxwell Rapaport, Samuel Rolsky, 8:00 p.m. Morris Rubin, David Rudman, Samuel Rudman, Simon Nissenbaum, Mrs. Charles Robinson, Mrs. 8:00 p.m. Maurice Shindler, Dr. James Siegel, Abe Stern, William Viner, Mrs. Myer Minsky, Emanuel Bodoff, Dan Rosen, Mrs. Joseph Ornstein, Mrs. Louis Striar, Mrs. Harold Chason, Mrs. Martin Schneider, Mrs. Neil Glazier, Mrs. Henry Miller, Mrs. James Siegel, Mrs. Louis Cooper, Mrs. Benjamin Shapero and Mrs. Harold Grodinsky.

Junior Congregation Receive Gifts

The Junior Congregation has been presented with a new set of prayer books for use on Sabbath mornings. The books were presented to the Center by Mrs. Robert Markowitz of New York in memory of her father the late Mr. Nathan Smith.

The beautiful Ertz Chaims which are used by our Junior Congregation were presented by Dr. and Mrs. James Siegel.

To Mrs. Markowitz and Dr. and Mrs. James Siegel our thanks for making our children's services more meaningful and beautiful.

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Peace In Middle East **Urged By Truman**

In his first major address on the Middle East since leaving the White House, former President Harry S. Truman this past week emphasized that the United States has the responsibility "of promoting peace" between Israel and the Arab states. Addressing more than 1,500 persons attending the Decennial Celebration of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science, Mr. Truman warned that unless the Arab states and Israel "sit down and negotiate their differences, the present condition of smoldering violence will lead to graver dangers and new disasters."

The former President declared that United States support of the Middle East."

establishment of the State of Israel was "not an act of favoritism," but was part and parcel of American bi-partisan foreign policy in the Middle East which has been instrumental also in helping Svria and Lebanon achieve independence. He added that through the United Nations, the United States had supported the creation of the newest Arab state-Libya.

A bronze portrait bust of Dr. Weizmann, the work of Robert Berks, noted American sculptor, was unveiled at the dinner and presented to Mr. Truman, a close friend of the late President of Israel, for permanent placement in the projected Truman Library in Independence, Mo.

Earlier in the week, at a meeting in Chicago where 22,000 persons marked the 3,000th anniversary of Jerusalem, the former President asked the United States to "support the desire of Israel to sit down and negotiate with the Arab states." Declaring that "the present disorder and friction on the borders of Israel are deeply regrettable," Mr. Truman said: "Jews, Arabs and the nations of the West will benefit only if peace is immediately concluded. This must be the goal of the United Nations of which Israel is one of the newest and most devoted members. Today we must work toward the ideal of peace and progress in the

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday	Dec. 13	Mr. and Mrs. Club Brownies	8:30 p.m.
		brownies	3:30 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 14	Hadassah	8:00 p.m.
		Toldes Itzchok Rummage Sale	
Tuesday	Dec. 15	Cub Scouts	3:30 p.m.
		Boy Scouts	7:00 p.m.
		Silk Screening	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday,	Dec. 16	B'nai B'rith Chapter	8:00 p.m.
Thursday	Dec. 17	Theatre Guild	8:00 p.m.
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Saturday	Dec. 26	J.C.C. Sisterhood Dinner Dance	8:00 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 28	J. W. V.	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Dec. 30	B'nai B'rith Lodge	8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Jan. 5	Beth Israel Sisterhood	2:00 p.m.
and the second second		Silk Screening	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Jan. 6	Council Board	8:00 p.m.
		Beth Abraham Sisterhood	8:00 p.m.
Saturday	Jan. 9	Mr. and Mrs. Club	8:30 p.m.
Monday	Jan. 11	Hadassah	8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Jan. 12	Yiddish Film	8:15 p.m.
Wednesday	Jan. 13	Hadassah Novelty Party	7:30 p.m.
		Jewish Adult Education	8:00 p.m.

