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RUBBLE IN TEL AVIV — Bomb damage from an Iraqi Scud missile in Israel's largest city is inspected by Shoshana S. Cardin (foreground), chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, and Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director, during the umbrella group's recent leadership mission to Israel. More than 40 representatives of Conference member-organizations, including eight former chairmen, took part in the three-day solidarity mission, undertaken, in the words of Mrs. Cardin, "to express our unity with the people of Israel — not only by our words but by our presence among them." Photo by Robert Cumins.

Peering Beyond The Fog Of War

by Ephraim Sneh
Brigadier General (Res.)
Director General of the
Golda Meir Association, Israel

The fog of war still envelops Iraq, and the fighting will likely continue for some time to come. But one basic fact can already be discerned through the obscuring smoke of the allied bombing raids: Iraq is no longer a dominant Middle Eastern power.

Baghdad has lost its capacity to manufacture weapons of mass destruction, as well as its effective ability to deliver them long-range. To be sure, Iraq — whose ground forces are largely still intact — can still inflict damage and suffering. But the pistol that Saddam Hussein had held to the world's temple has been disarmed, and he no longer has a credible military threat with which to enforce political gains.

Iraq will need generous financial assistance from the West to rebuild after the war. If the world has learned its les-

son, it is virtually certain that there will be strict supervision over the kinds of technology and raw materials — especially those with weapons potential — that post-war Iraq will be permitted to acquire.

Before the war, Israel told the United States that if the allies force Saddam to withdraw from Kuwait but leave his war machine intact, from Israel's point of view nothing will have been accomplished. Now we can already say that the Iraqi component of the strategic threat against Israel has largely been neutralized. This frees up for other important national priorities some of Israel's resources that would otherwise have had to be directed in the immediate future at countering the Iraqi threat.

One must differentiate between Iraq's diminished status as a regional power and the survival of Saddam Hussein as Iraq's leader. Saddam's contin-

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American Students At Jerusalem's Pardes Institute Help During Crisis

Rachel Greenblatt of
Providence Among Pardes
Students

The atmosphere in Israel is tense, but the students of the Pardes Institute are staying put and turning their attention to community service along with Torah study — among them, Rachel Greenblatt of Providence.

The Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies, located in the heart of Jerusalem, conducts an intensive one-year coeducational program for young adults from the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Hungary, Australia, France and elsewhere. Pardes draws students from every facet of American Jewish life — Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist and unaffiliated — and encourages careful study of classical Jewish texts in a contemporary, Zionist context. Fifty-one students from across the United States are enrolled in this year's full-time program, and forty-seven of them have chosen to remain in Israel — despite the daily threat of Iraqi-launched missile attacks, a threat which has sent many American students home.

Indeed, those enrolled in the Pardes program are spending their evening hours helping others respond to the threat: above and beyond the community service component of the Pardes curriculum, Institute

students are volunteering to assist families with young children, as well as at homes for retarded adults, centers for the elderly, and other places where the constant missile attack alarms and warnings to don gas masks pose critical difficulties; and some students are opening their homes to families from the Tel Aviv area, a locale being heavily hit by missile attacks.

According to Levi Lauer, Director of the Pardes Institute, "It requires real strength to continue studying, to respond to the danger and distress of Iraqi attacks by caring for others; by staying with retarded adults who can't get the mask on, who panic at the sirens in the dark of night; by sleeping in a center for the elderly, to comfort those afraid to stay alone; by helping a mother of young children, left alone by her husband's call-up from the army. This kind of reaction demonstrates extraordinary devotion to both the Jewish people and the State of Israel — and to a Torah which teaches conviction and compassion. We're very proud of Rachel and her strength of character. She has set an example to her peers, her community, and her Israeli neighbors."

Amid the sirens and falling Scuds, learning continues at the Pardes Institute, and for Rachel Greenblatt of Providence.

From The Rabbi's Desk — The Holiday Of Purim

"Od d'lo Yadah" — "Until one cannot perceive the difference between 'Blessed is Mordechai' and 'Cursed is Hamen.'" This term, "Od d'lo Yadah" is the password for an attitude associated with the forthcoming holiday of Purim. It tells us that the proper way to celebrate this occasion is to put ourselves in such a happy state of joy that one confuses Mordechai and Hamen.

As Jews prepare to celebrate Purim this year, at a time of world tension and peril for Israel, it seems to be extremely difficult to attempt to raise ourselves to that level of ecstasy. We can review and investigate the miracle of Purim and try to relate it some way to our present status.

One obvious thought occurs, when considering the events of Purim, is why G-d decided to threaten the Jews of Persia with extermination and why did He decide to save them. The Midresh supplies us with answers for these queries by interpreting two incidents from the "Megillah," the book of Esther.

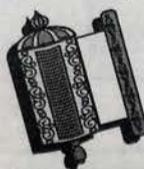
When King Achashverot announced that he was making a public banquet, a large segment of the Jewish community rushed to attend, and likewise participated in all the activities. In their anxiety to please the king, to prove themselves worthy citizens of the realm, they desecrated and aban-

doned their Jewish traditions and observances. This "Chilul HaShem," this disgrace of G-d's name brought about G-d's anger and decision to institute Hamen's threat of genocide. The Midresh continues to explain how Mordechai was able to seemingly reverse G-d's decision. He went out and gathered young children and taught them Torah. Through his efforts to save the traditions of Judaism, by educating the comparatively innocent and untainted souls of the children, Mordechai was able to save the entire community. A brief perusal of modern Jewish history, especially in our country, reveals the contemporary message and lesson of the two incidents cited above. Many of the early Jewish immigrants to our shores were so intent of being "accepted" on the American scene, were so concerned to be considered "good Americans," that they readily abandoned their "old-

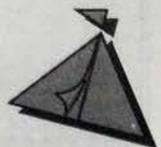
fashioned" Jewish traditions. They were so anxious to be invited and to be able to participate in the "King's banquet" that they perceived that this required a complete change in lifestyle. Thus we see the persistent pattern of assimilation among first and second generation Jewish immigration and the abandonment of Jewish tradition, in an attempt to "out-Yankee the Yankees." However, there was a nucleus of dedicated Jewish patriots, heroes like Mordechai, who recognized that our community was heading for spiritual suicide and religious decimation. Taking Mordechai's example as a blueprint, they established schools and institutions that would present a program of intensive, genuine Jewish education. It is these often unsung heroes who turned the tide, often attracting and converting the third and fourth generation of Jews from

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**IN THIS WEEK'S HERALD:
Special Sections for**



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Inside the Ocean State

Brown/RISD Students Use New Jewish Magazine as Forum

by Kathy Cohen
Herald Associate Editor

Jewish and non-Jewish students of Brown University have a new magazine in which to voice their Jewish political concerns and strategies. It's called *Mahberet* (the Hebrew word for notebook). The first publication was dedicated to "Judaism and Social Change."

The magazine, published in the Winter of 1990, consists of 15 articles by Brown students, who wrote on everything from "African American Jews: Toward a Progressive Alliance" to "Living Jewishly in Rhode Island."

The two most responsible for putting this magazine together are Carolyn Cohen and Leora Tanenbaum, editors-in-chief. Amy Wilpizeski, a RISD student, assisted in design and layout. Other members of the *Mahberet* staff include Lisa Kaufman, Michael Miller, David Rapkin, Neil Safier, and Linda Siegel.

The editors consider the magazine a "politically left-of-center contemporary journal," although contributions aren't confined to fit into that agenda.

The idea originally stemmed from a dream that Tanenbaum, 21 and a senior, had been harboring since her arrival at Brown. She was raised as an Orthodox Jew. Originally from White Plains, New York,

Tanenbaum attended Westchester Day School, a Yeshiva School, then she attended Ramaz in Manhattan.

Through elementary and high school education Tanenbaum studied traditional Judaism. Now she's taking her fundamental learnings and is applying them towards her new political interests.

"I didn't think about it until I came to Brown," explains Tanenbaum. "I had a rigid notion of what Judaism was about — it was very limiting because that was the way I was schooled. I never rebelled against it. I just decided while I was at Brown that I didn't want to define Judaism in such a narrow way. I've been moving farther to the left politically, since I've been at Brown. I decided that I wanted to try to bring those two parts of me together. I had a fantasy to start *Mahberet*."

Tanenbaum was given the go-ahead for her dream project at a luncheon engagement with Dan Aaronson, Assistant Director of the Brown/RISD Hillel.

"I was talking to Dan Aaronson and told him that 'I'd love to do that' (start her own magazine). He said, 'I've seen the work you've done for *The Principle* (a college publication of Democratic concerns)' and he promised me, before I had even done any work at all, \$1,000 from Hillel."

Cohen, 21, and also a senior, says she was driven to become involved with *Mahberet* because, "I worked for *Tikkun Magazine* last summer as an intern. The whole experience was important, as it was a progressive Jewish magazine. I felt driven to continue (in that manner) by working on another progressive Jewish magazine."

At first the magazine wasn't going to be progressive, but the editors felt there was a need to focus on issues important to Jewish students.

The outcome of Brown's first Jewish magazine was more than the editors expected both in contributions and readership.

Besides receiving funds from Hillel, other financial contributions came from the Lowe Foundation, the Jewish Student Appeal, and other donations as well as subscriptions.

Tanenbaum's next article will focus on "bridging leftist politics with a commitment to Jewish tradition." Cohen, on the other hand, has an interest to "look at the 'Women of the Wall' in Israel. These women provoked such extreme responses amongst the Orthodox."

Whatever these two young students write about, the next issue's theme will no doubt be about creating social change and how people can create that



Mahberet Editors-in-Chief Leora Tanenbaum and Carolyn Cohen.

change — strategy is the key word for next semester's issue.

What kind of influence has this leftist Jewish magazine had on the college community?

"I think even before it was released it had an impact in terms of the students who are

Jewish or affiliated with Judaism but haven't really thought about connecting Judaism with politics. It has them talking and relating the two, which is something I'm really proud of," said Tanenbaum.

Correction/Clarification

In last week's issue it was incorrectly reported that Congregation Beth Shalom-Sons of Zion was closed between 1988 and 1989 when in fact it was open. The *Herald* regrets the error.

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All In The Family

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Editor

I'm trying to figure out why I find Pawtucket so cheerful. To get to *Herald* headquarters I take off from my house just off North Main in Providence, and just below Hope. Both roads lead north to '95 and Pawtucket. I follow Broadway past Dunkin' Donuts, take a right at a light and a church and go over a wide railroad crossing. Tracks career among gravel beds. If I try another route I get lost mid the morbid grandeur of funeral castles or in the macadam desert of factories. This town takes on the look of a giant kid's toy out of the days when cities were meant to look this way.

Here at the *Herald* we share rabbitwarren booths. In my cramped corner I put down a hooked rug, a map of the world, a poster. I tape a watercolor onto the glass partition. I tap away at an old electric typewriter. The ribbon gives out. Etta comes to put in a fresh one for the week. She also goes over our time cards along with our smurf Diane, both in regal purple sweaters.

Alice in fancy bracelets and necklaces proofreads over the cardboard wall behind me. We wage battle over spelling. She usually wins. Johanna of the honey hair and riding breeches and tweed jacket does our art work. I ask her if her horse is grazing among the trees beyond our asphalt parking area. Raphne at the front desk answers the phone and shouts out who it's for. We have no secrets here. Or she yells, "Coffee!" when the silver truck comes by for our break or our lunch. On the counter before her somebody often leaves a tray of cookies, plain butter or chocolate chip.

Mary sits up beside Raphne, watching over our errands and rounds, kindly. She lets us know when we can get complimentary tickets to the symphony or the theatre. I got a

Chanukah card from Mary when I first came to work here. It greeted me with a blessing.

Myrna places ads. Her last name is Dress. It "suits" her. She is so chic, dainty and elegant. It's a pleasure to say good morning to her. Dorothea shows up in high style as well, with lipstick and a broad warm smile.

The machinery of production roars on in the great hall at my back. It scares me a bit. Then there's the gallery of computer terminals that commands my respect. JoAnne works quietly at hers, just beside the washroom. I say hi as I step out. She's just making sense and print out of my story and says something that sets me up and makes me feel good. I bond with JoAnne.

Each week at the *Herald* marches on in its own logic and pace. Monday mail, payday and paste-up, meetings at the conference table to go over this issue, next issue. Morning phonecalls, afternoon interviews. Mrs. Rutman comes in. Arthur, the publisher, walks past. We all care what he asks, says, thinks. My first day here he gently but firmly let me know I had parked in his reserved space by the door. Whoops!

The largest of our offices belongs to the two editors, Kathy and Sarah. They look like Snow White and Rose Red, Kathy with her dark hair and Sarah strawberry blonde with granny glasses. They come and go with the cameras. With Dave from Barbados they cut and paste and lay out and pull and put it all together twice each fortnight.

It's so much fun to work here over the city line, with just a pinch of the Jewish spices of worry and scurry. Pawtucket's the place you go to get things fixed, to make things happen. As new boy on the block, I like putting in my own claim on it.

The Purim Connection

by Ray Eichenbaum

As we approach the time of the year to celebrate the festival of Purim, we are all aware of the story of Haman. Without him there would not have been a Purim story to tell.

However, when I think of this legendary "bad guy" I am conscious of the fact that there always have been and there still are today persons like Haman who plot against and persecute Jews, and plague the Jewish nation. Immediately we think about the present Haman figure - Iraq's Saddam Hussein. However, he is also the absolute ruler there so he does not fit correctly into the role. But I would like to tell about another oppressor of Jews who represented Haman in his heyday. His name was Reinhard Heydrich.

He was quite an ordinary man - not much really - but his rise to fame in the Nazi hierarchy during Adolph Hitler's rule of terror in Germany was based strictly on his hatred of Jews.

As his biography goes — Reinhard Heydrich was a simple German youth of below average intelligence. His hatred of Jews stemmed from the taunting by other German youths he received in school on account of his paternal grandmother having remarried a man named Suss. He later, although a good Evangelical Christian, was assumed to be of Jewish origins because of his name.

As was the case with other desperados in Germany, after the defeat in World War I, the

young Heydrich joined a neo-Nazi brigade and quickly rose in the ranks due to his brutality and single-minded anti-Semitism. At the outbreak of the Second World War, Reinhard Heydrich was already a high-ranking bigwig in the Gestapo, with personal contact with Hitler, Goering and Himmler.

