

## BETH ISRAEL CENTER BULLETIN

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### DEDICATION WEEKEND MARKS MILESTONE

The long effort to provide ourselves with our own home was climaxed during the week-long Dedication ceremonies ending on October 13.

The ceremonies were impressive, as befits a once-in-a-lifetime event. They began with the closing exercises of Sukkot-- Shemini Atzeret, with its reading of Yizkor, the Memorial Service; Simchat Torah, the closing of the eternal circle of the Law, the dedication of the new scholars of the Religious School. On Friday evening, a special Sabbath service was held, at which the clergymen of the area were our guests. The Mezuzah was placed on the doorpost at this time.

A total of 169 people attended the Dedication Dinner. Among the speakers were Governor David L. Lawrence, who was introduced by Judge Samuel Weiss; also Congressman James G. Fulton. Other distinguished guests were Judges Anne X. Alperin, David Olbum and Louis Rosenberg, Mayors Paul Graham of Jefferson and C. C. Larson of Pleasant Hills, Commissioner McClelland, Mrs. Lillian Friedberg and Mrs. Max Cohen.

Among those participating in the program, aside from the invited speakers, were Rev. James E. Letcher; Rabbi Moshe Goldblum, Rabbi Kenneth Bromberg, Rev. John O. Griffith, Rabbi Kaufman, Mr. Phineas Nissenson, President Sydney Friedlander, Cantor Max Haalman, Dr. Jacques Weiss, Miss Cheryl Rosenblatt and Miss Sheri Kloss.

Del Grosser, Chairman of the Dedication Committee, announced that more than \$9000 had been raised in connection with the Dedication. The names of those furnishing a room in the building were announced, as follows; classrooms-- Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Davis, Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Schwimer, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Moskowitz, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Binakonsky, Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Rosner, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Droz, and Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Friedlander. The Rabbi's Study will be furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Arnowitz. A donation by Dr. and Mrs. Max Leva is being used toward construction of the Bimah. Mr. Max Pearlstein has donated all glass used in the building. A gift has also been received from the Ahavas Zedeck synagogue of Hazelwood, a congregation with which Dr. Sidney Schwimer has been associated.

It was announced that our library will be named the Dr. Jacques L. Weiss Library, after the founder and first president of Beth Israel Center. The library will be furnished by Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Weissband.

The shovel used in the ground-breaking ceremony, chrome-plated for exhibit purposes, was next presented by Mr. Harvey Rosenberg. Many other gifts have been received; a complete list is not available at this time, and will be published in a later Bulletin.

The Dedication Committee, Del Grosser and Richard Arnowitz, co-chairmen, and all its members, Joseph Cohen, Mrs. Max Leva, Saul Berliner, Mrs. Arthur Small, Mrs. Louis Mendlow, Mrs. James Weissburg, Mrs. Harry Rosenblatt, Mrs. Marvin Sukolsky and Mrs. David Scott are to be congratulated on a job well done.

For insurance purposes, our building has been valued at \$122,000. This is approximately \$40,000, or 50%, more than it actually cost. It is to the credit of everyone concerned that, through diligence, attention to detail, donations, and our own contributed labor, we have been able to make two dollars do the work of three.

Now that we've built our \$122,000 building, we should, as the saying goes, use it in good health. No congregation can be healthy if religious services are neglected. Attendance on some Friday nights has been quite disappointing. Well-- it's your money.

LOOK!

OLD MOVIES WITH NO COMMERCIALS

THE B.I.C MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS

A FILM FESTIVAL

FEATURING CLASSICS OF THE GREAT DAYS OF THE SILVER SCREEN.

First program, Sunday, October 27, 8:30 P.M.

Beth Israel Center, Gill Hall Road, Jefferson Boro

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An informative short subject featuring scenes taken in a highly inaccessible place that few housewives have ever seen-

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Apr. 5 Our Man in Havana

May 10 Pal Joey

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM ED HILLNER, 653-3055.

Single Performance, \$1

Season ticket, \$5

### CENTER SENTIMENTS

Mazel Tov on the birth of a son, Alan Scott Kaplan, on September 17 to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kaplan of 212 Temona Dr.

We are proud to announce that Dr. Jerome Spanier was presented with the Distinguished Service Award of the Bettis Laboratory at ceremonies on October 1. The award itself is constructed largely of the rarely-seen metal, zirconium.

Congratulations to Rabbi Kaufman, who was given the WRYT Citizen of the Week award on the week of Sept. 22, and to our president, Sydney Friedlander, who was WRYT Businessman of the Day on Sept. 23.

The following were among those who have worked at the building on tasks such as painting and installing the Disposal; Bob Berman, Al Bernstein, Joe Cohen, Ely Grossman, Ed Hillner, Howard Jacket, Mel Jackson, Joe Markowitz, Lou Mendlow, Moe Mentser, Earl Parker, Bill Ratowsky, Ed Rosenberg, Bernie Sirota and Milt Weiss. We also understand that Rabbi Kaufman helped with the construction of the Bimah. Our thanks to you all.

Among the gifts received for the building are a television set from Mr. Leonard Schwartz and a flag from the Labor Zionist Organization. Mirrors for the Ladies' Room have been donated by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Melhado and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pollak.

Our sympathy to Dorothy and Ira Trosky on the death of her father.

