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By Andrew Silow Carroll
NEW YORK (JTA) — A federal appeals court in New York has overturned a lower court's ruling that would have allowed an Orthodox Jewish high school senior to attend his graduation ceremony.

The decision earlier this month of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reverses a district court's decision directing the Board of Education in North Babylon, L.I. to accommodate the religious beliefs of David Smith, by refraining from holding its 1988 high school graduation exercises on a Saturday.

Smith, 18, the only observant Jew in the Babylon High School class of '88, had advised the school since his freshman year that his strict observance of the Sabbath would prevent him from attending the Saturday, June 4, graduation.

In a suit he filed early in 1986, Smith argued that unless it rescheduled the ceremony, the school board would be imposing an unconstitutional burden on his first amendment right to free exercise of religion.

In his decision of August 11, 1987, Judge Jacob Mishler of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York agreed. Mishler, saying that the school board demonstrated no compelling interest for holding the graduation on a Saturday, ruled that graduation exercises are an

"important benefit" that cannot be denied on the basis of Smith's religious beliefs. But in overturning Mishler's decision, the Court of Appeals disagreed that the graduation ceremony constituted an "important benefit."

Judge J. Edward Lumbard, speaking on behalf of the three-judge panel, said Smith will not be denied his diploma, and thus "the burden being placed on David Smith's free exercise of his religious belief simply makes the practice of his religion more difficult than the practice of other religions."

Smith was represented in the case by Ronald Krauss, Amy Adelson, Marc Stern and Lois Waldman of the American Jewish Congress. According to Krauss, now practicing law with a private firm in Philadelphia, AJCongress had attempted to establish that the graduation was a once in a lifetime event that is inseparably part of the high school's educational program.

The Court of Appeals, said Krauss in a telephone interview, "provides virtually no support for its statement that graduation is not an important benefit."

According to the attorney representing the school board, however, the burden of proving an "important benefit" falls on the plaintiffs.

Furthermore, "We argued ... that if the court required the school district to move the date of graduation based upon a person's religious belief, they would have to

do it for everybody. They would have no time or day that would be satisfactory" to all, said Donald McMillan of Uniondale, L.I.

That the court agreed came as a surprise to David Smith's father, Rabbi Richard Smith of (Conservative) Congregation Beth Shalom in Babylon.

"I thought that's what the Bill of Rights said," said Smith. "If you can't make an accommodation to a minority, what is the purpose of the Bill of Rights?"

Rabbi Smith maintains that the school board did not adequately represent his son's side when it held community meetings in 1985 on the question of changing the graduation date. He said he gathered 350 names for a petition supporting the change. Only two people would not sign it.

According to the board, a majority of responses — from teachers, students and families — indicated opposition to the change.

Attorney Krauss and the Smith family are still considering whether to appeal the court's decision to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Krauss downplayed the legal significance of Smith vs. Board of Education, saying the decision was tailored primarily to the facts of the Babylon case and does not have "general applicability" for freedom of religion cases.

The Smiths intend to celebrate David's graduation privately.

"When life deals you lemons, you make lemonade," said Rabbi Smith.

Kirkpatrick Speaks Out Against International Conference

by Howard Rosenberg

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Jeane Kirkpatrick, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, predicted that an international peace conference on the Middle East will never occur and that the Arab-Israeli conflict will continue for the "foreseeable future."

Anyone who believes that forum could lead to resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict "should be sentenced to spend one full year at the United Nations," Kirkpatrick said in a speech to the National Press Club.

As envisioned in Secretary of State George Shultz's peace initiative, the conference was to have occurred in mid-April, two weeks prior to the start of negotiations on autonomy for Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The conference would be comprised of the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and Middle East countries, but could not impose a solution.

"Violence has been endemic for centuries" in the Middle East, Kirkpatrick noted. "I think that it's too bad that the promised land didn't turn out to be on the border

between Canada and the United States or off the shores of New Zealand or some such feasible place."

"We may just be stuck with the continuation of relatively low levels of violence for the foreseeable future," she added. Kirkpatrick, who now teaches at Georgetown University and is a national columnist, said it is wrong to fault Israel as the "principal obstacle to a Middle East conference."

For example, she said the United States opposes the Soviet Union's insistence that the conference have the power to impose a solution "on the basis of some majority vote." In addition, the Palestine Liberation Organization wants to have an independent delegation of its own, with Jordan opposed to attending such a conference unless the PLO can attend, she said.

She called for Israel to make changes in its policies, including using the "minimal feasible force" to maintain order and eliminating vestiges of economic discrimination against Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza

Strip. "There are a few such discriminatory regulations," she said, without going into detail.

Kirkpatrick also said Israel should "maximize autonomy" for Palestinians, endorsing Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek's proposal to slice up Jerusalem into Jewish and Moslem boroughs.

She said the United States should prod Israel to be "forthcoming" when its neighbors wanted to discuss "secure boundaries and peace for the region and autonomy for the Palestinians. So far none of Israel's neighbors has been willing to do that, except Egypt," she said.

On other matters, Kirkpatrick defended Israel's restrictions on television coverage in the territories, saying that free speech requirements "are adequately met by respect for print journalism."

Kirkpatrick said that if Israeli agents assassinated PLO military chief Khalil al-Wazir, it was done in "self-defense."

Because the PLO says it is at war with Israel "and in fact makes war," Kirkpatrick said that "creates a situation in which the right of self-defense is triggered."

IDF Places Blame For Clash In Beita On Arab Villagers

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Arab residents of the West Bank village of Beita were chiefly responsible for the fatal April 6 clash with a group of Jewish teenagers from the nearby settlement of Eilon Moreh, an investigation by the Israel Defense Force has concluded.

The IDF submitted its report on the incident to the Inner Cabinet. It confirmed that 15-year-old Tirza Porat of Eilon Moreh was killed by a bullet from an M-16 rifle accidentally fired by Romam Aldubi, one of two armed Jewish settlers escorting the teenagers, who were on a Passover hike.

The report also confirmed that Aldubi, 26, had killed two Palestinians in the encounter and that the hike had not been properly coordinated with the military authorities in the region.

Nevertheless, responsibility for the events rests with the villagers who attacked the youths, Maj. Gen. Amram Mitzna, commander of the central region, said in summing up the IDF report at a news conference here.

He said the IDF probe determined that "the motivation and aggression of local Arabs and their readiness to hurt a group of Jewish hikers are the main contributors to the development of the affair and its tragic ending."

But he also said, "Had the hike been properly planned and coordinated, according to standard procedures, the event and its tragic consequences could have been prevented."

Mitzna also pointed to "carelessness in the use of firearms and trigger-happiness" as being "contributing factors to the escalation of events."

The report ruled out claims by Jewish settlers and some right-wing politicians who interviewed the hikers that Arabs

had fired on the group or thrown grenades. But the report affirmed the hikers' account that they had been forced to run a gauntlet through Beita village.

According to the IDF, the incident began when the public address system atop the local mosque announced that "settlers are approaching the village."

The hikers were attacked, the IDF report said. Aldubi fired several warning shots from his Uzi submachine gun. The attack continued and he fired his M-16 rifle, killing one villager.

Aldubi then engaged in an angry exchange with another villager who, according to the report, tried to grab his rifle. He then fatally shot the villager.

The Jewish hikers were forced to walk through the village. Aldubi was attacked and stoned unconscious by the sister of the Palestinian youth he had killed, the report said. He is still listed in serious condition at Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

Aldubi, a yeshiva student, is a follower of Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist Kach movement and is known for his hostility toward Arabs.

He was barred by the IDF from entering Nablus for six months last year because of a shooting spree, but was allowed to keep his government-issued rifle.

The IDF report admitted that a few villagers tried to calm tempers during the clash. A day later, the IDF demolished 14 homes in Beita, whose owners allegedly participated in the attack on the hikers.

Meanwhile, three days of relative quiet in the administered territories ended. A 13-year-old Palestinian girl from Dik village, near Tulkarm in the West Bank, died in a Nablus hospital of wounds suffered in a clash with Israeli security forces.

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Local News

Temple Beth El

Sisterhood

The Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El is having a paid-up membership luncheon on May 12 at noon. It will be held in the Bohnen Vestry.

The guest speaker will be Paul Gilman who is a member of Temple Emanu-El and also active in the Providence Jewish Community. He is recognized nationally as a master hand-writing analyst, muverologist, and has worked extensively in the area of therapeutic hypnosis. He will speak about numerology.

The coordinator for the luncheon is Baye P. Temkin and the chairpeople are Rosalind Bolusky and Rhoda Fischman. Committee members are Ida Barmak, Evelyn Bresnick, Charlotte Cohen, Estelle Klemer, Bernice Kumins, Audrey Licht, Jeanette Riter, Sharon Rosen, Hope Schachter and Lila Winograd.

Spring Sage Concert For Seniors

The Shirim Klezmer Orchestra will perform at the spring SAGE concert for seniors on Thursday, May 26 at 1 p.m. at Temple Beth El in Providence. The twice yearly SAGE concerts provide seniors throughout the state of Rhode

Island the opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of music, refreshments and reunions with old friends. Admission is \$2; transportation is available.

Shirim is an ensemble of seven young Boston-based musicians. Their lively, joyful music is a blend of the songs of Eastern European Yiddish culture mixed with the sounds of urban American immigrant life. Klezmer music is enjoying a revival and concertgoers are sure to enjoy this upbeat afternoon.

SAGE (Senior Adult Group Educators) is a group of professionals who represent several Jewish agencies in the community including the Bureau of Jewish Education of RI, the Jewish Community Center of R.I., Jewish Family Service, the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Leisure Club of Temple Emanu-El, Shalom Apartments and the Jewish Family Service Mealsite for the Southern Area.

For ticket information contact Toby Galli at Jewish Family Service, 331-1244.

The Providence Singers

On Saturday evening, May 14, 1988, at 8:00 PM, the Providence Singers will present a concert of

Jewish Liturgical Music at Temple Beth El in Providence.

The major work of this concert will be Ernest Bloch's "Avodath Hakodesh" (Sacred Service). Composed in 1934, this is one of the grandest and most inspiring works of Jewish liturgical music ever composed. The soloist for this work will be the noted bass-baritone, David Laurent, whose musical ability has won both local and national acclaim, and who is an accomplished interpreter of this piece.

In addition, the seventy-five voice Providence Singers will perform the "Hashkivenu" of Leonard Bernstein, the "Kadish" of Kurt Weill, as well as other Jewish liturgical works by Milhaud and Foss. This soloist for these works will be the well known cantor from Temple Sinai in Boston, Mark Kagan, tenor. A highlight of the concert will be the performances of liturgical works of Salamone de Rossi, the 17th century Italian-Jewish composer.

Tickets for the May 14 concert of Jewish Liturgical Music are \$9 in advance and \$10 at the door (\$7 for students, seniors and disabled). For tickets and information, please call (401) 463-9467 or write the Providence Singers, P.O. Box 185, Providence, RI 02901.

Temple Am David

On May 6th, Friday evening services will be at 8:15 p.m. Saturday, May 7th morning services will be at 9:30 a.m. Judah Phillips becomes Bar Mitzvah. Sunday, May 8th at 10:00 a.m. is the Eunice Zeidman Graduation. On Monday, May 9th, there will be a congregational meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon, May 11th, at 1:00 Social Seniors meet, and at 6:45 p.m. the Chior will meet. Services are conducted by Rabbi Scott H. White and assisted by Cantor Steven W. Dress.

The Jewish Home

Number Our Days Show at the Jewish Home

The Jewish Home was the site of four stimulating film/discussion events during the week of April 18. The film *Number Our Days* was shown four times and was followed each time by a spirited discussion led by community leaders Carol Ingall, Director of the Bureau of Jewish Education; Rabbi Daniel Liben of Temple Emanu-El; Ruth Silverman, MSW, formerly of Jewish Family Service; and Mildred Handel, a social worker at The Jewish Home. *Number Our Days* won the Academy Award for Best Short in 1976. Written and produced by the anthropologist Barbara Myerhoff in collaboration with Lynne Littman, it depicts the senior center in California which binds a group of elderly Eastern European Jews together. In explaining why she chose to study her own people, Dr. Myerhoff says in the film, "I am never going to be an old Hindu Indian, but I am going to be a little old Jewish lady!"

Dr. Myerhoff befriended many people in the senior center and explored with them how they create community with each other. They gather each Friday for Shabbos services, and despite the continual losses that they must face, they come together for parties, to sing, dance, and cherish life. Combatting poverty, increasing frailty, and loneliness, they find strength, humor, and meaning in their association with each other.

The audience for each of the showings of this moving film was a unique blend of Jewish Home residents, staff members and interested community members. Under the skillful guidance of the discussion leader, members of each audience shared their reactions to the film and offered suggestions about how the feeling of community among the residents of The Jewish Home can be enhanced. In the process residents, staff members, and community persons learned much about one another's perspectives as individuals concerned with life at The Jewish Home.

Temple Emanu-El



Bernard Lightman To Be Installed For Second Term As President

Bernard Lightman will be installed for the second term as president of Temple Emanu-El in Providence at the 63rd annual meeting, to be held on Wednesday, May 18 at 8 p.m. in the Alperin Meeting House. Mr. and Mrs. Murray Goldberg are chairpersons of the evening. Following the installation will be the Ninth Annual Benton A. Odessa Concert, featuring Cantor Marcos Salman, accompanied by Debbie Dickensheets. A reception will follow.

A native of Chelsea, Mass., Bernard Lightman came to Rhode Island with his family in 1967. He is currently executive vice-president of Blackstone Webbing in Pawtucket, manufacturers of elastic and non-elastic webbing. The company also has sites in Stoughton and Springfield, Mass.

Prior to his election as President, Bernard Lightman had been involved in numerous committees and events at the Temple. He served on the religious school Committee, was a member of the Board of Trustees, held the positions of secretary and vice-president of the temple, and chaired the temple's Cantor Search Committee. With his wife, Barbara, Mr. Lightman chaired the Temple's Israel Bond Dinner.

Also to be installed with Mr. Lightman are the following officers: Vice-Presidents, Mrs.

Bernice Kumins, Richard Mittleman, Mrs. Estelle Klemer; Treasurer, Edward Aronson; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Sheila Alexander; recording Secretary, Mel A. Topf.

Newly appointed board members for a four-year term are: Myrna Aronson, Mervin Bolusky, Robert Cable, Dr. Charles Cutler, Provost Maurice Glicksman, Betsy Holland, Gladys Kapstein, Dr. Richard Kumins, Barbara Lightman, Linda Mittleman, Daryl Ross, and Marilyn Winoker. Filling a one-year term will be Elliot Cohan.

Committee members include: Dr. and Mrs. Richard Kumins, Dr. and Mrs. Mayer A. Levitt, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Malkin, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Triedman.

Odessa Concert To Feature Cantor Salman

The Ninth Annual Benton A. Odessa Concert will be held on Wednesday evening, May 18 at Temple Emanu-El in Providence, following the Temple's Annual Meeting at 8 p.m.

The concert, one of the temple's program highlights, will feature Cantor Marcos Salman, who will present a program featuring cantorial music, Yiddish song and Italian opera. Cantor Salman studied for the Cantorate with his father, Hazzan Eliezer Salman. He began singing cantorial parts at the age of 10, and has served as Hazzan in Buenos Aires, Brazil, Panama, Costa Rica, Venezuela, and in Scranton, Pa. He studied opera in Argentina, and sings lyric tenor roles in *Rigoletto*, *Madame Butterfly*, *La Traviata* and others. Debbie Dickensheets, the Temple's organist, will accompany Cantor Salman.

The Odessa concert is made possible each year through an endowment established by Elaine Odessa and her children, Edward, Susan and David in memory of Benton, who was an avid devotee of Hazzan. Benton was a leader at temple Emanu-El as well as in the Jewish community, and he is fondly remembered for his love of Jewish music and for his generosity.

The Concert will be held in the Alperin Meeting House.

Congregation Ohave Sholam

Gemilath Chesed

The Gemilath Chesed Association of Pawtucket and Central Falls will hold their 79th Annual Installation Banquet on Tuesday, May 10, 1988 at Congregation Ohave Sholam, East Avenue corner Lowden and Glenwood Avenue, Pawtucket, R.I. at 7 p.m.

The incoming president will be Mr. Charles Sinel.

Mr. Sam Shlevin and Mr. Abe Barnett will serve as Masters of Ceremonies.

Rabbi Jay Jacobs will be Installing Officer.

RI Jewish Fraternal Association

A meeting of the Board of Directors and the Blue Chapter of the Rhode Island Jewish Fraternal Association took place Sunday, February 14th at the Beau James Restaurant in Providence.

In addition to the regular business meeting chaired by Past President Dr. Norman Bazar, plans were finalized for a Dinner Dance to be held at the Ramada Inn, Seekonk Mass. Sunday, May 15, 1988.

As in past years, the Dinner Dance is open to non-members of the Fraternal Association. For information regarding the dance or reservation information, call Bill Solinger, Social Committee Chairman at 944-8658 or Aaron Falcofsky, Secretary at 738-9736.

Sons Of Jacob

Sons of Jacob Schedule:

Friday, May 6, candlelighting at 7:29 p.m., Minchah at 7:40 p.m.

Saturday, May 7, P'Emor, morning services at 8:30 a.m. Ethics of the Fathers No. 4. Kiddush after services. Minchah service at 7:35 p.m.; 3rd meal Maariv service at 8:25 p.m. The Sabbath is concluded at 8:31 p.m.

Sunday, May 8 — Morning services at 7:45 a.m. Minchah services the entire week are at 7:40 p.m., and between the Minchah and Maariv service Rabbi Drazin lectures on the Ethics of the Fathers.

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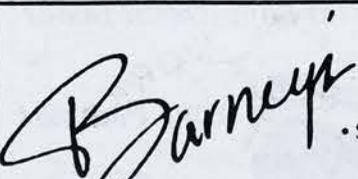
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Ceil Steinberg Voted President JWV-USA



J.W.V.A. National President Visits R.I.

Ceil Steinberg of North Miami, Florida, National President of the Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary U.S.A. will make her official visit to the Department of R.I. Ladies Auxiliary on May 15 and 16, 1988. Her official escorts will be Past Department President Estelle Miller, Ruth Jacobson, Chaplain, and Sayra Weiner, President, Auxiliary #533. We will visit Mayor Joseph Paolino, Richard Licht, Lieutenant Governor, the Veterans Home in Bristol, R.I., Lou Alfonso, Commandant, and Veteran's Hospital, Davis Park. National President Ceil Steinberg's husband, Irvin Steinberg, Past National Commander, will accompany her on the evening of May 16, 1988.

We will have dinner at the Marriott Hotel, Providence, R.I. to honor our National Presidents with approximately forty members of Jewish War Veterans Auxiliary of U.S.A.

Bureau To Install Salavon

Bonnie Ryvicker and Josh Teverow, chairs of the Bureau of Jewish Education's Annual Meeting, invite the community to participate in the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Bureau to be held on Tuesday, May 17, 1988 at 8 p.m. in the Jewish Community Center.

The slate for 1988-89 includes: Officers: President, Ronald Salavon; Vice Presidents, Alice Goldstein, Stephen Kaplan, Ezra Stieglitz; Treasurer, Leon Rubin; Associate Treasurer, Robert Landau; Secretary, Rennie Brown; Associate Secretary, Deborah Raskin; Honorary President, Cindy Kaplan.

Board of Directors: Sheila Alexander, Fred Berkowitz, Millie and Sam Eisenstadt, Kenneth Hersh, Eileen Horwitz, Seymour Krieger, Jane Perel, Donna Perelman, Bonnie Ryvicker, Rabbi Lawrence Silverman, Joshua Teverow, Rabbi Alvan Kaunfer.

In addition to the installation, presided over by Sanford Kroll, the meeting will include the presentation of awards to teachers, schools, and students. Louis I. Kramer, chairman of the Certification Committee, will introduce teachers who have achieved certification during the year. Other teacher awards, designed to recognize creative materials, will be presented by Rabbi Daniel Liben, chairman of the Teacher Training Advisory Committee. Cindy Kaplan will award accreditation certificates to the Solomon Schechter Day School and Am David-Torat Yisrael Extension School, schools which have been granted full accreditation by the Bureau.

Rabbi Lawrence Silverman will present awards for Israel Study/Travel to fourteen students. The Roger Williams B'nai B'rith Lodge will honor the outstanding seventh grader in the community's religious schools.

The evening promises to be a most festive one, serving to thank Cindy Kaplan for her outstanding presidency over the past three years, and wishing Ron Salavon good luck in his new office.

