

Our Neighboring Communities

Brownsville, Pa.—The National Council of Jewish Juniors held their regular monthly meeting, Monday evening, March 24. This was their initial meeting in the new clubrooms, Wises building.

At a well-attended meeting, many reports of progress were discussed and a few new members were added to the list. Plans were made for a card party to be held Thursday evening, April 3, in the new clubrooms, Wises building. Every effort is being made to make the affair interesting. Refreshments will be served and a prize given at each table. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Carnegie, Pa.—The regular meeting of the Ancigas Club was held in the home of Mrs. Eva Rosen. At the opening of the meeting our annual election of officers was held with the following results: president, Miss Mollie Small of Coraopolis, Pa.; secretary-treasurer, Miss Rose Schwartz, Carnegie, Pa.; social chairman, Miss Esther Neiman, Pittsburgh. The new officers were installed by our former president, Miss Sara Blecher.

Final plans were made for our party which will be held on March 30 at Saunders Inn.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Sara Blecher.

Connellsville, Pa.—Miss Evelyn Gordon was hostess at the regular meeting of the Connellsville Section Council of Jewish Juniors, Sunday afternoon at her home in South Street. Miss Sara Lisowitz of Uniontown, president, was in charge of the meeting. A report of the treasurer was given by Miss Anne Kinsbursky.

The council voted to give \$10 toward the Hannah G. Solomon Fund, also \$5 to the Cuban Sheltering Home for Girls. A nominating committee consisting of Miss Evelyn Gordon, Miss Gertrude Cohen and Miss Devora Simons was appointed to name officers to be elected at a meeting in May. The girls voted to meet once a month hereafter instead of every two weeks. Lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Misses Ann and Esther Kinsbursky.

Greensburg, Pa.—The Beth Israel Religious School classes held their Purim entertainment on Sunday afternoon, March 23, in the assembly rooms

of the Synagogue. All of the classes were represented from the Kindergarten Class taught by Miss Ethel Schindowich, to the Pre-Confirmation Class which presented the play, "The Paper Hat," under the direction of Mr. Julius Pross. At the close of the exercises each child present was given a "hamantasch" of candy by the Greensburg Junior Council.

The A. Z. A. will hold an installation of officers on Sunday afternoon, March 30, at the Unity Club at 2 p. m. The meeting will be followed by a smoker and the Junior Council will act as hostesses.

Homestead, Pa.—The last regular meeting of the Young Women's Hebrew Assn. of Homestead, which was held at the home of Gertrude L. Magram, proved to be a very successful and interesting one. The most recent enterprise of the organization, a dance held in collaboration with several other organizations of the community, was the main topic of discussion. Following this committees were appointed for other various interests. The remainder of the evening was spent playing cards and dancing. Prizes were awarded to Miss Ruth Grinberg and Miss Sadie Freed. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Elsie Hepps.

Monongahela, Pa.—The children of the Jewish Religious school held their Purim exercises at the Elks Hall on Sunday, March 16.

The exercises were opened with the salute to the flag and the singing of America by the audience. The opening prayer was delivered by Superintendent Joseph Berger, followed by a talk.

The fourth annual spring dance will be given by the Hebrew Ladies' Auxiliary for the benefit of Tree of Life Congregation, Wednesday, March 26. Hours, 8:30 p. m. to 12 p. m., at the Elks new ballroom, Monongahela. Music by Golden Gate Eight Orchestra. Admission \$1.50 per couple; single, \$1.

McKeesport, Pa.—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hebrew Institute of McKeesport will hold a card party and entertainment Sunday evening, April 6, in the Hebrew Institute Building, Wylie Avenue.

The auditorium will be decorated and the Seymour Syncopaters will furnish music.

On the floors above will be card playing with individual prizes for each table and lunch will be served.

Mrs. Max Lebowitz is general chairman; Mrs. David Greenwald, vice chairman and with her aides report a great sale of tickets.

McKeesport, Pa.—The bi-monthly meeting of the Temple Alumni Club of Temple B'nai Israel was held Sunday afternoon in the Temple clubroom. President Finkel presided. Reports from various committees were given. A social will be held soon with Violet Roth as chairlady. Our club advisor gave the members some good advice. A feature of the next meeting will be a debate on the present widely discussed topic, "Should Prohibition Be Modified, Enforced or Repealed."

Midland, Pa.—On February 12 the finishing and decorating of the Synagogue of the Sons of Israel of Midland. The work has been executed from the designs and under the supervision of Mrs. Morris Pearlman of Midland.

The erection of the building was completed in 1927, but the interior of the rooms until now had never been finished.

