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American Jews Blame the Rebbe

NEW YORK (JTA) — Rabbi Menachem Schneerson, the 85-year-old spiritual leader of the Chabad-Lubavitch movement, has come under fire from American Jewish organizational leaders and the Israeli press for allegedly meddling in internal Israeli politics.

But Schneerson's spokesman, Rabbi Yehuda Krinsky, claimed the Brooklyn-based Hasidic rebbe is "apolitical" and was not directly responsible for the refusal of two ultra-Orthodox Knesset members to join fellow members of the Agudat Yisrael party in forming a coalition with the Labor Party.

The two defectors from Agudat Yisrael, Avraham Verdiger and Eliezer Mizrahi, effectively blocked Labor Party leader Shimon Peres from forming a government by denying him the votes he needed in order to win a parliamentary motion of confidence.

Krinsky denied reports that Schneerson had telephoned his disciples and instructed them to take such action.

"They did not speak to the rebbe," Krinsky said flatly.

Instead, Krinsky said that Verdiger had called the Lubavitch headquarters in Brooklyn, asking if the rebbe still opposed ceding territory in a peace agreement with the Arabs — which the Labor Party strongly advocates.

"... How can a religious leader reject the idea of moving toward peace..."
—Alexander Schindler

Schneerson's decades-long position has been that Israel should not surrender "one inch" of territory. The Lubavitcher rebbe's stance is at odds not only with the Labor Party but with some of the most revered Torah sages in Israel, who uphold the primacy of saving lives over territorial sovereignty.

But Lubavitch contends that Israel must retain the adminis-

tered territories in order to save lives. Though he has never seen the Jewish state himself, Schneerson preaches that he takes this position to preserve the physical well-being of the Jews who live there.

After receiving confirmation that Schneerson's position remains the same, Verdiger and Mizrahi could therefore "deduce that the rebbe would be opposed to a party that had on its agenda the surrender of territories," Krinsky conceded.

But he maintained that the two Knesset members chose on their own not to join with Labor.

Krinsky's version of events conflicted with reports on Israeli army radio, which said there was no question Mizrahi acted on direct orders from Schneerson.

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Thomas P. Dimeo of Dimeo Construction Company was presented with the Tree of Life Award at a dinner held on March 21 at the Omni Biltmore Hotel in Providence. The award is the Jewish National Fund's highest accolade, given to individuals demonstrating outstanding professional and community leadership. Proceeds from the dinner will establish a forest in the American Independence Park outside Jerusalem. From left to right — Mayor Joseph R. Paolino, Jr., Thomas P. Dimeo, Dr. Samuel I. Cohen.

Wiesel Chairs Feinstein Awards

by Kathy Cohen
Herald Assistant Editor

Nobel prize winner Elie Wiesel, who has worked on behalf of oppressed people for much of his adult life, was honorary chairperson at the fourth annual Alan Shawn Feinstein Awards for the Prevention and Reduction of World Hunger 1989-90 at Brown University's Salomon Center for Teaching on Thursday, April 5.

The recipients of the 1989-90 awards were: The Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee, who received The Alan Shawn Feinstein World Hunger Award; ARMI (Women's Organization of Independence, Peru) accepted the Feinstein Merit Award for Public Service; and Amartya Sen, a Lamony University Pro-

fessor at Harvard University, got the second Feinstein Merit Award for Research.

The program began with an opening video presentation of the past recipients like James P. Grant, executive director of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Band Aid Trust (the organization which raised close to \$100 million through efforts such as the Live Aid concert in 1985) and Bread for the World, a Washington, D.C.-based Christian citizen's movement that seeks to influence U.S. policy concerning hunger issues.

Robert W. Kates, University Professor and Director of the Alan Shawn Feinstein World Hunger Program greeted a full house with the theme "Overcoming Hunger in the 90's: The (continued on page 8)



Elie Wiesel

Volunteers of America

Yuppies give up leisure time

by John Chadwick
Herald Editor

Volunteerism may not be next to godliness, but for Betsy A. Garland, it comes close.

As executive director of Volunteers In Action, she has spent the last 15 years organizing a volunteer work force that serves over 1,000 different local agencies. This spring she will earn a Master's degree in Divinity from the Harvard Divinity School. The title of her thesis? "Equipping the Saints — Theology, Resources, and Strategy for Volunteer Development."

But the 50-year-old former nursing student has no immediate aspirations for the pulpit — she says she has a good ministry right where she is. "I feel I'm helping people discover who they are, I don't see losing that," she says.

Volunteers In Action, established in Rhode Island in 1969 as an independently funded organization, is busier than ever. With only a handful of paid employees, it functions like a job placement agency finding suitable volunteers for non-profit, service-based organizations as well as government agencies.

April 22 through 28 marks National Volunteer Week and the Herald checked in with Garland this week and asked her about the state of volunteerism in 1990.

While funding for VIA remains tight, she says, the volunteers are coming forward from all sides. More and more individuals from all walks of

life are offering several hours a week performing a variety of services from literacy tutoring to operating a trouble hotline.

Garland says the rate of volunteerism among Americans has more than doubled from the 1970's with nearly 45 percent of adult Americans involved in some type of volunteer activity on a weekly basis.

While many organizations actually might protest the contrary, Garland says the sheer growth in the number of service agencies has created the appearance of a shortage. "At one time it was just Red Cross and the hospitals, there are hundreds more now," she says. Citing organizations like Samaritans, a 24-hour crisis line, and Meals on Wheels, she says some organizations require dozens of workers to stay on-line.

Neither are the volunteers exclusively from the neighborhood ladies auxiliary either. Garland speaks highly of contributions from yuppies who have put the cappuccino maker on hold while involving themselves in various human service assignments. "We are deluged with young professionals wanting assignments; people want to make a difference in somebody else's life," she says.

Those in particularly high-stress or high-tech jobs often come looking for human service positions in order to foster a greater connection to the community. "Someone who sits in front of a computer is likely to want to work with people at night," she says.

A common denominator for any volunteer, young or old, she says, is a desire to add meaning to his or her life.

Students anxious for experience in the "real world" have also been offering their services. "Students learn a lot of life skills, handling responsibility, completing assignments," says Garland.

Besides recruiting volunteers, VIA also spends time with the agencies developing a sound volunteer program that includes clarity, good training and recognition for the volunteer. A future priority, as expounded in her thesis, is to expand the capabilities of religious leaders and lay people. "We get calls from churches and synagogues often asking for assistance," she says.

Garland emphasizes improving the "administrative structure" of religious communities, teaching clergy how to provide support and training for lay volunteers. "Clergy are often caught up in activities that can be done well by volunteers, such as fund-raising," she said.

National Volunteer Week will feature a Volunteer-A-Thon. Participants are invited statewide to sign up in an effort to promote volunteering. People who are already volunteering may count the hours they regularly put in toward the event. Those who do not regularly volunteer are invited to try it out by giving five hours during National Volunteer Week. For more information please call 421-6547. For a full list of projects, turn to the local section of this week's Herald.

Inside the Ocean State

Mark Hoyle Memorial Road Race/Walk

Runners, joggers and walkers are welcome to participate in the third annual Mark G. Hoyle Memorial Road Race, which will be held at Card's Furniture, Exit 2 off I-195, in Swansea, May 20 at 10 a.m.

Mark, who died in 1986 at age 14, was a Swansea resident who contracted AIDS through treatment for hemophilia. He was this nation's first youngster with AIDS knowingly allowed to attend school.

Proceeds from the three-mile wheel-measured race will benefit the Mark G. Hoyle Memorial Scholarship Fund. To date, \$5,000 has been awarded to graduating seniors from Swansea's Joseph Case High School, which Mark attended.

This year's race is dedicated to Mark's classmates, the Case High graduating class of 1990. It was their friendship and courage that led Swansea to its historic first and greatness in the eyes of a nation.

Last year, over 340 persons participated in the race. This year the committee expects many more. Trophies will be awarded to the first three male and female runners in five age divisions: junior (14 and under); high school (15-18); open (19-29); submaster (30-39); and master (40 and over). Certificates will be awarded to all finishers, times, kept until 11 a.m., will be posted; and the first 300 preregistered participants will receive race t-shirts.

A free post race raffle will feature over 90 prizes, donated by members of the area business community, for race participants. Free Pepsi and refreshments will also be available to all race attendees.

Entry fee is \$7 through May 17, \$8 May 18 through the day of the race, which is being hosted by the Somerset Runners Club. Applications are available at many local businesses or from race director Jayne Wilson, 17 Circuit Drive, Swansea, MA 02777, telephone (508) 678-5801. Writers are asked to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Card's Furniture is the major sponsor of the activity, which quickly became a town tradition. Other sponsors include Arvin Mufflers, Belden Power Path, Wagner Brakes and Lighting, Trust Shocks and Pepsi.

Also Kent's Restaurant, Broadway Auto, Ron Nahas and Sons, Travers Lumber, all Swansea; Alden Auto Parts, Hook Automotive Parts, Sports Plus-Gold's Gym, Roland's Tire Service, all Somerset; St. John's Evangelist School grade five, Morin's Inc., W. Walsh Company, CSD Contracting, all Attleboro; Emerald Mortgage Co., North Attleboro; and Dudek Bowling Lanes, Warren, R.I.

If you can't run, WALK FOR MARK! All are welcome to attend the race and its 11:15 awards ceremony.

Words From The Front

- Federation Boss returns from mission

by John Chadwick
Herald Editor

The dramatic changes in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe mean a busy season for Jewish organizations statewide and in Israel.

Besides scrambling to help Israel resettle thousands of Soviet Jews, Jewish leaders are now turning their attention to the existing communities remaining in the Soviet Union and Romania. Meanwhile, more Soviet Jews needing aid and abatement are arriving in American cities daily.

Over 120 have arrived in Rhode Island since last October and the local Federation has begun a \$4 million campaign for both domestic and foreign aid.

Norman Tilles, the Federation president, recently took part in a brief mission to the Soviet Union, Romania and Israel in order to witness firsthand the changes there and to determine aid.

Like the news reports, Tilles' findings are exciting and frightening; the situation abroad will likely keep fund-raising organizations busy for years to come.

Soviet Union — To Leave or Not to Leave

While thousands of Jews are trying to exit the Soviet Union, thousands more are apparently enjoying their first taste of religious freedom and seem determined to stay. Open Hebrew classes, packed synagogues, an active Yeshiva were all part of Moscow 1990, Tilles says. "A year and a half ago, people were being put into prison for teaching Hebrew — it's mind blowing," he said recently.

Visiting a major synagogue in Moscow, Tilles saw "a wide gamut of people attending," he said. "We saw young people studying — I mean kids going to Sunday school — and we

saw their parents with them."

The actual numbers of those wanting to stay and those wishing to leave are apparently not known. According to Tilles, there are over two million Jews still in the Soviet Union, half a million of whom have requested emigration to Israel. That number has been escalating drastically, he says. But considering the time it will take for emigration to be complete, a substantial Jewish community will continue to remain in the Soviet Union.

"In the synagogue, people would come up and tell their great fear of what might happen," Tilles said. "The Pamyat has been very openly anti-Semitic."

"While the Soviet Government has been opposed to the actions of the Pamyat, there has been little action taken against them," Tilles says.

A priority on the Jewish agenda will be to strengthen Jewish organizations in the Soviet Union by providing them with raw materials. The Joint Distribution Committee has been providing Judaic libraries to communities as well as encouraging (new or long dormant) organizations to continue their operations. Experts in Judaics and Hebrew are being sent in as well.

A different situation exists in Romania where a large chunk of the 20 to 23,000 strong Jewish community is expected to leave for Israel in the next few years. The move is expected to leave a considerable number of elderly behind with no support systems. The JDC now operates there trying to set up a permanent plan of action.

Israel — Helping a Valuable Aliyah

In Israel, the Jewish Agency, which has never been known as particularly efficient in the absorption process, is under

siege as the new immigrants begin arriving.

However, a newly bolstered budget and new commitment might spell success for the Agency this year, Tilles says. In fact, of the Soviet Jews, many will be absorbed immediately without having to spend months in an absorption center. "They (the new immigrants) will be given a lump sum to go into a community and rent an apartment," he said. "Many of the individual communities will be involved in the absorption process."

