

2nd Tammuz 5768/5th July 2008

Minister: Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Emeritus Chazan: Rev. Moshe Dubiner

Parshat Chukat

Hertz Cohen Stone Gutnick Shabbat 9.06

Sedra 652 898 838 988  Havdalah 10.24pm
Haftarah 664 911 1187 1456 (Shabbat ends)

THE MARBLE ARCH BLOOD BANK 1973

Part 2.

By Susan Stone

The Sol Yager Hall (now Bloomstein Hall) was to be the "bleeding room", with trestle tables for the donors to lie on, with pillows and blankets borrowed or donated.

Before we could start, we needed to set up a rota utilising the hundreds of people who started to come forward. We would be open for 14 hours each day and many positions had to be covered.

We needed

ROTA A - All medical personal to take the blood, including students and nurses.

ROTA B

- 1) Security to search everyone
- 2) Clerks who would first sort out those who were not suitable - (If they had had hepatitis, asthma, or various other ailments, were on drugs, were too old/young.)
- 3) Clerks to sort out the blood groups with a pin prick test. and others to mark the bags with identification
- 4) Helpers to assist those who had donated blood and who were then given tea and biscuits and shown to a quiet, separate area where they could lie down.
- 5) The Ladies Guild volunteered to provide the refreshments for the helpers and the donors. At first using the little kitchen in the Bloomstein Hall.
- 6) Runners who would take the filled bags of blood to the collection points where they would be checked and packed into crates ready for transport to London Airport.

Soon hundreds of people were queuing around the block into the main foyer, up the stairs, in and out of the board room (now the synagogue offices) along the out side of the ladies gallery and down the other stairs.

It became obvious that we couldn't cope as we were.
We needed more space!

I went downstairs to talk to Harold Sobell in the King David Suite, which had just been decorated, to ask if we could move the whole operation down. I remember standing with him in the middle of the dance floor as he agreed.

We stopped every thing, giving out numbered tickets to those who had been queuing for a long time and told them to come back in a few hours while we moved everything downstairs.

Once we had re-organized ourselves, the ballroom was set up with 32 "beds" and the "bleeding" began once more. We quickly got into our stride and we were soon collecting nearly 1000 pints of blood a day. Everything ran smoothly, due to the total dedication of everyone there, some of them working for more than 14 hours at a time.

Part 3 will appear in next week's newsletter.

Please let us have any of your recollection of the events of that time. Send it by email to steven@oakpride.co.uk

Announcements

Kiddush Sponsor

Ruth, Charlotte, Alexander and Stefan invite the congregation to Kiddush in the Bloomstein Hall after the service to celebrate Albere's forthcoming 50th birthday. Mazal Tov, ad mei'ah v'esrim!

Breakfast Sponsor

Breakfasts this week are kindly sponsored by Wendy & Philip Kremen to mark the yahrzeit of Wendy's mother Malka Braverman z"l

Birthdays—Mazal Tov to:

Amelia Rayden	Joshua Simon
Natasha Truman	Emanuelle Lee
Samuel Mintz	Gemma Mishon
Gabrielle Lederman-Whyte	Buchler
Dean Clifford	Dalya Shear
Anthony Shayle	Jeremy Wayne
Eva Shore	Timothy Eppel
Graham Colover	Faanya Rose
Freda Kissin	

Wedding Anniversaries—Mazal Tov to:

Jahnene & Jonathan Green
Patrica & Ronald Davis
Gloria & Frank Green
Edith & Sidney Newton

Refuah Shelemah

Seymour Freed	Shmuel Zeev ben Sara Rivka
B.A	Baruch Pinchas ben Zissel
Jack Winsor	Yaacov ben Miriam Chaya
Becky Cohanim	Rivka bat Yocheved
Alma Djanogly	Alma Shulamit bat Tovah
Sheila Tuchmann	Simchah bat Gala Girji
Frula Shear	Rafaela Chana bat Esther

Condolences

To Carolyn Balcombe and Jane Metter and family on the passing of their grandmother Zelda Morris z"l.

Next Shabbat - Balak

11th—12th July 2008

Commences 9.01pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 7.15pm

Diary Notes

Friday 4th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Haftarah Shiur by Ervin Landau
7.15pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and D'var Torah by Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Shabbat 5th July

- 8.45 am Shiur with Ervin Landau
9.15am Shacharit
10.30am Children's Service in the Bridal Suite with Meryl Cohen
9.15 pm Mincha, followed by Seudah Shlishit & D'var Torah by Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld
10.24 pm Maariv & Havdalah

Sunday 6th July

- 8.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and Thought for the Day by Alan Goldberg

Monday 7th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Michael Milston

Tuesday 8th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Shiur by Rabbi Yosef Vogel

Wednesday 9th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and Parsha Shiur by Ervin Landau

Thursday 10th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Bernard Silver

Friday 11th July

- 7.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Haftarah Shiur by Ervin Landau

**Mincha & Maariv through the week
Sun 6th - Thurs 10th July 7.30pm**

Security Rota

Alan Goldberg. Mark Mishon. Steven Truman.

Kiddush Rota

Linda Sharpe. Angela Wayne.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Children's Services

Children's services commence at 10.30am in the Bridal Suite, supervised by Meryl Cohen. We look forward to seeing your children and/or grandchildren at these services.

Shanah Tovah Magazine

This year's Shanah Tova Magazine is being compiled by Howard Richenberg, which with your help we hope will be an even bigger success than last year. Many members of the congregation use the Magazine to send New Year Greetings and as the brochure has become so important, please ensure that you are included in this worthwhile cause.

Please send or email your advert today to the Synagogue Office.

Please send us your articles or letters that you wish to be considered for publication in the brochure

Haftarah

Would anyone wishing to read the Haftarah on Shabbat, eg on the anniversary of their Bar Mitzvah, to mark a special occasion or for any other reason, please contact the Honorary Officers as we wish to involve as many people as possible

Sponsoring an Event

If you are celebrating a Simchah or commemorating a family Yahrzeit or if you are just feeling generous please consider contacting the office and sponsoring a Shabbat Morning Kiddush, the Morning Minyan breakfasts or the weekly Newsletter.

Yadgaroff Library

The Yadgaroff Library is open every day for those wishing to study or browse the fine selection of books. Our Rabbi
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