Adult Education To Offer New Classes

Two new classes in Jewish adult education will hold their first sessions during the week of January 24.

The Jewish Home, a series of four lectures, will meet on Monday evening, January 25 at 8:00 p. m. Mrs. M. S. Eisemann will serve as discussion leader for this group. A class in Yiddish will meet on

Wednesday evenings and will continue for eight weeks under the direction of Sol Brown. The first class will meet on January 27. This class will emphasize writing and reading and is limited to 15 persons. Registration for the two classes may be made by calling the Center office.

EVERY FAMILY A CENTER MEMBER Join Now For '54 FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$10.00 SINGLE ADULT \$5.00

LISTEN TO RADIO STATION W. A. B. I.

Tuesday, December 15 8:30 P.M.

Special Broadcast Featuring MISS MOLLY LYONS BAR-DAVID Israeli Author

Congratulations BIRTHS

Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cutler upon the recent birth of a son, Joel Edwin.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cutler upon the recent arrival of a daughter, Judith Amy.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkeller upon the recent birth of a daughter, Laura Beth.

MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Rich upon their recent marriage. Mrs. Rich is the former Linda Gotlib, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Gotlib.

BAR MITZVAH

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dresner upon the recent Bar Mitzvah of their son, Byron.

TEEN TALES By THE TATTLER

Here it is December already and most of our Center Youth at Bangor High have succeeded in establishing places for themselves there.

"Romeo, Romeo, wherefor art thou, Romeo . . . " Well, maybe not quite as heavy as that, but our amateur thespians are going whole hog in the field of dramatics. December 11 is the date of Bangor High's production of "Ever Since Eve," a scintillating comedy in three acts, which is sure to make a big hit. Romping through the lines we find Lucybelle Lee, alias Babs Viner. Lucybelle is the southern belle from Tennessee who makes all former women-haters sit up and take notice. Her southern charm puts our little group into a turmoil lasting until act three.

Ah, and who should we have here but Joyce Silver as Martha Willard, journalism teacher and former reporter on a New York paper. Her big city ways cause much friction in the little town of Preston when she makes her initial entrance, but gradually she turns into a real hometown product, winning the affection of her students and the handsome high school principal as a husband.

If you think the make-up job on our thespians looks professional, give a big hand to Bev Segal who is lending her assistance in the make-up department.

And last but not least, we have the stage manager, Judie Cantor. So that's the line-up. Let's have a big turnout.

How about a big cheer for Stan Gass, our basketball hero who will be in Bangor's starting lineup this year. Stan certainly deserves this break, and we know he'll make headlines for B. H. S.

.... See you next issue.

Library Notes

The Center is happy to announce that arrangements have been made with the Jewish Book Club and the Jewish Publication Society to receive their latest issues of Jewish books. These books will be placed in our library for general reading.

We acknowledge with thanks the gift of James McDonald's book. "My Mission in Israel," presented to us by the Hadassah Study Group.

WITH OUR ORGANIZATION

New Immigrants Aided By Hadassah

The Bangor Chapter of Hadassah, Women's Zionist Organization of America, will climax its yearlong drive to keep the flow of supplies rolling to new immigrants in Israel with a special "linen shower" at the Hebrew Community Center on Monday, December 14, it was announced Thursday by Mrs. Simon J. Levi, supplies chairman of the chapter.

Since its founding in 1912, Hadassah has shipped millions of hospital linens, clothing and other supplies to its far-flung network of hospitals, clinics, health stations and schools in Israel, Mrs. Levi reported, adding that the supplies are assembled through thousands of Hadassah supplies circles in all parts of the United States.

"The task of maintaining this Hadassah lifeline to Israel is a year-round responsibility of all Hadassah members," Mrs. Levi said. She pointed out that in every state of the union, Hadassah's 1,200 chapters are now engaged "in the morale-building campaign to provide newcomers to Israel with adequate clothing and to equip their medical institutions with necessary linens."

