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## Rabin to American Jewry: 'Just Stick to Fund-Raising'

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JTA Dispatch  
by Lisa Hostein

NEW YORK (JTA) — At the same time that Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is trying to convince American Jews that he is on the proper path toward peace, he is also asking them to mind their own business.

In a series of meetings with Jewish leaders and editors from the Jewish media, the prime minister's main target of wrath over American Jewish involvement in the peace process was the increasingly vocal segment of those opposed to his policies.

But he also sent a message to American Jews in general that their role in the Israeli-diaspora partnership should center on philanthropy — and more of it.

"As far as the issues of war and peace, it is a matter to be decided by the Israelis alone in a free, democratic system, Rabin told a small group of Jewish editors Sept. 30.

Lashing out at opponents who have been lobbying Congress on peace-related policies that are at odds with the Israeli government, Rabin said: "To try to undermine the policy of a democratically elected government, to pressure members of Congress is unprecedented in the relation-

ship between Israel and the great, generous, prosperous Jewish community in the United States."

He stopped short of repeating a position that he took in a meeting with Jewish organizational leaders recently that the continuation of such activity could threaten the Israeli-diaspora relationship.

But he made clear that, in his view, the partnership between Israeli and American Jews should be limited to two areas: promoting aliyah and the absorption of new immigrants, and working for Jewish continuity.

Meetings, especially with the Jewish media, were encouraged by Israeli diplomats in Washington and New York who are concerned that the Israeli government is out of touch with American Jewry.

Judging from the reaction of some to Rabin's remarks, these diplomats may be right.

His comments, which he repeated for Israeli journalists on his way home to Israel, made front-page news in Israel, with *Yediot Achronot*, the country's largest circulation newspaper, blasting the headline "Rabin Against the Jews" in its Sunday edition.

Although many in the organized American Jewish community applauded his strong stand

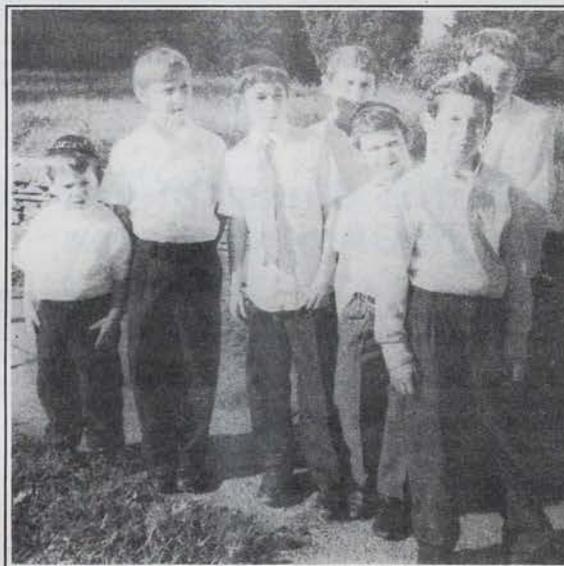
against peace process opponents lobbying in Congress, many also took umbrage at the suggestion that when it comes to Israel, American Jewry should stick to philanthropy.

Seymour Reich, president of the American Zionist Movement, said he was troubled by what he termed Rabin's "disparaging remarks" about the American Jewish community.

A former chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and a strong supporter of the peace process, Reich said Rabin "minimizes the advocacy role we have had over the years."

But Malcolm Hoenlein, the executive vice chairman of the Conference of Presidents, said he does not think that Rabin actually meant that American Jews should limit their agenda to fund-raising.

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### The Fifth Street All-Stars

It's not easy, playing football on a hilly street, but the Fifth Street All-Stars were making it look easy Monday afternoon. From the left, the All-Stars are: Yehuda Weiner; Yosef Weiner; Hillel Shafner; Yisroel Weiner; Baruch Weiner; Hillel Samlan and Yoni Samlan.

Herald photo by Alison Smith

## Jewish Astronaut Comes to Rhode Island

by Neil Nachbar  
Herald Associate Editor

It's not every day that a national hero comes to town. Of course, these days astronauts blast off into outer space, complete their mission and return to earth with the public hardly noticing.

But when modern-day explorer Dr. Martin Fettman visited the Children's Museum of Rhode Island in Pawtucket on Oct. 9 — Columbus Day, it was still a pretty special event. To the children in the audience, and most of the adults, it didn't matter that Fettman isn't a household word.

When Fettman launched into space in October of 1993, he became the first veterinarian to do so. Of greater significance, at least to the Jewish community, the flight marked the first time that two Jewish astronauts have been a part of one crew. Aside from Fettman, Dr. David Wolf was Jewish.

A soft-spoken individual, Fettman had the audience at the museum captivated throughout his presentation. He made a connection with the children immediately.

"I didn't tell anyone when I was a child that I wanted to be an astronaut," said Fettman. "I didn't think it was possible, so I became a veterinarian."

He then proceeded to tell the children that it's important to pursue your dreams.

Fettman's dream started to become a reality when someone recommended him to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration after learning that NASA needed a veterinarian on this particular flight, which involved studying the effects of space on rats.

The crew of Fettman's mission included four doctors, a colonel, two lieutenant colonels and 40 rats. They spent two weeks in space, and by the looks of the slides that Fettman presented at the museum, each day was extremely memorable.



The STS-58 crew patch shows the Columbia in orbit around the Earth with a Spacelab module in its payload bay. The patch was designed by the STS-58 crew.

Fettman described his trip in great detail, while using language the children were able to grasp. His pictures were breathtaking, and some were humorous.

The 38-year-old astronaut explained that the reason his cheeks appeared puffy in the slides was because the body flu-

ids migrate up in zero gravity. During the first few days in space you feel stuffed up and the food tastes funny.

The food also looked funny in its vacuum packs, although they were as normal as the food we eat on earth. The crew ate such things as macaroni and cheese, chicken patties, macadamia nuts, graham crackers and eggplant.

Fettman explained that as long as the food had some moisture in it, it would stick to the eating utensil. If the food was dry, it would float in the air. In one slide, Wolf had to collect his M&M's after he opened the bag — releasing the candy in all directions. Wolf, by the way, brought a shofar aboard the spacecraft.

The crew used a high-powered camera to take some shots of earth. A couple of pictures showed thunderstorms over Florida and the coast of Africa. Another picture was of an active volcano in Japan. The camera was so strong, you could make out airports and city blocks.

Although similar pictures have been shown on television, it seemed different with an astronaut describing them. The audience was mesmerized.

It took the shuttle only 90 minutes to circle the planet. Nine minutes after taking a picture of Los Angeles and Las Vegas, a photograph of Brooklyn was

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ROCKETMAN — Dr. Martin J. Fettman discussed his trip into outer space with children at the Children's Museum of Rhode Island on Oct. 9.

Photo courtesy of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

# INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

## YMCA's to Host 'Celebration of Family'

On Oct. 22, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. area YMCAs will host "A Celebration of Family" at the Barrington YMCA, 70 West St., Barrington, R.I.

This afternoon event, for all YMCA family and friends, will cap off a weekend of activities and lectures from the 10th annual YMCA Child Care Symposium.

Admission to this event is free. Michelle Kaminsky, of the Cajan band Magnolia, will entertain with simple songs and dance steps for all ages. A number of children's activities are planned for the afternoon in-

cluding mask making, face painting, gimp and beading as well as swimming and finger foods for the whole family to enjoy.

YMCA's participating in this event are Barrington, Cranston, East Side/Mount Hope, Providence, Kent County, MacColl Field, Newman, Newport County, Pawtucket Family, Smithfield, South County, Westerly-Pawcatuck, Westwood and Woonsocket. Call any participating Y for more information on attending the "Celebration of Family."

## Arthritis Class Offered at the YMCA of Cranston

The Arthritis Foundation YMCA Aquatic Program is being offered beginning Nov. 1 on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

This program is recreational, allowing people with arthritis the opportunity to meet others who also have arthritis, but it also consists of specific exercises with the goal of decreasing the discomfort associated with arthritis.

Program participants are led by trained personnel through a series of specially designed exercises which, with the aid of the water's buoyancy and resistance, can help improve joint flexibility. The warm water combined with gentle movements can also help to relieve pain and stiffness.

The program is open to any adult with arthritis. It is not necessary to know how to swim in order to participate in the class.

For more information, call the Y at 943-0444 or stop by at 1225 Park Ave.

### Correction

The *Herald* attributed the current blood drives listed on page 3 of last week's edition to the Red Cross. The directors of the R.I. Blood Center wish to emphasize that they are not an extension or division of the Red Cross in Rhode Island.

## Sharpen Those Driving Skills

55 Alive/Mature Driving Courses, sponsored by the American Association for Retired Persons, will be offered at the following locations at the dates indicated.

On Oct. 16 and 23 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Cranston Senior Center, 1070 Cranston St. The instructor will be Evelyn E. Poole.

Call Andrea at 461-1000, ext. 2618.

On Oct. 17 and 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Esmond Public Library, Esmond Street in Smithfield. The instructor will be John A. Ward.

Call Dot St. Onge at 231-9285.

On Oct. 24 and 25, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Leon Mathieu Senior Center, 420 Main St. in Pawtucket. The instructor will be John A. Ward.

Call Loretta at 728-7582.

On Nov. 6 and 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Hamilton House, 276 Angell St., Providence. The instructor will be John A. Ward.

Call Jessica at 831-1800.

On Nov. 14 and 21 from noon to 4 p.m. at Pilgrim Senior Center, 27 Pilgrim Parkway, Warwick. The instructor will be Evelyn L. Poole.

Call Claudia at 463-3474.

On Dec. 4 and 11, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Cranston Senior Center, 1070 Cranston St., Cranston. The instructor will be Evelyn L. Poole.

Call Mary-Ann at 461-1000, ext. 6216.

## Filling a Big Job—Seniorcare

Horizon Healthcare Corporation will now be known as Horizon Bay Seniorcare!

A growing network of Bay Manor Retirement & Assisted Living Centers, Nursing & Rehabilitation Centers and Home Care Agencies has been created exclusively to improve quality of life for seniors.

Horizon Bay Seniorcare has never been affiliated with the Horizon Healthcare Corporation which operates nursing homes in the south and midwest and recently moved into Massachusetts and Connecticut.

The new name reflects the comprehensive quality of the organization.

## Nature Photos at Barrington Library

Photographer Dan Orfan will display a collection of his works at the Barrington Public Library in October.

Orfan is a self-taught photographer specializing in color photography of nature and scenic subjects. With a lifelong appreciation of wildlife and the great outdoors, capturing wildlife and scenic images on film is a natural extension of his interests.

He is a past vice president of two camera clubs, and currently serves as president of Stony Brook Camera Club in Norfolk, Mass. In addition, he has presented slide shows, judged photography competitions, taught photography at camera clubs, and won awards in various contests.

For more information on the exhibition, call Lauri Burke at 247-1920.

## Pharmacy Association Changes Name

After 121 years of doing business under the title of the Rhode Island Pharmaceutical Association, the state organization representing pharmacists has officially changed its name to the Rhode Island Pharmacists Association.

The Rhode Island Pharmaceutical Association was founded in 1874 to represent the practicing pharmacists in the state.

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## FEATURE



TO THOSE WHO DIED... Herald photo by Mike Fink

## Yankel and Me

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

"I had four brothers and four sisters. They all died in the gas chambers. I'm the only one who made it out alive from the hell of Poland. I was everywhere, even Siberia. Now I pray at Ohave Shalom in Pawtucket, and I'm saying my kaddish here with the other survivors."

I had seen and met Jack Faust at survivor meetings here in town, but this yizkor rendezvous had a chassidic quality. We were destined to meet, the two of us, at the memorial meeting, on a Sunday morning as chill wind gave way to mild sunlight in the sunken garden. "Don't go out to the cemetery only for me," Jack murmured, but I insisted, and off we went, a committee of two to say a new year prayer at the stone for those who have no graves.

"They threw babies and small children in the open pits. They covered them with dirt, but the ground heaved and moved about. They had to roll heavy bulldozers over the mass space before it lay still."

We waited a while for some others among the visitors at Lincoln Park, but we said our yiskadal just between us two while Jack kept up a memoir, a yizkor, of his own. "My wife got through as a mock Chris-

tian and a stenographer. Her skill saved her, but neighbors mistrusted her. They would tell her how many Jews had been slaughtered each day to watch her flinch. You know, the Poles were killing Jews before and after the war, not just under German occupation. One in a thousand might help a Jew, but mostly they stole land and houses from us." Though the words were bitter, Jack's tone is oddly gentle and sweet.

"Call me Yankel," he asked, as he filled me in during our brief encounter from the East Side to the airport exit and back again. "One daughter lives now in Australia, a solicitor and her barrister husband. The other girl moved to New York. My wife Rachel died seven years ago." And we had walked to her grave and left pebbles on the stone. I had a strong sense of the privilege of spending noontime with Yankel Faust, age 82, lean and graceful, filled with dark memories and loving thoughts, tears coming easily as he spun his stories.

Never think you know it all, that these ceremonies of recall are idle. For each of the survivors and their children and grandchildren, the start of a new year brings back the past in all its terror, its grandeur, its horror, its significance.

Heinz Sandelowski, the president of Holocaust Survivors of Rhode Island, read, both with power and with poignancy, the roll of names of those lost with local heirs. If the book from which he took the list lacked one family member, the nearest relative stood up and added on a cousin, a child, a grandparent.

Cary Eichenbaum, Cindy Halpern and Lilliane Birch as second generation representatives read passages and poems, to an audience that folded in babies and youths, some in sideburns like the victims of long ago. From the Paul Weiss family I heard accounts of the crafting of the memorial stained glass windows which have added color and design to the museum. The will to remember goes beyond the drive for justice and the imprint of pain. It is the call for love and loyalty, and like the sound of the shofar it summons us all. "I never gave them my names," sighed Jack.

For me this year it was Yankel or Jack Faust, with his name that pulls on folklore and magic, who yoked himself with me in the weeks of our new year. If I might meet a wizard from the realms of fantasy, nobody could compete in the territory of dreams with this wonderful figure from fact, a marvelous man from my own neighborhood who has come back from death to life and is awaiting the birth of a new grandchild.

Our visit after the El Malei Rachamim to the marker in the cemetery conferred an honor, a mitzvah, a blessing upon my new year. In return, I salute him with a special I'chaim.

## Uncles and Sons

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

Dad is a dreamer and inventor who pays little attention to Steven's concerns. Mom is dying behind closed doors in Steven's unhappy home. So he leaves his baby sister behind and runs away. The Jewish boy goes off to stay with a pair of daffy uncles who live in a flat piled high with bales of unread newspapers.

These bizarre fellows bless their bread and keep up with the politics of their faith. They encourage Steven to study for his bar mitzvah. They take him to the cemetery to visit the grave of their mother, his grandmother. After the death of his own mom, he returns to his dad in a tearful finale.

Diane Keaton directed this folkloric film, "Unstrung Heros," emphasizing the pictorial, not the psychological aspects of the strange story. We never find out much about how the uncles went batty, or where boy and papa will go with their lives from now on.

However did the pale image of a diseased mother figure come to play so familiar a part in current cinema? It's been done again and yet again in recent fare. And to play favorites on film of boys over girls goes against the rules. Steven's sister hardly has a name, let alone a role to rule in Keaton's picture. Why has it turned so easy to get audiences to weep, but not to think?

"Unstrung Heros" moves right along at a sprightly pace, with some very pretty passages.

One uncle nets bouncing balls from gutters, sewers and rivers, to listen to the laughter they hold like seashells whispering sea secrets. He fills closets with them. The other uncle, wrapped in a protective cloak, roams out in the world to fight the enemies of the Jews. This is good stuff. Dad's rationalist hostility to their fervor makes sense if you know the world of the '50s.

But as a director Keaton has chosen not to explain behind the scenes the logic of madness and the madness of logic, or the dilemmas of the Jews. She dwells upon dysfunction without digging in for another plane, a level of meaning.

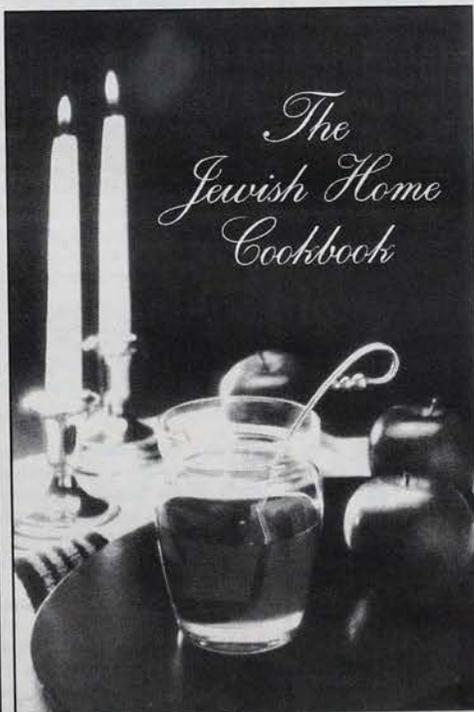
You step out of the theater and move into your own past. You think about your own parents and uncles and aunts, the households of yesteryear. You furnish your own questions and answers. You take the heros off their strings and attach your own. Keaton has made a small melodrama like the pages of a coloring book. Fill it in with your own crayons.

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# EDITORIAL

## Pope John Paul II Should Order the Church at Birkenau be Moved

by Rabbi Avi Weiss  
National President of the Coalition  
for Jewish Concerns-Amcha

Pope John Paul II met Jewish leaders in New York during his recent visit to the United States. Things are looking up in Catholic-Jewish relations and according to reports, this meeting hosted by Cardinal John O'Connor gave both sides a chance to exchange pleasantries and pat each other on the back.

We were also there — standing outside the Cardinal's residence protesting the Catholic church at Birkenau (Auschwitz II). While we applaud the improved relations between the Catholic and Jewish communities, we cannot be silent in the face of the Vatican's attempts to Christianize the Nazi death camps.

The church at Birkenau was built by the Nazis to become the new SS commandant's headquarters. According to eye witnesses, Jewish women were abused, raped and murdered there. After World War II the building became a candle factory.

In 1983 the factory was turned into a church, established as an extension to the main parish in nearby Oswiecim (Auschwitz) which is dedicated to the memory of Maximilian Kolbe. Although Kolbe was executed at Auschwitz, he has been described as an anti-Semitic writer and editor during the 1930s. Today, the church building at Birkenau is topped by two large crosses and a 7-meter high cross which stands in front.

Catholic officials have argued that since the church lies out-

side the barbed wire it is not within the camp. Nonsense! Since the Nazis abhorred Jews and did not want to be "infected" by living alongside them, they would not want to live directly on top of them. Thus, they lived a few feet outside the barbed wire. This barbed wire, however, does not indicate the boundaries of the camp, but rather delineates the area designated for inmates. The building which now houses the church is absolutely within the parameters of the camp and is clearly identified that way on Allied maps of the area.

