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## Palestinian Aid Deposits: Where Will the Money Go?

by Larry Yudelson

NEW YORK (JTA) — As nations and agencies commit themselves to aiding Palestinian development, the most prosaic of questions has become political: where will the money actually go? Will Jordanian or Israeli banks reap the benefits of billions of dollars in deposits?

These questions underlie a recent flurry of diplomatic activity. Most recently, Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization's political department, flew to Amman early this month to sign an agreement on economic cooperation with Jordan.

The agreement had been drafted last fall but was approved by the PLO only after repeated public pressure from King Hussein.

The deal grants Jordanian banks permission to operate in

the West Bank once Palestinian autonomy begins, and it reportedly sets the Jordanian dinar as the official area currency.

But notwithstanding the agreement with Jordan, some senior Palestinian officials appear to prefer Israel as an economic partner.

### Will Jordanian or Israeli banks reap the benefits of billions of dollars in deposits?

At issue is who will operate the banks in the territories with the onset of autonomy and the influx of foreign aid.

Forty-six nations pledged \$2 billion in aid over five years at a conference in Washington last October.

Much of that international

aid, targeted to develop the Palestinian economy, will presumably be administered by the banks, which will profit from the customary fees and charges.

The quest for banking rights is seen as the reason why Hussein pressured the PLO to sign the financial accord and meanwhile concluded his own banking accord with Israel.

But the Jordanians are not the only ones who want a piece of the action. Similar motivations are said to be behind a recent agreement between Israeli and Palestinian business leaders.

According to some observers, it is the Israeli-Palestinian option that is favored within some quarters of the PLO.

"The PLO has made clear that it will not surrender its financial and economic independence in the territories, and will not deposit its aid money in Jordanian banks," Sevar Plotzker, economics correspondent for Israel's *Yediot Achronot* newspaper, wrote recently.

And there are indications from PLO officials that the Palestinians would prefer financial cooperation with the Israelis, he added.

In December 1993, Israel's Bank Leumi announced the formation of a new commercial bank in conjunction with Spanish, Moroccan and Palestinian partners. It will take over the two existing Bank Leumi branches in the West Bank cities of Bethlehem and Hebron.

The new bank will be launched with \$40 million in initial capital, and the partners include the Casablanca-based Banque Commerciale du Maroc and the Madrid-based Banco Central Hispano.

The Palestinian partners are said to be close to the PLO and to include residents inside and outside the territories who are keeping a low profile.

"We hope to deal with the lion's share of the international aid to the Palestinians," Moshe Sanbar, chairman of the board of directors of Bank Leumi, was quoted as telling *Yediot*.

Sanbar added that as far as he knew, PLO leadership in Tunis, including PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, is "in the picture."

The bank is in the process of incorporation — Sanbar complained about the paperwork imposed by the Spanish bureaucracy — but even its registration will not make it a reality.

The bank's future, of course, (Continued on Page 15)



### Peace Accord Encounter in Rome

R.I. State Representative Patrick J. Kennedy (left) poses with Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin at the conclusion of the Israel-Vatican Peace Accord negotiations in Rome. Kennedy, who was in Europe to trace his roots, and found himself at the same hotel as the foreign minister, said Beilin appeared calm and serenely focused, in spite of the excitement and high drama surrounding the negotiations.

## Anti-Semitism in Japanese Publications Shocks Jews

by Alison Smith  
Herald Co-Editor

*International Jew*, by Henry Ford, a book full of anti-Semitism, was recently given prominent display space in Japanese bookstores, and received a good deal of favorable attention.

It is only one example of an accelerating attack on Jews in the Japanese press.

A recent issue of *Sapio*, a popular news magazine, devoted several pages to an indictment of what it considered Jewish control of international finance, and the media.

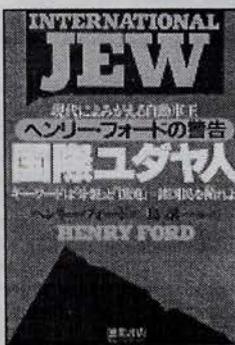
Rabbi Cooper, of the Wiesenthal Center, addressed this growing anti-Semitism in meetings with the new U.S. Ambassador to Japan, former Vice President Walter Mondale, and

publishers of a financial daily that carried a virulent ad for a three-volume work that detailed Jewish plans to rule the world and enslave Japan.

At first, the publishers defended their policies, invoking the principle of freedom of the press — but later, the newspaper distanced itself from the ad and the books in a printed apology.

Members of the Japanese Press Association, meeting with Wiesenthal Center representatives, committed themselves verbally to being more sensitive to anti-Semitism in the future.

It is a matter of concern and bewilderment in this country that anti-Semitism is growing in Japan, a country which has almost no Jewish population.



## Ruling in on Jewish Home Case

Superior Court Judge Richard Israel's office phoned the *Herald* just before presiding regarding a ruling in the case of *Ruth Meyer vs. R.I. Department of Health*, which was a suit filed to keep the Jewish Home for the Aged open. Said the judge's secretary, "Accordingly, a final judgment under rules 12B6 and 41B2, will be entered dismissing the plaintiff's claims against the R.I. Department of Health. The interim orders entered on Nov. 1, 1993 are vacated. The home remains closed."

## Uniting To Help Quake Victims

The Rhode Island Red Cross is in a state of readiness, in the event the call for trained disaster staff comes from the national Red Cross to lend disaster relief assistance in Los Angeles, the scene of an earthquake at 7:31 a.m. EST, Jan. 17, measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale.

It has been reported that 42 people died to date in this devastating natural disaster.

More than two dozen Rhode Islanders are members of the American national Red Cross Disaster Services Human Resources System, a nationwide database of trained people ready to respond at a moment's notice. Each Rhode Island staff member is trained in a specialty area such as family services, mass care, damage assessment, communications, and records and reports support.

"All of us here in Rhode Island are concerned about our California neighbors," said Barbara G. DeCesare, executive director of the Rhode Island Red Cross. "And we are standing by on alert status to help in any way we can."

"In the meantime," DeCesare continued, "for people concerned about friends or relatives in Los Angeles, the Rhode Island Red Cross offers a worldwide communications service called Disaster Welfare Inquiries. People in Rhode Island who cannot make contact with family members or friends after 48

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hours of a disaster, such as the L.A. earthquake, should call the Rhode Island Red Cross for help. They should however, keep trying for at least the next two days. Chances are, their friends in Los Angeles are also trying to get word out that they are okay. But if that does not happen, people should call the Rhode Island Chapter for assistance."

Elizabeth Dole, president of the American Red Cross, is enroute to the West Coast and plans to visit communities in and around the Los Angeles area that were affected by this week's quake. Her trip will focus on Red Cross disaster relief efforts being extended to families throughout the entire affected areas.

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# INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

## New Technical Program Is Successful

The Community College of Rhode Island is sponsoring a Tech Prep Senior Luncheon for Feb. 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Warwick campus.

The Rhode Island Tech Prep Associate Degree Program was initiated in 1987. The aims of the program are to involve students still in high school with a program that leads to a two-year degree at the Community College of Rhode Island, and to provide employers with a local source of well-trained technical employees.

The program is a partnership between CCRI and approximately 70 percent of the state's secondary schools.

Students are selected for the program in high school, and by grade 11 they enroll in such courses as principles of technology (physics), mathematics for technology (math), and communications (English).

These courses are taught in a hands-on manner and the students see the practical applications of the knowledge they are gaining. Courses available to

tech prep high school students now include applied biology/chemistry, college accounting, college business, electronic office procedures, and applied workplace readiness.

Once students successfully complete the high school portion of the program, they are guaranteed acceptance into specific programs at the Community College.

These programs prepare students for careers in technical, business administration and office administration areas. In addition, there are a limited number of slots reserved for tech prep students in specific allied health programs at CCRI.

Aside from the strong academic foundation and specific occupational skills offered through the tech prep program, high school tech prep students receive the following benefits.

The college waives the student's application fee if the student applies to the Community College of Rhode Island.

Career days are held for tech prep high school seniors at CCRI; at this time, students may tour the college facilities and labs and speak to faculty and staff in the student's chosen area of study.

A full-time tech prep program coordinator is available to assist students at both the high

school and community college level.

These events are aimed at assisting students in their academic preparation as well as promoting a program identity.

The Rhode Island Tech Prep Program was cited as one of three model programs in the country by the American Association of Community Colleges.

In addition, the United States Department of Education recently awarded the CCRI a \$312,657 grant which will fund the development of a program evaluation as well as the development and national dissemination of tech prep promotional materials.

There is a movement underway which calls for the implementation of tech prep programs in every state. Many educators from around the country have come to Rhode Island to learn about our model program so that they may replicate it.

For information about the Rhode Island Tech Prep Associate Degree Program, call 825-2143.

## The Peace Accord: What Does It Mean?

On Jan. 26, Elaine Hagopian, professor of sociology at Simmons College in Boston, will speak on the significance of the Middle East peace agreement at 7:30 p.m. in Room 113, White Hall, URI Kingston Campus.

## "Passport to Spain"

Your favorite appetizer or hors d'oeuvre recipe could be your passport to Spain. Enter the 11th annual Bays "Passport to Spain" Recipe Contest and you and a friend may be off to Spain for cooking lessons at one of the world's most famous cooking schools.

For the past 11 years, Bays English Muffins has sent creative cooks all over the world from Hong Kong and Bangkok to Paris and Florence to attend cooking lessons at some of the world's most renowned cooking schools.

This year is no exception. The winner will be awarded a trip for two to Madrid, Spain to attend a weeklong session at the famous Alambique School. While in Spain, the winner will get a true taste of Madrid by visiting the Royal Palace, the Prado, local markets and other sites around the city, followed by a driving tour of Seville, Grenada and Toledo.

The Alambique School specializes in Spanish and Spanish regional cuisines, as well as French, Mediterranean and Basque cuisines. Established in 1973, Alambique is recognized worldwide as a premier cooking school.

### Contest Requirements

To enter the contest, all are invited to submit recipes using one or more Bays English Muffins as either an appetizer or hors d'oeuvre. Six finalists will be flown to Chicago in April for the final competition. Recipes will be judged by a panel of food experts on the basis of taste, appearance, imagination, practicality, appropriateness for an English muffin and fit with the appetizer or hors d'oeuvre theme.

The second place winner will receive a Simac IL Gelataio Magnum frozen dessert maker. One third place winner will win a National Bread Bakery bread making machine. The fourth place winner will be awarded a Krups II Caffe Bistro combination coffee/espresso maker. Fifth and six place winners will each receive a \$100 retail gift certificate and one case of Bays English Muffins. Thirty runners-up will each receive a gift package of Bays English Muffins and a Bays Gourmet Apron.

All entries must be received by March 31, 1994. Send original recipes (appetizer or hors d'oeuvre only) with your name, address and daytime phone number, plus one top label from a package of Bays English Muffins to: Bays "Passport to Spain" Recipe Contest, 225 W. Ohio Street, Suite 600, Chicago, IL 60610. Recipes must be submitted on 8 1/2" x 11" paper. All entries become the property of Bays Corporation. Arizona, Florida, Maryland and Vermont residents need not submit top labels.

Please enjoy the following recipe which was a runner-up in last year's contest.

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Use your zip code.



Three mansions - **Marble House, The Elms and Chateau-Sur-Mer**, in Newport, will be open weekends only through March, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 847-1000.

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A **Save The Bay Marine Studies Program**, open to students at all grade levels, will be sponsored by Save The Bay's Education Department. Call 272-3540 for schedule and cost.

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There will be a **Firefighters Race** (complete with full firefighting gear and hoses) at Yawgoo Valley Ski Area in Exeter on Jan. 22. The annual Downhill Canoe and Kayak Race will take place at Yawgoo on Feb. 6. Call R.I. Tourism Division at 277-2601 for further details.

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**Natalie Babbitt**, internationally known children's book author, will be at Books on the Square, 471 Angell St., Providence, to meet her readers and sign copies of her picture book, *Bub*, on Jan. 22 at 10:30 a.m. Call 331-9097.

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The new Hasbro Children's Hospital, at Rhode Island Hospital, will hold an **open house** to which everyone is invited on the weekend of Jan. 22 and 23. Call 444-5327 for details.

