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BRISTOL HEBREW CONGREGATION THE SYNAGOGUE, PARK ROW, BRISTOL

Synagogue Services:

Friday Evenings 7.30 p.m.
Saturday Mornings 10.0 a.m.

Minister:

Rev. M. Modell,
66 Harcourt Road,
Bristol 6.
Tel.: 40615

Hon. Sec.

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37 Long Eaton Drive,
Whitchurch,
BRISTOL 4.
Tel: Whitchurch 3576.

Talmud Torah Classes: Sunday mornings
10.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.

Hon. Sec. Mrs. M. Kushner,
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Whitchurch,
Bristol 4.
Tel: Whitchurch 3576.

Bristol Jewish Ladies' Guild:

Hon. Sec. Mrs. C. Culank,
113 Wags Head Hill,
St. George,
Bristol 5.

Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group:

Hon. Sec. Mrs. S. Hart,
9 Pitch & Pay Lane,
Bristol.
BS9 1NH.

Both Ladies' Organisations hold regular
meetings and functions throughout the
year.

for your diary . . .

Tuesday, 2nd March.

Coffee Morning - 51 The Dell.

Monday, 8th March.

Evening Meeting - 160
Cranbrook Road.

Tuesday, 16th March.

Coffee Morning - 31a Julian
Road.

Thursday, 18th March.

J.P.A. Meeting.

Sunday, 28th March.

Sherry Morning - 77 Parry's
Lane.

Monday, 5th April.

Coffee Morning - 14 The
Avenue.

YAHREZEITS

Monday	1st March	Mrs. G. Seymour	2 Adar	4
Tuesday	2nd March	Mr. S. Dysch	2 Adar	5
Saturday	6th March	Mr. A.E. Morris } Mr. H. Seymour }	2 Adar	10
Sunday	7th March	Mr. D. Goldman	2 Adar	10
Tuesday	9th March	Mrs. E. Fox } Mrs. B. Coburg }	1 Adar	12
Saturday	13th March	Lazarus Sisters	1 Adar	16
Sunday	14th March	Mr. A. Glick	2 Adar	17
Monday	15th March	Rev. Moddel	1 Adar	18
Thursday	18th March	Messrs. N. & I. Sacof	1 Adar	21
Thursday	18th March	Mr. S. Dysch	2 Adar	21
Friday	19th March	Mr. I. Freeland	1 Adar	22
Monday	22nd March	Mrs. Wapnah	2 Adar	25
Tuesday	23rd March	Messrs. J. Burke } C. Berkovitch }	1 Adar	26
Tuesday	23rd March	Mrs. B. Cohen	2 Adar	26
Saturday	3rd April	Mr. S. Bloom	8 Nisan	

KADDISH WILL BE SAID THE PREVIOUS EVENING

The Memorial Prayer (El Mole Rachamim) will be recited by the Minister during the Reading of the Law, on the Sabbath prior to the Yahrzeit, in the presence of the bereaved.

COMMUNAL NOTICES

We regret to report the death of Mr. Harry Silverman, one of the older members of the community. We wish his wife, Bertha, and children, Rosina and Sam long life.

Mrs. Bertha Silverman and family wish to thank all their relatives and friends for their kind messages of sympathy sent to them during their recent bereavement.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Joe Ginsberg is once again in hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

We have received a letter from the Bursar of the University of Bristol, following the recent collapse of the retaining wall between the University car park and the Synagogue. They extend their sincere regrets to the Bristol Hebrew Congregation for the disturbance and any inconvenience caused.

Bristol Talmud Torah

The Annual Prize-Giving was held on Sunday, 31st January and the prizes were presented by Mrs. Ruth Curwen to the following pupils:-

Class I Progress - Sharon Gee and David Hart.
 Effort - Denise Gee.

Class II 1st Prize- Barry Kushner.
 2nd Prize- David Silverman.

Class III 1st Prize- Michele Seymour.
 2nd Prize- Stephen Silverman.

The Nigel Culank Cup for general progress was awarded to Lynne Goldman.

Mrs. Curwen was presented with a clock by the Committee of the Talmud Torah in recognition of all the work she has done as Teacher over the past years.

The Purim Party will be held on Sunday, 14th March from 3 to 5 p.m. All parents and children are invited.

The February Lottery was won by Mr. Ike Kushner.

