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## Governor Attempts To Clarify His 'Christian Nation' Remark

by Cynthia Mann

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Mississippi Gov. Kirk Fordice's effort to respond to concerns raised about his claim two weeks ago that the United States is a Christian nation has been welcomed by Jewish organizational leaders.

At the same time, they say his attempt to clarify his remarks shows he does not really understand why the Jewish community is concerned.

Fordice issued a clarification Nov. 20 saying he had been defending Christianity under attack and that the "values and beliefs of Judaism should, of course, not be denigrated either."

Fordice realizes that his views were "incorrect politically," said Abraham Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League. "But I don't think that, down deep in

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## Survey Shows Anti-Semitism in Nearly One in Five Americans

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — Nearly a fifth of all Americans — almost 40 million adults — hold attitudes the Anti-Defamation League describes as strongly anti-Semitic, according to a new survey conducted on its behalf.

The national poll on American attitudes towards Jews, ADL's first major study of this kind since 1964, revealed a hard-core group that embraces a wide range of stereotypes about Jews. That group represented 29 percent of Americans when the last survey was

conducted.

"It boggles the mind that in 1992 a significant segment of American society has bought into the classical canards and stereotypes that allege Jewish power," said Abraham Foxman, ADL national director.

Respondents' degree of anti-Semitism was measured against what ADL calls the "index of anti-Semitic belief," a series of 11 statements with which the person being surveyed was asked to disagree.

The 11 statements included: "Jews stick together more than

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**The Feast**

Kindergarten students at The Alperin Schechter Day School finally get to eat the Thanksgiving foods they prepared by themselves during the two weeks prior to the event.

Herald photo by Kammie Kettelle

## IDF Unit Involved in Negev Accident May Have Been Planning Commando Raid

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israeli army unit involved in a training accident in the Negev four weeks ago was planning a commando attack on a Shi'ite fundamentalist leader in Lebanon, according to a report in the *Miami Herald*.

If true, the report sheds light on why the military censor here barred publication of several key details of the accident, in which five soldiers died and six others were wounded.

According to the *Herald*, the accident occurred hours before an elite commando unit of the Israel Defense Force was to make a strike in Beirut on Sheik Hassan Nasrallah, a leader of the Islamic fundamentalist Hezbollah, which has stepped up attacks against Israel in recent weeks.

The paper said the mission was scrapped after the accidental firing of a missile during what was intended to be a dry run.

In Jerusalem, the Prime Minister's Office refused to confirm or deny the *Miami Herald* report.

If the report is accurate, it would explain why the military censor initially barred publication of the names of top generals who were present at the training exercise.

It took 10 days to reveal that the IDF chief of staff, Lt. Gen

Ehud Barak, and his deputy, Maj. Gen. Amnon Shahak, witnessed the Nov. 5 accident at the Tze'elim training grounds.

And it was only after mounting media pressure that the censor last week allowed publication of the fact that the chief of army intelligence, Maj. Gen. Uri Saguy, was present at the exercise.

Israeli journalists wondered why the names of top officers at the ill-fated training exercise were blanked out, in contrast to past practice by the censor.

And when members of the

generally well-informed Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense

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**NEWS ANALYSIS:**

## Israel Grapples With Censorship

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israeli government is trying to grapple with military censorship in an era of instant communications.

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## Will They Ever Learn?

by Ray Eichenbaum  
Special to the Herald

Once again we are witnessing ugly scenarios of rioting in Germany. Will the Germans ever get rid of their brutal tendencies when it comes to minorities in their midst?

They remind me of the flower — Venus-flytrap — which opens up with brilliant colors and enticing aromas to attract all kinds of insects only to close tight and devour those they have enticed.

I am beginning to think that the German people must have somebody other than themselves around — only to show off their superiority of mind, customs and intellect. Will they ever learn?

For a long time I wanted to obtain some information about the confessions of the "trigger pullers" — the German armed forces personnel who committed the atrocities against the Jews and others during the Holocaust. Thousands of them must be at the dying stages of their undeserved existences about now.

I have listened to one of the persons who claims to have conducted such interviews recently and his report has filled my heart with chagrin and disappointment. For being of an optimistic nature, I strongly believed that most of these killers would, at their moments of demise, express remorse and

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**'Frailich' Music**

David Harris and Mike Bresler of the Klezmer Trio make "Frailich" music at the Stone Soup coffeehouse (see story on the Jewish Community page).

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

# INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

## Golf Card to Benefit Lung Assoc. Safe Place Meetings Set

The perfect holiday gift for a golfer, the Rhode Island Lung Association's 1993 Golf Privilege Card, is now on sale. If ordered now, you will be eligible to win one of three chances in a special drawing — lunch and golf at Rhode Island Country Club next June.

Offered for \$25, the card includes free and reduced golf and discount golf offers that exceed \$100 in value.

Proceeds from the sale of the card support the lung association's programs and services for children and adults with lung disease, as well as smoking cessation and lung health education programs that protect Rhode Islanders'

right to breathe clean air.

Call the Rhode Island Lung Association at 421-6487 for information or to order over the phone. The 1993 Golf Privilege Card is made possible through the generosity of the following participating courses and establishments: Cranston Country Club, Fairlawn Golf Course (Lincoln), Green Valley (Portsmouth), Jamestown Golf Course, Lindbrook Country Club (Hope Valley), Seaview Country Club (Warwick), Washington Village Golf Course (Coventry), The Club House (Johnston), and Golfers' Warehouse of R.I. (Cranston).

Safe Place, a support group where family members and friends can share the emotional pain caused by a suicide death, now meets every Tuesday of each month at The Samaritans Center, 2 Magee St., Providence, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

December meeting dates are Dec. 8, 15, 22 and 29.

For information on Safe Place, call The Samaritans of Rhode Island at (401) 272-

4516.

Safe Place is now also meeting at The Samaritans center in Fall River, Mass., at 386 Stanley St. Meetings will be held every first and third Thursday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. December meeting dates are Dec. 3 and 16. Call The Samaritans toll-free number (800) 365-4044, for more information on the Fall River Safe Place meetings.

## Support Group To Meet

The next meeting of the "Other Victim" parent support group will be held Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at New Hope, 140 Park St., second floor, Attleboro, Mass.

The topic for this month is "Taking Care of Yourself — Dealing with the Holidays." This is a drop-in group for non-

offending parents of children who have been sexually abused. There is no charge for attending.

For more information, call 226-4015.

## Peace Corps Meeting Set at Marriott

An informational meeting for potential Peace Corps volunteers will be held Dec. 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Providence Marriott, at the corner of Charles and Orms streets in Providence.

A film session will be held Dec. 10 at 7 p.m., also at the Marriott.

Throughout the year, more than 3,000 new volunteers will be sent to Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Pacific and Eastern Europe to work in education, agriculture, business, skilled trades, forestry and health.

For more information, call the Peace Corps in Boston at (800) 648-8052.

## Winter Sale Set at International House

International House of Rhode Island will hold its 19th annual Winter Holiday Sale beginning with a preview party on Dec. 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. and continue on Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Entrance to the Preview Party is \$10 and includes an international buffet of special appetizers, pate, French market soup, Dahl, Swedish meatballs and assorted desserts; a silent auction table featuring hand-knit afghan, a rotisserie, jewelry, an antique day bed, and the opportunity to shop early for the best selection of merchandise.

There is no entrance fee to shop on Saturday and the items available will range from handmade gifts and holiday floral arrangements, to clothing, and jewelry as well as imported boutique items, baked goods and attic treasures.

An international gourmet foods shop will be filled with Chinese, Italian, Greek, Armenian, French and other ethnic specialty dishes.

Special tables for children's items from hand-smocked dresses to stuffed rabbits to doll clothes are also available.

International House is located at 8 Stimson Ave. off Hope Street one block north of Angell Street. For further information, call 421-7181.



**Wickford House Tours** will be given on Dec. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets, priced at \$5, are available at the Bookstore in Wickford, Anniens and the Parish House, 76 Main St.

**Povar Animal Hospital** and Donnelly Photography have joined forces for the fifth annual **Picture Perfect Pets** fund-raiser. Pictures of pets and their owners will be taken on Dec. 6 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Povar Animal Hospital, 15 First St., East Providence, to help rebuild the Miami Metrozoo. The cost is \$15 per sitting. For more information, call Jill Ramsden or Robin Clemens at the animal hospital at 434-0106.

**The Citizens for Responsible Government** will meet Dec. 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the State House in room 313. Parking is available in the legislator's parking lots, with 24-hour security. Continued dialogues will focus on such topics as commuter tax pros and cons, tax-exempt properties, reimbursement for rescue services, cutting government spending and the Providence plan. For more information, call 521-7477.

**Sail USA** is preparing for its fund-raising sale of donated items. The group operates diverse inner-city kids programs and is totally supported by people who donate unwanted but useful items. Sail USA will be expanding into Connecticut during the coming year. This year's sale will be held at the home office in East Greenwich. Items needed include cars, light trucks, boats of any type or size, motor homes in any condition and other items considered useful or beneficial to the group. Contributors to the sale will be invited to sail with Sail USA from Newport next summer. For pick up in Connecticut, Massachusetts or Rhode Island, call 884-8950.



**Bristol Community College** will host two information sessions for people interested in a **free training program** leading to a health career. The sessions will be offered Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. and Dec. 9 at 1:30 p.m. Both sessions will be held in the Siegel Health Technologies Building on the BCC campus. For more information, contact Beverly Pusateri or Susan J. Crook at (508) 678-2811, ext. 2358.

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# FEATURE

## Will They Ever Learn?

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 repentance for their evil deeds. At least, according to their creed, they should be asking for forgiveness and absolution.

But, according to this one source, the opposite is happening. These murderers only remember the "highs" that they have experienced during the heydays of Nazi occupation. It appears that most of them think that they have lived a "dream," while they were strutting around Europe in their colorful uniforms embellished by the hated swastikas. To "top it off," some of them felt an exhilaration by being fully "alive" while those being put to death were in their throes of agony.

I was deeply shocked and shaken by these disclosures of unrepentant behavior of Nazis, even on their death. It must be really true that only the surviving victims believe that the aggressors will repent some day. Is man's capacity for bestiality greater than that for doing good? Is there no repentance in humans even when death is at the doorstep?

There must be a connective link between these confessions, and the riotous behavior of today's youth of Germany. The aggressive strains of the Teutonic knights of old still stir in the blood of the Germans. Their highmindedness and "tall stories" of superior morality lose their luster when hard times start to affect their daily lives. Then the real face of the naked aggressor shows clearly through.

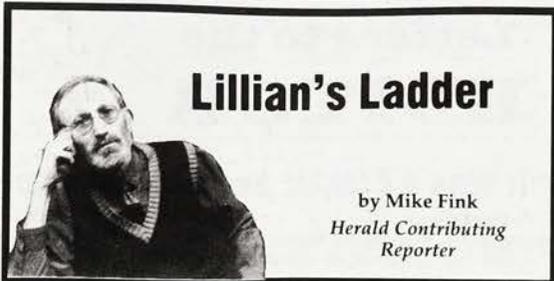
I see trouble ahead, unless we can head off the surge of supernaturalism and "false" patriotism in the reunited Germany. Slowly, they will revert to their old ways of aggressive expansionism. The nations of the world had better be aware, and take steps to curb these developments right away. Otherwise, it might again be too late. Let us always remember the Sudetenland!

