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The New Israeli Cabinet

NEW YORK (JTA) — Following is a list of the 26 ministers who have been named so far to the new Israeli Cabinet. It presently includes 11 ministers each from Likud and Labor, and two ministers each from Shas and the National Religious Party.

Likud and Labor each may still name a 12th minister to the Cabinet. Ora Namir is slated to get the Labor slot. David Magen and Eliahu Ben-Elissar are vying for the Likud position. They would hold no portfolio.

But reports from Jerusalem say the two parties could decide to keep the Cabinet at the present 26 ministers listed below:

Portfolio	Minister	Party
Prime Minister	Yitzhak Shamir	Likud
Finance	Shimon Peres	Labor
Foreign Affairs	Moshe Arens	Likud
Defense	Yitzhak Rabin	Labor
Construction and Housing*	David Levy	Likud
Education and Culture*	Yitzhak Navon	Labor
Economics and Planning	Yitzhak Moda'i	Likud
Police	Haim Bar-Lev	Labor
Environmental Protection	Ronni Milo	Likud
Science and Development	Ezer Weizman	Labor
Justice	Dan Meridor	Likud
Communications	Gad Ya'acobi	Labor
Tourism	Gideon Patt	Likud
Agriculture	Avraham Katz-Oz	Labor
Transport	Moshe Katsav	Likud
Health	Ya'acov Tsur	Labor
Industry and Trade	Ariel Sharon	Likud
Energy and Infrastructure	Moshe Shahal	Labor
Interior	Arye Deri	Shas
Immigration and Absorption	Yitzhak Peretz	Shas
Religious Affairs	Zevulun Hammer	NRP
None	Ehud Olmert	Likud
None	Raphael Edri	Labor
None	Moshe Nissim	Likud
None	Mordechai Gur	Labor
None	Avner Shaki	NRP

is also vice premier

* holds rank of deputy premier

Two more members have been chosen, one Labor and one Likud. It is easily the largest Cabinet in Israel's history. It is larger by three than what remains of the opposition in the Knesset.

But there were no illusions around the crowded table that the situation is a healthy one or that a country facing urgent internal and external problems can long be properly governed by such an unwieldy body.

The new Cabinet, because of its unprecedented size, has been segmented into hierarchical ranks.

Final decisions will be made by two forums, each consisting of four ministers.

The political forum, evenly divided between Likud and Labor, includes Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Vice Premier Shimon Peres, Foreign Minister Moshe Arens and Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Members Of The 12th Knesset

NEW YORK (JTA) — Following is a roster of the members of the 12th Knesset. The members are listed in order of rank within their respective party delegations.

LIKUD: Yitzhak Shamir, David Levy, Yitzhak Moda'i, Ariel Sharon, Moshe Arens, Yigael Hurvitz, Moshe Nissim, Moshe Katsav, Binyamin Netanyahu, Avraham Sharir, David Magen, Aharon Abuhatzera, Binyamin Begin, Dan Tichon, Dan Meridor, Eliahu Ben-Elissar, Gideon Patt, Ya'acov Shamai, Ronni Milo, Pinchas Goldstein, Haim Corfu, Ehud Olmert, Uriel Lynn, Ovadia Eli, Ariel Weinstein, Reuven Rivlin, Yigal Cohen, Yehuda Perah, Michael Eitan, Yehoshua Matza, Yosef Goldberg, Gideon Gadot, Dov Shilansky, Pessah Grupper, Uzi Landau, Tzahi Hanegbi, Shaul Amor, Sara Doron, Zalman Shoval, Yehoshua Saguy.

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Peretz, Rafael Edri, Arieh (Lova) Eliav, Avrum Burg, Avraham Shohat, Shimon Shetreet, Micha Harish, Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, Eli Dayan, Nava Arad, Yossi Beilin, Gedalia Gal, Shevah Weiss, Eli Ben-Menahem, Michael Bar-Zohar, Emmanuel Zisman, Efraim Gur, Nawaf Massalha, Haggai Meirum, Raanan Cohen, Micha Goldman, Edna Solodar.

SHAS: Yitzhak Peretz, Rafael Pinhasi, Yosef Azran, Arieh Gamliel, Yair Levy, Shlomo Dayan.

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TEHIYA: Yuval Ne'eman, Geula Cohen, Eliezer Waldman.

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Mubarek Ready To Visit Israel; Shamir Working On New Peace Plan

by Gil Sedan and Hugh Orgel

JERUSALEM (JTA) — New initiatives in the Middle East peace process seemed to be brewing in Cairo and Jerusalem over the weekend.

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt said in Cairo he was ready to visit Israel if he thought it would have some "positive result."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir said in several radio interviews that he was working on a new peace plan. It is believed to be based on the 1978 Camp David peace accords.

The prime minister said on television that he would be glad to welcome Mubarak to Israel. "I am sure that if we meet and talk, we shall reach positive results," he said, using the Egyptian leader's phrase.

Yossi Ben-Aharon, director general of the Prime Minister's Office, said recently he was confident a visit by Mubarak would not be a wasted opportunity.

If Mubarak comes, he will be the first Arab leader to visit Israel since the late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat made his historic trip to Jerusalem in November 1977.

In the past, Mubarak has conditioned a visit to Israel on progress made toward an international conference for Middle East peace. But he did not refer to that condition when he suggested the visit in an interview published in the Kuwaiti newspaper, *Al-Anba*.

However, Mohammed Basiouny, the Egyptian ambassador to Israel, said over the weekend that Israel

would have to present "new ideas" in order for a Shamir-Mubarak submit to materialize.

"If Shamir says that he agrees to an international conference which would include the Palestine Liberation Organization, President Mubarak will agree to meet with him immediately," the envoy said.

Basiouny was the first ambassador received by Israel's new foreign minister, Moshe Arens. No details were released of their conversation.

Vice Premier Shimon Peres told Voice of Israel Radio that he welcomed Mubarak's reported willingness to come to Israel. However, he said, the attached preconditions cannot be overlooked.

He said he believed Israeli talks with the PLO and an international conference are still the basis of Mubarak's policy.

There was no official word about Shamir's reported peace initiative. According to local press reports, the prime minister has long held the Camp David accords to be the cornerstone of Israel's peace policy.

Local sources said his new plan would no longer insist on a five-year interim period before the final status of the administered territories is decided.

Israel would also show greater flexibility regarding the personal structure of a Jordanian-Palestinian peace delegation.

The sticking point, however, is whether Israel would veto PLO members on the joint delegation, particularly in light of Egypt's

promotion of the PLO's recent moderation.

The need for an Israeli peace initiative became apparent after PLO leader Yasir Arafat's extraordinarily successful peace offensive at the United Nations.

The United States announced on Dec. 15 that it was opening a dialogue with the PLO. Peres suggested that Israel respond by allowing municipal elections in the administered territories, out of which an indigenous Palestinian leadership presumably would emerge.

Up until now, Shamir has insisted that elections must follow a successful conclusion of talks on autonomy, as prescribed by the Camp David plan.

But over the weekend, the prime minister promised that Palestinians in the administered territories for an administrative council that would also be the legitimate representation of the Palestinian-Arab population.

According to Shamir, the elections would be held in the first stages of the autonomy plan, which represents a "very important clause of the Camp David agreements."

He stressed that the elected Palestinians should not be members of the PLO.

The elected council would have to be a "living body of the population of the territories," he said. That would exclude PLO leaders and Palestinians living abroad from participating in the elections.

Symbol Of Jewish Ethnic Pride Is Acquitted

by Elli Wohlgeleerter

NEW YORK (JTA) — When a Manhattan jury cleared Bess Myerson of conspiracy and fraud charges, it helped restore her tarnished image as a symbol of accomplishment and a source of ethnic pride to a generation of immigrant Americans.

The former Miss America was found not guilty on six counts of conspiracy, fraud, bribery and obstruction of justice.

The central point of the prosecutors' case was that 64-year-old Myerson had conspired with her lover, Carl Capasso, and former state Supreme Court Justice Hortense Gabel in a scheme to reduce Capasso's divorce payments in a case being heard by Gabel.

But the six men and six women found the evidence to be circumstantial at best and cleared the three defendants on all counts, in a case that came to be known in the New York tabloids as the "Bess Mess" trial.

"I'm grateful for the American judicial system and I thank the jury for exonerating me," said Myerson, speaking on the steps of the court after the verdict was read.

Born and raised in the Bronx, Myerson rose to national prominence in 1945 when she became the first and last Jew to win the Miss America contest. Soon after, she began lecturing across America for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith on the subject of anti-

Semitism.

But life for the rich, beautiful and successful Myerson was not all glamor. A year after winning her Miss America crown, she was married for the first time to a man who turned out to be an abusive alcoholic.

She eventually divorced him and brought up their child alone, was remarried and divorced again. She also successfully fought a bout with cancer.

Myerson was named commissioner of consumer affairs during the administration of Mayor John Lindsay, and became commissioner of cultural affairs under Mayor Ed Koch from 1983 to 1987.

But it was her winning the Miss America crown at the end of World War II that gave to newly immigrant Jews a unique symbol of identification.

"She meant several things," author Kate Simon told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "At her peak, she meant triumph. She was a source of pride. She also meant a bond to the Jews when she worked for B'nai B'rith and ADL. She was a talented girl, a thing of pride."

But when Myerson began to get into trouble, Simon said she was rejected. "Not rejected by Jews, but her reputation, her stature as a Jewish woman, must have been diminished."

Arnold Forster, general counsel for the ADL for the last 46 years and the man who recruited Myer-

son for her cross-country speaking tours, said, "We were proud not that she had won this contest, although talent — her piano playing — played a large role."

"Our pride came in the time she gave against bigotry," when she spoke on the topic: "You Can't Be Beautiful and Hate."

"The children loved her, the students loved her," Forster said. "She conveyed a sense of accomplishment, of goodness, and she took them along the path of an appreciation of democracy. Our appreciation of her was her public service, and her service to the Jewish community."

Simon agreed. "Her achievement was her jobs with Lindsay and Koch, that really raised her. She did a great deal of lecturing on anti-racism — she was a true liberal."

Not everyone saw it that way. Feminist Betty Friedan said Myerson "never did anything for the women's movement," and that she was a "tragic example of self-destruction."

Simon said she was afraid that if Myerson had been found guilty, "that would bury her. She would disappear as a symbol of Jewish womanhood, of Jewish women who achieved."

Forster said he would not judge her in any way, "except to say how sad I am what has befallen her. Whatever judgment will be will be (Continued on page 15)



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JCCRI News

JCCRI Singles January Events

The month of January for the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Singles will start with a Volleyball night on Tuesday, January 10 in the JCCRI gym, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

On Thursday, January 12 the Singles will meet at Cahoots in the Providence Marriott for a get-together from 6 to 9 p.m.

A Singles Brunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday, January 15 will feature Selma Klitzner from Nan-Max Travel as the guest speaker. The topic will be "How to Plan a Vacation." The fee will be \$4.00 for members and \$6.50 for non-members.

Rabbi Scott White, from Temple Beth-Am, will discuss "Jewish Folklore and Mysticism" from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Monday, January 16.

For more information on JCCRI Singles call Susan Popper at 861-8800.

**Yiddish Club To Meet
January 10**

The Yiddish Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, January 10 at 2 p.m.

The club meets on alternate Tuesdays to converse in Yiddish, to read stories and poetry and to have informed discussions on current events. Fluency is not a prerequisite.

For information call Lisa Goodman at 861-8800.

**Basic Rescue And Water Safety
Courses Offered At JCCRI**

A course on Basic Rescue and Water Safety will be offered to students 11 to 14 years old at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence starting Wednesday, January 11, 3:45 to 5 p.m.

The course provides the students with the knowledge and skills for self rescue and safety awareness to help others in emergencies. Correct response to aquatic emergencies will be discussed. Participants must be able to swim 250 yards and tread water.

The fee for the course will be \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members. Registration may be made by calling Patty Gold at 861-8800.

**Water Baby/Toddler Swim
Classes Offered At The JCCRI**

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence is offering a Water Baby/Toddler Swim class for babies six months to toddlers up to 3 years starting January 9.

The class involves parent, child and instructors. The children become introduced to the water in a relaxed and trusting environment. Swim skills are introduced through repetition and games.

For more information contact Patty Gold or Janice Fifer at 861-8800.

**Fitness Classes Offered
At JCCRI**

The Health and Physical Education Department of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence will offer a Fitness Class starting the week of January 9 through March 3 for all fitness levels. The class will include safe cardiovascular exercise and will be

taught by experienced instructors.

For more information call Patty Gold or Janice Fifer at 861-8800.

**"Flugel" Water Aerobics
At JCCRI**

Teens and adults interested in water aerobics, either to improve their fitness level or work on maintaining (cardiac health) their present conditioning level may sign up for a course which meets twice weekly starting January 9 from 6 to 6:45 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence.

This well rounded water aerobics class includes warm up, stretching, toning and strengthening, aerobics and cool down. Participants must feel comfortable in the deep end of the pool.

For more information call Patty Gold or Karen O'Neill at 861-8800.

Sons Of Jacob

Friday, January 6 — 29 days in Tevet. Erev Rosh Chodesh Shevat. Candlelighting is at 4:09 p.m.; Michoh services are at 4:20 p.m. This Friday's Maariv is different because of the portions in the service for Rosh Chodesh, which are not normally recited. Maariv services are at 4:50 p.m.

Saturday, January 7 — Rosh Chodesh Shevat. Reading in the Torah portion Vaera. Morning services are at 8:30 a.m. Kiddush follows immediately. Minchah service is at 4:15 p.m. The Third Meal follows immediately after the Minchah service. The Sabbath is over at 5:10 p.m. Havdalah will be at 5:20 p.m. Minchah for the entire week is at 4:15 p.m.

Sunday, January 8 — Morning services as usual at 7:45 a.m. We want to welcome back all of our friends who have been away for the past two weekends.

**Rhode Island Jewish
Historical Association**

The Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association will hold its winter meeting on Sunday, January 8, 1989 at 2:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, R.I. Rabbi Shmuel Singer, Rabbi at Congregation Beth Shalom in Providence, will be the speaker at the meeting. His talk is entitled: "Religious Thought and Observance in the Pre-Civil War American Jewish Community."

Rabbi Singer received his B.A., Summa Cum Laude, from the City College of New York, an M.A. and Ph.D. in Jewish History from Yeshiva University. For his work toward his Master's degree he received the Rothman Prize for outstanding scholarship. His doctoral thesis was, "Orthodox Judaism in Victorian London." Rabbi Singer was ordained in 1974.

He has published a number of historical articles in the journals, *Modern Judaism*, the *Jewish Journal of Sociology* and the *Jewish Quarterly Review*.

The public is invited to this meeting and for the social hour which will follow.

**Pawtucket-Central
Falls Hadassah**

The Pawtucket-Central Falls Hadassah will hold an open board meeting on Wednesday, January 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center in Providence.

Nancy Gewirtz, a professor in the school of social work at Rhode Island College, will speak about the changes in Medicare. This is a vital issue that will affect everyone. A social hour will follow.

