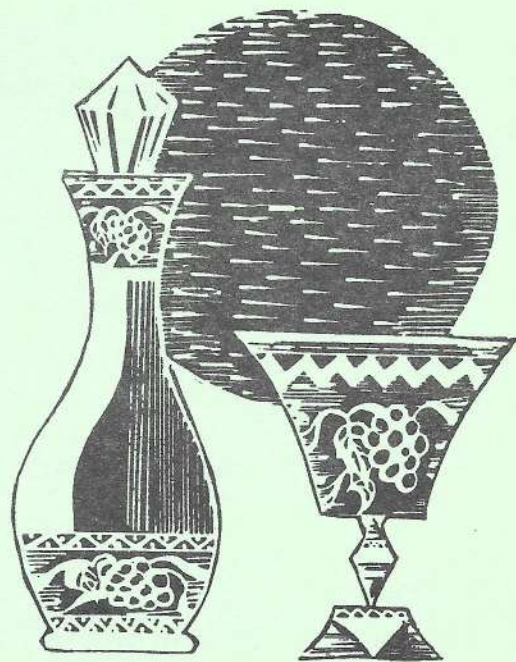
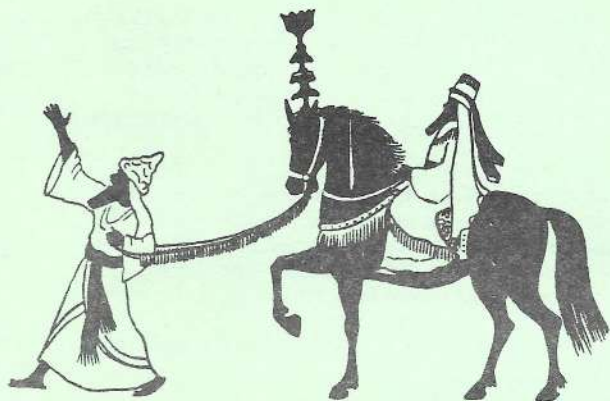


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# The President's Column

As this is the fourth year since I have been bestowed the great honour of being elected President of our community, I am delighted to be able to now point out the good progress we have made during this time.

Understandably, without the support of a dedicated team of executive and board members, Rabbi and Rebbetzin Gutnick, the Kindergarten staff, and many other dedicated members of our community this progress would not have been possible.

A few years ago we faced a real crisis, particularly with regard to the financial future of our Shule. Things were seen as compared to a sinking ship and it was predicted that it was only a matter of time before we "go under". But hard work and good management really paid off, and today we are sailing in fair waters. The future also looks very good. It is even more gratifying to see our members responding to these efforts with a growing feeling of fellowship and co-operation.

Members will be pleased to know that during the past six months we have been able to carry out extensive, long overdue repairs and maintenance work on buildings and grounds, involving many thousands of dollars in expenses. Our greatest feat, however, was the fact that we have been able to reduce the very large overdraft liability that has been hanging over our heads like a dark cloud for many years.

All these expenses were in addition to our regular running costs such as cleaning, insurance, salaries, telephone, gas and electricity and so on.

Our ordinary income could never cover these costs if it were not for the hard-working, few, totally dedicated members who are always ready to help in all aspects of the Shule's activities.

Since our last journal we have added another four members to our membership list. I welcome Miss Maxine Goodman, Miss Dora Revelman, Mr and Mrs Mitnavetsky, and Mr and Mrs A. Weinstock.

The Synagogue attendances are good and are actually improving steadily. It is a particular delight to see the very many children taking part in the Friday night service especially when they gather round to hear Kiddush.

Other personal activities and functions plus the many greetings to extend to our members, are mentioned in the Social and Personal Column to be found elsewhere in this journal. However, I must mention a number of our successful ventures which took place in the past few months.

First of all there was our highly successful annual Shabbaton which saw over 140 people spend a wonderful and entertaining time together. Much credit is due to our Rebbetzin for her capable organisation of this affair, assisted ably by members of our ladies auxiliary.

The atmosphere prevailing during the week-end when we hosted the young adults of the Bnai Brith Youth annual convention was extremely pleasant. This weekend in January was an enjoyable experience not only for the many young people who attended but also for the members of our community who were involved.

