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Construction will triple space, expand vision, at Brown Hillel

**Groundbreaking
October 25**

By Jonathan Rubin

Brown Hillel has decided to change its image from the ground up — literally.

In an \$8 million construction project, the Providence-based Hillel will expand its facilities from 8,000 to 25,000 square feet, adding a landscaped garden for lounging and learning, a massive multi-purpose room, the connecting of three 18th Century buildings and high-tech computer facilities.

The organization says that with the changes, it will own both the oldest and newest Hillel buildings in the world. And a new space is exactly what is needed, leaders say.

"Every Hillel across the country that has built a building has doubled or tripled attendance," said Richard Kirschen, rabbi and executive director at



THE NEW Glenn and Darcy Weiner Hillel Center as it appears in an architect's rendering

Brown Hillel.

The old facility, he said, was much too small for the more than 25 groups and clubs that Hillel encompasses.

"We only had two big rooms; now, if we want to have

a Talmud class, a Black-Jewish dialogue group and an *apella* rehearsal, we can do that in the new building."

The facility will occupy nearly an entire square block at Brown and Angell Streets,

with the new construction to take place on Olive Street. The project, set to be completed by spring of 2004, is among many construction projects currently underway in the Jewish comm-

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Community Campaign kicks off

'Home Sweet Home' brings total to \$600,000

By Jonathan Rubin

Sometimes, charity can seem like a burden. With a depressed economy and the stock market taking a hit, a lot of people have put giving on the back burner this year. So when the Women's Alliance at the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island held their "Home Sweet Home" fundraising event to kick off their community campaign Sept. 18...well... they could be excused for feeling a little bit apprehensive.

By the time the day had ended, a total of nearly \$100,000 in pledges convinced them otherwise (an average increase of 12 percent over last year). This brings the total at the end of the first week of the campaign to more than \$600,000, with five more weeks to go.

Home Sweet Home, a

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Photo by Jonathan Rubin

EMISSARIES Yael Nir, left, and Orit Sobko.

Israeli teens lend, like, helping hands to R. I.

By Jonathan Rubin

Yael Nir and Orit Sobko, both 18, are young women on a mission.

Both from Afula in northern Israel, they arrived here a few weeks ago, and over the coming year they'll be making their way around Jewish Rhode

Island and Southeastern Massachusetts.

Their assignment: Transforming themselves into a combination of tour guides, Hebrew teachers and all-around Israel information centers — in synagogues, Hebrew schools and

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A 'super sukkah' rises at synagogue

By Jonathan Rubin

How many guests can you fit into your sukkah? Fifteen? Twenty-five? Thirty if you add that extra table?

Congregation Beth Shalom in Providence has constructed an addition in honor of one of its recent bar mitzvahs, and it's one *serious* sukkah.

Built to hold the 175 guests who arrived for Daniel Gladstone's bar mitzvah last Saturday, the permanent, 30- by 30-foot addition to the synagogue was funded by Daniel's parents, Julie and Bruce Gladstone. They decided that the old sukkah, a third the size of the new one and about 25 years old, had received enough of a beating from harsh New England storms.

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Jenny Klein, a teacher for the ages, dies at 95

By Jonathan Rubin

It seemed to work without fail in Rhode Island — if you asked a large amount of Jews "How many of you had Jenny Klein as a teacher?" — dozens of hands would invariably shoot up. And even those who hadn't been her students knew of her and her legacy, knew her fantastic stories with a mind that seemingly never forgot anything, all of which was packed into a little frame about five feet tall.

Jenny (Machlowitz) Klein, tireless Jewish educator for more than 70 years, a prolific writer, recipient of countless awards



Klein

and a trendsetting woman in the workplace, died Tuesday, Sept. 24. She was 95.

Known for her strong convictions and an unwavering moral sense that she exuded from her teachings, news of her passing spread like wildfire throughout the Jewish community, causing groups of people everywhere to stop where they were and start exchanging

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Sept. 28

A 'Golem' puppet show

An original puppet production, "The Golem," will take place at the RISD Museum's "Free for All" Saturday program entitled "Magic and Monsters."

Local puppeteer Dusan Petran was awarded grants by the Rhode Island Foundation and the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts to create the work, based on a popular medieval Czech folk tale. Petran crafted the puppets of wood in the Czech tradition. He will host a puppet-making workshop at the Museum Oct. 6 at 3 p.m. For further information call) 454-6674.

Oct. 2

Cranston Senior Guild

The Cranston Senior Guild will meet at 1 p.m. at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave, Cranston. Members and their friends are invited. Guest speaker will be Tony Petrarca, chief meteorologist at Channel 12. Refreshments and a raffle will follow the meeting.

Oct. 6

Torat Yisrael adult education

Temple Torat Yisrael, Cranston, will host an introduction to its adult B'nai Mitzvah program at 9:45 a.m., open to members and non-members. Commitments may be made to a two-year program, or to indi-

vidual courses of study. Calendars and preliminary Hebrew material will be distributed. On Sunday, Oct. 20, a crash course will be held for those who wish to learn the Hebrew alphabet or refresh their Hebrew. Cost will be \$8 for materials and lunch. For more information or RSVP call Beth Fine-Nelson at 785-1890 or 734-9394.

Fall River Yiddish Club

The Fall River Yiddish Club will resume meeting with a program by Fall River native Bob Fradkin performing Yiddish folk songs. He accompanies himself on guitar. He will be joined by his mother and teacher, Charlotte. A professor of Slavic and Semitic languages, he has been learning and performing folk music since his days at Durfee High School in Fall River, and uses his music as a part of his classroom curriculum. Club meetings will continue on the first Sunday of every month at 1 p.m. in the Adas Israel Synagogue. Anyone wishing to participate may call (508) 678-4273.

Oct. 9

Adult education course on Judaism

A three-week course on exploring the many facets of Judaism in today's world, with Beth Fine-Nelson, will be held at Temple Torat Yisrael, Cranston, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. This will be an informal group with conversation and noshing. The program is free and open to the community. For more information call Beth at 785-1790.

Oct. 10

Muslim life topic of talk

Bat Ye'or, an Egyptian-born Jew who has written four books and many articles on the subject of *Dhimmitude*, non-Muslims living under Muslim rule, will lecture at Brown University's Salomon Hall, room 001, at 7:30 p.m. Her talk is supported by the C.V. Starr Foundation Lectureships Fund. Salomon Hall is the main green between George and Waterman Streets.

Oct. 11-12

Ohawe Shalom resets event

"Shabbos in Heaven, Pawtucket, a Carlebach Shabbos. For more information call Rabbi Schuman at 722-3146.

Oct. 12

Holocaust documentary

The award-winning documentary, *Bearing Witness: American Soldiers and the Holocaust* will have its first public showing at 8 p.m. at Striar Jewish

Community Center in Stoughton, Mass. Al Rosen, author of the 21-minute video, was a staff sergeant in the U.S. Army who helped liberate the Dachau Concentration Camp. He created this video, featuring eight speakers who themselves were witnesses, and never-before-seen photographs. A panel discussion will follow. Admission will be a \$5 donation to the Striar JCC. For more information contact Gershon Levine at (781) 341-2016, ext.279, or email glevine@jccgb.org.

Oct. 16, 20, 21

Hadassah events

Rhode Island Hadassah has planned the following events: Bible study, 10 a.m. Oct. 16 at the Hadassah office, 1150 New London Ave., Cranston; "Bagel Nosh" with Providence Journal political columnist M. Charles Bakst, 10 a.m. Oct. 20 at the Jewish Community Center; book discussion, at 10 a.m. Oct. 21 at the home of Shirley Schreiber, Villa del Rio, Warwick. Call 463-3636 for more information.

Oct. 20

Conservative Judaism installation

Dr. Martin Newman, of Providence, will be installed as president of The New England Region, United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, at 9:45 a.m. at Temple Emanu-El. The day's program will also include talks on the theme "Listening to our Congregants," a catered kosher luncheon, and further meetings, ending at 2 p.m. Oct. 11 is the reservation deadline. For further information call (617) 964-8210, or Temple Emanu-El at 331-1616.

Oct. 20

Israel products exposition

An "Israel Products Expo" will be held at Maimonides School, on Philbrick Road in Brookline, Mass. Under the auspices of Combined Jewish Philanthropies (the Jewish Federation), the fair will provide U.S. sales opportunities to Israeli retailers who have suffered losses due to the drop in tourism. For more information call (617) 232-4414.

Nov. 24

Holiday fair set at Beth-El

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El will hold a holiday bazaar and crafts fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Those wanting to participate should call 331-6070 before Sept. 27. Melissa Baker and Gaye Belsky Gluck are co-chairs.

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Telling Israel's story, via Madison Avenue

By Joe Berkofsky

NEW YORK (JTA) — Ads trumpeting Israeli democracy and its cultural and political similarities to America are coming to TV sets nationwide.

Due to roll out in 100 major cable TV markets in coming weeks, the two 30-second spots — costing \$1 million total — are the centerpiece of an unprecedented public relations effort by American Jewish organizations to improve U.S. public perception of Israel.

The ads began airing in the Washington area on Sept. 12 and have also hit New York City and the Silicon Valley area of California, said spokesmen for the two groups behind the ads.

"The ads emphasize that Israel is a democracy, very much like the United States," said Kenneth Bandler, director of public relations for the American Jewish Committee, which produced one of the ads.

The second ad is being produced by Israel 21C, a group of Silicon Valley high-tech entrepreneurs based in Cupertino, Calif., near San Jose.

Both ads, which paint similar portraits of Israel as the lone Mideast democracy with political freedom for all its citizens, began running back-to-back recently in Washington on CNN, CNBC, Fox News and MSNBC.

The AJCommittee bought

slots on CNN and Fox News in New York for its ad, while Israel 21C has bought air time for its San Francisco Bay area ad on CNN and CNN Headline News. The ads are set to run throughout each day in December starting in those cities and beginning Oct. 1 in other dozens of other top media markets.

Both their imagery and message are nearly identical: Israel is a pluralistic democracy and shares bedrock cultural and political values with the United States.

"Israel is America's only real ally in the Middle East," the AJCommittee ad declares. "Israel is a democracy that respects the rights of individuals and gives all its citizens the right to vote in free and fair elections," the ad continues.

"And in Israel, unlike in other countries in the region, all people — Christians, Muslims and Jews — enjoy freedom of religion, press and speech."

The narrator concludes: "Israel and America — shared values, shared visions for peace."

