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Rabin Closes Territories in Effort to Curb Violence

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (ITA) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has expressed hope that closing off the administered territories to deter the current wave of violence will also help curb unemployment in Israel.

Rabin also said April 1 he hoped the closure would not financially hobble the Palestinians in the territories.

He called upon Arab and European countries to grant

economic aid to the territories to enable more job opportunities there.

In the meantime, Israeli farmers, left stranded with no working hands in their fields and orchards, were notified April 1 that some 1,500 soldiers would be sent to them on an emergency and temporary basis to help out in the fields.

A group of 300 soldiers, both men and women, were
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Jews Send Pesach Supplies Around World

NEW YORK (ITA) — This year in Moscow, Zagreb and Havana, doors were opened for Elijah.

Yet before the seder, residents in those cities needed to obtain kosher wine and food — much of it supplied, as in past years, by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and the New York-based Appeal of Conscience Foundation.
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Continuity Begins with Jewish Education

by Anne S. Davidson
Herald Editor

Jewish continuity — one of the most pressing issues facing Jews around the world today — begins with the education of children. "Too often, kids get very shallow Hebrew school educations," Mark M. Robbins, assistant to the director of the American Jewish Committee's Office of Government and International Affairs, told the Herald this week. "Hebrew school is something they resent, dislike. ... Judaism needs to be conveyed in a positive way."

But Robbins, a native Rhode Islander who has come from Washington, D.C., for Passover this week, does not speak from his own experience. As a student at Providence Hebrew Day School, Hebrew school was conveyed in a very positive way, he recalls. Unfortunately, that is not the case for

"Judaism needs to be conveyed in a positive way."

— Mark M. Robbins

many Jewish youths, who have negative experiences at school and who do not see Jewish life integrated into the home, he said.

Palestinians Reject Offer on Talks; Americans Have Not Yet Given Up

by Deborah Kalb
States News Service

WASHINGTON (ITA) — Palestinian negotiators reportedly have rejected a package of U.S. proposals aimed at convincing them to return to the peace table.

But the United States still appears to be optimistic that all of the Arab parties, including the

In addition to a positive experience at school, Robbins had the good fortune to travel to Israel at a young age. With the help of Duffy Page, Israeli Desk coordinator at the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island, Robbins recalls the positive effect that trip had on his Jewish identity. "Israel is the
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Palestinians, will show up here April 20, when the ninth round of bilateral talks with Israel is scheduled to begin.

So far, the Israelis are the only party to have accepted a joint U.S.-Russian invitation to resume the bilateral talks, which have been stalled since Israel deported 415 Palestinians.
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Egg-citing

Alex Krakowski, 6, enjoys a hard-boiled egg at the Providence Hebrew Day School's model seder on March 31 for first-graders.
Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Russians Face Hardship with Hope

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

Alex Tabenkina is not a desperate man. But in October 1977, he and his family left Moscow for a new life in the United States, when many of his fellow Soviet Jews were denied. Like Jewish activist Anatoly Shcharansky, who was charged with treason that same year and brutally imprisoned for nine years because he sought immigration

to Israel years earlier, Tabenkina felt oppressed in Russia.

"It was very hard for Jews in Russia at that time and very little future in the Soviet Union for Jews," Tabenkina recalled. "At that time, if you applied for a visa it was considered an act of treason."

Tabenkina, a precision instruments engineer, decided to leave his native country with his mother, wife and two children.
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Black-Jewish Seder Is Night of Firsts

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

It was a night of firsts for Roger Massey, a water pollution control officer for the city of Newport and member of Community Baptist Church. For one thing, he had never worn a yarmulka before, nor had he eaten matzot or been in Temple Shalom, until one evening last week. In fact, many of the black men and women never thought they'd be celebrating a community seder with members of Temple Shalom, but they did on March 31, thanks in part to the timely

invitation of Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer and Pastor Vincent Thompson of Community Baptist Church in Newport.

"I wanted to do it [a black-Jewish seder] for many years and had spoken to Pastor Bob Williams who was receptive to it," Jagolinzer told the Herald. However, after Pastor Williams died, the rabbi called Pastor Thompson in February.

"I said 'yes' immediately with no hesitation," Pastor Thompson said. "I was very excited and believe that there has to be unity to all peoples."
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BREAKING BREAD — Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer of Temple Shalom in Middletown shares some matzah with Pastor Vincent Thomas of Community Baptist Church in Newport on March 31 at the black Jewish seder held there.
Herald photo by Omar Bradley

INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

Telephone Discounts Are for Pharmaceutical Clients

Maureen Maigret, Director of the Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA), has announced that members of the state's pharmaceutical assistance program are eligible for a \$7 monthly discount on their telephone bills effective April 1.

Under legislation passed by the Rhode Island General Assembly and approved by Gov. Bruce Sundlun, members of the Rhode Island Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Elderly (RIPAE) program can join the Lifeline telephone discount program.

"This important legislation helps elders afford necessary telephone services," Maigret declared.

The DEA is working with New England Telephone to assure that eligible RIPAE members are enrolled in the Lifeline telephone discount program," she stated. "We are making sure that each RIPAE member is aware of this very valuable benefit."

The DEA has sent a letter to all RIPAE members outlining the Lifeline telephone discount program. To enroll, members must complete and return the card enclosed with their letter to: New England Telephone, 5 Winslow St., Room C401, Arlington, Mass. 02174. Only

one Lifeline telephone discount per household is allowed.

RIPAE is a state-funded medication subsidy program for low-income Rhode Islanders age 65 and older. The program helps pay the cost of prescription drugs used to treat diabetes, heart problems, glaucoma, Parkinson's disease, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, cancer, circulatory problems, asthma and respiratory problems. Currently, more than 22,000 Rhode Island elders are RIPAE members.

For information on the Lifeline telephone discount program or on RIPAE, call the DEA at 277-3330.

Library Celebrates 10 Years

The Cranston Public Library, 140 Sockanosset Cross Road, is 10 years old this month. In celebration, the following events are scheduled at the library:

- April 14, 7 p.m.: An evening concert of American musical Theater selections by the Cranston Choral Company.

- April 19, 7:30 p.m.: "America in Crisis: Ills and Opportunities," a talk by Professor George Morgan, Brown University.

- April 21, 6:30 p.m.: "A

R.I. Authors Reception Scheduled

The Providence Public Library's fifth annual Rhode Island Authors Reception has been scheduled for April 25 from 3 to 6 p.m. featuring guest author, Doris Kearns Goodwin, most noted for her works, *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys* and *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream*.

The reception welcomes all Rhode Island authors and this year will especially acknowledge those authors who have commercially published books with a 1992 copyright date. Master of ceremonies will be Don Wilmett, professor of theater and English at Brown University, curator of the Smith Collection of Conjuring Books and Magiana and member of the library's corporation.

Night of 10 Stories," stories for families presented by Cranston Public Library staff.

- April 23, 8 p.m.: A concert of mandolin and guitar music by The Mair-Davis Duo.

- April 25, 6 p.m.: William L. Bergeron Memorial Poetry Program with Galway Kinnell, guest poet.

- April 26, 7:30 p.m.: "A Classic Collection of String Quartets" concert by The Charleston String Quartet.

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The reception also provides the library and the general public the opportunity to personally meet and recognize the authors in an informal and casual manner.

A book fair, sponsored by Bowdler Book Shop, Cranston, will be incorporated into the afternoon, offering a chance to purchase the titles with a 1992 copyright date as well as those of Doris Kearns Goodwin. The honored authors will be available for autographs at the book fairs.

All Rhode Island authors, their families, friends and guests are encouraged to attend this free and open to the public afternoon event to be held at the Central Library, 225 Washington St., Providence.

Any commercially published authors who have not yet been contacted or anyone wishing to receive an invitation should call the library at 455-8055.

Day Trip to New York Planned

International House of Rhode Island is sponsoring a one-day trip to New York City on May 1. The bus will leave from International House at 7 a.m., and return by 11 p.m.

The trip will give participants an opportunity to explore New York at their leisure. Bus stops will include the Metropolitan Museum, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the ferry to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. There will also be time to browse in the stores and boutiques of Fifth Avenue. Those who wish to do so can also reserve a seat at a matinee in advance or stop at the tickets booth in Times Square that day to see what plays are available.

The fee for the trip is \$39 per person for members of International House, \$44 for nonmembers and includes the bus fare, a continental breakfast at International House before departure, and a packet of information about New York City. Reservations are limited to 47 people and will be accepted on a first-paid basis.

On May 3 International House will host a special dining and musical experience at La France restaurant, 960 Hope St., Providence. The menu will feature a choice of poulet Francaise, schrod Siberienne, or blanquette de veau and will also include melon with ham, salade de la maison, ice cream with raspberry sauce, and a complementary glass of wine.

After the dinner, International House board member and celebrated guitarist Dr. Gabriel Najera will present a recital of classical solos for the guitar featuring Renaissance and Flamenco music.

Reservations are limited and will be accepted on a first-paid basis until April 26. The cost for the evening is \$35 for members and \$45 for nonmembers. For further information about either event, call International House at 421-7181. International House is located at 8 Stimson Ave., Providence.



The Providence Public Library will present **The Great Gatsby** on April 13 at 7 p.m. at the Rochambeau Branch Library, 708 Hope St. The reading and discussion series is sponsored by FRIENDS. For more information, call 455-8110.

Cookson America/Big Brothers of Rhode Island, Inc. will hold its **fifth annual Walk-a-Thon for Fatherless Boys** on May 1 (rain or shine) from 9 a.m. to noon at the Rhode Island State House. For more information, call 455-6300.

The Rhode Island Mothers of Twins Club, Midland Chapter, will hold its **monthly meeting** on April 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Shawmut Baptist Church, West Shore Road, Warwick. The guest speaker will discuss stress. For more information, call Deb at 433-5106 or Linda at 828-4961.

The Rhode Island Educational Opportunity Center and the Educational Talent Search will sponsor **"Careers From A to Z"** a career fair, on April 14 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the CCRI Providence Campus Atrium, Hilton Street, Providence. For more information, call at 455-6028.

The American Red Cross Rhode Island Chapter will conduct a **two-part standard first aid course** on April 15 and 22 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at 150 Waterman St., Providence. For more information, call 831-7700.

The American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate will hold its **Stroke Club Meeting** on April 15 at noon at Wright's Farm Restaurant in Nasonville. Featured speaker Joseph Friedman, M.D., will talk about "How to Prevent a Stroke." The cost of the family-style chicken luncheon is \$9 per person. For more information, call 728-5300.

Parents Without Partners, Inc. invites members and nonmembers to an **open dance featuring music by Music Madness**, on April 11 from 8 p.m. to midnight at the U.C.T. Ballroom, 1530 Atwood Ave., Johnston. For more information, call 781-1942.

Recycling for Rhode Island Education, a nonprofit organization, is looking for **non-toxic manufacturing castoffs**, seconds and overruns for use in classrooms. Anyone interested in donating materials should contact the organization at 273-9418.

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FEATURE



Marty

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing
Reporter

My brother rang me up with the phone number of our friend Marty's hospital room. I called Marty just after his operation. In a slurred, still-dragged voice he got out, "I told my wife to reach you first. She got it wrong."

The very next day, Anne did dial me first. My wife told me the news. It was my turn to touch some my brother. "Shall we drive into Manhattan for the funeral?"

It's the Jewish way, the mitzvah, the mission. You just drop everything and go, from the familiar haunts of Providence to the rocks and canyons of high-rise New York.

Marty stepped into our lives as my brother's MIT roommate. We paired off as pen-pals who shared a common taste for film, literature and tossing around tough questions about life and love. Sometimes, he might send two letters a day.

He dropped out of MIT and got a fancy Madison Avenue job. He held on for nearly 30 years. He lost his job a year or so ago. Marty and his wife Anne drove to Rhode Island for that weekend. I took them over the bridges to my brother's place for dinner. They hadn't touched base for decades. They hit it off all over again. Marty was afraid I'd feel left out of their bond, like a kid brother. So he made a special effort to send me cards and notes.

My brother and I, we both drive Geo trackers. We took

his red jeep to the little chapel in Lincoln Square, an Orthodox shul in the round, where Marty's Manhattan world sat in a magic circle around and above his plain pine box covered with the synagogue's logo shawl.

A Hasid in black with a dark curly beard got up to speak. "This is the month of Nissan. We can't mourn, grieve or mount eulogies. It's spring, Pesach, life." He spun a yarn about a bottle collector who prays on yomtov for quick luck at the fair. His rebbe tells him all work is the same. We all gather bottles and wait for good fortune.

Other Lincoln Square rabbis and cantors spoke and sang. They agreed, Marty shared his zest for life, for talk, for dance, for books, with others. He created cultural programs for the shul. "He ran a great seder. His wife could take the kids to the ball games. Marty asked them to join him at the ballet. His life was made of the things the seder keeps us in touch with. A slave thinks only of himself. When you are free, you share."

Marty made himself part of Rhode Island through the letters and phone calls he showered us with over the years. I hoard boxes and files of messages, even the newsletter of reviews he mailed to fans and pals here and there.

The most recent, in his handwriting, says, "I enjoyed my job every day for 25 years, looked eagerly forward to Monday morning. But I also

enjoy my own company (been alone a lot). How much of what I have valued is merely escape — how much a promise of harmony that can hardly be fulfilled?"

"I remember a dance in which the dancers talk about the conflicts they are having with friends, while dancing with partners who provide the most tender and firm support."