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A **concert** designed especially to appeal to youngsters will be held Jan. 23, at 3 p.m., at Roberts Auditorium, Rhode Island College. Tickets are \$5.00, buy two, get your third ticket free.

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The Blackstone Valley Mothers-of-Twins Club will hold its **monthly meeting** Jan. 25 at 7:30 p.m. at Club Par-X, 36 Stanley Ave., Woonsocket. Dr. Paul Aubuchon will discuss traditional medicine vs. holistic treatment, and acupuncture. The club welcomes "any new or expectant mothers of multiples," to share experiences and lend support to each other.

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Bryant College Center for Management Development offers **four seminars** Jan. 25 through Feb. 11 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The seminars are: Mastering Grammar and Punctuation; Communicating on the Job; and two on Training for '90s Workplaces. Call 232-6122.

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The Alliance for Children, Inc., 500 Prospect St., Pawtucket, will hold an **Adoption information meeting** at 7 p.m. on Jan. 26. Pre-registration required. Call 725-9555.

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## FEATURE

## Israel for the Novice

by Stacey A. Pacheco  
Herald Co-editor

Although small in area (about the size of Massachusetts), Israel is a giant in history and tradition. A land of contrast and comparison, Israel was established as an independent state in 1948; yet it was born more than 5,700 years ago.

It is the spiritual homeland for three of the world's major religions: Judaism, Christianity and the Moslem faith.

Contrasts may be seen in Israel's people, lifestyles, arts and customs. Travelers become aware of the present time with the past, the modern with the ancient and the progressive with the traditional.

The climate is typically Mediterranean. It is hot and dry in the summer and mild and rainy in the winter.

A valid passport is required to enter Israel. If you are a citizen of the United States, England, Mexico or several other western European countries, you will not be required to obtain a visa.

The basic unit of currency is the Israeli shekel, which equals 100 agorots.

According to Steve Rakitt of the Rhode Island Jewish Federation, the current rate of exchange is approximately 2.8 shekels to one U.S. dollar. However, this monetary value fluctuates with the market variations.

Israel is seven hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time. When it is noon in Rhode Island, it is 7:00 p.m. in Israel. If you travel during Daylight Savings Time, you will want to be aware of that time difference.

Cats and dogs are welcome, but they must be accompanied by a veterinarian's certificate stating that the animal is healthy and has been vaccinated in the last year. Tourists bringing pets with them should notify Israeli authorities at least one month prior to arrival. Information should be faxed to 84-972-8-229-906.

Israel is a Jewish state and, therefore, the Sabbath is observed from sundown Friday until Sundown Saturday. The Sabbath is both a religious and public holiday. Do not plan to conduct business during this period of time.

Banks, offices and businesses are all closed.

Public transportation is restricted to taxis only. Any street with a synagogue will be closed to vehicular traffic.

You will find some restaurants and places of entertainment closed as well. It is a perfect time to stroll through neighborhoods familiarizing

yourself with the flavor of the country.

Many restaurants are strictly kosher. This means that dairy products (butter, milk, cream and cheese) cannot be served at the same meal where meat is served. If you eat meat in a kosher restaurant, you will not be served cream or milk for your coffee. Most likely, you will be able to get a non-dairy product for this purpose. Kosher also has to do with the types of meat one can eat and how such meat is slaughtered. In a kosher restaurant, you will be unable to get shellfish, pork, ham or bacon.

You should be aware that there are many non-kosher restaurants in Israel. There you will be able to eat those foods which are not served in kosher restaurants.

Eating establishments will post information regarding their kosher or non-kosher status. Should you have any doubts, simply ask the proprietor.

Israel provides a wide variety of hotel accommodations, but you are advised to make reservations in advance.

Hotels generally accept major credit cards. Should you desire an unusual experience, you can obtain accommodations at some "kibbutzim." These are collaborative farm settlements and some take in visitors.

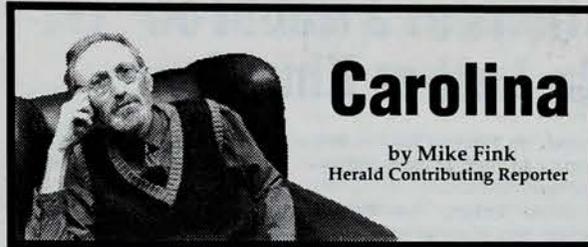
When you arrive in Israel, your plane will touch down at the international airport in Tel Aviv. You can take the local airline to Jerusalem, Haifa and Eilat. Bus transportation is one of the most convenient ways to travel. Trains are also convenient and comfortable.

Taxis are expensive and if you rent a car — remember to fill up the gas tank before the beginning of the Sabbath observance.

Medical care is readily available should you require the services of a doctor.

Most doctors speak English. There is also help at the Mogen David Adon (the Red Star of David) which is the Israeli equivalent to the American Red Cross.

The Hebrew language is as ancient as some of the cities you will visit, such as Jerusalem and Masada. To know Hebrew is to experience ancient civilization and, at the same time, come face to face with a modern world. "Shalom."



## Carolina

by Mike Fink  
Herald Contributing Reporter

"They came to the lands of the Iberian peninsula, Spain and Portugal, a thousand years before the start of Christianity — with the Phoenicians. There were always Jews in the region." Carolina Matos, president of the Sousa Mendes Society and publisher-editor of the *Portuguese American Journal*, spoke at a breakfast meeting at Temple Emanuel about the synagogues of Portugal she had visited this past summer.

"The truth is, 65 percent of all Portuguese people can trace their roots back to a Jewish soul lost in time because of the Inquisition. We are familiar with things Jewish. My father used to sing a lullaby to me which I later found again as a Jewish melody."

Carolina Matos is a native of the Azores. Her husband's family lives on the mainland. She drove north to explore synagogues in Tomar, Castelo de Vide, Belmonte and Oporto. She found Jewish guides and researched the history of the structures and the neighborhoods which had once held thriving communities. Since the famous speech of the president of Portugal apologizing for the Inquisition, these temples have become popular museums, "musts for American tourists."

As she went through her slides, Ms. Matos made witty comments which endeared her to her audience, a group of brave souls who came to hear her despite wintry blasts and tough road conditions. "Look how low the ceilings loom over your head. I'm short, but they even bore down on me. People must have been tiny then."

"Although there are bands of secret Jews, neighbors know who they are by now, and accept them with no problems," Carolina claimed. "Nevertheless in all Portugal there are only about 1,500 Jews, and they are mostly retired American and British people in the Algarve, south of Lisbon."

Carolina hinted that her organization, the Sousa Mendes Society, hopes to encourage the conversos to return openly to Judaism. "When I saw the ruined synagogue in Terceira, which looked like the Touro, it started my search for lost synagogues. And President Mario Soares came to our Touro in Newport and repeated his speech at home, apologizing for the Inquisition and all the losses it entailed, not only for the Jews, but for Portugal itself."

Carolina Matos has personally devoted herself to bringing the Portuguese and Jewish communities together. Her presentation

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was the first of a series scheduled by Cheryl Jacobson for the winter of '94. The theme will revolve around the Jews of Sephardic or at least non-Ashkenazic origins, in parts of the world less known to mainstream Jews.

The slides and stories rang a familiar bell for me, because I went there, with the support of the *Portuguese American Journal*. I can even go so far as to recommend following in Carolina's footsteps. Portugal is a beautiful land of orchards, castles, charming villages, excellent wines — and romantic hints of the Jewish past. During the question period, somebody asked if Spain keeps the same secrets. Carolina simply said yes, but she might have added, Portugal makes a determined effort to bring back the spirits of the age when the Great Discoveries were made with maps, charts, compasses and the skills of Jewish minds. Judaism figures in the past, present, and future of a country of blueskies. "Come and visit," said Carolina with a smile and gesture of welcome.

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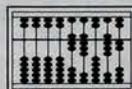
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The Hebrew Academy of San Francisco, 645 14th Ave., San Francisco, is sponsoring the Fifth annual International Conference on Jewish Medical Ethics on Feb. 18-21.

Physicians who are interested in attending the conference should call (415) 752-7333.

# OPINIONS

## Reflections of a Rabbi on Martin Luther King Jr.

by Rabbi David Geffen

NEW YORK (JTA) — We welcomed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the evening of March 25, 1968, with the singing of "We Shall Overcome" in Hebrew. He had come to the Concord Hotel in upstate New York to participate in the celebration marking Professor Abraham Joshua Heschel's 60th birthday, being given at the 68th annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly.

Colleagues in the civil rights struggle, Heschel and King had marched hand in hand in Alabama, from Selma to Montgomery, in the summer of 1965. The two had challenged the clergy of America to enter the struggle for black civil rights.

"Martin Luther King," Heschel stressed in his own inimitable fashion, "is a sign that G-d has not forsaken the United States of America. His presence is the hope of America. His mission is sacred, his leadership of supreme importance to every one of us."

Heschel then called upon "every Jew to hearken to King's voice, to share his vision and follow in his way."

As Heschel called King forward, the audience rose as one to give this non-violent leader and Nobel Peace Prize laureate a standing ovation.

Almost immediately, King remarked on our song of greeting. His face shining, he said that hearing the black struggle theme song "We Shall Over-

come" in Hebrew for the first time had been a "beautiful experience."

After making this moving statement, King gave his last and most often quoted pronouncement about Israel:

"I think it is necessary to say that what is basic and what is needed in the Middle East is peace. Peace for Israel is one thing. Peace for the Arab side of the world is another thing."

"Peace for Israel means security, and we must stand with all of our might to protect its right to exist, its territorial integrity," said King.

He then waxed eloquent in his inimitable style.

"I see Israel, and never mind saying it, as one of the great outposts of democracy in the world, and a marvelous example of what can be done. How desert land almost can be transformed into an oasis of brotherhood and democracy. Peace for Israel means security and that security must be a reality," said King.

Ten days later, on April 4, 1968, he was dead, the victim of an assassin's bullet in Memphis, Tennessee. The voice of King had been silenced, but his spirit lived on, bringing change to America and serving as an example for the rest of the world.

Annually, when the United States celebrates Martin Luther King Day, the State of Israel also recognizes King and the importance of his work. The process began in the 1970s when the King Memorial Forest

was planted in Galilee.

Then, in 1986, the city of Jerusalem and the State of Israel chose two ways to mark his memory. In January of that year a street adjacent to Liberty Bell Park was named in King's honor, in the presence of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, United States Ambassador Thomas Pickering and Mayor Teddy Kollek.

Later that day, a reception was held in the Knesset's Chagall Hall at which speeches were made by Shamir, Pickering, Defense Minister Moshe Arens, Knesset member Abba Eban and former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger. When the Knesset session was opened, tribute was paid to King's memory by Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel and Education Minister Yitzhak Navon.

Moreover, the Israeli government issued a Hebrew-language booklet for students about King, which included his biography and selections from his speeches. The booklet was distributed to over a quarter of a million Israeli public school students.

Now and forever in the city of Jerusalem, a city of prophets and dreamers, Martin Luther King Jr. Street will forever be a testimony to that great leader who stood for freedom, justice and an end to bigotry.

Rabbi David Geffen is religious leader of Temple Israel in Scranton, Pa., and author of *The American Heritage Haggadah*.

## Investigate Nazi Ties of German Doctor

by Michael Franzblau, M.D.

In January 1993, I was part of a delegation from the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) invited by the foreign minister of Germany, Klaus Kinkel, to meet with him about the rise of racist violence in his country. At the same time, the board of directors of the American Medical Association (AMA) became aware that the then president-elect of the World Medical Association, Dr. Hans Joachim Sewering, had been a member of the Nazi Party, a member of the dreaded SS, and had apparently participated in the killing of innocent people.

Sewering's signature was on a 1943 transfer order sending an epileptic child, Babette Froewis, from Schoenbrunn Sanatorium to the notorious Eglfling-Haar "Healing Center," where euthanasia experiments allegedly occurred. Three weeks later, Babette died.

After vigorous protest by the AMA last January, Sewering resigned as president-elect, claiming a "world Jewish conspiracy" against him. He said he was stepping down in the interest of the world organiza-

tion, the German Medical Association and Sewering's nominator to the position of president-elect, publicly accepted Sewering's explanation and expressed regret that he was resigning. Two days after the resignation, nuns at the Schoenbrunn Sanatorium issued a statement that everyone at the institution knew the transfer to Eglfling-Haar was a ticket to death and that over 900 children had been transferred there.