The range of items needed is almost limitless, she continued. Hadassah collects and ships to Israel every form of under and outer clothing for men, women and children-"from diapers to dresses and workclothes. From what was originally a small community effort, the Hadassah supplies project has expanded to a point where today more than \$1,000,000 worth of urgently needed material is shipped annually to Israel from the United Beth Israel To States."

"The clothing and bedding materials which Hadassah sends to Israel are gathered in several ways," she said. "Sewing and knitting circles have been established in many of the Hadassah chapters and members contribute a specified number of hours each week to sew and knit many of the garments. In other chapters, funds are donated with which needed items are purchased. In other cases, clothing manufacturers, impressed with the urgency of the situation, donate needed garments from their own stock."

Mrs. Levi emphasized that every piece of clothing sent to Israel by Hadassah is brand new. She explained, "there is an important reason for this. It is impossible to overestimate the importance of the rise in morale experienced by a new immigrant when he puts on new clothing. This small but highly significant experience can often be the first step in helping him overcome years, or possibly a lifetime, of privation and persecution and set him on the road to becoming a happy and useful citizen in his new homeland."

Calling for a record collection and turnout at the forthcoming "linen shower," Mrs. Levi declared that "every effort to aid the democracy of Israel is an important contribution in keeping with the efforts of the United States to sustain the free nations of the world."

Beth Abraham Sisterhood

Beth Abraham Sisterhood will hold their annual novelty grand drawing of a R.C.A. Victor Radio Clock Victrola, during the month of January. Chairman of this affair is Mrs. Betty Gopin, Co-Chairman, Mrs. Violet Gordon.

On February 10th, the Beth Abraham Sisterhood will hold their annual card party at the Jewish Community Center. All members are urged to fill tables by calling Mrs. Gertrude Sazin, chairman; Mrs. Bessie Segal, Mrs. Rita Pepper, or Mrs. Ida Striar.

Sponsor Food Sale December 17

Under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. David Israel and Mrs. Leo Viner a food sale will be held at the Bangor Gas Company on Thursday, December 17. All members in the community are asked to respond when called upon by the committee. If baking is inconvenient, monetary contributions will be accepted.

December 15 is the drawing date of Iota Phi's raffle, being held this month. Grand prize is a gift certificate from Viner's Music Company.

SORORITY

The chapter was represented at the first National Luncheon, held November 22 at New York's Park Sheraton, by Judie Cantor. Plans for the coming year were made at this time

The pledges are working at present on their project. These consist of a Sunshine Box to be presented to the Bangor Children's Home and the collecting of toys to be given to the firemen, who repair them for needy children.

The sorority is sending each month a committee of two girls who report to the induction center on the days when the draftees leave for Fort Dix, N. J. They distribute candy, magazines, cigarettes, etc. in the name of the sorority and act as a sendoff committee. Barbara Viner is chairman of collections, assisted by Joanne Kopelow and Jeannette Bell. Anita Rolnick and Sybil Miller are in charge of arrangements.

Hadassah To Meet Tonight

The Bangor Chapter of Hadassah will hold its regular meeting on December 14. Mrs. Simon J. Levi is asking all members to please bring donations for the Hadassah shower.

Mrs. Abraham Golden, chairman of the American Affairs Committee will give a short talk on current events.

This month we celebrate the birthday of Henrietta Szold. The program will consist of a short skit by Mrs. M. S. Eisemann, followed by a short talk by Mr. Murray Carpenter.

HADASSAH

If there are any members of Hadassah that are interested in joining study group No. 4, please contact Mrs. Polly Shindler.

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Israel Dedicates First Reservoir In Nation Wide Irrigation System

The first reservoir in Israel's new nation-wide irrigation system went into operation this week, Julian B. Venezky, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Israel Bond Organization, announced this week in a report to members of the Committee.

The new reservoir, known as the Kishon Lake, is located in the northern part of Israel near the settlement of Kfar Baruch, Mr. Venezky reported. In its present stage of construction, he said, the reservoir can hold about 252,000,-000 cubic feet of water; when completed, it will hold 900,000,000 cubic feet. Construction of this reservoir, as well as the development of Israel's entire new irrigation system, is being carried forward with funds derived from the Israel Bond Issue, he added.