After the initial settlement, however, there will be deeper long-term problems. "Jobs will be a problem; many of the Soviets are highly trained and they are going to have to be re-trained for jobs that are available in Israel."

Still, Tilles says, Israel is united in its commitment to resettle the Soviet Jews. "The people recognize this is the most important Aliyah since 1948; they know it is a very large and well trained Aliyah that could very well change the demographics of the country."

This May, Tilles plans to step down after a three-year term as president. Witnessing the new immigration to Providence and to Israel has been the highlight of his term. "I believe that immigration helps revive a community; immigrants are often more dedicated than those who have been in the country. In Israel and in America, I believe that the Soviet Jews will have a substantial effect."

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Armenian Groups To Assemble

NEW YORK — Members of the Sts. Sahag and Mesrob Armenian Church (Rev. Fr. Baret Yeretzian, 401-272-7712) Providence, R.I., will be among Armenian-American groups nationwide who will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the genocide of over 1.5 million Armenians by the Turkish Ottoman Empire on April 24. Thousands of Armenians will assemble in New York and Washington, D.C. from April 22-28 for a series of events to commemorate the Armenian Genocide.

Included will be prayers before Congress, memorial services, public rallies, ceremonies and cultural exhibitions — all to remember April 24, 1915, the day the eight-year genocide began.

The events, co-sponsored by the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America and the Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, are aimed at getting the United States to officially commemorate the genocide and raise awareness about this tragic event among all Americans.

George Deukmejian, Governor of California, will serve as Honorary Chairman of 75th Anniversary of the Genocide Committee.

In recent years, Armenian groups have failed to convince Congress to pass a Commemorative Resolution. President Bush, during his campaign, said the United States should acknowledge "the attempted genocide of the Armenian people." Since then, however, the Administration has not supported the Armenians' efforts to pass such a resolution.

Prominent Armenian-Americans, including legislators, business professionals, clergy and survivors from the genocide, will state their case before Congress, the American people and the Turkish Embassy. Armenian groups throughout New England and the Middle Atlantic States will join forces in New York and Washington for the week-long events. Armenian churches will also conduct local events to commemorate the genocide.

The New Soviet Aliyah:

Israelis Greet The Immigrants With A Mixture Of Joy And Fear

(Part 3 of a Series)

by Allison Kaplan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — There are some things needed for the successful resettlement of Soviet Jews in Israel that money can't buy.

Jobs can be created, housing can be built — but this alone won't make the Soviet olim feel welcome.

Only their Israeli neighbors can do that.

The charismatic mayor of the city of Ra'anana, Ze'ev Bielski, was one of the first Israeli leaders to say openly that the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency for Israel must make special efforts to avoid alienating veteran Israeli citizens in their enthusiasm to help new Soviet immigrants.

To illustrate his point, Bielski labeled his pilot project for the direct absorption of Soviet Jews in Ra'anana "Natasha-Rachel."

Natasha, he explains to his Diaspora audiences, represents the hopes and dreams of the Soviet immigrant families.

Rachel represents the aspirations of the Israelis, both the pioneering Ashkenazim who built the country, and the thousands of Sephardic Jews from Iraq, Morocco and other countries who underwent the trying absorption of the 1950s and '60s.

"If Rachel sees us working to give Natasha a nice apartment, good furniture, and a secure job, and she has none of these things," Bielski asks, "how is she going to feel?"

To an impressive extent, Israeli society is rising to the occasion and welcoming their brethren from the Soviet Union with open arms. A spectrum of organizations and individual volunteers have offered clothes, furniture and helpful advice to the new arrivals.

Without such a positive spirit of voluntarism, direct absorption in Ra'anana and elsewhere could not succeed.

But to many Israelis, while the current Soviet influx may be a blessing for Zionism, in a practical sense it is a somewhat worrisome fact of life.

For while most are happy the Soviet Jews are getting out and pleased that thousands of them are going to Israel, that joy is severely tempered with apprehension that they will eventually have to pay a heavy price for the Soviet aliya.

In a country where unemployment is high and the price of housing already far outpaces salary levels, the prospect of more competition for jobs and desirable housing is a cause for worry.

Just ask your average cab-driver.

"Where are the Soviets going to find work?" asks Yossi, a cabbie from Jerusalem. "There's no jobs here at all — not here in Jerusalem, not in Tel Aviv, not in Haifa."

Shimon, who drives a cab in Tel Aviv, laments, "And what about our Israeli youth? It's already hard for them to find work, and they are leaving the country."

Young Israelis, even those who are relatively well-off, are

the most worried, since they, like the new olim, want to build their lives, purchase a home and begin a career.

Levi and Noa, a Tel Aviv couple about to wed, are successful Israelis. They are young, educated and about to get married. Levi, 28, is an accountant and Noa, 24, works in a bank.

They currently live in an apartment in a fashionable neighborhood in northern Tel Aviv. But after their wedding, they will move into Levi's parents' home in the central town of Hadera.

They are making this move because they have no money to buy their own apartment now, and if they continue renting, they will never be able to save the money to buy their own place.

"Don't get me wrong," Levi says of the Soviet Jews. "I'm happy that they're getting out. We want them to come. But we don't want to pay that much for them."

He resents, in particular, the easier mortgage terms an immigrant couple can receive, which will cover more than half the total cost of the apartment. He and Noa can only get a mortgage for a fraction of the total cost — they must save up the rest.

"We are professionals, we have jobs, and we don't see the day when we will have our own home," Levi says.

Like countless other young Israelis, Levi spent a year and a half in the United States, working as a carpet salesman.

He contends that if he hadn't had his accounting degree to assure him a good job in Israel, he probably would have stayed in the United States instead of returning to Israel last winter.

"This government doesn't seem to care when a half a million people leave the country to go to America to find work there," he complains. "But when a million Soviets come here, they make such a fuss."

Noa speaks disparagingly of the pledges by Israeli leaders that the new immigrants will be housed and employed.

"We paid our dues to this country," she says. "We served

two and three years in the army. The government didn't give us money to get an apartment. They didn't promise us a job."

Veteran immigrants to Israel dismiss such complaints, saying that they sound awfully familiar.

The gripes "are not so much against Russian olim as against the rights that olim have in general," says Judy Ben-Ami, who came to Israel from Seattle seven years ago.

"I heard similar complaints when I was a university student," says Marcello Landsmann, who immigrated from Spain. "Israelis would ask why I, as a new immigrant, could study for free, when they had served in the army and had to pay their own way. They have to understand that this is the way the country is."

The fear that the Soviets will further crowd the job market is the strongest of the worries. A recent Jewish Agency poll shows that only 16 percent of Israelis believe that Soviet aliya will not impact negatively on unemployment.

The Hebrew press has picked up on some of the grumbling and often portrays the new immigrant as demanding and selfish.

A recent newspaper article, dripping with sarcasm, described the attitude of a Romanian immigrant who came to Israel for economic reasons. The immigrant was complaining because she had been led to believe that every new immigrant to Israel gets an apartment as a present, and now she feels cheated.

"Never mind that in Romania, they barely had anything to eat," the article said. "That was the reason they decided to come to Israel."

In the article, the woman demands her promised apartment — "not a villa, mind you, but just a nice five-room flat."

She goes on to complain that her absorption center "is more Communist than Romania." There are, of course, two areas in Israel where the Soviet newcomers are not only welcomed, but desperately wanted — among the West Bank settlers and in the development

towns in the Negev and Galilee.

Eta Bick lives in the West Bank settlement of Alon Shvut, made up of 250 families.

Communities like Alon Shvut feel "a terrible frustration" that they are not getting Soviet immigrants, Bick

says sadly. "Our communities are cohesive, well-organized and ready to give."

That Jewish Agency funds cannot be used to settle Soviets in their community feels like "a slap in the face" from the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency, Bick says.

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OPERATION EXODUS SOVIET JEWRY FREEDOM SEDER: At a special freedom seder in Washington, D.C., sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal and the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, Vice President Dan Quayle (center) affirmed his solidarity "with the historic struggle of the Jewish people for freedom." Five hundred Jewish community leaders, and 50 Senators and Congressmen participated. Marvin Lender (L), UJA National Chairman-Elect and Operation Exodus Chairman, and Theodore Bikel (R) played key roles. Soviet Jews in Moscow and Jerusalem were linked to the event through a live satellite transmission.

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Essay

Times Change, the Community Doesn't

by Jacob Neusser

Word now circulates that the Jewish Publication Society of America is in serious trouble and for the time being is ceasing all publication activities except for the Tanakh project. A colleague of mine tells me that a book of his, for which he was awaiting galley proofs, has been postponed indefinitely. JPS can do no more work on it (or on any other book) at this time. It is out of money. He may have to wait three or more years — or find another publisher. (I found him another publisher, in about five minutes.) In other words, JPS is kaput.

The solution JPS has found to its problem is predictable: we have to go out and raise more money. The Jewish community has to keep them going. But why?

There is another solution: close. And, except for the Tanakh project, I think it is time for JPS to close. It has served its purpose, but it has nothing more to do that warrants the organized Jewish community to pay off its deficit and provide fresh capital.

JPS has done wonderful things. I believe its translation of Tanakh is the best translation into contemporary English of the Hebrew Scriptures.

More to the point, for many decades it published the best Jewish books. And the reason is, for most of its history, Jewish Publication Society was the only important publisher of serious Jewish writing. It had no competition for talent.

There was no competition, so JPS served a vital need. And

it served well.

I remember in the 1950s, when I first became aware of Jewish learning, that I would routinely buy everything on their current list, and I also had to buy everything on their back list. It was simply the fact that JPS rarely published a book that a serious Jew did not have to buy, and, more to the point, nearly all important Jewish books in this country were published by JPS.

That is quite a record! But what happened then?

"... The little in-group did whatever it damn well pleased, and the rest were to go to hell..."

What happened is that times changed, but JPS did not change. The result is that other publishers, both Jewish and general, began to publish important Jewish books. Then JPS didn't publish them.

And, also, JPS began to publish unimportant books, trivial books, books that were selected because of the politics and prejudices and preferences of the publication committee. In other words JPS became political and self-indulgent. It fell to an abysmal standard. JPS became essentially unprofessional, despite a first rate editor in Dr. Chaim Potok and despite its wonderful Tanakh translation.

What happened? Just at the point at which the Society began to meet serious competition, it lost its capacity to com-

pete. Just when others began to value Jewish intellectual life and wanted to participate, JPS lost touch with a vast world of Jewish scholars. Some it simply excluded; some it offended; many it ignored. Its little in-group did whatever it damn well pleased, and the rest were to go to hell. But the rest went to other publishers, better publishers, and JPS descended to a level of mediocrity, publishing strange books, trivial books, odd books. Its list lost all coherence. You never knew what to expect.

Proof of the failure of JPS lies in the success of other Jewish book clubs — for JPS became a kind of Jewish book club, taking a share of a title from another publisher, in addition to publishing its own titles. I don't hear stories about how Jason Aronson's Jewish Book Club is going out of business. I hear only how they are going from strength to strength. And other Jewish book clubs are doing well too.

Should we now go and give new money to Jewish Publication Society of America? I think not. I don't think we need them any more, except for the Bible-translation work, which evidently sustains itself.

Why not give them money? Because they have shown they are bankrupt of ideas, out of touch with scholarship, indifferent to talent and ability, governed only by the preju-

dices of their own circle.

Can I give a concrete example of how they missed out on what was happening in the world of Jewish publishing? Indeed I can, and it is from my own experience.

By the late 1960s it was clear to me that Jewish scholarship in this country needed something like a university press. We needed a publisher especially for monographs, that is, short-run technical works, dissertations and the like, which would sell perhaps eight hundred or a thousand copies at best. That is a kind of spartan publishing that barely sustains itself, but that makes possible all future learning. For scholarship to begin with is not for profit, though in the end it yields great value. Only a few in the beginning will understand and appreciate work of a weighty character. Later on others (or even the scholars themselves) will explain to a wide audience what has been discovered, and why the world has changed.

I went to JPS through Dr. Chaim Potok, then its editor, and I suggested to him that JPS start a subseries of monographs, technical publications, done on a very low budget. It would perform a public service by giving a medium of public discourse to the scholars, particularly the coming generation — by then becoming more numerous than all prior generations of Jewish scholars put together.