Now we are looking forward to our Purim Barbcue and to our annual fete.

I extend our thanks to all our members and friends but as I have done so often in the past I shall once again single out someone for special praise and thanks. This time it is our highly capable young honorary secretary, Miss Rosetta Meinrath who has brought real professionalism to the conduct of our Board's business.

While expressing special thanks I must take the opportunity to also extend such sentiments to Alderman Lew Herman, Mayor of Ashfield, for once again supplying us with palm branches last Succot.

I hope to see you all at the many activities that we have planned for the coming year, ranging from cultural activities to our social activities. Most importantly though, I hope to see you all at Synagogue services which is the core of our community's activities. See you on Purim night, 19th March at 6.30 pm for the reading of the Megillah.

Samuel Steiff, J.P.  
President,  
STRATHFIELD HEBREW CONGREGATION.

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## Social & Personal

**BIRTH:** Heartiest Mazel Tov to Dr and Mrs Greenberg on the recent birth of their son.

Heartiest Mazel Tov to Mr and Mrs L. Neumann of Belfield on the recent birth of their grandson in Israel.

**BAR MITZVAH:** Mazel Tov to Dr and Mrs Gary Melman and family on the recent Bar Mitzvah of their son Anthony.

Mazel Tov to Mr and Mrs Fisterman and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Robby which is to be celebrated in the next few weeks.

**WEDDING:** Best wishes of Mazel Tov to the Neumann family once again on the occasion of son Arthur's recent marriage.

Best wishes to Mr Solomon Guenon and Miss Madeleine Benibgui who will be celebrating their marriage very soon in our Synagogue.

ENGAGEMENT: Mazel Tov and best wishes to the Lewin family on the occasion of Betty's engagement to Mr David Mond of Melbourne.

BON VOYAGE: Wishes of Tzeitchem LeShalom and safe return to Raymond and Linda Cohen on their overseas trip.

GET WELL: Wishes of speedy recovery to Mrs Lewin after her stay in hospital.

GOOD LUCK IN THEIR NEW HOMES: All the best wishes to Families Dahl, Lacey, Levett, Meyer, Shaffir and Sakinofsky on the occasion of their moving to new homes.

WELCOME BACK: Best wishes of welcome back to Mrs J. Nagel and Mrs Toni Steiff on their return from recent overseas trips.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS: Heartiest welcome to Miss Maxine Goodman, Miss Dora Revelman, Mr and Mrs Mitnavetsky and Mr and Mrs Weinstock who have all recently become new members of our community.

Bereavements

Sincerest condolences to Mrs Millie Goldman and her family on the recent passing of her father.

Sincerest condolences to Mr A. Fradan and family on the recent passing of his sister in the U.S.A.

Sincerest condolences to Dr I. Nebenzahl and family on the recent passing of his mother.

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FOR VISITS TO THE SICK PLEASE CONTACT RABBI GUTNICK (642.4803) AND INFORM HIM OF ALL DETAILS.

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AFTER THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEAR'S COMMUNAL SEDER WE ARE CONSIDERING ORGANISING ANOTHER ONE THIS YEAR. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING PLEASE CALL THE REBBETZIN AT 642.4803 IMMEDIATELY.

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# Woman To Woman

with Rebbetzin Sarah Gutnick

I can recall, how soon after our arrival to Strathfield over five years ago, I attended my first Ladies Auxiliary meeting. I was impressed by the enthusiasm and lively interest shown by the ladies in all matters concerning our shul. I well recall the concern expressed at this meeting at the type of religious instruction and education the children of the community were receiving. The mothers wanted the three and a half hours on Sunday morning to be filled with Jewish learning and teaching of our traditions. They would be happy if we could arrange mid-week classes to help give the children further knowledge of their heritage.

Soon after that Rabbi and I began teaching at the Sunday School. Later we began mid-week classes. And what a pleasure it was! Enthusiastic children, spurred on by enthusiastic parents, attained levels of reading and vocabulary, and knowledge of our history and holidays unsurpassed by any other Sunday School.

