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Pollard Speaks Out From Prison

This is the final portion of a 14-page letter by Jonathan Jay Pollard to Robert A. Cohn, editor-in-chief of the *St. Louis Jewish Light*.

These brave words aside, I am extremely worried about Anne's deteriorating medical condition at Lexington. The court was well aware of her precarious state of health when we were sentenced, since Anne had to be held up before the judge and needed the assistance of two nurses to make it through the proceedings. In spite of depositions from Anne's physicians clearly stating that incarceration would pose a grave threat to Anne's life due to the fact that no prison hospital was either equipped or predisposed to treat her extremely rare gastrointestinal disorder, the judge nevertheless indicated that she should have thought about those risks when she chose to put her loyalty to Israel and me above that of the "law." Predictably, Anne's health has deteriorated at an alarming rate — she can no longer eat solid food and her weight has dropped to below 95 pounds. Although the FDA has indicated that it would not object if a drug currently available only in Western Europe were given to her, the Bureau of Prisons has adamantly refused to authorize this because of their opinion that Anne's crime "against" the U.S. precludes her from such unusual dispensations — even on humanitarian grounds. Despite her desperate need for periodic endoscopies the prison has decided that she can wait until their schedule is not so busy. Since no one will permit my wife to have any pain medication, she spends most of her time in agony. Paralleling this outrageous medical mistreatment are a host of institutional abusers designed to exert maximum psychological pressure upon her, foremost amongst which is the censorship of our correspondence to the point where it's almost meaningless. Whoever is responsible for screening my letters to Anne is single-handedly destroying the government's strategic stockpile of magic markers since virtually everything is being blacked out ostensibly for "security" reasons. Even newspaper articles I send her pertaining to Israel arrived shredded. To add insult to injury, Anne was attacked several weeks ago and severely beaten by a deranged inmate. That, Mr. Cohn, is my wife's reality right now. It is not very pretty and is probably going to get much worse as time progresses and the Jewish community slowly forgets about her.

Anne's brutal treatment by the government at sentencing was all the more remarkable given the fact that she was never charged with having committed espionage and her "heinous" loyalty to me stands in marked contrast to the case of Mrs. Edward Lee Howard who, even though she facilitated her husband's defection to the Soviet Union, has not even been indicted for obstruction of justice,

let alone conspiracy. It should also be kept in mind that as a direct result of Howard's escape, the CIA's covert operations group in Moscow has reportedly been rendered all but useless by a spate of executions and improved KGB security measures recommended by the renegade American intelligence officer. But Mrs. Howard not only remains free but is permitted to pay for her husband's credit card bills which he's generated while living in Russia! Is there a double standard in practice or am I missing something?

Although I don't know how the court will respond on July 3 to our motions for a reduction of sentence, it's more than likely that Mr. Weinberger will mount a rather strenuous effort to have the original sentences sustained. If anything, his ill-advised advocacy of a pro-Iraqi tilt in U.S. policy toward the Persian Gulf War has only fueled his animosity toward me. Just a few weeks ago, in fact, Mr. Weinberger stated that in his opinion, America's ability to defend the Arabian Peninsula's oil fields may have been irrevocably compromised by both the successful Iranian interrogation of William Buckley, the former CIA station chief in Beirut, as well as my activities on behalf of Israel which were somehow linked to the former tragedy. I suspect that lumping me in with the Iranians will be rather well received in the various Arab capitals where the portrayal of Israel as the moral equivalent of Khomeini's Islamic Republic has been a *leit motif* of their propaganda campaigns over the past six years. It would now seem that this invidious comparison has moved significantly "upscale" by being disseminated by no less a spokesman than the U.S. secretary of defense.

I'm sure that this new gospel will be avidly embraced by the presiding judge who reportedly told our lawyers just before we were sentenced that he wouldn't tolerate any "pro-Israeli" statements to be made in court since it was his opinion that Israel's treatment of the Palestinians could be unfavorably compared to Nazi atrocities during the Second World War. The judge is also furious over our continued refusal to repudiate our cause, which he is choosing to interpret as a blatant manifestation of "stiff-necked arrogance." Despite the fact that some people might attribute our uncompromising attitude to principle, that word doesn't have much currency in Washington these days, particularly if it's associated with Israel. Of course, I suppose it was a matter of "principle" that lay behind Weinberger's decision to let injured crewmen from off the *USS Stark* be treated in Bahraini hospitals even though back in 1983 when the Marine barracks in Beirut was destroyed by a Shiite suicide bomber he also claimed

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First Soviet Jews In 4 Years Arrive In R.I.

Welcome To Rhode Island, David, Emilia, Maxim, Zhanna, Anna, Julia

by Roberta Segal
Special to R.I. Herald

"Don't you turn back, my wife
These are seeds of the ancient land
Sprouting in your soul.
Don't you turn back, my wife.
Will you bear it a bit, and now ..."

From *Monologue of Lot to His Wife* by David Shrayner, translated from the Russian by his son, Maxim

What sweep of the hand, what bureaucratic Soviet mind, what twist of history decides one family's fate over another.

After an eight year journey, on Wednesday, August 26, 1987, David and Emilia Shrayner and their son Maxim, Emilia's sister Zhanna Volinsky and her daughter, Julia, and their mother, Anna Studnitz, arrived in T.F. Green Airport.

Greeting them were their close friends, Alexander and Tamara Berezin, for whom life had written a different story. In 1979, both the Berezins and the Shrayners applied for visas to leave the Soviet Union. The Berezins were granted visas and came to the United States eight years ago. They now reside in Providence where Alexander is an anesthesiologist at The Miriam Hospital.

The Shrayners have a different story. David and Emilia are eager to share their experience — a tale that has led this attractive, highly intelligent, soft-spoken family to become political activists, living with the threat of imprisonment and physical danger, facing KGB harassment daily. Their tale is difficult to believe as we sit in their East Side apartment with sunlight streaming through the windows.

David, a microbiologist as well as a medical doctor and a talented writer, had been well-respected in the Soviet social structure. For a Jew, he had attained status both as a research scientist and as a noted author. He worked at the Academy of Medical Science of the USSR, a leading scientific institute. He was also granted membership in the Union of Writers, a professional club open to few Jews.

Emilia was a professor of English in the Ministry of Foreign Trade. She taught high level courses to people who would need English in their work. Her colleagues were sent abroad twice a year to expand their knowledge of English speaking countries, an experience necessary in her career. In her fifteen years in the position, Emilia was sent on only one trip, to Japan. She trained others for the semi-annual jaunts, but Emilia feels that because she was Jewish, she was denied career opportunities offered to those in her position.

For a couple in their level of Soviet society, the struggle between compromise and individual freedom was a constant inner battle.

David: "Every hour of my life, from my early childhood, I



The new arrivals — the first Russian-Jewish immigrants to settle in Rhode Island in four years — at Green Airport in Warwick.

remember many cases of anti-Semitism against me, my mother, my father, my relatives. In my institute, new students, new research workers could not get employment because they were Jews.

"In my writing, I could only write about Soviet problems or the problems connected with the life of the Russian people. But if I

wrote about Jews, the work was not published.

"As a research scientist, I was officially invited to symposiums in many countries including the United States. But I was not permitted to go. I found myself behind a barrier, in a cultural ghetto."

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Paul Segal (left) greets the new arrivals at Green Airport

After a four-year hiatus, Jewish Family Service was at Green Airport on August 26 to welcome the first Soviet Jewish families allowed to emigrate to Rhode Island. Paul Segal, Executive Director of JFS, and Ellen Steingold, Director of Refugee Resettlement for JFS, greeted the Shrayners, the Volinskys and Anna Studnitz as they disembarked from the plane, but the resettlement process had begun weeks before with the first telephone call from HIAS informing the agency that the families would be arriving.

Ready and waiting were furnished apartments arranged by Jewish Family Service; linen and groceries provided by the National Council of Jewish Women Rhode Island Chapter lined the shelves.

In the first few days after their arrival, Ellen Steingold arranged for medical

check-ups provided by The Miriam Hospital, banking arrangements, social security applications, job and school interviews.

In the next few weeks, the families will be introduced to the many offerings in the Jewish Community. The Bureau of Jewish Education provides instruction in Jewish customs and holidays. The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island welcomes the families to their facility and their programs. Synagogues open their doors. Community leaders help with employment.

The entire resettlement process is coordinated by Jewish Family Service and is funded by the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island. The Rhode Island Jewish community is known nationally for its extremely successful resettlement efforts and the integration of families into community life.

Local News

Sale Of High Holiday Tickets Set

Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham, 688 Broad St., Providence, R.I., announces that the sale of tickets for the High Holidays for members and the general public will take place on Sunday, September 6, Sunday, September 13, and Sunday, September 20 in the vestry of the synagogue from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Tickets are priced at \$25.

Book Sale For Sisterhood

The Sisterhood at Congregation Beth Shalom will be sponsoring a Used Book Sale on Sunday, September 13, 1987 from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. The event will take place in the synagogue's social hall at 275 Camp St. (corner Rochambeau) in Providence, and will feature a vast array of books on a variety of topics. A special children's table will display children's books and games. All hardcover books are two for \$2 and all paperbacks are four for \$1. The public is invited.

Respite Care At Central Geriatric

Central Geriatric Daycare Center continues to provide respite care to its clients on a regular basis. Presently, the Center is open three Saturdays a month from 9-3:30.

In September, the agency will be open on the 12th, 19th, and 26th. In October, we're open on the 3rd, 17th and 24th.

The program offers a wide variety of recreational and therapeutic activities including table bowling, croquet, basketball, ring and bean bag toss, and exercise. Our drama and music therapists also join us regularly.

A host of outdoor activities and field trips were planned over the summer months. Barbecues, picnics, a trip to Newport, and the Umbrella Factory in Charlestown appeared to be well received. They also went to Colt State Park and toured Blithewold House in Bristol. Future trips are also being planned.

The respite care program has been funded through a grant from the Department of Elderly Affairs.

Beth Sholom Sisterhood

Beth Sholom Sisterhood will be hosting its opening program — a Membership Tea on Wednesday, September 9, 1987, at 8 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Yaffe, 107 Forest Street, Providence.

The featured entertainer will be Laura Berkson, guitarist, folksinger and songwriter. Laura is the director of Kol Simcha, the J.C.C. chorus, and is a member of the trio, the East Side Itinerant Folk Orchestra. She plans to produce her next album in February and has a busy fall schedule planned, performing throughout the Northeast. Her performance at the Membership Tea will feature a variety of Hebrew, English and Israeli music.

A schedule of programs for the upcoming year will also be presented at the get-together, followed by a delicious dessert table.

The event is open to all women in the Jewish community. Anyone who is interested in joining or finding out more about Beth Sholom Sisterhood is encouraged to attend. Membership dues may be paid at this meeting. The evening promises to be an enjoyable one.

Tay-Sachs Testing At JCC

On Sunday, September 13 from 1 to 4 p.m., the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence, will be the site of a community Tay-Sachs testing for adults over 18. Tay-Sachs is a dreaded genetic disease which takes the lives of infants of Jewish descent. There is no known cure and death always occurs by three or four years of age.

Tay-Sachs disease can be prevented, however. A simple and safe blood test can determine whether or not an individual is a carrier of the Tay-Sachs gene. Carriers are normal in every respect, but they are capable of passing on the gene for the disease to their offspring.

The Tay-Sachs Prevention Program is sponsored by Jewish Family Service and The Miriam Hospital. The community screening is co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, the Providence Hebrew Day School, the Solomon Schechter Day School, Temple Beth El, Temple Emanu-El and Temple Beth Shalom.

All adults over 18 who have not been tested are urged to participate on September 13. To schedule a time or for further information, call Tay-Sachs Prevention at 331-6962.

JWV To Hold National Convention

The Jewish War Veterans of the USA will be holding its 92nd Annual National Convention from September 7-13, 1987 at the Concord Resort Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, N.Y. This year's convention, featuring a fascinating variety of speakers and events, will focus on issues of vital concern to the global community.

Singles Event

The South Area Jewish Community Center Jewish Single Adults (ages 22-39) present "An Evening of Dancing" at Checkers, 362 Turnpike St., Route 138, Canton, on Sunday, September 13, 1987, 8:30 p.m.-12 a.m. Members/\$8 and Non-members/\$12.

For further information, please call Judith Halperin at (617) 341-2016 or (617) 821-0030.

Open House AT JCC



Dr. Robert Wurafic

The fall season at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., in Providence, begins with an Open House on Sunday, September 13 from 1-4 p.m. A variety of activities are planned for the afternoon, including tours of the building and a community-wide Tay-Sachs screening.