**Congregation Ohav
Sholam**

This Sabbath, Shabbat R Chodesh, our congregation hosting a Junior N.C.S. Shabbaton. Approximately 30 pre-teens (5th-8th grade) from S.E. New England participating in a Shabbat praying, eating, learning & recreation. The advisory staff will be from the New York and Boston area. The congregation will day with the youth 4:15 p.m. Friday evening. On Shabbat morning services followed by Kiddush will be at 9 a.m. The congregation will again join the youth for Minchah which will be 3:45 p.m. Followed by Mincha the Third Sabbath Me will be from 4:15-5:15 p.m. Ma'ar followed by Havdalah will be 5:15 p.m.

Saturday evening the youth group will go bowling. They will then return to the shul for home-made bagel pizza and kumsitz. The festivities will conclude at 10 p.m.

The services for the following week will be as follows:

Morning — Sunday, 7:45 a.m. Monday and Thursday, 6:40 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:50 a.m.

Evenings — 4:20 p.m. when possible.

Rabbi Jacobs will be giving a Practical Halacha Shiur to women at 7:30 p.m. starting Tuesday, January 10. If you are interested call the Rabbi at 724-3552 or Rivka Gerber at 726-6528.

Temple Beth-El

SCOTT WOLF TO SPEAK

This Friday evening, January 6, Scott Wolf, a political and public policy consultant and recent candidate for congress, will speak at Temple Beth-El. He will be the first speaker in a new series featuring members of the Temple speaking on "My Dreams for the Future."

Wolf has participated in a diverse set of Rhode Island civic activities including Leadership Rhode Island, the Jewish Federation's Community Relations Council and the Rhode Island Black-Jewish Forum. A political consultant with 15 years of experience, Wolf has advised candidates for federal, state, and local office, national issue groups, Democratic party organizations, and economic development commissions. A 1975 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Brown University, Wolf's first run for public office this summer met with unexpected success insuring high hopes for his future entry into public office.

The community is welcome to attend this Shabbat Worship service which begins at 8:15 p.m. to be followed by a festive oneg shabbat.

SABBATH DINNER

On Friday evening, January 27, 1989, the Family Program Committee of Temple Beth-El, sponsor of "Family Times," will present its third annual traditional Sabbath Dinner. Beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Temple's Meeting Hall, the catered meal will feature traditional sabbath foods, the recitation of blessings and the singing of sabbath songs led by cantorial soloist Alice Solorow. The cost of the dinner is \$13 for adults and \$7 for children under 10. Following the dinner, the temple will host its monthly family service beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Temple Sanctuary. This monthly service, at a time more appropriate for younger families, will honor children celebrating birthdays in January. For more information on the Sabbath Dinner or family programming at Beth-El, call Rabbi Susan Miller at 331-6070.

Congregation Beth Sholom Dedicates New Doors



Congregation Beth Sholom marked a significant milestone when a new mezzuzah, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Edward O. Adler, was affixed to the doorpost of the new entrance to the synagogue at ceremonies on Sunday evening, December 18. The mezzuzah was placed by Mr. Meyer Tenenbaum, donor of the doors, which are a centerpiece of the synagogue's renovation project. Mr. Tenenbaum was assisted by Mr. Edward O. Adler who recited the Hebrew blessing.

The ceremonies were presided over by community leader, Malcolm Bromberg, who serves as co-chairman of the building project, along with Dr. Joseph J. Fishbein. Mr. Bromberg explained the details of the \$300,000 project, which is now approaching completion.

Rabbi Shmuel Singer, spiritual leader of Beth Sholom, stressed the particular significance of dedicating doors in the Jewish tradition. The Hebrew phrase "Shaarei Tzedek," — Gates of Righteous-

ness — underscores the concept that it is at the doorway that the Jew meets the outside world. Jews are required to exhibit the highest ethical and moral conduct in their relations with all of their neighbors, Rabbi Singer explained.

Rabbi Leslie Gutterman of Temple Beth-El paid tribute to Mr. Tenenbaum and his late wife, Helen, making particular mention of their work on behalf of refugees after World War II. Rabbi Gutterman expressed the hope that the newly dedicated doors would prove wide enough to welcome all who come seeking spiritual comfort, and yet narrow enough to exclude bigotry and pettiness.

Others receiving recognition during the program included Dr. Howard Mintz, president of Beth Sholom, Mrs. Pearl Woolf, past president, and Mr. Sheldon Sollosy, who represented the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Dedication of the newly renovated building is scheduled for April, 1989.

Bobbie Steinbach At Club Cabaret

Bobbie Steinbach, known to Boston audiences as a dynamic and hilarious actress/singer/comedienne, returns to Club Cabaret with her acclaimed hit show, appropriately titled: *A Woman Alone, Onstage, with a Piano, a Stool, a Lamp, An Attractive Piano Player, Several Cheap Theatrical Props, and a Very Big Mouth!*

Ms. Steinbach is perhaps best known for her work as the hysterically-funny poetess in *My Name Is Alice*, and as Mother Superior in *Nonsense*, for which she received rave reviews and audience acclaim; "Miss Steinbach is an uncommonly fine comedienne, with a truly rowdy style" (*The Boston Herald*), "Bobbie Steinbach is delicious" (*The Boston Globe*), "A Comic Standout" (*Frank Dolan, WEEI*).

Characters galore take over the stage during this theatrical tour de force. You will meet a French chanteuse, an aging stripper, a country-western singer named Emerald Storm, and a performance artist from the RiveGauche Gallery in Leominster, Mass.

Don't miss this talented performer who has all the dynamic subtlety of a cuisinart set to puree! Performances are Thursday, January 26 through Sunday, January 29 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 on Thursday and Sunday, and \$12 on Saturday and Friday. Call 536-0972 for tickets and information.

Press night for Bobbie Steinbach is Thursday, January 26 at 8 p.m. Please contact Jeff Bannon.

Barrington Public Library

Registration for Barrington Public Library's winter session of "Booklook" for two-year-olds begins January 5 at 9 a.m. Booklook is an eight-week program designed to introduce two-year-olds and their parents to the children's room and to new ways to use books together. 12 children will be accepted for each of the two classes offered — Tuesday or Wednesday at 10. Each child must be two by January 10 and must be accompanied in the

program by an adult. Registration may be done in person at the library or by telephone — 247-1920. Previous participants will be placed on a waiting list and accommodated should space be available.

Storytime for children who are three to five years old resumes the week of January 9. Storytime is offered four times a week: Monday at 10, Tuesday and Wednesday at 1 and Thursday at 6:30. A brief registration form may be filled out in advance or when the child first attends. Storytime continues through the week of May 25.



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Regional Scholastic Art Awards For 1989

The search for the most talented Rhode Island junior and senior high school artists is underway as preparations are being made for the 1989 Rhode Island Regional Scholastic Art Awards program.

The competition is open to art students in all Rhode Island public and private junior and senior high schools. It is organized by the Rhode Island Art Teachers Association (RIATA) and sponsored, for the seventh consecutive year, by Roitman & Son, Inc., Providence furniture and interior design firm.

In addition to the Scholastics competition, portfolios submitted by high school seniors will be judged for recognition in the State of Rhode Island Distinguished Merit Program.

It is expected that students and teachers in some areas of the state will be devoting a little more effort to this year's competition in the hope of breaking what appears to be the beginning of a dynasty by Cranston schools. Of the 183 awards made last year, art students in Cranston schools won 57. It was the third consecutive year that students from that city won the most awards in the Rhode Island Regional Scholastic Art program.

Art teachers in all schools may submit up to 10 entries per class. All work must be original in the fields of painting, drawing, print making, design, sculpture, crafts and photography.

Entries must be received at Roitman's Monday, January 30, and Tuesday, January 31. The Distinguished Merit Program judging will be held Wednesday, February 1, and judging for the Scholastics Monday, February 6.

Each year the number of entries has exceeded those of the previous year and 1989 is expected to be no different. The 1988 program drew nearly 1200 entries from students in 39 junior and senior high schools representing 21 communities in the state.

From the entries received a panel of judges selected by the

RIATA choose 90 Gold Key winners and 90 runners-up. All 180 will be on display in the South Gallery at Roitman's (161 South Main St., Providence).

The winners will receive their awards during a special presentation at Brown University's Alumnae Hall at 3 p.m., Sunday, February 12. Prior to that, at noon, a special preview of the exhibit for the students, their families and their teachers will be held in Roitman's South Gallery.

The exhibit at Roitman's will be open to the public during the store's regular hours beginning Monday, February 13, through Thursday, March 2. Group tours can be arranged by calling Roitman's at 861-6010 in Providence.

The 90 Gold Key recipients will compete in the 62nd National Scholastic Art Awards program sponsored by *Scholastic Magazine*. They will be eligible for national gold keys and cash awards. Senior portfolios will be competing for art scholarships.

The Rhode Island Regional Advisory Committee is headed again this year by Sylvia Forti and Lynn Paquette, art educators in the Woonsocket School Department. Other members of the committee are Donald Annaldo, art educator, North Kingstown School Department; Henry B. Cote, art educator, Woonsocket; Cynthia Duffy, art educator, East Greenwich; Valerie Felt, art educator, Newport; Seymour Glantz, retired art educator; Charles January, president, RIATA and an art educator in the Warren School Department; Patricia Lucciola, art educator, North Providence; Rachel Modliszewski, supervisor of art, Cranston; Carolyn Peck, art educator, Cranston; Arthur Poulton, director, advertising & sales promotion, Roitman's; Anne Marie Rocco, art educator, Tiverton; Diane Taylor, RSM, art educator, St. Mary's Academy-Bayview; Lewis G. Venator, president, Roitman's; and Marie Vincent, art educator, Middletown.

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Opinion

For Some, The Waiting Hasn't Ended

by Congressman Larry Smith
WASHINGTON — After years of denying exit visas to some Soviet Jews, citing their alleged exposure to "state secrets" — then denying them jobs, educational opportunities and homes to live in, the Soviet government has decided to allow these refuseniks to leave the Soviet Union.

I applaud General Secretary Gorbachev's efforts to begin opening Soviet society. Obviously, much more needs to be done. However, his actions present tremendous opportunities. For the United States, Glasnost is a rare opportunity to demonstrate American concern for human rights worldwide. For some Soviet Jews, it is the chance of a lifetime.

It is ironic then, the very time when the Soviet Union is granting exit visas in increasing numbers, that the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) is making it more difficult for refuseniks to enter the United States.

Many refuseniks, exit visas in hand, have been waiting for months in Moscow or in Rome for permission to enter the U.S. This situation is embarrassing and awkward, since these refuseniks are the same people for whom Congress, the State Department and the American Jewish community have worked so hard to obtain freedom.

A case in point is the Kagan family of Leningrad. Iskra Kagan waits in Rome with her daughter, Anna, to be reunited with her son, Michael, his wife, Inna, and their two children. The entire family was detained in Rome for nearly four months until the INS granted Michael, Inna and the children "refugee status" visas while rejecting Iskra and Anna for the same type of visa. The INS has effectively done what we so soundly criticize the Soviets for — it has separated a family, leaving its members with only doubts about what the future may hold.

In the past, all Soviet Jews — as persecuted individuals — were automatically given "refugee status" visas. Under "refugee status," refuseniks are given federal aid for transportation and resettlement costs, and are eligible for U.S. citizenship. They are also substantially aided by various American Jewish charitable organizations.

However, as Soviet authorities continue to grant exit visas to thousands of Armenians fleeing that turbulent region, as well as to the growing numbers of Jews and Pentacostals, the INS claims that it is unable to keep up with increasing costs and administrative demands.

All of us in Congress realize that every agency operates under budgetary constraints. However, if there is a shortfall, and a program is a priority, I believe it is incumbent upon the agency to request supplemental funding from Congress.

Rather than requesting supplemental funds, as it has done many times in the past, the INS has "unofficially" changed its longstanding policy of automatically granting "refugee status" to Soviet Jews. The INS now forces many Soviet Jews to emigrate to the United States under "parole status" visas.

Under "parole status," emigrants must pay their own transportation costs and have a written affidavit of economic support from a sponsor in the United States. For some refuseniks, finding a financial sponsor in the United States is a difficult task, made more difficult by the fact that they are stranded thousands of miles away in either Rome or Moscow. In addition, although they are given working papers, it is nearly impossible for them to obtain American citizenship.

I recently sent a letter to Attorney General Richard L. Thornburgh signed by 80 other members of Congress, requesting

an explanation of the INS decision to stop automatically granting "refugee status" to Soviet Jews wishing to emigrate into this country.

As the letter was being sent to Mr. Thornburgh, the Attorney General announced that he was expanding his parole authority to admit up to 2,000 Soviet emigres per month from Moscow.

However, we must not be fooled by Mr. Thornburgh's announcement. The INS is merely allowing the backlog of emigres to enter the United States under the much less preferable "parole status."

Emigrating under "parole status" is a tragic situation for many Soviet Jewish refugees. Many simply do not have the money to travel to the U.S. because they lost their jobs when they announced their desire to emigrate. Others were incarcerated by Soviet authorities for months or years at a time, simply for expressing their religious convictions.

We cannot, after years of pressuring Soviet authorities for the release of these prisoners of conscience, deny them a place in American Society. Nor should we offer them the option of working and living here while making it very difficult for them to obtain the privilege of citizenship.

Congress and the Administration must work together to find a permanent solution to this urgent problem. We must help those who have already suffered discrimination and harassment and wish to settle in the United States, to do so successfully. We must allow Soviet Jews to live free lives, for the first time in their lives, by granting them "refugee status" visas to live in the U.S.

The PLO And The United Nations

by Dr. Jay N. Fishbein

The Palestine National Council in Algiers recently met, ostensibly to advance the peace process in the long Arab-Israeli conflict. Instead of distancing themselves from acts of terrorism, they accorded the notorious convicted terrorist, Abul Abbas, honors as a hero and warmly embraced by Yassir Arafat. For forty years Arabs have endlessly threatened to push the Jews into the sea. Abdul finally succeeded in pushing an elderly invalid Jew in a wheel chair from the deck of the *Achille Lauro* into the sea, and for this "heroic" deed was accorded a special place of honor, and seated as a member of the PLO's executive committee.

Arafat, who was appointed to head the proposed Palestinian state declared by the PNC, stated his willingness to make peace with Israel. His simple request is the return of the West Bank and Gaza to constitute the Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital. At the meeting of the General Assembly in New York, when the Israeli ambassador began to speak, the Palestine Liberation Organization's U.N. observer picked up his nameplate which he banged loudly on the table. The ambassadors from Syria, Lebanon and Saudi Arabia joined in. While demanding a voice at the U.N. the PLO is determined to prevent Israel from an equal opportunity, justifying the stand taken by Secretary of State George Shultz. He felt there was nothing to gain from dealing with murderous thugs, implacably dedicated to Israel's destruction.

Despite the intransigence of the PLO the United Nations felt that Yassir Arafat was entitled to a forum and moved to Switzerland for a three-day session. The General Assembly condemned America's refusal to grant a visa to

PLO chairman Arafat, who gained from the general hubbub. For Israel and the U.S. there was no cause for celebration. The world is so eager for peace in the Middle East that it seems willing to overlook the threat the PLO engenders.