It was indeed Heydrich's brainchild to form the infamous "Einsatz-Gruppen". This cadre of murderers and other volunteer hooligans and professional anti-Semites followed the entrance of the German hordes into Russia at the beginning of the German-Russo conflict in 1940 to brutalize, murder and rob the Jewish populations of the Soviet Union. These inhuman "kommandos" unmercifully killed almost one million innocent Jewish victims in the Ukraine and Bielorrussia, most of them women and children.

So bestial were the excesses of these "kommandos" under Heydrich, that he became an embarrassment to the local Wehrmacht officers who, although by no means lovers of Jews, could not stand the con-

stant butchery. This finally caused the removal of this bestial man from the special Einsatz-Gruppen leadership. As a reward for his murderous work, the Nazi bigwigs appointed Heydrich governor of the Bohemia and Moravia protectorate in Czechoslovakia. There he was, by G-d's mercy, finally assassinated by the Czech partisans with the help of British intelligence agents in 1942. As a reprisal for this act, the Nazis proceeded to execute the whole population of a village called Lidice in Bohemia, an act which is still considered to be one of the most heinous in the annals of civilized history.

My personal connection with Heydrich lies in the fact that the land where he was governor was only about 500 kilometers from the ghetto of Lodz in Poland. Had he lived longer, Heydrich's murderous hand would have for sure reached us and caused our

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Opinions

Letters To The Editors:

To The Editors:

"Abortion Distortion" by (Rabbi) Avi Shafran (December 20, 1990) is indeed a distortion — but of the position, credentials and history of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW).

When I testified, by invitation, before the Senate Judiciary Committee holding hearings on whether to confirm the nomination of Judge David Souter to the Supreme Court, I neither "painted a picture of hordes of expectant mothers whose lives were being threatened by their pregnancies" nor did I represent a "sudden and cynical 'concern' for Jewish law."

What I did represent is a position which almost all American-Jewish organizations have taken: women have the right to Choice. It is the same position outlined by the Hatam Sofer: "No woman should be required to build the world by destroying herself." What Rabbi Shafran refuses to understand — indeed, almost willfully with wild analogies to restrictions on alcoholic beverages

and the sale of automatic weapons — is that some women's lives are in danger when they have to bear children because of restrictions to their reproductive rights, and that the majority of Jewish women feel they are entitled to retain those rights without government interference.

While NCJW respects Agudath Israel's right to its position, obviously it and Rabbi Shafran cannot accord us the same courtesy. Rabbi Shafran did not even have the grace to find out who the NCJW President was — as witness his reference to me as "the NCJW representative" — a clear indication of his regard for women and women's rights. In fact, he did not even quote my testimony correctly.

As far as his opinion that "the word 'Jewish' in an organization's name is that Judaism will play some role in the positions it takes," Rabbi Shafran is clearly ignorant of NCJW's distinguished history.

So herewith a free history lesson: In 1894, NCJW was the first Jewish women's organiza-

tion to establish Sabbath schools to teach children of poor immigrants about Judaism; in 1903, NCJW, as requested by the U.S. government, met young Jewish women arriving at Ellis Island and provided shelter, jobs, clothing, English lessons and vocational training; in 1946, NCJW opened homes in Paris and Athens for young women victimized by the Nazis; in repeated visits to Israel before it achieved Statehood, NCJW leaders asked the Israeli government what the organization could do to help — the response was "provide research and education." Today, the NCJW Research Institute for Innovation in Education at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem provides over 30 programs for the educationally disadvantaged — from early childhood education to a residential treatment center for troubled teens. These are just a few selected highlights from a 97-year history marked by concern for humankind.

In addition to our continuing support of Israel, NCJW makes

massive contributions through education, advocacy and community service to child care for working families, women's issues, the elderly, Soviet Jewry resettlement, and constitu-

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Operation Radio

Dear Friends:

In Israel, 1,000 Soviets are arriving each day. They come with very little — only the bare necessities. While we watch television to find out about the situation in Israel and the Persian Gulf, many of these recently arrived Soviet families have no access to television, radio or other means of communication. This lack of communication can pose a threat to their lives, because they may not receive adequate warning or instructions in the event of a missile attack.

The Providence Chapter of United Synagogue Youth has begun a tzedakah project called "Operation Radio." This project is designed to raise money to purchase radios and batteries for distribution to the

newly arrived Soviet and Ethiopian families in Israel. In addition "Operation Radio" will be distributing radios to the elderly in Israel through an organization called Yad Sarah.

The total cost of one package is \$15. However, we would appreciate a donation of any amount. This is a very important project, and we hope you will participate. If you have any question, please call the number written below. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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The Greenhouse Effect

It's like the old story of the guy who drills a hole in the boat. The other passengers are horrified. "What are you complaining about?" he asks them angrily. "I'm only drilling a hole under my seat!"

The "greenhouse effect" has given us a fairly nice, mild winter. It's theorized that as the earth gets more and more inundated with chemicals, we'll be able to look forward to

milder winters, but also much hotter summers.

Regardless of ecologists' warnings, in some countries, people can still opt for cars that run on leaded fuel. Factories in the U.S. continue to spew their chemical waste into the atmosphere, while some of us still use spray deodorants. After all, we're only drilling holes under our own seats — or so we think.

In Judaism, no such concept exists. We are all intrinsically bound and united, as if we

were one huge body. A Jew who drills a hole under his own seat in the boat — who separates himself from the rest of the "passengers" — affects all Jews. Whether or not he plays the part of the toenail or the brain is insignificant — the point is the body is not complete.

In the same way, just as some of the chemical waste coming from a smokestack in New Jersey will eventually reach California, every Jewish act reaches and influences other Jews and world Jewish events. However, whereas chemical waste is negative, a good deed, or *mitzva*, is a positive influence whose effect we mortals cannot necessarily fathom.

While you're enjoying this mild winter, thanks in part to the greenhouse effect, take some of the time you might have spent fighting the elements to consider how you can help yourself or others patch-up that hole under the seat in the boat.

The Golden Altar

The Torah portion, *Tetzave*, relates in detail the instructions for making the golden altar. What relevance can we make of these instructions today, when we have no Temple and no altar?

When G-d told Moses to erect a Sanctuary, He said: "And they shall make Me a Sanctuary, and I will dwell in them," meaning in the soul of every Jew. Thus, even though the physical Temple which stood in Jerusalem has been

destroyed, the inner Temple, which each Jew makes within himself, survives, indestructible. And the service which he conducts in the reaches of his soul mirrors in every respect the service of the Temple and Sanctuary. Thus these laws, which appear at first sight to have no contemporary application, are in fact precise instructions as to the inner life of a Jew.

Of the many vessels and implements in the Holy Temple, some could become ritually impure while others were not defilable. (The golden altar was of this second category.) Each vessel had its own particular function.



There is an analogy to this in the Jewish soul, with its many facets and capacities. It may be that in the course of serving G-d, some ulterior motive, some unholy desire, intrudes. This can be compared to the defilement of one of the Sanctuary vessels. When this

occurs, our thoughts have become impure, and we must seek ways of removing the impurity so that our thoughts can become worthy of taking part in the "service of the inner Sanctuary." For within the Sanctuary, no impurities are allowed.

There are, amongst Jews, Jews of copper and Jews of gold. These who are rich in spiritual worth are like gold: their every act is like this precious metal. The spiritually poor are the copper altars of religious life. But every Jew, however he behaves inwardly or outwardly, preserves intact at the heart of his being an essential desire to do G-d's will — a spark of faith, sometimes hidden, sometimes fanned into flame. The previous Lubavitcher Rebbe said: "A Jew does not want, nor is he able, to be torn away from G-dliness." This spark is where the altar of the Jew's inner Temple is to be found.

The Temple service included burnt offerings. These were animals, consumed by a fire sent from G-d. This sacrifice also occurs within the soul of the Jew, the sacrifice is of himself. The animal is his animal soul, his egocentric desires. And the fire which consumes them is the fire of the love of G-d, whose undying source is the spark of holiness at the essential core of his soul.

Whether a Jew belongs to the 'altars of gold' or is one of the 'altars of copper,' as long as he reminds himself that essentially his is an altar where the fire of G-dly love consumes the 'animal soul' of his self-centered passions, he cannot become impure. When a Jew concentrates on this aspect of his soul he becomes like the earth. Just as the earth which we tread on is a symbol of humility and can never become impure, so our soul becomes void of any will except the will of G-d and remains pure.

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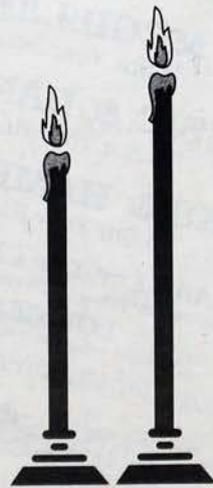
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World and National News

ADL Of B'nai B'rith Teaches Soviets About Anti-Semitism

NEW YORK — When Soviet citizens come to the United States these days, it is generally with one purpose in mind: to start new lives as Americans. Not so with two Moscow residents who arrived at New York's Kennedy Airport during January.

Alexander Melnikov and Yuri Nisnevich, both members of the Moscow City Council, came to the U.S. at the invitation of the Anti-Defamation League to learn about the League's programs counteracting anti-Semitism and promoting tolerance and intergroup understanding. As part of their visit, ADL arranged meetings with their counterparts in city government in New York, Washington, DC, and Chicago.

After a busy 10-day period packed with meetings, conferences, luncheons, dinners and receptions, the two Soviets left with a new understanding of the U.S. and problems the two countries share.

"Your problems are not so different from ours. It is how you deal with them we must learn and adapt," Nisnevich told his ADL hosts. Both ex-

pressed the desire for an ongoing relationship with the League: "You have shown us there is a way to bring about positive change."

The invitation to visit New York came last September during a Moscow City Council meeting attended by an ADL delegation in the U.S.S.R. on a fact-finding mission to evaluate reports of growing anti-Semitism. When City Council members were asked by ADL leaders why they had not denounced the desecration of Moscow's Choral Synagogue last summer, they responded:

"We don't know how to react to such things. We have had no experience. Can you teach us?" The answer was a prompt invitation to come to New York and share ADL's expertise on the subject. As members of the Moscow Council's Commission on Ethnic Policy, Melnikov and Nisnevich were appropriate deputies to make the trip and they made the most of their opportunities.

The two Soviets met first at ADL national headquarters in New York with League experts in Civil Rights, Legal Affairs and Intergroup Relations. The

program, arranged by Myrna Shinbaum, director of the League's Soviet Jewry Project, was designed to also expose the visitors to the multi-ethnic fabric of three major American cities.

During a luncheon at ADL headquarters, the two visitors met members of the League's International Affairs Committee and the New York regional board. They spoke openly of the growing political, economic and social crisis in the Soviet Union and emphasized the need for democratic change.

Melnikov, a cardiologist, is a member of the Moscow Popular Front, one of the new democratic organizations. Nisnevich, a scientist and inventor, is a member of Democratic Russia, another liberal group.

Abraham H. Foxman, ADL's national director, told the visitors:

"I am optimistic as long as the Soviet Union has people like you who are demanding about the expectation for democracy."



Thursday is Bedouin market day — the right time and place for Merkin to buy gifts for friends who are new arrivals from the Soviet Union. Dr. Merkin builds a new, independent life because of the start she and her family got, thanks to Operation Exodus. UJA Press Service photo by Richard Lobell.

Four Illinois Men Indicted For Cross-Burning

CHICAGO — The Department of Justice announced that a federal grand jury unsealed an eight-count indictment charging four white men with civil rights violations for burning a cross in the front of a home in Keeneyville, Ill., a Chicago suburb.

Assistant Attorney General John R. Dunne, head of the Civil Rights Division, said the indictment, returned in U.S. District Court in Chicago, charges Kenneth Thomas Hayward, William Bradford Krause Jr., Thomas Miller and Stephen Douglas Randall with conspiring to violate civil rights, interfering with housing rights and using fire to commit a federal felony.

"We want to send a message to racists around the country

Letters

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tional rights. Our mission — in the spirit of Judaism — is dedicated to further human welfare in the Jewish and general communities, locally, nationally and internationally.

While Rabbi Shafran seems convinced that Agudath Israel's position is the most reasonable and sane, thousands of Jewish women are not. To say that "if abortion on demand were generally prohibited with certain limited exceptions to permit abortions in exceptional circumstances, Jewish women would have no problem reconciling the secular and religious law" is truly a distortion. The phrase "abortion on demand" is actually a meaningless example of double-speak. There is no such thing in reality. And I suggest that if Rabbi Shafran were to talk with many Jewish women today, instead of presuming to speak for them, he would find plenty of "problems" with such a reconciliation.

Joan Bronk
National President NCJW

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that the federal government will prosecute criminal acts motivated by racial and religious hatred," said Dunne.

According to the indictment, the defendants conspired to threaten and intimidate Mary Jones and Pam Rayan, inhabitants of the home in Keeneyville, for associating with black men who had been visiting their home for a party during the weekend of September 3, 1989.

The indictment said that on the evening of September 3, 1989, a cross was burned in front of their home. In the early morning hours of September 4, a second cross was burned at the same spot. At this time, Hayward allegedly fired shots near the house.

The indictment also said the four defendants constructed the crosses, placed them in front of the victims' home and set them afire.

Hayward is charged with conspiracy against the rights of citizens, interference with housing rights, use of fire during the commission of a federal felony and use of a firearm in relation to a crime of violence. If convicted, he faces up to 36 years in prison and up to a \$1.1 million fine.

Krause is charged with conspiracy, interference with housing rights, use of fire, obstruction of justice by threatening physical harm to prevent testimony and use of a firearm. If convicted he faces up to 46 years in prison and up to a \$1.35 million fine.

Miller and Randall are each charged with conspiracy and interference and if convicted, face two years in prison and a \$200,000 fine.

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Iraq Urged Not To Use Unconventional Arms

by Aliza Marcus

NEW YORK (JTA) — U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar is being urged by three Jewish leaders to tell Iraq that the use of unconventional weapons against civilian populations would represent a "retreat for humanity in history."

The leaders, presidents of the American Jewish Committee, the Anglo-Jewish Association of Great Britain and the Alliance Israelite Universelle of France, sent the message last week to Perez de Cuellar to draw his attention to the dangers of Iraq's chemical and biological arsenal.

