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FOR YOUR DIARY.....

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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3RD.
 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

SUNDAY AUGUST 21ST. 3.30-6.00 p.m.
 C.C.J. COURSE

MONDAY AUGUST 22ND. 8.00 p.m.
 COUNCIL MEETING

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH. 10.30-5.00 p.m.
 WEST QUEST III. SWANSEA

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH. 2.30-3.30
 MEMORIAL SERVICES ..RIDGWAY CEMETARY

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH. 8.00 p.m.
 WOMENS GUILD MEETING
 59 THE DELL

FOR SHOP OPENING DATES & CAKE ROTA
 SEE IN

Notes of an informal gathering in the FRANK COHEN HALL on JULY 19TH, 1988.
Some 40 Members attended.

INTRODUCTION
..... The purpose of coming together: To let the sub-committee, appointed by COUNCIL to begin the process of recruiting someone to take Services, hear the views of congregants. This was an informal get-together, since such an appointment is made by a GENERAL MEETING of the CONGREGATION, on the recommendation of COUNCIL.

The TREASURER explained the financial situation. For the Congregation to pay someone a forecast of the amount currently in mind, some £5,000, the annual accounts showed a shortfall of £2,000. That COULD mean an additional payment per year of £50 for the 40 or so members currently paying a full membership fee. Alternatively, a number of members could agree to pay extra "for a Minister". Evidently, the more someone is paid, the more money has to be found.

The CHEVRA KADISHA is considering contributing about £2,500, PROVIDED the person appointed lives in Bristol, and is therefore easily available to take Funerals and Tombstone Consecrations.

After a low response to the first JEWISH CHRONICLE advert, and the coming to Bristol of three candidates (who had been informed of our financial situation), the CHEVRA KADISHA are funding a SECOND advert.

Bristol has an application to the AREIVIM scheme. Under this, we would share with NEWPORT, SWANSEA and CHELTENHAM, the religious, educational, and youth leadership services of someone from ISRAEL.

COMMENTS BY THOSE PRESENT.
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It is no use relying solely on adverts. Recruitment has to be by personal contact. Suggested this should be with the CHIEF RABBI: the FEDERATION of SYNAGOGUES; JEW'S COLLEGE; the LUBAVITCH movement; YAKAR; the NASORTI SYNAGOGUES; etc. the CHIEF RABBI might be asked how to make contacts in ISRAEL. Approaching other Congregations for a contact does NOT mean that we have to change our lack of independent orthodoxy. Notice should be placed on appropriate notice boards.

Do we want a BAAL TEFILAH?, a BAAL KOREH?, or someone to offer full spiritual leadership?

We need to make an appointment which is NOT a short term one. (some did not support this assertion)

We need someone who is able to live in Bristol.

Our minimum need is for someone who can Lehi'n.

Is an outlay of £5,000+ worthwhile on someone who only works for the congregation a few hours each weekend?

We need someone who can give more to the Congregation and is seen to be doing so by anyone thinking of moving to Bristol.

Since it is difficult to attract someone to Bristol, given our financial situation and lack of provision (e.g. butcher, schools etc.), we must specify the four or five qualities that are ESSENTIAL, plus those that are DESIRABLE.

Before the SUB-COMMITTEE proceeds, it must establish whether Members would pay more. This need not be a standard amount. Only then would we be in a position to put together a 'package' of work, accommodation and money, which MIGHT attract someone who previously had not considered coming to BRISTOL. Such a package might persuade someone to live here, and work or study part-time elsewhere.

If someone commutes from far away, we would be paying a large proportion of the sum available on travel. Also, use of the flat at the weekend only, prevents income from a letting. This makes someone resident in Bristol more desirable.

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Much depends on the wording of the ADVERTS. We MUST advertise and RE-advertise widely until we have a suitable candidate. It may then be possible to tailor a financial package to suit that applicant.

It may be necessary to appoint a part-time "Locum" to maintain the religious life of the Community. The period in question should be clearly identified, and the situation made crystal clear to anyone temporarily appointed.

What is our 'bottom line'? Someone who can Lehi'n and keep services going.

What is our 'top line'? A "LEADER", involved in the Community, Orthodox (within limits), who can be a BA'L KOREH, RESIDENT, able and willing to take Funerals and Consecrations.

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What are YOU looking for? (i.e. Individual responses around the room to that question. N.B. Repetitions are not included.