Marty shared his quest with his rabbis. "I looked forward to buying his chometz," said one rabbi.

An odd thing about a funeral. You find out things you never knew, or forgot. You see that your friend didn't belong only to you. Everybody felt that way. We went over to the limos. Marty's son wore a suit with the lapels really slashed, ripped, in the Orthodox style. Anne, with a smile, said to my brother, "Marty wanted you both to visit."

My brother and I, we shared a piece of cheesecake and a coffee. Then we just got right back into the red truck and wended our way back home to Providence. I murmured, "I've lost the people I could talk to. I hear a blank quiet in my head." My brother cussed at the trucks, the ugly high rises, the crummy McDonald's, the loss of civility in our times. Without Marty, our world was both quieter and noisier. "He didn't have a happy childhood," the rabbi had said. Marty's folks were deaf. Maybe that's why he loved music and good talk. His dad died when he was a child. Maybe that's why he turned to the rabbis for good counsel.

"I'm sorry if I ever said the wrong thing," the rabbi said to Marty's coffin. He asked our friend to forgive our slights and put in a good word for all of us at his seder in heaven.

I bond with my ghosts. Marty's life and death make a special, if sad, blessing upon my Pesach.

Poetry Corner

by Lenka Rose
Special to the Herald

The loss and grief for a child. To a Mother, a Father, an untimely death of a child Is the most excruciating pain of its kind. Its fury has no mercy or boundary: Lightning, thunder, strikes every cell, mind, body and soul. Dreadful pain runs deep as the ocean. It questions Creation. The agony is simply out of proportion.

It is an unconditional love for a child, purest known to mankind. A most precious find. The love is as powerful as an iceberg, down river, in the month of March.

In its haste, rushing, crushing, roaring, spring is about to start. Never to depart, before a Mother or a Father. But when it happens it is just too much to bear. At this point the grief has to be shared.

The child becomes the center of the "Universe"

Day in and day out. Deeply imbedded in a Mother's and a Father's heart. In time life's forces will penetrate darkness. Sunshine will enter within. The healing process will have begun. Ambivalent feelings will remain. All because the sub-conscious had a lot to gain. So long dear child. You will be missed, loved, and thought of a lot. A day will come

When we no longer will be apart. Our "Sages" tell us: They of long sleep in the earth. Will awake and rise from their slumber. Wonder of all wonders.

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Library Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

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• April 27, 8 p.m.: A concert by the Providence Mandolin Orchestra.

• April 28, 7:30 p.m.: A program of recorder music by members of the Rhode Island Recorder Society.

All programs are free and open to the public. The library is accessible to people with physical handicaps.

Author Coming to Area Book Store

Ann Martin, author of the *Baby Sitters Club*, will stop by the Borders Book Store in Garden City, on May 15 at 3 p.m. to meet her fans and sign copies of her books.

The store and the author would like to encourage children to make a donation of books to the elementary classroom at the Rhode Island Hos-

pital. Borders offers a 15 percent discount on all books selected for donation. Each child making a donation will receive an "I Love The Baby Sitters Club" button and will be eligible to win Baby Sitters Club prizes.

This will be Ann Martin's only appearance in the area.

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OPINIONS

We Are All Born Equal

To the Editors:

In your issue of March 25, Assistant Editor Omar Bradley (you sure have some famous folk on your staff, or do you also have a Douglas MacArthur?) writes about gay and lesbian Jews. While I still cringe at the word "gay" which is becoming more or less a buzzword in our society, I found the article interesting, educating and informative.

Why shouldn't we Jews have homosexuals, or "gays" if you must call them by that name in our midst? Aren't we all born equal? Some may say indeed that they are more equal than others. We are not "Children of a lesser G-d," as an Oscar-winning film proclaimed a few years ago.

That there is indeed a temple for gays and lesbians is a sad sign of our times. It reeks of discrimination, and now, a few years short of the third millennium of the common era, should be eliminated. I know from my own experience what it means to be discriminated against just because I was born into a different religion.

Sexual orientation, just as much as religious orientation

should never, repeat, never be the subject of being separated one from another. Now they dropped the idea of accepting "gays" indiscriminately into the military, suggesting, per-

share with you an anecdote which is true. I was a blond, blue-eyed child and when my dad registered me at Vienna's Schmalzhof Temple. The administrator said, "But the boy doesn't even look Jewish."

Letters to the EDITOR



haps, they should be serving in different units of the armed forces. Does anyone remember when there were "black" regiments, "negro units," they called them? Did they bleed a different color of blood when they liberated the infamous camps of the Holocaust? I am sorry, Mr. Bradley, but Jews have the same G-d-given right to a sexual orientation, in this case a homosexual one, as we heterosexual folk.

There is a cliché that says, "Funny, you don't look Jewish." Some homophobes may paraphrase it by stating, "Funny you don't look like a, pardon the expression, "faigeh." Both sayings show a large amount of ignorance.

On a lighter note, let me

My dad replied, "Only from the waist down, he does."

So, please, let's not have any more excuses for our sexual preferences, whether they are genetic, in our DNAs or in the case of the young lady, caused by sexual abuse, but let us accept each and everyone of us as a human being, that is as a "Mensch."

Hans Heiman
Cranston

Jewish Education

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focal point of modern Jewish life. Israel is a vibrant country — and it can really energize many people."

Continuity for those a bit older is also a problem, Robbins pointed out. The Jewish community needs to think of innovative ways to bring ambivalent Jews in their 20s and 30s "into the fold," he stressed, through socialization and exposure to other aspects of Jewish life.

"Young people, I think, should be offered — up to a certain point — free synagogue membership to see ... what activities it has to offer," he said. "I surely will pay off for them [the synagogues] down the road when these people are married with children and can pay their fair share."

Robbins' position in Washington offers him a unique national and international perspective on Judaism. Besides continuity, he sees inter-group relations (both ethnic and religious) and an American understanding of Israel as key issues

A Little Light

Long, long ago in a small town in Russia, a group of chasidim were intent upon fulfilling their rebbe's words. He had told them to go down into the pitch-black cellar to get rid of the darkness and they were attempting this seemingly simple feat.

But how exactly should they do it? they wondered.

"Go downstairs with sticks and beat the darkness away," the rebbe told them.

The chasidim dutifully went to the cellar and started to beat at the darkness. Of course, it did no good and they soon returned to their rebbe for his advice once more.

"Go back downstairs and this time scream and yell and shout the darkness away!"

The chasidim went back downstairs. "Away darkness!" they shouted. "Begone with you!" they cried out. "Leave this place forever!" they screamed.

But nothing happened. And so, they returned to their rebbe.

This time, the rebbe gave them another suggestion.

"Go downstairs and light a candle."

The chasidim went downstairs and lit a candle. And the



once dark cellar was filled with light — for a little light dispels even the blackest darkness.

Last week, we celebrated the 91st birthday of the rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, shilita. The rebbe's approach is typified by the above story; his outlook is the ultimate in living with a positive perspective — bringing more light, joy and good into the world.

The rebbe, as the Moses of our generation, leads by example. He lights candles. He ignites and tends "G-d's candle which is one's soul" in each of us — always in the most positive, loving manner. And by doing so, he enables everyone to light his or her own candles to help dispel the darkness.

The ultimate candlelighting is the campaign initiated by the rebbe two years ago to educate the world about moshiach and the imminence of the redemption. For the era of redemption is likened to the light that comes after the darkness. And the redemption is hastened and brought into this world through each one of us going around lighting candles — doing positive activities, being kind, being cheerful, performing another mitzva, enhancing one's Jewish education in general, and in the area of moshiach and the redemption in particular.

Light a candle today. Do it to dispel some of the darkness around you. Do it for yourself. Do it as a birthday present for the rebbe. Do it for the hastening of the redemption. Do it!

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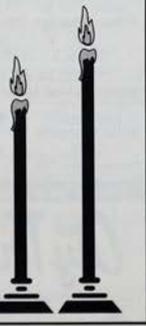
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Fifty Years Ago This Week In The Jewish Herald

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Zionists Demand Unlimited Immigration

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The immediate opening of the doors of Palestine by the British Government "for the unlimited entry of all Jewish refugees, irrespective of their ports of embarkation" and the abrogation of the White Paper restrictions, are demanded in a proclamation issued today by the Zionist Organization of America here over the signature of its president, Judge Louis E. Levinthal.

Half of Austrian Battalion Jewish

CAMP ATTERBURY, Ind. — Some 42 percent of the members of the Austrian Battalion, which has been the subject of recent controversy culminating in a change of recruiting methods from compulsion to volunteering are Jewish refugees from various European countries, it was revealed here. The charge had been made that the battalion was the instrument for granting power to the Hapsburg restoration led by Archduke Otto.

Report On Jewish War Prisoners

LONDON — The British Red Cross this week informed the Argudas Israel Organization here that investigations of the conditions of British Jewish war prisoners in Nazi camps have established that, on the whole, they are treated no differently than other captives. As far as could be ascertained, the Red Cross report stated that the only form of discrimination that is practiced is that Jewish prisoners, mostly Palestinians, are formed into exclusively Jewish labor detachments.

OPINIONS

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Intermarriage: The Auschwitz of 20th Century

by Cary Eichenbaum
Special to the Herald

Fifty to 55 years ago, Adolf Hitler tried to wipe out the Jewish religion from the face of this earth through gas chambers, shootings, deportations and mass starvations. A generation later, intermarriage threatens to fulfill his evil task, at least at this time in America.

Perhaps you recall the "Star Trek" episode where the people all walked into disintegration machines and perished, preferring the peaceful way to die rather than to do so with bloodshed, grief and misery — the components that usually accompany any "normal" war.

Well, folks, that is what we Jews are doing in 20th-century America. Nobody is putting a gun to our head and forcing us to give up our religion. We are walking into that disintegration booth willingly.

Intermarriage is the joining in marriage of a Jewish male or female with a non-Jewish female or male, and it is occurring at a more alarming rate everywhere around the world, but especially here in America.

This occurs because American Jews try to assimilate more and more into American society and want to be more like Americans and less like Jews. It is a situation that seriously cripples the heart of American Jewry, since Jews comprise only 2.4 percent of American society, and we as Jews cannot afford to lose that many more people to other religions, sects and cults. It is a problem that is simply not going to go away, and, as such, must be addressed as quickly and seriously as possible by our Jewish leaders, including our rabbis. It is not being done, however.

We (and by we I mean good Jews, or Jews whose religion means more to them than just being a name) must go out en masse and inform those Jews who would go out and inter-

marry that it is wrong, that regardless of how beautiful or rich or witty or charming the non-Jewish girl or guy is, that it is a privilege and a right to be Jewish and your parents or ancestors wouldn't be happy that you're marrying outside your religion.

And it's not just a matter of "It's my life and let me do whatever makes me happy," because a lot of people are not going to be happy about it, probably least of all you.

The statistics bear me out. Forty percent or more of all American marriages end in divorce. Therefore, using the baseball terminology, you're going into a relationship (such as a marriage) with one strike already against you because of the vast differences among people today.

Why do you want to go into a relationship with two strikes against you? By being the same religion as your spouse, you have a bond, a linkage between the two of you.

If you're not of the same religion, you are, naturally, going to have differences. For instance, what about holidays? Do you celebrate Christmas or Chanukah? Passover or Easter? Both or neither one?

Regardless of what you say, these are going to create friction in your marriage. And regardless of all the interfaith garbage or Chanukah bushes or Chanukah stockings and reaching out to other religions and assimilation and all that other nonsense, you are going to run into problems. Even if you and your family are not anti-Christian and your spouse and her immediate family are

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Let Us Put Up A Smart Fight

by Ray Eichenbaum
Special to the Herald

First, and foremost, I would like to thank my son Cary for his forthright, straightforward view as a young Jewish man on problems connected with intermarriages which are now so frequently taking place in America and elsewhere between Jews and non-Jews.

Being young and of a slightly Orthodox bent in his religious beliefs, his solutions to this problem are quite radical and a bit one-dimensional. But I must admit that it might be the only way to go for all of us, when all else fails. Therefore, Cary, thanks for your eloquent statement.

Having been around a bit longer on this planet, and having accumulated knowledge and experience during very difficult times, which included my Holocaust travails, I would like to offer my opinions on

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Can You Help Us?

The Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association needs identification for many of the photographs in its archives. The only clue to this attractive bride is that her photograph was contained in a box of memorabilia given to the association by the widow of Dr. Max Gomberg. He practiced medicine in various offices on Benefit Street and elsewhere in the North End. He died on Dec. 12, 1924 at Rhode Island Hospital. Contact the association at 331-1360 if you have a clue. By the way, we have already had one success story: The photo that appeared in the March 25 *Herald* is on its way to being identified. The Historical Association has contacted the daughter of Sam Weisman and she has expressed an interest in helping the association identify several of its old photographs. Thanks are due to those who called in with the pieces to this puzzle.

Jews Send Pesach Supplies

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The IDC and La Benevolencia, the Sarajevo Jewish aid society, stocked public seders for refugees in Zagreb and Belgrade in the former Yugoslavia.

A IDC-sponsored rabbinical student from Israel arrived in Belgrade to teach about Passover and help lead the seders. IDC provided its customary Passover food kits to more than 20,000 Eastern European Jews in the former Soviet Union, Estonia, Poland, Hungary and the Czech and Slovak republics. Nearly 25,000 Haggadahs were distrib-

uted, as well.

The National Conference on Soviet Jewry, through its Operation Lifeline, shipped Passover supplies to the St. Petersburg Jewish University for a seder for an anticipated 500 participants.