But times change and we cannot live in the glory of the past. Some of these enthusiastic parents of the past now enthusiastically encourage their children in Jewish day schools, where the children have adapted so well, thanks to the high standard they achieved here. Others no longer have children young enough to attend. Others are still with us but seem to have lost some of their enthusiasm.

There are still some interested parents among us who, although they do not yet personally practise many of the laws and rituals of Judaism to any great degree, realize the urgent necessity in this day and age of instilling within their children a feeling for their religion and for the moral teachings and ethics it encompasses.

But even their children are unfortunately now at a disadvantage for several reasons. Firstly, class size- the classes are smaller now mainly because there is a shortage of Jewish children in our area. Yet names of fifteen children come to mind immediately who live in the area and do not attend Hebrew classes at all. Some are 'recent' Russian immigrants who still need further gentle enlightenment on the advantages of living in a free country. Others are children who were graciously given the opportunity to try it, and were not all that excited about it, or else some other excuse cropped up. For these reasons we now have small classes with several levels or grades combined.

The good student must also be patient when her classmates arrive late. She (or he) must patiently listen while the teacher helps last week's absentees catch up. Sunday School to many children now seems to be a place to visit when there are no birthday parties, soccer practice or ballet rehearsals, no great-aunt has to be seen off at the airport, and they're not sleeping over at a friend's place in a distant suburb. Then the parents wonder why the children

don't love Sunday School, when on the occasions that the poor kids do attend, they find that they have been left way behind, and don't feel comfortable in the classroom.

Here are some statistics from the attendance book of 1980 for my class. (It is too early to tell, but this year seems to be following the same trend.)

The class started off last February with 10 students. By mid July there were only 6 students, with 4 leaving for a variety of reasons.

Of the 34 Sundays when classes were held and children were expected to attend, only on 6 of these days were the full quota of children present. The highest rate of absenteeism for any one day was 35%, the average being 21%.

Similar statistics applied to the other classes.

Parents! Please don't deprive your children of what is rightfully theirs. Sure, things can't always be perfect, so don't hesitate to discuss any problems with us. On the other hand, please don't remove your child at the drop of a hat.

Please have at least the same positive attitude that you have when you send your child to (regular) school. Let your children feel your interest in their progress and encouragement in their homework and in bringing all the necessary books and equipment each week. Send your child regularly, punctually and happily, and in this way your child will benefit, your family will benefit and the whole community will benefit.

## A D U L T            E D U C A T I O N

Please note that our ADULT STUDY CIRCLE will recommence with two regular sessions.

1. A Shiur in "Ethics of the Fathers" particularly geared to the young adults and youth of our community will commence on Saturday, 11th April at 4.45 p.m. to be followed by Minchah and the usual Shalosh Seudot. This Shiur will take place every Saturday afternoon thereafter, 45 minutes before Minchah, in the Shule, 19 Florence St.
2. A class on "Pathways through the Bible" will be held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7.45 p.m. till 9 p.m. beginning Tuesday evening 7th April. All are welcome. No previous knowledge necessary. Held at 73 Albyn Rd., Strathfield.

AVAIL YOURSELF OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRUSH UP ON YOUR JEWISH KNOWLEDGE. EACH CLASS IS A SEPERATE UNIT. COME AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN.



# Ladies Auxiliary Chit Chat

We have begun 1981 with two diverse functions.

Firstly, our Barbecue under the disguise of the name "A Masked Fishy Function". I am sure that everyone is just waiting to taste our barbecued trout - for those with less exotic taste-buds we're supplying sausages.

As this function is taking place at Purim-time we urge you to come along in fancy-dress or at least wearing a mask: you're assured of fun galore. It will take place the night of Shushan Purim, Saturday night, 21st March commencing at 8 p.m. in the Politzer-Isman Hall at Strathfield Synagogue. Bring your friends and your own grog. Reservations may be made with Fritzi Fitchman (642 8530) or Susan Cohen (712 1071).

