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News At A Glance

- Resident of northern Israel were allowed out of bomb shelters after spending the night inside on account of a firefight between the South Lebanese Army and Hizbullah in which two SLA soldiers and two Lebanese civilians were killed, Israel Radio, KOL YISRAEL, reported. Hizbullah fired mortars into Israel on Sept. 1, but there were no casualties. Following the bomb and mortar attacks, Israeli warplanes struck at Hizbullah targets in the Zliyya region, north of the southern Lebanon security zone.
- United States President Bill Clinton has instructed his aides to apply pressure to the Ukrainian government to permit 250 high school students to take part in the Na'aleh program, Ha'aretz reported. The program, which brings Ukrainian teen-agers to Israel and offers them the option of remaining in the country, has sparked a crisis that has affected relations between Israel and the Jewish Agency on one side, and the Ukrainian government on the other. The Ukrainians maintain that the program is causing a major brain drain in the country. Ukraine expelled two Jewish Agency emissaries early this year, and is withholding entry permits for dozens of Hebrew teachers whom the Jewish Agency has recruited. There are thought to be some 350,000 Ukrainians who are eligible to immigrate to Israel. About 70,000 people have immigrated from Ukraine in the past three years.
- The second 60-member group of ultra-Orthodox Nahal soldiers began their basic training recently at a military base in the Jordan Valley, Israel Radio, KOL YISRAEL, reported. The basic training is scheduled to last for five months which will be followed by active duty in the Jordan Valley. The new soldiers will replace reserve forces usually operating in that region. In March 2000, a third group is expected to be enlisted followed by a fourth in August. Overall, the enlistment will result in the first-ever ultra-Orthodox Nahal regiment.

In Recognition of a True Inspiration

The Rhode Island Jewish Herald and Emblem & Badge present the Community Service Award

by Kimberly Ann Orlandi

Herald Editor

You shall not harden your heart nor shut your hand from your needy brother, but lend him sufficient for his need.

—Deuteronomy

And so lends Doris Zaidman to the Jewish community of Rhode Island. For more than 20 years, Doris has dedicated herself to the unselfish profession of nursing—perhaps that's where it all began. "No," she says with a smile, "I don't think so. It was something I grew up with and grew up doing." She's quite reserved and a bit uncomfortable about receiving publicity over what she does, but to the many people in the Jewish community she touches every day with a smile and a "How are you today?" she isn't just a volunteer, she's family. Doris is the smiling face who greets the seniors as they walk through the doors of the Kasher Mealite at Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston. She's an inspiration to those who may not otherwise have someone to care for or about them. "She's my 'Gir Friday,'" as JFS Mealite

Coordinator Ronda French describes her.

Doris has been actively involved in Jewish Family Services—among her many other charitable organizations—for the last 25 years. But it's her work with the Kasher Mealite by which many in the community know her best, and for them she is more than just the person who checks them in, collects the money, worries about them when they arrive late or don't arrive at all, and sometimes even serves them lunch—Doris is a friend whose smiling face they have all come to rely on every Friday afternoon.

Doris began her work with JFS in 1974 when she retired from nursing after 33 years. For 20 years, she worked for the chief of surgery at Roger Williams Hospital, where she graduated from in 1941. "When most of the Jewish study in Providence were going to study at Mount Sinai Hospital in Boston, I opted to stay here and study at what is today Roger Williams Medical Center," said Doris. "I was the only Jewish student with only two Jewish doctors there at the hospital. It presented some problems around the High Holidays and other Jewish holidays when I would take time out of

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DORIS ZAIDMAN of Warwick, right, was on the receiving end of a community thank you as she became the first recipient of The Rhode Island Jewish Herald/Emblem & Badge Community Service Award. The award was presented at the Kasher Mealite of Temple Torat Yisrael on Sept. 3 by JFS Executive Director Paul Segal and The Rhode Island Jewish Herald Managing Editor Kimberly Orlandi.

Photo by Emily Torgan-Shalansky.

Bloom Fights Hatred With Service of Tolerance

by Emily Torgan-Shalansky
Jewish Community Reporter

On Aug. 10, before he murdered a Filipino/American postal worker, white supremacist Buford O. Furrow entered the North Valley Jewish Community Center and emptied 70 rounds of ammunition, wounding an adult, a teen-ager, and three young children.

As the assault came at the end of a summer that also brought the Williams brothers' June firebombing of three Saccameo synagogues and Benjamin Smith's racist shooting spree in the midwest, Rabbi Mark Bloom of Cranston's Temple Torat Yisrael felt compelled to act by organizing a Service of Tolerance, which

draw some 150 people to his temple on Sept. 3.

"I was upset and angry [after hearing about Furrow]," explained the rabbi. "Susan Adler, a member of my congregation, called me and asked if there was anything we could do. Because I think the community needs to stand together against any hatred, I decided to hold an interfaith Service of Tolerance. I thought, if you can't turn to religion for help with these crises, then where can you turn?"

The rabbi invited members of the Cranston Christian clergy and local government leaders to come to the temple for the special Shabbat Service of Tolerance.

The rabbi began the service by recalling a discussion with a 7-year-old girl who had heard about Israeli bus bombings, the Holocaust, and the discovery of anti-Semitic graffiti at her school, and had concluded that it was dangerous to be Jewish.

"I explained to her that even though she heard about these terrible things happening in the news, she personally was safe," he said. "But what I really

wanted to tell her was that anti-Semitism was dying out, that it was just ignorance that would disappear in another generation, that one day soon people would understand but I couldn't."

That was five years ago in Atlanta, said the rabbi. But if she were in Rhode Island today, that little girl would have been able to create a similar list.

"Buford O'Neal Furrow told an FBI agent that he hoped his act would serve as a 'wake up call to kill Jews,'" the rabbi said. "Then anti-Semitic graffiti, along with pictures of Buford Furrow, were found on synagogues in Norwalk and Stamford, Conn., including the very synagogue where we took our youth group last spring."

In Rhode Island this summer, he said, several Jewish families in Cranston found anti-Semitic newspapers hand-delivered to their lawns and driveways. "This newspaper was disgusting, vile and filled with lies," he said. "It accused Jews of controlling Hollywood, the economy and the government."

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Rabbi Mark Bloom

Herald photo by Emily Torgan-Shalansky

HAPPENINGS

Entertainment for Children

The Providence Children's Museum, 1010 South St., Providence, announces the following activities. Call 273-KIDS.

SEPTEMBER

- 9 **Play & Learn.** 3 to 4:30 p.m., the museum's youngest learners, ages 2 to 4, play games, listen to stories and frolic in the playful and safe woodland environment of Littlewoods.
 - 10 **Compass Curves.** 3 to 4:30 p.m., kids ages 5 and up explore the magic of circles using a compass and magic markers. Create colorful, eye-dazzling spinners!
 - 11 **History Mysteries.** 1 to 3 p.m., kids ages 7 and up investigate strange objects from the past and use sleuthing skills to deduce what they are and how they were used.
 - 12 **Free for Grandparents on Grandparents Day.** 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., the museum admits glorious grandparents for free! Families can play and learn together in the museum's hands-on exhibits!
- Salute to Grandparents.** 1 to 3 p.m. Children ages 3 and up can drop in and draw a tribute to their grandparents and add their special drawing to a collective mural honoring all grandparents.
- Providence Children's Museum will be closed for refurbishing from Sept. 13 to 17.**
- 18 **Mapping Madness.** 1 to 3 p.m. Kids ages 7 and up learn how maps and symbols work. Kids make personalized maps of the museum, creating special symbols to highlight their favorite spots.
 - 19 **Hunt for Dreadful Dragons.** 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Kids ages 3 and up visit the newly arrived dragons in the display boxes that line the museum's atrium walkway to solve riddles and puzzles on their hunt sheets.

Poets Read at the Library

Poets who participated in two series of poetry writing workshops at the Barrington Public Library this summer will give a group reading of some of their work on Sept. 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the library.

The workshops were led by local writer Ingrid Wild Kleckner and Barrington librarian Lauri Burke using exercises from *The Poet's Companion* by Kim Addonizio and other sources. The program is free and open to all.

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Calendar: September 9 thru September 15

- 9 **1999 NBC Sports Gravity Games.** More than 300 daredevil athletes from around the world compete in the street luge, in-line skating, downhill skateboarding, wakeboarding and free-style motorcross. College Hill, India Point Park, Waterplace Park. Sept. 9 to 12.
- Rhode Island Harvest Festival.** R.I. farm-grown products, R.I. dairy farmers, John Deere tractors and more. Warwick Mall, 10 a.m. to closing, Sept. 9 to 12.
- Rhode Island Invitational Art Show.** Art exhibit featuring works of prominent area artists. South County Art Association, Helene House, 2587 Kingstown Road, Kingston, Sept. 9 to 30.
- The Maxwell Mays Gallery** at the Providence Art Club, 11 Thomas St., Providence, presents "Something Old, Something New, Something Borrowed, Something Blue" — A photographic exhibit by Donald Cramer. Through Sept. 24.
- Join Perspectives for a Rosh Chodesh** gathering at 106 Angell St., Providence, 7 p.m. Call Cynthia at 521-5061.
- 10 **A Step Back in Time...** Relive the 1920s. A dinner dance celebrating South County Hospital's 80th anniversary. Featuring music by the Ronnie Rose Band and the Wendy Klein Jazz Quartet. Proceeds benefit the expansion of the emergency department. Biltmore Hotel, Providence, 7 p.m. to midnight. Call 782-8000, ext. 2490.
- Grandparents' Day** at the Providence Children's Museum. Grandparents free of charge. 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., 100 South St., Providence.
- 11 **Apponaug Village Festival.** Crafts, food, trolley rides and live entertainment. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Post Road, Warwick.
- Save the Bay's Snorkeling Excursion.** Unique ecological aquatic tour aboard the glass-bottom boat "Night Heron." Offering participants a snorkeling adventure amid the burgeoning waters of Pt. Judith. Snug Harbor, 410 Gooseberry Road, South Kingstown. 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 272-3540.
- North Providence Lions Autumn Festival & Carnival.** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. North Providence High School, Mineral Spring Avenue. Sept. 11 and 12.
- AS220, 115 Empire St.,** Providence presents Melissa Ferrick and Erin McKeown in concert. 9 p.m. Tickets available in advance at AS220 and Mobe's Music, 297 Thayer St. \$10.
- 12 **Pasta Challenge & Festival.** All you can eat pasta and sauce from 25 to 30 area restaurants. Davol Square, Providence. Noon to 5 p.m. Call 351-6440.
- Throw Your Sins into the Water.** In the afternoon on the second day of Rosh Hashanah, Perspectives will be having a Tashlich ceremony. Homemade apple cake will be served. Meet at 4:45 p.m. next to the Narragansett Boat Club on the Seekonk River on River Drive near Angell Street, Providence. Call Sharon at 863-9357.
- 13 **The meeting of the Compassionate Friends** (a self-help support group for parents who may have suffered the death of a child) will be held at Hasbro Children's Hospital, Dudley Street, Providence. 7:30 p.m. Meeting room 151. Use parking lot C. Call 723-3321 for information.
- "Herbert Hoover Examining the Evidence,"** a one-day conference exploring the life, career and myths surrounding the 31st president will take place at the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum, Columbia Point, Boston. 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Free but reservations recommended. Call (617) 929-4371.
- 15 **URI Honors Colloquium "Legacies of the Vietnam War."** 3 p.m. Former Congressman Patricia Schroeder explores the political legacy of the Vietnam War. University of Rhode Island, Edwards Auditorium, Upper College Road, Kingston. Call 874-4337.

