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## Economists Flinch, Israelis Cope

by Cathrine Gerson  
 TEL AVIV (JTA) — Economists may have been taken aback when an unexpectedly sharp rise in the August consumer price index was announced last week. But not the average Israeli consumers. They seem to be coping well despite the chorus of groans and complaints every time prices inch up. That was evident at the Arlosoroff Supersol in north-central Tel Aviv, a branch of a nationwide supermarket chain. A day after the Central Bureau of Statistics announced that inflation was up 2.5 percent in August, the highest rise for that month in five years, customers were pushing shopping carts piled high with food and other products. And those customers are not in the high-income bracket, said the store's manager, who identified himself only as Kobi. He professed not to understand "how a normal family manages" since, according to the Central Bureau, a family now needs an income of over \$1,800 a month to survive. The Bureau of Statistics defines an average family as two adults and two school-age children who live in an urban apartment and do not enjoy the tax breaks or cheap mortgages available in development areas. But customer Dina Horowitz thinks its income projection is on the low side.

"That's a joke," she exclaimed. "I have two children, both my husband and I have good jobs and good salaries, and although we pay no mortgage and no rent and we earn more than \$2,600 monthly together, we don't live to excess." Horowitz said her 10-year-old younger child wears many of her 12-year-old sister's hand-me-down clothes. The family eats meat two or three times a week and has not been abroad in five years. "So how does the average family manage?" she asked, shaking her head. At a minimarket in southern Tel Aviv, customers said they were buying less. "Not that I believe it's going to make life easier and the overdraft smaller, but at least I'm trying," Mazal Ouhana told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. Two of her four children are in the army. She has a part-time secretarial job. "Because my husband is self-employed, there are some things we can put on the company and that way save some money," she said. Ouhana considers herself lucky. "As long as my family and friends are healthy and happy and there is no war, I'm happy. So what if I didn't buy myself anything new for the holidays. My kids have new clothes and we have food on the table and a roof over our heads."



Front row (L-R): Ari Gordon, Brooks Garner, Jeffrey Rogers, Brian Lavonia, Peter Shore, Scoutmaster, Jacob Feldman. Back row: Richard Applebaum, Assistant Scoutmaster. On Ladder: Ari Missry.

## Scouts Build Sukkah At JCCRI

by Sarah Baird  
 Herald Associate Editor  
 Boy Scout Troop 104, sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, mustered their forces on Sunday to build an authentic Sukkah. Using no nails, screws or adhesives, the enterprising group of boys, under the guidance of their Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster, constructed a Sukkah with wood and lashings. The lashing are made by tying the rope in a specific pattern, which is designed to cause the supports to stay together. Planks of wood will create a thatched roof. Every year since 1982, Troop 104 has been building a traditional Sukkah, reminiscent of our ancestors' dwellings in the desert. This year's structure, measuring eleven feet by eleven feet will be decorated in the upcoming week. Peter Shore, Scoutmaster, has taught the scouts about the historical meanings of Sukkot, explaining that the festival provides a time to celebrate and commemorate the way of Moses and the children of Israel during their forty years of wandering. The Sukkah is on display at the JCCRI. For more information about scouting, contact Peter Shore through the center or come to one of the weekly Boy Scouts' meetings. The troop gathers on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in the Scout Den, downstairs at the JCCRI. The troop is open to boys aged eleven through seventeen, and new members are always welcome.

## Old Music Tells A New Story

by Mike Fink  
 Herald Contributing Editor  
 The lobby and stoop of the JCC served as backstage for opening season of the New American Club. Leonid Margolin, an East Side neighbor, greeted guests in Russian. Vladimir Korenoy, a cellist, came here only two months ago from Odessa. "Providence is a beautiful green city, I like it very much." Alfred Bykov, whose wife, Giana and daughter, Irina, were getting ready to play and sing for the club, sat in an armchair with a kit of belongings by his side. "Our first day out of Russia, in Rome, my wife left our briefcase at her chair in the lobby of a hotel. A woman addressed a greeting to her. She turned for an instant. The woman's accomplice grabbed the valise, filled with the origi-



Leonid Margolin at home.

tones and accents of Russian. Remember in "Ninotchka" Garbo's champagne whine: "No speeches?" Russians love to make them. I listened in on the exotic swoops, rises and falls, and nasal eddies of the discourses. Then the afternoon concert began. Irina Bykova - whose paintings I had seen at the RIC gallery accompanied her mother, Giana, who sang a group of formal ballads. Pavel Zaslavsky whispered, "They are pre-revolutionary 'romances' - steeped in half-forgotten traditions." Carrying an off-shoulder green silk Gypsy shawl for dramatic effect, her black hair parted in the middle, she looked gay and lovely, very elegant in a nostalgic style. Her compatriots rose to applaud. Her daughter resembles her. But she wears her

long black hair down - it flew back and forth in waves as she dove her energetic and gifted hands deep into wells of music at the ebony grand piano. They made quite a pair! Alone, Irina gave us Chopin, Liszt, and Rachmanioff. The Russian pieces made you dream of concerts done in the period surrounding World War II, when music told a story about yearning, hoping, and struggling for freedom. Today tells different tales, but with the same intensity. Vladimir Korenoy tuned his shining cello to the piano keys of his sister Irina Korenaya. The Saint-Saens cello concerto filled the hall with wonderful sounds of stirring harmony. I looked out over the rows of faces, a few familiar, many indeed "new." I picked out the nobly sculptured face of the

music teacher, Shana Valinskaya, young men with black beards and shining eyes, older faces a little world-weary, all filled with untold stories of losses and gains. Children's faces already move forward into ordinary American life, the music rising over their little heads. Out in the entrance hall a group of seniors go over plans for a play about an earlier Russian immigration to our state, in the first years of our century. They will perform first at the Home, then at the Center. Some of the men and women, old friends and connected acquaintances, had come to town from the places now separating off from the Soviet Union - Lithuania, Latvia. Their presence only added to the vision in the eye of the storm of our history.

# Inside the Ocean State

## Bristol House & Garden Tour

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On Monday, October 7, at 7 p.m., the French Club will feature a presentation on Togo by I.H. member Sylvia Mikem, a systems analyst for the Boston Company and a native of West Africa. The club is open to anyone wanting to speak French. New members are always welcome.

The Spanish Club will meet Wednesday, October 16, at 7 p.m., and will include a presentation on Mexico, followed by a discussion. The Club is open to anyone wanting to speak Span-

ish and all levels of fluency are welcome.

On Monday, October 21, at 7 p.m., the German Club will feature a special slide presentation on Germany. All levels of fluency are welcome and the club is open to the public.

The final event of the month is a Children's Halloween Party complete with a puppet show on Tuesday, October 29, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Reservations are required by October 20 and the fee is \$3 per child for members and \$4 per child for non-members. Children must be accompanied by an adult and should come in costume.

International House is a non-profit community agency focusing on the needs of temporary international residents in Rhode Island and serving as a center for intercultural and educational activities for the Rhode Island community. Membership is \$25 per year for individuals and \$40 per year for families. For further information about any of the above programs, call 421-7181.

## Sojourner Celebrates Anniversary

Sojourner House, which provides shelter and services for battered women and their children, invites Rhode Islanders to celebrate its 15th birthday with a Gala Party to be held on Wednesday, October 2, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. The party's location will be 37 Creighton Street in Providence. All proceeds will support the hotline, shelter and counseling services offered to battered women and their children.

Sojourner House was the first shelter in Rhode Island designated exclusively as a refuge for battered women. During the organization's 15 years it has provided a 24-hour hotline, a shelter, a court advocacy program, and educational programs to teach nonviolent conflict resolution to children, and a variety of support groups. Sojourner House has also, in collaboration with other shelters around the state, helped to make significant changes in the state laws concerning domestic violence.

## Greenpeace Lecture At PC

Christopher Childs, the official speaker for colleges and universities for Greenpeace, the international environmental organization, will lecture at Providence College on Monday, October 7, 1991, in Slavin Center, '64 Hall, at 8 p.m. His lecture is free and open to the

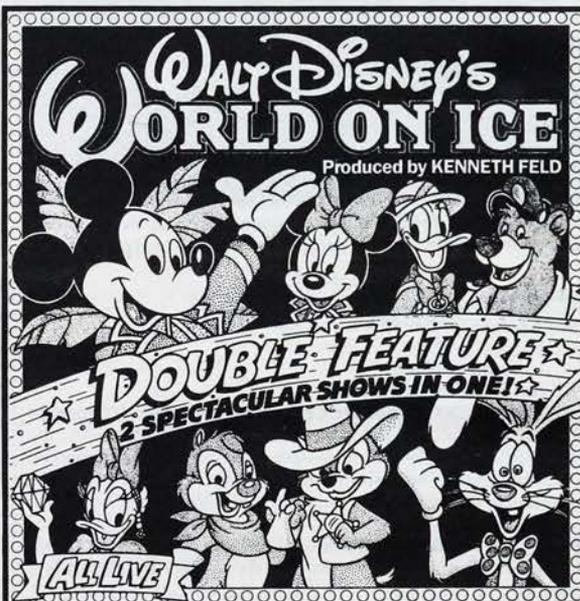
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Childs' lecture will be entitled "Greenpeace: Past, Present, and Future." He will address many of the organization's endeavors, including their fight against hunts for baby seals, the Exxon-Valdez oil spill, the effort to "Save the

Whales," and the opening of a Greenpeace office in Moscow.

