



United Synagogue—ק"ק בנסת ישראל

BUSHEY & DISTRICT AFFILIATED SYNAGOGUE

NEWSLETTER

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The Board of Management
is pleased to announce that

The Chief Rabbi

will visit Bushey to
consecrate the Synagogue
on Sunday 30 October

Further details will be
published shortly.

editorial

from the wardens' box

So Bushey is on the map. Our advert for a Rabbi caused considerable interest among our neighbours and by the number of applications, it appears to be a position worth occupying. Similarly at the U.S., Bushey was one of the communities named that would be likely to receive assistance from the special £2m fund set up to help developing communities.

This is splendid news. At last we are out of our infancy and on the road to adolescence or are we? Like all congregations, we have had and still have problems, but it is imperative that we realise that growth does not relate just to numbers but to attitude and action.

Our Talmud Torah is a pilot one so let the whole community show the way to others by being leaders. First of all let people be more tolerant, understand that everyone has a view. By all means try and convince your "opponent" of your views but do not disregard what he has to say or reject things out of hand. We are a very independent people, yet our strength lies in understanding and education.

Secondly, let us co-operate more. Forget past differences, realise that there are two sides to an argument and aim for unity. Creating division will only drive people further from the community and the barely committed will be lost forever if they see the organisers and the committed fighting amongst themselves.

Thirdly and finally let small groups stop trying to be recognised as exclusive or an elite. There is no room for pride in Judaism.

One of the most discussed - and sometimes vigorously maligned - aspects of Orthodoxy is that of Kashrus. Elsewhere in this Newsletter you will find a few words as to WHY, as a Jew, you should keep kosher: in future issues we hope to pass on to you information regarding some of those products which investigation will have shown to be kosher or unkosher (trefa) as the case may be. Please be assured that we will only be transmitting information received from the most reliable of sources; also, that we would be happy to try to get you an answer to any questions that you might have on the subject of Kashrus.

The last issue of the Newsletter reported on the recent AGM. What 'our reporter' failed to include was the reference made, in the Chairman's Report, to the tremendous work that Colin Pink has put into developing the improving the Shul's Newsletter. It is only right that the thanks expressed to Colin then should be reported in these columns.

Members will no doubt be delighted to learn, as announced on Page 2, that the Chief Rabbi will be coming to Bushey on Sunday, 30th October. The Board have set up a Consecration Service Committee to handle all the arrangements - tickets, car parking facilities, security, etc.- and you will receive further information in due course. For the moment: keep the date free. The Service will probably start at 3 p.m.

The long-awaited advertisement made the J.C. at last - and resulted in eleven applications for the post of Part-time Minister to our Community. The U.S. are arranging a meeting of their Ministerial Appointments Cttee which will be attended by our three Honorary Officers; then our own Ministerial Selection Cttee will meet; and then we hope to invite those applicants on a 'short list' to visit us for a Shabbos. Please "watch this space" for further news.

social and personal

A Z E L T O V

-to Jenny and Ronald Cole on the birth of a second son, Simon Ari, a brother for Michelle and Jonathan.
 -to Lydia and Stephen Horne on the birth of a son, Simon Oliver, a brother for Matthew and Sasha.
 -to Caroline and Anthony Lazarus on the birth of a second son, Nicholas Edward, a brother for Benjamin.
 -to Louise and Edmund Verrey on the birth of a second son, Alexander Robin, a brother for Matthew.
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-to Mrs. Marjorie Cole, on the birth of another grandson.
 -to Mr. Harry Silveston, on the birth of a great grandchild.
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-to Pat and Brian Silverman on the occasion of the bat Chayil of their daughter Tracey.
 -to Annette and Jeffrey Seymour on the occasion of the bat Chayil of their daughter Andrea.
 -to Barbara and Godfrey Kaye on the occasion of the Barmitzvah of their son Ashley.
 -to Fay and Lionel Peck on the occasion of the Barmitzvah of their son, Richard.
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-to Suzanne Seymour on winning her Queen's Guide Badge.

REFUAH SHELAYMOH - GET WELL SOON

We wish a speedy return to good health to Mrs. Garbutta, Mrs. Betty Jacobs, Mrs. Sue Sperber, Mrs. Suzanne Lynn and Mr. David Mandel, who have recently been in hospital.

Y I Z K O R

We wish long life and freedom from further sorrow to Mrs. Ethel Cohen, Mrs. Barbara Salamon and Mr. Harvey Collis who have recently suffered bereavements.

