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Nineteen Graduate Harry Elkin Midrasha



The Harry Elkin Midrasha, the community high school of Jewish studies of the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island, held graduation ceremonies for 19 seniors last Sunday, at Temple Am David in Warwick. Members of the graduating class conducted Shabbarit services. Graduates include Jeffrey Alterman, Michelle Blasbalg, Jack Brown, Stacy Corin, Pamela Feldstein, David Franklin, Marc Gertsacov, Sheri Kahn, Jonathan Kamin, Loren Kirshenbaum, Joel Kortick, Joanne Krasnoff, Stefanie Lightman, Ina Poljak, Ashley Porath, Sandi Prosnitz, Sari Ryvicker, Carolyn Schatz and Jerold Schneider.

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

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

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

Please join in wishing a "Yosher Koah" to the Elkin Midrasha graduates.

Front row (left to right): Sari Ryvicker, Jonathan Kamin, Stacy Corin, Michelle Blasbalg, Sandi Prosnitz, Evelyn Brier, Educational Director. Second row (left to right): Marc Gertsacov, Jack Brown, David Franklin, Joanne Krasnoff, Pamela Feldstein, Stefanie Lightman, Sheri Kahn, Loren Kirshenbaum, Carolyn Schatz, Jeffrey Alterman and Ashley Porath. Not present: Joel Kortick, Ina Poljak and Jerold Schneider.

Hochman Homes In

by Sandra Silva

"A friend of mine owns a business and his bookkeeper is involved with the American Institute of Foreign Studies. She knew that I was Jewish and they had begun an Israeli program and were looking for someone to coordinate the housing for these students in Rhode Island. Approaching me, she said, 'Do I have a great job for you?'. I said, 'Hey, that sounds interesting but you know, I only have one life, three kids, a wife and a dog.' I asked her, 'Well, what's it consist of?' Then, she said it was only going to last a month. Needless to say, it's like fifty hours down the line and not even a month yet."

The many people who know David Hochman won't be surprised that he's made another addition to his already over-stuffed schedule. He works full-time for the City of Providence, and has worked with the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island (JCCRI) on and off for the past 22 years as a baseball, basketball and softball coach, an umpire, a referee, a lifeguard and a swimming instructor. He is currently assistant to the Athletic Director.

Ten years ago, David began working with B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO) and now supervises over 158 kids and 11 advisors. For many years, David was involved with Big Brothers and had a little brother. He now maintains that involvement by working in the group's administration. In addition to all this activity, David maintains a full life with his wife and sons.

David's city position was only supposed to last one year and is now in its fifteenth. "I get to help senior citizens and low-income people better their living conditions with special home improvement loans."

It seems as though a great deal of the joy in his life comes from helping others and "being involved", al-

though it's obvious that the real light in his life is his family. When talking about his wife and boys, David beams with pride, his body relaxes and the words flow forth with love and laughter.

"My wife, J-U-D-I," he spelled out, "is home with a three-year-old and she has offered to help me with organizing this new project. She said she would take calls for me and make some calls."

David's involvement with the American Institute of Foreign Studies has proven to be more difficult than he had originally anticipated. As coordinator for the Israeli section of the Homestay Program, David is responsible for finding homes for the thirty Israeli teenagers expected to arrive for a four-week stay on July 18th.

"I guess I was kind of naive when I took on this project," David sighed. "I really thought people would be happy to open up their homes to these kids. I worked with the B'nai B'rith exchange program and the experiences were incredible. Everyone was crying at the airport when it was time for the kids to go back home. I cried."

"So far," he continued, "I've put in over fifty hours of work and have five tentative homes. By tentative I mean they're interested but haven't gotten back to me with a definite answer yet. I've put requests in temple bulletins and called just about every organization I could think of and now I'm trying to come up with a new tactic."

David already has one home guaranteed—his. "We have one bathroom, and five people living in my house, but we've decided to take one [student] in," he said. "I think we're going to take in a girl. That would be good for my wife. It would be good for me too," he laughs, "because then she can't say that we never have any girls in the house."

David and his wife have no reser-

ervations about taking in one of these kids.

"They're a bright group of kids, what we call an 'a' group," he explains. "These kids are educated and very well mannered. They must follow the rules of the household in which they are placed. During their four weeks in their host home, they are expected to behave as though part of the family. Curfew times and household chores must be observed. There is absolutely no drinking allowed. The students may smoke only if they are placed in a smoking household and no drugs are allowed. I'll be on call twenty-four hours a day, right now we're looking into renting a beeper because I'm always on the move."

The children will be attending classes from Monday through Thursday, 9am to 12pm in classrooms in the Temple Emanu-El on the East Side of Providence. The remainder of the day belongs to the

children and their families. There are several full and half-day outings planned for the kids. Children of the host families are welcome to attend the outings with their guests. Currently, David is working to set up a program with the JCCRI allowing the children to use their facilities for the month they spend here. There will also be a welcoming and farewell party.

Finances for the children are no problem. The cost for the Israeli students is very steep. In addition to paying their airfare, they must be sure to bring enough pocket money. If the family they are staying with has vacation plans and would like to take their guest with them, this can be arranged in advance and the child will bring enough money to pay his own way. All children coming over have their own insurance and David is arranging for several doctors in the Providence area to agree to treat the kids should the need arise.

All the kids speak English, although many of them could brush up on their conversational skills. One of the classes they take will help them with this. The other class will be in social studies. If the host family has planned an activity involving the child, he/she may be excused from class.

David feels that part of the reason that he is having such difficulty finding host homes for these kids is because many people send their own kids off to camp and go on vacations. Also, most teenagers today work and parents may feel uncomfortable about having a young guest when their child won't often be around to entertain him.

"I had a staff meeting on Saturday and boy, did I ever end up feeling guilty," David said. "I felt like I was at an Amway meeting (as the low salesman of the month). Here's this guy standing up and saying, 'I have 28 homes,' and another say-

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1989 Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall Of Fame



The 1989 Jewish Hall of Fame ceremonies took place last Sunday evening at the Jewish Community Center. Shown are Gus Parmet, Elliott Goldstein, Thomas Pearlman, Jeffrey Goldberg, Daniel J. Kapstein, Stephen Litwin, Max Miller, Raymond Laurans, all from left. Not shown is Jeremy Kapstein. For story, see page 8. Photo by Dorothea Snyder.

Local News

Wyman To Speak At Congregation B'nai Israel

The award-winning author of perhaps the most authoritative account of the Nazi Holocaust will be at Congregation B'nai Israel during a Kallah weekend presentation on June 10-11.

The author, a non-Jew, is David M. Wyman, University of Massachusetts history professor and former chairman of Judaic Studies at the university. His second book, *The Abandonment of the Jews: America and the Holocaust, 1941-1945*, which he spent more than 10 years researching through some 60 archives, asks if America's reaction would be different now: "More sensitive, less self-centered, more willing to make sacrifices."

The two-day program will begin during the June 10 Shavuot service on Saturday at 9 a.m. After Yizkor, Professor Wyman will speak about "The American Government's Response to the Holocaust under FDR." Sunday's program, in Medoff Auditorium, will begin with a coffee time from 9:30 to 10 a.m., after Dr. Wyman addresses the second portion of his speaking engagement: "The Lessons of the Holocaust." A question-and-answer period will follow.

According to Dr. Oscar Z. Dashev, who organized the program, the two subjects which Dr. Wyman will focus upon were among several suggested by the author from within this detailed and comprehensive account. In 1978, for instance, about six years

before *The Abandonment of the Jews* was published (Pantheon Books, a division of Random House, 1984, 444 pages), one chapter published in *Commentary* magazine attracted world-wide attention. It was entitled, "Why Auschwitz Was Never Bombed." It was one of many deliberate decisions, and failures, which Dr. Wyman documented.

The New York Times, in one of at least four articles published within two months after Dr. Wyman's book came out, said that among the questions which the author answers in devastating fashion are: Why the delay by America in acknowledging the Nazi atrocities? And why the even deadlier delay in trying to help? The War Refugee Board, not established until 1944, managed to save 200,000 lives. Perhaps several hundred thousand more could have been saved, Dr. Wyman substantiates. Alarming, he writes that in the 3½ years of America's involvement in the war, only 21,000 Jewish refugees were taken in. That was 10 percent of already lowered quotas. Besides Roosevelt, who is shown as "indifferent" to the systematic annihilation of European Jewry, Dr. Wyman argues that the State Department, Congress, the military, the media, Christian churches, and even Jewish philanthropies and political organizations, did not respond as they could have.

A 60-year-old grandson of two Protestant ministers, Wyman, whose unique background includes jobs as a milkman and printer, was also a pacifist who refused to register for the draft in 1949 and served nine months in jail. Born in Weymouth, Mass., he is a special advisor to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council and a member of the Academic Advisory Board of the Simon Wiesenthal Center. His first book, *Paper Walls: America and the Refugee Crisis, 1938-1941*, was published in 1968.

Shortly after the release of *The Abandonment of the Jews* in 1985,

Dr. Wyman made television appearances on Ted Koppel's "Nightline," Jane Pauley's "Today Show" and Pat Robertson's "700 Club." More than 200 reviews of the book appeared throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and Israel, and it was on the *Times*' Best Seller List for five weeks.

When the *Times* asked Dr. Wyman why he chose to write on a subject dominated by Jewish scholars, he recalled a conversation at the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners in Springfield, Mo., where he was sentenced to work in 1949. A fellow prisoner had asked, after their release, "Why didn't America do more for the Jews?" "The question stuck in his mind," the *Times* said.

Copies of *The Abandonment of the Jews* are available in the Synagogue Office, at Woonsocket Harris Library and at Melzer's in Providence.