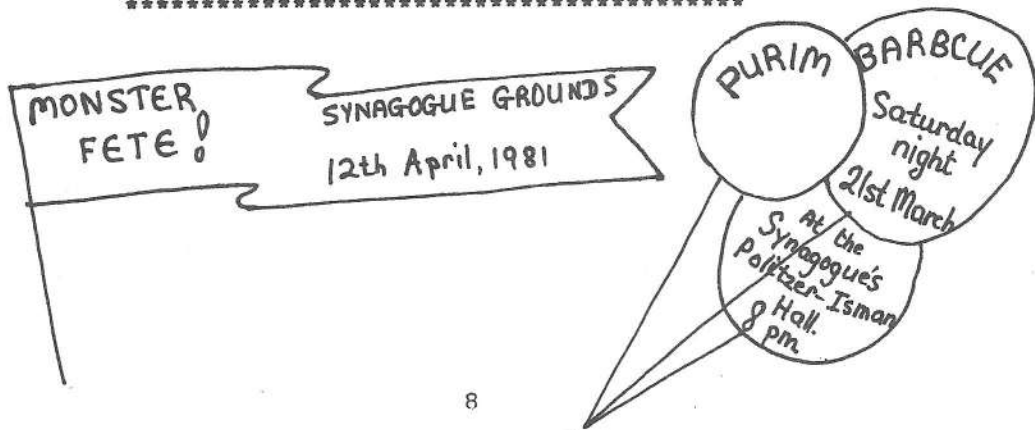
Secondly, there is our annual MONSTER FETE on Sunday 12th April in the Synagogue grounds. Come and browse and buy a bargain. Better still, lend a hand by helping on a stall or send along goods to be sold. Children can earn points for free throws at the Hoop-1a for every article (or letter promising cakes, pot-plants etc.) brought in each Sunday prior to the fete.

Remember that both the barbecue and the fete are in aid of YOUR synagogue and Eretz Israel. We need you and your friends to come and support both.

Our auxiliary is also busy with other important work for our community. Come along to our next meeting to be held on Monday, 6th April, at 8 p.m. at the home of Fritzi Fitchman, 24 Palmer Avenue, Strathfield (Phone 642 8530). All members and friends are welcome.

Sue Cohen,  
PRESIDENT,  
Strathfield Synagogue Ladies Auxiliary.

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# wizo news

The activities of WIZO for 1980 ended with a memorable Channukah party hosted by Mrs Ben Dov, in the home of the Consul General. A highlight of the evening was the presentation by the group presidents of their cheques covering money raised to the end of the year.

Our WIZO groups in Australia are responsible for the up-keep of seven institutions in Israel.

AHUZAT YELADIM on Mount Carmel, with 130 disturbed children.

THE RAYA JAGLOM DAY CRECHE catering for 180 toddlers and children.

A YOUTH CENTRE in Rehovot - a meeting place for school children.

A DAY CRECHE in Jerusalem caring for 120 children of working mothers.

The AYA DINSTEIN WOMEN'S CENTRE in Ramat Eshkol, a community centre for local children and adults from many lands, and a place where handicrafts is taught to women.

MARTHA JACOBSON CARE CENTRE at Hazor Air-base, which cares for the children of the base personnel.

The AIRBASE YOUTH CLUB at Hazor Air-base.

I am happy to report that our two groups here in Strathfield are doing a fine job in sharing in the support of these institutions. Negba, after thirty years in existence is still raising a considerable amount, and Tikvah, its offspring, is likewise doing a wonderful job.

The holiday recess was used to give Beth WIZO a facelift. Our home in Edgecliff Road is now most suitable for fund-raising and other activities. Tikvah and Negba have already made bookings there for functions.

As I was in charge of the renovations, I take this opportunity of expressing our warmest thanks to our well-known Strathfield personality Mr Arthur Kohn for his personal assistance and advice.

The yearly synagogue fete is approaching. The participants - the Ladies Auxiliary and WIZO Negba and Tikvah - have a hard job ahead of them. I sometimes wonder if our community is really aware of the tremendous work put in by our ladies. As chairman of the Fete committee I appeal to you all to help us make it a success. If you have a business and would like to donate goods for our stalls or if you have anything for our White Elephant stall ( where anything is sold) or if you are able to make cakes for our always profitable cake stall, then please ring the president of the Ladies Auxiliary, Sue Cohen (712 1071) or President of Tikvah, Susie Buchman (769 789) or myself ( 642 8530) and we shall arrange for it to be picked up.