JPS would win the loyalty and on-going participation of the new generations. These writers would produce not only monographs, but in some instances, books of a more popular sort.

"... Because they have shown they are bankrupt of ideas, governed only by the prejudice of their own circle..."

and they would bring them to JPS as well. Not only so, but JPS would have access not only to its small circle of anointed experts, but to pretty much everybody.

I can't blame Dr. Potok for not responding; it was a failure of imagination and understanding that characterized JPS through the 1960s and 1970s and 1980s, and he is not personally at fault. It was and is the fault of the publication committee, exclusionary and isolationist as it is.

Who lost out? It was JPS. They lost access to much Jewish talent. The book writers, the people with ideas, they went everywhere else. They didn't want JPS, and JPS didn't want them.

When the rest of us — that is to say, the vast majority of

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The Pet Shop People

by Michael Fink

For the Narragansetts and early settlers, the whole of America sparkled with wildlife gleaming from the land and waters. Now I drive to pet stores to look at nature and listen for the voice of the turtle.

If I have a short break from a busy day I may just sit in a chair by a cafe window and watch the English sparrows put up their messy nests in the frayed awnings or the pigeons scurrying at the curb. But if I have a whole chunk of a day I'll take off in my car and head for a shop that carries birds, fish and rabbits, dogs and reptiles, the whole range of life. I window-shop and don't stay long. Staring at guppies is supposed to soothe your nerves. To me they seem to be pacing in their time-less tanks like POW's. I'd take home a turtle but you can't get them in Rhode Island. I head for the birds on their perches, restlessly hopping, flashing fabulously colorful in their fake world of wire and glass.

The conures of the parrot family make funny harsh sounds and their spots are garish. But tiny finches like living jewels make me wonder how and why they got painted such vivid tones. They'd look terrific against the dark greens of the wild, wherever they're from. I feel more at home with creatures of softer hues and quieter habits. The baby dwarf rabbits of this season in shades of pearl grey sit hunched and bunched up like infants or stuffed toys in a crib. They wait to be

picked up and cuddled. Sometimes you find a cage of doves, slim small pigeons that coo peacefully. Pets can add a deep sweet silence into your home, not only hectic energy.

At the place nearest to my house, a kid named Bob shows me a bird from the aviary. He doesn't go for the pigeon family, he calls them "sky rats." But Bob amazes me with his way with the grey-cheeks from South America. He takes one of these friendly mini-parrots and pats it like a dog. He turns it upside down, lets it hang by one claw, puts his thumb in its beak, never ceasing his movements for a moment. Bob earns his salary and likes his work. I would have been content to let the grey-cheek perch on my finger, but Bob works it over.

Puppies in a pet store are all the same size. You don't see grown dogs. They reach out to you like human children. Kids touch back. They seek a furry, feathery, or scaly pal, and they're right on. I get the feeling that small fry who hunt for a pet, or work with them, are nothing but mammals themselves wearing clothes instead of a pelt or plumage of their own. The boy that holds the pup is a puppy himself. I stand in front of a Yorkshire terrier baby. With its dark burnished gold and silver coat it looks like a magic toy in a fairy tale. They're said to be very loyal and affectionate. I wonder if this one would do for me.

All my life I've tried to find the perfect animal friend, but I

don't have the right touch. We had dogs, rabbits and canaries when I was a lad. I loved them dearly. When I passed on I grieved too deeply. I never really tamed them. I tried too hard or not hard enough. The dogs were too jumpy and the birds too jittery. But I never gave up. I rescued my friend from biology lab. When my wife was expecting our first, we dropped in at the pet store nearest the Lamaze classes to visit the bunnies, just before or after the exercise sessions. It relaxed us. I got budgies for our kids and hoped they'd work it out together, person and parakeet.

Of course, the creature business isn't the same thing as an open field. I see people buy goldfish or crickets as doomed food to be offered to a snake. It doesn't seem right for us to pick and choose like gods. You don't see stuff behind the pretty scenes on display. Survivors from a far journey sit in cages where day and night, winter and summer make no mark. "Go buy a friend," my kids taunt each other. That's what we go to a pet store for. To get a companion, to find love on sale.

On Earth Day I think, animals in the wild heal the soul. Pets damage it to us. All the same, they help to heal us. We too live in dull cages. Time is the monster of prey whose shadow we fear. Boredom and loneliness do us in, not dangers. But if we can entertain a friend from another species, outside our various cages, maybe we can find peace among ourselves in the outside world as well.

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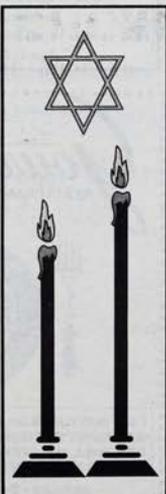
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Independence Day 1990

Political Activist And Ex-Pilot Yael Rom On The Status Of Women In Israel

by Patricia Golan

(WZPS) From being Israel's one and only woman pilot in the early years of the State to her present role as educator and political activist, Yael Rom has had a fascinating career.

Patricia Golan met with Rom and heard about her efforts to encourage women to enter fields and professions which are considered strictly male domains.

She was the first - and only - woman pilot in the Israeli Air Force. Beginning in 1951, when she first won her wings in the country's fledgling air force, Yael Rom flew seven types of planes on countless missions. Her ten-year career as a pilot included being called up for the 1956 Sinai Campaign and flying for the Arkia Airline, thus becoming the first woman in the world to pilot flights on a commercial airline.

"No one knew how the passengers would react to a woman pilot," Rom recalls today, "so I usually got into the plane before they boarded."

No Encouragement

But despite Yael Rom's success, no other woman has managed to enter the exclusive club of Israeli Air Force pilots. Other women tried, but didn't make it. Rom blames the I.A.F. "I managed to succeed despite the Air Force," says Rom today. "They never gave me a helping hand. All they said was 'You'll make a great Chen (Women's Army Corps) officer.'"

Rom was bothered by the fact that women with potential to become pilots were not accepted for flying school. "The Air Force had no interest in encouraging girls to become pilots."

She tried to persuade the Air Force to carry out a recruiting campaign for women, but her arguments fell on deaf ears. "I knew it could be done; I tried to explain to them that they had to have some sort of outreach, to encourage women to become pilots," says Rom, "but they paid no attention."

"It's not enough to simply allow women to enter the course," she explains. As with any other group that has been ignored or under-represented in the past, "you have to identify talent and foster it."

Rom long ago gave up trying to fight that particular battle. She says that she understands the Air Force's reasoning. "Society will not abide the possibility of having a woman prisoner in the hands of an Arab country. The Israeli government would have to pay whatever price they wanted. We shouldn't fight for this," says Rom.

Women in Science and Technology

But Rom has taken up the challenge of identifying and fostering talent in women on another front - science and technology.

In Israel, as in most countries in the world, there are not enough scientists and engi-

neers to fill the growing needs of high-tech industries. Nevertheless, engineering and the exact sciences are still considered more appropriate professions for men. Women constitute only 11 percent of these professions, and make up only 13 percent of engineering students in the country.

Today an educator and political activist, Yael Rom has been in the forefront of the fight to reverse this trend. Long involved in helping disadvantaged students enter university and adjust to academic life, in the past few years Rom has directed her energies to the double challenge of steering young women into the scientific professions and encouraging women to become more involved in politics.

"What counts in the modern world is brain-power, not physical strength," declares Rom, adding that although women make up over half the student population in the country, they don't have anything like 50 percent of the political clout. "Here is a pool of talented women who are not being utilized; they are this country's great untapped resource," continues Rom.

Despite the fact that the country needs more engineers, Rom points out that while 30 percent of Israeli male students go into engineering, only 3.6% of women students enter the field. "This is the last area in which there is such a big professional gap between men and women, and there shouldn't be."

Changing the Pattern

One way to change this pattern, says Rom, is to encourage school-age girls to opt for the scientific streams. The "Na'aleh" program which Rom heads, has developed "intervention strategies" to increase the participation of girls in these fields. But she concedes it is an uphill struggle.

"Girls do better in school than boys, but something happens to them later. I believe the counsellors are at fault," she argues, "for sex stereotyping is rife in Israeli schools. We have to re-educate the educators."

Rom claims that in its three years of operation "Na'aleh," a Hebrew acronym for "Girls in the Pipeline towards Careers in Engineering," has already doubled the number of young women going into science and technology in the schools where the program has been introduced.

Once promising girls have been persuaded to take up science and are helped along by special counseling programs. "We try to explain to young women that jobs in research and development are opening up. If women don't train for these things they might end up unemployed."

Last year Rom organized the International GASAT-5 (Gender in Science and Technology) Conference in Israel, where

women from Israel and abroad grappled with the problem of getting more young women into science and technology.

Although there are relatively few women in these fields, over half the country's lawyers and over half the students in medical schools are women. A large proportion of CPAs and economists are women.

"There are women in the pipeline, and they will eventually crash the executive doors. I believe that in many cases the door is open; you just have to cross the threshold."

Women in Politics

Crossing the threshold, as Rom puts it, also means entering the political arena - another area where women have little representation.

Although she herself lost a bid to become mayor of Haifa, Rom has long campaigned to get women into politics. "In the cabinet and the Knesset and other executive positions, enormous decisions are being taken affecting my life and my children's lives. Yet there are no women sharing in this decision-making process," says Rom. "As a society we lose because women are not part of this."

One strong indicator of the tremendous potential power held by women in the country, says Rom, is the fact that large numbers of women do volunteer work. "All the energy of these excellent women provide

services that are equal to the yearly budget of the Ministry of Welfare," she points out. "Yet they don't get political recognition or political clout."

"Suppose all the women in Israel got up one morning and said 'We won't work!' The schools would close and the health services, social services, the bank services and international telephone and computer services would cease to function. If we did this for just one day it would make people far more aware of the contribution of women to the country's economy."

A number of the executive Board of the Israeli Women's Network, an advocacy group that lobbies for improvement in the status of women in Israel,

Rom initiated women's leadership training courses to increase women's involvement in public life. These courses, some of which are now government-sponsored, are aimed at paving the way for women entering political life.

"We must find a way to move women quickly into decision-making groups," states Rom. "You can only do this by making a radical jump, for if we leave this to evolution, as opposed to revolution, it will take a very long time. I don't think that at the moment in Israel we have the patience to wait."

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World and National News

Canadian Newspaper Mogul Accused Of Anti-Semitism

by Michael Solomon
MONTREAL (JTA) — A French-Canadian press tycoon who admires Adolph Hitler was accused by a professional journalists association here recently of skirting Canada's anti-hate laws.

Peladeau, owner of the *Journal de Montreal* and about 300 other newspapers and periodicals in Canada and the United States, was rebuked by the Federation Professionnelle des Journalistes du Quebec for anti-Semitic remarks.

The news organization called for an apology, as have leaders of Jewish and human rights groups.

Peladeau was quoted in the

monthly *L'Actualite* as saying he "admires Hitler's iron will and discipline, like that of all Germans."

According to the interview in the magazine's April 15 edition, he also said, "I have a lot of respect for Jews, but they take up too much space."

Goldie Hershon, chairwoman of the Canadian Jewish Congress' Quebec Region, called Peladeau's opinions "gravely reprehensible."

"The history of the Jewish community, and in particular the events of Hitler's Germany, were of such devastating consequence to the Jewish community that no outrage is strong enough in response to Mr.

Peladeau's choosing to characterize any quality with regard to Hitler as positive," she said.

Arthur Hiess, president of the Canadian Institute on Minority Rights, urged political leaders to repudiate Peladeau's comments and asked readers of *L'Actualite* to write letters of protest.

Stephen Scheinberg, chairman of the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada, called on Quebecers to ask "Peladeau for an explanation."

Andre Noel, president of the journalists group, said "Peladeau's remarks stem from hateful propaganda specifically proscribed by the criminal code.

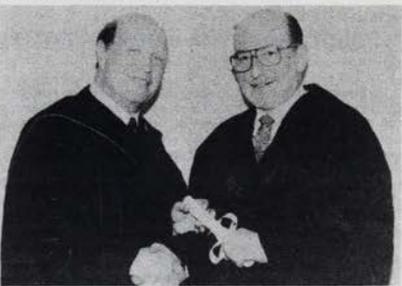
"Any declaration of admiration for Hitler is shameful when one knows how much the Jews suffered during the Second World War," Noel added.