The retelling of the horrors of the Holocaust changed the behavior of mankind for a while. I sincerely hope that this trend will continue and have its desired effect. Those people who thought that more retelling is superfluous should see that this is not the case. People all over the world have to learn that they are their brother's keeper once and for all.

I hope and pray that the people of Germany will find it in themselves to reverse the diabolical tendencies of their immediate past, and finally learn to "fly right." They have so much to contribute to the constructive evolution of mankind. The story of the Holocaust should help Germany in its transformation to a better nation. If that is not to be — then the fall of the Reich will have to be replayed one more

time with disastrous consequences. And that time, perhaps the last time, the German nation might not return from Valhalla.

Have a story idea? Know someone in the community with a story to tell? The R.I. Jewish Herald welcomes your ideas and suggestions. Call the Editor or Assistant Editor at 724-0200.



## Lillian's Ladder

by Mike Fink  
 Herald Contributing Reporter

Lillian Schwartz knows something about you. She knows your taste in books — your mind and soul. Lillian goes up and down that librarian ladder at Temple Emanuel. From that perch she can look down on our heads as well as into them. She's been at it for nearly 20 years.

I know her style among the stacks as well. Like, she'll tape a TV show. Or take the way she got hold of a bargain copy of the latest Mayor Koch memoir. She found a book with a few torn pages. "No problem. I can just fix the rips with my trusty tape at my desk, good as new. It was already a marked-down sale, but they chopped even that price in half."

But though she runs a tight ship at the temple, Lillian couldn't give more generously of her efforts, time and good will to meet the needs and wishes of her readers of whatever age or temperament.

I go in hunting down some rare item about the Khazars and their Jewish kings, or some article about faraway or folkloric Jewish figures. Lillian moves around wearing out shoe leather in her familiar terrain and comes right over with just the thing for me. With her left hand. With her right hand she's giving a book of war poems to Stan Abrams or a storybook to some small-fry.

Her favorite recent work of narrative art by a Jewish author is Philip Roth's *Patrimony*. She gives readings and talks on the "true story," as it is subtitled. I had never picked it up on my own, I don't know why. Though I admire Roth's zest, energy and brilliance, I turn away from all that down-to-earth body-part frankness. But out of respect for Lil, I took home the hardback she put into my hands.

Well, her taste ran as true as an arrow. *Patrimony* makes incredible reading. It's blunt and crude, yes. But it's a great love story. Nobody loved a dad like Phil. The words just knock you over and lay you out. The sharp details, the pace, the variety of episode, the quality of the involvement, the mix of horror and humor — there's nothing quite like it in our literature.

I made a special stop, not to return my volume, but to talk about it with Lillian Schwartz. "The part I like to read aloud to people is the chapter about the concert and the old people." I agreed with Lillian. We liked all the same parts. Roth's dad and other seniors listen to a performance noteworthy because it's physical effort to play a stringed instrument. It's also work to sit and take it in. The old folks clap "more for their own endurance." But what do they get for

their polite applause? An encore! Oy!

A couple of episodes at the end blew me over. I didn't get over them for days on end. One day his father soils himself in the john. I haven't got Philip Roth's crass courage to print the terms he uses about the event. He crafts an entire chapter about cleaning up after his dad's mess.

Pere and fils have lunch with a Holocaust survivor. But this odd bird has written a hard-core porn manuscript about life among Berlin ladies who hide him, and use him. This guy wants his daughter to translate. Is this gross and wrong? In lesser hands, yes. But this Roth is something else. The author writes, "I resist plaintive metaphor and poeticized analogy." Yet he calls his work "unseemly."

I read every passage through Lillian's eyes. The person who gives you a book to read becomes part of what you get from studying. Lillian opens our eyes and our hearts.

She stretches our horizons. You know how your librarian of yesteryear shushed you and

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# EDITORIAL

## Feeding the Fire of a Growing Problem

*(Editor's note: The following is a version of a letter to the editor submitted to the Providence Journal on Nov. 25.)*

A letter to the editor in the Nov. 18 *Providence Journal* by Thomas S. Hunter names Hans Heimann a racist. Hunter refers to Heimann's Oct. 9 letter to the *Journal* regarding the Maastricht agreement that would unite Europe.

Hunter assumes, correctly,

that Heimann is Jewish (though Heimann nowhere states this in his letter) and labels him a racist and irredentist for criticizing Germany. ("Who can trust a strong Germany, even if it acts as if it were a democracy?" Heimann asks in his letter).

In making this assumption, however, Hunter also should understand why Heimann (also a Holocaust survivor) is wary of Germany, which makes head-

lines daily for uprisings of extremists against "foreigners."

Who in America today, Jew or gentile, old or young, can not draw parallels between the violence in Germany today and 50 years ago?

Labeling Heimann a racist for his suspicion is Hunter's all-too-easy "solution" to a growing problem that needs to be examined. Instead, Hunter feeds fuel to the fire.

## The Lesson of Abraham and Isaac

The Torah portion of Toldot begins by relating that "Abraham fathered Isaac." The commentator, Rashi, notes: "The cynics of that generation were saying that 'Avimelech fathered Isaac.' What did G-d do? He caused Isaac's countenance to be like Abraham's. Everybody then testified that 'Abraham fathered Isaac.'"

Was it so strange that Isaac should look like Abraham? It is the most natural thing in the world for a child to look like the parent. In fact, there would have to be a special reason for them not to look alike. Why, then, do our sages indicate that making Isaac look like Abraham was special?

Abraham and Isaac, father

and son, were different in many critical areas. Abraham was totally dedicated to G-d out of love for him, while Isaac was wholly devoted to G-d out of fear and awe of him.

flowed from below upward.

A son will truly resemble his father when both father and son share similar personalities, are alike intellectually, emotionally, etc. Abraham and



Since intellect is the cause and root of emotion, it follows that the reason Abraham and Isaac differed so radically in their emotional approach was because they differed intellectually as well.

Abraham and Isaac differed, too, in their manner of spiritual service. Abraham's service of G-d involved hospitality and making G-d known to the populace — revealing G-dliness from above downwards. Isaac's spiritual service was symbolized by his digging of wells, involving as it did removing the obstruction that concealed the well springs and revealing the well water that

Isaac, however, possessed completely different personalities. Therefore, Abraham and Isaac should not have looked alike, they should have had totally different appearances — Abraham a kind countenance, Isaac a stern one.

Herein lies the "difficulty." What could be done to these opposites — Abraham and Isaac — to ward off the scoffs of the cynics who said that Avimelech fathered Isaac?

In order for their words to have no credibility, G-d did something out of the ordinary. He changed the order of things and saw to it that Isaac looked like Abraham, so that all would testify that Abraham fathered Isaac.

Bearing in mind that Abraham is symbolic of kindness and Isaac of severity, we learn an important lesson from the fact that G-d made Isaac look like Abraham. Whenever a Jew is faced with a decision regarding spiritual service, whether to serve with the attribute of kindness and benevolence or with the attribute of severity, he should choose to act kindly and benevolently.

From *The Wellsprings of Chasidut* by Rabbi S. B. Wineberg.

Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer with permission of L'Chaim publications.

## Letters to the EDITOR



### 'It Was a Frantic and Exciting Time'

**To the Editors:**

After being so rudely interrupted by some bigot who attacked my character in an anti-Semitic diatribe in the *Providence Journal* I am now ready and able to continue the story of my life in emigration.

Well, here it goes.

So, for me the war was over. We were liberated, safe, for us the specter of persecution and uncertainty of the future was terminated. For good.

Nobody knew as yet, the word "Holocaust." That came many years later after Potsdam. It is a word which made its entry into every language of the world, in Germany it is "Der Holocaust," in Italy "Il Holocaust," etc. I, myself, heard it first from the lips of the late, and great, Rabbi William Braude of Temple Beth-El.

And, in retrospect, after hearing all about the horrors of the camps from the lips of survivors whom I interviewed in my capacity of worker for the American Joint Distribution Committee, I felt like the little daughter of the late historian Arthur J. Schlessinger, who asked her father after the five exhausting days following the Kennedy assassination and funeral, "Daddy, will we ever laugh again?" and her father replied, "Yes darling, but we will never be young again."

So, free I was — free in the sense of the four freedoms proclaimed by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin: freedom of religion, freedom of speech, free from want, and free from fear. I was free to worship in my faith, free to say what was on my mind, perhaps not always free from want, but certainly free from anxieties.

And off to work I went, hi-ho, hi-ho, hi-ho. My job was as interpreter for AMGOT, and I was, as I said, assigned to a British major who was to oversee the public health services. This instilled in me a love for the field; later, much later (although that is yet another chapter to tell about) I worked for the "Joint" as we called the AJDC in a hospital for postop-

erative patients of tuberculosis who contacted the threatening disease because of under-nourishment in camps like Auschwitz, et al.

AMGOT lasted only a few months; it was followed by ACC, the Allied Control Commission, which gave the conquered country and its inhabitants many more freedoms and leeway. If the whole "alphabet soup" seems confusing right now, think of what it did then, there was REME, the Royal Electric and Mechanical Engineers of the British Eighth Army, who repaired trucks, lorries, jeeps, command cars and, yes, even armored vehicles and

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### Good Story, But Let Me Clarify

**To the Editors:**

An excellent article in the Nov. 5 issue of the *Herald* on the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association contains two errors. Although the association is correctly identified in the concluding paragraph, it is incorrectly designated as the Jewish Historical Association of Rhode Island in the body of the article.

Prior to its move to 130 Sessions St. in the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island building, it was located for a few years at 209 Angell St., Providence. This building was never owned by David C. Adelman, as indicated in the article, and in fact he had nothing to do with its location there. Originally the estate of Professor Appleton of Brown University, it was long owned and occupied for his offices by the late Dr. John J. Gilbert, an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. Later it was bought by Edwin S. Soforenko and used as an annex for his insurance business.

Dr. Seebert J. Goldowsky and the late Dr. Maurice Adelman, a pediatrician, also had offices in the building. David C. Adelman and Dr. Maurice Adelman were not related.

Seebert J. Goldowsky, M.D. Providence

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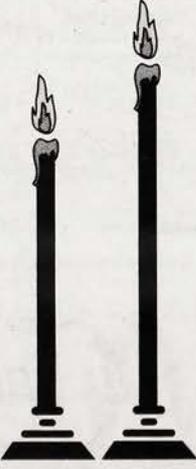
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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Journalist and Lawyer Help Survivors File East German Claims by Year-End

by Tamar Kaufman

Northern California Jewish Bulletin

SAN FRANCISCO (JTA) — A Dutch journalist and a German lawyer, armed with fax machines and determination, are racing the clock in an attempt to help Holocaust sur-

vivors.