The nuns said they had broken a silence of 50 years because after Dr. Sewering stated that he had no knowledge of any killing at Eglfling-Haar, the bishop of Munich urged them to speak out.

In April 1993, at a closed meeting of the World Medical Association Council in Istanbul, American delegates proposed a by-law resolution that would require any nominee for office in the World Medical Association to be beyond ethical reproach.

At that meeting, the World Medical Association Council, by a vote of seven to four, elected Dr. Vilmar treasurer over the vigorous opposition of the American, Australian and Canadian medical associations. Vilmar explained to the AMA during this meeting that the charges against Sewering were "old hat"; that Sewering had served the German and World Medical associations with distinction; and that Sewering had been exonerated by a de-Nazification court in 1946.

The AMA delegation rebutted each of these assertions. Dr. Sewering was not exonerated. While records show that the 1946 trial did not take up his alleged participation in the euthanasia project, since none of the activities were known to the court, Sewering was convicted by the de-Nazification court of being a member of the Nazi Party and the SS and was fined 1,500 German marks.

Because the German Medical Association did not reject Sewering's allegation of a "world Jewish conspiracy," nor his statement that he lacked knowledge of the killing taking place at Eglfling-Haar or other sanatoria in Germany from 1941 to 1945, I proposed a new resolution for the World Medical Association General Assembly in Budapest last October.

The resolution asked for an investigation into Sewering's nomination and demanded that Vilmar resign as the World Medical Association treasurer. There was a spirited debate but no support for my resolution.

Representatives of the German Medical Association met with me personally during the meeting and made every effort to discourage me from my attempt to get Dr. Vilmar to resign. Since then, a correspondence has begun with the intention of showing that my interpretation of the events is wrong. However, nothing they have sent has changed the situation.

The German Medical Association has, as recently as May 1993, reaffirmed its support for Sewering, who has been made an honorary member of its board of trustees. It is my suggestion that, in order to clear

the air, the German Medical Association ask the prosecutor in Munich to investigate the activities at the Schoenbrunn Sanatorium and Eglfling-Haar "Healing Center" in 1943.

Abraham H. Foxman, national director of the ADL, has made this request repeatedly as well, with no results. I think it is incumbent upon the German Medical Association to specifically request a criminal investigation to determine what activities took place during this dark period in German medicine.

This investigation should include subpoenas of all records from both institutions and statements under oath by Dr. Sewering and others, including the nuns who may have knowledge about these activities in 1943. It is my contention that there may be enough evidence for a more serious doctors' war crimes trial.

I also plan to introduce a resolution to the AMA House of Delegates in June 1994, asking for withdrawal of the AMA from the World Medical Association unless Vilmar resigns. The AMA contributes about \$200,000 to the World Medical Association's annual budget of approximately \$900,000. This is a significant contribution to an organization that was created on the ashes of the Nuremberg trials to raise the ethical standards of physicians throughout the world.

The presence of Vilmar as treasurer and the stance of the German Medical Association makes a mockery of the ideals on which the world group was founded.

Michael Franzblau, M.D. is a practicing dermatologist in Marin County, California. He is a member of the American Medical Association, an associate of the World Medical Association and a member of the National Commission of the Anti-Defamation League.

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"Over the valley and through the woods, to grandmother's house we go..."

While such a trip might bring happiness for some, for many others it brings the nausea, dizziness and vomiting associated with motion sickness. Whether by car, train, bus or plane, motion sickness can affect anyone at any time.

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The most common treatments for motion sickness are over-the-counter antihistamines. The reasons most often cited by sufferers for not seeking relief include not having the medication on hand when they need it or being concerned about potential drowsiness. If drowsiness is a concern, less drowsy formulas are now on the market.

While scientists don't know exactly how they work, clinical data suggest that antihistamines depress specific sensory signals to the brain that cause motion sickness.

As always, consult your doctor before taking any medications.

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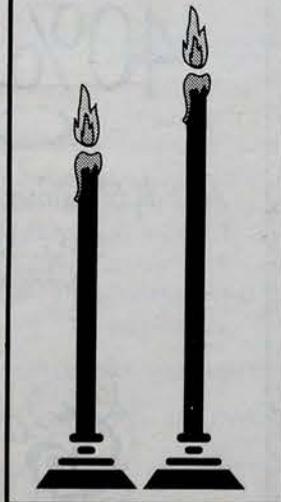
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## EDITORIAL

Letters  
to the  
EDITORRay's Family  
Thanks You

## To the Editors:

We would like to express our appreciation for all the wonderful support we have received from the community during this very difficult time. All of the kind actions and words have been a great source of comfort for us. Ray z"l always loved his adopted hometown of Providence. We know that he would be so proud of how his beloved Providence has exhibited so much caring for his family.

Alice, Howard and Cary  
Eichenbaum

'Overwhelmed By  
This Nightmare'

## To the Editors:

Do you know the number of people stopped for traffic violations who are driving without a license?

These people can identify themselves as someone else, the police accept that, and the innocent person whose name was given gets prosecuted. This situation happened to me several times last year. I feel victimized by the person using my identity, and the system that allows this to happen.

In one year I received several court summonses for three different tickets. I obtained copies of the tickets, each ticket stated no license on person and improper use of registration.

Apparently, the person stopped gave my name, birthdate and address, although it

didn't match the owners of the cars. Each officer accepted the information verbally given by the driver and issued tickets in my name.

When I received the first summons, which I knew nothing about, my name was spelled wrong. I informed the Providence Police that this was mailed to me in error. They said it would be removed from their computer.

When I received a second summons issued in my name, I knew who was impersonating me. It was my brother. He had a warrant out for his arrest.

I contacted a lawyer to represent me. My lawyer wrote to the Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicles Division, on Feb. 5, 1993, to advise them of this situation. A letter was also mailed to my brother. There was no reply from either party.

On April 16, 1993, I filed a complaint report with the Providence Police Department about the situation. I obtained copies of all the tickets from the Providence Police Department. On the tickets appeared my name and address. The offenses were no license, operating an unregistered auto, improper use of registration. The motor vehicle was owned by someone I never heard of. One ticket stated he resides at my home address. On April 28, 1993, I mailed a registered letter to the Providence chief of police requesting advice in this matter. No one replied.

At one of the court appearances the judge dismissed the charges, but ordered me to pay court fees.

Why should I have to pay court fees if I am innocent? Will other people be wrongly accused, summoned into court, found not guilty and be taxed?

Why did three different officers accept that this person

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## "To Tell at Last"

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

No two survivor memoirs hit you as quite alike. Each makes a unique tragic treasure. Blanca Rosenberg lost her first child, Zygmund. She only hopes and prays that his death came easy, in the arms of his grandmother. Blanca had seen the cruelest treatment of babies, used as targets for practice or dashed to death before the eyes of their parents.

A dying mother found luck in the ghetto in a rusty can of stagnant water. If you struck up a friendship with a pharmacist, you could put your hands on

too much awful content. As she empties bedpans and tucks secret friends under beds or in closets, she hears her mistress badmouthing the Jews who brought on the inconveniences of wartime. They damn the Jews and blame them for everything — even Einstein stole his ideas from his German betters.

With her forged papers and passport, she walks the untouched streets of lovely Heidelberg. On her afternoon hour off, she walks the Philosopher's Path round the old castle. She attends a lecture at the university on the poetry of Rilke. Her boss sees her

them. "May it serve the cause of peace," she concludes.

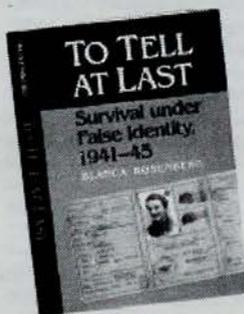
Joel Braude brought me a copy of *To Tell at Last*. It bears an autograph to me. "You were warmly spoken of, as a man of letters who understands and cares, by our joint ally, Joel Braude." Blanca works as a psychotherapist. Joel sees her as an informal advisor and mentor. "Mostly, I feel buoyed up by the example of her courage to live and get on with her life. She is in fine shape. She stands stately and attractive, proud and graceful."

When I first met Joel in Jerusalem, over 30 years ago, survivors lived like prophets in caves. They told their tales, rather than penning them down. Although their words may have blurred in my memory, something stayed — their grandeur, the pathos of their generation, sturdy despite wounds.

Blanca Rosenberg gives you in print both the acknowledgment of the help she found from some, but also the enormous complicity of the Poles and the overbearing arrogance and hypocrisy of the Germans. In this ecumenical and revisionist age, she will not diminish the facts or let them fade.

"The planes flew in low, the American fighters coming in. I buried the household goods of my employers, like the Third Reich itself."

Blanca Rosenberg, author of  
*To Tell at Last: Survival under  
False Identity, 1941-45*



cyanide and go fast and free. Getting out of this world on your own terms meant you won a victory. After 40 or 50 years it may have turned easy to make the old times almost romantic. But Blanca never lets you off the hook of truth. She started her memoirs then, and brings them up to date now. Her book came out only a season ago, put out by a Canadian foundation for holocaust and Jewish resistance literature, and by the University of Illinois Press.

Blanca came through and back to life strictly by mere fate, she disclaims. But she takes sharp note of the dreadful destinies around her, in the ghetto and in the camps. She went into hiding, but the hidden were preyed upon by parasites. They robbed you and then took bounty on your head by turning you in once you had nothing left for bribes. The resistance avenged some of these betrayals. Blanca tells the story of her friend Edward, his rise and fall. He passed for a Polish aristocrat and saved her. Later he comes down in the world and skulks like a ghost haunting the shadows of rented rooms.

At first, when Blanca gets a job working as a maid in a German Nazi household, the memoir reads like a film script for a 40s melodrama with Merle Oberon. But the details carry

and asks who she is. She fakes a lower identity as a Polish peasant. For the Jewish children the Germans were the real bogeymen. For the Germans the Jews were set up as props.

After the war, the ironies of survival settle in on Blanca. "The sounds of war became a symphony of liberation."

"The planes flew in low, the American fighters coming in. I buried the household goods of my employers, like the Third Reich itself." Blanca and her friend Maria hug and laugh together until the full horror hits them again as they look round at their empty place in the world. A Jewish American pastor greets them in Yiddish with tears. Blanca learns from GIs a swear-filled American English and interprets.

She marries a former romantic friend, Sam. They come to the United States and have twin sons. She dedicates her book to



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## TORAH TODAY

It is self-evident that we must have yeshivos in America where children can learn Torah in the proper and warm atmosphere — where they can become enveloped in Torah-living and in prayer.

But, it is also self-evident that in the same city, at the same hour, there are Jewish children drowning in the sea of ignorance and assimilation. To these children, the yeshiva is (tragically) as yet irrelevant and we must, therefore, intensify our efforts for them on their level.

When a child is drowning, we don't have time to make a philosophical analysis and to calculate priorities. We must save the child! If Torah cannot be taught in Hebrew, it must be taught in the language the child understands.

If the child is not prepared to learn profound concepts, then Torah must be explained with simple stories.

But Torah must be taught to everyone! And the Torah must be authentic — not watered down, abridged, or modified.

The demands made by Rabbi

Joseph Isaac are as pertinent to us in America as they were in Russia 50 years ago: to be continually dissatisfied with our own accomplishments in Torah learning and observance — yet to recognize the significance of teaching even a single letter of the Torah to those who have nothing at all.

Submitted by Rabbi Y. Laufer.  
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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Priest Gives Anti-Semitic Sermon

by Ruth E. Gruber

ROME (JTA) — During a service held to commemorate three neo-fascist youths killed 16 years ago, a Roman Catholic priest delivered a sermon with a strong anti-Semitic message.

"Our enemies are the Communists," the priest, Don Curzio Nitoglia, was quoted as recently saying by the Rome daily newspaper *Il Messaggero*.

"And Pope Pius XII, you recall, strongly condemned Communism. Communism in fact is the child of historical materialism, which was invented by Karl Marx," he said. "And Karl Marx was the son of a Jew."

"Thus Communism is the child of Judaism," he was quoted as saying. "For this we must be against Communism and against Judaism. Without turning the other cheek."

Nitoglia made his comments within days of the signing of the historic accord by Israel and the Vatican that, for the first time, established formal diplomatic relations between the two governments.