Therefore, the church is in violation of the 1987 Geneva Agreement signed by four European cardinals and several Jewish leaders. It calls for "no permanent Catholic place of worship on the site of the Auschwitz-Birkenau camp." The church also violates the 1972 United Nations Convention on the Protection of the World Cultural and National Heritage. The agreement was designed to preserve intact sites of outstanding cultural and national importance. Auschwitz, including the church at Birkenau, falls within this list.

The presence of the church at Birkenau is even more disturbing than the convent at Auschwitz I, where there were protests six years ago. Some Catholics defended the rights of the nuns to remain at the convent claiming it was outside the perimeter of Auschwitz I and that the mass killing occurred at Birkenau. The church, however,  
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## Is Everybody Happy?

The holidays of Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah are referred to as "the time of our rejoicing." As such, let's take a look at some of the words of our sages and Chasidic teachings about the importance of joy and happiness in our lives.

King David in Psalms advises us, "Serve G-d with joy, come before Him with jubilation." The power of joy is unlimited, for as stated in the Talmud, "Joy breaks all boundaries."

In addition, G-d attaches a great deal of importance to joy, for "The Divine Presence rests only upon one who performs a mitzvah in a joyous spirit" (Talmud).

In fact, it is said about the famous 16th-century Kabbalist, Rabbi Yitzchok Luria, that he merited divine inspiration and even to meet Elijah the prophet, because he infused his mitzvot with so much joy.

Simchah (joy), is one of the most essential elements of the Chasidic way of life. In fact, in the early stages of the Chasidic movement, before the name "Chasidim" was coined, Chasidim were often referred to in Yiddish as "di feilicha," meaning, "the happy ones."

The Baal Shem Tov, founder of Chasidut, would say that sometimes, when the Yetzer Hora (the evil impulse) tries to persuade a person to commit a sin, it does not care whether or not the person will actually sin.

What it is looking for is that after sinning, the person will become depressed and overcome with sadness. In other words, the depression that follows the sin can cause more

spiritual damage than the actual sin itself.

Rabbi Shlomo of Karlin taught that depression is considered the threshold of all evil.

He said that although the 365 negative commandments do not include a commandment not to be depressed, the damage that sadness and depression can cause is worse than the damage that any sin can cause.

What can you do to help a friend out of a slump if he isn't too happy? Tell him some good news, as our sages advised, for good news gladdens the heart and good tidings expand the mind.

Every year, when Jews go forth to dance on Simchat Torah, Torah scrolls cradled in their arms, they are expressing the fiery bond of the Jewish people to the Torah and to G-d.

Viewing this dancing — hakafot — in the light of Chasidut, some puzzling questions arise about the manner in which we celebrate Simchat Torah. The Torah belongs to the sphere of the intellect (Torah from the root hora'a — teaching), and it is our obligation to study Torah and to understand it.

Would it not be more appropriate then to celebrate Torah in an intellectual manner, by intensifying its study, delving into it in greater depth and rejoicing in the growth of our knowledge and understanding?

We seem to do exactly the opposite. Instead of studying the Torah, we take it in our arms, rolled up and clothed in its cover in a manner that makes it impossible to read from it, and instead of serving the To-

rah with our heads, we serve it with our feet — by dancing!

But strange as it may seem, it is through the dancing of hakafot that we can best express our true and inner relationship to Torah.

Torah is the wisdom of G-d, as it is written: "He has chosen us from among the nations and given us His Torah." As such, the true meaning of Torah is concealed from us, beyond all human understanding.

The Torah as we see it at hakafot, enclosed in its cover, symbolizes the aspect of Torah that is hidden from our intellect. All Jews, regardless of their level of scholarship, can dance with the Torah. For Torah, as G-d's gift, is the inheritance of all the Jewish people (and an heir inherits absolutely, regardless of age or personal qualities).

The previous Rebbe, Rabbi Yosef Yitzchok Schneersohn, explained that the Torah wishes to go around the reading table. But since the Torah has no feet, the Jewish people become the feet of the Torah, and carry it around the bimah.

By dancing with the Torah, becoming its "feet," we express our resolve to obey the mitzvot of the Torah with simple faith and total devotion. The joyous dedication of the Jewish people to Torah causes the Torah itself to be elevated, just as the head is borne along by the feet to the place it wishes to go. This is why Simchat Torah is called, "the season of our rejoicing," when the Jewish people rejoice in the Torah, and the Torah, too, rejoices in the Jewish people.

Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer.

## Climbing the Stairway to Heaven

You're driving along a straight stretch of road. There in the distance is an object of some sort. It's a bush. No, it's a person! Your brain may wrestle with your optic nerve several times before you come close enough to define the object clearly. But it's good practice, because it helps you understand your progress toward the heavens.

The common perception of our ascendancy to G-d's realm is that it happens in one leap: there is Earth, and then suddenly we are transported upward.

But it isn't as simple as that. All our lives, we are climbing the stairway. Moses was seen as being on a higher flight than the rest of us. He existed in physical body, but saw everything as an extension of G-dliness.

The prophet Isaiah, by contrast, saw G-d from afar, being on a lower level. When he talks of angels proclaiming, "Holy, holy, holy is the L-rd of Hosts," the word "holy" has the implication of distinct and separate.

Ergo, Moses was of the heavenly realm, translating it to us, while Isaiah was still of the material world, reaching toward divine insights.

In the sukkah, we experience a similar circumstance amid the stimulation of imagery. We are of the Earth, in a home fashioned from its bounty, heady with the richness of harvest smells and tastes. And, looking up, we see the stars of the firmament (the very purpose for the openness of the sukkah's roof). It lifts us to heights of reverie and hope.

In moments like that, we sense the contrast in tone between Rosh Hashana/Yom Kippur and the holidays that immediately follow. The first is solemn, self-reflective, a purgative period. Succot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah are celebratory, lighthearted.

In a way, this is because Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur are "top down," a time when we stand before the throne for a career evaluation. But right afterward, suffused with the optimistic assumption that our option has been renewed, we enter a "bottom up" stage, a time of enjoying the blessings and looking forward to being worthy of them for another year.

The emotional states are complementary, even symbiotic. The contrast is exactly what

makes us keenly sensitive to our weaknesses and appreciative of the fullness of our lives and the promises ahead.

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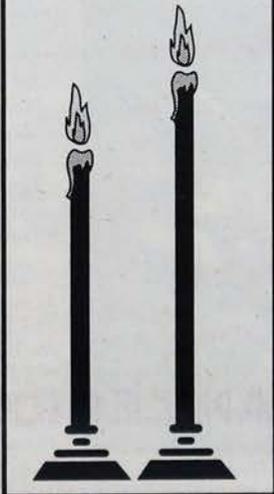
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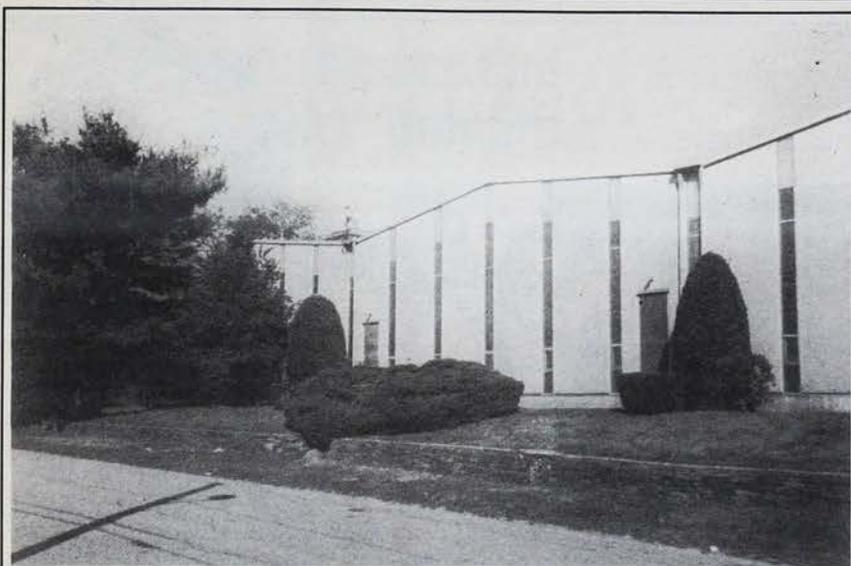
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## Temple Torat Yisrael

This Conservative temple is located at 330 Park Avenue in Cranston. The rabbi is David Rosen, and the phone number is 785-1800.

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## In the Spirit of the New Year

While studying the holiday prayers, students in Grade 4 of the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School engaged in a project of creative interpretation.

Students discussed the meaning of the prayer *Anu Ameha*, which asks for atonement, saying: "We are Your people and You our G-d, We are your children and You our Father." The prayer goes on to compare the relationship to a flock and its shepherd, a vineyard and its watchman, subjects and their king.

Grade 4 Judaic Studies teacher Wendy Garf-Lipp asked her students to interpret the metaphor in creative and individual ways. How could they express their sense of the special relationship between humans and the divine? Here are some beautiful responses:

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*We are the candles and You are the Flame*

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*We are the adventurers and You are our Adventure*

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*We are your trees and You are our Roots*

*We are a book and You are our Reader*

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*We are your will and You are our Strength*

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*We are your tools and You are our Builder*

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*We are your ink and You are our Pen*

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## He's Got The Whole World In H-s Hands

by Alison Smith  
Herald Editor

*How Do You Spell G-d? Answers to the big questions from around the world*, was written by Rabbi Marc Gellman and Monsignor Thomas Hartman, with a foreword by His Holiness, the Dalai Lama.

With high-powered talent like this, you are expecting answers. And you get them. This is an ideal book for a family that can handle discussing, really exploring, other religions. It seems ready-made for parents and children (above 10) to read together, or one at a time.

It covers (not instilling depth but with a light scanning) all the major religions in the world today. It is humorous, at times, but never in an offensive way, as far as I could tell. Each religion is handled, in turn, with respect and intelligence.

How do you become a Hindu priest? How do Jews handle the death and burial of a loved one, and why? Who, exactly, was Muhammad? What are the Holy Books for each religion, and how do they differ? How do they resemble each other? Prayer — when do you wear your shoes, and when do you take them off? — when do you kneel, and when do you stand?

There are very few subjects as fascinating as man's practice of religion, when you get right down to it. This book keeps the subject fascinating while it educates you, and sometimes makes you smile.

There is an old line of verse which says, "How can he love England, who only England knows?" No one who hasn't been abroad, particularly to a country where freedom is an iffy proposition, fully understands and appreciates the greatness of this country. You've heard that said a hundred times, and it's true. When you learn about other religions, you find your intolerance melting away, and your respect and love for your own religion putting out deeper and deeper roots.

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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Black Anti-Semites Meet Before 'Million Man March'

by Daniel Kurtzman  
WASHINGTON (JTA) — Confirming many of the Jewish community's worst fears, several of the most notorious black anti-Semites in the country are planning a two-day conference prior to the Nation of Islam's upcoming Million Man March.

The conference's speakers include former Farrakhan spokesman Khalid Abdul Muhammad and City College of New York Professor Leonard Jeffries.

Jewish groups say the conference confirms the concerns they have had all along — that the march and events surrounding it will create an environment that promotes the anti-Semitic view of Farrakhan, and moves him toward mainstream acceptance.

Jess Hordes, director of the Anti-Defamation League's Washington office, said the conference appears particularly inappropriate in light of the march's stated goals of "atonement" and declaration of responsibility.

"This is scapegoating, this is bigotry, this is prejudice, and self-help can't be built on this kind of foundation," Hordes said.

The conference's organizer, Malik Zulu Shabazz, chairman of the Washington-based Unity Nation, has been quoted saying that Farrakhan has given the conference his blessing and embraced its speakers.

Shabazz gained notoriety in the pro-Farrakhan community for leading anti-Semitic chants at Howard University student rallies last year. Shabazz established the Unity Nation while a student at Howard.

March organizers reportedly

have denied that the conference has any connection to the march.

The pre-march conference is scheduled to be held at two public high schools in Washington, D.C. The 14 scheduled speakers include teachers, preachers and writers.

Muhammad has called Jews "bloodsuckers," and Jeffries has accused Jews of financing the slave trade and plotting with the Mafia to oppress blacks through racist images in the media.

"The program that's been put together — whether it's with the benign approval of Farrakhan or not — consists of people who have been supporters of his approach and people whose major focus is to fan hatred and bigotry against whites and Jews," Hordes said. The conference "undercuts whatever kind of more wholesome message the march's organizers are articulating."

Meanwhile, the first national survey of public opinion about the Million Man March has revealed that an overwhelming majority of blacks support the march.

Questioned about Farrakhan's call for an economic boycott on the day of the march, 37 percent of those surveyed said they would not go shopping, 22 percent said they would skip work or school and 13 percent said they would keep their children out of school.

Forty-four percent of blacks polled said they were more likely to support the march because of Farrakhan's involvement, while 36 percent view him as a drawback.

The survey also found that only 20 percent of whites had heard of the planned march, though those who have heard of it support it by a 3-to-1 margin.

The survey was based on interviews with 1,530 people, including 1,271 whites and 120 blacks. It was conducted between Sept. 29 and Oct. 1.

It has a 3 percent margin of error for the entire sample, but an 8 percent margin for blacks because of the small number surveyed.



### Rabin Visits Technion and Ozontech

Prime Minister Rabin recently inspected Ozontech, a startup company at Technion, where an innovative new "ozonator," a device to decontaminate drinking water, had been developed and was being demonstrated.

## ADL Ads Project Jewish Concerns Over NOI March

by Daniel Kurtzman  
WASHINGTON (JTA) — In the most stinging denunciation to date of Louis Farrakhan's role as the prime mover behind the upcoming Million Man March on Washington, the Anti-Defamation League has assailed the Nation of Islam leader for aggressive and repeated promotion of anti-Semitism and racism.

In a full-page newspaper ad, the ADL said it "cannot be ignored" that "this march will be the largest event led by an anti-Semite in recent American history."

The ad appeared Sept. 29 in *The New York Times* and Tuesday in the *Washington Post*.

The Oct. 16 march has been billed by Farrakhan as a national "day of atonement." He has called on African American men to take more responsibility for their communities and commit themselves to a restoration of values.

Jewish groups are concerned that the event could give further legitimacy to Farrakhan and the anti-Semitic views he espouses.

The ad reads, in part: "What if a white supremacist called for a march on Washington? If this happened, no matter what the cause, no matter how legitimate the issue, no one could ignore the fact that a hate monger was the driving force behind the march. The same is true of minister Louis Farrakhan and the Million Man March."

The ADL's sharp public criticism

represents a departure from other Jewish groups, most of which have been hesitant to issue any public statements regarding the march. They have been mindful of averting tensions between Jews and blacks.

Abraham Foxman, the ADL's national director, said that for historical and moral reasons, the ADL finally decided that it could not maintain silence.

"I don't think after World War II Jews have the luxury not to raise their voices and not to stand up when anti-Semitism moves into the mainstream of society," Foxman said in an interview. "This is a major manifestation that anti-Semitism is moving into the mainstream of our society."

Foxman said the ADL decided to break its silence after the Hartford school system said it would grant excused absences to those who participate in the march, and invited Nation of Islam members to recruit participants in its classrooms.

In Hartford, the Board of Education met Oct. 2 and decided that public schools would remain open unless a significant number of teachers ask to be excused, at which point the superintendent would reevaluate the matter. A committee of the board had recommended that all schools be closed to mark the day of the march.

The population of the city of Hartford is largely made up of

minorities. State statistics show the school population to be more than 80 percent black and Hispanic.

"We have an obligation to educate about the racist and anti-Semitic messages of Louis Farrakhan," said Ethan Felson, director of the Community Relations Committee of the Greater Hartford Jewish Federation in an interview. "But a lot of urban legislators feel that there is no alternative for them but to support this march."

There was mixed reaction among other Jewish groups to the ADL ad.

Phil Baum, executive director of the American Jewish Congress, said the ADL ad would have been more effective if it appeared "closer to the event and more directly related." He added that it would have been better had it been done "in concert with a large grouping of Jewish organizations."

Prior to the ADL ad, the AJCongress had issued a statement that contained a message similar to that of the ADL. (*Ed. Note: This was carried in full on page 4 of the Oct. 5 issue of the Herald.*)

Other Jewish groups distanced themselves from the ADL ad.

"We can't condemn anyone for making public statements that in their judgment they felt were appropriate to make," said Karen Senter, co-director of domestic concerns at the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council. "Our consensus opinion was that this was not the time" to issue public comment.

Responding to the criticism, Foxman said, "They're entitled to be wrong."

In a clear sign of how carefully the NJCRAC is approaching this issue, Senter issued an internal memo to member agen-

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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Knesset Vote Marks End of Labor Hawks' Domain

by David Landau  
JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Rabin government's razor-thin majority in the Oct. 6 Knesset vote has defined in the starkest possible way the state of politics in Israel, as the country enters its election season.

The 61-59 vote in favor of ratifying the Interim Agreement for extending Palestinian autonomy in the West Bank — signed by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization in Washington on Sept. 28 — came after more than 14 hours of often raucous Knesset debate that began the night before and in the wake of demonstrations by Israeli settlers and their supporters.

More than 20,000 demonstrators gathered in downtown Jerusalem as the Knesset debate began to protest the agreement, calling Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin a traitor to the Jewish state.

In the close vote, two of the Labor Party's most outspoken hawks, Avigdor Kahalani and Emanuel Zismann, joined with the Likud-led opposition and, in effect, drummed themselves

out of their own party. The two intend to forge a political party out of The Third Way movement — currently a group of politicians, professors and generals offering an alternative to Labor and Likud platforms — and to enter next year's general elections on their own terms.

The defections of Kahalani and Zismann finally wiped out the notion of "Labor hawks." For many years, Rabin was the focus of all the Labor hawks' efforts and loyalties.

He was their uncrowned leader, their champion, the man whose position in the party and in the country they strove to promote.

But now, irrevocably, that long period has ended.

Rabin can no longer be classified as a hawk within his own party.

Indeed, labor no longer has any hawks.

The doves — men such as Yossi Beilin, Avraham Burg and Uzi Baram, who saw Foreign Minister Shimon Peres as their

ideological leader — are now in the mainstream.

Those identifying with the hawks have had to toe the party line — or leave with Kahalani.

The final confirmation of this sea change within labor was Rabin's remark, deliberately timed to coincide with the final negotiation of the Interim Agreement, that he no longer necessarily rules out a Palestinian state sometime in the future.