Peladeau admitted to *L'Actualite* that he sent curt memos to the editor of *Journal de Montreal*, a French-language daily, when it published articles favorable to a Jewish public figure.

He insisted, however, that it was "not because he is a Jew but because he is not Franco-phoné." Francophones would have French replace English in Quebec province.

Peladeau said in the interview, "I want to help our people first, who need it a lot more."

Conservative Rabbi Honored by Reform Movement



Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, presents the honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters to Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, at the College-Institute's Founders' Day Exercises in New York on March 21.

The Reform movement of Judaism bestowed its highest honorary academic honors on a leader of the Conservative movement. Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, at Founders' Day Exercises at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York on March 21.

Rabbi Wolfe Kelman, director of the Louis Finkelstein Institute for Religious and Social Studies at The Jewish Theological Seminary of America and former executive vice president of the Conservative movement's Rabbinical Assembly, was awarded the honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, president of HUC-JIR, the academic and professional leadership development center of the Reform movement. Dr. Gottschalk paid tribute to Rabbi Kelman's forging of collegial and professional cooperation between the Conservative and Reform movements of Judaism and to his contributions to American and world Jewry. Dr. Gottschalk expressed the College-Institute's "respect and appreciation for a distinguished advocate for religious pluralism."

"Spring with Strings," A Musical Celebration Honoring the Kadishais'

The Alize Begin Commemorative Project of the Assaf Harofeh Medical Center will honor Yechiel and Esther Kadishai on Wednesday, April 25, 1990 at 7:30 p.m., with *Spring with Strings* at the Carnegie Weil Recital Hall. Mr. Kadishai, friend, confidant and right-hand man to Menachem Begin, remains Begin's only connection to the outside world. Mr. Kadishai has devoted his life to helping others and furthering the Jewish State. The Kadishais' will be joined by musical director, Ilan Reichtman, and eight of today's outstanding young violinists gathered from around the world for an evening of celebration and support.

Assaf Harofeh Medical Center is Israel's third largest government hospital, serving Holocaust survivors, recent arrivals from Ethiopia and Russia and immigrants from Africa and Asia. Among other accomplishments, it is known worldwide for its fertility clinic and is

A primary spokesman for the Conservative movement, Rabbi Kelman oversaw the dramatic growth of rabbinic membership in the Rabbinical Assembly, the international association of Conservative rabbis, from 1951 to 1989. He facilitated the professionalization of that rabbinic job security, housing, pensions and insurance. He also expanded the scope of the rabbi's role to one of leadership in the larger community. Rabbi Kelman was a leading advocate for the admission of women into the Conservative rabbinate.

Rabbi Kelman has been an activist for social justice, human rights and Israel's peace movement. As chairman of the American Section of the World Jewish Congress, he has played a central role in protesting the Pope's reception of Kurt Waldheim and in effecting the removal of the Carmelite Convent at Auschwitz. He has also promoted religious pluralism and ecumenism through dialogue with scholars and religious and political leaders of all faiths.

recognized as the foremost facility for children with cerebral palsy. Highly trained and dedicated doctors, nurses and rehabilitative staff are working under primitive conditions in antiquated military huts. The center is in urgent need of help to complete a major renovation to adequately service 300,000 patients a year whose only source of medical help is Assaf Harofeh.

On April 25, the Kadishais' will be recognized for their tireless, altruistic efforts to complete Alize Begin's mission to help the downtrodden and disabled of Israel by providing decent, humane health care.

Yechiel Kadishai will be in New York from April 23 to April 30 and available for interviews. Arrangements may be made through AHMC offices at (212) 764-6130.

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Restaurant Review

California Dreamin'

by Pamela F. Teath

Nestled on the East Side, behind Cushing and Meeting Streets is the absolutely divine restaurant called *Adesso*.

The restaurant is decorated in modern colors and styles. The front room is a soft grey with pinks and greens blended in to make a very warm and comfortable surrounding. At the same time, you get the impression of being in a very chic, upscale California bistro.

We were lucky enough to be seated in the backroom, or the greenhouse, if you will, from this room, you get a magnificent view of the sunset. Again, soft pastels, mixed with straight, bold colors make this room a visual delight, enhancing the Californian aesthetic look.

John, our waiter for the evening, was unbelievable. His knowledge about the menu, the presentation of the food, his ability to remember how each dish was prepared and what each dish consisted of was truly remarkable. He was so aware and alert that we never had to ask for anything; he was right there, but was never intrusive.

The appetizer selection which ranges in price from \$5.25 to \$7.75, is as varied as could possibly be, from a house salad to sirloin with pesto. We opted to substitute a wood-oven grilled pizza as our appetizer. *Adesso* lists 12 different types of pizza that range from a regular plum tomato and cheese at \$8.75 to an appetizing salmon pizza for \$11.75. On the menu itself, there are five different pizzas available without cheese, for those on a low cholesterol diet.

Not being a very adventurous twosome, my guest and I ordered the pizza with sauce, mozzarella, garlic and oregano. The cheese came out hot and bubbly, and the crust was perfect. Just the right crunchiness outside, and the inside was

chevy.

As we completely enjoyed the pizza, our orders for dinner were being cooked. I had selected the fettuccine for \$14.25 from a selection of 11 different pasta dishes. My guest had a difficult time choosing his entree. He was torn between the Thai chicken satay for \$13.25, and the grilled warm duck salad for \$11.95. Luckily he narrowed down his choices to these two (there are still nine other entrees available on the Mesquite grill menu). After hearing John describe how the duck was prepared and presented, my partner was hooked. When we informed John that we were a little pressed for time, he told the kitchen, and our food was brought out in no time.

My pasta was bueno!! Cooked to just the right texture, the balance of herbs, spices and sauce made it a true treat. My partner's duck was every bit as appetizing as John made it sound. The sauce and garnishes made it the best he ever had he said between bites. There were no doggie bags brought home that night.

Unfortunately, we were not able to select from one of their 10 dessert choices, but with selections such as banana daiquiri cheesecake, or a house signature dessert of imported white peaches *Adesso*, maybe we should have left room.

If you are looking to experience the finest in food, atmosphere, and service, there is no better place than I can think of than *Adesso*.

Adesso is located on Cushing Street in Providence (directly behind the CVS on Thayer St.). To call them dial 521-0770. They are open every night until 10:30 - Fridays and Saturdays until midnight. Luncheons are served Mondays through Saturdays. Parking is available, and they are handicap accessible. They accept VISA, M/C, and AMEX.

The Music School's Ensembles in Concert

The Music School, in conjunction with the Music Performance Trust Fund, will present a free concert on Sunday, April 29, at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John, 271 No. Main St. in Providence.

This concert will feature a wide range of music, styles and instruments in performances by The Music School's student ensembles. From the very young performers in the Suzuki string ensemble to the mellow sounds of the Teen Jazz ensemble to the mature talents of the Woodwind Ensemble, Recorder consort, Broadway ensemble and Mandolin orchestra, the diverse afternoon promises to

have something for everyone. The concert is sponsored by a grant from the Music Performance Trust Fund to benefit The Music School and the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts.

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"Mother O" to Be Presented by Wickenden Gate Theatre

PROVIDENCE — *Mother O* or *The Last American Mother*, by Providence playwright James Schevill, will open at the Wickenden Gate Theatre on Wednesday, April 25, 1990, and then continue on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings until May 26, 1990. Curtain time for evening performances is 8 p.m., and there will be a matinee performance on Saturday, May 5 with a curtain time of 2 p.m.

Mother O has been directed by Judith Swift with a set designed by David Macaulay and costumes designed by Marilyn Salvatore. Music for the production has been composed and arranged by Charles Cofone. *Mother O* is a co-production of WGT and the Rhode Island Playwrights Theatre.

Tickets for Friday and Saturday evenings are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for students and seniors. Tickets for Thursday evenings and the Saturday matinee are \$7. Group rates are also available.

The Wickenden Gate Theatre is located in the Mathewson Street United Methodist Church at 134 Mathewson St. in downtown Providence. For further information call the box office at (401) 421-9680.

This project is supported in part by a grant from the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts.

Academy Players To Present

"Something's Afoot"

EAST GREENWICH — The Academy Players of East Greenwich will present the murder mystery musical *Something's Afoot*, May 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12 and 13 at Swift's Gym Auditorium on Peirce Street, East Greenwich. Curtain time is 8 p.m. for all shows except Sunday which is 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for juniors (17 and under). Tickets may be reserved by calling the *new* reservation number: 621-6350. Reservations open April 20. Early reservations are recommended.

Rhode Island Philharmonic Presents "Porgy And Bess"

Sopranos Jeanette Thompson, Geraldine McMillan and baritone David Arnold, three outstanding vocal soloists will be featured in highlights from Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess* in the Rhode Island Philharmonic's final Pops Concert of the season on Saturday, April 21 at 8:30 p.m. at the Providence Performing Arts Center, 220 Weybosset St. Philharmonic Music Director Andrew Massey will conduct. In addition to the *Porgy and Bess* highlights, the concert will include the Overture to *Show Boat*, *Times Square from On the Town*, and *Anything Goes*.

Single tickets are on sale at the Philharmonic Office, 222 Richmond Street, Suite 112, phone (401) 831-3123, (9-5 Mon-Fri.); at the Providence Performing Arts Center, all Ticketron locations and through Teletron 1-800-382-8080. Single ticket prices are \$38, \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$12 for students and senior citizens.

Jewish Repertory Theatre

NEW YORK 1937, a new comedy by Jose Yglesias, will open at the Jewish Repertory Theatre, 344 East 14th Street, on Thursday, April 26 at 8 p.m.

New York 1937 is a comedy about Florida Latins and Jewish refugees trying to make a go of it in the Washington Heights section of New York during the depression years. Under the direction of Charles Maryan, the cast features: Antonia Rey, Teresa Parente, Michael Egan, Ann Dowd, Tim Perez. Also in the cast are: Joseph Palmas, Gerald Orange, Abigail Sanders, Royce Rich and Al Rodrino. Costume design is by Lana Fritz; sets by Atkin Pace and lighting design by Brian Nason.

Performances are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$17 for weekday performances and \$20 for weekend performances. Box office number is (212) 505-2667.

Temple Torat Yisrael To Host Murder Mystery Night, April 28

A murder mystery night, in which the guests will be involved in solving the murder, will be held at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I., on April 28, beginning at 9 p.m.

The event, open to the community, costs \$18 per person for tickets in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets and information may be obtained by either writing the Temple (make checks payable to Temple Torat Yisrael), or calling the Temple at 785-1800.

Guests will receive top secret dossiers, a magnifying glass, and clues as they mingle with cast members, witness a murder, question the suspects and solve the murder.

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Jews Blame the Rebbe

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An angry editorial in the mass-circulation Israeli newspaper Yediot Achronot stated that Israel's fate now appears to lie "in the hands of a rabbi who lives in Brooklyn, who has never set foot in Israel."

This sentiment was echoed in comments by several American Jewish leaders.

"Rabbi Schneerson, sitting in his study on (Brooklyn's) Eastern Parkway, decided that Agudat Yisrael would not participate in the proposed government," Rabbi Alexander Schindler said in a statement.

Schindler, president of the Reform movement's Union of American Hebrew Congregations, said, "One is forced to ask: How can a religious leader in good conscience reject the idea of moving toward peace when the young men in his own movement are exempted from military service so they can pursue their yeshiva studies?"

Seymour Reich, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, refused to criticize the Lubavitcher rebbe directly. But he called it "represensible for anyone in the Diaspora to interfere with the Israeli political system."

"An official of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America also expressed concern.

"While we hold Rabbi Schneerson in the highest regard, we are concerned by American Jewish involvement in Israeli internal affairs," said William Rapfogel, executive director of the Orthodox Union's

Institute of Public Affairs.

"The Orthodox Union has long been on record as arguing against American involvement in internal Israeli affairs, especially as it relates to security but also in relation to the government," he said.

In Lubav, one group charged the Lubavitch movement with being a "covert political movement."

Professor Hillel Shuval, chairman of Hemdat, the Coalition for Freedom of Religion in Israel, said he had "indisputable proof that Chabad, which raises huge sums of money claiming it is simply a non-political philanthropy, is actually a highly committed covert political movement."