"Israel's new irrigation system," Mr. Venezky's report continued, "will make possible the realization of the country's program for the achievement of a level of agricultural production which will make it unnecessary to import foodstuffs. By 1959 or 1960, Israel hopes to meet in full its own needs for food, with the exception of meat and wheat, and should in addition have a substantial surplus in certain commodities for export. The total annual value of agricultural production is expected to increase from \$96,000,000 at present to \$225,000,000 within the next seven years."

B'nai B'rith Veterans Activities

The Pine Tree Lodge of the B'nai B'rith under the chairmanship of Martin Cantor has been very active in the work of Services Committee for Armed Forces.

Saturday, December 5th, several members of the Lodge visited Togus hospital and supervised a Bingo game for the benefit of the patients at the hospital. In addition to the Bingo game, entertainment was arranged by a selected group from Dow Field under the direction of Lt. Frank Cabrilliac. These programs were presented to a group of some 135 Togus patients.

Among those who assisted in making this a successful affair were: Martin Cantor, Isadore Alpert, Simon Nissenbaum from the Pine Tree Lodge and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Goldberg from the Augusta-Gardner Lodge and Chapter of the B'nai B'rith.

Prizes were furnished by members of the Pine Tree Lodge under the direction of Dan Rosen. The Bath Lodge was also contributor. This Bingo was one of a series of eight which will be given at Togus hospital.

The succeeding Bingos will be under the direction of the several Lodges which make up the State of Maine Council. Several other activities have been planned for the veterans and armed forces, and visitations will be made to Brunswick Naval Air Station, Winter Harbor Naval Base, Togus Hospital, Air Bases at Dow Field, Presque Isle, Limestone, Charleston and Caswell.

Under the veterans chairmanship of Paul Goldberg, Togus has procured various materials such as ation.

leather, wood, wool, and copper. These have been given to the institutions for rehabilitation work in physio - therapy treatments. Among these recipients are Togus and Hyde Memorial Home at Bath.

> HAVE YOU PAID YOUR PLEDGE? DO IT TODAY

Senator Lehman Honored By Jewish Education Group

Senator Herbert H. Lehman has been named the first recipient of the annual Mark Eisner Education Award established by the New York Chapter of the American Association for Jewish Education for the furtherance of Jewish educational activities, according to an announcement by New York State Supreme Court Justice Henry Clay Greenberg, Chairman of the Chapter.

The Award consists of a gold medallion to be given annually to the outstanding public figure of the year in the American Jewish community. It was established by the educational agency to perpetuate the work of the late Mr. Eisner, who was a founder of the American Association for Jewish Education and its New York Chapter, and who served as Chairman of the New York City Board of Higher Education. The Award was given to Senator Lehman at a dinner held on Saturday evening, December 12th at the Hotel Statler. The dinner also marked

18 Mill Street

V. J. A. Hold National Conference

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, Israel Ambassador Abba S. Eban, Jewish Agency Chairman Dr. Nahum Goldmann, UJA General Chairman Edward M. M. Warburg and noted Washington economist Leon Keyserling headed the list of national and international figures who addressed the United Jewish Appeal's three-day annual national conference which took place this weekend in New York to set the stage for the Appeal's 1954 nationwide campaign.

Mr. Eshkol, who arrived this past Monday from Jerusalem expressly to confer with leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and to take part in the UJA Conference, joined Mrs. Roosevelt, Ambassador Eban and Mr. Warburg in addressing the Conference Saturday evening, while Dr. Goldmann and Mr. Keyserling addressed the final session Sunday afternoon.

The three-day Conference held at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, met to assess and fix the sums which the American Jewish community will be asked to contribute to the United Jewish Appeal in 1954 for the settlement and development of Israel, the welfare and rehabilitation of distressed Jews in European and Moslem lands, and refugee settlement and adjustment in the United States.

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