PHDS Celebrates Mother's Day

Nachas from your children is hard to define, but easy to feel when you send your child to the Providence Hebrew Day School, and this Mother's Day represents a perfect example.

The first graders of Providence Hebrew Day School in their Third Annual Mothers' Day Luncheon treated their mothers to a very special program in honor of the occasion. Under the careful and caring supervision of teachers Jani Rosen, Jean Pearson and Rena Holtzman, the first grade class put on quite a show for their moms.

First, the students made and then served their mothers' lunch. They prepared a tastefully light menu that included stuffed tomato and tuna, salad, drinks and dessert. Each child sat by his or her special mom during the meal.

Next the kids performed a choral reading entitled "Too Much Noise" by Ann McGovern, which is based on an old Hassidic tale. Following that, they sang a selection of Hebrew songs which ended with each mother getting a great big hug from her favorite 7-year-old.

Traditionally, Mothers' Day means Mother's Day gifts. And the mothers of the first grade received their share, including exclusive handmade paper flowers, plus a Love-You flower. On each petal, the youngster wrote down something they would do for his or her mom.

In the Torah, we find the commandment of honoring parents equated to honoring the Creator; and that's one commandment the young boys and girls of the Providence Hebrew Day School certainly fulfilled.

Temple Beth-El Bruce Sundlun Elected To Second Term



At the 134th Annual Meeting of Congregation Sons of Israel and David, Temple Beth-El, held this past Sunday, May 21, Bruce Sundlun, a Providence businessman, was elected to his second term as president. Mr. Sundlun is the 29th president of the congregation.

Also elected as officers for the coming year are: Dr. Henry Litchman, Sr. Vice President; Bertram M. Lederer and Lee Krasser, Vice Presidents; Jeffrey Sharfstein, Treasurer; Richard M. Borod, Secretary.

New Trustees for the coming year are: William Apfel, Nancy Chudacoff, Patricia Cohen, Sheila Nelson Greenbaum, Robert D. Krause, Melba Meister, Kenneth Orenstein, Mark Patinkin, Betty Pinkos, Joan Temkin, and Harris Weiner. Elected as an honorary

life trustee is Irving Schwartz who served as treasurer for the past six years.

In addition to the election of new trustees, the remaining trustees for the congregation are: Alan Axelrod, Jeffrey A. Brown, Larry Friedman, Helene Gates, Elaine Hoffman, Jay Isenberg, Jeffrey Kasle, Ellen Steingold, Steven Taylor, J. Scott Wolf, C. William Meyers, Anne Presser, Judith Rakowsky, Barbara Singh, Estelle Singer, Rachel Kaufman, Stephen G. Linder, Judith Lubliner, and Richard W. Zacks.

Chairpeople for the Annual Meeting were Ken Orenstein and Barbara Feibelman. In addition to the election of the trustees, the meeting included several reports and an exhibition of the Temple's archives presented by Archivist Dr. George Goodwin.

Solati Trio At Beth-El June 4

The Solati Trio, featuring Ludmilla Liffson, Sophia Herman, and Hrant Tatian, will perform on Sunday afternoon, June 4 at 3 p.m. in the Temple Beth-El meeting hall, corner of Orchard and Butler Avenue on Providence's East Side. The performance is the inaugural concert co-sponsored by the Graubart-Irving Concert Fund and the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts. The Graubart-Irving Fund is in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Julius Irving, David and Ida Graubart, Meyer and Rose Graubart and in honor of Doris

Graubart. The Solati Trio, formed in 1984, have appeared in numerous, highly acclaimed concerts and was awarded the first prize in the Shoreline Alliance New England Chamber Music Competition in 1985. Known for its performances with consummate taste, dignity and passion, the trio will offer a lovely afternoon of chamber music. There is no fee for the concert and members of the community are welcome to attend.

For more information, call 331-6070.

High School Graduation Service May 19, 1989 Temple Beth-El

The 58th post-confirmation high school graduation took place this year during the Sabbath eve service on Friday, May 19, 1989. Ten students who have successfully completed a full twelve years of religious studies,

including participation in a religious school teacher's training program, were honored. We expect these graduates to serve us and other communities in the years ahead as informed, committed Jewish leaders and teachers.

Stefan Blitz, Robin Berk, Allison Cowett, Meredith Feldman, Rebecca Gutterman, Jill Horwitz, Jennifer Myers, Mahra Rubinstein, Eve Samuels, Reisha Brown.

Touro Synagogue

The monthly "Get-Together" for retirees, sponsored by the Touro Synagogue Adult Education Committee, will feature a book review by Rabbi Chaim Shapiro of the unique book, "The Bamboo Cradle." The program, which is open to the Public with free admission, will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Newport Jewish Community Center at 85 Touro Street on Wednesday, May 24, 1989. These programs are aimed at people who have difficulty attending the regular evening programs sponsored by the congregation.

"The Bamboo Cradle" relates the experiences of a Jewish-Ameri-

can couple in adopting a Chinese baby and bringing her up in the Jewish faith. Rabbi Shapiro, the spiritual leader of the congregation, will lead a discussion after his review. Also, there will be a snack-social hour after the program. For further information, contact the Touro Synagogue office at 847-4794.

The Touro Synagogue program of tours, has started its new Spring schedule, with daily tours from 2:00-4:00 p.m. from Sunday through Thursday. This schedule will remain until the Summer daily schedule, which will start at the end of June.

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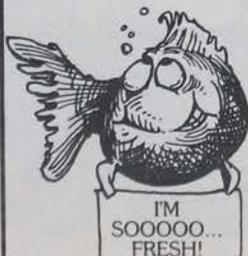
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Congregation Ohave Shalom

Services this Friday evening will be at 6:45 p.m. Shabbat morning services are at 9 a.m. Rabbi Jacobs will give his class on Ethics of the Fathers at 7:10 p.m. Saturday evening. Mincha will be 7:50 p.m. followed by the Third Sabbath meal. Ma'ariv will be at 8:50 p.m. Havdalah will be at 9 p.m.

On Saturday, June 10 the second day of Shavuot our congregation will sponsor a full course luncheon, open to the whole Jewish community, immediately following services. Yizkor is chanted that morning. The cost will be only \$8 an adult and \$5 a child. The maximum is \$35 per family. Please phone in your reservations immediately so you can taste our delicious home-made catering. Call 725-3886, 726-6633 or 724-3552 for reservations.

On Monday evenings Rabbi Jacobs' Talmud class is at 7 p.m.

JWVRI Annual Memorial Service

This year the Department of RI Jewish War Veterans will hold their Annual Memorial Services on Sunday May 28, 1989. The services will be held at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Post Road, Warwick, RI at 11 am.

All veterans, their families and the public are invited to attend. Rabbi H. Scott White will conduct the services and he will dedicate the names of the veterans who have died this year.

The Sarah Fishbein Memorial Libraries

A fund dedicated to the memory of their mother, Sarah Fishbein, has been set up by her sons for the purchase of books at the libraries of the Solomon Schechter School and Temple Emanu-El.

Hebrew schools have become recognized for the excellent preparation of their students, who have consistently rated high in college entrance examinations. Education has been of prime importance since biblical times, with erudition valued more highly than wealth. Sarah Fishbein, wife of Louis, carried this love of learning with her from Lithuania.

On March 24, 1974 the building of the New England Academy of Torah on Blackstone Blvd. was dedicated in memory of Louis and Sarah Fishbein. At this time an annual scholarship has also been provided at the Providence Hebrew Day School, to be continued in perpetuity.

Rachel Gittleman To Play 'Liesel'



Rachel Gittleman will appear in the role of Liesl von Trapp in the Warwick Players production of The Sound of Music to be held at Warwick Town Hall on June 2-4 and 9-11. Rachel is the daughter of Allan and Ellen Gittleman of East Greenwich and is completing her freshman year at East Greenwich High.

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Volunteer Librarian Needed



Frances Wattman has been the volunteer librarian at the Irving I. Fain Library of the Jewish Home for the past seven years. "It has been a very rewarding experience" she reports. Residents who enjoy reading are always eager to see her and the other volunteers who assist in the Library.

In the past few years, however, Frances and her husband, Irving, have been spending winters in Florida. The library assistants are very capable and loyal but she believes the interests of the residents would be better served by a year-round librarian.

One need not be an experienced librarian. Mrs. Wattman will provide on-the-job training to the right person, and will be available as back-up over the summer months. Six to eight hours a week are all that is needed. This time is divided between the library itself and visiting residents in their rooms.

If you think you might be interested you can call Mrs. Wattman at 351-3328 or by contacting Bonnie Ryvicker at 351-4750.

Congregation Sons Of Jacob

Friday, May 26 — 21 days in the month of Iyar. Candlelighting is at 7:45 p.m. Minchah services are at 7:50 p.m.

Saturday, May 27 — 22 Days in the month of Iyar. This week the reading in the Torah of P'Bechukatai. We are finishing the third book of Moses - Chazak! Chazak! Conclusion of Chumish Vayikroh - Leviticus. Morning services are at 8:30 a.m. Kiddish follows immediately after morning services.

The Minchah service is at 7:35 p.m. Following Minchah we have the Third Meal and Zimeroth (songs). Maariv will be at 8:36 p.m. The Havdalah service is at 8:45 p.m. Minchah for the entire week is 7:49 p.m.

