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Guest of Honour: Chief Rabbi Lord Sacks



**MESSAGE FOR EALING SYNAGOGUE'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY
FROM THE CHIEF RABBI LORD SACKS**

During my Chief Rabbinate, Elaine and I have shared a number of special occasions with the Ealing community; some celebratory, such as the induction of your Rabbi, Hershi Vogel, some sad, such as the memorial service for Rabbi Julian Jacobs of blessed memory, some joyous, such as a Shabbaton with services in your, albeit leaky, gem of a Synagogue.

Today, it is our very great pleasure to be with you for your 90th Anniversary celebration. I know the community has declined in numbers over the last few decades but I am also



aware that this has not detracted from the enthusiasm of its members for the religious, cultural and social life of the community, which flourish as perhaps never before.

Indeed there are benefits in small communities in the unity of the membership, the closeness, the warmth, the care of members for each other's wellbeing and for their community and the friendships which bridge the generations, and of nowhere is this truer than Ealing.

Its magic can be seen from the affinity to it felt by those whose circumstances take them away from it but continue to hold it dear, and have flocked

to be here tonight.

Despite its location, west of the North Circular Road, Ealing has provided Anglo Jewry with a disproportionate number of its leading figures including an executive director of the London School of Jewish Studies, Chairs of Jewish Youth Study, Groups, B.B.Y.O., one of the architects of Jewish Continuity, Union of Jewish Students and Clive Lawton, to mention but a few.

Long may it continue to do so and long may it be a source of spirituality and happiness to its members.

With blessings and all good wishes


Chief Rabbi Lord Sacks
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As Mayor of Ealing, I am delighted to congratulate Ealing Synagogue on its 90th Anniversary, and on behalf of Ealing Council, may I wish you many more years as an important part of the vibrant mix which is our Borough.

Cllr Barbara Yerolemou
Mayor of Ealing

A message from Robin Preston



There are two plaques on the back wall of our synagogue. The first, the older one, lists the donors to the Building Fund in 1930. The second lists the donors to the Sefer Torah Fund in 2005/6. They illustrate, I think, a profound point about the past, present and future - and a not so profound point.

The older plaque not only lists the donors' names but also, surprisingly to our eyes, the amount each gave. The total raised was less than £2000, enough to convert a Victorian house into the present day synagogue. This illustrates the not so profound point of how much the pound has shrunk in value – more than hundred-fold, I reckon.

The new plaque is more discreet and does not say who gave what but the total raised, which not only bought a new Sefer Torah but also paid for the reconditioning of our other Sifrei Torah. The profound point is that the community spirit shown by the donors nearly 80 years ago has not shrunk over the years. We may be smaller than in the past but we are active and vibrant and we can still plan for, and be optimistic about, the future.

Robin Preston

Chairman, Ealing Synagogue

A Message from Rabbi Hershi Vogel



As we enter the ninety-first year of our community, we recall the ninety first chapter in Psalms which concludes “with long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation”.

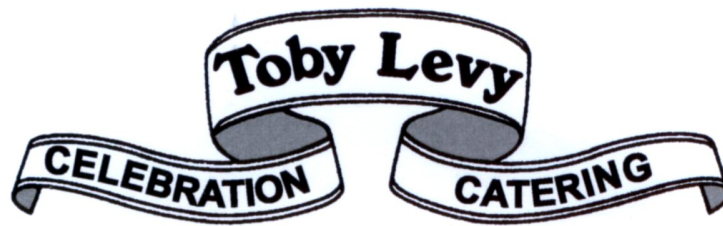
How appropriate for King David the “Sweet Singer in Israel” to capture these blessings when we mark this anniversary with both longevity and divine assistance.

The hallmark of this community is both its strong dedication to tradition coupled with its sense of unity, warm friendship and care.

May these fine Jewish values serve us well into our tenth decade.