He later tempered that statement, saying that it would take "50 years" for the Palestinians to accomplish that goal.

But the number of years it will take is a question of degree. The core issue — partitioning Palestine and agreeing to Palestinian rule over part of the land — has been resolved.

Rabin's wafer-thin Knesset majority may not last until the end of the Knesset's current term. Another spate of terrorist attacks could terminally sap the government's standing among the Israeli public and lead to its downfall.

## Israeli-E.U. Pact

Initialed, Heads to Parliaments

by Joseph Kopel  
BRUSSELS (JTA) — Israel and the European Union have initialed a new association accord that will give the Jewish state enhanced trading and political status among E.U. member states.

The accord, which was initialed Sept. 28 by Israeli Ambassador to the European Union Mordechai Drori and by Eberhard Rhein, head of the European Commission's Mediterranean department, capped a long and difficult period of negotiations that began in January 1994.

The new pact replaces a 1975 trade and cooperation accord between Israel and what was then known as the Common Market.

The accord will provide for expanded free trade between Israel and the 15 nations comprising the European economic bloc.

Israel hopes that the new accord will help lessen Israel's growing trade imbalance with the European Union, which is

Israel's main trading partner.

The new agreement — which will need to be approved by the Knesset and the parliaments of the E.U. member states before it becomes effective — would allow 90 percent of Israeli agricultural products to be exempt from the E.U. tariffs, compared with the current 70 percent.

Along with its clauses relating to trade, the accord will grant Israel special status to participate in the European Union's scientific and technological research and development projects.

According to diplomatic sources, this special status was granted to Israel in recognition of Israel's advanced capability in the area of research and development.

When the accord is ratified, Israel will become the first non-E.U. member to get this special observer status within the research and development committees.

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# WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

## Orthodox Jewish Leaders Divided on Halachic Edict

by Jane Calem Rosen  
The Jewish Standard

TEANECK, N.J. (JTA) — A leading American Orthodox rabbi's edict setting forth halachic objections to the peace process has created a storm of controversy both here and in Israel.

Rabbi Moshe Tendler, a Yeshiva University professor widely recognized as an authority on Jewish law, issued a halachic statement to the effect that the planned redeployment of Israeli soldiers from areas of settlement on the West Bank would put Jewish lives in danger.

Tendler characterized the peace process as "an unholy means to a holy end that [will] serve as paving stones to hell."

His statement, which appeared in both Yiddish and English in the New York-based *Algemeiner Journal*, has sparked angry rebuttals from two prominent Orthodox rabbis in Israel, further raising the temperature of the dialogue surrounding the peace process.

Rabbi Yehuda Amital, leader of Meimad, a religious Zionist group in Israel that has been supportive of the government of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, and Rabbi Aharon Lichtenstein, a son-in-law of the late Rabbi Joseph Solovitchik, have indicated their disagreement with Tendler's halachic interpretation.

Both Amital and Lichtenstein are heads of yeshivas in Gush Etzion in the West Bank.

Calling Tendler's article "very sad, a foolish mistake," Amital insisted that the "important thing is to save the life of

Eretz Yisrael, the land of Israel. The way to save Eretz Yisrael for the Jewish people is compromise now."

Amital disputed Tendler's claim that terrorism has increased as a result of the peace process, saying that terrorism was linked to the rise in Islamic fundamentalism.

He called the Arab world irrational, noting Iraq's aggression in the 1991 Persian Gulf War and the exploding birth-rate of the Israeli Arabs as evidence of the need for a workable agreement as soon as possible for the long-term security of the Jewish people.

"I have to think what will happen after 20 years" if the peace process fails, said Amital, who has been living in the West Bank for 26 years. A Holocaust survivor, he immigrated to what was then Palestine from Hungary 50 years ago.

Several days before issuing his halachic imperative on the peace process, Tendler took steps to prevent the scheduled appearance of an Orthodox rabbi who heads Shvil HaZahav, an Orthodox group supportive of the peace process.

Criticizing his former student Rabbi Shmuel Goldin of Englewood, N.J., Tendler said it was a "desecration of God's name for an Orthodox rabbi to present a position that is contrary to Torah law."

A scheduled debate between Goldin and Morton Klein, president of the Zionist Organization of America, was canceled when Tendler interceded with the program's coordinator, Samuel Colman, a New York

state assemblyman.

Tendler accused Goldin of being "in denial of a fundamental axiom of Judaism: You cannot sacrifice a Jew today in order to save many Jews tomorrow."

Goldin added that Lichtenstein, as well as he himself, has legitimate concerns about Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat's trustworthiness. But both draw a distinction between harboring doubts and indicting the entire peace effort.

According to Goldin, Lichtenstein said it would be wrong to conclude that "only knaves and fools are in favor of the peace process and supportive of the Rabin government."

"My position is much more nuanced. I've never been lock-step with the Israeli government," said Goldin. "Shvil Hazahav was organized to foster communication and dialogue and a connection with the Israeli government as the peace process unfolds. It tries to deal with the issues in a positive, not a negative fashion."

Goldin's supporters have denounced Tendler's halachic condemnation.

There is not a halachic question," Amital said passionately, adding that Tendler is basing his halachic position on a basic misunderstanding of the facts and the reality of what is taking place in Israel today.

Tendler's contention that the peace process is endangering Jewish lives and has led to an increase in terrorism is not true, Amital said, and in his opinion, dangerously misguided.



### New Growth

John P. Hart, deputy White House assistant, plants a tree at the Jewish National Fund's Hadassah tree-planting center in Jerusalem. He was in Israel on a bipartisan mission for young United States political leaders, to explore bilateral business opportunities.

## Journalist Said to be Murderous Nazi

by Miriam Widman

BERLIN (JTA) — An article in a daily German newspaper has charged that a Berlin journalist actually was a Nazi official responsible for killing Jews in an area of Ukraine.

According to an article published Sept. 29 in *Taz*, Peter Grubbe, a progressive German journalist and author of several books on the Third World, is actually Claus Volkman, a Nazi official involved in the extermination of the Jewish population in Kolomea, in what is now the Ukraine.

In a three-page piece — with the headline "There are two lives before death" — author Philipp Mausshardt details the story of what he says is the double life of the journalist.

Apparently, Mausshardt researched the journalist for several years at government offices in Ludwigsburg and at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

Volkman, as Nazi regional commander in the Kolomea-Galicia area, was responsible for the death of Kolomea's remaining 30,000 Jews, *Taz* charged in the story.

Mausshardt wrote that Volkman had a conflict with the area Gestapo leader, Peter Leideritz, who favored the di-

rect extermination of the Jews. Volkman advocated first taking over Jewish property and prior to extermination, demanding payments from the town's Jews, according to the article.

Mausshardt spoke with Grubbe, who denied the accusations and claimed that his actions actually helped the Jews.

## Doubts About Housing Built Across Green Line

by Naomi Segal

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israeli Housing Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer said last week that some 2,300 housing units would be sold in the controversial Har Homa development outside Jerusalem by the end of the year or in early 1996.

He expressed the hope that another 4,000 units slated for the second and third stages of construction would also be sold.

Ben-Eliezer denied accusations that the development, which lies across the Green Line, was being built primarily on land expropriated from Arabs.

He said 80 percent of the land was owned by Jews, who purchased it during the 1940s.

The minister also said the government would initiate

When asked why he decided to change his name in 1945, the journalist said he did not want to write under Volkman, his given name, because his father was also a writer, the article said.

An accompanying article in the newspaper said several other progressive, well-known journalists were Nazis during the war.

building projects for Jerusalem's Arab population.

## Oman is First Persian Gulf State to Forge Relations With Israel

by Naomi Segal

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Oman has agreed to forge trade ties with Israel, becoming the first Persian Gulf nation to establish relations with the Jewish state.

The decision to exchange trade representatives came during a Sept. 30 meeting at the United Nations between Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and his Omani counterpart, Yusef Ben Alwai. The two were in New York for the United Nations General Assembly.

Israel's Foreign Ministry said in a statement that Israel and

## High Court ends Jeffries' quest

by Matthew Dorf

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Supreme Court ended Leonard Jeffries' quest to regain the chairmanship of the City College of New York's black studies department.

Ousted for making anti-Semitic remarks, Jeffries had fought to regain the chair, arguing that his speech rights were violated.

The Supreme Court — without comment — refused to hear Jeffries' appeal.

Lower courts had ordered the CCNY to reinstate Jeffries. Last year, the Supreme Court ordered the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to restudy the case.

The appeals court ruled that Jeffries could be fired.

Jeffries still teaches at the state-run school as a tenured professor.

## Pope

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is at Birkenau and clearly within the camp.

...the existence of Catholic churches at the death camps that were set up primarily to kill Jews may lead people, both now and especially in future decades, to conclude that the Vatican systematically engaged in protecting Jews during the Holocaust. The truth is, despite the heroism of many individual Catholics, not only did the Vatican largely fail to help Jews, but after the war the Vatican was openly involved in aiding Nazis escape to South America and elsewhere. Holocaust revisionism is unacceptable.

As a rabbi I have deep respect for people of all faiths and the existence of their places of worship and symbols of faith. But a cross, convent or church on Auschwitz grounds, the largest Jewish graveyard in the world — where even the Polish church acknowledges that 91 percent of the 1.5 million people murdered were Jewish — is as inappropriate as a Jewish star or synagogue at a Catholic cemetery.

Our disagreement has never been with the Catholic grassroots clergy or laity, it has been rather with the Vatican which has the power to insure that the 1987 Geneva Agreement be honored. Indeed, when Pope John Paul II ordered the nuns out of the convent at Auschwitz in 1993 they had no choice but to leave.

So, too, the Pope has the moral authority to order that the church at Birkenau be moved.

Oman would cooperate in the fields of agriculture, medicine, telecommunications and water projects.

Oman, along with the five other members of the Gulf Cooperation Council — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Qatar — does not maintain official diplomatic ties with the Jewish state.

The Saudi-dominated council has stated that any normalization of ties with Israel would depend on the reaching of a comprehensive Middle East peace.

# MILESTONES

## Oster Honored by American Heart Association

Richard M. Oster, group chief executive of Cookson Group plc, the international specialist industrial materials group, will be honored at the American Heart Association's first annual Gold Heart Award luncheon on Nov. 21 at The Westin Hotel.

Event proceeds will benefit the research and education program of the American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate.

The Gold Heart Award recognizes Oster's commitment and contributions to his community.

Oster, a native Rhode Islander, University of Rhode Island graduate and Barrington resident, has held leadership positions in numerous local organizations. These

include: Big Brothers, Inc.; Bryant College; Meeting Street School; Providence College; Rhode Island Convention Center Authority; Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra; The Jewelry Institute; The Miriam Hospital; University of Rhode Island; and Volunteer Services for Animals. Oster's business dealings span more than 40 countries worldwide.

"Richard Oster exemplifies a winning culture," said Mark Weiner, chairperson of the Gold Heart luncheon. "He reflects success in all that he does... from leading a publicly held, \$3 billion corporation to shaping the future of Rhode Island by his many trustee and board memberships.

He believes, and is proof that, people have the power to grow, to refine and perfect their skills and expertise."

Chairpersons of the luncheon are Mark and Susan Weiner; co-chairpersons are Frank and Joyce Caprio, Donald and Susan Carcieri, Arnold and Johnnie Chase, David and Sheila Duffy, Edward and Holly Grace, Richard and Carole Higginbotham and Howard and Kimberly Sutton.

Individual places at the Gold Heart Award luncheon can be purchased for \$100, and tables of 10 for \$1,000 or more.

For more information, call the American Heart Association at 728-5300.

## Shelley Krakovsky to Marry Jeffrey Astrachan

Rabbi George and Rita Astrachan of Warwick, R.I., announce the engagement of their son, Jeffrey Richard Astrachan of Cincinnati, Ohio, to Shelley Ann Krakovsky of Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of Arlene and Paul Solomon of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Rose Hillman and the late Sidney Hillman. Her fiancé is the grandson of the late Abe and Yetta Yamin of Cincinnati and Esther Astrachan of

Rhode Island and the late Louis Astrachan.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati College of Education and is employed as an elementary school teacher.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Hartford and is a student in the rabbinic program at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati.

The date of the wedding has been set for July 7, 1996.

## Mellion Inducted as a Fellow

A local dental practitioner, Dr. Douglas M. Mellion, was inducted as a Fellow of the International College of Dentists at its 65th annual convocation in Las Vegas on Oct. 6.

An honorary organization for the recognition of outstanding and meritorious service to the profession, the college presented Mellion a membership plaque

and gold key symbolic of this fellowship for conspicuous service rendered the art and science of dentistry.

Mellion is a partner in the dental practice of Drs. Mellion, Cappuccino, Thomas, Tyler and Moos. The group specializes in root canal therapy with offices in Providence, Warwick and Narragansett.

## Somers to be Next Chairman of UAH Congregations

Jerome H. Somers of Swampscott, Mass., a partner at the Boston law firm of Goodwin, Procter & Hoar, has been selected to be the next chairman of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The UAHC is the congregational arm of the Reform Jewish movement in North America.

Somers will take office in December, at the close of the UAHC's biennial convention in Atlanta. He has been a member of the national UAHC board since 1983 and has served as UAHC treasurer since 1991.

For the past two years, Somers has chaired Project 2000, a long-range planning committee formed to examine the structure of the UAHC. The committee is recommending steps toward greater partnerships at the national and regional levels with member congregations as they prepare to meet the needs and challenges of the next decade.

A lifelong Reform Jew, Somers has been a member of the board of trustees of Temple Emanu-El in Marblehead for 20 years and served as its president from 1977 to 1980.



### John Morgan Dwares

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Dwares of Jupiter, Fla., announce the birth of their first child, a son, John Morgan Dwares, on July 21.

He was born in Hollywood, Fla. His paternal grandparents are Shirley Gold and the late Robert Dwares.



### Aryeh Lev Winkleman-Furman

Karen Winkleman-Furman and Bruce Furman of Palo Alto, California, announce the birth of their first child, a son, Aryeh Lev Winkleman Furman, born on April 5.

Maternal grandparents are the late Lois and Harold Winkleman of Providence and Cranston. Paternal grandparents are Herbert and Joyce Furman of Farmington Hills, Michigan.

Aryeh Lev is named in loving memory of his maternal grandmother, Lois J. Winkleman.

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### Breaking the Fast

Alpert and Sylvia Fain broke the Yom Kippur fast at the Regency Plaza in downtown Providence on Oct. 4.

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## Hadassah Magazine Announces Winner of Literary Award

Magda Bogin, author of *Natalya, G-d's Messenger* (Scribner), is the winner of the 1995 Harold U. Ribalow Prize it was announced recently by *Hadassah Magazine* executive editor Alan Tigay. The judges for the 1995 award were Elie Wiesel, Thomas Keneally, and 1994 Ribalow Prize recipients Carol de Chellis Hill and Michael Blumenthal.

Administered by *Hadassah Magazine*, the Ribalow Prize is awarded annually for literary excellence for a work of fiction on a Jewish theme. It was established 13 years ago by the family of the late Harold U. Ribalow, noted editor, writer, and anthropologist.

Set at the close of World War II, *Natalya, G-d's Messenger* is the story of Rita, the daughter of struggling Russian immigrants, who loses her job as a machinist and takes over a palm-reading practice on Manhattan's Lower East Side. Her new profession blooms into a calling, and Rita is

reborn as Natalya, G-d's Messenger.

Word of her powers circulates, and her business thrives. In palm after palm, Rita reads the turbulent future of America, foretelling the atomic bomb, the Cold War, civil rights protest and the assassination of a president.

Success comes at a price, however. Rita's love, Leo, a passionate leftist, abandons her to pursue his political convictions. And, years later when they are reunited in Dallas in November 1963 — at a time America is poised on the brink of change — Rita finally reads Leo's palm, and sees him as though for the first time.

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## L'Chaim!

There will be a Simchat Torah Celebration at Chabad House, 360 Hope St. (near Olney) in Providence, on Oct. 15 and 16, from 6 p.m. to...?, and on Oct. 17, at 10:30 a.m.

Holiday accommodations, within walking distance, are available. Call 273-7238.

Chasidic songs and dancing, refreshments, and religious fellowship will make the celebration memorable.

## A Little Eating, A Little Visiting, And So It Goes

A Progressive Dinner will be sponsored by the South County Chapter of Hadassah on Oct. 28.

All attendees will meet at 7 p.m. at one home for wine and hors d'oeuvres. Entrées will be served at various homes in the area, as the dinner progresses.

Participants will reconvene for dessert and coffee at the last house in the series.

Cost is \$20 per person, and the reservation deadline is Oct. 16.

For further information call either Joan McCullough at 295-2954 or Beverly Rudman at 423-1528.

## Barilla Pasta Granted U

Barilla Pasta has been certified kosher by the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

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## Benefit Demonstration of Ikebono Arranging Offered

Five communities will benefit from the proceeds of a joint meeting planned by garden clubs of the Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

Eden Garden Club, The Dirt Gardeners, Gaspee Plateau Garden Club, Governor Francis Farms Garden Club and the Pawtucket Garden Club will present a program of Japanese flower arranging on Oct. 19 at 1 p.m. at Temple Beth-El, 70 Orchard Ave. in Providence.

Suteko Stockwell, a teacher of the Ikebono School, will demonstrate.

The Dirt Gardeners are involved with landscaping the area surrounding the Constance Witherby Memorial Statue on the center strip of Blackstone Boulevard.

Eden Garden Club maintains the Biblical Garden at Temple Beth-El.

Gaspee Plateau Garden Club maintains the garden at the John Waterman Arnold House, a Warwick historical landmark.

Governor Francis Farms Garden Club maintains the islands, rotaries and signs to Governor Francis Farms.

The Pawtucket Garden Club maintains a wildflower garden at Slater Park.

The meeting is open to the public for a fee of \$3. Dessert will be served. For information or directions, call Eden Garden Club, 331-5616.

A tour of the Biblical Garden at the temple will also be available at no extra cost.



SUTEKO STOCKWELL teaches and demonstrates the art of Ikebono flower arrangement.

## Temple Shalom Announces Adult Education Program

Temple Shalom of Middletown has announced its adult education program for the fall.

Beginner's Hebrew with Barbara Jagolinzer will be taught from 7:15 to 8 p.m. Learn the alphabet and begin to read simple words and sentences.

During the same time frame, Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer will teach the following courses:

- Oct. 19 — Numbers: Their Secrets and Laws in Judaism. From "Shiva" and "Chai" to 613 commandments and living until "120," numbers play an important role in our tradition. A

study of numerical values, Gematria, prophesies, central numbers and their meaning in Judaism.