I would like to thank Rev. Modell, Relatives and many friends of the Congregation for their very kind enquiries and visits during my illness which helped to cheer me up immensely.

I am glad to say that I am now well on the road to recovery.

Syd Dysch.

Mr. Harry Silverman

With the passing of Harry Silverman, the Congregation has lost one of its best loved and respected members. He was a regular attender in Synagogue until the last days of his life. In spite of illness, travelling difficulties, the onset of old age and infirmity, there was seldom a Sabbath he missed and until a comparatively short time ago even on Friday evenings was regularly in his place.

In all weathers, he turned out, for festivals, for the reading of the Megillah and Lamentations. He will be remembered for his keen interest in Synagogue affairs. He was full of wisdom which, owing to his indifferent command of the English Language was not always appreciated; but, if one took the trouble to listen, one could always benefit from his commonsense. Harry also was a great worker for the Chevra Kadisha (The Holy Community).

In the Memorial Prayers, we ask the Almighty to remember unto him the righteousness which he wrought and to let his reward be with him and his recompense before him.

We could all do well to remember this remarkable and loveable man, who we shall all sorely miss. His reward and his recompense surely came to him with the fact that his family have played and are playing such an immense part in Synagogue and Chevra affairs. His dear wife, Bertha, who for so long led the women of the Chevra in their holy duties, his daughter Rosina, one of the first women to serve on the Synagogue Council and his son Sam, an officer of the Chevra and a leading light in all Synagogue matters.

All members of the Congregation will join in wishing them Yomim Aruchim and trust that the Almighty will leave them happy memories of their loved one and that they and we should benefit from his example.

From the Chairman of Bristol J.P.A.

Dear Friends,

Owing to difficulties due to the Postal dispute, I was unable to send this letter to each one individually with the Invitation which I hope you will receive with the March edition of "The Recorder". I am therefore writing to endorse the cordial invitation to the J.P.A.'s Champagne Reception on Thursday, 18th March. You will be entertained with one of the latest films about Israel and addressed by Zvi Garcy whose curricula vitae are detailed below.

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At no time during the history of the Mandate, or in the twenty three years since the birth of modern Israel, has that State stood so precariously on the brink of all-out conflict with her enemies or is so sepectant of the dawn of new and we fervently hope a long and even permanent era of peace.

It is natural that at this time of the Year, we think of that other great liberation from the Egyptians, which we remember so often in our prayers and because of which the religious and political life of Jews was established in a way that even the turmoil of history and the uncertainties of the modern world have failed to suppress.

Meanwhile, as Israel and the world waits for peace, the life and purpose of the nation must be fulfilled. As the people of that beloved land toil for themselves and for the benefit of their newcomers, so we in the Diaspora must for their sakes and our own support them with material aid.

I trust that all of you will join me on 18th March in a strong demonstration of solidarity, but that whether you attend or not, you will be ready and willing to better your efforts of last year. Please do not fail the State of Israel in her hour of greatest need.

Shalom.

Yours sincerely,
Sydney Curwen.

ZVI GARCY

He is a man who already has many friends in the Jewish community in Britain. In 1969 he came to this country for the JPA's campaign. As Director of the Jewish Agency's Haifa office, Zvi Garcy is in close touch with developments behind the new wave of immigration which is expected to bring at least 60,000 people to Israel in 1970.

Zvi Garcy's own story is a graphic illustration of the rescue operation mounted to save Jews from their oppressors in our time. Born in Germany he was saved from falling into the hands of the Nazis by the Youth Aliya organisation. Then, he saw service in the Haganah (the undercover Jewish army during the Mandatory period); the British Army in World War II; Israel's War of Independence (1948-49) and again in 1956 when he was called up for the Sinai Campaign. For

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him Jewish survival is not a slogan but part of his own experience.

Zvi Garcy knows what it's like to feel homeless and hunted. He will be telling British Jews the facts behind a rescue operation which goes on daily, without the ballyhoo of press, radio or television. In May, 1970 tragedy struck the Garcy family. Zvi's only son, David, fell in the line of duty at the Suez Canal.

Bristol W.I.Z.O. Group.