BARUCH HABAH - WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to David and Gladys Marks and Adrian and Carol Kossen and families, who have recently joined us. A long and happy stay is our wish.

BON VOYAGE

We bid a temporary farewell to Alan, Jenny and Caroline Graham and Peter, Susan, Nicola and Wendy Grunthal.

Although they are off to the U.S.A. shortly, we hope they will keep in touch and let the rest of us know how they are getting along.

news & views

SHALOSH SEUDAH

Rabbi Cyril Harris of Edgware Synagogue was the guest of honour at a Shalosh Seudah held in the Synagogue Hall, after Minchah, on May 14th.

An extremely large gathering heard Rabbi Harris talk, very amusingly, on Anglo-Jewish types - the "gastronomic" Jew; the "fashionable" Jew; the "good-at-heart" Jew; the "committee" Jew; the "I only do it for the children" Jew and many others.

An excellent meal was organised and prepared by members of the Ladies Guild.

JUBILEE PARTY

Over 100 children participated in the special Jubilee Party organised by the Gan Aviv Parents Association.

This was a truly memorable occasion with gifts, tea and entertainment.

Congratulations, Parents Assn.

MITZVAH TANK VISITS BUSHEY

Residents in the area around the Shul must have been very curious one Sunday morning recently. Parked in Police Station Lane was the Lubavitch Mitzvah Tank. This had transported Rabbi Sufrin and his colleagues in order that they could make arrangements for Tephilin and Mezuzot to be inspected.

This was prefaced by an explanation of the making of both items which proved fascinating. In fact it has been considered so interesting and important that it is hoped to arrange a return visit one evening for the many people who said they would like to have been present.

The tragedy of the visit was the large number of "possul" mezuzot, innocently purchased as Kosher and yet discovered to be photostat versions on paper.

KIDDUSHIM

Regular congregants have had the pleasure in partaking of Kiddushim provided by the Brass, Lazarus, Shulman, Kaye, Seymour and Silverman families recently, to celebrate various simchot.

SOFT UNDER FOOT

The Kindergarten Parents Association have carpeted the hall, stairway and classrooms.

The members of the Synagogue are most grateful for this wonderful gesture. We hope it cuts down some of the noise as well!

BUSHEY BABY COMES THIRD

Jonathan, aged 10½ months, only child of Judi and Roger Feldman, came third in the recent Watford Observer "Jubilee Baby" Competition. Well done Jonathan!

letters

BARMITZVAH

On Shabbat 25 June, a packed Shul heard Ashley, son of Barbara and Godfrey Kaye, read the Sedra, Maftir and Haftara on the occasion of his barmitzvah.

Everyone who was present was proud to share in this simcha which brought so much nachas to Ashley's family.

TALK ON SHAVUOT

A small gathering heard Dr. Shalom Springer give a talk on Shavuot, just prior to the festival.

MACCABIAH 1977

Victor Silverstone was in the Bridge team representing Great Britain at the 1977 Maccabiah held in Israel recently.

PRIZEWINNERS

At Stanmore Hebrew School, Senior Centre, "Bushey" pupils took 7 of the prizes. Considering how few of our children go to these classes, the proportion was extremely high.

The prizewinners were:

Mark Brenner;
Stuart Fink;
Jeanine Kaye;
David Kafetz;
Jonathan Kraines;
Melanie Silver;
Yolande Silverstone.

Dear Colin,

I am writing to congratulate the Parents Association of Gan Aviv Kindergarten for the splendid Jubilee Party held on June 9th in the Synagogue.

Considering over 100 children attended, it was very well organised. There was a film show for about an hour, followed by tea. On arrival they were given a Union Jack badge and on departure, a souvenir pen.

This was, I thought, very good value for £1!

I hope future functions are just as successful.

Yours sincerely,

Josie Davis,
9, My-the-Wood,
Carpenders Park,
Watford.

Dear Colin,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Honorary Officers of the Synagogue, and to all the many friends and neighbours in the community for their expressions of sympathy during my recent bereavement.

Regards,

Barbara Salamon,
6, Dunsmore Way,
Bushey,
Herts:

AS A JEW, YOU SHOULD KEEP KOSHER BECAUSE...

IT CONTRIBUTES TO YOUR SPIRITUAL HEALTH

Every person knows that certain foods are good for his physical well-being and certain foods are harmful to his health. Even animals know instinctively that certain foods agree with them, while others do not.