"There was a real desire to alert the secretary-general of the real danger to world peace of such a horrific prospect

and we hope the U.N. will speak and speak out forcefully," said Sholom Comay, president of AJCommittee.

The message appealed to public opinion, "sometimes muted by pacifist tendencies, to understand the extreme importance of what is at stake."

The message also conveyed the fear of the "eventual use toward terrorist ends of chemical or bacteriological warfare against the civilian populations of Israel or of Saudi Arabia."

Although Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has so far not used chemical or other unconventional weapons in the Persian Gulf war, there is fear he may have the stocks and capability to launch a deadly air attack with such weapons.

Identifying Scuds By Their 'Whoosh'

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Confined to a room sealed with tape and plastic sheets against poison gas, yet still wearing gas masks, thousands of Israelis enduring the Scud missile blitz depend on their ears to let them know what's happening.

Their radios are the source of official information and instructions. But most people are tuned to more immediate sounds, after five weeks of intermittent missile attacks that have injured hundreds and damaged over 7,000 homes in the Tel Aviv and Ramat Gan areas.

If, two minutes after the alert sirens sound, the now-familiar "whoosh" of a Patriot anti-missile missile, not unlike the sound of an express train, has not been heard, people can be fairly certain that whatever was incoming is not headed in their direction.

But every time the Patriots make their noisy way skyward,

there are a few tense seconds of listening.

The midair explosion of a Patriot intercepting a Scud presages a shower of debris that can cause heavy damage and casualties.

Some people relax when they hear the ear-splitting blast of a Scud warhead. They are convinced, rightly or wrongly, that the louder the explosion the more likely it is that the Scud carried a conventional warhead.

No one has yet heard the sound a chemical warhead makes, and all hope and pray they never will.

Brig. Gen. Nachman Shai, the Israel Defense Force's official spokesman, insists that the threat of gas attack is very real and that in the event of one, a gas-proof room in one's home is the safest place to be.



An Ethiopian youngster newly arrived in Israel clutches his gas mask at the Jewish Agency absorption center in Mevasseret Zion. The UJA/Federation emergency cash effort is reaching out to new immigrants while providing humanitarian aid to the Jewish State. Photo by Paul Samson, JAFI Communications UJA Press Service.

Fog Of War (continued from page 1)

ued hold on power is liable to unleash powerful emotional forces in the Muslim world — impassioned rallies of solidarity and calls for holy war — but they will lack the backing of strategic force.

In the context of the bi-polar structure of the Arab world, the weakening of the Iraqi camp means the strengthening of the Egyptian camp. Egypt, relying on diplomatic initiatives and its alliances with the United States to bolster its leadership role in the Arab world, will be a major player in any new regional order.

With Iraq's power of extortion gone, the primary losers are the Palestinians. There is no need to tabulate the similarities between their present historical mistake — throwing in their lot with Saddam Hus-

sein — and all the Palestinians' previous mistakes of the last 55 years. As long as Saddam Hussein remains alive and directing events from the bowels of one bunker or another, the Palestinians may have someone with whom to identify, but no one who can carry a "big stick" for them. Saddam, who is fighting for his life, may be able to impress the world with occasional showy demonstrations of might or mayhem (like SCUD missiles or terrorism), but he can no longer convene international conferences and dictate terms.

Therefore, it appears likely that insofar as the Palestinian question is concerned as well, the center of gravity will shift towards Egypt. There is no disputing these days that the United States is the world's

lone superpower; and the road to Washington — whose assent is critical to any political agreement — lies through Cairo. Egypt's newly reinforced status will oblige Cairo to place the Palestinian issue back on the world's agenda — but it will do so on its own terms.

One should not draw mistaken conclusions from the changes that have already taken place in the Middle East since the war began. There are those who delude themselves that Iraq's demise, combined with the Palestinians' disarray and the appreciation shown for Israel's restraint, will enable Israel, after the crisis is over, to avoid having to deal with the issue of the occupied territories, or perhaps even win legitimacy for its continued

rule over the West Bank and Gaza. But there is no escaping the fact that after having unleashed such destructive power in the region, the U.S. will need to maintain a balanced policy towards the Arab world. Similarly, no one should delude themselves into thinking that Arab states, such as Syria or Saudi Arabia, will make peace without insisting on simultaneous progress in talks with the Palestinians.

A reminder to those entertaining the aforementioned illusions: the "Reagan Plan," calling for territorial compromise, was announced on September 1, 1982 — three months after the PLO strongholds were demolished in Lebanon, and 48 hours after Yasser Arafat slinked out of Beirut on the Greek ship "Atlantis."



National

Women's American ORT named Ms. Lorraine Blass the new executive director. Ms. Blass "plans to help move Women's American ORT through this decade into the next — with strength, with pride, and with ever greater accomplishments."

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations today condemned the recent outbreaks of violence against persons of Arab descent. "Throughout its history the Union...has abhorred and condemned racial hatred and violence of all kinds."

International

President Mikhail Gorbachev and Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz of Iraq met this week in Moscow, where the Soviet premier presented a peace plan. Mr. Aziz will carry the proposal to Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. The proposal included an unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait, according to White House sources.

The Allied forces have continued their air offensive against Iraqi positions in Kuwait and Iraq. Meanwhile, troops on land are preparing for a ground fight with the entrenched Iraqis. As the days pass, the possibility of an immediate ground war increases.

The daylight curfew in the West Bank and Gaza Strip has been lifted, reported Israeli military officials this week. The 1.7 million Palestinians are also expected to begin gradually reopening their schools in the near future.

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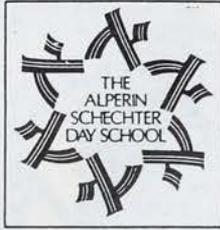


Poetry From Eighth Graders At Alperin Schechter Day School

Haiku

War is hatred and
Senseless killing for power
War is wrongful death.
— David Cutler

There was a LOUD cry
War became our affliction
Why will people die?
— Jessica Schiffman



He Went to War

As she sat by the window
hours passed
like the days slipping by
so did the years
green turned brown,
black-grey

It was so long ago
he just went far away
But before stepping out
he asked her to wait
so she sat by the window...
— Lina Zaslavskaya

Poem

Those who walk
The fields of war
Are hollow and made of a thin
glass
Once they are hit
They shatter
The sound of their collapse
Is lost among the other blasts
They went to prove a point:
That they were strong

Did they not know they were
fragile?

They were made
To carry the water of
knowledge
The knowledge of peace
Not to spill blood
The blood of war

The war of death

— R. Klein

schools, is a member of the Independent School Association of Rhode Island, and has received awards for curriculum and teaching. The Alperin Schechter Day School serves Rhode Island and nearby Massachusetts, offering an outstanding academic program in both General and Judaic Studies, including specialties such as art, music, computers, physical education and library. Please share in this "once in a lifetime" occasion.

Poetry from the eighth graders will be continued in next week's Herald.

Alperin Schechter School Celebrates Bar Mitzvah Year

The Rhode Island Jewish community is invited to join with students, faculty, parents and friends of the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School as they celebrate the school's Bar Mitzvah Year on Saturday, March 9.

The occasion will be marked at Shabbat Services at Temple Emanu-El, 10 a.m. in the Main Sanctuary. Students, alumni, officers, board members and parents will participate in the morning services. A Kiddush luncheon for the entire congregation will follow.

A dinner-dance will be held in the evening with hors d'oeuvres from 7-8 p.m., and dinner and dancing, with music by the Kadima Band, from 8-12. A candlelighting ceremony (4 graduating classes + 9 current grades = 13) with poems written for the occasion will highlight the growth of the school and some of its special memories. Minimum donation for the dinner-dance is \$50 a person.

Members of the Bar Mitzvah Year Celebration Committee include: Howard Bromberg,



ASDS BAR MITZVAH CELEBRATION COMMITTEE: (L to R) Rabbi Alvan H. Kaunfer, Sheila Alexander, Dianne Newman, and Howard Bromberg, chairman. Not pictured are: Nathan Beraha, David Isenberg, Daniel Kaplan, Susan Odessa, Joel Roseman, Sam Shamoan, Penney Stein, and Cheryl Teverow.

Chairman, Sheila Alexander, Nathan Beraha, David Isenberg, Daniel Kaplan, Rabbi Alvan Kaunfer, Dianne Newman, Susan Odessa, Joel Roseman, ex officio, Sam Shamoan, Penney Stein, and Cheryl Teverow.

This event marks a mile-

stone in the life of the Alperin Schechter School and in the Rhode Island Jewish community. The school, which opened with one class in 1978, now has 180 students in grades K-8, is part of a national movement of approximately 70

Hebrew And Judaic Studies Offered

The opportunity to study in New York this summer in a program jointly sponsored by New York University and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion is available to college and advanced high school students.

Courses in Hebrew and Judaic Studies will combine the talents of the faculty of both these distinguished institutions and will give undergraduates and upper level high school students a focused and in-depth experience of study. Classes begin the week of July 1 and conclude August 8; each carries four points of undergraduate credit from New York University. Topics include "Oral and Written Hebrew," "The Jewish Experience in the Western World," "Modern Jewish Thought," "Modern Perspectives on the Bible," "The Land of Israel Through the Ages," "Confronting the Holocaust," and "Judaism, Christianity and Islam."

The faculty is comprised of the most distinguished contemporary scholars in the field of Hebrew and Judaic Studies and includes: Dr. Eugene B. Borowitz, Sigmund L. Falk Distinguished Professor of Education and Jewish Religious Thought, HUC-JIR; Dr. Martin A. Cohen, Professor of Jewish History, HUC-JIR; Dr. Evyatar

Friesel, Visiting Professor of Modern Jewish History, HUC-JIR; Dr. Francis E. Peters, Professor of History and Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, Chair, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literatures, NYU and Dr. Lawrence H. Schiffman, Professor of Hebrew and Judaic Studies, NYU.

In addition to classroom study students will also see the sights and sounds of New York City, under the guidance of staff members of HUC-JIR. Visits will be made to the Lower East Side of Manhattan and to

the oldest and most celebrated synagogues in the area. There will be ample opportunity to explore the city and to see how Jewish culture flourishes in the midst of contemporary New York. Reasonably priced housing is available in either a traditional or apartment style NYU residence hall.

Further information on the summer program in Hebrew and Judaic Studies may be obtained by contacting either Dr. Kerry M. Olitzky, HUC-JIR, (212) 674-5300 or Jonathan Lipman, NYU (212) 998-8170.

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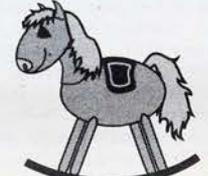
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AROUND TOWN

by Dorothea Snyder

"All human beings need ego gratification," said Gil Marks, publisher and editor of *Kosher Gourmet* magazine. "I got mine by preparing fancy meals for friends on Shabbat and holidays."

Gil's college years are absent of culinary training. He majored in history at the Bernard Revel School at Yeshiva University and did graduate studies at the Wyler School of Social Work.

Until Gil launched his magazine, he ran a high school guidance department that "didn't afford much ego gratification." "The administration wasn't interested in guidance. They were very antagonistic towards it. Each time I tried to do something creative, helpful or interesting, they'd find a way to stifle it."

The kitchen became his center of creativity to the delight of friends. "Their oohing and aahing were the ego stroking I needed. I'd outdo myself with each new meal."

Word got out about his culinary capers, buzzing around the neighborhood and into the ears of caterers who asked him to moonlight for them. After a day at school, Gil would head home and bake up a storm.

He has never taken any cooking classes, but teaches them instead. While in Guidance, he taught study skills. "Cooking is simply a skill. As with any skill, once the initial fear is overcome, it's easy. Then, development grows along with enjoyment."

"My father and grandfather couldn't boil water, and my mother didn't want her children to grow up

that way. She always allowed us to come into the kitchen and experiment. When we made a mess, she didn't make a big deal about it."

"Once we felt comfortable and had the basics with which to deal, it was just a matter of application and developing as we wanted. I did and enjoyed it!"

Gil's second hobby is writing fiction. The decision to leave Guidance led to joining two avocations together. Thus sprang *Kosher Gourmet* magazine six years ago. The first four years, he supported himself catering affairs such as a Bar Mitzvah reception for 350 people and a wedding for 250.

While we talked, Gil noted his 37th *Kosher Gourmet* magazine was due out the next day, the March Purim issue.

Kosher Gourmet magazine's name is followed in smaller print with *And Jewish Perspective*. Published six times a year, the magazine revolves around the Jewish holidays.

Gil develops themes when he can. He featured Chinese cooking solely in the January-February issue. It was the first time he devoted a whole issue to a culture. "Chinese cooking is so important to the development of cooking in general," he said.

April's Passover issue will highlight Sephardic cooking and culture. Forthcoming are the summer bread issue, the High Holiday, September-October issue and the Thanksgiving-Chanukah issue for November-December.

Gil presents several cooking school classes monthly at Y's in and around New York City. Menu matter is selected from requests. A group of

Cooking Kosher Gourmet Style



Gil Marks, editor and publisher of *Kosher Gourmet* magazine in New York City.

working women wanted help in developing menus around their needs. Quick, elegant dishes was the request from 60 women at a Jewish Center in Teaneck. He once hopped a jet to Miami to teach a concentrated chocolate session to 100 women.

"Food is sort of like the movies," he said about creating recipes. "They say there are seven basic plots. All movies are based on adapting those plot lines."

"That's what cooking is, adapting those basic ideas, adding ingredients and shaping them in some ways. I love doing vegetable pates. Ideas will strike at certain times of the year such as the layered sweet and white potato dish I made. It's taking an idea that's there and adapting it in a creative way. I really enjoy it."

Breads will be featured in the summer issue of *Kosher Gourmet*. "Some people don't realize how important bread is to the Jewish religion. It's the only biblically commanded ritual for Shavuus. It's the flip side of Passover."

"I'll do something like bagels, which aren't original, but I'll sit there and work at it until I get it the way I think proper. For example, I wondered how to get that nice crust and sheen on bagels. I found the secret was malt syrup. You have to simmer the bagel in boiling water before you bake it, and if you put malt syrup in it, that will give it a nice, shiny crust."