Every festival and fast relates itself in some way to the

synagogue. The best way to focus your spotlight on our House of Worship is to walk into your synagogue. It is the oldest of Jewish institutions. It was probably in Babylon, some 2500 years ago, that the "synagogue" was born. Our ancestors were exiled from the Holy Land to Babylon in 586 B.C.E. The first temple in Jerusalem was in flames, but did it mean the end of Jewish worship and prayer? The captives in Babylon did not think so. Though far from their native land, they gathered, perhaps first in private homes, to listen to words of encouragement from their leaders. They remembered the temple ceremonies, and it may be that at one of these meetings the prophet Ezekiel spoke of the rebuilding of the temple. At these assemblies, the exiles recited passages from the Torah or Prophets, observed the national Feast and Fast days, and perhaps sang the Psalms of David, which gave them hope for their return to Israel.

Each of these meetings was called KNESET. The word was translated into Greek many years later as SYNAGOGUE. The name synagogue means a house of assembly - a place of worship.

With the summer approaching, many feel this is vacation in total. A reminder that there is no vacation from the ALMIGHTY. Please join us in our daily worshipping. Monday and Thursday 6:30 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:45 a.m.

Sunday, May 28 - Morning services are at 7:45 a.m.



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Temple Shalom

The annual meeting of the Congregation of Temple Shalom, the Conservative Congregation of Newport County was held recently. Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer, spiritual leader, gave his "State of the Congregation Report," in which he highlighted events of the past year and challenged the membership for the future. The rabbi spoke of the construction of their new religious school wing and of the wonderful future for Jewish education and the children of Aquidneck Island.

Following end of the year reports by committee chairpersons, elections were held and the following were elected:

President: Richard Kadet; 1st Vice President: Gerald Seigel; 2nd Vice President: Brad Barry; Recording Secretary: Emily Anthony; Corresponding Secretary: Al Lichaa; Financial Secretary: Arlene Hicks; Treasurer: Stephen Schneller; Trustees: Brian Gillson, David Gross, William Sofrenko, Ruth Ziegler, Fred Margolis.

The installation for these newly elected officers and trustees will take place at a special service on Friday evening, June 23 at 8:00 p.m.

Eye Care Exhibit At The Miriam

Eye care will be the subject of an exhibit in the lobby of The Miriam Hospital in Providence during a two-week period starting May 29, 1989. The exhibit is being arranged by the New England Ophthalmological Society for the public in recognition of "Be Healthwise Month."

The exhibit will provide information on common eye ailments.

Opening May 29, 1989, the exhibit will run through June 9, 1989.

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Judaism Is Always Right

by Jacob Neusner

When I go to an event and come away with an empty feeling, I know that something did not work. That is certainly so with the important rites of passage. At an age where I join in burying people, I have learned about funerals things that I did not know — but also confirmed things that I did suspect.

Just now I went to a funeral and learned two things. The first is that when it comes to rites, Judaism is always right, and by "Judaism" I mean, the Judaic, halakhic way of doing things. The second is that the rabbinite is not getting the education it requires. Why the first? Because where the law of Judaism provides no liturgy for an event, and we try to invent one, our fabricated liturgy leaves us vacant, but the authentic liturgy of the halakhah accommodates our deepest emotions and needs. Why the second? Because in general the rabbis I see have nothing to say to people, or nothing to say to the occasion. It's not their fault: the education fails.

Judaism provides for one leviyyah, but we make two funerals, one in the funeral home or synagogue, the other at the graveside. These are treated as separate, so that if you go to the one (ordinarily the former), you are not expected to go to the other; or if you don't go to the other, people are not offended. The first funeral is ghastly, and the second is on target. The first we made up, the second halakhah has created for us.

For the first funeral, in the synagogue or funeral home, there simply is no halakhic liturgy at all. That is to say, halakhah does not accommodate a synagogue or funeral home rite, so far as prayers are concerned. The Rabbinical Assembly Rabbi's Manual, which I consulted, has no "traditional" or halakhic service, because the halakhah does not require and therefore provide one. All it has is

some psalms, a prayer repeated at graveside and borrowed from graveside rites, and then some fabricated prayers, in pretty mediocre language. The center then is the eulogy. That is why we assemble in the synagogue.

The funerals that I attended recently made me realize the arrogance of the eulogy: we evaluate the deceased, lying in the coffin before us. And whether the coffin is open or closed, we all know the corpse is right there. So the corpse is awaiting burial, and we praise the dead person. For whose benefit? The corpse's? No, ours. What the corpse requires is one thing, burial. At graveside, by contrast, we have three tasks, all of them required by halakhah. One is to dig a grave, the second is to put the corpse in and cover it up with dirt, the third is to say kaddish. "El male rahamim" is appropriate: the corpse is going down, but the soul is bound up in the bond of life, which, after all, we at graveside embody and represent.

It is no surprise that Judaism calls the burial rites "leviyyah," meaning, "accompanying," because that is what is required: accompanying the deceased to the final burial place, pure, simple, austere, and true. In the formative age of Judaism ("talmudic times"), the people would simply collect the corpse in the house where the person had died and accompany the corpse in a march to the cemetery. That's that: that's what there is to do. The conduct of the cortege, with haltings and public lament, is appropriate to the action. And it also is appropriate to the feelings that we have: we know what we are doing, we are grieved for our loss, and we mourn fully and completely. We do our task, and go on with life, in life.

Just as the huppah-rite is perfect and focuses our attention on the task and business of the moment, just as the rite for the berit milah is straight to the point and always requires us to pay attention to what we are doing, so the leviyyah — nowadays, assembling behind the hearse and traveling to the cemetery, assembling at the grave, depositing the body, covering it up with dirt, saying kaddish, and then going home — is perfect: simple, to the point, doing what has to be done without pretense, and, after all, in a humble spirit.

And that brings me to the other thing I have learned in funerals I have attended. It is that the rabbinite is not getting the education it requires to do the job it has to do. The reason I make that observation is that in the funerals I have attended in the recent past, I have never heard a rabbi say anything that came from his or her heart and entered mine. Rabbis are coming out of the seminaries (the rabbis I refer to in this case are all Conservative, but my impression is that the

Orthodox rabbinite is intellectually simply vacant and dismal and the reform rabbinite is not much better than the Conservatives).

The generality of rabbis come to the communities without a general religious, Torah-message that they can shape for a specific occasion. Whatever they are taught (and my impression is, it is more or less what the professors think up that morning on their way to class), it is not a theology that serves people. I don't mean to suggest rabbis are lacking in faith. Nor do I mean they don't have information; they are stuffed to overflowing with facts. I mean, they just don't have much to say to people that people come to rabbis in particular to hear.

When you go to a funeral and want to hear something and not nothing, all you hear is the equivalent of the newspaper obituary: he loved this one, that one loved him, she baked nice cookies and remembered what everybody liked. All of this is nice but trivial. The trouble of the hour is not to remember the deceased or to hear his or her praises. The trouble is death, and now what we simple Jews want to hear about is death and life eternal, we want to know what the rabbi has to tell us about the meaning of it all.

This is not the usual rabbi-bashing. Proof of what the rabbis should be comes from what some rabbis now are, and others have been in the past. I know a great rabbi well and I have read writings of great rabbis serving pulpits today. My rabbinical friend brings to the turnings of life a depth of faith and insight, deriving from the Torah, so that, when life takes its turns, through his Torah-teaching the Torah shows the way. The rabbi whom I read write a real religious philosophy, a Judaic theology, that guides their reflection on the here and the now. To be specific about one moral and intellectual model for the rabbinite: I have yet to read a word of Rabbi Harold Schulweis that has not come from his heart right square into mine. And, among the past generations, I challenge anyone to read the sermons of Milton Steinberg without wishing that he or she could have sat and heard him speak and think. And these are only three, two living, one long dead. There are others, and these prove I am right in my expectation.

All the more reason to regret the abysmal state of the rabbinite at large. Rabbis are nice, they are agreeable, they smile and remember people's names, and in general they are the good politicians that they have to be and should be to gain effective access to the congregations that they serve. But, in the aggregate and over all, they are all technology and no science, all method and no meaning. They can do the job, they are good at the job. The only problem is, they don't seem to know what job they should be doing, and the reason is that, so far as I can see, when they come out of the seminaries, they have no Torah to preach. Why? because they don't understand religion or the religion, Judaism, and they don't have the slightest idea why religion matters, and why the religion, Judaism (whether Reform or Orthodox or Reconstructionist or Conservative) is the right and true religion for this place, this time, this people: what God gives us.

Judaism is always right, and it is time the rabbinite, and particularly the younger rabbinite, begin to study Judaism, and not

Stereotypes: An Endless Battle

by Cheryl Cutler

Ignorance is alive and well in 1989. Not a revolutionary thought but when the realization of that fact hits, it hits hard.

Last week, the ADL received a complaint from a man who reported that when he asked the owner of a store the price of a certain item, the owner replied "What are you, a Jew? What are you trying to do, Jew me down?"

I wrote a letter to the owner-of the store. The letter said, in part, that the stereotype of Jews being cheap is just that, a stereotype and by using the phrase "Jew me down," he was guilty of perpetuating that myth. In the letter, I asked the store owner to be more sensitive to this issue in the future.

The day after the man received the letter, he called me. He was very irate and said "Let me tell you what happened." He then proceeded to recount the story — the customer had asked, more than once, about the price of the item and the store owner replied, as he told me himself, by saying "What are you trying to do, Jew me down?" The fact that he had unself-consciously admitted that he had said that, took me aback. Denial is one thing but to readily say "Yes, I did say 'Jew me down,' what's the matter with that?" is something else.

When I asked him to try to understand how that phrase could be offensive to people of the Jewish faith, it was his turn to be surprised. "Jews are a nationality," he replied, "not a religion. And besides," he went on, "'Jew me down' means to barter." I was complimenting him. "I'm Greek and people call me 'grease ball,' that's the way we talk."

Nothing I said to this man changed his mind. He simply could not and would not understand.

Now, in the scheme of things, this incident was not a major one.