The audio is set against a backdrop of images including Israeli newspapers, the Israeli Parliament building, an Arab woman at a ballot box, a high-tech scene and the faces of Israelis of all ages and ethnic backgrounds.

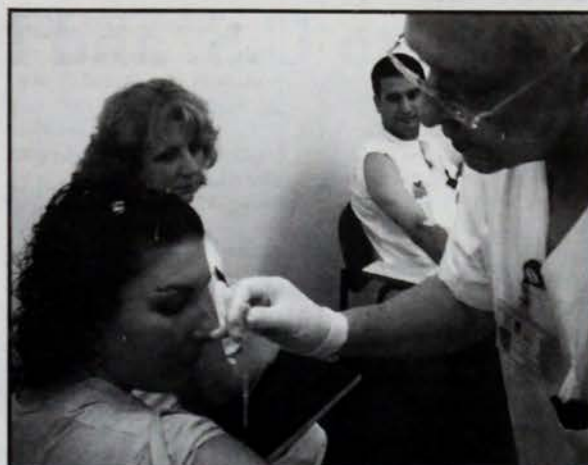
Americans "feel a close affinity to the Israeli people, because we're both democracies, and we want to build on that support," Bandler said.

Israel 21C's ad begins nearly identically: "Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East today, America's ally," it says.

"As in America, all Israeli citizens — Christians, Muslims, and Jews — have freedom of religion and the right to vote. Ten Arabs and 17 women are in Israel's Parliament and both men and women have access to education, modern health care and good jobs."

The two ads are "virtually the same, if not identical," said Larry Weinberg, executive vice president of Israel 21C.

"The whole point of our ad is that we think Americans really don't understand the true nature of Israel's democracy. Our job is to educate them about that."



An ounce of prevention

ISRAELI hospital workers are vaccinated against smallpox Sept. 18 at Tel Aviv's Ichilov Hospital. Health and emergency workers are being inoculated against the disease in case of an Iraqi biological weapons attack.

Brian Hendler/JTA

While Americans still support Israel over the Palestinians by an overwhelming 4-1 margin, they have grown frustrated with Mideast violence, with about 40 percent saying they support both sides equally or favor neither side in the conflict, according to mid-summer

polls by the Israel P.R. Project.

But Americans see Israel in a more favorable light when they recognize its common values with the United States, the polls showed.

EL AL and Delta are now stretching your miles

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Opinion

Note to U.S. and Israel: You've got to give to get

In a thoughtful article in the Sept. 15 issue of the *New York Times*, Simon Schama warns us to be prepared for a long and difficult struggle in Afghanistan. I'll spare you the references to Tacitus, Thucydides and Aurelius (Schama is, after all, a historian), and cut to his penultimate paragraph.

"As a wrecking and removal crew Americans are, for the moment, unstoppable. But whether in Iraq or elsewhere, wrecking and removal is no strategy for their own survival unless they also sign the longer, more expensive, rebuilding contract."

Schama has a point. We went into Afghanistan Tomahawk missiles and helicopter gunships blazing, and routed the Taliban. But months later we are sitting in Kabul and several provincial capitals while local warlords rule much of the countryside and Taliban fighters, who fled into Pakistan to escape us, are trickling back in to set off bombs and assassinate leaders of whom they don't approve.

We don't seem to have taken seriously Schama's third stage of the George Bush

once scornfully called nation-building. It can't be done on the cheap; remote control drones and guided missiles do not hold cities or make roads safe. It requires money, time and — here's the rub — soldiers' lives.

In this, Washington could learn from Jerusalem's mistakes. Israel's occupation of the PLO did not become a major factor until six years later, after the Yom Kippur War. The first intifada did not begin until 1987, so 20 years went by during which Israel did little to encourage the Palestinians to develop their own institutions of democratic statehood or hold out the promise of an independent and viable state.



Yehuda Lev

Instead Israel treated the territories as sources of cheap labor and as markets for goods that could not be sold elsewhere. When Israel did attempt to create a ruling class through which it could govern, it set up the so-called "village councils," almost always led by the head of a clan or the *mukhtar* (unelected mayor) of a village, who was seen by the population as an agent of the occupying power and actively or passively resisted.

It was not all negative. Under Israeli rule, Palestinian standards of living rose, hospitals and universities were established and the borders with Israel were open, enabling Palestinians to visit Israel and see what could be achieved in a democratic society. They found an openness that no Arab country provides for its citizens. To this day, in not a single Arab country on which Israel borders do Arab women have the right to vote.

But beginning in 1968,

Israel began expropriating Palestinian land to build settlements, roads, and amenities for an ever-expanding Jewish population. Gradually, the land left for Palestinians was divided into separate enclaves, destroying their hope for a viable, contiguous state. The growing realization that there was no intention to create such a state led to the *intifada*, which began not as a religious, but as a secular, revolt against an occupying power.

Throughout, religion plays a misunderstood role. In Afghanistan the secular United States was battling against a fundamentalist Muslim regime which had no compunctions about allying itself with secular Muslim governments (Iraq, Syria and Pakistan). The largely secular Israelis are fighting against a similarly secular Palestinian population.

Despite the virgins promised to martyrs, the covenant with Abraham and the best efforts of the morality police in Kabul, religion serves all sides

as an excuse to attain political objectives

In one important way the Israeli and American occupations differ. The people they occupy reject both, but the Americans view their occupation as temporary whereas the Israelis appear ready to establish permanent control and continue to expand their settlements.

If Washington is going to effectively remove the Taliban and the warlords, it will have to offer the Afghans something better than a temporary respite from fundamentalist oppression. If Jerusalem is to achieve peace with the Palestinians, it will have to offer them something more than little plots of disconnected land. (When it did, at Camp David and Taba, its offers were rejected, but it never seriously proposed evacuating the settlements.) And both will have to engage in some form of nation-building.

At the moment, neither seems ready to take up the challenge. Schama is right. Both wars will be long and difficult.

Letters to the editor

Sharon's an Israeli hero

I take issue with the Weisbord letter in your Aug. 30 edition. It was an outrageous denigration of Prime Minister Sharon's leadership. Yasser Arafat is an incurable murderer. Ariel Sharon is a courageous hero who has, beyond a shadow of a doubt, demonstrated every effort to pursue a just peace.

History shows that whether Israel's prime minister is left, center or right, tiny Israel is the puppet, and the U.S. its puppeteer. If Israel could freely act in its own best interests, Arafat would either have been justifiably deported or executed; bloodthirsty terrorists apprehended, tried and executed; and all other Hitlerian Palestinians deported. But every prime minister is put up against the wall with the worn phrases, "obstacle to peace," "excessive retaliation," and "heavy-handed response."

It's one set of rules for the world and another for Israel, and it's known as hypocrisy.

Like his predecessors, Sharon tried every avenue of diplomacy, sacrificed Israel's land, and used remarkable restraint to no avail. The result: more intense suicide homicides and megabombs.

Blame for the continuing

carnage lies squarely on the shoulders of the despotic, feudalistic Arab dictatorships, the cowardly attitude of the U.S., and the calumny of the Europe Union.

Those who appease Arab terrorism against Israel perpetuate endless barbarism. In 1938, Adolph Hitler screamed, "the world won't care what we do to the Jews!" This insane world hasn't changed in 3,300 years. The tiniest, most vulner-

able minority is still the world's favorite scapegoat.

There are no words strong enough to express my rage — as a parent and grandparent of Israeli children — against sentiments like these. Where are there Arabs, who, as the Weisbords have done to Sharon, would dare to denounce the PLA?

Anne Schwartz
Providence

I believe in Sharon

I'm responding to a letter written by Robert and Cynthia Weisbord, of Kingston, attacking the Sharon government, that said his "rigid position on the West Bank and Gaza settlements, many of which can be attributed to Biblical imperialism, remains an obstacle to peace."

I wonder if they know God's words in the Torah in which He promises the land of Israel to the Jewish people? I wonder if they know what it took to get where we are, in the Jewish year 5763? I wonder if they know about "Krystallnacht" in 1938?

I wonder if they realize that Presidents from Harry Truman to George Bush have supported Israel, not only because Israel is the only democratic nation in the Middle East, but also because they know that if, God forbid, Israel goes, the whole world can go.

I don't have the answer, but at this stage of the game, Ariel Sharon is still our best bet for peace. He is building a fence between us and the Arabs and perhaps that is the way it will have to be. This way, we can live in peace and so can they.

David Schwartz
West Warwick

Standing by Israel in her time of crisis

By Michael Hersch

Over the last two years, we've all but gotten used to hearing horror stories on the news and in the papers about innocent Israeli civilians being maimed or murdered by Palestinian terrorists.

We've gotten accustomed to hearing about people like us, people simply going about their daily routines only to be shattered by a bomb in a bus, or a café, or a university, or a disco. The bombs and bullets have caused over 550 Israelis to lose their lives, and several thousands more to go on with horrible scars — both physical and emotional — not to mention the tens of thousands of family members and friends who mourn their dead and suffer alongside the survivors.

As bad as things have been in Israel from a security and economic standpoint, they are worse inside the territories.

Once gainfully employed, Palestinians are now without work. Former engineers are selling bottled water in the streets. In fact, the unemployment rate inside the territories is over 50 percent. Twenty percent of the children are malnourished and the rate is increasing every day.

Moderates on the Palestinian side are starting to see that their tactics are hurting their people more than they are the Israelis, and that the Israeli resolve is stronger than they thought. In spite of this apparent about-face in the Palestinian analysis of the current situation, we must keep in mind that the Palestinian people, and in particular, their current leadership, have been ruthless adversaries of the Jewish people since long before the establishment of Israel.

Time will tell if Jews and Palestinians will be able to live

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Give these dissenters a degree in thuggery

WITHIN the last few weeks, two prominent middle easterners traveled to two North American campuses to deliver speeches mainly about the Arab-Israeli conflict. Both of them met protests. One succeeded in giving the speech and the other did not — and therein hangs a tale.

Former Israeli prime minister Binyamin Netanyahu went to Concordia University in Montreal to explain why "there is no alternative to winning this war [on terrorism] without delay." But he never spoke at Concordia; indeed, he never made it onto the campus, because a thousand anti-Israel demonstrators staged a mini-riot. "Benjamin Netanyahu is coming to Montreal. Let's make it clear he's not welcome," read their signs.

The anti-Israel forces physically assaulted the would-be audience; a female professor of religion at Concordia recounted how some of them "aimed their punches at my breasts."