JCC News

Shocket, Steingold to be Inducted in Contemporary Division Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame

Saul Shocket and Kenneth Steingold will be inducted in the Contemporary Division at the fourth annual Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame sponsored by the Health and Physical Education Department of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence. The ceremonies will take place on Sunday, May 15 with a reception at 6:45 pm followed by the inductee at 7:30 pm.

Saul Shocket is known for his powerlifting and was the first international middleweight powerlifting champ for the U.S.A. powerlifting team. He was the winner of 22 first places from 1966 to 1987 setting a world record in 1983.

Kenneth Steingold played varsity basketball at Clark University from 1948 to 1952 and was starting forward in his junior and senior years. He was the recipient of the Hebert Trophy for outstanding contribution to the Clark University Athletic program in 1952, and was named outstanding national athlete for Phi Alpha fraternity. While in the army, he played for various base teams in the continental U.S.A. and Puerto Rico. Ken currently plays at the JCCRI.

Others to be inducted on May 15 are Veterans' Division, Henry Brenner, Isadore Zarakov; Service to Sports, Michael Reeder, David Robinson.

Master of Ceremonies is Eric Reid, New England Sports Network broadcaster. Chairmen are Jeffrey Goldberg and Stephen Litwin.

For ticket information and reservations call Elliott Goldstein at 861-8800.

"History of Colonial New York" at JCCRI Brown Bag Club

Sam Primack will speak about "The History of Colonial New

York" at the Brown Bag Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence at noon on Tuesday, May 10.

The Brown Bag Club is for people free for lunch from mothers of preschoolers to active seniors. Participants bring a lunch; dessert and coffee are provided. A \$1 donation is requested.

A tour and picnic at Blithewold will be held on May 24. Participants will meet at 10:15 am at the JCCRI to car pool. The fee is \$3; reservations are required.

For further information call Ann Miller at 861-8800.

Joan Thompson Boghossian to Exhibit at Gallery 401

"Recent Paintings" of Joan Thompson Boghossian opened at Gallery 401 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence on Sunday, May 1 with a reception from 2 to 4:30 pm. The show will continue through May 27.

Ms. Boghossian paints primarily in watercolors, but also works in oils, pastels and printmaking. Her etchings of Rhode Island scenes have received popular acceptance. Her most recent awards include first prize in watercolor at the Providence Art Club and first prize in watercolor at the Wheeler Gallery open show.

Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 am to 10 pm; Friday, 9 am to 4 pm; Sunday 9 am to 5 pm. Gallery 401 is closed Saturday.

For more information call Ann Miller at 861-8800.

Dinner and Comedy for JCCRI Singles May 7

A dinner and comedy night at Periwinkle is planned for the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island Singles on Saturday, May 7. The fee is \$15; reservations are necessary. For information call Susan Popper at 861-8800.

South County JCC

Shalom Singles

Shalom Singles (ages 40-50) of the South Area Jewish Community Center will hold a Sunday Brunch on May 15, 11 am-1 pm at the Center.

A look at "Love and Romance in the Spring" will be presented by humorist and therapist, Ann S. Josephson, M. Ed., LCSW. Ms. Josephson is Director of Community Relations at Cutler Counseling Center and a professor at Curry College.

A delicious lox and bagel brunch will be served. The fee is \$4.00 for Center members, and \$6.00 for general admission. Advance reservations are requested. Please call Claire at the JCC, 821-0030 or 341-2016.

Clergy Luncheon

The Providence Center for Counseling and Psychiatric Services cordially invites members of the clergy to attend a luncheon on Wednesday, May 25 from 12 noon to 1:30 pm at the Center's 790 North Main Street location.

All clergy members are invited to learn more about the Quitting Time Evening Alcohol Program. A service of The Providence Center, the Quitting Time program is unique to Rhode Island. It is an intensive evening, alcohol program offered on a three week basis for five nights a week from 5 pm to 9 pm.

There is no charge for this luncheon, however, reservations are requested. For more information please call The Providence Center's Public Relations Office at 861-5660.

Striar JCC

The new Striar Jewish Community Center, Central Street, Stoughton will have a new day care program this fall for families who require full time day care for their infants, toddlers and preschool age children. This program will enable your child to grow in a setting which will be warm, caring and educationally appropriate at each stage of the child's development.

Registration for the community-at-large will begin in May 16 at 7:30 a.m. at our current center at 1044 Central Street, Stoughton. If you have any questions, please call Carole Neitlich, Regional Director at 341-2016 or 821-0030.

Florence Markoff To Speak

A long-time Rhode Island broadcasting personality will be guest speaker at the May meeting of the Cranston Historical Society on Tuesday evening the 17th.

Florence Markoff, writer, historian, business woman, dramatist, elocutionist, and producer will entertain and inform the society with her acute knowledge of word history as it pertains to Rhode Island.

Mrs. Markoff is famous for her etymologies, "There's A Word For It" and for her original vignettes "Rhode Island Portraits in Sound." Both productions were popular on local radio for many years. She wrote and produced more than 1,000 Portraits in Sound.

A short business meeting at 7:30 will precede Mrs. Markoff's talk. Refreshments will follow.

Providence Hebrew Day School

Update

The Providence Hebrew Day School has always stressed a total education that combined secular studies with traditional Jewish values.

For example, the First graders at the Providence Hebrew Day are celebrating Mother's Day. Teachers Mrs. Jani Rosen and Mrs. Rina Holtzman are emphasizing the event as both an American tradition and the mitzvah (biblical commandment) of honoring one's parents.

To mark the occasion, the class will be holding a very special luncheon on May 9. The event, which is being coordinated with First Grade aide Mrs. Jean Pearson, will take place at the School. A special program is planned, which will include a special skit, songs and of course, Mother's Day gifts.

Rabbi Yechiel Pinsky and members of his Mishnayot group recently completed the Order of the Mishna dealing with torts, Bava Kama. The group consists of ten students from the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades who participate as an extra-curricular activity.

To celebrate the completion of the intense study of all ten chapters in the Order, Rabbi Pinsky took the class to New York, where they visited several well-known centers of learning.

At the Mirrer Yeshiva, the class met with Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Shmuel Barenbaum who tested members of the group on their studies. The same process was repeated at Yeshiva Chaim Berlin by Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Aaron Schechter.

Following their visits, Rabbi Pinsky's class held the traditional "seudot siyum," or feast of completion at one of the area's kosher restaurants, and toured various places of interest in the city.

Participating in the trip were Eric Stieglitz, Aaron Zev Gibber, Daniel Reich, Benjamin Beiser, Yitzhok Gottlieb, Ilan Scharf,

Shmuel Gibber, Uriel Schafer, Ari Jakobowicz, Ben Szenes.

Providence Hebrew Day Student Wins R.I. History Day Contest

Russell Rosen, an eighth grade student at the Providence Hebrew Day School, placed first in the Junior Division, Individual Paper category of the Rhode Island History Day contest.

This year's event was sponsored by the Rhode Island Social Studies Association, as part of a nationwide effort by National History Day, Inc.

The theme of this year's competition was *Frontier's in History: People, Places and Ideas*. Russell Rosen's paper, "The Building of the Trans-Continental Railroad," was written as part of the general Social Studies curriculum. It was entered by Mrs. Jackie Ericson, Eighth Grade Social Studies teacher and Mrs. Lillian Birch, Eighth Grade English teacher for the Providence Hebrew Day School.

Contest entries were received from every public and private high school in the state and were judged on a number of criteria such as content, focus and clarity of expression. In addition to reviewing individual papers, the judges reviewed the work with individual entrants.

Russell Rosen's paper will now be submitted in the national competition which will be held at the University of Maryland in College Park, June 12-16. As a first place winner, Russell will be going to Washington, D.C. to present his paper in person.

This is the second year in a row in which Providence Hebrew Day School students have won this contest. Last year, students Anna Sirota and Elizabeth Guterman finished first and second, respectively.

In addition to placing first in the R.I. History Day contest, Russell Rosen placed seventh overall in the MathCount competition. Seventeen schools throughout Rhode Island participated in the event.

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Opinion

by Sandra Silva

Pasha Ballou, a representative of Jews for Responsible Journalism in Redmond, Washington, called the *Herald* office with some disturbing news last week.

The Jewish newspaper in Seattle, Washington has a problem. They are receiving an overwhelming amount of anti-Israel opinion pieces and they are not receiving sufficient pro-Israel pieces to counterbalance this. The tragedy of the situation is that a majority of negative pieces are coming from within the Seattle Jewish community. They have asked for help to combat this.

She explained that there is incredible Israel-bashing coming from within and that many of the Jews there are becoming ashamed of their connections to Israel.

We are all aware, especially in

this time of crisis for Israel, how important it is for the Jewish community to maintain a strong, united front. I will be sending clippings of your letters which have appeared in our paper and information about the Israel 40th Anniversary Celebration at the JCC.

As a community, you have maintained a positive and loyal attitude toward Israel and according to Ms. Ballou this is not as common as we would like to think. I feel that your voices can help to breathe new life into the Seattle community.

I ask that you take time to send letters of support and encouragement to your brothers and sisters in Seattle. Letters may be sent in care of Pasha Ballou, J.R.J., P.O. Box 2023, Redmond, Washington 98073.

A President Who Admires Hitler?

by Morton M. Rosenthal

Rabbi Rosenthal is director of the Latin American Affairs Department of the Anti-Defamation League. This article is reprinted from the April issue of *Latin American Report*, published by ADL's Jarkov Institute for Latin America.

The next president of Ecuador may be a man who admires Hitler and told a reporter in February 1988 that he considers Adolf Hitler "one of the greatest geniuses in the history of mankind." Abdala Bucaram, running a populist campaign as one of two candidates in the presidential run-off election to be held on May 8, also told the reporter for *El Pais*, Spain's largest newspaper, that "the Nazi party which Hitler organized is indisputably the greatest political organization in human history."

Bucaram is also a man of dubious integrity. He told the *El Pais* reporter that he has been the object of "lawsuits, more than my age." At the present time he reportedly faces trial in the Supreme Court of Guayaquil on 24 counts of extortion and defrauding the city of its funds.

His tenure as chief of police and then mayor of Guayaquil was extremely controversial and often bizarre. According to the Ecuadorian magazine, *Vistazo*, he arbitrarily decided the amount businessmen should pay in taxes and he used the city's policemen to physically intimidate certain businessmen and collect "contributions" from them. His "morality" campaign to rid the city of prostitutes and criminals involved very controversial methods. Bucaram publicly justified his conduct, saying "Because I am arbitrary and abusive, I was elected mayor. That is what the people like."

The Jews of Ecuador, who number about 1,000, are understandably concerned by Bucaram's avowed admiration for Hitler. Also of concern is a recent incident in which Bucaram made allusions to an international

Jewish conspiracy against his life. According to one version of the incident, an AP story which appeared in the Venezuelan daily *El Universal* (3/9/88), Bucaram told a press conference that "Jewish sharpshooters have come to Ecuador to kill me." A second version of the incident, which appeared the same day in the Ecuadorian newspaper *El Comercio*, is more clouded, though still disturbing. According to that account, Bucaram produced a document at the press conference which he said described the "Jewish conspiracy." Although Bucaram himself called the document a "lampoon," he nevertheless indicated that he had asked a friend to file a complaint based upon the information in the document.

Bucaram has also claimed that his uncle, Assad Bucaram, would have been elected president had it not been for Jews. In the February, 1988 interview with the reporter for *El Pais* he stated that "the Jewish world prevented don Buco (Assad Bucaram) from being president of Ecuador." Assad Bucaram was a senator who served as president of the Congress until shortly before his death. His opportunity to be elected president was shattered not by Jews, but by the military, who seized dictatorial powers to prevent Assad Bucaram's election. Subsequently, the electoral laws were changed so that he could not qualify for the presidency, because his parents were not born in Ecuador.

Abdala Bucaram has reportedly been deeply influenced by a leftist intellectual, Jaime Galarza Zavala. Galarza seems to have been influenced by the PLO, which may have financed his attempt to establish a new political party, the PLP (Party of Liberation of the People). Galarza's book, *Who Killed Roldos?*, accuses the Israeli secret service of having caused President Jaime Roldos' death in a plane crash because of Roldos' opposition to Israel's annexation of the Golan Heights and to the

To the Editor:

On Monday evening, April 25, there was a network television docudrama entitled "Little Girl Lost." The movie was a very moving portrayal of what can happen in the life of a little girl in state custody. The most significant factor in this story was the fact that the adversaries in the proceedings i.e., the state and the foster parents each had the benefit of advocates for them. The most important party, i.e., the little girl had no advocate for her.

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Letters To The Editor

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Francis B. Brown
Director, CASA, Providence

To the Editor:

A small one time payment of a maximum of 25,000 D.M. for the purpose of "Wieder-Gut-Machung" is being offered by the Federal Republic of Germany to survivors of Dr. Josef Mengele's experiments in Auschwitz-Birkenau and other surviving victims of human experimentation by Nazi doctors who have not previously received compensation for this cause.

This agreement was arrived at with the German government via an Israeli lawyer from Tel-Aviv who represented the relevant group in Israel. Germany has extended this offer to include survivors under the same category in the United States.

Although a precise autobiography may be requested by the German government "any amount or recollections is sufficient." If there are any questions on the subject contact Nancy L. Segal, Ph.D., 75 East River Road, University of Minnesota, Minn. 55455.

Mengele twin survivors or those of similar circumstances who are interested should contact: Mr. Ulf Hanel (Consul) Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, 460 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022. Mr. Hanel's personal telephone: (212) 308-5028.

To the Editor:

I was a very dear friend of a man I lost touch with during the war, forty years ago. At that time he lived or was from Providence. I am currently seeking the good

fortune of any knowledge of the whereabouts of him. His name is Mr. Lou Irving. If you or any of your readers could inform me of his status or supply me with any means of contact to him it would be greatly appreciated.

Information can be sent to R.S. Grenadier, 5401 Chimney Rock, Suite 721, Houston, Texas 77081. Please include your name, address and phone number. Thank you.

R. S. Grenadier

To the Editor:

Mail fraud has been a continuous problem for years, and there is no positive protection for consumers. An enormous amount of money is lost each year on mail orders when the consumer never receives the merchandise. If the firm is a fraud or has gone out of business, it is impossible for the deceived consumer to recover his money. Before making a purchase by mail the consumer could call the Better Business Bureau to find out the reputation of the company, but this is not always a reliable source of information.

So, how can a consumer be protected against mail fraud? There is no sure way, but when talking with a professor at Boston College he suggested a unique idea. In order for a business to utilize mail orders they should be required to post a bond with the government. Then if a company does go out of business or is fraudulent, the consumer could reclaim his money from the government, which in turn would then receive it from the bond.

Gregory Schadone

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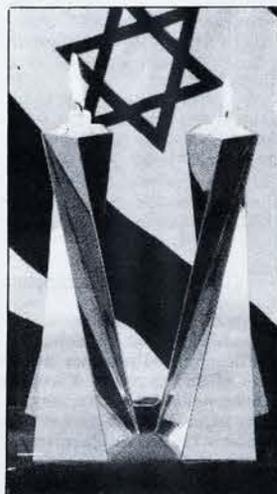
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Another Great Depression?

by David DeBlois

"Wherever I go, I don't win any popularity contests, as nobody likes to hear about a depression," said Ravi Batra, smiling.

Batra, author of the controversial book *The Great Depression of 1990*, was at Bryant College on April 28 to defend his forecast of economic crisis in the next decade. In sharp contrast to when Batra spoke on his book after its publication (6 people showed up—all at Batra's invitation), Bryant's Janikies Auditorium was packed to hear the debate between Batra and noted economist Michael K. Evans.

According to the ground rules set for the debate, both men would be given twenty minutes for opening remarks, after which each would be given an opportunity for rebuttal. Batra spoke first.

The economic theorist from Southern Methodist University proved himself as an engaging speaker. Batra began by providing the audience with some background to his book, based on theories he has been espousing since 1978. He noted that he was forced to self-publish the book in '85, as no one would back him in the endeavor. However, after his forecasts began coming true (and especially after the recent stock market fluctuations), Batra had consider-

ably more success in picking up national distribution. The book has now been on the bestseller list for over nine months.

History, Batra said, has shown a cycle of depression occurring every 6th decade, making the 90's a likely place for one. In addition, Batra described the similarities in economic factors between the 1920's and the 1980's. He recounted the pattern of tax cuts, stock market rises, a booming economy, a landslide Presidential victory, and stock market "mini-crashes" common to both eras. He perfectly summed up the audience reaction to this information when he termed the parallels "spooky."

According to Batra, however, the most important factor is what he called "the extreme concentration of wealth" present in both decades. These indicators, along with the natural 6-decade cycle, have led Batra to believe that a depression is inevitable in the '90's.

Batra concluded his address with suggestions for individual financial management, in light of his predictions. "Stay out of real estate," he said. After a pause, he smiled and added, "That's what I told my friends in Texas three or four years ago. Nobody listened."

Batra also advocated saving as much money as possible, noting that "Cash will be king in the 1990's." However, he suggested

caution in deciding where to keep such cash, as a depression would precipitate the failure of many banks, and the FDIC has funds of only \$16 billion though it currently insures over \$2 trillion.

Michael Evans, president of Evans Economics and considered the founder of using computers for forecasting, also proved to be a personable and effective communicator in relating his disagreement with Batra's opinion.

After referring to Batra as "Mr. Good News himself" in his greeting, Evans addressed the audience: "You've heard one man's opinion about the worst case scenario, now I'm going to tell you what's really going to happen in the 1990's."

Concerning Batra's "80's and '20's" analogy, Evans stressed that today's economy is under much stricter government control than it was prior to the Great Depression, mentioning federal deposit insurance as an example. Evans also addressed the stock market mini-crash. Except for a very temporary slowdown in spending immediately after the event, Evans said, it had virtually no effect on the rest of the economy. Also, in the six months after the crash, the gain in employment has been twice as large as the six months preceding.

However, Evans warned against having too much optimism for the U.S. economy in the next decade.

"Let's not be deluded into thinking that the U.S. economy has made the Great Recovery," he said. But, he added, "I don't think that we can have another Great Depression." He stressed the need for rebuilding the American productivity base and the necessity for savings and investment incentives. With the amount of foreign capital being put into the U.S. economy, though, Evans disagreed with predictions of disaster. Interestingly, Evans noted that Japan is only the third largest foreign investor, ranking behind Great Britain and Canada.

Batra, in rebuttal, dismissed Evans' view as that of traditional economic theorists, noting that group's poor success rate in forecasting. As for placing faith in the government controls of the economy, Batra warned against too much optimism: "The government, as far as I can recall, has always been incompetent," he said smiling. Finally, he reiterated his claim that the key factor remains the extreme concentration of wealth in this country.

In his rebut, Evans scored well by

addressing the issue of concentration of wealth. After stating that he did not see it as that vital an economic indicator, he proceeded to debunk Batra's evidence of the concentration itself. Batra asserted that the proliferation of billionaires in the past two years was proof of the shift in the distribution of the national wealth. Evans, in turn, stated that there has been no evidence suggesting a transfer of wealth from the middle to upper class. He also noted that, in terms of real purchasing power, there were in fact more billionaires earlier in this century than there are at the present time.

Audience reaction to both speakers was very enthusiastic, and the fairly even exchange left no clear-cut victor in the debate. So who is right? Will there be a depression in the 1990's? Unfortunately for us, only time will tell.

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Messianic Politics And The Future Of Israel Diaspora Relations

By Henry Siegman, AJC

My recent address before the biennial convention of the American Jewish Congress prompted an angry statement from several Orthodox Jewish leaders. They were upset, they said, because I allegedly described "Jewish religious tradition" as valuing Jewish life more than non-Jewish life, and creating divisiveness between Jew and non-Jews and between Jew and Jew.

Since I said no such thing (I ascribed that intolerant view to some of those in Israel who oppose all political compromise, and not to "Jewish religious tradition"), the matter might simply be left with that clarification. However, it should not be left there, for the Orthodox statement raises — however unintentionally — an issue that bears urgently on the question of Jewish unity and on the future of Israel's relations with the Diaspora.

In fact, there are indeed political forces in Israel that ascribe a level of sanctity and holiness to Jewish existence, individual and collective, which they do not ascribe to others. It should be clear it is not the notion itself that is objectionable, but its peculiar and invidious application by these groups to the current political situation.