Yard Sale to Benefit Hamilton House

Hamilton House Senior Center at 276 Angell St., Providence, R.I., will host a huge benefit yard sale on Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to benefit the senior center. A wide variety of items have been donated and will be sold at the yard sale. There will also be a silent auction table with antiques and a hand-made dollhouse. Raindate is Sept. 25.

Anyone wishing to rent a table for \$25 may sell their own items and keep the profits themselves. Donations from the public are welcome, and volunteers are needed to help with moving items on Sept. 18 at 8 a.m. Call Jill or Jessica at 831-1800 for more information.

Crafting Leaf Print T-Shirts

Learn the finer points of tree identification while crafting a colorful T-shirt displaying the beauty of Rhode Island's trees on Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. at Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge in Exeter. Bring a clean, white T-shirt to create a uniquely designed garment with the help of leaves provided by resident trees.

The fee for this program is \$4 for Audubon members, \$6 for non-members, \$2 for member children, and \$3 for non-member children. Register by calling 295-8283.

Refuge manager Tara Nelson will demonstrate how to make these shirts with a little patience and some paint. Participants will also learn how to identify some of Rhode Island's more common trees.

To get to Fisherville Brook, take Route 4 to exit 5B. (Route 102 North) Take 102 North for approximately 4 miles to Anderson Quality Furniture; turn right onto Widow Sweets Road and take the second right onto Pardon Joslin Road. The refuge parking lot is approximately 3/4 mile on the right.

If you have an event you would like featured on our Happenings Page, please send it to the Rhode Island Jewish Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, R.I. 02940 or fax to 726-5820

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JEWISH COMMUNITY

Hebrew College Opens the Door to the Public

Experience two full days of academics at Hebrew College for free and discover its rich world of Jewish education and scholarship. On Sept. 15 and 16, from 9 am. to 9 p.m., Hebrew College will kick off its fall semester by opening its door to prospective students and the public. Anyone can drop in anytime on either day at the 43 Hawes St. campus in Brookline to sample courses in a wide range of subjects, from Early Childhood Jewish Education and Jewish Family Education to Bible, Rabbinics, and Hebrew Studies. Faculty and staff will be on hand to answer questions about degree programs and certificate programs.

Founded in 1921, Hebrew College maintains a historic commitment to Jewish learning and scholarship within a trans-denominational, non-sectarian academic environment. The college offers graduate and undergraduate degrees and certificates in all aspects of formal and non-formal Jewish education as well as Jewish Studies and Jewish music. For information about these "drop-in" class days and the college's degree and certificate programs, and other educational programs, call (617) 278-4948 or visit <www.hebrewcollege.edu>. Hebrew College is located on 43 Hawes St., Brookline, Mass.

Religious School Begins at Temple Sinai

Temple Sinai religious school begins on Sept. 26. Lenore Sones, the educational director of the religious school, has announced that this year's theme is "Mitzvot in the Millennium." Hebrew school classes begin on Sept. 21.

Grades eight to 10 begin on Sept. 28 with a Sukkot barbecue (kosher, of course) at Rabbi Lipman's house.

As always, if you have any questions, call the Temple Sinai office at 942-8350.

Temple Sinai Sisterhood Meeting Schedule

The Temple Sinai Sisterhood would like to make all members and interested future members aware of the upcoming meeting schedule. The following meetings will be held at Temple Sinai, 30 Hagan Ave., Cranston, R.I., at 7 p.m. Call 942-8350.

Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21 and in the year 2000, Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 28, April 25, and May 16.

Such a Deal!

The Temple Sinai Sisterhood is offering Entertainment 2000 books for sale at the great price of \$20. A variety of two-for-one discount dining experiences, ranging from upscale Providence restaurants to your local take-out spot, are offered. There are also discount coupons for late stores and recreational activities. For more information, or to purchase a book, contact Linda Miller at 943-7247.

'The Iyve Project' Lecture Presented at RIHMM

Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum presents "The Iyve Project" multi-media lecture sponsored by the Pearlle W. and Martin M. Silverstein Foundation on Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

Iyve, Poland, a thriving Jewish community, where Gilbert and Sullivan, Shakespeare, Mozart and klezmer were part of a daily life. Where Zionism and the Torah were fervently debated... until May 12, 1942. On that single day, the Jewish population of 2,524 men, women and children were led to the woods outside the town and executed.

In 1991 choreographer and theater director, Tamara Rogoff visited Iyve, the birthplace of her grandfather. She discovered 29 members of her family murdered in 1942. In 1994, in the same woods, the vibrancy of this life was recreated in a very special performance which gathered musicians and dancers from across the globe.

You are invited to meet Tamara Rogoff as she brings the Iyve Project to life with slides and videos of the Iyve performance. It is free and open to the public. Donations to RIHMM are appreciated. For more information, call 453-7860.

Transition Cabinet Adopts Task Force Recommendations

The Transition Cabinet of the United Jewish Communities met recently and adopted recommendations from three of its Executive Task Forces created to help define the mission and next steps for the organization.

The goals of the new organization are to better serve the interests of the network of 189 federations across North America; to help the local federations be more creative and innovative in the ways they serve the emerging needs of the Jewish Community; and to streamline operations to work more efficiently.

Joel Tauber, chair of the executive committee of the UJC stated, "The work of the task forces has been truly representative of the federation system. Many meetings took place across the country engaging many thousands of individuals who have given their input on the future of this organization."

Major highlights of these recommendations include:

- Create an Israel Overseas Department based in Israel that will frame a new agenda and enhance the relationship between North American Jewry and Israel; transfer all relevant overseas operations including the missions department there; streamline the reporting mecha-

nisms. (From the Task Force on Israel and Overseas).

- Expand the human services and social policy agenda to strengthen the advocacy role of the federations both locally and nationally; locate the Human Services and Social Policy Division in Washington, D.C.; reengage local Jewry through an issues-oriented approach and enhanced technology. (From the Task Force on Human Services and Social Policy.)

- Create a new UJC division called Renaissance and Renewal to help bring Jewish values and traditions to the forefront of Jewish communal life; engage in special and concerted outreach to synagogues across the spectrum and to the major religious movements to further the renaissance and renewal agenda; partner with Jewish organizations outside the traditional federation

system on issues affecting the community; provide incentives and support for local initiatives; provide resources to bring communities together over issues affecting the Jewish community. (From the Task Force on Jewish Renaissance and Renewal)

"By approving the Task Force recommendations, the Transition Cabinet has taken the first real steps to fleshing out the agenda and the future of the UJC," said Steve Solender, acting president of the UJC.

The three reporting Task Forces — Israel and Overseas, Human Services and Social Policy and Jewish Renaissance and Renewal — are made up of both professionals and lay leaders from across the country. They were directed by the Transition Cabinet to identify concrete recommendations for guiding the UJC in the next century.

Congregation Sons of Jacob Corrected Schedule

CHOL HAMOED
Mon. thru Thurs.

Candlelighting 7:08 p.m.
Hakafas 7:15 p.m.

Sun., Oct. 3

Simcha Torah
Services 8:30 a.m.
Hakafas 9:30 a.m.

Festival ends 7:07 p.m.
Sun., Oct. 10 and

Mon., Oct. 11

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan
Congregation Sons of Jacob is located at 24 Douglas Ave., Providence.

Fri., Oct. 1
Hoshana Rabbah
Services 6:30 a.m.
Candlelighting 6:07 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 2
Shimmitz Azeit
Services 8:30 a.m.
Yizkor approx. 10:30 a.m.
Mincha 6:10 p.m.

Start the Year With Good Taste

Join us for a "get-together" for ladies. "Make 'N' Take" — Learn how to make challah and honey cake for a sweet new year. The date is Sept. 15, 7:15 p.m., Chai Center, 15 Centerville Rd., Warwick.

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OPINION

Finding Justice

To the Editor:
I have written this letter to inform you of a shameful injustice that is being perpetrated by a federal judge whose outrageous behavior violates every basic principle of equity and reason.

In 1993, my son, Menachem Pri-Har, was convicted by a federal jury in New York of bank fraud and U.S. Department of Agriculture fraud. After the trial, in numerous civil proceedings, the government's critical material witnesses admitted to making false statements. Additionally, these witnesses provided evidence to indicate that the prosecution knew, before the trial, that my son did not commit the crimes with which he was charged. Nevertheless, unconscionable as it was, the prosecutors concealed this evidence and proceeded with their duplicity. The bottom line — my son was sentenced to 14 years in federal prison, where he remains to this day.

In 1996, the Federal Court was petitioned with this information. Now, in 1999, after three years there has still been no ruling by Federal District Judge John E. Sprizzo. In an oral argument before Sprizzo, the judge remarked the government should not be "checkedmated" for its misconduct and further observed that my son "should have caught" the prosecution's faulty and misleading evidence at the trial. Sprizzo has yet to issue any ruling on these evidentiary discoveries. As a result of his delay and inaction, the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit has refused to intervene until the judge issues his formal decision.

Sprizzo does not sit in judgment with "clean hands." Before being appointed to the federal bench, Sprizzo represented

the Libyan government. Given this "Libyan connection," he voluntarily withdrew from an assignment involving the trial of the Texas accused of being Bin Laden's secretary. Sprizzo has disparaged the Israeli government by irresponsibly saying that he is not persuaded that "a guarantee even from the President of Israel would be worth anything." How can this obviously biased mentality serve conscientiously to decide the fate of a former Israeli Air Force member?

This case has been a nightmare for my son and my family. Sprizzo has refused to act on a writ of habeas corpus in anything approaching a timely fashion. There is evidence that his memory is faulty. He stated that it took the jury one hour to reach a verdict. In actuality, it took the jury one week. He has reached his conclusions even before reading the newly submitted material or listening to the arguments presented.

Sprizzo is waging a vendetta with my son as his victim. He is not interested in pursuing truth but in allowing his preconceptions to prevail. What judge with judicious temperament, professionalism and integrity would dismiss and utter "Too bad for him," i.e., the defendant, when expert witness testimony supporting my son's contentions was put before him?

My son had been asked to plea bargain and he refused. Innocent and principled people do not plea bargain. America is too great a country and has too much of a commitment to its federal legal system to allow this miscarriage to remain uncorrected. I respectfully ask for your assistance in fighting against this injustice.

Zvi Friedenberg
New York, N.Y.

Orthodox Union Angered by Burger King Decision

The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, the largest mainstream Orthodox Jewish organization with nearly 1,000 member synagogues nationwide, today expressed its shock and deep disappointment about the decision made by Burger King to close its franchise in Ma'aleh Adumim, a suburb of Jerusalem. We are deeply disappointed that the Burger King organization has given into calls for a boycott led by Arab-American and Muslim-American groups. This represents a return to the pre-peace

negotiations tactics of economic warfare against Israel which was initiated in 1947. This kind of support for economic strangulation of a community that is supposed to be able to live in peace with its neighbors as negotiations are being conducted in order to find solutions that will lead toward peaceful coexistence is not only an attempt to prejudice the outcome of the negotiations through economic boycott, but reveals a profoundly anti-peace attitude causing one to doubt whether those who have claimed to sup-

port the peace process really, in fact, do so.