"It's cost efficient. I can make a dozen bagels for what it costs to buy two dozen. Most people don't see that time-wise, but if you enjoy baking and cooking, then it does become cost-efficient. I found bagel making so creative and enjoyable, especially people's response to them."

Gil Marks likes almost all foods. "Depending upon the magazine, I try different foods. I actually did most of the recipes for the upcoming Passover issue last Passover under actual battle conditions. The *gansh mishpacheh* was there. They are my severest critics."

A magazine has a life of its own, said Gil, and he doesn't always know what his future themes will be. The Passover issue developed into a Sephardic theme so at Chanukah, he was busy making Sephardic Passover food.

His kitchen utensil musts are a good set of sharp knives. "When my cooking class people say they use a food processor to chop an onion, I tell them I can do it faster than that with a knife. Plus you have to clean the food processor. A good chef's knife and paring knife are essential and make a difference. A good set of pots and pans are another must."

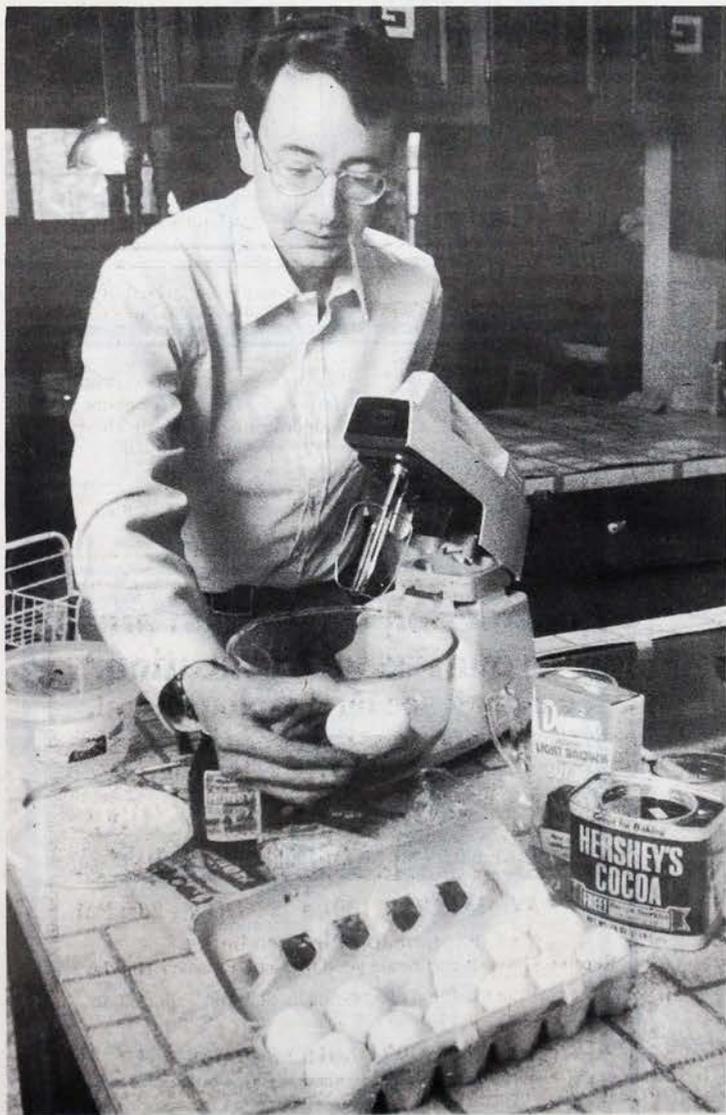
On occasion he does use a food processor. In his kosher kitchen, he uses two, one for *milchig*, one for *pareve* and a blender for *fleishig*. He also uses a wok once or twice a week for cooking Chinese style. "It's so tasty, healthy and an easy form of cooking."

Because Gil's advertising budget for *Kosher Gourmet* is limited, his subscriptions are slow. A lot of promotional work is done by their "energetic" marketing director, Phyllis Koegel, who does fundraising programs with groups at reduced rates. The groups get a certain percentage of every magazine sold through their organization. That day 150 subscriptions from Atlanta arrived.

Groups can contact Phyllis at *Kosher Gourmet*, 21 West 38th Street, New York, N. Y. 10018, (212) 302-6677. The magazine prints 20,000 issues each time. Some are sold at bookstores and at an upscale fruit store in New York City.

When I spoke to Gil, he was about to leave for the Kosher Expo at Pier 88 to set up cooking space for classes in edible garnishes, biscuit and bread doughs, and flaky pastry.

Someday the Richmond, Virginia, native would love to publish his fiction. "I once started a novel and got a third of the way through. I'm just too busy with the magazine!"



Mixing up a batch of creative delectables.

Photos: *Kosher Gourmet Magazine*.

Arts and Entertainment

Ginsberg Continues to Strike a Chord

by Sarah Baird
Herald Associate Editor

Allen Ginsberg, world famous bard of the "Beat Generation," entertained and inspired a rapt crowd at URI, Kingston, last week. Ginsberg is a world renowned poet, performer and photographer, who has received numerous national and international awards.

As a prelude to the evening's performance, Ginsberg lit some incense and began to sing a lilting, hypnotic verse. Breaking off in mid-melody, Ginsberg asked for input from the audience.

Was it loud enough? Did his voice sound tinny? Thus concluded the technical sound check. A wave of dusty berets nodded eagerly that all was well in the audience.

Ginsberg began his melodic magic with a striking performance of William Blake's "The Tiger." Listening to the old poem made new, we rocked with the pounding rhythm of the abrasive music. At times Ginsberg was remarkably lyrical. His poetry occasionally stunned the listener with its powerful meter and intense vision. "Sunflower Sutra," dated 1955, remains one of the most beautifully reflective and original pieces of our time.

Ginsberg proved his artistic flexibility by abruptly changing



his poetic voice with remarkable agility and grace. Bellowing his self-affirming treatise, "I am the King of May," Ginsberg filled the hall with his lonely protests and silly claims to royalty. His series on his father's death soon cast a thick gloom over the audience. Although the momentum was not sustained throughout the series, certain poems like "Father Death Blues" brought the audience close to the poet's original pain.

His polemical, political chants against organized government, religion and economic controls entranced the audience, rocking us into a mass of swaying ponytails. As the chants ended, we were

jolted from our collective admiration and realized that we had been had. Like the complacent cogs in the big business and political machines the poems attacked, we, too, had fallen into step, awed by a controlling leader. With subtle mockery, Ginsberg seemed to shatter the impressive aura bestowed upon him by his fawning audience.

The last time that I heard Mr. Ginsberg read his works was in the early 1980's. He came to my high school, where he evoked pained gasps from the stuffed shirts politely crowding into the gym. Revved up and ready to shock, Ginsberg delighted some of us but utterly outraged many others. By the end of that reading, his grotesque, ugly, sexual lines had alienated almost everyone in the hall.

At URI last week, Ginsberg was on his best behavior. He gave a slight thrill with one poem, but even that display was quite tame and lyrical. Ginsberg did not play the precocious delinquent but impressed the audience with some beautiful poetry. With lyrical one-liners and twisted, rhythmic descriptions of the world, Ginsberg gave each of us in the audience a few things to sing about as we "hear what we hear...live when we live."

Purim Razzle At The Marriott

Chabad Lubavitch of Rhode Island will again be offering a fun-filled Purim evening for the entire Jewish community. This year's events will take place in the grand ballroom of the Providence Marriott Hotel, Charles and Orms Street on Wednesday, February 27, beginning with the reading of the Megillah at 7 p.m. followed by the evening's Purim program at 7:45 p.m.

"A great time is to be had by all," said Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer, regional director of Chabad. The lively spirited musician from Boston, Moshe Feldman, will lead the musical entertainment. Listed in *Guin-*

ness Book of World Records, Laib (Lon) Cerel will dazzle us with his bag of tricks, juggling and balloon artistry.

The children's costume pageant will be judged by the evening's master of ceremonies. All children participating in the pageant will receive awards and prizes. For all aspiring actors Purim skits will round off the evening.

Refreshments, drinks and plenty of L'Chaim will be served. The program is provided as a community service by Chabad. For more information on this or other upcoming events, please call 331-3974 or 273-7238. Happy Purim!

"Starlight Express" Skates Into Providence

Andrew Lloyd Webber's longtime fascination with trains inspired "Starlight Express," which rolls into the Providence Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, March 5 through Sunday, March 10. The show evolved from his idea for a "Cinderella" story for children about trains.

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Performances are March 5 at 7 p.m.; March 6, 7 and 8 at 8 p.m.; March 9 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; and March 10 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

A "Starlight Express" Gala to benefit the Theatre's Restoration Fund will follow the Tuesday, March 5 opening night performance. Tickets are \$125 and black tie is optional. Call Sue Taylor at 421-2997 or Donna Santos at 421-ARTS.

Wickenden Gate Theatre to Perform "The Provok'd Wife"

Wickenden Gate Theatre will perform "The Provok'd Wife" by Sir John Vanbrugh as its third production of the season.

The "Provok'd Wife", criticized as a scandalous play when first staged in 1697, offers intrigue, mischief and buffoonery when a husband provokes his wife to consider a "lover and a separate maintenance!" It was a time when women realized that they had a right to their own opinions. The production is filled with quick comic action with 11 actors performing 17 different roles.

"The Provok'd Wife" is directed by Anne Gerety who has acted in over 100 productions throughout the United States at a variety of theatre companies

including Trinity Rep., the Dallas Theatre Center, Seattle Rep., Yale Rep. and a host of others. She has directed in Cleveland, Ohio; Portland, Oregon; at Storefront Theatre (which she co-founded); The Dallas Theatre Center and The Pink in Santa Monica, California. She has also performed several off-Broadway, film and TV roles.

The cast for the play includes Craig Olander, Sir Brute; Robyn Geogan, Lady Brute; Lindsay Reid, Belinda; Kate Leach, Lady Fancyfull; Halley Wayne, Mademoiselle; Tom O'Donnell, Heartfree; Peter Gresh, Constant; Henrick Kromann, Jamie Miles, Tom Oakes, and Heidi Rae Polack.

Opening night for the play will be Wednesday, February 20, 8:00 pm. Regular performances will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening at 8:00 pm from February 21 through March 23, 1991. A special matinee will be held Saturday, March 2, 1991 at 2:00 pm.

Tickets for Thursday night and the Saturday matinee are \$7.00; Friday and Saturday \$10.00, \$8.00 for students and seniors.

The theatre is located at 134 Mathewson Street in the Mathewson Street United Methodist Church. There is ample parking next to the theatre. Telephone (491) 421-9680 for tickets, group rates, and further information.

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Rhode Island Philharmonic March 2 Concert To Feature Acclaimed Pianist, Cecile Licad

The brilliant pianist Cecile Licad will perform with the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra on Saturday evening, March 2 at 8:30 p.m. at the Providence Performing Arts Center at 220 Weybosset St., Providence, R.I. Music Director Andrew Massey will conduct the Orchestra. Miss Licad will perform the sprightly Saint Saens Concerto No. 2 in G minor for Piano and Orchestra, Opus 22. The program will also feature the tender and poetic Faure Suite from "Pelleas et Melisande," Opus 80, and the lush Brahms Symphony No. 2 in D major, Opus 73.

Miss Licad has been hailed as "... one of the major pianists of the day ... mature artist with the sensitivity, the taste, and total command of her instrument ..." by the music critic of the Chicago *Sun-Times*.

She first gained international attention in 1981 when she received the Leventritt Gold Medal. Since then she has performed with many of the world's great orchestras and worked with such eminent conductors as Seiji Ozawa, Andre Previn, Neville Marriner, and Michael Tilson Thomas.

Born in Manila in 1961, Miss Licad began formal music training at the age of five and moved to this country at twelve to study piano at the Curtis Institute. Later she moved to the Institute for Young Musicians in Guilford, Vermont, where she studied with Rudolf Serkin for five years. She made her professional debut in 1980 with the Boston Symphony and Seiji Ozawa at Tanglewood. Cecile Licad records exclusively for CBS Masterworks.

The public will have an opportunity to learn more about the music for this concert by attending the Philharmonic's "Music After Hours" on Wednesday, February 27, at 5:30 p.m. at the Providence Performing Arts Center. Following a reception hosted by the Friends of the Philharmonic, Norm Jagolinzer of radio stations WLKW and WCRB will speak. Tickets for "Music After Hours" are \$7.00, and reservations may be made by calling the Philharmonic office (401) 831-3123.

Tickets for the March 2 concert are available by calling the Philharmonic office, 222 Richmond St., Providence (401) 831-3123, 9-5 Mon.-Fri., the Performing Arts Center (421-ARTS), and all Ticketron outlets. Ticket prices for this performance are \$16, \$19, \$23, and \$37, and \$12 for students and senior citizens in the \$16 sections.

Jagolinzer To Speak At Music After Hours

Norm Jagolinzer of WLKW and WCRB radio will be the guest speaker at the Rhode Island Philharmonic's Wednesday, February 27, "Music After Hours."

The evening begins with a wine and cheese reception at 5:30 in the lobby of the Providence Performing Arts Center. Then, its up on the stage to hear Mr. Jagolinzer speak about the works to be performed at Saturday evening's concert. The evening concludes with an open rehearsal featuring Music Director Andrew Massey and the Philharmonic.

Tickets are \$7 per person. A box dinner may be purchased for an additional \$8. All box dinner reservations must be made by Monday, February 25, at noon. To make reservations or for more information, call the Philharmonic office at 831-3123.

The Music School's R.I. Youth Jazz Ensemble

On Sunday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m. at the Cranston West High School auditorium, The Music School's Rhode Island Youth Jazz Ensemble will perform with Artie Cabral and Opus 7.

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Bresler Performs At CAV

The cafe and antique shop CAV in the Providence jewelry district featured a Sunday afternoon performance by Michael Bresler. Michael, a diminutive figure with a dark beard, ascetic face and embroidered kipa, chatted and sang.

He claimed that Hassidic music flourishes in America despite dire predictions about its fate after the Holocaust. He included sephardic as well as well as ashkenazic melodies in his repertoire.

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Korean Dancer at Zen Center

Traditional Korean dancer Hye Sun Sin will perform at the Providence Zen Center in Cumberland, at 8 pm on March 1.