To be sure, the issue is not this or that text from classical Jewish tradition. Jewish tradition is sufficiently rich, complex and diversified to enable the proponents of virtually any ideology to read their prejudices back into specific Jewish texts of their choosing; such selective exercises prove absolutely nothing about normative Judaism. Indeed, it is not even the choice of text that matters, but what one does with it. A text that has a noble purpose can be used for ignoble ends. Thus, for example, the concept of eternal war with Amalek, the ancient nation that ambushed the Israelites in the desert, has served for generations as a symbol of Jewish opposition to evil and immorality. However, by applying that text literally to the Palestinians, as some *Gush Emunim* ideologues have done, a noble text is used to dehumanize an entire people.

Similarly, the literal application of a text concerning the three choices that were offered the

ancient Caananite residents of the land of Israel — to flee, to accept Jewish rule, or to fight — to the current population in the territories provokes ugly sentiments never intended by the text. It leads to such bizarre phenomena as the call by Rabbi Chaim Druckman, a leader of the National Religious Party (NRP), for the total obliteration of the Arab village of Beita in retaliation for its alleged role in the death of an Israeli girl.

What is therefore so distressing about fundamentalist trends in Israel's political culture — and their resonances in American Jewish life, as evidenced by the Inquisition-like demands of these Orthodox organizations — is, among other things, their distortion of normative Judaism.

These trends are influenced profoundly by the ideology and political activism of *Gush Emunim*, who seek to replace the democratic socialism of Israel's Zionist founders with an ultra-nationalist and eschatologically-based fundamentalism. According to this ideology, the essence of the Arab-Israel conflict is metaphysical, not political; the allegedly raging anti-Semitism of the gentile world is a necessary component of that metaphysics. The resolution of the Arab-Israel conflict is therefore seen along lines preordained by the imperatives of Jewish eschatology — whose demands are absolute and not subject to compromise — rather than by the give-and-take of normal political processes.

These trends are not to be dismissed as an esoteric phenomenon, of interest only to scholars and theologians. To the contrary, no one can understand what is going on in Israel's political life without reference to this fundamentalism, for it is the single most coherent and vigorous political force in Israel today.

Recent polls in Israel project that Rabbi Meir Kahane's party will grow to four seats in the upcoming November elections, making it as large as the NRP, and that Tehiya, the ultra-nationalist party to the right of Likud, will also enlarge its mandate significantly.

What this portends for the coming Israeli elections is a radical shift from a political culture based

on rational and democratic principles of governance to one that is shaped by principles of messianism, extreme nationalism and religious fundamentalism. The potential this holds for the gradual alienation not only of American Jews and of most other Diaspora Jewish communities, but also of a substantial segment of Israel's own population, many of whom are already entertaining the unthinkable notion of abandoning a society they and their parents shaped, is tragic beyond imagining. The implications of that emerging political culture is one that the leaders of American Jewish Federations, of the United Jewish Appeal and, not least, of our cultural institutions would do well to ponder.

In any event, what distressed the Orthodox leaders who attacked my speech is not the statement they (falsely) attributed to me, but my call for a repudiation of a narrow nationalistic and religious fundamentalism that is threatening ascendancy in Israel's political life. It is a fundamentalism whose goal is nothing less than substituting what it considers to be authentically Jewish forms of governance for Western-style democracy. A redefinition of "who is a Jew" to read out of Judaism some Conservative and Reform Jews is the least of the changes such governance would bring about.

That was the burden of my speech, which was critical of a reactionary Zionism "that is exclusionary, that distinguishes — even within Israel itself — between the so-called 'national camp' and other political parties that are implicitly smeared as traitorous; that distinguishes between the Jewish people in Israel and Jews outside of Israel, who risk being accused of making common cause with anti-Semites if they express dissenting views; that sees the Gentile world as a monolith bent on the Jewish people's destruction — that is a Zionism of the *galut*, of the Diaspora, of an uncertain, unproud, and unfree people." Instead, I urged a Zionism "that is inclusionary; that unites and does not divide; that reflects the optimism, confidence, and openness of a truly free people; in short a Zionism that is faithful to its founders, and to the sense of justice and universalism that is the legacy of our prophets, those first lovers of Zion."

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Penguin Week At Roger Williams Zoo

Roger Williams Park Zoo's week long Penguin celebration gets underway on Saturday, May 7 on the zoo grounds. "Penguin Week," sponsored by the Providence Parks Department and the Rhode Island Zoological Society, promotes the opening of the zoo's new black-footed Penguin Exhibit.

The week long event will be kicked off on Saturday, May 7 at 2:00 pm when Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. and Sophie Danforth, Chairman of the Rhode Island Zoological Society, officially open the zoo's new Penguin Exhibit. The May 7 event is scheduled, in conjunction with other festivities throughout the park, as part of the first annual Roger Williams Park Day.

Highlighted that week will be our "Name a Penguin" sweepstake. Children from 5-12 years old, while visiting the zoo, have a chance to enter the sweepstake and provide their suggestions for Penguin names. Official entry forms can be found at the Children's Nature Center located inside the zoo. The sweepstake drawing will take place on Sunday, May 15.

The prize, awarded to the winning contestant, will be the Schwinn Quarter Flash BMX dirt bike, The Predator. The bike features 20" white gum wall tires, chrome moly frame, steel rim and seat post and Chang Star brakes.

The children, entering the sweepstake, will receive a special commemorative pin featuring an original Penguin illustration designed by Kandi Decker, the zoo's graphic artist.

In addition to the sweepstake and giveaway, the Roger Williams Park Zoo Docent Council will sponsor on-site informative lectures about the Penguins (their habitats and unique qualities), puppet shows, storytime in the zoo's sand circle, a Penguin drawing contest and performances of a Penguin play written and produced by a local sixth grade class.

The zoo is located south of downtown Providence, just off I-95. It is opened everyday from 10 am until 5 pm. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 5-12. For more information call 785-9450 ext. 46.

Rabbi Daniel Liben And Fran Robins-Liben Announce Birth

Rabbi Daniel Liben and Mrs. Fran Robins-Liben, Micah, 7, Noah, 5, and Talia, 4, joyfully announce the birth of their son and brother, Jonah Hadar. Jonah was born on February 27, 1988.

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Emil Cohen At Cranston Senior Guild



Cranston Senior Guild to present humorist Emil Cohen at its annual installation/paid-up membership luncheon to be held on Wednesday, June 8, 1988 at the Venus de Milo, Swansea, Mass. For reservations and table seating, call Helen Forman at 521-0455.

Emil Cohen is an American Humorist with a mastery of the Yiddish idiom. To listen to him is to relive the lives of the Jews of Eastern Europe, who created a culture, now all but extinct.

In those countries they dwelt their economically insecure lives but created a spirit that defied destruction.

Their secret weapon was a sense of humor. This sense of humor Emil Cohen has captured and is sharing with enthusiastic audiences all over the country.

Poverty, discrimination, humiliation was the lot of the East European Jewry, but when the cold winds of persecution enveloped them they turned up the collars of their threadbare coats and mocked their enemies with satire and humor. Emil Cohen is their surrogate to make known their folk lore, their hopes, their aspirations, their spiritual longings, and yes, their laughter.

Added to his talent as a raconteur, is a melodious voice inherited from his father who for many years was a Cantor. His rendering of Chassidic melodies, Palestinian songs, and cantorial selections is a heartwarming experience.

Am Yisroel Chai — The Jewish people shall live, is Emil's motto and to the preservation of their rich culture and more especially their humor, he has dedicated his career.

Senior Olympics

Rhode Island's 11th annual Senior Olympics Track & Field Meet for masters athletes will be held on Sunday, June 26 at the Lincoln High School sports complex, beginning at 9:00 am. This 13-event meet is open to persons age 40 and older and is sponsored by the state Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA) and the Rhode Island State Employees Credit Union.

For the past 10 years, Brown University Stadium in Providence had been the site for the meet. "When the Senior Olympics Committee learned that Brown was planning to resurface its track during June, we decided unanimously to move the event to Lincoln High School," stated Dolores Bergeron of the DEA and meet director. "Lincoln's facilities are easily accessible and are second to none," she added. Bergeron stated that Paul Prachniac, Director of Lincoln's Recreation Department, has assured the

DEA of assistance with all phases of the meet.

Competition will be held in seven age groups for both men and women in 12 events plus a 10k (6.2 miles) road race.

Track events include the 1,500 meter walk, and 100, 200, 400, 1,500, and 3,000 meter runs. Field events include the javelin, discus, shot put, long jump, high jump, and hammer throw.

Bergeron noted that several hundred athletes from over a dozen states usually participate in the meet. The meet also has a history of attracting masters athletes from as far away as Canada and Puerto Rico.

A \$5 entry fee entitles contestants to enter as many events as they wish. There is no entry fee for persons 60 and older. All athletes will receive a Senior Olympics T-shirt.

For meet applications or other information, call Dolores Bergeron at 277-6880.

Temple Emanuel- Newton

Suburban Singles

The Suburban Jewish Singles of Temple Emanuel, Newton, will hold their monthly meeting on Sunday evening, May 15, beginning at 7:00 pm in the vestry of the Temple (enter by the Ashford Rd. entrance). Dr. Abraham Zimelman, Chief of the Boston AIDS Clinic of the Court St. Veterans Administration Hospital and Chairman of the Infection Control Unit will present a special lecture and slide presentation on "The AIDS Crises". Question and answer period will follow the lecture. Light refreshments will precede

the program at 7:00. Following the event a social hour will take place with coffee and cake.

Admission is \$6.00 for members and \$8.00 for non-members. There is a special membership offer of \$25.00, good until September, 1989.

All singles 30 to 50 years of age are welcome to attend. Sandra Fried is President of the Suburban Jewish Singles Group. For further information call Chester Rubin, Director of Activities at Temple Emanuel and advisor to the group, at 332-5772.

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Lauren R. Inker of Boston, Mass., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Inker of Newtonville, Mass., is engaged to Richard S. Blank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Blank of Providence.

Lauren is a graduate of the University of Rochester and has a J.D. degree from Georgetown University Law Center. She is currently associated with the Suffolk County District Attorney's

Office.

Richard is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of Boston University and a Cum Laude graduate of Georgetown University Law Center where he earned his J.D. degree. He is associated with the law offices of Berman, DeValerio, & Pease, Boston, Mass.

The wedding will take place on June 19.

Torah Girls To Present "Tikva"

The New England Academy of Torah announced the upcoming production of *Tikva*. The play will be performed by the Girls Division of the High School, under the direction of Mrs. Perel Katzenstein and Ms. Rachel Finkelstein. The students, who will present this play to the women of the community, say that they will use *Tikva* as a means of tracing the Jew throughout history in song, dance, and drama.

Tikva Hope will focus on the element of faith that has been the root of Jewish survival over the centuries. From the times of the holy temples to the years of the Holocaust, *Tikva* shows the spark of hope that has been passed from generation to generation. From the Jew in the Soviet Union to the Jew in America today, this production

will portray the spiritual fire that is burning in the heart of every Jew all over the world.

The girls have been actively involved with every aspect of what promises to be a most moving and entertaining evening of culture and fun. The Butterfly Dance, the songs about Jerusalem, the poetry, the scenery, the lighting, and the printing of posters, have seen the total involvement of the students.

Tikva will be presented at the Korn Auditorium of the Providence Hebrew Day School on Sunday, June 5, 1988 at 7:30 in the evening. Tickets are \$5.00 for women and \$3.50 for students. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the New England Academy of Torah Inc. For more information, please call the school office at 331-5327.

Jazz Collaborative

The Pawtucket Arts Council announces that it is extending the application deadline for the *Jazz Collaborative*. The new deadline date is: May 27, 1988. This program, designed for students in grades 9-12, is presented in cooperation with the Great Woods Educational Forum. The Pawtucket Arts Council's *Jazz Collaborative* will be held at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts.

This jazz program runs Monday thru Friday, July 11, 1988 through August 5, 1988. Selected students will have daily classes in improvisation, theory, arranging, jazz history, ensemble classes (brass, rhythm and reed), and Stage Band ensemble as well as one private lesson per week. In addition to the daily classes, special master classes taught by outstanding professional jazz musicians will be offered to the collaborative students. The collaborative students will also have the opportunity to interact on a regular basis with students participating in other arts programs at the Educational Forum. The other groups which are affiliated with the 1988 Great Woods Educational Forum include: The Boston Ballet School; Kodaly Center of America; The Quartet Program, Eastman School of Music; SMARTS Collaborative; and the Massachusetts Suzuki Institute.

Great Woods Educational Forum, the non-profit educational component to the Great Woods Center for the Performing Arts, provides advanced training for talented students from Massachusetts, Rhode Island and throughout the country in music, dance, theatre and the visual arts.

To obtain more information and an application, contact the Pawtucket Arts Council, 474 Broadway, Pawtucket, RI 02860. The new audition dates are: Monday, June 6, 1988 at 4:00 pm. Alternate date: Tuesday, June 7 at 4:00 pm. The auditions will be held at Joseph Jenks Junior High School, Music Room, Division Street (across from McCoy Stadium).

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by Carolyn Schwartz

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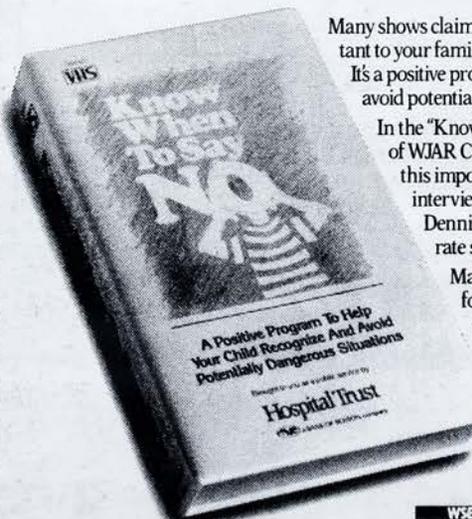
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The "Know When To Say NO!" Forum
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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder



It was a star-studded night of performances ... children performing to benefit other children.

Public school students were bused in from across the state to Rocky Point Palladium last Friday night to showcase their academic, musical, artistic and athletic talents into an hour and a half spectacular.

The National Education Association of Rhode Island, presided by Harvey Press, proudly bills this fundraising night as "an annual rite of spring, a celebration of public school education, a promise that must be kept."

The banquet's proceeds support NEARI's Children's Fund which came about three years ago when "a number of teachers were periodically calling me with problems," Press said. "Some students would show up on a cold day with only a sport jacket, or on rainy and snowy days, they came in without rubbers or boots. I speak of children in kindergarten and first grade.

"Three years ago, all of us got together and decided we had to do something. Since then, we've given out hats and mittens, boots and coats, provided funds for field trips, summer tutoring, eyeglasses and medications.

"As public school teachers, those students who walk through the doors of our schools become our responsibility.

Some have certain problems, ranging from not being fed in the morning or not being able to hear.

"The NEARI's Children's Fund Dinner does two things. It shows the good things public schools accomplished throughout the year, and it enables us financially to respond to NEARI members who request anonymously their students' needs."

Alora Azevedo came down from the NEARI's regional office in Braintree where she is involved with government relations and the group's political aspects.

"Though this is the first time I was free to come, I've always supported the ideal because I believe it is vital we assist youngsters in their needs."

Performing students included high school bands from Cumberland and East Providence, piano soloists from Warren and North Kingstown, a Narragansett High School mock trial demonstration, a championship jump rope team from South Kingstown, and several student narrators.

"They're the best!" exclaimed Harvey Press as the super stars sang and played their last musical notes, jumped their last athletic feats, and orated their glowing gems.

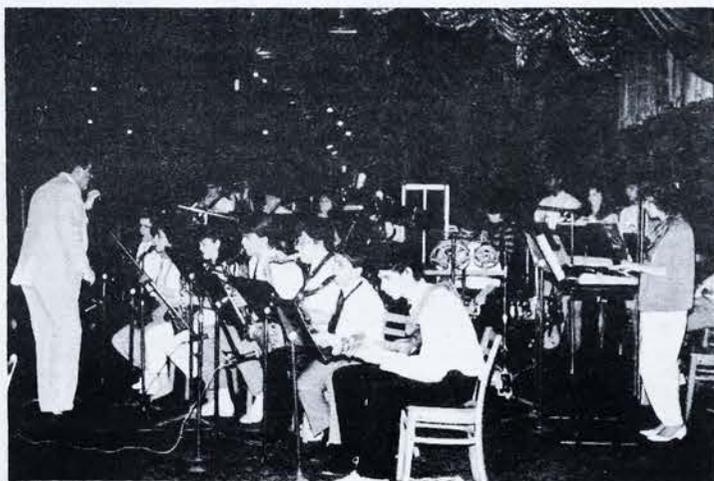
"They put their hearts and souls into tonight. We love them dearly for it!"

(NEARI is located at 99 Bald Hill Road, Cranston, 463-9630.)

An Annual Rite Of Spring



This enchanting chorus of kindergarteners is from the Anna McCabe School in Smithfield. Their teacher is Fran Harris.



Director Jack McNamara strikes up the East Providence High School Band.



The spotlight is on Harvey Press, president of National Education Association Rhode Island, who speaks to the 350 who attended NEARI'S Third Annual Children's Fundraiser.



NEARI members at the gala admire this exhibit of hand-made paper. Shown are fourth-grade Barrington school teachers Arlene Goldstein, left, and Rhoda Haynes, right. Arlene teaches at the Nayatt School, and Rhoda, Primrose Hill School.



Under the direction of their sign teacher Denise Zavota, these children from the Waddington School in East Providence mastered and performed the song "Somewhere Out There" in sign language.

photos by Dorothea Snyder



The Origin Of Mother's Day

Perhaps Mother's Day had its roots in Victorian morality and perceptions. And, just maybe, we are beginning fully to appreciate the values that our forebears held dear.

It is true that Mother's Day is a sentimental expression of society's regard for its mothers, and that is just why it was embraced by a grateful nation so soon after its conception and first observance in 1908.

Sentimental Lady

Anna Reeves Jarvis was nothing if she was not sentimental. Born in West Virginia while the shadows of the Civil War were still cast over the lives of all Americans, she was surrounded by a family dedicated to service in the cause of Civil War veterans, for whose welfare she worked tirelessly.

In the early 1900s, the Jarvis family moved north, to Philadelphia, where Miss Jarvis' mother died in 1905. The impact on the unmarried Miss Jarvis proved to be pervasive and everlasting. It was a loss from which she never completely recovered.

Two years after her mother passed away, the still-mourning daughter, meeting with some friends, announced her determination to launch a Mother's Day in memory of her mother and as a tribute to all American mothers, living and dead.

With the support and help of John Wanamaker, the Philadelphia merchant and philanthropist, her idea crystallized and took shape. Then, encouraged by other local civic groups, the first modern Mother's Day was observed in Grafton, West Virginia in 1908.

Modest Beginnings

It was a modest observance, marked chiefly by a special sermon preached in a little country church (which, incidentally, still stands as a public shrine).

Miss Jarvis' idea didn't embrace greeting cards, gifts, dinner out and all the things that Americans do to make the occasion more memorable.

Her hope was that sons and daughters would take time out to write their mother a special note or letter, paying an extra visit on Mother's Day, and giving her a wildflower to commemorate the event.

The idea took off! In just two years, Governor William Glassman had proclaimed Mother's Day a West Virginia holiday. That was in 1910.

A National Holiday

And, in 1913, by Joint Congressional Resolution,

Jewish Home

Care, Not Case, Management Stressed by Adelaide Luber

Speaking to a large group of health care professionals at the Nursing Home Teaching Conference held at the Jewish Home on Monday, April 25, 1988, Adelaide Luber, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs, emphasized that an integrated approach to the care of the elderly is essential. In her talk which was titled, "Integration in an Age of Specialization," Ms. Luber described the demographic context of the aged of Rhode Island, and noted that we have the second highest proportion of people over the age of 65 in the country. Because it is projected that by the year 2000, the entire United States will display the same kind of demographic profile that Rhode Island has now, methods adopted here will serve as models for the rest of the country.

Given the drastically aging population of Rhode Island, Ms. Luber continued, we cannot afford to practice business

Mother's Day became a national holiday, to be so proclaimed by President Woodrow Wilson for the first time in 1914. Thereafter, Mother's Day would always be the second Sunday in May.

The growth of Mother's Day as a national holiday is now a matter of history. It is observed by no fewer than 95 percent of all Americans, and Mother's Day has become international, to be celebrated in nations on every continent.

Miss Jarvis never married, never had children of her own, never had the joy of experiencing motherhood, the institution to which she devoted a lifetime of effort and dedication.

Times Have Changed

But, from her concept of a special note or letter to mother, has come an avalanche of 125,000,000 or more greeting cards every year. From the remembrance expressed with a wildflower has come the tradition of giving mother a floral tribute on Mother's Day.

