

NEWSLETTER
OF THE
BUSHEY & DISTRICT SYNAGOGUE

With regret, we open on a note of gloom: we have had no replies to our Rosh Hashana competition, and so the Newsletter is still without a name.....It is hard to believe that the Bushey Community is totally lacking in creative minds.

We also have to report that we have not been inundated with letters or articles. In fact we have received none of either sort of contribution.

Our intention is to produce a Newsletter at the beginning of each month; and we hope to have enough letters, articles and other contributions to make each third issue into more of a 'magazine' than just a collection of items of local information.

So please do not be shy. Put pen to paper, and send in your thoughts and ideas.

The Festival of Succot was celebrated with much vigour again this year, with plenty of singing and dancing on Simchat Torah. We have to thank our Bridegrooms of the Law - Neville Nagler and Freddie Grays - for a truly wonderful Kiddush. What a shame that, as soon as the spell of Yommim Tovim were over, we slipped back into the habit of having to wait, on a Shabbat morning, for the 'minyan man'. It would make the overall duration of all the services considerably shorter, and probably therefore much less noisy, if they could start on time with a minyan.

On the subject of decorum in Shool; it was very obvious that the decorum over the Yommim Tovim was much better than on a Shabbat morning. Could it be that the sight of the Honoray Officers in the 'box' inspires some form of respect in the majority of the congregants?.....

May I close the Editorial with another reminder that we need YOUR contributions for YOUR newsletter.

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THE LADIES' GUILD

Last month we mentioned (and we apologise for the fact that this was not included in the body of the Newsletter) that there is a Ladies' Guild in our Synagogue. In fact, the Guild is getting more and more enterprising.

On TUESDAY, the 17th October, the Guild are presenting a "Fashion Show", with the latest in fashion by 'Jacqueline' of Stanmore Hill. Refreshments will be provided, and an entertaining evening is assured. Tickets at £1.00 per head, can be obtained from either Barbara Kaye (9) or Shirley Epstein (950 5217). We are told that the 'House Full' sign might have to be put up, so we urge you to get your tickets very quickly. The "Fashion Show" will be in the Shool Hall.

Also planned for the future is another Jumble Sale. 27th November, at 8 p.m. in the Shool Hall. Jumble is already being collected and stored, so please let the Ladies' Guild have all your clothes, bric-a-brac, household articles, toys, china, paperback books, etc. etc. - in fact, anything that you no longer use - to help them make this the most successful Jumble Sale yet.

Recent visitors to the Shool will have noticed the carpet in the ladies' section; and now we also have linoleum in the kitchen. Past activities have helped to furnish the kitchen and to acquire the tea-urn, cooker and refrigerator. This latter item was bought with Green Shield Stamps, and the Guild Chairmen (or, if you prefer, Chairladies) wish to thank, most sincerely, those who answered their plea for stamps.

New members are urgently needed by the Guild, and they will receive a warm welcome. Membership Fee for a year is only 50p and this money goes towards the general running costs of the Guild, such as postage. Evening meetings are held monthly, usually in the Synagogue Hall; and if you wish to be notified of meetings please let one of the chairmen know.

Lastly, the Ladies' Guild would like to thank all those who helped with the decorating of the Succah, those who supplied the fruit, and those who gave the lovely coloured pictures from the children.

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.....A Mazeltov to Martin Harris on the birth of his Sister, Rochelle. We are advised that both Diane and Melvyn had something to do with this too.....

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There will be a SHIUR on Thursday, 19th October, at 8.30 p.m. at 119 Herkomer Road, Bushey, by kind permission of Jackie & David Shulman (950 6060).

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We extend a very warm welcome to Elizabeth and Lionel Finkelstein who have recently moved into Bushey; and we extend to them a very hearty mazeltov on their equally recent marriage.

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FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

Don't forget the New Year's Eve "DISCO EVENING" which we mentioned in the first Newsletter. There will be a three-course supper, in the Synagogue Hall; tickets are £4.50 per

couple, and drinks are included. The size of the Hall will place a restriction on numbers so it will definitely be a matter of 'first come, first served' - so get your tickets NOW from Ivan Gold (958 5868). This promises to be a most enjoyable evening.

The annual DINNER & BALL will, as already announced, be on Sunday, 4th February 1973, in the Napoleon Suite at the Cafe Royal. Dancing will be to the music of Peter Banyard, and the £6 tickets will include champagne cocktails, drinks at the reception, table wines and the usual excellent dinner. Tickets from Ivan Gold.

As usual, the Functions Committee are organising a brochure and a raffle in connection with the Dinner & Ball, as well as the tombola. Included with this issue of the Newsletter you will find a book of Raffle Tickets and two Brochure Order Forms. Please try to sell the tickets and get space ordered for the Brochure. Any gifts that you might have, or might be able to obtain, for the tombola should be given to Barbara Kaye. If you cannot deliver them to her, then she will arrange to collect them from you.

Anyone interested in joining the Functions Committee is asked to contact Phillipa Gold (958 5868). Like most other committees, the Functions Committee is short of people. v...

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NEWCOMERS

If you know of any new arrivals in the area, please let us know. The Shool is always looking for new members - or at least more people to read the Newsletter

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We are delighted to announce that we have at last acquired a CARETAKER for the Synagogue. No more standing around in rain and snow waiting for sch..... you-know-who to arrive!!!

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MR. RAYMOND SWIFT

It was with much regret and sorrow that we received the news of the death of Mr. Raymond Swift. A regular Shoolgoer and well known to all the members of our community. His absence has already been more than noticed. Our condolences on this sad occasion to Mrs. Swift

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CAR RALLY

The Social Caldendar Committee held a most successful Car Rally on Sunday 8th October with Philip Goodmaker coming first Brian Cooke second and Godfrey Kaye third. The honourable booby prize went to Len Salmon for making it a longer journey than even the organizers anticipated.

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.....Mazeltoy to Roberta & John Sachs on the birth of their Daughter Debra and to Mr. & Mrs. A. Arenson the proud Grandparents..