In 1989, Hye Sun Sin was named Korean National Treasure Number 27. She has performed monk dances in Hawaii and Canada, and last year founded the Sin Hye Sun and Dance Company. Hye Sun Sin lives in Seoul, where she studied at Han Sang University.

The performance is free and open to the public. Providence Zen Center is located at 528 Pound Road in Cumberland. For more information or directions, call (401) 658-1464.

MATIV Presents Film

MATIV presents one of Woody Allen's most acclaimed films, "Crimes and Misdemeanors," starring Alan Alda, Mia Farrow, Anjelica Huston and Martin Landau on Thursday, February 21, at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth-El located on Orchard and Butler Avenues.

Admission is \$2 per person. Proceeds to benefit the Women's Center.

"Crimes and Misdemeanors" is a film about humanity. It's about people's lives, their loves, their perceptions and ideals. It's about the choices we make and how those choices affect us. Woody Allen's 19th film presents a fascinating tapestry of interwoven relationships played against a colorful Manhattan setting.

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A "Fatal" Show

by Kathy Cohen
Herald Associate Editor

It is fitting, considering the roast beef dinner consumed by the City Nights Dinner Theater patrons prior to the show, that the star of Bernard Slade's play "Fatal Attraction" is a large kitchen knife. The knife has a

habit of upstaging the other performers — usually by attaching itself to their anatomy.

While "Fatal Attraction" may seem like an odd choice for a dinner theater, director Ernest J. Medeiros has put together a campy version that makes the play, um, digestible.

The City Nights production stars resident director Peggy Pires as the emotionally screwed-up actress Blair Griffin. Pires comes off naturally as the confused glamour girl and turns in a believable performance.

Michael Ianiero, whose credentials include the Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute and The Actors Studio in Hollywood, plays antagonist Tony Lombardi, a man who has a "give and take" relationship with the knife.

Jim Eaton is humorously earthy as the crotchety police lieutenant Gus Braden and Beth Denice grabs the audience with a broadly physical turn as the inebricated agent Maggie Stratton.

The cast is rounded out by first-timer Peter Vasconcellos making his stage debut as artist Morgan Richards and Angelyn Cavallaro as police sergeant Doris Aylesworth.

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Emily Dreyfuss leans on Amy Link.

It's Time To Choose A Camp

There's still snow on the walk and there's nary a robin in sight, but the time to think about summer camp is upon us again. Every year, parents of kids eight and up realize that it is time to send the kids off for the summer.

"Camping should be more than simple recreation," according to Gordon Kaplan, Associate Director of the Illinois Section for the American Camping Association. "Besides the fun of sports and games, a good camp should educate children about their relationships to other people and to nature, build self-esteem and provide guidance and counseling."

Choosing a camp seems daunting at first. There are literally thousands of camps, offering everything from Archery to Zephyr instruction, with locations as far afield as Colorado and Maine.

Actually, making your decision isn't that hard if you can answer four questions. The first is your budget. Some American summer camps are charging nearly \$5,000 for a

full summer, while there are top quality camps in Canada that cost as little as \$2400. Most camps offer shorter sessions as well, which can dramatically decrease the cost.

The second question is, "What do you want your child to get out of the summer?" Some camps are quite competitive, and will give your son or daughter the chance to play baseball and basketball until the sun comes down. Others stress specific skills, like tennis, music or drama. A very popular type of camp offers a variety of activities in a noncompetitive environment.

Joanne Kates is the third generation Director of Camp Arowhon in Algonquin Park, Canada. Her camp clearly fits into the third category: "Children get the most out of camp when they're growing. We stress activities that are noncompetitive — Canoeing, sailing, riding, and windsurfing. Because kids are always improving, they quickly discover self-reliance and a sense of self-confidence." Kates points out that many of her

campers have been at camp for ten years or more, and that their parents and grandparents came before them.

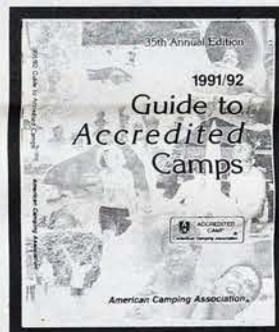
The third question is, "What sort of environment are you looking for?" Many camps have settings that are near a suburban or urban area, offering a swimming pool, some playing fields, and a heavy reliance on field trips. Colorado camps take excellent advantage of the wide open spaces and the mountains, while camps in Maine and Canada are worth the trip because of their unique setting — lakes, trees and privacy.

The fourth question revolves around religion and diversity. Many camps are run by churches or religious groups, and offer children immersion in a particular faith. On the other hand, the chance for kids to make friends, from different backgrounds or places is very limited at some camps.

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Words of Wisdom From the ORT Camp Fair Chairperson

by Sarah Baird
Herald Associate Editor

There are a few important things to look for when selecting a summer camp for your child. Jill Sholes, chairperson of the Providence Chapter of ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation Through Training) Camp Fair, warns that the key to a camp is often the director. She also advises that parents listen to their children's needs and desires and together reach a decision that they trust. Sholes understands that "this is one of the hardest things to do, to decide where to send your child away to camp."

The Providence Chapter of ORT organizes the Camp Fair annually to benefit the entire community. This year the Camp Fair will be held in the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on March 3, from



Jill Sholes with her husband and children at home.

12 noon until 4 pm. The Camp Fair is a free community service, which is non-sectarian and open to the general public. It is, notably, the only camp fair in the state. Representatives from twenty-seven camps will be on hand to answer all of your questions.

Mrs. Sholes has been the chairperson of this vital community service for five years. In this capacity she has provided direction, leadership and organizational skills. As a mother of four, Mrs. Sholes is also very

much in touch with parents' concerns and questions. For instance, "a question many parents will ask is: 'Do the bunks have a fire alarm system?' To me that was really important. You also want a camp with the right nurse."

Last year approximately six hundred people passed through the ORT Camp Fair. Meeting the directors and some counselors from the camps can be a great help in the decision process, according to the experienced chairperson.

"Some are very aggressive, and some are very easy going. You can see their psychological patterns of how they treat kids, when they interact with your own kids. The idea is to bring your kids with you to Camp Fair.

"My family has found that it is a lot easier to let the child choose, since all these camps are wonderful camps. Kids are attracted to different things, and usually they're pretty reasonable. If the child likes the camp, he won't be able to wait for it to start. And with you meeting the director, it is a safe summer."

The camps represented at Camp Fair will be of all shapes and sizes. "There are boys' camps and girls' camps, Jewish camps and non-sectarian camps. There are day camps and overnight camps, and school-run camps. There are even camps like academies that will take kids who are not great students and give them summer school."

Some camps are for younger children, some for older. Some camps are quite competitive and others are low-key. Some stress the arts, others sports. The options are seemingly endless. Mrs. Sholes also notes that "there are enough camps in every financial category so that any parent can find what they are looking for."

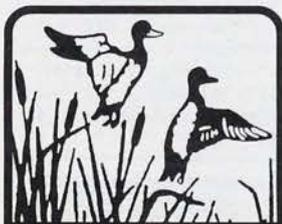
Mrs. Sholes believes in what she does. Through the Providence Chapter of Women's ORT, she and others are providing a great service to the general community. Mrs. Sholes is also a convert to camps. "I know that the first year I did Camp Fair I had no intentions for my kids to go to camp. I was one of those mothers who said: 'They are in school all year, I want them home!'"

"I brought them to Camp Fair, and they fell in love with Camp Avoda. They had to go! We sent them, and they had the most marvelous summer! It's what they wanted. And they're the ones who are going to be there all summer!"

Mrs. Sholes ends the interview with a little advice for parents who are new to camps. "Don't pack everything on the list or you'll need a truck! Most importantly, be sure of your decision. After all, you do have a choice."

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There are staff positions available for the upcoming summer. These include openings for counselors (at least high school graduates), specialists, administrators and support staff members.

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Kamp Kohut Earns ACA-Accredited Camp Status

Kamp Kohut learned recently that they have attained Accredited Camp status from the American Camping Association (ACA) for another three-year term. Kohut has been an accredited camp with the ACA as long as Malcolm J. Itkin has been director of Kamp Kohut. Currently only one quarter of the camps in the United States has earned this distinction.

"Over five million children attend summer camp each year," noted John Miller, ACA Executive Vice President. "Checking to see that a camp is ACA-Accredited should be a top priority when parents and children begin looking at summer camps."

ACA's accreditation program requires review of every facet of a camp's operation. Over 300 questions related specifically to camp are asked concerning the operation's site and facilities, personnel, programming and activities, health care and management practices. A camp must comply

with every applicable mandatory standard. These standards relate directly to health and safety issues. In addition, camps must achieve a score of at least 80 percent in the non-mandatory standards to earn accreditation.

Every three years trained camp professionals, not affiliated with the camp seeking accreditation, observe the camp while it is in operation and compare its practices against the standards for the industry.

"By becoming accredited Kamp Kohut has demonstrated they are committed to the highest standards established for the camp industry," added Miller. "ACA's standards program is nationally recognized and constantly updated to reflect the latest state of the art in camp."

"Parents can be certain that by choosing this accredited camp many important questions have already been asked — and satisfactorily answered

— in ways that show the management cares about their children," Miller said.

Kamp Kohut is located on Thompson Lake in Oxford, Maine. Kamp Kohut offers a diverse range of programs in aquatics, arts, athletics and sports, camping and hiking for boys ages six to 16. Kamp Kohut is in operation from June 26 to August 19 and in addition to the eight-week season a child can attend for a one-month session. For more information parents can contact Kamp Kohut at (401) 724-5267.

The American Camping Association is a 5,000-member, not-for-profit organization committed to the continuing values and benefits unique to the camp setting. Its membership encompasses all segments of the camp movement including nonprofit agencies, private entrepreneurs, religiously affiliated organizations and public/municipal agencies.

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Camp Catherine Capers offers horsemanship, water sports, camping trips for girls ages 9-15.

Five girls with their counselor and a CIT live in each of the popular large cabin type tents. These are completely screened and have zippered windows. They are on wooden platforms which are off the ground. The bathrooms and showers are nearby and have hot water as well as electricity. The group is limited to 70 girls who live in four age groups which are well separated to give each group activity freedom. Staff members are highly qualified young women. Activities are supervised by instructors with a one counselor to four campers ratio.

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Athlete Joins Camp Yavneh Staff

Lior Arditti, a guard for the Boston College Eagles basketball team, will join the Camp Yavneh athletic staff for six days in July to lead an intensive basketball clinic offered for the first time in 1991.

Yavneh's new director Deborah Sussman made the announcement in describing changes in the '91 summer format at the Hebrew-speaking overnight camp. Another innovation is a soccer clinic in August, operated by the North American Soccer Camps.

Arditti, who was on the Israeli Maccabi basketball team and plans to return to Israel in 1991 to play basketball professionally, will lead Yavneh's drill practices and instructional games. This is the first season Camp Yavneh is offering intensive athletic competition as part of concentrated clinics.

Camp Yavneh is operated by

Hebrew College in Brookline, New England's only accredited college of Judaic Studies. Besides a full range of field and aquatic sports, Yavneh offers Hebrew language instruction, Israeli dance and song, arts and crafts, drama and overnight hiking expeditions.

For information call Sussman at (617) 739-0363.

Yavneh Accepts Enrollment For '91

Camp Yavneh, a department of the Hebrew College of Boston, is accepting enrollment for the summer of '91. A co-educational overnight camp for Jewish children 8-17, Yavneh brings to Jewish camping almost 50 years of experience instilling "zuach" and love of Jewish values.

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For additional information contact:

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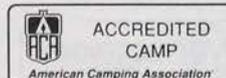
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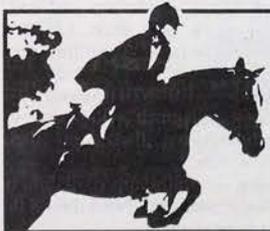
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"This special environment helps promote a child's self-confidence and develops self-esteem," emphasized John Miller, Executive Vice President of the American Camping Association (ACA). "Camp is

an important part of child development. It's a great place for children to unlock their potential and discover the world."

To help parents select the camp that is right for their child, ACA offers the 1991/92 *Guide to Accredited Camps*. The 35th annual edition contains over 2,000 day and resident camps that are accredited by the American Camping Association.

The *Guide* is divided into several sections that will help parents and children choose the right camp for their needs.

The first section explains the wide variety of camp options, suggests questions parents should ask the camp director and offers a checklist of items to pack before going to camp.

The directory section lists every camp accredited by ACA. The entries are listed alphabetically by state and are further divided into day and resident camps. Each entry lists important information about the camp's fees, their session lengths and the types of housing that are available. The director's name, the camp's winter and summer addresses

and phone number are also listed so that parents can contact the operation directly for more information.

"Parents and children looking for specific programs will appreciate the *Guide's* activities index. It features over 50 of the most popular camp offerings like water sports, hiking and horseback riding," added Miller. "This index makes it easy for parents and children to find the camps that offer the programs they are considering."

In addition to the activities index, there's an index that lists camps for children with disabilities.

Developed exclusively for the camp industry, ACA's nationally recognized standards primarily focus on program quality and health and safety issues.

Over 300 questions are asked about the operation's site and facilities, personnel, programming and activities, health care and management practices. Every three years trained camp professionals, not affiliated with the camp seeking accreditation, observe the camp while it is in operation and compare its practices against the ACA's standards.

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Camp Holds Bitter And Sweet Memories

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Editor

When I start to spot forsythia and pussywillow along the road I look forward to summer. The crayon colors of the wild chomeyellow sprays, or the soft pearly buds come out on branches that stretch out against roads and trails. I picture hikes and dips and imagine the smell of pine.

Our two girls Em and Lil have tried out Jori, Hoffman and Nokewa. None of these camps lies more than a couple of miles off from our summer cabin. Our retreat can't seem to hold five of us through the long hot season. Not by today's American standards. It worked out great for one or two. I need only a cot to slouch on. It suits toddlers fine. But big girls like to stretch out and pull along the phone.

Em stayed over a month at Jori. We weren't allowed to drive over. Lily did daytimes at Nokewa on the shore of the same chain of river and lake as our place in Pettaquamscutt. She served a stint at Hoffman, on another lake up route 138.

The girls never slept out of the bounds of R.I. Kids wage their wars for independence and space in these nearby outposts like small khaki soldiers in bigger bivouacs. Each mail-call for them and for us civilians alike pulls us tight in our thoughts.