All our member synagogues and constituents are asked to write to the address below in order to express their outrage at this irresponsible capitulation to boycott tactics by Burger King. Letters should go out immediately to:

Mr. Dennis Malamatinas, CEO, Burger King Corporation, 17777 Old Cutler Road, Miami, FL 33157. Call (305) 378-3770, fax (305) 378-7403, email <cedwards@whopper.com> and <casarez@whopper.com>.

Tribute to an Old Soldier

Please allow this old soldier to pay a final tribute to another old soldier, Maj. Gen. Leonard Holland of blessed memory.

"Lenny" was my boss, mentor and friend in the Rhode Island Army National Guard for many years. He was a superb role model who proved that achieving high rank and status did not preclude sincere "menschlichkeit." Gen. Holland inspired superior performance and was a master at leading by example. The effectiveness of the National Guard during the blizzard of 1978 was but one example of "his" troopers going to the limit and beyond for their "old man."

The question: "What's a nice Jewish boy doing in the military?" has often been asked. In Gen. Holland's case, he clearly loved his job and thrived in spite of a heavy workload and great responsibilities. It was a privilege to serve with him.

Well done, Sir! Rest in peace.

Respectfully,
Peter Traugott, Sergeant Major (Ret.)
Rhode Island Army National Guard

Message From Prime Minister Ehud Barak

Rosh Hashanah 5760/September 1999

Dear Friends,
From the city of Jerusalem, the eternal capital of the State of Israel, and the spiritual home of the Jewish people, I send you my warmest greetings for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year, Shana Tova!

We, the citizens of Israel, share the deep concern of our fellow Jews throughout the world for the demographic future of the Jewish people. The open pluralistic societies of today have given Jews greater opportunities to integrate. Nevertheless, they have also posed the greatest challenge to the preservation of Jewish identity — the danger of assimilation.

Here in Israel we follow the global resurgence of anti-Semitism, bigotry and racism with great anxiety. It is our sacred duty to be vigilant, to combat fanaticism and to spread the historic message of our Jewish tradition, a message of tolerance and openness.

The insightful Zionist thinker, Ahad Ha'am, envisioned the Jewish state as the spiritual center and a source of pride for all Jews. Within the next few decades of the 21st century, and thanks to the tireless efforts of devoted Jewish communities, we will reach a great Zionist milestone: the State of Israel will become the

largest Jewish community in the world.

Israel is a strong country. It is from this position of confidence that we reinvestigate the peace process with our Arab partners. Peace is an essential element of our security and, as difficult as the negotiating process may be, I am committed to making every possible effort to attain it. However, I assure you that the security of Israel and its citizens is my first and foremost concern, and I will allow nothing to compromise it. This is my guiding principle, and that of my government.

Israel's central duty is to prosper.
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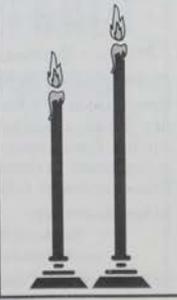
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The Breath of Life

It is an interesting coincidence that two of the practices in our society that encourage deep breathing are the exercise industry and the field of maternity.

In exercise one is encouraged to focus on breathing properly before, during and after sessions, to help the body adjust to the tough demands that must be met. In birthing classes (which assume that women need to be taught how to have babies), pregnant attendees are exhorted to take "deep cleansing breaths" as they experience contractions.

The connection between these two circumstances is that they both herald change. Both prepare one to move forward into a better, fuller future.

We are about to undergo a similar spiritual experience. It's the one we call Selichot.

Selichot, a practice preced-

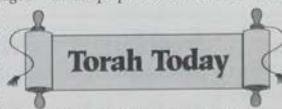
ing Rosh Hashanah, happens this Saturday night. It is an exercise of ridding ourselves of the wrongdoings of the past year, shedding the pounce of unhappiness we have put on. But it is also a preparation for the birth

of ourselves.

Selichot is the warm-up. We tell ourselves what is going to happen, envision it, prepare mentally and spiritually for the event. Just as G-d has given us nine months from conception to get ready for the birth of a child, so we need an interim period between the old and new years to become strong enough for the task ahead.

There it is on the horizon — the dawn of a year in which you'll open more of your soul, expand your abilities. Take a deep breath this Saturday, and gather the strength for what's before you.

Submitted by Rabbi Yossi Laufer, CHAI Center of Chabad of West Bay, Warwick.



Torah Today

that is to come, the "deep cleansing breath" before we embrace the wonder of a new year.

Why do we need Selichot when Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur seem to serve the same purpose? The Ten Days of Repentance are a time of reflection and rededication, recognizing our transgressions and devoting ourselves to a more spiritual life in the year to come.

But to do that properly, we have to prepare. The Rosh

JEWISH COMMUNITY

Boston University Hillel House Hosts a Photographic Exhibition

"And I Still See Their Faces: The Vanished World of Polish Jewry"

When the German army invaded Poland in September 1939, the Jews of Poland were facing with a deadly threat to their existence. By the end of World War II, more than 90 percent of Poland's pre-War Jewish population were dead.

Now, 60 years after the invasion that touched off the Holocaust, the Hillel House at Boston University, in cooperation with the Shalom Foundation, Facing History and Ourselves and Boston University, presents a dramatic photographic exhibition, "And I Still See Their Faces: The Vanished World of Polish Jewry."

By documenting the richness of Jewish life in pre-World War II Poland, this photographic exhibition stands as a mute testimony to the human as well as cultural loss suffered as a result of the Holocaust. The photographs included in the exhibition are scenes of what was once the everyday life of Polish Jews. Unlike the stark photos of Holocaust victims in the camps, these images depict a full range of people unaware that they are on the brink of destruction.

The exhibition will be on display through Oct. 6, at the Boston University, 808 Gallery, 808 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. Gallery hours are from 1 to 9 p.m., seven days a week.

The Shalom Foundation of



A STREET IN TARNOW before the War. Page 49, photo #51 from *And I Still See Their Faces: Images of Polish Jews*, The Shalom Foundation.

Photos courtesy of Boston University



HENRYK MAZUREK, Lublin. Page 19, photo #11 from *And I Still See Their Faces: Images of Polish Jews*, The Shalom Foundation.

Warsaw, an organization dedicated to the preservation of the Polish-Jewish heritage, recognized the need to find and protect the few remaining pieces of tangible evidence of what once existed. In 1994, its president, Golda Tencer, a leading actress and singer in the Jewish State Theater, issued an appeal to people throughout Poland: she felt certain that many Jews faced with deportation to the ghettos had entrusted family albums to friends and family neighbors—would anyone with such photos still in their possession send them to the foundation.

The response was overwhelming. Photos poured in from all over Poland, as well as from Israel, Canada, Italy, the United States, and Argentina. More than 8,000 photographs were received, and 456 of them will be featured in the exhibition.

Where One Door Closes Another Opens

Cahanas Announce Plans to Leave Providence

By Emily Torgan-Shalansky
Jewish Community Reporter

Associate Rabbi Michael Cahanas and Cantor Ida Rae Cahanas recently announced plans to resign their positions at Temple Beth-El, Providence, as of July 2000. The Cahanas will relocate to New Rochelle, N.Y., where Rabbi Cahanas has been offered the position of senior rabbi at Temple Israel, a Reform congregation that has approximately 800 family memberships.

In order to spend more time with their son and infant triplets, Cantor Cahanas will not seek a full-time position. Instead she plans to work as a vocal coach at the Jewish Theological Seminary and to perform Judaic and classical music at recitals and concerts.

According to the Cahanas, making the decision to leave was very difficult. "We're excited about the future, but it's bittersweet," said Cantor Cahanas. "It's a good move for Michael and for our family, but it's not an easy leave-taking."

Presently, the Cahanas are starting their fifth year working jointly as associate rabbi and cantor. Cantor Cahanas initially got involved with Temple Beth-El some 20 years ago when she began to perform there as a soloist.

The couple chose New Rochelle, he said, because they both have very close ties to nearby New York City. There, Rabbi Cahanas worked as an actor, director and technical theater person. He later received an M.F.A. in architectural lighting from the Parsons School of Design and worked as a lighting consultant for years before he decided to become a rabbi and was ordained by Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in New York City in 1994.

Also a former resident of New York City, Cantor Cahanas was invested as a cantor at Hebrew Union College in 1993.

"The New Rochelle community was looking for a rabbi to revitalize their congregation, and New Rochelle is very close to New York City, which will

give Ida Rae many opportunities for recitals and concerts," explained the rabbi. Still, said the cantor, it will be very hard to leave. "It's a lot like leaving home," she said. "We love the community and feel very much at home at Beth-El and in Providence."

"We love what's here and what we've been able to do here," said Rabbi Cahanas. "Still, there are other opportunities that we are excited about as well."

The Cahanas will miss the many relationships they have formed over the years, and will especially miss working with Senior Rabbi Leslie Gutterman. "Les has been a wonderful mentor and guide and friend, and our loyalty to him has made it hard," said Rabbi Cahanas. "It's a very rare thing—most of my colleagues do not have an opportunity to become close friends with the senior rabbi."

As the year goes on, the Cahanas think the prospect of leaving will grow even more difficult. "I think of it as my congregation—I came here at a young age, and it's where I grew up," said Cantor Cahanas. "I think Providence has a great deal of potential."

"We've so much enjoyed serving here," said Rabbi Cahanas. "The relationships and worship opportunities have been wonderful, and people have been very open to new things. Last week, I read about the story of Abraham, who had to leave his home to become himself, and I felt a very direct connection to it." The Cahanas both emphasized the fact that New Rochelle is only about 2 hours and 45 minutes away by car. "We will stay in touch," said Cantor Cahanas. "We will work hard to maintain the relationships we have formed here."

More immediately, the Cahanas are looking forward to the upcoming year, which they will spend in Providence.

"We plan to be full steam ahead," said Rabbi Cahanas. "We have a lot of new programs, and we will also be refining older ones even if we are in the process of saying good-bye."

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- 9—Evening Open House/Gallery Opening
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- 20—Yom Kippur—Center Closed
- 21—Sukkah Building, JCCRI Pool Re-Opens
- 25 & 26—Sukkot—Center Closed
- 27-Oct. 1—Vacation Camp
- 28—Pool Re-Opening Open House and Brown Bag Kick-off Luncheon

October

- 2 & 3—Shemini Atzeret/Simchas Torah—Center Closed
- 11—Vacation Camp November
- 20—Show of Hands Evening Gala
- 21—Show of Hands Crafts Fair
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Remembering When

In The Headlines of 1939

• The German invasion of Poland on Sept. 1 marked the beginning of World War II.

• Pan Am inaugurated the first commercial transatlantic, passenger air service between New York and Europe.

• In Rochester, N.Y., the first food stamp program was introduced by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to feed the needy.

• King George VI and Queen Elizabeth visited the United States, the first British monarchs to do so.

On Sept. 20, 1989, an article written by Priscilla Young, of the *Journal Bulletin*, stated that the "class of 1939 gathering for a reunion — its last!" Although she captured the spirit of "The Wonder Years," I would be remiss if I didn't mention the fact that the heading served the class a stunning blow.

We did not intend for it to be our last, in fact we just celebrated our 60th at Ledgemont Country Club, complete with a trolley bus tour of Providence, stopping first at our old high school — Hope High School — to take a tour.

The reason this is so significant is because we were the first class to graduate from the then new school.

We were a small class of 205. The students came from all over Rhode Island. At that time you

had your choice of where you went to high school. They came from Roger Williams Jr. High, Gilbert Stuart, Henry Barnard, Nathaniel Green, Esek Hopkins, Lincoln, Nathan Bishop. We went to Nathan Bishop Jr. High for our classes. There were half sessions because the old Hope High School across from the now new one was overcrowded, so we had to wait until that senior class graduated and we were transferred there.