As Jews, created by the Almighty with a unique soul, we must be concerned with the health and well-being of our sublime, divine spirit. And G-d, Who created us all and knows our constitution better than anyone else, specifically outlined in His Torah (the Bible) those foods which are harmful and unhealthy for our spiritual well-being. And He, therefore, commanded us to eat only certain foods, to abstain from others, and to prepare still others in a special manner.

DID YOU KNOW?

In the Bible (Leviticus 11:1-8) you will find the general rule that all animals which chew their cud and have cloven hooves are kosher. Those animals that have only one of these characteristics are forbidden—and four such animals are enumerated: the pig, the badger, the camel and the hare. In the nearly 3300 years since the Torah was given at Sinai—despite the vast increase in scientific knowledge and despite man's explorations into the furthest corners of the world—none other than these four have ever been found to have only one of the characteristics of a kosher animal!

Some people mistakenly think that the laws of *kashrus* are simply health laws, which served their purpose in ancient times but can be dispensed with in modern times. Nothing is further from the truth. The laws of *kashrus*, like all Divine precepts, are primarily designed for our spiritual well-being, and only as a matter of course are also good for our physical and mental health. For Jews there can therefore be no substitute for *kashrus* by any government regulated health laws, or any scientifically recommended diet, and the like.

YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT

According to Jewish teachings, one of the ways we can attempt to understand the laws of *kashrus* is by analyzing the natures and characteristics of the forbidden foods. The animals, fowl and fish that are prohibited are predators and killers. By eating of their flesh, we would be ingesting their vile and vicious instinctive characteristics and our souls would thereby become debased and immoral.

Naturally, the commandments of the Torah must be obeyed whether we understand them or not, but the above reasons afford us a glimpse of the wondrous wisdom with which the Almighty created the entire world.

IDENTIFY—AND UNITE—WITH THE JEWISH PEOPLE

In the history of the world, nations have come and nations have gone ... while the Jewish people have endured, under the most trying circumstances. Naturally, Divine Providence has guarded us and preserved us from our persecutors. But a contributing factor to Jewish survival has been our indomitable will. The strength of character of a people with faith in G-d, with a supreme dedication to follow in His Way and to do His Will, is surely part of that miracle.

Strength of character is a product of discipline and self-restraint. How could a self-indulgent and dissipated person—prey to any enticing or seductive ideology, willing to risk even life itself for a moment of pleasure—maintain a sacred and demanding tradition through difficult and turbulent times?

The laws of *kashrus*, essentially and most simply laws of self-control and self-restraint, reflect our ability to master ourselves ... and thus master whatever obstacles are placed in our way. The ability to say "I will" or "I will not"—and actually to do so—is a keystone of Jewish survival.

Furthermore, the laws of *kashrus* are a practical way of preventing assimilation with alien cultures. If the Jewish people are to survive, we must abide by our laws and customs and traditions—or we shall perish! With each passing generation, unless we adhere to the Jewish way of life, our strength would be diminished and with it the great ethical and moral teachings we have contributed to the civilized world.

Jews! Identify with your brothers and sisters! Do what G-d expects of you! Observe the Torah, including the laws of *kashrus*! Strengthen the Jewish people, here, in Israel, everywhere! You will be rewarded with a warm feeling of belonging, a glow of family togetherness, and the gratifying knowledge that you are following G-d's Way!

IT'S EASIER THAN YOU THINK!

*In our contemporary, consumer-oriented society, it is easier than you think to keep kosher. Ready dressed kosher meats are available in many reliable kosher butcher shops. Prepared convenience foods—canned, frozen or boxed—all bearing some symbol of *kashrus* supervision, are available in thousands of supermarkets throughout the country.*

Of course, certain foods can never be kosher. But, as the Talmud states, "There is nothing that the Torah forbade you, for which it did not provide a permissible substitute." There are so many kosher imitations or similar foods (which our forefathers never dreamed of) that one who keeps kosher need hardly deny oneself any taste sensation.

So why not keep kosher?

Call or write for detailed information

KASHRUS CAMPAIGN

Head Office: Lubavitch House, 107 115 Stamford Hill, London N16 5RP. 01 800 0027

youth and education

» IS YOUR CHILD AT A CHEDER OTHER «
THAN BUSHEY? IF SO, SEE
ANNOUNCEMENTS.