All of the departments will have displays and provide information about the many courses offered. The new scoreboard in the gym will be dedicated and the gameroom will be open.

Gallery 401 will hold an opening reception from 1-3 p.m. featuring the watercolors, pastels and mixed media works of Jayne Rosenberg.

A singles brunch will be offered at 11 a.m. for a fee of \$3.50 for members and \$6 for non-members. Dr. Robert D. Wurafic a Clinical/Consultant Psychologist will discuss "Relationships - Decrease Your Stress/Double Your Pleasure."

The JCCRI Chorus will perform and the presentation of recognition certificates to volunteers and staff will take place during the afternoon. Newcomers to the community are welcome. Staff will be on hand to answer questions and membership information will be available.

"Labor Day Challenge" At Blood Center

They're out for blood. Because some people observe Labor Day by continuing to labor, working to save the lives of those who need blood... accident victims, cancer patients, newborn babies, emergency surgeries.

The Rhode Island Blood Center is asking healthy residents of all blood types to "Take the Labor Day Challenge" by giving blood on Friday, September 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Providence Marriott. Each donor will receive a picnic lunch compliments of New England Telephone, UFCW Local 328 and the Providence Marriott. Chicken, coleslaw, dessert and refreshments will make up the meal.

Over 230 pints of blood are transfused every day in Rhode Island's 17 hospitals. Because not enough Rhode Islanders are donating, one out of every seven transfusions must be imported from other states. This is not only expensive (up to \$40,000 a month) but risky, as other blood centers are often equally short of blood during holiday periods.

The Rhode Island Blood Center reports that they still find it necessary to spend a great deal of effort reassuring concerned members of the public that it is completely safe to give blood. According to Dr. Ronald Yankee, Blood Center Director, "Everything used is sterile and disposable — used just once, for you, and then thrown away. It's safe, quick and easy. All you really feel is good!"

Donors wishing more information on the September 4th "Labor Day Challenge" blood drive or other opportunities in their area should call the Blood Center at 863-8378.

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Cantor Axelrad At B'nai Israel

David Axelrad, a cantor at Tifereth Israel in New Bedford, will serve as the guest cantor for the High Holiday services at Congregation B'nai Israel, Prospect Street, in Woonsocket.

He will chant the services for Rosh Hashanah, which begins the evening of September 23 and continues September 24 and 25, and Yom Kippur on the evening of October 2 and ending at sundown the following day.

Axelrad is a native of Houston, where by the age of 13 he had already begun chanting the High Holiday services at Brith Shalom, holding that position for six years. He attended the University of Houston and the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York, where he graduated in 1968 with a bachelor of sacred music as well as the diploma of cantor. He received the Jacobson Memorial Prize, awarded to the graduate showing the greatest proficiency in liturgical chant.

Upon graduation, he assumed the pulpit at Temple Israel in Binghamton, N.Y. He also served as cantor of Temple Israel in Natick, Mass. and El Emeth in Youngstown, Ohio before moving on to New Bedford.

Axelrad is a member of the American Conference of Cantors and is a past president of the Jewish Ministers Cantors Association of New England. He is



also a member of the American Society for Jewish Music. He has received recognition from the National Women's League, who noted some of his musical projects in a publication distributed to 800 congregations throughout the country.

In 1983, he was selected to chant Sabbath services at the national ZOA convention in Pittsburgh.

Axelrad and his wife, Debbie, a registered nurse at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford, are the parents of three children and reside in North Dartmouth.

Congregation B'nai Israel invites all area families to join in worship for the High Holidays on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur without charge.

Ohawe Sholam

Services this Shabbat morning will be at 9 a.m. A Kiddush will follow. Friday evening services begin at 7:05 p.m. Saturday evening Rabbi Jacob's Mishnah class will be at 6 p.m. Mincha will be at 6:50 p.m. followed by the Third Sabbath meal. Ma'ariv will be at 7:50 p.m. Havdalah will be at 8 p.m.

Our synagogue is embarking on a membership drive. We have a small but growing congregation which has a N.C.S.Y. youth group, a couples club, a teenage seminar, adult education, as well as many more activities. We are just a little over a mile from day schools, the mikvah, and the Jewish Community Center.

Membership, including High Holiday tickets, is only \$250 for an entire family, individual tickets for non-members is \$50. Anyone interested in our synagogue can call Rabbi and Eve Jacobs at 724-3552; David and Nita Pliskin at 725-3886; or Barrie and Annette Weisman at 723-2669.

The synagogue is having a cookout in the parking lot for the entire Jewish community this coming Sunday, Sept. 5 at 5-7 p.m. All meat is Glatt kosher. Pas Yisrael will be available upon request.

There will be the first in a series of teenage seminars this Sunday, Sept. 6 at 7:30 p.m. It is open to all Jewish teenagers 14-17.

Our first junior N.C.S.Y. meeting of the year with election of officers and ice cream will be Monday, Sept. 7 at 2 p.m. It is open to all Jewish pre-teens 10-13 or 5th-8th grade.

The schedule of services this coming week is as follows:

Morning: Sunday and Monday, 8 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6:50 a.m.; Thursday, 6:40 a.m. Evenings, 7 p.m. daily.

Friday Night Discussion Series At Am David

With the conclusion of the summer season, Shabbat services move back to their usual time tonight at Temple Am David, Warwick. Services begin at 8:15 p.m. in the Temple Sanctuary, and feature spirited congregational singing led by Cantor Steven W. Dress.

Rabbi H. Scott White, who recently became the Temple's spiritual leader, will moderate the

first installment of a continuing Friday evening discussion series concerning current issues in world Jewry. Tonight's topic will be, "Jewish Dialogue with the Pope: Substance or Ceremony?" An Oneg Shabbat will follow services. Shahrut services for Shabbat will begin at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, when the congregation will celebrate the Bat Mitzvah of Alana Aviva Efreom.



Fall Fashion Preview

Cohoes and James Kaplan Jewelers are jointly sponsoring a "Fall Fashion Preview" on Sunday morning, September 20 to benefit the students of ORT (Organization For Rehabilitation

Through Training). The public is invited to attend this fashion preview which begins at 10 a.m. and will take place in Cohoe's Garden City store. Refreshments will be served.

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From The Editor

by Robert Israel



Slandered By Kahane

I've arrived. Rabbi Meir Kahane has written about me in his weekly column for the *Jewish Press*.

I have faced the wrath of Rabbi Kahane and I'm still alive to tell you about it. Others have been wounded by his vicious words and have survived, too. In the *New Republic*, he was summed up by editor Leon Wieseltier as a "Jewish monster," and that is the most apt description of him that anyone has come up with yet.

Readers of this newspaper are familiar with Rabbi Kahane, as he made an appearance to the Rhode Island area, insulting people as he made his way around the state, calling Jewish leaders of this state, whom he had not met, "ignoramus and pigmies," and appearing on the Buddy Cianci talk show preaching his hatred against Arabs. He is a pathetic creature who nonetheless has a following, here in Rhode Island and elsewhere, so it doesn't surprise me that one of those followers has urged him to slander me and this newspaper. I would find the whole matter absurd if it weren't for the fact that his hatred has found a vehicle whereby others will read his poison. Because it has found its way into print, I think it deserves an answer, because his words, thoughts and accusations are distorted and false.

Let me quote from his column:

"My deep sympathies to the Jewish community of Providence, Rhode Island," Rabbi Kahane wrote in the August 28 issue of the (*New York Jewish Press*). "On top of the tragedies that beset them in the form of their local Jewish Establishment (Federation), Community Relations Council, temple rabbinates, (*ad nauseum*), it seems they also have a Jewish (sic) newspaper known as *The Herald* which adds to the turning of Jewish Providence into a kind of Hebrew Hell."

It seems the gargoyle from Hell himself, Rabbi Kahane, learned of my being awarded the Hibakusha Fellowship to Japan. And so he has taken it upon himself to malign and distort the purpose of my going to Japan by insulting me and the newspaper I write for.

Rabbi Kahane has chosen to unleash his wrath against me because he feels I have compared the Nazi Holocaust with the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Nothing could be further from the truth. In the interview with the *Providence Journal*, published a month before I left on assignment to Japan, (from which he quotes), I made it clear the two events, which both happened during World War II, were not to be compared or contrasted, but were to be remembered because it is crucial to humanity not to let either event happen again. We live in the shadows of both events. Because both events happened, we must work diligently to avoid their recurrence.

Elie Wiesel, the Nobel Peace Prize recipient and Holocaust survivor, was one of the four people who recommended me for the fellowship. He visited Hiroshima three months before I arrived there and said, to the *New York Times*, "let us not make cheap comparisons between Auschwitz and Hiroshima." The Nazi Holocaust was meant to eliminate an entire people, he said, and the bombings were not designed to do that. He did acknowledge that the survivors of the Nazi Holocaust and the holocaust that followed during the atomic bombings are linked by the fact they have to tell their stories to humanity so that we learn important lessons. This is why I traveled to Japan, to record those stories, just as I have recorded the stories of other survivors. As a journalist, this is my job. And as a Jew

committed to working for peace on earth, which is one of the tenets of my faith, I want to add my name to the list of the peacemakers who can insure a present and a future for everyone, including the warped and deeply disturbed Rabbi Kahane and his Kahane-clones.

Surely Rabbi Kahane has uttered the prayer that wishes "peace be onto you," meaning to all people of the world. Why should he find it so strange that wishes for peace be extended to Japanese or to Arabs? Unless we communicate with one another, unless we learn one another's stories and share those stories, viewing them in

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the context of human history, we are doomed, like Rabbi Kahane, to spew forth venom and to inflict pain and humiliation onto others.

Since returning from my month's stay in Japan, I have encountered overt racism, in the form of letters to the editor of the *Providence Journal* where a dispatch of mine appeared from Hiroshima on August 6. These letters attacked the Japanese and inferred that the Japanese are less than human, even today, forty-two years after the atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Rabbi Kahane, during his visit to Providence, made it clear that the Arabs are less than human and that they should all be put on a bus and shipped back to Jordan. Their land would be purchased from them, he said during his press conference in Providence. When I asked him where this money would come from, he said, "world Jewry."

Well, if the response by local grown, Rhode Island Jewry is any indication, he's got a long wait to finance his scheme, since no one, including the Orthodox community he maintains embraces him, supports him in his racist motivations.

"It is the tragedy of our times that Jews are in the hands of the Robert Israels," concludes Rabbi Kahane in the *Jewish Press*.

No one, I assure you, Rabbi Kahane, is in my hands. I offer my words and my work to the community that I am a native of and am closely bonded to. And that community has supported me, time and time again, in my efforts to communicate, to reach out to others, to travel abroad, and to return with new stories to tell. If they choose to wash their hands of me, so to speak, they have not exercised it. And I sincerely doubt they will.

If, from my published writings at home and abroad, my readers learn of other lives and exercise their Jewish compassion, I will have succeeded in my goal. I am convinced that compassion is a deeper rooted belief than the sad ravings of the "Jewish monster," the unleashed and rabid Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Showdown Over The Lavi

The moment of truth is finally at hand for the Lavi, Israel's ambitious fighter plane project. Barring any last minute developments, it seems likely that the Israeli government will vote to terminate the project, seven years after its inception. In doing so, the Cabinet will bring to an end the dream of Israel producing a state-of-the-art aircraft for the nineties. If, however, the government opts to continue with the Lavi project despite lacking the financial wherewithal to do so, it risks plunging the economy into a major inflationary cycle and incurring the anger of the Reagan Administration, which has publicly urged Israel to cancel the Lavi.

The showdown vote cuts across the political spectrum. Supporting the Lavi are Prime Minister Shamir (Likud) who sees the Lavi as an expression of national will, and Vice Premier Peres (Labor), who once dubbed the Lavi project "an Israeli NASA" that would sweep Israel's high tech industry into the 21st century. Opposing the Lavi are Defense Minister Rabin (Labor), who argues the aircraft is siphoning off vitally-needed funds for other defense needs, and Finance Minister Moshe Nissim (Likud) and Bank of Israel chairman Prof. Michael Bruno, who say Israel simply can't afford such an expensive undertaking.

Looming behind the two factions is the U.S. government, which has repeatedly made known its objections to the Lavi, most from Secretary of State George Shultz who explicitly stated that termination of the Lavi would be "in the best interests of both our countries." Since the U.S. has almost fully financed the Lavi development until now, earmarking \$550 million a year for the airplane out of the total \$1.8 billion military aid package for Israel, its opinion carries considerable weight, particularly when voiced by Israel's best friend in Washington. Apart from the drain on Israel's military and economic sectors, the Lavi, fears Washington, could be a competitor to U.S. fighters in foreign markets. As an alternative, the Pentagon has offered Israel an attractive purchase package of the F-16, without forfeiting the allocation tagged for the Lavi.