Rabbi Hershi Vogel

Rabbi, Ealing Synagogue



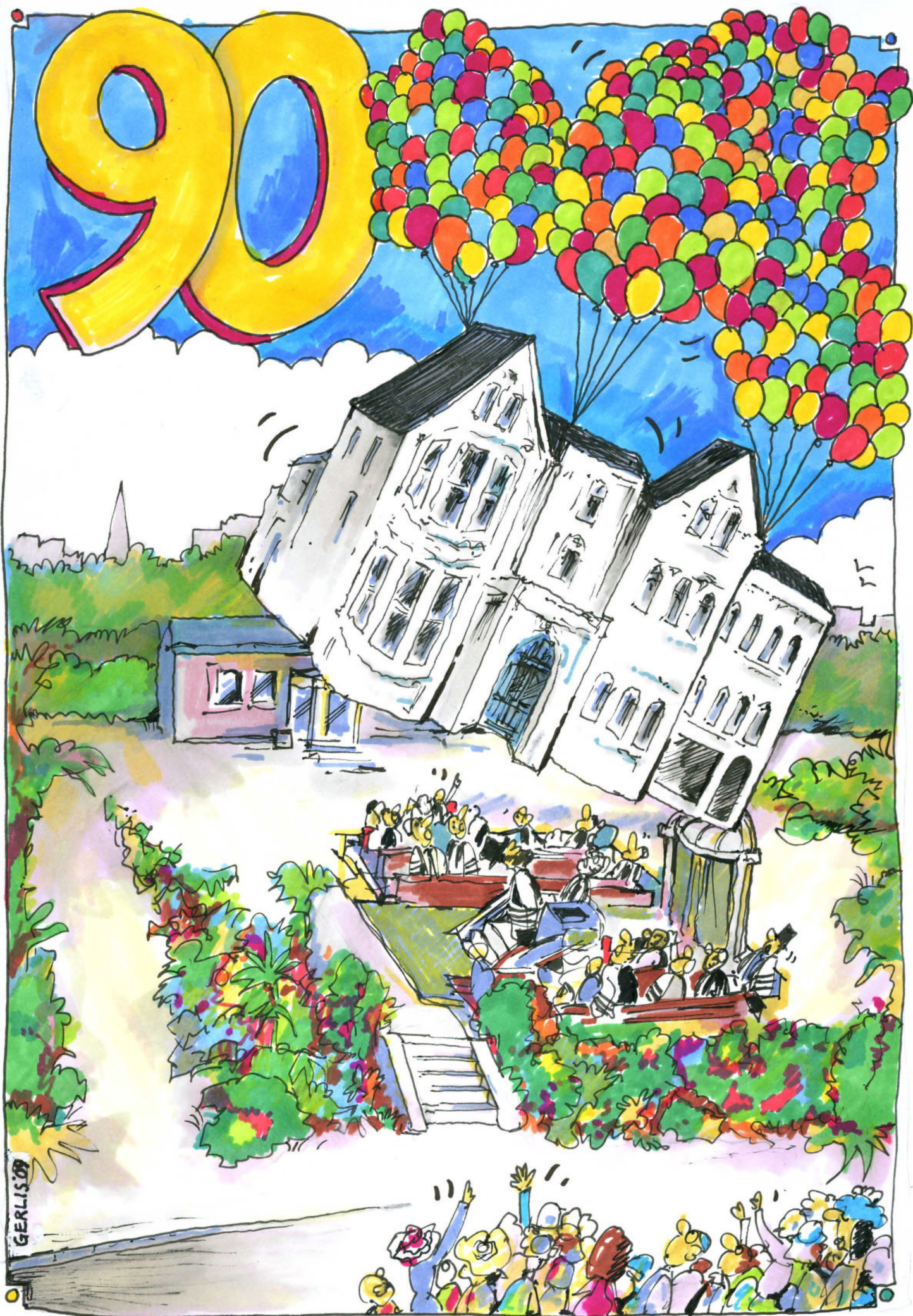
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A History of Ealing Synagogue

TIMELINE

IN THE BEGINNING

Ealing is predominantly an agricultural area but from late 17thC it becomes a popular residential area for wealthy Londoners.

The opening of the Great Western Railway in 1838, and particularly, the extension of the District line in 1903 leads to the growth in population. By 1910 there are a number of Jewish families living in Ealing and Shabbat services are held in people's homes and, at High Holidays, in the YMCA.

1919. David Assersohn and Mendel Kanal bump into each other on Ealing Common and decide to start a shul. The Ealing & Acton Hebrew Congregation is established in September 1919. Rev. John Harris is appointed Minister and Teacher

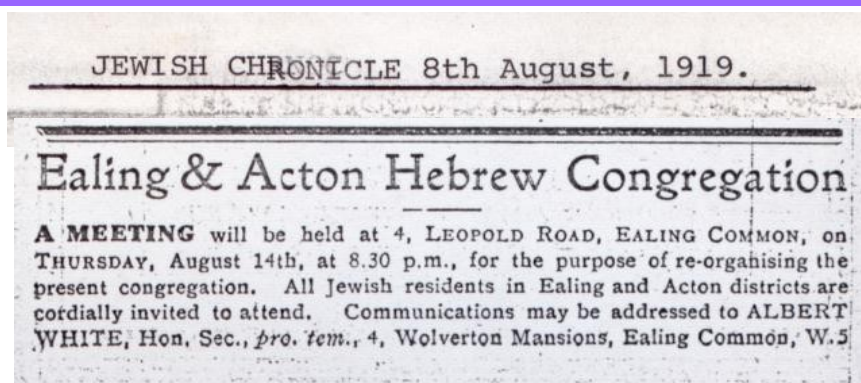
1921. The Shul affiliates to the United Synagogue thereby allowing members to obtain burial rights. 75 Uxbridge Road is acquired and the new shul celebrates its first wedding. Efforts continue to raise funds for a permanent home and these include a grand garden fête in July 1922 in Gunnersbury Park.