We came by trolley car — to downtown — through the tunnel and onto Elmwood Avenue. We had bus tickets which cost 4¢ and transfers at 2¢ — we purchased a book of passes at a time — most of us would walk home or at least to downtown, down College Hill, which was exciting, and then take a trolley, or later on a bus to our home — incidentally this is the way we got home during the 1938 hurricane, not realizing this was a big storm.

Going into the new building, we were in awe of the newness — its hugeness, and its gym and auditorium — it was exciting! It was the first time in the history of the school the students began to take an active participation in the control of the school.

Each class council elected a boy and girl to serve as delegates to a school council —

these 12 students met with the principal to consider the problems of the whole school.

It was a good time — we were not rich kids, but we have many good memories and friends which enriched our lives.

Here it is 60 years later — unfortunately many of our classmates have passed away, but many of us are here to help celebrate this reunion on Aug. 29, 1999.

Stella Reitman Pollock, Chairperson

60th Class Reunion
Hope High School
January 1939

Do you have special memories of growing up in Rhode Island? Do you remember when the boys came home from World War II or taking the trolley from downtown to Wayland Square? Then write us and tell us about it. From now until Dec. 31, the Rhode Island Jewish Herald will print your stories and memories. Send your stories, with pictures if possible, to "Remember When," *The Rhode Island Jewish Herald*, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, R.I. 02940. And don't forget to send in your submissions for our Millennium Issue. What were the most important Jewish events of the last century and who were the Jewish people who made a difference?

Books From The UAHC Press Confront Anti-Semitism

As the horrifying images of swastikas on synagogues, arson, shooting rampages, and sociopathic fringe groups fill the news media, Jewish parents and educators face an awesome responsibility: How can they teach youngsters to live their Jewish values, to value life, and to be proud of their heritage in such a violent world?

Fortunately, they can turn to resources from the UAHC Press for help.

"Our books on anti-Semitism, cults, teen suicide, social justice issues, and interfaith dialogue are written for adults and young people alike by experts in these fields," said Kenneth Gesser, publisher of the UAHC Press. "They provide an excellent way to teach the contemporary Jewish perspective on these terrible events, and offer guidance on positive actions we can take to solve these problems. As the parents of two young children, I know it's so difficult to broach these subjects. How can you even start? These books will definitely help to use these tragedies as learning opportunities for their children."

Here are just a few of the relevant books available from UAHC Press:

Jewish Dimensions of Social Justice: Tough Moral Choices of Our Time, by Albert Vorspan and Rabbi David Saperstein. A book for adults and young adults that includes sections on handgun control legislation, safeguarding our civil liberties, dealing with skinheads and militias, responding to anti-Semitism, and teen suicide.

Where We Stand: Jewish Consciousness on Campus, edited by Rabbi Allan L. Smith. Written for college students, this compendium of essays by leading Jewish thinkers tackles topics

such as cults, anti-Semitism on campus, and the separation of church and state.

When Living Hurts, by Sol Gordon. For young people to assist their troubled friends and for teen-agers in crisis who need to find hope.

Rooftop Secrets, And Other Stories of Anti-Semitism, by Lawrence Bush. Written from a child's viewpoint of different eras in Jewish history from the Inquisition in 1492 to the present, these stories are accompanied by modern commentaries that explain the nature of anti-Semitism.

Out of the Whirlwind: A Reader of Holocaust Literature, a newly revised and expanded edition by Albert H. Friedlander. For adults and teens who want to know more about the history of Holocaust, this book is a classic.

A Jewish Response to Cults, edited by Rabbi Gary Bretton-Granatoor. Primarily for high school students, the book, which offers Jewish ideals and values that challenge cults and why people join these fringe groups, can be adapted for any age group.

Books that help build bridges include *What Crucified Jesus?* by Ellis Rivkin and *Shalom/Salaam: A Resource for Jewish-Muslim Dialogue*, by Rabbi Bretton-Granatoor and Andrea L. Weiss.

The entire catalog for the UAHC Press can be viewed on line at <http://www.uahcpress.com>; items can be ordered through the web site or toll free at (888) 489-UAHC.

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JFS Kosher Mealsite Announces Schedule

September promises to be a full month at the JFS Kosher Mealsite in Cranston. In addition to the usual programming, there will be a jewelry class led by Mealsite Coordinator Ronda French, a Soy Cooking program, an end of summer barbecue lunch and a luncheon with the Golden Agers at Temple Emanu-El. Of course, the Tai Chi, Dance Therapy and Exercise classes will continue as well as the writing class, bingo, visits from the JFS Registered Nurses and the Bureau of Jewish Education Bookmobile. Anyone with a September birthday will find a celebration on Sept. 16 complete with musical entertainment by The Happy Hoofers.

The activities and programs accompany a hot kosher meal every weekday throughout the month. The September schedule includes:

• Tai Chi — Sept. 28

• Bingo — Sept. 23 and 30
• Nutrition Menu Meeting with Annette and Jeff — Sept. 14

• Soy Cooking with Annette — Sept. 21

• Dance Therapy — Sept. 13 and 27 at 11:15 a.m.

• Exercise Class — Sept. 15 and 22

• Visits from the Bureau of Jewish Education Bookmobile — Sept. 22

• Birthday party with cake and entertainment by The Happy Hoofers — Sept. 16

• Blood Pressure Screening with the Registered Nurses from Jewish Family Service — Sept. 23

• End of Summer Barbecue — Sept. 26

• Golden Agers Lunch at Temple Emanu-El — Sept. 29 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (Reservations must be made by Sept. 9 — no exceptions).

• Men's/Women's Discussion Groups — every Friday

• Weekly Shabbat Meal — every Friday

The Mealsite will be closed on Sept. 10 for Rosh Hashanah and Sept. 20 for Yom Kippur.

Programs begin at 11 a.m. unless otherwise stated and a nutritious, hot kosher lunch is served at noon. Every Friday, there is a special Shabbat meal, complete with candles, challah and kiddush.

The JFS Kosher Mealsite in Cranston is located at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave. Transportation is available every day for residents of Cranston and areas of Warwick. For reservations and information, call Mealsite Coordinator Ronda French at 781-1771.

High Holiday Services at the URI Hillel

Rosh Hashanah Services

Sept. 10, 7 p.m.; Sept. 11, 10 a.m.; and Sept. 12, 10 a.m.

Yom Kippur Services

Sept. 19, 7 p.m.; Sept. 20, 10 a.m.; Yizkor after 1:30 p.m. Concluding services 5 p.m.; Breakfast to follow.

All services are held in the Memorial Union Ballroom at the University of Rhode Island, Kingston.

No tickets are required. Community members are asked to make a donation.

JERI Prepares for the Rosh Hashanah Service

On Sept. 13 at Temple Beth-El in Providence, Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island will once again hold its annual Rosh Hashanah service for seniors in the community at 1:30 p.m. This is a shortened service for those who are unable to attend a service on the holiday itself. Although the holiday is really on Sept. 11 and 12, JERI believes that it will be difficult for facilities to provide transportation and staff on the weekend. So, they will celebrate the holiday together one day later.

Relatives and friends are invited to participate and join their relatives at this special service. Refreshments will be served. Volunteers are also invited, welcomed and needed. Contact the JERI office at 621-5374 if you plan to attend.

The JERI program's service for Rosh Hashanah will be

aired on Cable TV Interconnect B on:

Sept. 20, 7 to 8 p.m.; Sept. 21, 6 to 7:30 p.m.; and Sept. 22, 12:30 to 2 p.m.

The service for Yom Kippur will be aired on:

Sept. 29, 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. and Sept. 30, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Videos will air on Cox Cable

Sept. 20, 7 p.m.; Sept. 21, 1 p.m.; and Sept. 22, 1 and 3 p.m.

Programs will also appear on Channel 18 in Providence, North Providence, Kent County as follows:

Rosh Hashanah — Sept. 10 at 8 p.m.; Sept. 11 at 1 p.m., 4 p.m., and 8 p.m.; Sept. 12 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

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Cool Hand Ben

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter
His name in Hebrew means dexterity and skill. Ben, the son with the smart hand, lives up to his heritage, inventing, experimenting, and forever seeking his fate and fortune.

I greet my lifelong Providence chum, Ben Weiss, on the fancy stoop of his current address on Wickenden Street. He built this tight little storefront piazza not many seasons ago.

frigerator, a counter with drawers for tools, and even a table-top. Eureka and voila, it's very much like a fairytale fetish. The lost child sets up a meal in the woods away from the court, in ancient legends. Ben has made the literary into the literal, the artistic.

My last report on Ben Weiss featured a new sort of pen gadget. It combined a writing staff with a photo album. You could install bits and pieces of your

phanage was waiting for other Polish children, but of course they never got here. And then, Ben joined the American army and fought in Europe in G.I. uniform. He came to R.I.S.D. and taught there, bought houses around its city campus, painted street scenes in Paris, married a French lady and has a son named "Pascal," or "Pesach."

I make a little speech to Ben as we taste the flavor of his life and career. "They're doing a new downtown that glitters with glamor treatment. But the real Providence is you, the Roger Williams of this century. Not the shopper's paradise, but the handyman heaven you touch into being with everything you do."

There's just no end to the odyssey of Ben Weiss. He makes up his story as it goes along, mixing the lucky and the unlikely. Like everybody else and everything into the bargain, you can look at the plus or minus side of the Weiss saga. But all you have to do is look at one of his recent paintings, gaze at the quirky cleverness of his latest patent gismo, or set and perch with him on his porch, and you will root for the triumph over troubles of his times.

"Go to Israel," I told Ben as I took my leave of him. "and sketch some street scenes. The sabras will love your elegant renderings and bring some special insights to your own story." There's a unique quality of escape about this familiar figure among us. He isn't quite what you think. He's part of all of us. With that shock of white hair, that slight but also stocky form and that creative verve and zest, he is a wondrous Jewish scrooper from out of our past and into our future.



The wee Weiss deck on Wickenden Herald photo by Mike Fink

He holds court and looks both kingly and a little wizard-like as he waves to me. You can't bump into Ben Weiss without learning something startling about his amazing inner resources. This time, my existential guru, my old man Mose, has come up with a magic box. He has designed an entire kitchen in a square crate!

I went up the curving stairway of his house and watched him lift the lid, spread out the sides, and show off the trickiest inside. You find a stove, a re-

snapshots in wee windows fixed onto the shaft of the Bic. I used a Ben pen till I set it up on a shelf as an art object.

Now, maybe there's a whole symbolic world behind a dextrous discovery. If so, it's time to go over the Weiss wanderings. Ben reminds me of his past and his itinerary. "I was born in Poland, but I came to America as a toddler. And then, of course, I was raised in the Jewish orphanage." You can't put Ben himself into any box. Would you call him a survivor? That Jewish or-



Abby, Again

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

The little backyard cafe garden on Wickenden Street brings me friendly solace with its large stone fountain, its umbrella shade, its barrier bamboo planting, its chattering sparrows and cooing pigeons.

You can make believe you are anywhere you like. London or Lisbon, Morocco or Mozambique. Here we staged our rendezvous with Abby Gould Bur-

Abby's late dad was Morton Gould, the renowned composer, conductor, and arranger. "I tried to join all the radical new minority movements of the late '60s, but everybody was splitting off into special factions. Common sense and good will didn't fit in at all."