Arafat and the PLO created chaos when they entered Jordan by using it as a base to launch attacks on Israel until they were finally expelled. Syria refused to admit them and they entered Lebanon. Here also they destroyed the peace and tranquility of the country, bringing death and destruction to the "Switzerland of the Middle East" and particularly to Beirut, the "Pearl of the Levant."

The Palestinians began to raid Israel and the Lebanese were unable to stop them. Israel retaliated. Repeated Palestinian raids and Israel incursions and invasions followed. Syria entered Lebanon ostensibly to restore order, and as the Palestinian-Israeli war continued, every major country in the region began supporting one faction or another, and anarchy grew. Forces in southern Lebanon are dedicated to attacking Israel. They include religious fundamentalists, political extremists, and Palestinian groups whose aim is the return of all of Palestine, and refuse to settle for less. With these intransigent terrorist organizations, peace does not seem imminent.

During the four decades of Israel's existence, the Arab states have forced four destructive wars and each time they lost. Surely they must realize that it is not the will of Allah. Peace be to Allah, Lord of the World, Allah the Beneficent, Allah the Merciful, Owner of the Day of Judgment. May future Arab ventures meet with as little success.

The Need For Tuition-Free College In Rhode Island

by Harvey B. Press,
NEARI President

During the last presidential election voters responding to exit polls stated that education was the most important issue influencing their decisions. It's not surprising to hear this in light of what now is three years of "education reform" occupying both our national agenda and the agenda of every governor and legislature in the country.

From the Carnegie Forum Report, *A Nation at Risk*, to the National Governors' Association's *Time for Results: The Governors' 1991 Report*, education is at the top of everyone's agenda, along with renewed interest in how our schools are financed and structured.

The great benefactors of this focus on reform are the kids we teach! As teachers, we need to separate changes that can best be handled by the professionals from those that can best be handled by government in a more public forum. Continuing discussions on a national certificate for teachers, school-based management, and governor's schools are all important issues that must be addressed by the professionals who understand education, and are willing to exercise their rightful role in the reform process.

However, there is a tendency on the part of educators to always look inward when change is called for, all too often losing sight of the views of the people who think education is important, and the perspective of the needs of our constituents — the kids we teach.

There are three initiatives that must be addressed in our state if Rhode Island is to emerge with the finest schools in the nation. We must focus our energy collectively to insure that each succeeds.

First and foremost is a tuition-free right to public higher education. Student indebtedness is the fastest growing burden that current college students and their parents must face. We have never considered charging tuition for a public elementary/secondary education, yet we continue to watch our institutions of public higher education increase their annual fees to a point that discourages many of our young people from reaching their potential on the post-secondary level.

Our society's social and economic structures are dependent on a literate, educated population of not only the very rich or the very poor, but those in the middle of the spectrum. It is every Rhode Islander's right to nurture their abilities and build on their knowledge through a tuition-free public education beyond high school.

It is the National Education Association Rhode Island's intention to introduce legislation that will allow our three public institutions of higher education to phase in free tuition by reducing their charges by ten percent in each of the next ten years. We can afford to do no less for our students, and our state.

Secondly, dropouts from school continue to be a problem. Rhode Island has a dropout rate of 25-35 percent overall, while Providence maintains a disgraceful 45 percent. We, as citizens, cannot tolerate this incredible loss to our society. We, as an organization, must take action now.

The National Education Association Rhode Island will introduce into the 1989 legislature a measure to increase the age at which a student may drop out from 16 to 17, if the student has not yet graduated. Too often school systems do not enforce existing

laws and too often kids are out of school at age 15. We must redesign and rethink our schools' programs to put an end to this loss of potential and to insure that our students do obtain an education. I know we can accomplish this objective; all we need is the will.

The third issue is pension portability. We must take steps to insure that our classrooms are staffed with the highest quality of teachers that we can find. This is impeded by the fact that most pension plans in the United States force educators who move from state to state to suffer substantial forfeiture of earned pension benefits.

During the next ten years, increasing student enrollment and teacher retirements will call for new hirings in most states. With the wide differences that exist in supply and demand, local districts will be forced to recruit from other states.

One economist estimates that a vested employee who moves twice after age 30 will be eligible to receive 57 percent of the pension benefits of a permanent employee, all other things being equal. Such a system is hardly equitable according to public pension expert Bernard Jump: "Pensions are not gratuities any more than salaries are and they should not be diminished because an employee changes jobs."

The National Governors' Association has just issued its report calling for a compact between the states allowing a teacher to transfer credits from state to state. For the first time, pensions will follow individual teachers. The National Education Association Rhode Island intends to introduce legislation to allow Rhode Island teachers to participate with other signers of this compact.

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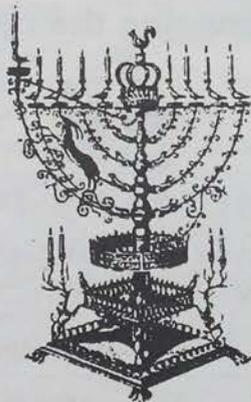
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David Dornstein Brown University Class Of 1985 In Memory

by Jacob Neusner

The call came out of nowhere. "Is this Professor Neusner?" "Speaking." "You don't know me, but he would have wanted me to tell you." "Who would want you to tell me what?" "David Dornstein. He was your student at Brown. You remember? He was on the Pan Am plane. He would have wanted you to know." Silence.

I: "Yes, I remember. No one ever forgot David Dornstein. Thank you for telling me. You're right, I do want to know."

"Here is a number to call if you want more details."

"Thank you." But I didn't know what other details I might want to know. What else is there to know when a young man dies. Then there no longer is a might be. And who just now can bear the pain of might have been?

David Dornstein graduated from Brown in the class of 1985. Later this year he would have been twenty-six years old, had he taken some other plane. Now the calls filter in from this one and that of

his class: "He would have wanted you to know."

David was incandescent, a Roman candle, a sparkler burning bright in everybody's night. David could act, he could write, he could dream, he could charm. Oh, could he charm! Paper late — or never written? A smile would suffice. Appointment missed? A splendid question, elegantly framed, made up for it. What we hoped for David, all of us who knew him, knew no limit. The sky was the limit. Not that he was at the boundaries of his fate the day he died, not at all.

Where was he then in life? Last month, when he died, nowhere in particular. From Brown he went here and there. He took a job to support some other job, waited on tables while he looked for acting jobs, worked in a book store while he wrote. Everything was to sustain something else. He was never in any one place. He was here but going there.

He thought for a while of becoming a rabbi or a scholar of Judaism — or maybe he told me he was thinking about it to make me happy. That was David: he knew what you were dreaming and he

wanted to make it happen. That made him the actor, the ingenue, the writer, aborning star of the firmament in whatever sky he chose to shine.

That was David, David of the burning eyes, David of the luminous spirit, David of the vivid conversation, David of the vital argument, the one that mattered, that one you would remember. And that was the David who could write with fervor, but no discipline, who could dream of everything, but finish nothing. His was not a life that would ever get to finish anything. David floated through life with no clear direction in mind. Wherever he was, that is where he meant to be, and to be with all intensity: that minute, that place, nowhere else. Another minute — somewhere else.

I always thought David was destined for something special, something great, and I think he did too. So did everyone who ever knew him. Now comes no disappointment, for there remain no unkept promises, no unfulfilled hopes: the youth lies dead, along with everyone else who took the wrong plane that day. There are brutal truths in life.

Blazing star, sparkling light, in the gloom of a Scottish night the light gave way to the darkness. While he was among us, we already wondered what might be; we do not have now to ask what might have been. We know. How do you mourn the incandescent life, star gone dark in the distant sky? Remembering the light from on high, I suppose. So David wept for Jonathan: "...glory... lies slain on your heights."

Letters To The Editor

Kudos For Cantor Dress

There is a man of valor in the Jewish community of whom little is known.

His name is Cantor Dress of Temple Beth Am David, Warwick. He not only gives up one day a week to guide the spiritual life of patients of the MHRH in Cranston, but gives beautiful services and parties for the least of our people.

A couple of weeks ago he, together with members of his temple, hosted a Chanukah party for Ladd Center and group home clients plus some at MHRH.

His "G-dly" voice entertained and his services in English on the High Holidays are not soon forgotten.

How very easily our Jewish community praises those who give money, but those who give of themselves 52 weeks a year are not acknowledged.

Let me as co-chairperson of Mental Health Consumer Group CCSA of R.I. be the first to thank this man who gives "true charity" to us the least of G-d's people.

Carolyn Schwartz
Pawtucket, R.I.

Pedigree Perfect

The Providence Journal of December 28, 1988 printed several letters to the editor; this correspondence included the banning of Jewish women from worshipping at the Western Wall of the Temple in Jerusalem.

Printed also was a letter from a rabbi, who claimed that he was misquoted in his opinion about the subject of Orthodox versus Conservative and/or Reform Judaism.

The Journal wrote that it regretted the mistake, the quote actually came from Thomas Pearlman, Esq. who stated, "Jews converted by Conservative or Reform rabbis and those whose mothers were so converted are not pedigree, as defined by Jewish law."

Question, counsellor, does your "pedigree" opinion work under the same rules as the American Kennel Club?

Hans L. Heimann

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Fall River Native Receives 1988 Citizen Activist Award From NCADD



The Nathanson family prior to 1975 highway accident. (Left to right: Harlan, Ken, Fran and Kamy)

Ken Nathanson who grew up in Fall River and his wife, Fran, received the 1988 CITIZEN ACTIVISTS AWARD from the National Commission Against Drunk Driving in Washington, D.C. Seated on the dais with them at the Awards Luncheon was former Massachusetts Governor John Volpe, the first U.S. Secretary of Transportation who is President Emeritus of the National Commission. Volpe has long championed the lifesaving work of the Nathansons.

The day after Christmas 1988 marked the 13th anniversary of the highway death of Nathanson's 14-year-old daughter, Kamy, the tragic event that propelled the couple to found Citizens for Safe Drivers Against Drunk Drivers and Chronic Offenders, the first national grassroots anti-drunk driving organization.

On December 26, 1975, on I-95

in Kent County, Rhode Island, as the Nathanson family was driving towards Fall River to visit Kamy's paternal grandmother, Bertha P. Nathanson, a tractor trailer struck the rear of the family car killing the teenager. The Nathansons later learned that at the time of the crash the trucker who killed their daughter was suspended for the seventh time from his home state of New Jersey yet was driving on a license from Arizona. In order to help solve the problem of multiple licensing and other driver license problems, the Nathansons began their pioneering work to improve driver records systems and strengthen the consistent use of suspensions and revocations which is the major deterrent to drunk drivers and other chronic offenders.

The keystone of their accomplishments was passage by Congress of the 1982 law to modernize

and speed up the National Driver Register (NDR), a national clearinghouse of suspended and revoked drivers, the only interstate system that can identify, monitor and control problem drivers.

Although the NDR, a system intended to prevent this type of tragedy, had been operating since 1961, it was severely handicapped by using an antiquated mail system that took state driver licensing officials two weeks or more to learn that the applicant's license was suspended in one or more states. Congress unanimously passed the National Driver Register law to bring the system into the computer age within a 7-second response.

The NDR law provided the catalyst for subsequent passage in 1986 of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act which includes a mandate for a single national drivers license for truck and bus drivers to prevent them from obtaining multiple licenses to spread their points to avoid suspension and revocation.

In 1987 a federal law extended the lifesaving uses of the NDR by permitting the Federal Aviation Administration and the Federal Railroad Administration to check the NDR for drunk driving violations before issuing professional certification to airline pilots and railroad operating personnel.

Over the years the Nathansons have been honored repeatedly for their significant work in the battle against drunk and drugged drivers. This recognition has ranged from the Public Service Award given by the U.S. Department of Transportation to last year's Community Service Award presented by McGraw-Hill.

Ken Nathanson asks people interested to write him at Citizens for Safe Drivers, P.O. Box 42018, Washington, D.C. 20015.

Samaritans U.S.A. Moves To Providence

Samaritans, USA, the organization charged with oversight of the 12 Samaritans' Suicide Hotlines in the United States, will move its headquarters from Boston to Providence in January.

The Samaritans provides support for people who are lonely, depressed and/or suicidal by utilizing volunteers who are trained in active empathic listening called Befriending. The volunteers are available by phone 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, always without charge to the caller.

Roger Osborne, President of Samaritans USA, said that the move was designed to take advantage of available space at the newly renovated Samaritans of Rhode Island center on 2 Magee St. in Providence. Although Samaritans USA has no staff at present, inquiries concerning the organization are being handled by Samaritans of Rhode Island at 272-4044.

Zimmermans Celebrate 70th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Morris Zimmerman of Providence, R.I. and Miami Beach, Florida, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on New Year's Eve, 1988. They have both been residents of Providence for almost 60 years. They have two daughters, Mrs. Beverly Cohen of Cranston and Mrs. Anita Weitzner also of Cranston. They have five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

J. Brier To Serve 5th Term As Camp JORI President

Jeffrey Brier was installed for a fifth term as president of Camp JORI at the 52nd annual meeting held December 19 at the University Club. Mr. Brier is the third generation of his family to serve the camp. His grandfather, Benjamin Brier, was a founder and his father, Milton, is a past president.

Mr. Brier noted that the second phase of capital improvements to the camp is 90% completed. He also announced that Camp JORI was the recent recipient of a grant from The Champlin Foundations toward the enlarging of the director's house to include a general meeting area for staff and campers.

Camp JORI, originally founded to provide a summer of fun for the residents of the Jewish Orphanage of Rhode Island, now serves children from all areas of the state

as well as New York and New England. Campers from a wide variety of backgrounds and interests attend with approximately 33% awarded camperships.

In addition to Mr. Brier, the slate is: Vice Presidents, James Engle, Samuel Suls; Treasurer, Steven Bienenfeld; Secretary, Theodore Winston. Board members are: John Blacher, Karen Beraha, Jonathan Fain, Rick Granoff, Joseph Mann, Elie Mizrahi, Jeffrey Pine, John Pinkos, Gerald Resnick, Judith Rosenstein, Alexander Rumpfer, Michael Schuster, Lawrence Soforenko and Alan Uffer.

The camp director is Marshall Gerstenblatt who with his wife, Barbara, has been with the camp for 17 years.

For information on Camp JORI call 521-2655.

Camp Kingswood Appoints New Director

James L. Rudolph, President of Camp Kingswood, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mitchell N. Stern to the position of Executive Director of Camp Kingswood.

Mr. Stern has had a long association with Kingswood. After serving as General Counselor and Unit Director, he has been Assistant Director for the past seven years. He brings enthusiasm and warmth to the program.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing from Boston College, and a Master's Degree in Elementary Education from Boston State College. He has taught at the Fenn School in Concord, the Newton Public Schools and currently teaches math in grades six through eight in the Concord School System. He supervises publication of the school yearbook and coaches the Girls Softball Team during the Spring season. He is a member of

the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Program Coordinator of the Camp Directors' Roundtable, Member/Visitor of the American Camping Association and a Certified Volleyball Referee on the Boston Board of Officials.