Our Pesach goods department would appreciate your order now.

Order forms will be posted to you. Ring Mrs J. Nagel (642 3232), Mrs I. Weiss (642 35 32) or Mrs I. Ziegler (387 2409) for orders. The orders must be in three weeks before the fete.

We are providing morning and afternoon tea and luncheon. We hope to see you all. Bring your whole family and your friends - you will find many a good bargain.

I wish you all a happy Pesach,

Shalom,

Fritzi Fitchman.

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PESACH FALLS ON THE WEEKEND AND ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS THIS YEAR -  
SO LETS ENSURE A BIG CROWD AT YOM TOV SERVICES !

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HAVE YOU EVER ATTENDED  
"MOSHIACH'S SEUDAH" ON THE 8th DAY OF PESACH?

COME ALONG TO THIS UNIQUE EXPERIENCE AT THE  
RABBI'S HOME ON MONDAY, 20th APRIL (It's a public  
holiday!) BEGINNING AT 3.45 p.m. AND SEE OUT  
PESACH IN THE TRADITIONAL CHASSIDIC WAY!

ALL WELCOME - YOUNG AND OLD!

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ATTEND OUR REGULAR SERVICES:

EVERY FRIDAY - Kabbalat Shabbat (Welcoming the Shabbat): 6.30 p.m.

EVERY SHABBAT - Shacharit : 9 a.m.  
Minchah followed by Shalosh Seudet and  
Ma'ariv: A half hour before sunset.

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THE YOLANDA KRAMER KINDERGARTEN RUN BY OUR COMMUNITY IN  
THE COMMUNAL HALL AT 19 FLORENCE ST., STRATHFIELD  
IS OPEN FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS EACH WEEK-DAY FROM 9 a.m. TO 3.30 p.m.

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# פורים PURIM

## four steps in celebrating purim

Purim, one of the most joyous holidays in the Jewish calendar, marks the fall of the wicked Haman, and the nullification of his scheme to destroy the Jewish People some 2,300 years ago.

Mordechai and Esther, the heroes of Purim, recorded the entire Purim Story in the Megillah (Book of Esther). They instituted the Festival of Purim to be celebrated each year on the 14th of Adar, when the Megillah is to be read on the eve and following morning of the Festival.

These days of Purim are consecrated as everlasting festivals which all Jews celebrate joyously. We celebrate Purim today as it has been celebrated ever since those fateful days in Persia, by feasting, and songs, and by sending gifts to the poor and to our friends.

To the enemies of Israel, the Hamans of all ages, the Festival of Purim is a solemn and timely warning. But to us, this wonderful and happy festival serves as an undying inspiration of courage and faith; of loyalty and devotion to our great and merciful G-D. It is the herald of our certain and miraculous salvation, may it come speedily in our time.

### 1 Megillah

Listen to the reading of the MEGILLAH (Book of Esther) on THURSDAY night (March 19th.) and again on FRIDAY morning (March 20th).

### 2 Mishloach Monos

Give a gift of at least two kinds of food to at least one friend, during Purim Day.

### 3 Matonos Lévyonim

Give Charity to at least two poor people on Purim Day. If you cannot do this personally, place it in a Pushke (Charity box) for distribution to the poor.

### 4 Seudas Purim

In the afternoon of Purim eat a full festive meal, in joyous celebration of the great day.

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#### PURIM IN STRATHFIELD

THURSDAY NIGHT, MARCH 19th : READING OF THE MEGILLAH  
followed by Hamantaschen and  
refreshments: 6.30 p.m.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 20th : SHACHARIT: 6.15 a.m.

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CHILDREN'S PURIM PARTY:

SUNDAY, MARCH 22nd, 11.15 a.m.

FANCY DRESS COMPETITION,

HAMANTASCHEN AND REFRESHMENTS,

LOTS OF FUN FOR ALL - YOUNG AND OLD.