While enjoying the benefits of a philanthropy, Chabad uses its organization, funds and influence to "affect the outcome of political elections in Israel and critical votes in the Knesset," Shuval charged.

In a cable he sent to leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and the Council of Jewish Federations, the mainstream Jewish fund-raising and philanthropic agencies in the United States, Shuval urged that they withhold funds from Lubavitch.

But Frank Strauss, a CIF spokesman, said that "very few" federations give money to Lubavitch, and in those cases, only to Lubavitch houses in their individual communities.

"Certainly no money goes to Eastern Parkway," Strauss said. (JTA correspondents David Landau and Gil Sedan in Jerusalem contributed to this report.)

Feinstein Awards

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Bellagio Declaration." Following Kates there was a video presentation. The next speaker was Brown University President Vartan Gregorian, who introduced Wiesel, and made opening remarks about the need for help towards the fight in ending world hunger.

Wiesel spoke on "The Shame of Hunger" to which he received thunderous applause. Special guest and co-presenter was Morley Safer, a CBS News correspondent and co-editor of "60 Minutes."

The Alan Shawn Feinstein Award was named after its first benefactor, businessman and philanthropist, Feinstein, who was inspired to end the problems of world hunger and who believes that no one should go hungry.

The World Hunger Awards were first initiated in 1986-87 and are presented regularly at Brown University in Providence. Three awards, at two levels, are available to those who are nominated in July: The Alan Shawn Feinstein Award of \$25,000, and up to two merit awards of \$10,000 each may be awarded per year.

The awards are given to the public in hopes of recognition of the efforts or contributions towards the reduction of hunger in the world and its prevention in the future.

Spring Festival At Wang Center

The Wang Center for the Performing Arts will present a Spring Festival on Saturday, April 21 at 1 p.m. The occasion for this festival is the dedication of the Suskind honor roll, established as an extension of the Walter Suskind Memorial Fund. Created in memory of Walter Suskind, who saved the lives of 1200 children during World War II, the Fund will serve as a permanent endowment for "Young Art Arts."

Continuous afternoon entertainment will feature Carol O'Shaughnessy, singer/actress/comedienne, and Rick Wes, a 17-year-old singer managed by Maurice Starr, who also manages New Kids on the Block. This summer, Wes will open for the popular group on their summer tour.

The dedication of the Walter Suskind Honor Roll will take place at 2:30 p.m. in the Grand Lobby. Marion Pritchard, the featured speaker, was active in the Resistance Movement in Holland during World War II. She will be introduced by Bruce Rossley, Boston's Commissioner of Arts and Humanities.

Co-chairing the festival are Cindy Kosow Gold and Elizabeth Nichols.

Tickets are free; reservations can be made at (617) 482-9393. For more information, ask for Vera Gold.

Kitties Convene

The Northeast Feline Fanciers, Inc. will hold its 28th Annual Show on April 28 and 29 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink, Phenix Avenue, Cranston.

Highlights include the presentation of the "Morris" Trophy for the Highest Scoring Household Pet on Sunday afternoon. A King, Queen, Prince and Princess of Household Pets will also be crowned from all the competing Household Pets.

An added attraction for the kids is Pinky The Clown who will make free animal balloons for children from noon to 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$3.00 for adults; \$2.00 for children and senior citizens.

For further information, call Jane Perkins, publicity chairman, 467-7712, or Beverly Tennant, show secretary, 781-8154.

Times Change

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scholars, all of us excluded from that inner sanctum — published monographs, it was elsewhere, with university presses for instance. When we had ideas for major textbook-trade books, with big markets, we went elsewhere, to Harper & Row or to Prentice Hall or to other important textbook-trade book publishers. When we had major works, we turned to Oxford, Yale, Princeton, Cambridge; we didn't need JPS and they didn't want us. When we had major trade books, we turned to Basic or Warner-

Books. That is not to suggest JPS had no successes. They did brilliantly with the Jewish catalogue publications. There they had the wit not to turn down something original and bright and attractive. But when I list the ten most important, lasting and enduring books of Jewish value in any one year between 1970 and 1985, I find most of them published elsewhere than at JPS.

And now they want money? Why give, when without Jewish philanthropy Jewish publishing is thriving? I think Jewish philanthropy should go where money is needed, not where we can accomplish the same goals without using our scarce communal funds. In other words, if we can do it through the market, why do it through the Jewish equivalent of tax-money? Answer: we shouldn't.

In a word, JPS was a monopoly that lost its monopoly. As a matter of fact, Brown University's Program in Judaic Studies happens to be the largest publisher of scholarly books in Judaic studies in the world. And that costs the Jewish community nothing. But that's another story.

Give Federation funds to the Jewish Publication Society of America? Whatever for? Let the dead bury the dead.

Jacob Neusner is member of The Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey. He has retired as University Professor and Ungerleider Distinguished Scholar of Judaic Studies from Brown University and resides in Princeton.

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Joy And Fear (continued from page 3)

The development towns in the Negev and Galilee are not receiving Soviet Jews for less political reasons. Employment opportunities are limited there. Because of this, thousands of Israelis from previous waves of immigration have left the region for the center of the country.

In a desire to show early success at absorbing the current wave of Soviet Jews, the government and Jewish Agency have been much more reluctant to send them to the development towns than they were previous immigrant groups. As a result, the olim have been steered to more populous areas around Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

This decision has bred resentment. In the northern development town of Ma'lot, tempers flared in January when the Jewish Agency sent only Ethiopian Jews to the town's absorption center, after promising the town's leadership that both Ethiopian and Soviet Jews would be sent.

Uri Gordon, chairman of the Jewish Agency's Immigration and Absorption Department, said at the time that they could not send Soviets there, "because of the employment situation," which angered Ma'lot residents.

Ma'lot Mayor Shlomo Buhbut contended at the time that there were jobs for skilled workers like the Soviet immigrants in his region. He said more Soviets should be sent to the development towns, and more Ethiopians to the center of the country, instead of the reverse.

A Ma'lot resident, Elaine Levitt, wrote in the *Jerusalem Post* that Gordon's statement was especially disturbing, "because it implies that employment is not an important factor in the absorption of Ethiopian Jews, and because it is not precise. The fact is that a number of newcomers have already found jobs."

The controversy focused attention on the touchy issue of whether the Soviets were being treated as more desirable than other immigrant groups because they are of European origin.

When asked directly if racism has to do with the excitement over the coming Soviet aliyah — if the words "talented," "educated" and a "good aliyah" are code words for the fact that they are of European origin — most Israelis, including Sephardim, will deny it.

But the issue surfaces in Israeli humor.

One joke going around asks, "Why is the new Soviet aliyah like turpentine?" The answer: "Because it will thin out the color of the country."

Undeniably, some bitterness lingers in the Moroccan and Yemenite communities as they compare the corrugated metal shacks, or ma'abarot, where they lived when they came to Israel to the subsidized apartments where the Soviets are now living. The feeling remains, though logically they understand that Israel was a poorer, less industrialized country at that time.

Natan Sharansky, the former Soviet prisoner of Zion, has recently harnessed his savvy political skills to defuse ethnic tension. He has participated in demonstrations for Yemenite Jewry, held dialogues with Sephardim, and in general tried to project his concern for all Israelis, not just Soviet immigrants.

Sharansky "has eaten a lot of couscous lately," one Israeli observer quipped.

Cynical talk notwithstanding, most Israelis seem prepared to assist the new immigrants.

Many have stepped forward to act as "adopted families," helping those in direct absorption cope with the mysteries of the Israeli banking system and the job market.

A trim, athletic-looking Israeli woman named Ilana Babayut strolls into the home of a Soviet immigrant family in the Mevasseret Zion absorption center. An elderly woman living there gazes at her, smiles a mouthful of gold teeth and proclaims her a "miracle."

Babayut is a teacher who lives with her attorney husband in a villa near the absorption center in Mevasseret. When asked how she met the family, Babayut replies, "Why, I just knocked on their door."

Before the recent wave of Soviets came, Babayut pitched in to help Ethiopian Jewish immigrants. "Many of them had never seen a gas stove or a refrigerator before. I let them follow me around and imitate my household chores," she says.

The Israeli government and the Jewish Agency are hoping that Babayut's attitude will be infectious.

For it is only this positive spirit, coupled with a stable economy and sufficient housing, that will have Mayor Bielski's Natasha and Rachel eventually living happily side by side.

Dvorah-Dayan Na'Amat/USA

The next meeting of the Dvorah-Dayan Chapter of Na'Amat/USA will meet at the home of Jackie Teverov, 400 Narragansett Parkway, Warwick on Monday evening, April 23, at 7:45 p.m. Our meeting will feature guest speaker Abbott Lieberman whose topic will be "Adventure in Retirement."

A portion of our business meeting will be devoted to discussion of our next fund-raising event, A Yard Sale on Sunday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the home of Seymour and Cecil Krieger, 381 Cole Avenue.

We are turning to our members and friends and asking for new and used saleable merchandise. Our committee will be

more than eager to pick up whatever you have collected from friends or merchants. We must decline used adult clothing.

Chairperson for this event is Ruth Garber. Please offer your help or merchandise by calling her at 725-3728 or the Kriegers at 351-2139.

Proceeds from this project will be used for the Na'Amat fund which helps cover absorption costs to live in Israel. Monies received help provide day care, high school scholarships, seminars on Judaism, holiday celebrations at Israel community centers and special guided tours to acquaint the new arrivals with life in Israel. All contributions are tax deductible.



The longest and tallest kickline in circus history is made as 22 members of Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus' Clown Alley don stilts and link arms to dance and sing in the all-new 120th Anniversary Edition of *The Greatest Show on Earth*. The circus will hit the Providence Civic Center May 8 through May 13. Call 331-6700.

"In Silence" Speaks About The Holocaust

As part of Holocaust Memorial Week, the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum is sponsoring the play, *In Silence*, on Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. The play, which is free and open to the community, will be performed by Theatre Works, Inc. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence.

In Silence is set in a holding cell in Warsaw, Nazi-occupied Poland in 1943. The cast of characters includes five women who are awaiting sentencing by the German militia and two German soldiers who guard them. The play raises questions about issues of responsibility and examines the roles people played during the Holocaust. There will be a discussion after the play, with the actors answering questions from the audience, which will include Holocaust survivors.

Theatre Works, Inc. has about 30 members and performs throughout the state. Its purpose is to bring works that are not otherwise being done to the general public.

For further information, contact Beth Cohen, Curator of the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum at 861-8800.

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Local News

Bonnie Nisson Goldowsky to Receive Miriam Women's Award

Bonnie Nisson Goldowsky has spent a substantial part of her adult life in volunteer work, and especially in support of hospitals. Now she is to be recognized for her years of service to The Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

On May 21 she will receive the Seventh Annual Recognition Award of The Miriam Hospital Women's Association at their 93rd Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings in Warwick. It is an award given each year to a woman long active in the affairs of the Association, and in her case for forty-odd years of membership, most of which she has served on the Board in Leadership positions.

Bonnie Goldowsky's interest in hospital auxiliary work began in Boston where she participated actively as a young girl in the formation and develop-

ment of the Beth Israel Hospital Junior Auxiliary. She carried over this interest when she moved to Providence and joined The Miriam Hospital Women's Association. Moreover, she now had an additional interest in hospital work as her husband, Dr. Seebert Goldowsky served as Surgeon-in-Chief at The Miriam. Dr. Goldowsky continues to be a member of its consulting staff.

In the 1950's she organized and for nine years chaired The Miriam Hospital Women's Association Junior Auxiliary, which was highly successful in support of the hospital. As an arm of The Women's Association, it consisted of single young women engaged in programming, fund-raising, and community relations for the hospital. The spinet piano in The Miriam's Soperin Auditorium is a tangible reminder of the once-flourishing Junior Auxiliary.

For several years she served as editor of the Association's newsletter, *The Examiner*, which won honorable mention awards by the New England Hospital Association as best newsletter of its kind in the New England area.

For some years now she has been the Association's Parliamentarian and By-laws Chairwoman.