-a BAAL KOREH, and BA'L TEFILAH; we can manage without a spiritual and communal leader, and social activities are well catered for.

-someone who will maintain our independance, which needs to be stressed, e.g. in adverts and at interviews.

-if we want to keep our young people within the Community, we need someone who can relate to and join in with them; we need someone who takes an active part in Communal life.

-we must look for the BEST we can AFFORD from whatever source, without draining our pockets.

-if necessary, we have to invest in an interim, possibly costly, arrangement while we find someone suitable in the longer term.

-ideally someone YOUNG and DYNAMIC, with a young family, involved throughout the Shul.

-someone who can give an inspiring sermon.

-someone who is committed to their kind of JUDAISM, able to be dynamically involved.

-someone STIMULATING, who gives you food for thought.

-someone able to make services APPEALING and ATTRACTIVE.

-someone, who, in taking services, is aware of today's trends in liturgy and religious music, and not rooted in the past.

-someone who supports the commitment and effort of ALL those currently actively involved.

-someone ENTHUSIASTIC and TOLERANT; avoid a CHASSID!

-someone CREATIVE, who can encourage involvement from within the community.

-someone able to cater for our YOUNG people, as well as keep services going.

Notes taken by: MARTIN VEGODA.

YAHRTITES
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WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 3RD.	MRS.C.CULANK	AV 20
TUESDAY	AUGUST 9TH.	MRS.M.KUSHNER	AV 26
TUESDAY	AUGUST 16TH.	MR.W.SAMUEL	ELLUL 3
MONDAY	AUGUST 22ND.	MR.W.SAMUEL	ELLUL 9
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 24TH.	MR.J.ADLER	ELLUL 11
FRIDAY	AUGUST 26TH.	Fam. of ESTHER FOX	ELLUL 13
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 31ST.	MR.L.CAPLAN	ELLUL 18
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 7TH.	MRS.H.CAPLAN	ELLUL 25

COMMUNAL ANNOUNCEMENTS
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COUNCIL MEETING Next Council Meeting will be MONDAY AUGUST 22ND.
There will be a SPECIAL meeting of Council on WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3RD, to discuss the Constitution.

LOTTERY The two lotteries drawn this month was won by MR.R.EMANUEL and MR.S. NIRENBERG.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE The CEMETARY will be open on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH., from 2.30 - 3.30 for relatives and friends to say Memorial Prayers for the Departed, before the High Holydays.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS MR.GARY BERNSTEIN is now at:8 NORTHWOOD WALK,CHARLTON MEAD, WESTBURY-on-TRYM, BRISTOL BS10 6LS tel:590932.

MARK & GILL ORNSTEIN are now at:THE HILL STUDIO,23 CROWN STREET,HARROW-on-the HILL,MIDDY. tel:(01)423 8236.

A special"WELCOME BACK" to ANGELA & TONY HOLT,who are moving to "POUND HOUSE" CHURCH END,OLD CHARFIELD,GLOS.,after JULY 27th.

DONATION Our thanks to the family of MR.&MRS.N.SACOF for their generous gift of four complete sets of Machzorim and Chumashim.

Thank you to RABHAEL EMANUEL for kindly donating his last months lottery win to Shul funds.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC! Calling all music aficionados-Vivaldi to Vaughan Williams, Instrumental, Vocal, Orchestral. Would you be interested in setting up a MUSICAL CIRCLE for discussion, concerts etc. Call GEORGE RUSSELL, Bath 335321

ALLEY OOP! Well done LINSEY GORDON for winning her SILVER MEDAL in her Acrobatic Exam. She had an 88% mark, and therefore achieved HONOURS!

WELCOME BACK! To TONY & ANGELA HOIT who have moved back into the region after several years absence (though they never really lost touch with us). We look forward to seeing them at future Religious and Social venues.

CELEBRATION!! GERALD & MARCIA GEE would like to thank all their friends for their cards and good wishes on the occasion of their Pearl Wedding Anniversary.

'BACK' AGAIN. We were sorry to learn that JILL HIRSCHMAN had been in hospital with two slipped discs. She is now making slow but steady progress, and picking up the threads again. We wish her better.

BRISTOL

WIZO

By the time you read this edition of the "Recorder", we will have held our A.G.M., thus completing our Business and Fund Raising Events for the past year; personally, I feel it has been quite varied and a highly successful one. As I wrote in last month's "Recorder", I would be very grateful for any suggestions and offers for any future events and venues.