# PESACH

## BRIEF GUIDE ON THE OBSERVANCE OF EREV PESACH THIS YEAR (5741/1981).

Erev Pesach this year falls on Shabbos (18th April). This calls for a number of changes to the usual pre-Pesach routine. Outlined below is a brief guide to the order of events as they occur this year.

THURSDAY, 16th APRIL: The Fast of the First-Born. (Ta'anis Bechorim)  
All first-born males must fast on this day unless they attend a Seudas Mitzvah such as a "Siyum" which is traditionally held in the Synagogue after morning services on this day.

The Search for Chometz. (Bedikas Chometz) is carried out immediately after nightfall on Thursday evening. It is to be conducted exactly as in every other year. The "Kol Chamirah" declaration nullifying any unfound Chometz is to be recited in all sincerity at the end of the search.

FRIDAY, 17th APRIL: The Burning of the Chometz (Biur Chometz) takes place before 10.55 a.m. The "Kol Chamirah" declaration is not recited. Only Chometz to be used for Friday and Shabbat meals should be put aside in a secluded and guarded place.

The Sale of the Chometz should, in the first instance, be completed by the Rabbi by 10.55 a.m. As in every year it is important to stress to all concerned the seriousness and validity of this sale. The Rabbi should be authorised to sell the Chometz well before the time of sale, preferably by the night before, in order to minimise the possibility of the authorisation arriving after the sale has been completed.

All cleaning and kashering for Pesach must be completed by the time Shabbos begins at 5.13 p.m.

Preparations for the Sedarim that can be made before Shabbos such as the roasting of the Shankbone or egg, and preparation of the Charoses, should be made before Shabbos. However, if for any reason this was not done before Shabbos it may be done before the Seder on Saturday night after Shabbos is over (6 p.m.).

Eating the Shabbos Meal: Because of the prevailing custom not to eat Matzoh in the days before Pesach, and particularly on the day of Erev Pesach itself, bread or rolls must be used at the Shabbos meals in order to say the Hamotzi, even though the house is already completely cleaned for Pesach. The simplest method to adopt in order to overcome the many Halachic complications involved is as follows:

1. The Shabbat meals should be prepared in Pesach utensils using, of course, Pesach ingredients.
2. The table should be set using disposable plates and cutlery on a paper tablecloth or even a Chometz one.
3. The food should be served on the disposable plates etc. but care should be taken that the Pesach pots or containers should not come in contact with the table where Chometz is found.

4. The Challah or rolls to be used for "Hamotzi" can be placed on the table but should be eaten very carefully so that all crumbs etc are confined to the one spot. (In order to avoid problems concerning the cleaning of the plates etc before disposal, no Chometz should be allowed to fall on them and mix with the food being served on them.)

5. At the end of the meal any Chometz crumbs or left-overs not going to be used the next morning should be disposed of by flushing in the bath-room. According to most modern authorities it is NOT sufficient to dispose of them in the garbage bin as in most modern households disposal in the garbage bin will not result in the Chometz becoming inedible and, in the first instance, such pieces should not be found in a Jew's property on Pesach.

6. The used disposable plates etc. which have not come in contact with any real Chometz may be disposed of in the garbage can.

Though it is possible to use Chometz utensils at the meal, however, complications regarding serving, particularly of hot foods, from Pesach dishes, and problems regarding cleaning and washing the Chometz utensils before they are put away the next morning, make the use of disposable plates and cutlery the best way possible to avoid any problems. It is also possible to use Pesach utensils completely, but this involves meticulous care with regard to eating the Challah or bread away from the table. These methods should only be used if the laws have been studied thoroughly - which is not the case in the usual household.

SHABBOS, 18th APRIL: Shabbos services should be timed to commence earlier than usual and should finish early enough for congregants to return home and finish eating by 10 a.m.

The Shabbos Morning Meal should be eaten in the same manner as the Friday night meal as outlined above. At the end of the meal any left over crumbs or Chometz pieces must be disposed of effectively in the bath-room. The table cloth, if a Chometz one was used, should be then folded and placed away with the rest of the Chometz utensils. Any Chometz utensil that was used, such as the breadknife, should be thoroughly wiped of any Chometz - only if the Chometz cannot be removed in this manner is it permitted to wash the utensil in cold water and in a non-Pesach sink. All Chometz waste is to be disposed of in the bathroom.