During World War II my brother and I took the train all the way to Maine. I have saved the penny postcards from home — marked "Buy Defense Stamps" or "Buy War Stamps." They form my own record of the times and tell me what was happening on the homefront. I put the cards together and made a film about those summers of 42 and 43.

I heard big news on the camp radio. I got mixed up about who got out of, me or my folks. I sent home an excited card: SICILY INVADED! They never let me forget that one.

Kids today don't form the same knots and bonds. They care more what friends think. At least that's the way it is in my household.

My Em clung to me as a baby. One day she just changed. She may or may not even say bye as she leaves the house. But never bye dad. Way back when wartime July and August were over I got home and hoped things might run smoother. But they never do. My dad went on mowing the lawn on Sundays. The smell started out to cheer me, the rich perfume of early September. But it made me sad too. Making a bed with hospital corners or laying tephillim just right didn't matter much at home. Grass meant chores. Fall back home like summer away, like snow and then a melted snowman, come to the same thing — all seasons are lonely. Camp memories hold the bitter and the sweet.

Pleasures vanish like dew. Other events unfold in time like bright weeds. The summer sun will glare down like a searchlight hitting the truth. Or like a magnifying glass that burns the top of my head. Unless I go out and buy a new cap with a long brim.

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Summer Camping With A Difference

by David Friedman, Director
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A new world unfolds for the child on the very first day of summer camp. To the child, at first glance it seems like a huge and alien place. So many new people. College kids trying to help younger kids get settled in the bunk. Everyone feeling a little like they don't belong, yet trying hard to not stand out. Amazingly, within a matter of days, those initial feelings of being overwhelmed are overcome. The child has discovered a new home.

These auspicious beginnings lead to the most wonderful of human qualities — growth. The camp setting is alive with opportunities for the child to grow and develop. There are abundant challenges. It's a remarkable setting that allows

each individual to set their own pace, and as if by magic, groups form that accommodate all. It's an enchanted place. The good in each of us becomes "great" and the shortcomings become something to work on.

A camp is a powerful place in the life of a child. It presents values and choices. It captures the imagination of the child. Interestingly, the child can sum the entire experience up by simply stating, "it was fun."

Among the unique contributions to American Jewish life is the Jewish summer camp. It provides a place where the concept of "community" can come to life. It is a fluid and evolving community. Jewish life for the child becomes something that is experienced in all activities at the camp. At camp, sports, swimming, socializing,

and all the other activities that occur become more than what meets the eye. They are Jewish events. The child's identity as a Jewish individual becomes a reflection of experiences. And camp is an incredible experience.

Children love camp. They can't wait to return, and many actually become counselors. Good Jewish camps always seem to have individuals who are always trying to spend one more summer at camp. The results of the summer camp experience are also long term. Recent surveys of adults who had a Jewish summer camp experience, find it to be the single most significant Jewish youth experience during their youth. The only experience that surpasses it seems to be an Israel trip.

Jewish camps are truly re-

markable places. At a fixed moment in time children will be involved in sports, swimming, crafts, and discussing the weekly Torah portion. Each child is at once made to feel a part of the community. A beauty of the Jewish camp is that it is a "soft" experience. Values are not forced, and there is a sense of freedom. That the child identifies as being Jewish is as much a part of the experience as fun.

There are many fine camps available, each offering something special for the child. Jewish camps provide a unique immersion into a Jewish community. The results of which can be a summer of unbelievable fun, friendships, and a newly shaped and lasting identification with the Jewish people.

Gan Israel Day Camp

Gan Israel Day Camp is offering a summer of fun for youngsters in the community, and is now accepting children for 1991 season, Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer announced.

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The camping season is divided into four two-week sessions, beginning Monday, June 24.

For children 5-12, the day

camp begins at 9:15 and lasts until 3:15 in the afternoon. The Tiny Tot program for children 3-5, lasts from 9:15 to 12:30 p.m.

According to Rabbi Laufer, the fee has been designed to let everyone have an opportunity to enroll their children. "First, Gan Israel, is moderately priced. What's more, we have a number of scholarships available for those in need."

The fee includes insurance and a nutritious daily lunch and snack.

For information or to register a child, parents can call 273-7238 or 331-3974 or write Camp Gan Israel, 48 Savoy St., Providence, R.I. 02906. Camp Gan Israel is a project of Chabad Lubavitch of South-eastern New England, and a member of Gan Israel International Day Camps.



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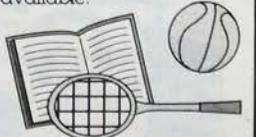
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Purim reminds us that vulnerability is at the very core of Jewish history.

We are therefore grateful for the existence of the State of Israel. It continues to serve as a source of refuge and ingathering for world Jewry.

The flow of Jews from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia and other countries presents us with vast new challenges and responsibilities.

The *Megillah* teaches us the

commandments of *Matanot La'evyonim* — "gifts to the less fortunate" — and *Mishloach Manot* — the "sending of portions" to our friends. Through UJA's Operation Exodus, may our generosity towards other Jews be a central part of our celebration.

The *Megillah* concludes with Mordechai "seeking good for his people and speaking peace to all his kindred." On this Purim, we pray that peace may come to Israel and all the world. Amen.

Submitted by the UJA Rabbinic Cabinet.

Chabad's Purim Gift Program

Chabad Lubavitch of Rhode Island will be distributing Purim kits to Brown and RISD students through the L'Chaim Society, Chabad's Student Organization and families throughout Rhode Island. Each kit contains two kinds of food, as prescribed by the tradition of Mishloach Monos. Cions for Charity and a brochure describing the various mitzvot (commandments) are included to remind the recipients of the full meaning of Purim.

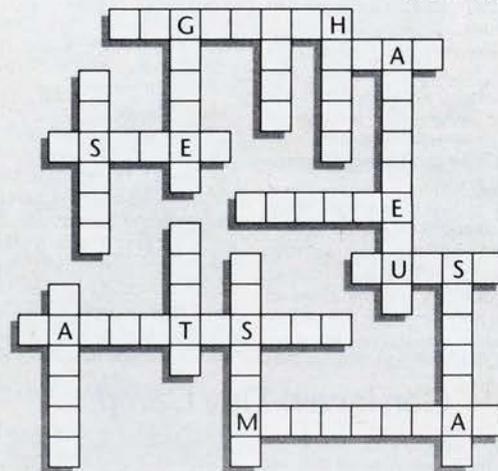
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Miriam and Rhode Island Hospitals, Charlesgate, Oakhill Nursing Homes and the Jewish Home for the Aged. These activities are designed

to recreate the idea of unity and harmony that prevailed among the Jewish nation during the time of Purim.

A Puzzle for Purim

by Johanna Bulich



Below are the clues for the Purim Puzzle. First, figure out the answer to the clue and then try to find its place in the squares.

- The banished queen.
- The wicked plotter.
- The name of the twelfth month.
- You use this to make noise when Haman is mentioned by name.
- You make this noise to fulfill the *Yimah shmo* — May his name be erased.
- Haman cast _____ to decide when to destroy the Jews.
- The capital of the kingdom.
- We give _____ to our friends at Purim.
- The most beautiful maiden.
- The Sabbath before Purim is called Shabbat _____.
- The hero of Purim, who refused to bow before Haman.
- In the Purim parade, you can wear a _____.
- The Scroll of Esther is called the _____.
- The name of the silly king who banished Vashti.
- These are the delicious pastries we eat at Purim.
- We have a _____ in the streets to celebrate the victory over Haman.

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On Wednesday evening Feb. 27, continuing into Thursday, Feb. 28, Jews around the world will be celebrating the annual joyous holiday of Purim. Purim commemorates G-d's salvation of the Jews through the miraculous turn-around of events from their would-be prosecutors during the days of Mordechai and Esther as recorded in the Book of Esther.

The holiday is celebrated by:

- Reading the book of Esther, known as "Megillas Esther," at night and then again in the morning,

- Giving "Shaloch Manos" — packages of at least two food items to friends,

- Giving "Matanos La'evyonim" — gifts of charity to at least two poor people,

- Eating the "Seudah" — a festive holiday meal.

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In Providence, the Purim celebration will include the annual Providence Purim Parade beginning at 10:45 at the corner of Elmgrove and Savoy Aves. The participants will include the Providence Fire Dept., Providence Police Dept., and the R.I. National Guard. It will feature exotic and antique vehicles, animals — lamas, horses, dogs, ponies — stunt bicyclists, skaters, clowns, motorcycles, live music, boats, floats, race cars, unicyclists, costumes galore and much, much more! This year's Grand Marshal is Dr. Burt Minaker. The parade is being coordinated by the New England Rabbinical College.

Rabbi's Desk (continued from page 1)

complete estrangement to active observance and participation in our hallowed faith.

Although the American Jewish community faces monumental problems and dangers, I look forward to the future with confidence. I believe we have made substantial inroads in the frightening trends of the past, which saw a high percentage of our people betraying their birthright. I believe we have made a critical turn of the corner in the progress of the American-Jewish community, albeit more so in the larger communities, producing Jews who are proud of their ancient heritage and cognizant

of their roles as Jews in the contemporary American scene.

When we see these efforts bearing fruits, then one must surely rejoice, at least temporarily ignore the world's problems, and truly express "Od d'lo Yadeh," for now we sense that this new wave of hope will surely wash away all the evil schemes of the cursed Hamens of the world, and surely establish blessings for the modern Mordechais and their adherents.

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Purim (continued from page 3)

demise much earlier in the war. This way, a small minority of the Lodz ghetto population managed to survive.

Hence, the story of this modern day Haman. As in the original Purim tale, the Almighty in his wisdom saw to it that this brutal Nazi henchman, Heydrich, was removed from the scene after causing so much despair and suffering to the Jews. Had this not been so, there might not have been any survivors of the Polish Jews at all.

So, as we celebrate the festival of lots, our beloved holiday of Purim, let us be reminded that there once lived another Haman — named Reinhard Heydrich — who planned (and unfortunately partially succeeded) to murder and completely exterminate from life on this earth the Jewish people. We, the Jews who are alive today are the living proof that this Haman also did not succeed. For this we are thankful, but please G-d, let this have been the last Haman!!!!

Time Works Like An Artist

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Editor

Sometimes I let my mind go back to the place where I made a big choice in life. I look for some feel, or taste, or perfume, or image that captures the turmoil of the turning point. These sensory adventures happen all the time. We don't recognize them till later. They grow within us through the instinct we have for narrative, the little myths that make up our story. The worst moments, of physical or psychic misery, serve as the basis for our best tales.

At the furthest corner of our large Yale dorm, a classmate and his crew of buddies were throwing a party. I was glad enough to walk on over and see what was up. A large batch of martinis had been mixed. You served yourself with a ladle out of a shiny chilled bowl. I had read about martinis in books. I had seen them in movies. I had witnessed a prep school roommate pouring out martinis for his mom and dad in front of a fire in our fancy rooms. It was my turn to try.

The clear brew didn't look like much of a threat. The glass I took hold of was long stemmed and it fluted out wide open. The first sip didn't do much for me. It tasted... dry. It puckered my lips. I figured, I'll try another. I didn't keep track of how many times I dipped the ladle down and lifted it up. Somebody there kept careful count. He gave me fair warning to wait and see what happened. He reported his record at a later date.

We get to know our bodies very well throughout our career. But the truth dawns only slowly. That night my narrow bed changed by chemical magic into another pallet. It became a raft. It floated over stormy, rocky seas to a very faroff place in fog. I had stared at picturebooks about lone sailors who crossed the Atlantic. I had been mesmerized by

of our bodies, tall or short, wide or thin, young or old. I was getting my sea legs for all the rough journeys ahead.

In fact I did sail over the Atlantic one year later, on a Cunard steamship. I got a bit seasick for real too. That vat of martinis got me ready for the Vat of saltwater. Time works like an artist. The years make artists of us all. Every little detail of memory adds to itself like a snowman, building humor, irony, pattern. They say that British seamen, and especially the captain in his panelled stateroom cabin, still like their glasses of gin. Well, count me out for now, at least till August. Offer me a sip of cognac for now, in a sparkling snifter.

In the wee hours I sat up, got up and lapped up a reservoir of water from the faucet. I dragged myself to class. It was a lecture on the trek over the Egyptian desert and the dig into King Tut's tomb. The Brits had found "wondrous things" but also released dreadful curses by violating the Pharaoh's pyramid. I too had reached into myself and found my own koles, my own worse luck. Scott Fitzgerald in 1930 hadn't hung himself over like me. It went on for days. I made a vow. Never Again. Years later, I let go of my resolve, with plenty of tonic and lime.

The reason I got so sloppy was the choice I had to make. What to major in. I didn't know where to go in this world. I was dizzy before downing the gin. We live alone, within the craft

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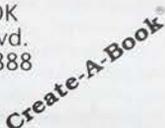
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Local News

Emanu-El's Purim in the Magic Kingdom



Cast members of The Emanu-El Players are singing their hearts out during their practice session of "Purim in the Magic Kingdom."

by Kathy Cohen
Herald Associate Editor

On Tuesday, February 12, in Emanu-El's new auditorium The Temple Emanu-El Players were hard at work and play preparing for Emanu-El's 12th annual Purim Spiel. During one of their last rehearsals, before the Wednesday, February 27, opening, the "Players" looked comfortable with their lines as everything ran smoothly.

The production will take place after the 7 p.m. reading of the Megilla, during which the audience, dressed in colorful costumes, will take turns on stage reading a part of the story.

This year's presentation, "Purim in the Kingdom," is a wacky and fun story based on the Scroll of Esther, but with a twist. The play was rewritten by Jules Gelade with assistance from Karen Gelade, Debra Mesloh, Reva Rifkin, Linda Shamoon, Sam Shamoon, Art Shapiro, Phyllis Shapiro, and Jill Weiskopf to include Walt Disney songs, characters, and fairy tales.

Linda Shamoon directs, Karen Gelade choreographs, and Mark Bram directs musically Rhode Island's only resident Purim Spiel troop through a 50-minute play that has been in the works since early Fall.

The rewritten version includes such songs as "It's A Small World," "Under The Sea," "When You Wish Upon A Star," "I'm Flying," "Who's Afraid of The Big Bad Wolf" and more!