They smashed a plate-glass window and threw objects at the police inside. They hurled furniture at the police from a mezzanine.

As Toronto's *Globe & Mail* put it, "By lunchtime, the vestibule of Concordia's main downtown building was littered with paper, upturned chairs, broken furniture and the choking aftermath of pepper spray."

The police said it could not assure Netanyahu's safety and cancelled the event. To which Wassim Moukhalhal, an Arab leader at nearby McGill University, crowed: "The man is a war criminal. We don't want our city and our universities to be the harbor of such a war criminal."

Hanan Ashrawi, former spokeswoman and colleague of Yasser Arafat, recently went to Colorado College in Colorado Springs to give a keynote speech at a symposium on "Sept. 11: One Year Later."

Protestors to her speech noted that Ashrawi is smack on the side of America's enemies in the war on terrorism. For example, while the U.S. government formally designates Hamas a terrorist group, Ashrawi states that she doesn't "think of Hamas

as a terrorist group." Also, she considers Israelis living on the West Bank to be "legitimate... targets of Palestinian resistance."



Daniel Pipes

The many objections to Ashrawi's being honored at Colorado College centered on her obnoxious presence at an event dealing with the aftermath of Sept. 11. Colorado's Governor Bill Owens spoke for many when he said, "it's outrageous to be bringing this woman who has done so much to divide the Middle East and has applauded terrorism." Both of the state's U.S. senators objected. Rudolph Giuliani added: "I wouldn't have invited her. Cancel it."

But she did speak, without any interference. The protests against Ashrawi were completely non-violent and included nothing more than scattered boos, hand-held signs, and a rebuttal following the speech (given by this writer).

These parallel yet contrasting episodes point to several conclusions.

As the school year starts, both sides of the Arab-Israeli conflict are seeking to shift the terms of the debate. The pro-Israel side wants to de-legitimize speakers who effectively call for the destruction of the Jewish state. The anti-Israel side wants to block speakers sympathetic to Israel.

Both incidents point to profound university problems: In the Colorado case, the administration made the morally idiotic choice of honoring an apologist for terrorism. In the Concordia case, a weak-kneed response permitted thugs to inhibit free speech.

It promises to be a hot year politically on campuses. How things turn out will depend on which form of activism prevails — the holding of pink sheets of paper with "I disagree" written on them, or the throwing of chairs from balconies.

Daniel Pipes is director of the Middle East Forum.



A journey to tradition Good Shabbos, Borough Park

By Mara Sokolsky

FOR SEVERAL YEARS now, we've attended the silent auction at Providence Hebrew Day School. We go because our neighbors help organize it, and it's a lively fund-raising event with music, refreshments, and the chance to win great prizes with just a \$5 raffle ticket.

At the last auction, my husband and I won two nights at a luxury hotel, with two full breakfasts and a glatt kosher dinner. The hotel was in Brooklyn's Borough Park. Although I spent my childhood and several

adult years in New York City, I had never set foot there — but we rectified that this summer. Both our daughters were safely ensconced in their respective summer programs when we set out to claim our prize.

We arrived in Borough Park at 4 p.m. on a hot July day. The streets were bustling. Men in long black coats scurried from store to store, some holding the hands of children. Almost all the shops displayed signs in Hebrew; my husband and I felt transported to another time and place.

As we approached our hotel, the stores began to close for Shabbos. The hotel was lovely, and the Pakistani clerk asked us if we needed a non-electronic Shabbos key. When we said no, he peered at us.

"Are you Jewish?" he asked.

"Yes," I laughed, "But we're not Orthodox. The electronic key will do."

We inquired about our free glatt kosher dinner.

"Tonight the hotel restaurant is closed for Shabbos," he said, "and tomorrow night as well. You will have to come back another time for dinner."

A meal would be hard to come by in an Orthodox neighborhood as Shabbos approached, so we headed out on a long walk. We passed large yeshivas and small store-front shuls. All the signs were in Hebrew or Yiddish. Little girls in long dresses scampered at doorways or stared at us with serious eyes. I wore a dress with short sleeves, and no head covering; it was easy to tell we weren't from the neighborhood.

Soon, all the signs were in Chinese. As we walked further the signs turned to Arabic, and small Pakistani convenience stores anchored every corner. We settled on an outdoor table at an Italian restaurant and watched multicultural New York pass by.

By the time we returned to the heart of Borough Park, all the shops had closed except one — a small grocery with more

Standing by Israel in her time of crisis

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in peace; for now, we must remain vigilant.

World Jewry has stood by Israel's side in her time of crisis, and we must continue to do so.

While the Israel Emergency Funds around the country raised an astonishing \$315 million dollars to pay for much-needed services brought on by the onslaught of Palestinian terror, our work isn't finished. We saw first-hand the results of standing together and letting our voices be heard, and we must not let up. Israel has received more unilateral support from the American government than it has ever before.

We must continue writing letters to our city, state, and national representatives.

You have all heard the ancient Hebrew teaching, "If I am not for myself, who will be for me?" The situation in Israel, along with the shocking (or not so shocking) wave of anti-Semitism in Europe, sets the stage for our continued action.

We must stand together, wherever we are. Here in Rhode Island, we must reassert our unity and solidarity by gathering at community events and giving our dollars and our time to the annual Community Campaign. Now, more than ever, we must "Build Community, and Help Jews in need."

Michael Hersch is assistant campaign director at the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Federation News

Federation taking requests for 'community-building' projects

By Sarah Masri

The Jewish Federation of Rhode Island's Endowment Grants Committee, a dedicated group from all walks of life, has the challenge of allocating money from the Federation's Unrestricted Endowment Fund, to finance programs that make a difference and that serve communal needs.

This committee reviews all

requests that come in, meets with leaders of agencies, organizations and congregations to get more information, and then decides which requests will best meet the community priorities. This year, after receiving input from the Strategic Planning Committee and individuals throughout the state, the committee has determined that community-building will be its

top priority.

The purpose of the grants is to build a stronger statewide Jewish community in six regions: Providence-Pawtucket, East Bay, West Bay, Newport County, Northern R.I.-Attleboro and South County; to strengthen agencies, organizations and synagogues and to encourage innovative community programs throughout the

greater Rhode Island Jewish community.

To achieve these goals, funds will be used to provide seed money for new initiatives designed to build and strengthen the Jewish community, to expand existing programs to serve new or wider geographic areas or populations, or to attract new participants to existing programs.

Community-building includes:

- Offering programs in underserved areas or to underserved populations
- Engaging minimally affiliated individuals
- Building agency, organization or synagogue capacity to help reach underserved or minimally affiliated individuals
- Leveraging existing programs to include a larger portion of the Jewish community
- Providing leadership development opportunities
- Encouraging partnerships among agencies, organizations, and synagogues, particularly to reach underserved or minimally affiliated individuals

The Endowment Grants Committee is chaired by Alan Litwin. David Yavner is vice chair. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the Federation's request for proposals, reviewing a concept for proposal, or discussing potential collaborations on projects, contact Sara Masri, director of planning and allocations, at 421-4111 ext. 170, or at smasri@jfri.org. All proposals must be submitted to the Federation no later than Monday, Oct. 21.

Hey kids get your pencils and crayons ready!
The Voice & Herald Hanukkah art contest
is just around the corner.
Watch for further details.

Women's Alliance Fall Calendar of Events

Continue to build your sense of Jewish identity through the Women's Alliance.
Join us for the following planned events.

OCTOBER

Tuesday, October 1

Women's Alliance New Board Member
Dinner & Orientation
6:00 PM — JFRI Board Room

Women's Alliance Board Meeting
7:00 PM JFRI Board Room

Wednesday, October 9

Women's Alliance Campaign Cabinet Meeting
9:30 AM — JFRI Board Room

Sunday, Oct. 13 - Tuesday, Oct. 15

International Lion of Judah Conference
Washington, D.C.
Contact Sylvia Berman-Peck 421-4111, ext. 171

Wednesday, October 16

Women's Alliance Phonathon
6:30 - 9:00 PM — JFRI Board Room
Help the Women's Alliance raise dollars for our community! Contact Sylvia Berman-Peck - 421-4111 ext. 171 to RSVP and/or to make a donation to the 2003 community campaign.

Friday, October 18

Babies, Kids & Kibbitzing - Informal playgroup
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM — JFRI Board Room
Bring your own toys & snacks. Everyone welcome!
Contact Rebekah Raz at 421-4111, ext. 172

Thursday, October 24

Lion of Judah Reception
5:00 - 7:00 PM
Women's Alliance Campaign Event
Featuring Laura Blumenfeld
7:30 PM — Temple Emanu-El
Open to women who make a gift of any denomination to the 2003 Community Campaign.
Contact Sylvia Berman-Peck - 421-4111 ext. 171 to RSVP, make a donation, or for more information.

Young Women's Reception
6:00 PM — Temple Emanu-El Vestry
Cost is \$10 per person for dinner. Dinner, program and reception is open to all Young Women ages 25-45, who make a gift to the 2003 Annual Community Campaign.
Contact Rebekah Raz at 421-4111, ext. 172 for information

Friday, October 25

Community Shabbat

Saturday, October 26

BJE Evening of Jewish Renaissance
7:00 PM — Jewish Community Center of RI
A community-wide celebration of adult Jewish learning and culture. For more information contact Robin Kauffman at the BJE 331-0956

Saturday, October 26 - Sunday, October 27

Ben Yehuda Street Marketplace
Saturday 7:00 PM - midnight
Sunday, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Jewish Community Center of RI
Buy unique and beautiful Israeli products. Help the Israeli economy and get your Hanukkah shopping done early. Adults and teens needed to volunteer in this community-wide event. Contact Rebekah Raz at 421-4111, ext. 172

Sunday, October 27

Pacesetter Reception
6:00 - 7:30 PM
JFRI Community Campaign Event
featuring Daniel Pipes
7:30 PM — Temple Emanu-El
Open to all community members who make a gift of any denomination to the 2003 Community Campaign.
Contact Joshua Karlin at 421-4111, ext. 173 to RSVP, make a donation, or for more information.

Friday, November 15

Babies, Kids & Kibbitzing - Informal playgroup
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Monday, November 18

Women's Alliance Executive Committee Meeting
Noon — JFRI Conference Room

Tuesday - Saturday, November 19-23

UJC 2002 General Assembly
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
For information contact Gail Putnam 421-4111 ext. 158

Wednesday, December 4

Women's Alliance Board Meeting
9:30 - 11:00 AM — JFRI Board Room

Friday, December 20

Babies, Kids & Kibbitzing - Informal playgroup
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM — JFRI Board Room
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Moms, kids invited to kibbitz

Babies, kids and kibbitzing!