Provisions were also sent to Kiev in Ukraine and Dushanbe in Tajikistan.

Jewish communities in Kiev, Moscow and St. Petersburg received nearly three tons of Passover supplies, including kosher-for-Passover gefilte fish, matzah-ball soup mix, sardines, macaroons, tea bags and coffee.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Group Members Indicted for Plotting Against Jewish Targets

by Deborah Kalb
States News Service

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The indictment of four members of a radical Palestinian group who allegedly plotted to kill Jews and blow up the Israeli Embassy here may signal a new determination on the part of the U.S. government to crack down on terrorists operating on American soil.

The move, announced by the Justice Department on April 1, came just over a month after the bombing of the World Trade Center in New York shocked Americans into recognizing the dangers of domestic terrorism.

The four men, all members

of the Abu Nidal terrorist group, were indicted March 31 in U.S. District Court in St. Louis, where three of the defendants live.

The men charged were identified as Zein Isa, Saif Nijmeh and Luie Nijmeh of St. Louis, and Tawfiq Musa of Milwaukee. Isa was already serving a jail sentence, and the other three men were arrested by FBI agents April 1.

Charges against the defendants, for activities dating as far back as 1986, include the 1989 murder of Palestina Isa, the teen-age daughter of Zein Isa; smuggling money to other members of the Abu Nidal group; targeting Jews for murder; and obtaining weapons

illegally. Luie Nijmeh discussed the idea of blowing up the Israeli Embassy with a co-conspirator, the Justice Department charged.

The embassy had little to say about the case April 1. Israeli officials said they were "looking into the matter and were in contact with American authorities." Beyond that, they said, there were "no further details to share."

The arrests and indictments are in indication of the U.S. government's heightened concern about terrorism since the World Trade Center bombing in late February, according to Steven Emerson, a writer and terrorism expert. But he said the timing of the indictments, so soon after the New York bombing, may be "more of a coincidence" than a deliberate decision to demonstrate U.S. activism against terrorism at this time.

tinue attacks "against military and civilian targets in and out of the United States."

"This will include some potential nuclear targets," it said.

The group also claimed to have more than 150 soldiers willing to carry out suicide attacks.

"The American people must know that their civilians who got killed are not better than those who are getting killed by the American weapons and support," the letter said. Government officials said they have no previous record of the Liberation Army Fifth Battalion. A garbled return address in Arabic, and the name given at the letter's bottom, was Abu Bakr al-Makee, with a rank of field marshal or major.

The name is the same as the Arabic political leader who succeeded the Islamic prophet Mohammed after he died more than 1,300 years ago. It is also the name of a mosque in Brooklyn where several of the bombing suspects were known to pray.

Robert Precht, a lawyer for Mohammed Salameh, the first of the five suspects arrested, said he doubted the authenticity of the letter.

Britain To Spend Millions to Prosecute War Criminals

London Jewish Chronicle
LONDON (JTA) — In a move hailed by Jewish groups, Britain has set aside \$15.8 million for the prosecution of alleged Nazi war criminals living here.

At the same time, a major hurdle to prosecution efforts was cleared recently when the House of Lords agreed to drop its objections to the use of videotaped testimony in trials of suspected war criminals.

The two developments should theoretically speed efforts to bring to justice 91 British residents suspected of involvement in war crimes. Those efforts have been stymied over the years by a number of legislative and bureaucratic obstacles.

In Los Angeles, the Simon Wiesenthal Center welcomed the announcement of funding for prosecution efforts.

"We applaud this signal that the British government is serious in fulfilling its moral and legal obligation to prosecute Nazi war criminals who found safe haven in Britain," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper, the center's associate dean.

In February, the center's dean, Rabbi Marvin Hier, wrote to Prime Minister John Major urging his personal attention "to ensure that justice delayed does not become justice denied."

The success in Parliament follows years of wrangling. Last year in the House of Lords, opponents of war crimes trials forced through an amendment to a Scottish bill that would have disallowed videotaped testimony in Scottish courts.

The measure was raised because a trial is expected to get under way in Scotland.

The House of Commons overturned the measure, but through parliamentary procedure the measure was returned to the Lords. Two weeks ago, the opponents in the House of Lords gave up their fight against videotape evidence.



NATIONAL

NEW YORK (JTA) — The American Zionist Youth Foundation has told New York's gay and lesbian synagogue that it can march in the city's annual Salute to Israel parade as long as it marches without a banner. Congregation Beth Simchat Torah has rejected that offer because, in effect, "that means that we can't walk as a group," said Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum, the congregation's spiritual leader. "We agreed to drop [the words] 'gay' and 'lesbian.' We felt like we made a compromise already about it."

NEW YORK (JTA) — A delegation representing several Jewish organizations met with the White House last week, to press the administration to take a firmer stand regarding the crisis in Bosnia-Herzegovina. The meeting came in the wake of a recent meeting between Jewish groups and Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic. At that time, participants in the meeting promised to redouble their lobbying efforts for American intervention against what they feel are uncomfortable echoes of Nazi genocide.

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Clinton administration does not intend to take foreign aid money away from the Middle East to pay for new aid programs for Russia this year, Secretary of State Warren Christopher told a Senate subcommittee last week. "We do not intend to find that money in aid to Israel or Egypt or the other of the Middle East countries at the present time," Christopher testified before the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations March 30. Israel, which received \$3 billion from the United States annually, and Egypt, which receives \$2.1 billion, are the two largest recipients of American foreign aid.

LOS ANGELES (JTA) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson and the rabbis of the Conservative movement are calling on other religious and Jewish communal leaders to join them at a conference on tolerance and social justice that they hope to convene in Washington late this year or in early 1994. The plan was announced at the 93rd convention of the Rabbinical Assembly, held here March 21 to 24, exactly 25 years after the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel addressed Conservative rabbis at the same gathering in 1968.

Protest Over Policy on Israel Emerges as Motive in Bombing

NEW YORK (JTA) — Protest over America's support for Israel and the U.S. policy in the Middle East in general have emerged as the prime motive for the Feb. 26 bombing of New York's World Trade Center, according to new evidence revealed last week.

One of the five suspects arrested so far in connection with the bombing, sent a letter to *The New York Times* claiming responsibility for the attack, police disclosed.

The letter, sent by a group identifying itself as the Fifth Battalion of the Liberation Army, demanded that the United States cut all military, political and economic aid to Israel, as well as end diplomatic relations with Israel.

In a front-page news report March 28 the *Times* said it received the letter four days after the bombing and turned it over to investigators.

Investigators concluded the letter was authentic and found evidence linking it to one of the suspects arrested in connection with the attack, which killed six people and injured more than 1,000 others.

"There is no question that the letter was prepared by a member of this cell," the *Times* quoted a senior investigator as saying.

The evidence linking the letter to the suspects is "incontrovertible and it's not speculation," the investigator said.

The letter, written in sometimes incorrect English, is the first definite evidence that the bombing had a political motive.

"This action was done in response for the American political, economical, and military support to Israel the state of terrorism and to the rest of the dictator countries in the region," read the letter, which was reproduced in the *Times*.

The group threatened to con-

Palestinians Reject Offer on Talks

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ans to Lebanon in December.

In an effort to persuade the Palestinians to reinjoin the talks, Secretary of State Warren Christopher and his aides met here in late March with Pales-

stinian Leaders Faisal Husseini and Hanan Ashrawi.

Christopher reportedly offered them a set of concessions, including a speedier return of the deportees, a commitment from Israel not to deport Palestinians in the future and an easing of various restrictions on Palestinians in the territories.

But the offer was contingent on the Palestinians agreeing to the talks.

Ashrawi appeared to reject the U.S. offer March 29. Speaking in the Jordanian capital of Amman, the Palestinian spokeswoman said, "Human rights and other issues are basic rights; they are not issues for blackmail, negotiations or pressure."

"We feel that in order to remove obstacles" to peace, she said, "there has to be a commitment followed by concrete steps."

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INTERNATIONAL

BONN (JTA) — The number of violent attacks by right-wing extremists in Germany decreased considerably this year compared to the first three months of 1992, according to Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters. However, in releasing this information at a meeting with 16 state interior ministers, Seiters said there is still a need for ongoing efforts to douse the fires of hatred against foreigners.

OSWIECIM, Poland (JTA) — The long-running dispute over the Carmelite convent at Auschwitz appears to be close to resolution, with 14 nuns expected within days to move out of the building where the Nazis stored poison gas at the former death camp. Last-minute problems stemming from the nuns' reluctance to move into the new \$2 million building under construction for them nearby have been cleared away by explicit Vatican instructions to the nuns that reached Bishop Tadeusz Rakoczy of Oswiecim on April 1, said Jewish officials involved in the negotiations.

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Environment Minister Yossi Sarid has given the Negev Nuclear Research Center in Dimona a clean bill of environmental health. After what he termed the first official visit to the top-secret installation by a minister — apparently apart from visits by the defense minister — Sarid said that the center and nuclear reactor meet international safety requirements. Sarid's visit was aimed at calming public fears after it became known that radioactive waste was being buried at the site, the only disposal site for radioactive waste in the country.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — A Thai citizen working on a farm in the Jordan Valley settlement of Hanna was stabbed and seriously wounded by Arab attackers last week. The March 31 incident was the first in the present wave of violence in which foreign workers employed by Jews were attacked by Arabs.

OTTAWA (JTA) — The governments of Canada and Israel have established a joint industrial research and development program, featuring an initial three-year investment of \$6 million to be divided equally between both countries.

Leaders Urge Palestinians to Return to Talks

by Cynthia Mass
JERUSALEM (JTA) — A delegation of European Community leaders, arriving here on the last leg of a Middle Eastern tour, expressed confidence that the Arab governments would return to the peace talks and urged the Palestinians do the same.

The E.C. leaders also condemned, in strong language, the recent spate of terrorist attacks against Israelis, saying they point up the urgent need for the peace talks to resume.

The delegation arrived in Israel on April 1, following visits to Syria, Jordan and Lebanon.

The group was led by Danish Foreign Minister Niels Petersen, whose country currently holds the rotating E.C. presidency.

It also included Robert Urban, Belgian minister of foreign trade; Mark Elliott, British undersecretary of state; and Hans van den Broek of the Netherlands, the E.C. commissioner for foreign affairs.

Petersen, interviewed on arrival at the airport, said the visit came at "a moment when developments give rise to serious concerns."

"The vicious cycle of violence and terror in the occupied territories seems [to be] deepening. It certainly makes itself felt also in Israel," he said.

Israel Launches 2-Pronged Raid On Terror Bases in N. Lebanon

by Hugh Orgel
TEL AVIV (JTA) — Responding to perceived threats from extremist groups throughout Lebanon, Israel Defense Force attack vehicles engaged in a double-pronged raid early morning on April 1 on terrorist bases in northern Lebanon.

Israeli air force helicopter gunships and naval missile boats fanned out to coastal installations in the Na'rah el-Bared refugee camp south of Tripoli, the Syrian-controlled port city border to Lebanon's northern border.

The targets were bases of the Islamic Jihad and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, Ahmed Jabril's terrorist organization.



Self-Sustaining Community

The 1,917 Jews of Tunisia continue to practice their religion in the overwhelmingly Moslem society, despite changes all around them — rising costs of living, traffic jams, shopping malls, etc. The community sustains itself with assistance from outside sources including the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC). Above, JDC President Ambassador Milton A. Wolf (right) and Bires Trabelsi (left), a Jewish community leader from Jerba, stand in front of the ark at the famous La Ghriba Synagogue in Jerba. Wolf visited the synagogue during his recent trip to Tunisia where he observed JDC's multifaceted programs.

Jewish Groups Are Dissatisfied With German Compensation Offer

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen
NEW YORK (JTA) — Jewish groups are dissatisfied with a proposed new German law that would compensate Jews whose property was stolen by the Nazis in East Germany, but

would require them to pay property taxes on the restitution.

The draft law, proposed by the German Cabinet last week, would compensate Jewish and non-Jewish victims of the Nazi and Communist regimes by paying them 1.3 times what their property was worth at the time it was seized.

The bill, drawn up by the Finance Ministry to settle the issue of expropriated real estate and clear the way for investment in eastern Germany, left Jewish groups unhappy.

"The proposed levy on properties restituted to victims of Nazi persecution is immoral and contravenes the commitments which the German Fed-

eral Republic undertook" when the formerly divided Germany was reunified, said Israel Miller, president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

The World Jewish Congress termed the proposed law "unacceptable," on the basis of consultations the WJC had with Ignatz Bubis, chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany.

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FEATURE



GREYHOUND FAN — June Bazar, director of the Greyhound Pets of America of Rhode Island, poses with Terry, her pet, at the Lincoln Dog Track. Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Local Woman Adopts The Choice of Kings

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

Inscribed on the walls of the great tombs of the pharaohs are hieroglyphic images of animals worshipped and revered by the Egyptians — cats, cobras, birds and greyhounds. The greyhound, in particular, was regarded as the pet of nobility and was forbidden to be owned by no other, except Pharaoh. The penalty for anyone else was death. Fortunately for June Bazar, that law ended ages ago.

The director of the Greyhound Pets of America of Rhode Island, Bazar began the organization after reading about how a Florida man rescued unwanted greyhounds from extermination by their owners. She sent him a check and the man made her a lifetime member; the rest is history, Bazar claims.

