

25th Kislev 5770/12th December 2009

Minister: Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Emeritus Chazan: Rev. Moshe Dubiner

Parashat Vayeshev Shabbat Mevarchin—1st Shabbat Chanukah

Hertz Cohen Stone Gutnick

Sedra 141 229 198 242
Haftarah 987 857 1210 1449



Shabbat 3.36pm
Shabbat ends 4.45pm

No Good Deed Should Go Unnoticed.

On November 29, 2009, we at the Young Israel of Scarsdale, New York, were delighted to welcome Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld, Natalie, and the Shabbaton Choir to our shul. Scarsdale is a leafy, attractive suburb, about 20 miles north of Manhattan. We have a number of British ex-pats living in the community and a greater number of our members (myself among them) who have davened at WMA on their visits - for business or pleasure - to London. We have always been warmly received by Rabbi Lionel and the members at WMA.

We have a wonderful, thriving modern Orthodox community in Scarsdale, but we did not how the Choir would be received. We do not have a full-time chazzan, so we rely on our members to lead services, and some of our members are more concerned about ensuring the brevity, if not the melodies, of the service. While we do have occasional visits from chazzanim or *a cappella* groups, and our Rabbi has a beautiful voice when he leads services, the Choir was coming to give a concert on the Sunday of the American Thanksgiving holiday weekend, when some of our members would be away and others would be attending a bat mitzvah reception out of the shul. The fact that the concert organizers trumpeted the Chief Rabbi's flattering comments about the Choir only added to the anticipation; many of our members are on the e-mail distribution list for "Covenant and Conversation", and others avail themselves of it and the Sacks version of the Koren Siddur in shul every week. How pleasantly surprised we were by the large audience (400+) who turned out (we ran out of programs and very nearly ran out of cakes at the post-concert reception) and who ended up being so enthusiastic about the performance. What a performance it was! We were very impressed: by the inspiring and outstanding Choir, by the original melodies (many composed by Stephen Levey, director of the Choir), by the sweet, soulful voices of Rabbi Lionel, Chazan Jonny Turgel, boy soloist Eli Baigel, and by Rabbi Lionel's warmth, energy and narration.

We hope the Shabbaton Choir - and members of WMA - will make return visits to the Young Israel of Scarsdale and continue to spread the joy of Judaism through song.

Shabbat Shalom!
Harold B. Aspis
Former President of the Young Israel of Scarsdale
Sometime visitor to Western Marble Arch Synagogue

Next Shabbat - Miketz—Second Shabbat Chanukah

18th—19th December 2009

Commences 3.37pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat 3.30pm

Announcements

**HAPPY
HANUKKAH**



Friday Night 11th December
Lighting of the first Chanukah
Candle

SwanSong Kiddush

Muriel & Eli Abt are delighted to celebrate Chanukah as well as their moving to Hampstead, with chulent and latkas for the entire community

Breakfast Sponsor

Breakfasts this week are kindly sponsored by Arnold Lee together with Alan and Edward to mark the Shloshim for their wife and mother Helen Lee z"l

Birth Announcement

Mazal Tov to Sharon & Colin Elton on the birth of a daughter

Birthdays—Mazal Tov to:

Jonathan Winton	Elliot Woolf
Natalie Esfandi	Alison Hanbury
Deborah Wallace	Stuart Levy
Jaime Gillinski	Marcia Green
David Khalili	David Sage
Marion Press Reichwald	Michael Lewis
Lorna Larn	Rebecca Lewis

Wedding Anniversary—Mazal Tov

Iris & Georgio Laurenti Levi
Angela & John Kessler
Naomi & Harold Klug
Elissa & Anthony Isaacs

Refuah Shlemah

H.W	Chaim Shlomo ben Manshi Hacoheh
Seymour Freed	Shmuel Zeev ben Sara Rivka
Cheryl Stakol	Shira bat Leah
Gala Colover	Chana bat Yehudit
M.A.	Devorah bat Yocheved

Condolences

To the family of Harry Berry z"l on his passing

Friday 11th December—Light 1st Chanukah Candle

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

Shabbat 12th December—1st Day Chanukah

- 8.45 am Shiur with Henry Knobil
- 9.15 am Shacharit
- 3.45 pm Mincha, followed by Seudah Shlishit, sponsored by Joseph Sharelyon, & D'var Torah with Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld
- 4.45 pm Maariv & Havdalah

Sunday 13th December—2nd Day Chanukah

- 8.30 am Shacharit followed by breakfast and Thought for the Day with Alan Goldberg
- 10.00 am Cheder **Aged 4—12 years**. Contact Rabbi Rosenfeld for further information on 07811202244 or email rabbilr@marblearch.org.uk
- 4.00 pm Family Chanukah Wonderland

Monday 14th December—3rd Day Chanukah

- 7.20 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Michael Milston
- 10.30 am Ladies' Shiur with Rabbi Lionel Rosenfeld

Tuesday 15th December—4th Day Chanukah

- 7.20 am Shacharit followed by breakfast & Shiur by Rabbi Yosef Vogel
- 2.30 pm Archer's Chanukah Party

Wednesday 16th December 5th Day Chanukah

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

Thursday 17th December Rosh Chodesh Tevet, 6th Day Chanukah

- 7.15am Shacharit followed by breakfast & D'var Torah by Bernard Silver

Friday 18th December, Rosh Chodesh Tevet. 7th Day Chanukah

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

Mincha & Ma'ariv through the week
Sun 13th—Thurs 17th December 3.40pm

Kiddush Rota

Diana Black. Linda Sharpe.

You can contact Rabbi Lionel & Natalie Rosenfeld at rabbilr@marblearch.org.uk
Tel: 020 7535 0458, mobile: 07811202244

Our Website: For details of times of services and events, go to www.marblearch.org.uk

Hearing Assistive Loop System

The Synagogue is pleased to have installed a loop system for the benefit of hearing aid users. Please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting to access this service

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

GCSE Judaism 1-Year Course for Teenagers

Rabbi Rosenfeld's GCSE Judaism Course will continue on Thursday December 17th at 5.00pm. Teenagers wishing to enrol should contact Rabbi Lionel by email: rabbilr@marblearch.org.uk or phone the office on 020 7723 9333

Family Chanukah Wonderland Sunday 13th December 4pm—6.30pm— Menorah Lighting and Songs

Bring your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers and sisters to an afternoon of fun with dreidels, latkes, doughnuts, Juggling John and much more. RSVP the age and number of children 020 7723 9333 or office@marblearch.org.uk

The Archers Chanukah Party Tuesday 15th December at 2.30pm

Please join us for another afternoon of good company, live music and entertainment, celebrity guest speaker and special Chanukah tea and doughnuts, followed by candlelighting.

Adult Education & Cultural Events— Dates for your Diary:

Film Evening Monday 11th January 2010

Details to follow

Monday February 8th 2010

Well known Scholar-in-Residence at the London Jewish Cultural Centre Clive Lawton on: "Is the rest of the world a *Jewish* concern?"

Newsletter Articles

We have some very interesting articles that have been written by members in the coming weeks and we would like to have more. If you have a story to tell then why not publish it? The article should be around 450 words and be emailed to the office.

Yadgaroff Library

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

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.

Office Hours over the Public Holidays

Please note that the Synagogue office will close at 3.00pm on Thursday 24th December, re-opening on Sunday 27th December from 9.00am—12.30pm. The office will again be closed on Monday 28th December, opening again on Tuesday 29th December and will close at 3.00pm on Thursday 31st December, reopening at 9.00am on Sunday 3rd January.