



**MEMORY LANE # 7 (EDITED)  
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This past year's progress certainly shows that we have come a long way, and we are much nearer to reaching our goal than we were one year ago. A Men's Club and Sisterhood were launched, and our Men's club started Sunday afternoon movies for the children. We also saw the start of a Cheder and Sunday school for the children. Our first major move involved the selection of Rabbi Solomon S. Spiro as our spiritual leader! He has indeed proved that our choice was a wise one.

To keep up with our rapid growth we rented the Val Martin Hall for the High Holidays. As our membership swelled, our executive has decided that the time has come to purchase the piece of available land at Notre Dame and Elizabeth, where our permanent Synagogue will be built!

We were approached by the "Young Israel of Montreal", who invited us to become part of their Young Israel Movement, and last fall we voted to change our name to the "The Young Israel of Laval". We were also presented 3 Torah Scrolls by the "Shomrim Laboker, Beth Yehuda, Shaari Tefillah Congregation".

Our biggest move forward took place this year when our Building Fund Campaign got underway, with Norman Shulman as Chairman. Each member was asked to contribute his share and more when possible. At present a Buy-A-Brick fund raising scheme is in progress.

The Sisterhood has had tremendous success with a Chanukah Dance, and an extravagant Queen Esther Ball for Purim held at the "Young Israel of Montreal". On behalf of the Sisterhood a cheque for \$2500.00 was donated towards the purchase of the land for our Synagogue.

At the end of our present year's activities, we look forward to the coming year with hope and anticipation of even greater achievements, toward the fulfillment of our ultimate goal. (Gerald Singer)

(**Yashor Koach** to Fred Rudy for providing us all with these memorable historical moments, which some of us may still remember!)