Stuart told me his story as well. "I was teaching art, but schools started cutting back on



Doves and pigeons at Brook Street. Herald photo by Mike Fink

ton, her husband Stuart, their sons Jeremy and Eli.

Abby was my student at R.I.S.D. decades ago, but of course she has the same voice, eyes, haircut, and *nechama*. For old time's sake she felt like recalling the time of turmoil on a creative campus and filling us in on her family history.

such things, so I switched to "headhunting" to support my family. I was a "political Jew" but my son got way beyond me. He went to school in Wisconsin, sensed the way Jews had become put down and pushed out of leftist thought, and took off for Israel. There, he chose a path of

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September Song

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter
Apt title for a film in September, "Autumn Tale." We saw it our first night back in town, this small French masterpiece by Eric Rohmer. They showed it early, figuring it wouldn't be a crowd pleaser. It was refreshing as chilled champagne.

Rohmer, on the brink of four score years of age, brings a calm wisdom to his view of the human scene. He sets his story in a vineyard and compares the maturing of wine grapes to the unfolding of romance. Take your time, be patient, don't cut corners. A

widowed lady grower with a son in university gets fixed up with a divorced businessman who has taken a personal ad in the local paper.

Along the way, there are misunderstandings and subplots, but they are handled with wit, taste, style, and muted grace. Our American movies always go for the blunt effect. We cater to the big crowds with violent actions and portrayals that spell everything out and ruin any delicacy of touch. We like good guys

and bad guys and simple spelled-out ideas. It's such a treat to see a film from abroad that aims higher.

There wasn't a missed note in "Autumn Tale." You have to talk about it to pull the gentle treasure of its authority, its celebration of the ordinary, its curious mixture of sadness and good cheer. Mostly, it's a matter of tone.

The bottom line is, wine isn't something you drink for health or for kicks. It's the metaphor for all human judgment. If "Autumn" stays somewhere in town or comes out on video, check it out and quaff a draft of pure delight.

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It's time to team up for the fight against breast cancer! Join thousands of men, women and children on Oct. 3 at India Point Park in Providence to kick off the 7th annual American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer 5-mile walk.

"This year in Rhode Island, 700 women will be told they have breast cancer and 200 women will die from the disease. 'Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is a great way to renew our hope in the fight against breast cancer while doing something practical to support the American Cancer Society's research, education, and patient service programs,'" explains Jill Ramos, event manager.

Whether you walk as an individual or as part of a team, you'll raise funds for breast cancer research and the early detection and prevention programs of the American Cancer Society. "This fight takes team work," said Ramos, "and now's the time to get a team together to show your support and to help people right here in Rhode Island." To get a sponsor sign-up sheet and registration form, call the American Cancer Society at (800) 364-5520 or 722-8480.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is a fun, 5-mile walk down Blackstone Boulevard and along the Providence River which begins and ends at the India Point Park. Registration begins at 8 a.m. with opening ceremonies at 8:30 a.m.

Dr. Kelty to Host Free Educational Seminar on Prostate Health

Dr. Patrick Kelty, a Landmark-affiliated urologist with offices in Woonsocket and Providence, will be presenting a free educational seminar, "Prostate Health: What Men Need to Know," on Sept. 16.

The seminar will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Christiansen Conference Center at Landmark Medical Center's Woonsocket Unit, 115 Cass Ave., Woonsocket, R.I. 02895.

"Prostate Health: What Men Need to Know" is the educational component of Landmark Medical Center's planned events for National Prostate Cancer Awareness Week, which is celebrated this year from Sept. 19 to 25. Kelty will discuss general prostate health, as well as prostate cancer and enlarged prostate (including warning signs and symptoms).

The latest treatments and surgical procedures (including prostate thermotherapy for enlarged prostate and prostate brachytherapy, which uses radioactive seed implants to fight early-stage cancers), and the need for early detection and screening (questions, such as What does a PSA level mean? When should men be tested? will be answered). Attendees will also have the opportunity to ask the doctor questions.

All men, their family members, friends, and caregivers are welcome at the seminar. R.S.V.P. is required. Call the Landmark Reservations Line (available 24 hours a day) at 769-4100, ext. 2064. Refreshments will also be served at the seminar.

Men may also want to consider signing up for Landmark's Free Prostate Cancer Screening,

which will be held on Sept. 25 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Landmark Medical Center's Woonsocket Unit. The screening consists of a PSA (prostate specific antigen) test and exam by a Landmark-affiliated urologist.

There are usually no symptoms in early prostate cancer, which is why it is extremely difficult to detect without testing. In fact, screenings have been the only reliable method by identifying the disease in its curable stages. Prostate cancer is highly treatable if it is detected early.

Men who would like to register for the free screening may do so by calling Landmark Medical Center's central scheduling office at 769-4100, ext. 2006.

Memorial Hospital Hosts Rehabilitation Week Presentations

According to the National Rehabilitation Awareness foundation, there are more than 49 million Americans with disabilities.

National Rehabilitation Week, Sept. 12 to 18, recognizes the efforts of rehabilitation professionals from Memorial's and Notre Dame's physical medicine departments and staff on the MacColl rehabilitation unit.

"The work embodies not only inpatients, but outpatients, and those receiving home care, from pediatric to geriatric," notes Maureen Cotter, O.T., an occupational therapist at Memorial.

Memorial's physical medicine department includes the

staffs of physical therapy, occupational therapy, recreational therapy, speech/language pathology, and audiology.

In recognition of Rehabilitation Week, the department has planned numerous events including free hearing screenings for the community, informational displays at Memorial and the Notre Dame Ambulatory Center, and community presentations.

The schedule of events is as follows:

- Free hearing screenings will take place on Sept. 13, 14, 15, and 17. To make an appointment, call 729-2681.

- A community presentation, highlighting services offered by the physical medicine department, will be given on Sept. 15 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Leon Mathieu Senior Center, 420 Main St., Pawtucket.

- At a future date, representatives from Memorial's physical medicine department will provide information to students of Cumberland High School about the various physical medicine health professions available to high-school students.

Free Screening Clinic for Adults With Leg Pain

A free screening to identify Rhode Islanders with peripheral vascular disease will be held on Sept. 17 at Rhode Island Hospital's Potter Building, 2nd floor, between 8 a.m. and noon.

The most common symptoms of PVD, which typically affects those over 50, are pain, numbness, tingling and cramping in the legs. Untreated, PVD can lead to difficulty in walking, ulcers and even gangrene. With early detection, PVD often can be successfully controlled through exercise, diet improvement, smoking cessation and, if necessary, drugs to lower cholesterol or blood pressure.

Timothy Murphy, M.D., director of vascular and interventional radiology is coordinating the screening. Says Murphy, "PVD is seriously under-diagnosed in this population. Older people assume that leg pain is a part of aging, and put up with discomfort and sleeplessness when, in fact, it's a very treatable condition."

The screening, he says, is open to all, but patients should call ahead of time for an appointment. Patients diagnosed with peripheral vascular disease at the free screening will be referred to a physician for follow-up.

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Breakthrough in Battle Against Heart Disease, Diabetes, Cancer

Researchers at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology have developed a simple blood test that predicts whether heart disease patients are likely to recover from blocked arteries, whether cancer patients are likely to have aggressive tumors and whether diabetics are likely to lose their eyesight.

People can grow new blood vessels, but some people grow them more than others. In heart disease patients, new blood vessels help compensate for the clogged vessels that cause heart attacks. But in cancer patients, new vessels provide nourishment for the cancer, while in diabetes patients the vessels cloud the retina, causing blindness.

The test developed at the Technion measures the level of a protein in the blood that promotes the growth of new blood vessels. It was described in the prestigious *Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association* (Aug. 3).

"There are important implications to our findings in terms

of treating heart disease, as well as cancer and diabetes," said Dr. Andrew Levy of the Technion's Rappaport Faculty of Medicine, who led the study. "Heart disease patients whose tests show little potential to generate new vessels could be treated with drugs to increase this potential or treated with surgery. Those who grow new vessels may avoid heart attacks or require less aggressive treatment."

On the other hand, cancer and diabetes patients whose tests show high potential for growing new vessels would require more aggressive treatment than patients who show low potential, Levy explained.

Levy was one of three researchers who in 1989 identified vascular endothelial growth factor, the protein that triggers blood vessel growth. Since then, VEGF has been the subject of intense research around the world.

In the Technion study, the people who did and did not grow new vessels were roughly equal in number.

Free Shriner Clinic

Landmark Medical Center will host a free screening clinic on Sept. 11 to identify children in the area who could benefit from expert orthopedic and burn care provided at a Shriner hospital. The clinic will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Woonsocket Unit, 115 Cass Ave.

The Shriners of Rhode Island is now in its seventh year of sponsoring Outpatient Screening Clinics for Shriner hospitals, which provide treatment for children under age 18 who suffer from orthopedic and burn-related ailments at no cost to the patient, his/her family, or any third-party payer.

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The clinic which will be staffed by volunteer physicians and nurses from Landmark Medical Center, is designed to make a preliminary examination of prospective patients. It is not intended to be a second-opinion opportunity for families whose child is currently under treatment by a physician.

Parents/guardians of prospective patients may schedule an appointment in advance by calling Landmark Medical Center at 769-4100, ext. 2006. Walk-ins on the day the clinic will be evaluated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Memorial Hospital Sponsors Caregivers Educational Series

Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island will sponsor programs on preventing accidental falls, healthy aging and community resources, care for caregivers and end of life issues as part of its Community Wellness Caregivers Educational Series of health programs that are free to the public.

The program on Sept. 22 is entitled, "Preventing Falls." Bruce A. Lazarus, M.D., chief of rehabilitative and restorative care at Memorial Hospital and clinical assistant professor of family medicine at Brown University School of Medicine, will deliver a presentation on falls. He will discuss current literature and statistics on why individuals, especially the elderly, lose their balance and suffer falls. Accidental falls are responsible for a great many injuries each year, causing bruises, cuts, broken bones and far more serious debilitation. Learn prevention strategies and safety tips to minimize your risk of falling.

The second program, Healthy Aging and Community "Resources," will be held on Oct. 26. Elise M. Coletta, M.D., chief of gerontology at Memorial Hospital and assistant professor of family medicine at Brown University School of Medicine, will offer suggestions to help you or a loved one age gracefully. She will also present an overview of the wide variety of community services available to assist you or your family members, including Meals on Wheels, adult day care, home care services and pharmaceutical assistance programs. An assortment of handouts will also be made available to participants.

Both programs will take place 7 p.m. at New Horizons Adult Day Care Center, located at 426 Main St., Pawtucket.

All Community Wellness Caregivers Education programs are free and open to the public. Advance registration is requested by calling 729-2459.

Rhode Island to Host Medical Conference

On Preventing Heart Disease and Stroke

Physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing in the specialties of cardiovascular disease and stroke, general practice, family practice, and internal medicine are invited to attend "We Can Do It! — Preventing CVD and Stroke: A Comprehensive Review on Risk Factor Modification." The three-day conference will be held at The Convention Center, Providence, from Sept. 24 through 26.

More than a dozen medical experts will gather to present lectures and workshops designed to help participants identify patients at risk for coronary artery disease and stroke; to promote behavior change in patients with multiple risk factors; to initiate appropriate pharmacological therapy for patients with pre-existing risk factors, and to recognize cultural barriers to patient access to healthcare and risk reduction programs.