GM, GMAC, GMACH

General Motors has come out with their own financing plan to encourage people to buy their cars. It's called the GMAC. It's interesting that the initials for a loan program should have such a close resemblance to a Jewish loan program, the "GMACH."

Without sounding like William Saffire, nor getting into the entire etymology of the transliterated word GMACH, it will suffice to say that it is an acronym for the words *Gemilut Chesed* — acts of kindness.

GMACH has become the word by which Jewish "Free Loan" organizations are known. For, truly, it is an act of kindness to make a "free loan" — lending people money without interest. However, not only is it a compassionate deed, it is also a mitzva. In this week's Torah portion, we are expressly told that a Jew may not loan or borrow money from another Jew with interest.*

According to many people, establishing a GMACH, and lending money via this avenue, is an even greater mitzva than giving charity. Charity often carries with it the stigma of having to admit that one can't make it on their own, while a loan, such as one from a GMACH, is a more optimistic way of looking at one's present situation. In addition, the one who lends the money actually helps set

It was not a physical assault. It was not a cross burning on someone's lawn. It was not a swastika spray-painted on a synagogue. But in a way, it was more insidious.

This store owner is most likely not someone who would commit a serious crime. But yet, how many Jewish people who do business with this man, have heard him use the phrase "Jew me down," and found it hurtful? More seriously, how many Jewish customers have heard him use that phrase and have accepted it as permissible language?

Well, I'm sorry. It's not. It's sad that this man accepts being called a "grease ball." But that doesn't mean I need to accept the phrase "Jew me down."

The overt action of painting a swastika on a synagogue demands an immediate and obvious response. The subtlety of an insensitive comment is more confusing.

In 1989, the Concise Oxford Dictionary definition of JEW reads: 1) a person of Hebrew descent; person whose religion is Judaism

ADL has been one of the organizations at the forefront of an effort to change this derogatory definition. The *Washington Post* recently reported that the compromise has been to add a supplementary note explaining that it is a deeply offensive stereotype. Unfortunately, even in the U.S., the Webster's New World Dictionary includes the verb, "to jew" and defines it as, "to swindle, cheat, gyp."

It is not my intention to indict one man for his ignorance but to question a society where his remarks are considered by many to be unremarkable.

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the person back on his feet.

An interesting story is told of a simple chasid, Reb Yisrael of Polotsk. After hearing his Rebbe speak about the great material and spiritual charitableness of our Patriarch Abraham, he decided to set up his own little GMACH. Each morning, Yisrael would lend and borrow small amounts of money from his friends Nachman and Yosef. In this way, he also gave his friends the opportunity to fulfill this great mitzva. The next time Reb Yisrael visited his Rebbe, the Rebbe was astounded to see a profound spiritual radiance surrounding the simple Reb Yisrael.

"Man reaps the extra benefits and profits of *Gemilut Chasadim* in this world, and the essence and 'capital' of the mitzva remain for him in the World to Come" says the Mishna. By donating money to a GMACH, we might not be making an investment that will help us buy a new GM car, or any car for that matter, but the spiritual rewards, which sometimes even filter down into material benefits, are immeasurable.

"There are certain ways in which a loan with interest may be permitted, however the laws are intricate and detailed. A competent rabbi must be consulted."

Submitted by Rabbi Y. Laufer

the law I didn't know about." But the Conservatives and Reform claim to be relevant, they allege that they have something to say to today. But they preach their political sermons, or they babble on about whatever happened that morning: that's their relevant Torah. But the issues of today that call for the Torah are the issues that the Torah has always identified as important and addressed: eternity, as in death,

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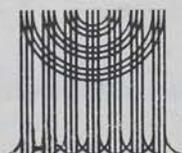
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Witnesses To Nazi Crimes Sought

The United States Department of Justice has requested the assistance of the World Jewish Congress in efforts to locate witnesses of crimes committed by the Nazis and their collaborators during World War II.

The Department's Office of Special Investigations is currently engaged in cases involving members of SS guard companies assigned to Nazi concentration camps. It seeks to interview persons imprisoned at the camps listed below between the dates specified:

- Sachsenhausen/Oranienburg
June 1943-September 1944
- Stutthof
November 1942-April 1944
- Buchenwald
May 1943-April 1945
- Majdanek
November 1943-April 1944
- Flossenburg
February 1945-April 1945

Individuals who can be of assistance in this investigation are asked to contact Ms. Bessy Pupko at the World Jewish Congress, 501 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, (212) 755-5770.

JWV-USA Speaks Out

The Jewish War Veterans of the USA (JWV) has always been and will continue to be an advocate of American and Japanese cooperation. But this organization, the oldest active veterans' organization in America, unequivocally opposes the proposed agreement to use American technology to produce the FSX jet fighter for the Japanese Defense Agency.

Current economic conditions, particularly in the area of high technology, have placed our country perilously close to losing its competitive edge worldwide. In simply handing the Japanese our

expertise in aerospace technology — and the hardware that goes along with it — America will be one step closer to going over that edge.

The U.S. would, in fact, would be providing the Japanese with the tools they seek to reach their declared goal of competing with us in this market by the year 2000. Even our Governments own General Accounting Office seriously questions the benefits of the proposed deal.

JWV disapproves of the transfer of software technology for the flight computer and mission computer systems of this fighter. In the wrong hands, these source codes could be used against the very persons who created them.

JWV's members feel it necessary to voice concern despite the Senates recent approval of this measure.

The Jewish War Veterans of the USA has a 93-year history of supporting this country's national defense. Our members believe that the proposed FSX sale is detrimental to America's interests.

To the Editor:

It was most gratifying to see the prominently featured, front page article on Idith Klein, one of this year's Bronfman Fellows. I am writing to point out, however, that Ms. Klein is currently a student at the Harry Elkin Midrasa (communith high school sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education) and not the Temple Emanu-El Religious School.

We are all very proud of Idith. We are especially pleased to know that she considers her Jewish education — including her studies at Midrasa — to be an important factor in maintaining her strong Jewish identity. Midrasa is an excellent way for our Jewish teenagers to broaden their interaction with the Jewish community, to continue to learn

In a 1980 pioneering essay, *On The Third Era of Jewish History: Power and Politics*, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, President and co-founder of CLAL, called for the development of a new political culture in American Jewry. Greenberg wrote, "As The American Jewish community faces up to an escapable involvement in politics, it needs to strengthen its capacity to obtain more power. Beyond developing the habits of effective political behavior, there are a number of structural changes that, taken together, can increase the community's political clout."

Greenberg's first recommendation was the upgrading of AIPAC — The American Israel Public Affairs Committee — which he called "the single most effective political instrument in the community...." The growth of AIPAC since that time is well documented and has been an important part of the American Jewish community.

In 1988, a complaint was brought before the Federal Election Commission (FEC) against AIPAC. AIPAC felt that specific answers to the specific questions and charges were not enough and that it was important to understand the grand transformation going on.

According to Thomas Dine, Director of AIPAC, "it was natural for us to turn to Yitz Greenberg, once again, to place our just cause

in the proper framework of understanding."

The Growth Of An American Jewish Political Culture — The Case For AIPAC, written by Rabbi Irving Greenberg, with an introduction by Thomas A. Dine, has just been issued by CLAL. The Case For AIPAC served as the base for AIPAC's response to the FEC complaint. In the introduction Dine writes, "Greenberg has clearly delineated not only why Jews are a major part of America's political community structure, but the reason for AIPAC and its role in North America's Jewish community structure."

Rabbi Greenberg puts AIPAC's growth in its proper setting: a reflection and a beneficiary of the political empowering of Americans. Greenberg states that "AIPAC's leadership has repeatedly stressed that it draws its influences from the broad American public consensus of support for Israel along the entire political spectrum, as well as from the dynamic, independent, highly involved activity of American Jews everywhere."

Dine writes that "while The Case For AIPAC was written to help the FEC understand the Jewish community and its political

responses and activity, upon reflection, AIPAC's leadership concluded that this paper needs to be widely read."

Copies of *The Growth of an American Jewish Political Culture - The Case for AIPAC* may be ordered from CLAL, 421 Seventh Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10001. Please include a \$2.50 check made out to CLAL for the cost of handling and mailing.

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Social Events

NCCJ Brotherhood Awards



The 1989 Brotherhood Awards were presented before 700 guests at the 37th Annual Brotherhood Award Dinner of the National Conference of Christians & Jews on May 4, 1989. Shown above (left to right) are Charles H. Goss, Chairman of the NCCJ Board of Trustees, Honorees Sr. Lucille McKillop, RSM, and James R. Winoker, with the 1989 Dinner Chairman, George Graboys. Sr. McKillop has achieved numerous awards and has been recognized for her outstanding leadership during her 15 years as President of Salve Regina College. James R. Winoker, President of B.B. Greenberg Co., has a distinguished record of community service in civic, and charitable activities.

Linda Grossman Graduates Wheelock

Lisa Grossman, a resident of Providence, R.I., received a B.S. in teaching from Wheelock College in Boston, Mass., at the 101st commencement on May 12.

Celebrating its centennial year, Wheelock College is nationally known for the excellence of its programs in child development and human services. Its students are trained as professionals to work with children and families in schools and daycare settings, hospitals and clinics, museums and social service agencies.

Lisa is the daughter of Ann and Edward Grossman of 22 Glenn Drive, Providence. Lisa plans to teach in a preschool setting.

Dr. David T. Raphael Speaks at Bond Breakfast

Prominent Los Angeles anesthesiologist Dr. David T. Raphael, an authority on Sephardic Jewry during the "Golden Age" in Spain, will speak at an Israel Bond breakfast honoring Samuel Friedman, on Sunday, June 4, at the Jewish Community Center, Newport.