- Oct 26 — A Conservative Jew Looks at Spirituality. Using prayers and religious texts as tools, this session will help to gain a clearer awareness of our link with G-d and the rich potential of that relationship.

- Nov. 2 — Jewish in America... Who are we? Where are we going? This session will examine the new threat of anti-Semitism and the changing response of American Jews.

- Nov. 9 — A Taste of Talmud: An Introduction to the Time and Texts of Rabbinic Judaism. This course will provide selections from the Mishnah and Gemmarah (The Talmud) to better understand the Judaism which has emerged prior to and following 70 C.E.

- Nov. 16 — Read a Good Jewish Book Lately? In honor of Jewish Book Month, a review of some of the best Jewish books past and present.

From 8 to 8:45 p.m., the rabbi will conduct a journey in Judaism culminating with an adult bar-bat mitzvah service marking a period of study and self-enrichment.

Registration is \$15 for temple members and \$20 for non-members and can be transacted on the opening evening of classes.

For further information, contact the temple office at 846-9002.

## Down to Basics

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston will present its 6th annual beginner's workshop: Back to Basics on Oct. 23 and Oct. 30 from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at Temple Reyim in Newton (near Newton Wellesley Hospital).

The cost is \$17 for members, \$20 for non-members.

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## Temple Emanu-El Presents Institute of Jewish Studies

Temple Emanu-El, 99 Taft Ave., Providence, will soon offer its Institute of Jewish Studies for the 21st consecutive year.

Registration for the first semester can be made on or before Oct. 24 at 7 p.m.

First semester classes will be held Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28; Dec. 5, 12 from 8 to 10 p.m. (except Talmud Study which runs from 7:30 to 8:50 p.m.).

First semester courses include:

- **Talmud Study in "Havruta."** Groups of 2 to 5 similarly skilled students will explore the text together for the first half of each session, then Rabbi Wayne Franklin will highlight key issues, arguments and terminology.
- **Ben/Bat Torah, Sacred History: An Introduction to Jewish Concepts.** This course will explore basic Jewish concepts within an historical framework.
- **Religion and Politics.** The overlap between religion and politics, both in the United States and abroad, will be explored.
- **Historical Development of the Siddur.** This course will take an in-depth look at the Mishnaic, Talmudic and Medieval sources of key players such as the Shema and the Amidah.
- **Advanced Hebrew: Agnon's Sippur Pashut in Hebrew.** The group will read and discuss this novel in Hebrew.
- **The Book of Proverbs: Wisdom in the Bible.** The unique wisdom found in Proverbs will be explored.
- **Adon Olam.** Several books

of Jewish-American fiction in which G-d is the central theme will be discussed.

• **American Culture, Institutions, and Traditions: A Seminar for New Americans.** For "new Americans," this course will cover any aspects of life in the United States.

• **The Congregational Choral Club.** The Choral Club is designed to encourage congregational participation in synagogue services, and to provide access to Jewish choral music.

• **Jewish Discovery: A New Look at Judaism.** The course will cover basic beliefs, concepts and practices in Jewish life.

• **The Legacy of Our Patriarchs.** The lives of our patriarchs will be studied, in order to gain insight and understanding of our own national character.

• **Introductory Hebrew Reading.** Basic prayer book vocabulary will be introduced.

• **Jews in Rhode Island.** Learn how the demographic profile in the Rhode Island Jewish community has changed during the past generation.

• **The Source: A "You Are There" Experience.** Explore James Michener's short historical novellas.

Second semester courses begin Jan. 16. Registration will be held on or before Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. For a list and description of second semester classes, call the temple at 331-1616.

The tuition for institute courses is \$12, \$10, for students and senior citizens, \$15 for non-members. Required books and supplies will be sold at cost.

## Pawtucket Hadassah Holding Supper

The Pawtucket Chapter of Hadassah will have its paid-up membership supper on Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El in the Bohnen Vestry.

The highlight of the evening will be the appearance of Laura Berkson, who will present a musical program.

Berkson, local singer, composer, recording artist, and educator, has appeared throughout the United States as a solo performer, and in concert with other musicians. A former director of both the Rhode Island Feminist Chorus and Kol Simha, a Jewish folk chorus, she is currently a member of the Temple Emanu-El choir.

Berkson earned her B.A. from Vassar College and her master's degree in Jewish Communal Service from Brandeis University.

Reservations must be made by calling 751-5024 or 723-5841.

Membership chairperson is Ester Alter, committee members are Ann Gaffin, Susanne Gordon, Leah Evenhaus-Hersh, and Abe Gershman who is in charge of the supper preparation. Program chairwoman is Ruth Goldstein, ex-officio Elaine Kroll, Roz Bolusky, Ruth Shein.

Two raffles will be held at the supper meeting.

The names of members who enroll new members will be put into a drawing for a free ticket to the R.I. Chapter Donor Brunch on April 28. A second drawing will be held with the names of new members included. The winner of this drawing will also receive a free ticket to the brunch.

## Temple Beth-El Sisterhood to Host a Fine Art Auction

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El in Providence will host an art auction of fine art on Oct. 28 in the temple's Silverstein Meeting Hall.

Ross Galleries, Inc., professional and personable art auctioneers will coordinate this event. The preview time is 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. during which time you will be able to view all the art work and speak to the auctioneer.

All artwork is custom-framed and matted and will include many different subjects, periods, styles and media such as lithographs, serigraphs, oil

paintings, watercolors, etchings and mixed media.

The auction will begin at 8 p.m. Barbara Singh is the honorary chairwoman and Sherry Cohen and Bobbie Wallick are the co-chairwomen. Admission is \$18 per couple or \$9 per person. Tickets may be purchased by calling the office at Temple Beth-El, 331-6070.

Wine and cheese and coffee and dessert will be served. The proceeds from the auction will benefit Sisterhood-funded programs with special emphasis on the religious school.

### Phone Numbers Worth Noting

Alperin Schechter Day School .....	751-2470
Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island .....	331-0956
Hadassah, Rhode Island Chapter .....	463-3636
Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island .....	861-8800
Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island .....	621-5374
Jewish Family Services .....	331-1244
Jewish Federation of New Bedford .....	(508) 997-7471
Jewish Federation of Rhode Island .....	421-4111
Providence Hebrew Day School .....	331-5327
Rhode Island Holocaust Museum .....	861-8800
Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association .....	331-1360
South County Hebrew School .....	732-4797

## Adult Jewish Literacy Course Open to Public

On Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m., Rabbi William E. Kaufman, Ph.D., will begin the third adult course in his Jewish literacy series.

The text, *Basic Judaism*, by Milton Steinberg, will be available at the Temple Beth El vestry, High and Locust streets, Fall River, Mass., where Rabbi Kaufman will teach on eight consecutive Monday evenings.

Kaufman's topics will include: What is Judaism?, Torah as the key Jewish concept; Is there a Jewish Creed; What do Jews believe about G-d; about angels, about the Messiah; about the soul; what about an afterlife?

Also, the concept of the Chosen People, Jewish prayer, rituals and holidays, Jewish ethics and the good life will be discussed.

"Coffee and" will be served at each session. The \$10 course fee may be paid at the door or by mail to Temple Beth El.

For more information or to register, call the temple office at (508) 674-3529.

## Second Cuban Congregation Joins United Synagogue

The Centro Hebreo Sefaradi of La Havana, Cuba, has become the second Cuban congregation to affiliate with The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism.

In a recent ceremony, Dr. Jose Miller, president of the Patronato synagogue of Havana — which last year became the first Cuban Conservative congregation — welcomed the new synagogue as a partner in the task of reviving Jewish life and tradition in Cuba.

Two days later, in Santiago de Cuba, a group of Cuban Jews, joined by a large delegation from the Miami Jewish community, the Archbishop of Santiago de Cuba, and representatives of the Cuban government, gathered to rededicate the sanctuary of the

Hatikvah congregation. Rabbi Shmuel Szeinhandler of Chile, representing The United Synagogue, brought siddurim, tallitot, kippot, a ner tamid and other ritual articles necessary to establish the new congregation.

The Sefer Torah entered the sanctuary under a huppah held by prominent members of the Cuban Jewish community. Szeinhandler covered his head with his tallit and blew the shofar. Witnesses said it was a sound heard for the first time in 30 years in Santiago.

Rebeca Botton Behar, leader of the Hatikvah community, presented the community's formal application for affiliation with The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism.

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## Speaking of Stars and Shamrocks

Since their arrival in Boston, Jewish and Irish immigrants have struggled with assimilation, negative stereotypes, Boston's Yankee society — and each other.

*Of Stars and Shamrocks: Boston's Jews and Irish*, a provocative and sometimes humorous documentary produced by Boston College professor John Michalczuk, relates the history of these two ethnic groups in Boston. *Of Stars and Shamrocks* airs on WGBH/Channel 2 on Oct. 17 at 10 p.m. and repeats on Oct. 23 at 9 p.m. on WGBX/Channel 44.

Brian O'Donovan, host of *A Celtic Sojourn* on WGBH Radio/89.7fm, is narrator.

*Of Stars and Shamrocks* weaves historical information, personal

recollection, and commentary by historians to examine neighborhood tensions of the 1920s and '30s, the influence of the city's religious and political figures, and both groups' continuing climb toward respect and acceptance.

Both Jews and Irish came to the US to flee political oppression in their native Ireland and Eastern Europe. Once they arrived in Boston — the Irish in the mid-1800s and the Jews from the 1880s to the 1920s — both groups were met with animosity by the Boston Brahmins. Although Boston's Jews and Irish were united in the face of this common enemy, tensions soon arose between the two groups.

Anti-Semitism was strong in the Catholic Church, which

taught that Jews were "Christ killers" until the middle of this century. Two Boston clergymen — Charles Coughlin and Leonard Feeny — spoke openly against Jews on Boston soapboxes and national radio. The Irish ascent to political power, characterized by the open Irish favoritism of Mayor James Michael Curley, fed the animosity between the two groups.

*Of Stars and Shamrocks* shows these ethnic struggles dissolving in the 1960s, as exclusion changed to tolerance, cooperation, and mutual trust. Irish politicians like Mayor Kevin White and President John F. Kennedy prompted ethnic peace, and the Anti-Defamation League fought to destroy lingering expressions of Anti-Semitism.



### An Impressive Selection

Residents of the Regency Plaza in downtown Providence broke the fast on Oct. 4 with friends and relatives.

*Herald photo by Neil Nachbar*

## Temple to be Dedicated at JTS

Every day, the students of the Jewish Theological Seminary gather in the Women's League Synagogue to daven. On Friday evenings, as the sun's last rays filter gently through the stained glass windows that flank the Ark, the spacious room is filled to capacity.

Over the past few years, the students have watched as this

quiet prayer space was refurbished. The Torah Fund of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism has generously underwritten the renovation and provided, among other things, a custom-designed Aron Kodesh, mantles for each Torah and an exquisite parokhet, or curtain, for the Ark.

On Oct. 24, the seminary com-

munity will celebrate the dedication of the Women's League Seminary Synagogue, the culmination of four years of work. During the ceremony, Evelyn Henkind, a former national president of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism and a member of the seminary board, will receive an honorary doctorate.

## National Council of Jewish Women to Hold First Meeting of the Year

The National Council of Jewish Women's first open meeting of the year will be on Oct. 18 at 9 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

"Affirmative Action — what's all the fuss?" will be the subject of a panel discussion led by Gena L. Booth, executive director of the Rhode Island Commission for

Human Rights. The other members of the panel are Beverly Dwyer, member of the Governor's Commission on Women, and Norman Orendorfer, well-known attorney.

There will be a drawing of the restaurant raffle chaired by Nan Levine to benefit the council's projects. For more information, call 274-2311.

## Dream On

On Oct. 26 at 7 p.m., a Dreamwork seminar by Jeana Whittredge of the Jung Society will be held at Little Professor Book Center, University Heights Shopping Center, No. Main Street, Providence. Discover the meaning of your dreams.

The event is free. For more information, call 455-3683.

## National Council of Jewish Women to Hold Fund-Raising Raffle

To highlight its 100th year, the Rhode Island Section, National Council of Jewish Women, announces a fund-raising centennial raffle to be drawn on Oct. 18 at the first open meeting at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island at 10 a.m.

Tickets are being sold for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Winners will receive gift certificates toward dinner at some of Providence's restaurants: Al Forno, Angel's, Bluepoint, Capital Grille, Gatehouse, Hemenway's and L'Epicureo.

The National Council of Jewish Women is a volunteer organization with almost 90,000 members in 37 states, and a 102-year history of community service, advocacy, research and education on behalf of children and families of all ethnic, racial, religious and economic backgrounds.

## Temple Beth-El to Hold Consecration Ceremony

On Oct. 15, (Erev Simchat Torah) 21 first-grade students will mark the beginning of their formal Jewish education by participating in the 63rd annual consecration ceremony at Temple Beth-El in Providence. Each child in the first-grade class will be presented with a miniature Torah scroll, a gift from the temple Sisterhood, to commemorate the beginning of his or her religious studies. Consecration is the first of many milestones in the course of their Jew-

ish upbringing.

The following students will participate in the consecration ceremony: Samantha Acampora, Emmett Barnacle, Caroline Bazar, Katy Brieter, Zachary Fishman-Klein, Corey Finkelman, Rachel Haduch, Eric Jacober, Sarah Kahn, Bethany Kamens, Whitney Kasle, Jaime Lamchick, Amanda Maceroni, Molly Newman, Daniel Oresman, Erica Salk, Jeffrey Sherwin, Harris Sullivan, Andrea Tareco, Jacob Whitt and Steven Winter.

## Hadassah Education Day Planned

The Rhode Island Chapter of Hadassah has announced a Hadassah Education Day on Nov. 12 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Tara in Warwick.

The theme of the day will be "Hadassah: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." Registration is \$15, which includes luncheon and entertainment by folksinger Denise Heitmann.

Guest speaker and National Hadassah Zionist Affairs chairman, Ruth Cole, will speak about the changing focus of Hadassah and its key relationship with Israel.

Cole was previously the coordinator of Membership Services and served as co-chairman of the Jewish Family Education Program, "Training Wheels."

Call 463-3636 for reservations.



Ruth Cole

## National Conference Elects Officers

The National Conference, founded in 1927 as The National Conference of Christians and Jews, recently elected new officers at its annual meeting.

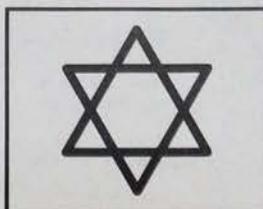
H. Thomas Rowles, President of AAA of Southeastern New England, was elected chairman of the board; Casby Harrison, partner, Licht and Semonoff, vice chairman; Jose Taveras, Taveras Associates, treasurer, and Karen Dannin of Newport, secretary.



## Every Cranberry Counts

From left, Rose Lett, Hyman Kaplan and Sarah Kretman string together cranberries to decorate the sukkah at the Fall River Jewish Home for the Aged. The seniors also used the Rosh Hashanah cards they received from friends and family to liven up the sukkah.

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# THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

## Sweet Succos

by Mike Fink

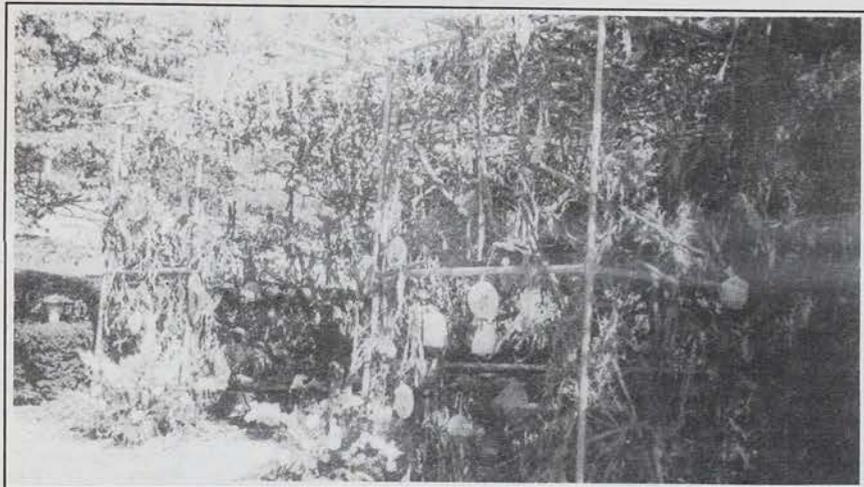
**Herald Contributing Reporter**  
Down in the dungeon depths of my cellar lurked some lumber, timber beams, and old stormdoors and windows. My niece Amy and a carpenter friend fashioned these ancient relics of the construction of my house into a succah. They shaped it just right to sit tight on my deck, with swinging doors facing the kitchen portals. Amy chose some cheerful gaudy colors, orange and purple like Dunkin' Donuts, to make sure it would appeal to our youngsters.

Do your hornets, bees and flies also come to disturb the peace of your succah? We try to have our breakfast, lunch and supper among these ancestral halls, but sometimes we beat a retreat with the saucers of honey and the decanters of wine in both hands. I have to confess, one year since we moved into our house I went so far as to skip

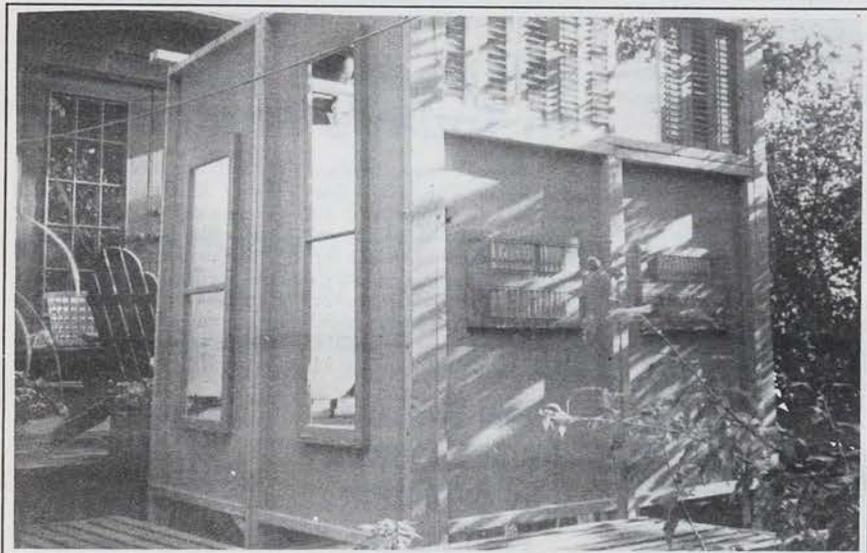
setting up this booth, the hut, the little temple, altogether. We just visited the ones at the temples or in our neighborhood.