Standing next to the priest, according to *Messaggero* reporter Gianfranco Biliotti, was MSI parliament member Teodoro Buontempo, whose eyes were reportedly "swollen with tears."

The service was held to commemorate the deaths of three 19-year-old members of the MSI who were killed Jan. 7, 1978, during a period when right-wing and left-wing terrorism was rampant in Italy.

## Kenya's President Visits Israel

by Michele Chabin

JERUSALEM (JTA) — President Daniel arap moi of Kenya arrived in Israel recently for a state visit slated to culminate in a trade agreement.

During the trip, the Kenyan president's first visit to Israel, Moi expected to travel throughout the country to view the latest developments in Israeli agriculture and industry.

The visit marked warmer ties between Israel and Kenya, which have been strained in

the past.

Israel opened an embassy in Kenya soon after the African nation gained independence in 1963. Kenya broke off diplomatic relations after the 1973 Yom Kippur war.

The two countries maintained unofficial diplomatic and economic contacts, although Moi did not re-establish diplomatic ties with Israel until 1988 and has yet to establish a full diplomatic mission here.

## Choice of Passover or Polls

by Ruth E. Gruber

ROME (JTA) — Scandal-plagued Italy is planning elections that are expected to redraw the country's political landscape and usher in a new political era.

Passover may coincide with these watershed elections. The first two days of the holiday, March 27 and 28, are being considered as possible polling dates.

Rome's chief rabbi, Elio Toaff, has written to President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro and Interior Minister Nicola Mancino, urging that the vote not be scheduled for March 27.

The Rome daily *Il Messaggero* also reported last Wednesday that Tullia Zevi, president of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, contacted authorities to point out that legal agreements between the state and the Jewish community stipulate respect for religious holidays.

"I hope that the rights of a

religious minority are not trampled upon," Toaff said in an interview with the newspaper.

"I also believe that the highest levels of the state are sensitive to our request, which only reiterates respect for our community, which is an integral part of Italian society and thus wants to participate fully in such an important election."

Approximately 40,000 Jews live in Italy, out of a population of 58 million. About 30,000 Italian Jews have the right to vote.

"That is a ridiculous argument," Toaff told *Il Messaggero*. "It would be like asking Catholics to not celebrate Christmas. Jewish law calls for a day of rest (on festival days).

"The days of Passover should be dedicated to meditation and spiritual recovery. Every Jew should be free to pray, without being afflicted by daily encumbrances, even such important ones as voting, which none of us wants to renounce."

## University Teachers Resume Strike

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Faculty members at universities throughout Israel resumed their strike last Sunday, citing the government's unwillingness to negotiate with them.

The strike had begun three weeks ago, but was suspended at some schools after two days on the understanding that the Finance Ministry would resume negotiations on salary and related issues.

Many teachers, from instructors to full professors, had at the time heeded back-to-work orders that were issued by the Tel Aviv Labor Court.

The faculty members announced they would resume their strike, saying the ministry had failed to resume talks.

A students association announced that it would appeal to the Supreme Court to order the professors and lecturers to return to work.

Legal experts said it was doubtful that the court would hear the appeal, as the court did not usually entertain appeals from third parties.

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### INTERNATIONAL

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA (JTA) — The Palestine Liberation Organization has asked the government of Australia to finance its local office, claiming an acute shortage of funds. The office might be forced to close because of the cutoff of funds last June that had been supplied by the organization's Tunis headquarters.

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LONDON (JTA) — Britain's first Nazi war crimes trials are expected to take place this year, parliamentary sources have told the *London Jewish Chronicle*. The hearings would be the first under the controversial 1991 War Crimes Act, which was passed despite fierce opposition, especially from some members of the House of Lords.

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### NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (JTA) — At least four letters to President Clinton, written by about 25 members of Congress, recently circulated on Capitol Hill, all stressing the importance of keeping Syria on the Terror Sponsor list.

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NEW YORK (JTA) — Brooklyn District Attorney Charles Hynes came out of his meeting with Janet Reno last Monday saying that the U.S. attorney general was "receptive" to his proposal that they jointly prosecute two of the men who attacked Yankel Rosenbaum during 1991's Crown Heights crisis.

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NEW YORK (ADL) — The President of Romania assured the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) that he would "use all my constitutional powers" to stop a revival of anti-Semitism and the attempts to honor the Fascist dictator General Ion Antonescu. ADL had strongly protested Romania's rising anti-Semitism and the recent memorials paying tribute to Antonescu, who worked with the Nazis to send 250,000 Jews and thousands of Gypsies to their deaths during the Holocaust.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

## INTERNATIONAL

**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — The secretary-general of the Histadrut Trades Union Federation has been elected in a Labor Party primary to run as the party's candidate for a second term. In last Tuesday's nationwide elections, in which the 130,587 Labor Party members who were also members of the confederation were eligible to vote, incumbent Chaim Haberfeld defeated Labor Knesset member Amir Peretz by an almost two-to-one margin. Former Knesset member Jacques Amir placed third.

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**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — Israel's Supreme Court has ruled that the Chabad Lubavitch movement may continue operating its booth in Ben-Gurion Airport, which offers religious services to passengers. However, the court imposed restrictions on Chabad, saying it may not distribute religious material to those who do not solicit it and may not preach Chabad "ideology."

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**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — The American congressional team investigating the fate of missing Israeli servicemen has told the soldiers' families that they were promised full cooperation by both Syrian and Lebanese authorities and hoped to see results of their investigation in the coming weeks.

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**JERUSALEM (JTA)** — American author Robert Friedman, who has written unflattering portraits of Israel's right wing, was attacked by residents of a West Bank settlement. Friedman and an escort were assaulted Jan. 10 by members of the Kahane Chai movement, who accused Friedman of inciting the murder of their leader, Rabbi Meir Kahane, more than two years ago through his writings.

## Kamin Joins NJDC

WASHINGTON — The National Jewish Democratic Council, gearing up for the 1994 elections, has announced that Jonathan Kamin has joined the staff as assistant of the Grassroots/Political Officer.

Kamin, a 1993 graduate of Syracuse University, was most recently the deputy campaign manager for the 34th Legislative District campaign in New Jersey.

## 'Can You Help Us Find A Torah?'

This appeal from Ethiopian Jewish community leaders in Afula, Israel, recently reached the New York offices of the North American Conference on Ethiopian Jewry (NACOEJ).

Barbara Gordon, NACOEJ national director, explains, "One of the prime objectives of NACOEJ is to help Ethiopian Jews preserve their heritage, their traditions and their sense of community. This is especially difficult because of the break-up of village life as it existed in Ethiopia, and the dispersing of friends and families to various parts of Israel.

"Establishing their own synagogues and community centers is particularly important for the religiously observant Ethiopian community," she said. "While Ethiopians are welcome in any Israel synagogue, those who want to maintain their traditional religious rites need a synagogue of their own."

Some 2,000 Ethiopian Jews settled in Afula after Operation Moses, the 1984-1985 airlift from the Sudan, and hundreds of additional families from Operation Solomon are moving into permanent apartments from the temporary "caravan" sites they have occupied since arriving in Israel almost three years ago.

The mayor of Afula has provided a building for the Ethiopian Jewish congregation. Once used as a chicken slaughterhouse, the building needs major repairs and renovations before it can be used as a synagogue.

"Members of the Ethiopian community are eager and resourceful," explained Gordon. "They are doing much of the work themselves, thereby saving considerable costs. But they will need furnishings, ritual objects and a Sefer Torah before they can create their own synagogue."

For more information about NACOEJ and its programs, call (212) 752-6340.

## Newborns 'Insured' Against Leukemia

**JERUSALEM** — Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center will be home to Israel's first cryo-preservation bank for Israelis who want "insurance" for their infants against leukemia and some immune-system disorders.

Parents can deposit a droplet of blood from their newborn's severed umbilical cord and have it stored indefinitely.

The immunologically rich blood contains stem cells that can reactivate an individual's immune system in the event that the bone marrow production centers are destroyed by chemotherapy for leukemia or other cancers.

It can also aid in the treatment of aplastic anemia and certain immune diseases.

Moreover, patients who receive their own stem cells need not search for compatible bone marrow donors.

Dr. Shimon Slavin, director of the National Center of Bone Marrow Transplantation at Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, said, "Those who have a family history of leukemia or other cancers, or otherwise fear eventual cancer can deposit their infant's umbilical-cord blood in the bank. Not only can it lead to a cure for leukemia in the child or in adulthood, but it may also have a 50 percent chance of helping a sibling with one of these diseases."

Presently, Dr. Slavin's bone marrow department uses bone marrow cryo-preservation for patients at high risk of developing malignant disorders which can be corrected with bone marrow transplantation.

Of special interest are children with advanced neuroblastoma (sarcoma of the nervous system). With a new poly-chemotherapy protocol and new methods of cleansing bone marrow, Dr. Slavin and his team have cured 80 percent of young patients with this affliction.

## Israeli Athlete to Go to Winter Olympics

**NEW YORK (JTA)** — Israel, a country not known for winter sports, will be represented for the first time in the Winter Olympics by an immigrant from the former Soviet Union.

Mikhail Shmerkin, a 23-year-old figure skater, will represent Israel next month in Lillehammer, Norway. He was previously a champion Soviet skater, finishing fifth in the Youth World Championship held in the United States in 1985.

## Open University Honors Jewish Leaders

American Friends of the Open University of Israel paid tribute to three outstanding Jewish leaders at a recent fifth annual New York Award Dinner entitled, "A Time For Peace."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was granted the organization's highest honor, the Yigal Allon Award, and Irving and Phyllis Bernstein of Manhasset, New York, were honored with the Max Rowe Educational Leadership Award.

"This was the most successful event in our history," expressed an exuberant Irving M. Rosenbaum of Great Neck, New York, national chairman of the American Friends. "It was a great pleasure to honor Prime Minister Rabin for his courage at this moment of historic transition. He has always been an ardent supporter of Israel's Open University."

The gala celebration was also marked by a moving tribute to Phyllis and Irving Bernstein, both active leaders of the American Friends. "Honoring two such good friends as Phyllis and Irving was a special privilege for me," commented Irwin Hochberg, an active leader of the Open University who emceed the program. "Irving understands from his own educational background, studying at night school, the unique and invaluable contribution of the Open University to its more than 21,000 Israeli students."

Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, Gad Yaacobi, accepted the award on behalf of Rabin. "The theme of this year's dinner, 'A Time for Peace,' was fitting for the

Prime Minister, who "has devoted his life to Israel's peace and security," stated Ambassador Yaacobi. "We [Israel] should be a nation of moral and cultural and excellence ... Israel, as the homeland of the Jewish people, has to fulfill this heritage ... There is no better forum than this to stress the point ... Here, with people who help the important mission of the Open University."

## Zhirinovsky's Host Under Investigation

by Marta S. Halpert

**VIENNA (JTA)** — Edwin Neuwith, the 69-year-old bankrupt Austrian timber dealer who hosted Russian ultranationalist Vladimir Zhirinovsky at an Alpine resort, now faces a judicial investigation for publicly expressing doubt that gas chambers existed in the Nazi concentration camps.

Neuwith, who told reporters he did not know of any gas chambers in German concentration camps, is now the subject of an investigation by Austria's chief prosecutor.

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The group will travel on a luxury bus visiting ancient and new sites including the Western Wall, Yad Vashem, Tower of David Museum and other attractions.

"This visit comes at a time of many significant historical developments which may affect the lives of Israelis and Jews in the diaspora for a long time to come," said Joseph L. Huscher, chairman of the Israel commission.

The 12-day trip, which is open to B'nai B'rith members and non-members, costs \$1,995 per person (based on double occupancy) and includes round-trip via El Al from New York, 10 nights lodging in five-star hotels, breakfasts daily and at least three lunches and four dinners.

For details, contact the B'nai B'rith Israel Commission, 1640 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036-3278, or call (202) 857-6584.

## Young-at-Heart enjoy camping lifestyle

Think camping is just for the young? Think again. Recreation vehicle (RV) camping and touring are favorite activities for anyone who's young at heart, says the Go Camping America Committee. In fact, nearly half of the nation's 8.5 million RVs are owned by mature Americans aged 55 and up. Many opt to go beyond vacationing and take up residence for the winter or longer in Sun Belt RV parks.