1923. 15 Grange Road is acquired as the synagogue's permanent home. The Ark and fittings are acquired from Hampstead Synagogue and frantic fundraising continues. The new building is consecrated on 6 April 1924. Rev. A Rose is appointed Minister and he leads the community for 38 years .

1931. The Community continues to grow and plans are laid to demolish and re-build the synagogue, but although this plan does not succeed, the building is extended.

1932. The synagogue joins the US District Synagogue scheme which means that the US takes responsibility for debts and Ealing loses its autonomy.

1933. Michael Levy becomes Financial Representative and subsequently President in 1960s, a post he holds until his death in 1985.



Above: The Jewish Chronicle, 8th August 1919 records the convening of a meeting for 'reorganising the present congregation'.

Reminiscences of Evelyn Shindler (née Kanal)

“One day in 1918 my father, Max Kanal, went for a walk on Ealing Common and met a man. On discovering they were both Jewish they decided, then and there, to form a congregation. The man he met was Mr David Assersohn. The rest is Ealing Shul's history.

The shul started out in the downstairs of a house. I remember, before Grange Road, going to shul with my father to a house in West Ealing. The Minister was Rev. Harris.

Then we went to shul every shabbos in the big house at Grange Road. Rev Rose lived upstairs with his family. The shul was only on the ground floor, with women on one side and men on the other. The house was knocked down and the shul built.

Every year there was an outing for the children of the classes. They were taken to the country. One year the outing took place in the garden of our house. The next day the gardener was very annoyed at all the mess, particularly because the children had raided the raspberry, loganberry, gooseberry and other



soft fruit bushes!
We all had our own seats in the shul. A funny thing happened to me during the war connected with where I sat. I was single and living in Bournemouth. My married friends said I must get out to meet other single people. A forces club met in the local shul for all the servicemen and women stationed nearby. They said I must go there, so I duly went. At the club someone came up to me and said "I know you. You sit with your mother in shul .." describing exactly where our seats were in the balcony. That someone was Albert Shindler, who became my husband!"

Evelyn Shindler (who is now 93) is the daughter of the late Mendel (Max) Kanal, one of the two founders of the Shul. The picture above shows the original foundation stone trowel which is inscribed "Ealing and Acton District Synagogue. Presented to Max Kanal, Esq. by the architect W. S. Blount, LRIBA, upon the laying of the Foundation stone. 11th September 1938, 15th Ellul 5698."

1935 The Ladies Gallery is extended and the foundation stone is laid for a communal hall.

1933 - 1945: Hitler, the War and Ealing

Hitler seizes power in 1933. The shul launches an appeal for oppressed German Jews. Protest meetings are held. Families take in refugee children and a hostel for 29 boys is rented in Montpelier Road. Rev. Rose spends much time helping bombed-out refugees who are clothed and housed by members of the community. With the outbreak of war, our children are evacuated and classes initially disbanded but resume in 1940. The shul itself suffers minor war damage but this does not interrupt communal activities.

1946. The community continues to grow. Membership reaches 260 and the Hall, board rooms and classroom are constantly in use by up to 20 different organisations. The first 'overflow' services for High Holidays are held.

1948. Rev. N. Goldberg is engaged as Reader and Secretary.

1957. Membership reaches 318 with 112 children enrolled in classes. The community's 40th anniversary is celebrated in November 1959 with a dinner and ball at The Café Royal and the funds raised are used to build a new classroom, the Hydleman Room, completed in 1962.

1962. Rev Rose retires and is succeeded by Rabbi S. Silberg who serves the community for 5 years.

1968. Rev. Dr Norman Gale becomes Minister. One of his first acts is to re-establish the community magazine,

1969. Our Golden Jubilee is celebrated with a special service with a dinner and ball at the Europa Hotel. Male membership is now 315 with 75 children in classes

The 70s. The community continues to flourish and in 1978, the 60th anniversary is celebrated with a dinner and ball at the Grosvenor Rooms which is particularly memorable for the soaking that guests receive when water floods through the ceiling.