But this year we once again wheeled the bikes out of the shed. A student and a friend helped me prop up the heavy walls and screw in the nuts and bolts. I look down from the upstairs bedrooms and the succah looks gay and garish, sprightly and just sturdy enough. As I write, I still look forward to the moments we spend in October in our place in the sun. Succos is a time of year, before Thanksgiving, when you can let your mind wander over the prospects of October, promise and memory, harvest of hay and history. For each of us, the holiday holds a particular flavor.

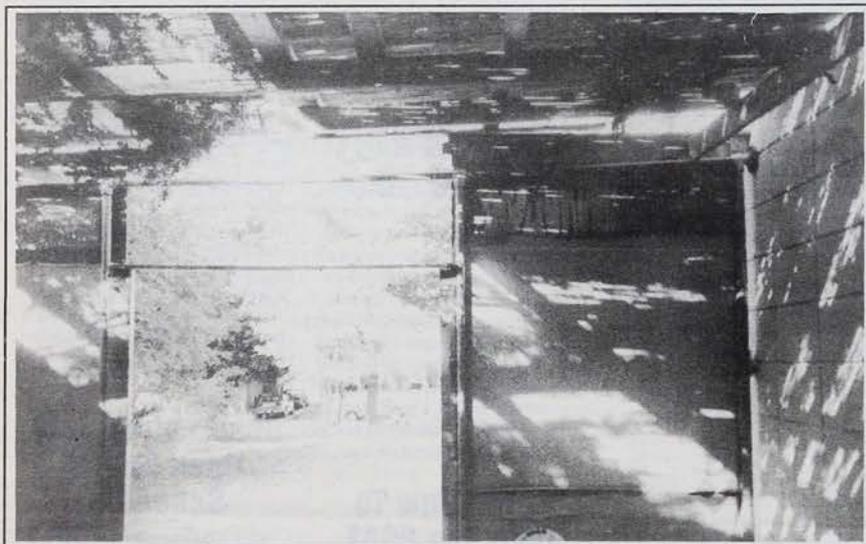
For me it is part and parcel of my house. I take it out each autumn and drink from the overflowing cup of gratitude.



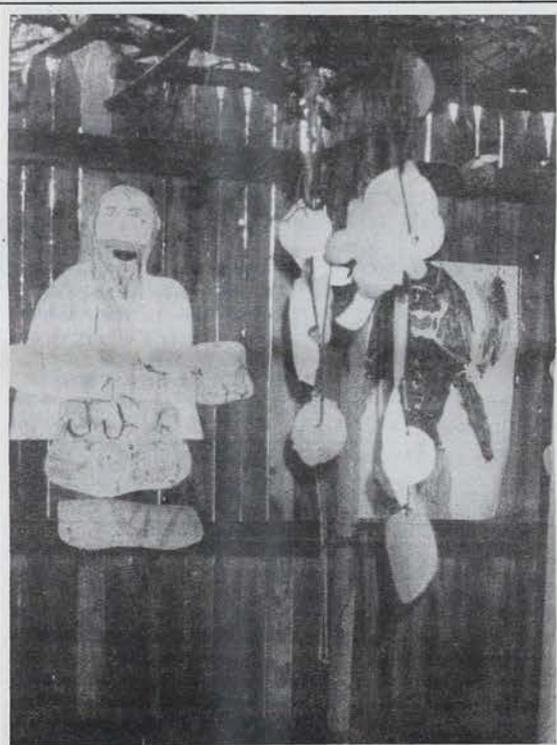
ARMFULS OF WHITE FLOWERS flanked the entrance to the succah at Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston.



SUCCAH IN THE SUNLIGHT. Herald photo by Mike Fink



SUNSHINE AND SHADOW help to decorate the succah erected at Congregation Ohave Sholam, East Avenue, in Pawtucket. Herald photo by Alison Smith



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# SCHOOLBEAT

## Two Toll Gate Students Selected For National Young Leaders Conference

by Neil Nachbar  
Herald Associate Editor

Two local students, Ben Blackman and Shelby Freedman of Warwick, have been selected to attend the National Young Leaders Conference from Oct. 17 to 22 in Washington, D.C.

The conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Blackman and Freedman will be among 350 scholars attending the conference from across the United States.

The theme of the conference will be "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." Attendees will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

"I'm very flattered that they asked me to take part in the conference," said Freedman.

"I'm looking forward to broadening my scope of how government works and seeing what goes on in those big buildings," said Blackman.



Ben Blackman

Both students attend Toll Gate High School in Warwick. Blackman is a junior and Freedman is a senior.

The program will include a visit to the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with journalists at the National Press Club.

The students will also participate in a number of leadership activities. In "If I Were President," students will role-play the president, members of the cabinet and representatives from Capitol Hill who must respond to a crisis involving North

Korea. In the "Mock Congress," scholars will debate welfare.

Blackman and Freedman were selected for the conference because they have excelled in many areas.

Freedman is in the top 4 percent of her class. As a junior she was inducted into the National Honor Society and was the recipient of the Rhode Island College Book Award. She is also a member of the German National Honor Society.

One of her favorite endeavors is playing the piano and double bass for the Toll Gate String Orchestra. Freedman is president of the orchestra, which has won almost every competition in the past 10 years.

"I've played the piano for 10 years, but I have more of a talent on the bass," said Freedman. "A low number of girls play the bass because there is a stereotype that it's too heavy, or too low."

Freedman was selected to the 1995 All-State Orchestra, she received achievement medals at the Rhode Island Solo and Ensemble Festival for double bass and piano and she is a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

Blackman, who also plays the piano and is near the top of his class, has been involved in Mock Legislature and the Academic Decathlon (he's won a gold and bronze medal).

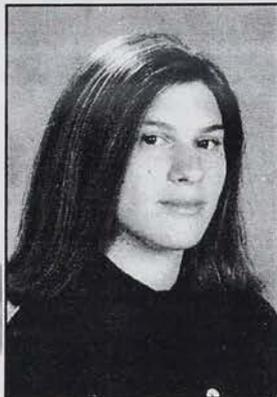
He's been a counselor at a day camp, is working on becoming an Eagle Scout and volunteers at the Rhode Island Food Bank. In 1986 Blackman won the Rhode Island Jewish Herald's Chanukkah drawing contest.

"He puts a lot of work into everything he does," said Blackman's mother, Michele Keir. "He's extremely self-motivated and very well liked."

Both students have been members of their nationally recognized Odyssey of the Mind team, and each competes in interscholastic athletics — Blackman runs outdoor track and cross country; Freedman plays singles on the tennis team. Two years ago she won the Providence Journal's sportsmanship award.

Blackman and Freedman have not only been leaders at Toll Gate and in their extra-curricular activities, but they've also been role models at Temple Sinai in Cranston.

Freedman has been a student teacher for the temple's kinder-



Shelby Freedman

garten for two years. Blackman is a student teacher for the seventh grade and co-president of CRAFTY, a national Reform youth group.

"Between the eighth and ninth grade I felt a lacking in Judaism," said Blackman. "I found CRAFTY to be a way of getting involved, while meeting a lot of people."

Freedman has found her experience at Temple Sinai to be just as fulfilling.

"It's interesting to see the students realize what religion is," she said. "They really want to learn."

Next year, Freedman hopes to continue to teach Hebrew school on Sundays while attending college. Brown University and Brandeis University are among the schools she's applied to. She plans on studying music and psychology.

With such hectic schedules, it would be very easy for Blackman and Freedman to get stressed out. However, both students have managed to keep on top of things, while still finding time to relax.

"Everything can be handled if you're not frantic," said Blackman. "You can't be too hard on yourself. If you find yourself pulling your hair out, you just stop and enjoy a cup of hot cocoa."

"I try to plan my schedule so that I have at least one thing to do every day," said Freedman. "But I always give myself Friday or Saturday off."

## Art Inspired by Nature Featured at Wheaton

Marty Cain, a mixed media artist known in New England for her imaginative, site-specific installations, will be featured in a new, one-woman show that opens in the Watson Art Gallery at Wheaton College on Oct. 12.

"Inspired By Nature: Sculpture and Drawings by Marty Cain" will run from Oct. 12 through Nov. 10. The exhibition, which will include a temporary outdoor installation, will begin with a 7 p.m. lecture by Cain in the gallery. Both are free and open to the public. Watson Gallery is open daily from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Cain draws on the natural world to inform and inspire her art works, which include site-specific, outdoor installations. One such work, "Snow White

Light," was crafted from 2,000 white feathers "planted" on a small knoll as part of the 1993 "Art in Nature" project sponsored by the Newton Art Center and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Public art installation projects on which Cain has worked include the Muddy River Project on the Fenway in Boston, Earth Day Boston on the Fenway, the outdoor Sculpture Walk in Milton, the Radcliffe Quadrangle in Cambridge and the Kebec Crystal Mines in Quebec, Canada.

Her art work is represented in the public collections of the Boston Public Library, Pine Manor College, the Addison Gallery of American Art, the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. and the University of Iowa.

## URI Dean to Speak on Today's Students

Dr. Diane W. Strommer, dean of University College and Special Academic Programs at the University of Rhode Island, will deliver a lecture, "Difficult Differences: Understanding Today's Students," at a breakfast meeting sponsored by the Rhode Island Association for Women in Education, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. on Oct.

18, in dining rooms 8 and 9 of Sharpe Refectory, located at George and Thayer streets on the Brown University campus.

The public is invited to attend the breakfast meeting at a cost of \$10 for members and \$13 for non-members. To register call Shana Greene at the University of Rhode Island at 792-5546.

## New England Tech Endowed by Feinstein Foundation

Richard I. Gouse, president of New England Institute of Technology, has announced that the college has received a Feinstein Foundation endowment gift for \$1 million.

Alan Shawn Feinstein, creator of the foundation, presented the gift, which will be used by the college in its "Feinstein Enriching America Program," to begin in the fall of 1996.

The program will provide for a formal community service class, conducted under the guidance of college staff, in which all freshmen students will be exposed to and have the opportunity to discuss and reflect upon the values and merit of caring. The theme of giving of oneself to better the lives of others — regardless of race, creed, or religion — will be considered as the greatest achievement of man.

## Learn How To Take The PSAT

Lincoln School Parent's Association invites students in grades 10 and 11, and their parents to attend a College Board presentation on the Practice Standardized Achievement Test on Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. in the school's auditorium.

Jim Montague, from the College Board, will talk about the history of the test, review the format, demonstrate the scoring, interpret test results, and answer questions.

For more information, call 331-9696.

## Wheeler Students Shine

Two Wheeler upper school students have been selected as semi-finalists in the 1996 national Merit Scholarship Competition. The students are Providence resident David Brock and East Greenwich resident Joshua Morgenstein. They are among 15,000 high school seniors selected nationwide for the competition.

Wheeler sophomore Jenna Goldberg of Providence took second place in the R.I. Justinian Law Society's 1995 high school essay contest with her essay titled, "New Technologies: A Challenge to our Inalienable Rights."

Senior Dan Carroll of Providence is among the five Wheeler students named as Commended Students in the 1996 National Merit Scholarship program.

## Observatory Sets Open House Schedule

The UMass Dartmouth observatory will hold open house on the first Monday of every month, except January, until May.

Open house begins at 7:30 p.m. All are invited and are welcome to bring their own telescopes or binoculars. Open houses are free; no reservations are required.

The observatory is located in the field just west of the entrance to the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth campus.

For more information, call Alan Hirshfeld, professor of physics, at (508) 999-8715.

## J&W Brings Disney to Providence

Unique Seminar on Service Excellence Offered

A one-day seminar on the philosophy of the world-famous Disney corporation, entitled, "The Disney Keys to Service Excellence: Unlocking the Secrets to Successful Management," will be presented at the Radisson Airport Hotel, a Johnson & Wales education facility in Warwick, on Oct. 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Disney University and Johnson & Wales have joined

forces for this special presentation, offered for the first time in New England. Designed for business professionals seeking to expand their management and quality-service strategies, the seminar will include discussions on hiring, training, motivating and creating the kind of caring environment that has made the corporate culture at Disney famous. The \$99 seminar will address both management and service, Disney style.

"The Disney organization is

one of the most successful businesses in the world. They are clearly an organization to emulate," said Ken Levy, vice president of external affairs at Johnson & Wales.

Presenters will include Bruce Jones, business and management programs facilitator at Disney, and Gwen Burch who is responsible for the Disney Traditions Program, a company-wide orientation program.

For a brochure and registration information, call 598-1085 or (800) 225-2454.

# SCHOOLBEAT

## Ex-Exxon Scientist to Head Feinberg School

The new dean of the Feinberg Graduate School, Professor Samuel Safran, is a world-class authority on the properties of complex fluids, which include such common substances as milk, blood or paint, and a living example of an increasingly prominent trend in modern science — the blurring of frontiers between different disciplines. He is a theoretical physicist with a strong background in mathematics who works in an area traditionally the domain of chemists, and he studies membranes, which are of great interest to biologists.

Safran gave up a senior research position with Exxon Research and Engineering, which he had held for 10 years, to return to academia, joining the staff of the Weizmann Institute in 1990. On Oct. 1, he took on his new job at Feinberg.

He wants to encourage interdisciplinary studies at Feinberg,

such as the recently introduced programs in energy and the environment and in brain research, the latter combining studies in neurobiology, mathematics and physics.

The new dean also believes that although the Weizmann Institute is primarily dedicated to basic research, Feinberg's scientists-in-the-making can be stimulated by looking at the real-world applications of science.

One beneficiary of an application of Weizmann Institute research is Safran's wife Marilyn.

Formerly a software engineer at AT&T Bell laboratories, she now holds a senior position at Ubique, a new Rehovot company that develops innovative software based on Weizmann Institute research. The company, which offers real-time interaction over the Internet, has just been acquired by America Online, Inc. of Vienna, Va., for more than \$14 million.

Safran also says he wants to preserve and enhance the particular character of the school, which is unique in more ways than one. It is the only graduate school in Israel to offer instruction in English and a place where even beginning students receive nearly one-on-one coaching by top-flight scientists.

The teaching framework at Feinberg, which has produced about one-third of the country's science Ph.D.'s, is exceptional too: students take few required courses, learn mostly by conducting their own research and receive financial support enabling them to engage in research and study full-time.

Another distinguishing feature of the school is its informal, 'family' atmosphere, which Safran sees as being characteristic of Israeli society as a whole.

"The warmth that exists here between people, including colleagues at work, makes all the



Professor Samuel Safran of the Feinberg School

difference," he says. "We traveled 5,000 miles to come here, but people have made us feel right at home."

The Weizmann Institute of

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

## Simchas Bais Ha'Shoava Celebrated at Providence Hebrew Day School

A unique celebration was held at Providence Hebrew Day School on Oct. 11. The school celebrated a joyous festivity, a Simchas Bais Ha'Shoava.

This festivity has a very joyous ancient origin. The Talmud states, "He who has not seen the joy of Simchas Bais Ha'Shoava, has never seen joy in his life."

In Mishnaic times the celebration consisted of a water drawing ceremony by the elders of Jerusalem, a march through the city and a water-pouring ritual on the altar in the Temple courtyard. The entire city was lit up for the occasion.

The celebration at PHDS was

organized and led by Rabbi Mordechai Nissel and sponsored by the Parents, Teachers and Friends Association. The musical program was given by the Tzahala orchestra of Fishel Bresler and Nissel, featuring many Yeshiva holiday tunes. There was much singing and dancing and gaiety in celebration of the event. The Fishel Bresler Magic Show enlivened the evening.

Yoni Halper, a 9th grade student at Yeshiva Ner Israel in Baltimore, a PHDS graduate, provided a Torah discourse, D'var Torah to highlight the religious aspects of the celebration.



Fishel Bresler

## Feinstein Foundation Endows Community Service Program at J&W

The Feinstein Foundation has awarded the Providence campus of Johnson & Wales University a \$1 million endowment to establish a community service enrichment program as a permanent part of the university's curriculum.

Utilizing the annual earnings of this endowment, a "Feinstein Enriching America Program" will be instituted at Johnson & Wales by fall 1996, requiring all freshmen to complete an intensive community enrichment course which will carry one full academic credit.

Additionally, a hands-on community service experience will be mandatory for all students. In a letter to Dr. John A. Yena, president of Johnson & Wales, Feinstein said he was confident the university would implement an "outstanding program which will become a model for the rest of the country."

According to Yena, this endowment will greatly enhance existing programs at Johnson & Wales University. For more than two years Johnson & Wales has been working with Providence's

soup kitchens, social service agencies and school systems, providing food, volunteers, job training and mentoring.

In addition, in 1993 the university established a "service learning" component, mobilizing a fleet of students to work at the Rhode Island Community Food Bank, Travelers Aid, The Genesis Center and other organizations.

"I am gratified that the university shares my vision and will provide the opportunity to all of its students to enhance their values of caring, compassion and brotherhood, and to experience firsthand that giving of oneself to better the lives of others is the greatest of all achievements," Feinstein said in his letter of agreement to Yena.

Yena, who has always been a staunch supporter of community service said: We're trying to instill in our students the philosophy that volunteerism — giving back to the community — is smart business sense. We're also hoping for the ripple effect. In other words, if we teach well, these students will go home to

Massachusetts or South Carolina — or wherever — asking what they can do to help in those communities."

Feinstein has donated millions of dollars to schools throughout Rhode Island, asking that curricula be established to educate young people from the elementary school level through college on the intrinsic value of caring, compassion and brotherhood. "It's his philosophy that everyone can make a difference," said one of his staff members.

Founded in 1914, Johnson & Wales University is an accredited, private institution offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in business, foodservice, hospitality and technology. With an enrollment of more than 10,000 students, Johnson & Wales is based in Providence, R.I. and maintains campuses in Charleston, S.C., Norfolk, Va., North Miami, Fla. and Vail, Colo.

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## Music School Presents Fall Folk Fest

The Music School's Folk/Traditional/World Department will sponsor a Fall Folk Fest from 1-5 p.m. on Oct. 22 at Nathan Bishop Middle School, 101 Sessions St., Providence.

The event is open to musicians of all ages, at all playing levels, and to the general listening public. Admission is \$5 at the door.

The "fest" includes seven participatory folk workshops and jams, and a one-hour concert featuring the faculty of the folk department and special guests.

Performing will be faculty members Marcia Taylor, Mike Bresler, Martin Grosswendt, Tom D'Agostino, Jimmy Devine and Lucy Sollogub, and special guests harmonica player Lee Fournier and Meb Boden and Mary King of the Fourth Street String Band.

Workshops will include: a String Band Jam; a Drop-In Harmony Sing; a Blues Jam; a special demo and talk on Klezmer Music; a Songwriter's Song Swap; a Celtic Jam, and a Hands-On Appalachian Dulcimer Workshop.