She has been personally responsible for placing more than 1,000 dogs with owners throughout the country. "We shipped dogs to Canada, Hobart, Ohio, Yaphank, New York," Bazar said. U.S. Air gives Greyhound Pets of America a special discount due to their nonprofit status, she

added. Indeed, June Bazar already knows what the pharaohs of Egypt saw in the graceful dogs, which were used for hunting — that they are a breed apart. Noble head, intelligent eyes, sleek, powerful legs and a regal stance are unique only to the

"You give them this much love and they'll give you everything in return."

— June Bazar

greyhound. In fact, so strong is the greyhound's strain that it is almost impossible to breed out its characteristics, according to *Encyclopedia Britannica*.

Greyhounds, once used for fox hunting by the kings of England, were introduced into the United States by Midwestern farmers trying to eradicate the jackrabbit population, according to Bazar. Eventually, the animals were used for racing because of their blazing speed of up to 45 mph. However, any dog who fails to mea-

sure up is eliminated.

But thanks to her time, love and devotion, these dogs now have a new lease on life. "You give them this much love," Bazar said holding her two fingers slightly apart, "and they'll give you everything in return." Indeed, Bazar's own greyhound, Terry, a sleek brindle, was so quiet and friendly one hardly knew she was there. It is this quiet disposition that leads prospective owners to the greyhound, she said.

Aside from private owners, the dogs often do their best work when placed in nursing homes. Bazar remembers: "This woman called me up and said she wanted a quiet dog she could take to work with her." Little did Bazar know that the dog she sent to Penny Faich, an activity director at the Jewish Home for the Aged in Providence, would become an excellent source of therapy for the residents.

The only stipulation is that the dog be loved and cared for, Bazar urged.

Anyone interested in adopting a greyhound can call June Bazar at 781-6231.

meaning great harm, a dirty or a cheap Jew.

Or, on the other extreme, how about if your 15th aunt on your mother's side calls her, again at the first hint of trouble in your relationship, a "homely shikse." These are all serious problems, problems you should consider before you take up with your non-Jewish mate.

Now this does not mean you should go out of your way to avoid non-Jews. We live in a Christian society and it's a fact of life that Jews will have dealings with non-Jews.

As a matter of fact, this author has plenty of non-Jewish friends: I've lived with, worked with and gone to school with plenty of non-

Jews. I've even gone out with non-Jews. However, there was always a line I could never go across because I could never marry a non-Jew.

And maybe this is so because I'm a unique case; because my father is a Holocaust survivor — he almost died for his religion and, therefore, I can certainly live Jewishly the rest of my life. But, with exceptions granted, I don't really think so. I think there is a bit of a Jewish "neshumah" in every Jew.

So, in closing, all you impressionable Jews out there who can hear my voice, stop supporting intermarriage and start taking up marriage with other Jews.



A Summer Getaway

by
Jeffrey L. Goldberg
Special to the Herald

It's been a long, cold, dreary afternoon — the kind of day to curl up on the couch, light a fire, and read a good book. I treat myself to that simple pleasure and as I get comfortable, my mind starts to wander. My thoughts drift to a time that seems so long ago.

I am locked in a time frame. My dream takes me to a place miles away from cold, dreary Providence. A place where boys become men, friendships are cemented, minds and bodies nurtured — the journey of fun in the sun, endless games, countless stories, timely pranks, all the good times of youthful summers past. These thoughts go through my mind and I feel a smile come over me.

I don't want this dream to stop. I hear the schoolbell ring. I sludge through the snow and slush cursing the weather and look forward to sunny days ahead. The dream is broken when my 5-year-old wakes me up to play Nintendo. That dream I was in describes a time, a place, a memory and, most importantly to me, an unforgettable experience called summer camp. How many children have experienced the summer event called camping? Whether it be under a tent, in a

cabin, on the side of a mountain, or down in the valley, summer camp has long been an escape for the kids, a vacation for the parents, a living for the directors.

I can remember the pranks, the nicknames, the mosquitoes, raids, food fights, socials, color war, the tears, the food, the counselors, homesickness, bug juice, visiting day, the end of a great summer and looking forward to another one.

I had the opportunity to be with a group of people with whom I spent many of these summers. As our lives change and our families grow, thoughts of a time so long ago should have been erased. I was happy to know that although years have come and gone, the memories that I have are also remembered fondly by this group as if they happened yesterday.

I look at myself now and realize that time cannot stop. Things come and go. Some things change and some remain, just as the sun rises and the sun sets, I look back and remember a time of innocence, a time of selfishness, a time of responsiveness, a time of fulfillment, a perfect moment, a summer getaway.

Inside the Envelopes

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

Voice mail or fax make their point and serve their ends. But a real letter cuts through the junk and bills and talks to you. Over this fortnight, with my letter knives, I've opened a few messages worth sharing.

Bill Brown, a RISD colleague who got a Fulbright to teach English in Germany, reports: "Right-wing extremists roam, all over the country, west as well as east. They are led by real ex-Nazis, ex-Communist party members, ex-secret police, and also by teen toughs. They are very well-organized, visible and respectable. There is little reporting abroad of pan-European fascism in Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republics, even France and Italy. I am very self-conscious about being Jewish. Nobody knows. I would expect the hate from Germans, but from English and American professors and students, no. That's a bit much to take."

Klara Kuznetsova, a new American I met in the cinema at a Jewish festival, writes: "What I meant when I said in Russia I was not Russian, not Jew? May be you know that in the Russian form like an application question 5 asks about nationality. I am Jew, but I

don't know history, language, culture. I know beroussian history, culture, language, folk. I worked for these cultures. But the government (and my boss exspectal) never forget that I'm a Jew. The same is now in the usual job (and my English is very, very simple) I was theatre critic. Here, I saw Anna Caremina. I liked Greta Garbo — Anna. She understood and showed her feelings, her heart. But actor, who played Caremin didn't understand anything. His Caremin very, very primitive. He showed this hero a superficial ... With respect, Klara."

It was, of course, Basil Rathbone who wrecked the film for Klara. She's catching up.

Manuel da Cruz works at the JCCRL. He sent me a tape of Cape Verdean music, the morna melodies I like to think keep a trace of something Ladino. I played the stately, gentle, lonely ballads while I read in bed. They brought me back to Mindelo, in the Cape Verde islands, where I had first heard them play at an uprisings in the evenings after I'd hunted for Jewish graves all over day. They also carried me over to the cafes of Warren Avenue in East Providence, where the elegant island tunes drifted out

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Dorotbea Snyder's "Around Town" will be back soon!

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

The paintings of area artist Sally Caswell are being shown at the Community College of Rhode Island Lincoln Campus Art Gallery now through April 23. For more information, contact CCRI's art department at 333-7154.

The Sarah Doyle Gallery is exhibiting the works of artist Elizabeth Whyte Schulze now through April 23 at 185 Meeting St., Providence. An opening reception will take place April 18 from 3 to 5 p.m. and is open to the public.

"Sex, Death and the History of Photography," an exhibit by Boston-based photographer Karl Baden, will be featured at the Photography Gallery, Fine Arts Center Galleries, University of Rhode Island, April 13 through May 4. Baden will speak about his work in the gallery on April 20 at 2 p.m.

The University of Rhode Island Department of Art will feature its annual Juried Student Exhibition from April 13 through May 4 in the Main Gallery, Fine Arts Center, Kingston campus. Works will include all media. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, noon to 4 p.m. and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m.

The Bert Gallery will exhibit "Harley Bartlett: Interior Spaces: Seasons of Years and Times" April 13 through May 8 at 540 South Water St., Providence. For more information, call Catherine Little Bert at 751-2628.

The Rhode Island Chamber Music Concerts will present The Mannes Trio April 14 at 8 p.m. in Alumnae Hall, Brown University. For more information, call 863-2416.

The Brown Dance Ensemble will present its annual Spring Concert April 15 through 18 at 8 p.m. in the Ashmun Dance Studio, lower Lyman Hall/Loeds Theatre, Brown University. For more information, call 863-2838.

The University of Rhode Island, CCE Players will present "American Dreams, Lost and Found" on April 16 at 8 p.m. at the College of Continuing Education, 199 Promenade St., Providence. It is open to the public, free of charge. Reservations are requested; call 277-3820 for more information.

'Falling Down' — Just Go for It

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter
I see movies my own way. Take "Falling Down," the picture that put Mike Douglas' unhandsome face on magazine covers as the icon of the year.

His dad, Kirk, came to his son Mike's defense in the storm over "Falling Down." "He plays a nerd, not a hero," said Kirk. To me, Kirk copied out, took the wrong tack on the controversial film.

Clearly, the audience was supposed to like this guy.

You know the plot? A missile worker loses job and wife. He can't hack any more bad scenes in L.A. He takes a bat, a bazooka, a knife, a rifle, to the



likes of mean-shopkeepers who overcharge, though punks who rob guys on the dole, rich golfers, and worst of all, neo-Nazis.

Mike goes on a rampage of flailing about, dealing heartless justice — but not theft. When he strikes, we laugh, we agree. Pretty simple stuff. I could go on and on and spell out just why these notions are ugly.

But I don't think that's the way to go with "Falling Down." It's a terrific piece of business, and right on target. Frederic Forrest plays the Nazi pawnbroker with gusto. He takes Mike in a back room like a porno nut and shows off a canister of Zyklon B.

"It killed a lot of Kikes," he smiles. The creep is also anti-gay and anti-woman. Hollywood blurs and blends its Jewish issues behind a broad "liberal" agenda.

Mike says to Fredric, "I'm an American, not a fascist." Then he stabs and shoots him. We cheer.

Robert Duvall plays a wimpy cop who tracks Mike down. It's Duvall's last day on

the job. The story is compressed to one path, one day, one fateful rendezvous on a pier.

Some of the action is just taken off the shelf of familiar formula. The portrait of ugly faces silhouetted against an ugly backdrop strikes a fashionable note, a new genre.

But put it all together and I come out thinking "Falling Down" should have an Oscar for Best Picture. We're too literal about movies. We lose sight of the magic and the mystery of the art and craft of motion pictures.

"Falling" made me think back to Kirk's efforts in early '60s experiments like "Lonely Are the Brave," offbeat sketches of surreal adventures that glimpse strange vistas.

Don't think about it. Don't feel it. Just watch it. Let it sink in. "Falling Down" may turn out to be the sleeper of the season on the silver screen.

"Indochine" shows off the ever-lovely Catherine Deneuve, as well as the landscape of the former French colony, to their best advantage. You have to be a Francophile to get the most out of it.

The old-time soap opera plot doesn't make the primary impact. It's the French way of avoiding American up-front bluntness and curving a few really graceful lines around the action that makes the film work so well.

I mean, Catherine loves trees and the smell of rubber sap. She adores her adopted Asian daughter, and, in time, her adopted grandson, far more than she desires the French naval officer who seduces both mom and girl.

You never have to squirm with embarrassment at images of the act of passion. Like the chauffeur in his turban, you look away while things go on in the dark. What a relief!

"Indochine" filled up the house at the Avon on opening weekend. It deserves its success. If only because it makes our films on the subject of Southeast Asia look so dull and vulgar by comparison.



Charismatic Cantor

Cantor Avraham Albrecht performs at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island to a packed audience at the Hasidic "Chai-to-Life" concert recently.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

All we care about is violence and destruction, love and hate overdone and twisted. This poetic Gallic portrait of people profited against land and time offers restrained and elegant glimpses on a transcendent plane.

At first, I thought, this Deneuve is a mere model, too cool and cucumber-calm, sipping her champagne and shading her face under deco hats. But instead of wearing on you, she grows on you.

So take that, Marlon Brando!

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Zamir Chorale To Present Concert

On Israel Independence Day, April 25, the Zamir Chorale of Boston will present "The Songs We Sang," a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the state of Israel through the songs of the settlers.

The concert, sponsored by the Consulate-General of Israel to New England, will take place at Congregation Mishkan Tefila in Chestnut Hill, Mass., and will begin at 7:30 p.m. This festive evening will include the renowned singing of the Zamir Chorale, audience sing-alongs and recorded historical radio broadcasts.

The hops will be arranged with both table and auditorium seating, and a wide variety of Israeli-style food and drink will be available for purchase beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The Zamir Chorale of Bos-

ton, under the direction of its founder, Joshua Jacobson, is regarded as one of the most significant proponents of Jewish music in the world. Dubbed "a virtuoso outfit" by the Boston Globe's Richard Dyer, Zamir has performed in Israel, Great Britain and throughout the United States, bringing its special brand of music-making Jewish enthusiastic audiences the world over.

Now in its 24th season, the Zamir Chorale has released many recordings of music ranging from Renaissance motifs to Sephardic folk songs and to works by contemporary Jewish composers.

Tickets for "The Songs We Sang" cost \$25 for table seats, and \$12 or \$18 for auditorium seats. For more information or to order tickets call (617) 965-6522.

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HEALTHWISE

Health-Care Policies Topic of Forum

by Clare Eckert

Rhode Islanders are invited to participate in a public forum on the nation's most important social and economic topic. Entitled, "Searching for a Cure: A Series of Community Forums on Health Policy," the free forum will be held at Rhode Island College in Bannister Gallery April 22 as the last in a three-part series.

This session, scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m., will focus on environmental health policies.

Rhode Island Lung Association representative Mollie Clark and Harold Ward, both representing the Environmental Health Committee of the Rhode Island Year 2000 Health Goals Task Force, as co-chairwoman and chairman, respectively, are noted panelists.

Also scheduled to present is Kenneth R. Geiser, associate professor at the University of Lowell's Department of Work Environment.