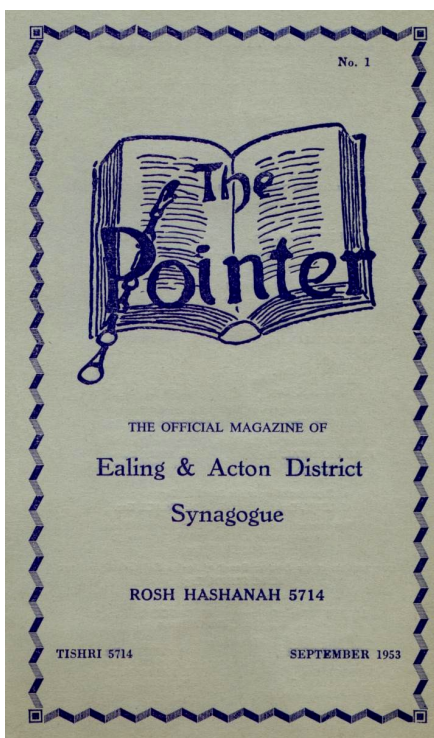
November 1938

Chief Rabbi Hertz inaugurates the new communal Hall



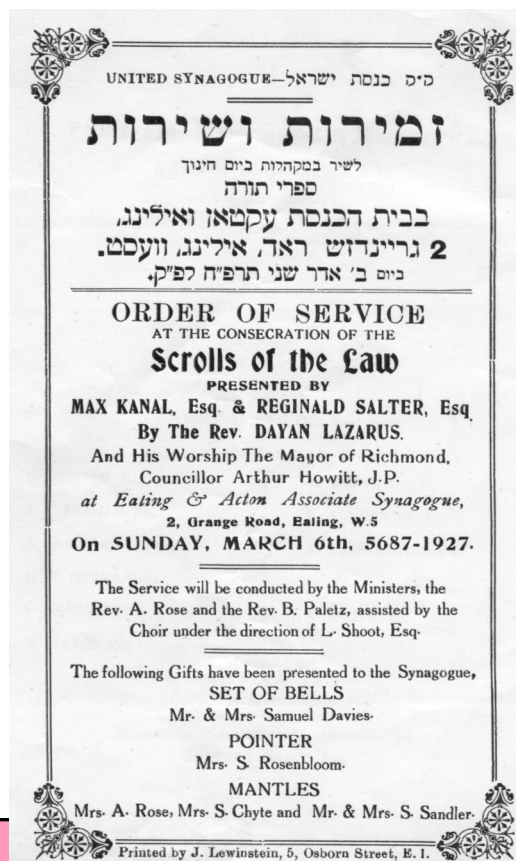
A Mystery Picture?

This picture from our shul collection shows Michael Levy and possibly Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie with a young lady curtsying before Princess Margaret. Nobody can recall such an occasion which was probably in the fifties. Can you?



Above: The cover of the first edition of The Pointer, which was the original Shul magazine in 1953.

Right: The Order of Service for the consecration of the scrolls of the Law, March 6 1927.



A History of Ealing Synagogue

The '80s. Membership begins to decline. There are now 189 male members (total 357) but over the next 10 years this falls by 25%.

1988 Rev. Dr Gale leaves the community in 1988, and we appoint our first Elders, Clifford Lawton, Menasz Lipowicz and Hans Stern.

1989. Rabbi Dr Julian Jacobs is appointed Rabbi of Ealing and remains until retirement and aliyah in 1998.

1992. Our *cheder* closes due to the decline in the number of children. Ealing is no longer able to compete with the Jewish facilities for young families available in North London. Male membership now stands at 176.

1999. Rabbi Hershi and Rebbetzen Zelda Vogel arrive with promise and hope for the revival of the community. The community celebrates its 80th birthday with a dinner in the shul hall and an exhibition of photos and memorabilia. Hopes for a renaissance of the community, however, are not realised. We are unable to recruit new members to replace those who die or move to be nearer to their children. Male membership in 1999 is 138

2002. US restructuring leads to a re-organisation of synagogue management. Women are now allowed to serve on the Board of Management but initially they are not allowed to vote! Women are also allowed to hold (some) offices including Vice-Chair but are not allowed to lead the community. Our first 'Chairman' is Dorothy Kochan, formally known as Deputy Chair.

The last 10 years. Communal life continues to flourish.. We celebrate Bar/Bat-Mitzvah ceremonies and the occasional wedding and an increase in celebrations of 'significant' birthdays and special wedding anniversaries. Cultural lectures continue to attract good



Programme

of

Garden Fete

AT

Gunnersbury Park,

(By kind permission of Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild).

ON

Thursday, June 29th, 1922.



This remarkable event raised funds for the Building Committee. The cast included notable celebrity entertainers and the 'Roselle Concert Party' from 1920 which included Jimmie Davis on Piano and 'assorted stars from the Ealing & Acton Literary and Social Society'



Above: The Friendship Club all dressed up in the early days. Below: 1951-52 On an outing to Godalming. The picture includes many of the wives/children of our founders.

audiences and social events including concerts by the Phantasia Quartet and the annual Supper Quiz are well supported and raise useful funds.

2006. We celebrate with the Vogel family the barmitzvah of Dovi in November followed some months later by the batmitzvah of their eldest daughter Chaya. Later that year we celebrate with them the *oshperen* (first haircut) of their second son Mendy, a 'first' for Ealing

On the initiative of Rabbi Vogel and through the hard work of a small committee, the Shul purchases a new Sefer Torah with funds donated by members. A happy celebration to mark its consecration includes a lively but somewhat disorganised procession down Grange Road, much to the amusement of local residents and onlookers.