NO CHOMETZ MAY BE EATEN AFTER 10 a.m.

Nullification of the Chometz. The cleaning away of the Chometz and utensils etc may continue only till 10.55 a.m. before which time the "Kol Chamirah" nullifying all found and unfound Chometz must be recited in all sincerity.

No preparation for the Seder may take place on Shabbos (though of course anything for the seder may be done before Shabbos). This even includes setting the table. Shabbos ends at 6 p.m. The seder may begin any time after this.

Pesach finishes on Sunday, 26th April at 5.53 p.m.

The greatest emphasis should be placed on the fact that any Chometz remaining in the possession of a Jew over Pesach cannot be eaten, used, bought or sold even after Pesach.

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Rabbi Gutnick will be available each evening from 5.30 to 7.30 p.m. on weekdays in the two weeks before Pesach for the sale of Chometz to be arranged, and on the two Sundays before Pesach from 9 am. to noon at the Synagogue. If you are unable to come in person please use the enclosed Power of Attorney which should be returned to the Rabbi.

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NISAN

1st	Leon Flachs.....Sun.	5.4.81
2nd	Fanny Donn.....Mon.	6.4.81
3rd	Wilhelm Hirsch.....Tues.	7.4.81
5th	Gertrud Goldman....Thur.	9.4.81
6th	Esther Jellinek....Fri.	10.4.81
6th	Maurice Weiss.....Fri.	10.4.81
7th	Simchah Fisher.....Sat.	11.4.81
8th	Ethel Simon.....Sun.	12.4.81
11th	Gurewitz.....Wed.	15.4.81
11th	Emanuel Cohen.....Wed.	15.4.81
13th	P. Goldman.....Fri.	17.4.81
13th	Josephine Oser.....Fri.	17.4.81
13th	Rivkah Manascu.....Fri.	17.4.81
15th	Solomon Miller.....Sun.	19.4.81
16th	Mayta Drisin.....Mon.	20.4.81
16th	Hans Oser.....Mon.	20.4.81
19th	Rebecca Pozniak....Thur.	23.4.81
23rd	Edward Blackman....Mon.	27.4.81
30th	Gittel Zamel.....Mon.	4.5.81

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1st	David Mane.....Tues.	5.5.81
4th	Dora Israel.....Fri.	8.5.81
8th	Annie Cohen.....Tue.	12.5.81
11th	Betty Hyman.....Fri.	15.5.81
11th	Blanka Rosenfeld...Fri.	15.5.81
12th	Israel Cohen.....Sat.	16.5.81
13th	Edgar Zimmer.....Sun.	17.5.81
17th	Moses Mendelovici..Thur.	21.5.81
19th	Emma Helwing.....Sat.	23.5.81
21st	Siegismund Meyer...Mon.	25.5.81
24th	Rebecca Buchalter..Thur.	28.5.81
25th	Chaya Eisikovits...Fri.	29.5.81
25th	Margit Weiss.....Fri.	29.5.81
28th	Samuel Furnberg....Mon.	1.6.81
28th	Wolf Weinberg.....Mon.	1.6.81
29th	Henry Nagel.....Tues.	2.6.81

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2nd	Henry Rosenberg....Thur.	4.6.81
3rd	Tamara Drisin.....Fri.	5.6.81
3rd	Siegfried Stern....Fri.	5.6.81
5th	Joseph Goldstein...Sun.	7.6.81
6th	Ilona Fillenz.....Mon.	8.6.81
7th	Henry Conway.....Tues.	9.6.81
7th	Joseph Berger.....Tues.	9.6.81
8th	Paula Miller.....Wed.	10.6.81
8th	Eta Rooklyn.....Wed.	10.6.81
11th	Max Eltis.....Sat.	13.6.81
15th	Rachel Goldstein...Wed.	17.6.81
16th	Mrs D. Feldheim....Thur.	18.6.81
17th	Mary Grosser.....Fri.	19.6.81
18th	Gedes Lipshutz....Sat.	20.6.81
18th	Shimon Goldberg....Sat.	20.6.81

CANDLE SHOULD BE LIT  
THE NIGHT BEFORE THE  
DAY OF THE YAHRTZEIT.