The NEW YEARS BROCHURE is currently being compiled by SHEILA TOBIAS, with, of course, ALAN's aid; if you require an insertion, please contact them as soon as possible-the fee is still only £3.50!!!

I hope to see you all during the coming year with plenty of fresh ideas-meantime, I wish you all a super holiday.

SHALOM-and with all Best Wishes.
JOY.

JEWISH WOMENS WEEK

The final total for 1988 reached £913.55.

MARCIA and DENISE GEE, the CAPTAINS for this year, would like to thank all those who gave so generously, helping to make this a RECORD YEAR!

BRISTOLS OWN 'KOSHERINA'

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With much blowing of trumpets and passing over of chicken breasts-Bristols KOSHERINA opened its doors on MAY 15TH.,and has been running fortnightly ever since. Despite a few teething problems,well beyond our control,we are delighted to report that customers have been steady and brisk,reflecting the need in our community for such an outlet.

To iron out the difficulties caused by an unreliable supplier,we have now organized a contract with BLOOMS of London,and hope that lower prices will now reflect this new arrangement,as well as an increase in the goods stocked. Since opening up,we have acquired two new freezer/fridge freezers,which will greatly increase our capacity to stock a wide range of frozen products,as well as cheeses and margarine.

Our thanks to GORDON KING and his fiance ROCHELLE,and to our anonymous donor, in the acquisition of the above items .

REMEMBER,the success of the shop rests in YOUR hands,both as customers and volunteers on our helpers rota,PLUS the added bonus of a chance to chat on a Sunday morning,whilst debating the merits of Turkey Schnitzel v Roasting Fowl for next Friday nights' meal!

SHOP ROTA

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7TH.AUGUST.ROSINA & NAT SMITH,HELENA CHANNACK

21ST.AUGUST.HELENA & LIONEL CAPLAN,ALF GLICK

4TH.SEPTEMBER.BILL SHLESINGER,ANTHONY ELMAN,KATE LEVER

18TH.SEPTEMBER.EVE & GERALD LEVY,MICHAEL WETZLER

2ND.OCTOBER.ANGELA BAUM,VIVIANNE JOFFE,LINDA HURST

16TH.OCTOBER.JOHN ADLER,ARNOLD LEVIN,MARTIN VEGODA

30TH.OCTOBER.IRENE BERKOVITCH,AUDREY GREENWOOD,RUTH CURWEN

ENQUIRIES TO: MINNIE 687654

HELEN 45769

ANNE 623743

WEST QUEST III

WEST QUEST III WILL TAKE PLACE AT SWANSEA ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH.
10.30 - 5.00 AT THE SYNAGOGUE.

THE COST WILL BE £8.00 PER PERSON, INCLUDING LUNCH AND TEA.

APPLICATION FORMS AND FURTHER DETAILS FROM JOHN ADLER tel:41766(HOME)
303212(WORK)

IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE JOINT TRANSPORT IF THERE ARE ENOUGH PEOPLE
INTERESTED IN GOING IN A GROUP.

"TRY TO SUPPORT THE WEST QUEST AND BUILD BRIDGES WITH OUR FELLOW
SMALL COMMUNITIES"

NOTE THE DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTION ...CONCERT

Another date to note for your diary.

THURSDAY NIGHT 7.30 P.M., OCTOBER 13TH.

at
ST. GEORGES, BRANDON HILL, A CONCERT

by the visiting ROSH HA'AYIM YOUTH MANDOLIN ORCHESTRA.

SOLOIST : ROBERT HURST.

Tickets from BOB EMANUEL
(BRISTOL JEWISH LIASON COMMITTEE) More details next month, but note the date.

The MRS. SACOF MEMORIAL FUND

The above fund is now into its third month, and one is made to feel so proud to have known such a wonderful lady as Mrs. GAZINA SACOF. People have been contacted from far and wide, donations large and small have been received, together with some lovely letters thanking US for letting them know that the fund was under way, and wishing to be identified in some way in her memory. Her hospitality, thoughtfulness towards people she had known for ever, or had just met, her love of you, your children, or your grandchildren, are all things people remember.

I am sure we all have our own personal memories of a very remarkable lady, and would wish to be associated with this fund.