Dr. Raphael, who holds a Ph.D. in biomathematics in addition to degrees in medicine and mathematics, is the author of two historical novels and was the writer-director of a feature-length documentary on the Sephardim.

His "The Alhambra Decree" is a book about the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492, and "The Davalier of Malaga" focuses on "Converso" life in Spain during the Spanish Inquisition.

His film, "Songs of the Sephardi" deals with Judeo-Spanish songs and customs of Sephardic Jews.

Since the Israel Bond Organization was founded in 1951, total sales have passed the \$9.4 billion mark. These loan funds helped build Israel's roads, railways and power stations, and helped develop its National Water Carrier, ports, refineries, industrial parks and science-based industries.

Schlessinger-Mandelcorn

Dr. and Mrs. Gustav Schlessinger of Providence and Norwich, CT announce the engagement of their daughter, Reva, to Howard Michael Mandelcorn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mandelcorn of Montreal, Canada.

Howard graduated from Brandeis University, cum laude, in 1986 with a BA in politics and Islamic/Middle Eastern studies. In 1987 he received a Master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania in governmental administration. He is currently a candidate for JD/BCL in 1991 at the faculty of law of McGill University in Montreal.

Reva graduated from Norwich Free Academy in 1983 and attended Brandeis University where she graduated cum laude in 1987 with a bachelor of science in economics. She is currently employed as Operations Manager of Emerson Investment Management in Boston. She will be attending McGill University faculty of management for an MBA in management information systems and international finance.

A June 1990 wedding is planned.

ADL Forms RI Advisory Committee

Judi Krupp, chairperson of the New England Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League announced this week the appointment of Richard Licht and Jeffrey Gordon as Co-Chairmen of the newly formed ADL Rhode Island Advisory Committee.

In announcing the appointment, Ms. Krupp noted "Both Richard and Jeffrey bring a deep commitment to the ideals and goals of the ADL and I'm delighted that two such dynamic individuals have agreed to chair ADL's activities in Rhode Island."

Mr. Licht, a former State Senator and Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island is a partner in the law firm of Licht and Semonoff. Among his many affiliations, he has been the Chairman of the Rhode Island Commission Against Racial, Religious and Ethnic Harassment, Chairman of the State of Israel Bond Drive and, currently, Chairman of the Rhode Island "Passage to Freedom Campaign" for Soviet Jewry.

Mr. Gordon, the President of Clifford Metals, is a past President of Temple Beth El Brotherhood and a Board Member of the "Tomorrow Fund" of the Rhode Island Hospital.

The Anti-Defamation League is a national human and civil rights organization dedicated to stopping the defamation of the Jewish people and to securing justice and fair treatment for all citizens alike.



Michael Gereboff Bar Mitzvah

Michael Stephen Gereboff celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 20, 1989 at Temple Emanu-El, Providence. He is the son of Murray and Rosalyn Gereboff. Maternal grandparents are Mildred and David Weintraub of New York City. Paternal grandparents are Maurice and Caroline Gereboff of Providence.

Touro Fraternal

Touro Fraternal Association will be holding its annual installation of officers dinner on Wednesday, May 31, 1989, at 6:30 p.m. at our own Touro Home. This will be one of the first major events held at Touro's new home and it will be a deli. Yes, you read it right a deli. It is a kosher deli dinner and it is free to its members. It has been a long time in coming but Touro members get the best. We will be holding an installation of officers and board members, initiation of new candidates and a collation following. Please, members only.

Do not forget also to send in your payment and make reservations for the annual dinner dance to be held at the Venus on June 10. You should have received your invitation. If you did not, please contact the office or send your payment to Touro Fraternal Association, P.O. Box 3562, Cranston, R.I. 02910. This is always a big Touro affair so don't be left out. Mail your return back as early as possible.

Touro wants to remind all brothers that Israel needs trees due to major fires that were set to destroy the forests in Israel. If you have had an event of any kind to be remembered, do it by helping Israel through the Touro Fraternal Forest we are all building together. Send your check, made out to Touro Fraternal Association with information on what you want it to celebrate or remember and it will

BJE To Honor Local Teachers

This year has been designated the year of the Jewish Educator in recognition of the contributions of teachers and principals to the continuity of the Jewish community. The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island is pleased to highlight the achievements of the State's teachers in its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 1989 at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, R.I. at 8 p.m.

The community honors its teachers in a number of ways. Receiving grants for conferences and study are: Hana Berman, Julie Blane, Edith E. Grant, Steven Jablow, Rabbi Alvan Kauner, Donna Perelman, Lynda Rosemark, Leonore Sones, Reini Silverman and Leora Tanenbaum. Creative teaching is acknowledged through two awards: The Edward Goldberg Award for outstanding lessons and The Perelman Family

Endowment Award for innovative curriculum. Goldberg Awards will be presented to: Hana Berman, Rosemary Brier, Dorit Oved, Martha Sholes, Lillian Schwartz, and the faculty of Temple Habonim of Barrington, R.I. The Perelman Family Award for an outstanding curricular project will be given to Fraidel Segal for her Kindergarten Bible program.

The Bureau is committed to attracting and retaining teachers new to the profession. Rosemary Brier will be awarded the Harry A. and Zeldia F. Gourse Fellowship to encourage continuation of her studies. Participants in Teacher Induction programs will also be recognized. Rose Mossberg and Beth Salk studied in the Novices Program. Susan Benesch, Mary Berger, Julie Blane, Rosemary Brier, Michal Donowitz, Tina Fain, Leah Ross, Aaron Sherman, Leora Tanenbaum, Judith Tobin, Denise Walsh and Barbara P. Zenofsky completed the Bureau's Morim Program.

Teacher training is a community-wide responsibility. To help support newcomers to teaching, the Bureau was fortunate to have the services of a cadre of veteran educators who served as mentors. Cathy Berkowitz, Minna Ellison, Carol Ingall, Lynn Jukubowicz, Marcia Kauner, Ruth Page, Donald Solomon, Leonore Sones, and Barbara Zenofsky shared their time and talent with their younger colleagues.

Jennifer Miller, a teacher and administrator serving in a number of the community's institutions, will highlight the centrality of the teacher in her presentation, "5749: The Year of the Jewish Educator."

Joyce and Bob Starr, who are co-chairing the Annual Meeting, invite the public to participate in the evening's festivities.

A note to other nonprofit Jewish groups in the area. Touro will be having a board in one of its front windows and would be pleased to post your upcoming events, be it fund-raising for a good cause or a community event. Please forward your information to Barry E. Newman, Chairman of Community Involvement to the Touro Hall address. It will be reviewed and if found to be acceptable, placed in the window for all to see.

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Larry Sadwin Is New Secretary Of AHA

The American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate has announced its 1989-90 officers and Board of Directors that were elected at its 48th Annual Meeting held in April.

Elected President was Richard A. Carleton, M.D., of Barrington. Carleton is Physician-in-Chief & Chief of Cardiology at Memorial Hospital, Principal Investigator of the Pawtucket Heart Health Program and Professor of Medicine at Brown University.

The President-elect is Kenneth LaBresh, M.D. of Lincoln, Clinical Assistant Professor, Brown University and cardiologist in private practice in Providence and Pawtucket.

Arthur J. DeBlois III of Seekonk, Mass., is completing his term as Chairman of the Board. DeBlois is Vice President Finance at DeBlois Oil Co., Pawtucket, R.I.

Larry Sadwin of Woonsocket will begin serving as Secretary. Sadwin is President of Sadwin Curtain Manufacturing in Woonsocket and Chairman of the American Heart Association's Woonsocket Division.

Assuming the position of Treasurer is Greg Lucini of Berkeley, Mass. Lucini is Audit Manager at Arthur Young, Providence.

Members of the Board of Directors for 1989-90 include the officers as well as the following directors elected at-large: Thomas Ahern, Robert Crouse, M.D., Marie DelDeo, Thomas Dorazio, Charles Dunn, Joseph Feeley, Esq., Frank Fiorenzano, Donald Gammino, Henry Gewirtz, M.D., Irving T. Gilson, M.D., Gary Heller, M.D., Benjamin T. Jackson, M.D., Rev. Willie James, Barbara LaPorte, Craig Lefebvre, Paul Lemont, Paul Levinson, M.D., Stephen Lichatin, M.D., J. Robert McGhee, D.O., Candace McNulty, M.D., Edward Mattea, Pharm. D., Robert Picard, R.N., Arthur Pourtray, Charlene Rose, Judy Smith, Andre Trudeau, Joseph Turano and Marc S. Weinberg, M.D.

The American Heart Association is dedicated to the reduction of disability and death from cardiovascular disease and stroke.

Kent County Hadassah

The Kent County Chapter of Hadassah announces the 1989-90 Executive Board: President, Audrey Hirsch; Vice President of Programming, Donna Ross; Vice President of Education, Karen Ostrowsky; Vice President of Membership, Karen Penn; Recording Secretary, Donna Podrat; Corresponding Secretary, Carol Friedman; Financial Secretary, Bonnie Houle; and Treasurer, Barbara Shapiro. The installing officer was Fran Weisman.

Hadassah is the largest,

women's Zionist organization dedicated to the enrichment, development, and preservation of the State of Israel. Today, Israel flourishes thanks to the continuous generous support of many Hadassah women and the various chapter programs and fundraising activities held worldwide.

Additional information regarding the Kent County Chapter activities and membership can be obtained by calling Susan at 885-0003.

J.F.R.I. Women's Division Holds Annual Meeting

The Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island held its Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers on Tuesday, May 16, 1989, at Temple Emanu-El in Providence. Chairpersons for the meeting were Patty Alperin and Beth Pollock.