Pitted against these weighty considerations is an aggressive lobbying effort by Israel Aircraft Industries (IAI), the country's largest employer (about 20,000 people) and a significant political force. In a nation where elections are decided by a relatively small number, no party wants to be blamed for the unemployment of 5,000 Lavi engineers and technicians, and additional thousands directly affected by the Lavi's termination.

At the heart of the controversy is not the quality of the Lavi but rather the unanticipated cost overruns to complete the project. To date, the Lavi's development has cost \$1.6 billion and total production costs may run as high as \$20 billion, a figure equivalent to the Israeli GNP for one year. According to Finance Minister Nissim the per-unit price of the Lavi has soared to \$59 million (nearly double what the U.S. F-16 would cost Israel off-the-shelf).

The IAI is waging an 11th-hour cost-cutting effort for the Lavi in the hope of saving the project. But Nissim and Bruno claim the cuts are too little and too late. Both declared that continuation of the package would require additional taxes and would cancel out all the achievements of the economic rehabilitation program.

Joining the anti-Lavi forces are the new IDF Chief-of-Staff, Dan Shomron, and the heads of all three Israeli military services. They worry that by pouring one-fourth of all U.S. military aid into the Lavi, other important battlefield-of-the-future projects will suffer. Already the IDF, as part of the general austerity program, has had to cut back on combat development and training programs. Israel's other military industries are laying off thousands of employees as the preponderance of the defense investment is centered on the Lavi.

Military planners opposed to continuing the Lavi program say that the plane, originally intended as a small-scale aircraft that was to replace aging Skyhawks and Kfirs, has escalated into a grandiose fighter-bomber that may not be as effective as the F-16. They note that more F-16s can be acquired in the near future, at generous terms, while the first squadron of Lavis won't be ready until the 1990's. And by the time the Lavi is ready, they add, it will no longer be the most advanced fighter around.

Those, then, are the pressures and considerations facing Israel's government as it debates the fate of the Lavi. Beyond the immediate decision, the government is confronted with some tough questions by critics: How did a cheap, small-scale fighter plane turn into a complex and exorbitant aircraft? What accounted for the huge cost discrepancies presented by IAI to the government? Why did it take seven years for the IDF to voice objections to a project it never enthusiastically endorsed?

In view of American opposition, that of its own defense establishment, and the threat to Israel's economic stability as voiced by its financial leadership, the Lavi, say most observers, is already dead. It is only up to the government to give it a decent burial. The Lavi decision epitomizes the dilemma Israel faces in the coming months and years — whether a small country that has succeeded beyond all expectations, can now reconcile its dreams within the realities of large-sized defense and economic burdens.

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Letters to the Editor

To The Editor:

The annual occasion of Labor Day is an excellent time to focus attention on the too often overlooked relationship between the workplace and the family.

A proposed bill has been introduced in Massachusetts by State Representative Mary Jane Gibson with the intent of strengthening the family by allowing either a new mother or a new father the option of taking job-protected leave to care for a newborn or adopted child. Included in the bill is a wage replacement fund for partial pay at no expense to the employer.

We of B'nai B'rith Women feel that this type of legislation is a long overdue acknowledgement that the family structure is now being sacrificed to the economic needs of two fulltime working parents. Young children require the closeness and bonding of a parent early in life to develop normally. To deny a parent and a child this opportunity is to create a stressful, unhealthy situation that may have long term adverse consequences for both. Many young parents are now forced into this unnatural life style for fear of losing their jobs and income security. A tug of war between the needs of the family and the needs of the job is now the built in

condition facing most young parents in our society today.

Let Labor Day be viewed solely as an employee's holiday, let me emphasize that employers will also benefit by this legislation. They will retain well trained, loyal employees. They will save on the high costs for new hiring and training. High job turnover is a costly expense that plagues many employers. Some companies have already instituted parental leave options for that reason. Most companies however have not voluntarily done so.

We have a rare opportunity to solve a potential societal problem before it develops. That makes a lot more sense than failing to act in time and coping with more drastic problems later. Think of the social services, psychiatrist's bills, guilt feelings, stress-related lack of productivity at work and other expensive problems that could be headed off.

Yes, Labor Day can be both a historic occasion and a way to focus on the changing workplace today. Recognizing the importance of the family structure in our overall economy is a key element.

Jessie Lipson
Public Affairs Chairman
B'nai B'rith Women,
New England Region

E. Berlin To Have Rabbi

NEW YORK (JTA) — For the first time in almost a quarter century, the small Jewish community in East Berlin will have a rabbi of its own, the result of a four-year effort spearheaded by the American Jewish Committee.

Rabbi Isaac Neuman, a 65-year-old Auschwitz survivor from Champaign, Ill., will leave for East Germany on September 10 to assume his post and prepare for the High Holy Days. As his first rabbinical action, he will attend the International Ecumenical Conference in East Berlin on September 13 as the official representative of the less than 600 remaining East German Jews.

The Reform rabbi, who is a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, will become the only permanent American rabbi ministering in all of the East Bloc nations.

"I am going because there are Jews who are in need of spiritual service in this place out of which so much evil and destruction once emanated," said Neuman. "It is my joy to try to rebuild and reconstruct and provide for the needs of this Jewish community."

He added: "What I hope to bring is the information that will help them understand the oneness of the Jewish people, their shared history and experiences."

Eugene DuBow, director of AJC's Community Services Department, who has overseen this project since its conception, noted that "the process of having a permanent rabbi placed in East Berlin to help revive and rejuvenate the Jewish population there took a lot of time and energy on the part of concerned individuals, but we know that we have accomplished something incredibly worthwhile."

Chronology of Events

DuBow offered the following chronology of events leading to Neuman's appointment:

In the fall of 1983, an AJC leadership delegation to Germany became the first post-war American Jewish group to visit East Berlin. The president of the Jewish community there asked for AJC help in obtaining kosher wine, prayer shawls, German

language prayer books, and a rabbi to conduct High Holy Day services. In early 1984, AJC shipped the materials and arranged for a rabbi from Chicago to go to the German Democratic Republic (GDR) to conduct services.

In the fall of 1985, an AJC delegation returned to East Berlin and was informed of the overwhelmingly positive reaction of the Jewish community to the rabbi's visit. East German Jewish community leaders discussed the possibility of finding a more permanent religious figure with the delegation, in an effort to maintain Jewish life and help young people discover their Jewish heritage. After a long search, AJC suggested Neuman for the position.

In the summer of 1986, Rep. William Lehman (D. Fla.) heard about AJC's project and offered his help. He, along with AJC leaders, held several meetings with U.S. State Department officers and East German officials.

In January 1987, the State Secretary for Religious Affairs of the GDR arranged for Neuman, Lehman, DuBow, and State Department officials to go to East Berlin for Passover to meet with leaders of the Jewish community there and to "firm up" Neuman's appointment.

Neuman's position was officially confirmed by the East German government early last month. The GDR will pay his salary and provide him with an apartment and a car. Major funding for AJC's work with the Jewish community in the GDR came from Saul Mirowitz of St. Louis, who has established the Barbara Mirowitz Fund for East German Jewry in honor of his wife.

United Way Sponsors Race

The United Way of Southeastern New England will launch its 62nd annual campaign with The Great Race on Thursday, September 10 at noon on Kennedy Plaza, downtown Providence.

For The Great Race, teams from local businesses and agencies will

Epstein Heads JWB Personnel



NEW YORK, N.Y. — JWB Executive Vice-President Arthur Rotman has announced the appointment of Sherwood Epstein to the position of JWB Director of Personnel Services. Epstein will lead a JWB Department of Personnel Services that has recently been reorganized in direct response to needs expressed by Jewish Community Centers and YM-YWHA's across North America for increased assistance in the vitally important area of staffing.

Under Epstein's leadership, JWB expects to enhance its service capabilities in the essential areas of recruitment, counseling and placement, and training and retention of staff.

Epstein brings to his position a long and distinguished career in the Center field and in the area of personnel services. Most recently at JWB he served as Director of Human Resources, with responsibility for establishing lay leadership development programming on national and local levels, including programs for new and advanced leadership. In addition, he directs the JWB Biennials.

When Epstein came to JWB 17 years ago, he was assigned to work in the Personnel Services department, with responsibility for developing methods of utilizing the services of staff with Bachelor's degrees. Prior to that, he had held senior executive positions at Centers in New York and had directed resident camps in the New York City and Rochester areas. At JWB, he later held the position of Assistant Director of Community Services.

Epstein's accomplishments at JWB include having directed the second JWB Executive Development Training Program, a comprehensive two-year program designed to train Center executives for top-management positions. One of his first projects in his new role will be to direct the third JWB Executive Development Training Program, which has just begun with an intensive 10-day seminar at the Temple University Conference Center.

Epstein received his M.S.W. from Washington University in St. Louis and began his career in the Center field at the Educational Alliance in New York City. He lives in Florham Park, N.J., is married and has one daughter.

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Hadassah Opposes Bork

NEW YORK — Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, the largest women's volunteer group of its kind in the United States, today announced its opposition to the nomination of Robert H. Bork to the Supreme Court.

Hadassah's National Board departed from a long-standing tradition of neither endorsing nor opposing candidates for elected

office and Presidential appointees in voting unanimously to oppose Judge Bork's candidacy for the high court, according to Hadassah National President Ruth W. Popkin.

"As an independent, non-aligned voice for American Jewish and Zionist women of all ages and religious and political beliefs, Hadassah has refrained in the past from commenting publicly on Supreme Court nominees," Popkin said in announcing the organization's

action. "Judge Bork's decisions from the bench of the U.S. Court of Appeals and other public statements represent a dangerously repressive and extremist view of our society, however, and it is clear that it is a view that our members reject."

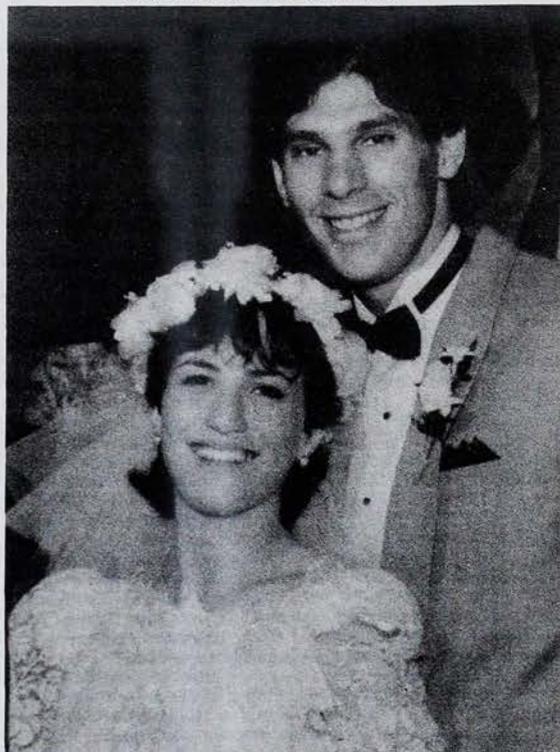
Adam Segal Completes Internship

Adam L. Segal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Segal, Jr., of 15 Cortland Lane, Cranston, and a Health Fitness major at Springfield College is completing an internship at Atrium in Providence, R.I.

Springfield College's Health Fitness Program educates students for professional positions as fitness specialists in clinical, medical, corporate or institutional environments. The program is designed to enable graduates to establish and develop physical fitness/health assessment programs; evaluate an individual's health fitness needs; prescribe appropriate activities; and organize and administer health fitness programs and facilities.

A graduate of Cranston High School West, Segal is a junior at Springfield College. He is a member of the Food Advisory Board of the college's Food Service; the Housing Advisory Committee, a body of students and administrators whose purpose is to enhance the quality of residence life at the college; and he is a participant in intramural basketball. A Dean's List student, Segal recently received the Springfield College Outstanding Student Award for Health Fitness.

Roberta Lieber Weds Mark Glucksman



Roberta Lieber of Queens, New York, the daughter of Martin and Vivian Lieber of Englewood, New Jersey, was joined in marriage to Mark S. Glucksman of New York City, the son of Dr. Albert Glucksman and the late Carol Glucksman of Warwick, R.I.

The ceremony took place at Temple Beth Rishon in Wyckoff, New Jersey, on July 12, 1987.