The Women's Alliance of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island invites moms to bring their children to a get-together on the third Friday of every month from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Federation board room at 130 Sessions St., Providence.

Participants should bring toys and snacks.

For more information on the program, sponsored by the Young Women's Committee, call Rebekah Raz at 421-4111, ext. 172.

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Women's Alliance Home Sweet Home 2003

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relaxed fundraiser run by members of the Women's Alliance for the past 11 years, was held this year at the home of Susan Odessa in Providence. Here, it was stories like Shelley Sarver's which painted a picture for the 70 or so women in attendance that this year is not "business as usual" in the Jewish community, whether at home or abroad.

Sarver, a board member of the National Women's Constituency of the United Jewish Federations, had been in Israel this past July. Even more touching than meeting Ariel Sharon, or visiting the Western Wall (Judaism's holiest spot was, on a sad side note, deserted) was meeting a nine-year-old Israeli boy named Ido. Despite the carnage and danger that is every parent's nightmare in Israel, Ido was able to spend a fun, safe summer at camp, thanks to money from American Jews from the Israel Emergency Campaign. His happiness, even in a country torn apart by war, buoyed her spirits.

"It's important to give this year," said Myrna Silverstein, of Pawtucket. "I can't even imagine what the Israelis are feeling right now. I know just how much Israel needs all of us."

Jewish Agencies take a hit

Other stories by representatives from three of the states largest Jewish organizations — Jewish Family Service, the Jewish Community Center and the Bureau of Jewish Education — painted a picture of the local community that wasn't overwhelmingly positive. Despite providing a plethora of services, from preschool education to kosher meals and nursing visits for the elderly to counseling services to children and adults, both the JCC and JFS face a whopping \$70,000 in cuts this year from the United Way. This funding will decrease by another 20 percent in 2003, and by 2004 the \$300,000 allocation that the two agencies have relied upon for years will be entirely gone. This is in addition to rising program and insurance costs, and facilities that are badly in need of repair.

Last year, the Federation's annual community campaign raised \$4.3 million dollars, but this level has remained largely "flat" for the last three years. Campaign totals are looking promising so far, but please call 401-421-4111 or visit www.jfri.org today to make your pledge and to shoe your support.



SHARON GAINES, Women's Alliance Campaign chair, addresses the audience at the home of Susan Odessa.

DON'T FORGET.....
Community Campaign week-end October 24 to 27!

Women's Alliance event presents famed author Laura Blumenfeld Thurs., Oct. 24

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BJE Evening of Jewish Renaissance at the Jewish Community Center Sat., Oct. 26

JFRI Community Campaign Event — Middle East scholar Daniel Pipes Sun., Oct. 27
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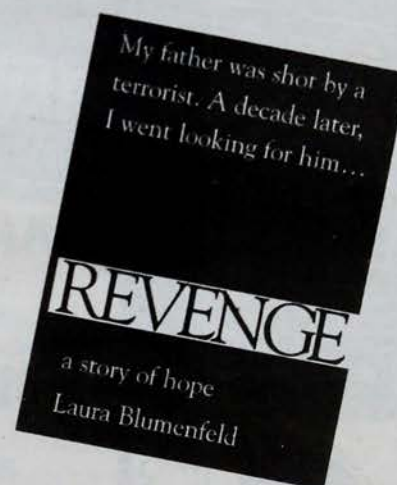
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This event is open to all women who make a gift of any amount to the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island 2003 Community Campaign.

Call JFRI at 421-4111, ext. 171 for more information.

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Around Our Agencies

China offers an adoption option

By Peg Boyle

Since 1993, international adoption has been available in the People's Republic of China. In recent years Chinese adoption has captured the attention of prospective adoptive families around the world, with China becoming one of the most active participants in international adoption.

Last year, some 4,600 Chinese children joined families in this country. There are now more than 170 registered agencies from 15 countries representing families wanting to adopt from China. More than half of these agencies are located in the U.S., including many in Southern New England.

The interest in adoption from China has developed for a variety of reasons, including the relative predictability of the Chinese adoption process and the large network of families who have now adopted children from China. Families have also been drawn to China due to the large volume of babies available and the fact that Chinese adoption authorities are amenable to placing children with older parents.

The guidelines for inter-country adoptions are set by the China Center of Adoption Affairs (CCAA), which permits singles or married couples

with up to four children to adopt. Applicants must be between 30 and 45 years old to adopt babies about a year old. In general, applicants in the 50- to 55-year-old bracket are assigned children above the age of 3. According to the CCAA, the current wait for a referral is approximately 13 months.

Travel to China to receive a child, which is mandatory, takes place about two months later. The CCAA considers certain cases urgent and will expedite the placement of a child who is over three years old or who has special needs.

As in any adoption, families must begin the process by completing home study through a licensed adoption agency.

Adoption Options, licensed in both Rhode Island and Massachusetts, can assist families through all phases of the adoption process. Further information is available at (401) 331-5437 or toll-free at 1-800-337-6513. The agency website is www.adoptionoptions.org.

Peg Boyle is an adoption worker at Adoption Options.

Gary Levine to take reins at family service agency

Gary Levine will be installed as president of Jewish Family Service at the agency's annual meeting, to begin at 7:15 p.m. Oct. 10 at Temple Beth-El, 70 Orchard Ave., Providence. Members of the community are invited to attend.

Richard Klarberg, president and chief executive officer or the Council on Accreditation for Children and Families, will make a presentation honoring the agency for "exceptional performance," as a result of its recent accreditation review.

Jewish Family Service's

officers and board members will be installed. Other officers are Michele Lederberg, vice president; Peri Ann Aptaker, treasurer; and Judith Litchman, secretary.

New board members to be installed are Samuel Fleet and Paul Strecker. Lola and Irving Schwartz will chair the evening, which will include presentation of Family of the Year awards to the Ruth and Al Ross family and the Nancy and Kenneth Kirsch family, both of Providence.

Celebration to mark start of construction at 'Tamarisk' center

The Jewish Seniors Agency will hold a site dedication at 2 p.m. Oct. 6 to celebrate the start of construction on Tamarisk, the 66-unit assisted living center it is building at 3 Shalom Drive in Warwick.

Bulldozers have been preparing the site, off Route 5, since August, and the building's foundation and walls are beginning to take shape. The structure will be faced in New England-style shingles and clapboards.

Several hundred people are expected to gather at the dedication to see the site, view plans, and hear more about the agency's vision for the complex,

scheduled for completion next summer.

Guests will have an opportunity to view various housing options that include studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments, and 19 apartments for people with dementia. Representatives from O. Ahlberg & Sons, the contractor; JSA, the architect; and Sunrise Inc., the residence manager, will be available to answer questions.

The event is free and open to the public. A reception with refreshments will follow.

For reservations and directions, call the Jewish Seniors Agency at 351-4750.

Celebration, classes set at mealsite

The Jewish Family Service Kosher Mealsite in Cranston held its round of birthday celebrations Sept. 26 with a musical entertainment by Dan Began.

Yoga class will meet at 11:15 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 30.

Activities in October will include bingo, writing class on the first Wednesday, exercise on Wednesdays, men's and women's discussion groups on Fridays, and Yiddish classes Oct. 3. The Bureau of Jewish Education Bookmobile will visit on selected Tuesdays and regular blood pressure screenings will

be held with the JFS registered nurses.

Programs begin at 11 a.m. unless otherwise noted, and a hot kosher lunch is served at noon. Every Friday, a Shabbat meal is served.

The mealsite 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 further information, call Mealsite Coordinator Ronda French at 781-1771 or 331-1244, ext. 42.



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News Briefs



A blessing on your head

ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER Ariel Sharon receives a blessing from an old army comrade as soldiers and volunteers visit the sukkah at his Jerusalem home.

PhotoBP Images/JTA

In death, terror victim saves life of Palestinian, 7

A Palestinian girl is recovering after receiving a kidney from the Jewish victim of a Palestinian suicide bombing. Seven-year-old Yasmin Abu Ramila, of Jerusalem, had been undergoing kidney dialysis for nearly two years while waiting for a transplant. The family of Jonathan Jesner, a 19-year-old yeshiva student from Scotland, volunteered to donate his organs after he died last Friday, a day after a suicide bombing aboard a Tel Aviv bus.

Israeli killed in ambush

One Israeli was killed and three children wounded Monday when a Palestinian gunman opened fire in the West Bank city of Hebron. The victims were part of a group of Israelis from Jerusalem who had come to visit the Tomb of the Patriarchs on Sukkot, according to Hebron residents quoted by the *Jerusalem Post*.

Conference to discuss anti-Semitism

Jewish leaders from around the world will gather in New York next month to discuss how to respond to a new surge of anti-Semitism, the Anti-Defamation League said Monday. "Jew-hatred emanating from

the Arab and Muslim world spreads instantaneously through the Internet and satellite TV," said Abraham Foxman, national director of the ADL, which is sponsoring the conference. "We must develop strategies and allies to fight back."

Christians show support for Israel

More than 2,000 Christians from around the world have come to Israel to show their support for the Jewish state. On Sunday, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon addressed the gathering. "When I entered, when I saw you and I saw your friendship, I lost all my worries," Sharon told the crowd. The visit was sponsored by the International Christian Embassy, a Christian Zionist group based in Jerusalem.

Group wants Montreal inquiry

Quebec Jewish leaders are calling for a government inquiry into a recent university riot that led to the cancellation of a speech by former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The Sept. 9 riot at Montreal's Concordia University was "a gross violation of our fundamental freedoms, as well as the academic freedoms a university should cherish and protect," the Quebec office of B'nai Brith Canada said in a statement. The group wants the inquiry by the government of Quebec to determine what roles

student groups, individuals and nonstudent groups played in the riot, and to decide whether police have mechanisms necessary to prevent such incidents from happening in the future. Concordia has been a flash point for tension over the Middle East during the two years of the Palestinian intifada. Montreal's police chief said he has appointed an investigator to examine reports of aggression against Jewish community members during the riot.

Palestinian protesters are killed

Four Palestinians were killed Saturday night in clashes with Israeli troops during protests against Israel's siege of Yasser Arafat's headquarters. Palestinian demonstrators defied curfews in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to demonstrate against the siege. Israel accused Arafat and his aides of using Palestinian radio and television broadcasts to incite Palestinians to take to the streets.