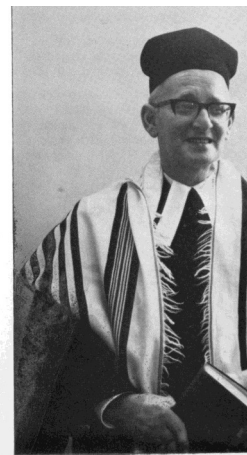
2004 - 2008 The decline in membership and income leads to financial deficit. Increasing maintenance problems and the need to comply with Health & Safety and other legislative standards, lead to a joint US/Ealing plan to develop the site. This would involve building a new shul/community centre on the site of the communal hall. The plan required demolition of the shul building which would be replaced by a block of flats. Sadly, the decline of the property market and failure to gain planning permission lead to this plan's failure.

Ealing at 90. Ealing Synagogue is still a vibrant, lively community. We still get good *minyanim* on Shabbat and the *yom tovim* but sometimes struggle to maintain other services. Culturally and socially, we are as busy and lively as ever with regular lectures, concerts and many other events, and we have a successful website and lively cultural magazine.

The next decade?

We are again working with US managers to determine how best to manage our deficit whilst improving our buildings and satisfying expensive legislative needs.

So watch this space, come to our services and to our regular events and we'll see you all at the 100th!



Three Ealing Ministers: Rabbi Silberg, Rev. Dr. Norman Gale, Rev. Goldberg

Right: Ealing religious Classes outing at Park House school, July 1933.



Literary & Social Society cricket team—Marrieds v. Singles 1927 (Rev Rose on the left)



Our cricket Team 1986

A History of Ealing Synagogue in Pictures



1990. The Children of Klub One and part of their poem :

*"Monday is a fun day
Because we all go to Klub
We do all sorts of things
Like games and sports and art.*

*We've got all sorts of leaders,
They all are very nice
They give us lots of things to do
We always come more than twice."*

Left: Over the years, the Social Committee organised a number of shows in West End theatres in association with Davy Kaye and the Water Rats. This is the brochure for the last of these, held in 1992.

Ealing Social Committee presents a * GALA VARIETY * * SHOW * in aid of Ealing Youth & Children's Charities at the May Fair Theatre on Sunday 9th February 1992 commencing 7.30 p.m.	Devised and produced by Davy Kaye Cast in alphabetical order Larry Adler Roy Budd Avril Dankworth Peter Fisher Joe Goodman Davy Kaye Victoria King Neville King Penny Lane Charlie Noble Alan Randall Stutz Bear Cats Linda Watts Christopher Woodward The Don Shearman Orchestra Stage Director Jimmy Hinchliffe Assistant Stage Director Steve Edwards Sound Kindly donated by Mark Bonner (Delta Sound) Piano Kindly donated by Barry Testro (Yamaha-Kemble Pianos) <i>A very special thanks to all the artists who have given their time and talent free of charge.</i>
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Left: The Chief Rabbi at the Malaga Malka in 1998 held to mark the retirement of Rabbi Jacobs.

Above: September 1997: Rabbi Jacobs studies the garden with Ken Bartlett and his late wife Carol, who holds the cup representing first prize in the 'Ealing in Bloom' competition. Our garden has consistently won prizes and commendations in the Ealing competition as well as in the broader City of London competition. Sadly Carol Bartlett died suddenly in January 2008 but Ken continues to enter the garden into these competitions.



Above Left: The induction of Rabbi and Zelda Vogel, June 1998. **Above right and left:** Dovi Vogel's Bar-Mitzvah was celebrated with a dinner for family and friends in the community in the Shul hall in 2006. Here we see Dovi and Rabbi Vogel with grandfathers Rabbis Vogel and Lew

Below: The celebration of the new Sefer Torah in November 2006. The occasion was marked by a jolly procession along Grange Road.



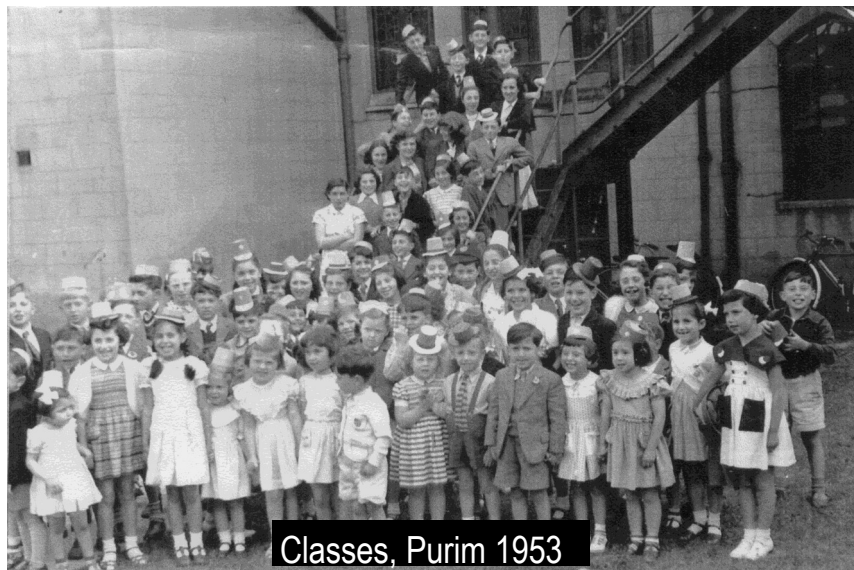
Ealing Synagogue has always been staunch supporters of Israel and the UJIA. **Left:** members join the March to celebrate Israel's 60th anniversary.