For further information, call the Department of Political Science at 456-8056 or 456-8090.

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Torah, Mental Health and You

by R.Y. Donowitz

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

During these trying economic times in particular, a person can find himself or herself subject to various degrees of depression. Feelings of helplessness and hopelessness can ensue. Circumstances can be viewed as so stressful and intolerable that a person may seek to admit defeat and psychologically withdraw from the fight. Repeated efforts to regain employment or first find a job may seem fruitless.

Surprisingly, even with the hope of economic recovery and the actual finding of a job, the depression may well linger on. This is not only true in the realm of economic issues, but also in the realm of relationships and other areas of life as well.

Imagine what it was like for the Jewish people living in slavery for 210 years. One can easily understand feelings of helplessness and hopelessness setting in. The people could have easily felt the need to admit defeat and accept their lot.

Even when redemption did come, the bonds of slavery did not easily lift their grip from their minds. A slave mentality had ensued.

The multitude of commandments involved in the Passover holiday can provide an insight into breaking the bonds of slavery or depression. In the classic book, *Sefer HaHinnuch*, *The Book of Mitzvah Education*,

Center Seeks Volunteers for Study

The Division of Endocrinology at Roger Williams Medical Center is seeking participants

for a study to evaluate the effects of a powerful, third-generation bisphosphonate, on bone density and vertebral fracture rate of postmenopausal women with osteoporosis.

This research is being sponsored by a major pharmaceutical company and will be conducted under the direction of Joseph R. Tucci, M.D., its principal investigator and director of the Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism at Roger Williams Medical Center.

Individuals who meet the following criteria may be eligible to participate:

- Women who are at least one year post menopause and between 50 and 80 years of age.
- Women who are not on estrogen replacement therapy.

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Nutrition and the Torah

by Rabbi Abraham Antokol

Special to the Herald

The first man, Adam, had an easy time choosing healthy food. He could simply pick the fruit of the trees that grew in the Garden of Eden. Everything was natural, the fruit wasn't sprayed with many chemicals and dyed different shades of color.

Also, the Medrash describes Adam making bread. He took wheat and ground it up. The bread was whole grain. There was no pizza or pasta.

Europeans view Americans as the overweight people. Self-control is a must if we want optimum digestion and superior health.

Rav Gifter, the Rosh Yeshiva of Telshe in Wickliffe, Ohio, once told me, "The first slice of pizza isn't a problem, it is the second and third slices that gets people into trouble. If a boy in Yeshiva would limit himself to one slice, there wouldn't be any problems."

Everybody has their limits. Our stomachs are physical systems with only a certain amount of digestive juices available.

The Torah asks us to be conscious of the food we are eating. The Jew does not just eat as the animals do, but first pauses to thank the Almighty for placing food before him and then commences eating. After the meal, there is once again a prayer thanking G-d for sustaining the whole world.

As Rabbi Miller says, "The entire world is eating. Animals, small fish, man, everyone is eating. Even the tiny ants are eating. This is a tremendous kindness of HaShem that he provides the proper food for all creation."

If a person stops to pause and reflect before beginning to eat, this may relax his body and quiet his mind. This was practiced by many traditional families for hundreds of years. Simply thinking, G-d that you can nourish your body at this time and place is a tremendous mitzvah.

When one reflects on the fact that there are many people in the world who wish they had the G-d-given privilege of eating, blessings over food and grace after meals takes on a new meaning.

Increase in Motion Injuries Leads to Adaptations

There has been a dramatic increase in reports of on-the-job, repetitive motion injuries, according to the Arthritis Foundation.

Mind-Body Connection Explored at Center

The Hope Center for Life Enhancement will present an educational program by Lackshtyan Schanzer entitled "The Mind-Body Connection and You" on April 22 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the center on 297 Wickenden St. in Providence.

Lackshtyan Schanzer, Psy. D., M.S. Ed., is a licensed psychologist in Providence and has a private practice in hakomi therapy, a meditative, client-centered, body-mind psychotherapy. He has been teaching and researching yoga and meditation for 22 years and co-directs The Yoga Studio.

The Hope Center for Life Enhancement offers support groups, educational series and resources for people living with cancer and the people who love them. The public is welcome. Call the Hope Center at 454-0404 to reserve a seat. Space is limited.

An article in the recent issue of *Arthritis Today*, the foundation's national consumer magazine, says this increase in job-related injuries has employers and researchers scrambling to design workplace modifications.

"These injuries, often called cumulative trauma disorders or CTDs, involve such arthritis-related disorders as tendonitis and carpal tunnel syndrome," said Stuart Schwartz, M.D., associate.

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A research study testing a new treatment for photo-damaged skin (skin tissue characterized by a lack of elasticity and firmness) is being offered at Roger Williams Medical Center. Dermatologists are looking for volunteers to participate in a six-month study to determine the effectiveness of a new cream for wrinkled skin. Volunteers must be 30 or older with moderate to severe visible photodamage on the face and forearms. Volunteers will be paid \$200 for their participation. For more information, call 456-2215.

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HEALTHWISE

CCRI Series on Healthy Parenting

The Community College of Rhode Island's Family Life Center is sponsoring a free spring seminar series entitled, "Healthy Parenting for Your Family."

The series is scheduled on four consecutive Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon at the Warwick campus beginning in April.

The first seminar, "Keeping Your Family Safe," planned for April 17, will focus on guarding against the threats of our society — what to watch for and how to teach children how to keep themselves emotionally safe. The speaker is Susan D. Wallace, A.C.D.P., executive director of Caritas House.

"Childhood Parenting Principles" is the topic for April 24 and will feature Ira Reiter, Ph.D., licensed psychologist and certified school psychologist. The session will teach parents what to expect from children, how to nurture, behavioral techniques, natural consequences, values and discipline.

On May 1, Daniel J. Hurley, Ph.D., clinical psychologist, will discuss "Surviving Your Adolescents." He will highlight healthy decision-making, positive self-concept development, substance abuse resistance, limit setting and discipline.

"Single Parenting and Step Parenting" is scheduled for May 8. Sylvia Weber, M.S., R.N., C.S., nurse psychotherapist, will speak about managing alone, managing step-children, maintaining relationships, creating new families, stress reduction and management.

CCRI's Family Life Center, supported by a grant from the Rhode Island Supreme Court, offers seminars and workshops on issues and problems relating to families.

To register, call the Family Life Center, 333-7157 (Tuesday and Wednesday mornings).

Importance of Family Meals is Theme of Conference

William Dietz, M.D., of Tufts New England Medical Center will address the "Importance of Family Meals & Social Eating in Health" at the American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate's 17th annual Nutrition Conference on April 14.

The conference, "Mealtime:

Aspirin Beneficial for Many, But Is Not for Everyone, AHA Says

Not everyone should pop an aspirin every other day to prevent a heart attack. But aspirin is effective in treating heart attack and preventing a second attack, preventing stroke and preventing complications from bypass surgery and coronary angioplasty.

Last month, the American

East Bay Mental Health to Host Workshop

East Bay Mental Health Center Inc., a not-for-profit, community mental health center, will conduct a workshop at the Adams-Farley Center on the Wampanoag Trail in Barrington. The seminar, "Don't Panic," designed to help persons suffering from panic attacks, will be held over two consecutive Tuesday evenings, on April 20 and 27 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The workshop will be presented by Aleta B. Johnson, C.S.W., a clinical therapist who specializes in the treatment of anxiety disorders.

East Bay Mental Health Center, Inc. is a not-for-profit, Rhode Island Corporation with treatment facilities in Barrington and East Providence and group homes in East Providence and Warren. Emergency services and other essential services to treat persons with chronic and persistent mental illness are provided at 2 Old County Road, Barrington. Youth, substance abuse and adult services, including elderly services are provided at the Adams-Farley Counseling Center on Wampanoag Trail in East Providence.

The workshop, which costs \$50, is open to the public. For more information, contact East Bay Mental Health Center at 246-1195.

More Than Just Nutrition," will be held at the Johnson & Wales, Hartorside Campus, 1 Washington St., Providence. The conference has two components — one for professionals working in the field of nutrition or weight control from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m., and one for the general public from 7 to 9 p.m.

Heart Association released new guidelines for doctors who now find aspirin to be one of the most important weapons against blockages of blood vessels.

Aspirin use should be initiated only in consultation with a physician, says the report, "Aspirin as a Therapeutic Agent in Cardiovascular Disease," published in the February issue of *Circulation*, a journal of the Dallas-based AHA. "Any decision to use aspirin in the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease should be based on an individual clinical judgment by a physician or other health care provider in which the cardiovascular risk profile of the patient is considered," it says.

The underlying disease process leading to blood vessel blockages is atherosclerosis. Often called "hardening of the arteries," atherosclerosis is characterized by deposits of cholesterol and other substances that narrow the inner diameter of arteries. The "final straw" in a heart attack or a stroke is usually the formation of a blood clot that blocks the already narrowed blood vessel. Aspirin can prevent this in many people by keeping blood platelets from sticking together.

Available data suggest that the popular pain-killer's benefits in preventing a first heart attack may be limited to males middle-aged and older, says the AHA's panel of experts.

The major controllable factors that place individuals at increased risk of developing atherosclerosis are tobacco smoke, high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol and a sedentary lifestyle or lack of regular exercise. Other contributing factors include obesity, diabetes and stress.

To healthy individuals, statement co-author Charles Hennekens, M.D., D.P.H., says aspirin brings "a conclusive

benefit" of reducing risk of a first heart attack in men. The report emphasizes aspirin use "as an adjunct to care, never as an alternative or substitute for control of primary risk factors," he says.

The AHA report reviews in detail all recent scientific studies of aspirin and makes specific recommendations on its use in several different clinical situations, including coronary artery disease and such coronary "revascularization" procedures as angioplasty and bypass surgery. The experts say aspirin therapy should begin before balloon angioplasty and should be started immediately after bypass surgery. The report also recommends appropriate doses of aspirin for various types of patients and generally provides guidelines for physicians planning to use this powerful drug to help their patients.

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MILESTONES

David Ian Getz

Ken and Debra Hassenfeld Getz of Sharon, Mass., announce the birth of their second child, a son, David Ian, on Feb. 6, weighing in at 8 lbs., 15 oz., and 21 inches long.

He was welcomed home by his sister, Ellyn Jeri.

Grandparents are Barbara

and Sidney Hassenfeld of Woodcliff Lake, N.J., and Ricki and Irwin Getz of East Greenwich. Great-grandmothers are Gertrude Hassenfeld of Providence, Julia Adelson of Warwick, and Lena Getz of Flushing, N.Y.



David George Oresman

Cathy and Robert Oresman of Lincoln announce the birth of their second child and son, David George, on March 11.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Oresman of Boston, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Simon of Providence and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swartzberg of High Point, N.C.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Bender of Miami, Fla.

David was welcomed home by his big brother, Daniel, 3.



Rachel Amy Winkler

Marion and Larry Winkler of West Warwick announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Rachel Amy, on March 27.

She is the baby sister of Pamela Lynn.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Milton Winkler of Cranston, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Feitelson of Bethany, Conn. Eli Winkler, also of Cranston, is the great-grandfather.



Duet

Mark Davis on guitar and Mariynn Mair on an Italian mandolin perform a mini-concert at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on April 4.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Let Us Put Up A Smart Fight

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the subject of intermarriage.

Quite frankly — given the conditions that exist in the United States today where young people of various races, creeds and religions mix freely with one another, and taking into focus the fact that Jews in present-day America have become interpolated into the "mainstream" of life here — I venture to say that it would be very naive and unrealistic to foresee that intermarriages between Jews and non-Jews will not take place at all, or will even diminish in its rate. That is not the way it is in life.

Young people, once exposed to one another, will mingle, get acquainted and marry despite all the moral and cultural restraints which their respective societies will attempt to put upon them. This is the way of the world.

Even the severely punitive decrees of the Germans during the beginning of the Nazi era, did not prevent intermarriages between Jews and "pure" Germans. Hence, it would be quite naive to believe that this problem would "go away."

However, that does not

mean that we should give up all efforts to counteract this dangerous phenomenon facing us Jews. No, not at all. We must do everything in our power to try to diminish the number of such unions.

What I do believe in is that we, the Jews, ought to have our "best irons in the fire" to fight this oncoming calamity which, if left uncombated, will destroy the Jewish way of life in the diaspora. These steps, in my humble opinion, include in the following:

1. Educate the children well in the Jewish faith, and acquaint them early with the rich traditions of our creed. The Hebrew Day School, Solomon Schechter schools and other religious school movements work well when they include in their curricula the modern approach to science and technology.

However, our children, in the context of American life in present day America, cannot be expected to take to religious matters on faith alone. There is too much of a paradox between the realistic views about life as depicted in today's TV programs, and the time-honored ways of the Ortho-

dox. When our young people enter the college scene in the United States, and encounter the views of other faiths, they come away bewildered and confused.

Hence, my best advice — send children in their late teens to Israel for periods of time in excess of six months or so to study and live there. Exposure to a "living nation" on its sacred soil, with their own traditions, and its great vitality will provide the young Jew with the bridge so necessary to make the connection between the biblical past and the difficult present time in which we live. It will also convey to him or her the responsibility to continue the Jewish ways into the future.

This will lead to fewer intermarriages. Believe me, this is money well spent. Although a great hardship on many of us, this process of education should be supported and subsidized by the community as a whole. With time, we will all acknowledge that this is a terrific investment.