Israel defends itself at U.N.

Israel has defended its attack on Yasser Arafat's compound before the U.N. Security Council. In an emergency Security Council meeting Monday to address the siege, which followed a spate of Palestinian suicide bombings last week, Israeli Ambassador Yehuda Lancry said, "Inside the leadership compound in Ramallah are 50 individuals who have planned, funded and orchestrated scores of terrorist attacks and who are responsible for countless deaths of innocent civilians."

"Rather than take action against those it knows to be complicit in acts of terrorism, the Palestinian Authority, in its headquarters, grants them immunity and protects them," Lancry also said that the Palestinian leadership "must establish itself as the only party with the authority to

exercise the use of force." Its failure to do so, he added, "even after more than two years of hostilities, is a most telling indication of its commitment to ending violence and returning to a political process."

German official to step down

A German government minister will step down after reportedly comparing President Bush's tactics to those of Hitler. After winning re-election in a close race, German Chancellor Gerhard Schroder said Monday that Justice Minister Herta and Paul Amirson had told the leaders of the Social Democratic Party she would not seek another term. Last week, Daubler-Gmelin was reported as saying that Bush's saber-rattling on Iraq was similar to what Hitler had done to divert attention from domestic issues. She later denied having made the comment.

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Local Happenings

New structure, new vision for Brown Hillel

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unity, including the relocation of Camp JORI in South County, the addition at Temple Habonim in Barrington and the reconstruction of the sanctuary at Temple Emanu-El in Providence.

The new project also contains a name change for Hillel — from "Brown / RISD Hillel" to "Brown Hillel," even though the Rhode Island School of Design will still be served, officials say, in addition to some limited services it provides to other area colleges.

The new Glenn and Darcy Weiner Hillel Center is being named for the godchildren of the project's chair, Marty Granoff, who died in a plane crash on Block Island.

The project will be paid for through private donations, including a \$3-million "naming gift" from the Granoff family and its friends.

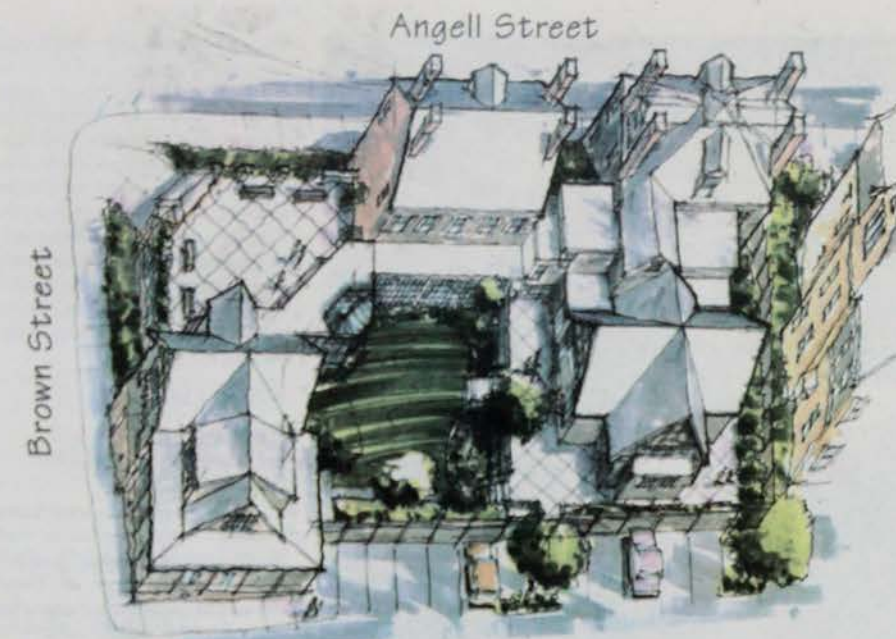
The Center will boast a kosher kitchen, art gallery, two

areas for prayer, a rehearsal space for music groups, and a library. A "groundbreaking" is planned for Oct. 24 at noon at the site, but demolition and renovation at the existing facilities has been under way for weeks. The three main buildings on the site are historically protected and will remain unchanged externally.

In the meantime, for the estimated 1,300 Jewish students at Brown and 200 at RISD, Jewish campus life will be slightly bewildering; Hillel's temporary offices are located in Faunce House on Waterman Street. High Holiday services were held at Sayles and Andrews Halls and group meetings are held just about anywhere space is available on campus.

"Holidays are a little hard," said Kirschen. "Our sukkah is across the street from the Psych Department."

Besides updating students the traditional way through



AN ARCHITECT'S SKETCH shows an aerial perspective of the new Brown Hillel complex, while below a construction crew does demolition work in one of the older buildings on the site.



flyers and notices in the dining halls, Hillel also has been getting a lot of use out of its new website, www.brownhillel.org, which has had an impressive 3,000 hits since the beginning of September.

The facility project, which has been in planning stages for about 10 years, is said to be part of a national movement to redefine what Hillel is, and to attract Jewish students who have numerous other campus options to choose from.

"Hillel is more than a rabbi and a shul," Kirschen said, "[but] we need to work incredibly hard and offer Jewish alternatives in the dominant culture... Jewish students are only

going to come here if the programs are exciting and compelling."

Hillel must be a place for a diversity of Jewish students, from "a Reconstructionist Jew who davens barefoot to someone who is interested in social justice to those are interested in traditional programming," Kirschen said.

Megan Nesbitt, the new assistant director at Hillel, said,

"We want to be a pillar of the Brown community and of the Providence Jewish community... and we want to be the bridge between the two."

To raise its profile, Hillel plans to co-sponsor speakers and open its facilities to other groups on campus and in the greater Jewish community. Bigger rooms mean bigger-name speakers and more ambitious programming that can be opened to the public.

Ethiopian dancers to perform at Brown

The Brown Hillel Foundation's Jewish Multicultural Club, in cooperation with the Third World Center, will present *Eskesta*, an Ethiopian-Israeli dance troupe from the University of Haifa, at 8 p.m. Oct. 1 in Salomon Center 101 at Brown University.

Authentic instruments, dances and costumes are used in the performance. The 12 dancers in the troupe, of Ethiopian origin, are students at the University of Haifa. They have appeared in many countries, including Italy, Germany and Israel.

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stories of Jenny Klein's exploits.

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Or how she was one of three women nationwide to be offered a lucrative position at a major airline during World War II, but turned down the position and its staggering salary when she found out she would have to work on Shabbat, and how she never regretted it.

Or how she helped found two Jewish camps, including a Camp Ramah in Massachusetts, where she was the first woman director (and employed such counselors as Chaim Potok before they became famous).

She was an undeniable pillar in the Jewish community, which was her lifeblood.

"[Jenny] was my first Hebrew teacher. I think she was everyone's first Hebrew teacher," said Ruth Page at the Bureau of Jewish Education. "Being a Jewish educator was a real calling for her. It was a mission."

Klein was born April 28, 1907, in New York as one of eight children. Jewish learning was the highest value in her household, and she decided at age 5 that she wanted to be a Hebrew teacher. When she was 17, her educational regiment was intense: she'd take classes at the Jewish Theological Seminary in the morning, then more classes at Hunter College in the afternoon, then she'd take a bus over to the Bronx where she would teach religious school from 4 to 7 p.m., and finally return to Hunter for a night class or two. She earned a degree from the Teacher's College at Columbia, and got her masters of arts at McGill University.

She married Dr. Aaron Klein and followed him to Providence in 1943. He was

offered at job at Temple Emanu-El, and she joined him first as a Hebrew school substitute. She was notified that a full-time position was available, but they weren't hiring women. She replied that if they could find a man half as good as she was, she'd understand. They hired her, of course, and she and her husband became fixtures at the religious school there for decades. When she retired from that position, she ran the Adult Education Institute. Her tenure was so extended that in certain families she actually taught generations of students.

"She and her husband really ran the Temple Emanu-El religious school for over a quarter of a century," said Rabbi Alvan Kaunfer of Emanu-El, where she had been a member for 59 years. He said he had sat in on many a study session between Jenny and her good friends, who poured over Hebrew texts while speaking only in Hebrew.

She was a passionate volunteer at the Jewish Community Center, where she served on the executive committee as vice president, and where she was named "woman of the year." She was said to be omnipresent — at every meeting, or sitting out front helping sign people in, collecting dues, everything.

She was instrumental in the creation of the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum, where she was an invaluable educational resource, board member and chair of their educational program.

In honor of her 90th birthday, the museum had changed the name of its annual teaching award to the Jenny Klein Teacher of the Year Award.

She was a member of Hadassah for as long as anybody knew, and served as vice-pres-



JENNYKLEIN and Evy Stieglitz

ident of educational programming for the Rhode Island chapter. Her Divrei Torahs, Hadassah members say, were masterful.

She was a translator for the Jewish Publication Society of America, received the Hadassah National Leadership Award, the Never Again Award from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, and is listed in the *Who's Who in World Jewry*. She received an honorary doctorate from the Jewish Theological Seminary. She wrote poetry and children's stories, and was published frequently in Jewish journals.

"I was totally Jewish," she commented once about herself in an oral history recording last year. "Every fiber in [my] body was Jewish... In Psalms it says the span of our life is 70 years—three score and 10. My father said that after this every day is a gift from God. And, thank God, I've had lots of gifts."

She leaves a sister, Clara Norbury, of Cal., 8 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Temple Emanu-El. Donations may be made to Temple Emanu-El, Hadassah or the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Local Happenings

Israeli teens lend, like, helping hands to R. I.

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almost anywhere else they're summoned.

As for the *matsav* — the situation in Israel — they say "it would be an honor" to answer questions about it to the best of their ability.

"I think it's a really important program, both for me and for Israel," said Sobko of the exchange partnership that brought her here. Noting that she's very close to her family, she said the move was difficult, "but it's worth it."

"In the beginning, I called home every day. Now, I just fax them every day."

Nir enjoys the independence. "I'm having a great time; put me anywhere and I'll feel great."

The two seem good matches for this country — they speak excellent English (with a strong Hebrew accent, of course), melt into the America fashion stream with exposed midriffs and jean jackets, and use the word "like" as much as any of their American counterparts.

They'll be giving time to area synagogues, including Temple Sinai in Cranston, Temple Am David in Warwick, Congregation Tifereth Israel in New Bedford, Congregation Agudas Achim in Attleboro, and Temple Beth-El in Providence.