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# Feature

## Daguerreotypes And Mezuzahs

by Mike Fink  
Herald Contributing Editor



Alan Metnick had us over to dinner on Methyl Street a dozen years ago. He wanted us to meet a close East Side neighbor of ours, a spinster lady named Ruth Gilmore. Ruth kept the small cottage her dad had built early on in our country, before World War I.

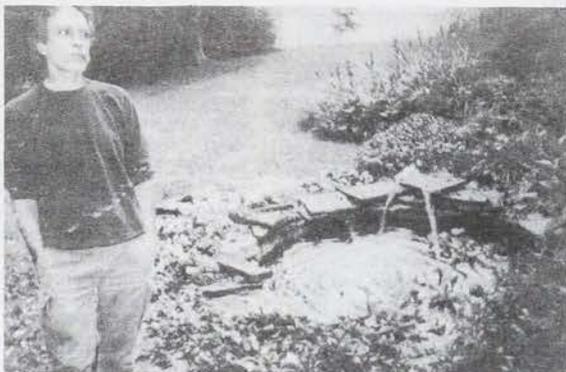
In that prewar time the whole hillside from Summit to Camp spilled down with farmlands, orchards, rocks, boulders, granite ledges, natural springs. Alan, a grad student at RISD, gathered and framed old road maps showing the old lay of the land.

Ruth told a good Yankee yarn with her sharp tongue. She hoped to unload her house on Alan. She'd had enough of

her lofty past and had got herself a spanking new condo. She guided us over to show off the noble homestead on Dexterdale. We all fell for it head over heels. The fireplace stood at the center, with paneled walls shining with beeswax. The black faucets in the johns sparkled like onyx. There wasn't anything you could glance at without a smile of pleasure.

At that moment in time Alan had to let it pass by and stay at his flat on Methyl. He had stocked his spaces with silk-screens, photographs, and treasures from sojourns in Lebanon and in Israel.

My wife and I had gotten a year-long appointment in Rome. We scribbled our ad-



Alan beside his pond with new snappy goldfish.

dress to Ruth and asked her to come and visit. She sent us off with a champagne brunch at her new apartment.

But we never heard from her again. When we settled back into our Providence life, we phoned in. The number rang. An operator told us it was disconnected. Ruth had passed on and left her estate to local parks and gardens. Her father had set out formal Japanese terraces on Dexterdale; she wanted to encourage a thrifty and fancy use of small spaces

in her hometown, her old haunts.

The people who had bought her East Side house made some radical changes. They painted over the rich barnred boards with layers and layers of white. They slapped on big bold murals over the interior walls — clouds on an azure background, rainforest jungle scenes on the upstairs corridor. They plugged in neon sculptures that glittered. They laid down lots of formica surfaces that yelled back light at new

overhead fixtures. Out of doors, they kept a goat in the yard. Goldfish grew giant in a pond they dug under some trees. Neighbors came to gape and to sip at the parties they threw. A good time was had by all, including yours truly and my kids. Raccoons showed up to feed off the red carp.

I don't really think Ruth would have minded. She was a hot ticket. But the house forgot its former proud self. Until Alan Metnick, in the fullness of time and by the finger of fate, signed the purchase papers and took over Ruth's estate.

He moved in with his wife, Wendy Klein, the musician, and his boys Noah, Jeremy and Saul. I popped over on a recent Sunday. Alan took me round to see what he'd been doing to the place. He polished the floors back to their luster. Fresh white walls show the right mood for Alan's works of art and for the sacred objects he collects and treasures. Ruth had left him some daguerreotypes and family portraits,

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## Raoul Wallenberg, Christian Moses Of The 20th Century

by Eleanor Roth

Raoul Wallenberg is the second foreigner in our nation's history to receive honorary American citizenship. New York State Senator Carol Berman worked to nominate him for the Nobel Peace Prize the same year that a segment about Wallenberg was shown on Sixty-Minutes. Raoul Wallenberg, who was taken prisoner by the Communists and falsely declared dead, is a man whose freedom has been sought by two major countries.

Wallenberg was a Swedish diplomat who is credited with saving over 100,000 Hungarian Jews during World War II. This outstanding humanitarian who became known as the Angel of Life and the Christian Moses of the 20th Century has been held in a Soviet Slave Labor Camp, or "Gulag."



I learned about Wallenberg from Yaakov Riz, a friend who lived in Philadelphia and survived both the Nazis and a Soviet slave labor camp. Riz saw the segment about Wal-

lenberg on the Sixty-Minutes TV program. A short while later he communicated with a former prisoner of a Siberian slave labor camp who insisted that he had seen Wallenberg in that camp and talked to him many years after the Soviets had declared him to be dead! Convinced that Wallenberg was still alive, Riz founded the Raoul Wallenberg Operation Truth Movement, whose goal was to free him.

Raoul Wallenberg was born on August 4, 1912, into one of

the wealthiest and most reputable families in Stockholm, Sweden. He studied in England, France, Germany, and the United States, then was graduated with honors in 1935 from the School of Architecture at the University of Michigan.

For the next few years Wal-

lenberg worked in international commerce and banking. When he first learned about Nazi atrocities from German-Jewish refugees in a Dutch bank in Haifa, Israel, the news troubled him greatly.

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# Opinions

## Once Upon A Coup

by Ray Eichenbaum

Although I am extremely happy with the news that Communism in Russia and Eastern Europe is in its death throes, the turn of these epochal events made me aware that the old, often quoted and time-valued proverb which proclaims that "Man cannot live by bread alone" has lost its validity.

Without wanting to sound cynical, the recent events in the Soviet Union, together with the prevailing style of living practiced by the "me" generation in the western world, especially in the United States, give visible proof that the old dictum does not "hold water" any longer. For it is becoming obvious by now that people's material needs take precedence

over any ideological justifications which could make humans do with less. More than 70 years of Communist ideology with all the associated political slogans could not make the Russian people blot out the visions of economical prosperity which their neighbors to the west visibly enjoyed.

I would thus like to suggest that perhaps man has grown out of his "self preservation" mode of living into a more sophisticated "self gratification" type of existence in which the acquisition of the basic necessities alone will not keep him happy. And, unfortunately, it is also apparent that man's greediness in the higher standard of living mode appears to be even greater.

Only time will tell whether this kind of progress is an improvement in his condition.

However, I do hope that the new, democratic, and richer citizen of the world will show a greater compassion for his fellowman than was the case during the Holocaust years. Because during those miserable times it was the indigent farmer or poor city dweller who would invariably show a greater readiness to save a Jewish child or person than his richer more educated urban counterpart. Why was that so one may ask? It is my humble opinion that the sophisticated, better situated Christian had much more to risk in the way of material things, and the riches and the associated greediness prevented him or her from acting with greater

benevolence. Naturally, religious prejudices also played a part in such cases.

I do sincerely hope that this will not be the general phenomenon in the future when mankind evolves, in peace, into a more comfortable, richer species of Homo sapiens. For if we do not acquire a greater propensity for "sharing" within our societal developmental cycle, the vicious state of class differences that produced Communism in the first place, will start all over again.

Communism was doomed to failure because its precepts went against the inherent, basic characteristics and tendencies of man. It is now a failed system since it didn't acknowledge the fact that people are born, and develop into adult-

hood with such basic human traits as jealousy, gluttony, avarice and egotism. Until a better system is thought which will take into account such characteristics, no improvement in the overall existence of mankind can be expected.

However, we all hope that through education, scientific development, and, we pray, divine guidance — a better and nobler life will be inscribed in the future generation of mankind. Amen.

Ray Eichenbaum, a local resident and a survivor of the Holocaust is the author of Romek's Odyssey, a moving account about his life. From Time to Time the Herald will publish excerpts from Romek's Odyssey. The Herald thanks Mr. Eichenbaum for his invaluable contributions.

## Reflections On Crown Heights

by Irwin Suall  
Director, Fact Finding  
Department  
Anti-Defamation League

Now that the violence in Crown Heights has subsided, it would be useful to examine what happened there and to

draw some lessons. Herewith are a few reflections:

Diverse views have been expressed as to the nature of the crisis in Crown Heights. For example, some claimed the rioters weren't anti-Semitic, they were anti-white. Others

said it was only the Hasidim, not Jews in general, whom the rioters opposed.