The characters are adapted to meet the guidelines of this spoof of a play. For example: Jill Weiskopf is Snow (Esther) White, the Queen; Sam Shamoon is King Ahashverosh; Jules Gelade is Captain Haman; Art Shapiro plays Uncle Jimmy-Mordechai; Reva Rifkin flies around as the Fairy Godbubble, etc.

Another good example of the wonderful and witty exchange of Disney characters is, instead of the seven dwarfs, the writers adapted the seven small Schwartzes who are actually quite large high school boys.

The play is very much suited for the celebration of Purim, as it is a gay and cheerful celebration of the freedom of Jews from a tyrant king.

Please note that Temple Emanu-El will be accepting donations for families, who have lost loved-ones during the war effort.

Jewish Family Service Workshop Addresses The Stresses Of Today

The staff of Jewish Family Service recognizes that these are particularly stressful times. A difficult economy punctuated by bank failures, the war in the Persian Gulf, concern for the safety and well-being of Israel and the psychological distress brought upon by rumors of terrorist activities aimed at the Jewish community are challenging the basic beliefs and assumptions many hold about their lives, the future and the world itself.

Jewish Family Service is finding that the uncertainty created by the current situation is also challenging the health of families. Adults who are angry, depressed or overwhelmed have less emotional strength to help their children, who need help working through their own

feelings and reactions. Edgy or exhausted, partners may have more difficulty providing support for each other, just when they need it most.

To respond, Jewish Family Service is offering an introductory workshop dealing with stress related to the world situation, as a community service, to temples, organizations, schools, etc. The agency strongly feels that to adequately address the emotions and concerns raised during the initial workshop and to place closure of them, more than one session is necessary. However, an introductory session is available to groups wishing only one meeting.

To schedule a workshop, contact Paul Segal, Executive Director of Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

Levin Receives Honor



Linda Levin

Linda Levin, of Providence, RI, assistant professor of journalism, was recently named a recipient of the Philip S. Weld Sr. Fellowship by the American Press Institute. The fellowship, awarded annually to a journalism educator, is a memorial to Weld, the former owner of the Essex County (Mass.) Newspapers. Levin's fellowship allowed her to attend the News Editors and Copy Desk Chiefs Seminar in Reston, Virginia. Levin earned a bachelor's degree in 1962 from Michigan State University and a master's degree in 1986 from Boston University, both in journalism.



David Epstein of Cranston and Vita Smith of Providence appear as the "Visitors from Philadelphia" in Neil Simon's "California Suite" at Ronnie Asquino's Dinner Theatre in East Providence. Performances are Sunday, March 3, at 1 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, March 6 and 7, 8 p.m. Full course dinner served one hour before showtime. Call 434-9720 for reservations.

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The board of directors oversees the fund-raising efforts of the BCC Foundation, a private, non-profit organization.

Rosalie Israel is president of Bristol Elder Services, Inc., and involved in such community activities as Hospice, Visiting Nurse Association, the Charlton Memorial Hospital Foundation, St. Anne's Hospital, the United Way and the Jewish Home. She received her bachelor of arts from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. She has three children and three grandchildren.

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Saturday, February 23 - Nine days in the new month of ADAR. The portion of the Torah we read today is PARSHAS ZOCHOR, TETZAVEH. The Shabbos immediately preceding Purim was designated for recalling the deeds of Amalek, since Purim, which falls in this coming week, recalls the downfall of Homon, his descendant.

SHACHARIS is at 8:30 a.m. followed by Kiddush. Mincha is at 5:15 p.m. followed immediately with Se'udah Shelishis and Z'miroth. Ma'ariv is at 6:05 p.m. Shabbos ends at 6:10 p.m. Havdalah service is at 6:15 p.m.

Sunday, February 24 - Morning services are at 7:45 a.m. followed by our customary coffee and refreshments - then, the drawings for the color television, \$100 U.S. Savings Bond, several bottles of liquor and many other prizes. This is our annual Purim party and raffle. Tickets are still available right up to the drawing from the synagogue or any of our committee. Good Luck!!!

Wednesday, February 27, thirteen days in ADAR, is the Fast of Esther.

Thursday, February 28, fourteen days in ADAR, is the

Fast of Purim. Reading of the Megillah.

Friday, March 1, in ADAR is Shushan Purim. What is Shushan Purim? Come to the shul for explanations.

Morning services for Monday are at 6:30 a.m. and Thursday at 6 a.m., for Tuesday and Friday at 6:45 a.m. Wednesday - Fast day at 6:10 a.m.

Mincha for the entire week is at 5:25 p.m.

Israel's Isolation Lessening

Israel's diplomatic isolation was greatly reduced in 1990, as the Jewish state began to foster closer relationships with the Soviet Union, Greece, Turkey, and the East Bloc. The most significant change we can see is Israel's ties with the Soviet Union. In December 1990 former foreign minister Edward Shevardnadze and prime minister Yitzhak Shamir met in Washington for 75 minutes, concerning the Soviet Union's appointment of a consul-general to be posted in Israel. The two nations are just one step away from the restoration of full diplomatic relations. A positive move!

With the breakdown of the Communist regimes in much of Eastern Europe, additional East Bloc states have moved to renew ties with Israel. Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland have now resumed full diplomatic relations with Israel.

United Germany's first ambassador to Israel arrived there in October 1990. Israel and Yugoslavia initiated folks with the goal of establishing diplomatic ties.

Greece established full diplomatic relations with Israel, the last of the 12 EC members to do so. At the same time, Israel-Turkey relations have warmed; discussions of joint endeavors and agriculture and technology have begun.

Other countries have raised levels of cooperation with Israel. Example, the newly elected government of Nicaragua has announced plans to renew diplomatic relations with Israel; a cooperation agreement was signed with Israel and Zaire; and scientific cooperation with student exchange visits have increased with China.

America's Best Friends at the U.N.

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We hope and pray for the speedy return of all of our men and women serving in the Middle East crisis.

Purim Festivities At Beth Sholom - Megillah And Carnival

Congregation Beth Sholom announces this year's reading of the Megillah Esther Wednesday evening, February 27, at 6 p.m. to be immediately followed by our annual community wide Purim Carnival filled with games and activities for the young and the young at heart. Prizes will be awarded for the best adult and children's costumes. Fruit salads, hotdogs and of course hammen-tashen will be on sale.

Come join us for an evening of graggers and games. Try your skill at Sponge Haman or take a walk through the Mesopotamian Haunted House. A fun time will be had by all.

Congregation Beth Sholom is located at 275 Camp St., Providence, at the corner of Camp and Rochambeau. For more information call 331-9393.

Thursday, February 28 - Shacharit and Megillah reading #1 is at 6 a.m., Megillah reading #2 is at 10 a.m. Minchah is at 4 p.m. (We suggest you begin your seudah afterwards.) Maariv is at 7 p.m.

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Health Education Program Planned By Miriam Women

How many mothers or grandmothers in our community recognize the signs of child abuse? Or where to go for guidance if it is suspected? How often is it denied or hidden from public view?

The Miriam Hospital Women's Association hopes to answer these questions and others at its March 5 Health Education program. "Not in My Family" is a panel presentation focusing on abuse of children, particularly sexual abuse which is rarely acknowledged in our community. Professionals in the field who will participate in the discussion are Loreen D'Ambra, Child Advocate for the State of Rhode Island; Robert Crossley, Director of Children's Services at the Community Counseling Center of Pawtucket; Paula Krauss, Director of the Rhode Island Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse; and Nancy Littell, M.D., staff physician in the Emergency Room of The Miriam Hospital. Questions from the audience will follow the panelists' presentations.

The Miriam Hospital Women's Association con-

stantly strives to enhance the quality of patient care at The Miriam Hospital through fund-raising and educational activities. To this end, our Health Education programs are an ongoing commitment to our membership and the community to inform them of current medical and social issues of interest.

The Tuesday, March 5, meeting, which is open to the community, will be held in the Miriam Hospital's Sopkin Auditorium at 12:30 p.m. Arrangements for the program were made by Co-Chairperson Doris McGarry with Anne Cohen, Karen Scharff, Robin Engle and Karen Jacober. Elaine Fain is Program committee co-chairperson. Hospitality will be arranged by Co-chairs Robin Engle and Karen Jacober; publicity was directed by Marcia Blacher and Eunice Greenfield; Patricia G. Cohen and Patricia A. Hairabet are Co-Presidents of The Miriam Hospital Women's Association. For more information, please call the Women's Association office at 274-3700, Ext. 2520.

URI Hillel's First Scholar-in-Residence To Host Interfaith Marriage Workshop

The University of Rhode Island Hillel Foundation will host a lecture-brunch featuring Rabbi Rachel Cowan, a national leader of interfaith marriage workshops, at noon on Sunday, March 3, at the University Club on Upper College Road, Kingston campus.

The lecture, "An Interfaith Marriage Workshop-Clarifying the Issues," will begin at 12:45 p.m., following the brunch at noon. Tickets for the lecture-brunch are \$8 per person and \$15 per couple, and must be purchased in advance at the Hillel Office, 34 Lower College Road.

Rabbi Cowan, Hillel's first Scholar-in-Residence, grew up in a Unitarian family in Boston and has New England American roots going back to the Mayflower. As a convert to Judaism after 16 years of marriage, she speaks out on the

ways the Jewish community can be more open to non-Jewish spouses and encourage their commitment to Judaism. Rabbi Cowan was ordained at Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion. She and her late husband, Paul, have written *Mixed Blessings: Jews, Christians and Interfaith Marriage*, and *A Torah is Written*, a children's book on the making of a Torah. She presently lives in New York and is considered to be a national authority on Jewish intermarriages.

The program is being sponsored by the URI Honors Program and Visiting Scholars Committee, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island Endowment Fund, and the South County Jewish Community Council. For more information, contact Hillel Director Rina Sky Wolfgang, at (401) 792-2740.

New Mothers Find Friendship And Information At Workshop Beginning March 5

New mothers will find support, ideas and friendship at a six-session group workshop put on by The Parent Exchange of Jewish Family Service, 229 Waterman Street, Providence.

"Mothers and Infants" offers a forum for new mothers to discuss and share about the growth and development of their babies, themselves and their family life. Mothers are encouraged to bring their infants up to eight months old.

"Mothers and Infants" will be held on Tuesdays beginning March 5 from 1:15 to 2:45 p.m.

The fee is \$50 per person and pre-registration is required.

For further information, call The Parent Exchange at Jewish Family Service, 331-1244. The Parent Exchange workshops at Jewish Family Service are open to all who wish to attend.

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For additional information please call Temple Sinai at 942-8350.

Ress And Siskind Remembered

RISD lost two major Jewish figures within a fortnight, both beyond four score, Joseph Ress, a former trustee, and Aaron Siskind, a retired professor.

Each man left a spiritual legacy and legend to the school community. Mr. Ress's daughter, Joan Ress Reeves, carries on the family tradition of cultural service, as a current trustee of the School of Design.

Aaron Siskind's photography students have created an artistic network within the city.

At a memorial service in the school auditorium on Friday, February 15, the vice president for academic affairs, Hardu Keck said a few words. He told us, "Aaron's favorite toast to his friends was 'L'Chaim — to life!'"

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Asserts Stalin Will Never Fight Hitler. New York. Alexander Kerensky, former Russian premier, told the Brooklyn Jewish Center weekly forum that one of Stalin's pet remarks is: "Hitler is the ice-breaker who is opening a channel in the frozen capitalistic sea for us." Thus, he said, Stalin will never fight Hitler, and if Hitler wins the European war, they will divide the spoils.

B'nai B'rith, Vets Meet Jointly, Patriotism to be Theme of Meeting. A patriotic meeting will be held on Monday evening by Roger Williams Lodge, B'nai B'rith, and Rhode Island Post, No. 23, Jewish War Veterans, at Veterans Hall, 100 Niagara Street. Dr. Carl Jagolinzer and Paul Robin are co-chairmen of arrangements.

J.D.C. Takes Stand For Harmony. New York. The olive branch of peace was offered to the United Palestine Appeal this week when the Joint Distribution Committee in an emergency meeting here adopted a resolution to "engage in any discussions leading to the reconstitution of the United Jewish Appeal in 1941," providing that the UPA agrees to abide by the decision of an impartial fact-finding group on the needs of the National Refugee Service.



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Beth Sholom

As part of Beth Sholom's Jewish Learning Exchange a Purim workshop for new Americans will be held on Monday, February 25, at 10 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center of R.I.

On Friday, March 1, an open house Shabbat service and dinner will be held at 6 p.m.

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Cranston-Warwick Hadassah

The next Board Meeting of the Cranston/Warwick Hadassah will be held on Monday, February 25, 1991 at the home of Mrs. Lorraine Webber, 15 Nakomis Drive, Governor Francis Farms, Warwick, RI at 1 p.m.

It is most important for all members to attend this meeting which will have a significant report from the recent Regional Board Meeting. All are urged to attend.

Free English Classes

Providence adult education provides free English as a Second Language class every morning, Monday through Friday, from 9 to 11 a.m., at the Elmwood Community Center, 155 Niagara St. You may go directly to the Center any morning at 9 a.m., or call 456-9241 for more information.

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Events For Seniors And Registration For Outdoor Club Ski Trip

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, located at 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence, will be holding a variety of events for children and adults during February. For further information about a particular event, please call 861-8800 and ask for the specified contact.

Outdoor and Junior Outdoor Clubs Ski Trip

Due to the good time had by all at the Junior Outdoor and Outdoor Clubs' last ski trip, another trip to Wachusett Mountain in Princeton, Massachusetts, is scheduled for Sunday, March 3. Teens in grades 7-12 will depart the Center in a VCR-equipped motorcoach at 7 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. The fee, if registered by February 26, is \$35 for Club members and \$45 for Club nonmembers. Late registration (after the 26th) is \$40 for Club members and \$50 for Club nonmembers. Registration fee includes transportation from the Center (parents are requested to provide transportation to and from the Center), lift ticket, lunch and beginner's lessons. Ski rentals are not included but are available for an additional \$15. A minimum enrollment of 20 will guarantee the special group rates, so participants should sign up as soon as possible. For details, call Evy Rappoport. The trip

will be cancelled on account of inclement weather. The Outdoor Clubs are sponsored by the Youth Department of the JCCRI and the Robbie Frank Fund.