And though it was probably never in Miss Jarvis' mind, the custom of giving gifts of all kinds — wearing apparel, jewelry, fragrances, labor-saving appliances, et al (nearly seven billion dollars worth in fact!) — is now a part of our culture.

We're a better society because of Mother's Day. It gives us pause to recognize all the valiant women who have helped mold the most envied social complex in the world.

Mother's Day addresses our better instincts and we react to them as all good sons and daughters should.

First Effort A Failure

The record verifies that the first Mother's Day effort — well before Miss Jarvis started her crusade — was hardly a memorable success.

Conceived as a peace movement following the cruel Franco-Prussian War in 1871, it missed the popular mark, even though it carried the imprimatur of Julia Ward Howe, the dynamic feminist and writer. It was just too weighty to earn mass acceptance.

When Miss Jarvis came along with her sentimental and emotional approach, 30 or so years later, it was embraced by everyone — almost in the blink of an eye.

Whether Miss Jarvis had an inner conflict with her own mother, whether her drive was in part guilt-motivated, we will never know for certain.

But we do know that her legacy — the modern Mother's Day — will leave us in her debt for centuries to come!

as usual. Whether they live in the community or in nursing homes, the aged must be seen as complete and full human beings by professionals. Ms. Luber suggested that services be provided to the elderly in their homes, at their meal sites, and so on. It is neither effective in time nor cost to go to compartmentalized offices for services which might be provided in one place. The elderly are often unaware of or bewildered by the array of choices available to them. Ms. Luber ended with a plea that health care professionals assume that the elderly are capable of making good choices about their treatment if they are fully informed of the available alternatives.

The speaker on June 27, 1988 will be Ms. Carter Wilkins, MSW, of Bethesda, Maryland, who will address the group about alternatives to physical restraints in the nursing home setting. Interested health care professionals may register for this conference by calling Mrs. Rita Stone at 351-4750.

Collection '88 At RISD

Whether tailored or fluid, fitted or flounced, innovative or classic, the 200 designs chosen by a professional jury to comprise Rhode Island School of Design's Collection '88 share two things in common: quality and creativity. The public will be given an opportunity to judge for themselves when Collection '88 is presented May 17-19 at 8:30 p.m.

A special preview matinee for senior citizens only will take place on Monday, May 16 at 3 p.m. Tickets are available to senior citizens at \$3 each from The RISD Store, 30 North Main St. Saturday, May 21, the collection and other garments created this year by RISD's 62 apparel design students will go on sale at 10 a.m. in the lobby of the Auditorium.

The panel of professional critics will offer feedback to sophomores on their wearable art and Cranston Print Works projects, juniors on their knitwear and classically tailored jacket collections, and seniors on their coat collections and thesis work.

Four days later, a six-member panel of jurors — including Anthony Muto of Albert Nippon, Richard Petit and Susan Shaw of Petit & Shaw, Michael Leva (RISD '83) and Kenneth Laughren of Michael Leva, and Mel Baker of Miss Baker Dress Salon — will be an interest in Conservative Judaism to get together, socialize, learn more about Conservative Judaism, and become a part of Synagogue life.

The group gathers for informal monthly meetings organized by the members. The meetings include much socializing, sometimes over a buffet or barbecue, but they provide much more — activities ranging from study sessions and educational discussions, to day trips (museums, plays, etc.), to meetings with influential Jewish leaders. They explore how Conservative Judaism can be relevant, important, and enjoyable for Jews in their 20's and 30's.

While the members all share an interest in Conservative Judaism, the level of commitment and strength of background varies from extensive to minimal. Some members belong to a synagogue now; others do not. They welcome

According to Lorraine Howes, head of the Department of Apparel Design, preliminary sketches indicate that the breadth of design style that has come to characterize the apparel design show will definitely be present this year. From the wearable art project given first-semester sophomores to internships where seniors are placed with top design firms such as Geoffrey Beene, Chaus, Alexander Julian, Mast Industries and Nicole Miller during Winternesson, students are exposed to a broad range of techniques and respond to the challenge of diverse design requirements. "By senior year, most students have begun to find their metier," Howes says, and final thesis collections include children's, men's and women's clothing that run the gamut from sportswear to evening attire. Howes says this year the jury will "see more tailoring than usual for men and women, and much of the design style shows evidence of a new body-conscious elegance."

Set designer for this year's show is interior architecture major Vivian Cabrera (RISD '89). Graphic design graduate Sergio Steurer (RISD '87) was responsible for the poster and other graphic details, while local musician Toby Fitch, who with his partner scored the music for the recently released movie *Ironweed*, has written original music for the show, and part-time faculty member Dennis Cohen of Avden is providing lighting design. In continuing its long commitment to the department, Squire's Salon will once again offer its professional touch in handling the hair and make-up for student models.

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Greece Withholds Israeli Grapefruit

By Jean Cohen

ATHENS (JTA) — Greek authorities are withholding imported grapefruit from the retail market, pending the results of tests to see if it is contaminated.

The precaution, announced by Evangelos Seferiadis, an official of the Ministry of Commerce, followed the poisoned grapefruit scare in Rome where grapefruit from Israel was pulled off the market because of anonymous

warnings that it had been sabotaged.

According to Seferiadis, the tainted grapefruit has been found only in Italy. But the scare seems to have been a false alarm. The state-owned television channel, RAI, announced in Rome Wednesday that a blue substance found in imported grapefruit and thought to be poisonous turned out to be a harmless coloring agent.

Young Leadership Group Seeking Members

In light of their initial success and current activities, the Young Leadership Group of the New England Region United Synagogue of America is pleased to announce their 1988 Membership Drive. The Young Leadership Group of New England Region United Synagogue of America is one of the oldest and most active of a growing number of similar groups around the country, dedicated to bringing together Conservative Jews in their 20's and 30's.

In essence, Young Leadership provides a focal point for Jews in their 20's and 30's with an interest in Conservative Judaism to get together, socialize, learn more about Conservative Judaism, and become a part of Synagogue life.

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all and want anyone who has even a slight interest to feel comfortable.

In addition to the monthly activities, the group sponsors semi-annual weekend trips. Last winter they spent a few days in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, and this summer they are planning their third annual trip to Nantucket Island. Moreover, the national Young Leadership Group sponsors an annual trip to Israel in conjunction with MERCAZ, the Conservative movement's Zionist organization. This affordable trip is an excellent opportunity to see an exciting and often different side of Israel as well as to meet people, from all over America. (So excellent an opportunity to meet people, in fact, that two of the participants in last year's Mission recently wed!)

If you have an interest in Conservative Judaism and in meeting other Conservative Jews (married and single) the group asks that you please contact them, they will let you know more about what they are up to, how current members have benefitted from the group, and plans that they have for the future. With your help they can bring together those looking for others with similar interests, stir dormant Jewish roots, and develop a socially and religiously enjoyable Conservative Jewish experience. The group may be contacted at 233 Harvard St., Suite 207, Brookline, MA 02146 Tel. (617) 277-0085.

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World/National News

US Congress Salutes Israel's 40th

The United States Senate and House of Representatives unanimously adopted a joint resolution commending the State of Israel on the 40th Anniversary of its establishment. The text underscored the fact that the United States regards Israel as a strong and trusted ally and important strategic partner.

The resolution was introduced in the House of Representatives by Reps. Thomas Foley, Robert Michael, Tom Lantos, Trent Lott, Dante Fascell and William Broomfield. Senators Robert Dole and Robert Byrd introduced the resolution in the Senate.

Congress recalled that the US helped in creating the State by extending diplomatic relations immediately upon Israel's proclamation of independence. The resolution noted "the US and Israel have always maintained a special relationship based on mutually shared democratic values, strategic interests and moral bonds of friendship and respect."

Howard Squadron, Chairman of the National Committee for Israel's 40th Anniversary, said "this Congressional commemoration

recognizes the important partnership the US and Israel have forged and reflects the staunch support for Israel which transcends ideological lines."

The resolution paid tribute to Israel's miraculous achievements, including the absorption of hundreds of thousands of Holocaust survivors and Jewish refugees from Arab lands. Congress also praised the people of Israel for maintaining the only democracy in the Middle East in the face of constant belligerence by their neighbors and for never relinquishing their desire for peace.

In a related Congressional action, NY Congressmen Benjamin Gilman and James Scheuer sponsored a special order marking Israel Independence Day. One hundred members of Congress rose to express their commitment to and adulation for Israel, echoing the themes of the resolution and paying particular note to the tremendous scientific, cultural, technological and medical contributions Israel has made to modern civilization.

Jewish Camping Programs

College students will once again have a unique opportunity to combine Jewish commitment with summer jobs through the Jewish Leadership Camping Program, sponsored by the Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York (BJE), through a grant from the Fund for Jewish Education.

Now in its ninth year, the Jewish Leadership Camping Program (JLCP) is designed to develop and enhance Jewish content programs in camps, through enlisting and training qualified college students as counselors. During the summer, JLCP counselors serve as Jewish role models for over five hundred

youngsters in UJA-Federation summer camps and provide them with effective and creative approaches to Jewish programming on a small group and camp-wide level.

College students interested in applying to the Jewish Leadership Camping Programs should contact Sandra Kilstein as soon as possible at the Informal Education and Outreach Center of the Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York, 426 West 58th Street, New York, N.Y. 10019, (212) 245-8200.

The Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York is an agency of UJA-Federation.

Abul Abbas Seeking No. 2 PLO Post

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV — The terrorist leader responsible for hijacking the Achille Lauro is seeking the No. 2 spot in the Palestine Liberation Organization, according to Avi Benayahu, writing in *Al Hamishmar* Thursday.

The aspirant is Mohammed Zaidan, also known as Abul Abbas, leader of the Palestine Liberation Front which seized the Italian cruise ship in Egyptian waters in October 1985, and murdered one of its passengers, an American Jew named Leon Klinghoffer who was confined to a wheelchair.

Zaidan would like to replace Khalil al-Wazir, who was assassinated at his villa in suburban Tunis on April 18 by a commando-style hit squad, widely believed to have been Israelis.

Wazir, better known by his nom de guerre, Abu Jihad, which means Father of the Holy War, was the commander of Al Fatah, the PLO's military branch.

Zaidan is thought to be close to PLO chief Yasir Arafat. But he is not the only candidate for Wazir's job, Benayahu said. Several ranking Al Fatah men are being "tested" in the field, to see how well they perform terrorist attacks and other operations.

It is therefore not surprising, Benayahu wrote, that the attempt by terrorists Wednesday to infiltrate Israel from Lebanon, near Kiryat Shmona, was the work of the Abul Abbas gang. The attempt was foiled.

UAHC Asks For Censorship Of Rock Music

NEW YORK—Responding to the April 25 suicide of an Edison, NJ teenager, the Task Force on Youth Suicide of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations called this week on the rock music industry to "exercise good judgment and restraint" in selecting songs targeted at America's youth.

In a statement released by Rabbi Ramie Arian, staff director, the Task Force said: "Record companies need to know that impressionable teens may take seriously the message their artists convey." For this reason, Rabbi Arian said, "We urge the recording industry to act in a responsible way in this critical matter."

According to news reports, Walter Kulkusky, 16 killed himself while listening to rock music with lyrics that encouraged suicide.

The UAHC said: "There is reason to believe that limiting the exposure of teenagers to popular media forms, such as rock music, that actually advocate suicide might help reduce the suicide rate."

While applauding the recording industry's "resistance to attempts to apply outside censorship," the UAHC unit said that "it would be a simple matter for the industry voluntarily to withhold release of songs whose lyrics advocate suicide."

"We call on the recording industry to recognize its influence and concomitant responsibility in this area, and to exercise good judgment and restraint in choosing the songs that are targeted for a youthful audience," the Reform movement's Suicide Task Force said.

Anyone wishing to respond on this topic may write the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at 838 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10021.

Historic Meeting In Madrid

HMRA, Now In 22 Nations, Is Also Creating New Friends For Israel At A Critical Time

MADRID — A unique group of medical professionals and private citizens, formed just five years ago to promote the work of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Israel, is rapidly emerging as a force for international cooperation in the field of public health and community medicine.

The Hadassah Medical Relief Association's Third International Congress held here recently pointed up the young organization's growing influence as it has spread to 22 nations on four continents, and demonstrated its effectiveness in making friends for Israel, even among nations, like Spain, which also maintains close ties to Arab nations.

At a time when anti-Israel sentiment was running high in Spain, the HMRA Congress received a cordial and highly visible welcome from the Spanish government. The Congress was the first meeting of a major Jewish organization to receive official backing since Spain restored full diplomatic relations with Israel in 1986.

For a few days, reports of the Congress and of Hadassah's ever-widening contributions to health worldwide provided a radically different perspective on Israel in Spain's news media, which recently have been critical of the Israeli government in articles and cartoons that bordered on the outright anti-Semitic.

In addition, a series of special events held jointly with the Jewish community here also helped to focus public attention on the far-reaching impact of Jews on the nation's history and culture as the country prepares for a national observance of the 500th anniversary of the expulsion of Jews from Spain in 1492.

"HMRA was founded out of our belief that improved medicine is an issue that transcends politics, religion and national boundaries," Bernice S. Tannenbaum, Chairman of Hadassah-International, HMRA's parent organization, said in discussing the group's experience in Spain.

"We went to Madrid confident that our commitment to that belief, and to sharing freely what we have learned, could overcome the tensions of the moment," she added. "Our experience there bears that out."

The Congress proved to be virtually a textbook example of international cooperation and goodwill. Queen Sofia granted a warm audience to an HMRA delegation headed by Hadassah National President Ruth W. Popkin, Mrs. Tannenbaum and Hadassah-Spain President Dr. Max Eljarrat, and Congress leaders were presented with a key to the city by Jose Manuel Molina,

the mayor of Toledo, who publicly, and proudly, called his city "the Jerusalem of Spain."

The theme of the Congress, "Health and International Cooperation," was reflected in greetings from Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Madrid Mayor Juan Barranco, and in a program which balanced dignitaries from the host country, Israel, the United States, Colombia, Kenya and western Europe.

Officials of Spain's Academy of Medicine, Ministry of Health and Center for Superior Investigations — the government agency responsible for preserving the history of the country's Jews — shared the platform with Ofira Navon, an advocate of international cooperation in physical rehabilitation and child welfare programs and wife of Israeli Deputy Prime Minister and former President Yitzhak Navon, and Dr. Jaime Gofin, head of the innovative Hadassah Community Health Center at Kiryat Ha'Yovel. Both Ambassador Shlomo Ben Ami of Israel and Ambassador Reginald Bartholomew of the United States hosted formal receptions for Congress delegates.

But the highlight of the historic meeting was the formal signing of an accord between the government-run Universidad Autonoma de Madrid and the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Public Health and Community Medicine in Jerusalem. The agreement establishes a cooperative program "to develop scholarly and scientific relations between our two institutions for the mutual promotion of the health sciences in Israel and Spain," the document states.

The thrust of HMRA's phenomenal growth over the past five years — as well as the spirit of the Madrid Congress — was perhaps best summed up in the language of the accord itself, which says, "Spain and Israel have shared in the past a common Mediterranean heritage and in the present and future a commonality of problems and opportunities. These extend to our human relations, our commercial ties and to our scientific endeavors."

The accord was signed for Spain by Dr. Rey Calero, head of the Department of Public Health of the Madrid institution, and for Israel by Dr. Charles Greenblatt, head of the Hadassah School of Public Health and Community Medicine. Dr. Antonio Villamor, head of the Medical School of Madrid, presided at the ceremony whose participants also included Dr. Graciela Samuels, HMRA's International Director.

Participants in the Congress agreed that the accord is an important first step toward greater cooperation between Spain and Israel on a range of issues.

South African Jews Outraged Over Synagogue Desecration

JOHANNESBURG (JTA) — South African Jewry is outraged over the desecration of a community synagogue by a squad of men dressed like Hitler's storm troopers.

The incident took place on the eve of Israel's Independence Day and the 99th anniversary of Hitler's birthday.

According to police accounts, six white men in "Nazi-type uniforms" marched up the steps of the Great Synagogue in Essenwood Road, Durban and dumped a pig's head at the door. The forehead was marked with a swastika and a Star of David was stamped on each ear.

Eyewitnesses described the men as wearing white shirts, black ties, black uniforms and swastika-like armbands. They wore boots, marched in step and executed the

Nazi salute. A similar incident occurred at about the same time at the Jewish Club in Durban.

The South African Jewish Board of Deputies has expressed outrage over the incident, and the president, Michael Katz, said "the board would pursue the matter in collaboration with the authorities." Durban police are hunting for six white men who will be charged with criminal injury.

The South African Jewish community is furious and horrified as the acts, reminiscent of anti-Jewish activities during the '30s and '40s, follows several other neo-Nazi incidents in South Africa within the last two weeks.

President P.W. Botha described the perpetrators as "the dregs of society." "I think the people are sick," he said.

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Student Exchange Helps Advance Reform Judaism In Israel

Reform Judaism, once viewed by Israelis as a foreign import from the Diaspora, is now making rapid strides in the Jewish state, thanks to a high school exchange program now in its 27th year.

The program, known as the Eisendrath International Exchange Program, was introduced in 1961 by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, central body of Reform Judaism in the United States and Canada, to help American, Canadian and Israeli youngsters get to know each other — and each other's cultures.

The project has succeeded in achieving that goal. In the past 25 years, some 650 American teenagers and 275 young Israelis have spent their summer vacation and fall semester in each other's schools. In the process, the program has also served as a surprisingly effective vehicle for introducing young Israelis to Reform Judaism. They, in turn, have brought its concepts and practices back to Israel, helping the movement find new adherents in the Jewish state — what one Reform leader termed "an unexpected dividend."

Israeli-Born Reform Leaders Are Graduates

Today, according to Rabbi Allan L. Smith, director of the UAHC's Youth Division, every Israeli-born Reform rabbi and lay leader is an alumnus of the Eisendrath exchange program. "What began as a simple student exchange has turned out to have a long-term impact we never anticipated," he says. "The program's reach has been enormous."

The Eisendrath program, named after the late president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, seeks outstanding high school students in both countries. The American youngsters devote the summer session to an intensive study of Hebrew at an Ulpan sponsored by the Reform movement's North American Federation of Temple Youth at Ben Shemen.

For the fall semester, the students are adopted into Israeli families and attend local high schools with the children of these families. They also take part in the youth activities of Israeli Reform congregations and travel widely throughout Israel. Highlights of

their tour are a desert camping trip and experiencing kibbutz life at Yahel, a Reform kibbutz in the Arava.

During their six months abroad, the American students earn credits that are transferable to their American high school records. Total cost of the program is \$4,500, which includes roundtrip air fare from New York, as well as all housing and meals, tours, transportation and medical coverage during the six-month stay in Israel.

The Eisendrath Exchange program is open to high school students who have completed the 10th or 11th grade. Rabbi Smith of the UAHC Youth Division attributes its effectiveness to the fact that the students remain in Israel for an extended period of time and live with Israeli families.

The international program has been so successful, UAHC officials point out, that a similar young peoples program, known as "I.M. Wise Inside Israel," has been introduced for the January-to-June school semester.

Participating In The Israeli Experience

"The programs offer an Israeli experience not as mere onlookers but as participants in the daily routines and challenges faced by Israelis themselves," says Rabbi Smith. He also notes that the relationships established are frequently long-lasting, both among the American students themselves and with their Israeli families.

The experience of the Israeli youngsters who come to the United States under the Eisendrath program mirrors that of their American counterparts. "Living with American families and establishing relationships here enable them to absorb the flavor of our society in a single six-month period more effectively than a dozen month-long visits," says Rabbi Smith. He adds:

"These youngsters return to Israel with a new understanding of the United States and its people — and a new appreciation of the role of Reform Judaism, a faith that continues to change and grow in response to the challenges of an open society and whose roots lie deep in the Jewish tradition."

by David Friedman

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The apparent rapprochement between Yasir Arafat, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization, and Syrian President Hafez Assad may end any chances Secretary of State George Shultz has for success of his peace initiative, according to experts on the Middle East.

Arafat and Assad met in Damascus on April 25, five years after the Syrian present threw Arafat out of Syria in an attempt to gain control of the PLO.

Since then, the PLO has been split between Arafat and a more extreme pro-Syrian segment, which includes such terrorist groups as one led by Abu Nidal and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, led by George Habash.

"It's bad news for the Shultz initiative, which was already flagging," said Martin Indyk, executive director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

"The peace process is less likely," agreed Daniel Pipes, director of the Philadelphia-based Foreign Policy Research Institute.

The State Department has not made any public comment on the Arafat-Assad meeting.