As the Anti-Defamation League's chief investigator of extremism and bigotry for the past 24 years, I believe such distinctions are lacking in insight. In my experience, hate is usually ecumenical. Just as Klansmen are anti-black, anti-Jewish, anti-Hispanic and anti-Asian, so were those Crown Heights rioters who shouted "Heil Hitler" almost certainly anti-Semitic and anti-white as well as anti-Hasidic. Furthermore, given the right circumstances, they would likely also reveal themselves to be anti-Hispanic and anti-Asian (remember the Korean greengrocer boycott in Brooklyn?).

An understandable, if mistaken, ambivalence also prevailed among many New Yorkers, Jewish as well as non-Jewish, during the crisis. Weren't the rioters themselves the victims of racial prejudice, they said, and didn't their anger warrant some sympathetic understanding even if their behavior was reprehensible? My answer would be that as victims they may deserve sympathy, yet, paradoxically, victimization seldom ennobles; and history demonstrates that those who have been victimized often seek to victimize others. When that occurs, it is profoundly mistaken to justify or excuse the wrongdoer. My years of researching right-wing extremism and racism have taught me that it is not uncommon there, too, to find those who have been victimized in their personal or social lives. Many neo-Nazi Skinheads, for example, are "throw-away kids" who come from broken homes. But from the standpoint of community interests as well as that of the miscreant himself, to respond to the wrongdoing by failing to call it by its right name or averting one's eyes is to invite repetition. That type of response teaches the culpable party and his would-be imitators the worst possible lesson: that bigotry, violence, rioting and looting are cost-free.

Whenever a menacing crowd of bigots, black or white, turns violent, the first order of business should be to stop the violence. That requires adequate police power and vigorous law enforcement. There

ought to be arrests of as many as possible who are committing a crime. If it is a violation of law under ordinary circumstances to throw a rock at an innocent person or a brick through a store window, why should it be overlooked or treated as less of a crime when committed en masse against specific racial or religious groups (i.e., a pogrom)? If anything, the penalty should be stiffer. In fact, most states now have on their books, thanks in large part to the initiative of the Anti-Defamation League, statutes which increase the penalty for bias crimes.

To its shame, New York state has no such law, although Governor Cuomo, many legislators and civil rights organizations have repeatedly sought its adoption.

Finally, it is important that the outrageous behavior of a crowd of several hundred young hooligans and the who inflamed them not be viewed as representative of the black community as a whole. The average citizen in Crown Heights is no more to be blamed than are the residents of Bensonhurst and Howland Beach for the earlier racial incidents. Not until we acknowledge a measure of responsibility and do something about it will the troubles begin to subside.

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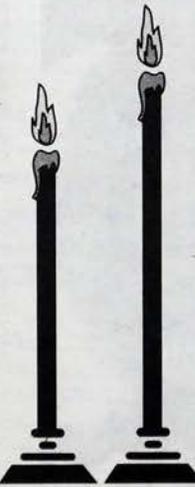
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Failure To Wear Star Means Camps</b></p> <p>Thirty-five provisions on the required wearing of the Star of David have been communicated to the Jewish Central Council. Jews were informed it must be worn where it may be seen every moment a Jew is outside his own home. Jews who cover the star with a briefcase or a shopping bag in the street may be sent to concentration camps.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Anzacs Note Progress in Palestine</b></p> <p>Australian troops stationed in Palestine have been greatly impressed with the progress of Jewish settlers and their achievements in industry and agriculture. Two "Anzacs" recently visited Kiryath Anavim, one of the 260 Jewish agricultural settlements established through the aid of the United States Appeal.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Hungarians Asking Clemency</b></p> <p>The <i>Sunday Times</i> reports that influential Hungarian statesmen have appealed the Hungarian government against the introduction of further restrictions on Jews. It was also urged to discontinue its present policy of confiscating land belonging to Jews, particularly in the new territories just acquired in Transylvania and Carpatho-Russia.</p>
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# World and National News

## Yom Kippur In Israel

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Most Israelis observed Yom Kippur solemnly. The peaceful silence that enveloped the country was broken by the occasional rush of an ambulance on emergency call or by bicycle-riding and roller-skating youngsters who had free run of the empty streets on the holiest day of the Jewish calendar.

The Magen David Adom, Israel's equivalent of the Red Cross, was kept busy. Its paramedics dealt with 1,962 emergencies from the time the fast began at sundown last Tuesday until it ended last Wednesday evening.

MDA first-aid stations treated 539 patients in that period, and its doctors made 574 house calls.

The 112 people who fainted from heat exhaustion during the fast were far outnumbered by the 433 injured cyclists, roller skaters and skateboard-

riders who required the MDA's attention.

During the 24-hour period, MDA personnel resuscitated 10 heart attack victims and delivered 15 babies.

In the course of its duties, every effort was made not to disturb worshippers. Ambulances, ordered not to use their sirens, relied on flashing red lights as they sped through streets empty of normal traffic.

There were only five incidents of young religious zealots hurling stones at the vehicles, fewer than in previous years. But one paramedic was hit in the head. He was treated by his colleagues.

A source of annoyance in many neighborhoods was the accidental activation of car burglar alarm systems. With the car-owners in synagogue or refusing to touch a switch, they waited on for the entire day.

But not all Israelis are re-

ligious. The long lines at video-rental stores before the holiday reflected the secular side of the country, as people selected home entertainment for the 30 hours during which the state-run radio and television would be off the air.

Israel Radio resumed broadcasting last Thursday with a telephone interview with an Israeli woman who teaches Hebrew in Zagreb, capital of the strife-torn Yugoslav republic of Croatia.

The largest number of Croatia's 2,000 Jews live there. But few of them went to Yom Kippur services, which were held in the Old Age Home far from the center of town, the teacher reported.

There were three air raid alerts during the day. No bombs fell but residents spent hours in shelters near their homes.

Sniping in the streets also forced people to stay indoors, she said.



Standing in front of the American, Israeli, Soviet and Ukrainian flags, Rabbi Arthur Schneier (left), chairman of the U.S. Commission for Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, presents Ukrainian Foreign Minister Anatoli Zlenko with a leather binding that will contain the complete transcript of the 50th anniversary commemoration of the massacre at Babi Yar, held in Manhattan's Park East Synagogue, for deposit with the Ukrainian Parliament.

Rabbi Schneier presided at the event, which was sponsored by the U.S. Commission and which was addressed by the ambassadors to the United Nations of Israel, Yoram Aridor; the United States, Thomas Pickering; and the Soviet Union, Yuli M. Vorontsov; by New York Mayor David Dinkins, who proclaimed the period from Sept. 29 to Oct. 6 "Babi Yar 50th Anniversary Week"; and by Senator Alfonse D'Amato and Presidents Conference Chairman Shoshana Cardin. In his address Foreign Minister Zlenko pledged that his newly independent country would act to promote a revival of Jewish religious and cultural life in the Ukraine and develop "mutually beneficial relations with Israel." Photo by David Karp.

## German Catholic Officials Met With American Jewish Leaders

NEW YORK — A meeting between visiting German Catholics and American Jewish leaders has been described by leaders of both groups as a positive and promising step in creating an ongoing dialogue between Germany and world Jewry.

A 25-member German delegation, consisting of outstanding religious leaders, academics and prominent lay Catholics, was led by Bishop Karl Lehman, chairman of the German Bishops Conference, and Dr. Bernard Vogel, chairman of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, a noted German public policy group.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Conference of Presidents of Major Ameri-

can Jewish Organizations and arranged with B'nai B'rith International and the American Jewish Committee. In welcoming the German delegation, Shoshana S. Cardin, chairman of the Conference of Presidents, said she was pleased by the "growing, positive relationship" between Germany and world Jewry and singled out in particular Germany's assistance to Israel during the Gulf War.

Bishop Lehman, while expressing gratification at recent advances in this relationship, cautioned on the need "to keep our eye on isolated Nazi movements," particularly in what formerly was the German Democratic Republic — Communist East Germany —

where the population was kept ignorant of Nazi war crimes.

"The rulers of the German Democratic Republic believed they had nothing to do with those atrocious deeds," he said. "But we cannot expunge the horrors of the Nazi period. We cannot allow ourselves to shrug off the burden of that awful time. They are imbedded in the memory of our people."

Discussing the role of the Church in anti-Semitism and its past failure to repudiate it, Bishop Lehman said, "We are ashamed of our misdeeds and are ready to repent." He added

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**National**

(ADL) New York. City College President Bernard W. Harleston has asked the college's provost to undertake an "administrative review" of Professor Leonard Jefferies to determine whether or not he is carrying out his duties as chair of the Black Studies Department.

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President Bush called on the General Assembly Monday to repeal the 1975 resolution that equated Zionism with racism. According to the *New York Times*, he said that "Resolution 3379, the so-called Zionism-is-racism resolution, mocks the principles upon which the United Nations was founded.