Mr. Stern resides in Randolph with his wife, Toni.

Camp Kingswood, a coed resident camp located in Bridgton, Maine will be celebrating its 35th season this summer. It offers a full program of land and water sports, computers, crafts, music, drama, a radio station, Jewish Cultural Activities, trips and much more. Children in grades three through 10 may attend either one or two four-week sessions. Financial aid is available, based upon need. For further information and brochures, please call the Kingswood office at (617) 330-9595, or the Director at (617) 961-5369.

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by Dr. Steve C. Imber
Dear Dr. Imber:

I am a parent of a learning disabled adolescent. She has been diagnosed as learning disabled by her local public school system and has received resource services for the past few years.

Last year, she struggled and barely passed several of her subjects. At times, I felt like I was back in high school because I spent so much time "hitting the books" with her.

During the summer months, we had a private evaluation done in order to get a better handle on her learning disabilities. Results of testing indicated that her learning problems were more serious than we originally thought. I have approached administrators from the school system requesting that she receive more resource services in order to address her learning disabilities. It has been suggested to me that my daughter may not be able to have more assistance because of some new regulations affecting learning disabled students. Is there anything I can do to enable my daughter to get the resource help I believe she needs to have?

Seeking Advice

Dear Seeking:

Since your daughter has already been diagnosed as a learning disabled student and is currently receiving special education services as outlined in her Individualized Educational Program (IEP), you may have the matter considered by requesting in writing that you wish to have a review of her IEP.

Ordinarily, the team which originally developed your daughter's IEP would review the independent evaluation report. The person or persons who conducted the evaluation would normally have an opportunity to participate in such a meeting in order to present test results and to clarify any questions which might be raised about the results or recommendations contained within the report. The team which renders recommendations for increased services would logically

include those individuals who are direct service providers such as your daughter's resource teacher. Assuming that the IEP team perceived your daughter's deficits as more severe than originally thought, additional resource services could be offered to address those deficits, even if she seemed to be doing relatively well in her academic work.

While there are many changes which occur within the field of special education, it is always essential that when you have been told that new policies or regulations have been adopted you verify this information with the appropriate state agency. In this instance, such information could be readily determined by contacting the special education unit at the State Department of Education. While some review of the assessment process has occurred, the regulations pertaining to the learning disabled have not been altered. That is, those regulations set forth in Public Law 94-142 which were implemented in October, 1977, have remained the same. The definition of learning disabilities and the evaluation procedures for determining the eligibility of a learning disabled student remain intact. While there has been some concern raised about the over identification of learning disabled students, decisions are still based upon the same federal and state regulations. Moreover, whenever it can be demonstrated that a learning disabled student has more severe deficits than originally ascertained, it is certainly appropriate for a parent or legal guardian to request that the school system examine the situation through an IEP review.

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by Michael Fink

My mother would dig into the recesses of her closet and bring out the purple velvet suit with the galaxy of sequins spilling over the shoulders. She got it in Manhattan, an emblem of the fancy postwar "New Look" suitable only for New Year's Eve. Or she'd pick the black taffeta with the loosely ruffled skirt that rustled when she moved across the length of our parlor. Dad took out the bottle of whiskey from the shadows of the dark mahogany buffet. "Highball" glasses came forth too. Guests were just the next door neighbors. But the deco cocktail napkins and other frills lifted the evening to a loftier level. Its clutter dressed up New Year's dawn for us kids. A few chocolates from the Durand's box would offer themselves from shapely pewter candy dishes. The ones with green fillings looked magical, but peppermint cream was a safer staple in our commando raid. Better put back the green after a nibble. Etched pewter and copper ashtrays were piled up with butts and crumpled cigars.

Such indulgences were not vices to be repudiated in the future. Our family was a little more open than the neighbors. The parlor was never wrapped in plastic slips. The chimney was not blocked off. From outdoors you could smell the live charcoal in our hearth. Before dinner, the men, as usual, took a shot glass of whiskey. On New Year's afternoon, my grandfather would stroll down the hill with a paper bag of potions and utensils to fix old-fashionedes while we stared into the flames, blew smoke rings, and brooded about yesterday and tomorrow. Smoking was a recognized rite of passage, not a sin against soul and body. At age 16, you start with a pipe my mom bought us. Then dad would share his unfiltered cigarettes. Cigars came later, to puff slowly at a major event like January 1.

When I grew old enough to go out on my own for New Year's, I left off the ancient static customs of my parents. They and their friends just stepped next door. Now I would get the car going to move it up and down a hill or two a

block or so away.

In the great houses along the boulevard, huge soirees were given. If I had the right date, I might be able to go in and gape at some lovely, recent bride stepping down a curving staircase, crystal goblet in hand, condescending to smile upon me. For years I party-hopped in Providence on New Year's Eve. Benefit Street, Mount Hope, Oak Hill, trapezoids of households gathered together to chase off the chill. I liked going from house to house and street to street, showing off to my date how many people I knew.

But in recent adult years my demands have changed still further. Now I prepare the car for a journey north, past the gleaming State House and on to the lake district of Johnston. We have our friend Jim, who teaches ecology at the Community College. Years ago he bought a summer house deep in the woods and dug a basement for a woodburning furnace. He put in a kitchen stove of black and silver that burns wood, and open woodstoves in each room. He chops the logs from among the girdle of hardwoods that surround his retreat. Jim serves a stately supper on a polished wood table with a vase of flowers always at the center, or a wintry arrangement he gathers from the fields. It is an amiable altar. You never taste the wine until the toast. Each course is set out separately. You comment on the flavor. The dinner is formal — not stilted in the least, but shaped and crafted. He makes his own pasta and sauce, but he brings out other traditions. Jim likes to welcome a motley crew. A swampyankee pal may carry in a pot of corn chowder or a jar of honey from his own hives. My wife lugs in a midedast salad, homemade Sabbath bread, or poppyseed cake. But the overall mood is Italian.

Not Italian from Italy, Italian from Federal Hill. When Jim first went overseas to Rome he found the food pallid. Rhode Island makes ethnic styles of its own.

Sometimes on New Year's we dine alone with Jim at this home called "Candelet." My favorite time was the year my son was born, the perfect symbol of the New Year. I was a lazy guest, Jim a perfect host. As we drove up the winding unpaved road under a moon, I looked forward to winter, even the chilly dark rains that fill up Johnston ponds. I brought a bottle of French champagne. We stood before the fire to warm our hands and to gaze into the glow to warm our hearts with cheerful thoughts. I wore a new bright red tie and red cardigan to set spark to the New Year.

When gallant Jim bought that land, it lay out like a secret or forgotten treasure. The acreage gains in measurable value as parcels of "undeveloped" terrain get found out. Jim has become King, not of Camelot but of his Candelet. Of course at the stroke of midnight, nothing comforts, not bubbly, or bright flames, or the sweet melancholy of the old familiar tunes. The moment marks a cleft in human time and you look wildly backward and forward. You worry about your failings.

What are my faults? For a list, ask my family and friends, bosses and neighbors. Years ago I gave up nicotine. I used to bite my hangnails or my lips, or dogear books. I have fewer nervous tics. My idea of vices and sins has more to do with the large failures of the groups we are part of. In King Jim's little realm in the land of Rhode Island, the year gone by and the year stretching out hold nothing but peace and good will between man and nature and among the peoples, Rhode Island.

Fred Barton Returns As Almira Gulch

BOSTON — Have you ever wondered who the real woman is behind the severe exterior of Almira Gulch (that nasty woman from *The Wizard of Oz*)? If so, don't miss Fred Barton in *Miss Gulch Returns!*, January 11-22 at Club Cabaret.

Miss Gulch Returns! is a one-man musical revue of the famous bicycle-riding villainess, with 15 original songs by its star, Fred Barton. Armed with a tastefully outrageous black dress, a wig, a hat, a wicker basket, a grand piano, and an armful of devastating lyrics, Mr. Barton does the old girl proud!

Fred is well-known in Greater Boston for his previous contributions to musical theatre in the area. While at Harvard, he co-wrote *Hasty Pudding Shows*. Later, he co-created and musical directed *Forbidden Broadway* at The Boston Park Plaza Hotel. This month he returns to Boston as the Associate Conductor of the Broadway tour of *Cabaret* (with Joel Grey).

Miss Gulch Returns! will be performed at Club Cabaret for two weeks only, Wednesday, January 11 through Sunday, January 15 and Wednesday, January 18 through Sunday, January 22 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, and \$12 on Fridays and Saturdays. For tickets and information, please call (617) 536-0972. Club Cabaret is located at Club Cafe, 209 Columbus Ave., near Berkeley Street in Boston's Back Bay.

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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder

"I can't envisage a more superbly performed or produced revival of David Berry's play. A prodigious display of talent, an extraordinary ensemble. The accomplishments of this production team are remarkable." *L.A. Weekly*

"Solid and affecting... G. R. Point treats its themes perceptively. Howard Fine's staging is a perfect match." *L.A. Times*

Not bad for a Master's Degree recipient in Directing, who in five short years has chalked up a string of successes.

Howard Fine, a native son of Cranston, must be heir to the Midas touch. Over hash browns and scrambled eggs at Bickford's on Reservoir Avenue, Howard proceeded to catch me up with the challenges he set and met for himself since directing Club Pastiche Cabaret at the Providence Performing Arts Center three summers ago.

Looking every bit the casual Californian in nifty white jogging apparel, he exudes with joy over his decision to seek his theatrical destiny in Los Angeles immediately after Club Pastiche.

At that point in time, Howard had requested the summer off from chairing and teaching the acting department at The American Musical and Dramatic Academy of New York (AMDA).

"The school was initially resistant to my coming to Providence to direct the cabaret. I remember opening night, walking up Weybosset Street, and seeing the marquis all lit. I recognized some members of the press walking in.

"I felt very nervous, but exhilarated and alive. This is good, I thought. I hadn't felt this way in awhile. I should be nervous. I should be on the line. I should be challenged.

"I enjoyed doing the show and working with the staff of the Providence Performing Arts Center very much. The cast was wonderful; I had a wonderful team. This was a good feeling, and I thought that maybe this was the clue to start again. Try another big challenge, and see what else would happen with my life!

"I had always dabbled with the idea of Hollywood, an unknown quantity for someone who grew up on the East Coast. All I ever thought of in terms of entertainment was New York. It was very difficult to go back to New York and resign. I think AMDA expected that I would, after awhile, start to look around and see what else I wanted to do.

"Without contacts, I moved to L.A., and started from scratch. L.A. was strange. Where am I? I didn't know anyone. I looked around, sent out my resume, and got a job teaching at Tracy Roberts Acting

Studio. I sent letters to agency managers and casting people listing my credentials and my background, saying I'd like to meet with them and discuss their thoughts on training.

"I discovered that no one had ever approached them this way before. It was amazing. I followed up my letters with phone calls. Everyone wanted to meet with me at their offices where I was told what their clients lacked. After a few weeks of meetings, I got a very strong sense of what needed to be done.

"I took an internship at Stephen J. Cannell Productions in their casting department for a month and sat in on all auditions, such as 'Riptide' and 'Hardcastle and McCormick.' This orientation gave me a good idea of their perspective of what the actors were doing.

"At first, agents sent me their lesser known clients to work with, and that went especially well. And because of what I knew when I coached an audition, a large part of the time the actors would tend to get the job. That represented a lot of money for the agents.

"Soon, they sent me their stars and then the biggest agencies began to call like William Morris, Triad, ICM. My clientele jumped from beginning actors to major celebrities. That put me into a different league very fast.

"I finished out my contract with Tracy Roberts and was able to open a studio. Since the Summer Olympics, Florence Griffith Joyner and Carl Lewis called for coaching. It's been phenomenal!"

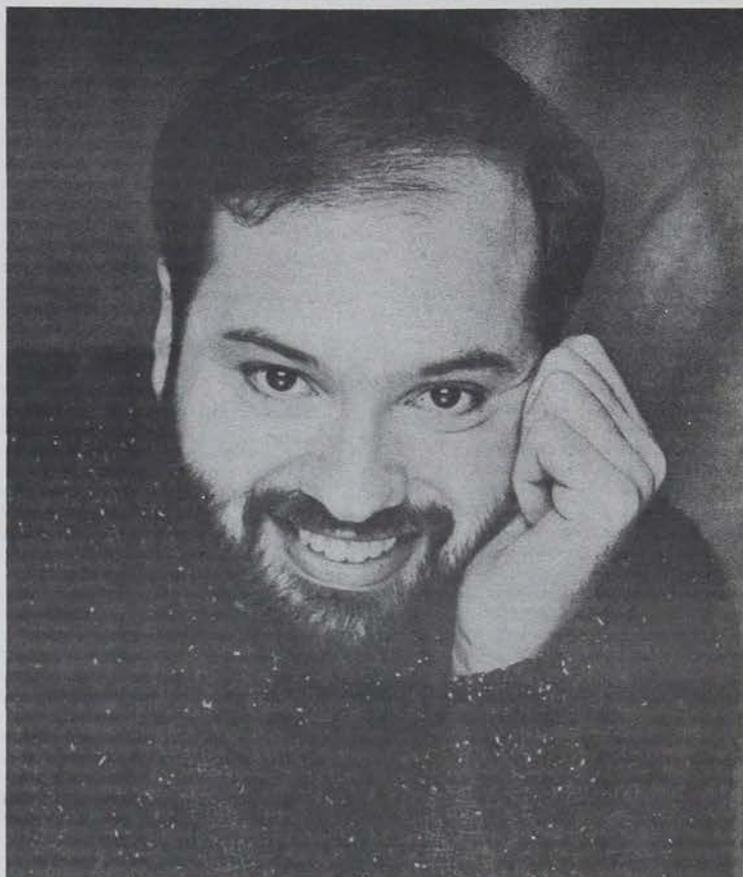
His students currently include Heather Locklear, Jack Coleman ('Dynasty'), Charlene Tilton ('Dallas'), Lola Falana, Ray 'Boom Boom' Mancini, Lou Ferrigno, Kim Delaney ('Tour of Duty'), and formerly on 'All My Children,' Michael Tucci ('It's Garry Shandling's Show'), Telma Hopkins, and Paul Stanley, lead singer of the rock group KISS.

The message Howard strives to communicate to his actor students is to use their own personality clearly and honestly. "The tendency is to act artificially, trying to create a persona that isn't who they are," he says. "Most people off camera are alive, vital and fooling around while waiting to go on. Then, they step in front of the camera, reach for persona, and this plastic transformation takes place.

"Jerry Ohrbach told me this story that stuck with me. At the height of James Dean's career, he asked the actor what was his secret. His answer was his goal, to step from off camera to on camera with no change. That's very difficult to do. Actors have to have a strong sense of who they are.

"I like to work with someone who has

A Perfect Match



Director/Coach Howard Fine. Photo by Brigitte Gouxte

had New York training, which is very disciplined. Very bad training takes a long time to untrain."