2. The knowledge of the Holocaust happening, with all its connotations, should be passed on and studied by all young Jews. Although it is a

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We Shall Overcome

Rabbi James Rosenbergs locks hands with Nichole Desravines and Rev. Dr. Daehler Hayes at the St. John's Episcopal Church commemorative service on the 25th anniversary of the death of Martin Luther King Jr. Rabbi Rosenbergs was there with a youth delegation from Temple Hahonim which participated in a candlelight vigil.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Black-Jewish Seder

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"I think that we're bankrupt in terms of Jewish heritage and these times to come together presents an opportunity to share and learn," Thompson added.

As the temple hall slowly filled up to capacity, it became apparent that not everyone from the two religions were total strangers. Joshua Nemitzow was elated to see his friend and former classmate, Charles Miner. "We grew up in Newport together and went to the old Coggs Hill School," Miner recalled.

Danielle Sarao, 15, shared a table with her schoolmate, Ronda Cherry, who had never stepped foot in the temple before. "It's neat to see how other religions do things," Ronda shyly stated.

Rabbi Jagolnizer had carefully prepared a unique text combining elements from Jewish tradition and history as well as the Black experience, as he and Pastor Thompson took turns reciting.

"In 1453, the Vatican gave Portugal the right to enslave black people and transport them from Africa for sale. In 1492, the Jews were expelled from Spain where they had lived for more than a thousand years," the rabbi read.

"In Nazi Germany, Jews were called 'untermenschen,' 'subhumans.' In America, the color of one's skin has been translated into a 'mark' for discrimination and economic vulnerability," Pastor Thompson countered.

Earlier, Rabbi Jagolnizer said: "The festival of freedom we're going to share in our community is that of our plight for freedom, and we're going to blend black history with Jewish history."

During the ceremony, Jagolnizer read several prayers, including the breaking of matzah, which several of the guests found to taste "interesting." Each table contained a sample of wine (grape juice), matzah, celery and a radish sauc.

But the high point of the evening was warmly expressed when the Community Baptist Senior Choir filled the entire room with inspirational gospel music led by Ione Miner. Throughout the event, blacks and Jews discovered that they had much in common. "G-d is indeed looking down upon us this evening and can't help but bless us for our union," Joyce Williams said. For it was the desire of her late husband, Pastor Bob Williams — to bring the religions together — that had finally been realized.

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The Providence College Department of Accountancy will offer a **Volunteer Tax Assistance Program** in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service now through April 10 on every Saturday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the lobby of the college's Alumni Hall. The program is open to senior citizens, PC students and the economically disadvantaged. For more information, call 865-2413.

The University of Rhode Island Army ROTC will hold its **annual Military Ball and Awards Ceremony** on April 16 at 6 p.m. at the Commissioned Officers' Club, Naval Education and Training Center, Newport. Tickets to the ball, which is open to the public, cost \$20 per person. For more information, call 792-2385.

The **1993 Earth Day Celebration** will commence with statewide cleanups and the Fox Point Earth Celebration parade on April 17 at 11 a.m., followed by a block party in Fox Point, Providence. On April 18 the celebration continues with an Earth Walk and other events at Roger Williams Park. Organizations planning events should contact Kim Worthington at 272-3540 to get their events on the Earth Day schedule.

The Rhode Island Historical Society invites the public to attend **"Computers and Genealogy,"** a genealogy lecture by Jim Willard, on April 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. at 110 Benevolent St., Providence. For more information, call 331-8575.

The East Side/Mount Hope YMCA will offer its **spring session** beginning April 26, which will last for seven weeks. YMCA programs are available for all age groups. For more information, call 521-0155.

The **third annual Sports Medicine Rhode Island Road Race and One Mile Fun Run** will take place May 31 beginning at 9 a.m. in Johnston. A nonrefundable pre-registration fee must be received by May 21. For more information, call 949-4929.

April is **Free Hearing Test Month for Senior Citizens**, ages 60 and older, at the University of Rhode Island's Hearing and Speech Clinic. The normal \$40 fee will be waived through the end of the month. If a hearing loss is discovered, hearing aids can be purchased at the clinic at significant savings. For more information and appointments, call 792-5969.

Majestic Senior Guild Plans Upcoming Trips

The Majestic Senior Guild announces several trips for this season.

On May 10, there will be a one-day trip to the Foxwood Casino in Ledyard, Conn.

The guild is off June 1 to a five-day trip to New Orleans, staying at the Bourne Hotel in the French Quarters. There will be four breakfasts and three dinners, as well as a river taurant, plus a trip down the Mississippi River on the side wheeler steamboat, S.S. Natchez which will include free entertainment. Space on the trip is very limited, so early reservations are advised.

A trip to the North Shore Musical Theatre in Beverly, Mass., to see Rosemary Clooney and the Concord Jazz Quartet is planned July 28. Lunch will be on your own at the Hilltop Restaurant in Saugas, Mass.

Anyone interested in any of the above trips can contact either Pearl Stayman at 738-0225, or Etta Swerling at 463-7166.

Schechter Dinner to Honor Darrell Ross

Anticipation is high for Alperin Schechter's Endowment Fund Dinner honoring Darrell S. Ross, noted business and community leader. The dinner will be held at Temple Emanu-El on April 22 at 6 p.m.

Darrell Ross has long been an eloquent and enthusiastic supporter of the Schechter school. In recognition of the Ross family's generosity to Schechter, the new school wing bears their name. "I am strongly committed to our heritage and to the future of our people," he says. "I believe that all Jews must develop a positive self-image and a strong sense of identity. Sending a child to a Schechter school reinforces that sense of self in a strong academic environment."

Darrell Ross communicates his love of children and of learning through his dedication to family and community. A native Rhode Islander, he believes in giving of himself to the community. In addition to his support of Alperin Schechter, Darrell Ross has served as vice president of Jewish Federation of Rhode Island as well as



Darrell S. Ross

chairman of its Major Gifts and Facets campaigns. He is also on the board of overseers of the Moses Brown School and chairman of its Development Committee.

Ross, himself a graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School, maintains that we must have high expectations for our children. "We have to challenge them — ask more of them," he asserts. "What

makes the Alperin Schechter Day School special is that it enables students to learn essential values as well as academic skills and gives them the tools to go on into the real world successfully. The combination of Jewish values and academic achievement is the school's greatest strength."

As chief executive officer of Ross-Simons Jewelers, Darrell Ross has proved to be a leader in the New England business community.

As he looks toward the future, Ross is optimistic. The increase in Schechter's student population over the past few years bodes well for the future. The school should also be proud of its record in successfully mainstreaming new American families. At this point, I would like to see an endowment which would permit the school to be self-sufficient."

Everyone in the community is invited to attend the Endowment Fund Dinner to honor Darrell S. Ross. Minimum gift is \$125 per person. For reservations and further information, call the school at 751-2470.

JCCRI Kosher Meal Site

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's kosher meal-site program invites seniors to join in a variety of activities and to share a hot kosher meal at noon weekly, Sunday through Friday. Doors open weekdays at 10 a.m., with casual conversation in the lobby for an hour.

Exercise is scheduled during the week at 11:15 a.m. Seniors can try their hand at bridge on Monday afternoon from noon until 3:45 a.m.

On Tuesday a Women's Forum is held from 11:15 a.m. to noon and a bingo game runs from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, the Men's Group meets from 11:15 a.m. to noon. "Friend to Friend" meets Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon, and bingo is played from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

Shabbat traditions are observed on Friday. Sunday begins with tea, coffee and hot muffins at 10 a.m., followed by a variety of movies or VCR programs.

For more information, contact Sandy Bass at 861-8800.

Increase in Motion Injuries

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ate director of rheumatology at Rhode Island Hospital. "This kind of condition is most common in people whose jobs require awkward and repetitive use of the hands or arms."

One study shows CTDs comprised more than half of all work-related injuries in 1990, up from just 18 percent a decade earlier. Until recently, CTDs were found most frequently in people who operated heavy machinery or worked on assembly lines. Today they are more likely to be seen in office workers who work at computer keyboards that require them constantly to keep their hands in motion.

The increase in CTDs has sparked a renewed interest in ergonomics — the science of adapting or fitting the workplace to meet the needs and capabilities of the worker.

"Employers are finding that these injuries are costing them billions in medical expenses and lost productivity," said Rebecca-Martinique, Arthritis

Foundation program director. "So there is a great deal of interest in designing work environments that allow for greater worker comfort."

Hands and wrists are among the parts of the body most vulnerable to repetitive motion injuries. The Arthritis Foundation recommends frequent breaks if you do work that requires you to use your hands constantly, particularly in an awkward position. The foundation also recommends performing the following exercises before work and at regular intervals throughout the day:

- Clench your fist tightly, then release and stretch your hand.

- Open your hand wide and place it palm-down on a table. Press your palm against the table surface with fingers outstretched for five seconds. Relax and repeat.

The Arthritis Foundation offers free brochures that can provide more information. For details, contact the Arthritis Foundation, Rhode Island Chapter at 434-5792.

Talking Books Are Topic at Meal Site

"Talking Books" will be the subject of a special address to seniors at the kosher meal site at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm-grove Ave. in Providence, at 11 a.m. on April 9. A speaker from the State Library Service will discuss the growing popularity and availability of books on tape.

VCR programs and movies for the week of April 9 to 16 include "America, Coast to Coast," "Alaska and Hawaii" from 10:45 to noon on April 11, and a movie (title to be announced) at 11 a.m. on April 16. Facilities will be closed April 12 and 13, the seventh and eighth days of Passover.

Dressler Is Back on Track

by Jeffrey Goldberg
Special to the Herald

Week #28 has come and gone. Just when you thought Rick Dressler was down and out, he comes back with a solid 244/608 night. His performance pushed him back into second place. He certainly has a shaky lead over Harry Rose, who has been on a hot streak of his own for over a month.

These two should make the fight for second place interesting as the long season starts its final run.

Benny Diaz has a comfortable lead and has held that position since the opening bell. Unless Benny sprains an ankle during one of his patented dances after a good hit, he is certainly a lock for the top spot.

Baker Furniture continues to

lead the league in a race for first place. The Tooth Faires are right behind and look to fill the open cavity between first and second place. Come Screen with Me and Trinkle Design are also neck and neck, with Goldstein Electric charging from behind.

Congratulations to: Rick Dressler for a fine 244/608 series; the Tooth Faires for a team high 725; Come Screen With Me for a 2047 team high series; Barry Rappaport for bowling 85 pins over average and Richard Fain for bowling 82 pins over average.

Top Five Bowlers

Benny Diaz	189.0
Rick Dressler	184.7
Harry Rose	184.6
Mike Sugerman	182.9
David Robinson	180.4

Team Standings

Baker Furniture	28.5	15.5
Tooth Faires	28	16
Come Screen With Me	26	18
Trinkle Design	25.5	18.5
Goldstein Electric	25	19
Standard Glass	24	20
Halperin & Lax	23	21
Nathan Kaufman #2	23	21
Shamrocks	22	22
Oakland Mobil	17	27
Howie's Hammers	14.5	29.5
Nathan Kaufman Co.	7.5	36.5

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DIALING FOR DONATIONS — Helene Bernhardt begins calls for the National Council of Jewish Women's fund-raiser at the Community Service Award Luncheon on March 30. The council is celebrating its 100th year. *Herald photo by Omar Bradley*

Garden Club Will Meet April 14

The first meeting of the year of the Eden Garden Club will take place at noon in the Temple Beth-El Vestry on April 14. Janet Friedman will speak about plants and herbs of the

Bible. A mini luncheon will be hosted by Martha Finger, Janet Friedman and Frances Sadler. Reservations must be made by calling 272-0623 or 738-6956 as soon as possible.

Council of Jewish Women Marks 100th Anniversary

The dramatic story of 100 years of the National Council of Jewish Women will be presented in letter form, covering the 10 decades of its accomplishments in Rhode Island, April 18 at Temple Beth-El in Providence. The 2 p.m. program was researched and written by Naomi Brodsky, will be directed by David Epstein, with background music by Al Sims.

The cast, dressed appropriately for the year of the letter they are reading, includes: Mardelle Berman, Carol Brooklyn, Seena Dittelman, Marion Goldsmith, Zeldia Horvitz, Abily Leavitt, Judith Litchman, Marilyn Friedman, Zara Matzner and Fredi Solod. Co-chairwomen are Naomi Brodsky, Irma Gross and Barbara Long, Marion Goldsmith, ex officio. Sylvia Denhoff is hospitality chairwoman. Everyone is welcome and baby-sitting is available; call 831-6045.

The council has a long history of improving the well-being of children, the elderly and families of all racial, ethnic, economic and religious backgrounds. "Daring to make a Difference," the council is the oldest national Jewish women's volunteer organization in America, founded in 1893 to provide training, education and shelter for young immigrant women.

On a local level, some of the highlights that will be mentioned in the program include: the establishment in 1908 of nine nonsectarian clinics; the North End Dispensary serviced by volunteer doctors and nurses along with NCJW women; a milk station in south Providence which fed hungry children during the Depression; a continuing program of service to immigrants, with material and emotional support; Council House, where families could stay while saying goodbye to their servicemen during World War II; a program for girls which led to the establishment of the Fogarty Center; a handbook, in conjunction with two state agencies, translated into five languages, to assist those seeking child day care, and Shalom Israel, where the group goes into sixth grades throughout the state teaching the students about the history and geography of Israel.