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(JTA) The producers of a controversial series of animated Bible videos have agreed to make every effort to remedy the series' alleged anti-Semitic stereotyping and story line. Criticism of the shows has centered on the drawings of Jews, which remind some of Nazi caricatures.

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**International**

(JTA) The Rev. Al Sharpton, the radical black activist from New York, paid a four-hour visit to Israel on the eve of Yom Kippur and failed in his attempt to serve court papers on a Lubavitcher Hasid, Yosef Lifsh. Sharpton is representing the family of Gavin Cato, which is initiating a \$100 million civil lawsuit against Lifsh.

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(JTA) The Jewish National Fund is marking its 90th anniversary this month. The celebrations come at a time of unprecedented expansion. The thrust of JNF's contribution to the absorption efforts is in preparing the infrastructure for huge new housing projects at sites all around the country.

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(JTA) About two dozen people carried banners urging "Freedom for Syrian Jews" and "Let My People Go" in a peaceful demonstration outside the Syrian Embassy in Rome last week. The demonstration was sponsored by the Italy-Israel Association, the Jewish Students Cultural Movement, the Young Zionists Union and other groups.

**U.N. Session Expected To Bring Anti-Israel Moves**

by Jackie Rothenberg  
UNITED NATIONS (JTA) — As the new U.N. General Assembly session opened, Israeli diplomats braced for the usual plethora of resolutions against the Jewish state.

Each year, more than 30 General Assembly resolutions are introduced pertaining to Israel, and most, if not all, are decided against the Jewish state.

There are no indications that this year will be any different. "We don't see, as yet, any changes in the positions of the countries that are hostile by tradition to Israel," said Yoram Aridor, the Israeli ambassador to the United Nations.

If the past is any indication, many of the same resolutions will be recycled, and Israel will be condemned for — among other things — its peace treaty with Egypt in 1979, its destruction of an Iraqi nuclear reactor a decade ago and its efforts to rehabilitate Palestine refugees.

A resolution has already been drafted for this session condemning Israel for its relations with South Africa. Israel was singled out for condemnation despite the fact that many countries have resumed relations with South Africa since it

began to dismantle its apartheid structure.

While Israel does not fare well in the halls of the United Nations, there were some small victories in the General Assembly session that just came to a close.

For the first time, Israel's credentials for membership in the United Nations went unchallenged. The annual ritual calls for one of the Arab countries to contest Israel's member status, followed by a move by one of the Scandinavian countries to stymie the vote through a procedural maneuver.

Last year, the Arabs tried a different route: The resolution would have approved the credentials of the State of Israel as it existed before the 1967 war. However, there was little support for such a move, and the Soviets indicated that they were going to support Israel for the first time.

Rather than lose on this question by a larger margin than usual, the Arabs dropped it altogether. As a result, there was no vote and all the member nations went through the entire session without approval of their credentials.

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**'Wait Till Next Year,' Says Lubavitcher**

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen  
NEW YORK (JTA) — For a full year now Jews have been expecting the Messiah to arrive, as Lubavitch fervor for the day of redemption spread through the Hasidic movement's long-reaching network and sparked a "Mashiach fever" throughout the world's Jewish communities.

But 5751, which was the year of "great wonders" according to the Lubavitcher rebbe, came and went without the apparent arrival of the Messiah.

Rabbi Manis Friedman, dean of Bais Chana, a Lubavitch women's educational program in Minneapolis, and the author of "Doesn't Anyone Blush Anymore?," doesn't agree.

"This IS the Messianic age," he exclaimed.

"Judaism is no longer in exile," he said. "There is no repression of Judaism anywhere in the world."

When asked about the curtailed religious freedom of Syrian Jews, Friedman described their repression as "not an ideological or religious thing. It's just old-fashioned anti-Semitism. And that will end soon. They're going to come to Israel."

To bolster his position that we have already entered the messianic era, Friedman said: "All those miracles that the rebbe predicted came true — Israel was safe from the missiles on Purim, nothing changed in Russia because of the coup."

The great war between Gog and Magog prophesied by Maimonides for "the beginning of the days of Mashiach"

became reality in the form of the Persian Gulf war between Iraq and Saudi Arabia, said the enthusiastic Friedman.

"And before the war a great prophet will arise to prepare our heart and guide our thoughts," Friedman said, paraphrasing more Maimonides and alluding to the Lubavitcher rebbe, Menachem Mendel Schneerson, as the great prophet.

If last year's global political changes were the great wonders prophesied by the rebbe, "this year they will be in personal things."

"There will be no more illness, no more grief, no more hunger," Friedman said with the indefatigable faith characteristic of Lubavitchers. "God will wipe all tears from all faces."

"Nations will devote themselves to the production of food, which will put an end to hunger, and medicine, and put an end to disease." There will be "a racial and dramatic increase in health care, in nutrition for Jews and non-Jews."

Friedman also predicted this year will see the rebuilding of the Temple in Jerusalem.

When queried about whether it will happen through the efforts of terrorist groups like the Temple Mount Faithful, Friedman said no.

"To build the Temple and cause animosities is not progress," he said. "Mashiach's role is to resolve the issue of Jerusalem to everyone's satisfaction."

"Mashiach is in progress," he said certainly. "It's not that we are expecting Mashiach. We're watching it unravel."

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**SS Killer Hangs Himself Militants Barred From Laying 'Cornerstone'**

by David Kantor

BONN (JTA) — Ernst August Koenig, sentenced in January to life imprisonment for killing Gypsies at Auschwitz-Birkenau, was found hanged in his jail cell last week, the German Press Agency reported. His death was ruled a suicide.

Koenig, who was 72, had been sentenced to a life term in January for murdering Gypsies at the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp in Poland during World War II.

His 44-month trial took place in Siegen, a town east of Bonn. He was imprisoned in Bochum, western Germany, between Essen and Dortmund.

Koenig was the first Nazi sentenced explicitly for killing Gypsies. Trials had been conducted in the 1950s against Nazis accused of killing Gypsies, but the cases had all been abandoned for various reasons.

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Jerusalem police have intervened to prevent a provocative act by the Temple Mount Faithful, a group of religious militants who want to take possession of the Temple Mount in the Old City of Jerusalem.

The police said the group would be barred from airlifting a five-ton "cornerstone" for the "Third Temple" to the Temple Mount.

Gershon Salomon, the group's leader, was quoted recently by the *Jerusalem Post* as saying that an unnamed American Jew had contributed the money to hire a giant skycrane helicopter for the task.

Police are also preventing the group from entering the huge, elevated compound where the Temples of Solomon and Herod are believed to have stood. It is now the location of Al Aksa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock, two of the holiest shrines of Islam.

The group planned a series of demonstrations in and around the Old City during the Sukkot holiday, which began at sundown last Sunday. Police have restricted the group's activities to the area in front of the Mughrabi Gate, a principal entrance to the Temple Mount, and to the Pool of Shiloah, in the nearby Kidron Valley.

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## U.N. Session

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It is not clear yet whether last year's tactics will set a precedent for this year's session.

Israel did achieve a clear-cut victory outside the General Assembly, but still within the confines of the United Nations, when it was accepted as a member of the U.N. Economic and Social Council last year.

The council, which meets in Geneva, is made up of regional commissions. Israel cannot join the regional commission for Western Asia because of the Arab boycott.

And its past attempts to gain entry to the main body by joining the regional commission for Europe — whose participants include the United States and Canada — were opposed by the Soviet Union and by the Eastern European countries.

But radical changes in global politics, which resulted in sponsorship of Israel by the Eastern European countries and support from the Soviets, altered the outcome this time, allowing Israel membership in both the regional and main bodies of the council.

An official at the Israeli Mission here noted, however, that this was only a small victory in that it involves a professional organization outside both New York and the General Assembly.

The General Assembly itself is "a different opera," the official said, adding that Israelis are not expecting any significant shifts toward Israel there.

There is some indication that this 46th session of the General Assembly may be the one in which Israel attempts a repeal of the 1975 resolution denigrating Zionism as a form of racism.

The United States has been working with Israel to garner

support for repealing the resolution, and U.N. observers have expressed some guarded optimism toward that end, particularly because of changes in the political climate throughout the world.

Israel will not seek a repeal until it is certain it has the votes needed. And, according to Aridor, "we are not sure as yet if we have a comfortable majority."

"We have to be assured," the ambassador said. "We don't want to risk any failures."

Aridor said he is optimistic that the repeal effort will move forward, insofar as Israel is enjoying better relations with more member countries.

Dr. Harris Schoenberg, director of U.N. affairs for B'nai B'rith International, said he has met with at least 70 ambassadors since June 1990, and that "we seem to be getting close to our goal."

"They are favorably disposed to do something about the problem," he said. "Everyone I've spoken to has said we have the best chance going."

Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said it is still not clear whether the votes are there, but he agreed that "we are in a better position than ever."

Hoenlein said indications from many of the Eastern European countries are that they would be willing to go along with the move.

