

# Bushey and District United Synagogue

### NEWSLETTER

Number 25 . Av/Ellul 5736 August 1976 The Board of Banagement invite all members, their wives and children to attend a

Special Kiddush

on

Shabbat September 11th in honour of Judi and Johnny Back

Service commences at 9.30 a.m.

### Editorial

The word "synagogue" is derived from the Greek language and means "assembly" or "meeting place".

Bushey community use
their premises according
to the full meaning of
the word, for, not only
are they used for prayers,
but also for our hebrew
School, the Kindergarten
and the numerous activities
that take place so regularly.

Yet above all both the large building and now the smaller one are houses of prayer containing our sacred scrolls. For this reason, at least, we should conduct ourselves with all the decorum and respect that is required and due. So whenever you are on the premises, Gentlemen, please make sure your heads are covered and tnat you act respectfully. After all, when visiting other places of worship at home and abroad, it would be unthinkable to behave badly.

Likewise, Ladies, whenever you are attending a service, please have your heads covered. However, should you arrive without a suitable head covering, the chairman of the Ladies Guild or any other lady will be only too pleased to lend you a scarf.

And finally to everyone, when you enter or reenter while a service is in progress, remember that the other congregants may be standing in silent prayer, so it would be

courteous, to say the least, to wait until everyone is seated before entering.

To enhance the service and not cause distraction or disturbance, you are also requested to wait until the Ark is closed before going to your seat.

As so many visitors comment on the wonderful warmth and friendliness of our services, it would be a sname if we were unable to derive a deep spiritual feeling because of the lack of decorum.

### Quiz

- 1. When is the New Year for Trees?
- 2. What milk may we not drink and what eggs may we not eat?
- 3. Which book in the Bible is especially associated with music?
- 4. What is the first name of the Chief Rabbi?
- 5. Who was the first Jewish Peer in England?
- 6. What was the date of the Balfour Declaration?
- Which is the odd man out? Elijah, Job, Elisha, Joel, Micha.
- 8. Who wrote the famous novel, "Magnolia Street"?
- 9. What is meant by "Shatnez"?
- 10. What are the special prayers which require a Minyan?

The answers are on the last page.

### News and Views

### Aliyah

At a kiddush on Shabbat July 10, Frances and Harvey Burton were presented with a silver sweet dish. This was a gift from the community on the occasion of their leaving Bushey to settle in Israel.

### Going to Israel?

Opportunities for groups to visit Israel this winter at special discount prices are now available. Our Synagogue's Tourist Officer will be pleased to put you in touch with the right organisations. Phone 950 5308.

### Sixth-former's Seminar

The Hillel Foundation is planning to hold a conference for 6th formers who will be going on to higher education, either at University or Polytechnic in 1977/8.

It will take the form of a one-day seminar on Sunday 19th. September, 1976 at 10.00 a.m. in Hillel House, 1/2 Endsleigh Street, London, W.C.1. Interested? - Names to Colin Fink please.

#### Charities

The Synagogue receives numerous requests for donations to charity. It would be wrong to support one charity with money from another so we hope you will give personally to the charity of your choice. The needs of all of them are as urgent as ever.

### Synagogue Subscriptions

Elsewhere in this Newsletter there is a letter explaining how the annual synagogue subscription is made up. With cash flow problems everywhere it is of paramount importance that subscriptions are paid on time, so why do members of the Synagogue delay in their payments? Is it because there is no penalty?

Remember Synagogue subs. are payable annually in advance and their prompt payment helps all the members in the long run by us not incurring unnecessary bank charges.

### Married by the Chief Rabbi

Finally, on a happy note, we were all delighted to read a full report in the Jewish Chronicle of the marriage of one of our members - Michael Solomons.

Michael's sister, Barbara Kaye, tells me that it was a wonderful and moving ceremony with the Chief Rabbi officiating.

Mazeltov to all the family.

"L'Ayin"

### Services

Friday evening Shabbat morning Shabbat evening

8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m. time announced at

the morning service.

Sunday morning

8.30 a.m.