Indyk and Pipes agreed that the Assad-Arafat rapprochement is more harmful to Jordan than to Israel. Pipes noted that it is a victory for the more hard-line PLO factions, and "Israel finds it easier to deal with rejectionists."

"Israel wasn't about to deal with Arafat" and thus the rapprochement was "irrelevant" for Israel, Indyk said.

As for Jordan, Indyk said King Hussein's ability to agree to negotiations with Israel, "which was limited is now impossible," since Hussein needs backing from the PLO or Syria.

He noted that for five weeks Arafat has refused an invitation from Hussein for talks.

Arafat's return to Damascus was facilitated by the assassination of his second-in-command, Abu Jihad, in Tunis April 16, an attack believed to have been carried out by the Israelis.

Although Abu Jihad's family had wanted him to be buried in Jordan,

General Amira Dotan Appointed At Ben Gurion

BEERSHEVA—Amira Dotan, former head of the IDF Women's Corp, and the first Israeli woman to be promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General, has been appointed Vice-President for Development of International Relations at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

She will be responsible for developing and fostering the University's Friends Associations throughout the world and in Israel. Born and raised in Israel, Brigadier-General (res.) Dotan, her husband and three children are long-time residents of Beersheva, from where she commuted daily to her office in Tel-Aviv during the five years that she headed the Womens Corps. She is a graduate of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and holds two degrees in Psychology.

Arafat-Assad Meeting May Put MidEast Peace Process In Peril

the PLO leadership decided on Syria, at Assad's invitation, in what was considered a slap at Hussein.

Pipes said that Arafat's decision to go to Damascus was a sign of weakness, following the Palestinian uprising on the West Bank and Gaza Strip which was launched independently of the PLO.

He noted that Arafat has used this approach before, when he needed to strengthen his position.

For example, Pipes said, Arafat went to Cairo for a meeting with President Hosni Mubarak after the PLO was forced out of Beirut in 1982, following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. It was Arafat's first visit to Cairo since the 1978 Camp David accords, Pipes noted.

Indyk said that the "spontaneous" uprising in the territories reversed the roles of the local Palestinians and the PLO, since the Palestinian inhabitants were now the "actors" and the PLO "spectators."

He said that both the PLO and

Syria want to control the uprising. "Arafat had no choice but to take a more extreme position," Indyk said.

The PLO has to show it is still effective and is thus doing the only thing it can, which is to attempt to infiltrate terrorists into Israel, Indyk said.

He noted that in the last several weeks, there have been at least nine attempts by terrorists to infiltrate into Israel.

Indyk called the rapprochement a "matter of convenience," since neither Syria nor the PLO can accept that the Palestinians in the territories act independently.

But he said it will not be "smooth sailing" since Assad wants "Arafat under his thumb" so that he can control the Palestinian movement.

This was the reason Arafat was expelled from Syria in 1983. Pipes noted that there have been numerous clashes between Assad and Arafat as far back as 1966, when Assad, then defense minister, jailed Arafat.

West Germany Cracks Down On Neo-Nazi Activities

By David Kantor

BONN (JTA) — The East German authorities are cracking down on neo-Nazi activities, which they once claimed did not exist in the Democratic Republic.

The official news agency, ADN, reported Wednesday that nine neo-Nazis went on trial in the Oranienburg district court Monday, charged with spreading anti-Semitic propaganda and displaying Nazi symbols.

East German officials Thursday also confirmed Western reports that seven neo-Nazis received prison sentences in Dresden at the end of March for circulating

anti-Semitic propaganda, assaults on individuals and destruction of property. The sentences ranged from eight months to four years.

The neo-Nazi problem was acknowledged for the first time in December 1987, when the authorities announced the trial of several neo-Nazi groups, including some extreme right-wing organizations.

Some of those prosecuted included the so-called "skinheads," gangs of teenagers and young adults who shave their heads, wear Nazi-like costumes and engage in disorderly conduct, often of an anti-Semitic nature.

JDC Honors Gideon Taylor

Gideon Taylor, a young lawyer from Dublin, Ireland, has been selected as the recipient of the 1988 Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship in International Jewish Communal Service, awarded annually by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC). The Fellow selected serves for one year of work-study at JDC offices overseas.

The JDC Board of Directors established the Ralph Goldman Fellowship in June 1985 to honor Mr. Goldman for his achievements as Executive Vice-President and for his 40 years of Jewish communal service. As Heinz Eppler, President of JDC, says "Gideon Taylor exemplifies the high standards of character, integrity, leadership and Jewish commitment the Fellowship stands for."

Mr. Taylor was selected from a pool of highly qualified candidates by the Ralph Goldman Fellowship Committee, chaired by Dr. Herman D. Stein, Provost of Case Western Reserve University.

As Dr. Stein noted, "Gideon is a dynamic, outgoing young man with a true commitment to Jewish communal service. The Goldman Fellowship will undoubtedly provide a myriad of experiences which will benefit not only Gideon but the communities he will be serving as well."

Gideon Taylor received a B.A. from Trinity College in Dublin and a B.C.L. — Masters in Civil Law

— from Wadham College, Oxford University. He was an active participant on both the Trinity and Oxford debating teams and received numerous awards for his skills.

His extensive involvement in communal service has taken him to New York and Israel, as well as throughout Great Britain and Ireland; he is the Irish representative and member of Presidium of the European Union of Jewish Students.

Having grown up in a small and relatively remote Jewish community, Mr. Taylor has a deep-seated concern for the difficulties facing Jews in isolated communities and for the effectiveness of communal institutions and amenities in ensuring the survival of a Jewish identity in these places. He says he "is particularly keen to gain a greater understanding of the effect that activities and programs have on the Jewish community in question, especially their impact on its youth."

Mr. Taylor hopes to combine his interest in Jewish communal service with his expertise in law. "My legal studies have concentrated on discrimination and racial hatred and how it operates in the United Kingdom, the United States and under the European Treaties. I hope to work in the public interest/human rights sphere, within an appropriate major international organization," said Taylor.

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Annuities For Every Phase Of Your Financial Life

by William Sullivan of Merrill Lynch

Annuities can be one answer to your financial needs at every stage of life. Many people rely on annuities to help build a larger nest egg on a tax-deferred basis for retirement and other long-range goals. You can also use annuities to assure a lifetime income for yourself once you retire or for an elderly parent or a disabled relative who depends on you for support.

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Build Assets The Tax-Deferred Way

As one of the few tax-favored vehicles remaining in the wake of tax reform, deferred annuities are tailor-made for long-term financial planning. There's no

legal limit on the amount you can place in annuities each year, and all annuity earnings compound free of current taxes until they are paid out to you. That can help you accumulate funds more rapidly than with taxable savings alternatives.

You can purchase deferred annuities with either a single premium payment — usually a minimum of \$5,000 — or with periodic payments in much smaller amounts. The ability to make periodic payments can be a big advantage, especially if you are younger and want an affordable way to build assets systematically for your future.

Fixed And Variable Alternatives

There are two types of annuities — fixed and variable. Fixed annuities pay competitive interest rates guaranteed for specific periods of time and they offer safety of principal. They appeal to conservative people who want to avoid market risk and may be a particularly attractive means of accumulating assets as you grow

older and retirement nears.

With variable annuities, you allocate your premiums among a choice of diversified, professionally managed portfolios, such as stock, bond and money market funds, to best meet your goals, and you can usually switch investments without charge or tax liability. Your return depends on the performance of your annuity investments. This investment flexibility may be especially attractive if you want to maximize the opportunities for growth and have many years to go before you will need the money.

Tap Your Nest Egg

When you are ready to receive regular payments, you can select from a variety of payout options to suit your personal needs. Your choices range from taking a lump sum payment to receiving guaranteed monthly income for life, with many other alternatives in between. A part of each payment is considered tax-free return of principal until you receive back the amount of your original principal. Thereafter, all payments would be fully taxable.

While deferred annuities are intended to be long-term savings vehicles, you have liquidity before

you begin receiving regular payments, if you need it. Most contracts allow you to withdraw up to 10 percent of the total value once a year free of charge. You may have to pay company surrender fees if you take out more than that amount in the early years of the contract. You'll also generally owe a federal 10 percent tax penalty in addition to ordinary income taxes if you make early withdrawals of annuity earnings prior to reaching age 59½.

Get Income Today With Immediate Annuities

Lump sum payments from company retirement plans or other personal savings can be used to buy immediate annuities when you

retire. These investments provide regular monthly income to help meet expenses.

You might also consider an immediate annuity to meet your financial responsibilities for an elderly parent or a disabled relative. The annuity can provide guaranteed income to pay for the continuing care of the dependent even if something were to happen to you.

Through a technique known as split funding, you can even buy an annuity to provide immediate cash flow for a certain period of time, while the balance of your money grows tax-deferred until it reaches the amount of your original principal at the end of the annuity income period.

Eleven Common Errors Of Investing

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Investing used to be simple: You'd buy a stock. If it went up, you made money. If it went down, you lost money.

But today, in an investing community of options, index options, leveraged buyouts, limited partnerships, unit trusts, mutual funds, annuities, futures contracts, margin accounts, sector investing, Ginny Maes, put bonds and myriad others ways of investing, the biggest mistake an investor can make is not understanding the many products and investment methods available. That's where the services of an investment professional who is willing to explain and educate are extremely important.

Aside from that basic — yet nearly overwhelming — stumbling block, we have identified an additional eleven common errors of investing that strongly influence portfolio performance.

1. Unclear Investment Objectives — The most important element of a sound investing strategy is to clearly define your objectives. Why are you investing? Immediate income? Long-term capital gains? Planning for retirement? College education? Reduce income taxes?

You should state your investment objective based on your financial goals and review those goals periodically to see that they're still accurate.

2. Failure to Adjust to Changing Markets and Conditions — As has been dramatically apparent recently, market conditions are continually changing. Interest rates, employment trends, consumer spending, tax legislation and myriad other political and noneconomic factors constantly

pressure the financial markets.

These factors affect the value of investments. Your responsibility as a serious investor is to balance these changes with your investment objectives and react accordingly.

3. Inconsistent Security Selection — After determining your primary objective — generally, income or capital appreciation — you then must select the investments that meet those goals and provide you with the proper amount of safety or risk. The more risk you assume, the greater the potential for profit ... or loss.

Select the securities with any eye toward their risk/reward ratio, a qualitative measurement of its safety versus its potential for profit.

4. Overdiversification — Too little money in too many different securities is an error many investors make. The stellar return generated by one stock is quickly diminished by the average or poor returns of the rest. The law of averages destines you to mediocre performance.

You need to create a reasonable relationship between the number of securities you own and the amount of money you have invested in them. In addition, a portfolio stuffed with too many securities is difficult to manage and can increase your investing costs.

5. Underdiversification — When you concentrate too much money in too few securities, you run the risk of your fortunes riding on the performance of one or two investments.

Simply stated, you don't want all your eggs in one investment basket, whether that basket is a particular stock, bond or industry. (Next week's article will focus on the remaining six common errors.)

Federal Job Opportunities For Veterans

The Federal Government is looking for qualified Vietnam era and disabled veterans to apply for federal jobs. Under a special hiring program, veterans can seek employment utilizing their veterans preference credit and are encouraged to see if they qualify under the Veterans Readjustment Appointment (VRA) authority or the Disabled Veterans Affirmative Action Program (DVAAP). In addition, the Federal Government has direct hiring authority for severely disabled veterans who have disability ratings of 30 percent or more.

To qualify for hiring under the VRA, the veteran must have served more than 180 days active duty service, any part of which must be during the Vietnam era period — August 5, 1964 through May 7, 1975. (This does not apply to disabled Vietnam era veterans.)

Discharge must be other than dishonorable, and the veteran's level of education must be no more than fourteen years (two years beyond high school). The fourteen

year education restriction is waived for compensably disabled veterans and veterans discharged because of service connected disabilities. The VRA Program extends through December 31, 1989.

Under the direct hiring authority, the Federal Government assists veterans who have a 30 percent or greater service connected disability. The veteran must have the disability retirement documented by the Department of Defense or have a letter from the VA dated within the preceding year that shows the disability rating. In addition, the veteran must meet the minimum requirements for the position.

For further information, veterans should contact any of the following:

- Personnel office of any Federal agency.
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Alcohol And Pregnancy

During Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) Awareness Week, May 8-14, the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation joins with the National Council on Alcoholism and other organizations to raise awareness of the dangerous effects of alcohol consumption during pregnancy. The Rhode Island Chapter of the March of Dimes is urging pregnant women not to drink for their babies' sake.

"FAS is one of the leading causes of mental retardation," said Bernadette Farina, March of Dimes Executive Director. "There are many birth defects that can't be prevented, but FAS is completely preventable."

Every year in the United States, about 5,000 babies are born with FAS, which includes birth defects such as facial abnormalities, smaller than normal head and brain, low birthweight, brain damage and heart malformations. As many as 30 to 40 percent of babies whose mothers drink heavily (six or more mixed drinks, cans of beer or glasses of wine daily) while pregnant have FAS.

Moderate drinking (two to five drinks daily) also may damage an unborn baby. Experts estimate that many more babies may be born with Fetal Alcohol Effects (FAE) than with FAS. Babies with FAE exhibit some, but not all, of the signs of FAS.

Drinking alcohol during pregnancy also increases the risk of miscarriage and stillbirth, as well as the risk of death in infancy.

National Nurses Day

"The History of Nursing: Detailed in Art," will be presented on May 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Rhode Island Hospital George Auditorium. The seminar will examine, among other things, how history has influenced the evolution of the nursing profession. The event is in recognition of National Nurses' Day, which is celebrated on May 6.

Select works of art will be shown by Patricia Russac, B.A., an archivist from the Fine Arts Division of Sotheby's, Inc. in New York City. Her presentation will consist of a slide show of the artwork she compiled for the book, *The History of Nursing*.

In addition, the following guest speakers will present the social, economic and political factors that have affected the nursing profession in Rhode Island:

- Elsie Lewis, M.Ed., R.N., former assistant professor, Department of Nursing, Community College of Rhode Island.

- Dorothy Maddren, M.Ed., R.N., director, Nursing Education & Research Division, Rhode Island Hospital.

- Margaret McGillivray, M.S., M.P.H., R.N., interim nurse-in-chief, Rhode Island Hospital.

Other highlights of the program include an introduction by Secretary of State Kathleen Connell and a presentation of nursing uniforms and authentic medical artifacts from the various eras of nursing, modeled by RIH nurses.

The seminar is dedicated to nurses in the name of Virginia Granger, M.S., R.N. A graduate and long-time instructor of anatomy and physiology at the Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing, she is remembered for her contributions to nursing in Rhode Island.

"There currently is no way to predict how much alcohol, if any, is safe for an unborn baby," said Dr. Richard Morton, March of Dimes Vice President for Health Services. "We strongly urge women who drink heavily to avoid pregnancy until they are certain they can abstain from alcohol for the duration of their pregnancies. A woman who is pregnant or planning a pregnancy should stop drinking alcohol until her baby is born and she is no longer nursing."

FAS was identified by a March of Dimes grantee and reported at a March of Dimes conference in 1973. Since then, the Foundation has funded numerous research projects to investigate the effects of alcohol on pregnancy and has informed the public of the dangers of alcohol consumption during pregnancy.

As part of its mission to prevent birth defects, the March of Dimes also funds efforts to help prevent

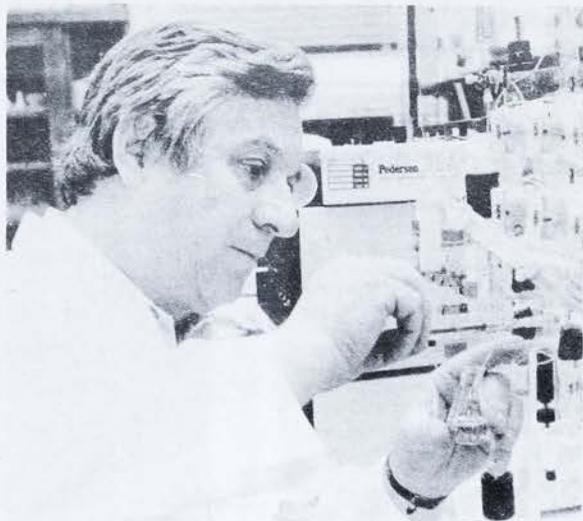
FAS and FAE, including hotlines for information and referral, and support programs for women at risk of having a baby affected by alcohol.

Contact the March of Dimes at 781-1611 for other information about FAS and FAE including educational brochures, an information sheet and a film.

Birth defects are this nation's number one child health problem. Every two minutes a baby is born with a birth defect — one of every 14 babies born in the United States.

The March of Dimes partnership of volunteers and professionals has pioneered programs that include diagnosis and treatment of babies before and after birth, genetic counseling, and early and regular prenatal care to help insure healthy lives for millions of children.

Schadchen At Work



Organic chemistry professor Abraham Patchornik of the Weizmann Institute of Science has received the coveted 1988 Rothschild Prize in Chemistry from the Rothschild Foundation in Israel. Announcing the award, the Foundation cited Prof. Patchornik's innovative approaches to the structural study

and synthesis of peptides and proteins.

One well-known Patchornik invention is affectionately known among Weizmann scientists in Rehovot as the "schadchen" or "matchmaker" machine — a sophisticated automated device capable of combining molecules into new organic units.

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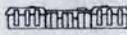


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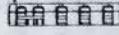
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Arts & Entertainment



Jewish Television Magazine: Ethiopian Jewry

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Recalling the intense drama of the historic "Operation Moses" airlift which brought 15,000 Ethiopian Jews to Israel, *Jewish Television Magazine* this month provides a current analysis of the Ethiopian Jewry crisis and the role of North American Jews in helping to resolve it.

The May edition of this monthly magazine — format program produced by the Council of Jewish Federations begins with an informative follow-up report on "Operation Moses," which was interrupted after roughly half of Ethiopia's Jewish population had been resettled. The segment, produced by the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC), reveals the

problems experienced by the Jews remaining in Ethiopia, such as painful family separations and recurring famine.

This month's program also features a talk with former Soviet Jewish refusenik Natan Sharansky. Interviewed recently in Miami by *Jewish Television Magazine* correspondent Suzanne Lasky, Sharansky shares his thoughts about life in the Soviet Union today under glasnost and describes his own personal odyssey from a Soviet prison to Israel.

Two other segments on the program commemorate the special May events of Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day) and the agricultural holiday of Shavuot.

Jerusalem Day marks the 1967 reunification of Jerusalem after nearly two decades of division. In order to put the holiday in the proper historic perspective, *Jewish Television Magazine* pays a visit to an unusual Jerusalem museum which depicts the city's turbulent past.

Shavuot, which celebrates the year's first harvest, brings people close to the land and is a particularly festive time for

Israel's kibbutzim. In keeping with the flavor of the holiday, the program's final segment includes a demonstration by a kibbutz chef on the making of blintzes.

The monthly programs which make up the *Jewish Television Magazine* series, now in its third year, are made available to Jewish Federations affiliated with the Council of Jewish Federations, which then obtain air time on their local television stations. The program is currently being shown in 58 communities from coast to coast.

The host of *Jewish Television Magazine* is film and television actor Stephen Macht, currently best known to viewers for his featured role on *Cagney and Lacey*.

The Council of Jewish Federations is the national association of 100 Jewish Federations, the central community organizations which serve nearly 800 localities embracing a Jewish population of more than 5.7 million in the United States and Canada.

Wang Center Announces Musical Series Partnership

The Wang Center in Boston has joined with Concert Productions International, Inc. (CPI) of Toronto to produce "Great Broadway Performances," a series of top musicals.

The four shows are: *Can Can*, starring Chita Rivera and The Radio City Rockettes, June 21-26; *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, starring Jean Stapleton and George Rose, August 2-7; *Man of La Mancha*, starring Hal Linden, August 16-21; and *South Pacific*, starring Robert Goulet, October 25-30.

Josiah Spaulding, Jr., Executive Vice President and General Manager of The Wang Center, said, "This partnership marks the first time The Wang Center will be presenting major theatrical musicals. The Wang Center will be a partner with CPI. We're proud to join forces with CPI and Ronald Andrew." Mr. Andrew is general manager of CPI's Theatrical Division.

Newsradio 590 WEEI AM is co-sponsor of each of the four shows with special promotions.

Subscription series are now on sale. Performances Tuesday through Saturday evenings at 8 p.m.; Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m.; Matinees: Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. \$63-117 for all four shows. Individual show tickets, \$17.50 to \$32.50. For tickets and information, call Ticketmaster at (617) 787-8000.