And Schoenberg pointed out that the Arab hard-liners are "increasingly isolated on this issue."

Meanwhile, Israeli Foreign Minister David Levy will be taking part in the diplomatic whirlwind that sweeps the opening weeks of the U.N. session. He is scheduled to give an address from the General Assembly rostrum on Oct. 2.

## Polish Schoolbooks To Be Revised

by Jeremy Jones

SYDNEY, Australia (JTA) — Blaming anti-Semitism in Poland on the legacy of communism, a leader of the Polish Parliament promised here last week that he would see to it that Polish schoolbooks are revised to present an accurate picture of the contributions of Jews to Polish history.

Professor Andrzej Stelmachowski, speaker of the Senate in Warsaw, also pledged to a delegation of Australian Jews that his country would support moves to rescind "the Communist-inspired insult" that was the U.N. General Assembly's 1975 resolution branding Zionism as racism.

Stelmachowski, who was visiting Australia as a guest of the Australian Parliament,

acknowledged there were "extremists" in Poland who resorted to anti-Semitism but said they had little national influence and played no "decisive" role in elections.

He blamed their presence on "45 years of deliberate historical isolation forced on Poland by the Communists," who repeatedly "provoked" anti-Semitism and had deliberately "written the Jews out of our history."

Stelmachowski's meeting with a six-member Jewish delegation was described as a frank discussion of the community's concerns. At one point the Jewish group disputed his contention that the improvement of Polish-Jewish relations would have made better progress except for the intervention of

Jewish extremists from the United States.

The professor was obviously alluding to Rabbi Avi Weiss, an activist from New York who demonstrated at the Carmelite convent at the former Auschwitz death camp in July 1989.

Weiss was accused by the Polish primate, Cardinal Josef Glemp, of intending to harm the nuns, a charge Glemp later withdrew.

The Australian Jews pointed that out to their visitor.

The delegation, headed by Leslie Caplan, president of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, maintained that the Polish government had a responsibility to combat racism and extremism with education, legislation and moral leadership.

## ARZA - New England Region Meeting

A meeting of the New England Region of ARZA - Association of Reform Zionists of America - will be held at 4 p.m., Sunday, October 6, at Temple Israel, Boston. Speaker will be Jonathan F. Livny, Deputy Chairperson of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism. His subject will be "Israel's Burning Issues: Soviet Immigration and Peace with the Arabs."

Mr. Livny is the presiding judge of the military court in Judea and Samaria. He is a veteran of Israel's Defense Forces having served in the Six Day War, the Yom Kippur War, and the War in Lebanon. He presently holds the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Born in Israel and one of Jerusalem's most prominent attorneys, he was educated at

the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and became a lawyer at age 21. He continued his legal education at the University of Pennsylvania Law School where he was awarded a full scholarship. He is the leading legal expert dealing

with Soviet Jewry in the Ministry of Absorption. In his private practice he provides free legal services to Soviet immigrants.

Mr. Livny was one of the major speakers at the recent national ARZA Assembly. For further information, call Anne Frager, 617-277-1655.

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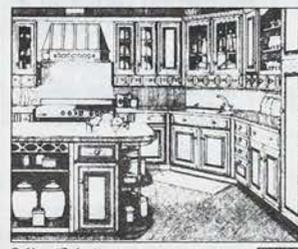
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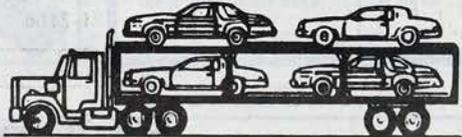
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The Play: The collected oral histories and many other short pieces were arranged thematically, (birthplace, childhood, immigration to this country, occupations, marriages, and difficulties encountered) into a play consisting of short vignettes, speeches, historical slides and music from the past (both Jewish and popular) sung by a chorus and soloists.

The Cast: Writer-Director, Bernice Bronson; Musical Director, Stanley Freedman; Production Assistants, Tina

Chernick, Frank Jordan and Elyse Meyers; Project Coordinator, Paula Most; Actors, Residents of the Jewish Home; Site Assistants - The Jewish Home: Bonnie Ryvicker and Penny Faich, Turid Christiansen, Kay Nelson, Sherri Holland, and Diana Santos. JCC: Vivian Weisman, Lisa Yanku, and Sandy Bass.

Dates: October 3, 2 p.m., Jewish Home Aud., Residents Only. October 5, 7:30 p.m., The Jewish Community Center, Public; October 6, 2 p.m., The Jewish Community Center, Public.

Tickets: For JCC performance \$5. Adults \$3. Seniors and children under the age of 12. For ticket information, call: The Jewish Home at 351-4750, extension 116.

Project Support: The Miriam and Irving I. Fain Foundation, The Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, The Department of Elderly Affairs.

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## Fluid And Form On Display At Bert Gallery

Bert Gallery, a fine arts establishment, founded to feature significant regional artists, is pleased to offer an exhibit of the artists Marion Wilner and Dan Read. The exhibit, "Fluid Forms," will feature the monotypes of Wilner and glass of Read from September 15 through September 28. The reception will be held on Sunday from 2-4 p.m. at the gallery and admission is free. Gallery hours will be Monday through Friday 11:30-5, Saturdays 1-4. The Bert Gallery is located in the Omni-Biltmore hotel in downtown Providence.

Marion Wilner has recently retired from her position as Chairman of the Bristol Community College Art Department. In the past two years she has devoted most of her energy to creating colorful and fluidly drawn naturalistic works with monotype. Among her subject matter she includes native

Rhode Island flowers and plants along with vistas of the Newport shore and land. The fluid and loose renderings in watercolor bridge the gap between traditional realism and the emotionally charged Expressionists. Read has been working in glass over the past decade. He creates wonderful flowing vessels symbolic of organic form usually found under the sea. Traditional forms escape this young artist. Read delves into new territory, influenced by the philosophy of his instructor Dale Chihuly. The young protoge has met with recognition for his accomplishments in glass, garnering the 1990 Rhode Island State Council of the Arts award and selection into an exhibit at the New Bedford Glass Museum. The combination of Read and Wilner in the exhibit at the Bert Gallery promises to be stimulating.

## RISD Events

Tuesday, October 1  
Video: "Exploring Identity/ Documents & Traces" Series, Janice Tanaka, "Memories from the Department of Amnesia" (1989) and Rea Tanjiri, "History and Memory" (1991). Noon. Museum of Art, 224 Benefit Street.

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## Bangkok Cuisine — An Introduction To Thailand



Sue Irya stands in front of Bangkok Cuisine at 1982 Warwick Avenue, Warwick.

by Sarah Baird  
Herald Associate Editor

The Chinese food craze hit America some time ago. Most of us are now familiar with the classic tastes of an egg roll or a chicken and broccoli stir-fry. Chinese restaurants seem to linger on every other street corner, luring us with the faraway names of their wonderful dishes.

Less well known to the average diner are the exotic and healthy dishes available at several Thai restaurants throughout the state. Whereas Chinese food has made its way into the culinary mainstream of America, Thai food remains on the periphery, a truly unique dining experience.

Six years ago the first Thai restaurant in the state was opened by Sue Irya, a native of Bangkok. Irya, who left Thailand in 1977 for Chicago, moved to Rhode Island in 1983. She is a trained nurse but also has a background in importing Thai food for specialty stores. Before opening Bangkok Cuisine in 1985, Irya used to travel to Boston in order to find the closest Thai restaurant. Today, she serves delicious Thai food to Rhode Islanders from her convenient Warwick restaurant.

Irya's hospitable manner and food are among the highest quality in the state. The restaurant is tastefully decorated

with a comfortable atmosphere and spacious seating. For those concerned with nutrition, the Thai chef uses no MSG and selects fresh vegetables, meats and herbs. The wine list includes suggestions for complimentary dishes, thereby eliminating the guesswork from ordering wines.

Our meal began with a soup called Bhuket Feast (Tom Kar Gai). This soup is among the best I have ever eaten. The spicy chicken, coconut milk, ginger and fresh vegetables were perfectly blended, lending a sweet, delicate and exotic flavor to a thick and delicious soup. A thoroughly fabulous and unique starter!

Next we had the Satay, a tender, grilled chicken appetizer with subtle spices. The peanut sauce was decidedly fresh with chunks of ground peanuts.

Our Thai tea arrived like a course unto itself. Whereas some aromatic teas have a robust smell but a diffuse flavor, the tea served at Bangkok Cuisine had a taste as colorful and satisfying as its odor. Bangkok Cuisine also has a fully stocked bar featuring imported Thai beers.

The two main courses we selected were the Pad Thai Vegetables and the Bangkok Curry. The Pad Thai, a traditional Thai dish very popular with Americans, consists of

stir-fried Thai rice noodles with dry tofu, ground peanuts and diced scallions with bean-sprouts. Unlike other Pad Thais, this one was not bogged down by an overpowering peanut sauce. Rather, this delicious and light dish integrated the ingredients, creating a gentle medley.