Jews who lost property in the former East Germany due to the rise of Nazism in the 1930s have until Dec. 31 to file claims for restitution but, the two discovered, many are unaware of the deadline.

Simon Hammelburg, West Coast correspondent for Dutch Radio and Television, heard about the problem when a friend visited him in Los Angeles a few months ago.

"The [German] authorities made me believe that everyone who's eligible knows and has

filed," attorney Ingo Leetsch had told Hammelburg. "I don't believe it but I can't substantiate it."

The journalist suggested they place a couple of small notices in California's Jewish press, including the *Jewish Bulletin*, thinking "if we could help one or two people before the year ends, they could open a bottle of champagne and celebrate."

But since the notices ran about a month ago, the phone has not stopped ringing and Hammelburg has been inundated with heartrending stories from all over the United States.

One of the most poignant came from a woman in Monterey Park whose parents were forced to flee Berlin when she was 3 years old.

"I asked if she could remember the street where she lived or her father's business, which I thought impossible because she was so small," Hammelburg said.

But "she said, 'Oh, yes. In the little bag that I took I had a hanger from the clothing business and that had the name.'"

Her entire family was killed and she only had a stupid hanger."

Like so many of those who have contacted the journalist, the woman had never spoken about her experiences.

"She was sitting there with this newspaper, staring at the notice and she suddenly decided, 'Now I can handle it,' and she called."

Hammelburg, himself the son of Holocaust survivors, has been spending hours on the phone, listening to tale after tale of loss and destruction, taking notes, writing up short reports and immediately faxing them to his friend in Bremen, Germany.

Everyone gets a sympathetic ear, even if they do not qualify for East German restitution.

"These people have been walking around with this heavy baggage all these years," Hammelburg explained. But even those with legitimate claims are encountering problems.

"For example, they call the German consul general and first they get caught up in the voice mail.

"Some people just hang up then. If they finally do get someone, they get sent a pamphlet in German."

## 'It Was a Frantic and Exciting Time'

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tanks, there was this commission and that, and above all there were not only the British soldiers and the Americans, but also the Canadians and the Aussies, the ANZACs (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) and many others, including some Free Polish Forces under Pilsudski.

Proudly wearing a uniform exhilarated me and I was popular with the people of the provinces, because I could be of help to them obtaining permits, licenses and — some considered it of utmost importance — food, which was still scarce. A can of Spam and/or corned beef could make a family's supper special.

But back to the health offices and Major Foley, who was a father figure to me. We obtained medical supplies for local hospitals and clinics that were desperately in need of drugs and even of basics like sheets, pillowcases and surgical gloves.

But then the armies moved

on northwards. The war stalled around Monte Cassino where the German troops sat defending the mountains around Naples and much of the efforts came to a standstill, much as the "Sitzkrieg" as opposed to the "Blitzkrieg" was in 1940 before the Germans finally overran the Maginot Line.

The French, as I recall, called it "Le Drole de Guerre." But at long last, the American Fifth Army under Gen. MacClark broke the resistance and liberated Rome, the "eternal city." I went in two days later and, again, with the military government, worked at the largest office building on the Via Del Tritone. This time, I did not live in our rented room like in Potenza, but at a hotel on the Piazza Del Tritone.

Interpreting was my main job, and I translated back and forward in English, and in Italian, so that sometimes, during my time off, I did not know what language I was talking in and to whom. It was a

frantic and exciting time.

And it was the time when I met a gentleman who was in a non-combatant position with a Quaker unit. His name was John Hartley and he promised me that he would bring me to the United States after finding a sponsor for mom and me. We registered with the U.S. authorities. This was in 1944.

And you know when I finally came here? Give up? So did we, giving up hope at least that we would some day get here. June, 1951. It took so long because at that time the McCarran-Walters Act was still in effect, limiting immigrants to a number corresponding with the inhabitants of their country of birth. Since Austria was blessed with only 6 million people, it was a small quota indeed. And it lasted seven years for us to sweat it out.

More of what I did in those seven years, is yet another story or two.

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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS



## Arab-Israeli Negotiations

All 50 members of the three Israeli delegations to the Arab-Israeli negotiations attended a reception in their honor given by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations at the conclusion of the seventh round of talks. Shown, left to right, are: Eli Rubenstein, head of the delegation meeting with Jordanian and Palestinian representatives; Malcolm Hoehnlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents; Kent Schiner, president of B'nai B'rith International; Shoshana Cardin, chairwoman of the Conference of Presidents; Professor Itamar Rabinovitch, who heads the Israeli delegation at the talks with Syrian representatives, and Ambassador Uri Lubrani, head of the Israeli team meeting with the Lebanese delegation.

## Survey Shows Anti-Semitism

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other Americans"; "Jews always like to be at the head of things"; "Jews are more loyal to Israel than America"; "Jews have too much power in the U.S. today"; "Jews have too much control and influence on Wall Street"; "Jews have too much power in the business world."

The fifth of respondents considered "hard-core haters" by ADL agreed with six or more of the statements.

The moderately anti-Semitic (39 percent) agreed with as few as two or as many as five of the statements, and those who agreed with none or one — a 41 percent plurality of respondents — are considered not anti-Semitic by ADL.

Twice as many African-Americans fell into the hard-core category (34 percent) as white Americans (17 percent), although, as in the general population, the overall level of anti-Semitism among blacks has declined over the last three decades.

"We are deeply troubled by the extent of anti-Semitic attitudes held by African-Americans which the survey revealed," said Foxman. "The black-Jewish relationship is a longstanding and special one, and we feel pained by the results."

The study also found that anti-Semitic beliefs are more likely to be found among the following groups: those over age 65, those who receive a high-school education or less, and blue-collar or semiskilled workers.

Anti-Semitic beliefs were least prevalent among those under age 40 and those who are college-educated.

The survey's findings, based on a national poll of 1,101 American adults conducted in May by the Boston firm of Marttila & Kiley, do not necessarily paint a picture of doom

and gloom, however, especially when viewed in the context of interethnic tensions generally.

As one expert, Jerome Chanes of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, said at the Council of Jewish Federations General Assembly last week, "20 percent of any group probably has negative attitudes about any other group."

And according to the ADL survey, over the last three decades stereotypes about Jewish shadiness and dishonesty have become increasingly unacceptable to most Americans.

Since 1964, the percentage of Americans accepting a range of negative stereotypes about Jewish business practices has fallen off sharply, while the percentage rejecting these views has increased dramatically.

During the same period, however, stereotypes about Jewish power in the United States and American Jewish loyalty to Israel have become more prominent.

Eleven percent of respondents in 1964 agreed that Jews have too much power in the United States, and 31 percent agree today.

There has also been a slight rise — from 30 percent to 35 percent — in the percentage of Americans who believe that Jews are more loyal to Israel than to the United States.

Among the most anti-Semitic segment of the population, it is one of the most accepted stereotypes.

But when viewed in a larger context, these figures are offset at least somewhat by countervailing trends.

For instance, while 31 percent of respondents believe that Jews have too much power; nearly half say that whites in general have too much power.

## Unit Involved in Accident

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Committee found out that the presence of the top officers had been withheld, they were outraged.

But ironically, the ensuing allegations of an army coverup shifted public focus away from questions over the accident itself to the broader issue of censorship.

The controversy over reporting of the affair underlines the ambivalence of Israeli journalists as they report on defense issues.

Like all other eligible Israelis, reporters serve in the army reserves, and there is not much they are not aware of. Their efforts to inform the public are balanced by a desire to protect national security.

These considerations stand in contrast with the perspective of major overseas media, whose correspondents are assigned to Israel for a year or two before being posted elsewhere. Their insistence on the public's right to know remains unqualified.

The powers of Israel's chief military censor derive from a 1945 law dating to the period of the British Mandate. At the time, it was vigorously opposed by the Jewish Yishuv as an attempt to stifle protests against the anti-Zionist policies of the British.

Later, an understanding was reached with Israeli editors tempering the summary powers of the military censor to close down a newspaper for infractions.

A three-member appeals board rules on appeals against censorship rulings, with the army chief of staff remaining the final court of appeal. The board represents the censor and the editors, with a neutral civilian as the swing vote.

## Israel Grapples With Censorship

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ing what action to take against foreign correspondents who bypassed the military censor to report on a fatal army training accident four weeks ago.

But both the army and press officials are facing a possible need to change the rules of the game as introduction of the fax machine, electronic transmission and direct phone dialing facilitate getting around the censor.

Television correspondents equipped with point-to-point transmission disks to provide real-time pictures of events in progress heighten perceptions that the present system no longer works. It is based on a time when correspondents could file only by taking their copy to cable offices for transmission, where a censor could sit and read the copy.

The question has surfaced in an acute form amid ongoing controversy over coverage of a Nov. 5 accident at the Tze'elim training grounds in the Negev which killed five members of an elite unit and wounded six more.

In their most recent reports, overseas newspapers said the exercise was a rehearsal for a commando attack in Beirut on Sheik Hassan Nasrallah, a leader of the Islamic fundamentalist Hezbollah, which has stepped up attacks against Israel in recent weeks.

The *Miami Herald* was among those publications which ran the report, which then created headlines in Israel.

Israeli media cited the reports under rules which allow publication of foreign news items that might otherwise be censored.

The dilemma over censorship is compounded by press leaks in a war between generals that has developed over responsibility for the accident, and by complaints in parliament that the army withheld information on the presence of top army brass at the exercise.

Correspondents who filed uncensored copy on Tze'elim have been asked by the chief censor for an explanation and have denied breaching national security.

The *Times* of London correspondent said his article dealt with the "political fallout" of the war of the generals with the description of the unit involved serving only as background.

"At no point did I compromise Israeli security or any ongoing operation," said Richard Beaton.

Foreign correspondents maintain they use information volunteered by senior officials and army officers whom they have every reason to trust and who view them as a channel for making specific issues public.

They know that once published abroad, the material can be picked up by the Israeli media.

High-level discussions on what action, if any, to take against correspondents who bypassed the censor on the Tze'elim disaster were being held at midweek.



## INTERNATIONAL

**BUDAPEST (JTA)** — In a move welcomed by a visiting U.S. congressman, the ruling Hungarian party has called for the resignation of one of its top officials known for anti-Semitic diatribes. Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) said he is "very pleased" by the sentiment that led the presidium of the center-right Hungarian Democratic Forum to call for the resignation of Istvan Csurks, who is vice president of the party.

**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — The government is planning to propose legislation this week lifting a ban on meetings between Israeli citizens and officials of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Justice Minister David Libai said the proposed measure makes such meetings a criminal offense only if they are intended to prejudice the security of the state.

**SYDNEY, Australia (JTA)** — A 68-year-old Adelaide resident, Heinrich Wagner, will face trial early next year on war crime charges, including the murder of 19 "mixed blood" children in the Ukraine in 1942. The decision was reached in Magistrates Court Nov. 20.