Nominating Committee Chairperson, Dee Dee Witman, presented the following slate of Officers and Directors.

President, Myrna Rosen; Vice Presidents, Doris Feinberg, Nancy Goldberg, Betsy Holland, Dee Dee Witman; Secretary, Diane Salmanson; Associate Secretary, Lynn Markoff.

The following women will serve on the Board for two years, term ending 1991:

Sheila Alexander, Beth Burstein, Fredda Dressler, Jeanne Feldman, Ruth Fixler, Eleanor (Alan) Frank, Ellie (Melvin) Frank, Randie Goldman, Alexis Hafken, Leah Hersh, Hope Hirsch, Jane Jacober, Karen Jacober, Gladys Kapstein, Erica Krauss, Glenda Labush, Abigail Leavitt, Dorothy Licht, Terry Lieberman, Cecile Low, Susan Odessa, Maria Posner, Lois

Robbin, Hope Schachter, Pearl Shein, Cathy Singer, Cheryl Teverow, Flo Tilles, Susie Weingeroff, and Beth Weiss.

Norman Tilles, President of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, was the Installing Officer.

Close to one hundred women watched as outgoing President, Elaine Odessa, passed the gavel to incoming President, Myrna Rosen.

Career Women's Affiliate Jewish Federation Of Rhode Island

Invites you to attend our Annual Meeting and Installation, Tuesday, June 6, 1989. Culling House, Water Street, East Providence, R.I. Installing Officer Rabbi Susan L. Miller, Assistant Rabbi, Temple Beth-El. Dinner 6 p.m., Couvert \$18.

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JFRI Women's Division, 1989 Annual Meeting, newly-elected president, Myrna Rosen.



JFRI Women's Division 1989 Annual Meeting. Left to right are: Nancy Goldberg, Vice President; Lynn Markoff, Associate Secretary; Doris Feinberg, Vice President; Myrna Rosen, President; Betsy Holland, Vice President; Dee Dee Witman, Vice President; Diane Salmanson, Secretary; May-Ronny Sock, Director Women's Division.

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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder

"It's hard to believe this is already the fifth annual Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame. Time certainly has slipped by since our first one in 1985," Jeff Goldberg said to family and friends of the six newest Jewish inductees at the Jewish Community Center Sunday night.

Co-chairing the event with Stephen Litwin, Jeff noted thanks to Dr. Herb Iventash and Elliott Goldstein, the Center's Health and Physical Education Director, for their efforts in making the program possible.

Names, categories and profiles of 1989's inductees into the Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall Of Fame are:

RAYMOND LAURANS Handball, Veteran's Division

The president and chief executive officer of Roger Williams Foods for over 40 years began his athletics at Durfee High School in Fall River as first string varsity player on the basketball and baseball teams. At Rutgers University he was handball champion and first string on the baseball team. *The New York Times* photographed his baseball skills. At age 40, he became the New England handball champion.

MAX MILLER Football, Veteran's Division

The local, national, amateur and professional football player originally played both basketball and football. He was a member of the undefeated Jewish Community Center intermediate League Basketball Team in 1929 and played guard for the Commercial High School football team. In the early Thirties, he was a member of the Orioles, the only all Jewish semi-pro football team in the country. Weighing less than 160 pounds during his years at B.U., he played offensive and defensive guard and received three varsity football letters. After graduation, he played the same positions for the Providence Steamrollers.

DANIEL J. KAPSTEIN All Around Athlete, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Contemporary Division

At Providence Country Day School, he was named to the Rhode Island Prep School All State Football and Basketball teams and the All New England Prep School Squad selected by the *Boston Herald Traveler*. Following his graduation from Northeastern in 1972 where he was a

senior football letterman, assistant freshman baseball coach, varsity basketball scout and varsity football aide, Dan Kapstein was signed as free agent for the New England Patriots Football Team. Having served as sports information director at Rhode Island College, he has coached football and baseball at several area schools. He is a consultant for the Rhode Island Department of Health to increase public awareness of the health dangers of anabolic steroids among the state's high school students.

THOMAS PEARLMAN Football, Wrestling, Contemporary Division

A member of the All State Football Team in 1943 and 1944 from Classical High School, he continued his interest in sports at Amherst College in varsity football, wrestling and lacrosse. He chaired the Athletic Committee of Phillips Brooks House at Harvard Law School. His community activities include an officership in the Classical High School Varsity Club.

JEREMY KAPSTEIN Service To Sports

A well-known agent for professional athletes, "Jerry" Kapstein has been a pioneer in his field. He represents athletes in several major professional sports in contract negotiations. A 1965 Harvard College graduate, he earned his law degree from Boston College Law School in 1968. After serving as an officer in the United States Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps, he was an innovator in his chosen profession.

GUS PARMET Service To Sports

His involvement in radio sports reporting is possibly the longest stretch for anyone in Southeastern New England. He started his career with high school sports in Fall River and quickly moved to the high school and college scene in the state with heavy emphasis on basketball and football at URI. He has put together special coverage of tourneys focusing on high schools, colleges, Little League and American Legion ball. He hosted his own controversial sports talk show, "Sports Sound Off."

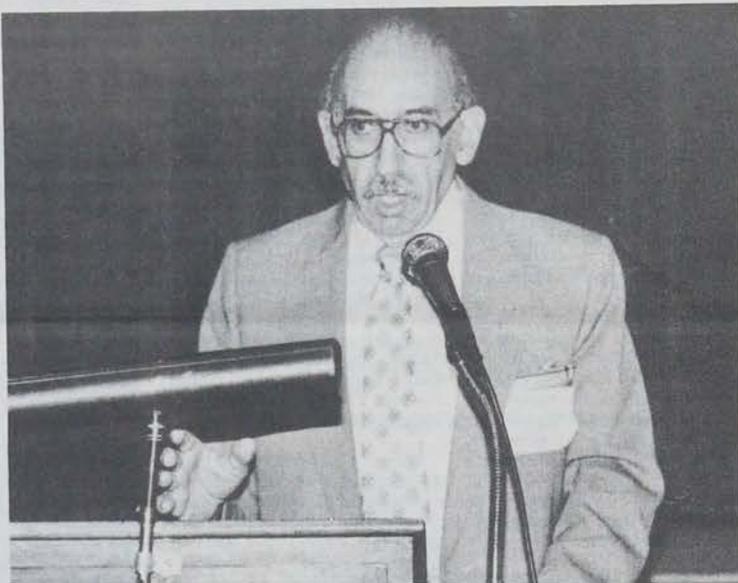
Photos by Dorothea Snyder

Jewish Athletes Honored



Raymond Laurans

"This particular plaque is going to be for my wife because of the many evenings I came home late from playing handball." Jeffrey Goldberg, right, presented awards to all inductees "in recognition of your outstanding achievements in the field of athletics."



Gus Parmet

"Since coming to the first Jewish Hall Of Fame, I've seen a mixture of inductees, never realizing just what it would mean to receive the award. Grantland Rice was the granddaddy of sports writers back in the Twenties. He ended his columns with 'It's not how you win or lose, but how you play the game.' Vince Lombardi, the Green Bay Packers' coach, said, 'Winning isn't everything, but the effort to win is the only thing.' I work at this somehow or other."



Thomas Pearlman

"For the benefit of my sons and grandsons and some of the other younger fellows here, I'd like to say athletics was a great part of my life. The greatest lessons I learned were not to be afraid to lose a game or miss a tackle. It's merely termed a setback and you get to learn, as in life, that you just get back up and try again. Another thing is to get along with your fellow man and work together with your teammates. How true that is in life."



Max Miller

"What I remember most about my playing days was the last game I played against the Philadelphia Eagles on October 10, 1941. The reason I remember that date was the next day an uncle grabbed ahold of me and said he wanted me to come to 40 Fountain Street at 7 a.m. I went in and saw 30 other fellows who were on the same team. 'I want you to put your hand up and repeat after me,' he said. After we pledged ourselves, he added, 'Now you fellows go downstairs and get into the bus. We're going to take you for a ride.' On October 11, 1941, they took us down to Fort Devens."



Daniel J. Kapstein (Also accepted for his brother Jeremy Kapstein)

"It's a blessing and an honor to be here tonight. It's a great moment. My brother "Jerry" is very proud too. I'm sorry he couldn't be here to share this moment with our dear family and friends. Sports has been a big part of my life. It's ironic that I'm standing and being recognized for my accomplishments here in this building which was once the field where we grew up playing baseball, football and basketball. I have to tell you, the world that leads here is made up of loving, caring and attentive people, some of whom are here tonight."



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Officers gather after the installation ceremonies conducted by Robert A. Riesman. Pictured (l to r): Lola Schwartz, Executive Director; Samuel K. Suls, President; Jenny Klein, Vice President; Lawrence Gates, Associate Secretary; Louis Pulner, Secretary; and Jeffrey Brier, Vice President. Not in the picture: First Vice President Bruce A. Leach, Vice Presidents Kenneth Hersh, Judith Rosenstein, and Treasurer David Casten.

Samuel K. Suls, President for Third Term As JCCRI President



Samuel K. Suls, President, and Bruce A. Leach, First Vice President, at the 64th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island held on May 10. Mr. Suls accepted a third term of leadership.

Blast Into Summer With Our Auction Celebration!

Sunday, June 18, 1989, at 7 p.m. in the evening in the Social Hall of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence.

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Auction Committee: Kenneth Hersh, chair, Jacob Avisar, Karen Beraha, Gerry Friedman, Abe Gershman, Ronnie Guttin, Robert Sand, Roberta Sultz.

To donate gifts or for further information, call Susan Popper at 861-8800.

Teens! Don't Miss Out! On JCCRI Camps Bogrim And C.I.T.