## Social and Personal

#### MAZELTOV

- on the birth of a son,
  Marc Bernard, a brother
  for Robbie and Richard.
- Tenenbaum on the birth of a daughter. Rayna.
- on the occasion of the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their son, Ashley.
- ....to Michael Solomons on the occasion of his marriage to Gillian, on June 27.
- her Bat Chayil Alison came top of her class with an 83% mark.
- ....to Paula Mattey on her Bat Chayil.
- ....to Stuart Fink on winning the "Boy of the Year" award at the Stanmore Maccabi -Bambi Section.

#### BARUCH HABA - WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to the following:

Kenneth and Hannie Abrahams, Gregory and Clifford;

Peter and Susan Grunthall and Nicola;

John and Francis Hellerman and Joanne:

Laurence and Susanne Trenton, Anthony and Vanessa.

A long, healthy and happy stay in our community is our wish.

#### CONVALESCENT

We hope that Melvyn Harris is now fully recovered after his recent stay in hospital.

### Useful Telephone Numbers

SYNAGOGUE - 950 7340
(Office open Sunday
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Secretary: Mrs.
Susan Sperber.)

#### WARDENS

Ronald Cole - 950 3566 David Shulman - 950 6060

FINANCIAL REPRESENTATIVE

Lionel Finkelstein - 950 1988

COVENANTS OFFICER

Allan Conway - 950 6602

MEMBERSHIP

Paul Epstein

- 950 5217

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Godfrey Kaye

Colin Fink

SOCIAL CALENDAR COMMITTEE

Leon Mitchell - 950 5496

PUBLIC RELATIONS & NEWSLETTER

FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

Henry Saunders - 950 4290

YOUTH & EDUCATION

Brian Silverman

LADIES GUILD CHAIRMAN

Betty Segalov - 950 3485

### Letters to the Editor

### FROM THE FINANCIAL REPRESENTATIVE

Dear Member.

I am writing to explain the new fee of £47.50 which will be operative from this kosh hashanna.

The synagogue fee may be broken down as follows:-

Membership	£16.00
Building Fund	413.00
Funeral Expenses	
Scheme	€ 7.00
Religious Education	
Kato	€ 5.00
United Synagogue	€ 4.00
Additional Education	- 1.00
Levy	€ 2.50
TOTAL:	647.50

In addition this year there will be a <u>voluntary</u> levy of £2.00 for the Board of Deputies.

Out of each £47.50 the synagogue collects we only retain £29.00. Thus with a membership of about 200 we have an income of £5.800 per annum. Of this £3,000 is committed to repayments for the loans on our buildings. This leaves £2,800 to pay for all our other expenses such as heating (£1,000), Secretary, Caretaker, etc.

As you can imagine, this is a very tight budget, (even with the additional fund raising undertaken by the functions committee) and I appeal to all members to help us by paying their forthcoming bills as promptly as possible.

Yours faithfully, LIONEL FINKELSTEIN Financial Representative. Dear Sir.

we would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Board of management for all their hard work at the Synagogue on rriday afternoon, harch 5th, in order to organise the seating for Daniel's Barmitzvah on March 6th.

They, together with the marvellous ladies duild, who prepared and arranged the kiddush so beautifully, really helped to make our first Simcha, for us and for baniel, ever memorable.

May we all enjoy many more Simchas together and enjoy, too, that wonderful sushey Snul spirit that permeated through to all our guests. How impressed they were with our little "Stiebl".

Thank you all, Sincerely, RUTH AND MARCEL BELLER

#### NEW YEAR GREETINGS

That chore of choosing and writing your new year cards is nearly here. Why not take the opportunity of greeting your local friends, neighbours and fellow congregants, by placing an announcement in the Newsletter. You will save money too!

Our next issue will carry a greetings section.

Send your details to the Editor. Only \$1.00 an entry - proceeds to the Synagogue. Cash with order by 5th. September.

### Announcements

### : للسلالات وعلالها

DRING & BUY CUFFEE MURNING

at the home of :-

hrs. Lyn Freyd, 17, Vernon Koad, Bushey. (off Eushey Grove Kd; Aldenham Koad).

on: Wednesday 1st. September, 1976.

Time: 10.30 a.m. Donation-Gifts

The Synagogue Premises require

MEZUZOT

If you would like to give one (or more) the honorary officers would be pleased to receive your donations of £5. each.

Please DO NOT purchase them yourselves.