**VANCOUVER, British Columbia (JTA)** — The first Canadian to lose his citizenship because of war crimes has been ordered to leave Canada because he lied about his past when he entered the country and continued to lie when he applied for Canadian citizenship. After four years of hearings and appeals, 73-year-old Jacob Luitjens, a retired University of British Columbia botany instructor, was ordered out of Canada because he failed to disclose his past Nazi activities.

**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — On the heels of winter's first heavy rainstorms, which have wreaked havoc at caravan parks housing new immigrants, former Housing Minister Ariel Sharon accused the Rabin government of improperly maintaining the caravans. Built of lightweight materials and without sturdy foundations, many of the 15,000 prefabricated units were damaged by the storms' heavy rains and gale-force winds.

# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Governor Attempts To Clarify

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his heart and soul, he understands. His comments indicate he's got problems with [the community's] response."

Foxman co-authored a letter to Fordice two weeks ago in which he called the remarks "appalling" and "unworthy of any governor elected to represent a diverse and pluralistic constituency."

"His latest comments [show] he doesn't get it when it comes to a pluralistic society," said Kenneth Stern, program specialist on anti-Semitism at the American-Jewish Committee.

AJCommittee also issued a statement calling Fordice's statement "religiously bigoted and harmful to the fabric of American pluralism."

"I welcome the conciliatory tone of the governor's public statement," said Mark Pelavin, director of the Washington office of the American Jewish Congress, which called on Republican Party leaders to repudiate the remarks.

But "it is still not clear to me he understands exactly why the term 'Christian nation' is so offensive to American Jews and others," he said. "The term can mean nothing other

than second-class citizenship for non-Christians."

"The fact that he did respond indicates the message sent by the community was heard," said Dan Mariaschin, international affairs director for B'nai B'rith International.

Fordice's remarks were made Nov. 17 at the close of a meeting of the Republican Governors Association in Fontana, Wis. He was quoted as telling reporters: "The United States of America is a Christian nation."

He added that this was a "simple fact of life" that did not imply religious intolerance or that a religious dogma was being "forced on anybody else."

"The less we emphasize the Christian religion, the further we fall into the abyss of poor character and chaos in the United States of America," he said.

He then chided Gov. Carroll Campbell Jr. of South Carolina, who tried to soften the remarks by stressing the country's "value base" was of "Judeo-Christian heritage."

"If I wanted to do that, I

would have done it," Fordice said.

The remarks triggered protests from Jewish groups, including the AJCongress call on the chairman of the Republican National Committee, Richard Bond, to repudiate the remarks. Bond issued a statement signed by several party leaders that did not mention Fordice but which condemned religious bigotry and intolerance.

Fordice's own clarification Nov. 20 said he had risen in defense of Christianity because Christianity had been under "severe attack."

"I believe that many Mississippians of the Jewish faith, particularly those that I know personally and love, are confident that, had it been Judaism and Jewish citizens that were under attack, I would have also risen in their defense," Fordice said.

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## German Jewish Writer Calls for Jews To Protect Themselves Against Nazis

by David Kantor  
BONN (JTA) — German Jews have called for demonstrations against Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government, and a leading writer has urged Jews to arm themselves to protect them from neo-Nazi attack.

The leader of the German Jewish community called for protests to press the German government to neutralize right-wing extremists, in the wake of an arson attack Nov. 23 that killed three ethnic Turks in Molln, near Hamburg.

But Ignatz Bubis termed "nonsense" a proposal to carry arms that was advanced by German Jewish novelist Ralph Giordano.

The writer charged, in a

widely published open letter to Kohl, that the government had exhibited "inexcusable" weakness in fighting a wave of right-wing extremist violence.

"We have lost our belief and hope that you and your government can offer effective protection against right-wing extremism and its anti-Semitic criminals," he wrote.

Giordano, 69, who survived World War II in hiding in Hamburg, has produced several documentaries for German television on his experiences.

Aides to Kohl, citing the chancellor's statement that the

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### INTERNATIONAL

**JOHANNESBURG (JTA)** — Washington's first Jewish ambassador to South Africa has underlined the Jewish commitment to social justice as he takes up his role in a country moving painfully toward democratic majority rule. Princeton Lyman spoke of a historically based communal devotion to humanitarian endeavor when he addressed the annual conference of ORT South Africa here last week.

**BONN (JTA)** — The German government will provide Poland with \$6 million for long-overdue restoration work at the site of the former Aushwitz death camp. The decision was announced last month on the heels of a unanimous resolution by the German parliament calling on the government to fund preservation of sites commemorating victims of the Nazis.

**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — French President Francois Mitterrand arrived in Israel last week for a state visit offering his country's economic cooperation in building a peaceful Middle East. "Israel is one of the places where world history is still being made. I am honored to be here," he said upon his arrival Nov. 25 for a three-day visit.

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# Around Town The Light Within

STORY AND PHOTOS BY DOROTHEA SNYDER

**C**asting her first life mask on her younger 11-year-old brother struck Willa Shalit so deeply. "It seemed to hold his spirit in a way very different from a photograph or any other image I had seen of him. Being close to my brother and loving him very much, I felt the mask was a very precious thing."

That was 12 years ago, she said over coffee at Bassett Book Store before the artist-author appeared before a crowd anxious to meet her, watch her sculpt a life cast of happy volunteer Salty Brine, and patiently stand in line for an autographed copy of her beautiful book *Life Cast: Behind The Mask*.

"Back then I never knew I'd still be making masks today," she smiles, speaking of the continued meaning it has for her. "It was like a window through which I could see the uniqueness and magnificence of each person."

Life casting is Willa's preferred form of family portrait, having done her dad's (TV film critic Gene Shalit), all her brothers, sisters and grandmother.

Life casting has also won her recognition as a leader in her field. Deep admiration for Helen Keller led her to become the founder of the Touch Foundation, sponsor of the "Please Touch!" exhibition, which allows the sight-impaired for the first time to "see" the famous faces they've only imagined. The life casts in her book are part of "Please Touch!" a six-year traveling exhibition at museums throughout the country.

Willa calls her art background eclectic. She has painted, sculpted and pursued intellectual avenues. A college Latin major interested in "all sorts of history," she tended to be more verbal than visual until she discovered life casting, which satisfied so many of my interests. "It helped me understand people besides being a fascinating process with interesting effects."

"Life casting wasn't so much a traditional way of going to art school or choosing a medium to study. I wanted to grow as a human being and understand the world around me — to explore my own personal and best way to do that."

She found her search for evolution as a human being through life casting. "It isn't only an art form, but a historical form with psychological and spiritual aspects as well. When 20th century trappings and makeup are taken away, the face can be placed at any time in history. It connects us. The face reflects the soul. The mask captures the subtlest inner expressions."

"If I were taking your photograph, you'd project outwardly, smile, put on the face we all do when someone takes our picture. With life casting, you're seated, eyes closed, inside yourself and alone with your own thoughts."

"I encourage people to focus their thoughts, emotions and hearts on something meaningful. If you have that focus, the mask will show us who you are in a very private way."

Willa Shalit has cast thousands of subjects. Her book *Life Cast: Behind The Mask* contains a fascinating combination of photographs and warm commentaries on the castings, sharing readers with an intimate,

off-camera view of more than 30 larger-than-life luminaries including Paul Newman, Michelle Pfeiffer, President Carter, Dizzy Gillespie, Whoopi Goldberg and Muhammad Ali.



Willa Shalit, artist/author, *Life Cast: Behind The Mask*, holds a cast she made of Whoopi Goldberg (at right).

Her subjects have found the life casting experience so different from anything they've experienced. "There's something very moving about seeing ourselves not in a significant way, but really seeing the essence of who we are."

No two responses are ever the same, Willa said.

When the late actor Richard Burton saw his mask, he said, "That's not my face; that's my father's."

Ronald Reagan said, "I thought I was smiling, but I actually looked sad in this mask."

In casting, Willa applies plaster used by doctors to set broken bones. The plaster gives very good detailed results and sets in only one minute. "If a person had to sit for 20 to 30 minutes, how good would their expressions be? Not very good!"

When she cast Muhammad Ali, he repeatedly said, "I'm a mummy."

"What a great person he is. His mask looks so angelic. Life casting shattered some of my pre-conceptions. It didn't occur to me that a prizefighter would be a gentle spirit, and he is."

Willa mounted her first Touch exhibit for the blind, when she was four years into making masks. Permanent "Please Touch" exhibits are at Dallas Lighthouse, The Gift Gardens in Palm City, Fla., New Orleans Lighthouse and Jewish Guild for the Blind in New York City.

"Helen Keller once remarked that if she were granted sight for one day, she would gather all her friends in one room and look at their faces," Willa said. Thinking about this and not blind herself, Willa wondered whether mounting an exhibit of her life casts that people could touch would be something of interest.

Reading how Helen Keller did Braille on people's faces, Willa was inspired to go ahead and do it. "It took a few years to get the first one mounted. It's been so much fun for people, educational and very exciting. When people heard of my work, they wanted to contribute, asking me if I had a nonprofit foundation, which at that time I didn't. A group of people helped form the Touch Foundation."

The "Please Touch!" exhibit contains 70 pieces of sculpture, presidents, rock stars and spiritual leaders. Cosponsored by the Guide Dog Foundation, the exhibit will be at the Worcester Center for Crafts June 9 to July 9, 1993.

Willa is an artist-in-residence at Santa Fe, where she also makes her home.

Her masks, she said, got started by doing wearable masks for theater, which led her to the face and what was behind the mask. That she found more interesting than sculpting or covering up the face.

Her books came about via the many people who thought Willa's work was so interesting, she should write a book. "People had been suggesting I do this for years, but it wasn't until my agent came in contact with the perfect publisher. I didn't want to do a celebrity peekaboo book. That didn't interest me at all. I wanted to do it right."

Willa showed the crowd at Bassett Book Store a mask she had done of Isaac Stern.

Holding a bright light to the inside of the mask, she spoke of how a magic thing happened the first time she spotlighted the inside.

"When I saw how the light hits the molds inside, I felt like I had stumbled upon the light within the life cast. It seemed to be more a living portrait than I'd ever seen in a human being. It seemed to hold the spirit of the human being."

Proceeds from Willa Shalit's book, Beyond Words Publishing, Inc., benefit The Touch Foundation for the Blind.



Willa demonstrates the art of casting a mask on Rhode Island radio personality Salty Brine last Wednesday evening at Bassett Book Shop in Garden City. Shown are a couple of the stages in making lifecasts. A delighted Salty, at far right, shows his approval as Willa shines a light into the inner mask.

# ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

The Chiswick Park Theatre will present the Broadway musical "Oliver" Dec. 4 through Jan. 3. The theater is located on Route 20 in Sudbury, Mass. The performance schedule is Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Sundays at 7 p.m. (except Dec. 23 and Jan. 3, which are 2 p.m. matinee performances only), Thursdays at 11 a.m. (except the Dec. 31 performance which begins at 8:30 p.m.), Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., Saturday matinees at 4 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. There will be no performances on Dec. 24 or 25. For more information, contact the Chiswick Park Theatre at (508) 443-5550.