The Bangkok Curry combined curried chicken and pineapple in coconut milk served in a pineapple shell. We enjoyed the light and sweet taste served on a bed of white rice. Always a staple and a necessary antidote for the spices, white rice is the ideal side dish. (All dishes can be ordered spicy, very spicy or non-spicy). The menu at Bangkok Cuisine provides for a choice between regular rice or their special coconut rice. Cooked in coconut juice, the coconut rice has a tender hint of sweet coconut - a revolutionary idea whose time has finally arrived!

We finished our meal with some homemade coconut ice cream with jack fruit and palm seed and a serving of fried banana with coconut milk and sesame seeds. The ice cream was divine with chunks of icy coconut, although the jack fruit and palm seed were slightly too exotic for our tastes. The hot fried banana floated in a bowl of sweet coconut milk - a delicious and sublime way to end a first-class meal!

Bangkok Cuisine not only caters parties in the restaurant but also will cater parties throughout the state at private homes and clubs. The restaurant is open daily from 11:30 a.m. until 10:30 p.m., except Tuesday, Friday and Saturday dinner is served until 11:30 p.m.



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## AROUND TOWN

Story and photos by Dorothea Snyder

## Temple Beth-El's Families Celebrate Sukkot

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Kids, who wanted their decorations

placed on the highest spot of the Sukkah, were assisted with a gentle boost by their moms and dads.

Decorating over, Rabbi Sidney Helbraun explained the significance of the Sukkot holiday. Accompanying himself on guitar, Rabbi Helbraun led the enthusiastic families into a joyous songfest.

The celebration ended with a sumptuous potluck supper!



Rabbi Sidney Helbraun leads everyone in joyous song.



Steven Koppelman, with gourd in hand, is about to decorate the Sukkah along with sons Lewis and Jake.



Little David Markus and Allison Friedman are both fascinated by the decorations hung high on the Sukkah. Holding them are their moms Susan Markus and Carol Friedman.



A happy festival service, and why do these youngsters look so serious? Rabbi Helbraun explains Sukkot and the meaning of the lulav and etrog to his attentive onlookers.



A comfy seat on her mom Ellen Kasle's lap, Whitney claps to the music.

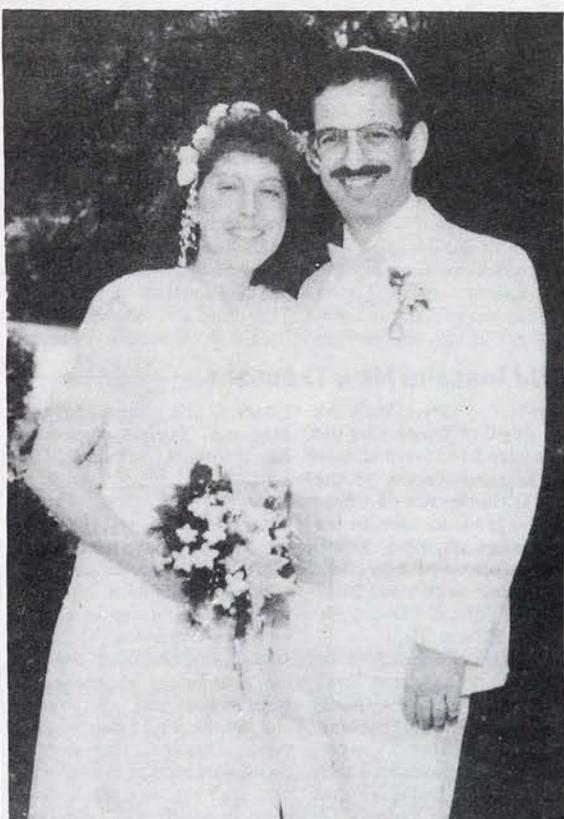


George Goodwin enjoys watching son Michael's reaction to Rabbi Helbraun talking about Sukkot. At left is Betsy Goodwin.



What better place to get a bird's-eye view than a nearby tree for Joey Lurie and Jeff Gallii!

# Milestones



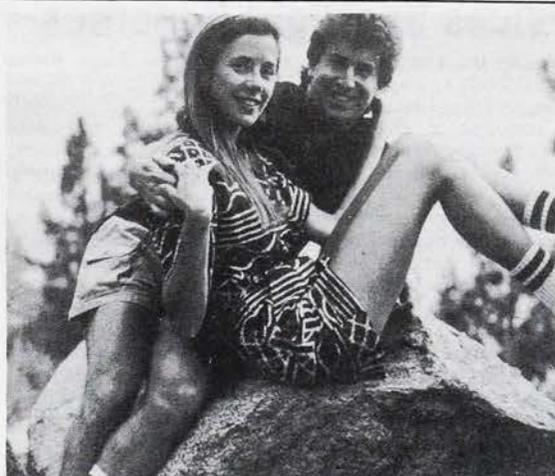
## Woolf Weds Nathan

Idele Gale Woolf of Cranston and Lester Howard Nathan of Providence were married on July 28, 1991, at Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston. The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Frances and Joseph Dress of Providence. Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer, a close friend of the bride's family, and Cantor Shimon Gewirtz officiated.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nathan of Larchmont, N.Y. Ms. Annette Dress, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor. Mr. Paul Napolitano, a friend of the groom, was the best man.

The bride is a graduate of Rhode Island College and Providence College. She is a special education teacher in the Providence School system. The bridegroom, a graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is a manufacturing analyst at American Insulated Wire Company.

After a wedding trip to England and Scotland, the couple will make their home in Cranston.



## Moskowitzes Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome W. Moskowicz of Ardmore, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan, to Arthur David Goldman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elliot L. Goldman of Wynnwood, Pa.

Miss Moskowicz, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, is the general manager of Travel Services Company in Paoli, Pa.

Mr. Goldman, a graduate of Harvard University and Cornell Law School, is an attorney with Duane, Morris and Hecksher in Philadelphia, Pa. He is the grandson of the late Dr. Harry I. and Rebecca T. Goldman, the great-grandson of the late Harry and Molly Katz, and the great-grandnephew of Isadore Katz.

A July 1992 wedding is planned.

## Carl Feldman Seventeenth President Of JFS



Carl Feldman

Carl Feldman will be installed as President of Jewish Family Service during the agency's 62nd Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers on Thursday, October 3, at 8 p.m.

in the Social Hall of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue (continued on next page)

## Gold And Salk Announce Birth

Sanford and Estelle Gold and Lewis and Charlotte Salk, all of Warwick, R.I., are very proud to announce the birth of their first grandchild, Curtis Andrew Salk, born to Linda and Richard Salk of Warwick, R.I. Born September 14, 1991.

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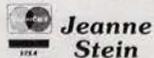
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# Local News

## Simhat Torah Services Spotlight Honorees

On October 1, Simhat Torah will be celebrated at Temple Emanu-El with services at 9:30 a.m. honoring Mel Alperin, Carol Ingall and Belle Frank. All three honorees have made major contributions to the Temple Emanu-El family and to the Jewish community at large. Last week, we featured an extensive article detailing their accomplishments and this week we'd like to turn our attention to the outstanding Simhat Torah Luncheon Committee at Temple Emanu-El.

This year's committee is co-

chaired by Jacob N. and Baye Temkin. Jacob, a past president of Temple Emanu-El, and current president of Friends of Touro Synagogue, brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the job. Similarly, Baye, a past president of Temple Emanu-El's sisterhood and a current president of the Women's Division at the Jewish Home, brings enthusiasm and experience to this role.

The committee is made up of the following wonderful participants: Celia Borenstein, Duffy and Larry Page, Evelyn

and Alan Brier, Elaine Kroll, Elaine Odessa, Nancy Blackman, Lillian and Harold Schwartz, Estelle and Bob Klemmer, Bella and Milton Dubinsky, Jeanne and Manfred Weil, Joel and Carolyn Roseman, Eleanor Bohnen, honorary member, and Natalie Percelay, honorary member.

Please join Temple Emanu-El for this distinguished celebration of the endurance and centrality of Torah for Judaism as we honor our impressive group of honorees on Tuesday, October 1, at 9:30 a.m.

## Temple Torat Yisrael To Honor Members

Temple Torat Yisrael will honor Ira Fleisher and Lonna Picker at Simhat Torah services, Oct. 1, at 9 a.m.

Ira Fleisher will receive the Hatan Torah award. Ira Fleisher is a past president of Torat Yisrael and currently Chairman of the Board.

Lonna Picker will receive the Kallat Bereshit award. Lonna Picker has served Temple Torat Yisrael school for the last 10

years as Principal.

A beautiful Kiddush will follow the service.

Simhat Torah eve services will take place Monday, Sept. 30, at 6:30 p.m. at the temple. Children are encouraged to attend and participate in this very special service.

For further information contact the temple at 785-1800. The temple is located at 330 Park Ave., Cranston.