The two excerpts from glowing reviews that begin this story focus on Howard's skill at directing Rhode Islander David Berry's play 'G.R. Point,' which opened September 6 for a two-month run at the Callboard Theatre in West Hollywood.

Feeling the time had come to direct a play, his search for a producer led him to Courtney H. Burr III, who produced on Broadway the Pulitzer Prize-winning play, 'The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-In-The-Moon Marigolds,' starring Shelley Winters and Carol Kane.

"Since 1980, I had wanted to do 'G. R. Point,' a very powerful and brilliant play set in Vietnam, but no one would touch it because of the subject matter. It was done on Broadway in 1979 and wasn't well received at that time. It was too soon. The film 'Platoon' has opened the way for people to explore the subject.

Howard praises the excellence of his 'G.R. Point' cast, which included Craig Sheffer, starring with Emilio Estevez in 'That Was Then, This Is Now,' and stars opposite Gene Hackman in 'Split Decisions,' Scott Plank, playing opposite Sean Penn in 'Hurly Burly,' and David Harris,

who carries extensive credits and was seen on 'North And South.'

With 'G. R. Point' behind them, Howard and Producer Burr are looking for another play. "It's got to be something we feel passionate about. There's one that hasn't been done that I'd like to get the rights to. 'Judah' by Robert Thacker, who wrote 'Kennedy's Children.' We're going to investigate the possibility."

The morning goes on, and Bickford's gets a bit noisier. With a plane to catch back to Los Angeles in a few hours, Howard assures me that there is ample time to visit with his family before he winds down the long holiday weekend reunion and his 30th birthday celebration.

What, I wonder aloud, does he project to his students? "I try to be simple, clear and tangible in my critiques so my students can leave the class with a tool, a new idea, a new way of working."

"My goal is when they're on a set, working on location, here or overseas, and handed script changes, they're not dependent on some guru master. They have their techniques and know how to work. It's theirs, and theirs to use. My goal is to make them independent, not to make them emotional cripples."

When Howard coaches privately, he works with actors on audition material, their current roles, a particular episode on TV or film. "Sometimes, directors have no acting background."

The closest member of Howard's family to the realm of acting is his niece Michelle, who is in Donald Babbitt's Cranston East theatre class, where Howard's first class was.

"But I would never encourage anyone to make a career out of it. I'm sure Donald would agree. It's a wonderful hobby. It's wonderful to stay in touch with theatre for personal growth, but as a career choice, it's so difficult, unless someone is born to the business, family, or goes out to California very early straight out of college or goes to school out there.

"It's wise to be surrounded by the industry. There's so many things you know about by being at the center of it. It's important to be industry aware."

Assessing his move to California, Howard registers awe. "It's been an amazing three years. It's really a major time of transition and challenge. Sometimes I have to pinch myself to think this is really what I do.

"I'm teaching people now that I grew up watching!"

"G. R. Point" Cast



Photo by Brigitte Gouxte

Books in Review

The World According To Kinky

Greenwich Killing Time by Kinky Friedman (Berkley Books, 1986, 228 pp. \$3.50).
A Case of Lone Star by Kinky Friedman (Berkley Books, 1987, 189 pp. \$3.50).

Reviewed by David DeBlois

Kinky Friedman is a country-and-western singer/mystery novelist/New York City supersleuth.

Yep, that's right—another country singer/mystery writer/supersleuth. Boy, if I had a nickel for every country singer/mystery writer/supersleuth that came down the turnpike, why I'd be....

Well, actually, I'd be pretty dang broke is what I'd be.

Kinky is, if nothing else, an original.

Having penned such country "classics" as "Get Your Biscuits In The Oven And Your Buns In The Bed," this Texan has turned his attention to penning novels—novels about a country-singer-turned-New-York-City-gumshoe named, of course, Kinky Friedman.

As mysteries go, Friedman's plots are pretty standard. Clues are not meticulously planted as they are in, say, an Agatha Christie offering. However, the real fun here is not in trying to guess the outcome, but rather in going along for the ride while Kinky unravels the mystery, dropping one-liners out of the side of his mouth in a manner that would have made Humphrey Bogart proud.

The *Chicago Tribune*, in fact, labeled Kinky "a hip hybrid of Groucho Marx and Sam Spade." That's about as accurate a description as you're likely to get. Kinky trudges his way through NYC, exposing its seamier side with a style and tone reminiscent of the narration on a film noir classic from the '40's or '50's. The words, however, are definitely those of a Texas country singer, as when Kinky mutters jewels like:

You can pick your friends and you can pick your nose, but you can't wipe your friends off on your saddle.

Both of Friedman's books, *Greenwich Killing Time* and *A Case of Lone Star*, offer dozens upon dozens of dandy quips like this one, as Kinky comments upon a world-gone-mad amidst murder and mayhem in the Big Apple. Ol' Kinky'll have you laughing out loud from cover to cover.

Greenwich Killing Time, Friedman's debut novel, has the Kinkster investigating a murder which his pal McGovern has been charged with committing. Kinky, though, knows it's a frame-up. When McGovern is let out on parole, however, more killings occur, and the city's interest is aroused, despite the fact that "in New York nobody really regarded anybody as dead; we just thought of them as not currently working on a project." The killer, incidentally, has a habit of leaving typewritten messages with no capital letters in them at the scene of the crime, which, Kinky notes, "raises the shocking possibility that the murderer was e.e. cummings."

The investigation sees Kinky grappling with bureaucrats ("If Moses had been a committee, the Jews would probably never have gotten out of Egypt."), romancing a dame or two ("I gave her upper lip a workout but it was nothing D.H. Lawrence would want to write home about."), and just trying to pass the time between clues ("The next two days crawled by like a centipede with a bad case of the gout.")

Solving the mystery is, as stated, quite difficult due to the fact that Friedman occasionally states that a clue has been uncovered, but does not reveal it to the reader. Thus, die-hard mystery fans might get a bit frustrated, but anybody else will be having too good a time to notice.

Friedman's follow-up to this hilarious debut, *A Case of Lone Star*,

has the Kink-man investigating some trouble at the Big Apple's Lone Star Cafe. The trouble comes in the form of country singer Larry Barkin (whose name and act bear a striking resemblance to country singer Larry Gatlin), who Friedman first encounters in his dressing room. The circumstances are somewhat less than ideal. "It was a good thing he wouldn't be needing his Gibson guitar anymore," Kinky notes, "because somebody had evidently bashed in the back of his skull with it."

As in *Greenwich Killing Time*, a series of murders ensues, and Kinky gets caught right in the thick of things. A host of characters from Friedman's first book reappear here, most notably Ratso, the wisecracking Watson to Kinky's Holmes.

The mystery in this second novel is much more cleanly related than in *Greenwich Killing Time*, demonstrating the author's improvement in the technical side of his craft. Still, though, it is Kinky's outrageous insights, muttered through clenched teeth holding a two-week-old, half-smoked cigar, that dominate the book. The one-liners come as effortlessly here as they did in *Greenwich Killing Time*, providing chuckles and chortles throughout.

For those who might criticize the book for sounding too much like a B movie, consider this Kinky-ism:

It reminded me of a B movie. Unfortunately, it wasn't. It was a B world.

Anybody who has ever spent any time in New York, New York—the city so nice they named it twice—knows that it is definitely a "B world."

So if you're a fella or a dame that could use a little pleasure in this lousy life, Kinky Friedman's books'll make ya laugh more than a Frenchman at a Jerry Lewis Film Festival.

Or something like that.

A Magical World Of Fantasy



by Sandra Silva

The Forbidden Door by Marilee Heyer, Publication by Viking Penguin, Viking Kestrel Books, October 1988
 Ages 3-8

Marilee Heyer has made an unforgettable entrance into the world of children's literature with *The Forbidden Door*, the most exquisitely illustrated children's book of the season. Ms. Heyer's skillful retelling of an ancient legend is enhanced by her incredibly intricate and beautiful illustrations.

Reena is a beautiful child. Generations of Reena's ancestors were forced into hiding to escape the evil Okira, whose magic powers fed off their beauty. To Reena and her parents, the only ones remaining, Outside is known only through old legends. Although Reena has every possible convenience in their earthen hideaway, she longs to find a way out so she may see the sun, the trees, flowers and night sky of these stories.

In *The Forbidden Door*, Reena finds a way to the fabled Outside, only to be caught and trapped by the terrifying Okira. *The Forbidden Door* is the story of how Reena is able, through her own resource-

fulness and the assistance of the small inhabitants of the Outside, to escape from the vines that bind her. Reena and her new friends go on, through the sheer force of will, to defeat the Okira. She is consigned to the lower regions of the Earth, where Reena's ancestors had long resided, making the Outside a safe and happy place once again for Reena and her family.

Approximately one half of this book consists of glorious full page illustrations rich in detail and color. The depictions of Reena and the mystical characters who befriend her are so realistic that it's as though you can reach out and hold them in your hand!

The story of this book is appealing and appropriate for children of all ages. The somewhat complex sentences and longer words are easily readable by older children but must be read to the younger ones. Younger children who have not yet learned to read will be enticed by the spectacular illustrations.

The Forbidden Door is a treasure, a book of incredible beauty. Marilee Heyer has captured the essence of what a child must dream after being read a fairy tale before falling asleep.

Children's Book Award Winners Chosen

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Father Bruce Ritter, founder of New York's Covenant House, and Los Angeles writer, Malka Drucker, are the first prize winners of the fifth Janusz Korczak Literary Competition for books about, or aimed at, children.

The competition, sponsored by the International Center for Holocaust Studies of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, honors Janusz Korczak, a Polish-Jewish physician and Warsaw orphanage director who chose to die in the Nazi gas chambers at Treblinka in 1942 rather than forsake 200 children entrusted to his care.

Nat Kameny, the Center's chairman, who made the announcement, said the awards are given for books published in the last two years which exemplify Korczak's humanitarianism and self-sacrifice. They are presented by ADL's Center in cooperation with three Polish organizations — the North American Study Center for Polish Affairs (Studium), *Nowy Dziennik/Polish Daily News* and the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences of America, Inc.

Father Ritter's book, *Covenant House* (Doubleday), won first prize in the category of adult books about children. First prize for books aimed at young readers went to Ms. Drucker for *Eliezer Ben-Yehuda: The Father of Modern Hebrew* (E.P. Dutton). Each prize carries a stipend of \$1,000 and a plaque.

Honorable mention in the books about children for adult audiences category went to *Lovingkindness* (Summit), by Anne Roiphe. Ms. Roiphe shared honorable mention with her husband, Herman Roiphe, in the fourth Korczak competition for *Your Child's Mind: The Complete Guide to Infant and Child Emotional Well-Being*.

Honorable mention in the young readers category went to *Homecoming*, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, by Elsa Posell.

Covenant House contains a series of letters describing Father Ritter's mission in life: his ministry to the "throwaway" children in our society. Covenant House, on Manhattan's lower East Side, was founded by Father Ritter to aid destitute children who have nowhere to turn.

Eliezer Ben-Yehuda describes how Ben-Yehuda, a medical student from Russia, settled in Palestine determined to revive and make Hebrew a living language. The book relates how he overcame opposition by traditional Jews who objected to secular use of a holy language and those who were skeptical that the ancient tongue could be adapted to modern needs.

Homecoming is the autobiographical story of a Jewish family caught up in the agony of the Russian Revolution who become victims of the wave of anti-Semitic violence sweeping the country. The book describes the children's escape from Russia

without their parents and their struggle against the Russian winter and starvation. Author Posell, who began her writing career in Russia, escaped after the revolution to the United States, where she now lives.

Lovingkindness by Ms. Roiphe, a New York writer, is a novel about the complicated relationship between a mother and daughter. The daughter goes to Israel, enters a conservative Jewish sect, changes her name and plans to enter into an arranged marriage.

Following the recommendations of a screening committee, Jacek Galazka, former president of Scribner Book Companies, Inc., was the final judge in the "about children" category; Professor Robert Coles of Harvard University, a child psychologist and author, was the final judge for the children's books.

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World and National News

Moves To Reduce Refugee Backlog Get Mixed Reviews

by Andrew Silow Carroll
NEW YORK (JTA) — Soviet Jewry and refugee resettlement agencies have given mixed reviews to the latest moves by the U.S. State and Justice departments to ease a backlog of Soviet Jewish refugee applicants in Moscow and Rome.

Among other actions described in a Dec. 15 memo, the State Department said it would "front-load" the number of Soviet refugee slots available for the entire fiscal year 1989, making all of those slots — as many as 14,000 — open immediately.

Each year, Congress sets a region-by-region quota on the number of immigrants to be allowed to enter the United States as refugees. Ordinarily, an entire fiscal year's quota of regional refugee admissions is distributed in quarterly installments.

The need for such extraordinary measures as front-loading stems from the influx of Soviet Jews and other minorities permitted to emigrate this year.

Since January, some 15,640 Jews have been permitted to leave, nearly double last year's total and more than 15 times the number

allowed out the year before.

The number of refugee slots allocated by Congress did not keep pace. As a result, U.S. immigration officials in Rome have denied refugee status to as many as 179 Soviet Jewish emigres since September. And hundreds more applications are pending.

Jewish organizations have called the denials a betrayal of U.S. human rights guarantees to Soviet Jews.

The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, or HIAS, the Union of Councils for Soviet Jews and the Washington office of the Council of Jewish Federations all welcomed the front-loading procedure. CJF said in a statement that the move "will help relieve pressures enormously."

But Karl Zukerman, executive vice president of HIAS, was less enthusiastic about the government's statement that it would also consult with Congress about re-allocating to the Soviet refugee sphere 3,000 unused slots currently reserved for Vietnamese political refugees.

The slots are open because Vietnamese officials have yet to follow through on the promised release of thousands detained in so-called "re-education camps."

"While we appreciate the increase, it is a mistake to take it from other regions," said Zukerman.

The chairman of an umbrella group of refugee agencies also objected to the reallocation process.

"It's too bad there has to be this kind of jostling from one region to another," commented Dr. Donald Larsen, executive director of the

Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service and chairman of the Committee on Migration and Refugee Affairs.

Micah Naftalin, national director of the Union of Councils, said that he understands the concern of HIAS and others that the Vietnamese are being "traded off" for Soviets.

"However, it is my impression that we're not trading them off, but borrowing," he said. "There is an assumption among all of us that when Congress returns in January, they'll straighten it out."

The State Department is among those counting on Congress to solve the refugee problem. The State Department memo also listed department plans to draft legislation that will establish a new category of immigrant.

Currently, those being denied

refugee status may enter the country as "public interest parolees," as Attorney General Richard Thornburgh has been assuring Soviet Jewry groups.

However, parolees, unlike refugees or even regular immigrants, face major obstacles in trying to become U.S. citizens or permanent resident aliens.

Jewish organizations are also hoping that Congress will resist budget pressures and heavily increase the money available for refugee programs.

The refugee problem is a "whole package," said Zukerman.

"Each of the little problems is related to the overall money problems. Once there is overall understanding of what the government is going to come up with, all of the rest (of the problems) are practicalities."