At our last meeting on Tuesday, 16th February our Guest Speaker, Mrs. Yvonne Goldschmidt, gave a most interesting talk on 'Promotion and Expansion of Israeli Produce in Great Britain'. She stressed that more housewives could help the export of Israeli fruits and vegetables if they would introduce at least one Israeli vegetable or Citrus into their daily menu. Failing that, maybe hold an all Israeli Luncheon, or when entertaining friends, Jewish or non-Jewish, prepare one course with some produce from Israel. She went on to say how versatile the Avocado Pear is. They can be served in a number of different ways. Ideal for slimming and the large variety of fillings and dressings eliminates 'Diet boredom'.

Basic Avocado Spread.

- 1 large Carmel Avocado
- $\frac{1}{2}$ level teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$ level teaspoon onion, garlic or celery salt
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice

Rub peeled and stoned avocado through a sieve. Add remaining ingredients and mix well.

Mrs. Goldschmidt announced a Gift Scheme which is in operation (only by kind permission of the Postal Workers). Gift boxes of Israeli Citrus fruit by post. 2lb. fruit for Pesach 35/- or £1.75 including delivery. Cash should be sent with order and address to which the box should be sent to:

Owen Owen Limited,
Marus Bridge,
Wigan,
Lancashire.

Our future meetings are:-

Tuesday, 2nd March.

A coffee morning at 51 The Dell.
Hostess Mrs. H. Silverman.

Tuesday, 16th March.

A coffee morning at 31a Julian
Road, Bristol.9. The hostess will
be Mrs. Dembo.

The Jumble Sale which is being held on Wednesday, 21st
April at St. John's Hall, is in urgent need of jumble. Please
help as much as possible. Collection can be arranged, but
it can be left at the Synagogue House. Thank you.

Shelagh Hart.
(Hon. Sec).

Bristol Jewish Women's Guild.

An afternoon meeting took place on Monday, 8th February at
20 Downs Cote Avenue. The hostess was Mrs. Gold.

Future programme:-

Monday, 8th March.

Evening meeting at 160 Cranbrook
Road, Redland. The hostess will
be Mrs. Smith.

Sunday, 28th March.

Sherry morning at 77 Parry's Lane,
Stoke Bishop. The hostesses will
be Mrs. Sacoof, Mrs. Roydon and Mrs.
Curwen.

(See separate announcement).

Monday, 5th April.

Coffee morning and 'Bring & Buy'
at Avon House, 14 The Avenue,
Sneyd Park. The hostess will be
Mrs. Roydon.

C. Culank.
(Hon. Sec).

The Bristol Jewish Women's Guild

invite you to a

SHERRY MORNING

on Sunday, 28th March,

at

77 Parry's Lane, Stoke Bishop,

from 11.15 a.m.

Admission 25p.

Proceeds towards
Guild Amenities Fund.

"They Beat the Post!"

A special word of thanks to the willing team who so kindly delivered the February Recorders personally by hand to nearly all the members of the congregation - even as far as Bath!

This speedy and kind gesture was greatly appreciated by the community, especially by those who are not able to take part in communal activities and depend on the Recorder for news of what is going on.

G. Sacof.

Message for Purim 1971/5731

If we look through our Jewish calendar we will not find a Festival whose popularity and up-to-date meaning has become so significant than the Festival of Purim.

The historical event of Purim which took place over two thousand years ago when Haman issued a decree to exterminate all the Jews of the Persian Empire had its repetition in our own time with the extermination of six million Jews under the Nazi regime and had been continued with our modern Hamans in Russia and their Arab allies in the Middle East.

But by all this calamity we can find some confidence in the important statement said by many Jews after the ALENU prayer, originally taken from the book of Proverbs, Chapter 3 verse 25 and the book of Isaiah, Chapter 8 verse 10.

"AL TIRA MIFACHAT PIT'OM UMISHOAT R'SHA-IM
KI TAVO. UTZU EYTZU V'TUFAR DABRU DAVAR
V'LO YAKUM KI IMANU KEYL."

"BE NOT AFRAID OF SUDDEN FEAR, NEITHER OF
THE DESOLATION OF THE WICKED, WHEN IT COMETH.
TAKE COUNCIL TOGETHER, AND IT SHALL BE BROUGHT
TO NOUGHT: SPEAK THE WORK, AND IT SHALL NOT
STAND, FOR G'D IS WITH US."