## NCCJ Installs New Trustees

David A. Duffy, Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Rhode Island and Southeastern New England Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, announced the members of its 1991 Board. The installation will take place on Thursday, September 26, at the NCCJ Annual Meeting, to be held at Citizens Bank.

Members to be installed include: Robert Carothers, Pres., URI; William Connally, Managing Partner, KPMG Peat Marwick Main Co.; David Cooper, Esq., Cooper & Sanchez; Karén Danning; Robert Finke, VP and GM WPRI-TV Channel 12; David M. Hirsch, Pres., Pawtucket Fasteners, Inc.; John Howland, Pres., Original Bradford Soap Works; Ed Ivey, VP and GM WLNE-TV Channel 6; Dr. John Nazarian, Pres. Rhode Island College; Linda Newton, Asst. VP, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of RI; Arthur S. Robbins, Pres., Robins Properties; James Rosati, Pres., Old Stone Bank; Thomas Schutte, Pres., RI School of Design; Natale Sicuro, Pres., Roger Williams College; Thomas Skala, Pres., Fleet National Bank; Linda Sullivan, VP and GM WJAR-TV

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The Board of Trustees demonstrates commitment and responsibility to NCCJ through its attendance at programs, membership on committees and contributing financial support. Trustees represent a broad spectrum of the community and are able to identify areas in which NCCJ can continue its fight to combat prejudice and bigotry.

At this year's Annual Meeting, Leonard J. Diluro, Branch Manager of IBM, will be receiving an award for IBM's exceptional contributions to NCCJ. The nominating committee chairman, Joseph A. Beretta, also announces the election of Melvin G. Alperin who will be representing the Southeastern New England Region as the National Trustee on NCCJ's National Board.

## Carl Feldman

(continued from previous page) in Providence. Ronald Markoff will chair the meeting.

The evening will include a thought-provoking lecture by invited speaker, Frederic G. Reamer. His topic, "Jews in Trouble," will expose the commonly held myth that Jews are immune to the social crises prevalent in today's society, such as alcohol and substance abuse and homelessness. Dr. Frederic Reamer is a professor in the School of Social Work at Rhode Island College. He has written several books and is currently editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Social Work Education*.

In addition to Mr. Feldman, officers to be installed include: Robert Berkelhammer as Honorary President; Richard Kaplan, Vice President; Jerrold Dorfman, Treasurer; Stuart Aaronson, Assistant Treasurer; Anne Presser Franklin, Secretary. Newly elected members of the board of directors are: Phyllis Dutwin, Janet Goldman, Gertrude Gordon, Rabbi Sidney Helbraun, Judith Litchman, Judith Lubiner, Mark Ross, Dean Temkin, Irving Waldman and Samuel Zurier.

The evening's program is made possible by the S. Samuel Kestenmen Fund, established by his friends and family to promote the activities of Jewish Family Service during the annual meeting. Mr. Kestenmen served as President of Jewish Family Service from 1983-1985.

## Cranston-Warwick Group Hadassah

Two meetings are slated by the Cranston-Warwick Group which signify the vibrant continuance of the 91/92 season.

Lorraine Webber, vice president for education, will preside at the newly formed "Education Study" meeting to be held at her home, Thursday, October 3, at 10 a.m. at 15 Nakomis Drive, Gov. Francis Farms, Warwick.

Discussions at this and future monthly meetings will

center about the Jewish Sephardic ancestors. The year 1992 will be noted as the 500th anniversary of the expulsion of the Jews from Spain.

These discussions hold a promise of stimulating and educational sessions, with Mrs. Webber as leader. Attending members will find this time well spent and most worthwhile.

Also, on October 7, at the Warwick Police Station, 7:30

p.m., a regular meeting is planned for members and male guests.

Peppy Fuerst, vice president for program, has compiled, through audio and video excerpts, "The Sights & Sounds of Jewish-American Comics."

Shirley Schreiber, president, urges all members to partake of both of these events which have had much advance planning by the chairpersons.

## Women's Association Board Meeting

The Women's Association of the Jewish Home will hold a board meeting Wednesday, October 2, in the Martin Chase Auditorium. Collation will be at 12:30 p.m., the meeting at 1 p.m.

Nancy McComas, R.N., will speak on "New Approach to Nursing Care at the Home." A question and answer period will follow.

Celia Katz and Eve Zucker are in charge of hospitality.

The president, Baye Temkin, will officiate.

The calendar for 1991-92 is as follows: Regular Meetings: October 16, December 18 and May 6. Board Meetings: October 2, January 15, March 4 and April 15. Linen Event: November 6. Knit Sale: November 17 and 18. Donor Telethon: December 8, 9, 10 and 11. Donor Event: March 18. Annual Meeting and Raffle: June 10, 1992.

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### KidSpace/PTC Welcome Dinner

Families are invited to meet committee members, staff and friends and to learn about after-school childcare programs during the KidSpace/PTC Welcome Dinner on Monday, Oct. 7 from 6-7 p.m. A special guest appearance by the Big Nazo Puppets will highlight the evening. A light dinner, includ-

ing a variety of salads, breads and ice cream will be served. The fee is \$5 per person; families of 4 or more pay \$18. Reservations are requested by Oct. 3. For further information, please call Laurie Leone.

### Brown Bag Club

**Kickoff** — The Brown Bag Club will start the season with a Kickoff Luncheon on Oct. 8 at noon. Shimon Gerwitz, cantor at Temple Torat Yisrael, will entertain with a musical program. The cost to attend is \$4. Reservations must be made by Oct. 3. Please call Evy Rappoport.

**Plans Trip to Ellis Island** — An especially exciting and moving trip to Ellis Island is planned for Tuesday, Oct. 22, leaving the Center at 6:30 a.m. and returning at 10:30 p.m. Those wishing to view this restored site, so essential to the history of Jews in America, are asked to pay the \$33 fee in full

by Oct. 15. The day-long trip includes deluxe round trip coach transportation from the Center to Battery Park, round trip ferry to Ellis Island and admission to the exhibits. If interested, please call Evy Rappoport by Oct. 8.

### Computer Nights

A series of beginner computer courses, taught by members of the Providence IBM User's Group of the Boston Computer Society is scheduled on Wednesday evenings this fall from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The courses will be a discussion/demonstration presentation without hands-on usage. Each of the courses offered is independent of the others, so participants may take one or as many as they wish.

"Introduction to DOS" begins Oct. 2 and is designed for new users or those with little experience who want to learn (continued on page 15)

## Dinner And Speaker At Beth-El

On Monday, October 7, the Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El, welcomes Mary Ann Sorrentino to its new and paid-up membership dinner.

Mrs. Sorrentino is best known as the past Executive Director of Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island from 1977-1987 and for her current position as a WPRO-AM radio talk show host.

Please join us for Mrs. Sorrentino's enlightening discussion, "Surviving Notoriety: Life in RI After Excommunication."

Dinner begins promptly at 7 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend the evening program which begins at 8 p.m.



Mary Ann Sorrentino

## Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood Calendar

September 26 - **Golden Agers Luncheon.** Sisterhood is presenting the annual Golden Agers Luncheon at Temple Emanu-El, Thursday, September 26, at 12 noon. This has been a joyous event for many years. Chairpeople are Cynthia Kaplan and Helene Sandler. For further information, call Temple Emanu-El at 331-1616.

October 8 - **Opening Meeting.** Entire congregation invited. All Temple Emanu-El members are invited to our '91-92 Kick-Off event. Governor Bruce Sundlun will update us on R.I. current events. Join him on Tuesday, October 18, at 7:30 in the Bohnen Vestry. This season's opening meeting

promises to be a stimulating evening.

November 1 - **Shabbat Family Service and Dinner.** Sisterhood is sponsoring the dinner following Shabbat Family Service. We are honoring new Temple members. Bring your entire family for all to enjoy! Chairperson is Elizabeth Goldberg.

November 12, 13 and 14 - **Mitzvah Telethon.** Chairperson Lynn Markoff.

December 10 - **Sisterhood meeting,** 1:00 p.m.

January 15 - **Sisterhood Board meeting,** 10 a.m.

February 11 - **Sisterhood meeting,** 10 a.m.

March 9 - **Sisterhood meet-**

ing, 1 p.m.

April 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 - **Rummage Sale.** Chairperson Susan Odessa.

April 14 - **Sisterhood Board meeting,** 10 a.m.

May 19 - **Sisterhood Installation.**

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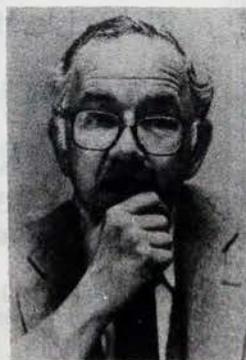
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# Obituaries

## ALVIN C. GILDEN

PROVIDENCE — Alvin C. Gilden, 53, of Argol Street, died Friday, September 20, 1991, at Miriam Hospital.

