

NEWSLETTER  
OF THE  
BUSHEY & DISTRICT SYNAGOGUE  
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The first item on the 'agenda' is an apology to Marilyn & Melville Shone for the fact that we gave their son's name as 'Adam' when it is in fact 'Howard'; and so we now, correctly, offer our congratulations to them on the occasion of the birth of their son Howard, a brother for Simone.

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At the time of the Yom Kippur War we in Bushey, in common with most other Jewish communities around the world, sought to raise money for Israel, not least of all by capitalising on the pledged Kol Nidra donations. Through the efforts of a number of volunteers, and the generosity of many Synagogue members as well as other Jews living in the area, the Bushey & District Synagogue was able to send a little over £6300 to the Joint Israel Appeal. In addition, the Ladies Guild were successful, through a 'Good-As-New' shop which they organised in the Synagogue and then in Watford, to the tune of over £2500. In all, the Bushey Community contributed £8875.97 to the J.I.A. Emergency Fund.

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Whilst it is both pleasing and rewarding to hear many of the comments which are made about the Newsletter it is nevertheless a source of some disappointment to us that we have been unable to 'educate' our readers into entering into regular correspondence either with us or, through our pages, with each other. There must surely be things going on, or ideas which you have, or feelings to which you want to give vent, which would be of interest to other members of the community. So please make use of the Newsletter as a medium of expression.

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A couple of weeks ago Laurence Brass was adopted as the Liberal Candidate for the next General Election to fight the seat in the Finchley constituency. He will be opposing Margaret Thatcher. We all, irrespective of our political inclinations, wish Laurence every success.

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The KINDERGARTEN has opened its doors for its first term: and the children are reaping the fullest possible benefits from the first class, and very extensive, equipment with which the Kindergarten has been provided. Any parents who are thinking of enrolling their child(ren) for the class are invited to go along one morning during term time to meet Mrs. Lofton and see what goes on.

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For the slightly older children - in fact for the 5 to 11 age group - there has recently been started the Shabbat afternoon group 'Migdal'. Every Shabbat from 2.30 p.m. until 4.00 p.m.: songs, dances, and other activities. In the Synagogue. Please note that Migdal will not be meeting on the 16th February.

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Report from the LADIES GUILD

The Association of Ladies Guilds have asked if we would like to participate in a special Ladies Guild Shabbat on the 2nd February. As the idea delighted many members, we have decided to set that Shabbat aside; and we would ask as many of our members as possibly can to come along to the Shabbat morning service on that day. Now faces will, of course, be particularly welcome: we feel sure that they will find both the Service and the Kiddush most enjoyable, and we would be pleased to tell them more about the activities of the Guild.

We very much hope to have, by our next meeting, the tickets for the Children's Fashion Show on the 24th March. Tickets will be £1 each and will be available from Barbara \_\_\_\_\_ or Lyn (950 4269). As we will only have a limited number we would advise people to reserve their seats as soon as possible: .....

AND WE HOPE TO SEE EVERY MEMBER OF THE GUILD ON THE 2ND.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on Monday, 4th February at the home of Shirley Epatoin: 7 Coldharbour Lane, Bushey (950 5217) - new members welcome, as always.

Details of future activities being organised by the Guild:

- a visit to the Daily Telegraph to see 'backstage' at a newspaper. There is a choice of dates for this: 12th February, 14th February, 21st February and 27th February. The visit takes about 2 hours, and starts at 8.45 p.m. On the 13th February there is a visit to the Daily Mirror, also lasting about 2 hours but starting at 9 o'clock. These trips are for anyone at all (i.e. husbands, and/or children), but there is a limit of ten people per night, anyone interested please get in touch with Betty Segalov (950 3485).
- there is a possibility of a visit to the Cordon Bleu School in London sometime in February. This very much depends upon the type of response: so please speak to Betty as soon as possible if you might be interested. There might also be a chance to arrange a trip to the Cordon Bleu School at Winkfield where, in addition to the cookery demonstration, they also do flower arrangement classes.
- outings to Waddesdon, in May, Ascot in June for Ladies Day, and Luton Hoo in September, are also being planned. Please contact Betty Segalov.

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The Social Calendar Committee are organising a QUIZ EVENING on Wednesday the 27th February, in the Synagogue Hall. Entrance - 50p, to include light refreshments.

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..... would anyone interested in starting up a Netball Team please contact Bonnie Nash (950 7341) - who would also be pleased to hear from Ladies prepared to form a Football Team to play a charity match against the Gentlemen! .....

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The Chairman of the FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE tells us that their NEW YEAR'S EVE DISCO raised about £240. Many 'independent eye-witnesses' have corroborated his most understandably biased assertions as to the social success of the evening .....

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We extend a very hearty Mazeltov to

- Ruth & David Coffer on the birth of their daughter Lisa Deborah
- Gillien & Michael Gurner on the birth of their son Robert
- Mrs. Colia Langley on the birth of her fourth grandson
- Marion & Roger Offenbach on the birth of their daughter Suzanna Michelle,  
a sister for Deborah
- Rita & Harry Offenbach on the birth of their second grand-daughter

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We wish a very happy

- anniversary to Laura & Lionel Arden
- fourth birthday to Rachel Atkins
- second birthday to Michelle Cole
- birthday to Anthony Lazarus
- anniversary to David & Ada Mandell
- anniversary to Anthony & Melanie Olivestone
- anniversary to Carol & Merton Zatman

all of whom have recently or will shortly be celebrating .....

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OTHER ACTIVITIES not under the auspices of the Board of Management

BUSHEY ISRAEL FUND COMMITTEE

At a Committee Meeting held on Tuesday the 15th January, the second of the Monthly Draws was made for the three cash prizes of £50, £25 and £15. The winners were:

- 1st prize : £50 : J.G. Phillips, Esq., 24 Hartsbourne Avenue, Bushey Heath
- 2nd prize : £25 : Laurence Brass, 1a Wayside Avenue, Bushey Heath
- 3rd prize : £15 : Johnny Back, 'Knox Cottage', 4 Prowse Avenue, Bushey Heath

Any readers who have not yet had their 'Israel Fund Collection Bag' should please get in touch with Merton Zatman (950 4249) who will make sure that they get one.

The Committee are planning to hold a Summer Barbecue: please make a note in your diary: June 30th. Further details in due course.

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The recent CHEESE AND WINE QUIZ EVENING was a most successful function. In addition to raising nearly £200 the Committee provided an abundance of varied cheeses, plenty of wine, and a splendid tea later in the evening. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

The Committee of Bushey WIZO would welcome new members - and everyone is invited to attend the next meeting which will be on Monday, 4th February at 8.30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. A. Green (6 Heriots Close, Stanmore). For any additional information please contact either Evelyn Hope (950 1591) or Carol Zatman (950 4249).

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