Right: Neil and Dawn Shestopal present scanning equipment to HaEmek Hospital in Afula donated by Ealing UJIA



Remembering The Fifties

Marion Cohen remembers being young in Ealing in the years when Ealing shul was bustling with activity.



Classes, Purim 1953

June 1939 saw my arrival in Ealing; indeed I have lived in Ealing all my life save for a short period during the war, when I lived with family in Leeds. I believe my mother Cynthia Lask, now aged almost 93, must be the oldest person who has been a member in her own right, continuously, since 1937.

The Fifties - unadventurous and boring? Not a bit of it! It was a marvellous time in which to grow up and certainly as a Jewish teenager, Ealing was wonderful, as so much went on.

There was a large *cheder* attached to the synagogue which held classes on Sunday morning and after school on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. It was at Sunday morning classes that some of my earliest and most enduring friendships were formed. I frequently reminisce Rev. Goldberg mildly threatening the inattentive boys with a big stick in the cupboard - of course it never materialised! To this day I remember the dreary book from which we were taught Hebrew, 'Yeled v'Hayalda'. It may be interesting to recall that the late Abe Banks (father of Marianne Izen) was one of my first teachers.

There were the usual *cheder* activities, the Chanukah parties and Purim plays. I clearly recall my disappointment at always being a handmaid to Ann Cass as Queen Esther. Such upset!

High Holy days were a great event. Large crowds of us would come out of the services both from the synagogue and the communal hall 'over-flow' service and gather in the garden, only to be rounded up after a short while to return inside.

Recollecting this now, we must have been so noisy.

I left *cheder* at about 12 and then graduated to the Young Israel Society. It was a vibrant, popular and well run youth club with attendees from Hounslow, Shepherds Bush, Staines, Richmond, Kingston, Notting Hill and Hammersmith (apologies if I have left anyone out). The

average attendance at

each meeting was about 50 to 60. Activities included debates, outings cricket, football and importantly, drama. The club won the Ealing Drama Festival youth section. 'The Importance of Being Earnest' was the chosen play. The present Board of Deputies member for this shul being a Cohen naturally played Rev. Dr Chasuble. We actually won with an understudy playing one of the main roles and reading from the text.

We were a large happy group of boisterous teenagers; some 50 or more years later when a face from the old YI days is met the bonds of friendship are quickly re-established.

One must not forget that the West Central Club had a tennis club-house in Boston Manor. Although West Central was not affiliated in any way to Ealing, I and several others from Ealing would spend Sundays at the club.

All good things have to come to an end. Young Israel died. Long live FZY, but that is another story for the next generation.

By this time I had left school and was articled to a local solicitor, so remained in Ealing. Edward who had been to *cheder* and to YI with me, joined FZY with me as founder members. The rest as they say is history. You guessed it dear reader, I married him. We were certainly not the only Ealing couple who owe their nuptials to Ealing synagogue, but we are one of the very few couples who have remained a constant in the community.

Marion Cohen

Remembering The Fifties

Jeffrey Goodman remembers the start of the Youth Club and what followed.

In Ealing in 1951 there was a 'Young Israel' Society but I was 14 and it was for people 18 years old and over. There were several younger people at that time but nothing to bring us together, even though, at that time, parents insisted that young Jewish boys and girls mixed socially.

With encouragement of members of the Board of Management, I decided that we should form a youth club for 14 to 18 year olds. My best friends were Arnold Garson (who now lives in Canada) and Monty Weitzmann and I put my idea to them. We had particular encouragement and support from Hans Stem and Jack Shestopal.

The mists of time prevent perfect recall but we used the Communal Hall from 2.30 to 5.30 on a Sunday afternoon. I contacted everybody I knew to inform them that we were starting a youth club and that there would be games like table tennis, and dancing, in those days strictly ballroom with the occasional 'jive', all to popular music. Tea and cakes would be served by the committee. It was all very pleasant and all very innocent.

We elected a committee to run the club and to make up the rules. I was elected Chairman, and held that position until, at 18, I had to resign under those rules and hand over to another. Soon the club was established as a regular Sunday afternoon event, and it grew and grew.