The bride wore a gown of white satin with white lace. She carried a bouquet of lilies, rosebuds,

stephanotis and ivy. The maid of honor was Karen Lieber, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids included Adrienne Laitman, Debra Jacklyn, Kim Zuanelli and Susan Goryeb. Best man was William Glucksman, brother of the bridegroom. Ushers included Michael Glucksman, Jeff Greenberg, Jay Chapler, Christopher Regine, and Ken Epstein.

After a wedding trip to Israel, the couple will reside in New York City.



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Senator and Mrs. Pell live at 3425 Prospect St., N.W., Washington, D.C. This year's cookout will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 1987.

Students who plan to attend are asked to call the Senator's office, (202) 224-4642, before the cookout.

The Senator's office is in Room SR-335 of the Russell Senate Office Building and Rhode Islanders are always welcome.

Jewish Singles Supercruise

The Jewish Community Centers Association of St. Louis is sponsoring the Fourth Annual Nationwide Jewish Singles Supercruise '88. This year's 7-day cruise aboard The Royal Caribbean's Song of America, departs from Miami, Florida on Sunday, February 28 and sails to four ports of call: Cozumel, Grand Cayman, Ocho Rios, and Labadie, the northern coast of Haiti. The cost for the cruise runs between \$1,050 to \$1,400 based on double, triple, or quad occupancy. The price includes: Round-trip airfare from most major U.S. cities to Miami (low add-on fares from Canada) with transfers to the port, eight meals and snacks a day, including midnight buffets,

Captain's welcome and farewell parties, daily singles activities and games, talent night, costume parties, four ports of call and port taxes. In order to reserve a place on the ship, all participants are required to put a \$200 deposit down with full payment due by December 15, 1987.

Space is limited and is only guaranteed with the deposit on a first-come, first-go basis. Prices increase after December 15, so book now and save. Please make checks payable to the Jewish Community Centers Association and mail to JCCA, #2 Millstone Campus Drive, St. Louis, Mo. 63146, Attn: Jamie Field.

Over one hundred participants came aboard last year's Nationwide Jewish Singles Cruise. Five couples who met on '87's Nationwide Jewish Singles Cruise are now engaged to be married. Most couples met, coming from opposite ends of the country. However, one of these engaged couples met on the ship for the first time and discovered that both of them came from Detroit, Michigan and lived less than one mile apart. Their wedding is in December.

For more information on the Cruise, please call Jamie Newman Field, JCCA Singles Coordinator at (314)-432-5700, Ext. 154, or Bee Dee Schwartz, Travel Counselor at Den-Mark Travel (314)-878-1100.

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In honor and recognition of The Jewish Home's 75 years of providing care to the elderly of Rhode Island, an Anniversary Brunch will be held at the Home on September 13, 1987 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Stanley Aronson, Dean of Medicine, Emeritus, Brown University, will be honored by the Home for his substantial contributions to the community and for his efforts toward establishing the affiliation between the Home and the program in Medicine at Brown University.

To add to the festivities a trio, from the Klezmer Conservatory Band, will play lively traditional music throughout the afternoon. A beautiful brunch will be served.

The 75th Anniversary Brunch is being planned by the Home's Community Education Committee. James Galkin, Chairman, promises a joyous afternoon where friends can join in the continuing celebration of the Home's 75th Anniversary. Ticket prices are \$18 chai or \$36, double chai per person. For more information contact Patricia Dwyer at 351-4750.

Solod An Exchange Student

Lynne A. Solod, daughter of Phyllis and Arthur J. Solod of Warwick and a junior at Tollgate High School, is spending the year in the AFS student exchange program in Belgium. She is also the granddaughter of Mrs. George Thomashow of Worcester, Massachusetts.

JFS Parent Exchange

The Parent Exchange at Jewish Family Service Family Life Education is again offering the group "Mother and Toddlers," which will meet at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence on Monday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to noon for eight weeks beginning September 14. The course, co-sponsored by the JCCRI, will be led by Ruth Berenson, ACSW, of Jewish Family Service.

The group will focus on the social and emotional development of toddlers (14 months to 2½ years), as well as the development of the role of a parent. Toddlers are encouraged to attend.

The fee for the eight sessions is

\$50. Pre-registration is required. To register or for further information call Ruth Berenson at 331-1244.

Weekend College At CCRI

Community College of Rhode Island will offer "Weekend College" during the fall semester beginning Friday, September 4, on both the Lincoln and Warwick campuses.

A Weekend College program in business administration enables students to complete degree requirements in two years. However, students may also enroll on a part-time basis, select courses individually and complete the program over a longer period. Weekend College classes for the business administration degree are held at the Warwick Campus.

In addition, a variety of other credit courses are offered at both the Lincoln and Warwick campuses. Students may earn credits by enrolling in courses offered on the weekend.

Tuition, fees and courses offered through this program are the same as those during the regular CCRI day and evening program. Students attending Weekend College who wish to take any courses at a time other than on the weekend may elect to do so.

For further information on Weekend College, call the CCRI Admissions Office, 825-2285.

Car Wash For Jerry's Kids

Automobile drivers will be able to give to Muscular Dystrophy if they visit Non-Stop Car Wash at 325 Taunton Ave. at Six Corners in East Providence. During the remainder of August, automobile drivers will be able to purchase a free car wash coupon worth \$4 with all monies going for Muscular Dystrophy and Jerry's Kids.

Non-Stop Car Washes goal is to raise \$1000 for Muscular Dystrophy and Jerry's Kids. "We want Greater East Providence to know we are here and that we support the community and the state," says Ms. Schaefer, "We feel that \$1000 is a very realistic goal."

On Labor Day, Non-Stop Car Wash will open at 8 a.m. to help Jerry's Kids. Each and every exterior car washed during the day, at a \$4 value will go to Muscular Dystrophy.

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Eating Disorders Forum is open to all those actively involved, those who have recovered, friends, family, professionals and anyone who wants to learn more.

The first meeting will be held on September 16 on a Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. It will be held at the North Kingstown Public Library.

If you have any questions or would like to have further information please contact the Anorexia and Bulimia Association of Rhode Island at 94 Waterman St., Providence, R.I. 02906. The number is (401) 861-2335.

Sheltering Society

There will be a brief meeting of the Providence Hebrew Sheltering Society on Sunday, August 30 at 6:45 p.m., Sons of Jacob Synagogue, 24 Douglas Ave., Providence.

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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder



If it weren't for Newport's Jazz Festival, I wouldn't have caught the 7:23 a.m. Bonanza to Boston on a recent Friday morning.

Through jazz, and my daughter's acquaintance with Elizabeth Zwerling, I hopped off the bus at Stuart Street headed for Copley Place.

When I met Liz in Rhode Island, my "Here's a story" antenna propelled. Just turned 24, she is a publicity representative for Adrienne Vittadini in New York City.

Time was limited to interview her in Rhode Island, since her destination was the Newport Jazz Festival, so Liz invited me to meet her at Neiman Marcus in Boston for a sampling of what her work entails.

She suggested we meet in front of Copley Place so she could guide me through the employee's entrance before store hours. I arrived early, and after a few minutes, I spotted a young woman outfitted in white knit fast approaching.

It was unmistakably the Adrienne Vittadini look, and Liz was wearing it stylishly.

After an exchange of Hi and smiles, we went in, meeting up with one of two models who had come to don Vittadini fashions for the store's associates during Liz's presentation.

Liz addressed the Neiman Marcus staff, highlighting the famous designer's background, her attitudes and beliefs in the varied design and texture of her clothing. She showed an upbeat, musically coordinated fashion show video of Adrienne Vittadini's fall apparel to supplement her talk.

Liz's program was impressively articulate and dramatic. Words flowed. She made that all important eye contact with her listeners. A flawless presentation. All these good attributes from a young woman who had told me how shy she basically was when she first started as a publicity representative.

Inquiring about her studies and career track since her graduation from University of Massachusetts two years ago, I was told she majored in Communications, minoring in Italian. Her interest in Italian stems from her background.

"My father is an Italian Jew, and in my sophomore year, I attended a summer program in a little renaissance town, Trevino.

"I fell in love with the Italian language. It's such a beautiful language. Whatever I learned in Trevino was minimal, so when I returned to U. Mass., I signed up for a course in Italian.

"Then, I applied for a special studies program to Sienna for the second semester of my senior year. I was accepted, and went to study art history and Italian, remaining through the summer."

The minimal Italian Liz knew after her first summer in Trevino has developed into full-scale fluency.

Tracing her family's roots, Liz said her grandfather was born in Trieste. While in Italy, she visited the port town. "I had to see it, and to know what it was like.

"My grandfather's story is fascinating. At 16, he came to the United States as a stowaway on the bottom of a ship. He came to New York, thinking that the United States was a lot like Italy.

"He thought communities here were like the ones in Italy where everybody knew each other. He didn't understand how big the United States was. He walked off the ship in New York and asked for his father, thinking that people would know where he was, because the Italian community was so tight... that they lived in communities much like the Jewish community does.

"He found his father that way, but where he found him was in Canada. My grandfather ended up working as a ship's steward. All his life, he worked on ships at sea, based out of New York.

"When my father turned 16, he worked on ships in the summers. His brother did too. They worked as waiters on passenger ships, travelling all over the world. And when my two brothers turned 16, they also worked on ships.

"My father is a maritime lawyer," Liz said, which couldn't have been more appropos to her seafaring family's history. She explained that her name Zwerling is Austrian, and that Trieste, a northern Italian city, contains a mixture of Slavic peoples.

Asking Liz what she did when she graduated from college, she replied, "I suffered. I couldn't find a job for eight months. I was looking for a job in television. I thought that's what I wanted, but looking back now it seems very romantic to me. I had romantic notions about what I wanted to do.

"I ended up working on *Good Morning America*. All I did was answer phones. I didn't like it, and didn't think I was going to get ahead there. I found it very discouraging, and the pay was terrible. I wasn't sure I was ever going to be able to do anything.

"One day after I was there for five months, I asked myself what am I doing sitting here. I looked in the newspaper, went to a job agency and spoke to a headhunter. There was an ad for a public relations person at a museum where I always thought I'd like to work.

"The headhunter was pretty honest with me. He said he'd send me on the interview, but he informed me that the pay was low to decent, and not going to get any better because museums have little money. Plus I probably wouldn't advance too far.

"The summer I graduated college, I worked for an art museum in Easthampton. Through an art collector's friend who was an editor for *House and Garden Magazine*, I interviewed for *Vogue* and *Gourmet*, the Conde Nast publications, but I didn't have the right

A Close Knit Family



Relaxing in Rhode Island on the way to the Newport Jazz Festival is Elizabeth Zwerling, publicity representative for Adrienne Vittadini in New York.

(photo by Dorothea Snyder)

qualifications and wasn't hired.

"Through the agency which advertised the museum job, I learned that a receptionist was needed at Adrienne Vittadini in New York City. I didn't think a receptionist's job would be interesting, but the company was very appealing to me, and when I went for the interview, I became very happy about it.

"The atmosphere at *Good Morning America* wasn't very people oriented. It's a huge network, and cold. I liked Vittadini because it was very much like family. It's such a unique company. They treat you like family. They're so good to their employees.

"Even though I was a receptionist at Vittadini, I felt a part of it, where at *Good Morning America*, you were a receptionist, and that was that. People didn't say hello. I felt like the low man on the totem pole.

"I knew that my receptionist's job at Adrienne Vittadini would lead somewhere, because they hire to promote. What's nice about them is that it's important for them to develop their employees.

"They listen to you. They want to know your interests. They care about you as people. They think it's great if you want to develop into any specific area. They don't try to keep you down."

Liz's step from receptionist to publicity representative coincided at the time

Adrienne Vittadini launched a public relations division.

"It was brand new. They needed people. Five of us working at different jobs in the company were hired.

"I've been a publicity representative for 10 months. My first trip was to California and Chicago. When it's not a busy seasonal time, and we're not travelling and conducting seminars, we help sell in New York stores to find out what is and isn't appealing to customers, and to learn what the stores need.

"We report our findings to Karen Cohen, the head of our retail public relations division, to the company president, Richard Catalano, and even directly to Adrienne. They want to know everything. Our company is so unique with such great people."

I told Liz that Adrienne Vittadini appeared to be a "close knit company." She let out a tiny screech. "That's perfect. That's exactly what it is." For those unfamiliar to Liz's company, Adrienne Vittadini specializes in knit designs.

Liz is 100% for knits, and marvels at their wondrous wear for travel and business. "Women travel a lot, and work more in the business field today. To travel in knits is great because you roll them up in your suitcase, and you don't have to iron them. Knits answer the need for looking good and feeling comfortable at the same time, and the look is sophisticated.