Registration prior to Sept. 17 is \$195, after that date it is \$225. Hotel accommodations are also being made available both at The Westin Hotel and The Providence Marriott. The conference is designated a maximum of 12.5 hours in category 1 towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award and is accredited by the Brown University School of Medicine.

The conference will include the opportunity to attend the world premier of "Heart To Heart (Ain't Your Life Worth Saving?)" an original, culturally sensitive theatrical performance focusing on heart health issues of African American women and how barriers to

healthcare can be broken down.

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- An irrigation management system for open areas and hot-houses via cellular telephone will be presented at the world's largest international agricultural exhibition, AgriTech '99, to be held in Haifa, GLOBES reported. The system was developed by AGM Communication Control.
- Telrad, an Israeli communications company, has signed a cooperation agreement with Daleen, an Israel-based company that programs, develops and installs software systems for international telecoms, GLOBES reported. As part of the agreement, Telrad's new family of "Hawk-Eye" products will be implemented as a Daleen supplementary product providing customers with an overall solution.
- Chromatis Networks, which raised more than \$12 million in venture capital financing, earlier this year, is embarking on another private offering aimed at raising \$20 million based on a company value of about \$100 million, *Ha'aretz* reported. Chromatis Networks, which develops carrier solutions, is headquartered in Bethesda, Md., and maintains its research and development facility in Tel Aviv.
- The Israel Corporation has announced plans to enter the communications field, including the possible acquisition of a controlling stake in Bezeq once the phone monopoly is privatized, *The Jerusalem Post* reported. Company CEO Yosef Rosen said that Israel Corporation intends to become one of the leading players in the communications market and is interested in making major investments.

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Demystifying the Ancient Practice of Acupuncture

by Kimberly Ann Orlandi
Herald Editor

Acupuncture was first introduced in Europe, as far back as 1671, as part of mainstream medicine—a cure for aches, pains, disease and illness. When it was brought to the United States, popular medicine turned its nose up to it and, as a result, relegated it to the streets of Chinatown where it got the reputation of being "medieval." Today, studies show that nearly a third of all Americans use some type of alternative medicine, including acupuncture, spending \$2 billion in 1998. But, the practice of acupuncture is still not readily accepted by the present-day medical community and that's something that frustrates Dr. Alex Tatevian, a board-certified doctor of acupuncture and Chinese herbology at The Pain Management and Acupuncture Center, 192 Smithfield Ave., Pawtucket. What makes Dr. Tatevian's argument so unique is that besides being a certified acupuncturist, he is also a trained cardiologist and chiropractor—a member, if you will, of mainstream medicine.

"It is time to demystify acupuncture. This is not alternative medicine. It is mainstream medicine and has been since it was introduced in Europe," said Tatevian.

Combining acupuncture with traditional Western medicine is something Tatevian has been doing all of his life. He received his degree from the Medical University in Moscow and has been practicing acupuncture for 18 years. What is bothersome to Tatevian is that the medical community frowns upon acupuncture, partly because they don't understand it, which influences the rest of the medical consumers. For Tatevian, it's not a matter of choosing one form of treatment over the other, it's a blend of the two—acupuncture and Western medicine—which benefits the patients the most.

"I didn't know too much about acupuncture when I first

worked, and I was trained in conventional medicine. But, once I started to open my mind and understood the benefits I began to realize how helpful it is. It's not a question of who is right and who is wrong, as long as the patient benefits. That's the most important," said Tatevian.

Disagreements between conventional doctors and acupuncture are wrong according to Tatevian, because the patient becomes secondary. For Tatevian, the patient must be the primary concern of any physician—always asking one's self "how will the patient benefit most?" According to Tatevian, most acupuncturists have a limited medical knowledge and doctors have little or no knowledge of acupuncture. For Tatevian, the solution is to build a bridge between them, something he has been trying to do all of his life and continues to do as a Brown University Medical School faculty member, and most recently on staff at Roger Williams Medical Center.

"My dream is coming true," beamed Tatevian. "While it may be difficult to change the minds of many of the older doctors with regard to the benefits of acupuncture, teaching the next generation of doctors to use any and all methods of treatment for the good of the patient, despite public misconception, is key to becoming a good doctor."

According to Tatevian, there are many medical instances where acupuncture can be beneficial to the patient, from migraine headaches, chronic back pain to labor pains. It is important to note that Tatevian does not condemn the use of conventional medicine nor does he promote the use of acupuncture as a replacement for conventional methods. The question is what will the patient benefit most from and does a patient's ailments mean something more serious may be wrong.

"A person who comes in with chronic headaches may be experiencing something more serious. As part of a patient

workup, I will talk to them about their pain, how long has it been going on, have you seen your regular physician. It may be something as serious as a tumor, or something as simple as stress," said Tatevian. "In that case, they may have to be referred to an oncologist or if we determine that their pain stems from tension, 95 percent of the time acupuncture would help."

Acupuncture should be looked upon, according to Tatevian, as a "partnership with conventional medicine." It should not be a substitute for a regular doctor visit and/or medical treatment." At Roger Williams Hospital, Tatevian will be working with post-operative patients who experience nausea after surgery, something acupuncture can relieve, according to Tatevian. Acupuncture works by inserting needles into precise pressure points which in turn release endorphins, a body's natural pain defense. The process has been scientifically proven to be clinically effective in many cases. It is unique in that it provides relief with no side effects, pain, or lingering soreness.

"In Western medicine, a doctor would treat a patient suffering from back pain, headache and constipation as three separate patients visiting three different doctors. In acupuncture, the patient is treated as a whole. That's the most important."

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The Sexual Assault & Trauma Resource Center of Rhode Island is currently seeking volunteers to work with victims of sexual assault and domestic violence at hospital emergency departments and police stations. To become a volunteer, you must be at least 18 years old, and complete a 36-hour Helpline Training. The next training begins on Sept. 25, and continues over a four-week period. For an application and further information, call Bobbi Houllahan, coordinator of volunteers, at 421-4100, ext. 35.

The training covers a variety of issues, including sexual assault, domestic violence, other violent crimes, legal issues, and child sexual abuse. Upon completion of the training, volunteers are asked to make a minimum six-month commitment to the program, and to cover 3- to 6-hour shifts per month.

The Sexual Assault & Trauma Resource Center of R.I. (formerly the R.I. Rape Crisis Center) is the sole agency in the state organized specifically to deal with issues of sexual assault as a community concern. Its mission is to address the trauma of victimization through a comprehensive range of services, including intervention, treatment, education and prevention.

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Justice or Injustice

Dershowitz's latest novel examines the question by Kimberly Ann Orlandi
Herald Editor

The Talmud says, "Whoever takes revenge destroys his own home." That is the premise put to the reader by Harvard Law Professor Alan Dershowitz in his latest novel, *Just Revenge*. The book is centered around Max Menuchen, an elderly Holocaust survivor and scholar who lives with the vivid nightmare of the 1943 Passover slaying of his young son, pregnant wife and grandfather in Vilna, Lithuania, by the blood-stained hands of Lithuanian soldiers. Barely escaping with his own life, Max emigrates to America where tries to begin life again with the help of his friends, attorney Abe Ringel and his family—but his otherwise normal existence is shattered when, by chance, he discovers that the militia captain who led the bloody massacre, Marcellus Prandus, is now an old man living outside of Boston near his two sons and grandchildren. Despite the fact that Prandus is dying from cancer, it gives Max no satisfaction to know that Prandus still has his family to sustain him—and Max does not. All Max remembers is the last words his grandfather yelled before he was killed: *Revenge!* But how could Max ever hurt a man whose life is already slipping away? *Revenge* against Prandus' family.

"It is a disturbing thought,"

said Dershowitz during a recent telephone interview before embarking on his book tour, "to think that a person could have such thoughts of revenge, but it is possible and it's a scenario I imagined after visiting Germany."

During his trip, Dershowitz said he was appalled by the blatant ignorance of the German people with regard to the Holocaust and the hero worship of the Nazis exhibited by some of the German people. It was at that point that he vowed to set the scales of justice right for the victims of the Holocaust and their families, and he has done so with this book. In it, Dershowitz examines the question of taking the law into one's own hands and the consequences of revenge. "It's perfectly natural to feel the need for revenge, especially when those who were to blame for the Holocaust failed to face the consequences" said Dershowitz, "but acting upon those thoughts outside the reigns of the legal system is not. This was the hardest book I've had to write and it's due in part to the personal nature of the subject of the book."

For Dershowitz, the book is very personal, right down to the

photograph on the front jacket which depicts members of his family. All of them, except for one son who emigrated to Palestine, were killed during the Holocaust, along with many other family members including his great grandfather, Avraham Mordecai Ringel, for whom Abe Ringel, the central



Alan Dershowitz

character in his books *Just Revenge* and *The Advocate's Devil*, is named. The female character, Emma Ringel, Abe's daughter, is based loosely on Dershowitz's

own daughter Etta, although much of her character development and interaction with her father is somewhat a projection of the path Dershowitz hopes his own daughter takes. Abe, of course, has some of Dershowitz's own qualities, along with those of his son who is also an attorney. The seemingly strong yet vulnerable Max is a combination of people Dershowitz has met over the years, including several of his mentors.

"I started this book from scratch three times," said Dershowitz, "because each time it [the book] started out too angry."

What Dershowitz has produced is a book which examines not only the legal system, but the morality of that system and those who participate in it—something he himself has had to deal with in his more than 35 years as an attorney.

"I've often experienced the same things Abe does with regard to defending someone you may suspect of being guilty and I've often come up against the same public scrutiny with regard to the people I defend," said Dershowitz. Among Dershowitz's many clients have been O.J. Simpson, Claus von

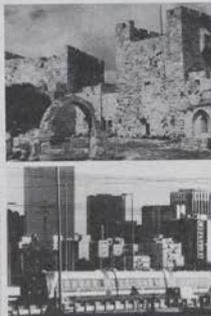
Bulow, Michael Milken, Jonathan Pollard and Leona Helmsley. "I could never be a good Christian," said Dershowitz, "I don't have the ability to turn the other cheek."

Dershowitz hopes that this book will open the eyes of those who may otherwise be blind to the horrific details of the Holocaust and educate the young people as to the consequences of one's actions—not just about the victims but on the world as a whole. "No matter what the religious or ethnic background," said Dershowitz, "we were all touched by the Holocaust in some way. And as we approach the next millennium, the greatest fear many of us have is that people will forget, and we can not let that happen."

Just Revenge, (Warner Books), is available at bookstores everywhere including College Hill Book Store, Thayer Street, Providence.

Dershowitz book tour will take him back to Boston beginning Sept. 15 at Harvard Coop, Cambridge, at 7 p.m. Other stops on his Boston tour include: Sept. 30 at Tatnuck Booksellers, Worcester, 6:30 p.m.; Oct. 9 at BJS, Framingham, at 2 p.m.; Oct. 20 at Boston Globe Book Festival, Boston Public Library, at 5 p.m.; Oct. 21 at the Concord Festival of Authors at 8 p.m.; and on Nov. 2 at the JCC in Newton, Mass.

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Shattered Shakespeare to Appear at Jenks Junior High School

Rehearsing for an upcoming play are, (from left) Jen Tobin of Pawtucket, Janette Gregorian of Cranston, Kate Dietz (seated) of Warwick, Geri Sereno of Hopkinton and Darlene Mixer of Pawtucket. They portray five of Shakespeare's heroines in "When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet," one of three one-act plays being presented as part of The Community Players' third annual One-Act Showcase entitled "3 By 3: Shattered Shakespeare." The one act plays will be presented at Jenks Junior High School in Pawtucket on Sept. 17, 18 and 19. For reservations, call 726-6860.