TALMUD TORAH

New Term

Classes resume on Sunday 4th September, 1977 at 10.00 a.m.

ENROLMENT of new entrants to the Talmud Torah will take place from 10.15 a.m. on Sunday 4th September, 1977 in the Synagogue.

The new class itself will start on the following week, 11th September, 1977, so you do not need to bring your child to the enrolment.

Any child who is starting full-time primary education in either September, 1977 or January 1978 is eligible to start Talmud Torah in September, 1977.

Normally there is only one intake of children per year, so if your child is eligible I would urge you not to postpone enrolling him or her for Talmud Torah.

ADULT EDUCATION

Discussion Group (SEE ANNOUNCEMENTS)

Ivrit

Anyone interested in learning Modern Hebrew is asked to contact the writer or any member of the Education Committee.

Tephillin & Mezuzot Surgery

Tephillin and mezuzot should be checked regularly to make sure they are still kosher.

At 8.15 p.m. on 31st August, members of the Lubavitch movement will be at the Synagogue to examine your tephillin and mezuzot and to advise you.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Torah Corps

A residential weekend is being organised during September. The Torah Corps is run under the auspices of the Chief Rabbi and organises educational activities for girls aged 12-13.

Anyone interested is asked to contact the writer.

Bnei Akivah

Bnei Akivah is a religious Zionist Youth organisation. It is hoped to start a group fairly soon in Bushey. We would like to start a small group of older children aged from 11 to 17 which could then help to run a group for the younger children.

A meeting will be held with Bnei Akivah leaders at 3 p.m. on Sunday 18th September in the Synagogue in order to explain the purpose and scope of Bnei Akivah.

John Blank

KINDERGARTEN

On Thursday 9th June, 1977 the Parents Association held a Jubilee Party for 120 children from the age of 3 to 7. Whether it was the thought of an afternoon of peace for the mothers or otherwise, virtually all the tickets were sold within days of the Box Office opening!

The compliments we have received have confirmed what a marvellous afternoon the children had, and on behalf of this committee, I would sincerely thank those parents whose children supported this function and also thank everyone for contributing to our Raffle which was again sold out.

The net proceeds of these efforts, i.e. £350, are being spent on floor covering for the upstairs of the house, including the classrooms and also the stairs, and the work will be completed during the summer holidays.

Finally, we will shortly be opening an "advance booking office" for another party for the children which we intend holding during the winter holidays. Mothers - another afternoon of peace and cheap at the price!

Aron Sager

Since Shavuot a good deal of activity has taken place at Gan-Aviv.

Once again the kindergarten's art work was highly commended by the judges of the Jewish Child's Day Art Competition. There were many examples of our children's work among the exhibits at the Ben Uri Gallery.

On June 26th about one hundred parents and relatives crowded into the Synagogue hall to watch a programme of songs, recitals and a play executed with great flair by the children. Items spanned the Jewish year and included many childhood favourites. It was a delightful afternoon, made possible only by the hard work and skill of our staff.

Both the concert and the art work reflect the great ability in this area possessed by Mrs. Esta Lefton whose retirement, upon her doctor's advice, is a source of much regret to us all. She has served the community loyally and giftedly since the foundation of Gan-Aviv. There will be a reception on the evening of September 5th to pay fitting tribute to her work. Parents of past and present pupils will be contacted during the weeks ahead by members of the Parents Association. In the report on that reception in the next Newsletter we will be able to give the fit amount of space to Mrs. Lefton's founding efforts. In the meantime, please keep September 5th free.

Looking towards the future, we have been most fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Jenny Birch as Headmistress and she will be ably supported by our helper Mrs. K. Sanin and two new appointees, Mrs. E. Levine and Mrs. S. Freedman. We have every confidence that the next chapter of Gan-Aviv's progress will be as fine as the first.

Philip Skelker

ANNUAL CAR RALLY SUNDAY AUGUST 7th



STARTING AT 2:15 p.m.
AT CAR PARK OPPOSITE ST. PETERS CHURCH
HIGH ROAD BUSHEY HEATH

£1.25 per person
including tea

Tickets from
Brian Binstock 950 3641
Jeff Doctors 950 3628
Bary Paydon 950 7111

Board of Deputies

"NEVER BORED AT THE BOARD"...

Impressions of one year's service as Bushey's representative on 'The Board of Deputies of British Jews'

Having been frustrated on three consecutive occasions in my efforts to enter the House of Commons, it was no small consolation to be elected last year to represent Bushey Synagogue on the board of Deputies. For 'the board' is without question the 'Jewish Parliament'.