Senior Activities for the Week of Feb. 22-28

The Kosher Mealsite at the Center offers a variety of activities and a chance for seniors to meet Monday through Friday at 11 a.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m., followed by a hot kosher meal at noon sponsored by Project Hope. Regularly scheduled programs include the daily opportunity to enjoy talking to friends in the Conversation Pit from 10 to 11 a.m., followed by exercise at 11:15. BINGO is scheduled for Tuesdays, 11 to 11:45 a.m. Friend to Friend meets Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon. Shabbat traditions are observed on Fridays. Sunday mornings begin with hot muffins, tea and coffee at 10 a.m., followed by interesting programs. Special activities planned for the 22nd to the 28th of February are:

Friday, 22 - VCR program, "Pharmaceutical Assistance for the Elderly," 11 a.m.

Sunday, 24 - VCR program, "Jewish Humor," 11 a.m.

Thursday, 28 - Purim Celebration.

For further information call Sandy Bass.

Plantations/Roger Williams Unit B'nai B'rith No. 5339

On Sunday, February 24, at 2 p.m. Plantations/Roger Williams Unit B'nai B'rith will host their second annual Purim party for the residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Avenue, Providence.

Committee members are Melvin Levin, Carole and Harvey Millman, Greta Steiner, Herta Hoffman, Adrienne and Martin Uffer, Sandra and Larry Waldman, Ann and Alan Gaffin, Ivy and Howard Rabinowitz, and Janice and Arthur Ziegler. If anyone is interested in helping escort the residents to the auditorium,

please contact Ann Gaffin at 751-2663.

Entertainment will be provided by the Wendy Klein Trio.

This Community Volunteer Service (CVS) program is one of many events and services provided by B'nai B'rith. For further information about B'nai B'rith, please contact Larry Waldman at 861-0888.

The next open board meeting will be held at the home of Janice and Arthur Ziegler, 58 Wilcox Avenue, Pawtucket, R.I., on Thursday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Obituaries

LOUIS ADLER

EAST PROVIDENCE — Louis Adler, 82, of 33 Church St., and Boca Raton, Fla., a self-employed public accountant for more than 50 years before retiring last year, died Monday, February 11, 1991, at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Esther (Kuldin) Adler.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Solomon and Anna (Rubin) Adler, he lived in East Providence for the past six months. He previously lived in Warwick.

Mr. Adler was a graduate of Northeastern University, Boston. He was a past president of the Rhode Island Association of Public Accountants, and a past president of the Edward Affiliates. He was a former majority floor leader in the Providence City Council, a former treasurer of the Aurora Club, and a member of the Metacomet Country Club. He served in the Coast Guard in

World War II.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Dr. Leona Kay Phillips of Amherst, Mass., and Ayn Pleasant of Turners Falls, Mass.; a brother, Benjamin "Bunny" Adler of Cranston; a sister, Evelyn Parness of Providence; and five grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Wednesday, February 13, at the Sugarman-Smith Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

PEARL LEE ELMAN

JOHNSTON — Pearl Lee Elman, 60, of Cherry Hill Manor, died Thursday, February 14, 1991, at the Manor. She was the widow of Arnold Elman.

Born in Fall River, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Esther (Singer) Cohen. She was a resident of Johnston for over a year, residing in Cranston for 20 years and previously in Providence. She was a former member of

Temple Torat Yisrael and a former member of Temple Beth Israel and its sisterhood. She was a member of ORT, Hadasah, Pioneer Women and Pythian Women.

She leaves three daughters, Melanie Elman, Iris Greenstein and Randee Elman, all of Cranston; a sister, Ruth Shectman of Sepulveda, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

Her funeral was held Sunday, February 17, at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave., Cranston. Burial was private. Arrangements were by the Sugarman-Smith Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

MORRIS GALKIN

WOONSOCKET — Morris Galkin, 88, formerly of 133 Meadow Road, an active member of Congregation B'nai Israel, died Monday, January 28, 1991, in the Jewish Home for the Aged, Providence. He was the widower of Gladys (Tanenbaum) Galkin, who died February 13, 1979.

Born January 23, 1903, in Providence, he was a son of Ruben and Gussie Galkin. He was a graduate of Bryant College.

Mr. Galkin was a life underwriter and district office manager for the Woonsocket office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for 38 years, retiring in 1968.

He was a member of the board of directors of Congregation B'nai Israel and chairman of its house committee. Past treasurer of the Woonsocket Lodge, B'nai B'rith, he was named its Man of the Year in 1969. He was a former member of Chevna Kaddisha and a member of the Morning Star Lodge, F&AM.

He is survived by a son, retired Navy Cmdr. Kenneth Galkin of Virginia Beach, Va.; a daughter, Mrs. Melvin (Rhoda) Schwartz of Warwick; a brother, Theodore Galkin of Citrus Grove, Calif.; and four grandsons.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, January 30, at Congregation B'nai Israel, Prospect Street. Burial was in B'nai Israel Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Chevra Kaddisha and the Holt Funeral Home, 510 South Main St.

WILLIAM GOLDSTEIN

CRANSTON — William D. Goldstein, 72, of 225 New London Ave., owner of the Made-Rite Aluminum Window Company and Easy Glyde Industries, and active in the firms until his retirement 10 years ago, died Wednesday, February 13, 1991, at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Esther (Kaminsky) Goldstein.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Harry and Rachel Goldstein, he lived in Cranston since 1959.

Mr. Goldstein founded his companies in 1949 in Providence, and they are now located in Cranston. He was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a former member of Temple Torat Yisrael.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Rochelle Port of Cranston; two sons, Howard Goldstein of Narragansett and Steven Goldstein of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a sister, Pearl Phillips of Warwick; a brother, Jack Goldstein of Boynton Beach, Fla.; and five grandchildren. He was brother of the late Lillian Chorney, Freda Chase and Joseph Goldstein.

The funeral service was held Friday, February 15, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

ABRAHAM GURWITZ

PAWTUCKET — Abraham S. "Abel" Gurwitz, 82, of 22 Lafayette St., founder and president of the Halsey Co., Providence, for 50 years, died Saturday, February 16, 1991, at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Madeline (Marks) Levitt-Gurwitz. He was the husband of the late Mildred (Waldman) Gurwitz. He was also the husband of the late Sylvia (Wolf) Gurwitz.

Born in Massachusetts, a son of the late Harry and Fannie (Blazar) Gurwitz, he lived in Pawtucket for the past 10 years. He previously lived in the Providence/Cranston area for 70 years.

Mr. Gurwitz was a member of the Wire Association International. He was a member of Temple Emanu-El, its Men's Club, and its Minyinaire Group. He was a former mem-

ber of Temple Beth-El. He was a former vice president of the Henry Friedman B'nai B'rith Lodge. He served as the first president of the former Cranston Community Center, and was a leader in its transition to becoming Temple Beth Torah, now Temple Torat Yisrael.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Deborah Katz of Cranston; three sisters, Minnie Gertz of Cranston, Evelyn Felder of Natick, Mass., Beatrice Horvitz of Newport; and two grandchildren. He was father of the late Joel F. Gurwitz.

The funeral service was held Monday, February 18, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Blue Hills Cemetery, Braintree, Mass.

HYMAN KOSLOFF

PROVIDENCE — Hyman Kosloff, 85, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., founder of the former Stanley Jewelry Co., in Providence and Washington, D.C., which he operated for 40 years before retiring in 1985, died Wednesday, February 13, 1991, at the home. He was the husband of the late Sasha (Warren) Kosloff.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Morris and Annie (Lutman) Kozlov, he came to this country in 1934, and settled in Providence. He lived in Washington for 37 years before returning to Providence three years ago.

Mr. Kosloff was a member of Masonic Lodge 227, Camp Springs, Md., and the Providence-Cranston Elks.

He leaves a daughter, Clarissa Kulman of Warwick; a brother, Frank Kozlov of Providence; a sister, Ida K. Naporstek of Ayer, Mass.; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was father of the late Herbert S. Kosloff, and brother of the late Abraham Kozlov.

The funeral service was held Friday, February 15, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Hebrew Cemetery, Fall River, Mass.

MORRIS J. KUPERMAN

PROVIDENCE — Morris J. Kuperman, 98, a resident of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99

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Hillside Ave., died at the home Thursday, February 14, 1991. He was the husband of the late Esther (Malachowsky) Kuperman.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Aaron and Ida Kuperman, he had lived in Providence since 1932.

Mr. Kuperman was a baker in the Providence area for 40 years before retiring 20 years ago. He was a member of the Bakers and Confectioners Union.

He leaves two daughters, Ida Gregerman of East Providence and Rosalie Edelstein of Chicago, Ill.; a son, Max Kuperman of Albany, N.Y.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

His funeral service was held Sunday, February 17, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

MANFRED SEIDEN

Manfred Seiden, 58, a certified public accountant, of Larchmont, N.Y., Narragansett, and Tamarac, Fla., died Monday, January 28, 1991, in New York City. He was the husband of Beverly (Bloomfield) Seiden.

Born in Germany, he resided in Providence until moving to Larchmont, N.Y., in 1973. He recently retired to Tamarac, Fla., and retained his home in Larchmont as well as a summer residence in Narragansett, R.I.

Mr. Seiden started his own C.P.A. firm in 1979 in which he did consulting as an auditing expert. Previously to that, he was a partner with Laven-thol & Horwath, C.P.A.s serving as partner-in charge of the Providence, R.I. office, then as partner-in-charge of the New York offices. Mr. Seiden served

as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army from 1956 to 1959. He belonged to many professional and charitable organizations.

Besides his wife he leaves two sons, Jeffrey Seiden of Needham, Mass., and Mark Seiden of Providence, R.I.; and a sister, Shirley Smith of Holbrook, N.Y.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, January 30, at Larchmont Temple, Larchmont, N.Y., and graveside services and burial was at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

DIEZ "ELIAS" SHUCHMAN

BELLE, Calif. — Diez "Elias" Shuchman, 66, died Friday, February 8, 1991, in Belle.

Born in South America, a son of the late Isaac and Fanny Shuchman, he lived in Belle for the past seven years. He previously lived in Warwick and Providence for many years.

Mr. Shuchman was a machinist in Rhode Island and California until retiring three years ago.

He leaves two sons, Neil Shuchman of Hopkinton and Daniel Shuchman of Warwick; four brothers, Saloman Shuman of Warwick, and Jaime Shuchman, Harris Shuchman, and Abraham Shuchman all of California; and two grandchildren.

The funeral and burial were held in California.

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Band of Gold - A Blast From the Past

by Sarah Baird
Herald Associate Editor

At six he learned how to do the twist. At seven he won a twisting contest. Ever since, Mr. Stu Kortick has been moving to the music. With over three thousand 45s from the 1950's, including some extremely rare recordings, Mr. Kortick has amassed an impressive collection of period music.

Band of Gold, Mr. Kortick's business, is well equipped to provide complete "evenings of nostalgia, walking back in time," for any party. As disc jockey, Mr. Kortick will take

you "to a time when everything was laid back and easy going. That's what the fifties were all about, the fifties and early sixties."

Mr. Kortick's fascination with the fifties and sixties is no passing fancy. In fact, Mr. Kortick has been a collector since he was five years old! He identifies the two major influences on his love of music. The first model was his uncle, who collected 45s and helped shape Mr. Kortick's early collection.

"My uncle used to take a bus to the Beacon Shop, which used to be on North Main Street and also downtown

the old City Hall department store. He used to get doubles and triples." Mr. Kortick remembers his cousin as a central figure in his childhood. "When I was growing up, my cousin once appeared on a Saturday afternoon local TV show, 'Dance Party,' on the old WPRO, channel 12. My eyes were glued. She was my babysitter and a really big influence."

Mr. Kortick has been DJing for approximately ten years at "Cruisin' Nights," "Sock Hops," "50's Nights," bar mitzvahs, and weddings. A night with **Band of Gold** includes Early Rock and Roll Trivia, Dance Contests, "a lot of good fun and good times. I'll put an evening together. I get people up to do the Stroll, the Jerk, the Locomotion, the Bop. Bop till you drop!"

"This is not work! This is going out and having a good time. It's my relaxation. It's a time warp. These are the roots of rock and roll. Without this era there wouldn't be New Kids on the Block and Michael Jackson. I always say, 'Let the good times roll, and let's have a party!' Believe me, when people come to hear the show, they stay till the end!"

Although Mr. Kortick is "lost in the fifties," he is also active in the nineties. With two children, Melinda, 12, and Marci, 9, and a "very, very supportive wife, Tammy (the former



Tamara Labush)," Mr. Kortick is a busy family man. He is the coach of a girls softball team and a member of Temple Beth-El.

Looking back over all the functions orchestrated by **Band of Gold**, Mr. Kortick is hard-pressed to name his most memorable performance. "They're all great. Each time it gets better and better!" Mr. Kortick invites you to "stroll down Memory Lane." With his fabulous collection of music and trivia from the fifties and early sixties, Mr. Kortick will "turn back the

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— MaryEllen/Pawtucket
Dear MaryEllen:

A. It is certainly not true. In fact, it has been my experience that the wife normally gets one-half of the proceeds from the sale of the marital domicile. In addition, she and the children are frequently allowed to continue their residence in said home until the youngest child is 18. Today's Court considers the value of your services as homemaker and child rearer to be as precious as those services performed by a spouse outside the home.

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Dear Attorney Pulner:

My husband has told me he plans to file for a divorce and has indicated that he would be asking the court for joint custody of our three small children. This whole matter is so upsetting but the thought of shuffling my children back and forth between his place and mine every week disturbs me even more. Will the court really let him do this?

— Helen, Providence

Dear Helen:

It's important that you not confuse the true definition of joint custody. It does *not* mean that you and your husband will

divide the amount of time the children will spend with each of you. Rather, it means that the noncustodial parent will have every right to be consulted relative to all the important decisions relating to your children's welfare, education, health, religion and other like matters.

Several years ago, many divorcing couples opted to provide two homes for their children, alternating back and forth, week to week, from mom and dad. While the courts sanctioned those agreements then, they are not nearly as willing to do so anymore. Various studies have proven that, while closeness to both parents is very important, the stability of a single residence is even more vital. Accordingly, the likelihood is that you and your husband will share joint custody with one of you having physical possession of the children. Of course, the non-custodial parent (if fit and proper) will enjoy liberal visitation including overnights.

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