The Rhode Island Philharmonic "Music After Hours" will be performed on Dec. 4 at 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence. Rico Saccani will be conducting, and the soloist will be violinist Miriam Fried. Tickets are \$12 per person, and reservations are required. For more information, call 831-3123.

The Rhode Island Philharmonic will perform a classical concert on Dec. 5 at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence. Ticket prices are \$15, \$25 and \$30, with special discounts being offered for students, senior citizens, people with disabilities and anyone who has not yet bought a ticket for a performance at the orchestra's new home.

The Rhode Island College Symphony Orchestra and Chorus will continue celebrating Edward Markward's 20th season as its conductor when it performs Dec. 7 at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Auditorium. The concert, which is free and open to the public, is funded in part by a grant from the Rhode Island College Performing and Fine Arts Commission.

George Winston, A Solo Piano Concert — The Winter Show, will be presented Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Zeiterion Theatre in New Bedford, Mass. Tickets are priced at \$18.50. For more information, call 331-2211 or (617) 931-2000.

The Ballet Theatre Pennsylvania will perform "The Nutcracker" at the Zeiterion Theatre, 684 Purchase St., New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 12 at 2 and 7 p.m. For information, call 331-2211 or (508) 994-2900.

## Children's Art Show Set

The Hera Gallery in Wakefield will present the artwork of young adults and children of the community from Dec. 4 to Dec. 24.

The seventh annual Young Adults' Art Exhibition is a juried show, open to all local high school students. They are invited to submit three entries, two- or three-dimensional art, in any media. Recognition and cash awards will be presented in a broad range of categories. An opening reception and awards presentation will be held on Dec. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Children are also encouraged to submit their favorite drawing, painting, sculpture, mobile or collage to The Hera Gallery. An opening party will be held on Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Gallery member Lynn Lawson will curate this show. The exhibition is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, noon to 3 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



## Chicago

"Chicago," the musical by John Kander, Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse, will be presented by the Community College of Rhode Island Players, Knight Campus in Warwick, Dec. 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 6 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$6 general admission, \$5 for students and senior citizens. For reservations, call 825-2219. Appearing in the production are (from left) Lorna Bedard, Gregory E. Pratt, Gyda Jemery and Michèle L. Bourget.

Photo by Bert Silverberg

## 'Malcolm X': Appearance vs. Reality

by Omar Bradley  
Herald Contributing Reporter

When my editor asked me to write a review of the Spike Lee movie, "Malcolm X," I was overcome with gratitude, which slowly became cautious optimism. My reasons are too numerous to list except that I fear the essence of whatever I write may be misunderstood.

Unlike many of my media associates, I was fortunate to have met and spoken with people who knew and loved the man. I've passed through the same streets and corridors that Malcolm journeyed through as a young Boston hustler and had the opportunity to speak about him with his daughter at a college lecture. My cousin, who has been a devout Muslim for more than 30 years, was Malcolm's bodyguard in the Nation of Islam before Malcolm's split with the group.

In my capacity as a journalist, it's impossible to predict what impact Spike Lee's movie, "Malcolm X," will have on America except that people will debate its significance for a

long time. Indeed, this was a movie that Hollywood was afraid to make 30 years ago because of racial tension and political unrest.

However, in the wake of the Rodney King beating and Los Angeles riots, it may serve as a timely warning of what may be a preview of future racial unrest unless America responds to the injustices heaped upon its minorities.

The movie is Spike Lee's most ambitious and costly effort — reportedly \$33 million was spent on the film, which includes elaborate urban settings and a host of cameo appearances by a celebrity cast including William Kunstler, Peter Boyle, Ozzie Davis and Spike Lee himself. Ironically, I was surprised how close the movie resembled his autobiography.

Yet, it lacked the depth necessary to understand all the characters. We only see fleeting vignettes of his mother and father. No explanation was given or shown as to why his father was murdered or his mother was committed to an

institution. In reality, Malcolm's father was hard on him and his mother's depression led to her eventual insanity.

At three hours and 17 minutes, it is an epic example of fine cinematography laced with rhythmic musical scores that enhance each scene. A shot of Malcolm's ordeal in a solitary cell in prison is gripping and powerful seen through the victim's eyes. A Boston street scene of the '50s was actually shot in Harlem, but the detail was incredible, right down to the long, gold watch chain.

Before Lee released the movie, he invited Minister Farrakhan to view a special preview to seek his approval. Farrakhan reportedly watched the film, got up, walked out and never spoke to the filmmaker again. It may have been due to the historical accuracy in which the Muslim leader is

faithfully portrayed in the movie. Make no mistake, Malcolm loved Elijah Muhammad like a father; however, his outspokenness and widespread popularity in Harlem eventually created a rift between the two. Especially when Malcolm discovered sexual misconduct taking place right under his nose.

After proclaiming the Kennedy assassination as being another divine act upon America, Malcolm is banished (Continued on Page 13)

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## Healthy Ho

As the holiday season approaches the spirit of holiday entertaining is upon us. Hosts want to keep things simple, light and healthy, and be able to prepare foods in advance so they can best enjoy the holidays with friends and family rather than spend them in the kitchen.

An awareness of fats, cholesterol and processed foods in today's diets, has prompted many people to look for healthy alternatives. No longer does holiday entertaining mean preparing foods high in sugar, fats and those unnecessary calories.

Realizing that highly refined foods are responsible for a number of physical ailments, nutrition experts suggest a simpler diet based on fresh fruits, grains, vegetables, vegetable oils and yogurt.

These items, along with herbs and spices, are staples in Middle Eastern cooking — a style of cooking that has essentially stayed the same for thousands of years.

A large majority of Middle Eastern dishes are vegetarian and, therefore, incorporate grains, beans and dairy products, rather than animal products to achieve protein. Meat wasn't available in many of the Middle Eastern regions. Fasting is also an important component of the different religions.

When preparing your holiday menu, whether it be a dinner for your family or a party for 100, keep in mind that fancy holiday foods do not have to be unhealthy or unflavorful.

Here are a few recipes to add holiday cheer to your table:

### Piaz

(Armenian Bean Salad)

- 1 can (16 oz.) cannellini beans
- 1 can (16 oz.) red kidney beans
- 4 tomatoes chopped
- 1 red onion diced
- 1/2 bunch flat parsley chopped
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 tbsp. white vinegar
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 tbsp. chopped fresh mint or

1 tbsp. dried salt and pepper  
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### Tabou Cherr

- 3/4 cup fine bulgur
  - 1/2 cup olive oil
  - 3/4 cup lemon juice
  - 1 bunch scallions
  - 1 bunch Italian parsley (about 1 cup)
  - 1 tbsp. dried mint salt & pepper to taste
- Soak bulgur in juice for about 30 minutes. Vegetables fine ingredients, mix with cherry tomato -

### Chocola Butter

- makes 8 servings —
- 3/4 cup all purpose flour
  - 1 tsp. plus 1/2 tsp. (sweetered)
  - 1 tsp. double acting powder
  - 1/8 tsp. salt
  - 3 eggs
  - 1/4 cup plus 1 t butter
  - 1 tsp. vanilla extract
  - 1 tsp. chocolate
  - 1 tsp. vegetable oil
  - 1/4 cup plain low fat sweetener equivalent
  - sugar
  - Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a bowl, combine flour, powder and salt. In another bowl, combine eggs, oil, vanilla and sweetener. Beat on high until blended. Stir in chocolate. Mix by hand until moistened.

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Place mixture in an 8-inch square baking pan that has been sprayed with a nonstick cooking spray. Bake 15 minutes. Cool in the pan, cut in squares to serve.

### Honey Cake

(Healthy, but not lo-cal!)

#### CAKE

6 eggs separated  
1/4 pound sweet butter, melted  
3/4 cup sugar  
3/4 cup farina  
3/4 cup flour  
1/2 cup chopped walnuts and  
blanched almonds  
2 tsp. baking power  
2 tbsp. brandy  
pinch of salt

#### SYRUP

2 cup sugar  
1 1/2 cup water  
1 tsp. lemon juice

Place egg yolks, butter, and sugar in large mixing bowl and beat until well blended. Combine farina, flour, chopped walnuts and chopped almonds, baking powder and brandy and add to egg mixture. Blend.

In a separate bowl, beat egg whites until thick and foamy. Add salt and continue beating until stiff peaks hold firm. Fold this into egg mixture carefully.

Preheat oven to 350°. Pour batter into buttered 9"x13" pan and bake for 30 to 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.

Boil together gently sugar and water for 10 minutes, adding lemon juice during last few minutes. Remove from heat and cool.

Cool cake 10 minutes then cut into squares or diamond shapes. Pour half the cooled syrup over cake and reserve remaining half. Refrigerate cake and remove one hour before serving. Pour more syrup over cake and reserve the rest to serve with individual portions.

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# MILESTONES



Susan and Todd Robison

## Goldstein Marries Robison

Susan Beth Goldstein, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Goldstein of Walpole, Mass., and Todd Nathan Robison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Robison of Tulsa, Okla., were married at the Ritz-Carlton in Boston on Aug. 15. Rabbi Stephen A. Karol and Cantor David Grossman conducted the ceremony.

The bride is the granddaughter of Simon Chorney of Providence and the late Lillian Chorney and Florence Goldstein of Taunton, Mass., and the late Charles Goldstein. She graduated from George Washington University and received her master's degree from New York University School of Education. She is teaching kindergarten in Greenwich, Conn.

The bridegroom is the grandson of Sarah Robison and the late George Robison of Ardmore, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thomas of Little Rock, Ark. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School of Business. He works in the insurance business in Norwalk, Conn.

Amy Greenberg Goldman was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Jill Petcove, Elizabeth Neumeyer, Ruth Zarren and Melissa Beyer Tearney.

Brian Robison was best man for his brother. Ushers were Mark Goldstein, brother of the bride, Brian Schwartz, Peter Sydney, Richard Dobrinsky and Scott Applebaum.

After a honeymoon in Hawaii, the couple now resides in Stamford, Conn.

## Loebenberg Wins Top Honors

Nanette Loebenberg, a resident of Providence, was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for being among the top 10 freshman students at Tufts University. The honor was given to those students whose academic record was of a consistently high caliber during their freshman year at the university.

Loebenberg is a 1991 graduate of Lincoln School in Providence, and is currently in her sophomore year at Tufts.

## 'Malcolm X': Appearance vs. Reality

(Continued from Page 9)  
from the nation and he sets out on a pilgrimage to Mecca to find himself. Once in Egypt, he's greeted and accepted as a brother by black and white Muslims and his experiences change his attitude completely. Upon his return, he extends himself to work as an emissary of justice and equality instead of separation and violence.