Faculty members will be on hand to answer questions about most folk instruments and to discuss lessons.

Leading several of the groups will be Folk/Traditional/World Department chairwoman Marcia Taylor. Taylor received her undergraduate degree in music from the Hartt School of Music in Hartford where she majored in guitar performance. She has produced several albums of original folk music.

For more information, call the school at 272-9877.

## Journalist to Speak at UMass

How should the mission of a journalist mirror that of a library? Robert Lovinger, feature writer for the *New Bedford Standard Times* will explore this topic on Oct. 17 at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Library. The free program will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the library first floor browsing area. For more information, call 999-8662.

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# HEALTHWISE

## Bernie Siegel is Coming

To Appear at Tricia Lovett Memorial Seminar

The Act and Art of Living is the theme of this year's conference on Nov. 4, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Salve Regina University.

The program, proceeds of which benefit the HOPE Center for Life Enhancement, is co-sponsored by The HOPE Center and the Master's Program in Holistic Counseling Program at Salve Regina University.

Bernie Siegel, M.D. will facilitate an afternoon experiential workshop from 1 to 4 p.m. with his wife, Bobbie.

Siegel is the best-selling author of *Love, Medicine & Miracles*, *Peace, Love and Healing* and *How to Live Between Office Visits* as

well as the founder of ECaP (Exceptional Cancer Patients). He retired from the practice of general and pediatric surgery in New Haven, Conn., in 1989 and is now involved in humanizing medical care and medical education as well as in running workshops sharing his techniques and experience.

The morning program, consisting of six workshops around the central theme of The Act and Art of Living, includes:

Preventing Callouses on the Heart — Joe Kogel

The Healing Gift of Dreams — Nancy Letts

Art and Healing — Barbara Ganim and Susan Fox

Spirit, Rhythm and Dance — Cynthia Burke

The Spirituality of Pain Management — Dr. Mary Eleanor Toms

Advocacy and Resources — Bert Yaffe, moderator — a panel consisting of a caregiver, consumer, nurse, lawyer and information specialist.

To complement the workshops, there will be a display of artwork and poetry created by cancer survivors who participated in HOPE's Expressing the Cancer Experience group, including paintings, sculpture and collages.

The \$85.00 fee for attending the daylong seminar includes a networking lunch.

The public is invited and Continuing Education Credits will be available.

To register, call HOPE at 401-454-0404 by Oct. 27. Space is limited.

## Medical Center Offers Free Breast Exams

In observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Roger Williams Medical Center will offer mammograms and free breast examinations to women 40 years and older who have not had a mammogram in the past year.

Examinations will be given on Oct. 18 from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Ambulatory Surgery Center located in the hospital.

Women wishing to participate should call 456-2503 for an appointment. The mammogram must be completed before the examination.

The center will also hold a free panel presentation on breast cancer on Oct. 19 at 7 pm. in the hospital's Kay auditorium.

Frank Cummings, M.D., Harold Wanebo, M.D., and Kathie Radie-Keane, M.D., will discuss treatment modalities for breast cancer from medical, surgical and radiation therapy perspectives and will provide the latest information on breast cancer prevention and detection.

To register for this program, call 456-2055.

## The Scope of Teen Health Problems

### On Teen Smoking

Recent studies have shown that more than 1 million Americans start smoking each year.

More than half of those who start smoking are under the age of 14.

Most kids start smoking before graduating from high school.

Percent of children in grades seven through 12 who say they smoked in the past week: 9 percent in grade seven, 14 percent in grade eight, 19 percent in grade nine, 21 percent in grade 10, 23 percent in grade 11, 25 percent in grade 12.

### On Teen Nutrition

Surveys of more than 200 Rhode Island high school students suggest that intake of dietary fat is too high for many adolescents.

Three out of five students eat more than the recommended amount of dietary fat each day and less than one in five students are planning to cut down on fat in the next month.

More than two thirds of the students report they do not consistently avoid eating high-fat foods, and only 13 percent re-

port they almost always avoid eating greasy foods.

Only 26 percent report they almost always eat at least two servings of vegetables each day.

Only 35 percent report they almost always eat at least one serving of fruit a day.

### On Teen Sun Exposure

Surveys and interviews of more than 200 Rhode Island high school students last spring revealed that adolescents may be at significant risk for skin cancer later in life:

More than 90 percent report getting one or more sunburns each summer.

More than 40 percent report having had at least one blistering sunburn.

Fewer than 30 percent consistently use spf 15 sunscreen, the minimum for effective protection against the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays.

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## Help for Alzheimer Families is a Call Away

The demands of caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's disease can be overwhelming emotionally, physically and financially. Help from others is a lifeline to stability. Unfortunately, many people looking after the 4 million Americans with Alzheimer's don't always know where to start.

Actress Shelley Fabares, star of the ABC-TV sitcom "Coach," is a former Alzheimer caregiver, who lost her mother, Elsa, to Alzheimer's disease in 1992. "Most people are close to their mothers," says Fabares, "but my mom and I had a truly special bond."

Fabares began to notice changes in her mother's personality in 1984. "That was the year I got married, and mom, who was 73 at the time, refused to buy us a wedding gift. Her reason made no sense. It was so strange."

While trying unsuccessfully for years to get a diagnosis for her mother's condition, Fabares watched her mother vanish before her eyes. She thought, "What? Who are you? I don't like you."

After five years of helping to care for her mother, Fabares felt

despondent and in need of help herself. She finally discovered the Alzheimer's Association's Los Angeles Chapter, where the first words she heard were, "What can I do to help you?"

Fabares replied, "I have no idea," but looking back, she recalls, "I needed all kinds of help."

The Alzheimer's Association's more than 200 chapters nationwide provide education and support services, such as adult day-care programs, respite-care programs, support groups and help lines. Chapter programs and services are made possible by funds raised through Memory Walk and other activities.

To enable others to assist those impacted by Alzheimer's, the association recently introduced two new brochures.

The first, *You Can make a Difference: 10 Ways to Help an Alzheimer Family*, identifies simple things anyone can do to help people whose lives are touched by Alzheimer's disease.

The second brochure, *Caregiver Stress: Signs to Watch for... Steps to Take*, identifies symptoms of stress and suggests

ways to manage stress levels.

The brochures are available free from local chapters.

"Alzheimer's disease affects the whole family. The support of others can increase the quality of care and quality of life for the person with the disease and greatly contribute to the well-being of family members," said Edward Truschke, association president.

Alzheimer's disease, first described by Alois Alzheimer in 1906, is a progressively degenerative brain disease that causes impaired memory, thinking and behavior, destroying the individual's personality and independence long before death. The Alzheimer's Association is the only national voluntary health organization dedicated to providing assistance and support to families in their own communities and to funding research.

To learn more about the Alzheimer's Association or to request a copy of the free brochures, call your local chapter or (800) 272-3900. As Shelley Fabares said, "Fortunately for Alzheimer families and caregivers, help is just a phone call away."

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# HEALTHWISE

## Facts and Fallacies About Food Allergies

Did you know that, in some cases, the mere smell of peanuts can cause someone with a severe food allergy to have a reaction? It's true. For the millions of Americans who suffer from severe food allergies, also known as anaphylaxis, even the smallest dose of the food they're allergic to could spell danger.

Since certain foods contain ingredients that are not always detectable," said Dr. Susan Wynn, allergist, Fort Worth Allergy & Associates, "food allergies sometimes can be difficult to pinpoint, posing a serious threat to susceptible individuals."

To help those prone to food allergies, as well as their family and friends, cope with the potential hazards of certain foods, Wynn offered the following facts and fallacies about food allergies and anaphylaxis.

**Fact:** Food allergies don't suddenly develop; you must be born with them.

**Fact:** You don't have to have a history of allergies to be affected by food allergies. They can start at any age and seldom go away with the passage of time.

**Fallacy:** Only certain foods, like shellfish, can cause an allergic reaction.

**Fact:** While foods like wheat, corn, fish, nuts, eggs and milk are more common culprits than others, any food can cause an allergic reaction in a given individual.

**Fallacy:** A person only has a food allergy if he or she develops a rash after eating the food in question.

**Fact:** The symptoms of an allergic reaction, which range from indigestion to skin irritations, can appear within minutes. Immediate treatment includes the use of ice packs and antihistamines. However, the appearance of other symptoms, like swelling of the lips, face and tissues of the throat, tongue, hands and feet; shortness of breath, coughing, hoarseness; headache, nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramps; and a sense of impending doom or loss of consciousness, may signal a more serious systematic reaction.

**Fallacy:** Food allergies are not that serious.

**Fact:** If not treated immediately, food-induced anaphylaxis can be fatal. Such reactions require immediate attention and should be treated as medical emergencies. Those with life-threatening allergies should consult a doctor about carrying an EpiPen, an easy-to-use autoinjector that contains epinephrine, the medication of choice for treating anaphylaxis.

For free brochures about anaphylaxis and its treatment, *Anaphylaxis: The Extreme Allergic Emergency and Anaphylaxis: Beware of the Hidden Ingredients*, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Anaphylaxis, 460 Park Ave. South, Suite 1100, New York, N.Y. 10016, or call (800) 934-4EPI. Please specify which brochure you would like to receive.

## Dilemma of Hormone Replacement Therapy Topic at RIC

In observation of Breast Cancer Month in October, the department of nursing and the office of health promotion at Rhode Island College are bringing in several "top-drawer" speakers to address the topic "The Dilemma of Hormone Replacement Therapy: Weighing the Benefits and Risks," according to Mary Olenn, the health education consultant.

The program is slated for Oct. 18, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Fogarty Life Science 050. It is free and open to the public.

Speakers include Dr. Richard Carleton, chief of cardiology at Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island, who will address "The Cardiovascular Consideration"; Laura Hilderly, RN, an oncology clinical nurse specialist, who will address "The Breast Cancer Concern." And Dr. Carol Wheeler, director of reproductive endocrinology at Women & Infants Hospital, who will speak on "What to Expect from Hormone Replacement Therapy."

For more information, call Olenn at 456-8393.

## Breast Cancer Awareness Focus of October Programs

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer and the eighth leading cause of death in women.

To help women learn more about this critical health issue, Women & Infants' Woonsocket Center for Health Education has planned two special lectures for the October calendar of events.

On Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., there will be an all-day childbirth class. The fee will be \$65.

On Oct. 14 from 10 to noon, and on Oct. 17, from 7 to 9 p.m., Jane Allard and Rosanne Lavergne, certified massage therapists, will speak on learning to gain control of the stress in your life using massage, yoga,

and meditation. Their talk is called, "Managing Stress: Sampling Some Alternatives." The fee will be \$5.

On Oct. 23, from 7 to 9 p.m., Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Oct. 30 from 7 to 9 p.m., Olga Hawwa, certified Beauty-Control image consultant, will hold an "Image Update Workshop." The program is designed to help women look better and feel better by learning about skin care, make-up and fashion. The workshop is limited to six women. The fee is \$15.

On Oct. 18, from noon to 1:30 p.m., Shakay Kizirian, director, Breast Cancer Detection Program, R.I. Chapter, American Cancer Society, will give a lecture on breast health and screening for breast cancer. A luncheon

for seniors will be served. The program is called, "A Special Touch."

On Oct. 27 and Nov. 3, from 6 to 8:30 p.m., "CPR — For Kids Only." A CPR and safety program for kids age 10 and older will be offered. There will be a \$30 fee.

On Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be a program on "Accident Prevention and CPR for Parents." The fee will be \$30.

All programs will be held at the Center for Health Education at 2168 Diamond Hill Road. Programs are free unless otherwise noted, but, pre-registration is required.

To register or to obtain information, call the center at 767-2344. To make an appointment with one of the physicians in the adjoining medical office building, call 767-2122.

## Think Ahead for a Healthy Baby

During October — Campaign for Healthier Babies Month — the Rhode Island Chapter March of Dimes will focus its efforts on educating people about the importance of pre-pregnancy care and raising urgently needed funds to support research grants and community programs that impact on maternal and infant health in Rhode Island.

The March of Dimes will unveil new public service announcements as part of its Think Ahead national health education campaign. The campaign informs women about the simple steps they can take before pregnancy to ensure a healthy baby in the future.

For a free copy of the Think Ahead brochure and Pre-Pregnancy Quiz, contact the Rhode Island Chapter at 781-1611.

## Three Sessions of Mindfulness Meditation to be Presented

Beginning on Oct. 23 and continuing on Oct. 30 and Nov. 6, the HOPE Center will present a three-session workshop on Mindfulness Meditation.

Karen Ryder, M.A., who will lead the group, described mindfulness meditation as "being awake in our lives... paying attention... without judgment."

Ryder is a holistic counselor in private practice, Life Options Plus. She also works for the Stress Reduction Clinic, Center For Mindfulness at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center and teaches in its prison program.

The presentations will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. at Highland Court Retirement Community, 101 Highland Ave., in Providence.

The fee is \$10 per session for non-members and \$5 for members of HOPE.

Advance registration is required. For further information, call 454-0404.

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# HEALTHWISE

## VNS Announces Blackstone Area Flu Shot Clinics

The Visiting Nurse Service of Pawtucket, Central Falls, Lincoln & Cumberland has scheduled flu shot clinics to be held at various community locations from now through late October.

Flu shots are available to anyone over 18 years of age, and are especially recommended for persons over the age of 65, those with long-term heart or lung problems, or those with high-risk medical conditions that lower the body's immune system.

Other persons who should consider immunization are those who have contact with people at high risk for contracting influenza or those who have a demanding family or work responsibility and can't risk nor afford taking sick leave.

The VNS of Pawtucket, Central Falls, Lincoln & Cumberland is administering flu vaccines to the public at a cost of \$10 per shot. The fee is covered by Medicare Part B, and participating individuals are asked to bring their Medicare Part B card with them to the clinic.

Flu clinics are scheduled as follows: Oct. 17, 10 a.m. to noon, Stop & Shop, 70 Mendon Rd., Cumberland and 1 to 3 p.m. at Centennial Towers, 35 Goff

Ave., Pawtucket; Oct. 18, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Ann & Hope, 95 Highland Ave., Seekonk; Oct. 19, 1 to 3 p.m., Blackstone Falls, 1485 High St., Central Falls; Oct. 20, 1 to 3 p.m., St. Germain Manor, 401 Mineral Spring Ave., Pawtucket; Oct. 21, 10 a.m. to noon, Ann & Hope, 95 Highland Ave., Seekonk; Oct. 23, 9 to 11 a.m., Slater House, 10 Goff Ave., Pawtucket and 1 to 3 p.m., Towers East, 75 East Ave., Pawtucket; Oct. 24, 10 a.m. to noon, Stop & Shop, 70 Mendon Rd., Cumberland and 1 to 3 p.m., Burns Manor, 95 Park St., Pawtucket; Oct. 25, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Ann & Hope, 55 Faunce Corner Rd., No. Dartmouth; Oct. 26, 9 to 11 a.m., Kennedy Housing, 175 Broad St., Pawtucket and 1 to 2 p.m., Northern Plaza, 301 Main St., Pawtucket; Oct. 28, 10 a.m. to noon, Ann & Hope, 55 Faunce Corner Rd., No. Dartmouth.

Individuals should call (800) 205-2828, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to learn more about flu clinics in their area, as well as to get answers to any questions regarding the flu vaccine.

Visiting nurses and volunteers will also be available at clinics sites to answer questions.

## Initiative Launched to Help Teens Stop Smoking

While the debate on issues regarding tobacco use and availability goes on in Washington, a study is underway by researchers at the University of Rhode Island to effect personal change in smoking habits for about 6,000 ninth-graders and their parents.

The Cancer Prevention Research Consortium at URI has launched the effort to help kids kick the habit or keep them from starting, and to help reduce high cancer-risk behaviors that are prevalent among teens.

The four-year project will involve students and parents from 23 schools in Rhode Island, and started in late September.

Half of the schools and parents will participate interactively in the study and half will be in the control group with limited program interaction.

The project is funded by a \$10 million grant from the National Cancer Institute and is based on more than 15 years of research about how to help people change certain health behaviors to reduce their risk of cancer.

Led by URI Professor and CPRC Director Dr. James Prochaska, the research has focused on solving the puzzle of how people intentionally change their behavior. From the research, a model of behavioral change was developed that demonstrates that people change their behavior in stages

and that interventions matched to a person's stage of change have much more import than traditional interventions.

The approach has been used with great success among adults. The NCI project is looking at the effectiveness of this new tool in preventing cancer risks among younger populations.

"This is an exciting effort to effect, on a large scale, the high cancer-risk behaviors of kids and their parents," Prochaska said. "Because of the state's diverse demographers and representation on a broader scale of the national population, Rhode Island is an ideal place to study the issues of cancer risk behaviors among our youth."

"Smoking; a high-fat, low-fiber diet; and sun exposure are the top three preventable cancer-risk behaviors, and among the leading causes of cancer-related deaths. With this project, we're looking at ways to reduce and prevent these risk behaviors on a large scale," Prochaska explained.

Prochaska also noted that last year's Surgeon General's report on youth smoking concluded that teens will not participate in smoking cessation programs in general, but will participate with interactive technology.

The program uses an innovative, interactive computer program as the primary means of intervention with the students.

At a laptop computer during a typical 40-minute health education classroom session, students answer numerous health questions regarding smoking habits and receive immediate on-screen feedback based on their individual needs and behaviors. Students may also incorporate information from the session into a personal health journal.

Researchers bring the computers and meet with groups of 25 students at a time, a total of four times during each of the first and second years of the study (the students ninth and 10th grades). In the third and fourth years, when the same students are in the 11th and 12th grades, the study continues with confidential surveys.

The program also includes lesson plans to be integrated into the ninth and 10th grade health curriculums during the 1995-1996 and 1996-1997 school years, the two annual training exchanges for administrators, principals and health education teachers.

At the same time students are participating, their parents/guardians can also be involved in the study via telephone surveys and interventions. The goal is to determine whether multiple channels of intervention (e.g., the home and the school) are more effective than a single channel.

In addition to the school/home based studies, related projects are also being implemented simultaneously in various worksites and physician's offices throughout the state of Rhode Island.

The behavioral change model being used in the study is the same successful formula for smoking cessation that was purchased by the Johnson & Johnson Company two years ago.

## Visiting Nurses Offer Flu Vaccines

Flu vaccines are being offered for \$10 by the Kent County Visiting Nurse Association at public clinics to be held in October and November at 20 locations throughout Kent County including Warwick, West Warwick, East Greenwich and West Greenwich.

The home health agency will also hold "winter vaccine" clinics at KCVNA offices, located at 51 Health Lane next to Kent County Memorial Hospital. Both flu and pneumonia vac-

cines will be offered at the offices only. Cost of the long-lasting pneumonia vaccine is \$15.