"Adrienne understands what women want, because she designs for herself. Her ideas are drawn from art trends, art deco, art nouveau, pop art, etc. Last summer, she designed a futurism collection based on futurist artists.

"She is an artist, who is inspired by glancing at people walking on the street, by her trips to Europe, and by upcoming trends in the art world."

One envious part of Liz's job is her stunning wardrobe, of which she receives a seasonal allotment. She dresses for work only in Adrienne Vittadini.

"I really do believe in her clothes, and what I do," she firmly says. "It's fascinating to watch the progression of her designs. They're so artistic. Adrienne does such a beautiful job. Although she has a staff, she oversees everything. She is exceptional! It's amazing to see what one woman can do!"

ADRIENNE VITTADINI



Lara's Theme. Adrienne Vittadini recreates the romantic heroine with a Russian-inspired ensemble. A gray hussar peplum jacket with black soutache closures tops a matching, short, full skirt in a lambswool/nylon blend.

(photo courtesy of Adrienne Vittadini.)



Put Your Glad Plaids On. Adrienne Vittadini's skinny-shaped, handknit wool tunic tops a short, pleated cheerleader skirt in a wool/acrylic blend.

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Decodrama. Adrienne Vittadini draws upon the glamour of the 20's with this dark gray, art deco beaded wool crewneck and black taffeta pouf skirt.

(photo courtesy of Adrienne Vittadini)

Pollard Speaks Out From Prison

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that it was a matter of principle which justified his adamant refusal to let Israeli hospitals treat the wounded, one of whom may very well have died as a result. Is it, therefore, apparent that in Mr. Weinberger's code of ethics there are some principles which are even more important than the lives of injured U.S. servicemen. It is indeed ironic to realize that the principles which figured prominently in my decision to assist the Israelis may one day save a great number of American troops as well.

Perhaps in reaction to complaints being voiced by the Jewish community about the unjust nature of my sentence, the government appears set to unleash a stream of unattributable "leaks" designed to smear my reputation to the point where nobody would be willing to stand up for me. The authorities threatened to do this 17 months ago when I refused to cooperate with them by implicating a truly remarkable list of prominent Jews in my activities. I wasn't asked for proof of their association with Israel intelligence, mind you, just for a mark next to their name. You know, Mr. Cohn, there are two methods of silencing a person in my situation: one time-honored technique is to have them meet with some violent end while in prison. A more sophisticated approach, developed into high art by the experts of Dzerzhinsky Place, is to call someone's sanity into question while simultaneously slandering his character beyond repair. Accordingly, I'm preparing myself for a barrage of allegations concerning my drug addiction, alcoholism and mental instability — the "unholy trinity" as we call it in the disinformation business.

Although I fully intend to challenge these spurious and malicious charges in court, the damage will already have been done. Will anybody care to know in the wake of all the slander that I had been forced to go to a psychiatrist in an effort to have me resign after a special Navy operation with which I'd been associated had turned sour? Will it matter that the psychiatrist had subsequently given me a clean bill of health and felt that the Navy had been unethical for having abused his profession? Will people be outraged to learn that shortly after my arrangement the file containing my case history

mysteriously disappeared from this psychiatrist office? Now do you understand, Mr. Cohn, what my wife and I have been up against for the past 19 months?

It would seem that in the absence of any facts which even suggest that my activities damaged the national security of this country, certain people have evidently decided to sensationalize my purported debauchery to the point where that becomes the central focus of public attention. Although the actual motive behind this "diversionary" effort is not readily apparent to me, the only explanation apart from pure vindictiveness that seems logical is that the government wishes to ensure that I remain a constant source of deep embarrassment for both the Jewish community and Israel. It has even been suggested by David Biale, the director of the Center for Jewish Studies at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, that this "agenda may well have something to do with the Iranian arms scandal, for it would be no surprise if the likes of Caspar Weinberger and Edwin Meese regard Israel as the main culprit in dragging Ronald Reagan's presidency to the brink of disaster. "For the real and imagined crimes of Israel, [then] [I] may well have been seen as a likely sacrificial scapegoat, a way of sending a message to Israel and perhaps to the American Jews not to step out of place again." Certainly, everything Anne and I have experienced during this ordeal lends credibility to this ominous assessment.

Finally, in light of all the partisan furor surrounding the recently published Eban/Rotenstreich-Tzur reports it would be appropriate for me to emphasize that my actions were not undertaken to enhance any particular Cabinet, Government official or political party but were prompted solely to guarantee the security of the Jewish State and her people. I wasn't motivated by greed and I didn't set out to become a martyr. A situation simply developed that I just couldn't walk away from in good conscience. I do not condemn the cause I served but only the cowardly leaders who decided to sacrifice us all on the twin altars of diplomatic and personal expediency. So be it. Perhaps these are the people for whom we should truly feel sorry because they will all one day have to explain their actions to a power far greater than any Knesset

investigatory committee. When all is said and done, though, Anne and I can only hope that the pronounced military advantage which Israel will now reportedly enjoy over her Arab and Soviet enemies lasts long beyond that point in time when our names are but distant memories and that, as you know, Mr. Cohn, would indeed be sufficient compensation for any Jew. In spite of everything which has happened to us we are still confident that the American Jewish community, if not its leaders, will one day conquer its fears and complexes long enough to correct the terrible injustice which has been visited upon our heads.

Best wishes,

Jonathan Pollard
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Soviet Jews Arrive In R.I.

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Emilia: "What the Soviet Union does to Jewish people is to establish within them an inferiority complex. Eventually, an individual believes this is normal. Jews are insulted morally. You can choose to close your eyes. But we did not want to do this to Maxim, our son. We had to take the chance of applying for a visa. We knew this would be a risky enterprise; we knew we would be deprived. But we did not know it would be for so long of a time."

David: "As a writer, I had to speak out. I am a Jew inside. It pains a writer's soul when other people suffer, not only Jews but the Russian intelligentsia as well. The only easy way is to compromise, to forget you are a Jew, is to close your eyes."

David Shrayner decided not to compromise. In 1977, he was asked to give an interview to a Moscow radio station. The conditions were that he would be introduced not as David Shrayner, an identifiable Jewish name, but rather as David Petrov, a Russian pen name that would conceal his Jewish identity. David refused the interview.

At that point he had made a conscious decision, one that would propel him and his loved ones into roles that they never could have imagined, actions that required Herculean inner strength. But the Shrayners had made a decision not to compromise their integrity as Jews, as artists and as human beings.

(Next week: The risks, the plan, the victory.)

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With 13 years of experience in fundraising, marketing and public relations, Sholler was most recently Director of Development and Public Relations for the Providence Public Library. Prior to that, Sholler was a senior development officer responsible for Planned Giving, at Brown University. She also served as a fund raising consultant to Temple Habonim, of which she is a member. College and a past president of Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island. She is currently a member



Carol D. Sholler

of the Grantsbook Committee for United Way which is updating a resource book on funding sources in Rhode Island.

RIWW Holds Meeting

Rhode Island Working Women is celebrating its tenth anniversary and invites you to join them at their Annual Meeting, Wednesday, September 16, at 8 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Church of the Redeemer, 655 Hope St., on the East Side of Providence. You must be a member to vote and may join at the meeting. Admission is free.

RIWW welcomes Barbara F. Baldwin as their guest speaker. Ms. Baldwin is the new Executive Director of Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island. She has just come to her Rhode Island post from serving as Executive Director of Planned Parenthood of Utah. She has a wide range of experience working on civil and women's rights, as a Board Member of the American Civil Liberties Union in Tennessee and a founding member of the National Abortion Rights Action League in Utah. At the meeting, Ms. Baldwin will discuss her experiences in Utah and will describe her plans and visions for women's rights in Rhode Island.

For more information, please call 941-4530.

David R. Reiser Conducts Seminar

On Thursday, September 10, 1987, David R. Reiser will conduct a seminar on ways to accumulate wealth and minimize taxes.

The location for the seminar will be at the New Holiday Inn At The Crossing, Exit 12A off Rt. 95, Warwick, R.I.

Kosher Take-Out Restaurant In Moscow

The first kosher take-out restaurant in the Soviet Union will be opened on the grounds of the Chorale Synagogue in Moscow next month, it was announced this week by Rabbi Arthur Schneier of New York, president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation.

Rabbi Schneier said approval for the kosher food service had been given by Konstantin Kharchev, chairman of the Council of Religious Affairs, USSR Council of Ministers.

At a recent meeting with Mr. Kharchev in Moscow at which they discussed plans for the new facility, Rabbi Schneier said, it was agreed that the take-out restaurant would be established as an interim step prior to the opening of a full-fledged kosher restaurant.

Earlier this year, on his return from the Soviet Union, Rabbi Schneier reported that Soviet government approval had been given for a kosher restaurant to be opened in Moscow. Because of problems in finding a suitable site for the restaurant, the provisional step of a take-out service was suggested by Rabbi Schneier and accepted by Mr. Kharchev.

The Soviet official, who was the guest of Rabbi Schneier in the U.S. late last year, is currently part of a Chautauqua Society "people-to-people" delegation of Soviet citizens, including an interfaith group of Russian Orthodox, Baptist, Catholic, Jewish and Moslem religious leaders, that arrived in the United States Friday, August 21.

The Jewish member of the

delegation is Rabbi Adolph Shayevich, spiritual leader of the Chorale Synagogue in Moscow. The visitors will be in Washington Sunday, August 30.

Kosher Food From Hungary

Kosher food for the Moscow take-out service will be imported into the USSR from Hungary under the terms of an agreement Rabbi Schneier worked out with Imre Miklos, chairman of the Hungarian Church Office, a post equivalent to that of Minister of Religion.

Rabbi Schneier pointed out that a wide variety of kosher foods was currently produced in Hungary, including cured meats, fruit preserves, wine and cheese. The only rabbinical seminary in Eastern Europe is located in Budapest, he noted.

All of the kitchen equipment that will be used for the take-out facility and also for the kosher restaurant when it is opened will be furnished by the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, Rabbi Schneier said.

The Foundation will also provide "seed money" for the initial supply of foodstuffs that will be made available in the take-out restaurant, he added. The Appeal of Conscience leader, who is the rabbi of Park East Synagogue in Manhattan, said he expected "strong interest" among Moscow Jews in the kosher take-out restaurant and expressed the hope that after the initial investment in food and equipment was made, the facility would become self-supporting.



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Solomon Schechter School Dedication

The Solomon Schechter Day School of Rhode Island will hold a gala celebration in dedication of its new building on Tuesday, September 8, 1987 at 5:30 p.m. The ceremony will take place outside the new wing, 85 Taft Ave., Providence, and will begin with a brief dedication and mezuzah hanging. Visitors will be invited to tour the building.

The new addition is the product of a community-wide effort. The concept was developed by the Building Committee of the Solomon Schechter Day School: Sam Shamon, chairman, Sheila Alexander, Robert Brown, Rabbi Alvan H. Kaunfer, Sanford Kroll, Willeen Rosner Snow, and Steven Snow. The project planning was coordinated with a Liaison Committee of Temple Emanu-El chaired by Jacob Temkin. Members included: Max Alperin, Elliott Brodsky, Hyman Fishbein, Rabbi Wayne Franklin, David Gildea, Ronald Markoff, Doris McGarry, Alexander Rumpfer, Manfred Weil, and Edward Feldstein, ex officio. Since construction began, Joel Roseman has played a major role in supervising construction and scheduling.

Fund raising has been the task of the Development Committee: Max Alperin and Joe Ress, Honorary Co-Chairmen; Mel

Alperin, Major Gifts Chairman; Darrell Ross, General Campaign Chairman; Ed Greene and Mort Perel, Parent Solicitations Co-Chairmen; and Sheila Alexander, Honorary President of the Solomon Schechter Day School.

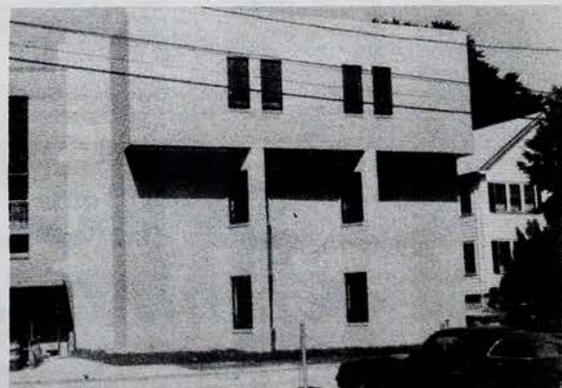
Construction has been carried out by Alfred Calcagni and Sons, with Henry Markoff, architect.