Something totally new and exciting is happening at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence. The Center has introduced a Camp Bogrim for pre-teens entering grades 5 through 7. Campers will travel twice a week and participate in tennis, swimming lessons, arts and crafts as well as in a program to receive their American Red Cross Standard First Aid Certification.

Also being offered for another year is C.I.T. Camp for those entering grades 8 through 10. This is a special camp for teenagers who aspire to learn and enhance their good leadership qualities while enjoying privileges of special group projects and trips. The CITs will receive their American Red Cross Standard First Aid Certification as well as creative programming skills appropriate for various age groups. They will travel twice weekly and divide the remainder of their time between training and in-group participation. The summer will culminate in a camping trip for two nights and three days.

Both camps will meet five days per week from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For fee and further information contact Michele Bram at 861-8800.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE

Jewish Family Service, founded in 1929, is celebrating its sixtieth anniversary throughout 1989. A list of "Sixty Reasons to Celebrate with JFS" has been compiled, providing examples of the agency's services in many different categories. Last week we printed five of those reasons, today we give you five more.

FIVE OF THE 60 REASONS TO CELEBRATE WITH JFS

1. Highly-Trained Clinical Staff - JFS staff members constantly attend training sessions and assimilate the latest information pertaining to their specialties in order to provide the most up-to-date services for clients and the community.

2. Helping a Widower Cope - A man who is despondent after his wife passes away learns how to cope with his loss and get on with his life, thanks to his therapist at Jewish Family Service.

3. Long Distance Care for the Elderly - A JFS social worker can act as a liaison between an elderly person and the family when circumstances produce long-distance caregiving. The social worker assesses needs, monitors care, provides supportive counseling and keeps the family informed.

4. JFS Means Emotional Support for a New Mom - A new mother whose family is far away has made some lasting friendships while learning about her baby at a "Mothers and Infants" workshop.

5. 1933 - JFS works closely with the Red Cross to help the needy.

Look for more of the sixty reasons next week in the Rhode Island Herald. For more information on any of the Sixtieth Anniversary activities, call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

Lifeline Brings Peace Of Mind And Emergency Help

Lifeline Adds Subscribers, Handles Emergencies

This spring, Lifeline/Rhode Island, the 24-hour personal emergency response system administered by Jewish Family Service has added subscribers for a total of more than 131 people using the service. This is up from 75 subscribers last November. That's a 75% increase within six months.

By early spring, the system has handled 51 emergencies. Lifeline units, attached through the telephone are installed in the homes of the frail elderly or medically-at-risk. A button on a pendant worn by the subscriber provides immediate access to emergency medical services while at the same time alerting designated family or friends.

Subscribers feel more at ease, when home alone, knowing help is just a button-push away. Caregivers and relatives feel more comfortable when it is necessary to leave the person. Emergency situations are handled quickly. The result is more independence for the subscriber and a positive outlook for all concerned.

For information, please call Maxine Richman at 331-1244 at Jewish Family Service.



Winner of the I. S. Low Youth Leadership Award is Scott White, pictured with Mrs. Isador Low, the presenter.



One of the seven who received Volunteer of the Year awards from the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, Miles Sydney (extreme right) receives a plaque in appreciation of his many hours dedicated to delivering Meals on Wheels and installing Lifelines. The presentors, Vice Presidents Kenneth Hersh and Jeffrey Brier, also awarded Ellie Frank, Gerald Friedman, Donald Jaffa, Alan Litwin, Elly Peimer and Marlene Fishman Wolpert for their invaluable contribution of time and effort to the Center.

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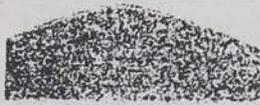
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SIMON L. ARON

WARWICK — Simon L. Aron, 65, of 652 Orleans Court, a supervisor at the Morse Shoe Co. for 30 years before retiring in 1987, died May 21, 1989, at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Gertrude (Kelberman) Aron.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Samuel I. and Bessie (Kasper) Aron, he lived in Warwick for 36 years.

Mr. Aron was an Army veteran of World War II and served as a paratrooper in the European Theater. He was a charter member of Temple Am David and its Men's Club. He was a member of the Overseas Masonic Lodge and the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island. He was a member of the Rhode Island Jewish Bowling Congress.

Besides his wife he leaves three daughters, Sheryl B., Laurie R. Aron, both of Brookline, Mass., and Cindy P. Hoover of Melrose, Mass.; a brother, Jack Aron of Milton, Mass., and a sister, Evelyn

A. Wasser of Warwick.

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

ELIZABETH BORNSTEIN

WARWICK — Elizabeth Bornstein, 66, of 692 Orleans Court died May 16, 1989, at Rhode Island Hospital. She was the wife of Dr. Marshall K. Bornstein.

Born in Attleboro, Mass., she was a daughter of the late Israel and Basya (Nettleman) Rodinsky. She had lived in Warwick for 34 years. Previously, she had lived in Cranston and Providence.

Mrs. Bornstein was a member of Temple Torat Yisrael and its Sisterhood. She also was a member of Hadassah, the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Women's Association of Miriam Hospital, the R.I. Chapter of the American Diabetes Association, and was a contributing member of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Beryl M. Max of Cheshire, Conn., and Robin N. Sagarin of Belmont, Mass.; a son Thomas R. Bornstein of Warwick; and four grandchildren.

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

ETHEL GORDON

EAST PROVIDENCE — Ethel Gordon, 78, of 35 Church St., Apt. #19, died May 19, 1989, at the Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of David Gordon. She was born in Providence, a daughter of the late Nathan and Rose (Tyman) Conis and was a lifelong resident of Providence until moving to East Providence five years ago. She was an Army veteran of WWII.

Her only survivors are a niece and three nephews; Connie and Perry Pearlstein of Douglaston, N.Y.; Robert Weisman of Fla. and Robert Tanenbaum of N.Y.

A funeral service was held at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Funeral Home, 458 Hope St., Providence.

ALVIN KASLE

PROVIDENCE — Alvin Kasle, 69, of 555 South Main St., died May 20, 1989, at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Adele (Weiss) Kasle.

Born in Toledo, Ohio, he had resided in Providence the past three years. He had been an executive in a steel manufacturing company. He was a member of Temple Beth-El, R.I. School of Design Museum, John Brown House and Providence Art Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Jeffrey W. Kasle, Providence; a daughter, Jill F. Kasle, Washington, D.C.; a brother, Richard Kasle, Toledo, Ohio; and a granddaughter.

Funeral services took place at Temple Beth-El. Arrangements were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St.

ARLENE PIERCE

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Arlene Pierce, 50, of 941 NE 170 St., formerly of Cranston, a saleswoman for Best Generic Drugs, retiring last year due to illness, died last week at home.

Born in Providence, a daughter of Gussie (Parness) Pierce of Providence and the late Max Pierce, she had lived in Florida five years. She previously resided in Cranston.

Besides her mother she leaves a daughter, Lindsey Pierce of North Miami Beach; three brothers, Milton "Mickey" Pierce and Bernard Pierce, both of Warwick and Benton Pierce of Las Vegas, Nev.

A funeral service was held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

BERTHA RAZON

NEW BEDFORD, Mass. — Bertha Razon, 79, of 200 Hawthorne St., died May 17, 1989, at the Jewish Convalescent Home in New Bedford. She was the widow of Azariah "Samuel" Razon.

She was born in Greece, a daughter of the late Joseph and Gentile Danon and had been a New Bedford resident for 48 years having previously lived in New York.

She was a member of Congregation Ahavath Achim and the New Bedford Chapter of Hadassah. She is survived by two sons, David Razon of Mashpee, Mass., and Jerry Razon of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; a daughter, Vickie Memishian of S. Natick, Mass.; and four grandchildren.

A funeral service was held graveside at Plainville Cemetery in New Bedford. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence, R.I.

FRANCES SCHWARTZ

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Frances Schwartz, 81, of 10438 Boca Woods Lane died May 12, 1989, at the West Boca Medical Center. She was the widow of Harry A. Schwartz.

Born in Paterson, N.J., a daughter of the late Joseph and Mary Colavita, she had lived in Florida since 1979. She previously resided in Providence for 40 years.

She was a life member of the Pawtucket Hadassah, the Women's Associations of the Jewish Home for the Aged and Miriam Hospital, and a member of Temple Beth-El and its Sisterhood.

She leaves two sons, Joseph Schwartz of Providence and Eugene Schwartz of Boca Raton; a daughter, Marian Silverman of Warwick; two sisters, Josephine Buchman of Fairlawn, N.J., and Nellie DePhillips of Garfield, N.J.; a brother, Benjamin Colavita of Toms River, N.J.; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope Street, Providence.

DR. LEO STERN

PROVIDENCE — A funeral was held last week for Dr. Leo Stern, who plunged to his death from the roof of the Rhode Island Hospital main building. Dr. Stern, the husband of Riva (Angel) Stern, lived at 202 President Ave.

Born in Montreal, a son of Sholem Shtern of Montreal, and the late Sonia (Alboin) Shtern, he lived in Providence for 16 years.

He received a bachelor's degree from McGill University in Montreal in 1951, and his M.D. from the University of Manitoba in 1956.

Dr. Stern was a member of Temple Emanu-El and its Men's Club. He was a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Royal Society of Medicine, the Society for Pediatric Research, the American Pediatric Society, the Rhode Island and Providence Medical Societies, the Canadian Medical Association, the Canadian Pediatrics Society, the New York Academy of Science, the Canadian Society of Clinical Investigation, the Perinatal Research Society and the American Society of Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics.

Besides his wife and father he leaves two sons, Joel B. and Alan D. Stern; two daughters, Karen D. and Lisa E. Stern, all of Providence, and a brother, David Stern of Toronto.