If we follow the events in our history through the thousand of years especially if we bring to our mind the events of the happenings since the establishment of the State of Israel with the climax of the six day war in 1967 and the developing events in the last few years until today, we realise that all the efforts which have been made by our enemies to eliminate the State of Israel and the Jewish people by hijacking of airplanes and by the most modern types of missiles have, th.G. failed because there is one thing which has always been forgotten by our adversaries that a fight against Israel means to face the power of the Almighty as we find it stated by the Commentator Raslin in the book of Numbers, chapter 31 verse 3 where he says "Whoever attacks Israel is as though he attacks the Holy One, blessed be He".

Let us hope that the prospect which has started with the negotiation of a ceasefire since over a half year ago between Israel and Egypt will soon lead to a permanent peace in Israel and all the States in the Middle East but which will bring blessing to all the Nations of the World.

Therefore, we are justified to celebrate Purim with our brethren in Israel and with all other brethren who are still living in bondage in the way it is described in the book of Esther, chapter 9 verse 22.

"AS THE DAYS WHEREIN THE JEWS RESTED FROM
THEIR ENEMIES, AND THE MONTH WHICH WAS TURNED
UNTO THEM FROM SORROW TO JOY, AND FROM MOURNING
INTO A FESTIVAL: THAT THEY SHOULD MAKE THEM
DAYS OF FEASTING AND JOY, AND OF SENDING
PORTIONS TO ANOTHER AND GIFTS TO THE POOR!"

WITH CHAG SAMEYACH.

Rev. & Mrs. Moddel & Susan.

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Members of the Congregation are reminded that the Fast of Esther will be observed on Wednesday, 10th March, terminating at 7.50 p.m.

The Festival of Purim will be celebrated on Thursday, 11th March.

Evening Service followed by the Reading of the Megillah will commence on Wednesday, 10th March at 7.45 p.m.

BRISTOL & WEST
PROGRESSIVE JEWISH CONGREGATION

invite you to pay 25/- £1.25

(Wholesale)

to eat, drink and be merry at a

D I S C O - N O S H

March, 13th, 8p.m.

Dress: If you must.

St. Mary's Hall
Mariners Drive
Stoke Bishop
Bristol 9

Profits in aid of the Royal Marsden Hospital.

Tickets obtainable from:-

Mrs. Wagan	624322
Mrs. Bogod	683874
Mrs. Harris	623199

From Bristol University Jewish and Israel Society,
University of Bristol Union.

The purpose of this letter is to introduce you to the new committee and inform you of the remaining meetings this term. On January 31st the Society's A.G.M. was held and the

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following committee was elected for 1971/72:

Chairman: Leon Sacks
Vice-Chairman and Treasurer: David Shear
Vice-Chairman and Israel Officer: Hubert Newman
Secretary: Caroline Hamilton
Polytechnic Representative: Joel Scolah
Hillel Officer: Joanne Benjamin

On behalf of this committee I would welcome you to all our meetings and hope that you find them interesting and enjoyable. We would welcome any suggestions that you may make concerning the society's future and any ideas that you may have for future meetings. In general our policy for the future is informality - a mixture of social functions and less formal meetings where one can discuss controversial topics with experts. This by no means eliminates however, the meeting where we invite a speaker to talk on a subject of interest to all - I, for one, will not forget the success of David Caplin last term. Nevertheless we want to plan a programme of interest to you and the more we know of your feelings and opinions the better.

The programme for the rest of this term is as follows:-

Sunday, 7th March.

"CULTURE IN ISRAEL" - Moshe Shamir, a well-known Israeli author speaks. 7.30 p.m., Meeting Room 2 (Union). PLEASE NOTE: Moshe Shamir will speak on: "PROBLEMS FACING THE JEWISH PEOPLE TODAY" including War and Peace in M.E., Soviet Jews, How to help Israel in the Seventies.

Sunday, 14th March.

"THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY" - Dr. Daniel Argov, a lecturer from the University talks about its growth and the opportunities for English students.

7.30 p.m. Meeting Room 2 (Union).

We are very much looking forward to seeing you at One or more of our meetings this term. If you want any more information about the society, its meetings or anything concerning Jewish and Israel affairs please contact us through the Jewish Society's pigeon-hole in the Union's Reception. Remember that in order to make the next year enjoyable for you we need to know what you want so come along and give us your ideas. We look forward to a successful year and sincerely hope that you will participate in its success.

Yours truly,

Leon Sacks on behalf of the
committee of the Jewish and Israel
Society.