The two will also volunteer at the Jewish Family Service kosher mealsite, and will work with senior citizens at Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island. They will also devote

time to preschoolers at the Jewish Community Center and students at the Alperin Schechter Day School.

Joining a volunteer program before enlisting in the army is common in Israel. Both Nir and Sobko underwent a grueling, seven-hour examination to qualify for the Partnership 2000 program, which links American regions with cities in Israel.

They are working through the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island, and receive a monthly stipend from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and from the region of Afula.

"The idea is to bring Israel alive in our community... especially now that so few people are going [there]," said Rich Walter, director of teen education at the BJERI.

The Israelis are staying with two host families — Robin and Michael Kaufman, of Cranston, and Nate and Karen Beraha, of Providence.

The Berahas just finished hosting Rhode Island's first emissary, Gal Ben-Ami, for ten months.

The two new arrivals will switch homes in January for the second half of their stay.

They plan to spend their spare time shopping and visiting other transplanted teens from Afula in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

The two said they are interested in other volunteer opportunities as well. They can be reached by calling Rich Walter at the Bureau, 331-0956.



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Car wash cleans up

STUDENTS from the Albert Schechter Day School, Providence Hebrew Day School and the Hope Valley Pentecostal Youth Group raised almost \$600 for Magen David Adom, the Israeli "Red Cross," at a car wash for Israel Sept. 1 organized by Rachel Bergman, of Providence.

Photo by Lisa Bergman

A 'super sukkah'



The new sukkah at Congregation Beth Sholom Photo by Jonathan Rubin

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The wood-frame sukkah took about eight weeks to build on a grassy area next to the synagogue. Concrete was poured for the foundation and trees were planted in the walkway. Wired to accommodate night-

time activities, it was festooned with blue-and-white streamers for the first day of Sukkot last Friday.

Beth Sholom, at 275 Camp St., is the largest Orthodox synagogue in Rhode Island.

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- 7:45pm-8:40pm Session I
- 8:45pm-9:10pm Shop & Shmooze
- 9:15pm-10:10pm Session II
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The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island invites you to this community-wide event.

Session I 7:45pm - 8:40pm

IA Israelis & Palestinians in Poetic Dialogue
An exploration of poetry by Israelis and Palestinians that reflects the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the yearning for reconciliation and peace. Poems and texts in English will be discussed.
Professor David Jacobson, Brown University

IB Prisms of Memory
An exploration of how memory of the Holocaust experience is molded and shaped by personal experience and the experiences and memories of others. Alice Goldstein, Research Associate Emerita, Brown University

IC Realizing the Loss: A Close Look at the Second Jerusalem Temple
Inspired by a recent trip to the Holy Land, Rabbi Nissel will present the layout and makeup of the Second Jerusalem Temple. There will be text, discussion and an audio-visual presentation. Rabbi Mordechai Nissel, Dean, Providence Hebrew Day School

ID Names for God
How did Jewish tradition conceive of God? The answer may lie in the names and epithets they used to describe the indescribable Deity. Participants will delve into those mysterious names and see what they tell us about how Judaism understands the concept of God.
Rabbi Alvan Kaurer, Temple Emanu-El

IE Messiah: A Jewish Perspective of the Messiah
The Presenter will share the background and basic principles of the Jewish belief in the Messiah.
Rabbi Mendel Laufer, Chabad of College Hill

IF The Music of Shabbat
Share the Cantor's mastery of the music of Shabbat. Learn and sing together!
Cantor Richard Perlman, Temple Am David

IG The Jewish Perspective on Prayer
This thought provoking session will explore Kavanah, different kinds of prayer, why people pray, and what prayer does for us. How God answers will also be addressed.
Rabbi Yossi Laufer, Director, Chabad of West Bay

IH Sing Along Offered Session I & 2
Join in and sing your favorite Yiddish, Israeli, and Hasidic songs. Words will be provided.
Stanley L. Freedman

II Yehudah Amichai's Poems of Jerusalem
A close reading of a few of Yehudah Amichai's poems of Jerusalem. Rabbi James B. Rosenberg, Temple Haborim

IJ Israeli Dance
Enjoy learning Israeli dances, both old and new, with an experienced teacher. Nitzza Attali Katzoff

IK Why We Hate
Through the combined knowledge of neuroscience, biological determinism, psychology, and other disciplines, we learn about the human capacity for prejudice and hate. In an age when conflicts between groups continue to plague the world and pose a threat to human survival, come hear views on why we hate and discuss what we can do to remedy the problem. Judith Kaye, JD

IL Hands-on Help for Israel
The speakers recently spent two weeks in Israel as volunteers on a military base. They will share their experiences and describe opportunities for serving as a volunteer in a military base, hospital, or kibbutz. Professor Ezra Stieglitz, Ph.D., Rhode Island College, and his son, Daniel Stieglitz, Student at Yeshiva University

IM Varieties (Potpourri) of Blessings: Some Selections from the Talmud
Participants will explore the concept of Blessing by studying some selections (in English) from the tractate Berachot in the Talmud. Mayer I. Goldstein, JFRI Assistant Endowment Director

IN Domestic Violence in the Jewish Home
A discussion of domestic violence in the Jewish home, its existence in our community, and our community's responsibility. Paul I. Segal, Executive Director, Jewish Family Service

IP Where Do I Belong? The Problem of Resisting/Pursuing Jewish Community
In this session, we will study two rabbinic texts (one classical, one modern) that deal with the competing class of family tradition, ideology, and community. This session is intended for those who want to learn more about the dynamics of authentic Jewish communal experience. Hebrew texts will be used.
Rabbi Mitchell Levine, Congregation Beth Shalom

IQ Approaching the 2nd Commandment
The 2nd commandment states that we should have "no other gods" and that we should neither create nor worship idols. Yet many artists have tried to depict God. Today we live in a society that venerates celebrities. When is the line crossed? What does it mean for the future?
Lev Poplow

IR The Jewish Cuisine of Italy After the Inquisition
Chef Potenza will relate how the relocation of the Jews within new settlements in Sicily sparked a new style and taste of Jewish cuisine.
Walter Potenza, Chef, Aqua Viva Euro Bistro

IS Prayer in a Box Offered Session I & 2
A box, beautiful paper and a prayer. A hands-on workshop in which the participants' creations will be enhanced by text. Paula Bodo

IT The Whole Earth is Filled with God's Glory
A look at some Hasidic teachings on contemplative prayer. Texts will be taught in Hebrew with English translations.
Rabbi Alan Flam, SWEATER Center, Brown University

IU So That Your Values Live On: Ethical Wills & How to Prepare Them
Ethical will is a respected Jewish tradition. They are heartfelt words, from one generation to the next. Look at samples and begin writing your own. Dr. Penney Stein, Head, Alperin Schechter Day School

IV Anger Management: A Jewish Perspective
According to traditional Judaism, uncontrolled anger is considered a serious matter. Participants will explore texts that address this area of concern. Howard Brown, Rhode Island Center for Jewish Healing

Session II 9:15pm - 10:10pm

2A Race to the Finish
Stop by and kibitz about the elections. We'll take straw polls and have some fun! M. Charles Bokst, Providence Journal Political Columnist

2B A Tale of Two Cities: Re-Examining the Cultural Zionism of Mordechai Kaplan
Examine Kaplan's texts of cultural Zionism. They assert that two mutually dependent centers of Jewish thought—one within Israel and one within the United States—are crucial for Jewish creativity, vibrancy and even survival. Rabbi Elyse Weicherman, Congregation Agudas Achim

2C Enchanting Chants: The Beauty Behind a Traditional Service
There is more than meets the ear in the chanting of a synagogue service. Discover how these chants (Nusach) are constructed to convey emotion, mood, seasons, the calendar, text painting, literary allusions and "musical midrash." Enhance your evening experience with a new appreciation.
Cantor Brian Mayer, Temple Emanu-El

2D Sing Along See Session IH
Stanley L. Freedman

2E Kvetch! Kvetch!
The first half of Bemidbar (Numbers) is full of "kvetching" by the Israelites. They complain about lack of food and water, about each other, about leadership and even about their mission. How can this be happening so soon after the miraculous events at Sinai? We'll focus on some specific complaints and try to determine the basis of these "murmurings." Marcia Lapidus Kaurer, Alperin Schechter Day School

2F Mikvah: The Magic of the Ritual Waters
The secret to Jewish femininity and Jewish continuity. Devora Raskin and Miriam Lipson

2G Jews in Trouble: Crime, Addiction, Mental Illness and Poverty in our Community
This workshop will focus on one of the Jewish community's "hidden" topics: the extent to which Jews are involved in or affected by crime, addiction, mental illness, and poverty. Learn about the prevalence of these problems among Jews, possible causes, and ways to respond. Frederic G. Reamer, Ph.D., Graduate School of Social Work, Rhode Island College

2H Josiah Wedgwood: Friend of the Jews
Josiah Wedgwood IV was a member of Parliament from 1905 until his death in 1942. He was a fierce advocate of Jewish causes—trying to get the government to help the Jews of Germany, to open the doors of Palestine to Jewish refugees. In my book, *Our Great Solicitor*, I describe these efforts in detail, and on this night, as an overview.
Professor Joshua Stein, Roger Williams College

2I Holidays In Search of a Rhythm
This workshop will help to clarify the rhythm of the holiday cycle and why they seem to occur at such inopportune moments. What are the themes and links of each holiday? If you have ever found yourself wondering about these questions, this workshop is the one for you! Rabbi Andrea M. Gouze, Congregation Shaare Tefilah, Norwood, MA

2J The Nights of Thy Delight
Share the love poems of Yehuda Halevi for the exotic Land of Israel. Enjoy a man of passion, wisdom, and devotion. Rabbi Dov Bard, Director of Judaic Studies, Alperin Schechter Day School

2K The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly in Children's Hanukkah Books
Librarians of the RI Chapter of the Association of Jewish Libraries will talk about selecting age and values-appropriate books for your children and grandchildren. Reini Silverman, President, RI Chapter of the Association of Jewish Libraries; Judy Greenblatt, Director of Library Services, Bureau of Jewish Education of RI; Toly Ransner, Past President, National Association of Jewish Libraries

2L Prayer in a Box See Session IS
Paula Bodo

2M Jewish Meditation
Mystical and non-mystical approaches to meditation in Judaism, including practical techniques, will be presented. Rabbi Aaron Lapin, Educational Coordinator, Project Shores