In addition to her work for The Miriam Women, she has served her community in other ways. For 17 years she was secretary of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association. She compiled the indexes for volumes 2 through 7 of the *Rhode*



Bonnie Nisson Goldowsky *Rhode Island Jewish Historical Notes*, the publication of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association, and with the support of a grant from the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities, a cumulative index for the first seven volumes (1954 through 1978) comprising the first 25 years of publication of the *Notes*.

Mrs. Goldowsky is an honorary member of the Board of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El and an honorary member of the Executive Committee of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association. She also serves on the boards of the Rhode Island Section of the National Council of Jewish Women and the Rhode Island Lung Association.

One of the projects from which she derived great satisfaction was the Temple Beth-El Choral Society. Organized by her in 1952 and which she chaired for four years, this singing group attained great success and recognition from William Dinneen, a former music critic of the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*.

Her memberships include the Providence Chapter of Hadassah, the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged of Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Historical Society, the Providence Preservation Society, the League of Rhode Island Historical Societies, the Rhode Island Coalition for Library Advocates, and the Harvard-Radcliffe Club of Rhode Island. She has a life membership in the Beth Israel Hospital Women's Auxiliary, as well as in the Miriam Women's Association, and served for 13 years as a National Board Member of the Brandeis University National Women's Committee.

Bonnie Goldowsky was born and grew up in Boston. She graduated from Radcliffe College cum laude and spent a year during World War II at the Simmons College Graduate School of Social Work. Active in her Radcliffe class, she was its class agent for many years helping to raise funds for the college.

The variety and number of volunteer activities in which Bonnie Goldowsky has been involved throughout the years are evidence of her versatility and diverse interests. She regards volunteer activity as its own reward and regrets very much that there is less of it among young women today.

Sara Cokin and Roberta Loebenberger, Co-Chairpersons, invite you to share this wonderful afternoon in tribute to Mrs. Goldowsky on Monday, May 21 at noon at The Association's Annual Meeting, Patricia G. Cohen and Patricia A. Hairabet are Co-Presidents. For further information and reservations, please contact The Women's Association office at 331-8500, Ext. 2520.

Jewish Family Service

The end of winter signals new activity and fresh beginnings. This is the natural time for personal growth, and the cultivation of positive communication and interaction within the family. "Nurturing Yourself and Your Relationships" is the title and focus of a series of Family Life Education workshops at Jewish Family Service, 229 Waterman Street in Providence.

Parents will share their perspectives during "The Challenge of Parenting — A Couples Group for Parents." They will examine the issues which arise when two people from two very different families join together to create a new family. This group is designed to help partners understand each other's experience of parenting, their expectations, roles, goals and strategies for problem solving. The group will meet on three consecutive Mondays, May 2, 14 and 21 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Jewish War Veterans

The Jewish War Veterans Memorial Committee has launched its 1990 Fund-raising Campaign in order to help reduce the mortgage on the Memorial Building, at 1811 R St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 0009-1659. Their goal nationwide is \$1,000,000.

People who procrastinate and want to learn why they do it and how to stop will find understanding and ideas at "Putting Things Off." The group will meet on three consecutive Wednesdays, May 9, 16 and 23, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee is \$25 per person, and there will be extra time to sign up for this workshop for those who put off registering.

"Children and Alcohol" is a workshop for parents to help them learn to identify signs of substance abuse and how to discuss it with their children. The group will provide a supportive setting for airing concerns about a child's potential use or abuse of alcohol. There will be one session, Thursday, May 10 from 7:30 to 9 p.m., with a fee of \$5 per person.

Registration for Family Life Education at Jewish Family Service is open to all who wish to attend, and pre-registration is required. Call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244 to register or for information.

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Camp Pembroke, now in its 55th year, is an all girls Jewish Cultural camp located in Pembroke, Massachusetts, at the gateway to Cape Cod. Situated on a cove on beautiful Lake Oldham, Camp Pembroke offers a complete and varied program for girls ages 7 to 15. The campers are also offered a wide range of activities including Athletics, Drama, Arts and Crafts, Dance, Music and Judaica. These programs are offered by an experienced, well trained staff.

The camp is run under the direction of Pearl W. Lourie in her 6th year with the Cohen Foundation. Joining Pearl on the administrative staff this year are Carol Mamlok, as Program Director, and Linda Schiffman and Sue Barish as Head Counselors. They bring many years of experience both as parents and professionals working with children.

For more information about the upcoming camp season commencing on June 26, parents may call Pearl Lourie at (508) 788-0161. Limited enrollment is still available.

Majestic Senior Guild

The next regular meeting of the Majestic Senior Guild will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 1990 at 12:30 p.m. at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave., Cranston.

Our guest speaker will be Lauri Farber of the Sargent Rehabilitation Center. Her subject will be on "Hearing" which is of great concern to many of us. Tickets for the Yiddish Theatre will be distributed at this meeting.

Send in your reservations, with deposit for the Baltimore Night Life Tour on May 31, 1990.

Keep in mind the Bucks County Old World Night Life Tour on June 22, 1990 and by all means don't fail to plan for the annual luncheon and installation of officers on June 26, 1990.

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Hornstein

Program Symposium
The Benjamin S. Hornstein Program in Jewish Communal Service at Brandeis University, on the occasion of its 20th anniversary, will be holding a symposium, "Reflections and Visions: Leadership for a Jewish Community Come of Age," on May 6 and 7.

The symposium brings together lay and professional leaders of the American Jewish community, alumni and students of the Hornstein program, and guest speakers from among the most widely known scholars and writers on the contemporary American Jewish community.

"The objective of the symposium is to examine recent trends and future prospects for the North American Jewish community," said Bernard Reisman, professor of Jewish Communal Service at Brandeis and director of the Hornstein Program. "Some analysts believe that there is a resurgence of vitality and stability in the American Jewish community, that the community has 'come of age.' Others are less sanguine. The symposium will bring to the Brandeis campus experts who have the capacity to assess whether or not the evidence suggests a resurgent community, or a community whose future is unsure. Emerging from this analysis will be a review of policy implications for leaders of the community."

The symposium is divided into four sessions over two days.

Sunday, May 6:
"An Ideological Overview and Vision of the North American Jewish Community," with Leonard Fein, author of the recently published book, *Where Are We? The Inner Life of Ameri-*

can Jews and former editor of *Moment* magazine, and Irving "Yitz" Greenberg, rabbi and president of CLAL, the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership.

"The Jews in America: An Uncertain Future," featuring Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, Hertzberg, a professor of religion at Dartmouth College, is author of the book, *The Jews of America: Four Centuries of an Uneasy Encounter*. Hertzberg will present an historic review of the relations between American Jews and American society. Based on current patterns within the American Jewish community, Hertzberg is not optimistic about the community's future.

"The Contemporary American Jewish Context and its Implications for Future Leadership," a panel discussion with Calvin Goldscheider, professor of sociology and Judaic studies at Brown University; Gary A. Tobin, director of the Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies at Brandeis University, and Earl Raab, visiting professor of Jewish Communal Studies at Brandeis University. These panelists will assess recent demographic studies and other recent developments, seeking to evaluate the "resurgence."

Monday, May 7:
"Changing Expectations of Leadership for a Changing Jewish Community." The speakers at this concluding session will be Shoshana Cardin, chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and immediate past president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Jonathan Woocher, executive director of the Jewish Education Services of North America. Cardin and Woocher will consider the policy implications for leaders of the American Jewish

community arising from the recent developments.

For more information and registration forms, contact Natalie Greene, Hornstein Program, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass., 02254, (617) 736-2990.

Acclaimed Author Cynthia Ozick

Cynthia Ozick, praised by Contemporary Literature as "a master of the meticulous sentence and champion of the moral sense of art," will be awarded an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at Brandeis University's 39th commencement exercises May 20. Ozick is one of nine people chosen to receive honorary degrees at this year's ceremony, to be held outdoors on the university's Waltham, Mass. campus.

Ozick, an acclaimed novelist, short storywriter, essayist and critic, is the author, among many works, of *Trust*, a novel; *The Pagan Rabbi and Other Stories*; *Bloodshed and Ardor: Essays*; *and The Messiah of Stockholm*, a novel. Her poems, essays, articles, reviews and translations have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Harper's*, *New Critique*, *New Republic*, and *Esquire*.

A graduate of New York University, Ozick later received her M.A. from Ohio State University in 1950. She taught fiction at New York University from 1964-1965, and served as artist-in-residence at City College of New York from 1981-1982. She has received the B'nai B'rith Jewish Heritage Award, the Jewish Book Council Award and the American Academy of Arts Award for Literature. She has also been awarded the PEN-Faulkner Award in 1984 and 1988 and the Michael Rea Award for the Short Story.

Jewish Press Panel

The challenge facing the Jewish press today is how to expand from its original scope of serving a minority constituency, to continue to emerge as a recognized and influential journalistic force that reports on and interprets a growing population involved in national and international events," said Mark Seal, executive vice president of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in New York.

Seal is one of four editors and publishers from the Jewish press who will convene at Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass., on April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Golding Lecture Hall. The panelists will explore the answer to the question, "Is there a resurgence of Jewish life in the United States today: fact or fiction?"

The panel discussion will focus on current demographic, religious, social and political trends in Jewish communities nationally and internationally and how these trends will be reported in the Jewish press.

In addition to Seal, panelists include: Gary Rosenblatt, editor of the weekly *Baltimore Jewish Times* and *Jewish News of Detroit* and executive editor of the *Atlanta Jewish Times*; and Bernard Hyatt, editor and publisher of the (Boston, Mass.) *Jewish Advocate*. Moderator of the panel will be author and Brandeis alumnus William Novak.

The panel discussion is free and open to the public. It is one of the featured events in the 20th anniversary celebration of the Benjamin S. Hornstein Program in Jewish Communal Service, and is sponsored by funds made available by the Office of the President of Brandeis University.

The B'nai B'rith Hope Unit #5444, will be hosting an ADL speaker, at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I. on Friday, April 20 at 8 p.m. Our guest will be Mr. Leonard M. Davidson, chairman of the New England Region, ADL Speakers Bureau. His topic will be "Anti-Semitism As It Applies to Recent Events in Eastern Europe."

In addition, members of Hope Unit will lead parts of the Friday evening service.

Preliminary plans are underway for our annual banquet, slated this year for June 10.

Our Unit is growing, and you can grow with us. Just give us a call at 946-2604.

Touro Fraternal

On April 25 in Memory of the Six Million, the Touro Fraternal Association proudly presents David Newman, a survivor of Auschwitz and Berganau Forced Labor Camp.

A full Deli Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Turkey, Pastrami, Corned Beef, Roast Beef, Bulkie Rolls, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Pickles, Danish and Coffee!

Following the Dinner will be our quarterly initiation of candidates at Touro Hall, 45 Rolfes Square, Cranston.

Coming Events
May 6 — Touro Bowl-a-Rama, Prizes! Legion Bowl, Cranston; Members and their Families.

May 9 — Elections at Touro Hall.

May 23 — Installation of Officers & Board Members, Touro Hall. Catered kosher dinner.

June 16 — Annual Venice DeMilo Dinner Dance. Come eat and dance the night away!

Temple Shalom

Two annual events will mark the Temple Shalom of Middletown calendar during the weekend of April 20.

On Friday evening, the Newport Chapter of Hadassah will hold their annual Shabbat concert at 8 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary. Rabbi Marc S. Jagoliner will officiate assisted by the following Hadassah members: Ruth Meierowitz, Shirley Waterman, Sheila Kuzminsky, Freyda Feldman, Mary Green, Enid Levinson, Frieda Nentzow, Sylvia Greenbaum, Rhonda Sabo, Carol Kadet, Barbara Jagoliner, Charlotte Greenberg and Rosalie Goldman. The Oneg Shabbat following the service will be graciously sponsored by the Newport Chapter of Hadassah.

On Sunday evening, April 22 at 7 p.m. the Congregation of Temple Shalom will observe their Interfaith Evening of Remembrance for Yom HaShoah, the Day of the Holocaust 5750. Rabbi Marc S. Jagoliner, The Reverend John Rogers of St. George's School, Sister Rosemary Burnham of St. Lucy's Roman Catholic Church, The Reverend Thomas Chinnis of St. Spyridon's Greek Orthodox Church will participate. Six memorial candles will be kindled by congregational and community leaders in memory of the six million Jews who perished with a seventh candle being kindled in memory of all other people who lost their

lives. Music for the service will be provided by Emily Anthony.