To My Child

by Carolyn Schwartz

You have grown so straight and tall
So much higher than my dreams
So many hopes when you were small
Someone who saw my soul, it seems.

My arms must loosen with each day
I hurt and want to hold on tight
Yet push you gently on your way
To seek the freedom that's your right.

But in my heart a little one
Will always hold his mother's hand
And look to me as if the sun
Could light his life at my command.

"Bonjour, La, Bonjour"



by Dorothea Snyder

Barbs and accusations hammer away to the protagonist Serge from a rigid father, whiny two aunts and taunting four sisters in *Bonjour, La, Bonjour*, French Canadian Michel Tremblay's play at Brown's Leeds Theatre.

Having returned from Paris, Serge struggles to resurrect whatever residue is left from weakened communication among an eccentric and perverted family.

His father Gabriel, whose ears were figuratively deafened to his earlier needs, is now literally deaf. Serge agonizes over his father's inability to listen and understand.

Two aunts, who live with Gabriel, constantly bicker and demand the limelight. They are pathetically comical, pleading that all they want and deserve in their old age is peace and quiet, yet they have the stamina to stir one ruckus after another.

Four over-adoring sisters incestuously pamper Serge, rivaling each other for his affections.

Director Tori Haring-Smith and assistant Michelle A. McIntyre have navigated *Bonjour, La,*

Bonjour into a fascinating piece of theatre by making us feel like peeping toms, observing a study of human behavior behind a one-way mirror.

The cast of eight Brown students have nobly carried an equal distribution of responsibility in making, what could be a confusing conglomeration of chatter, work credibly.

The three young performers who portray the father and two aunts are Tim Lord (Gabriel), Sarah Woodson Clossy (Aunt Albertine) and Katie Baldwin (Aunt Charlotte). Their skillfully done roles reflect the movements and speech, mannerisms and expressions of elderly people so authentically.

Matthew Doull as Serge, and his sisters Maria Deasy (Lucienne), Vivienne Goldschmidt (Monique), Darcy Brown (Denise), and Sevanne Kasarjian (Nicole) are fine tuned to each other, and complete the abnormal picture.

Performances continue Thursday - Sunday, May 5 - 8 at Leeds Theatre, Waterman Street between Brown and Thayer. Call 863-2838.

Keeping Chamber Music Alive

by Dorothea Snyder

After a day of deadlines, rushing around, and accomplishing trivial and tremendous tasks, I was rewarded with a night of soothing chamber music.

It was the last evening for the Rhode Island Chamber Music Concert series in Brown's stately Alumnae Hall where The Boston Chamber Music Society presented a Mozart, Martinu, and Brahms program.

The folks behind the Rhode Island Chamber Music series think of everything. The hand-out program featured an excellent music guide for each composer's piece.

Starting next season on October 25, the Rhode Island Chamber Music Concert committee eagerly begins its series with the most talked about string quartet of the past 10 years, the Kronos.

Based in San Francisco, the Kronos Quartet has built a name interwoven with both the new and the classic music of our century.

A spokesperson from the committee says the group is no less enthusiastic about the remainder of the season when on Nov. 29, the Shanghai Quartet, formed five years ago at Shanghai Conservatory, will be heard. Following last summer's ensemble-in-residence at Tanglewood, the Quartet was invited to play at New York's "Mostly Mozart Festival."

On March 7, 1989, The Bowdoin Trio will appear. Their name is taken from Bowdoin College in Maine where it is the resident piano trio at the Bowdoin Summer Music Festival. The New York-based ensemble made a notable debut in Carnegie Hall.

The 1989 season will end April 18 with the distinguished American String Quartet. Since its founding at Juilliard in 1974, the Quartet has toured both sides of the Atlantic, stirring positive audience reaction. This month the Naumburg Laureate performs a special Alice Tully Hall Concert in New York under the auspices of the Naumburg Foundation.

Retreat from the world with Rhode Island Chamber Music Concert offerings!

Subscription inquires can be made at 863-2416.

1988 Senior Show At RIC

The Rhode Island College Art Department and Bannister Gallery is pleased to announce the 1988 Senior Show, May 5-21. The exhibition opens May 5th at 7pm in the Bannister Gallery. The works featured will be by the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree recipients. The gallery is open daily Monday through Friday 11:00 am to 4:00 pm, plus Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

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Torat Yisrael's Own Mishpahton

by Sandra Silva

Something unique is happening at Temple Torat Yisrael and it's called Mishpahton. Mishpahton is Hebrew for 'little family' and Temple Torat Yisrael has established its own mishpahton consisting of the children of the Afternoon School staff. They meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5:30, while their parents are teaching.

Last year, Torat Yisrael lost two outstanding professionals from its afternoon School staff because acceptable child care for their youngsters was not available. Child care arrangements, or the lack of them has impacted the entire school. Last year, 40% of staff absenteeism resulted from some sort of child care problem. Mishpahton is an answer to those problems.

There are currently five children in the Mishpahton, they range in age from two to five. Judy Nagle, teacher, and Leah Ross, assistant, try to provide the children with a stimulating but not overloaded environment.

The average Mishpahton session consists of: free play, snack time, story time, one art activity and rest. Activities are structured to meet the children's various levels of development.

During free play the children are encouraged to use their imaginations for amusement. There is a large climbing apparatus in the room which will often serve as a spaceship capable of travelling to any planet, real or imaginary. There are building blocks, puzzles, books, art supplies and other toys which the children choose from during this time.

The first thing that will be noticed by anyone familiar with children in the 2 to 5 age bracket is the way the children here play together. The older children play just as willingly with the younger children as they do with those their own age.

After free play, the children may

move into an organized art activity. For the celebration of Israel's 40th anniversary they made the Israeli Flag using construction paper and glitter. Many of the children's art projects are inspired by Jewish and American holidays. And often, storytime books will focus on a topic of Jewish interest.

Mishpahton benefits all parties involved. The children are provided with quality care. They are in an environment where they can play and develop social skills, but at the same time it is a learning environment where they are exposed to Jewish values, customs, ceremonies and the use of simple Hebrew vocabulary which is geared to the abilities of each child enrolled.

The parents know that their children are nearby and that they don't have to worry about getting the babysitter home by a certain time. They also don't have to worry when or whether the babysitter will show up. Travelling to and from work with the children brings the family closer together by involving the children in the lives of their parent outside the home.

The entire Afternoon School has been positively influenced by the Mishpahton program. Teachers are more at ease knowing that their children are just a few feet away. They come to school early to use the resource rooms or prepare lessons, more than ever before. They will often stay late to discuss their methods with each other and offer help or advice.

Teachers are relaxed knowing that their children are in an acceptable, safe and healthy, learning environment. This enables them to concentrate more fully on their classes which creates a more positive classroom environment.

According to Lonna Picker, the educational quality of Torat Yisrael's Afternoon School has always been high but since the inception of the Mishpahton program it has become stronger than ever.



Ilana Guttman, left, and Leah Ross work at a puzzle together during free play. Ilana's sister, Sari Guttman, far left, plays quietly with the toy garage which seems to be a favorite among all the children.



Adam Liebowitz concentrates at the easel during the free play session at Torat Yisrael's Mishpahton program.



Sari Guttman displays the books that are available to choose from at story time and free play.



Sisters Ilana, right, and Sari Guttman, play together.

Youth Hi Lights

House Of Worship

By Tj Feldman

The house of worship stands before me like a shadow in the sunlight mysterious — yet cheerful a place of learning — of discovering.

It is a place where people come together to pray, to feel, to share. Wisdom fills the air around me a stillness overwhelms my senses as I remember the things I learned just beyond those doors.

Consecration, Bat Mitzvah, Confirmation, Post Confirmation. Four separate memorable milestones of my youth will remain a part of my adulthood.

Lessons learned nowhere else — but here amidst people just like myself. Studying the history of our ancestors I saw the future of our people.

The words of rabbis linger in the mind thought provoking — awe inspiring words that have shaped my Judaism — my life.

Soon I began helping teach the lessons I had learned — but always looking for new answers — and often finding them in my students' faces

As I prepare to embark on my lonely journey into further Jewish studies I take with me gentle words of wisdom, new questions, and a strong foundation.

The Sun has set and the house of worship stands before me like a silhouette in the moonlight pondering — imposing a place where I have learned and discovered.

The road of religious study is filled with milestones and obstacles. For the last twelve years I have been guided by rabbis, teachers, family members, friends and peers. In a few weeks the people who have led me this far will take on a less direct role in my Judaism. Until now, I have sat in classrooms, services and other structured environments as both a student and instructor and heard these peoples' words. Now, I have to begin to put these words into perspective and create a more personal Judaism. Without these people I could never even begin this seemingly impossible task.

There are many people who have been a part of my Jewish Education but mostly I'd like to thank my mom, Terrie Feldman for giving me the freedom to choose to continue my Jewish education and for making sure I had the resources to do it. I'd also like to thank my brother, Michael Feldman whose active involvement in Judaism was a great, and difficult example to follow. In addition, I'd like to thank my late father, Arnold Feldman whose decision to join and be involved in a synagogue created the opportunity for his children to do the same.

In particular, I'd like to thank Barbara Singh who has taught me the art of relating Jewish history to modern problems, and for helping me to convey the lessons to two classes of very special fifth graders. Her method of teaching is inspiring and refreshing and it's one I'll use in a religious school classroom of my own.

The words of several rabbis have made me examine Judaism more closely and gain a new admiration for Scripture. Rabbis Leslie Y. Gutterman, and Lawrence M. Silverman of Temple Beth-El, and Rabbi Alan Ullman of Worcester,

Mass. are the men who have challenged me to find the deeper meanings in my Jewish studies, both here and abroad.

Carl Feldman brought an insight to Holocaust studies that made me feel the pain of the six million who perished. His knowledge and expertise brought depth to the emotion in his lessons and made them memorable. His words brought terrifying images to mind and often sent shivers up my spine.

The four girls with whom I will graduate from Religious school, Julie Corwin, Julie Levitt, Dawn Pollock, and Sarah Zurier deserve a great deal of credit for making it this far. Though it has been fulfilling, there have been moments when I would rather have been somewhere other than in a classroom. These four girls have expressed some good ideas that made discussions interesting and lively. They made it worth staying until now, and have helped give me the motivation to continue searching for my definition of Judaism.

Over the years all of my friends have supported me even when they didn't understand my fixation with Jewish studies. Hearing about their religions has made my studies all the more meaningful. As far as my other Jewish friends from here and far away, they have listened to my ideas and helped me understand them better.

There are many others who deserve credit for helping me get here. Between those mentioned and all the others who were there to see me grow into a self-respecting Jew, I think I've been well prepared to take on the responsibility for my own Judaism in the future. The lessons I've learned along the way won't be soon forgotten, nor will the teachers who taught me.

Setting The Record Straight On The Middle East

By Joel Kortick

In 1948, the Jews attained a homeland known as Israel. The Palestinians were given a homeland known as Jordan. Jordan is a country several times the size of Israel.

From the day of Israel independence onward, the Arab states have resented Israel.

Before 1967, the people of the West Bank and Gaza did not live under Israeli occupation. Israel believed that it had historical claims to the area, but "let well enough alone."

In 1967, however, Egypt and Jordan, among other Arab countries, attacked Israel. Israel retaliated. Needless to say, Israel won the war, and in doing so, they captured the West Bank and Gaza. Because of the strategic value of this land, Is-

rael has kept it. To give it up would mean Israel would be saying "Okay, Arab countries, attack us again." We are all aware that the PLO doctrine is to regain Palestine and push the Jews into the sea.

Since occupation, Israel has improved conditions in the West Bank and Gaza by, among other things, building universities and hospitals. The infant mortality rate has dropped by 60%.

At present time, the whole "Land for Peace" issue is ridiculous. Sure, it worked with Egypt. After the deal was made, however, Egypt was practically excommunicated from the rest of the Arab states. This shows us their true intentions as far as peace is concerned.

Let us not be so naive in our quest for peace.

Share Your Home, Heart And Heritage

American Scandinavian Student Exchange (ASSE, International) would like to introduce you to some very special people.

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Ron Normand, Area Representative for the Greater Providence area, said "We will help the host family to choose a student who has some interests in common with the family, as well as keep in contact with the host family and student on a regular basis to assure everything is going smoothly."

If you are interested in becoming an ASSE host family or would like more information, please contact: Ron Normand, 82 Rice Street, Pawtucket, RI 02861, 401-722-2254.

Elkin Midrasha Graduation



Seated (L-R): Heidi Perlman, Aaron Yailas, Elana Kirshenbaum, Stephen Kaufman, Laura Page. Standing (L-R): Evelyn Brier, Education Director; Harry Elkin Midrasha; Garrett Sock; Lynda Zenofsky; Scott Silverman; David Fain; Harry Mamaysky; Kim Lefkowitz; Joshua Starr. Not pictured are Shelley Oelbaum, Joseph Spraragen and Alisa Yanow.

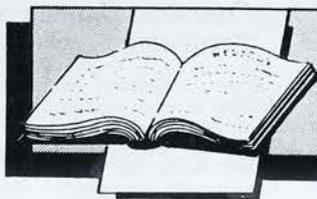
The Harry Elkin Midrasha, the community high school of Jewish studies of the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island, will hold graduation ceremonies for fifteen seniors on Sunday, May 15, 1988 at 10 a.m. at Temple Am David, 40 Gardiner St., Warwick, R.I. Members of the graduating class will conduct Shoharit services. Graduates include David Fain, Stephen Kaufman, Elana Kirshenbaum, Kim Lefkowitz, Harry Mamaysky, Shelley Oelbaum, Laura Page, Heidi Perlman, Scott Silverman, Garrett Sock, Joseph Spraragen, Joshua Starr, Alisa Yanow, Aaron Yailas and Lynda Zenofsky.

These students have devoted their time and energy to continuing their Jewish education

in an intensive supplementary high school program. In a time when Jews are concerned about the commitment of their young people, it is encouraging to see such dedication. These students will develop into knowledgeable leaders of the Jewish community.

The Harry Elkin Midrasha, with an enrollment of over 100 teenagers, grades eight through 12, offers classes twice a week. Among the 40 courses offered are: Bible, Rabbinics, Jewish history, literature, philosophy and Hebrew. A highly qualified faculty provides depth and excitement to these studies. Educational Director of the Midrasha is Evelyn Brier.

Please join in wishing "Yosher Koah" the Elkin Midrasha graduates on May 15 at 10 a.m.



Books in Review

Memories Of Anne

Anne Frank Remembered by Miep Gies with Alison Leslie Gold (Simon and Schuster, 1987, 252 pages, 6.95)

Reviewed by David DeBlois

A friend of mine recently read Anne Frank's *The Diary of a Young Girl* for the first time. She said she felt as though Anne was writing to her. For her. About her.

A lot of people feel that way. Now, for all these people, comes Miep's story. Entitled *Anne Frank Remembered*, the book serves as a beautiful companion to the *Diary*, providing a detailed, informative, moving portrait of life outside the Annex. Though it had been years since I read Anne Frank's book, Gies' account enhanced my appreciation of, while sparking me to re-read, the *Diary*.

More than just a background piece, however, *Anne Frank Re-*

membered stands on its own as a stirring, poignant memoir and a sparkling personal account of major historical events. Even one who has not read the *Diary* could not help but be moved by this work. Gies, along with collaborator Alison Leslie Gold, addresses the reader in a straightforward, understated style that is quite effective. This is never made more evident than in the Prologue, where Gies sets down the basic philosophy of her book, beginning with the statement, "I am not a hero." She elaborates:

More than twenty thousand Dutch people helped to hide Jews and others in need of hiding during those years. I willingly did what I could to help. My husband did as well. It was not enough.

Gies continues to dismiss her heroism throughout the book, saying that she simply did what had to be done. She takes the same matter-of-fact tone concerning her

husband Henk's work in the Dutch underground movement. However, I came away from the book with a greatly increased respect for the Dutch people as a whole. In my view, Miep Gies is a hero, as are her twenty thousand or so compatriots who participated in undermining the Nazi cause. Gies' modest tone cannot disguise the bravado of their actions.

Though Gies does attempt to put distance between herself and the notion of heroism, she does provide moving interpretations of her relationships with those around her. As a result, the book transcends its role as a *Diary* appendix and creates a precise, whole vision of its own.

Gies' own personal history is compelling enough in itself to warrant reading. Her life was profoundly affected by not one world war, but two. Born Hermine Santrouschitz in Vienna, she was sent to the Netherlands as a child as part of a program to relieve malnutrition in Austria following World War I. Soon after, her adop-

tive family began referring to her by the affectionate Dutch nickname, Miep. She recounts her childhood quickly, then begins delving into her work for a recent German emigre to the Netherlands, Otto Frank.

The material on the German occupation is presented with vivid detail. Gies fills this section with memories that effectively illustrate the methods and horrors of Nazism. The author relates how the guise of friendliness eventually disappeared from the Nazi repertoire:

Like ripples in a pond, the effects of the German persecution of the Jewish population seemed to be widening and deepening. None of us knew what was yet to come. Being Jewish had to feel these days as though one were standing on shifting sands—and for some, quicksand. In addition to the Franks, Gies records her involvement in the concealment of other Jews. She tells of those seeking hiding places whom she could not assist, almost as though the thought of them had haunted her all these years.

The book finishes amazingly strong. Gies' account of Otto Frank's return and subsequent search for his missing daughters is quite compelling, despite the fact that the reader is aware of the inevitable resolution. The book's effectiveness in this section is a tribute to the strong relationships developed throughout the text as a

whole.

The preservation of Anne's diary is worked in nicely by Gies and Gold, again not glorified or overstated, for no one at that time could have known that Mrs. Gies was in possession of what would become one of the world's most beloved works of literature. Unable to read Anne's *Diary* until after its second printing, Gies finally comes to grips with her feelings for her lost young friend:

And so I began to read. I read the whole diary without stopping. From the first word, I heard Anne's voice come back to speak to me from where she had gone. I lost track of time. Anne's voice tumbled out of the book, so full of life, moods, curiosity, feelings. She was no longer gone and destroyed. She was alive again in my mind.

Anne Frank Remembered is highly recommended—as a companion to *The Diary of a Young Girl* or on its own. Despite its title, the book does not feature Anne Frank. The author manages to relate her devotion to all of those around her during this very trying period in history. Nor does Gies make the mistake of merely providing her version of the events in the Annex. As a result, Gies' book manages to stand on its own as an autobiography, as well as providing an absorbing, informative context for the *Diary*.

May we never forget.

I Must Have That Recipe

I Must Have That Recipe. Westchester Chapter of the National Women's Division of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, 1300 Morris Park Ave., Suite B-802, Bronx, N.Y. 10461.

International Cooking for the Kosher Home. Betty S. Goldberg. Jonathan David Publishers, 68-22 Eliot Ave., Middle Village, N.Y. 11379.

Kosher Cajun Cookbook. Mildred Covert and Sylvia Gerson. Pelican Publishing Company, 1101 Monroe St., P.O. Box 189, Gretna, La. 70053

Sephardic Holiday Cooking. Gilda Angel; illustrated by Rosemarie Campion. Decalogue Books, 7 North MacQuesten Parkway, Mt. Vernon, N.Y. 10550.

The Yemenite Cookbook. Zion Levi and Hani Agabria. Seaver Books; distributed by Henry Holt & Company, 115 West 18th Street, New York, N.Y. 10011.

Reviewed by Naomi Kleinberg

From the evidence at hand, it's obvious that of the making of many Jewish cookbooks there is no end. And if the examples reviewed here are an indication of the true state of the art, there's much to enjoy right now and, it's to be hoped, even more to anticipate in days to come.

I Must Have That Recipe is a kosher cookbook published as a fundraising tool by the Women's Division of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. As is typical with such projects, recipes were collected from traditional sources including committee members, friends, generous restaurant chefs, and so on.

What is atypical about this particular cookbook is the high quality of production and design and the diversity and interest of the recipes (most fundraising cookbooks are much less professionally — or imaginatively — published). This book is a hefty hardcover (front and back covers are wipeable); the paper is heavy and glossy; and the recipes, covering sixteen categories, are well presented and easy to follow. There are also recipes from Cuisinarts, Inc. (the food processor people), famous restaurants, spas, and a couple of celebrities.

The dust jacket of *International Cooking for the Kosher Home* may not grab a buyer's attention, but any cook who stops to look inside will be richly rewarded. Betty S.

Goldberg (author of *Chinese Kosher Cooking*) divides the globe into four main areas — Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific Islands, and the Americas — and offers kosher adaptations of a host of dishes from numerous countries. The most surprising and diverse selections come from Asia and the Pacific Islands; Goldberg goes beyond China and Japan to offer mouth-watering dishes from Korea, Vietnam, Indonesia, Thailand, Tahiti, and Hawaii, among others. Other unexpected countries include the Netherlands, Brazil, and Peru.