According to the national Centers for Disease Control, you should consider getting a flu shot if you are 65 years of age or older — if you have long-term heart or lung problems or high-risk medical conditions that lower your body's immune system (including diabetes, kidney disease, asthma, cancer, HIV or AIDS). Caregivers, medical professionals, teachers and daycare staff are also encouraged to receive a vaccination.

A flu vaccine may be given to anyone with demanding family, school, or work responsibilities. People who provide essential community services are also encouraged to receive a flu shot.

Those allergic to eggs and egg products should not receive the vaccine. You are advised to postpone having the flu vaccine if you are feeling ill, have a fever or other symptoms, or if you have received another vaccine within the past 14 days.

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health insurance will cover the cost of the flu vaccine. Bring your card with you.

Call the KCVNA flu info line at (800) 737-6070. Calls will be answered from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you call after 4 p.m., a staff person will get back to you the next day with all the information requested.

## Free Breast Screenings for Uninsured Women at Rhode Island, Miriam Hospitals

Rhode Island Hospital and The Miriam Hospital will be performing free breast cancer screening mammograms and breast examinations for uninsured and underinsured women in observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

On Oct. 17, and again on Oct. 25, screening and breast examinations will be conducted at The Miriam Hospital from 4 to 8 p.m.

Free parking will be provided at all screenings.

Women should have a baseline mammogram between the ages of 35 and 40. Between ages 40 to 50, women should have a mammogram once every one to two years, and every year after age 50.

The screenings are free, but appointments are necessary.

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## Astronaut

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taken. Pictures of the grand Canyon and the Sinai Peninsula made the world seem like a smaller place.

To show that the mission wasn't all fun and games, Fettman showed a slide of Wolf drawing blood from his arm, something that was repeated every day.

"We were also the subject, not just the rats," said Fettman.

For two months after the crew returned to earth, experiments were still done on the astronauts to try to study how their bodies had changed.

Following the presentation, the children had an opportunity to ask questions.

One child asked if you could play Dominos in space. Fettman replied that you could, as long as you used Velcro on the bottom of the pieces.

With a sunset and sunrise every 90 minutes, the audience wanted to know how the crew knew when to go to the bed and when to wake up.

"You have to ignore what's going on outside," said Fettman. "We went to bed after we did

everything we needed to do that day, ate dinner and had conversation. NASA woke us up by playing music, and it doesn't sound good."

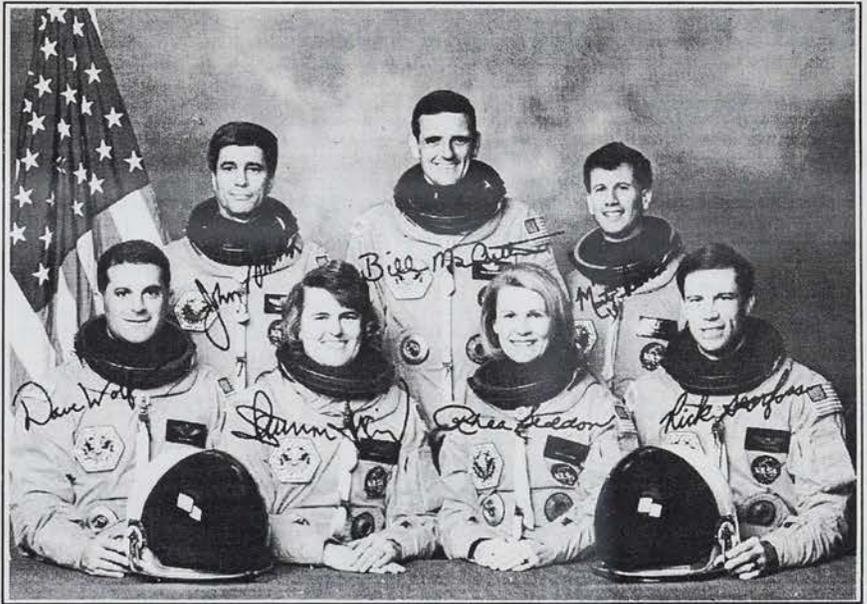
Another child wanted to know if Fettman saw anything in space, meaning an unidentified flying object. Fettman responded with a smile, "Well, we saw satellites, but I can't talk about the spaceships."

Fettman found his trip into space to be an uplifting experience.

"You begin to realize that you can accomplish anything if you set your mind to it," stated Fettman. "Scientists came together from all walks of life for this mission. It was a positive commentary on mankind."

Fettman gives presentations to groups like the one at the Children's Museum once or twice a month, as his schedule allows. He works as a professor of pathology at Colorado State University, where he graduated with a doctor of philosophy degree in physiology in 1982.

Fettman is originally from Brooklyn. He would love to travel into outer space again, but for now, he's serving NASA as a special advisor.



THE RIGHT STUFF — The crew of space shuttle mission STS-58: front row, from left, Dr. David Wolf, Dr. Shannon W. Lucid, Dr. M. Rhea Seddon and Lt. Col. Richard A. Searfoss. Back row, from left, Col. John E. Blaha, Lt. Col. William S. McArthur, Jr. and Dr. Martin J. Fettman.

Photo courtesy of the National Aeronautics and Space Association

## "The Voices of Children"

by Cindy Halpern

As we are all painfully aware, the Rhode Island Jewish Community is experiencing hard times. Our organizations we thought would always be here to serve us through the life cycle are disappearing or fighting to survive. Our neighbors are moving to where the job market is user-friendly while those of us who remain behind are struggling to keep our community intact.

Heinz Sandelowski, president of the Rhode Island Holocaust Survivors' Association, is an extraordinary individual who is trying his best to keep not only the survivors but all the Jews in our community united to fight anti-Semitism and to promote our uniqueness as Jews.

At the Yizor ceremony held at the garden of the Rhode Island Holocaust Museum on the chilly Sunday morning of Oct. 1 Sandelowski sadly noted that

we were few in number. One could see the anguish he felt by looking deeply into his dignified eyes that had witnessed so much death and destruction. Was he seeing yet another Jewish community crumble before his feet?

In fact, it was a small gathering compared to past years' attendance at this event. Yet Sandelowski had managed to make this event meaningful despite our small numbers by inviting Rabbi Fried to direct a children's chorus from The Providence Hebrew Day school to sing, "Ani-Ma'-Amin."

Parents of the children who performed made their welcome presence known and felt as they came to encourage their children to do this important mitzvah.

The children bravely endured the unfriendly October temperatures to bring their message of hope to our ears.

For this writer, the most poi-

gnant part of their performance was when Elisheva Klauzner and Abigail Mintz sang portions of the haunting melody as a duo. Their two strong voices represented a will for a tiny minority to survive despite the adversity they faced.

Our people have always faced adversity whether we live in Lodz, Vienna, Granada, Babylon, or Goshen. Yet despite our sometimes dwindling numbers, we managed not only to endure but to thrive.

The Jewish people live on through the voices of our children as they sing their songs at our seder table, on the bima at their bar mitzvah, or in the garden of the Holocaust Museum.

Let each and every one of those children who endured the coldness of the morning to bring the warmth of hope to our hearts continue to keep the flame of Judaism alive in a windy world of uncertainty.



CAPTIVATING — Dr. Martin Fettman, the first veterinarian to blast off into space, describes life aboard the space shuttle to children at the Children's Museum of Rhode Island on Oct. 9.

Herald photo by Neil Nachbar

## Cookbook and Children's Authors Featured at Moses Brown School

Cookbook authors Peggy Glass, Barbara Stetson, and Olga Bravo will be the featured authors Oct. 17, 7 to 9 p.m., when Moses Brown School holds its annual book fair.

The public is invited to meet these authors and illustrators in the Moses Brown lower school building, 250 Lloyd Ave., Providence. Glass is the author of *Rescuing the Dinner Hour*, Stetson wrote *The Island Cookbook* and Bravo wrote and illustrated *Olga's Cup and Saucer*.

The festivities continue Oct. 18, from noon to 4 p.m. with authors Emily Lisker (*Strudel, Strudel*), Peter Mandel (*Red Cat White Cat*), Natalie Babbitt (*Nellie, Bub, and Tuck Everlasting*), and Bill Harley (*Nothing Happened*). Gift calendars, educational software, and books for children, teens, and adults will be offered for sale, in addition to the works of the featured authors.

Proceeds of the book fair will benefit the Lower School Play-

ground. Call 831-7350 for more information.

## Advent House Auction Has Something For Everyone

Oct. 19 marks the date of the annual Advent House "Something For Everyone Auction." The auction is a fund-raising event for Advent House, Rhode Island's oldest homeless shelter.

This year's festivities will take place at the Providence Omni Biltmore Hotel. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with viewing, a cash bar and a buffet dinner. The auction begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the auction are \$20. The ticket price includes \$10 which will go toward an item bid. For more information, call 273-8946.

## Listen and Eat! Eat!

Opera at Audrey's will take on an international flavor this year beginning Sept. 16, and continuing every Saturday night through May. Music and opera aficionados can dine and enjoy a cabaret-style opera performance at Audrey's, located at the Johnson & Wales Inn, on Route 44 in Seekonk, Mass.

This year, the five-course menu, created by student chefs and chef-instructors, will

complement the music by featuring cuisine from different countries.

"To enhance the overall dining experience we have selected menu items from the countries featured in our opera selections," said Michael Downing, general manager of the Johnson & Wales Inn. The tentative schedule for October will highlight Spain (Oct. 7), Austria (Oct. 14), Germany (Oct. 21) and En-

gland (Oct. 28).

Musical performances are given by Opera Ad Hoc, an offshoot of Ocean State Light Opera. Scores include selections from Andrew Lloyd Webber, Verdi, Gershwin and Mozart. Opera Ad Hoc is composed of 10 to 12 singers from Massachusetts and Rhode Island directed by Marilyn Levine, founding director of the group.

Dinner and opera performance is \$29.95 per person. To make reservations, call (508) 336-8700, ext. 519.

## J&W Hospitality Program Receives Highest Marks

The Hospitality College at Johnson & Wales University has received the full, seven-year accreditation notification from the council on Hotel, Restaurant and Institutional Education, the largest governing body of the hospitality industry.

The Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration was established by CHRIE in 1989.

Since then, 40 college and

university baccalaureate programs in hospitality education have participated in the accreditation process. ACPHA has established a national education standard for hospitality programs which gives students the opportunity to identify schools that have met national standards.

To date, 32 institutions have been granted accreditation.

"The ACPHA accreditation

is important because it is a public declaration of the effectiveness of the program we have instituted at Johnson & Wales," said Caroline Cooper, dean of The Hospitality College. "Through the evaluation process, we were able to reaffirm our commitment to maintain the highest quality education we can offer."

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Chagall Would Be Proud

by Alison Smith  
Herald Editor

The publication of a truly beautiful book is a moment worthy of community celebration. In this case, the arrival of *Chagall, a Retrospective*, edited by Jacob Baal-Teshuva, published by Hugh Lauter Levin, Assoc., will cause Jews who appreciate fine art to throw their yamulkas into the air, however briefly.

Mannheim. Sometimes the character of the people who hate a man tell you more about him than the makeup of his friends. Soon thereafter, the Nazis ordered all of Chagall's work removed from German museums. Chagall became a French citizen.

As he became older, Chagall spent more and more of his energy on projects of significance

and was buried in the local Christian cemetery.

All his life, he remembered his early years in a Russian village. And he kept returning to Jewish themes, also. Therefore, when you look at his work, you frequently see roosters, doves, cows, horses, goats, haystacks, little village houses, flowers—huge bouquets of flowers—peasant farmers, and young lovers.

You will also see stars of David, the tablets, angels, King David, lions, snakes, fiddlers (on roofs, floating in the air, and seated), synagogues, the Western Wall, menorahs and angels.

The Chagall vision is what makes these commonplace images memorable. He blends them or sets them in opposition to each other to create a strong emotional impact. Looking at his work is like gazing through a window into someone else's dreams.

He loves color—rich, scintillating color, or dark, velvety tones, or whites and fragile pastels.

The best way to enjoy Chagall, if you are just getting to know him, is to get hold of a book like this, or go to an exhibit, and prepare yourself for the introduction by drinking a glass of excellent wine.

Then sit back, or stand back, and let your mind play in Chagall's dreamworld. Don't spend a lot of time wondering how that cock could actually play a violin. If Chagall saw it happening, it happened for him, and it can happen for you. Those lovers, rapturously floating over the village—weren't you ever in love? Didn't you feel as if you were airborne? Didn't you feel as if you were set apart from the rest of the world and free of all constraints? Wasn't your focus completely on each other, and when you thought of others, didn't you feel sorry for them—that they were not experiencing this bliss? Is it just coincidence that to this day we feel "high" when we are on drugs or are drugged with new love?

Go for the message. Let the images soak into your brain through your eyes, and then dismiss your inner critic for the rest of the afternoon.

Aside from all the artwork, sumptuously reproduced, you will find letters, interviews, notes, photographs and short articles that will help you to know the man Moyshe Segal, as well as the artist, Marc Chagall.

The few companies that still produce magnificent books like this one deserve our gratitude. I doubt that they make any profit at all on books that retail for \$75.00, but they put them out anyway, presumably because beauty, excellence and original, even provocative, thought must be cherished and kept alive, and shared.



The Promenade 1917  
67" x 64 3/8" The National Russian Museum

Chagall was a Russian Jew, born in 1887. His real name was Moyshe Segal. He went to cheder—the Jewish primary school—as a young child. Later, his education and inclination became focused entirely on art.

In 1933, the Nazis had a public burning of Chagall's work in

to Jews. In 1958, he completed three stained glass compositions for the Metz Cathedral: Moses Receiving the Tablets of the Law; David and Bathsheba; Jeremiah and the Exodus of the Jewish People.

In 1960, he began work on stained glass windows for the Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem. In 1961, there was an exhibit of a group of stained glass windows, The Twelve Tribes of Israel, in France and in the United States.

In 1969, he attended the inauguration of the new Parliament building in Jerusalem, where he had created tapestries, a mural and floor mosaics.

In 1977, he was declared an honorary citizen of Jerusalem.

He died in France in 1985,

## Exhibit Celebrating Jerusalem's Diversity Opens

The John Hazen White School of Arts & Sciences at Johnson & Wales University will present an art exhibit on Jerusalem's diversity, on loan from the New England Consulate General of Israel, to the university. The exhibit takes an in-depth look at Jerusalem's ethnic, religious and architectural diversity.

The exhibit is free and open to the public.

It will run through Oct. 29, Monday to Thursday, 1 to 8:45 p.m., and Friday to Sunday, 1 to 4:45 p.m., at the Multicultural Center at Johnson & Wales University in the Xavier Complex, at the corner of Broad and Claverick streets.

## RI Says Adieu to Chen

The Rhode Island Philharmonic will open the 1995-96 season, on Oct. 21, at 8 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence.

Music director Zuohuang Chen will conduct the orchestra in a program which includes Weber's Overture to Oberon, Beethoven's masterful Symphony No. 6, in F major, Op. 68, "Pastoral" and Respighi's evocative The Pines of Rome.

This concert will be director Chen's final opening night concert with the philharmonic. Chen became music director of the orchestra in 1992, and will conclude his tenure with the season finale concert on May 4, 1996. He will conduct only two Saturday evening Classical Series concerts this season and the other five Classical Series con-

certs will each be conducted by a candidate for the position of new music director.

Tickets prices for the opening night concert are \$18, \$28 and \$32 for adults, and \$15, \$25 and \$30 for students and seniors. Tickets may be purchased at the philharmonic office, 222 Richmond Street, Providence, R.I., by phone 831-3123 or fax 831-4577 using MasterCard or Visa, or in person during business hours Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tickets are also available for purchase at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium box office by phone 272-4VMA from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and on Oct. 21, the day of the performance, from noon until curtain time.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Celebrate Wilde's 100th With Husband

Brown University Theatre will present a centennial performance of Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband," Oct. 12-15, 19 to 22 in Stuart Theatre. All shows are at 8 p.m. except Oct. 22 which is a 3 p.m. matinee only.

Directing this classic masterpiece is Lowry Marshall, with set design by guest designer Alison Ford. Lighting design is by David Crowley and costume design by Phillip Contic. The cast includes Janna Berkman, Alison Cimet, Virginia Dent, Lucas Fleischer, Ben Hardt, Rebecca Hart, Manu Kulkundis, Cara Marcous, Jessie McCormack, Peter Nachtrieb,

Seth Proctor, Amanda Richman, Pedro Salazar, Helen Sevaux, Julia Schaffer, Sam Stern, Aaron Tugendhaft, Antanas Vainius, Annette Worden, Sam Zavieh and Brian Zimble.

Of added interest, there will be a reader's theatre production of Wilde's "The Ballad of Reading Gaol," written while he was in prison for two years for the crime of sodomy. This reading pertains to Wilde's criticism of the prison system at the time. The performance of "The Ballad of Reading Gaol" will take place Oct. 15 at 3 p.m. in Stuart Theatre and is open to the public.

There will be a question and

answer period following the performance.

Tickets for "An Ideal Husband" are available at the Leeds Theatre Box Office, 77 Waterman St., Providence. Ticket prices are \$11 general admission, \$8 for senior citizens (over 65), and Brown faculty/staff, and \$5 for students. Phone reservations are accepted with Visa/MasterCard. Box office hours are Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and one hour before curtain on the evenings of performance at the Stuart Theatre box office. For more information or to make reservations, call 863-2838.

## Michael Boriskin to Perform at Rhode Island College

Michael Boriskin, the energetic and innovative American pianist, will present "Shattering the Borders of Music" on Oct. 19, as part of the October college-wide series examining the borders that affect our lives at Rhode Island College.

The performance begins at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium. Admission is \$10, with discounts for senior citizens and students.

On the program will be selections from Gershwin, Debussy, Perle, Takemitsu and Beethoven which the artist will both perform and discuss. Boriskin is renowned for his ability to enlighten audiences as well as involve them in the music he performs.

He has become a one-man task force in his fostering of new music, innovative programming and the re-energizing of the public concert life, according to Rhode Island College symphony orchestra conductor Edward Markward, a longtime friend and frequent collaborator with the pianist.

Boriskin has performed at many of the world's foremost concert halls, including the Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, Theatre des Champs-Elysees in Paris and the Teatro Colon in Buenos Aires. He has performed over the BBC in London, RIAS/Berlin, South West German Radio and, more recently, national Public Radio's "Century View" series.