W. German Jewish Council Urges Disbanding Organization

by David Kantor

BONN (JTA) — The Central Council of Jews in West Germany, shamed by an embezzlement scandal early this year, is divided over whether to disband the community umbrella organization.

Ignaz Bubis, head of the Jewish community in Frankfurt, which is the largest in West Germany, resigned from the Central Council 10 days ago, along with eight other members. He urged the 10 remaining members to quit as well, so that elections can be held for new leadership. But that was fiercely opposed by Heinz Galinski, the 75-year-old chairman of the Central Council.

Galinski argued that blanket resignations would end all activities on behalf of West German Jews, and that he could not take responsibility for that. The resignations followed a meeting of the Central Council's assembly in West Berlin.

Critics said the present leadership did not deserve confidence because it had failed to detect the malfeasance of the late Werner Nachmann, who chaired the Central Council for more than 20 years until he died suddenly last January.

Nachmann, a respected businessman with political connections in Bonn, was discovered after his death to have misappropriated some \$40 million, earmarked for reparations for Jewish holocaust survivors.

Most of the money was provided by the Bonn Finance Ministry and placed in trust with the Central Council for distribution. It was Nachmann's successor, Galinski, who uncovered the scandal last March.

The Central Council accepted full responsibility, firing its secretary, Alexander Ginsberg, who along with Nachmann had sole access to the reparations account.

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Judge Rules In Favor Of Palestinian Immigrants

by Tom Tugend

LOS ANGELES (JTA) — Arab-Americans are hailing a decision by a federal judge who ruled that immigrants have a right of free speech, even when that right is at odds with the government's right to control immigration.

The judge's ruling invalidated the legal basis of a government deportation case against seven Palestinians and a Kenyan woman, who were arrested on charges of membership in the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The case, however, has drawn national attention well beyond the Arab community.

The outcome has been greeted as a civil rights landmark, which extends the free speech guarantees of the Constitution's First Amendment to all aliens and immigrants in the United States.

The seven Palestinian men, traveling on Jordanian passports, and the Kenyan wife of one of them, are residents of the Los Angeles area who are or were enrolled in local colleges.

They were arrested January 26, 1987, by agents of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, FBI and Los Angeles police.

They were charged with being members of the PFLP, advocating international communism, the destruction of property and posing a risk to national security.

The allegations, denied by all the defendants, were based on an FBI study which described the PFLP, a radical, Marxist offshoot of the Palestine Liberation Organization, as "one of the most ruthless terrorist groups of modern times." The PFLP is led by Dr. George Habash.

Rabbis From Soviet Union Visit Israel

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The chief rabbis of Moscow and Leningrad arrived in Israel last Tuesday, in what is believed to be the first visit of Soviet rabbis to the Jewish state.

Rabbi Adolph Shayevich of Moscow and Rabbi Haim Levitis of Leningrad arrived at the invitation of the Great Synagogue in Tel Aviv. The chief rabbi of Odessa was originally also scheduled to arrive with the delegation. It could not immediately be confirmed if he arrived with the others.

Avraham Chetroni, president of the synagogue, said the invitations had been sent annually for some years.

"We cabled an invitation to Moscow five months ago, but only now has an acceptance arrived.

"We received a phone call from Moscow two weeks ago informing us they would be arriving today," he said.

The Soviet Union broke off ties with Israel following the 1967 Six-Day War, but there has been an increase in diplomatic and cultural exchanges over the last year.

Morgenthau Presents Earthquake Relief Checks

Ruth and Henry Morgenthau of Saunterstown, R.I., flew to Washington D.C., Wednesday morning, December 28, 1988, to participate in the presentation of checks for Armenian earthquake relief at the Soviet Embassy. The funds, collected by the American Jewish World Service, will be presented to the Soviet Ambassador to the U.S., Yuri Dubinin, and to Archbishop Torkom Manougian, Primate of the Armenian Church of America.

For three generations, the Morgenthaus have cherished a special relationship with the Armenian

The government brought its charges under provisions of the McCarran-Walter Act of 1952.

That law was passed during the height of Sen. Joseph McCarthy's anti-communist crusade, and has long been an anathema to civil rights advocates.

Shortly after the arrests, the government reduced charges against six defendants to lesser visa violations, which, however, can still lead to deportations.

That left the two most important members of the group: Khader Musa Hamide, 34, a native of Bethlehem, and described by federal authorities as a "dominant leader" of the PFLP, and Michel Ibrahim Shehadeh, 32, born in the West Bank village of Bir Zeit, identified as a "leader of the PFLP in the Los Angeles area."

They were recharged under another provision of the McCarran-Walter Act that prohibits advocacy of "unlawful damage, injury or destruction of property."

It was this loosely drawn provision that was declared unconstitutional by U.S. District Judge Stephen Wilson.

"In this case," the judge noted, "the government is trying to stifle certain ideas from entering our society from certain aliens through its immigration power."

Wilson, who was appointed by President Reagan in 1985, added that his ruling would in no way hinder the United States from using other existing laws to combat terrorism and threats to national security.

Justice Department prosecutors announced that they will appeal the judge's decision to a higher court.

people. At the time of the Armenian massacre in 1915 in Turkey, U.S. Ambassador Henry Morgenthau alerted the world to the first Holocaust of the 20th century, and proceeded to organize a massive relief effort in the United States at the time.

The delegation, presenting the checks on Wednesday at 11 a.m., at the Soviet Embassy, consists of representatives of the American Jewish World Service, which collected the Armenian earthquake relief funds. It demonstrates American Jewish solidarity with the Armenian people who are suffering as a result of the recent earthquake.

Ruth Morgenthau is a founding member of the Board of Directors of AJWS. She was the Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress from Rhode Island's Second District in 1988. Her husband, Henry Morgenthau III, the grandson and namesake of the Ambassador, is currently writing a history of the Morgenthau family.

Israeli Government Approves ORT Teacher Training College

The Israeli government has officially authorized ORT Israel to open an advanced teacher training institute at the ORT School of Engineering in Jerusalem, announced David B. Hermelin, President of the American ORT Federation. The new teachers college, a first in the ORT Israel network of 113 schools and training centers, will help meet the increasing demand in Israel for qualified teachers in hi-tech fields. The initial teacher training courses will qualify teachers in advanced electronics technology.

The official notice came from Yitzak Navon, Israel's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education and Culture, who has been working closely with ORT to initiate the program. Navon will be the featured guest speaker at the

Israeli Government Launches Economic Office In Boston



ISRAEL ECONOMIC OFFICE. Pictured left to right: Israel Consul for Economic Affairs to New England Zvi Koren, Israel Economic Minister Gabriel Levy, Dr. J. Morris Weinberg, President of the New England-Israel Chamber of Commerce, and Dr. Seymour Rothchild, immediate past-president of the New England-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

BOSTON, Mass. — Well-wishers from the Greater Boston legal, investment, and business communities joined with representatives of major Jewish organizations to celebrate the inauguration of the Government of Israel Office for Economic Affairs in New England, located at 1012 Statler Office Building, Boston. The opening of the Boston office brings the total number of Israel regional economic offices to five. Other locations are Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and New York.

According to Zvi Koren, the newly appointed Consul for Economic Affairs to New England, "the opening of the office is a very important move for us because we recognize the need for greater interaction between U.S. and Is-

rael high tech industries, especially in light of the Free Trade Area (FTA) agreement between our two countries." The FTA is a key factor in the increasing of trade between the U.S. and Israel, offering many commercial benefits to both nations.

Mr. Koren arrived at his new post with broad experience in government and in the private sector. Before coming to Boston, he owned and managed a private consulting company geared to investment, industry, and export. Previous posts include Deputy General Director for Finance in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Consul for Economic Affairs to Australia and New Zealand, and Deputy Director of the Investment Center.

American ORT Federation National Conference to be held January 19 through 22 at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York City.

"ORT programs in Israel include training in computer science, robotics, laser technology, fiber optics, computer-aided design and manufacture, electro-optics and the technology of composite materials," noted Hermelin. "These are hi-tech areas essential to Israel's economy today and areas that will become even more vital in the future."

ORT schools currently train some 200,000 students in 35 countries around the world.

Bethlehem Celebrates Christmas In A Town Emptied By Strike

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Bethlehem had one of its saddest Christmases on record as pilgrims celebrated Mass inside the Church of the Nativity while Israeli soldiers outside chased stone-throwers.

The town that according to Christian tradition is the site of Jesus' birth was almost empty of tourists. Shops were shut behind their cast iron grills as local merchants observed a strike called by the underground leadership of the Palestinian uprising.

The municipality had cancelled its traditional receptions some weeks ago because of the uprising, and for the first time in more than 20 years there were no holiday decorations in the streets.

Rainy weather did little to dispel the gloom there or in East Jerusalem, which is usually bustling this time of the year. Few tourists were seen in the streets and alleys of the Old City, as shops were open but there were no customers. "It has never been so bad," said one local merchant.

Another said tourism was only 10 percent what it was at this time last year.

The uprising has hit Israel's tourist industry hard. A total of

19,439 tourists arrived at Ben-Gurion Airport in the first two weeks of December, a 14 percent drop from December 1987, when the intifada began.

The occupancy rate at Israeli tourist hotels dropped by 36 percent last month compared to the same period a year ago. "There is worse to come," an official of the hotel owners association predicted.

Meanwhile, stormy weather in the West Bank and Gaza Strip kept the level of violence relatively low on Christmas Day.

One Palestinian was killed in a clash with security forces in Gaza and 19 were wounded in similar incidents throughout the territories.

Wallenberg Remembered In L.A.

LOS ANGELES (JTA) — The memory of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swede who saved over 90,000 Hungarian Jews from almost certain death, was honored with an 18-foot bronze statue in Los Angeles on Dec. 4, the first day of Chanukah.

The statue was unveiled at Raoul Wallenberg Square, in the Fairfax district of Los Angeles, by the Raoul Wallenberg Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation.

The statue, sculpted by artist Franco Assetto, depicts Wallenberg reaching forward to save those doomed to die. Stainless steel wings placed on both sides of the figure illustrate Wallenberg's description as the "Swedish Angel of Mercy," while the outside of the wings depict a jail cell, symbolizing Wallenberg's years of imprisonment.

The Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States believes Wallenberg to be alive, despite the Soviets' claim that he died of a heart attack in 1947.

They hope that the dedication, which took place the week Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev visited the United States, will call attention to Raoul Wallenberg's fate and help aid in his release.

News In Brief

Belgian Jew Was On Pan Am Flight

by Yossi Lempkowicz
BRUSSELS (JTA) — Another Jewish passenger aboard the Pan American jumbo jet that crashed in Scotland was identified. Arnaud Ruben, a 20-year-old student from Brussels, boarded the ill-fated plane in London, according to informed sources here.

Cost Of Living Up Again

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The cost-of-living index crept up by 1.6 percent in November according to the Central Bureau of Statistics.

The price index has risen at an annual rate of 16 percent since the start of the year, but the 25 percent rate rise over the last three months indicates that inflation in 1988 will be well above last year's 16 percent.

Soviets Offer Hoop Package

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Soviet Union has approved the sale of 400 package tours to Israeli fans who want to watch the Tel Aviv Maccabi basketball team play the CSKA Red Army team in Moscow Jan. 12.

The tours, costing between \$1,200 and \$1,550, include entry visa, air fare, lodgings, sightseeing and admission to the games.

The Soviet hoopsters will play a rematch in Tel Aviv next March.

JNF To Plant 3 Million Trees

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Jewish National Fund will plant 3 million trees this year, largely to replace trees destroyed by forest fires that ravaged the countryside last summer, JNF Chairman Moshe Rivlin announced.

Much of the destruction was caused by arson from the intifada. Rivlin said the trees will be planted at 120 sites, from the Lebanese border in the north to the Egyptian border in the south.

Cain Cleared Of Abel's Murder

by Ruth E. Gruber

ROME (JTA) — A jury in Venice has found Cain not guilty of first-degree murder in the death of his brother, Abel.

It deliberated for 55 minutes before reaching a verdict that could trigger a millennium of scholarly debate.

During the 10-hour mock trial, testimony was heard from historians, academicians, rabbis, criminologists and other distinguished experts. The defendant did not take the witness stand, having died a few thousand years ago.

The trial, held in the Council Hall of the provincial government building in Venice, was sponsored by the city government, the Venetian Bar Association and, of course, the local tourist board. It was open to the public. Practicing attorneys participated. A presiding magistrate, Luigi Maria Todaro, played the role of president of the court.

Some might accuse the jurors of favoring the criminal over the victim. While they did not deny that Cain, a farmer, slew Abel, a shepherd, they found extenuating circumstances. Cain acted out of understandable emotional turmoil, abetted by the fact that God preferred Abel's offering to his own, the jury decided.

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Youth Hi Lights

Changing Needs Of Youth

LAKE MONTICELLO, New York — Seventy-two Jewish youth workers from five countries convened here last week to examine their roles as professionals and discuss the challenges facing today's Jewish teenagers.

They had gathered for the annual B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO) international staff conference, October 31 to November 4 at Kutsher's Country Club. Attending the conference were BBYO staff from Canada, England, France, Israel and the United States.

Starting the week on a positive note was BBYO international director Dr. Sidney Clearfield who reported that the Jewish community is showing an increasing concern for Jewish Youth group activities.

"From what I see, we're in for a good future because the Jewish community is paying more and more attention to its youth groups financially and through other resources," Clearfield said.

This was evident, he said, during the planning of this year's Council of Jewish Federations' General Assembly to be held later this week in New Orleans.

"A few years ago, hardly anyone wanted to talk about youth groups at that event," Clearfield said. "Now, they're having special workshops and putting it at the forefront of the issues they are dealing with. The Jewish community is taking action on what they have been saying all along: if you want a quality Jewish future, you need to pay more attention to your youth groups."

During the programming sessions, the Palestinian-Israeli conflict was examined through an innovative program involving political cartoons. Led by BBYO's new international shaliach, Shalom Zausmer, participants were divided into small groups representing different groupings in the Palestinian and Israeli camps. Then, through the eyes of their assumed identities, they examined a series of political cartoons and discussed what the drawings represented to them. Following that, opposing groups — such as "Israeli soldiers" and "Palestinian refugees" — were brought together to discuss their interpretations of the cartoons.

Through the heated debates that ensued, the staff were vividly

shown the different perceptions groups can have of the same item.

The conferees were also addressed by B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations Director Richard Joel, who gave a lively presentation on Jewish values. Joel urged the youth professionals to keep the perspective of the importance of their work, regardless of the frustrations they may experience along the way.

The staff also took some time to focus on the rapid growth of the B'nai B'rith Teen Connection, BBYO's seventh and eighth grade program, as Dr. Melvin Silverman, professor of psychoeducational processes at Temple University, described the special needs and challenges facing that age group.

Other events included programs on the 1988-89 international membership campaign, the Plus Five drive and the 1988-89 international program thrust, Project R.E.A.C.H. (Responsibility Everywhere to Aid and Care for the Homeless). Throughout the program year, BBYO's 800 chapters are participating in a variety of activities to learn about and help the homeless.