The newest program is HIPPY — Home Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters — developed at the council's Research Institute in Israel and now serving more than 4,000 economically and educationally disadvantaged families nationwide and in four communities in Rhode Island.

Commemoration Offers Two Observances

Those who perished in the Holocaust will be remembered at Yom HaShoah this year with an interfaith memorial service as well as a ceremony at the Statehouse, both sponsored by the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The interfaith memorial service will be held at Temple Emanu-El, 99 Taft Ave. in Providence, on April 18 at 7:30 p.m. to remember those who lost their lives. The traditional solemn candlelight procession from the temple to the Garden of Remembrance at the museum at 401 Elmwood Ave. will mark the conclusion of the service.

Two days later, on April 20, at noon, a statewide commemoration ceremony, "Days of Remembrance," will take place at the State Capital Rotunda. The winning entry on the theme, "What the Holocaust Has Taught Me" from the museum schoolchildren's essay contest will be read. Fiction, nonfiction, poetry and drama pieces have been submitted by students in grades eight to 12 and are being judged by a committee of educators on the Holocaust.

For additional information, call Beth Cohen, Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum curator, at 861-8800.

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Ladd Students Attend Seder

Residents of Ladd School listen to Rabbi Saul Leeman talk about the Passover seder at Temple Sinai. Jewish students from the school attended the model seder April 1.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Correspondents Wanted

If you would like to correspond for the *Herald* by writing about what is happening in your community, contact the editor at 724-0200.

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Russians Face Hardship

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dren, but the risks were great. The Ministry of Internal Affairs warned him that he would never see Russia again nor the graves of his family. To add insult to injury, the Russian government charged the family the equivalent of \$800 per person, severed all pension benefits and allowed them to leave with no more than \$150, he painfully recalled. "We were relatively lucky because we made it out quickly. There was a limited immigration, no rules," Tabenkin remembers. "That was the worst thing, absolutely no reason to understand what they were thinking, which made the very act of asking a risk."

Once in America, Tabenkin was fortunate to find a job in precision instruments at Federal Products in Providence while his wife, Faina, was hired as a computer analyst for Fleet Bank.

Yet, Alex Tabenkin recalls

The fact that the Soviet Union is no longer one united country makes the process of immigration even more confusing for Soviet Jews, according to Ellen Steingold, director of Resettlement Program for Russian Jews at Jewish Family Service. She explained that most of the Jewish immigrants will only be accepted as refugees from political oppression and that having a first-degree relative in America doesn't guarantee acceptance. "It's more difficult to leave Russia because there's no unified way for them to leave," she said.

Luckily, Alex and Marina Rysim, Tabenkin's cousins, did leave and are now going through the tedious process of fitting into a strange, new society. Every day, the Rysims struggle to understand why jobs are not as readily available in a faltering economy. "People who come here have to be ready to take a job they can get without being in a posi-



A Helping Hand

Rabbi Abraham Jakubowitz helps Ellsheva Klausen wash her hands as part of the seder ceremony at Providence Hebrew Day School while Rachel Secunda, 6, and first-grade teacher Rina Holtzman, wait their turn on March 31.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley



HELPING HAND—Faina Tabenkin poses with Alex and Marina Rysim in her home on the East Side where the Rysims were guests on Passover.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

tion to refuse them," Tabenkin warned. Yet Steingold noted that "The most important thing is for them [the immigrants] to have jobs to make them feel independent."

Tabenkin is optimistic about the Rysims' future. "I think it's difficult that everyone has to go through the process of fighting and learning, but one thing is different for them — they have our help."

On weekdays, Alex and Marina Rysim attend English as a Second Language classes for immigrants at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island from 9 a.m. till noon. The remainder of the day is filled with visits to social security, employment agen-

Mossberg To Speak at Hadassah

The Providence group of Hadassah will hold its next meeting on April 19 at Highland Court in Providence.

This is the final regular meeting. Guest speaker will be Rose Mossberg, director of the Community Relations Council under the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

A native Rhode Islander, Mossberg most recently was a community relations associate at the Baltimore Jewish Council, the community relations agency of the Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore.

During her tenure at the Baltimore Jewish Council, Mossberg's primary responsibility was international affairs, including the Baltimore-Odesa sister city project. In addition, she initiated and staffed the

council's interagency Cult and Missionary Task Force, and developed a campus community relations council to serve Jewish college students in the greater Baltimore area.

She is a graduate of Brandeis University and earned her master's degree in Jewish communal service from the Nathan S. Perlmutter Institute for Jewish Advocacy, a concentration within Brandeis' Hornstein Program in Jewish Communal Service.

Mossberg will discuss American affairs policy concerning women as well as Hadassah's position on these matters.

A dessert and coffee hour will be held at 12:30 p.m., with the regular meeting to follow at 1 p.m.

Arrangements were made by Doris McGarry, program chairwoman; Claire Bell, publicity; Esther Swartz, mailing secretary, and Eunice Greenfield, president.

Habonim Sponsoring 'Gigantic' Sale

Temple Habonim, 165 New Meadow Road, Barrington, is sponsoring a gigantic fundraising garage sale for more than 150 member families on May 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Included will be furniture, clothing, books, toys, sporting goods, art, housewares, baby items and much more.

The sale will also feature a homemade baked goods shop and refreshment stand.

For more information, call the temple at 245-6536.

Patinkin To Speak at Oration

Syndicated Providence Journal-Bulletin columnist Mark Patinkin will be the featured speaker at Jewish Family Service's 20th annual Arthur and Harriet Levy Memorial Oration on April 15, at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence.

The event will take place at 8 p.m. and a reception will follow the program.

Patinkin has traveled all over the world on assignment for his newspaper, reporting on famine in Africa, war in the Middle East, rebels in Ireland and change in the Eastern-bloc countries. Over the years, his columns have covered the dating scene, married life and family relationships, with a sense of humor. He has interviewed famous people and needy people, victims of injustice and people with opposing views. Patinkin coauthored a book with Ina Magaziner and hosts his own local television show. Throughout his work, Patinkin interweaves global perspectives, community issues and personal anecdotes.



Mark Patinkin

The community is invited to come and enjoy his insights.

Chairwoman of the evening is Paula Izeman. The Arthur and Harriet Levy Memorial Oration was established in memory of the founder and first president of Jewish Family Service, Arthur Levy, and his wife Harriet. Call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244 for information.

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CLEAN SWIPE — Lisa Silvaer, left, and Leslie Ross, both eighth-graders from the Alperin Schechter Day School, help clean food carts at the Jewish Home for the Aged for Passover Friday as part of a service program.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Older Members To Be Honored at Touro Brunch

A tribute to the older members of Touro Fraternal Association who have been in Touro for 45 to 60 years and more will take place on April 25 at 10:30 a.m. with a fully catered

dairy brunch and dessert. The event will include a full honorary program, a gift for all of the old-timers. Entertainment will be provided by magician "Antone the Great."

Temples, Churches Join for Consumer Ecology Fair

Mother Earth's Medicine Show, an annual consumer ecology fair, sponsored by the Interfaith Ecology Coalition of local churches and temples, will be held at the Casino at Roger William's Park in Providence on April 18 from noon to 5 p.m.

This free nonprofit event includes many representative small businesses and utilities displaying ideas and products designed to help consumers conserve energy, reduce pollution and generally live more harmoniously with nature.

Entertainment for the entire

family will be provided continuously with clowns, jugglers, puppets, music and alternatively fueled vehicles such as solar and natural gas power. There will be chef demonstrations featuring natural food preparations as well as a food court where these types of foods are available for purchase.

The coalition was founded in 1989 to create public service programs relating to environmental issues.

For more information, call Harold Foster at 245-4936.

The tribute costs \$3 each for members only, plus a canned good for charity. There is a limit of 110 people.

Upcoming Touro events include the Safam concert at Veterans Memorial Auditorium on May 2; the May 19 installation dinner, and June 12 dinner at Venus de Milo.

A Smart Fight

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negative view in the overall perspective of our history, it will provide them with the identity and sense of belonging

Traditional Shabbat Dinner Set April 23

Mativ's third annual traditional Shabbat dinner will be held April 23 at 6 p.m. at Temple Beth-El.

The dinner will feature a full-course kosher chicken dinner, catered by Izzy's Caterers (vegetarian option available). The dinner costs \$16 per person. Reservations are required by April 16.

Following dinner, all are welcome to Shabbat at evening services featuring guest speaker Brigadier Gen. David K. Heener, of the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization.

Temple Beth-El is located at 70 Orchard Ave. in Providence.

Strategies on Safety Is Topic at Meeting

The Social Seniors of Warwick will conduct a meeting on April 14 at 1 p.m. at Temple Am David, Gardiner Street, Warwick.

The speaker for the day will be from the Department of Elderly Affairs, Health Promotion Coordination, on "strategies on safety."

Refreshments will be served. A trip is planned for April 25 to have brunch at the Marriott Hotel and see the play "Carouse!" at Rhode Island College. Contact Sally Goldman for more information.

Students Help with Pesach Preparation

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

If you told Leslie Ross, Ben Garber, Lena Makovetskaya and Eric Rosenthal, all eighth-graders at Alperin Schechter Day School, that they would be scrubbing down food carts on a Friday afternoon, they might have all decided to stay home. But fortunately, the students hung in there and learned the importance of giving as they helped prepare the Jewish Home for Pesach on April 2.

The 15 students were part of a service program from the school that channels volunteers to either the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island to work with preschoolers or to the Jewish Home to help out seniors, according to their teacher, Lori-Lynn. Since all the meals must be cooked before Shabbat begins Friday, the presence of the students was an asset to the already busy staff.

In the kitchen, Ari Missry, 14, was embarrassed to wear a head bonnet while spooning out fruit cocktail with dietician Dolly White. Around the corner, Lisa Silvaer and Leslie Ross cleaned aluminum food carts. "I think it's important, because we need to clean up things for Passover," Silvaer said.

Rita Budhiraja, assistant director of dietary services, said it was the first time the students had done the cleaning. "She watched Lena Makovetskaya carefully wipe down a food cart."

Although it was a first for many of the children, they understood the need — especially Eitan Miron and Oleg Tukh.

"I feel kind of good doing this for the home."

— Oleg Tukh

Both students had the unenviable task of cleaning an aluminum refrigerator in the physical therapy room that gave both boys new meaning to perseverance.

But resident, Sarah Goldstein, was genuinely thankful. "I think it's wonderful what they are doing," she said, as the boys worked to remove stains. "I feel kind of good doing this for the home," a sweating Oleg Tukh confided. His friend Miron acknowledged the same. "Regardless of what the students did, the fruits of their labor were summed up by Rachel Isenberg: 'I think it's a good mitzvah.'"

to an ethnic group and point out our vulnerability as a minority in the makeup of populations in the world. The knowledge of the recent past history of our people should also serve as a deterrent to the

young not to be passive and irresolute in one's faith. Only by being strong, proud and numerous will we prevent such cataclysms as the Holocaust from happening again.

Aerobics Class Offered at JCCRI

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Health and Physical Education Department invites adults and young adults to attend the new evening aerobics class beginning this month. Those wishing to condition themselves aerobically and strengthen and tone their muscles can do so on Mondays and Wednesdays in a high-low impact/stretch and tone format from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. beginning on April 19.

The JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, is also offering a step aerobics format on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. beginning on April 20. The center will provide the step so that participants can get an aerobic workout using this proven method. Both formats can be "mixed and matched," meaning that participants may attend any or all of the workouts. Full members can attend an unlimited number of classes whereas supporting and nonmembers must sign up after each four-week session.

Both formats are ongoing. Evening Aerobics (class #506-22) is free for full members; supporting members pay \$30 (four weeks) and nonmembers pay \$45 (four weeks). Contact Jay Snyder, director of fitness, Recreation and Sports Services, at 861-8800 for more information.

3. Greater emphasis and interest in Jewish youth groups. It appears that young Jewish adolescents and young adults are lost to us "Jewishly" after their bar or bat mitzvah years. We have seen a steady decline in youth organizations' memberships in the last decade. Why is it? Lack of interest in the Zionist idea? Nonsense. Being Jewish is Zionism.

These organizations and others have to be revived and revitalized. We have to keep our young ones together — longer.

These are the root causes of our youth's detachment from us and it leads to the diminished pride in our ethnicity and religion. Just because we have gained entry into other places, does not mean that we have to go there and stay!

In conclusion, I would like to pass on an optimistic view. Inter-marriages are preventable, and their number can be reduced in time if we are smart and resourceful. And even if they do happen, we do not necessarily have to "lose" our children. If we do it right, we might even gain.

But we must eliminate the diaspora low mentality from our souls. The connective between the state of Israel and Jews living in other parts of the world must be a "living" one. None of the "them and us" as far as Israel is concerned. We are one people, and proud of it. Now and forever. This is the way it was probably intended from the start.

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School Beat



NATIONALITY DAY — Ramesh Radparvar, a sixth-grader at Alperin Schechter Day School, displays the crafts and food of Iran at Nationality Day.

Nationality Day Celebrated at Alperin Schechter

Welcome to Nationality Day at Alperin Schechter!

It's an annual event, sponsored by grade six and their social studies teacher, Deborah Miller. We're so glad you could come!

Here is your passport, which will be stamped at each of your stops.

Your whirlwind tour will cover seventeen countries: the Netherlands, Germany, France, Great Britain, Ireland, India, Iran, Morocco, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Italy, Poland, China, Japan, the former Yugoslavia and what used to be known as the U.S.S.R.