While not everyone can backpack or tent-camp due to age or physical restrictions, anyone can enjoy outdoor living with an RV. Seniors are surrounded by accessible home comforts, because units are equipped with living, dining, sleeping and bathroom facilities.

Modern kitchens, complete with refrigerators and freezers, enable senior RVers to keep foods on hand for special diets. On-board closets and storage space eliminate the need to pack, unpack and carry heavy suitcases in and out of hotels. Vacation or enjoy extended retirement living more economically by avoiding high-priced hotels and restaurants. The average campground charges only one-fourth the price of most hotels.

Whether for frequent getaways or a "snowbird's" annual migration to warmer winter climates, mature Americans often choose RV parks with expanded facilities that concentrate on the senior traveler.

Resort-like campgrounds provide golf, tennis, shuffleboard and other group activities. Many have swimming pools, saunas and whirlpools for relaxation.

One reason for the popularity of the RV lifestyle among seniors is the sense of community it fosters. Senior RVers share common interests with a vast network of friends. Through camping clubs, seniors often meet socially at conventions, rallies and campgrounds. Many offer group excursions to make travel more fun and secure. The Good Sam Club, National Campers and Hikers Association, Family Motor Coach Association and Loners on Wheels are among the national camping clubs popular with retirees.

RV vacations are considerably more economical than traditional trips by car, bus, train or airplane, regardless of trip destination or duration. An RV vacation costs from one-half to three-fourths less than comparable vacations by any other mode of transportation.

For complimentary "Go Camping America" vacation planning information, seniors should call (800) 47-SUNNY or write to: Go Camping America, P.O. Box 2669, Dept. 23, Reston, VA 22090.

## Comforting Thoughts For Flyers

You don't have to leave all the comforts of home when you travel. Here are a few hints that may help:

- What's the weather where you're going? You can get a general idea of seasonal climate from most good guide books.

- You might also look at temperature listings in national newspapers. Whatever you learn, pack a compact umbrella, just in case. Even deserts get some rain.

- It's always best to bring

along any prescription medicines and the prescriptions for them that you or your family may need in your carry-on bag. This includes prescriptions for your eyeglasses, if necessary. Don't forget your belongings on the plane.

- Giving many travelers a leg up when it comes to comfort is a type of seating arrangement on airplanes. Before you book your flight, look for something like "Comfort Class."

In response to a survey showing coach customers find cramped space the most uncomfortable aspect of their trips, some airlines have added 50 percent more knee room to give passengers more space to work, to enjoy their meals and snacks, to care for children, even to stretch out and relax. What's more, they've installed footrests on transcontinental and transAtlantic aircraft for a total comfort environment.

Passengers have noted greater comfort on such planes and flight attendants say they can provide more comfortable, personalized service with more room in which to work.

- Spare your strength. You'll have less to carry (and more room for souvenirs) if you're careful not to overpack. Experts advise you start with everything you think you'll need for the trip and then try to put back about half of it before you pack it.

## TRAVEL

.....BRIEFS.....

The former Hilton Hotel in Jerusalem is now the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza Jerusalem.

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Cycling tours offered by Beyond Biking for both experienced and inexperienced cyclists are arranged for groups of 10 to 25 participants. For more details, call 972-4-679-796, Fax 972-227-335. \*\*\*

The new Jewish Museum of Vienna recently opened in the former Eskeles Mansion. The museum features special exhibits detailing the history of Judaism in Austria and the Habsburg Empire. The thematic focus of the displays centers on the relationship of the country's Jewish community with its non-Jewish surroundings through paintings, photography and other media. For more information, call (212) 944-6880.

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The Fifth International Bird Migration Festival will be held March 20 to March 24, in conjunction with the 40th anniversary celebrations of Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel. Programs will include art and photography exhibits, daily tours of birding spots, lectures and a concert: Global Flyway, by Paul Winter on March 21. A professional scientific conference on bird migration will be held April 3 to April 6. For registration and information, write Spring Festival '94, P.O. Box 774, Eilat 88000.

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A series of six performances by some of Europe's leading jazz musicians will be held in Eilat's Meyeroff Centre throughout the winter. Tickets will be available at hotels and tourist offices and transportation will be available from the hotels an hour before each concert.

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Rosh Hanikra, the approximately 210-foot-high chalk cliff on Israel's northern Mediterranean shore, was formed by centuries of wind and rain. The cliff and shore are natural reserves for fauna and flora. Bats rest inside the caves while swallows and rock pigeons nest in the protective darkness. Cable car facilitates the descent on tours. For more information, call 972-4-857-108.

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Metsoke Gishron offers cliff climbing and gliding from cliffs in and around Eilat. For more information, call 972-7-376-578.

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## Friendlier Skies

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Israel's domestic airline announced that it has already signed agreements with agents in Amman, Beirut and Damascus for air services to begin the moment peace breaks out.

Arkia offers local air services within Israel and also operates short-haul charter flights to nearby Cyprus, Greece and Turkey.

Arkia said it has agreements to supply all ground and refueling arrangements and already has drawn up plans for regular services from Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and other Israeli cities to Amman and Aqaba in Jordan, and Damascus and Beirut.

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# ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



..... BRIEFS .....

**Theatre Games for Children** ages 7 to 12, led by Paula Goldberg of the Theatre Department, CCCRI, will be held at Books on the Square, 471 Angell St., Providence, Jan. 22, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Call 331-9097.

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Two performances only of **Beethoven's Symphony #9** by the Rhode Island Philharmonic, under the direction of Zuohuang Chen, with Chorus pro Musica of Boston, Jan. 22, 8 p.m. and Jan. 23, 3 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence. Call 831-3123 or 277-3150.

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"**The Sisters Rosensweig**", a Broadway comedy hit, will open at the Shubert Theatre in Boston Jan. 25. The play was written by Wendy Wasserstein, who won a Pulitzer for *The Heidi Chronicles*. Call Shubert Theatre box office or 1-800-447-7400.

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**Convergence VII**, a festival of art, dance, theatre and music, will take place in Roger Williams Park from July 10 to Aug. 21. The Providence Department of Public Parks invites all interested artists to submit proposals in site-specific sculpture, performance art, dance, theatre and music. Deadline April 1. Call 785-9450 for details.

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Ellen Watt and Jacqueline Mace are putting on a joint exhibition of natural-world sculpture and "wear" art at gallery 5, 5 Steeple St., Providence, from Jan. 20 to Jan. 31. Opening reception Jan. 23, 2 to 4 p.m.

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An **International Fest** will take place Feb. 3 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the new Ethnographic Gallery at the Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design. Reservations, \$5.00 and \$10.00. Call Friends of Art, 454-6321.

## Leisure Club Holds Meeting

Temple Emanu-El Leisure Club will present CVS pharmacist, George Loens, with "Smart Talk About Medication" on Feb. 23 at 2 p.m.

He will deliver a health guide for senior citizens focusing on the following:

- How certain drugs affect the elderly.
- Getting the most from your visit to the doctor.
- Using prescription and nonprescription drugs properly.
- Taking an active role in your own health.

## First Songwriters Competition

How do you celebrate Israel and Zionism and strengthen ties between North American Jews and the Jewish state?

One way is by song, according to the American Zionist Movement (AZM), which has just announced the First annual North American Zionist Song Competition, open to musicians of all ages and backgrounds. AZM is an umbrella organization of 22 Zionist groups in North America.

Under the rules of the competition, entries must be previously unpublished and unrecorded compositions that celebrate Zionism and Israel. They will be judged on the basis of musical quality and lyrics. Songs should be two to four minutes in length, with either original lyrics or adaptations of traditional source material. Lyrics can be in English and/or Hebrew. Only one entry may be submitted per person, in the form of an audio cassette recording. Compositions should be appropriate for group singing.

"Music is a wonderful motivating instrument for spreading Jewish values to our entire

community," says Rabbi Daniel Syme, chair of AZM's adult Zionist education committee and senior vice president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who initiated the competition. "Song spurs enthusiasm and transforms emotions into meaningful artistic expression. It is a way to teach Jews about Israel, its history, heroes and precepts."

The Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education (CAJE), is a co-sponsor of the event. Finalists for this year's competition will perform their songs at the 1994 CAJE conference, to be held at Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind., next August, according to Karen Rubinstein, executive director of AZM.

The deadline for entries to the competition is April 25, 1994. Finalists will be informed by July 1, 1994.

Entry forms may be obtained by writing to Fred Greene, American Zionist Movement National Office, 110 E. 59th Street, New York, N.Y. 10022, or calling (212) 318-6100.



## "Shadowlands"

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

"Shadowlands" throws an American-Jewish mom and her son Doug together with a famous British Oxford don, the poet-philosopher C.S. Lewis. The movie is set in the '50s.

Those among us who went to school in that decade may recall Lewis' fantasy about the wardrobe in the attic. The wardrobe had a rear door that entered into another world of magic and miracle.

Well, little Douglas asks to go up the creaky stairway and check it out. He pushes aside the neatly hung tweeds. He finds nothing but a blank wall.

C.S. Lewis' real life, too, faces a blank wall until he meets Joy. She marries him and then dies. She leaves "Jack," as she calls Lewis, to care for her little boy, who comes to symbolize Lewis' own sad boyhood and a second chance. A dog even comes into camera range to romp beside the adoptive father and son in the fadeout.

"Shadowlands" should have been a great film, a story about poetry, and teaching, and the gradual growth of love and understanding. With its serene, lyrical landscapes of college campuses and the countryside, and the strong presences of Anthony Hopkins and Debra Winger, one might expect relief from the usual film fare made of violence and sensation.

But something goes wrong along the way. Partly, the problem stems from the lack of Jew-

ish content. The story needs the bite, the heightened contrast between the high church poetry of the '50s and the concrete reality of the Jewish experience of living and dying.

After a promising start, the flick slows down fast and comes to a screeching halt with the long drawn out illness and passing of our heroine. What's new? Women have to die to stay lovable. No other emotions come into play beside sappy, soapy grief and flowing tears.

It took me two seconds to cover the plot for my own 8-year-old son when I tried to tell it next morning over breakfast. "You could have played the part. I could have taken the role of the professor. Mom, you and I, we could have made a better 'Shadowlands.'"

## Dutch Won't Ban Neo-Nazi Film

by Henriette Boas

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — Rejecting arguments by Dutch Jewish groups, the public prosecutor will not ban the public showing in Holland of the controversial German film "Profession: Neo-Nazi."

The film — in which a young neo-Nazi spouts anti-Semitic rhetoric and denies that any Jews were killed at the Auschwitz concentration camp without a word of rebuttal from any other person in the documentary — created an uproar among Jewish groups in Germany upon its release late last year.

The banning of the film in Holland had been requested by Jewish congregations and by the Foundation for Combating Anti-Semitism.

But after seeing the film, the public prosecutor concluded that although certain statements made by the film's title character, unabashed neo-Nazi Bela Althans, were certainly anti-Semitic, the film itself was not.

The prosecutor instead said he thought the documentary provided a warning against neo-Nazism.

At Amsterdam's international documentary film festival, where the film was shown last month, the film's creator, Winfried Bonengel, said the neo-Nazi's rhetoric is not refuted because everybody knows his statements are lies.

As a result of the public prosecutor's decision, the documentary will now be shown in several Dutch cities.

In Germany, meanwhile, the Jewish community's attempts to get the film banned have only been partly successful.

The film has been banned in several German states, including Hesse, where Frankfurt is located.

Ignatz Bubis, the leader of the German Jewish community, said his organization will con-

tinue to seek a countrywide ban on the film.

"We're waiting for a court ruling in Frankfurt that would be applied to the whole country," Bubis told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

In December 1993, the Central Council of Jews in Germany, of which Bubis is president, filed charges against the main character in the film over at least 10 passages the group said were in violation of German law.

Under Germany's criminal codes, hate speech is against the law. These include statements calling for hate or violence against a group. Saying that Auschwitz or the Holocaust never existed is also against German law.

But late last year the district attorney for the state court in Berlin ruled that the Central Council's charges were unfounded and allowed the movie to continue its run there.

Bubis, clearly disappointed by the decision, said he prefers to await a decision from the Frankfurt court on his group's complaint.

"I don't want to create additional popularity for the film," he said.

Showings of the film in Berlin have been sold out at the box office.