2N Ethical Concerns in the Care of the Terminally Ill
A brief consideration of the medical, sociological and spiritual factors that intertwine—and occasionally conflict with each other—in the care of terminally ill humans. Stanley M. Aronson, MD

2O British Attitude toward Israel: A Literary Pilgrimage
The presenter will share his experience in Wales, including meeting with writer Jan Morris, who served with the British Army as Palestine became Israel. Consider a contemporary question: What do cultured non-Jews and non-Americans think of the existential condition of modern Israel? Professor Michael Fink, RISD

2P Providence in Providence! Does God Really Care?
Together, examine the shockingly diverse traditions regarding God's guidance and care known as "hashgachah pratit" or "Providence." From Rambam and Rambam to Leibowitz and Heschel, compare texts from icy cold Litvaks to warm fuzzy Galatzians. Rabbi Rich Kirschen, Executive Director, Brown-RISD Hillel

2Q The Eyes Have It: Ophthalmology and Jewish Philosophy
The status of vision in Jewish Religious Law (Halacha) will be shown to relate in interesting and important ways to contemporary debates in bio-medical ethics.
Professor Edward N. Beiser, Brown University

2R A Spiritual Discovery for a More Fulfilling Life
An understanding of our inner soul powers as a path to joy and happiness will be contemplated. Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer, Chabad House, Providence

2S An Appreciation for Jewish Humor
Come share your favorite Jewish jokes. No promises about the quality of the humor, but an assurance that all will leave this session laughing. Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer, Temple Shalom

2T Secular Judaism in Israel
The presenters will share their experiences, discussing the differences between Judaism in the United States and Israel. Yael Nir and Orit Sabko, Israel Youth emissaries, Partnership 2000—Afula Gilboa Region, Israel

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Good Shabbos, Borough Park

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kosher products than I'd seen in my lifetime. *Frum* men, women and couples were buying last-minute items. I searched the shelves for some hard candies. A young woman, a customer, saw me looking and led me to the candy aisle. She checked up on me a few minutes later.

"Have a good Shabbos," she called as she left, but then she turned back and faced me and my husband: "Do you have anywhere to go for dinner tonight? Or tomorrow?"

I explained that we had just eaten, but would love to come tomorrow night for *seudah shlishit* (the third meal on Shabbat).

"My name is Rivka," she said, scribbling her address — she was single and lived with her parents — on the back of a napkin.

This is what we wanted: a window into Borough Park. Maybe Rivka's home would provide us a taste of ultra-Orthodox life in Brooklyn.

When we knocked at the door, two adolescent girls peered at us.

"Is Rivka here?"

"Sure, come in. Are you hungry? Would you like some cake?"

The empty table in front of us began to fill up with food. Several *rebbes*, with long gray beards, stared down at us from framed photos on the walls.

Rivka, 23, appeared from around a corner: "Welcome!" A moment later her mother came in. We ate, exchanging stories about life and cultural differences.

Rivka's mother, perhaps 50, was born in the Bronx to Holocaust survivors, graduated from City College with a degree in economics, met her husband — also a child of survivors — and moved with him to Borough Park. Her daughters would never go to City College today: they might do a year of post-high school seminary work while going through the matchmaking process to find their future husbands.

We talked about Rivka's preferences in a husband. We explained how my husband and I met. In discussing our younger daughter's recent bat mitzvah, we tried to describe egalitarian practices at her synagogue.

"I'm just curious," I said. "I know that this isn't typical in your world, but what if a girl really wants to become a doctor? Is that possible?"

Rivka's mother pointed to a friend of her younger daughter, who was with us at the table.

"Her mother," she said, "went to medical school after the birth of her eighth child and is now a developmental pediatrician."

It was nearly 10 p.m. when Rivka's father rushed in to make *bavdalab* after a day of davening and back-to-back *shiurim* (study sessions). He shook my husband's hand and immediately after *bavdalab* left to attend another *shiur*. It was time for us to leave, as well.

"Next time, come for a proper Shabbos meal," said Rivka's mother, "and bring your daughters."

There were still plenty of people in the street, even at this late hour. Back in our hotel room, we could gaze at the bustling pizza stands, now open after Shabbos. Tomorrow we'd go back to Providence and the world we knew.

But our Shabbos souls were sated by this brief sojourn to a place where tradition, purpose and hospitality seem to be as plentiful as the array of kosher shops lining the streets.

Mara Sokolsky, a freelance writer and librarian at Temple Emanu-el, lives in Providence.

Hebrew schools expand staff

With the arrival of September and a new academic year, the Providence Hebrew Day School and the Alperin Schechter Day School have both announced the names of new faculty members.

PHDS has added Nancy Larue, a grade 4 and 5 secular studies teacher, and Rivka Gibber, a seventh-grade Judaic Studies teacher. ASDS welcomes Jamie Woods and Daniel Bar-Nahum.

teaching fellows from the "Leadership through Teaching Program" at Brandeis University, and Rabbi David Paskin, a specialist in Jewish music.

In other school-related developments, PHDS and ASDS continue to expand and experiment, with PHDS pursuing a new "block scheduling" format in which students will have longer time periods for in-depth learning. The school is



FOURTH GRADER Ariel Noorparvar, arrives for her first day at Providence Hebrew Day School with her mother, Laurie, a pre-school teacher there.

also preparing to implement an Israel education project funded by a grant from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

ASDS has initiated a new program for its middle schoolers called "Wings," which helps link learning to the community. Also, ASDS students and parents will learn about personal safety this year through workshops for each grade.

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From fearsome Leviticus, an admonition with bite

By Stanley M. Aronson, M.D.

In a nomadic culture where survival is a compelling priority, justice inevitably becomes primitive, direct and symmetrical. A life for a life is declared to be the law, without avenues of appeal or extenuating circumstances to delay or lessen the punishment.

The grim injunction in Leviticus (24:20) declares: An eye for an eye. This is more than idle metaphor, since vision was an essential capability in a mobile society without the institutional resources needed to care for the elderly, the maimed or the blind. In summary, Leviticus demands a balanced retributive justice such that "the injury he inflicted on another shall be inflicted upon him."

The final element of the awesome phrase in Leviticus, "and a tooth for a tooth," appears somehow less compelling and perhaps even less threatening when compared with the loss of an eye or even a life. After all, missing an isolated tooth is, at worst, an annoyance, but certainly not a serious threat to one's survival.

Yet the Bible does recognize that a tooth is irreplaceable and represents a tangible value

to the wholeness of the individual. Exodus (21:26-27) states that if a man damages the tooth of his servant or slave, and if the tooth is then lost, he is obliged to provide the servant or slave with his complete freedom in lieu of the loss of the tooth.

The Bible, in truth, speaks little of dental disease or dental therapies, although there are numerous references to teeth as part of its metaphoric phraseology. In Proverbs (25:19), for example, a loose tooth, like an unsteady leg, is compared unfavorably to "a treacherous support in time of adversity."

And again in Proverbs (10:26), "like vinegar to the teeth, like smoke to the eyes, is a lazy man to those who send him on a mission." (Vinegar, even in biblical times, was recognized as a corrosive agent destroying the shiny enamel of the teeth.) Clearly, the Israelites were fully aware of the discomfort, even the resultant disability, that a lost or aching tooth might cause. And in Lamentations (3:16), Jeremiah, in dismay, declares, "He has broken my teeth on gravel; He has ground me into dust."

The Israelites did not take their teeth for granted.

On the other hand, intact and pearly-white teeth stand as a representation of youth and vigor. Genesis (49:12) tells of Jacob assembling his many sons to discuss their individual characteristics and tell them of their destinies. And in listing the many attributes of Judah, he recalls, "his teeth are whiter

than milk." (The consumption of milk, according to the Bible, is an excellent source to strengthen and whiten teeth.)

The Song of Songs (4:2), Solomon's expressive poem of love, compares his loved one's teeth to a flock of ewes; historians have expressed mixed feelings as to whether or not this is a compliment. And in the Book of Job (19:20) is the oft-repeated phrase, "my bones stick to my flesh, I escape with the skin of my teeth."

It is curious how the teeth have so frequently become divergent symbols, in many world cultures. In African groups, for example, the inci-

sors, situated in the very forefront of the mouth, represent fame, the vigor of youth and happiness. The canines, on the other hand, resembling the awesome ripping teeth of jungle carnivores, stand for naked aggressiveness and relentlessness. The molars, necessary for mastication, represent the

wearing this tooth, I am letting you know that I have battled the valiant lion, vanquished him, and I have inherited his strength and courage."

The ancient Israelites understood that the following were the minimal requirements for survival in the Sinai, or any other wilderness: the capacity to defend themselves, to be mobile, to protect themselves against a hostile environment and to eat sufficiently. Teeth,

at first glance, may have seemed an utter luxury, a pleasant contrivance, even a mark of beauty, when compared with such obvious daily necessities as functioning legs and unimpaired vision.

But it likely took only one severe, enduring toothache or a cluster of loose or missing teeth for them to understand the centrality of well-functioning, intact and painless teeth.

The authors of Leviticus fully appreciated this when they included "a tooth for a tooth" in the Biblical *lex talionis*.

Thus, wearing a lion's tooth as the principal object of a necklace is a way of saying: "By wearing this tooth, I am letting you know that I have battled the valiant lion, vanquished him, and I have inherited his strength and courage."

forces of endurance and obstinacy.

Toothlessness, of course, is symbolic of poverty and a loss of sexual prowess. In South Asian cultures, functioning teeth represent the capacity of humans to take nourishment from the outside, grind it into submission, derive strength from it, and thus fulfill one's basic ambitions.

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Moses implored God to give the Jewish people another chance, and he once again went up the mountain and brought down a second set of tablets. In his absence, the children of Israel fasted from sunrise to sunset as a sign of their repentance. Thereafter, the tenth of Tishri was kept as a day of atonement.

So when we observe Yom Kippur, we are doing more than asking forgiveness for our personal transgressions. We are also recognizing the past transgressions of the Jewish people at Mt. Sinai and God's willingness to grant us a second chance.

It is a lesson that should also be applied to Israel's pursuit of peace.

Many say that the peace talks have failed and should never be tried again. However, the Sharon government, willing to try military options over and over again despite their lack of success, must be willing to give the peace process another chance.

The Oslo Accords certainly were not perfect. The arrangements that they contained were subject to human frailties, politics, and compromises, all of which contributed to their collapse.

But their central premise—that Israelis and Palestinians must find a way to peacefully coexist and share the land—was correct. The tragic violence to which Israelis have been subjected over the past two years only serves to underscore the immediate need to return to the pursuit of this basic truth.