In the new wing are seven spacious classrooms, the largest of which has been equipped for the kindergarten, as well as a state-of-the-art science lab. On the Morris Avenue site adjacent to the school building, a

contemporary style playground has been installed.

In addition, major renovations are underway in the existing facility to provide a fully-equipped computer room, music room, resource room, art room, library, and administrative office suite. Phase III of this ongoing project will see the construction of a new gymnasium, cafeteria and kitchen.

The Rhode Island Jewish community is most cordially invited to attend the dedication ceremony and to share in the joy of new growth and development in Jewish education in Rhode Island.



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Parents Plights & Rights

by Dr. Steve Imber



Dear Dr. Imber:

Wow, it's that time again! My twelve year old son is about to enter the sixth grade. During the past two years, he has performed increasingly more poorly in school. He received several "C's" and a couple of "D's" as a fifth grade student and barely passed several of his sixth grade subjects. Additionally, his teachers reported to us that his behavior generally left something to be desired. Now, I have a real dilemma. I don't know whether it would be better to allow him to start anew (as he has absolutely promised he would do) or whether it would be far more appropriate for us to meet with his principal and his teachers early during the first quarter. My husband and I do not wish to be "on his case." We would be most pleased if he assumed the responsibility for his schoolwork. However, we are very concerned that he may once again have a difficult time. Although we have not discussed the situation with him, my husband and I feel that there is a realistic possibility that our son may be in risk of failing the sixth grade and being retained. We believe that if he was unable to go on to junior high school with his friends it would be devastating to him. What do you think we should do?

At The Crossroads

Dear Crossroads:

It is indeed that time again. It is a time when parents and adolescents become obsessed with purchasing new clothes for school. It is a time when our stores compete for sales on school supplies. It is a time when most students have well organized notebooks. It is a time when many students wish for a magical extension of their summer vacations while their parents look forward to a vacation from the vacation. For many students, the beginning of school is a time of eager anticipation. For some students and their parents, it is a time for concern and doubt. I appreciate your concerns and will offer some thoughts on the matter.

From time to time students may find a particular subject or teacher difficult. There are some students who experience difficulties throughout their school years with a particular subject (e.g., mathematics). However, as a parent, it is important to be able to

discriminate between temporary lapses in student performance and patterns of failure. When students have infrequent difficulties in school more harm may be done by becoming overly anxious or obsessed by high achievement. Children and adolescents can become overwhelmed and even resentful by their parents' "fixation" with school performance. However, when students demonstrate relatively consistent learning or behavioral problems, it is certainly not inappropriate to examine the situation more closely. In your son's case, I would urge you to consider the following: (1) Take the initiative to discuss the situation with your son. You and your husband have good cause for concern. Let him know that you are pleased by his promises for a better year but are concerned enough to examine the situation more closely. (2) It might be very appropriate for you to meet with your son's principal and discuss your son's learning and behavioral difficulties. I would suggest that you ask to see his achievement test results from the first through the fifth grade levels to determine the degree to which he has demonstrated at least average ability. Expect some fluctuations; however, if he should perform around or below the 25th percentile in particular subject areas, it may be wise to ask further questions. You might also ask the principal if he has the results of any group intelligence tests so that you can discuss those results as well. (3) Suggest to the principal that you would like to "stay on top of the situation" by monitoring your son's performance. The beginning of a school term is a very difficult time for principals and guidance counselors. Numerous last-minute changes need their full attention. Therefore, he may suggest that you give your son "a couple of weeks" to adjust to the new year. While it would probably do no harm to wait one or two weeks, it would be best if very early in the year you established some clear system of communication so that you are aware of your son's homework assignments and you are aware of how well his teacher perceived that he was functioning within the classroom in terms of school-related responsibilities, academic performance, and behavioral matters. (4) If your son continues to exhibit learning and/or behavioral problems which either you or the teacher view as significant, you may wish to give

serious consideration to a referral for a special education evaluation. Given that your son is scheduled to begin junior high school during the 1988-89 school term, it is especially important that you attend to concerns now rather than waiting until most of the 1987-88 school term has elapsed. (5) If you would like further information, please don't hesitate to call me. The problems which you have raised are complex ones and solutions may not be readily apparent. It is most important that you and your husband remain

abreast of the situation and allow sufficient time to attend to any problems which may develop.

You may need to seek consultation at this time or no later than the first quarter. In any event, before you seek private consultation, try to develop a cooperative communication plan with your principal and your son's teacher and perhaps the pattern of the past two years can be altered.

Dr. Imber is a Professor of Special Education at Rhode Island College, a past president of the International Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders and a consultant to parents and schools. Questions about children and adolescents with learning or behavioral problems can be mailed

to him at 145 Waterman Street, Providence, RI 02906 (401-276-5775). All communication will be held in strict confidence.

Adult Day Care Conference

The Rhode Island Adult Day Care Directors Association will sponsor a conference on adult care on Tuesday morning, September 22 at Butler Hospital in Providence.

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Arts & Entertainment



"Sculpture And Wall Works" At CCRI

An exhibition of "Sculpture and Wall Works" by Lea Feinstein of Barrington will be on display at Community College of Rhode Island's Flanagan Campus Art Gallery in Lincoln September 1 through 11 and at the Knight Campus Art Gallery in Warwick September 14 through 25. Opening receptions will be held Tuesday, September 1, 7:30-9:30 p.m. in Lincoln and September 8, 7:30-9:30 p.m. in Warwick.

Feinstein is showing 24 sculptures and wall works made largely from natural materials. Many of the two-dimensional collages are grid-based compositions, and use sand papers fabricated by the artist from a palette of sands collected from beaches in the western hemisphere. These sands range in color from red (Brasilia) to pale yellow, black and tan. In these works, she has also used buttons, shells, feathers, and other objects.

The four major sculptures in the exhibition are called "bowers" and are based on structures made by several species of bowerbirds found in Australia. In nature, the male bowerbird erects platforms or stages to attract the female bird. These are used for courting, not as nests, and are built of twigs and decorated with shells, stones and flowers. The blue satin bowerbird selects only blue objects

for his bower, and with a small twig "paints" the interior of his structure blue with berry juice. Lea Feinstein has created her own "bowers," which are concerned with evocations of place.

The gallery hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays or by appointment.

Craft Classes At Slater Mill

Slater Mill Historic Site will begin its fall session of craft classes and workshops in early September. Offerings will include weaving, spinning, knitting, basketry, book binding, needle lace, and much more. Descriptive brochures, registration forms, and fee information may be obtained by calling (401) 725-8638, or writing Slater Mill Craft Classes, P.O. Box 727, Pawtucket, RI 02862. Registrations are due no later than one week before first class.

Auditions For Civic Chorale

R.I. Civic Chorale & Orchestra will hold auditions for new singers for the 1987-1988 season under the leadership of the Chorale's new conductor, Edward Markward. They will be held on September 9, 7-9 p.m., and September 12, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Come prepared with a short piece, such as a hymn to Rhode Island College, Roberts Hall, Room 138.

The Chorale's first concert is Saturday, December 12, Grace Church, Providence. The Christmas program will feature choral music of Charpentier, Corelli, Boudreau, and John Rutter. For more information, contact the Civic Chorale office at 521-5670 and speak to Barbara Sarah, Manager.

Tapestries Exhibit At Yeshiva Museum

A new exhibit at the Yeshiva University Museum is devoted to an unusually innovative collection of tapestries by the Israeli artist, Bat Zvi.

Through the medium of fabric, Bat Zvi shows us how Israeli soldiers spend their free time; what they dream of, how they play, and how they remember their homes and families.

By piecing together and layering fabrics of different colors, textures and patterns, Bat Zvi creates photographic images whose emotional impact is incredibly powerful.

Her use of colors ranges from the drab olive of the uniforms to scarlet, purple, orange, and patterned materials, all of which she uses as she would paint.

Bat Zvi began this series of tapestries in June 1982, when the Israel Defense Force opened Operation Peace for the Galilee in Lebanon. Her work was inspired by the knowledge that her son was a soldier on active duty, and she was personally acquainted with many of his friends who fought in the war — some who never came home.

Two huge tapestries accompany the exhibit: One of the Western Wall, the other of the Children of the World.

Yeshiva University Museum is located on the main campus at 2520 Amsterdam Ave., (West 185 Street) in New York City. The Museum is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 12 noon-6 p.m. Guided tours are available by appointment. The Museum gift shop is open during regular Museum hours and there are cafeteria facilities on campus. Admission fees are: Adults/\$3, Senior Citizens/\$1.50, Children 4-16/\$1.50, Museum Members and University I.D. card holders/FREE. The Museum is easily accessible from all major parkways.

Children's Museum Has Tours

For the past two months Yankee intern Sarah Korjeff has been conducting an "architectural dig" at the Children's Museum of Rhode Island. Her discoveries are the basis for a new Museum program — historic tours of the Pitcher-Goff House, the Children's Museum's home at 58 Walcott St., in Pawtucket. The Italianate structure, built in 1840, was home to early industrialists Ellis B. Pitcher and later on, Colonel Lyman Bullock Goff. Beginning August 27, trained docents will give Historic House Tours every Thursday afternoon.

Christopher Monkhouse, Curator of Decorative Arts at the RISD Museum of Art, was a consultant for Ms. Korjeff's project. "The Pitcher-Goff House contains marvelous interior detail from the 1880's, much of it being in a 'Gothic Reform' idiom. Of particular quality are the wonderful lighting fixtures and a set of ceramic tiles in the dining room, made by William De Morgan, one of England's foremost ceramists, the likes of which one would expect to see at Newport's Chateau-sur-Mer" Monkhouse said, "But, you don't have to go to Newport to see such fine detail. The Pitcher-Goff House is a work of art... really a decorative treasure indeed."

The interesting and well-preserved architectural detail

found in the Pitcher-Goff House will be highlighted in the tours as well as the history of the two prominent families. Sarah Korjeff, a senior at Middlebury College in Vermont, researched the history of the Pitcher and Goff families and designed the house tours as her Yankee Intern project. The Yankee Intern Program, a cooperative venture of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Yankee Publishing, Inc., promotes training in the field of historic preservation by placing students with community projects and non-profit organizations.

An Historic House tour will be offered every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. beginning August 27. The tours are open to the public at no charge beyond the regular Museum admission fee of \$2.50, members free. A discount of rate of \$1.50 per person is available to groups of 10 or more with advance registration.

The Children's Museum, located at 58 Walcott St., in Pawtucket, is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10-5 p.m. and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. The Museum will be closed for two weeks following Labor Day for refurbishing (September 8-21). Starting September 22 the Museum will resume winter hours. For more information, please call 726-2591.

JCC Has Art Show

The works of Jayne Rosenberg will be on display in Gallery 401 of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence beginning with an opening reception on Sunday, September 13 from 1-3 p.m.

Ms. Rosenberg works in watercolor and charcoal using the rhythms in natural forms as a point of departure to arrive at abstract images. In addition to paintings and drawings, the show will include new mixed media pieces integrating hand painted silk and watercolor.

Ms. Rosenberg completed a graduate program at Rhode Island School of Design in 1985. Prior to this she maintained a studio in the mountains of West Virginia. During this time her work was exhibited in juried and solo shows throughout the state, receiving various awards. In 1982 she acted as Art Director for the International Mime and Movement Festival designing a series of posters which hang in the National Endowment for the Arts, American Theatre Institute and several embassies around the world.



Ms. Jayne Rosenberg

"Works by Jayne Rosenberg" will run from September 13 through October 7. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed Saturday.

JCCRI Offers Day Trip

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island is offering a special opening day trip to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts to see "The Helga Pictures," Andrew Wyeth's recently revealed fifteen-year study of his neighbor, Helga Testorf.

Wyeth's work, in pencil, watercolor and tempera, disclose an intense study of a single model that he kept secretly from both the art world and his family. Once discovered, critics have acclaimed this opus as being Wyeth's most exciting and mysterious work.

The JCCRI has arranged a trip for opening day, Wednesday, October 28. Buses will leave the

JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence at 10 a.m. and will return by 5 p.m. Included in the \$20 fee are museum tickets, round-trip bus, and a recorded tour guide. Lunch is not provided, but the museum has a restaurant, cafe and cafeteria.

The trip is open to the community; JCCRI members get preference until October 12.

To make a reservation or for further information, call Ann Miller at 861-8800.

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Books in Review

Book Review: Fresh Perspectives On The Holocaust

Star Children. Clara Asscher-Pinkhof; translated by Terese Edelstein and Inez Smidt. Wayne State University Press, 5959 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Mich. 48202. 1986. 255 pages. \$19.95.

Maus Art Spiegelman. Pantheon, 201 East 50th Street, New York, N.Y. 10022. 1986. 159 pages. \$8.95 paper.