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### ELEVEN NEW MEMBERS ENROLLED

J. Edgar Rosenberg, Chairman of the Membership Committee, reports that eleven additional members of Beth Israel Center have been enrolled since the listing of the last Bulletin, bringing the total of new member families to twenty-one.

The new member families not listed previously are:  
Phyllis and Harvey Brugger, 110 Dale St., Gill Hall  
Carol and Robert Burack, 1481 Maple Dr., Whitehall  
Carolyn and Fred Fisher, 413 Gill Hall Rd., Gill Hall  
Ann and Alan Gerson, 538 Torwood Lane, Pleasant Hills  
Jean and Fred Horvitz, 265 Tara Dr., Pleasant Hills  
Elaine and Lawrence Kopp, 2450 Driftwood Dr., Bethel Park  
Edith and Earl Parker, 469 Arbor Lane, Pleasant Hills  
Lorrie and Alan Rothman, 317 Macassar Dr., Baldwin Borough  
Phyllis and Marvin Schecter, 331 Macassar Dr., Baldwin Borough  
Lydia and Elliott Sperling, 251 Millport Rd., Dravosburg  
Judy and Joseph Weiss, Box 510A Rte. 51, Jefferson Borough

Beth Israel Center now has 90 member families.

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### \$2461 PLEDGED FOR AD BOOK

Ed Weingart, Chairman of the Ad Book Committee, announced that, due largely to a last-minute spurt, contracts totaling \$2461 have been collected for the Dedication Ad Book, which was distributed at the Dedication Dinner on October 13.

A November dinner is being planned for the "100 Club", those who collected \$100 or more in ads.

Sharing in the credit for the great success of the Ad Book are Ed Weingart and the members of his committee, Charlotte Pollak, Bobbie Moskowitz, and Lou Cohen.

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Beth Israel Center operates a complete pre-school program, for 3- and 4-year-olds as well as kindergarten. The program features stories and music, arts and dancing, and is completely non-sectarian. For information, call Mrs. Morton Mayer, the Director, at 653-3724. The school is happy to accept any outgrown outdoor toys, such as tricycles, wagons or trucks of all sizes.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- October 18. Friday Night Services, 8:30.   
 19. Junior Congregation Services, 11 A.M.   
 20. Men's Club Brunch. Guest-- Patrick Kumambi of Tanganyika   
 23. Hadassah Program Meeting, B.I.C. 8:30   
 25. BBYO Sabbath. AZA and BBG members will serve.   
 26. Junior Congregation Services, 11 A.M.   
 27. Movie. "Anatomy of a Murder." 8:30 P.M. B.I.C.   
 28. Sisterhood Board Meeting.   
 31. Center Board Meeting.   
 November 1. Friday Evening Services, 8:30. Introduction to Genesis.   
 2. Junior Congregation Services, 11 A.M.   
 3-4. Hadassah Paid-up Membership Party. Holiday House.   
 4. Men's Club Board Meeting.   
 5. Men's Club Membership Meeting and Smoker. B.I.C. 8:30 P.M.   
 7. ORT Regular Meeting.   
 8. Friday Evening Services, 8:30: Introduction to Genesis (continued.)   
 9. Junior Congregation Services, 11 A.M.   
 9. ORT Dance, Temple Emanuel   
 12. Sisterhood GoWo game. 9 A.M., Channel 11   
 12. Hadassah Board Meeting.   
 14. Sisterhood Program Meeting.   
 15. ORT Sabbath at Beth Israel Center. Services, 8:30 P.M.   
 16. Junior Congregation Services, 11 A.M.   
 17. Men's Club Brunch. Guests-- Thomas Jefferson High School Forensic Society. Topic-- Medicare   
 19. Sisterhood Bridge Party Bake-Sale--White Elephant Sale   
 25. Sisterhood Board Meeting.   
 27. Hadassah Program Meeting.

### ----- MEN'S CLUB PLANS BRUNCHES, MOVIE, SMOKER

On October 20, at 9:30 A.M., the Men's Club Brunch will feature an invited speaker, Mr. Patrick Kumambi of Tanganyika. The title of his talk will be "Tanganyika Today." Mr. Kumambi has visited Israel, and will discuss the troop training program in which the governments of Israel and Tanganyika are cooperating.

The Men's Club is sponsoring a Movie Nite on Oct. 27, which will feature "Anatomy of a Murder," starring James Stewart and Lee Remick. Admission is \$1; a season ticket for six programs is \$5. Curtain time is 8:30.

The Fall meeting and Smoker of the Men's Club will be held at 8:30 P.M. Tuesday, November 5, in the Center building.

At the brunch on November 17, the Men's Club will play host to the Thomas Jefferson High School Forensic Society, who will debate a proposition on Medicare.

Punches on your paid-up membership card can pay for your first bagel and lox at either of these brunches; two punches can pay for the smoker. Membership dues of \$6.50 can be paid at any affair, or mail your check to Bernie Sirota, 365 Maize Dr., Pittsburgh 15236.

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 A team of three women from the Sisterhood will play GoWo, a word association game, on the 'Kay Calls' program on Nov. 12, at 9 A.M. on Channel 11. They will return the following days if they win. The team, which has not yet been selected from many volunteers, will be coached by Myra Berman. \$25 will be awarded to the Sisterhood treasury for each day that they appear.

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 DON'T FORGET\*\* FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES AT 8:30

JUNIOR CONGREGATION SERVICES SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 11 A.M.