Soon, younger siblings were old enough to come, and we attracted boys and girls who lived in Ealing but whose parents were not members of the synagogue. The biggest bonanza was when other districts cottoned on and also formed youth clubs. Ours at Ealing was considered to be the most popular, so that on a Sunday afternoon, a crowd from Hammersmith, whose own club was on a Thursday evening, would visit. So did those from Richmond, Holland Park, Staines and Wembley. For me, there were three glorious years whilst we built up the club. Its popularity went beyond Ealing into the rest of west and south-west London.

We extended our activities and introduced ice skating at Richmond and Wembley and rambles in the countryside, particularly at Rickmansworth and Chalfont. Over the years, the stalwarts assisting me were Ruth Simmons, a most capable and energetic secretary, Geoffrey Wolf, a solid Treasurer, and Jeffrey Lewis.

Years later, Geoffrey and Jeffrey and I all lived in Kenton within two or three hundred yards of each other, although we rarely met. I regret that most of us have not seen each other over the last forty to fifty years, except for certain close personal friendships which started in the Communal Hall and continue to this day.

I maintained my friendship with Arnold Garson. We had been *to cheder* together from 6 years of age. The two of us palled up with Frank di Rienzo, an Ealing boy and his great friend Alan Lewin from Chiswick. We remain friends today. We formed a youth club drama group and won the Ealing Drama Festival against many other youth clubs in the Borough. I feel to this day that it contributed to the beginning of the breaking down of racial tensions, which we may have forgotten existed between Jew and non-Jew in the 50s. Our crowning glory was when, on winning for the third time, we were selected to represent Ealing in an inter-borough drama festival, which we won, again bringing recognition for the Synagogue.

As I was running one of the largest and most successful organisations within Ealing Synagogue, I was invited along from time to time to Board Meetings, and always to the Annual General Meetings, so that with others I could present my annual report. I remember the time when late Elder, Mr Lawton, was a young man anxious to become a member of the Board of Management. In those days, Rabbi Rose was the incumbent, and I was very close to his three sons.

When I finally had to resign because I was over age, I was succeeded by Richard Dreifuss. The only ones of us who are still members at Ealing are my cousin Edward Cohen, Arthur Mayer and me. (Have I missed anybody out?)

The Club carried on for a few years but the nature of society was changing and youngsters were able to travel further afield, as at 17 they became drivers and more sophisticated social activity took over. The Ealing Club was the product of a society of the 50s and the more permissive years of the 60s eventually saw its demise.

Jeffrey Goodman



Looking back from Eighty

Our 80th anniversary was celebrated with a exhibition on the history of the shul curated by Kate Hirst. This formed part of the celebration dinner which also included speakers from each decade who recalled their memories of the early times in Ealing. The Ealing Review the following Pesach (Pesach 1990) included reports on the 80th Anniversary dinner. Kate Hirst wrote on the Shul memorabilia that she found when researching the archives for the exhibition and in the same edition, Clifford Lawton z"l wrote about that very special evening. We reproduce excerpts from these articles.

When the plans for the celebrations were in their initial stages, I suggested the idea of having a small display of memorabilia relating to the history of the Shul, and asking members of the community if they could lend anything of interest. At the time, I thought there would possibly be a few photographs and orders of Service, and that an average sized notice board would be sufficient. In the end, there was so much material, that it was difficult to decide what should be included and what could be left out.

The late Hans Stern seems to have kept everything which was paper based relating to the Shul and many items now labeled Shul Collection came from this source. I spent a wonderful morning, going through boxes and bags full of information, which contained treasures just crying out to be displayed,

An early list of the Shul membership dated 1934, proved to be a popular exhibit, as visitors remembered names and relevant stories of the past. There was an interesting collection of commemorative programmes for both fund raising and celebratory events. A programme was found for a Garden Fete, held in the grounds of Gunnersbury House, on June 29th 1922, to raise money for the building fund (see the Pesach magazine 2009). One stall in particular, The Palestinian Stall, sold exquisite lace from the Shoshana School in Jerusalem and also other Palestinian articles. Other fund-raising events, whose programmes had survived over the years, included an All Star Concert and Entertainment at the London Hippodrome in 1928, with Gracie Fields and Wee Georgie Wood on the bill. A later All Star Concert at the London Casino in 1950, starred Ted Ray and Anne Shelton.

We managed to find quite a diverse selection of media to display. The complete front pages of original newspapers dated 1938, detailing the visit of Chief Rabbi Hertz, and later in 1962, the visit of Chief Rabbi Brodie, were shown, along with original salary cheques for Rev Rose. A more serious note was

struck with an order of a 'Service for Prayer and Intercession on behalf of the sufferers from the renewed attack on religion and human freedom', dated July 17th 1938.

A few menus survived, nicely illustrating how the fashion for the numbers of courses has diminished with advancing years, and souvenir programmes of celebratory dinners from 1959, 1969 and 1979 were also displayed.