Photo by Karen Gail Kessler

PPAC President Receives Prestigious Appointment

J.L. "Lynn" Singleton, president of the Providence Performing Arts Center, an historic 3,200-seat theater which annually presents a dozen major Broadway tours, a roster of family shows, and a mix of contemporary music and comedy acts, is one of four people appointed to the 1999-2000 executive committee of the prestigious League of American Theatres and Producers, Inc., in New York City. Singleton recently received word of the appointment with congratulations from the league's executive director, Jed Bernstein.

Bernstein said, "We are pleased Lynn Singleton will serve on the league's executive committee this year. In addition to his years of experience as a Broadway presenter, promoter, and producer, he has made vital contributions as a member of

our board. I am looking forward to working with him in the season ahead."

The League of American Theatres and Producers, Inc., has an extensive roster of member theaters throughout the United States which it serves through conferences, advisory committees, information, and labor and government relations efforts. The executive committee advises the league's Board of Governors on a number of decisions and is responsible for setting the annual budget, admitting new members, appointing chairpersons, and approving outside partnerships.

Singleton said he is pleased and honored to receive the appointment. "It's nice to get a vote of confidence from one's colleagues."

The new term will begin in September 1999.

Hawks in Flight

A raptor in flight can be an awe-inspiring sight, but very difficult to identify. Learn the finer points of identifying these birds of prey on Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. at Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge in Exeter. Raptor expert Joe Zbyrowski will present an evening of tips on raptor identification with an informative slideshow. He will particularly focus on identifying these birds in flight.

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Fall is an excellent time of year to catch a glimpse of these incredible aviators. Many raptors migrate to warmer climes once New England days begin to shorten. To aid in their travel, they rely on solar thermals to soar high in the sky while expending very little energy. In certain parts of the country, it is not uncommon to see hundreds of these feathered creatures at one time traveling south.

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New Exhibit Marks
Celebration of Library's
20th Birthday

A ruby and diamond brooch President Kennedy personally selected and purchased for his wife days before his inauguration will be among the items displayed to the public for the first time when the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum opens "Treasures of the Kennedy Library" on Oct. 9.

The special "Treasures of the Kennedy Library" exhibit, which is part of the library's 20th anniversary celebration, will offer a selection of the most important treasures from the Kennedy Library's collections including antiquities, sculpture, jewelry from the estate of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, paintings, Kennedy family memorabilia, and important documents from the papers of President John F. Kennedy. Most of the items have never been displayed before and may be seen by the public through May 1, 2000.

Among some of the other treasures to be displayed are: Jacqueline Kennedy's emerald

and diamond engagement ring; President Kennedy's gold signet ring, a gift from his wife on his first birthday in the White House; a marble replica of Michelangelo's "Pieta" presented to President Kennedy by Pope Paul VI; a gown made from gold and silk fabric given to Mrs. Kennedy by the King of Saudi Arabia; a gold belt, bracelet and purse decorated with diamonds, rubies and emeralds presented to Mrs. Kennedy by King Hassan II of Morocco; President Kennedy's notes for his inaugural address; portraits of President Kennedy by Norman Rockwell, Elaine deKooning, and Jamie Wyeth; and a hand-carved ivory model of an ancient Egyptian barge presented to President Kennedy by Egyptian President Gamel Abdel Nasser.

In celebration of its 20th birthday, the Kennedy Library also will waive admission to the public on Oct. 20. Kennedy Library is located at Columbia Point, Boston, Mass. 02125. Call (617) 929-4500; fax (617) 929-4538. Website is <http://www.cs.umb.edu/jfklibrary/index.htm>.

Fund-Raiser to Benefit Rachel Epstein

Infant Diagnosed With Canavan Disease

The Rachel's Hope Walk will be held at Bryant College on Douglas Pike in Smithfield, R.I., on Sept. 18 to benefit the Rachel's Hope Fund. The walk will help Rachel Epstein, an 11-month-old Worcester resident who has recently been diagnosed with Canavan Disease, a fatal disease with no known cure or treatment. The walk is sponsored by Delta Zeta Sorority of Bryant College. Sherri Epstein, Rachel's mother, graduated from Bryant College in 1989 and is an alum of Delta Zeta.

Rachel was born to Sherri and Ken Epstein in October 1998, a seemingly healthy and happy baby girl. Within a few short months, it became obvious Rachel was not developing at a normal rate. Three months ago, she was diagnosed with Canavan Disease, which is known to affect only about 500 to 1,000 children in the United States. Rachel is the country's youngest known case at this time.

Canavan Disease is a rare genetic disease in which there is a deterioration of myelin (white matter) in the brain. It is a progressive disease that will steal Rachel's vision, muscle tone, and cause seizures and eating problems. She will never sit up, crawl, walk or speak. Children like her have a life expectancy of 1 to 4 years, although some survive into adolescence.

Her parents discovered the Canavan Research Fund, which will be orchestrating a second Gene Therapy Trial to be held in the year 2000 at the Thomas Jefferson Medical University in Philadelphia, Pa. Rachel is a prime candidate for the trial which, at this point in

time, offers the only hope for a cure or effective treatment for her.

Since the study is still in the research stage, Rachel's insurance company will not pay for doctors' fees, hospital expenses, prescriptions, and travel and overnight costs that are necessary for Rachel's inclusion in the study. Through the walk, friends and family members are hoping to raise money that will help them pay for these related expenses.

Registration for the walk will begin at 9 a.m. on Sept. 8 at the Bryant College Campus on Douglas Pike in North Smithfield. The walk will begin at 10 a.m.

People who are interested in participating in the walk can contact Sherri or Ken Epstein at (508) 852-6282 or register online at <RcEcanavan@aol.com>. If people or companies wish to make donations to the Rachel's Hope Fund, the address is Rachel's Hope Fund, c/o Flagship Bank, 75 Gold Star Boulevard, Worcester, MA 01605. Checks may be made payable to Rachel's Hope Fund.

Donations may also be made to the Canavan Research Fund, which will help pay for the research trials, the research mouse, researchers' salaries, and necessary equipment. The address is Canavan Research Fund, 16 School St., Rye, N.Y. 10580. Note on all donations that it is in honor of Rachel Epstein.

To learn more about Canavan Disease, visit <www.canavan.org> or <www.canavanfoundation.org>. Rachel's website address is <http://hometown.aol.com/rcanavan/index.html>.

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The Hottest Place to be at Providence Place is 'Fire & Ice'

by Kimberly Ann Orlandi
Herald Editor

It's Providence's newest addition to the restaurant scene where the sauces can be as hot as you want them but where the atmosphere is always cool—hence the name Fire & Ice, Providence Place's latest restaurant to open on the street level of Francis Street, just beneath Filene's. At Fire & Ice, dining is not just a delightful culinary experience for the taste buds, but it's a visually sensory trip through the abstract.

With 8,500 square feet to encompass, the dining area looks more like a Lichtenstein painting than the inside of a restaurant. Dangling from the high ceilings are huge brightly colored abstract shapes in primary colors. A magnificent silver sculpture with large lighted glass balls sprouts in the center of the dining area like a large weeping willow. The tables are spread far enough apart for dining privacy, but for extra intimacy, each booth—which have highbacks which add additional privacy. Hanging throughout

the dining area are upside down lamps complete with shades of red, yellow, and blue. But, it's to the center of the dining area where all of the attention is drawn and what makes Fire & Ice such a unique dining experience—a 10' circular grill.

Like its sister restaurant in Cambridge, with others to open soon in the Back Bay of Boston and the North Shore area, Fire & Ice allows its patrons not only to choose what they want to eat, but to be active participants in the preparation. Upon being shown to your table, your server takes you on a guided tour of the service area. Here, you make your own selections, filling your bowl with cubes of meats, fish, chicken or turkey, vegetables, and pasta—all topped off by a wide variety of sauces you choose. But choose your sauce carefully—from the mayor's own marinara to Fire & Ice fajita, each sauce is labeled with either one, two, three or four flames depending upon how hot you like it. My suggestion is the dijon scallion. Once your bowl is full, it's time to proceed to the

grill, where you can watch the gentlemen grill your meal right before your eyes. When you return to your table, a steaming bowl of white rice and warm tortillas await. You can even complement your meal with a selection of prepared salads with various dressings. This innovative idea is the brainchild of owners John Schall and James Miller.

"Everything is fresh all of the time," said Schall. "From the fish to the sauces, nothing is frozen or left sitting. The menu will change depending on the market or the season."

With the frequent changes in the menu, it's possible to have something different every time you visit. As you're making your selection, subconsciously you're already trying to figure out what you're going to have the next time. Schall realizes that the concept of a unique grilling restaurant may not appeal to everyone, and that's fine with him. "There are those who may want to be served and waited on, and for those people there are other restaurants. But, if you're look-



ing for a place that's fun and serves good quality, fresh food, that's low-fat too, then this is the place for you," said Schall.

When Schall first opened the Cambridge restaurant in 1997, it quickly became a favorite of locals and tourists alike. For Schall, Providence was just a natural extension in which to bring his restaurant and when he and Miller were sought out by the developers of the mall, it was a wonderful compliment and an offer they didn't think twice about taking.

Schall is quick to point out that in the beginning he knew nothing about owning a restaurant. His background is in economics and publishing. In 1984 he joined the Dukakis administration as State Recycling Director and in 1988 he founded and directed the Solid Waste Division of the Tellus Institute in Boston. He spent two years as a visiting professor and research fellow at Yale University and until recently, was vice president of business development for Resource Recycling Systems in Ann Arbor, Michigan. As Schall brings his niche for figures to the partnership, Miller brings the restaurant experience. Miller was a partner in Steve's Ice Cream during its early inception and was an initial investor in Bertucci's. Recently, Miller

became the CEO of Baldini's, a chain of eight Italian restaurants in Greater Boston, among his other entrepreneurial ventures.

"If you want to know how many shrimp I order in a week or how many mushrooms I used last year, then I'm the man to ask," joked Schall. "But when I came up with this idea, I just knew it was going to be a home run," and it has been.

Fire & Ice is a place to take the kids, a fun first date, a unique place to celebrate a special occasion or just to stop in and have a quick bite for lunch or dinner. Don't let the mall construction scare you away. Parking is convenient in the mall garage and the stroll down Francis Street is well worth the trip to have a wonderful meal, served by friendly, smiling faces. And I'd mention that the service is fast! Within the next few weeks, Schall expects to open the outdoor patio for dining. Great, a reason for me to go back!

Fire & Ice is open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and dinner from 4 p.m. to 1 a.m. seven days a week. The restaurant is fully handicapped accessible and they do accept reservations Sunday through Thursday for parties of six or more. Major credit cards accepted. Call 270-4040.

RISD Museum Offers a Plate Full of Activities

Programs Accompany
RISD's Futuristic Kitchen

The Rhode Island School of Design is hosting a variety of programs for all ages during its Universal Kitchen exhibition.

On view until Oct. 3, the Universal Kitchen project began five years ago when a team of RISD faculty, alumna, and students questioned why the kitchen's layout has not changed since the '40s, especially since it is considered the new heart of the home. Now with the elderly population increasing at an astounding rate, kids being left

alone at younger ages, and baby boomers facing the aging process without interrupting their lifestyle, kitchen design needs to be intergenerational. Students at RISD set out to create a kitchen that includes people of all ages and abilities.