Mrs. Morris Pearlman chose the colors and the decorative scheme. Half of the paint for the work was furnished through the courtesy of S. A. Silverman and Sons, local hardware merchants. Mrs. Pearlman, who personally took charge of the project, has been active in the congregation and among the Jewish people of the community. Since Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pearlman came to Midland in 1915, Mr. Pearlman was one of the five men who planned and brought about the building of the Synagogue.

Monessen, Pa.—The Hebrew Ladies' Aid held their bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday evening, March 12, in Italian Hall, with about 40 members present. Mrs. Harry Lebowitz, president, presided. A report was made on the recent bingo and card party. Mrs. Harry Rivkees was chairlady of the bridge committee. Mrs. Dan Riolin headed the bingo. A vote was made to make an annual donation to the Jewish Baby Home Linen Fund.

Mrs. Harry Schragar and Mrs. Louis Saperstein, program committee, had arranged bridge as a diversion for the social hour. Favors were awarded to Mesdames Dan Rivlin, David Lebowitz and Jack Lavine, after which a delicious lunch was served by the hostesses, Mesdames A. Friedland, Oscar Haas, B. Greenfield and Max Heatter.

Monongahela Valley.—Activity and plans for the coming months marked the last meeting of the Monongahela Valley Chapter, No. 82, Aleph Zadik Aleph held in the Kneseth Israel Synagogue, Wednesday evening.

A benefit card party is being planned for the latter part of the month of March or the first of April.

A final report on the recent Combined A. Z. A. and B'nai B'rith dance was given, showing a financial and social success.

The chapter sent a large group of members to Greensburg Sunday to attend an organization meeting at the Westmoreland lodge of B'nai B'rith Junior group, which they expect to form into an Aleph Zadik Aleph Chapter.

Monessen, Pa.—As the main speaker at the Fifteenth Anniversary banquet of the Monongahela Valley Lodge, No.

776, of the B'nai B'rith, Rabbi P. D. Bookstaber of Harrisburg has been secured by the committee.

Arrangements have been almost completed for the finest and largest social function of the valley in years, for March 30, Sunday evening in the Sokol Hall.

Besides Rabbi Bookstaber a number of district grand officers will be present. Rabbi Bookstaber is one of the most renowned speakers in the Jewish pulpit.

New Castle, Pa.—The New Castle Chapter of Hadassah held its Annual Purim Party in the assembly rooms of Temple Israel, in celebration of Hadassah's eighteenth birthday. Everything was carried out in appropriate Purim and Palestinian fashion. The invitations that were issued were written in the language of the Purim story, the program was read from a large Megillah or Scroll and Hamantoshen (cakes) were served at the end of the evening by the hospitality committee.

The gifts brought to the Purim Birthday Party were in the form of muslin "Milk Bottle Bags," proceeds of which were turned over to the Infant Welfare Fund. When the contents of these bags, which were the admission price was counted, it was announced that an excellent sum had been obtained for the twenty-one baby stations in Palestine. Those in charge of this collection were Mrs. A. Gonick and Mrs. G. Stone. Mrs. William Blau is chairman of this fund.

On this occasion the local Chapter was honored by having as its guest speaker, Mrs. A. H. Vixman of New York City, formerly of this region and now National vice president of Hadassah. At the conclusion of her talk Mrs. Vixman was presented with a handsome check for the benefit of the Hadassah Medical Organization, the proceeds of New Castle's recent Annual Ball.

Mrs. Eli Kaplan, chairman of Music, accompanied Morris Newmark in a group of Purim and Zionist songs. His music delighted the large audience present.

Participating in the program were some of the recently reorganized local Junior Hadassahs, who presented a playlet entitled, "A Purim Injunction." Those taking part were the Misses Sally Cohen, the new president; Sarah Love, Lillian Fishkin, Celia Lerner, Rosalind Saifer and Ruth Shifman.

Mrs. Ben Klein, the vice president, surprised the general membership and the guests present by presenting to Mrs. L. F. Kohn, who had been presiding, a certificate in the name of the local board, telling her that a group of trees was being planted in her honor in the Haddash woods in Palestine on Haddash's eighteenth birthday. Mrs. Kohn responded to Mrs. Klein's well-chosen remarks by accepting this unusually fine gift with the hope that more and more trees would be planted in the treeless land of Palestine.

The final feature of the evening was the lighting of the eighteen candles on the birthday cake, which was carried out under the direction of Mrs. Charles Levine, hospitality chairman. Refreshments were then served.

Washington, Pa.—The regular monthly meeting of the Washington Senior Chapter of Hadassah was held in the Synagogue on Monday evening, March 3 with Mrs. H. Richman, president, presiding.

A very interesting Purim program was arranged for the evening by Mrs. A. H. Landay. The following participated: Mrs. J. I. Freedman, a member of the cultural group, read a few chap-

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