NEW YEAR EDITION

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EDITOR BY SEPTEMBER 5th.



BUSHEY UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB are holding a....

BOXING DAY PARTY on Sunday 26th Dec. 1976.

For further information contact:

Warren Green 950 3187 David Hornick 92 43898 John Nash 950 7341 Ivan Gold 950 7597



LADIES GUILD PROMOTION:

COOK - BOOK

Let us have your recipes, home hints, etc. (all accepted for printing will be acknowledged individually).

Contact: Mrs. J. Cole, 32, Elstree Md., Businey Heath: 950 3566

> Ars. Bett/ Segalov, 1, The Lake, Dusney Beath: 950 3485

### NOTABLE DAYS

5736 Rosh Chodesh Av Fast of Av * Rosh Chodesh Ellul 5737	1976 Wed. Thurs. Fri.	July 28 Aug. 5 Aug. 27
New Year 1st day Fast of Gedarlah Day of Atonement Tabernacies 1st day Hoshama Robba Shemini Atseret Sinchat Torah ' Heish Chodesh	Sat. Mon. Mon. Sat. Fri. Sat. Sun.	Sept 25 Sept 27 Oct 4 Oct 9 Oct 15 Oct 16 Oct 17
Marcheshvan Rush Chodesh Kislev Chanucah 1st day "The previous day as Rosh Chodesh.	Mon. Tues. Pri. also is	Oct. 25 Nov. 23 Dec. 17 observed

### Youth & Education

### Gan Aviv Kindergarten

A Parents Association has been formed to liaise between teachers and parents as well as with the Kindergarten Management Committee and the parents.

Chairman: Henry Barnett 954 5588 Treasurer: Pamela Kay 954 1728 Secretary: Patricia Kraines950 4338

### Talmud Torah

ENROLMENT FOR NEXT TERM
10 a.m. SUNDAY SEPTEMBER
5th.
for children starting
school in September, 1976
and January, 1977.

(additional enrolment days

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The chairman of the Youth and Education Committee reports that the first prizegiving at the Talmud Torah will take place near Chanukah on a date to be announced.

The committee would welcome donations for prizes

### Stanmore Hebrew School

Considering that Bushey children form a very small proportion of the total roll of this, the second largest Hebrew school in London, the number of prizewinners was very gratifying. In fact of the 41 prizes won, no fewer than 8 went to Bushey pupils.

Well done the following:-

Richard Franklin
Jonathon Kraines
Janine Kaye
Yolande Silverstone
Stuart Fink
Melanie Silver
Tracy Silverman
Daniel Beller

## תִּשְׁעָה בְּאָב

August 5

The Fast of the 9th of Av.
This is more of a major than
a minor fast since it
commemorates:

- a) The Destruction of both the First and the Second Temples (586 B.C.E. and 70 C.E.).
- b) The fall of Bethar in the Bar Kochba rebellion (135 C.E.).
- c) In later centuries other sad occurrences were associated with this day; perhaps the most tragic is the Expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492.

The severity of the 9th of Av equals that of the Day of Atonement in that both fast days commence on the previous evening. The synagogue presents a gloomy appearance, for the lights are dimmed, the curtain is removed from the Ark and the worshippers sit on low stools or on the floor. Kinot (Prayers of lamentation) are recited and The Book of Lamentations is read. The Tallit and Tephillin are not worn during the morning service, instead they are worn in the afternoon service. Only essential work is permitted.

THE KINOT - These prayers tell of the glory that was Israel's and the martyrdom undergone by our ancestors who gave their lives for their Faith. There are some 40 Kinot many of which were composed by Yehuda Halevi (1085-1140) the renowned Spanish-Jewish poet.

The Editor has asked Philip Skelker, a member of the Synagogue and a local schoolteacher, to write a column in the Newsletter. Here is his first contribution.