Each section includes Appetizers and Soups, Main Dishes, Side Dishes, and Desserts. Substitutions made for treyfe ingredients or to avoid mixing meat and dairy do not detract from the recipes' authenticity. The selection of recipes, while hardly exhaustive, does provide a fair survey of nations covered. Recipes are detailed and easy to follow. There is a helpful guide to selecting "exotic" ingredients.

The *Kosher Cajun Cookbook* is by the team that gave us the first-ever *Kosher Creole Cookbook*. There has been much interest in Cajun culture of late and certainly Cajun cuisine is no small part of that. (Cajuns are descendants of French Acadians who were driven from Nova Scotia in the mid-1700s and settled in Louisiana.)

Authors Gerson and Covert present recipes from Louisiana's major Cajun communities, focusing on one category of dish for each area (for example, rice dishes from the town of Crowley; yam recipes — yams are a staple of the region — from Opelousas, and so on). Shellfish are a main ingredient of a Cajun cooking and the authors are as inventive about replacing these forbidden foods with kosher seafood as they are in adapting and presenting all the recipes here.

Many recipes include directions for microwave and food processor preparation. Each section is preceded by a brief history and there is a glossary of Cajun, Yiddish, and Hebrew words. Adventurous cooks (and eaters) — this book is for you.

Sephardic Holiday Cooking: Recipes and Traditions was many years in the making and was well worth waiting for. Excellently written, thorough, and beautifully illustrated, it is far and away the best-looking, most professional,

and interesting Sephardic cookbook of its kind in print.

Gilda Angel organizes her book around the eleven holidays of the Jewish year (except Shabbat, which is considered by many to be a holiday) and offers a wide array of recipes from all countries gathered under the Sephardic umbrella: Turkey, Greece and Rhodes, Syria, Egypt, Morocco, Algeria, Holland, Persia, Israel, and — of course — Spain.

One or more national menus are offered for most holidays; a couple include eclectic meals. Any cook

worried that this format might exclude a favorite Sephardic dish can rest assured that, while this book could not encompass every traditional recipe, all the standards are included and there are many marvelous surprises.

Recipes are clearly written with explicit instructions; more difficult or hard-to-describe techniques are illustrated. Each holiday menu is prefaced by a discussion of Sephardic holiday practices and customs, and there is an exhaustive index to help in locating a particular dish from

among the menus.

It is difficult to praise this book enough — it is a pleasure to read, a treat to look at, and a delight to cook from. May it enjoy a long and healthy life!

Naomi Kleinberg is a freelance writer and book reviewer, and an editor at a New York trade publisher.



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Lag B'Omer-The 33rd Day

by Dvora Waysman

(WZPS) — Sometimes, when we are expecting the visit of a dear friend, we count the days to his arrival, even marking off each day as it passes on the calendar. Similarly, we are commanded in Leviticus 23:15 to count the days that pass between Passover and Shavuot, which commemorates the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. It is written: "And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the day of rest, from the day ye brought the sheaf of the waving; 7 weeks shall there be complete; even unto the morrow after the seventh week shall ye number 50 days; and ye shall present a meal offering unto the Lord."

So from the second day of Passover, we begin counting the Omer. The Omer is simply Biblical Hebrew for a 'measure' — in this case, of barley. How does one actually count? Jewish bookstores sell 'sefirah counters' or you can mark out the days on a calendar and put it in a prominent place so you won't forget. The mood during the Omer period, which lasts for seven weeks, is one of semi-mourning: weddings do not take place, nor is one supposed to cut one's hair, buy new clothes, or visit places of entertainment. There are various explanations, one being that this Omer or 'sefirah' period is a time of apprehension, anticipating receiving the Torah at Mount Sinai at the end of the 50 days

which culminate with Shavuot.

However, there is a break in the semi-mourning on the 33rd day, called Lag b'Omer or 'Scholar's Day,' which falls on the Hebrew date of 18th Iyyar. On this day thousands upon thousands of people flock by foot, in cars and buses to the tomb of the great teacher Simeon Bar Yochai, in the remote town of Meron in the mountains of Galilee. It is the scene of frenzied and joyous Lag b'Omer celebrations, beginning when a huge bonfire is lit at midnight. Women throw silken scarves into the flames, and the men sing and dance rousing Hassidic songs around the fire. They also study the Zohar, the holy book of mysticism attributed to Bar Yochai.

At dawn, the hues of crimson sunrise light up the mountains and valleys as praying begins anew. It is traditional for three-year-old boys to receive their first haircuts at Meron on this day, and their hair is cast into the flames, again with much singing and dancing.

What began in Meron quickly spread to other parts of Israel, and bonfires on Lag b'Omer have now become a traditional means of celebrating the festival, with children collecting wood for weeks beforehand. Most Israeli families spend the eve of Lag b'Omer singing around a campfire, roasting potatoes, while the more religious retell ancient stories of Bar Kochba, Rabbi Akiva and Bar

Yochai.

For Bar Kochba and Rabbi Akiva — one an outstanding general, the other a famous scholar — are also linked with Lag b'Omer, going back eighteen centuries, when, under the leadership of these two great men, Jews began to revolt against Roman tyranny. The revolt lasted from 132-135 C.E. and Rabbi Akiva was tortured to death, but the Jews still refused to give up their Torah. During Bar Kochba's revolt, a terrible epidemic struck Rabbi Akiva's students, and 24,000 young men lost their lives. On Lag b'Omer the epidemic suddenly ended, so festivity was permitted on this one day during the period of semi-mourning.

Simeon Bar Yochai, the great teacher, lived at this same heroic period. Refusing to obey the Roman decree against teaching Torah, he fled to the Galilee and hid in a cave for 13 years, living on the fruit of the carob tree. Each year, on Lag b'Omer, his pupils visited him disguising themselves as hunters with bows and arrows. Bar Yochai died on Lag b'Omer and asked his disciples to celebrate, not mourn, his death. It is at his tomb that the Meron celebrations take place.

Obituary

MARION ASCHER

PROVIDENCE — Marion Ascher, 88, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., an employee of the Internal Revenue Service, Hartford, for five years before retiring in 1965, died April 25, 1988, at the home. She was the widow of Moses D. Ascher.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Aaron and Bertha Reffkin, she lived in Hartford and West Hartford for 55 years before returning to Providence in 1984.

Mrs. Ascher attended the former Bryant and Stratton Business College, now Bryant College. She was a past president of the Women's Auxiliary of B'nai B'rith, Hartford, and a past president of the Women's Auxiliary of the International Order of Brith Abraham, Hartford. She taught contract bridge in the Hartford area for many years.

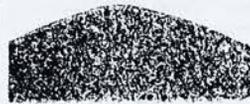
She leaves a daughter, Rosalyn Stambovsky of Springfield, Mass.; seven grandchildren and a great-grandson.

A funeral service was held at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in the I.O.B.A. Cemetery, Hartford.

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In spite of an apparent decline in those who point to financial success as an important reason for attending college, 57 percent of current RISD freshmen cite wealth as an essential goal in life. Money, however, still comes second to other top priorities for freshmen: 94 percent rate creating

art of paramount importance, while being an authority in one's field (75 percent), obtaining recognition from colleagues (66 percent) and succeeding in one's own business (60 percent) are also considered among the top goals in life.

In terms of political orientation, RISD freshmen mirror national norms in rating themselves essentially liberal (43 percent) or middle-of-the-road (40 percent). A mere 6 percent consider themselves to be politically far-left, and only 0.4 percent admit to being far-right. Freshmen views on a variety of social issues reflect this liberal orientation: 72 percent (versus 54 percent nationally) of RISD's youngest class favor living together before marriage, 63 percent (versus 52 percent nationally) condone sex between two people who like each other, and 34 percent (versus 22 percent nationally) feel abortion should remain legal. And although 87 percent say the government is not promoting nuclear disarmament, 67 percent (versus 59 percent of their less optimistic peers) feel disarmament is possible.

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Jewish Theological Seminary Receives Grant

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The Jewish Theological Seminary of America has received a grant of \$156,000 from The Wexner Foundation of Columbus, Ohio to develop a comprehensive internship and mentoring program in the Rabbinical School. The grant will be used over a three-year period. In a letter to Ismar Schorsch, Chancellor of the Seminary announcing the grant, Rabbi Maurice S. Corson, president of The Wexner Foundation, said "It is our hope that through this grant the Seminary will be able to significantly enhance the training of America's future pulpit rabbis."

"Rabbinical education requires academic study of Judaic texts and traditions, personal religious growth, and preparation for the professional aspects of the rabbinate, that is, teaching, preaching, counseling, administration, and more generally, applying Judaic scholarship to the religious and communal needs of Jewish communities," said Dr. Schorsch. "The Wexner grant will permit the Seminary to develop and sustain a comprehensive program of pre-service training for all rabbinical students as a requirement of the Rabbinical School." The program will consist of rotating internships which could cover a range of rabbinic functions and settings under the supervision of rabbinic mentors now working in the field. Settings would include congregations, schools, camps, social service agencies, communal organizations and chaplaincies.

An added dimension to the program would be having experienced pulpit rabbis in residence at the Seminary itself, to serve as religious and professional models for students, and to

support them in the development of their professional competence.

Because of the centrality of the rabbinate in all aspects of Jewish leadership," said Dr. Raymond Scheindlin, Provost of the Seminary, "every rabbinical school has an obligation to its students and to the Jewish community to prepare well-trained, professionally competent, and religiously mature rabbis. Students at the Jewish Theological Seminary complete a rigorous six-year program that is designed to train them in academic, religious, and professional aspects of the rabbinate."

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, beginning its second century, is the center of the Conservative Movement in America and Canada, and has, in addition to its Rabbinical School, a Cantorial Institute, an undergraduate and a graduate school.

Son #1

by Carolyn Schwartz

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When made a mother by my son
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Just by walking in my room
And with his smile dry my tears
And wash away the bitter years.

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But being one much more divine
We appreciate our mothers so
When we ourselves that joy can know.

Two ways I celebrate this day
Give thanks, my mother and I say
My son should only know the joy
Of such a "precious" little boy.

Soviet Emigrants Must Go To Israel

By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Foreign Ministry has confirmed that Jews wishing to leave the Soviet Union to immigrate to Israel will soon be forced to pick up their Israeli visas at the Israel Consulate in Bucharest.

Until now, the visas have been issued by the Dutch Embassy in Moscow, which looks after Israel's interests in the Soviet Union. Once in possession of the Soviet

exit visa and the Israeli entrance visa, the emigrants have until now used them to go to Vienna. From there, they were free to go wherever they could obtain another entry visa.

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Fall Fashion: A Look Ahead

by Sandra Silva

The latest fiasco in the fashion industry is short skirts. Ask any retailer of better women's clothing, this past year has been a disaster for the country as a whole in the sportswear category.

The fashion industry is geared towards change, and the only recent change has been in the length of skirts, causing sheer panic in the hearts of many.

The short skirt trend began when the shape of jackets became shorter and more fitted. This type of jacket works better when paired with a shorter, slimmer skirt rather than a full, long one. As designers began to lift hemlines, the situation veered out of control and up the legs of society.

Unfortunately for the retailers of better women's clothing, many of their customers wouldn't wear this style. According to Peter Blieden, short skirts (mid-thigh short, not knee length and below) aren't for a woman of taste.

The typical woman has a figure that is one size larger on the bottom than it is on top. Since shortening a skirt often requires that the style of the skirt be cleaned up, most have become straight and narrow, a difficult shape for many women to wear.

There are larger numbers of people wearing the same clothing they bought last year than ever before. What is the fashion industry's answer to this? Longer skirts!!!

This fall, the slim skirt is still around, but it is not as body-hugging as it has been recently, nor is it as short. This style skirt will be available in lengths from two inches below the knee to ankle length. Once again, there will be a large selection of full-skirt styles from which to choose. There will be everything imaginable in skirts this year — except above the knee.

Clothing will be softening up. The severe, body hugging styles of recent seasons past will be out. Clothing will be more tailored than fitted. There will be a larger selection of daytime dresses than what has been available for a long time, especially for the fall season. Sportswear is moving back towards conservative style trousers made from traditional fabrics, such as wool gabardine and tailored jackets. This is a break from the trend of knits that had been so prevalent the past few seasons.

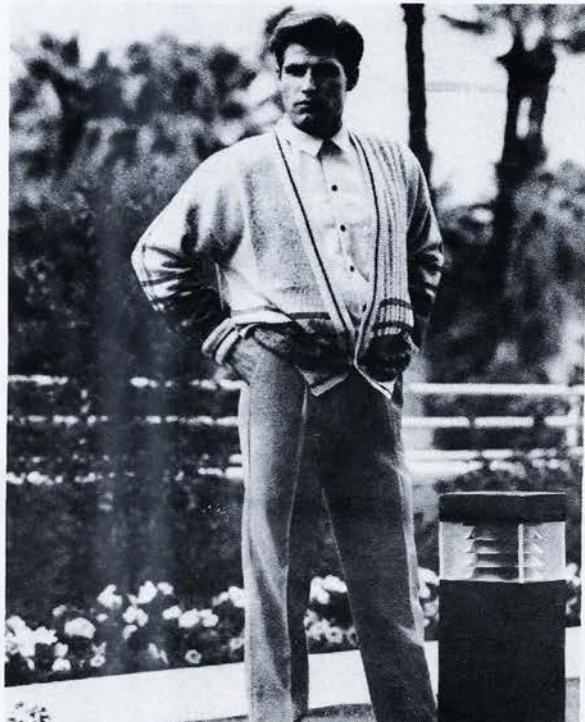
For daytime sportswear, there will be fewer sweaters and more of

a selection of blouses in fabrics from cotton to silk. Sweaters will be available as always, but the choice of the designers (and consumers) seems to have shifted in favor of blouses of all styles.

Wool jersey will be a strong fabric for Fall with bold, but not splashy floral prints. The primary colors for fall are hunter green and purple. Next year's styles will be very wearable for women of all body types, explained Peter Blieden. There will be no extremes style-wise.

When shopping, pay strict attention to fabrics. Be sure that the style and fabric are suited to each other; otherwise, the fabric will not hold its shape, and the clothing will not fall properly. The one smart move for a shopper is to follow his/her conscience. Do not buy anything that does not feel comfortable, physically and emotionally, even if someone else thinks it looks great, because it will probably never be worn.

Up-To-The-Minute Styling



PLEASING PLEATS — For spring, 1988, Oleg Cassini flatters the male form with stylishly pleated trousers of comfortable, easy-care "Trevira," for Slacks Fifth Avenue. A shirt with the new, smaller collar, and relaxed cardigan with large scale plaid, complete the look. Photographed in the courtyard of Maxim's Hotel, Palm Springs, California.

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Spring Fashion: Grin And Bare It!

Spring fashion for 1988 could be said to be barely there. The trend started last fall, when designers returned in droves to the mini skirt.

This season, shoulders, backs, chests, arms, thighs and even midriffs will be as bare as knees.

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Coordinate collars and chokers or shorter length necklaces with button type earrings that frame the face and don't drop too far below the jawline. For longer lengths, try a flirty dangle.

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Appropriate Shoes, Hosiery For Spring

To look perfectly in step with spring fashions, make sure you choose the appropriate shoes and hosiery for your attire of the day. This is particularly true for spring '88, with short skirts the runway runaways, baring yards and yards of leg everywhere you turn.

While sophisticated city suits are being shown with high heels

and sheer hose for an elegant look, more playful clothes demand a different silhouette.

Flat sport shoes, both closed and strappy, are special favorites, worn (depending on the colors of the clothes) with either sheer or opaque stockings.

Some of the looks demand bare, tanned legs sliding gracefully into

sandals.

Another alternative is the snappy sock — particularly with the new urbanized shorts — either ankle or knee-high.

With fashions as playful as they are for spring '88, hosiery is in high gear — an area offering fashion fun with no holds barred.

Romantic Looks Inspire Spring Fashions

Romance is in the air, as well as in the wardrobe this spring. According to Singer Sewing Company, the fashion approach for spring is softer, replacing the strict tailoring of the past few seasons. A resurgence of femininity shows up in new romantic styles, fabrics and colors.

Washable silks, crinkled taffetas and lightweight linens all appear on the fashion scene in new, muted pastels. When black shows up, it is generally combined with soft neutral shades to create a more subdued look.

Many of the new women's fashions capture the romantic feelings of the thirties, while the young miss will be sporting flirty fifties-era styles.

All told, spring has fashions to please almost everyone.

Best of all, this year's spring fashions can be coordinated easily from clothes you already own. Singer Sewing Company suggests you take a look at your basics before purchasing any new wardrobe components — it's amazing what you can do to existing clothes with a little ingenuity and a sewing machine.

Take a look at your skirts. This season, anything goes in terms of length, with an emphasis on short. A-lines in particular are shortened easily for an instant fashion statement.

However, there is no reason to fret if short is not for you. Long skirts and petticoats are also big.

Try attaching lace or eyelet with a sewing machine, such as the Singer Stylist 6233. Stitch it to your skirt's hem and voila! — a soft petticoat effect.

To tie together an entire outfit, attach a matching lace or eyelet collar to a blouse or sweater with a basic jewel neckline. Or create a lace or fabric scarf using the rolled hem on a Singer overlock machine.

To top off your new and updated outfits, accessorize with wider belts, fancy buttons and gloves. Belts are easy to make from Ultrasuede fabric, heavyweight linen or any leather-look fabric on a Singer conventional or overlock sewing machine.

To add a finishing touch, purchase one of the fancy buckles available at your local fabric or specialty store.

Pearl buttons and lace ruffles can be attached to dress gloves to add innocent charm to your romantic look. Ruffles can be made either by hand or using a Singer ruffler attachment, which simultaneously gathers and stitches the fabric to your gloves.

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Spring Looks At RGE II



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Out Of The Past

(Reminiscences from the Archives of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association)

by Eleanor F. Horvitz

Fashions change over the years and nowhere is it more evident than in the boxes of photographs

on file in the archives of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association. It is almost as much fun looking at these photographs as it is rummaging through an accumulation of forgotten possessions left in someone's attic.



One of the earliest photographs is that of this lovely looking young woman who posed for Bellin & Co., photographers, in her leg-o-mutton sleeved coat. This picture is part of a collection

donated to the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association by the family of the late Dr. Max B. Gomberg (1875-1934) who practiced medicine in the north end of Providence.



The children in the collections are always charming but even more so when dressed in costume. This little girl posed in an early

20th century dress. A sort of Japanese influence is detected in the open fan which she carries and in the stickpin hair ornament.



And one cannot forget the jazz flapper era, distinguished by its short and often uneven skirts. These ladies, members of the Amica Club of the Jewish Community Center, are holding

the Jules P. Goldstein Trophy which they won in 1929. The "spit curl" of that period is seen as part of the coiffure of some of the members of the club.



Please Don't Throw Away Your Past

The Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association needs for its archives your letters, photos, scrapbooks, diaries, keepsakes, newspaper clippings, documents, organization materials, programs, diplomas, deeds, minutes, journals, bulletins, plaques, posters, tributes, passports, immigration papers, boarding passes and marriage contracts. Check through your own memorabilia. However small, it can fill a gap and help us expand our archives for the future.

REMEMBER — Today's records are tomorrow's memorabilia!

Photos courtesy of Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association



There are the decades when a well dressed lady did not appear in public without wearing a hat. This December 1948 photograph of members of the Temple Beth Israel Sisterhood portrays a variety of typical hats worn by ladies in the post World War II era.

We urge you to donate photographs of family, friends, organizations, buildings or any other category of picture. If of recent origin, they will become tomorrow's history. And some archivist will point out how people dressed in 1988!