Many readers may share the initial misconception which I held about the function and purpose of the board. Some people, for example, confuse it with the board of Guardians but the Deputies have no charitable links. Similarly, there are no specific religious connotations and the board's representatives are drawn from all the varied assortments of Jewish Communities in Britain. It is, in essence, a regular forum where the problems and issues facing Anglo-Jewry are debated and, not infrequently, actually resolved.

Try and imagine over 400 Jews of both sexes gathered together in one huge stuffy hall; each one elected by such diverse organisations as 'Habonim', 'Clapton Beth Hamedresh', 'Whitley Bay Reform' or the 'Association of Polish Jewish ex-servicemen'. Each democratically elected representative making the pilgrimage to the Woburn House 'Parliament' eight times a year - some travelling from as far afield as Glasgow or the Channel Isles. Such an assembly could easily degenerate into a rabble more reminiscent of a Jewish hotel in Bournemouth on a wet Sunday morning than a solemn senate.

Yet order always prevails and the rabble never materialises. The decorum at the assembly is chiefly the responsibility of the board's President, Lord Fisher of Camden. It is of Lord Fisher's genial but firm handling of the meetings which is the dominant impression from my first twelve months as a deputy.

The standard of debate is consistently high and the proceedings are conducted in a formal quasi-parliamentary fashion. The board numbers among its ranks several Labour M.P.'s and assorted party political activists. Controversial contributions are unmercifully heckled in true Westminster fashion. A justified criticism, however, would be that the average age of the current board is nearer ninety than nineteen and the younger element tend to be somewhat overshadowed by the geriatric brigade.

The board itself divides its regular work into sub-committees. The title of each sub-committee provides a good indication of the scope of the board's activities. They are:-

1. Foreign Affairs
2. Finance
3. Shechita
4. Law and Parliamentary
5. Erets Israel
6. Jewish Defence

Each sub-committee presents a report to the full board at the regular meetings and it is then that the 'backbenchers' have their opportunity to comment on the proposals of the respective sub-committees.

It would not be possible, within the scope of this article, to analyse the detailed work of each committee. However, one

aspect of the Board's work does merit some further consideration both because of its topicality and importance - the Jewish Defence Committee.

The recent rise of neo-fascism in the shape of the National front and their evil allies cannot have escaped the notice of any follower of current affairs. It is, I am confident, unnecessary for me to spell out the dangers to the Jewish community from these creatures. Every Jew automatically belongs in the vanguard of the war against racism.

At the recent County Council elections, the National Front attracted 119,000 votes in Greater London. In the nearby constituency of Hendon North, encompassing the large Jewish populations of Mill Hill and Edgware, the National Front polled a 'respectable' third place. Bushey electors were spared the prospect of 'official' National Front candidates but Watford readers will be aware of the advance being made in their locality.

The Board of Deputies have been in the forefront of the campaign to combat racism. Their leaflets - in particular the powerful 'Hatemongers' publication - have been used by political parties throughout the country to portray the racists in their true light.

More recently the Board have been placing their resources at the disposal of Jewish students who have been battling against 'anti-zionists' on campus. Arab students have succeeded in banning Jewish Speakers from some of our universities. Wherever anti-semitism or, to use a popular euphemism, 'anti-zionism' rears its head, the Board of Deputies is never far behind.

As the influence of racism grows so does the need for vigilance increase. But the tireless work of the Board in this connection cannot be achieved without financial backing. It was, therefore, extremely discouraging to observe that less than one third of Bushey Synagogue members chose to contribute the paltry £2.00 voluntary levy sought last Autumn when the Synagogue accounts were submitted.

I trust I have been able to convey in this article not only my personal impressions of the Board of Deputies but also some of the valuable work which members of the Board do behind the scenes of Jewish life in this country. It is certainly far more than simply a 'talking shop'. If you agree that the Board's activities are worthwhile you will shortly have an opportunity to show your support in a practical fashion. When your Synagogue bill arrives with an unwelcome thud on your doorstep in a few weeks time, please contribute a few pounds towards the Board of Deputies.

I am sure that the poet Tennyson was thinking of the Board's work when he wrote "so much to do, so little done....." Without increased financial support there will be even less done.