(Contributing to this report was JTA correspondent Miriam Widman in Berlin.)

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Nurses Councils are formed to establish an international partnership with the Nurses Division of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem in order to enhance and support the nursing profession in Israel and the United States.

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# MILESTONES



Carolyn Cohen and Michael Yaffe

## Cohen Engaged to Yaffe

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Cohen of Natick, Mass., and Carolyn Cohen of Warwick, R.I., announce the engagement of their daughter, Rhonda Cohen of Cranston, R.I., to Michael Yaffe of Winthrop, Mass., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Yaffee of Winthrop, Mass.

The bride-to-be graduated from Toll Gate High School,

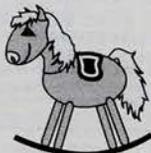
CCRI and Johnson & Wales University.

Her fiancé graduated from Winthrop High School, Winthrop, Mass., ITT Tech, Chelsea, Mass., and is currently attending Newbury College, Revere, Mass.

The wedding date is July 31, 1994.

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## Goldsmith Honored

The National Council of Jewish Women announces that Marion Goldsmith, past president of the Rhode Island section, has been invited to serve on the strategic planning committee. This appointment acknowledges her abilities and leadership qualities.



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## Discussing the R.I. Economy

Members of the JCCRI Brown Bag Club will have the opportunity to discuss and share their concerns about the future of the state's economy with Peter Phipps, financial editor of the *Providence Journal-Bulletin*.

Phipps will present his observations, predictions and suggestions on Jan. 25 at noon. Bring a brown bag lunch; dessert and beverage will be provided. A \$1 donation is appreciated. A Yiddish vinkel will follow at 2 p.m.

## Special Programs

On Jan. 23, beginning at 11 a.m., the kosher meal site at the JCCRI will show two VCR programs: 1) New England Diners and 2) Drive-In Blues.

The meal site will have a Tu B'Shvat seder with the JCCRI preschool on Jan. 27 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Lunch will follow.

## Jewish Sports Hall of Fame

by Michele Berman  
NEW YORK (JTA) — Eight Americans are among the 12 athletes around the world who have been elected to the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame for 1994.

The elections, which are held annually and made public in December, were announced by Alan Sherman and R. Stephen Rubin, the chairman and honorary chairman, respectively, of the hall of fame.

The Jewish sports hall of fame, which was founded in 1979, is located on the campus of the Wingate Institute of Physical Education and Sport in Netanya, Israel.

More than 200 Jewish athletes, coaches and sports personalities representing 18 countries have so far been inducted.

The eight Americans elected to the hall of fame for 1994 are Olympic basketball gold medalist and pioneer sports broadcaster Sam Balter; NBA Hall of

Fame basketball star Max Friedman; world featherweight and junior welterweight boxing champion Benny Bass; two-time Minnesota All-America quarterback Sigmund Harris; and U.S. Olympic head coaches Allen Rosenberg (rowing) and William Bachrach (swimming).

The four international honorees elected are South African rugby star Wilf Rosenberg; Czechoslovak world table tennis champion Traute Kleinova; Hungarian Olympic wrestling champion Karoly Karpati and Canadian boxing manager promoter Irving Ungerman.

The hall of fame also presents special Pillar of Achievement honors each year to recognize extraordinary contributions to the world of sports.

The 1994 Pillar of Achievement honors went to Fred Lebow, longtime director of the New York City Marathon, and Ben Olan, a sports writer for the Associated Press for 40 years.

Joe Siegman, a Maccabiah athlete and former chairman of the hall of fame, said the project to build a Jewish sports hall of fame began in 1977, when he and some friends attempted to name as many Jewish athletes as they could.

When they decided to hold a dinner "to raise awareness for the Maccabiah," many famous Jewish sports heroes attended, Siegman said, and right after that the idea for a Jewish sports hall of fame "took a life of its own."



Lawrence and Gayle Krieger

Photo by P.M. Cohen Photography

## Krakowsky Marries Krieger

Gayle Frances Krakowsky and Lawrence Jeffrey Krieger were married Nov. 13 at Temple Sinai in Cranston, R.I.

Rabbi George Astrachan and Cantor Rennie Brown officiated at the wedding, where the bride was given in marriage by her aunt and uncle, Mollie and Eddie Shore.

The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis Krakowsky.

The bridegroom is the son of Arnold and Esther Krieger of Rochester, N.Y.

The maid of honor was Debbie Sweeney. Other attendants were Susan Buffum and Judy Krieger, sister of the groom.

The best man was Arnold Krieger, the bridegroom's father. The ushers were Moe Shore, Gary Shore and Rob Shore, cousins of the bridegroom.

The grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Schifrin and Louis Krieger and the late Dorothy Krieger.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Rhode Island School of Nursing and was employed in the operating room of Miriam Hospital. The bridegroom is a graduate of State University of New York, Empire State and Boston University School of Law.

Krieger is a lawyer in private practice in New York, where the couple will reside after a wedding trip to the Bahamas.

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## SPORTS



### We Iced The Gold

The U. S. Figure Skating Team celebrates on the bus in Finland after gaining the title of World Figure Skating Team Champions. Pictured (left) is Beth Lury, East Greenwich.

## Designed with Every Body in Mind

by Stacey A. Pacheco  
Herald Co-editor

"We are looking forward to offering all ages and body types a personalized plan for a lifetime of fitness," says Jay Snyder, director of Fitness, Recreation and Sports Services for the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island. Since Snyder united with the JCCRI, his expertise and "up beat" enthusiasm has created a high-tech, state-of-the-art center dedicated to family fitness.

The Family Fitness Center has four StairMaster stepping machines, two Lifecycle stationary bicycles, four treadmills and 11 Pyramid selectorized weight machines.

The center also allows you to "step" into 10 aerobic classes, including high/low impact with a stretch and tone period — conducted by certified aerobic instructors. This is free to full members. What are you waiting for? There are no excuses, as early bird classes start at 6:15 a.m. — just in time to catch the worm or at least your breath.

Snyder has put together a skilled faculty, including a physiologist to give individualized fitness evaluations, that can design a complete fitness program for anybody willing to set aside 20 to 25 minutes three to four times a week. People

with busy schedules will appreciate the center's flexibility with classes from 6:15 a.m. until the evening.

For a nominal fee, babysitting is provided at the JCCRI.

In addition to the center's high-tech equipment, diverse programs and professional staff, the Health and Physical Education Department at the JCCRI offers a 25-yard-long swimming pool, a gymnasium and racquetball/wallyball court.

Committed to the excellence of health and fitness, Snyder is not stopping here. He has many new ideas for the future.

A new program for teenagers was recently installed by Snyder. The "T.C. Connection" is exclusively for teens in the seventh grade and up. The group meets weekdays at 2:15 p.m. and they are supervised during various sports activities. Whether it be basketball or hockey, the ideal is to exercise. They usually top off the day at the gameroom around 4:00 p.m. This liveliness is free to full members. Sponsoring members pay \$30 dollars for both January and February or \$75 dollars for the full semester, January to June.

"Don't forget activities for the little ones," reminds Snyder. There are a variety of lifetime sports activities for the peewees, too.

For more information, contact Jay Snyder or Alisa Yanow at 861-8800.

## Pepsi-Cola Sponsors Israelis

Pepsi-Cola has signed on as the tide sponsor for the U.S. Maccabiah team, which will compete in the Maccabiah games in July 1997 in Israel.

Philadelphian Robert E. Spivak and Amherst's Dr. Gary M. Gordon serve as president and associate treasurer, respectively, of United States Committee Sports for Israel (USCSFI), a national volunteer, not-for-profit organization that sponsors the U.S. team.

Spivak is a partner in the financial consulting firm of CMS Companies of Philadelphia. Gordon is a podiatric sports medicine specialist. Both have served USCSFI for years.

## Local Girl Skates All Over Competition

by Alison Smith  
Herald co-editor

Beth Lury, daughter of Fred and Lois Lury of East Greenwich, is a Superette. The Superettes, a group of 21 girls from 13 to 18 years old, affiliated with the Warwick Figure Skaters, captured the gold medal at the World Figure Skating Team Championships in Turku, Finland, several weeks ago.

Beth has been skating since she was 5. To comply with the Superettes team requirements, she spends four hours a week practicing precision skating, two hours dancing on skates, an hour doing "patch" — the basics like figure 8s, and two hours working on her free-style skating.

She is proud of having quali-

fied to be a Superette. This is her first year with the group, which won three national championships in the last three years.

In addition to time spent in actual competition, and the nine hours a week she puts in practicing, Beth has become a member of the National Honor Society, copy editor of her school's yearbook staff, a cheerleader, belongs to the ski club at school, and a community service group, enjoys cross-country skiing, and plans to work as a volunteer at an animal hospital in North Kingstown this summer.

Her costumes are made by the lady who makes Nancy Kerrigan's costumes, so the recent attack on Kerrigan was doubly disturbing to her.



HOLD THAT POSE — Beth Lury, gold medalist figure skater, in her home in East Greenwich.

## I Am Bowled Over!

by Cary Eichenbaum

Does anybody out there remember those good old days about 12 to 15 years ago when you could leave the back door open when you left the house?

Professional and collegiate athletes spent more time on the playing fields and courts than in federal and judicial courts then, and there were four great and legitimate bowl games on New Year's Day.

Well, readers, things have changed. You wouldn't dare leave your house without at least five deadlock bolt locks fastened; more professional and collegiate sports are played out in courts and jails than on the athletic fields; and there are more bowl games played on New Year's Day than there are Patriot wins in an entire season.

This past New Year's Day, only those totally hung over from the festivities of the night before, or observant Jews who could not watch television until their Sabbath ended around 5 p.m., escaped being "bowled" over.

If you wanted to, you could have gone "bowling" from 11:30 a.m. when the Hall of Fame bowl kicked off, until 1 a.m. Sunday, when the final seconds of the Orange Bowl ticked away.

In between, you had your pick of three games between 1 and 4 p.m., two more between

4:30 and 8:30 p.m., and two more from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

I don't know about you, but I remember better, if simpler times in the sporting world during the holiday season.

I remember when there were nine to 10 bowl games overall, and a team would have to be really good to get a bowl invitation.

I remember how they spread the games out on commercial television between Christmas and New Year's, thereby allowing the country the opportunity of seeing all the best players and teams.

And I remember the athletes and action on New Year's Day ... memorable Rose Bowl showdowns between Southern Cal and Michigan, UCLA and Ohio State, Michigan State and Washington. I recall Sugar Bowl battles featuring Alabama, Notre Dame, Florida and Georgia, Cotton Bowl contests starring Houston, Texas, Texas A&M, Notre Dame and Boston College; Orange Bowl showdowns showcasing Colorado, Oklahoma, Florida State and Nebraska.

I also remember a time when

bowl games stood alone, unsponsored. The names used to be names like the Orange Bowl, the Sugar Bowl and the Holiday Bowl.

Now they are the Federal Express Orange Bowl, the USF&G Sugar Bowl, and the Thrifty Car Rental Holiday Bowl.

I realize that the bowls need the endorsement money to pay the bills, but can you imagine professional football calling its biggest game the Budweiser Super Bowl, or major league baseball executives calling their championship the Lipton Iced Tea World Series?

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# THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

## CHAI's Kosher Awareness Week

The CHAI (Chabad Awareness and Identity) Center of West Bay announces the first "Kosher Awareness Week" in Warwick, scheduled for Jan. 24 through Jan. 27, to be held at Edward's Supermarket, 1401 Bald Hill Road (Route 2) in Warwick. Rabbi Eliezer Levy and his wife, Chanie, will be on hand all day to provide consumers with a brief outline of the Jewish dietary laws, as well as to point out many popular products that are kosher.

The laws of kosher include eating only animals that chew their cud and have split hooves, such as cows and goats. The lack of either of these two signs renders the animal unkosher (i.e. pig, camel). In addition, the animal must be slaughtered in a specifically prescribed merciful manner. It is then inspected to be sure that it is disease free. Milk and meat must also be kept separately and may not be cooked or eaten together.

"Many people think that keeping kosher is antiquated," says Rabbi Levy. "Observing kosher is not a health practice that has become outdated. It is a tool for one to become closer to G-d, even through the human activity of eating."