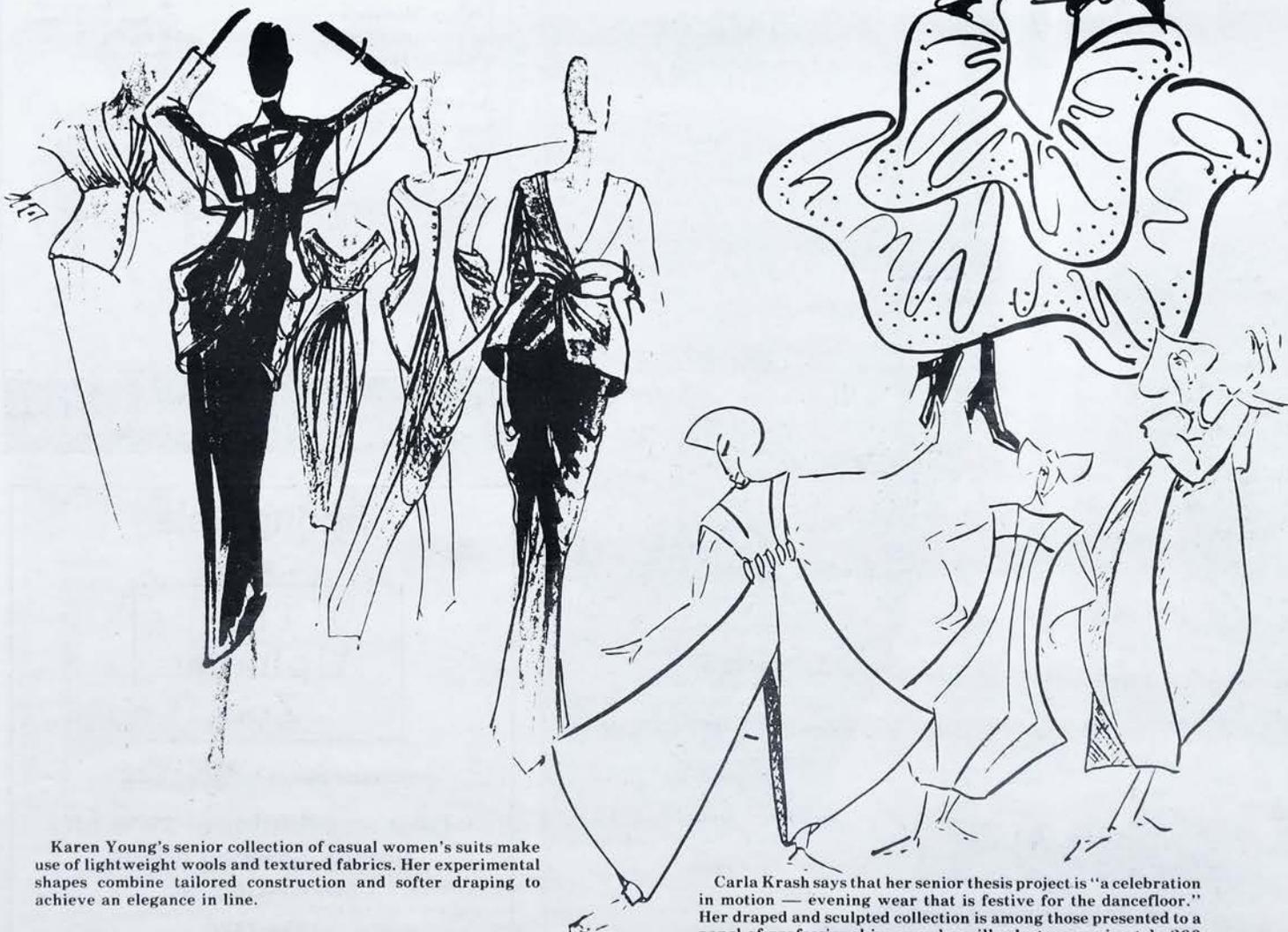
A Look Into The Future

The look of the future? These designs were chosen from some of RISD's most promising apparel design students who will be working in the fashion world within the next year.



Senior in apparel design, Beth Weisblatt, says that creating her senior thesis collection was a refreshing way to use the knowledge gained during her internship designing children's wear at Guy Laroche. Inspired by 1920's "swimming costumes," the collection attempts "to capture the essence of youth."

A flamenco evening collection by senior apparel design student Glenn Gulley features what the designer describes as "silk satin gowns that trace the torso, then explode into swirls of organza and rhinestones."



Karen Young's senior collection of casual women's suits make use of lightweight wools and textured fabrics. Her experimental shapes combine tailored construction and softer draping to achieve an elegance in line.

Carla Krash says that her senior thesis project is "a celebration in motion — evening wear that is festive for the dancefloor." Her draped and sculpted collection is among those presented to a panel of professional jurors who will select approximately 200 garments by RISD's 62 apparel design students to comprise Collection '88.



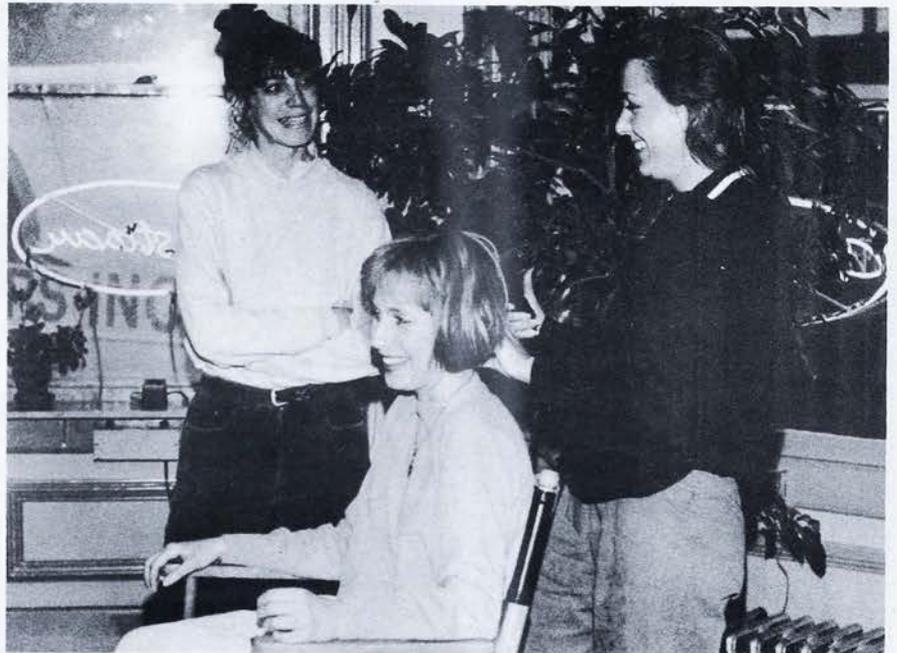
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What better than the striking contrast of black and white for formal evenings out? Here, Peter Blieden shows two of his choices for those special times. Sandra Silva, left, models a softly sophisticated, dropped blouson style dress in white, accented with an intricate floral pattern of white beadwork. Joanna Blieden, right, is elegant in a black, silk crepe gown with a white, pleated collar which flows gently over her shoulders and cascades into a vee down her back. Clothing is available at Peter Blieden, Inc.

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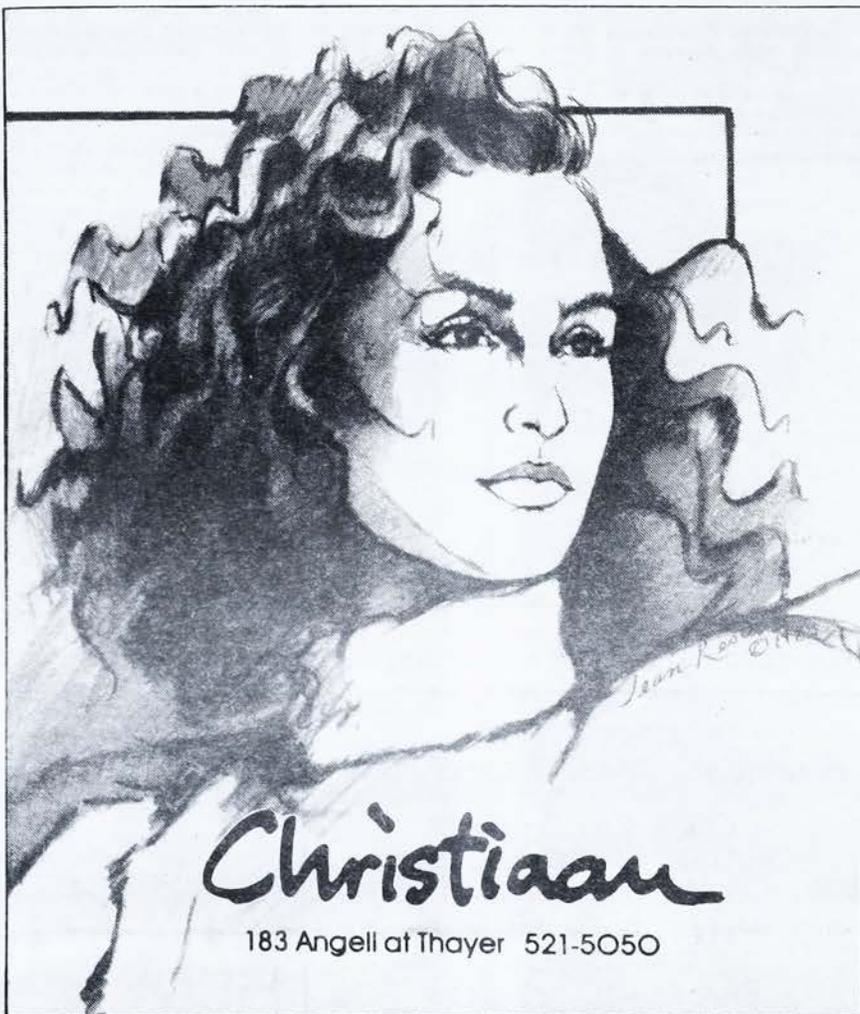
Jackies of Seekonk's Linda Demers models the Bubble Dress. The dress has a black & white moire top, long sleeves with a V back. The bottom is made up of a triple tier black and white taffeta. The large taffeta bow on the hip is accented with rhinestones. Perfect for weddings or any special occasion.

Removing Ink

The scenario is familiar. You're at work, pen in hand, when a clumsy movement results in an ink mark on your clothes.

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Advice For Parents In Selecting Sunglasses For Children, Which Can Help Protect Their Eyes

Many children spend a lot of time outside in the sun. People who spend a lot of time in the sun should wear sunglasses. Therefore, children should wear sunglasses. Right?

"That's debatable," says Donald Pitts, O.D., Ph.D., researcher at the University of Houston College of Optometry and a member of the American Optometric Association's Commission on Ophthalmic

Standards.

"There is experimental evidence that indicates extended exposure to visible light and ultraviolet radiation in sunlight may damage the retina, which contains the receptor cells used for seeing, as well as the cornea and the lens of the eye.

"Although there is no definite proof, research indicates that a person may be able to delay or

reduce this damage by wearing sunglasses as a child."

Because of the possibility that sunlight may harm a child's eyes, parents may prefer that their children wear sunglasses outside. If so, not just any pair of children's sunglasses will do, the association says.

Since most children's sunglasses sold in variety stores are considered toys rather than sunglasses by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, they do not have to meet impact-resistance standards. That means the lenses could break and cut a child's eye or face.

In addition, the lenses may contain imperfections that distort the child's vision, they may not provide enough protection from ultraviolet radiation, or the tint may be too light or too dark.

"I would advise parents to look for sunglasses that absorb ultraviolet radiation from the low wavelengths up to 380 nanometers, and have neutral gray lenses so color perception is not affected.

"They should be made of a plastic material called polycarbonate so there is less chance of breaking the lenses. The frames should also be strong and durable," says Dr. Pitts.

Although polycarbonate lenses are more susceptible to scratches, especially from an active child, special coatings can be applied to prevent this.

Quality sunglasses for children may be difficult to find in retail stores. But parents can ask an optometrist for help. It may be necessary to order regular children's eyeglass frames with sunglass lenses, even when prescription lenses aren't needed.

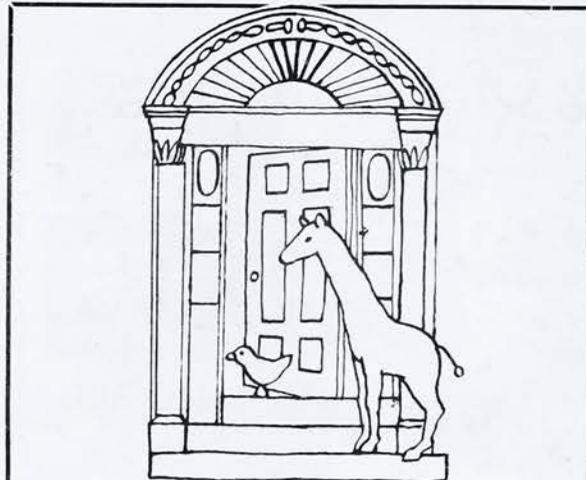
Once sunglasses are obtained, parents should not allow their children to wear them indoors. Otherwise, the sunglasses temporarily may become inadequate for outdoor wear, because the child's eyes have adapted to the darker view of the indoors.



Spring And Summer Fashions Are In Bloom At "Riveria"



Riveria's Diana Cambio and Connie Pezzillo model two exciting fashions from the Saint Romei Line. Diana (standing) shows us a black and white ruffled tiered 100% silk dress, while Connie has chosen a black, red and white silk which is gathered at the waist with a flounce. Both items plus many other stylish fashions are available at Riveria in Warwick.



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FASHION IS FUN when it bears the touch of Joan Vass, a master at the art of whimsy. Here, for spring '88, shiny dark pants are topped by a relaxed sweater whose pale ground is speckled with "confetti." Sleeves are pushed up to complete the leisurely mood.

The Diamond And Tennis: Perfect Match For Sparkling Spring/Summer Fashion

What's the hottest thing to bounce onto the jewelry scene in years? It's the diamond tennis bracelet, a single strand of brilliant diamonds worn on the left arm next to the watch.

Legend has it that Chris Evert was wearing her diamond bracelet during a televised match. The bracelet fell off during play, and cameras swooped in just in time to capture the sparkle. Later, Chris remarked, "That's my tennis bracelet."

Soon, women across the country were asking their jewelers for the diamond "tennis" bracelet. For years, diamond stud earrings have been worn by female athletes and spectators alike, but the tennis bracelet rage is an unmatched phenomenon.

The bracelets range from \$1,000 to \$35,000, depending on the size and quality of the diamonds, and women are now sporting the simple diamond bracelets both on and off the court.

The overwhelming international appeal of the diamond tennis bracelet is in its wearability. According to Manny Cohen from The World Federation of Diamond Bourses, "the diamond tennis bracelet has become an international success story. In fact, it has demonstrated to the world how diamond jewelry can be

so versatile." Classic and elegant, diamond tennis bracelets are specially styled to be worn both daytime and evening. That's why the simple strand of diamonds is perfect with a business suit, ideal with the "little black dress" for cocktails, and especially popular with jeans for casual, weekend wear.

The Diamond Information Center offers a special hint for those who yearn for a diamond tennis bracelet with diamonds a bit larger than they can afford right now.

The "add-a-diamond" bracelet is a simple gold bracelet that highlights a diamond solitaire, 1/4 carat or larger. New diamonds are added easily by your jeweler, one by one, to create the diamond tennis bracelet of your dreams.



A New Image Awaits You At Kenneth Cote Salon.



Pictured here are Glen Badessa, *New Image Consultant*, and Penny Morris a stylist at Kenneth Cote Salon. Glen and Penny are in the first stage of a consultation and are choosing the three best styles to suit Penny.

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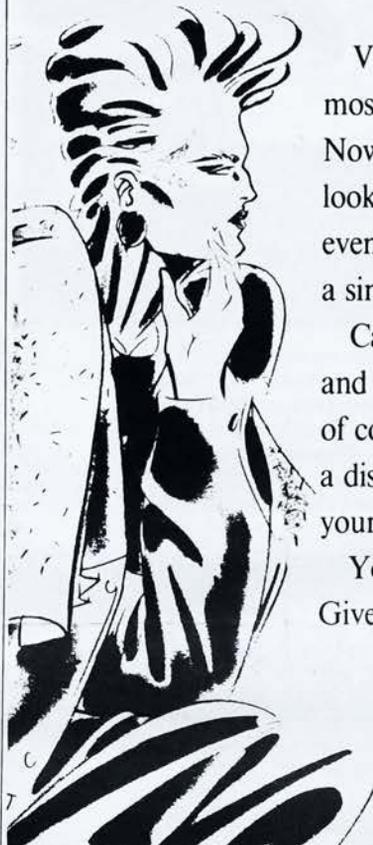


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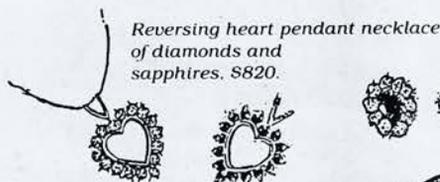
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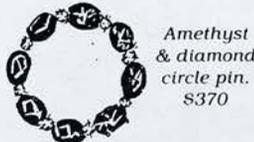
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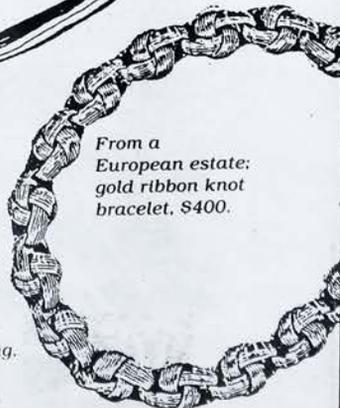
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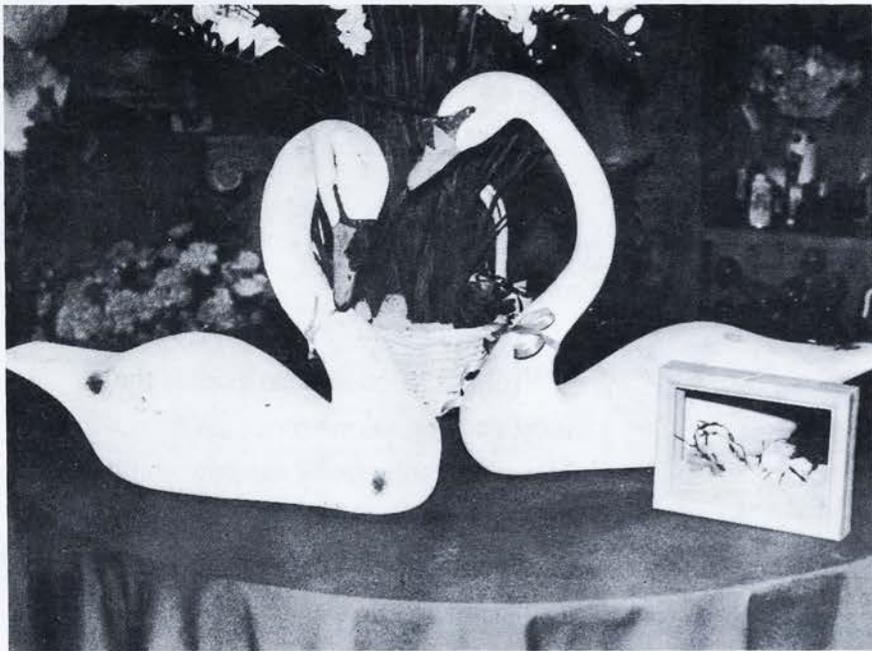
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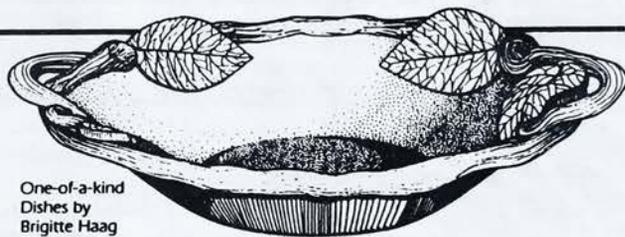
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Springtime Makeover For Your Feet

This spring, fashion footwear not only complements the new leg-baring styles, but completes your total look.

The shoes for spring are pretty, soft and very feminine, and your feet will have to look pretty to have these fashions work to your best advantage.

Aris Isotoner, makers of Isotoner Comfort Slippers, suggests the following fashion and footcare tips to prepare your feet for the months ahead:

- Look for shoes with feminine detailing: Ankle straps, inset straps, narrower wedges and the oval toe.

- The newest fabrics for spring are delicate wovens — in floral patterns and pastel colors — perfect to soften any look.

- Wear shoes that are made of absorbent material — such as leather — to let your feet breathe. And make sure to wear slippers at

home, to protect your feet from bedroom bumps and bruises.

Isotoner Comfort Slippers provide the perfect amount of protection and comfort, while treating your feet to a massage-like feeling.

- What else is hot for shoes this spring? Costume jewelry to accessorize! Shoe clips are the newest in fashion statements. Look for bows, pins and antique-inspired shapes featuring rhinestones, animal skin designs and lace.

- Pamper your feet with a regular beauty treatment. Use a pumice stone to soften and smooth rough calluses. Moisturize your feet, and then use a foot powder to protect them. For a special treat, go for a professional pedicure.

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