The first Shul magazine, The Pointer printed in September 1953 was on show, along with telegrams and minutes of committee meetings. There were numerous photographs, which belonged both to the Shul and individual members of the community. Indeed there were several people who saw pictures of themselves taken a long time ago, which even they didn't know existed!

Kate Hirst

.....What they (the Committee) produced could only be described as wonderful! It took place in the Communal Hall on November 21st last year and from beginning to end set a standard previously unseen in our hall. There were about a hundred and thirty people there, all connected in some way with the shul. All sat comfortably because it was not intended to be a fund-raising activity and no attempt had been made to cram in as many people as possible. There was no band to burst our eardrums - indeed, there was no band at all - and the only sounds to be heard were happy voices and chinking crockery.....The meal however was only a part of the celebration. Another outstanding item on the programme was a series of talks by eight present or past members of the community -one for each decade, the first speaker being Mr Jerrold Assersohn whose father was one of the founders and whose account of the actual early days of the shul was riveting. He was followed by Dr Colin Livingston, Leon Rose, Yvonne Caplan, Michael Lawton, Rev Dr Norman Gale, Neil Shestopal and Marcus Pogalewitz, and readers of these notes will no doubt be able to relate each of them to their relevant ten years. .

Nor was that all - Kate Hirst had gathered up pictures and cuttings and an assortment of two and three-dimensional things A lot of the people spent a lot of time looking at it, and at the end of the evening many had to be almost prised out. The catchwords for the evening seemed to be "Look, that's me!" or "I must have been twelve when that was taken!" or "I remember her - she married my auntie's sister's uncle!"

Clifford Lawton







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Mad hatters Tea Party Sunday 6 September 2009





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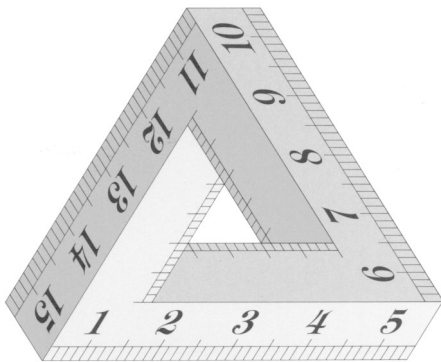
The photograph shows a collection of Jewish religious artifacts displayed behind a green curtain. At the top center is a large, ornate silver menorah. Below it, several Torah scrolls are visible, each covered in a decorative cloth (Sifre Torah) and topped with a silver crown (Keter). The cloths feature various designs, including Hebrew text and illustrations of synagogues. One cloth prominently displays the text "Donated by members and friends of Ealing Synagogue 26th November 2006". Another cloth on the left mentions "PRESENTED TO MRS. MICHAEL... THEIR SON DAVID 1954-57". A small plaque above the scrolls reads "In Loving Memory of Rabbi Shm Joseph David Aschley". To the right, there are more silver vessels, including chalices and a large silver container. The entire display is set against a backdrop of gold-colored curtains.

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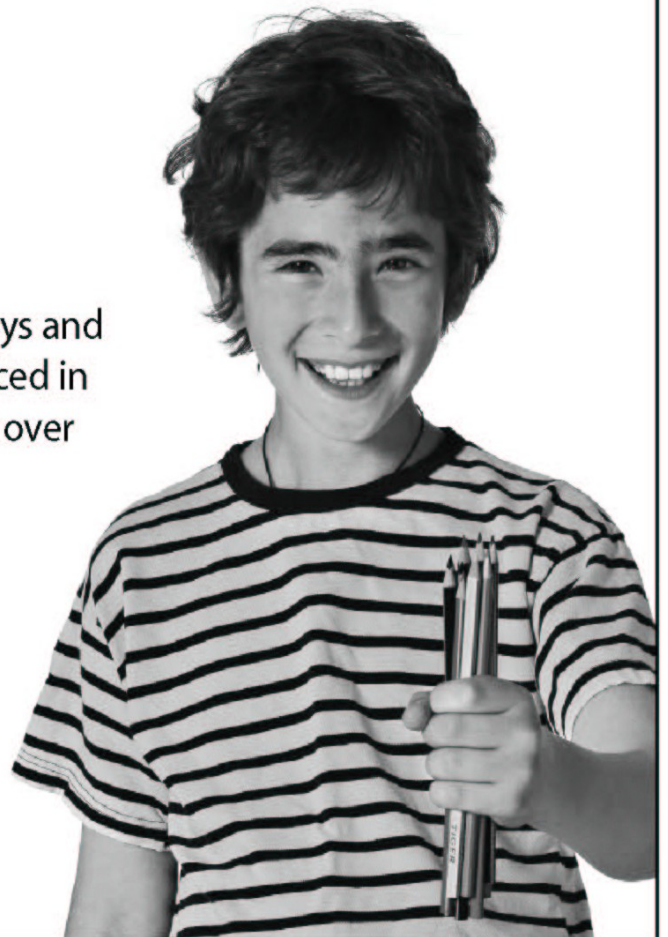
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