"Keeping kosher is really much easier than it seems," agrees Mrs. Levy. "Once you pick up on the basics and learn to spot the kosher symbols, it becomes second nature."

This is just one of the many programs that the CHAI Center is providing the Jewish community.

For more information, call 884-4071.

If you are celebrating a special anniversary, announce it in the *Herald*. Include a photo with the announcement. Black and white only, please.

## Reconstructionist to Speak at Congregation Agudas Achim

Rabbi Mordechai Liebling, executive director of the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot, will be the featured speaker at a community breakfast on Jan. 23 at 10 a.m. at Congregation Agudas Achim in Attleboro, Mass.

The congregation has recently affiliated with the Reconstructionist movement, the smallest and newest of the four major branches of Judaism in this country.

The Reconstructionist movement is based in Philadelphia, where the rabbinical seminary is celebrating its 25th year.

The current rabbi of Congregation Agudas Achim, Gail Diamond, and the two previous rabbis were all graduates of the seminary.

Reconstructionists believe that Judaism is an evolving religious civilization, and that American Jews must balance their lives as members of both

## To Get You Going Sundays

by Stacey A. Pacheco  
Herald Co-editor

For those of you who are up at 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning, there is a television program on channel 7 WHDH-TV in Boston, Mass., titled Jewish Perspective.

Hosted by Rabbi Bernard Mehlman of Temple Israel, Boston, Mass., it airs every three weeks.

Last Sunday was quite a smorgasbord, introducing Shalom Hunan, a Chinese kosher restaurant in Brookline, Mass. Authentic chefs cooked up a kosher dish of chicken and vegetables. The restaurant observes the Sabbath, so call for serving hours.

Also as a guest was Aliana Brodamnn Menkes, author of *The Gift*. Growing up in post-war Germany in the 1950s, Menkes wrote *The Gift*, which was taken from a novel she originally wrote about her childhood. Writing the book in both Hebrew and English, it was only printed in English, at the author's discretion. She felt that since she wrote the book in the United States it should be in the language of this country.

A mini documentary on the Israeli-Vatican relations was also presented. Statements from the Vatican indicated it was ready to fight anti-Semitism and would no longer look at Jews as prospective Christians.

Israel's response was to continue to show respect for Christianity, concluding that "reality changes theology."

The program concluded with a musical treat from the New England Conservatory Jewish Ensemble, playing authentic Jewish music.



Rabbi Gail Diamond  
Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

Jewish and American cultural traditions. The Reconstructionist movement supports the full participation of women in all areas of Jewish ritual and practice, and places special emphasis on community.

Rabbi Liebling's topic will be "Building Community: A Reconstructionist Approach."

The breakfast is open to non-members of the synagogue for a charge of \$5. For more information, call (508) 222-2243.

## Jewish Singles Supercruise

The Jewish Community Centers Association of St. Louis, in cooperation with Bon Voyage Travel, is sponsoring the tenth annual Nationwide Jewish Singles Supercruise '94.

The seven-day excursion departs from San Juan, Puerto Rico on Feb. 6 and returns Feb. 13. The ship will make port stops in St. Maarten, Barbados, Martinique, Antigua and St. Thomas.

The cruise package includes: round-trip airfare from most major U.S. cities to San Juan with transfers to the port, all meals and snacks throughout the day including a midnight buffet, two cocktail parties and a daily variety of exclusive singles activities. The "Monarch of the Seas" ship also has seven gorgeous lounges, a shipshape fitness center and full service health spa.

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### 1994 Holiday Schedule

Purim	Feb. 25
Passover	March 27
Lag B'Omer	April 29
Shavout	May 16
Rosh Hashanah	Sept. 6
Yom Kippur	Sept. 15
Sukkot	Sept. 20
Simchat Torah	Sept. 28
Chanukah	Nov. 28

Holidays begin at sunset on the preceding day

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We will be publishing our bridal issue soon and many of the pictures will be in full, glowing color. If you have a nice, clear black-and-white or color photo of your Jewish wedding, please lend us your picture. If chosen, it will appear in the bridal issue, and will be returned to you after the paper goes to press.

Your name and address should be printed lightly but legibly on the back of the picture so it can be returned to you. Please identify the people in your photo.

We must have our pictures ready by January 17, 1994, so get out the photo albums and start picking your favorites.

Mail your photo, with a little cardboard backing if possible, to the R.I. Jewish Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, R.I. 02940-6063.

# THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

## Calendar of Jewish Events

### Thursday, Jan. 20

4:00 p.m.: New England J.D.L. Exec. Dir. Michael Slomich will appear on Stand Up For Your Rights, on Interconnect Channel "B".

7:30 p.m.: Congregation Mishkan Tefila hosts wine and cheese tasting at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

### Friday, Jan. 21

7:45 p.m.: Judge Bruce Selya will speak at Temple Beth-El, 70 Orchard Ave., Providence, during Shabbat services. Community invited.

### Saturday, Jan. 22

8:30 p.m.: N.E. Rabbinical College Ladies Auxiliary honors Rabbi Sholom and Elaine Strajcher at Providence Hebrew Day School on the seventh annual Melava Malka. Call 273-4907

### Sunday, Jan. 23

10 a.m.: Congregation Ohave Sholom/Young Israel of Pawtucket will hold a brunch. All are welcome. Call 726-4040.

2 p.m.: Zamir Chorale of Boston presents a program of Jewish music for children ages 7 to 12 at Hebrew College, 43 Hawes St., Brookline, Mass.

### Sunday, Jan. 23

9:30 to 12 noon: Joseph and Leba Zeiniker Conference for teachers, at the JCCRI, sponsored by the BJE.

### Tuesday, Jan. 25

7:30 p.m.: The Adult Education Committee of Temple Shalom, Middletown, offers "The Messiah - the Conservative approach," part of a course taught by Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer.

### Wednesday, Jan. 26

All day: Schechter Regional Conference at Alperin Schechter Day School.

Middle School Ski Trip, Alperin Schechter Day School. Call 751-2470 for time.

### Friday, Jan. 28

6:00 p.m.: Reservations must be in for the Congregation Ohave Sholom/Young Israel of Pawtucket traditional Shabbat Dinner on Feb. 4. Call 726-4040 for details.



### Hebrew Union College Honors Gutman

Stanley P. Gold (left) HUC-JIR chairman, Board of Governors, and Fr. Alfred Gottschalk (right), president, congratulate Lois Gutman on her induction to the Board of Governors.

School Beat

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THE PERISHABLE THEATER — recently performing at Alperin Schechter Day School in Providence. Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

## 15,000 Thank You's

by Susan Birnbaum

NEW YORK (JTA) — A half-century after a courageous collective act of heroism, children from Reform Jewish congregations said thank you to the people of Denmark.

Some 15,000 thank-you letters were delivered last Tuesday by a group of children to Denmark's consul general for the Danes' rescue of the Jews during World War II.

The letters were given to Leif Donde, himself a Jew who was saved during the mass rescue operation that took place in October 1943.

The presentations were made during a ceremony at the headquarters of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in New York. Among those present was Judith Meisel, who was also saved in the rescue and who initiated the letter-writing campaign.

The letters, from children in North America, Britain and Australia, were to be sent to Denmark's Resistance Museum in Copenhagen, which memorializes the Danish resistance during World War II.

The Danes had refused to

abide by German demands to enact anti-Jewish laws. The people organized a nighttime ferry of virtually the entire Jewish population of 8,000 to Sweden, where they remained until the war was over.

While the Jews were in exile, the Danes took care of the Jewish homes, even to the point of watering people's plants.

"The Danes, in general, do not think back on the event, the rescue, as representing any out-

standing national achievement," Donde recently stated.

"They do not consider the rescue operation as an heroic act," he said. "For them, it was simply a matter of common decency."

Donde, who was 6 when his family was rescued, recalled the trip as "dramatic" and said he knew, even though he was so young, that the journey was a dangerous one.

## Chemistry Boom

REHOVOT, Israel — The number of high school students who study chemistry in the Galilee and Golan Heights has increased dramatically in the past four years, thanks to a

Weizmann Institute teacher-retraining program.

The project was inspired by a 1988 Joint Distribution Committee survey of science teaching in the Galilee, which showed that there were very

few chemistry teachers in that part of the country.

Science, in Rehovot, Israel, is one of the world's foremost centers of scientific research and graduate study.

## Standing Room Only

by Stacey A. Pacheco  
Herald Co-Editor

At a standing-room-only performance, the students at Alperin Schechter Day School enjoyed "The Sun's Musician," performed magnificently by the Perishable Theater.

The semi-musical led the audience into a spine-tingling execution of song and spirit.

The four-person performance included quick costume changes on stage, which went unnoticed by the spectators.



IN A TRANCE — as all eyes are focused on the performance, "The Sun's Musician." Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

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# OBITUARIES

## JOSEPH LENZ

**JOHNSTON** — Joseph J. Lenz, 69, of the Pocasset Lodge, co-founder of American Clad Metal, a division of Handy and Harman Inc. before retiring in 1988, died Jan. 13 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of the late Edith (Roffe) Lenz.

Born in Jersey City, N.J., a son of the late Harry and Belle (Lipschitz) Lenz, he had lived in East Providence for nine years before moving to Johnston three months ago.

Mr. Lenz was a graduate of New York University and received a master's degree from Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, N.J., in 1959. He was a member of the Better Breathers.

He leaves two daughters, Amy F. Lenz of Cranston and Toni Tinberg of South Attleboro, Mass., and a granddaughter. He was brother of the late Miriam Bernstein.

The funeral was held Jan. 16 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

## ANNA LIPSON

**BETHESDA, Md.** — Anna Lipson, 87, of 4925 Battery Lane, died Saturday at Sibley Hospital, Washington, D.C. She was the wife of the late William E. Lipson.

Born in Manchester, N.H., she was the daughter of the late Hyman and Dora (Cooper) Cort. She had lived in Bethesda for five years, previously residing in East Providence and Providence, R.I.

She was a member of B'nai B'rith, the Providence Garden Club, the former Jewish Home for the Aged Women's Association and was a former member of Temple Emanu-El and its sisterhood.

In Bethesda, she volunteered her time as a costume maker for the British Embassy Players.

She leaves two sons, Dr. Maurice H. Lipson of Seekonk, Mass., and Judge Sheldon R. Lipson of Bethesda, Md.; a brother, Leonard Cort of Narragansett, R.I.; five grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick, R.I.

## GERTRUDE "BABE" SMITH

**WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.** — Gertrude "Babe" Smith, 71, of 105 Lake Evelyn Drive, died Jan. 12 at home.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Meyer and Sonya (Pearlmutter) Bernstein, she moved to Florida in 1976.

Mrs. Smith owned the former Sonya's Dress Shop, Atwells Avenue for 35 years until 1976. The store was founded in 1937 by her mother.

She leaves a daughter, Audrey Smith of Lauderhill, Fla., and a brother, Morris Bernstein of Cranston.

A graveside funeral service took place at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick, on Jan 14 and was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## ETHEL STONE

**TUCSON, Ariz.** — Ethel Stone, of 1155 South Georgetown Drive, died Jan. 9 at Hospice Family Care in Tucson, Ariz.

She was the wife of Bernard Stone and was born in Fall River, Mass., daughter of the late Samuel and Rebecca (Levi-ten) Mintz.

She had resided in Tucson, Ariz., for the past 39 years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, David Stone of Tucson and Bruce Stone of Culver City, Cal., and three granddaughters.

She was a member of Congregation Anshe Israel in Tucson and was Secretary of the Jewish Community Center in Tucson.

Funeral services took place on Jan. 12. Burial was at Hebrew Cemetery in Fall River. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## EMANUEL WEINSTEIN

**FALL RIVER, Mass.** — Emanuel Weinstein, 86, a resident of the Jewish Home for

Aged, Robeson Street, died at the home on Jan. 10. He was the husband of Ann (Minkin) Weinstein.

Born in New York City, a son of the late Abraham and Dora Weinstein, he had been a resident of Fall River for 60 years.

For 40 years he had been manager of a retail jewelry store in Fall River. He was a member of Congregation Adath Israel and the Wattupa Masonic Lodge, both of Fall River.

In addition to his wife, who resided with him at the Jewish Home for the Aged, he is survived by a daughter, Marsha Robbins of South Burlington, Vt.; four grandsons and two great-granddaughters.