Reviewed by Sylvia Rothchild

The *Star Children*, a heartbreakingly beautiful book about an ugly time, and *Maus*, a psychological family study of a survivor father and his son written in the unlikely form of a comic strip, are two unexpected additions to the growing literature of the Holocaust. The two books, in totally different ways, offer fresh perspectives on familiar subjects, find new ways to look back on events that took place fifty years ago.

Star Children was first published in Holland in 1946 and has since been translated into many languages. A work of fiction it is a hauntingly realistic vision of the experiences of children of all ages who were caught up in the destruction of Dutch Jewry. Only 20,000 Dutch Jews of the population of 150,000 survived World War II. Westerbork, a camp in the province of Drenthe, near the German border, was not like the camps in Poland to which people were ultimately deported. Inmates were not starved, wore their own clothes and were not aware of the future that awaited them. Children remained with

their mothers and vestiges of normal life were maintained, in spite of discomfort and insecurity.

Clara Asscher-Pinkhof was the wife of the chief rabbi in the city of Groningen, a teacher well educated in secular subjects as well as Jewish history, the Bible and Hebrew and also an accomplished writer of children's books. Her life was drastically changed after the Germans overran Holland in 1940. She taught the Jewish children who were no longer permitted to attend the public detention center, was deported to Westerbork and went from there to Bergen-Belsen, and ultimately Palestine.

The first two parts of *Star Children* were written while the author was living in the ghetto of Amsterdam, the place she calls "Star City." The "Star Children" were the Jewish children who had bright orange stars sewn on their coats, their pinafores and cardigans. Clara Asscher-Pinkhof describes the world as it is seen by six-year-olds, playing their games, doing errands, waiting on lines. She catches their styles of coping with the disappearance of fathers, grandparents and friends and she records their small struggles with each other and their parents. The sixteen-year-old is more outraged by her parents' fear for her than the roundups and police vans that threaten everyone.

Sixty-eight short pieces, some no longer than two pages, tell the whole grim tale from the earliest confusion to the journey to Star Hell — Bergen-Belsen — when

the large crowds have diminished to a handful of survivors. Filtered through the voices and minds of the young, the story changes. The issues, the choices, the hopes and the errors become very clear and unforgettable.

Maus, subtitled, "A Survivor's Tale," is an economical blending of two survivor stories. One is that of Vladek Spiegelman, from Czestochowa, Poland — his life as a young man, his love affairs, marriage, the Nazi takeover of his town and the harrowing struggle to stay alive in work camps, ghettos and Auschwitz. The other survivor is his son, a cartoonist who struggles to understand and relate to a father who is hard to get along with, whose mother has committed suicide and who is torn between anger at his father's miserly and stubborn nature and pity for the terrible life he lived, full of brushes with death, confinement, escapes and betrayals.

What is extraordinary about *Maus* is the portrayal of Jews as mice and the Nazis as cats, all dressed as humans. In a world that is nothing more than an oversized mousetrap, the carefully documented story becomes both larger and smaller than life. The dialogue is like that in a condensed novel. The cartoons catch the horrors but remain cartoons, a medium in which violence comes as no surprise. It is a remarkable piece of work, not frivolous in spite of its form. The mice and the cats carry their human burdens as if they were born to the roles.

Pope As Young Priest Respected Judaism

by Susan Birnbaum

NEW YORK (JTA) — The personal story of an American Jewish man who as a child during the Holocaust was hidden by a Polish Catholic couple demonstrates a respect for Judaism by the young priest who became Pope John Paul II.

In an account of the saving or little Shachne Hiller, recorded in "Hasidic Tales of the Holocaust" (Avon Books, N.Y., 1982), Hiller, renamed Stanley Berger, told author/editor Yaffa Eliach that in 1946 a newly ordained priest named Karol Wojtyla refused to baptize him a Catholic despite a request by the woman who had cared for him as her own.

Berger told Eliach that through a letter from the woman in Poland who had saved him, he learned that she, Mrs. Yachowitch, had approached "a newly ordained

parish priest who had a reputation for being wise and trustworthy" to convert him "as a true Christian and devout Catholic" after she knew for certain that his parents had died in the crematoria. The priest refused after asking what was the wish of the boys' parents in entrusting him to their Christian friends. Yachowitch acknowledged that his parents, in face of their almost certain death, requested that their son be raised as a Jew, to which Father Wojtyla replied that "it would be unfair to baptize the child while there was still hope that the relatives of the child might take him."

Three Letters And A Will

In 1942, when the boy's parents, Helen and Moses Hiller, realized what their probable fate would be in the Cracow ghetto where they lived, Helen Hiller took her little son, Shachne, to trusted Catholic

family friends on the Aryan side in the town of Dombrowa to be hidden. She left with her son three letters and a will.

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yachowitch, the Hillers asked that the couple bring the boy up as a Jew and return him to his people in case of his parents' death. The Hillers included in that letter the names of relatives in Montreal and Washington.

In a letter to Shachne, his parents wrote how much they loved him, told him of his Jewish heritage and that they wanted him to grow up proud of this.

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Book Review: Story Of An Unknown Hero

Breaking The Silence by Walter Laqueur and Richard Breitman, Simon and Schuster, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10020. 1986. 320 pages. \$17.95.

Reviewed by
Judith Herschlag Muffs

Intrigue, daring, espionage. A new novel by LeCarre? Fleming? Leighton? No — but just as fascinating and filled with suspense. Briefly — in August, 1942 U.S. officials in Switzerland sent a cable to the State Department with a message from Gerhart Riegner, Secretary of the World Jewish Congress in Switzerland, claiming that an unnamed businessman had brought him news of a "terrible secret" — the plan to exterminate Europe's Jews through the use of Zyklon B. (The State Department discounted and sat on the message

for months — but that is a different dirty story, a different book.)

For over 40 years the identity of that businessman was kept secret. Now Walter Laqueur, distinguished historian and author of a number of books including *The Terrible Secret: Suppression of the Truth About Hitler's "Final Solution,"* and Richard Breitman, professor of history at American University, bring us the story of Eduard Schulte, a German industrialist, whose opposition to the Nazis made him risk his life and who was the first to tell the world of the proposed fate of the Jews in Hitler's Europe. Equally interesting is the author's story of their tracking down of this very special hero.

We owe both authors our gratitude for bringing this important story to our attention.

2nd Trial Of Zundel Set

The second trial of revisionist Ernst Zundel, previously convicted of deliberately publishing lies about the Holocaust, will commence January 4, 1988.

A Canadian court in March 1985 convicted Zundel, a German native living in Canada, of one count of willfully publishing false information likely to cause racial or social intolerance.

Zundel published a number of books and pamphlets, including "Did Six Million Really Die?" which claimed that Zionists invented the hoax of a Holocaust to extort reparations from post-war Germany. He also

claimed nobody had seen Jews being gassed to death.

The court sentenced Zundel, 48, to 15 months imprisonment and prohibited him from publicly discussing the Holocaust. Zundel appealed the verdict and the Ontario Court of Appeal later ordered a new trial. The Supreme Court of Canada refused to hear an appeal of the Ontario Court's decision.

Zundel's lawyer, Douglas Christie, said the second trial would take four to six months and substantial new evidence would be presented. Christie claimed the court did not permit him to present this evidence to the jury in the first trial.

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Obituaries

MAX ARONS

CRANSTON — Max Arons, 78, of 218 Fiat Ave., a major appliance salesman for the Smith-Harriet Furniture Co., Warwick, before retiring in 1974, died on August 25 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Irma (Wallack) Arons.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Joseph and Eva (Greenberg) Aronovitz, he moved to Cranston 35 years ago.

Mr. Arons was previously a major appliance salesman for the former Warwick Shoppers World, and the Zayre store, both in East Providence.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, Phillip Arons of Westboro, Mass.; a daughter, Vickie Troia of North Providence; two brothers, Morris Arons of Boca Raton, Fla., and Harry Aronovitz of Queens, N.Y., and a sister, Edith Wax of Bal Harbor, Fla.

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

SAMUEL KADSVITZ-KAY

WARWICK — Samuel Kadsivitz-Kay, 65, of 1445 Warwick Ave., founder of Keystone Distributors, Providence, and its president for 20 years before retiring 10 years ago, died on August 25 at Miriam Hospital.

Born in Lithuania, a son of the late Charles and Sarah (Aronovich) Kadsivitz, he moved from Providence to Warwick 30 years ago.

Mr. Kay was an Army veteran of World War II and a member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was a former member of the board of directors of the Mayflower Bank.

He leaves four sisters, Molly Granoff of Warwick, Sylvia Greenfeld of Cranston, Rose Sagan of Barrington, Betty Plotnick of Rockville, Md., and three brothers, Robert Kay of New York City, Harry Kay of Orange, Conn., and Nathan Kay of Encino, Calif.

A funeral service was held at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

ALFRED E. LOEBER

PROVIDENCE — Alfred E. Loeber, 78, of 60 Broadway, a sales

representative for the Union Industries, Providence, for more than 25 years before retiring two years ago, died on August 26 at Roger Williams General Hospital. He was the husband of Pearl H. (Kaplan) Loeber. His first wife was the late Eleanor (Shein) Loeber.

Born in Providence, he was a son of the late Louis and Sarah (Levy) Loeber.

Mr. Loeber was a member of Temple Emanu-El. He was a member of the Ledgemont Country Club, Seekonk.

Besides his wife he leaves two sons, Robert A. and Stephen D. Loeber, both of Cranston; a sister, Lillian Levin of Providence, and three grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was private.

RACHEL ARBOR

PROVIDENCE — Rachel Arbor, 87, of 147 Pembroke Ave. died Saturday, August 29 at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Nathan Arbor.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Harry and Anna Charcuskusky, she lived in Providence for more than 60 years.

Mrs. Arbor was co-owner with her husband of the former Sunkist Liquor, Smith Street, for many years before retiring more than 30 years ago.

She leaves a son, Gerald S. Arbor of Pawtucket; a daughter, Mrs. Matilda "Mae" Whalen of South Kingstown; a brother, Herbert Carlin of Framingham, Mass.; two sisters, Mrs. Betty Gorden of Swampscott, Mass., and Mrs. Bella Backler of Brookline, Mass.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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

UNVEILING

The unveiling for Rae Broman will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 13 in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick, R.I. Friends and relatives are invited.

In Memoriam: Bayard Rustin

NEW YORK (JTA) — Leaders of Jewish organizations joined in mourning the passing of Bayard Rustin, chairman of the A. Philip Randolph Institute and one of the foremost civil rights and labor leaders in this country. Rustin, 75, died at Lenox Hill Hospital Monday of a heart attack following surgery Friday for a ruptured appendix.

Rustin's long-time ties to the Jewish people and Israel and his unflagging support of the labor movement and the civil rights movement earned him profound respect among Jews as well as Blacks. But his advocacy of Black-Jewish cooperation and his condemnation of increasing anti-Semitism among Blacks earned him criticism in some Black quarters.

The apex of his long career as a radical, union and civil rights organizer was in 1963 when he organized the historic civil rights March on Washington. In discussing the need for Black-Jewish unity, he told a conference of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in the late 1960's that "I prepared the understanding, the cooperation and aid of Jews. I do so knowing that there is Negro anti-Semitism and knowing how Jews must feel when they hear some Negro extremists talk." But, he added, "The issue can never be simply a problem of Jew and Gentile or Black and white. The problem is man's inhumanity to man."

In expressing enthusiasm for Israel, Rustin once remarked: "Since Israel is a democratic state surrounded by essentially undemocratic states which have sworn her destruction, those interested in democracy everywhere must support Israel's existence."

Supported Holocaust Memorial Museum

Rustin was a member of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council. In that position, he spoke out strongly on behalf of the planned memorial museum because, as he wrote in a letter to *The New York Times* in May 1984, Americans need "dramatic reminders of the horrors of World War II, and especially a firm resolve to use our strength and wisdom to assure that the outrages of the Nazi era are never repeated against any people."

A Holocaust memorial museum "is not only for Jews . . . Blacks cannot forget Hitler's pernicious

doctrines of racial superiority, or his treatment of Jesse Owens at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. Christians who forget his ultimate plans for all organized religions do so at their own peril." The museum, he said, "will stand as a warning against hatred and dehumanization whoever is the victim."

Rustin wrote a report of his travels in Israel and Lebanon in August 1982 after the Israeli invasion of that country. His first conclusion was that "Israel did indeed receive an unfairly bad press." He wrote that "by standards of international law, the Israeli advance into Lebanon was not an act of aggression. No nation in the world will passively accept continuous attacks from forces based in a neighboring country, and international law recognizes that when such a neighboring country is incapable of halting such attacks, the injured country has every right to undertake that task itself."