Cllr. Laurence Brass

*New Year Greetings
Special form
enclosed with
this edition.*

ladies guild

Since the last edition of the Newsletter, the ladies have found themselves very busy with the activities of the Guild.

On the fund raising front, our successful raffle raised £111. The winning ticket was sold by Jenny Graham so some lucky lady has sufficient groceries for many months to come. The draw was made at a special lunch meeting held at the home of Betty Segalov with Mrs. Annette Gelles, wife of Rabbi Gelles, as guest of honour. The entrance money of £17.50 was presented to Mrs. Gelles towards the Association of U.S. Ladies Guilds' special project on the occasion of their 10th Anniversary - Waverley Manor for elderly people.

Culturally, our regular Shiur still attracts a number of stalwarts; a highly amusing and informative officer of the fire brigade gave a talk recently on "Fire Prevention in the home", and we held a Musical Soiree at the home of Susan and Peter Grunthal.

More than 20 ladies (and 1 brave young man!), spent the day at Audley End, Saffron Walden enjoying the house and grounds.

On a sad note, we bid 'au revoir' to Jenny Graham and Susan Grunthal who, with their families, are off to the U.S.A. A small party in their honour and to say goodbye was held at Bonny Nash's home.

Just over £67.00 was raised at our Jumble Sale held on Monday 18th July.

The Guild are very grateful to all members and especially to the husbands who helped before, during and after the Jumble Sale.

£261 was raised during Jewish Womens' Week at the end of May.

Forthcoming events include:-

- November 2 - A meeting with special guest speaker. Full details to follow.
- November 9 - The Annual General Meeting. This is the time to elect your new committee and let everyone know your ideas.

Sylvia Fink

functions committee

"The Jubilee Jaunt", which was not, perhaps, our most profitable enterprise proved a great social success.

The Committee is preparing a "Quiz Evening" to be held later this year.

As most of you are aware, our next Dinner and Ball will be held on Saturday 4th March, 1978 at the King David Suite.

The Committee would be grateful to receive donations and gifts towards our Tombola and Raffle, both to be held on the 4th March.

Very shortly members of your Functions Committee will be contacting you with tickets and brochure forms.

PLEASE, PLEASE, REMEMBER, they are only doing a job of work that is very essential and has to be done.

Put your Synagogue and its functions, especially the Annual Dinner and Ball, FIRST.

Henry Saunders



The Hertsmere Soviet Jewry Campaign, which aims to involve the four communities in the area in the problem of Russian Jews who wish to emigrate to Israel or just want to be able to practise their religion freely in the U.S.S.R., held a meeting on the 10th July. The film "A Calculated Risk" was shown. This was made last year by Granada TV and largely featured a talk by Anatoly Sharansky given as he directed the TV people around Moscow in a car. He was very eloquent, speaking English fluently and he outlined the problems the Jewish people and other minorities who wish to go back to their homeland face. It was poignant to hear and see him as he is still held at this moment incommunicado in Lefortovo prison facing charges of treason. He has been a member of the Helsinki Agreement on human rights Monitoring Committee specialising in the Jewish problem. Unlike the other members of this group who have been arrested, Anatoly Sharansky is a Jew who wishes to emigrate. Is this the reason then that while Orlov, for example, faces charges of Anti-Soviet activities which carry a penalty of three years, Sharansky's mother has been told that he is being investigated on charges of treason - a charge that can carry the death penalty?

There was also a short "home movie" that had been smuggled out showing refuseniks who sent greetings to friends in the West who through their letters give them hope to continue their visa applications. Michael Blake also talked about his recent visit to the U.S.S.R. - an emotive and inspiring account of the very difficult life the Jews who wish to emigrate have. I do hope that you will be able to come to the next meeting.

In the meantime, do write a note to the Prestins. Their address is:-

U.S.S.R.
R.S.F.S.R.,
MOSCOW,
URALSKAYA 6/4,
APT. 11,
PRESTIN VLADIMIR.

Sharyn & John Blank

DAILY DIET IN A SOVIET PRISON CAMP



BREAKFAST

14 oz. black bread (full day's ration); 1 cup hot water—no sugar allowed; 1 oz. herring.



LUNCH

1/2 cup of soup (boiled cabbage and 1/2 medium-sized potato), no fat allowed.



SUPPER

3/4 to 5 oz. potato (no fats); or 1 cup raw cabbage and tomato in vinegar.