This Yom Kippur, as we remember that God gave us a second chance at entering into a covenant that defined us as a nation, it is imperative for our nation, Israel, to give the peace process another chance, as well.

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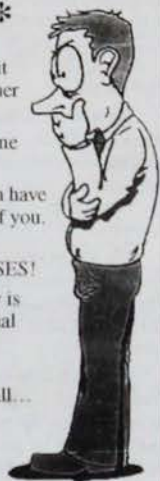
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Obituaries

David Entin

BOYNTON BEACH, Fla. — David Entin, 91, of Boynton Beach, formerly of Fall River, a lawyer and retired senior partner in the firm of Entin and Entin, died Sept. 10 at Delray Medical Center, Delray Beach, after a brief illness.

He was the husband of Helen (Horvitz) Entin; they had been married 65 years. Born in New Bedford, he was a son of the late Samuel and Rose (Lipsitt) Entin.

Mr. Entin was a 1934 graduate of the Boston University College of Business Administration, and of the Boston University Law School.

He was a member of the Fall River, Bristol County and Massachusetts Bar Associations, and was certified to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court.

During World War II he

served as a member of the air-raid warden corps.

He was a member of Temple Beth-El, Fall River; a past president and chairman of the Fall River Cancer Society, the American Red Cross, Fall River Chapter; and the Fall River B'nai Brith.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Jeffrey S. Entin, of Bristol; a daughter, Susan J. Entin, of Tiverton; and two grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Milton Entin.

Burial was in the Temple Beth-El Cemetery, Fall River.

Raymond Goldstein

HENDERSON, NEV. — Raymond Goldstein, of Henderson, an upholsterer for more than 55 years before retiring, died Sept. 1 at Columbia Sunrise Hospital, Las Vegas.

He was the husband of

Norma (Glasberg) Goldstein and the late Fay (Fleischman) Goldstein.

Born in Bridgeport, Conn., a son of the late Joseph and Yetta Goldstein, he had lived in New York, West Warwick and Warwick before moving to Nevada in 1997.

Mr. Goldstein was an Army veteran of World War II.

Besides his wife, he leaves a stepson, Aaron S. Glasberg, of North Kingstown; a stepdaughter, Sharon Aniello, of Warwick; and a sister, Rochelle Denton, of Henderson. He was the brother of the late Louis Denton.

Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 10 Abbott Park Place, Providence, 02903.

Benjamin Gross

HUNTSVILLE, ALA. — Benjamin Gross, 91, of Huntsville, formerly of Cranston, a former kosher caterer and a former superintendent at Electric Boat in Groton, Conn., died Sept. 10 at Huntsville Hospital. He was the husband of the late Ida (Rakatsky) Gross.

Born in Russia, a son of the late William and Jessie Gross, he lived in Cranston for 44 years before moving to Huntsville eight years ago.

Mr. Gross was a superintendent in nuclear ship operations at Electric Boat for 15 years, retiring 26 years ago. He had previously owned the former Gross's Kosher Catering in Cranston and Providence for 20 years.

He leaves four sons, Paul Gross, of Madison, Ala.; Gerald Gross, of Connecticut; Irwin Gross, of Boynton Beach, Fla.; and Edwin Gross, of Cranston; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Estelle Kudish and Irene Greenspan.

Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Contributions may be made to Temple B'nai Shalom, 103 Lincoln Ave., P.O. Box 2463, Huntsville, Ala., 35804.

Barbara Healy

JAMESTOWN — Barbara Joan Healy, a retired secretary, died Sept. 11 at the Grand Island Nursing Center, Middletown.

She was the wife of Robert Healy. Born in Boston, the daughter of the late George and Molly (Weinberg) Lovitz, she had lived in Warwick before moving to Jamestown 13 years ago.

Mrs. Healy had been a secretary at Lutz Engineering Co. until retiring in 1992.

Besides her husband, she leaves three daughters, Karen Stone, of West Warwick, Lisa Bird, of Connecticut, and Diane Stone, of Providence; a son, Michael Stone, of Warwick; a brother, Steven Lovitz, of West Warwick; and three grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Barry Lovitz.

Burial was in Newell Cemetery, South Attleboro, Mass.

Contributions may be made to the ALS Association, Rhode Island Chapter, 1637 Warwick Ave., Warwick, 02889.

Edith Korb

PROVIDENCE — Edith Korb, 77, of Butler Avenue, a former co-owner of Korb's bakery, died Sept. 4 at home. She was the wife of Edmund Korb.

A lifelong resident of Providence, she was a daughter of the late Samuel and Fannie (Chalick) Lozow.

Mrs. Korb worked with her husband at the bakery for many years before retiring in 1998.

She was a former member of Temple Emanu-El and the Ledgemont Country Club.

Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Philip Korb, of Philadelphia, and Richard Korb, of Pawtucket, and four grand-

children. She was the sister of the late Joseph, Jack, and Sidney Lozow.

Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Contributions may be made to the Dr. Milton Korb Memorial Fund, c/o Brown University, Providence, 02912.

Louis Kramer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Louis Kramer of Cambridge died Aug. 29.

He leaves a brother, Samuel Kramer of Cranston and a nephew Stevyn Kramer.

The funeral was held in Massachusetts.

Harold Rappoport

WARWICK — Harold Rappoport, 69, of 1013 Williamsburg Circle, a retired parachute rigger, died Sept. 13 at the Roger Williams Medical Center, Providence.

He was the husband of Evelyn (Apotheker) Rappoport. They had been married 49 years.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Leo and Sarah (Miller) Rappoport, he had lived in Cranston for 32 years before moving to Warwick two years ago. Mr. Rappoport was a parachute rigger at the former Quonset Point Naval Air Station for 25 years, retiring in 1972.

He was a Korean War veteran, serving from 1952 to 1956. He was a former member of Sackin-Shocket Post 533, Jewish War Veterans.

He was a member of Congregation Shaare Zedek.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Barry and Alan Rappoport, both of Cranston; a brother, Norton "Nocky" Rappoport, of Warwick; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Ada Moseff.

Funeral services were held at Shalom Memorial Chapel, Cranston. Burial with military honors was at the R.I. Veterans Cemetery, Exeter.

Samuel Schwartz

CRANSTON — Samuel "Shim" Schwartz, 85, of 315 Park Ave., a retired fabric store manager, died Sept. 15 at Miriam Hospital, Providence. He was the husband of the late Lillian (Ginsberg) Schwartz.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Isadore and Nettie (Weisman) Schwartz, he had lived in Cranston for 30 years. He was a manager of the former Weintraub Fabric Store in North Kingstown for more than 20 years, retiring in 1985.

He was a member of Temple Torat Yisrael and its Men's Club and was a member of the former Jewish Bowling Congress.

He leaves a daughter, Sandra Gross, of Cranston; a sister, Mary

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Marks, of Syracuse, N.Y.; and a grandson.

Funeral services were held in Temple Torat Yisrael and burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Contributions may be made to the American Arthritis Association.

Gerald Simon

NEWTON, Mass. — Gerald A. Simon, 80, of Beaumont Avenue, Newton, Mass., formerly of Cranston and Narragansett, a retired furniture salesman, died Aug. 21 at home. He was the former husband of Dolores Iacuele-Simon.

Born in Woonsocket, a son of the late Harry and Erta (Mamis) Simon, he had lived in Narragansett for 10 years before moving recently to Newton. He was a furniture salesman for 50 years, retiring 10 years ago.

He was a World War II Army veteran serving in Europe.

He leaves a son, Larry Simon, of Providence; a daughter, Linda Essinger, of Newton; a sister, Muriel Flanzbaum, of Warwick; and two grandchildren. Funeral services were held in Shalom Memorial Chapel, Cranston. Burial was in Lincoln

Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Martin Tolchinsky

NORTH SMITHFIELD — Martin Tolchinsky, 91, of Westwood Road, a retired furrier, died Aug. 25 at Mount Carmel East Hospital, Columbus, Ohio.

Born in New Brunswick, N.J., a son of the late Morris and Sarah (Grossman) Tolchinsky, he had lived in Cranston for many years before moving to North Smithfield 27 years ago. He wintered in Melbourne, Fla.

Mr. Tolchinsky owned Martin's Furs in Providence for more than 40 years, retiring in 1981.

He was a past member of the Knights of Pythias and Temple Emanu-El, and was an avid dancer.

He leaves a son, Kenneth Tolchinsky, of Providence; a daughter, Janice Shapiro, of Cranston; two sisters, Celia Levy, of Cranston and Freida Sperling, of Silver Spring, Md.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was the companion of Veronica Trojack, of Columbus, Ohio, and of the late Bessie Rowe. He was the brother of the late Harry Tolchinsky, Dorothy Shaw, Sophie Pedlikin-Horowitz and Gertrude Jacobson.

Funeral services were held in

Shalom Memorial Chapel, Cranston. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Allen Weintraub

CRANSTON — Allen M. Weintraub, 40, of Brewster Road, an automobile salesman, died Sept. 5 at home.

Born in Providence, a son of Herman and Nancy (Giampietro) Weintraub, he was a lifelong Cranston resident. He was an automobile salesman for 10 years.

A graduate of Cranston East High School, he attended CCRI.

Besides his parents, he leaves two sons, Allen Jr. and Derek, both of Cranston; a brother, Neil Weintraub, of Cranston; and a grandson.

Funeral services were held in Shalom Memorial Chapel, Cranston. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Beatrice Weisman

PROVIDENCE — Beatrice (Klibanoff) Weisman of Harts-horn Rd., a retired vice president for many years, of the Plainville Stock Co., of Plainville, Mass., died Sept. 15 at Miriam Hospital.

She was the wife of Joseph A. Weisman. Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Morris and Annie (Fishbein) Klibanoff, she was a lifelong resident of the city.

Mrs. Weisman was a member of Miriam Hospital Women's Association, and Temple Emanu-El and its Sisterhood.

Besides her husband, she leaves four sons, David Elliot Weisman of Washington, D.C.; William A. Weisman of Boston; Robert Paul and Lawrence G. Weisman, both of Providence; two brothers, Norman Klibe of Providence and Mordecai Klibanoff of Fairfield, Calif.; and

nine grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Steven Franklin Weisman and sister of the late Abraham Klibanoff.

Burial was in Lincoln Park

Cemetery, Warwick.

Contributions may be made to the R.I. Community Food Bank, 104 Hay St., West Warwick, RI 02893.

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