To this day, the assassination theories surrounding Malcolm's death are as numerous as his profile — bold, brilliant and dangerous. Yet, history hasn't been kind to Malcolm, labeling him a black separatist and racist instead of an ambassador for justice and equality. One of the most memorable scenes is when a young white

girl asks Malcolm what she could do for the movement and Malcolm replies "nothing." Later on, Malcolm confided with a reporter that he regretted telling her that and wished he could've been given another chance. Unfortunately, his enemies never allowed him that.



MAYORAL HONORS—Providence Mayor Vincent A. "Buddy" Cianci congratulates Richard A. Saltzman, president and chief executive of Providence Watch Hospital, and presents him with the prestigious key to the city of Providence.

## Saltzman Awarded Key to the City

Providence Mayor Vincent A. "Buddy" Cianci made a historical visit to the Providence Watch Hospital recently to present Richard A. Saltzman with the prestigious key to the city while proclaiming Oct. 19 as "Richard A. Saltzman Day."

Saltzman's father, Joseph, founded the Providence Watch Hospital 52 years ago on Oct. 19, 1940. During these years this local institution and the reputation of its talented and devoted owners have become known throughout the world.

Since Joseph Saltzman's retirement in 1977, Richard has upheld the family tradition.

Cianci said that not only is Richard Saltzman known and respected for his professional expertise, he is a Providence native who is active throughout the community "serving as

leader on numerous and varied civic boards and commissions including the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Providence Merchants Association, [the former] Temple Beth Torah, Congregation Beth Shalom."

Saltzman serves on the Governor's Crime Commission, the Senator's Committee on Economic Reform, the Bentley College President's Advisory Council and is a member of the American Watchmakers Institute.

## Old Friends Appreciated

Claire and Bernard Bell, of Providence, recently visited Mary Schussheim, the widow of Rabbi Morris Schussheim, who was the rabbi of Temple Beth-Israel for many years, while they were on a trip to Northern California.

Mrs. Schussheim recently entered the Manor Care Nursing Center, 1150 Tilton Drive, Sunnyvale, Calif. 94087.

"We found her to be quite alert," the Bells said. "[She] would appreciate hearing from old friends in Providence."

## Lillian's Ladder

(Continued from Page 3)

clung to the precious books? That was OK too. But it's not Lillian Schwartz's style. She wants to see her books on the go. (She wants 'em to come back too.)

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## Browsing

Ruthie Furman and her mother, Robyn Furman, glance through a photo album as Chloe Licht looks on in the background last week at the Alperin Schechter kindergarten presentation and Thanksgiving feast.

*Herald photo by Kammi Kettelle*

### Correction

The JCCRI Basketball League schedule appearing in last week's *Herald* listed the wrong starting time for the early games. The correct time is 6:15 p.m.

We regret the error.

## South County Council Sets Sunday Brunch

The Jewish Community Council of South County will feature Susan Kirschenbaum as the speaker at its next Sunday brunch, set for Dec. 6 at 9:30 a.m. at Tavern Hall, corner of Route 138 and South Road in

Kingston.

Kirschenbaum will discuss "A Roots Trip to Lithuania."

The event is hosted by Ellie Dain. For directions, call 789-0984.

## Striar JCC Plans Book Sale, Other Events

Alan Dershowitz, Anita Diamant and Matt Damon are some of the featured speakers at the annual Jewish book fair and sale at Striar JCC, Fireman Campus, 445 Central St., Stoughton, Mass., from Dec. 6 to 20.

There will be thousands of books for sale, many discounted, gifts, games, cards. Book sale hours are Sundays through Thursdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Book sale hours will extend on evenings with guests.

On Dec. 14 at 7 p.m., controversial lawyer and best-selling author, Alan Dershowitz, will discuss his newest book, *Contrary to Popular Opinion*. The book addresses some of the most pressing issues of our time including the decline of the Supreme Court, fascism in Europe and America, abortion and much more. Dershowitz will stay on after his presentation to autograph his book.

On Monday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m. Anita Diamant, prize-winning *Boston Globe* columnist and author will speak on "resolving the December dilemma, how to make Chanukah special in the midst of so much Christmas." After the presentation Diamant will take questions and sign her most recent book, *Living a Jewish Life: Jewish Traditions, Customs, and Values for Today's Families*.

On Dec. 17 at 7 p.m., Matt Damon, star of *School Ties*, a movie about anti-Semitism in

the 1950s in New England, will speak on his experience playing Charlie Dillon, the movie's most prejudiced character. After there will be a question-and-answer session to explore the issue of young people and anti-Semitism.

There will be a facilitator present to aid the discussion. Damon will then sign the book, *School Ties*, and give autographs.

On Dec. 6 at 9 a.m., there will be a special Sunday morning program with Linda Sanford, co-author of *Women and Self Esteem*. This event is co-sponsored by Jewish Family and Children's Services.

There will be a continental breakfast of bagels and coffee, presentation and small group workshops to explore the issue of women and self-esteem. Sanford uses wit and anecdote to examine life experiences that affect women and their self-perceptions.

Her works are cited in Gloria Steinem's most recent book, *Revolution from Within, A Book of Self-Esteem*.

Also on Dec. 6 at 2:30 p.m. is Bookfair Follies, a special children's storytelling performance by Betty Lehrman. The tale of *Mesha the Kvetch* and other beloved children's stories will be featured.

Another Sunday program on Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. will feature a kosher cooking demonstration and discussion by Pat Cobe.

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Debbie Katchko-Zimmerman

## Cantor To Entertain Hadassah Members

A lively blend of classical, American folk/pop, Israeli and Yiddish music will be performed by Cantor Debbie Katchko-Zimmerman on Dec. 6 at 11:30 a.m. at the Hadassah Myrtle Wreath luncheon, Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge, Mass.

The cantor has done solo concerts with bands and orchestras, has been a scholar cantor in residence for the Wexner Foundation, American Jewish Congress, National Hadassah and JCC board retreats.

A regular performer and cantor at the Minyan of the Stars in Manhattan, she is also a popular lecturer on Jewish music and entertainment. She is founder and past president of the Women Cantors Network. A graduate of Boston University, she studied with Ellie Wiesel to reinforce her commitment to Jewish culture and survival.

Cantor Zimmerman is both perceptive and sensitive and well-equipped to translate Jewish experience into song and prayer. She is the second woman to hold a Conservative pulpit and has been with Congregation Beth El in Norwalk, Conn., since 1981.

The program will also honor Hadassah's Love-of-A-Lifetime Awards to this year's recipients. Reservations are a must. Call 463-3636.

## Striar JCC Plans Book Sale, Other Events

(Continued from Previous Page) editor of *The International Kosher Cookbook*. The book includes more than 210 recipes from the world's great chefs created in accordance with kosher dietary laws.

There will be samples to taste. Supervised play space is available for children with pre-registration by Dec. 10.

For more information, call (617) 341-2016 ext. 290.

On Dec. 8 at 1 p.m., Jessie Lipson will be on hand to discuss *Mingled Roots: A Guide for Jewish Grandparents of Interfaith Grandchildren* by Sunie Levin. This how-to book uses humor, warmth and wonderful pen-and-ink drawings to teach ways to strengthen communication between grandparents and grandchildren.

Striar JCC is nonprofit and all proceeds from the book fair and sale help fund such Striar programs as arts and crafts, health and fitness, day and nursery schools. Striar JCC is wheelchair accessible.

## Matzah Ball Featured at JCCRI

Seniors are invited to the annual Matzah Ball set for Dec. 6 from noon to 3:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave. in Providence. Dinner will be offered along with entertainment by Sandy Evans for \$12 (Golden Age Club members) or \$19.50 (nonmembers). All are welcome to this event.

Aside from the regular weekly schedule of groups and activities, the acclaimed movie "Tevya," in Yiddish with English subtitles, will be offered in two parts: Part 1, 11:15 to noon on Dec. 4, and Part 2 at the same time the following Friday.

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's kosher meal-site program invites seniors to join in a variety of activities and to share a hot

kosher meal at noon weekly, Sunday through Friday.

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. Seniors can try their hand at bridge on Monday afternoon from noon until 3:45 p.m.

On Tuesday, a Women's Forum is held from 11:15 a.m. and a bingo game runs from 12:45 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, the Men's group meets from 11:15 a.m. to noon.

"Friend to Friend" meets Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon. Shabbat traditions are observed on Friday. Sunday begins with tea, coffee and breakfast cake at 10 a.m. followed by a variety of movies or VCR programs.

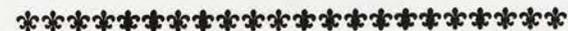
For more information, contact Sandy Bass at 861-8800.



## Something's Fishy

Lauren Rappoport, 12, is bedazzled by a glass fish at the arts and crafts fair last week at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley



## Klezmer Trio Brings Hand-Clapping Fun to Stone Soup

by Omar Bradley  
Herald Contributing Reporter

Those of us who feel confined to the living room couch on weekends may want to take note of the wonderful performances coming out of the Stone Soup Coffee house in Providence. On Saturday, a standing-room-only crowd clapped, danced and stomped to some heavy blues, folk and whatcha-ma-call-it by the Klezmer Trio.

Mike Bresler, who was influenced by folksinger Andy Statman, has been playing "Fralach" (happy) music for more than 10 years from here to London, Israel and back again. He characterizes his style as ethnic folk music formally played at weddings with a style that encourages people to get up, clap their hands and stomp their feet. This was exactly what the music-starved audience did at Stone Soup.

Richard Walton, who runs the coffeehouse, welcomed the group in his 12th season of offering Celtic, British, French-Canadian, as well as other forms of folk music. So many

people were coming into the basement coffeehouse that he was afraid of running out of chairs, which says a lot for the support the band received.

One of the high points of the evening was when John Belcher, a tall, dark and talented conga player, combined with Mike on clarinet, David Harris on trombone and Alex Yanko on guitar for what sounded like a fusion of African-Judaic funk and blues. It was rhythmic and yet very subtle, leaving the listener spellbound by a rich blend of two cultures.

When Mike Breslin wasn't strumming his mandolin or blowing his sax, he was teasing a few youngsters in the front row who were having a ball. In fact, judging by the steady din of hand-clapping and a trio of women engaged in a circle dance at the rear, everyone was having a good time.

Mike's only wish at this time is to make people happy —

which he does — and pay his bills. I'm hoping that his merry trio will continue to make happy music and add another dimension to an already ethnically rich state.

## Hadassah Rings in Chanukah

The monthly meeting of Cranston/Warwick Group of Hadassah will ring in the celebration of Chanukah this year on Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. at the Villa Del Rio Clubhouse, at the Warwick Mall.

Lorraine Webber, president, said a musical interlude and community singing will be followed by dessert and coffee hour.

Chanukah celebrates the "Festival of Lights" which takes place around the world. Members are urged to come early for a pleasant afternoon spent among friends.

## Bakst Will Speak to Seniors Club

The social seniors of Warwick will hold a meeting Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. at Temple Am David, Gardiner Street in Warwick. Charles Bakst of *The Providence Journal* will be the speaker on "R.I. Politics, Up to the Minute."

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**HANDMADE** — Marcia Gerstein, a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home, displays one of the many creations that will be on sale at the Hand-Knit Boutique to be held at the Home on Dec. 6 and 7.