A few months ago "The Jewish Chronicle" published an article about the admission of Jewish pupils at a number of independent schools, and it raised the question of the quota, the system by which Jewish entry is regulated, which operates at some of these schools. seems to me that a quota is justified in a school whose character is determined by its religious allegiance. One has only to think of our own Jewish schools to see that such a school's raison d'etre could be endangered were it accessible to large numbers of pupils who not only did not share its religious values but also held beliefs positively at variance with those enshrined in the school's articles of foundation. The presence of a quota for social reasons - as a means of measuring the traditional clientele that its ethos remains the same - seems to me con-temptible. Yet I wonder if we are right to seek the removal of such quotas by legislation. Parents with dignity and with the welfare of their children at heart will reject such a school and the most thoughtful and most dedicated staff of any denomination will eschew it. We should be relieved Jewish children escape a school of such narrow vision. I would not want my children to attend such schools and I do not believe that schools whose mode of determining entry is social acceptability have much of a future.

One of the many independent schools which receive Jewish pupils gladly is Habedashers' School, and I was delighted to learn that from next September Jewish instruction will be given to the Jewish boys there. The Headmaster is concerned that his Jewish boys come to a better understanding of what it means to reach their religious majority, to become Barmitzvah. This news confirms my experience as a pupil, as a student and as a schoolmaster that the non-Jewish world will respond to the serious and committed Jew by giving him facilities to practise his faith. Jewish parents, far from deliberately sending their children to schools which insist on a sacrifice of Jewishness as a condition of entry, should be requesting the heads of the schools their children attend to grant their children opportunities for Jewish assembly and instfuction. There are many agencies in the Jewish community which are only too happy to help with this, and I should be pleased to provide names and addresses to any member of the Synagogue who is interested. Of course the best way to ensure that your child's school is sympathetic is to show that you care deeply about your faith. Your children's teachers will see whether or not you do by the attitudes and actions of your offspring. I should like to think that all of us will do all we can to see that those of our children who attend non-Jewish schools have every opportunity to enjoy and enrich their Jewishness.

PHILIP SKELKER

### Children's Corner

### PRIZE COMPETITION

Draw or trace a map of Israel and mark on it these towns. The letters of the towns are all jumbled up:-

VELVITA
LETIA
FADES
CHOJIER
BRITISEA
FAHIA
YATANNA
SHODAD
ELUSERJAM
ABERHEBES

There are two age groups for this competition:-

1. Age 7 - 9 2. Age 10 - 12

A 50p gift token will be given by the Ladies Guild to a winner in each of these age groups.

So get busy and send your entries to:-

Mrs. S. Blank, 4, Koh-I-Noor Avenue, BUSHEY, Herts.

BY 31st AUGUST, 1976

Next time we will have a Prize Competition for all children aged between 2 and 6.

In the previous edition we omitted to congratulate Deborah Kay who won the prize in the Ladies Guild painting competition.

Well done, Deborah!

GREETINGS to these youngsters whose birthdays occur in July and August:-

Jane Arnold	9th
Gidon Back	3rd
kachel Baum	5th
Samantha Bratt	6th
Karen Brown	14th
Alexander Callis	9th
Melanie Doctors	2nd
Adam Gitlin	5th
Alison Epstein	13th
Darren Gluckstein	6th
Caroline Gold	14th
Mandy Harris	10th
Marshall Joseph	3rd
Melanie Liebert	5th
Jodi Lynn	4th
Jessica Marlowe	4th
Victoria Marshom	1st
Adam Olivestone	3rd
Natalie Press	3rd
Richard Sager	2nd
Camilla Salter	7th
Emma Saunders	5th
Lara Silverstone	3rd
Jonathon Skelker	4th
Adam Soames	3rd
Matthew Verrey	3rd
Darren Levene	6th

Apologies to Natalie Atkins whose 5th Birthday was not mentioned in the June birthdays.

#### PARENTS

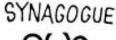
If your child's birthday has not appeared in this or previous issues, please let me know - EDITOR.

#### STOP PRESS

MAZELTOV to Ashley Kaye on passing the London Board of Religious Education Junior Exam.

#### MAZE

Ruth and Dan are walking to the synagogue with their grandfather. Help them find the shortest way through the maze so they will be on time for services.





START

## Bridge Problem

Prepared by Victor Silverstone, winner of the Gold Cup and a past member of the Scottish and Great Britain bridge Teams.

### WEST

Spades K
Hearts AKQ
Diamonds AK
Clubs 487643

### EAST

Spades AQJ Hearts J109865 Diamonds QJ10 Clubs 4

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Solution on last page.