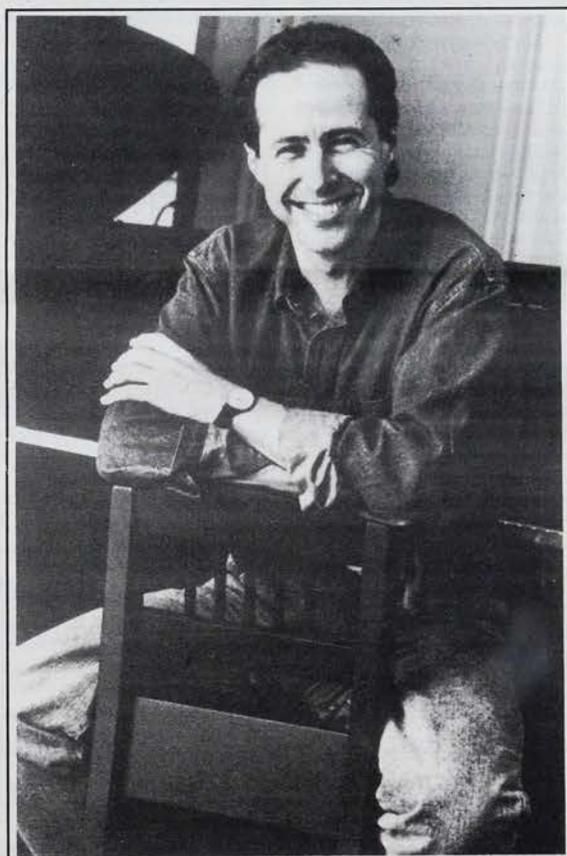
A native New Yorker, Boriskin also has given concerts overseas for the United States Information Agency, and served for three seasons as music director of Mikhail Baryshnikov's

White Oak Dance Project.

He has recorded on Harmonia Mundi, New World, Newport Classic, MusicMasters, Albany

and Music & Arts labels.

For more information, call the RIC music department at 456-8244.



THE PIANO MAN — Michael Boriskin will perform Oct. 19 at Rhode Island College at 8:15 p.m.

## Durang Goes 'Beyond Therapy'

"Beyond Therapy" is a comedy/lovestory/drama written by Christopher Durang.

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Despite all the confusion, Bruce and Prudence attempt to make sense of it all with the help of their therapists who seem quite insane themselves. Throw in Bob's over-protective mother and an unsus-

pecting waiter, you are now "Beyond Therapy."

"Beyond Therapy" is directed by Pat Hegnauer, the sets are by Christian Wittwer, costumes by Joy Emery, lighting is by BFA design student Darleen Vioria, and sound design is by Charles Cofone.

Performances are on Oct. 12 to 14, 18 to 21, at 8 p.m. and on Oct. 22, at the University of Rhode Island Theatre, at the Fine Arts Center at the university. Reservations are advisable. Call 792-5843. Tickets are \$8, \$6 for students and seniors.

## Get Your Desserts Here!

The Historical Society of Smithfield is holding its annual Pumpkin Festival on Oct. 15, at the Smith-Appleby House, 2020 Stillwater Road, Smithfield, R.I. from 1 to 4 p.m.

A selection of pumpkin desserts and beverages will be served, at a cost of \$3 per person. Tours of the 17th century farmhouse are available for an additional \$1 per person.

Call 231-7363 for more information. To reach Smith-Appleby, take Rt. 295, exit 8B, turn left at the first light (Rt. 116), then left on to Stillwater Road.

## '12 x 12' Show Opens at RISD Gallery

The eighth annual "12 x 12" Rhode Island School of Design sales/exhibition has opened at the Woods-Gerry Gallery, 62 Prospect St. in Providence.

The show, on view through Oct. 15, features small works by 53 RISD alumni from across the country. More than 100 works measuring 12 inches or less in any dimension are on display, including paintings, glass, jewelry, sculpture, photography and textiles.

All work may be purchased,

at prices ranging from \$100 to \$1,500, with most items selling for less than \$500.

Proceeds benefit the RISD student scholarship fund.

From Nov. 9 through 25, the exhibition will appear in the Montage showroom at the Design Center in Boston.

Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, 2 to 5 p.m.

To obtain more information about the "12 x 12" exhibition, call 454-6141. Admission is free.

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Eight new performances have been added for Rhode Island's exclusive premiere engagement of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera," directed by Harold Prince.

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tional performances will be on sale at the Providence Performing Arts Center. The additional performances include Nov. 13, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m., Nov. 16 at 2 and 8 p.m., Nov. 17 at 8 p.m., and Nov. 18 at 2 and 8 p.m.

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## UMass Dartmouth Presents Really Eclectic String Quartet

The Really Eclectic String Quartet will perform its eclectic repertoire of popular and traditional music at a free concert at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth on Oct. 19. The 12:30 p.m. concert will be held in the Recital Hall of the Visual and Performing Arts building; parking is in lots 8/9.

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# OBITUARIES

## BERNARD I. COHEN

**EAST PROVIDENCE** — Bernard I. Cohen, of 300 East Shore Circle, died Sept. 24. He was the husband of Elaine (Guny) Cohen.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Norma Goldberg of Homer, N.Y., and Margery Cohen-Jacoby of Medford, Mass.; two sisters, Mildred Horvitz of New Bedford, Mass., and Shirley Irving of Pawtucket, and grandchildren, Tara and Greta Goldberg. He was also the brother of the late Louise Lyons.

A funeral service was held Sept. 27 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

## CHARLOTTE GOLDBERG

**PROVIDENCE** — Charlotte Goldberg, 76, of 121 Puritan Drive, Warwick, died Oct. 2 at the Summit Medical Center in Providence. She was the widow of Dr. Harry Goldberg.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Louis and Rose (Cohen) Rubin, she lived in Warwick for 50 years.

She was a graduate of the former Bryant & Stratton Business College, now Bryant College. She had been a member of the former Temple Beth Israel in Providence, and had been president of its Sisterhood.

She was a founder and a past president of the Warwick Community Guidance Clinic. She was a member of Hadassah, the National Council of Jewish Women and the Miriam Hospital Women's Association. She was a past president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Fineman-Trinkle Jewish War Veterans Post 439.

She leaves two daughters, Marcia Katz of San Antonio, Texas, and Nancy Kukish of Harleysville, Pa.; a son, Lee Goldberg of Havertown, Pa., and seven grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Harvey Rubin.

A graveside service was held Oct. 8 at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Arrangements were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

**MAURICE GORDON**  
**PROVIDENCE** — Maurice

Gordon, 71, of 260 Fourth St., an administrative assistant for Adams Drug Co., now known as Brooks Pharmacy, retiring four years ago, died Sept. 22 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Minnie (Fishman) Gordon.

Born in Fall River, Mass., a son of the late Harry and Brina Gordon, he lived in Providence for the last 65 years.

He was a member of Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh in Providence and Congregation Agudas Achim of Brockton, Mass., and served as a cantor for both congregations. He was a member of the Providence Hebrew Day School, and an Army veteran of World War II.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Sanford Gordon of New Rochelle, N.Y.; a daughter, Deborah Perles of Staten Island, N.Y., a sister, Eva Gordon of Providence, and five grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Bessie Konopky.

A graveside service was held Sept. 24 at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Post Road, Warwick. The arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

## BELLA MCGUINNESS

**TIVERTON** — Bella McGuinness, 77, of 52 John Duggan Road, died Sept. 19. She was the wife of the late Frederick McGuinness.

Born in Fall River, she was the daughter of the late Rubin and Rebecca (Solcus) Kaplan. She resided in Tiverton for 40 years.

She was a member of Congregation Adas Israel and its Sisterhood.

She is survived by a brother, Hyman Kaplan of Fall River, and nieces and nephews. She was also the sister of the late Jacob and Samuel Kaplan and Rose Chernov.

Graveside services were held Sept. 21 at Hebrew Cemetery, Fish Road, Fall River, Mass. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

**GERTRUDE REGENSTEINER**  
**NORTH PROVIDENCE** — Gertrude Regensteiner, 92, of 171 Pleasant View Ave., Smithfield,

died on Oct. 2 at St. Joseph Hospital in North Providence.

She was the widow of Fred Regensteiner.

Born in Germany, a daughter of the late Leopold and Jenny (Stern) Regensteiner, she had resided in Smithfield for the past six years and previously in Providence for 49 years.

She was a member of Self Help and had been a member of the former Temple Beth Israel that had been in Providence.

She is survived by one son, Henry G. Regensteiner, Providence.

A private funeral service took place on Oct. 8 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial took place at Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass.

## FANNIE REVZIN

**NEW BEDFORD** — Fannie (Ellinoff) Revzin, 100, of 200 Hawthorne St., died Sept. 12. She was the widow of Boris Revzin and daughter of the late Meier and Zeldia Ellinoff.

She died at St. Luke's Hospital.

Born in Russia, she lived in New York City before moving to New Bedford six years ago and was a member of Hadassah.

She is survived by two sons, Stanley Revzin of North Dartmouth and Meyer Revzin of Las Vegas; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Sept. 14 at Cedar Park Cemetery, Paramus, N.J. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

## JACOB SALADON

**WARWICK** — Jacob Saladon, 100, of 660 Commonwealth Ave., died Sept. 20 at the Kent Nursing Home. He was the husband of the late Minnie (Weissbuch) Saladon.

Born in New York, a son of the late Joseph and Jennie (Berman) Saladon, he had lived in Warwick and East Greenwich since 1975.

He was a furniture buyer and retail salesman for 60 years before retiring in 1975. He was a member of the Warwick Social Seniors and the Paramount Masonic Lodge in New York for more than 60 years.

He leaves a daughter, Dana S. Del Bonis of Jamestown; two grandchildren and a great-grandson. He was the brother of the late Victor Charles and Coleman Saladon, Ida Polanski and Rachael Ginevsky.

The funeral was held Sept. 22 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Glendale, N.Y.

## MARTHA SONION

**PROVIDENCE** — Martha (Kaufman) Sonion, 81, of 955 Post Road, Warwick, died Sept. 22 at Rhode Island Hospital.

She was the widow of Saul Sonion and the daughter of the late Joseph and Annie Kaufman.

She lived in Warwick for 16 years.

She leaves two daughters, Iris Yanow of Warwick and Judy Roth of North Dartmouth, Mass.; a brother, Eli Kaufman of Warwick, a sister, Jeanette Moss of Elmont, N.Y., and three grandchildren.

She was a bookkeeper for 20 years before retiring. She was a member of Temple Torat Yisrael, and its Sisterhood. She was also a member of the Warwick Senior Guild, chairman of its membership committee, a member of the Majestic Senior Guild, the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Pioneer Women, and Hope Link.

The service was held on Sept. 27 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

## YUDIF TVERSKOY

**NEW BEDFORD, Mass.** — Yudif Tverskoy, 80, of 725 Pleasant St., New Bedford, died Sept. 15 at home. She was the wife of Leonid Tverskoy.

Born in the Ukraine, she lived under communism before coming to freedom in the United States three years ago.

She was a chemical engineer. She also was an accomplished

pianist. She also taught Judaism to her family even though it was against the law in Russia at that time.

Besides her husband, she leaves a son, Dr. Alex Tverskoy of Brooklyn, N.Y.; a daughter, Rita Shpielman of East Providence, R.I., and three grandchildren.

The funeral was held Sept. 18 at Plainville Cemetery, New Bedford. The service was coordinated by Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

## Stolen Succah Saves a Life

*Adapted from an article by Rabbi E. Oshry, Rabbi of the Kovno Ghetto, Lithuania*

The Russians, during their occupation of Lithuania in 1940, had put up blocks of buildings outside the Kovno suburb of Slobodka to house laborers. When the Germans conquered Lithuania, they turned these buildings, many still incomplete, into ghetto housing for the Jews.

With the approach of the Succot holiday, ghetto prisoners set up a succah in an alleyway between two large buildings in Block C so that even in captivity they could fulfill this mitzvah.

The boards that were used to build the succah had been taken from nearby workshops where Jews worked as slave laborers. In order to get a proper fit, it was necessary to shorten a number of the boards.

The Germans never did realize that the Jews they were trampling one moment were fulfilling the commandment of succah the next moment. When the Germans carried out their Estland Akzion, a Jew known as Reb Zalman der Blinder hid in this succah and was saved. The Germans looked through all the barracks, but did not look for Jews inside the succah.

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## Rabin

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"I'm sure he doesn't mean that it's not our business to fight international terrorism or to promote foreign aid to Israel," Hoenlein said, citing some of the issues on his umbrella group's agenda.

In his meetings, Rabin went even further on the issue of fund-raising, saying that American Jewry should assist Israel only "on one issue" — the absorption of new immigrants — and it should be giving more than it now does.

Funds for such projects as rural communities, a traditional recipient of American-raised and Jewish Agency-channeled monies, are "obsolete," Rabin said.

Sounding a note critical of the level of funds raised, he said Israel does not expect American and other diaspora Jews to "do what the people of Israel have to do" in terms of financially absorbing new immigrants.

But, he said, he wants American Jews to "show your partnership not only by words."

In Jerusalem, the chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Abraham Burg, criticized Rabin's remarks, calling his attack on U.S. Jews "an historic

error" and said Israeli-diaspora relations should not be based solely on economic assistance.

Charles Goodman, chairman of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organization, said Jewish fund-raisers in America share Rabin's concern that "fund-raising activities are not delivering as much to Israel as it should or as it has in the past."

"We are determined to improve the situation," Goodman said in a telephone interview from Chicago.

At a time of increasing local needs and shrinking dollars, many American Jewish communities have decreased their overseas allocations. The overall percentage of all overseas allocations, including to Israel, has declined from 50 percent to 42 percent in recent years, according to the United Jewish Appeal.

Goodman, who met with Rabin on Sept. 30 and discussed these issues, said aliyah and absorption, along with education, are — and will continue to be — the Jewish Agency's top priorities.

At the same time, however, he said the Jewish Agency has "some historic responsibilities" for other programs that "we must continue to honor."

Fund-raising aside, Rabin

took pains during his three days in the United States to detail what is driving his government.

In an interview with a half dozen editors of Jewish publications, Rabin traced the 3-year-old history of his government's peace policies.

He reiterated his oft-stated position that extremist Islamic terrorist groups are the only alternative to Yasser Arafat and the PLO.

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And he passionately offered his vision of Israel as a Jewish state, "not a binational state."

"I want a Jewish state not only by the name or by so-called borders, but by demography, by society, by values," he said.

Acknowledging that terrorism is the main obstacle to a successful peace, Rabin conceded that it is difficult to contain radical fundamentalists bent on suicide missions.

But he stressed that the PLO has "stopped terrorism" and that no Israeli was killed in a PLO terrorist act in the two years since Israel and the PLO signed its Declaration of Principles.

He emphasized that settlements are "not a security asset" and that his primary concern is with the economic and social well-being of the overwhelming majority — 97 percent — of Israelis who live in Israel proper, not the three percent of the population that lives in Gaza, the West Bank and on the Golan Heights.

Aid to the Palestinians was one of the main issues Rabin was alluding to when he attacked American Jewish opponents of his peace policies.

Pointing to a recent American Jewish Committee survey showing that 63 percent of American Jews believe that Congress should demand PLO compliance with its accords before further aiding the Palestinians, Morton Klein, president of the Zionist Organization of America, defended his right to

lobby on this issue.

"This is U.S. taxpayer dollars; it is absolutely my business" to lobby Congress, Klein said, responding to Rabin's remarks.

"Jews have a history of expressing concerns when they disagree with [Israeli] policies," he said, adding, "I don't believe that as long as the PLO doesn't honor its commitments there will be a real chance for peace. (JTA correspondent Matthew Dorf in Washington contributed to this report.)

## Great Jazz, Good Cause

Rhode Island's Dan Moretti brings great jazz to the Providence Professionals Against Cancer party, Oct. 19, at Amsterdams, 76 South main St., Providence, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

PROPAC invites jazz lovers to the event, sponsored by the Cardi Corporation. Your \$15 donation at the door provides a complimentary beverage and hors d'oeuvres. For more information, call 331-5770.

## Craft Workshops Coming to Library

Two craft programs will be offered at the Barrington Public Library this fall.

The first, a wreath-making workshop, will be given on Oct. 26 at 7:30 p.m. by librarian Nancy Christy.

The second program, a bead jewelry workshop, will be given by Joanna Britto on Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m.

Registration for the two programs begins on Oct. 18 at 9 a.m., by phone or in person at the library's reference desk.

There is a limit of 12 participants per workshop. A \$5 materials fee will be charged for each program. For more details, call Lauri Burke or Nancy Christy at 247-1920.

## ADL

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calling for a measured response "so as not to allow Farrakhan or the media to distort or make Jewish reaction an issue."

Foxman said by running the ad, the ADL is not making Jewish reaction an issue. Farrakhan "is making an issue about it, every time he opens his mouth anti-Semitically and racially," he said. "I'm not about to put my head in the sand and ignore it."

A broad coalition has formed in support of the march, with endorsements from a number of community leaders and national black organizations, including the Congressional Black Caucus. The endorsements have proved worrisome, Foxman said, because no one appears to be objecting to Farrakhan's role in the event.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People board, however, voted not to endorse the march, said Myrlie Evers-Williams, who heads the board, at a recent meeting of the World Jewish Congress in New York.

Baum expressed his dismay. "What troubles us is the fact that [Farrakhan] has attracted the endorsement and support of people in the past who would have seen it as abhorrent to be seen with him or identified with him in any way."

Although Jewish groups remain divided over when and how to voice objections, organizational leaders did not rule out the possibility of speaking out jointly and publicly at the time of the march.

(Jonathan Tobin of the Connecticut Jewish Ledger contributed to this report.)

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Treasure from the royal Spanish galleon Atocha, valued at up to \$40 million will be on display Oct. 19 to 22 at the Goldstein Swank & Gordon jewelry store in Auburn Mall.

Silver and gold bars, silver pieces of eight, diamonds, emeralds, cultural artifacts and ornamental jewelry will be shown free to the public from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Oct. 19 through 21, and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 22. A videotape about the Atocha and its recovered treasure will be shown in the court at Auburn mall near Goldstein Swank & Gordon.

The Nuestra Senora de Atocha sank in a hurricane off the Florida keys in 1622, killing

all but five of its 265 passengers. The ship was loaded with bounty bound for the king of Spain. Mel Fisher, a Florida explorer, spent 16 years with his family and the rest of his crew searching for the wreck before discovering it in 1985.

The Fishers' son, Kim, will greet visitors to the Atocha collection at Goldstein Swank & Gordon all day Oct. 19. Fisher has taken part in the salvage of shipwrecks that yielded the richest treasure in history.

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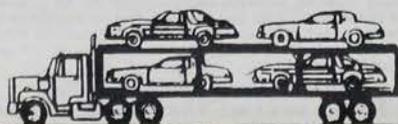
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