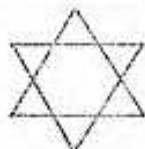


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Saturday Mornings 10.00 a.m.

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10.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.

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

For Your Diary....

Tuesday, April 3rd.

W.I.Z.O. Meeting.
7 Chartley, The Avenue. 8.p.m.

Thursday, April 15th.

Bristol Zionist.
6 Chardstock Ave. 8.p.m.

Monday, April 23rd

Bristol Jewish Womens Guild
16, Queens Drive. 2.p.m.

Thursday, April 26th.

Council Meeting.
Committee Room. 8.p.m.

Wednesday, May 2nd.

Israel Independence Celebration
12 Great Brockridge. 8.p.m.

Tuesday, May 8th.

W.I.Z.O.
69 Hillview. 8.p.m.

YAHREZITES.

Sunday, April 1st.	Mr. H. Heber (London). Mr. G. Cole.	NISAN 4
Thursday, April 5th.	Mr. S. Bloom	NISAN 8
Tuesday, April 10th.	Mr. P. Winberg	NISAN 13
Thursday, April 12th.	Mr. H. Seymour & Family of the late Mrs. Coburg.	NISAN 15
Wednesday, April 16th.	Mr. M. B. Silverman	NISAN 21
Thursday, April 19th.	Mr. L. G. Gould	NISAN 22
Friday, April 20th.	Family of the late Mrs. Dora Malin	NISAN 23
Monday, April 23rd.	Messrs. N & I Sacof.	NISAN 26
Wednesday, April 25th.	Miss Lazarus.	NISAN 28
Thursday, April 26th.	Mr. M. Barnett.	NISAN 29
Saturday, April 28th.	Miss Lazarus & Mr. H. Springer.	IYAR 1
Thursday, May 3rd.	Mr. L. Caplan	IYAR 6
Saturday, May 5th.	Mrs. G. Meyer *****	IYAR 8

MESSAGE FOR PASSOVER 1979/5739

After one of the most severe winter seasons in memory we are looking forward to the approaching PASSOVER, the great Festival of our Freedom with joy and tranquility. Very soon families will gather round the festive table to celebrate the great event of PASSOVER with prayer and song and good cheer in accordance with Jewish Custom. In every generation the Jew recalls the experience of his fathers who stepped forth from servitude to freedom. This feeling is well expressed in a passage of the HAGGADAH

"In every single generation it is a man's duty to regard himself as if he had gone forth from Egypt, as it is written: And thou shalt tell thy son on that day saying: It is because of that which the Lord did for me when I came out of Egypt. "Not our fathers only - continues the HAGGADAH - did the Holy One, blessed be He, redeem, but also us did he redeem with them as it is said: And he brought us out from thence that he might bring us in to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers".

The Seder Service with its historical explanation, hymns and symbols provides for the active participation both of father and child. By question and answer, these two generations understand why this night is different from all other nights, why also Israel's history is history of a difference.

What does the Festival of PASSOVER teach us in our present time? Looking around in our world today we will find that the Western World is placed in a more dangerous situation owing to the fact of Russia's expansion politics and the extreme Arab and Islamic influence against Israel. It is therefore encouraging that the United States of America has taken the initiative to bring Egypt and Israel together for a final signing of a peace treaty.

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That this great event is taking place in the month of Nisan will be of great significance because the month of Nisan has brought liberty and Freedom to the Jewish People after they have been enslaved for over 200 years under Egyptian dictatorship. Therefore we may be able to now look forward that the peace treaty will gradually bring the final Redemption to the Jewish People and the Nations of the World.

In this way let us celebrate the approaching Festival of PASSOVER with the fulfilment of the famous words of the HAGGADAH

"V'NODE L'CHD SHIR CHADASH AL G'ULATEINU V'AL P'DUT NAPSHEINU"

"WE SHALL THEN OFFER UNTO YOU A NEW SONG FOR OUR REDEMPTION AND SALVATION".

WITH THESE FAMOUS WORDS OF THE HAGGADAH go our best wishes for a happy and pleasant Yomtoff to the Hon. Officers and all the members of the Bristol Congregation.

WITH CHAG SAMEYACH.

Rev. & Mrs. Moddel and family.

COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

COUNCIL MEETING. The next Council Meeting will take place on THURSDAY, APRIL 26th at 8.p.m. in the Committee Room.

LOTTERY. This month's £10 Lottery Prize was won by MR. ARNOLD GREENWOOD.

TALMUD TORAH There will be no Classes on Sunday, April 15th. 1979.