The funeral service took place Jan. 13. Burial was at Agudas Achim Cemetery in Fall River. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## Nightmare

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was telling the truth? He had no identification, and the name given was not the owner of the car being driven.

I am a law-abiding citizen, home owner and married. I have always carried a valid driver's license on me. The vehicles I drive have always been legally registered and insured in my name.

I was overwhelmed by this nightmare. The errors made by three different officers left me with legal bills, court fees and the loss of valuable time spent in court during the year.

Do I have to have my name changed and unlisted, to prevent anyone from using it?

How many more tickets are being issued in my name? I won't know until the next court summons arrives.

Patrick J. Agnew  
Warwick, R.I.



## LEO ZUCKERBERG

**HOUSTON, Texas** — Leo Zuckerberg died Jan. 13. He was the husband of Muriel (Rakatansky) Zuckerberg.

He was founder and president of Tek-Rap, Inc., of Houston Texas.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Evelyn Gottdenker of New York; two sons, Ralph Zuckerberg of

Houston, Texas, and Joseph Zuckerberg of Providence.

Funeral services were held Jan. 16 at Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America, 386 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10016.

## IDF's West Bank Commander Killed

by Hugh Orgel

**TEL AVIV (JTA)** — Israel was reeling this week after the death of the military officer in charge of the West Bank.

Maj. Gen. Nechemia Tamari, 45, the head of the Israel Defense Force's Central Command, died along with three other officers in a helicopter crash.

Tamari was the highest-ranking officer to die in the line of duty in nearly a dozen years.

As commander of the central sector of Israel, which includes the West Bank, Tamari would have been in charge of the withdrawal of Israeli forces from Jericho, as stipulated in the Palestinian self-rule accord signed last September in Washington.

Tamari, however, indicated that the withdrawal could be implemented in a brief period of time.

"Jericho is not complicated in terms of taking out forces," he was reported to have said. "We can do it in a number of days."

Tamari, had flown to be with troops searching the area near the city of Beit She'an, near the Jordanian border, for an infil-

trator who had crossed into Israel during the night.

Tamari and the three officers were killed as their helicopter was returning to be command headquarters north of Jerusalem.

Also killed were Tamari's aide, Maj. Ofer Kaufman, and two air force captains serving as helicopter pilots, Ofri Yaelli and Assaf Asher.

The army ruled out sabotage, saying the crash was an accident caused by bad weather, killing all four passengers instantly.

Deputy Defense Minister Mordechai Gur, a longtime friend of Tamari's, shaken and tearful, called the general "one of the boldest and smartest fighters" he had ever known.

Tamari, who reportedly was a candidate for the position of army chief of staff, had served in the IDF for 28 years. He fought in the Israeli-Arab wars of 1967 and 1973 as well as in the war in Lebanon.

After the helicopter crash, IDF forces located the infiltrator — an unarmed civilian who was found wandering in the Beit She'an Valley.

## Ex-Finance Minister Hurwitz Dies

by Larry Yudelson

**NEW YORK (JTA)** — Israel's former finance minister, Yigal Hurwitz, 75, died Jan. 10.

Born near Rishon LeZion, Hurwitz was a farmer entering industry and, later, politics.

After serving as director of the Tene-Noga Dairy Products Co., Hurwitz entered the Knesset with David Ben-Gurion's small State List Part in 1969.

The faction later aligned itself with the Likud in 1973.

In 1977, Prime Minister Menachem Begin named Hurwitz minister of commerce, industry

and tourism. He resigned the post to protest the Camp David accords Israel signed with Egypt.

He was assigned to the finance post in November 1979, but resigned at the end of 1980. During the year he held the position, he developed a reputation as a prophet of doom regarding Israel's looming economic crisis.

In 1983 he unsuccessfully advocated a national unity government to deal with the economic situation — a year before such a government was actually formed.

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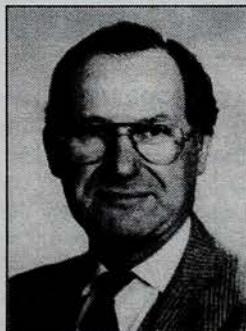
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## Palestinian Aid

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depends on Arafat, and it is not yet clear how solid his commitment is.

"I believe that Chairman Arafat has not decided to go ahead with this project or any project," said Mohamed Rabie, a Palestinian economist who heads the Center for Educational Development in Washington.

"Anything you hear has to have his green light, and he has not given any green light."

Rabie said that the joint Israeli-Palestinian bank had long been rumored and that a key figure mentioned in the rumor has denied involvement.

But such a venture is considered impossible until the Israelis and the PLO reach a political settlement.

Among Palestinians, said Rabie, "there are people who are working very hard to lay the ground for joint ventures and some who are opposed to any kind of concrete movement until the political situation is clear."

He said he had friends in Jordan who conceived joint projects during the initial euphoria over the signing of the Israeli-PLO accord last September, but who have since backed up in light of the slow progress of the talks

designed to implement the autonomy plan.

According to *Yediot*, the Bank Leumi-Palestinian partnership was suggested by Palestinians after Jordan reached an agreement on banking with Israel.

The Jordanian agreement was signed Dec. 5, 1993 in Washington by representatives of the Bank of Israel and the Jordanian central bank, and it paved the way for the speedy reopening of Jordanian banks in the West Bank.

Palestinians reportedly were furious over the accord, but Israelis explained that they were bound to adhere to international agreements concerning supervision of banks.

Nonetheless, it is interesting to note that, according to *Yediot*, none of the other clauses in the far-reaching economic accord reached between Israel and Jordan last fall have yet to be implemented.

If the multinational consortium does succeed in turning the present Bank Leumi offices in the territories into a Palestinian banking force during the autonomy period, there will be symbolic significance as well. Bank Leumi, after all, was founded by the Zionist movement in 1902.

## Quake Relief

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Shelters have already been opened and damage assessment is currently underway. Trained Red Cross disaster workers are being deployed from the California area to assist in the response.

More than 31 emergency response vehicles are also enroute to the area from neighboring chapters. Disaster supply centers in Los Angeles and Sacramento have been activated to receive and distribute cots, blankets, comfort kits, personal hygiene kits, and mobile feeding facilities and equipment.

In further attempts to alleviate anxiety and suffering, President Clinton signed a bill Monday night releasing over \$3 billion dollars in federal funds to help victims begin reconstructing their lives.

The most effective way that people in Rhode Island can help quake victims is to make a financial contribution to the American Red Cross. People who wish to help may do so by sending a check earmarked for Disaster Relief, to the Rhode Island Red Cross, 150 Waterman Street, Providence, RI 02906.

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## "Passport to Spain"

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  - 1 fresh rosemary sprig
  - 1 tablespoon balsamic or red wine vinegar
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 1/8 teaspoon pepper
  - 3 Bays English Muffins, lightly toasted and buttered
  - 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded Swiss cheese
  - Chopped parsley
  - Snipped chives
- In large skillet, over medium-low heat, add oil, onions, peppers, and rosemary. Saute until onions and peppers are crisp-tender, about 15 minutes. Stir in vinegar, salt and pepper. Set aside. Arrange muffins on a baking sheet. Sprinkle muffins evenly with shredded cheese. Broil 2 to 3 minutes, or until cheese is melted. Top muffins evenly with pepper mixture. Garnish with parsley and chives. Serve immediately.

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# A Closer LOOK

BUSINESS PROFILES

## Auto Pros Recommend Preventive Maintenance

by Jeanette Hidalgo  
Herald Staff

Having one snowstorm after another this winter has really made the roads a mess. Hitting potholes and curbs, and driving over the poorly plowed snow can do damage to your car. Broken shocks or struts are not unusual, nor are blowouts. "Snow has such a big effect on the way cars handle," says Todd Williams of City Tire Company in Providence. "Having enough

tire tread is very important for traction, as well as having proper air inflation." Just ask Domenic Lisi, who came in for four tires and to check the brakes. He's been a customer for years and keeps coming back for the good service.

City Tire Company is much more than just tires. They provide full service for cars and trucks of all sizes, from your family car to a fleet of vehicles. They are one of the largest truck

tire retreaders in New England. Specialty wheels and accessories are in stock for those who want to dress up their car. Group discounts can be arranged and national accounts are welcome too.

The business was established in the 1930s by Joseph Gold, who became partners with Newell Smith shortly after. The business has stayed in the families since with their sons, Herb Gold and Lou Smith, joining the business. Today it's run by Herb's son Jerry Gold and Lou Smith.

The weather had taken its toll on my car so I brought it in for a front-end alignment and some new wiper blades. Mack Horton welcomed me when I came in. I told him of my car's troubles and I suggested that my tires might need to be rotated since they hadn't been in well over a year (20,000 miles ago). Being a typically uninformed consumer, I didn't know that tires

should be rotated every 5,000 to 7,000 miles.

"Service this time of year is quicker than in the spring," said Todd Williams. He stressed that we need to have things checked regularly on our cars. Preventive maintenance can reduce problems in the future. Williams offered the following tips on preventive maintenance:

- Have the alignment checked every six months.
- Have tires rotated every 5,000 to 7,000 miles (especially in front-wheel drive vehicles).
- Checking the air pressure in your tires every two weeks in

the winter is especially important. You lose approximately one pound of air pressure for every 10-degree drop in the temperature.

• Oil changes every 3,000 miles keep the oil free of particles that can get into the engine and cause problems.

• Yearly inspections of brake pads and shoes will insure no damage is done to brake rotors or drums.

Don't get stuck out in the cold this winter. Stop by City Tire Company on Allens Ave. in Providence to assure safe and happy motoring.

## What Are My Rights?

by Louis M. Pulner, Esq.

Dear Attorney Pulner:

While I am not terribly pleased with the selection of friends my son has made lately or the way he is spending his time, I do have a problem with the way he was dealt with by the police last week. It appears he was sitting in a friend's car, behind a store that was closed one night last week when a police officer drove up behind them, got out of his car, and started searching my son and the other boys. One of the boys asked why the officer was giving them a hard time for no reason, and was told that the officer had smelled marijuana coming from the vehicle. Well, first of all, there was no marijuana so he couldn't have smelled any and I know that is true because the cop didn't find any.

My problem, or should I say my son's problem, is that when he was searched the officer found a pocketknife which he claims is illegal because the blade of the knife was too long. He was taken back to the police station, fingerprinted and photographed like a common criminal, and now he has to go to court in a couple of weeks to face a misdemeanor charge. I thought that in this country people had rights and that the police couldn't go around searching people for no reason at all. I am not happy that my son was carrying a knife in his pocket, but I am perturbed at the way he was treated by the authorities. Have the laws changed so much that the police can get away with conduct like this?

Concerned Mom

Dear Concerned Mom:

Your version of what happened to your son and his friends surely raises questions about the police officer's actions. However, I have been practicing law too long to accept that what you state is exactly what occurred. For example, how can you be so sure

that just because no marijuana was found on the boys or in the car that they hadn't been smoking it anyway. It wouldn't be the first time that an officer on routine patrol arrived at the scene just moments after a narcotic substance had been totally consumed, and I'm sure you've heard the stories about people swallowing drugs to avoid having them discovered.

However, if one assumes that the officer made up the story about the odor of pot, then I feel comfortable in stating that there may well be a viable "probable cause" issue here which if argued successfully, could make the search of your son illegal, and therefore the fruits of such a search, inadmissible into evidence at the time of trial. The law clearly requires that a police officer have probable cause before either making a search and/or an arrest, and what it is that makes up probable cause can change from scenario to scenario.

With regard to the facts that you have set forth, the officer may not have had the right to retrieve the knife from your son's pocket even if he had smelled the odor of marijuana coming from the car. And, by the way, it is against the law for any person to wear or carry concealed upon his person, a knife of any kind having a blade of more than three inches in length measuring from the end of the handle where the blade is attached to the end of said blade.

Before any clear legal opinion can be rendered on this matter, like always, I would have to have more information. I'm sure that the police report will have a much different version of what occurred than what your son told you. In closing, I have a question for you ... Just what was it that your son and his friends were doing in that parking lot behind the closed store at nighttime?

The answers provided above are based upon general legal principles and, therefore, will vary from case to case.

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SAFETY FIRST! — Mark Brown, a service technician at City Tire Company in Providence, inspects an emergency brake.

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