MARCIA GEE

PLEASE SEND DONATIONS TO: Jewish Guild (Mrs. Sacof)

c/o HELENA CHANNACK

13 DRUID STOKE AVENUE

BRISTOL BS9 1DB

BRISTOL JEWISH WOMENS GUILD

The A.G.M. of the Guild was held at the home of MRS. IRENE BERKOVITCH on JULY 11TH. Twenty Members were present. The following Members were elected for the forthcoming year.

CHAIRMAN	-MRS. SHEILA TOBIAS
VICE -CHAIRMAN	-MRS. EVE GORDON
TREASURER	-MRS. HELENA CHANACK
SECRETARY	-MRS. EVE LEVY
CORRESPONDANCE SECRETARY & CHAIRMAN OF CATERING COMMITTEE	-MRS. IRENE BERKOVITCH

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Our first meeting to start the new season will be held on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH. at 8 p.m. at the home of MRS. GOLDA SEYMOUR, 59 THE DELL, WESTBURY-on-TRYM. Please do your utmost to attend

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6TH. STUDENT BRUNCH

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19TH. VICIOUS CIRCLE.

Further details soon but please put these dates in your diary NOW!

The CAKE ROTA for KIDDUSH on SHABBAT is as follows:

6TH. AUGUST	HELEN VEGODA
13TH. AUGUST	RUTH CURMEN
20TH. AUGUST	ANDREA HUTTER
27TH. AUGUST	ANNE EMMANUEL
3RD. SEPTEMBER	YVONNE SANDERS
10TH. SEPTEMBER	AUDREY GREENWOOD
17TH. SEPTEMBER	SONIA SILVERMAN

POETRY SHMOETRY

When one thinks about shopping-there's really no stopping,
The lady I live with-my wife
She can go through a Store-without missing a floor
Like butter one cuts with a knife.
Whether home or abroad-she never gets bored,
As long as there's shops near at hand
Where there's pavements to 'pound'-she'll never be found,
In the sea, in the sun, on the sand
She loves market stalls-and large shopping 'Malls'
Sometimes I think it quite funny
Though it gives me a pain-I shouldn't complain
She comes back without spending her money!

THE COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS
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SUNDAY 21ST AUGUST.

Visit to AMMEL. Near RADSTOCK. 3.30-6.00 p.m.

Ammerdown is an ecumenical conference centre, set in beautiful grounds. It holds a number of courses on Jewish/Christian relations and on world religions. Some of the community are members of the Sisters of Zion.

Sunday August 21st. is the start of a course led by Rabbi Michael Hilton and Fr. Gordon Marshall. They will tell us about the course and there will be a tour of the centre. Tea will be available. It should be an enjoyable family outing. Please let Mrs. ROMAIN know how many of you will be coming by Monday August 15th., and whether you can offer, or need a lift.

MONDAY OCTOBER 3RD.

MR. & MRS. ROMAIN have kindly invited us to their home THE BRAKE, VICARAGE LANE TOCKINGTON, ALMONDSBURY to view their SUKKAH, a booth of branches decorated with fruits and vegetables, which is a reminder of the years which the Israelites spent in the wilderness. Refreshments will be available at 6 p.m. The Service will start at 6.30 p.m.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 27TH.

A.G.M. (7 p.m.) and Talk (7.30 p.m.) about the Pharisees by MR. HYAM MACCOBY, at Wesley College, Henbury Rd., Westbury-on-trym, Bristol.

MR. MACCOBY is Librarian at LEO BECK COLLEGE and author of several books. Nominations for Officers and Executive Committee Members, with signature of proposer, seconder and candidate should be sent to the Secretary beforehand or given to her prior to the meeting. Only Members of CCJ can stand for election and vote. We need to elect a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Treasurer, Secretary and Publicity Officer, as well as up to 10 members of Committee. All posts are open for election. I as Chairman and the Secretaries do not wish to continue in office.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 21ST.

RABBI JULIA NEUBERGER. At Christ Church, Julian Road, BATH. 7.30 p.m.

RABBI JULIA NEUBERGER's subject will be "What have our Religions to say to Society" The BISHOP OF MALMESBURY will take the chair.

Please invite your friends to these meetings. Non-members are always welcome. If you are not a member, we hope you will join CCJ.

Yours Sincerely
REV. MARCUS BRAYBROOKE