*Herald photo by Kammie Kettelle*

## Leadership Seminar a Success

The New England Region of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth recently held its annual "Leadership Training Seminar" weekend convention at Congregation Shaarei Torah West in Worcester, Mass., Oct. 30 through Nov. 1. Attending the weekend convention, or shabbaton were more than 65 teen-agers representing the leadership of the region.

The shabbaton included spirited singing and traditional

Jewish dancing, educational workshops on Jewish leadership, and a Saturday night performance of the one-man show, "The Four Faces of Israel" by Rabbi Benjamin Levine of Jerusalem.

The conference is the youth arm of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America with 13 regions in the United States and Canada, and hundreds of city-based chapters nationwide. These chapters and regions are open to all Jewish youth, either in Junior N.C.S.Y. (Grades five to eight) or Senior N.C.S.Y. (Grades nine to 12).

The next regional convention will be the "I Love New York Shabbaton" scheduled for Dec. 11 to 13.

For more information, contact Rebbitzin Peggy Weiss at (508) 587-3263, Yonatan Kaganoff at (617) 734-0718, Neil Cooper at (508) 753-5352, or Elie Weinstock at (212) 927-4752.

## Gallery 401: Call for Exhibitors

Gallery 401, a strong presence in Rhode Island for nearly two decades, is recruiting artists to exhibit during the 1993-94 year. Located in a heavily frequented environment, Gallery 401 presents monthly exhibits representing a broad variety of styles and media. The gallery, which promotes the work of regional and local artists, is seeking works of art of appropriate quality for its 1993-94 season.

Artists interested in submitting their work for exhibition should submit a biography, slides or photos and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Ruby Shalansky, Gallery Director, Gallery 401, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, R.I. 02906-3400.

The Gallery 401 committee looks forward to reviewing the work of new artists. Works must be received by Jan. 15 and will be returned by mid-March. For further information, call Ruby Shalansky at 861-8800.

## Hand-Knit Boutique to Benefit Jewish Home

All the hard work that The Women's Association of The Jewish Home has been doing will finally come together on Dec. 6 and 7 when they put their creations on display for their annual Hand-Knit Boutique.

According to Dorothy Lippman, co-chairwoman of the event, this knitting project started in about 1956. Today, 30 members of The Women's Association volunteer to knit year-round for the project, she said.

"All the items are made with great expertise and love," Lippman added.

Among the available hand-made items will be afghans of

all sizes, lap robes, children's and babies' hats, mittens and sweaters, which are sized from infant to size 10, and toys. Lippman, who is co-chairing the event with Sylvia Brown, said new patterns are introduced each year.

Also, the entire proceeds will go to maintain programs at the home on behalf of the residents, she said.

The Hand-Knit Boutique will be held in the Martin M. Chase Auditorium at the Jewish Home from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 6 and 7. After the sale, all the knit goods will be available at the home's gift shop.

— Kammie Kettelle

## Printed Word Celebrated at JCCRI

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island will present "A Celebration of the Printed Word" from Dec. 8 through 13.

A vast assortment of Jewish books and latest best sellers will be available for purchase at the annual book fair.

Two special guests will be on hand to assist children and teen-agers with book selections. Edith E. Grant, retired librarian from Temple Sinai, will be available to answer questions about selections for preschoolers and young children on Dec. 9 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Gayle Gertler, *Providence Journal* children's book critic, will be on hand to help select books for young children and teens on Dec. 10 from 5 to 8 p.m.

The Book Fair will be held Dec. 8 to 10 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Dec. 11 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Dec. 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

An opening luncheon, to be held on Dec. 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., is the first special event on the "Celebration of the Printed Word" program. The luncheon, sponsored by the Brown Bag Club and the Golden Agers, will feature keynote speaker Barbara Orson, a founding member of Trinity Repertory Company. The cost is \$4 at the door.

Gallery 401's December feature exhibit, entitled "A Celebration of Color," features a

diverse collection of sculptures, watercolor and oil paintings, tapestries, serigraphs and artifacts done by Israeli artists.

The works, provided by Dvorah Art Collections Inc., are for sale and will be in Gallery 401 until the end of December. Proceeds will be donated to Gallery 401.

An English tea tasting will be held in the gallery on Dec. 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. The reception will feature a number of pastries and herbal teas. This event is sponsored by Gallery 401.

On Dec. 10 from 7 to 8 p.m., *New York Times* contributing travel editors Phillip and Marsha Lieberman will hold a slide show and lecture about their European and Asian travels. The event is sponsored by the JCCRI Adult Department and is free to members and their guests.

Len Shalansky, children's book and college text illustrator, will demonstrate cartooning in the Preschool, KidSpace and Preteen Connection programs on Dec. 11 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

This cartooning program is sponsored by the Preschool, Children's and Youth Departments.

A "Grandparent's Special" story and crafts hour, held on Dec. 12 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., will be led by Toby Rossner, librarian and resource specialist at the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Rossner will hold this story and crafts hour for children ages 4 to 8, their grandparents and parents.

The cost is \$1 for each grandparent/parent, children are admitted free (no child unattended please). The program is sponsored by the BJE.

For more information about "Celebration of the Printed Word," call Ruby Shalansky at 861-8800.

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## Friends

Emma Thorne, a pilgrim, and her friend, Molly Goodwin, a Native American, enjoy themselves at Alperin Schechter Day School's kindergarten Thanksgiving celebration last week.

*Herald photo by Kamille Kettelle*

## School Celebrates 'Jewish Book Month'

In celebration of "Jewish Book Month," Torat Yisrael School announces its ninth annual book fair. This year's extended fair which begins on Dec. 8, will continue through Dec. 13.

It will feature a wide selection of paperback and hard cover titles for children and adults, as well as cassettes and compact discs of Jewish musical favorites.

The public is invited to browse in the synagogue's library and school resource center where the fair will take

place. Book fair hours are as follows: Dec. 8, 1 to 5:30 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.; Dec. 9, 9 a.m. to noon and 6:15 to 8:30 p.m.; Dec. 10, morning by appointment and 3 to 5:30 p.m., and Dec. 13, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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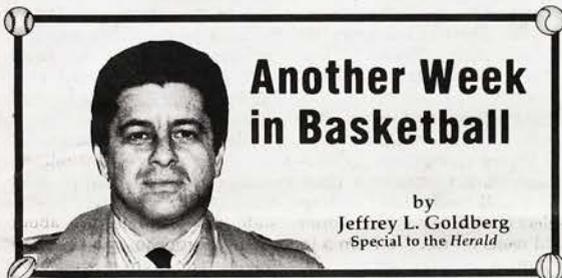
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## Another Week in Basketball

by  
Jeffrey L. Goldberg  
Special to the Herald

One of the major reasons the men's basketball league has enjoyed such a fine reputation over the years has been due to the superb officiating. Once again commissioner Goldstein is pleased to announce the return of veteran officials Mike Reeder, a member of the Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame, and Mike Cabral, who is climbing the ladder of officiating with work in high school and college games. The league welcomes your return. Players overheard they return for the use of the fabulous facilities in the health club.

Commissioner Goldstein informs me that basketball at the center is zooming for adults as well as youths.

The 5½- to 7-year-olds is closed out, but ages 8 to 9 and 10 to 12 still have openings. Veteran Steve Abrams' son Bret is now involved in the youth league. Coach Steve Groag's son is playing in the Youth League.

Men's league players Lee Segal and Mac Greenfield are coaching in the youth league. Cyndi Blackwood is the first women's coach in the youth league and Elliot Goldstein welcomes any volunteers to coach the up-and-coming stars for the future. It is refreshing to see some men's league players who started in the youth

leagues still involved. Men's league games are played on Monday evening at the JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove Ave. Contact Elliot Goldstein at the JCCRI for further information.

### Games for Nov. 23

Cohen vs. Weitzner 6:15 p.m. — 57-42 winner Weitzner. Formal vs. Groag 7:30 p.m. — 69-67 (two OTS) winner Formal.

### Games for Nov. 30

Formal vs. Groag 6:15 p.m.  
Cohen vs. Weitzner 7:30 p.m.

### Game Summary for Week of Nov. 23

Week number two had veteran coach Jon Weitzner's team in high gear. Balanced scoring up and down the lineup contributed to Weitzner's second victory of the season.

Veteran Steve Lehrer (11 points) and rookies Kevin McCabe and Dan Stone (10 and 9 points) helped secure the victory and remove any doubts about the sophomore jinx often attributed to newcomers.

Weitzner's team went 13-21 from the charity stripe. Coach Jamie Cohen's team as well as himself cooled off against Weitzner's team. Cohen was able to manage only nine

points. Gary Greenberg turned in another good performance with 17 points.

The nightcap featured a double-overtime thriller. Second-year player Dave Baskin, picked up on waivers to replace the veteran Chad White, poured in 38 points for Captain Paul Formal's squad.

Youth was served as Baskin carried most of the load for his team. Dov Pick chipped in 12 points. Veteran Lou Pulner had another outstanding evening with 26 points and rookie Zeus Barrio contributed 18 points in a losing effort. This contest was worth the price of admission as there were no losers in this game. Parity was served.

Player of the week: Dave Baskin, 38 points, Lou Pulner, 26 points.

Rookie of the week: Zeus Barrio, 18 points.

The 1992-93 roster for the JCCRI's men's basketball league is as follows: Capt. Jon Weitzner, Steve Abrams, Aaron Baskin, Max Brickle, Jeff Gaffin (new player), Steve Lehrer, Dave Malkin, Kevin McCabe (new player) and Dan Stone (new player). Also Capt. Steve Groag, Zeus Barrio (new player), Alan Litwin, Brian Owens (new player), Lee Segal, Peter Timbie (new player), Lou Pulner and Peter Wallick.

Capt. Paul Formal, John Brandt, Marc Greenfield (new player), Steve Litwin, Neith Pal (new player), Dov Pick, Jay Snyder (new player) and Chad White.

Also: Capt. Jamie Cohen, Howie Brombero, Joe Cohen, Jim De Metro (new player), Harley Frank (new player), Joel Freedman, Gary Greenberg, Matt Santos and Dale Wallick.

Until next week,  
**Sportingly Yours,**  
Jeff Goldberg

Standings of the teams for games played through Nov. 23:

| Team     | Won | Lost | Percentage |
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| Weitzner | 2   | 0    | 1.000      |
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# OBITUARIES

## RABBI ELI BOHNEN

PROVIDENCE — Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen, 83, rabbi-emeritus of Temple Emanu-El died Dec. 1 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Eleanor (Rosenthal) Bohnen.

Rabbi Bohnen, of 500 Elm-grove Ave., was born in Toronto, Canada, a son of the late Max and Nellie (Brill) Bohnen. He lived in Providence since 1948.

He was a graduate of Harvard Collegiate Institute, Toronto, and received a bachelor of arts degree in Semitic studies from the University of Toronto in 1931. He was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York in 1935, and received a doctorate in Hebrew literature from the seminary in 1955.