Following the service, the All Children's Theatre Ensemble of Providence, who are a group of 10 actors ranging in age from 10 to 15, will present the play, *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, the story of children growing up in Terezin, a Czechoslovakian work camp.

Irena Synkova was a teacher who lost her own daughter to the Nazis and consequently lost her will to live. She was sent to Terezin where she found many children in need of help. She opened a school for them and they renewed her will to live. Together, they sang, wrote poetry and drew pictures. Their pictures and poetry reflected not only the

horrors they endured each day, but also a sense of hope. Thanks to Irena, the children left a beautiful legacy. The play teaches some very profound lessons.

The entire community is cordially invited to join with the members of Temple Shalom in remembering at both the service and play.

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Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel Hosts Local Special "Faces Of Racism"

Having difficulty getting a job interview when you have a "foreign sounding" last name on your resume. Hearing landlords tell you that the apartment you're interested in has "just" been rented, when they hear your accent. Being followed around in stores by sales people because they suspect you'll steal from them. Not being accepted for who you are, but judged by the negative stereotypes held about the group to which you belong. These are just some of the many faces of racism.

Noted author, 1986 Nobel Peace Prize winner and Boston University Professor Elie Wiesel hosts "Faces of Racism," a look at the effects of racism not only on individuals and minority groups, but also on American society as a whole. The one-hour special airs Wednesday, April 25 at 8 p.m. and repeats on Thursday, April 26 at 11 p.m. on WGBH/Channel 2.

In "Faces of Racism," broadcast professionals from WGBH, including members of the community programming department, openly share their personal experiences and insights, bearing witness to the injustice, pain and frustration of racism. They recall childhood incidents and also how negative racial attitudes continue to plague their lives today. In separate discussions, students from Brookline High School talk about how they are working to combat racism both in their academic and personal lives.

"Faces of Racism" also explores racism's role in denying certain members of society access to health care, quality education, employment oppor-

tunities and affordable housing, through interviews with individuals facing challenges in these areas. Says one member of the Dorchester-based rap group Young Nation, (who performed the theme song they wrote for "Faces of Racism" in the program) "Racism is more than people realize... It's more than colors hating colors, because they're different colors. It's basically holding someone back."

Experts including Barry Bluestone, Jeremiah Cotton, James Jennings, and Lucia Mayerson-David of the University of Massachusetts; Dr. Jean Chin of Boston's South Cove Community Health Center; William Delahunt, Norfolk County District Attorney; Jane Edmonds, business consultant; Amy Sales, professor of social psychology at Boston University and Dr. Howard Spivak, Massachusetts Deputy Commissioner of Public Health comment on racism's detrimental psychological and economic impacts on individuals as well as society. They specify some of the personal and institutional transformations that need to take place to address the problem of racism, as well as the consequences America will face if changes do not occur.

As economics Professor James Jennings argues, America can no longer afford to allow institutional racism to continue, limiting opportunities for certain segments of the population. "This society is moving to a point where it is becoming much more ethnically and racially diverse than it has ever been before, and unless we come to deal with the problem of racism and bigotry,

we could have a major, major social problem on our hands... with very serious economic consequences."

Businesswoman Jane Edmonds agrees. Pointing out that in the near future, as immigrants, women and minorities become an increasingly larger portion of the labor force, she warns, "to be competitive on the world stage... it will become then, a business necessity to educate, train, to recruit, retain and promote, we would hope, a more diverse workforce."

"Faces of Racism" is closed-captioned for hearing-impaired viewers by The Caption Center at WGBH.

"Faces of Racism" is produced by Cynthia Collins. Contributing producers: Natacha Estebanez, Daniel Glucksman and Janice Munnings Melton. Director: Philip Gay. Virginia Bartlett is executive producer for Community Programming at WGBH.

Temple Sinai Sisterhood Meeting

Temple Sinai Sisterhood will hold its next meeting on Monday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Temple School Hall.

Speaker for the evening will be Rabbi Flamm, director of Brown-RISD Hillel Foundation. Rabbi Flamm will be discussing "Japs and Jap Baiting." Refreshments will be served following the meeting. Please try to attend!

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Kaplan-Katz

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kaplan of Providence take great pleasure in announcing the marriage of their daughter, Melissa to Dr. Phillip S. Katz of Lexington, Mass. He is the son of Mr. Justin Katz and Ms. Harriette Gerber both of Massachusetts. The ceremony and reception took place on Sunday, February 18, 1990 at Temple Emanuel I with Rabbi Franklin officiating.

Idelle Kaplan and Hillary Kaplan, sisters of the bride, were bridesmaids. Steven Katz, brother of the groom was best man.

Melissa graduated from Bryant College and is a Product Manager for AT&T in North Andover, Mass.

Dr. Phillip Katz is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and holds graduate degrees from Brown University and the Yale School of Medicine. He is associated with Rehab Associates of New England.

The couple is residing in Lexington, Mass.

Fain-Lipsev

Howard A. Fain of Providence, R.I., announces the wedding of his daughter, Karen Gail, to Charles E. Lipsev of Washington, D.C. The ceremony was held at the Hay Adams Hotel on March 24, 1990.

After a trip to Hawaii, the couple will reside in Annandale, Virginia.

"How To Be Jewish In The Professional World"

Culminating the series on "Smart Women, Smart Choices," sponsored by the Business & Professional Women's Affiliate of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Dr. Marcia Marker Feld will discuss "How to Be Jewish in the Professional World." The meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 24 at the Jewish Community Center.

Dr. Feld is Executive Director, URI Urban Field Center, and Professor in the Graduate School of Community Planning and Area Development at the University of Rhode Island. Dr. Feld has worked closely with the Providence School Department, Rhode Island Human Service agencies, and community centers to plan and implement programs. She has substantive expertise in such functional areas as government and law-related education, community development and urban planning, education and human services. A light supper will be served at 6:15 p.m. at a cost of \$10. Following dinner at 7:15 p.m. will be the program. For further information, contact Mae Ronnie Sock, 421-4111.

Rabbi Gutterman To Be Honored

Rabbi Leslie Y. Gutterman, Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth-El in Providence, will be honored for 20 years of devoted service at Sabbath evening services on Friday, April 20 at 8:15 p.m. Rabbi Samuel E. Karff, President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the international professional association of Reform rabbis, will be the guest speaker. Rabbi Karff officiated at the marriage of Rabbi and Mrs. Gutterman and was last in Providence for the Rabbi's installation as Senior Rabbi in 1974.

An Oneg Shabbat in honor of the Guttermans will follow the service. Members of the community are welcome to attend. For more information, call 331-6070.

April Events for Brown Bag Club And Yiddish Vinkel

On Tuesday, April 24, the Brown Bag Club will tour the Hasbro Toy Company in Pawtucket at 10 a.m. Participants, at no charge, will tour the plant and learn about the final assembly of toys and will visit the employee toy store located in the building. The tour lasts approximately one hour.

Those interested are to meet at Hasbro (across from McCoy Stadium) at 9:45 a.m. Take Delta Drive off Division Street and park in the parking lot by the main gate. Meet at the guard shack.

Bring a brown bag lunch back to the Center at noon. Dessert and beverage will be provided; donation is \$1.

The Yiddish Vinkel will meet at 2 p.m., all are invited.

The Brown Bag Club is for people free for lunch and meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. For more information call Lisa Goodman at 861-8800.

Events at RISD

Friday, April 20 — Lunch-art. Architectural historian Richard Chafee of Roger Williams College discusses "Richard Morris Hunt Before the Vanderbilts." 12:15 p.m. Museum of Art, 224 Benefit St.

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Synagogue Looks for Helpers For Soviet Jews

Swearing changes in Russia and the U.S. have resulted in an unprecedented influx of Jews from the USSR to the Providence area. After up to 15 years of waiting, whole families of grandparents, siblings, and children of all ages are finding themselves realizing their dreams. Although most new families are sponsored by friends or relatives the process of introducing Russian Jews to Jewish life in America is intense and time consuming. This is especially hard when the sponsoring family is itself relatively new and unassimilated. Your help is needed.

Families who arrive have to overcome the many barriers of a new language, a new educational system, new ways of finding work and choosing recreation. They must put these experiences through a cultural translation. This requires a very different understanding of freedom of choice — religiously, socially, politically and economically. Can you imagine leaving a place where everything is assigned or controlled, where education, work and housing choices are severely limited? Coming to a place where options are unlimited would strip away the security those controls had provided. Imagine the transition from standing in line for hours each day to obtain basic foods and

toilettries (such as bread, meat, and soap) to walking through a supermarket in Rhode Island where there are dozens of variations of each item in an unending profusion. Imagine abandoning apartments full of furniture and wardrobes of clothing, obtained over years of work and saving, only to have your children teased when they go to school in the same worn clothes day after day. Worst of all would be moving from a society where the country is filled with friends and potential friends to a country where one has no friends and few clues on how to begin again.

Most new families are thrilled by the simple gift of time and warmth. A friendly word of explanation or encouragement can easily ease needless worry or struggle in learning one's way around. Even just a chance to practice English in a comfortable setting can make a seemingly insurmountable task manageable. In order to meet these challenges, the Soviet Jewish Community Outreach Committee is being formed. It will be sponsored by Temple Emanu-El and is actively seeking volunteers from the entire Jewish community. Its purpose is to bring together American and Russian families on a one-to-one basis. Our general goals will be: to familiarize families with the "American" lifestyle;

to provide colorful and exciting access into American and Jewish culture; to provide an American mentor/advisor/advocate for each new Russian family; to help promote language acquisition in a "hands-on" and colloquial fashion. We are looking for people who are willing to be involved on a "language buddy" basis and for people who are willing to be much more involved in a structured program.

For years American Jews have expressed their concern and unity with the Jews of the Soviet Union through demonstrations, letter writing campaigns and financial donations. Now many of them are here. Their needs have changed. Now is when these New Americans are at their most disoriented and most displaced. Now is when we must extend ourselves to help make each a true part of the American Jewish community.

A meeting will be held today, April 19 at 8 p.m. in the vestry at Temple Emanu-El. If you are interested in participating but cannot attend this meeting, please call Eve Savitzky 724-9286 or Judy Weisblatt 727-0233. Please participate with us in this dramatic moment in our history.

Written by Eve and David Savitzky.

Join the Volunteer-A-Thon

The Volunteer-A-Thon, sponsored by Volunteers in Action and cooperating agencies, will be a first-time event. Volunteers are invited statewide to sign up in a mass effort to promote volunteering, accomplish volunteer-intensive group projects, and raise money to support volunteering. People who are already volunteering may count the hours they regularly put in that week toward the Volunteer-A-Thon. Those who do not regularly volunteer are invited to try it out by giving five hours during National Volunteer Week.

Projects are still being finalized, but here are some examples:

- Department of Environmental Management — plant tree seedlings at various state sites in honor of Earth Day, April 21, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Martin Luther King Center in Newport — grounds and block clean-up and beautification project, April 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

- Southside Community Land Trust in Providence — Arboretum Workday, planting trees, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., April 24, at the Windmill Street School; City Farm Workday, April 26 and 28, transplanting greens.

- Wood River Health Services in Hope Valley — handy-person jobs: putting up shelves, bulletin boards, changing light bulbs. Three hours, any day or evening. • Keep Providence Beautiful — Annual Clean-up on April 21, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.: parks, riverways, school grounds, empty lots.

- Jewish Home for the Elderly in Providence — April 22, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., for a spring yard clean-up, painting residents' dining room.

- Robert Potter League for Animals in Newport — rebuild a 19th century stone wall, brush cleaning, and planting.

- Providence Public Library — various projects during the week of April 22.

- The Samaritans — phone-athon, April 23-26, 6-9 p.m.

- Animal Rescue League of Southern Rhode Island — pick up grounds, prepare surfaces for painting, April 28, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

- South Kingstown Recreation Department — clean up recreational areas, April 29, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

- Lincoln Conservation Commission — tree planting as part of Earth Day, April 29, 1-3 p.m.

- Providence RSVP — tea parties for residents at St. Elizabeth's Home and Bannister House, April 26 and 27.