The service was held at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Miriam Hospital Jr. Volunteer Orientation

The Miriam Hospital in Providence will have an orientation session for Junior Volunteers at the hospital on June 30, 1989 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am in the morning. Summer openings are available for juniors, age 14 or over, in many assignments at the hospital.

Notices of the summer volunteer program have been sent to all area high schools. Applicants should get in touch with the Volunteer Department at the hospital, either in person or by calling 331-8500, extension 2014.

Junior Volunteer roles include helping the Pharmacy Department in deliveries to satellite stations, working with the Dietary Department in preparing and passing meal trays, assisting nursing units and helping in the discharge of patients and making deliveries around the hospital.

Qualifications for volunteer assignment include dependability, enthusiasm, willingness to accept responsibility and interest in doing helpful work. While they are unpaid volunteer roles, there are rewards in the satisfaction of doing something useful, development of good working attitudes, exploration of possible professional careers, self esteem and providing help for those who need it. Volunteers work under supervision of hospital personnel.

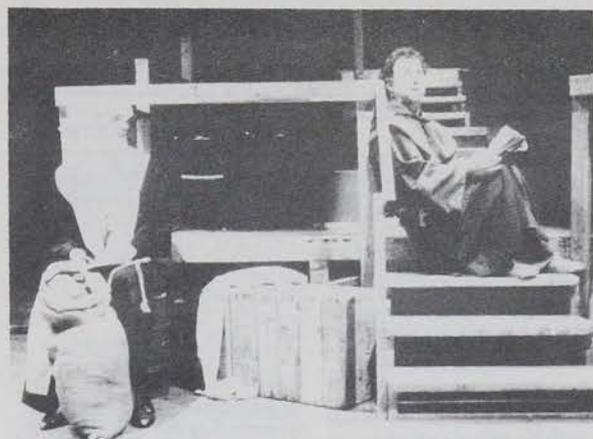
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ing, 'I have 24 homes'. Here I am, shrinking in the corner with 5 possible homes. I'll tell you, I've woken up the past two nights like this," David, mouth gaping, stiffens, tosses his head back, eyes bulging, his body quivering like a tuning fork that just hit a high C note. "It's been rough," he laughs. "I get up and think, 'Oh my g-d, where am I going to put all these kids'. But, I know it's not impossible — I'm just going to have to work 180 hours more."

Concerning where David is going to get that 180 hours, your guess is as good as any, but rest assured he will find the time.

Anyone interested in talking to David about the Homestay program may call him at 467-BBYO. N.B. There is scholarship reimbursement available to the children of families who have opened their homes to these very special guests.

A Review of "Red Noses" At Trinity



Margot Dionne and Peter Gerety in Trinity Repertory Company's *Red Noses*, by Peter Barnes, the final production of the 25th Anniversary Season under Artistic Director Adrian Hall, in the Upstairs Theatre May 5 through June 4.

by V.B. Halpert

As we left the theatre after seeing Peter Barnes's *Red Noses*, my companion, instead of laughing, was strangely pensive. When she spoke she said, "The historical background to this play is really tragic and horrifying, but the tragedy has been lost in the parody. Her word shed light on why I had been less than satisfied with the play. Like most people I have long accepted that laughter in the face of despair is therapeutic. I remember the story of the Chinese women who sat in the mud during a terrible wartime siege and laughed — seemingly at nothing. When asked how they could laugh in such dire circumstances they replied that if they did not laugh, they would die. Laughter: the sanity-saving engine that allows the human spirit to survive what is crucifyingly inhumane.

I could, therefore, understand the intention in the Trinity production directed by Adrian Hall. What I could not understand was why it did not work for me. The elements were all there.

During the plague of 1348 people

United Hebrew School-Newport

The annual Graduation and Closing Exercises of the United Hebrew School of Newport took place on Monday evening May 22.

Rabbi Marc S. Jagoliner, Principal, addressed the graduates and students. The invocation was delivered by Rabbi Chaim Shapiro. Greetings were extended by Donna Pimental, Chair, United Hebrew School, Dr. Elliot Kaminitz, President of Temple Shalom and Seymour Schechter of Congregation Jehuat Israel.

A cantata was presented to the assemblage by the following graduates: Alex Jay Buffman, Victoria Sophia Gilmore, Susan Meredith

contracting the disease died with wretched immediacy. Parents fled from children, husbands from wives in fear for their own lives. Nobody stayed around to help anybody else. During this catastrophic period, Father Flote, played by Peter Gerety, comes on the scene. His message is that life is a carnival, and he wishes to draw all comers into the action in the main tent. He succeeds. There is the mute, tumbleweed Sonnerie, played by Richard Ferrone; there is Sister Marguerite, played by Margot Dionne; and there are many others in a cast so crowded that space defies their being named and given credits. With wild abandon these people follow Father Flote. Their mood trills hilarity. Father Flote seems to expand from his eyes to his toes as he gains adherents. Sister Marguerite wishes that she could have experienced rape as a sacrifice to God. Bembo (the character depicting the real Cardinal) played by Howard London follows along and expatiates when he can. The company travels to Avignon and is

Hicks, Adam Scott Kaminitz and Jeremy Adam Sarao.

Rabbi Jagoliner presented the graduates with diplomas and promotional certificates were distributed to Hebrew School students.

Presentations were also made to the graduates by the Sisterhood of Temple Shalom and the Ladies Auxiliary of Touro Synagogue.

The Bazar's Award for excellence in attendance was presented to Charles Jagoliner for the boys and Sarah Jagoliner for the girls.

A collation followed the benediction, graciously sponsored by the parents of the graduates.

Pawtucket-Central Falls Hadassah

The Pawtucket-Central Falls Hadassah held an Installation Supper on Monday, May 22, at Archie's Tavern in Pawtucket. The new slate of officers of the Chapter were honored. Rosalind Bolusky, a Past President and Leadership development Chairperson for the Western New England Region, was the installing officer.

Officers installed were President, Janice Ziegler; Vice-Presidents, Barbara Block, Membership; Ruth Goldstein, Fundraising; Ruth Shein, Education; Hadassah Stein, Program. Treasurers, Lillian Fellner and Reeva Curran; Recording Secretaries, Caroline Gereboff and Reeva Curran; Corresponding Secretary, Ann Gaffin; Financial Secretary, Lorraine Ageloff; Auditor, Betty Levy.

Sara Cokin and Ruth Blustein were in charge of arrangements.

Why You Need Life Insurance In Later Years

There is no question that adequate life insurance coverage is crucial for a young family, when there are a spouse and children to be cared for, a mortgage to be paid, and college costs to be met. But even in later years, when the children are grown and homes and educations have been paid for, the need for life insurance doesn't necessarily decline. There may be compelling reasons for keeping or, in fact, enhancing insurance protection at that point.

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received by Pope Clement VI, played by Keith Jochim. The pope, for fear of contracting the disease, has stationed himself behind a glass partition. There are endless others: flagellants, black ravens, gold merchants, and whores. They are meant to represent the grasping at the desires of life amid the terrors of death: gold-worshipping, sexual dallying, and harum-scarum scurrying. Only one figure, shocked by the cavoring of this mass of humanity, condemns it. Father Toulon, played by Ed Shea sees all this activity as a sin against God. By the end of the play he, too, has been won over to Father Flote.

To return to the problem of why the play did not work for me: my dissatisfaction came about because the frame for all this activity, the plague, was never shown in a serious enough light so that there could be dramatic contrast. The bounding about could have occurred in any time, in any place. It did not convey the attempt to escape panic and deplorable circumstances. There was no moment in the dialogue that expressed any thought about the disaster itself. Instead of being knitted to the situation, throw-away lines were lost in the moving about. Characterization, with one exception — Father Flote — was at a minimum. Figures fell on the stage, not like people being smitten, but like little boys playing with imaginary guns and saying to each other, "Bang, bang, you're dead. Fall down." Stage effects consisted of simulated limbs unconvincingly scattered about. With action and props like these, death was not being defiantly mocked; it was being travestied. Where there should have been wit there was a farcical kind of kick-a-poo slapstick.

There were, however, saving graces to the production. Peter Gerety lived his part magnificently. He was so completely Father Flote that people sitting in the audience could see how even his eye movement contributed to the role. As he welcomed each new adherent, his blue eyes shone with pleasure. Margot Dionne was touchingly funny as she clumsily revealed her ideas and desires. Richard Ferrone was a convincing clown, and Howard London was properly pompous. Ed Shea was perhaps a little too rigid as Father Toulon, but the portrayal may have been to emphasize how his conversion to Father Flote's philosophy came to be. Keith Jochim, David C. Jones, Timothy Crowe and others contributed good acting. The music was pure pleasure. Richard Cumming, attired in Franciscan friar's garb, sat in a kind of pit from which he played at the keyboards.

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Submitted by Lawrence M. Halperin and Marvin William Lax

May Is Rhode Island Red Noses Month

Governor Edward D. DiPrete has officially declared May *Red Noses Month* in support of Rhode Island Project AIDS.

It has been estimated that at least 4,000 Rhode Islanders are presently infected with the AIDS virus. By the end of 1991, it is projected that as many as 13,000 Rhode Islanders will be infected. In a state with a population of one million people, this projected increase is indeed staggering.

As our current production of

Red Noses demonstrates, the Red Nose is a symbol of mirth in the face of anguish, the hope and light mankind has to offer in the darkest hours. In keeping with the play's spirit of reaching out to others in a time of adversity, Trinity Repertory Company will promote the sale of novelty red noses for the benefit of Rhode Island Project AIDS. The noses are available at the Box Office for \$1, with all proceeds going to Rhode Island Project AIDS.



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