He was an assistant rabbi at Congregation Adath Jeshurun in Philadelphia, Pa., from 1935 to 1939. From 1939 to 1948, he was a rabbi at Temple Emanu-El in Buffalo, N.Y.

Rabbi Bohnen was a World War II Army veteran. He served from 1943 to 1946 as chaplain in the 42nd Infantry "Rainbow" Division. He was stationed at Camp Gruber, Okla., and served in France, Germany and Austria as the division's assistant chaplain, with the rank of major. He entered the Dachau concentration camp with the liberating

troops.

After the war, he was an adviser on displaced persons to the commanding general, and worked with Jewish displaced persons in Salzburg and Bad Gastein, Austria.

In 1948, he became senior rabbi at Temple Emanu-El in Providence, and in 1973 was named rabbi-emeritus. He also served as president of the Rhode Island Board of Rabbis, and as president of the Rabbinical Assembly, International Organization of Conservative Rabbis.

Rabbi Bohnen received the Bronze Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians & Jews in 1964. In 1977, he received the Max Arzt Award from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He received a service award from the board of governors of Israel Bonds for serving as the Rhode Island chairman of the Israel Bonds Campaign.

He served on the boards of the United Fund, the Council of Community Services, the Community Workshop, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Jewish Community Center, and the Providence Hebrew Day School.

Rabbi Bohnen received honorary doctor of divinity degrees from the Jewish Theological Seminary, Brown University, and Roger Williams College. He received a doctor of

humane letters degree from the University of Rhode Island.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Judith B. Levitt of Providence; a son, Michael J. Bohnen of Newton, Mass.; a sister, Sarah Smith; two brothers, Daniel and Abraham Bohnen, all in Toronto, and five grandchildren.

The funeral was held Dec. 2 at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## BETTY CURRAN

PROVIDENCE — Betty Curran, 90, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., died Nov. 28 at Miriam Hospital. She was the wife of the late Robert M. Curran.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Max and Anna (Fuchs) Jagoliner, she lived in Providence most of her life.

Curran was a carder for the former Regal Jewelry Manufacturing Co. for 20 years before retiring 16 years ago. She was a member of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and the Washington Park Senior Center. She was a former member of Temple Sinai, and the former Temple Beth Israel.

She leaves two daughters, Arlene Kearney of North Providence, Harriet Sussman of Rochester, N.Y., and four grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Nov. 30 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

## HOWARD I. GOLDSMITH

PROVIDENCE — Howard I. Goldsmith, 77, of 185 Cole Ave., assistant athletic director at Hope High School from 1950 to 1970, died Nov. 29 at home. He was the husband of Louise (Allen) Goldsmith.

Born in Providence, he was a son of the late John and Harriet (Scanlon) Goldsmith.

Goldsmith was also a touring professional tennis player for many years and won numerous matches. He was manager of the former East Side Tennis and Skating Club

from 1942 to 1952. He was a member of Temple Emanu-El.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Ann Bazar of Providence; three sons, Alan and Steven Goldsmith, both of Providence, Brian Goldsmith of Louisville, Ky., and four grandchildren. He was grandfather of the late Dayna Bazar.

The funeral was private. Burial was in Swan Point Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## HOWARD M. KAUFMAN

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — Howard M. Kaufman, 77, of 2279 Tice Creek Drive, a U.S. Postal Service worker for 20 years before retiring 17 years ago, died Nov. 21 at the home. He was the husband of the late Pearl (Silverman) Sandler-Kaufman.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Louis and Lillian (Hartman) Kaufman, he lived in Walnut Creek for two weeks. He previously lived in Cranston and Providence.

Kaufman was an Army veteran of World War II, and the Korean War. He was a member of the American Legion, the AARP, the Wiachek Gun Club and the Cranston Seniors.

He leaves a stepson, Norman A. Sandler of Charlotte, N.C.; a stepdaughter, Joyce A. Zarchen of Cranston; a sister, Ruth Perlberg of Walnut Creek, and three step-grandchildren.

Burial was at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

## ARTHUR KORNSTEIN

OVERLAND PARK, Kansas — Arthur Kornstein, 98, of W. 107th St. died Nov. 29 in Overland Park. He was the husband of the late Ida (Decter) Kornstein.

Born in Woonsocket, a son of the late Moses and Chaya (Turkel) Kornstein, he moved to Overland Park in 1990.

Kornstein had been office manager for the state of Rhode Island in the engineering division in Cranston for 30 years before retiring in 1970. He was

a member of Congregation B'nai Israel, Woonsocket, and Congregation Beth Torah, Overland Park. He was a former member of the board of directors of B'nai Israel. He was a charter member and a past officer of the B'nai B'rith. He was a past president of the Woonsocket Lions Club, and a founder of the New England Young Men's Hebrew Association. He was a 32nd-degree Mason.

He leaves two daughters, Elaine K. Slotsky of Overland Park, and Deborah K. Stein of Woodbury, N.Y.; a sister, Mary Kornstein of Providence; two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held Dec. 2 at Congregation B'nai Israel, Prospect Street. Burial was in B'nai Israel Cemetery, Woonsocket.

## REBECCA MYERS

NORTH MIAMI, Fla. — Rebecca Meyers, 90, of 280 Sierra Drive died Nov. 25 at the Miami Gardens Care Center. She was the wife of the late William W. Meyers.

Born in Poland, a daughter of the late Isaac and Sarah (Klein) Schlesinger, she lived in Providence for many years before moving to Florida 25 years ago. She previously lived in New York and New Jersey.

Meyers was a former member of Temple Emanu-El. She was an American Red Cross volunteer during World War II. She was a life member and past president of the Roger Williams Chapter of B'nai B'rith, and a life member of Hadassah, the Jewish Home for the Aged and the City of Hope.

She leaves a son, Marvin A. Meyers of Salem, Mass.; a daughter, Doris Jacobs of Providence; five grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Nov. 27 at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

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## FRIEDA ORLECK

PROVIDENCE — Frieda Orleck, 86, of The Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., a salesperson for the former City Hall Hardware Store for many years before retiring 20 years ago, died Nov. 26 at the home. She was the wife of the late Louis Orleck.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Louis and Fannie Rosen, she had lived in Providence for two years, previously living in Warwick.

She was a member of Temple Am David, the Warwick Social Seniors, the Shalom Apartment Tenants Union and the Jewish Home for the Aged.

She leaves a son, Irwin A. Orleck of Warwick; three sisters, Rose Brown, Sally Bernstein and Ida Ornstein, all of Delray Beach, Fla., and two granddaughters.

The funeral service was held Nov. 29 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

## SIDNEY WOLFE

WARWICK — Sidney Wolfe, 83, of the Kent Nursing Home, Commonwealth Avenue, died Nov. 25 at the home. He was the husband of Ida (Braveman) Wolfe.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., a son of the late William and Mary (Greenberg) Wolfe, he formerly lived in West Warwick and Plymouth, Mass.

For 30 years he had been a salesman for Bloomberg Brothers Furniture Store, Medford, Mass., until retiring in 1977. He previously owned a grocery store in Dorchester, Mass. He was a member of the Knights of Pythians in Massachusetts.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Karen Gerstein of Warwick; a son, William Wolfe

of Plainville, Mass.; a sister, Ruth Newman of New York; a brother, David Wolfe of Miami, Fla.; four grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

The funeral procession departed Nov. 27 from Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence, with a graveside service following at King Solomon Memorial Park, Dedham, Mass. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## Jewish Writer

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murder of the ethnic Turks was a "shame for our state," reacted angrily to Giordano's charges.

They termed his accusations of government indifference to mounting neo-Nazi violence "an insulting slander" and warned against the danger of individuals taking the law into their own hands.

German radio and television gave wide coverage to Giordano's letter. One station coupled it with interviews Nov. 23 in which Jews said they would seize any opportunity to leave the country.

The Bundestag on Nov. 24 paid tribute to the three victims, who were legal residents of Germany. In fact, one of the three was born in Germany. The oldest, a 51-year-old woman, had lived in Germany for many years. The children were her 10-year-old granddaughter, born here, and a 14-year-old girl.

The German parliament issued a statement expressing "shame and rage over this grisly peak in a wave of violence."

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AA INSULATION — Angelo Aiello, owner of AA Insulation, is shown at his company in Johnston. *Herald photo by Omar Bradley*

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by Omar Bradley  
Herald Contributing Reporter

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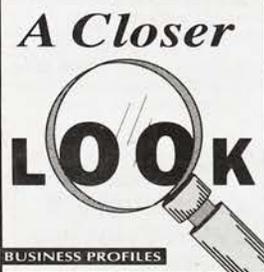
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land. Not only has his business grown while his competition has declined, his company has been named the best by National Fiber Inc. for the past nine years.

## Governor Attempts To Clarify

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"My statement in Wisconsin was meant to convey that an overwhelming majority of Americans say they are Christians, and [that] Christian values and beliefs should not be denigrated."

"The values and beliefs of Judaism should, of course, not be denigrated either; indeed they are the very foundations of Christianity," he said, adding: "I deeply regret any offense that any Mississippians might have taken at my remarks."

Despite the conciliatory nature of this statement, the night before it was released, Fordice appeared on the Cable News Network's "Crossfire" program and told commentator Michael Kinsley that he did not understand why non-Chris-

tians might be upset about his comments.

"The media always refer to the Jewish state of Israel. They talk about the Muslim country of Saudi Arabia, of Iran, of Iraq," he said. "America is not a nothing country. It's a Christian country."

Kinsley replied that the United States has a Constitution that says there is no state religion.

Fordice's initial comments had particularly strong reverberations because they came at the close of a conference intended to rehabilitate the image of a party badly tarnished by a divisive summer convention.

"The Republicans have realized their mistake at closing the tent," said ADL's Foxman, "and this was another setback."

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### Correction

In last week's ad for The Kosher Gourmet and The Jewish Toy Cellar, their hours were listed erroneously to include Saturday 12 to 4 p.m. It should have read Sunday 12 to 4 p.m. instead.

We regret any inconvenience that this error may have caused our readers or The Kosher Gourmet and The Jewish Toy Cellar.

### Correction

An incorrect caption accompanied a photo on the front page of last week's Herald. Michael Dallman was pictured interviewing Julius Nasberg.

Also, Baila Bender's name was spelled incorrectly in an article about the same event.

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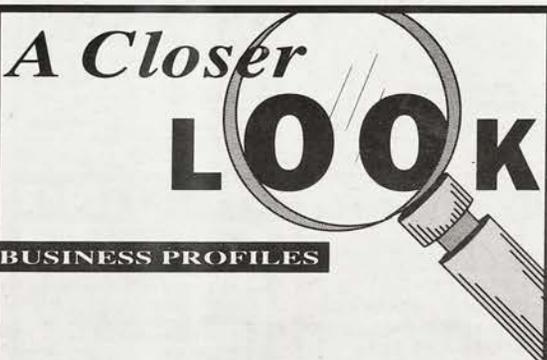
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