This kitchen of the future is conceived as a "kit-of-parts," including refrigeration units, dishwashers, ovens, countertop burners, and cabinets that can be customized for different users, all designed to minimize movement and effort. Two kitchen concepts—accompanied by a display of existing

universally designed products, appliances, utensils, cutlery, and dinnerware—are on view.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 12 — 3 to 4:30 p.m., Family Workshop: What's Cooking? (Reservation suggested)

Sept. 16 — 6:30 p.m., Artists Speak: Exploring Kitchens for the New Millennium. Participants can see the pop-up dishwashers, retractable burners, and adjustable counter heights—just a few of the innovations of Universal Kitchen.

Sept. 19 — 2:30 p.m., The Universal Kitchen: A Cook's Critique. Join Bruce Tillinghast, chef/owner of New Rivers Restaurant, will discuss the innovative RISD-produced kitchen systems on display in the museum's gallery.

Oct. 1 — 12:15 p.m., Curator's Lunch Talks: The Universal Kitchen. Join Michael Lyne, student team project manager, for a behind-the-scenes glimpse RISD student role in the development of the visionary kitchen project.

All events are open to the general public and are free with museum admission. For more information or to reserve a spot for the Sunday Family Workshop, call 454-6500.

nation's independence; Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone; and, most importantly, it was the year baseball's National League was formed. Two years later, Providence, R.I., was home to a major league franchise, the Grays of the National League. During the team's eight seasons, the Grays compiled a .612 winning percentage—second only to the Chicago White Stockings during that period—and won two pennants and the first World Series.

Hollywood, Baseball and Testa at the Library

Barrington filmmaker Richard Testa, Jr., will screen two of his short documentary films, "Hollywood Comes to America" and "Anatomy of the Grays," at the Barrington Public Library, 281 County Road, Barrington, on Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Sixty-five percent of American adults saw at least one movie a week. Downtown Providence had 11 movie theaters. Popcorn cost 10¢ a bag. In "Hollywood Comes to America," filmmaker Richard Testa chronicles the business of major studio-run theaters in Providence during the 1930s and 1940s. In the late 1920s, Hollywood took over theaters in American cities, controlling everything from production to distribution, exhibition to publicity. Archive photos bring Providence's grand movie palaces of the era to life, and interviews with former users, publicity agents and managers of the now-defunct, studio-owned theaters tell a fascinating tale of the lengths they went in order to fill the seats.

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OBITUARIES

SARA FRADIN

NORTH PROVIDENCE — Sara Fradin, 93, of Smithfield Road, owner and operator with her husband of the former Charles Fradin Upholstery Co., Cranston, for 40 years, retiring 17 years ago, died Sept. 5 at Hopkins Manor. She was the wife of the late Charles Fradin.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Louis and Jenny (Hoffman) Polofsky, she had lived in Cranston for 25 years before moving to North Providence seven years ago.

A member of Temple Torat Yisrael and the former Temple Beth Israel, she also belonged to the Sisterhood of both temples. She was a member of the former Pioneer Women and the Women's Association of the former Jewish Home for the Aged.

She made bandages and knitted sweaters as a volunteer for the Red Cross during World War II.

She leaves two sons, Jack Fradin of Cranston and Harry Fradin of Miami Gardens, Fla.; a sister, Dorothy Peskin of Boca Raton, Fla.; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Joseph, Kelman, Phillip, Peter and Harry Polofsky, Molly Levy and Eva Mazo.

The funeral was held Sept. 7 in Shalom Memorial Chapel, 1100 New London Ave., Cranston. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by Shalom Memorial Chapel.

MARY GOLDBERG

PROVIDENCE — Mary Goldberg, 91, of Chestnut Hill,

Mass., a former primary school teacher in Massachusetts, died Sept. 5 at home. She was the wife of the late Philip Goldberg.

Born in Lawrence, Mass., a daughter of the late Ezra and Fannie (Cohen) Budnick, she had lived in Providence before she moved to Massachusetts in 1981.

She had taught five grades in a one-room schoolhouse in New York, where she has also been a track coach in the 1930s.

She was an active member of Hadassah, the PTA of the Providence Hebrew Day School and the Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El. She had been a Cub Scout den mother.

She graduated from Salem State Teachers College and Lowell State College and had pursued further studies at Columbia Teachers College, New York.

She leaves two sons, Alfred Goldberg of Chestnut Hill and Harris Goldberg of Woodstock, N.Y., and four grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Morris and Joseph Budnick and Ida Karp.

A graveside service was held Sept. 6 at Lincoln Park Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

DAVID LEON RESNICK

PROVIDENCE — David Leon Resnick died Aug. 30. He is survived by his wife, his sister, Mrs. Bertha Summer, nephews and nieces.

Services were held Aug. 31 at the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Arrangements were

made by the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel.

SRUL RIMEL

PROVIDENCE — Srul Rimel, 89, of 243 Cole Ave., an accountant for the Ukrainian government before retiring in 1969, died Sept. 3 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of the late Ida Shacknovetsky.

Born in Ukraine, a son of the late Gregory and Maria Rimel, he had lived in Ukraine and Israel before moving to Providence in 1983.

He was a scholar in Jewish subjects, studied in Israel for 10 years, continuing his education with classes at the Jewish Community Center. He was a member of the Jewish Community Center and attended the chapel services at Temple Emanu-El. He was known for his kindness and charity.

He leaves a daughter, Betty Poljak of Providence; a son, Josef Rimel in the Ukraine; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild. He was the brother of the late Efim Rimel.

The funeral was held Sept. 5 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel.

ESTHER THALER

FALL RIVER — Esther Thaler, of 616 Langley St., a real estate broker, died Aug. 30 at St. Anne Hospital. She was the wife of the late Jacob Joseph Thaler. Born in New York City, a daughter of the late Harry and Rebecca (Katz) Hamerslag, she

had lived in Fall River for many years.

She was a real estate broker for Town House Realty of Somerset and a member of the Massachusetts Board of Realtors.

She was a member of Temple Beth El and its Sisterhood, and Adas Israel Synagogue.

She leaves two sons, Fredric E. Thaler of Rehoboth and David M. Thaler of Mound,

Minn.; a daughter, Mona B. Thaler of Brookline, Mass.; a sister, Shirley Roiter of Hewitt, N.J.; and four grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Louis Hamerslag.

A funeral service was held Sept. 1 in Temple Beth El, 385 High St. Burial was in Beth El Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

Happiness Is

by Herb Brown ©1999

On a charcoal-colored wintry day, I see the white caps and hear the rumble of the ocean's waves as they are relentlessly driven to the now deserted and barren beach, its deeply bronzed summer visitors long since gone. I see the ebbing tide, as the waves, not even a shadow of their former selves, but merely a flat dampness imprinted on the now pristine sand, creep back to their birth place, only to begin the never-ending cycle one more time. And I'm happy.

I see flowers, so many flowers, too many to name, each one aflame with its own brilliance, its own distinctive fragrance, form and stature. Alone, they stand regal and proud, even those who hover close to the earth, as if to proclaim, "I am the most beautiful of all!" But together, as a garden, they impart a magnificence beyond description. I'm filled with emotion at its loveliness and I know how the world would thrive if we could live together like the flowers in a garden.

Flowers and gardens make me happy.

I see trees, some slender and tall, and others with trunks almost as wide around as a pygmy elephant. I see the tree that would not bend to the strongest wind, yet welcome an even more painful time, as a yet un-shaven, love-smitten, and far too young (in his dotting mother's eyes) as he scratched four initials inside a virgin heart. I see its gnarled and twisted branches, stretching, reaching, stretching, reaching toward the unattainable heights of the Heavens. And I see its leaves, fluttering, or are they shivering, at the thought that it might even happen?

Trees make me happy.



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eBay Helps Mt. Pleasant Students Fund Close Up Study Visit

What do former President George Bush and Mrs. Bush have in common with celebrities Steve Martin, Pat Sajak, and Vanna White? These well-knowns, along with a host of other entertainment, political, and sports personalities, are helping a group of Mt. Pleasant High School students and their teacher, Frederic Suzman, raise funds to participate in the Close Up Foundation government studies program in Washington, D.C., early next year. Close Up is the nation's largest non-profit, non-partisan citizenship education organization.

These personalities and others have provided Suzman with a variety of autographed items for sale on eBay, the popular internet auction service. Items are listed under Suzman's e-mail address: suzman@ride.ri.net. Proceeds from the sales, which are expected to continue throughout the year, will be used to help finance Mt. Pleasant student participation in Close Up the week of Feb. 13, 2000.

Currently, Suzman and his students are awaiting final bids on the biggest prize so far — a script from the Pilot Episode of M*A*S*H, the hit television series starring Alan Alda and Mike Farrell. The script is autographed by screenwriter Larry Gelbart. Another M*A*S*H script, sans autograph, raised \$155 for the group last year.

Other celebrities who have donated to the group include Garfield creator Jim Davis, pop star Elvira, and auto racing star Dale Jarrett.

During their week in Washington, the Mt. Pleasant students will be mixed with students from other areas of the country for daily debates, discussions, and activities. They will focus on both domestic and international issues as they attend seminars on Capitol Hill and meet government officials, political figures, lobbyists, and representatives of the Washington press corps to learn more about the federal process. There will be opportunities to tour the city, visit local universities, and attend cultural events.

Suzman has coordinated Mt. Pleasant's involvement in the Close Up program for the past seven years. Last year, he and seven Mt. Pleasant students participated.

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Maccabi Team Returns From the Games in Rochester

Following an impressive showing at the 1999 Maccabi Games in Rochester, N.Y., the 12-member TEAM JCCRI returned to Rhode Island with a total of 25 medals. Pictured here are (back row, left to right): Michelle Levinson, Jodi Finkelman, Elana Riffle, Alison Link (coach), Jamie Finkelman, Jackie Nelson, Shye Tzadock (coach); (front row, left to right) Jackie Nelson, Marcy Ginklowitz, Marina Shayevich, Rachel Furman, Rachel Holloway and Ami Ziff.

Photo courtesy of JCCRI

ACT Announces R.I. Youth Playwriting Competition

The All Children's Theatre is pleased to announce the commencement of the fourth annual Rhode Island Youth Playwriting Competition. The competition is open to home-school students as well as students enrolled in R.I. public and private high schools in grades nine to 12 as of September 1999.

The competition, partially funded by Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, is for one-act plays with a maximum running time of 30 minutes. Plays must be unpublished and completely original and adaptations will not be accepted. There are no limitations on subject and style but musicals and screenplays are not eligible.

A rewrite workshop will be held at the Vartan Gregorian School Theatre, 455 Wickenden St., Providence, on Nov. 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for any student interested in reviewing their in-progress work. Members of the All Children's Theatre Ensemble will read scenes from plays in progress followed by discussion and suggestions from participating student playwrights, actors, and the playwriting producer.

Following the competition deadline on Dec. 20, up to six winners will be chosen by a panel of judges. The winning plays will be produced and performed by teen-age Ensemble members for Playwriting Festival audiences in May.

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Jewish tradition provides the following guidelines:

- The sukkah should be temporary, so you should not use your garage or storage shed.
- The sukkah should not be put up under a tree.
- The roof should be made of things that grow in the ground, like branches or slats of wood covered with leaves. It must be open and covered enough to provide more shade than sun, but the stars must be able to peek through the branches and rain should be able to come in.