TOMBSTONE CONSECRATION. The Consecration of the Tombstone for the late MR. MARTIN MEYER will take place on Sunday, May 13th 1979 at 2.p.m. at the Ridgeway Cemetery.

FESTIVAL OF PESACH.

TUESDAY. APRIL 10TH.	Search for Chametz in evening.
WEDNESDAY. APRIL 11TH.	FESTIVAL BEGINS. (1st Seder) Fast of the First Born.
THURSDAY. APRIL 12TH.	FIRST DAY PESACH (2nd Seder).
THURSDAY. APRIL 19TH.	EIGHTH DAY PESACH (Festival terminates).

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FESTIVAL OF PESACH.

TIMETABLE..

WEDNESDAY.	APRIL 11th.	Maariv 6.30 p.m.
THURSDAY.	APRIL 12th.	Shachrit 9.30 a.m. Maariv. 6.30 p.m.
FRIDAY.	APRIL 13th.	Shachrit 9.30 a.m. Shabat Evening Service 7. p.m.
SATURDAY	APRIL 14th	M. Service 9.30 a.m. (Shabbat Chol Hamoed).
TUESDAY	APRIL 17th	E. Service 7.00 p.m. (Festival begins).
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 18th	M. Service 9.30 a.m. E. Service 7.00 p.m.
THURSDAY	APRIL 19th	M. Service 9.30 a.m. (Festival terminates) YIZKOR.

OBITUARY.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Dave Cohen. Dave was the oldest male member of the community at 85, and had been an active member all his life.

He was well liked and respected by all. A smile and a good word was always present wherever Dave was.

He was a "Cohen" and loved to attend Synagogue services at every opportunity. He enjoyed his Religion.

Dave was a founder member of the Jewish Branch of the British Legion in Bristol - the Polack Branch. He was a member of the Armed Services during the first World War.

Dave, in his younger days, was a keen dancer and enjoyed doing the Valeta most of all. In fact it was only last year at the Annual Dinner Dance that Dave showed us he could still do it.

He was respected and admired by all. May He Rest In Peace.

S.A.S.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. George Geller would like to thank relatives, and those kind people who sent messages and good wishes to himself, and Hilda at home, during his recent stay in Hospital. George tell us he is pleased to be back home again, and well on the way to recovery.

Golda and Harold Seymour would like to thank everyone for their cards, good wishes, phone calls, and general offers of help, during their recent indisposition. Pleased to report that all Seymours are now fit and well.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is with great regret that we announce the death of Mr. David Cohen who died recently at the age of 86 in Manor Park Hospital. We wish his Family Long Life.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Ernie Morris has been admitted to Hospital recently. We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery. Get well soon Ernie.

It is with very deep sorrow that we announce the death of Nigel Lever aged 13. He was the elder son of Dr. and Mrs. John Lever, who now live in Bath. Dr. and Mrs. Lever have been members of the Congregation for over 7 years and Nigel was a past pupil of the Talmud Torah.

We wish his Parents and Family Long Life Free from further Trouble.

Lynda and John Lever would like to thank the Rev. Moddel and members of the community for their kindness and support during their recent bereavement.

TALMUD TORAH.

The Annual Prizegiving of the Bristol Talmud Torah, took place on Saturday, March 18th at the Synagogue.

Our Headmaster, MR. ALAN TOBIAS, presented every Pupil with a Siddur, kindly donated by MRS. GRETA MEYER and her son STEPHEN, in memory of the late MR. MARTIN MEYER.

DR. RONNIE GREENBAUM then presented Prizes to the following children:

CLASS I	1st Prize	Anna Gerratt.
	2nd Prize	Sharon Levin.
	3rd Prize	Elaine Zimmerman.
CLASS II	1st Prize	Suzanne Greenbaum.
	2nd Prize	Lydia Gerratt.
	3rd Prize	Lawrence Kaplan.
CLASS III	1st Prize	Saul Berkovitz.
	2nd Prize	Peter Balint-Kurti.
	3rd Prize	Esther Gerratt.

The CULANK CUP, for the Pupil who made the most progress was awarded to JUSTINE BERKOVITZ.

There was, directly after the Prizegiving, a Fancy Dress Parade, where many lovely and original costumes were "shown off".

This was followed by a party held in the Committee Room, where over 40 children enjoyed all the wonderful goodies prepared by the Mums. Because of lack of space, tea was served to the grown-ups in one of the classrooms downstairs.

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TALMUD TORAH. Cont'd

We must thank DR. ROBERT REINER for providing and showing us two excellent cowboy films - Roy Rogers, and The Lone Ranger - with which we concluded the afternoon.