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### Ladies Guild

Since my last report, I am pleased to write that we have held many well attended meetings, at which much has been discussed planned and put into action. Our programme has included an enjoyable evening's discussion with our Guest Speaker Mrs. Rita Brazil (the wife of Rev. Sam Brazil of Muswell Hill Synagogue) who is the Cultural Chairman of the Association of Ladies' Guilds. We hope to welcome Mrs. Brazil again later in the year and hope also that the gentlemen will join us.

On a lighter note, a Fashion
Show raised over £100. Grateful
thanks are due to our models,
Judi Back; Hilary Brass, Shirley
Epstein; Elizabeth Finkelstein;
Raina Frankel-Pollen; Marian
Offenbach; Mrs. Audrey Stone
(Hilary's Mum) and Rochelle
Winterman, (services free
for the one show only!) who
with considerable panache showed
the attractive clothes, which
were available for sale
afterwards.

The Guild helped once more this year at the Jewish Welfare Board's Fete in aid of the Home at Hemel Hempstead, with the popular "Grocery Stall" at which £30 was raised for the Home by donations of tins, bottles and fruit. Thanks to Laura Arden, Shirley, Paul and Alison Epstein and Rebecca Segalov who helped on the various stalls and to all of you who donated to our stall. We hope next year for even more support (especially with donations).

The Guild have now started a "Know your Siddur Teach-In" which is being conducted by Mrs. Judi Back at 4, Prowse Avenue, Bushey Heath on Tuesday nights from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. All ladies are welcome, even if attendance cannot be regular. Please contact Judi for further information.

May I bring to your attention that the Guild are planning to publish a Cook-Book and recipes, home hints, ideas (new and old) and advertisements are urgently required.

Please contact Jenny Cole or myself NOW with your contributions i.e. recipes etc.

Please ask your friends, Mums and Boobas (Dads and Zeidas) for that extra "special" recipe - to be shared, handed down and treasured by future generations!

We are planning a most varied, and we hope, interesting programme for the Autumn and Winter months and hope to welcome all members and many more new friends at our meetings and functions, where you can meet and make friends and help and support our Shul.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on MONDAY 23rd AUGUST, 1976 at the home of Mrs. Shirley Epstein, 7 Coldharbour Lane, Bushey - NOTE THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW.....

I wish you all a Happy and Healthy Summer Holiday.

Shalom,

BETTY SEGALOV Chairman.

## Functions Committee

### LANG WAA MARKET AND BALL

that our next Annual Dinner and Sail will take place on Saturday 19th January, 1977 at the hoyal Majestic Suite, willeaden tane, London, N. S. C., featuring yet again the fabulous music of Tak Salack Collection.

and watch this space for

further information regarding tickets.

You will see with this Newsletter that we have enclosed a brochure form. PARASE give us your support by returning the form duly completed.

TONBOLA GIFTS - Please contact Barbara kaye,

### TAKET

Muy a Date in our DIARY for

You could win £50.00.

The Draw to take place at the Annual Dinner and ball.

Contact: Monty Cohen 205 0871

#### STAR SPANGLED SPLASH

The Committee would like to thank everyone who supported our Star Spangled Splash we all had a jolly good time we hope you did.

#### NEW MEMBERS

Anyone wishing to join the Functions Committee, please contact Henry Saunders 950 4290

### Football

bushey United Football Club played 28 games during the last season. The records show:-

> Won 15 Lost 11 Drawn 2

Jeffrey Epstein was the season's top goal scorer with 26 goals.

Warren Green was voted the Club's Player of the Year.

The Club has now been accepted to play next season in the 3rd Division of the Faccabi League and it is hoped that the community will turn out and give them lots of support.

The Captain for the coming season is warren Green.

Applications are invited for the post of Manager/Trainer/Coach for the Club. If you think you can fill this post kindly contact bavid Hornick 92 43898.

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### ANSWERS TO QUIZ

- 15 Shevat.
- Milk from a forbidden animal and eggs from a forbidden bird.
- The Psalms.
- Immanuel.
- Lord Rothschild (Nathan Meyer Rothschild 1840-1915).
- 6.
- 2nd November, 1917. Job He was not a Prophet. 7.
- Louis Golding. The mixture of wool and linen in a garment which is to be worn.
- 10. Kaddish, Barechu, Kedushah.

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