9 Hours at Hard Labour

timetable

DATE	SHABBAT COMMENCES	SYNAGOGUE SERVICE	SHABBAT ENDS	SYNAGOGUE SERVICE
Friday July 29 Shabbat July 30	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	9.46 p.m.	8.30 p.m.
Friday August 5 Shabbat August 6	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	9.32 p.m.	8.15 p.m.
Friday August 12 Shabbat August 13	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	9.18 p.m.	8.00 p.m.
Friday August 19 Shabbat August 20	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	9.02 p.m.	7.45 p.m.
Friday August 26 Shabbat August 27	8.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	8.45 p.m.	7.30 p.m.
Friday September 2 Shabbat September 3	7.31 p.m.	7.45 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	8.29 p.m.	7.15 p.m.
Friday September 9 Shabbat September 10	7.15 p.m.	7.30 p.m. 9.30 a.m.	8.12 p.m.	7.00 p.m.
EVERY SUNDAY		8.30 a.m.		
ROSH CHODESH ELLUL Sunday August 13 Monday August 14		8.30 a.m. 7.10 a.m.		

BUSHEY CEMETERY TRANSPORT FACILITIES

In order to assist those without private transport facilities to visit Bushey Cemetery during the High Holyday period, the Burial Society of the United Synagogue has arranged for transport to be available to and from Stanmore Station and Bushey Cemetery on Sundays, 14th, 21st, 28th August and 4th, 11th, 18th September 1977.

A London Transport coach will be available at half-hourly intervals as follows:-

LEAVE STANMORE STATION:	10.00	10.30	11.00	11.30	12.00
	1.15	1.45	2.15	2.45	3.15
				3.45	4.15
LEAVE BUSHEY CEMETERY:	10.15	10.45	11.15	11.45	1.00
	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00
				4.30	1.30

These facilities will be provided free of charge. The United Synagogue wishes to make it clear that in no circumstances whatsoever will it be liable for any loss or damage to persons or property carried under the above arrangements.

Diary of Events

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
<u>JULY</u>			
25 and every other Monday.	8.30 p.m.	Discussion Group.	Beth Shalom.
<u>AUGUST</u>			
7	2.15 p.m.	Car Rally.	Car park, High Road, opp. St. Peter's Hall.
31	8.15 p.m.	Tephillin & Mezuzot surgery.	Synagogue.
30	8.00 p.m.	Meeting of parents whose children attend a Cheder other than Disney.	Synagogue.
30	Enquire	"Eclipse" - first meeting.	Enquire.
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>			
4	10.00 a.m.	New Term begins.	Talmud Torah.
4	10.15 a.m.	Enrolment of new Talmud Torah pupils.	Synagogue.
5	Evening.	Reception for Mrs. Leta Giffon.	Synagogue.

ROSH HASHANAH	1st Day	Tuesday	13 September
ROSH HASHANAH	2nd Day	Wednesday	14 September
YOM KIPPUR		Thursday	22 September
SUCCOT	1st Day	Tuesday	27 September
SUCCOT	2nd Day	Wednesday	28 September
HOSHANA RABBA		Monday	3 October
SHEMINI ATZERET		Tuesday	4 October
SIMCHAT TORAH		Wednesday	5 October

<u>NOVEMBER</u>			
2	8.30 p.m.	Ladies Guild meeting with guest Speaker.	To be announced.
9	8.30 p.m.	Ladies Guild A.S.M.	Synagogue.

useful 'phone numbers

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Announcements

 N E W N E W

 DISCUSSION GROUP

 meets fortnightly
 from: Monday 25
 July
 in: The Beth
 Hamedresh
 Leader: Johnny Jack
 Subject: "The Ethics
 of the Fathers"
 For: Ladies &
 Gentlemen

 No previous experience
 necessary.

 N E W N E W

NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS
 OF CHILDREN ATTENDING
 HEBREW CLASS CENTRES
 OTHER THAN BUSHEY.

The Youth and Education Committee
 cordially invite all parents of
 children attending Hebrew classes
 run by other communities to a
 meeting in the Synagogue Hall
 on Tuesday 30th August, 1977 at
 8.00 p.m. prompt.

" E C L I P S E "

Some of the teenagers in our
 community have decided that
 Bushey Youth should have its
 own independent group.

The object of the group will
 be to raise money for charity
 and provide a meeting place
 for the young people of the
 area.

The minimum age of the group
 is 14 years and the first
 meeting will be held on Tuesday
 30th August, 1977.

For further details please
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