We think, or at least hope, that a good time was had by all!

Thanks,

Kitty Balint-Kurti.

HILLEL HOUSE.

A capacity crowd attended the Students Purim Evening at Hillel House on Sunday, March 11th. Falafel and wine were enjoyed by all. The Students prepared all the goodies and a film show was provided by Dr. Reiner showing a shortened version of the Film "Raid on Entebbe".

Thanks also to Harold Wolfe for the Dutch Auction. The evening raised over £80 for the students towards the running cost of Hillel.

BRISTOL SOCIAL & LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Fun Evening announced in last month's Recorder has had to be postponed due to the fact that it was too close to Pesach.

BRISTOL JEWISH WOMEN'S GUILD.

The next meeting will be on Monday, April 23rd at 8.p.m. at the home of Mrs. G. Meyer, 16 Queens Drive, Bishopston.

* FORTHCOMING FUNCTION. *
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* Will be a Roving Supper on May 6th. *
* Starting with the first course at Mrs. K. Lever's *
* home, next to Mrs. M. Gee for the main course, *
* then on to Mrs. G. Seymour for Dessert and Coffee. *
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* Cost per head £3.00. *
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* Although this is not a race, starting time will *
* be 7.30 p.m. *
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* Please let any of the above hostesses know if you *
* are able to attend. *

N.B. The Secretary's new address as from April 30th will be

4 Parry's Lane,
Stoke Bishop,
BRISTOL. Tel: 622690.

Mrs. I. Springer.
Hon. Secretary.

BRISTOL W.I.Z.O.

A Business Meeting was held on March 6th at the home of KATE LEVER when 12 members attended.

Our Spring Jumble Sale held on March 14th, raised £113 gross - £97 nett. Many thanks to all those who helped on the day, and to everyone who sorted their Jumble in good time.

On WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND would you please come along to 12 Great Bockeridge, at 8.p.m. where we will be celebrating ISRAELI INDEPENDANCE DAY, with punch prepared by JULIUS BURKE and a Buffet Supper organised by the female members of B.Z.S. and W.I.Z.O. Admission £1.50.

The Meeting to be held on TUESDAY MAY 8TH at the home of EVE LEVIN should be of great interest, as DENNIS BROOKES, who is the Chef at the MANOR HOUSE, CASTLE COOMBE, has agreed to come along and give us some of his "trade secrets" (we hope!).

We will be having a Meeting on TUESDAY, APRIL 3RD at 8.p.m. at the home of MILLIE ROBERTS, 7 CHARTLEY, THE AVENUE, so come along, and perhaps we can do some "PESACH RECIPE SWAPS".

From the letter printed below, you will see that we still have to trail to Cardiff or London if we want some tasty Kosher nosh! I just thought it was worth a try.

Irene Berkovitch.
Hon. Sec. W.I.Z.O.

BEJAM GROUP LTD.
52-62 Bond Street.
Bristol.

7th March. 1979.

Dear Mrs. Berkovitch,

Thank you for your letter of the 6th March 1979. Unfortunately only 15 branches out of well over 150, stock a range of Kosher Foods, and these are obviously situated mainly in areas of high Jewish population.

At the moment there are no plans for our Bristol branch to stock Kosher products, however I will pass on your comments to our Area Manager for consideration.

Yours sincerely,
PAT WHITTLE for BEJAM GROUP LTD.

THE ARCHITECTS LAMENT.

Sad to relate friends, we're leaving
Pretty soon, though not right away
You can see by the tear stains we're grieving
'cos it's true that we'd much rather stay.

Twelve years ago - with instant recall,
We set out to start a new life.
Bristol, my friends, we knew it not at all -
"Let's try it", I said to my wife.

Customs and language we'll soon get to know
Radiating, I thought, reassurance.
"There's even a Shul, in a place called Park Row"
It won't be beyond our endurance.

So we went forth, like babes in the wood,
And left the familiar behind us
Although the job, and prospects looked good
Would our kinfolk be able to find us?!

~~But we soon settled down, in this strange little town~~
With it's alien culture and speech
No more did we frown at Bedminster Down
and we raised us some kids - one of each.

We were soon cock-a-hoop, with the Zionist Group
Womens Guild, WIZO and all
And annually troupe, for the fish and the soup
at the S.O.S. Dinner and Ball.

As I said at the start, the time's come to part
And we have to leave all this behind us
Tinged with regret, but we'll never forget
All the good friends we're leaving behind us.

GAZINK stands down this month for a mystery Guest Poet.