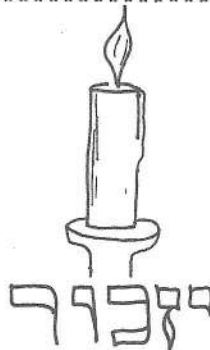
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FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE  
SAYING OF KADDISH, MINYAN  
AND/OR ALIYAH ON THE  
SHABBAT BEFORE THE YAHRTZEIT,  
OR FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
THE RECITATION OF THE  
MEMORIAL PRAYER - CONTACT  
THE RABBI AT 642.4803

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YOU CAN ARRANGE TO PERPETUATE  
THE MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE  
BY PURCHASING A PLAQUE ON  
THE MEMORIAL BOARD IN THE  
FOYER OF THE SYNAGOGUE.  
CONTACT THE HONORARY  
TREASURER DR E. FITCHMAN  
AT 642.8530 FOR DETAILS.

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**ON THE FIRST TWO NIGHTS OF PESACH**

**Saturday night, April 18th, and**

**Sunday night, April 19th, 1981**

**WE CELEBRATE THE SEDER.**

**ALL JEWISH MEN AND WOMEN MUST FULFIL  
THE FOLLOWING FOUR OBLIGATIONS  
ON THESE NIGHTS:**

1. To recite and discuss the story of our Exodus from Egypt, as set out in the Haggadah for Passover. (If Hebrew cannot be read or understood the Haggadah should be recited in English or any other language.)
2. To eat at least the minimum amount of MATZAH in commemoration of this Exodus. This minimum amount is approximately 29 gm or 1 oz — the equivalent of a 15 cm x 10 cm piece of Matzah. Less than this is not termed 'eating' Matzah. It is the practice to eat more than this minimum amount as can be seen when following the Seder service.
3. To eat at least the minimum amount of bitter herbs — either grated horseradish or Roman Lettuce leaves, or a mixture of both — to remind us of the bitterness experienced by our people in the Egyptian slavery.  
This minimum amount is approximately 20 ml (2/3 oz) of grated horseradish or Roman Lettuce leaves that cover an area of 20 cm x 25 cm (8 x 10 inches) or a proportionate mixture of both. Full details of eating the Morror are found in a Haggadah.  
Please note that the horseradish used should be pure. Ordinary jars of horseradish even if produced for Pesach are mixed with other ingredients and cannot be considered as pure "Morror."
4. To drink four cups of wine to express our rejoicing. These cups must contain over 86 mls (3 ozs) and each time at least half the cup should be drunk. One does not fulfil the obligation simply by sipping a few sips. Kosher grape juice can be used instead of wine. All amounts mentioned above should be eaten within a 4 minute time span.

**DO THINGS RIGHT ON SEDER NIGHT AND  
HAVE A HAPPY AND MEANINGFUL PESACH.**



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SERVICES FOR PESACH 5741 / 1981.

SHABBAT EVE, Friday, 17th April:

KABBALAT SHABBAT: 6.30 p.m.

SHABBAT, Eve of Pesach, 18th April:

SHACHARIT: 7.15 a.m.

MINCHAH: 5.30 p.m.

MA'ARIV: 6.00 p.m.

1st DAY PESACH, Sunday, 19th April:

SHACHARIT: 9.00 a.m.

MINCHAH: 5.30 p.m.

MA'ARIV: 6.00 p.m.

2nd DAY PESACH, Monday, 20th April:

SHACHARIT: 9.00 a.m.

MINCHAH / MA'ARIV: 5.30 p.m.

SHABBAT EVE, (Eve of 7th Day of Pesach) 24th April:

KABBALAT SHABBAT: 6.30 p.m.

SHABBAT, 7th Day of Pesach, 25th April:

SHACHARIT: 9.00 a.m.

MINCHAH / MA'ARIV: 5.15 p.m.

8th DAY PESACH, Sunday, 26th April:

SHACHARIT: 9.00 a.m.

Yizkor (Memorial Service): 10.15 a.m.

PESACH FINISHES at 5.52 p.m.

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