- Project Outreach at Washington Park Church, Providence — build a cupboard for supplies, April 21.

There will also be projects involving students. One has been organized by the American Red Cross with Brown Uni-

versity's Delta Phi Fraternity; another by the URI Clearinghouse for Volunteers; and a third by the Woonsocket Shelter Community Action Program with Bryant College.

Volunteers may choose to be involved in a project only, or they may leverage their time by seeking sponsors for each hour volunteered. Monies raised will be used to recruit and channel volunteers into rewarding assignments, develop basic capabilities and attitudes in people who volunteer, and help hundreds of agencies by recruiting for their volunteer needs.

To volunteer for any of these events, call VIA's offices through the Regional Coordinators: Greater Providence: Donna Nicholson, 421-6547; Newport County: Susan Wells, 847-4447; Northern RI: Vi Berard, 762-0679; and Washington County: Martha Parks, 789-9149.

Wheeler School 41st Annual Clothing Sale

On Wednesday, April 25 at 6 p.m. the Wheeler School's annual clothing sale will open its doors at the Madden Field House, corner of Brook and Angell Streets, Providence. The sale, whose principal mission is to raise funds for the school's operating budget, offers 12,000 square feet of bargains: quality used apparel for adults and children, designer boutique, furniture, plants, linens, jewelry, athletic equipment, baby goods, white elephant, and more. For four decades, the sale has represented an important community service for people from all over Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts.

Hours of the sale are Wednesday, April 25 from 6 to 10 p.m., Thursday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, April 28 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Friday, all items are at half price. Saturday is bag day — a 20-gallon bagful of clothes for \$20, two bags for \$30.

The clothing sale is sponsored by the Wheeler School Parents Association. This year's chairs are Jean Brickle, Eva Brown, and Jane Carroll.

Another Nickerson Theatre On The Horizon

The new Nickerson Theatre West in Sudbury, Massachusetts has launched its subscription campaign for their inaugural season opening September 7, 1990 with Walter Jones' nostalgic musical comedy, *The 1940's Radio Hour*, that played to sold-out houses at the Nickerson Theatre in Norwell, Massachusetts. Owner/producer is J. Arnold Nickerson.

Other plays under consideration for the 1990-91 season include: *Driving Miss Daisy*, *Steel Magnolias*, *Dracula*, *Grease*, *The Sunshine Boys*, and *The Foreigner*.

Subscribers to Nickerson Theatre West are offered ticket discounts ranging from 17% for Saturday evenings to 42% for Saturday matinees. Other subscriber privileges are preferred seating, ticket exchanges for other performances, first opportunity for purchasing tickets to special attractions, free ample parking, free coat check and discounts at local restaurants.

Nickerson Theatre West is off route 20 in Sudbury's Chiswick Park. Call or write the Nickerson Theatre West, Subscription Department, 490 Post Road, P.O. Box 917, Sudbury, MA 01776, (508) 443-1776. Discounts for group subscriptions of 20 or more.

Westside Community Housing Groundbreaking Ceremony

Interfaith Housing Corporation and Boston Capital Properties announce the groundbreaking ceremonies for Westside Community Housing on Monday, April 23 at 12 noon at 110 Benedict Street, Providence.

Westside Community Housing will consist of 40 units of affordable housing on 18 scattered sites in the West End of Providence. There will be 18 four-bedroom units and 22 three-bedroom units, all will be subsidized by the Governor's Office of Housing and Energy. Financing for construction is through Rhode Island Housing.

Westside Community Housing has been assisted by Mayor Joseph Paolino, the Providence Redevelopment Agency, the Providence Planning Department, Councilman David Dillon, and the West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation.

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Obituaries

MARY BLAU

PROVIDENCE — Mary Blau, 75, of Carroll Towers, Smith Street, a jewelry production worker for the former Brier Manufacturing Co. for more than 35 years before retiring five years ago, died Tuesday, April 3, 1990, at Charlestown

Nursing Center.

Born in Scranton, Pa., she was a daughter of the late Jacob and Hannah (Klein) Blau. She lived in Providence for 65 years.

She leaves a brother, William Blau of New Bedford, Mass. The funeral service was held

Friday, April 6, 1990, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope Street. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

JEAN BLISTEIN

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Jean Blistein, 83, of 1100 Madison St., died Friday, April 6, 1990, at Anne Arundel General Hospital. She was the widow of Albert Blistein.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Morris and Ida (Billingkopf) Rotman, she had been a resident of Annapolis 10 years. She lived in Providence for 30 years.

She leaves a son, Burton Blistein of Annapolis; and two grandchildren. A funeral service was held Sunday, April 8, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

IDA BUCKLER

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Ida Buckler, 86, of 2123 Canterbury, died Thursday, April 5, 1990, at the Darcy Nursing Home. She was the wife of Barney Buckler.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Samuel and Jennie Glantz, she lived in Providence for more than 70 years, moving to Florida in 1987.

She was a volunteer worker for various Jewish charitable organizations including the Pioneer Women. She was a former member of Temple Emanu-El and the Congregation Sons of Jacob.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Evelyn Sheffers of Watertown, Mass.; a son, Martin Buckler of Huntington Beach, Calif.; a sister, Anna Hecker of Warwick; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Sunday, April 8, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

ROSE COHEN

PROVIDENCE — Rose Cohen, 82, of Highland Court, Highland Avenue, an executive for more than 25 years for P & B Manufacturing Co. in Warwick before retiring a month ago, died Tuesday, April 10, 1990, at Miriam Hospital. She was

UNVEILING

An unveiling will be held in memory of the late Ralph Fishman on Sunday, April 22, at 1 p.m. in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Relatives and friends are invited.

FRANCES KOMROS

PAWTUCKET — Frances Komros, 65, of 41 Dryden Avenue, died Thursday, April 5, 1990, at home. She was the wife of Dr. Jacob Komros.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Samuel and Lucille (Siegal) Cohen, she had lived in Pawtucket all her life.

Mrs. Komros was a past president of Hadassah, a member of Temple Emanu-El, Providence, and a member of the Congregation Ohave Shalom. She was a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Falmouth Art Club.

Besides her husband she leaves three daughters, Judy Caron of North Attleboro, Mass.; Gail Hachtenburg of Medway, Mass.; and Carol Bailey of Los Angeles, Calif.; a brother, Marshall H. Cohen of Chevy Chase, Md.; and three grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Friday, April 6, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

RUTH GLADSTEIN

WARWICK — Ruth Gladstein, 81, a resident of Shalom Apartments, 1 Shalom Drive, died Thursday, April 5, 1990, at Miriam Hospital, Providence. She was the widow of Samuel Gladstein.

Born in Romania, a daughter of the late Morris and Bessie Fishman, she had lived in Providence for over 65 years before moving to Warwick six years ago.

Mrs. Gladstein was a member of the Shalom Senior Citizens.

She leaves two daughters Vivian Wine of Providence and Harriet Israel of Warwick; a son, Leo Gladstein of Boca Raton, Fla.; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Sunday, April 8, at noon in Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

SEYMOUR SOFRO

SMITHFIELD — Seymour Sofro, 68, of the Hebert Nursing Home, Log Road, died Saturday, April 7, 1990, at the home.

Born in North Adams, Mass. a son of the late Barney and Fannie (Sulkin) Sofro, he lived in Providence for many years before moving to Smithfield 1975.

Mr. Sofro had worked for former toy manufacturing firm owned by his brother, Lou Sofro of Hallandale, Fla.

His brother is his only immediate survivor.

Private funeral services were held Monday, April 9, and were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 528 Hope Street. Burial was in Congregation Sons of Israel & David Cemetery, Providence.

NAOMI LEVINE

PROVIDENCE — Naomi Levine, 70, of 28 Eleventh Street, died Sunday, April 8, 1990,

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Obituaries

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home. She was the wife of Gabriel Levine.

A lifelong resident of Providence, she was a daughter of the late George and Fannie (Foxman) Rose.

Mrs. Levine served in the Women's Army Corps for 3½ years during World War II.

She was a member of Temple Am David. Mrs. Levine was a member of the women's associations of the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Miriam Hospital.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Robert Levine of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Stanley Levine of Bellingham, Mass.; four sisters, Sylvia Krakowsky of Cranston, Lillian Dressler of Providence, Esther Waterman of Lowell, Mass., and Tobie Sandler of Miami, Fla.; two brothers, Max Rose of Providence and Morris Rose of Delray, Fla., and a grandson.

The funeral service was held Thursday, April 12, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

DR. A. BUDNER LEWIS

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Dr. A. Budner Lewis D.M.D., 84, of 200 Presidential Way, a periodontist in Providence for many years before retiring in 1988, died Wednesday, April 11, 1990, at Good Samaritan Hospital. He was the husband of Lucy Lewis.

Born in Wales, British Isles, a son of the late John Budner and Goldie (Jagoda) Lewis, he lived in Providence for many years. Dr. Lewis was a 1928 graduate of Columbia University, and a year later graduated from George Washington University with an associate's degree in dentistry. He was a 1933 graduate of Tufts University Dental School where he received his D.M.D. cum laude, and was an instructor in oral pathology at Rhode Island State College, now the University of Rhode Island. He was a clinical lecturer and instructor at Tufts University from 1936 to 1943.

He was a consultant at Rhode Island, Miriam, Roger Williams General and St. Joseph Hospitals. He was also a periodontist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Providence. In 1933, he became the first licensed periodontist in Rhode Island. He was an Army captain in World War II.

Dr. Lewis was a member of the American Academy of Periodontists, the American Academy of Oral Pathology, the American Academy of Oral Medicine, the New England Society of Periodontists, the American and Rhode Island Dental Associations, the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honorary Dental Society, the Beta Sigma Sigma Honorary Dental Society and the R.R. Andrews Society for the Promotion of Research.

He was a past president of the Providence District Dental Society and the Rhode Island Children's Dental Society.

Dr. Lewis conducted lectures and clinics at state colleges on oral lesions and periodontia and TMJ (temporal mandibular joint) syndromes and facial pain. He was listed in *Who's Who in the East*. He was a member of Temple Beth-El, Providence.

Besides his wife he leaves a niece, Bernice Reiner in California, and a nephew, William Lewis of Cranston.

The funeral service was held Friday, April 13, at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

JAKE NOAH RASKIN

Jake Noah Raskin, the 22-day-old son of Steven and Shari (Stokols) Raskin, 30 Quince Island Rd., Franklin, Mass., died Tuesday, April 10, 1990, at Women's & Infants Hospital in Providence.

Private funeral services at Sharon Memorial Park took place on Thursday, April 12, and were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

SANDRA E. SURDUT

PROVIDENCE — Sandra E. Surdut, 60, of 90 Blackstone Blvd., founder and chairperson of Vision Unlimited, a Rhode Island Foundation, died Saturday, April 7, 1990, at home. She was the wife of Raymond J. Surdut.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of Sophia (Book-binder) Cooperberg of Providence and the late David Cooperberg.

Mrs. Surdut developed, contracted and designed the Sandra E. Surdut Swimming Pool, which was built in 1967 at the Dr. Patrick I. O'Rourke Children's Center in Mount Pleasant. This was dedicated and is for the benefit of all foster children throughout Rhode Island and their foster families to use. This facility was rededicated December 13, 1989, as part of the Rhode Island College Recreation Complex. She also designed and built the two special needs swimming pools and building at the Ladd School in Exeter.

She was a member of the Brown University Women's Association, and was a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged. She attended Bryant College. She and her husband were guest lecturers in 1983 for Prime Computer in Japan. She presented a Vision Unlimited display at the 1985 World's Fair in Japan. She was a co-author of *The Helene Project*, which was presented at the 1988

annual meeting of the American Solar Energy Society at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Beth C. Surdut of Providence.

A graveside service was held at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Funeral arrangements were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

Events at RISD

Friday, April 20

Blood Drive. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Metcalf Rectory, Room C, 55 Angell St.

Lecture. Photographer George Lange (RISD '78) talks about his work. 7 p.m., Room 212, Design Center, 30 North Main St.

Saturday, April 21 — North Street Sale. Benefit Street will be lined with students selling their artistic creations from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A jazz band known as the Dynamic Dolphins will add to the atmosphere from 2 to 4 p.m. Frazier Terrace, Benefit Street between College and Waterman Streets.



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