Continuing, he scored the world's "double standard with respect to the PLO and Israel . . . The nations of the world, while prepared to use violence to further their own interests, seem to demand pacifist behavior from Israel. It is immoral for such nations to denounce Israel's use of force in achieving its objectives, while finding ample rationalization for their own violence . . . The irony of this double standard is that Israel itself accepts it, holding itself to a higher standard of conduct than the rest of the world."

Rustin met frequently with Israeli leaders, both in Israel and the U.S. During the visit of Premier Shimon Peres to the U.S. in October 1984, Rustin was among the highest American notables he saw.

When Black Muslim leader Louis Farrakhan referred to Judaism as "a gutter religion" during Jesse Jackson's campaign for the Presidency, Rustin admonished Jackson to repudiate Farrakhan in a New York Times Op Ed article. He wrote that "Farrakhan racism and anti-Semitism are unconscionable."

Rustin believed in Blacks working for equality and jobs within the American system. In the editorial, he urged that Blacks heed the mainstream Black organizations such as the Urban League, National Association for the Advancement of Colored

People and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, and elected Black leaders who recognize "a coalition of Black, Hispanics, women, Christians, Jews and other ethnics."

Statements By Jewish Officials

Seymour Reich, president of B'nai B'rith International, recalled that Rustin was "an inveterate and tireless supporter of Jewish humanitarian causes — from Israel to Soviet Jewry." Reich added that Rustin also was "an eloquent voice of reason at a time when some Black leaders had turned their backs on their Jewish ally."

Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, said Rustin "was a 'lamed vavnik,' a man of righteousness whose life expressed the prophetic injunction, 'Justice, justice shalt thou pursue.' The people of Israel and Jews the whole world over mourn his passing."

Burton Levinson, national chairman of the ADL, said Rustin "will go down in history as a pioneer in the civil rights movement who dedicated his life to ending racial segregation and achieving fair treatment for all people alike. He was a good friend and esteemed colleague in the long battle for human rights."

Theodore Ellenoff, president of the American Jewish Committee, recalled that his organization had conferred on Rustin its American Liberties Medallion and that Rustin had said upon receiving it: "The principle factors which influenced my life are non-violent tactics, constitutional means, democratic procedures, respect for human personality, a belief that all people are one."

In 1978, Rustin was the recipient of the American Jewish Congress' annual Stephen Wise Award for "illustrious leadership in the cause of racial justice, world peace and human understanding." Herb Magidson, president of the Jewish Labor Committee, said that Rustin, who was a member of the Committee's National Executive Board, fought tirelessly throughout his life "for human and civil rights, in this country and abroad, for peoples of all races, nationalities and creeds."

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Amos Oz At Mass. College

Six new faculty members, including internationally renowned Israeli novelist Amos Oz, have been given academic appointments at Hebrew College in Brookline (Mass.) for the 1987-88 academic year, Dr. Samuel Schaffer, newly installed President, announced.

"It is important that we build on the excitement and hope that always attends the inaugural year of a new president," Dr. Schaffer said in announcing the appointments. "These educators bring a special depth and breadth to our faculty. Further, these appointments include not only academic scholars but also creative artists, such as Amos Oz, Israel's pre-eminent novelist, and our first artist-in-residence, violinist Yosef Yankelev.

"Only by strengthening our faculty can we successfully fulfill our mandate as New England's only accredited college of Judaic Studies and Combined Jewish Philanthropies' authorized agency for higher Jewish education in the region, bringing quality Judaica to our educational and communal specialists and volunteer lay leadership," Schaffer said.

Oz, who will serve as Hebrew College's first distinguished Visiting Professor of Hebrew Literature, will teach "The Fiction of Agnon" in Hebrew on Friday mornings. Author of "My Michael," "Touch the Water, Touch the Wind," "The Hill of Evil Counsel" and a half dozen other novels and short story collections, he will serve simultaneously as writer-in-residence at Boston University.

Prof. Israel Levin of Tel Aviv University, winner of Israel's prestigious Bialik Literary Prize, will join the faculty as Visiting Professor of Hebrew Literature, replacing Prof. Gila Ramras-Rauch who is on leave to complete her book, "The Arab in Israeli Literature," under a National Endowment for the Humanities grant.

As his country's leading authority on Hebrew poetry in Spain's Golden Age (900-1250), Levin will be teaching courses on Hebrew Secular Poetry in Medieval Spain, Hebrew Literature in Spain's Golden Age, as well as on various modern writers including Bialik, Tchernikovskiy, Baron and Shlonsky.

Dr. Lois Dubin, who will teach Modern Jewish History as Assistant Professor of Jewish History at Hebrew College, formerly taught at Yale University and served as an associate at Brandeis University's Tauber Institute for the Study of European Jewry. She received her doctorate in Jewish history from Harvard University this June.

Prof. Moshe Goshen-Gottstein of Hebrew University, one of

Israel's most distinguished scholars in Hebrew Language and Bible, will teach a course on "The History of the Hebrew Language." Dr. Nehemia Polen, Rabbi of Congregation Tifereth Israel in Everett, will teach a January 1988 intercession course on "The Holocaust and Its Significance," geared to students in the College's Masters Program in Jewish Studies. Dr. Polen received his Ph.D. in Holocaust Studies from Boston University, where he was a protege of Elie Wiesel, recipient of the Nobel Peace prize in 1986.

Also new to the Hebrew College faculty is Yosef Yankelev, a violinist formerly with the New World String Quartet, who is serving as the school's first Artist-in-Residence. A native of Vilna, Lithuania, who came to this country under a grant from the America-Israel Cultural Foundation to study at the famed Juilliard School in New York, Yankelev will teach "Jewish and Hebraic Elements in Western Music" in the school's Continuing Education Program and will coordinate the first area-wide search for six promising young Jewish musicians, who will be invited to perform at Hebrew College as part of its Cultural Affairs Program.

Hebrew College's new president, who assumed his post February 1, 1987, is an historian and educator who formerly served as Superintendent of the Chicago Board of Jewish Education, Rabbi of Temple Gates of Prayer in Flushing, N.Y. and Associate Director of the United Synagogue's Commission on Jewish Education.

Craft Show In NYC

The Hebrew Arts School will hold its annual craft show, Jewish Crafts in America, on Sunday and Monday, December 6 and 7, 1987, at the Abraham Goodman House, 129 West 67th Street, Manhattan.

All artists and craftspeople working in Judaica are invited to submit their works for participation in this two-day juried show. The jury, which includes Moshe Zabari of the Jewish Museum, Sylvia Herskowitz of Yeshiva University Museum and Jay Weinstein, of Sotheby's New York, will examine works in ceramic, fiber, paper, glass, wood, metal and leather. Only handmade, original craft work will be considered. Craft works related to and inspired by the Jewish experience are requested.

Hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday and from 12 noon to 8 p.m. on Monday. The fee booth is \$100. This is a retail show. Those interested in participating in the Craft Show should contact the Hebrew Arts School, 129 West 67th Street, New York, N.Y. 10023, or call (212) 362-8060. The deadline for application is September 15.

Located in the Lincoln Center area of Manhattan, the Hebrew Arts School/Abraham Goodman House is a non-profit institution dedicated to quality art of the Jewish experience.



Temple Am David Teaching Staff Meets



An orientation meeting of the Teaching Staff for 1987-88 of Temple Am David was held on Monday, August 17. Those present were: front row, left to right, Mona Scheraga, Rabbi Scott White, Dolly Musen, Principal, and Cantor Steven Dress. Back Row: left to right, Civia White, Alice Achneider, Sandra Cobden, Claire Goodman, Paula Abedon and Ann-Lea Adler. Absent at the time of the picture was Myrna Dress. Edward Fink is the School Committee Chairperson.

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Project Renewal Neighborhoods



NEXT STOP, SHABBAT — Young New Yorkers working as volunteers in the Hatikvah Quarter of Tel Aviv created a mobile "Kabbalat Shabbat" for their Project Renewal twinned neighborhood in Israel. Each Friday afternoon this summer, they rode through Hatikvah singing Shabbat songs part of the personal connections growing out of American Jews helping Israel's neglected neighborhoods through the UJA-Federation Campaign.

In an era when yuppies have replaced hippies, 400 young Americans bucked the trend and headed for some of Israel's poorest neighborhoods this summer to get closer to their U.S. communities' twinned neighborhoods in Israel.

They came as volunteers and as guests, ranging in age from 15 to 28. With typical American ingenuity, they left their mark with a Liberty Bell-shaped garden in Ramat Hashikma, a neighborhood-wide "Hands Across Tel Giborim," and youngsters around the country who now feel closer to them and to the English language thanks to English Day Camp.

The common bond is Project Renewal. The ambitious undertaking started 10 years ago with American Jews getting involved in changing life in some of Israel's poorest neighborhoods, working through the UJA-Federation Campaign. Today, 271 American communities are twinned with 56 previously neglected neighborhoods throughout Israel. Most of these Israelis arrived from North Africa and Asia in the 1950s. As Israel progressed, they were left behind — poorly housed, poorly educated, and out of touch with the country's political system.

Since the start of Project Renewal, American Jews have raised \$192 million through the UJA-Federation Campaign. They've gotten involved with their twinned neighborhoods, working on projects in partnership with the Israeli Government.

This summer, the younger generation of American Jews has been deepening the Project Renewal connections throughout Israel. The "Roots" mission from Philadelphia joined up with four Philadelphia volunteers in the Tel Giborim neighborhood of Holon, south of Tel Aviv, for "Hands Across Tel Giborim." Some 500 residents of all ages joined hands across the neighborhood, climaxing weeks of Preparation by the American volunteers at the Project Renewal day camp. Rachel Gafni, one of the volunteers, expressed the hope that the program would encourage community participation in future Tel Giborim activities. As one local child was heard to say, "I'm gonna remember this."

In what could have been a scene from Sholom Aleichem, New York City volunteers in their Project Renewal neighborhood of Hatikvah in Tel Aviv have been welcoming Shabbat from a horse and wagon rented from a local entrepreneur. Their mobile "Kabbalat Shabbat" makes its way through Hatikvah on Friday afternoons, with the American volunteers singing Shabbat songs.

They are among the 15 young New Yorkers spending two months in what was once one of the most depressed sections of Tel Aviv. Since its start in 1979, Project Renewal has transformed both the surface and the spirit of the neighborhood, and the volunteers were enthusiastically received by residents. The Americans worked with troubled

youngsters, tutored school children, visited the elderly at home, and painted a wall mural.

The English Day Camp pioneered by Minnesota volunteers seven years ago has now become an institution, adopted through Project Renewal in nine neighborhoods. Jill Pupa was among the young adults running the English Day camp in Neve Sharett, the Tel Aviv neighborhood twinned with Cleveland. She worked on developing a new theme each day, with songs, dances, games and English classes built around it. The English Day Camp in the Minneapolis twinned neighborhood of Givat Olga in Hadera had 12- and 13-year-old campers busy cleaning up a very dirty planet on "Space Day."

Other young American volunteers combined touring Israel with neighborhood

improvement projects in Renewal communities. High school students painted shelters and the homes of the elderly and assisted at day camps in Maalot, Harrisburg's twinned neighborhood; Herzliya, Boston's Renewal twin; Sela in Risho LeZion, Nashville's twin; Stern Street in Jerusalem, Rhode Island's twinned neighborhood; Kiryat Shmona, San Francisco's Renewal neighborhood; and Yahud, Atlanta's twin.

Israelis' requests for Project Renewal summer programs grow each year. What began modestly in 1980 with the first group of volunteers from Minneapolis and St. Paul coming to their twinned neighborhood of Givat Olga, has gradually become an important part of Project Renewal. This people-to-people programming is making Project Renewal a model for Israel-Diaspora relations.

Na'Amat To Hold Yard Sale

Dvorah-Dayan Chapter of Na'Amat/USA (formerly Pioneer Women) will hold a yard sale on Sunday, September 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 220 Doyle Avenue (between Hope and Morris), the home of Jeanette and Charles Weiss. Rain date is September 20.

We are asking members and friends to contribute saleable items that they no longer need that would help make this sale a success. If you find you have yard sale items (anything except clothes) and would like to have them picked up, please call Florence Silver, 751-6897; Elaine Levy, 831-3083; Ruth Garber, 725-3728; Caroline Gereboff, 521-4826; Elaine Silverman, 861-4965; Sylvia Prescott, 274-5294 or Gertrude Diwinsky, 861-5451.

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