On January 15, BBYO will conduct an international collection day for the homeless. The staff brought to the conference personal hygiene items, such as shampoo, combs and toothpaste. The collection is being donated to a Washington, D.C. homeless shelter.

A provoking seminar on the rise of hate groups in America was performed by Debbie Rausch, director of Holocaust Survivors and Friends in Pursuit of Justice.

Receiving special recognition during the conference was BBYO Michigan Region Director Arnold Weiner, in his 20th year of service to BBYO. Clearfield praised Weiner's skills and dedication to his work.

The purpose of the conference was two-fold, according to BBYO Associate International Director Arnie Sohinki.

"What we're doing here is not only increasing the education of our staff, but giving them skills to teach what they learn to our members," Sohinki said. "Through the combination of workshops and seminars that we have had here this week, we are continuing to provide Jewish youth with the best trained staff possible."

by Bruce Herzog

In the summer of 1986, David Green became suspicious of a lingering bout with pneumonia and decided to get tested for AIDS. The results confirmed his worst fears — he had contracted the deadly virus. Two and a half years later, he is still fighting the disease. Recently, he told his story to a concerned group of college students.

"You don't have to be infected by AIDS to be affected by AIDS," said Green, 36. Forty heads nodded in agreement, some undoubtedly thinking of friends similarly stricken; others, perhaps, seriously confronting the issue for the first time.

The students listening to Green were in Washington, D.C. for the seventh annual National Jewish Student Issues conference, Oct. 27-30, sponsored by the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations. More than 180 Jewish campus leaders from 95 schools participated in a series of workshops and seminars aimed at shedding new light on important topics such as AIDS, human rights, and Israel's image on campus.

"I want to give them first-hand exposure to what's going on with AIDS," said Green, explaining the reason he agreed to appear before the student audience. "In order to fully understand what it means to go through this, if they don't already have a personal involvement in it through themselves, family or friends, then they need to hear it from the horse's mouth." Noting that it's becoming less likely to remain untouched by AIDS, Green added, "People have to wake up and be compassionate, be careful and confront the issue."

Looking back to the time before he first knew he had the disease, Green believed, like many others, that it couldn't possibly happen to him. "But it's not enough to assume that. It was scary to find out that I was 'one of them,'" he admitted.

Now, "some days are better than others. I live my life in smaller pieces," he said. "My relationship with my family has improved. We take time out to let one another know that we love each other."

Green said he is trying to keep as many parts of his life as normal as possible by working at his government job three days a week and going to a support group at the Whitman-Walker clinic in

Washington. "I know I could die at any time, but I'm still here," he said. "I play mind games with myself to keep up the positive attitude."

"Take care and notice," Green warned the gathering. "AIDS is happening to nice Jewish boys like me. Sooner or later, it will happen to someone you love."

Asked by one student what advice Green hoped to give them to bring back to their campuses, Green replied, "I want you to learn from my experience. There's no going back with AIDS. Take the risk seriously. Continue safe-sex education, and don't forget — this is not just an issue of homosexuality — this involves all people."

Green's talk, and a subsequent discussion among students of various ethical and practical situations involving AIDS, provoked thoughtful reactions. Joyce Kammerman, a student at American University and a member of the National Hillel Secretariat, predicted that students will recognize the importance of AIDS programs as they realize that an increasing number of heterosexuals are contracting the deadly disease. "I'm taking it more seriously than I did last year," said Kammerman, who was attending her fifth Hillel conference. Echoing a common sentiment, she said that meeting a person with AIDS was important so students would be hit with the reality of the risks. "Look at our age group. It's the highest risk group of all," she said.

"I thought the workshop was very important," said Joanne Hovis, a student at the University of Wisconsin and another member of the National Student Secretariat. "I don't think [the Jewish community is] responding like we should be. Jewish people are getting AIDS and are suffering and dying."

Ben Lewit of Ohio Wesleyan University feels that the Jewish

community needs prodding from students. "Synagogues haven't responded to the issue, and the community as a whole has been slow to respond," he said, adding that "just the fact that [Green] spoke at all was significant. Now we all know someone who has AIDS."

Evan Fielder of Virginia Tech spoke of the compassion and understanding Green's appearance inspired. "It was a great program — I was educated a lot. I think everyone should attend something like this," he said.

Dan Najjar, director of the National Jewish AIDS project, said that while he was pleased with the students' participation in the workshop, he was surprised by their lack of basic knowledge. "They're very unsure of how contagious AIDS is, and unsure of the risks for heterosexuals," he said. "We've tried to humanize the issue so victims don't merely become statistics."

This was the third consecutive year that the Hillel National Jewish Student Issues Conference included a workshop about AIDS, but the first time that a person with the virus had actually addressed the gathering. Mindy Shapiro, a conference organizer and staff coordinator for National Student Services, noted that only one-fourth of the students in the workshop were men. "Men need to take responsibility in this issue as well," she said. "There's still a lot of denial. People think that it can't happen to them."

The student secretariat is currently compiling a resource manual which aims to deal with AIDS issues other than medical facts. Tentatively titled *The Blood of Our Neighbors*, the pamphlet will stress that "AIDS is not an 'us vs. them' issue," said Joanne Hovis. Added Joyce Kammerman, "The booklet will be more 'tachlis' than others we've seen — it will describe what Judaism says about AIDS and about homosexuality."

General Electric:

Bringing Things To Life From Our Tax Dollars

by Tj Feldman

Light bulbs, appliances, VCRs, and nuclear weapons. Yes, that's right; nuclear weapons. The company that lights many of our homes is also making profits from our tax dollars. How?

Through nuclear weapon contracts with the government. However, the boycotting of GE products and distribution of petitions has begun. At Brown University, 40 students recently rallied to urge that the University boycott GE products. The protesters marched through campus chanting slogans against GE and carrying boldly colored signs. They then delivered a petition to Edward Wallace (the University purchasing director)

requesting that he consider alternatives to GE products on which Brown spends approximately \$60,000 a year. The protesters charged that, since the U.S. is already capable of destroying the earth nearly 50 times over, more weapons are not needed. The protest leader, Charles Wilkins, also said that 1,500 members of the University community have already committed themselves to boycotting GE products.

Wallace accepted the petitions, but he later said he felt the students need to direct their efforts at the federal government, though he admitted having a great deal of respect for the students' efforts.

CCRI Gets Brandeis Program

Community College of Rhode Island has been selected as a college partner in the National Career Beginnings Program developed and managed by Brandeis University. Career Beginnings is a business, college and community initiative designed to build a career support system for teenagers from disadvantaged backgrounds. The program is operated by two- and four-year colleges in cities across the United States.

As a component of CCRI's Tech-Prep / Associate Degree Program, an existing partnership with local high schools, Career Beginnings will help high school

students from low income families strengthen their chances to graduate from high school, gain admission to college or a skills training program, or obtain a full-time job with career potential.

The Career Beginnings Program will be available to students on a voluntary basis through the "2+2" Tech-Prep / Associate Degree Program, a partnership between many R.I. high schools and CCRI formed to provide a goal-oriented program of study for high school students that prepares them to enter a technical field. For more information, call Judith Marmaras at 333-7074.

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A Chocolate Lover's Feast

Jim Dodge, the celebrated pastry chef at San Francisco's Stanford Court Hotel, created the Chocolate Sunburst Cake and Nut Sables. They are two of the many recipes in Dodge's book *The American Baker* (Simon & Schuster). For special party desserts, Dodge enjoys using one or two flavors; with other ingredients added to enhance the primary flavor. His Sunburst Cake reflects this baker's ethic with three layers of chocolate cake combined with a rich chocolate butter cream icing.

Dodge notes that while America's passion for desserts has remained constant over the years, tastes have changed. In fact, sweetness is no longer a barometer by which to judge a dessert. Instead dessert lovers want stronger, and more intense, flavors. Dodge's Chocolate Sunburst Cake and Hazelnut Cookies are full of rich, deep tastes, and also create ideal party desserts — for after a dinner or as the centerpiece of a dessert party.

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Recipes are compliments of Moët & Chandon. They suggest their Petite Liqueur as the perfect accompaniment to these sweet sensations.

Nut Sables

These are small, crisp, spicy hazelnut cookies, dipped in bittersweet chocolate. MAKES 9 DOZEN

16 tablespoons (½ pound) unsalted butter (soft)
 1 cup powdered sugar
 2/3 cup toasted hazelnuts, crushed
 2½ cups cake flour
 ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
 ½ teaspoon ground cloves
 ½ teaspoon cinnamon
 ¼ teaspoon kosher salt (or ½ teaspoon table salt)
 1 large egg white
 ½ recipe chocolate glaze (see recipe below)

Using the paddle attachment on an electric mixer, cream the butter and sugar until light. Add the hazelnuts, flour, vanilla, cloves, cinnamon, salt and egg white; and mix to a moist, thick dough. Turn the dough out onto a sheet of parchment and shape it into a block 4½ x 9 inches (it will be about 1 inch thick). Make the edges as straight as possible — a yardstick is a good straightening tool. Wrap the dough in the parchment and refrigerate until it is firm enough to slice, about 2 hours.

Preheat the oven to 325°. Line 2 cookie sheets with parchment. With a sharp knife and a yardstick, cut the dough into three 9 x 1½-inch bars. Cut each bar into ¼-inch slices. Bake the cookies on the parchment-lined cookie sheets, 1 inch apart, until the edges turn golden brown (about 18 to 20 minutes). You will be able to bake only 40 cookies at a time on a cookie sheet. Keep the remaining dough refrigerated until ready to bake. As each sheet comes out of the oven, slide the parchment onto a table or counter to cool, replace it with a new sheet of parchment, and lay out the next batch of cookies to be baked.

When all the cookies are baked and cooled, prepare the chocolate glaze. Dip each cookie into the glaze diagonally so that a triangular half of the cookie, from corner to opposite corner, is chocolate coated. After dipping each cookie, scrape the bottom against the rim of the pan to remove the excess chocolate. Lay the cookies out on a clean sheet of parchment to dry. Store at room temperature.

Chocolate Sponge Cake

This extremely light chocolate cake is the foundation of many classic desserts. As with white sponge cake, the secret of making it right is to work quickly and steadily from the time you start combining ingredients until the cake is in the oven.

For a 2-layer cake, bake in a 9-inch (2-inch deep) cake pan:

4 tablespoons unsalted butter
 ½ cup cake flour
 3 tablespoons cocoa powder
 ½ cup plus 3 tablespoons sugar
 4 large egg yolks
 4 whole large eggs

For a 3-layer cake, bake in a 10-inch springform pan:

5 tablespoons unsalted butter
 2/3 cup cake flour
 4 tablespoons cocoa powder
 ¾ cup plus 3 tablespoons sugar
 5 large egg yolks
 5 large whole eggs

Preheat the oven to 300°.

Cut a circle of parchment to fit the bottom of the cake pan. Butter the bottom and sides of the pan. Line the bottom with the parchment (be sure it lies flat), then flour the sides.

Melt the butter and keep it warm (body temperature is ideal). Sift together twice the flour, cocoa, and 2 tablespoons of sugar. Set aside.

Bring some water to a boil in a large saucepan or the bottom of a double boiler. In a large stainless steel bowl, stir together the egg yolks, whole eggs and the rest of the sugar. Whisk continuously over the boiling water until hot (not long enough to cook the eggs). Transfer to a mixing bowl and beat at high speed until double in volume. The batter will be pale and thick. Beat at medium-high speed a few minutes more, until the batter forms a ribbon and holds a deep crease. Be sure you don't overbeat at this stage. If you do, the batter will collapse when you fold in other ingredients later.

Sprinkle the flour mixture over the batter and gently fold it in until it is almost but not entirely incorporated. Transfer one-quarter of the batter into a smaller bowl; stir the melted butter and fold it in. Fold this mixture back into the rest of the batter, working quickly so the butter does not thicken. Pour immediately into the prepared pan and bake about 1 hour and 10 minutes, until the center springs back when touched lightly. Be gentle. This is a delicate cake that can fall 1 inch or more if you slam the oven door or open it too many times during the baking.

Let the cake rest a full 10 minutes in the pan before turning it out onto a wire rack.

Note: You can bake the sponge a day or two before making the rest of a cake. When cool, wrap it in plastic wrap (leave the parchment attached) and freeze. Remove from the freezer and unwrap just before assembling the cake.

Chocolate Glaze

When melting chocolate, make sure all your pans and utensils are absolutely dry. Even a little bit of water will cause chocolate to "break." MAKES 1 CUP

6 ounces semisweet or bittersweet chocolate
 6 tablespoons unsalted butter

Cut the chocolate into ½-inch chunks. Melt the butter and chocolate together in the top of a double boiler over boiled (not boiling) water. Remove from the heat and stir until the mixture is completely smooth, with no streaks.

If you get the glaze too hot, it will break. If that happens, let it cook until thick and gently melt it again.

Chocolate Sunburst Cake

Thick, moist layers of chocolate cake combined with a rich chocolate butter cream make this a classic American chocolate cake. A sunburst pattern on top gives it a festive air. SERVES 12

4½ ounces unsweetened chocolate
 24 tablespoons (¾ pound) unsalted butter (soft)
 ¾ cup powdered sugar
 1 9-inch chocolate sponge cake (see recipe below)
 2 ounces bittersweet chocolate, coarsely grated

Melt the unsweetened chocolate in the top of a double boiler and let it cool to room temperature. Using the whisk attachment on an electric mixer whip the butter and sugar at high speed until thick and white. Add the cooled chocolate and mix until smooth.

Trim the top and bottom of the chocolate sponge cake and split it into two equal layers. Place one layer on a cake plate. Spread 1 cup of butter cream evenly over the layer. Top with the second cake layer. Cover the sides and top with a thin layer of butter cream. Cover the sides of the cake with the grated chocolate by gently pressing it on with your open palm.

Put the remaining butter cream in a pastry bag with a #3 star tip. To make the sunburst pattern, start about 1 inch from the edge and pipe out a straight line to about 1½ inches from the center (pull up on the bag as you stop, to curl the end of the line). Make 11 more lines evenly spaced around the cake. In the spaces between these lines pipe out 12 new lines starting ½ inches from the center but running only half the length of the first set. Now, starting again 1½ inches from the center, pipe out lines one-fourth the length of the first lines in every second space. Finally, pipe out tiny lines between the one-fourth and one-half length lines. (This is not as complicated as it may sound at first.) Chill the cake until 15 minutes before serving.



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Obituaries

ELI A. COHEN

LOWELL, Mass. — Eli A. Cohen, 90, died December 19, 1988, after a brief illness. He was the husband of Bessie (Beerman) Cohen.

Born in Boston and brought up in Lynn, Mass., he was a resident of Swampscott, Mass. for most of his adult life, and recently lived in Manchester, N.H. and Lowell, Mass.

A graduate of Lynn Public Schools, he founded a shoe factory in 1932 which eventually became BGS Shoe Corporation, headquartered in Manchester, N.H., from which he retired in 1973.