A lifelong resident of Providence, he was the son of the late Julius and Sarah (Parness) Gilden.

He was a dry goods salesman for various businesses in the area, most recently associated with Ann & Hope, Cumberland.

He leaves a sister, Beatrice Dworman Abowitz of Pawtucket, and two nieces.

Funeral services were held Sunday, September 22, at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

## Wallenberg

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Hungary, the War Refugee Board realized that the last large Jewish population in Europe — which was in Hungary — would be facing extermination in the Nazi gas chambers.

In May, 1944, the U.S. War Refugee Board asked the neutral nations to send diplomats to Budapest to try to save the Jews from Hitler's "final solution." Wallenberg was the single diplomat to volunteer. He went to Hungary with Swedish diplomatic papers and funds from the Refugee Board. However, the Swedish Foreign Ministry gave him a free hand to use whatever methods he needed to achieve his mission.

When he arrived in Budapest on July 9, 1944, 230,000 Jews remained trapped there. Over 400,000 Jewish men, women and children had already been deported to the gas chambers.

The homes of Jews who had been sent to concentration camps had been taken over by the Fascist government. Using War Refugee funds and his own financial resources, Wallenberg rented as many of these homes as he could. Turning them into "Swedish Houses," he brought Hungarian Jews into them and provided them with Swedish passports, then proclaimed them to be under the jurisdiction of the neutral Swedish government. But he was not unaided; he wrote to his family of the vital help that he received from the Papal Nuncio in Budapest and from bishops of the Catholic Church in Hungary.

Wallenberg arrived in Budapest at the same time that Adolph Eichmann was sent by Hitler to supervise the extermination of the remaining Hungarian Jews. When Eichmann

learned of Wallenberg's humanitarian efforts, he tried to have him killed. At this point Wallenberg was asked whether he feared for his life. His reply: "Yes, I get scared sometimes, but I don't have any choice. I took on this mission and I could never go back to Stockholm unless I knew inside myself that I had done everything possible to save as many Jews as I could."

Eichmann couldn't halt Wallenberg's efforts, but a sad quirk of fate prevented Wallenberg from receiving his just rewards. When the Soviet Army defeated the Nazis in Budapest in February, 1945, the Soviets were somehow led to believe that Wallenberg was an American spy and they arrested him.

Wallenberg's mother contacted the Soviet government, but they denied the arrest. Later, in 1947, they admitted that they had held him for questioning, but repeatedly maintained that he had died. However, reports from former prisoners who were freed from Siberian camps continue to

insist that the elderly man may still be alive.

Four books have been published about Wallenberg.

*Wallenberg, the Man in the Iron Web*, written by Eleanor Lester, who heard of him in Stockholm in 1978 from a Hungarian Jew whom he had saved.

*Righteous Gentile*, written by John Bierman, who was apprised of Wallenberg's deeds by Holocaust survivors whom he met in Israel in 1979.

*Raoul Wallenberg, Angel of Rescue*, written by Harvey Rosenfeld.

*Lost Hero*, written by Frederick E. Werbell and Thurston Clarke.

The Raoul Wallenberg Forerunner (Association) is still trying to bring the aged Wallenberg home. I have corresponded with Wallenberg's half-sister, Nina Lagergren, in Stockholm. Her last letter to me included an Israeli stamp commemorating her brother's life. It is certainly fitting that the Israeli government has honored Wallenberg in this manner.

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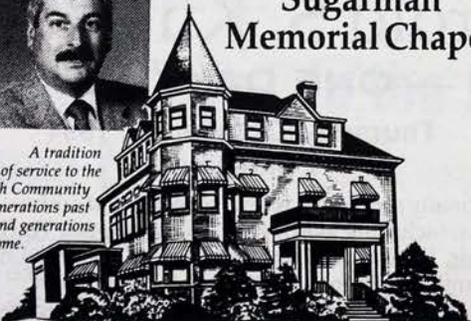
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## Officials

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that the Catholic Church, in particular, "finds it difficult to shake off this background." At the same time, he noted that the German Bishops Conference had played a key role in the issuance by the Vatican in 1965 of the landmark *Nostra Aetate*, the first written Church document to oppose anti-Semitism and remove from Church doctrine the deicide charge against the Jews.

"Probing our faith more deeply," Bishop Lehman said, "we recognize that the nature of Christian faith cannot be separate from its historic roots and its bond with Judaism."

Dr. Vogel of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation outlined as major priorities for Germany "reconciliation with the Jewish people," the establishment of close relations with the state of Israel, expansion of educational and other exchange programs between Germany and Israel, and the reeducation of former East Germans, whom he described as suffering from a "distorted view of recent history concerning Israel and the

Jewish people."

Dr. Vogel also announced a plan for an exchange to be initiated next year under which a delegation of German officials will visit the U.S. for a dialogue with American Jews while an American Jewish delegation journeys to Germany to meet with German leaders.

Kent Schiner, president of B'nai B'rith International, noted that Germany is now Israel's leading trading partner in Europe and praised Chancellor Helmut Kohl as "a great champion of Israel." He urged that Germany continue its support of Holocaust studies. "One of our greatest fears," he said, "is that once the Holocaust disappears from sight, it will disappear from mind and

memory as well."

David Harris, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, also commended Germany and acknowledged German aid to Israel, particularly during the Gulf War. He noted that "in the wake of the Gulf crisis, the world has become more aware of Israel's vulnerability in one of the roughest and toughest regions on earth."

Among the issues discussed at the meeting was the question of the Holy See's failure to establish full diplomatic relations with Israel. Bishop Lehman said he is aware of the issue and has raised it in the past with the Vatican, adding that he would "address the problem again when I get to Rome."

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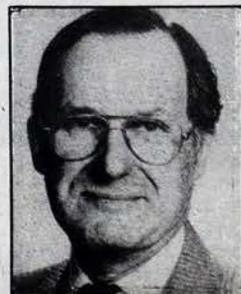
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Fees are \$12 for full and supporting members; \$15 for non-members. Call Assistant Executive Director Vivian Weisman for details.

## Kosher Mealsite

Seniors are invited to join a variety of activities and to share a hot kosher meal at noon at the JCCRI Kosher Mealsite. The doors open weekdays at 10 a.m., with casual conversation in the lobby for an hour. Exercise is scheduled during the week at 11:15 a.m. A women's group meets every Tuesday morning from 11 to 11:45 a.m. Friend to Friend meets Thursday from 11 a.m. until noon. Bingo is played on Thursdays from 12:45 p.m. until 2 p.m. Shabbat traditions are observed on Fridays. Sundays begin with tea, coffee and hot muffins at 10 a.m., followed by a variety of movies or VCR programs. The following programs are scheduled:

Friday, Sept. 27 - VCR program "Washington D.C. — A Capitol Adventure," 11 a.m., Shabbat.

Sunday, Oct. 29 - VCR program "Journey to Poland," 11 a.m.

Thursday, Oct. 3 - GAC Board meeting, 1 p.m. "Mixed Memories," a musical based on oral histories of Jewish immigrants in the early 20th century. Jewish Home for the Aged, 2 p.m.

Please note that the Center will be closed on Sept. 30 for Shemini Atzeret. For details on this month's calendar of events, please call Sandy Bass.

## JCCRI Singles

On Sunday, Sept. 29, the Singles will leave the Center at 12:30 p.m. for a meal at the Ponderosa Steak House in Cranston. For further information or to make a reservation, call the Center or Laura at 941-7640.

## Beth Am Singles

Temple Beth Am of Framingham cordially invites you to their second singles brunch for men and women 35 Plus. The brunch will be held on Sunday, September 29, at 11:30 a.m. Donation will be \$7 before September 27 and \$10 at the door. Please make checks payable to Temple Beth Am Singles, 300 Pleasant St., Framingham, Mass.

## Mezuzahs

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which he framed to hang in the entrance vestibule. In the back garden, he cleaned out the pond and put in new snappy lively goldfish. A leftover big guy had dug a wintry hole in the mud and survives to this day like a ghost come back from the other side of being. "The smell of the goat fades, but never leaves completely," says Alan. A quiet dignity settles back. To celebrate the peace and order, Wendy hung a hammock souvenir from a recent journey to Belize, between two large trunks with a pretty little rock garden and stone path for a shady nook. "We love it here, but we have to get away once a year," says Alan, standing among the red impatiens.

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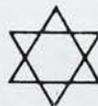
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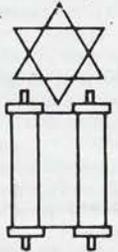
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When asked why they both entered the insurance/investment field, they replied that being their own boss allows them to be "your own entrepreneur." They said that although there may be high risks for a young agent, the capital investment is low enough to start a business.

Jeff Brier received a Master's in Business Administration from Washington University, St. Lewis, and a year ago he was honored with a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) certificate from American College, Pa. The young Brier's local community involvements in-

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