He was the founder of three popular children's camps with strong Jewish programs: Camp Pembroke, Camp Tevya, and Camp Tel Noar. He was a co-founder of Camps Yavneh and

Naomi, as well as Camp Bauercrest, where he served as president for 15 years.

Mr. Cohen was Honorary President of the North Shore Jewish Community Center in Marblehead, Mass., as well as being a founder and President of that institution's predecessor, The Jewish Community Center of Greater Lynn, Mass. He was also a founder and past president of Temples Israel, Swampscott, Mass. and Sinai, Marblehead, Mass., and an officer of Temple Beth El, Lynn, Mass.

He was chairman of the Greater Lynn United Jewish Appeal, now the North Shore Jewish Federation; a past president of the Lynn, Mass. Hebrew School; founder of the Eli and Bessie Cohen Hillel Academy of Marblehead, Mass.; founder of Zionist House in Boston and the New England Zionist

Youth Commission; and a lifetime director of Hebrew College in Brookline, Mass. Mr. Cohen also generously supported many other causes, including the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, which honored him with the Solomon Schechter medal for his lifelong support of Jewish education.

Survivors include a daughter, Marilyn Perlman of New York City; two sons, Arnold J. Cohen and Zvi R. Cohen of Manchester, N.H.; a brother, Gilbert "Bill" Cohen; and two sisters, Rose Kalikow and Sarah, all of Swampscott, Mass.; ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Temple Sinai, Marblehead, Mass. Burial was at Beth El Cemetery, Peabody, Mass. Arrangements by Stanetsky-Hymanson Memorial Chapels of Salem, Mass.

Memorial donations may be made to Eli and Bessie Cohen Hillel Academy, 6 Community Road, Marblehead, Mass. 01945.

NATHAN HYMAN

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. — Nathan Hyman, formerly of Providence and a resident of Forest Hills, N.Y., died December 23, 1988. He was the husband of Sybil (Glick) Hyman.

Born in Russia, the son of the late Heskell and Hattie (Krasnow) Hyman, he lived in Providence until he married and moved to New York in 1946.

While in Providence he was active in the textile business, continuing the tradition of his father. He operated a retail curtain store for many years on North Main Street in Providence.

Besides his wife he leaves a sister, Jean Goldberg of Providence, and a nephew, Lawrence Y. Goldberg of Newport.

Services were held at Schwartz Bros. Funeral Home in Forest Hills, and burial was at Mt. Ararat Cemetery in Amityville, Long Island.

YETTA MANTELL

PROVIDENCE — Yetta Mantell, 89, died December 27, 1988, at the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., where she had resided for over 25 years.

She was born in Providence and had worked many years for a R.I. jewelry manufacturing firm.

Funeral services were held December 28 in the chapel of the Jewish Home for the Aged. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial took place at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

CONSTANCE SELTZER

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — Constance (Karatz) Seltzer of San Antonio, Texas, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 1988, at Chicago, Ill.

She was a member of Temple Beth El, San Antonio; a Docent at San Antonio Zoo; a member of B'nai B'rith Women, Hadassah, and Women's American O.R.T. She was also a volunteer for Victims of Child Abuse and for the Rape Crisis Center in San Antonio.

She leaves two daughters, Dr. Diane Kaplan of Houston, Texas, and Cynthia Kaplan of Barrington, R.I.; a brother, William W. Karatz of New York; four grandchildren; and friend, Irving Gershenzon of Skokie, Ill.

Funeral services were held in Chicago. Memorial donations may be made to the Solomon Schechter Day School, 85 Taft Ave., Providence 02906.

SARAH L. SHARP

PROVIDENCE — Sarah L. Sharp, 82, of 365 Olney St., a

teacher at Central High School for several years before retiring, died December 26, 1988, at home. She was the wife of Dr. Ezra A. Sharp.

Mrs. Sharp was a graduate of New York University and did graduate work at Brown University in education. She was a member of the Women's Associations of the Jewish Home for the Aged and Miriam Hospital, and was a member of Hadassah.

Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Helen L. Sharp of Boston and Carolyn S. Brodsky of Providence, and four grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

SAMUEL SILVERMAN

TAUNTON, Mass. — Samuel Silverman, 88, died December 28, 1988, at Wedgemere Nursing Home. He was the husband of Sadie (Bernstein) Silverman.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Jacob and Bertha (Deutch) Silverman, he resided in Taunton for 76 years, previously residing in New York City for 10 years.

For over 40 years he was a self-employed sign painter. He was a member of Congregation Agudas Achim of Taunton and the Taunton Art Association.

Besides his wife he leaves a sister, Bessie Silverman of Middleboro, Mass.; one brother, Oscar Silverman of Sun City, Arizona; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services took place at Congregation Agudas Achim of Taunton with burial at Mount Nebo Cemetery, Taunton. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

DR. EDWARD I. SWEET

LONGMEADOW, Mass. — Dr. Edward I. Sweet, 50, of 84 Green Willow Drive, a physician in Longmeadow for 25 years, died December 23, 1988, at home. He was the husband of Helaine (Davidson) Sweet.

Born in Providence, a son of Rhea (Resnick) Sweet of Providence, and the late Harold D. Sweet, he lived in Longmeadow for 25 years.

Dr. Sweet was a graduate of Brown University and Tufts Medical School.

Besides his wife and mother he leaves two daughters, Kim and Jennifer Sweet; a son, Michael Sweet, all at home; and a brother, Dr. Stephan Sweet of Brookline.

The funeral was held at Temple Sinai. Burial was in the Springfield Jewish Cemetery, Springfield. Arrangements by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

OSI Official Killed In Plane Crash

by Susan Birnbaum
NEW YORK (JTA) — Among the victims of the Pan Am Flight 103 disaster was an assistant deputy director of the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, who had just concluded talks with Austria on the subject of deporting Nazi war criminals from the United States to Austria.

Michael Bernstein, 36, was responsible in OSI for supervising the investigation and litigation of hundreds of cases of suspected Nazi war criminals living in the United States.

A fruit of Bernstein's negotiations with the Austrians will be the deportation to that country of Josef Eckert, an accused Nazi war criminal who was apprehended in Los Angeles a year ago.

Bernstein died exactly one year to the day that OSI filed the case against Eckert, 74, a native of Austria-Hungary who is accused of having participated, as an SS member, in war crimes at Auschwitz and two of its subcamps, Gleiwitz and Kattowitz, between 1943 and 1944.

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Three Survivors Pledge \$1M To Holocaust Museum

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Harvey M. Meyerhoff, Chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, has announced receipt of a pledge of \$1 million from Council member Murray Pantirer on behalf of Sally Levenstein, Abe Zuckerman and himself. All are partners in the firm of Bertram Associates.

Writing on behalf of the partners to inform Meyerhoff of their gift, Pantirer said: "We the survivors of the Holocaust are well aware of our responsibility and commitment to remember those six million Jews who were killed during the Holocaust for one reason only: because they were Jewish."

The three partners are all Holocaust survivors who, since their arrival in the United States, have developed a highly successful real estate business based in Union, N.J.

Pantirer, a member of the National Board of the Museum's fund-raising arm, A Campaign to Remember, is leading a nationwide grassroots effort to recruit additional survivors to support the Museum. He also hopes to bring the survivors division of the Founders (donors of \$1 million or more) to at least 10 members. The 21 Museum Founders to date include survivors David Chase of Hartford, Conn. and Jack Trameil

of San Francisco.

"As survivors and Americans," Pantirer and his partners said, "we have an obligation — to those we left behind, to our children and children's children, and to this great nation which has given so much to us — to participate in this historic undertaking. The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum will honor our dead, and give thanks to America for its role in defeating the Nazis and providing us with a home where we could live and raise families in peace and security. We shall be trying to remind our fellow survivors of these facts as we seek to enlist their support for this wonderful institution."

The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council was established by Congress in 1980 to plan and build the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. and to encourage and sponsor observances of an annual, national, civic commemoration of the Holocaust known as the Days of Remembrance. The council also engages in Holocaust education and research programs. It consists of 55 members of all faiths and backgrounds appointed by the President, plus five U.S. Senators and five members of the House of Representatives.

Annette Daum Dies At 62

SYOSSET, L. I. — Annette Daum, director of the department of interreligious affairs of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and a leader in interfaith programs, died of cancer Monday, December 19, 1988, at her home in Syosset, Long Island. She was 62.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, December 21 at 1:30 p.m. in the North Shore Synagogue, Syosset.

Mrs. Daum served as a representative of the Union of

American Hebrew Congregations to the World Council of Churches and to the Vatican Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews. She was a member of the board of directors of the Kivie Kaplan Institute and a founder of Feminists of Faith.

Mrs. Daum was one of the first women in the United States to serve as president of a synagogue. She was elected president of the North Shore Synagogue in Syosset in 1967.

Acquitted

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from her peers, the courtroom and the man upstairs."

The jury returned its verdict after deliberating 37 hours over four days, following two months of testimony and a week of summation, in a trial that defense attorneys branded as "a soap opera, not a criminal trial."

Some jurors said after the trial that they felt there was some illegality in the case, but that the prosecution had not presented enough clear-cut evidence to prove its case.

The prosecution brought 34 witnesses in an effort to show that Myerson gave a \$19,000 a year job in New York's Cultural Affairs Department to Gabel's daughter, in order to influence the judge to reduce Capasso's alimony payment to his ex-wife from \$1,500 a week to \$500.

Perhaps the most unusual aspect of the trial occurred when Gabel's daughter testified for nine days against her mother, telling the court how she taped conversations with her mother and brought some of her mother's documents to the prosecutor.

The case also saw New York Mayor Ed Koch testify against his friend of 25 years, who was considered instrumental in helping Koch first get elected mayor in 1977.

Myerson, 43-year-old Capasso and Gabel, 76, were all charged with conspiracy, three counts of fraud and bribery.

In addition, Myerson was also accused of obstruction of justice, a charge that she tried to induce Gabel's daughter, Sukhreet, to testify falsely in the investigation.

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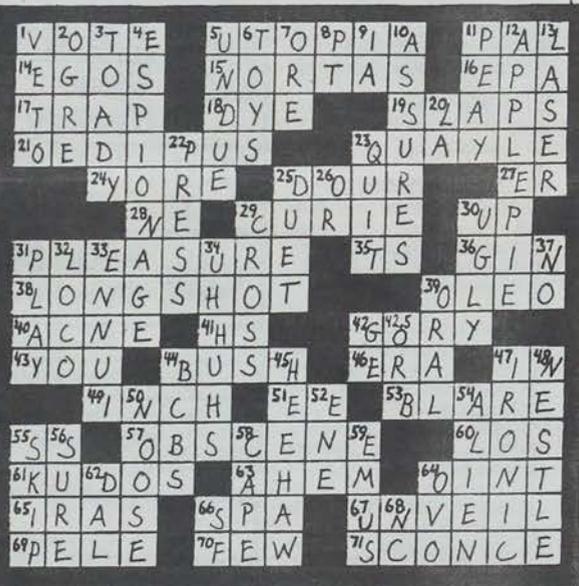
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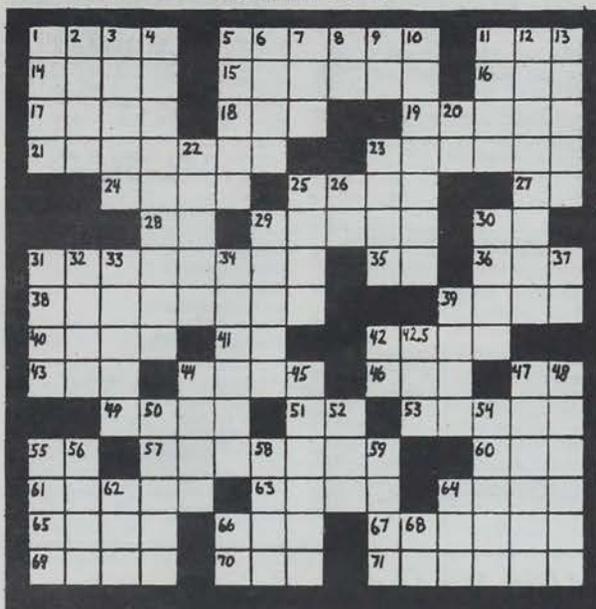
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- 64) _____ ment: a salve
- 65) Investments for retirees
- 66) Health club
- 67) Reveal
- 69) Soccer great
- 70) The _____, the proud, the Marines
- 71) A group of candlesticks

Down

- 1) Presidential turndown
- 2) Monster
- 3) Bootlicker
- 4) The Walker family was guilty of this
- 5) Unnecessary, as in causing alarm
- 6) Playthings
- 7) Iron _____
- 8) Barnum
- 9) Backwards greeting
- 10) Guarantees
- 11) Austin _____ State Univ.
- 12) Goes with Mom and Chevrolet
- 13) Compact Disc Players use this technology
- 20) Bastion of gang violence
- 22) Freedom of the _____ is important here
- 23) Some folks just don't know when to do this

- 25) Song for two
- 26) Either's partner
- 29) Local pen manufacturer
- 30) What the recent election campaign was
- 31) All work and no _____ makes Dave a dull boy
- 32) Crazy, amigo
- 33) Boredom
- 34) Muttered assents
- 37) Mardi Gras site
- 39) Roberts or a spoken report
- 42) Brings good things to life, like nuclear weapons parts
- 42½ Sphere
- 44) Medical insurance heavy-weight, initially
- 45) TV for donkeys?
- 47) The situation of 21 Across was dramatically this
- 48) They make the very best ... boycott
- 50) Hanged man's necklace
- 52) Suffix for a carbon compound
- 54) Sigourney Weaver battled one of these
- 55) _____ to the loo, m'darling
- 56) Never be too _____ of yourself
- 58) Cod or Horn
- 59) Flightless Aussie birds
- 62) Curried lentil dish
- 64) _____-lacto vegetarian
- 66) Haight-Ashbury site
- 68) Tarheel State

Across

- 1) Half who could have didn't do this in November.
- 5) Famed work by Thomas More
- 11) Buddy
- 14) Fame and fortune often inflate these
- 15) Oliver and Dennis the Menace star Jay
- 16) Federal ecology group
- 17) Shut yer _____!
- 18) Reagan's hair makes one think of this
- 19) Happy, jack, and shot
- 21) Mr. Rex, who loved his mama
- 23) Hoosier loser who won anyway
- 24) Days of _____
- 25) Gloomy
- 27) Comparative suffix
- 28) Wind direction of local storms
- 29) Famous Madame
- 30) Not down
- 31) It would be my _____
- 35) Eliot
- 36) Tonic's partner
- 38) By November, Dukakis was one
- 39) Margarine
- 40) Blemishes
- 41) Adolescent Alma Mater
- 42) "Stalk and Slash" films are notable for being this
- 43) Tu or vovs
- 44) New kid on the Pennsylvania Ave. block
- 46) N.O.W. mandate
- 47) Not out
- 49) Give a politician this and he'll take a mile
- 51) Cummings
- 53) To sound raucously
- 55) Nazi group
- 57) Meese Commission drew the line on what was this
- 60) _____ Alamos
- 61) Praise; Congrats.

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