In each country, please feel free to look around, ask questions, and taste the specialties. Your guides are very knowledgeable and friendly, and everyone will be delighted to help you. And please, pay attention, because you will be asked several questions before leaving.

Don't voyage — have a wonderful trip!

Nationality Day has become an annual institution at the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School, and everyone looks forward to it.

According to Deborah Miller, social studies teacher, "Nationality Day is an extension of the social studies curriculum. The sixth grade studies world culture, and within this study, we spotlight Western Europe. While all of this display is wonderful, the research that goes into it is the most important part."

Students must research their chosen country and write a research paper including the following information: geography, history, resources, traditions, products and industries.

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Professionals Invited to 'Lox Trot'

The Society of Young Jewish Professionals, for Jewish professionals ages 21 to 49 announces its next event, "Lox Trot," April 18, at Zanzibar, 1 Boylston Place, Boston.

The party begins at 8 p.m. For directions, call (617) 451-1955. Admission for nonmembers costs \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Members' admission costs \$10. Advance tickets can be ordered by calling (617) 367-8989.



Passover Winners

Joshua Konoff, 10, from left, Seth Konoff, 11, Benjamin Konoff, 9, Yisrael Meir Lipson, 9, Brian Weinstein, 6, Zoe Bell, 6, Greg Rose, 10, and Amanda Baron, 6, pose for the *Herald* Passover Art Contest award ceremony at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on April 1. Missing from the photo are Natanya Raskin, 10, Tehilla Shtafra, 6, Ari Heekman, 9 1/2, and Michelle Amy Smoller, 7.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Museum of Natural History Offers Education Programs

The Museum of Natural History, Roger Williams Park, announces special educational programs available for groups of children and adults. Teachers and other leaders of youth groups are invited to arrange "Astronomy Adventures" in the Cormack Planetarium, "Museum Gallery Adventures" — tours and activities in the natural history exhibits and "Natural History Adventures."

"Natural History Adventures" are the museum's newest program offerings. Presented by museum curators, these programs use specimens and artifacts to involve students in learning about specific subjects in geology, archaeology

and natural history.

Activities are available throughout the school year and can be arranged Tuesday through Friday beginning at 9:30 a.m. and on weekend afternoons. All groups planning to visit the museum should make reservations. The planetarium seats 61 people, and that is the largest group we can accommodate at one time. Special arrangements for larger groups are occasionally possible.

Group leaders may call the museum educator at 785-9457 for additional information or to receive a brochure describing the museum's educational offerings.

JCCRI Outdoor Club Plans Horseback Riding Trip for April 25

Students in grades seven to 12 are invited to go horseback riding with the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Outdoor Club on April 25.

The group will meet at the center at 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence at 12:30 p.m., and travel by bus (departing at 12:45) to Roseland Acres in Tiverton, returning at about 4 p.m.

Cost will be \$18 for members and \$23 for nonmembers.

This event is cosponsored by the JCCRI and the Robbie Frank Fund. RSVP to Alisa

Yanow at 861-8800 no later than April 16.

Camp for Girls Opens for Summer

The Fox Island Camp for Girls will open for the 1993 summer camping season on June 27 and run through Aug. 28 on Fox Island, a 10-acre private island in Narragansett Bay.

Fox Island was once owned by Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island, and is a mile and a half south of Wickford by water.

Resident camping for 50 girls, ages 8 to 17 will take place in four two-week sessions, with a one-week "first timer's camp" running Aug. 22 through 28.

With a unique waterfront location, sailing and aquatic activities are a specialty, with programs in the arts and land sports also available. Horseback riding at a nearby location will be offered, and aquatic specialty programs include sailing, swimming instruction, competitive and synchronized swimming, canoeing and waterskiing.

Archery, tennis, crafts, drama, dance and music are among the land sports and arts offerings. Trips to nearby places of interest such as Newport and Great Woods, as well as fishing and beach excursions are planned, as are inter-camp activities with other resident camps.

Fox Island is directed by Dr. and Mrs. Burt Jordan, who live year-round on the site. Burt Jordan has an extensive camping background at Camp Se-Sa-Ma-Ca in Raymond, N.H., and holds degrees in science, literature, dentistry, pediatrics and law. Rita Jordan holds a business degree, with graduate law school experience.

A professional chef will prepare meals for the summer, and counselors with program specialty backgrounds as well as a sincere desire to work closely with young girls will be selected.

Fox Island has applied for accreditation by the American Camping Association, a process which will take place during and after the first full year of operation. The nationally recognized standards for camping set forth by the ACA will be observed, and an accreditation team will conduct an exhaustive review during the summer season.

For more information regarding the Fox Island Camp for Girls, contact the Jordan family at 294-6407 (Fax: 294-7374) or write: Fox Island, North Kings-town, R.I. 02852. Enrollment is limited to 50 girls each session.

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OBITUARIES

SARAH BROCKMAN

PROVIDENCE — Sarah Brockman, 83, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., a clerk for the City of Pawtucket for many years before retiring in the 1970s, died March 31 at the home. She was the widow of Samuel Brockman and of Louis Glass.

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Lena (Fishbein) Goldblatt. She lived in Providence for five and one-half years and previously lived in Pawtucket for many years.

Brockman had attended the former Bryant and Stratton Business College, now Bryant College. She was a singer and entertainer in the Rhode Island area. She was a member of Congregation Ohavah Shalom.

There are no immediate survivors.

A graveside service was held April 1 at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

MILDRED BROSLAW

WARWICK — Mildred Broslaw, 84, of 3595 Post Rd., died March 24 at Cranston General Hospital, Cranston. She was the widow of the late Irving Berman and the late Simon Broslaw.

She was born in New York City, daughter of the late Samuel and Goldie Mandel. She had resided in Warwick for the past 15 years, previously residing in Brooklyn, N.Y., and New York City.

She is survived by one nephew, Alan Jay Mandel, Providence.

A graveside funeral service took place March 30 at Lincoln Park Cemetery. Service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 485 Hope St., Providence.

ADELE E. BRYNES

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Adele E. Brynes of 19424 N.E. 26th Ave., a summer resident of Glen Hill Drive, Cranston, died April 1 at Parkway General Hospital, North Miami Beach. She was the widow of Charles Brynes.

Born in Providence, a

daughter of the late Benjamin and Anna Lamchick, she had been a resident of North Miami Beach since 1968, and previously had lived in Cranston for 20 years.

Brynes was a member of the Women's American ORT and of the National Council of Jewish Women.

She leaves a daughter, Sherry Hunter of North Miami Beach; two sons, Howard A. Brynes of Cranston and Peter J. Brynes of Miami Shores; two brothers, Mortimer Lamchick of Cranston and Jerry Lamchick of Pembroke Pines, Fla., and six grandchildren.

A graveside funeral service was held April 4 at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Post Road, Warwick. The service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

MARK I. GOLDMAN

NORTH KINGSTOWN — Mark I. Goldman, 68, of 205 Sea Breeze Drive, an English professor at the University of Rhode Island for the past 35 years, died April 4 at home. He was the husband of Grace Frenzel.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., a son of the late Solomon and Bessie (Michaels) Goldman, he lived in Kingston for 27 years before moving to North Kingstown seven years ago.

Goldman was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the European Theater. He received a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University in 1949, and a doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 1955.

He taught at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y., before joining the URI faculty, where he was associated with Hillel, and served as an adviser to many students seeking advanced degrees.

Goldman was author of numerous works, including a book on Virginia Woolf as literary critic. He was also author of several works of poetry, and a book of poetry, *My Father's Spats and Other Poems*.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, Eric Goldman of New York; two daughters, Leda

Barbee of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Yael Goldman of Kingston; a brother, Sam Goldman of Las Vegas, Nev.; a sister, Myriam Duchin of Livingston, N.J., and two grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held today, April 8, at 10 a.m. at the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery, Exeter. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

ROSE LUFTMAN

EAST PROVIDENCE — Rose Luftman of 33 Arthur Ave., a former legal secretary, died March 30 at Rhode Island Hospital. She was the wife of Benjamin Luftman.

Born in Poland, she was a daughter of the late Aaron and Deborah Karpman. She lived in Montreal for many years before moving to this country 48 years ago. She lived in East Providence for 20 years, and previously lived in Providence, Oak Park, Mich., and Boston.

Luftman had worked in the Rhode Island Attorney General's office, and in the law offices of the late Walter Sundlun, and Tillinghast Collins and Graham.

She was a member of Temple Emanu-El, and had served as chairwoman of the sunshine committee for 23 years. She was co-chairwoman of the Torah Fund, a former treasurer and vice president of the Sisterhood, and member of the art committee.

Luftman was a board member, a member, and a volunteer at the Jewish Home for the Aged. She was a member of the Miriam Hospital Women's Association, Hadassah, the Cranston Senior Guild, and the Majestic Senior Guild.

During World War II, she volunteered as a Red Cross nurse in Montreal. She was also a Girl Scout and Brownie leader. She was a certified Braille instructor for many years.

Besides her husband, she leaves a daughter, Rhonda Allen; two sons, Dr. Richard Luftman of Longmeadow, Mass., and Dr. Martin Luftman of Lexington, Ky.; two brothers, Harry

and Mike Karpman; two sisters, Anne Kerner, and Reva Regenstein, all of Montreal, and eight grandchildren.

The funeral service was held April 2 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Pride of Jacob Cemetery, West Roxbury, Mass.

SONA MOREIN

PROVIDENCE — Sona Morein, 93, of 345 Angell St., died April 11 at home. She was the wife of the late Dr. Samuel J. Morein.

Born in Kiev, Russia, a daughter of the late Aaron and Rebecca Kaptan, she had been a resident of Providence for over 70 years.

She was a member of Temple Beth-El and its Sisterhood and a member of the Women's Association of the Miriam Hospital and of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

She leaves three daughters, Elaine Morein Stone of Providence, Marilyn Campbell of Boston and Edith Zais of Kent, Ohio; eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Charlotte Rieseberg.

A graveside funeral service was held April 4 at Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery on Reservoir Avenue, Providence. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

BEATRICE B. SONDLER

WARWICK — Beatrice B. Sondler, 74, of Fairfax Drive died March 31 at Roger Williams Medical Center. She was the wife of Sydney Sondler.

Born in Boston, a daughter of the late Abraham and Celia Black, she lived in Providence before moving to Warwick 36 years ago.

Sondler was a founder and former member of Temple Am David.

She worked for the Board of Elections at various polling places in Warwick during elections.

Besides her husband, she leaves a son, Jerold Sondler of Encino, Calif.; a daughter, Cheryl Kushner of Warwick; a brother, Alvin Black of Massachusetts; a sister, Esther Goff of Deerfield Beach, Fla., and two granddaughters.

The funeral was private. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

RHEA SWEET

PROVIDENCE — Rhea Sweet, 80, of 101 Highland Ave., died April 2 at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Harold Sweet.

A lifelong resident of Providence, she was a daughter of the late Morris and Etta Resnick.

Sweet was a member of the former Temple Beth David. She leaves a son, Stephen E. Sweet of Newton, Mass.; a sister, Mollie Klayman of Weymouth, Mass., and five grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Edward J. Sweet.

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

LOUIS SWERLING

PROVIDENCE — Louis Swerling, 88, of the Bay Tower Nursing Home, Plain Street, a salesman for the Franklin Supply Co., and Manna-Hoffman Auto Parts for many years before retiring 23 years ago, died March 31 at Rhode Island Hospital.

Born in New Bedford, Mass., a son of the late Nathan and Sarah (Rocha) Swerling, he lived in Providence most of his life.

Swerling was a member of the Rhode Island Fraternal Association.

He leaves no immediate survivors.

The funeral will be private. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

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Cranston philanthropist Alan Shawn Feinstein is offering \$1 million as a gift to the people of Rhode Island. The \$1 million will initiate new projects which will best improve the lives of the people in the state.

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Rabin Closes

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scheduled to begin working April 2 at a flower-packing plant and other groups went to various locations around the country.

The general closure has caused difficulties among Israeli employees, particularly in the construction and agriculture sectors.

April 1 marked the second consecutive day of the general closure, with 120,000 Palestinian workers who usually commute daily to jobs in Israel proper forced to stay home.

Rabin's hopes were ironically echoed by Shاهر Sa'ad, the secretary-general of the Palestinian Trade Union. Sa'ad voiced hope that the closure would push Palestinians to develop a more independent economy in the territories.

He, too, called for funds to be invested in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Sa'ad said extensive investment in the territories is needed to create an economic infrastructure to supply local work opportunities.

He estimated that closing the territories would cost Palestinians some \$44 million a week in lost revenue.

However, Sa'ad told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the closure order constituted an unprecedented collective punishment. Rabin sealed off both the Gaza Strip and the West Bank following a particularly ferocious and bloody week in which two Jewish settlers were stabbed to death in Gaza and two policemen were shot dead near Hadera, in central Israel.

Sa'ad said Israel is obligated under the terms of the 1949 Geneva Conventions to care for the welfare of the civilian population in the territories.

Despite calls for an economic separation between the territories and Israel proper, economic experts have stressed time and again in recent months that years of development would be needed before the Palestinians could make do without relying on the Israeli economy.

Professor Ezra Sadan, a former director-general of the Israeli Treasury, said recently that it could take as long as 15 years before the Gaza Strip could detach itself economically from Israel, even if hundreds of millions of dollars were invested in the region.

Meanwhile, the right-wing Israeli opposition has blasted the government, charging it invited the violence by portraying itself as weak and too conciliatory.

But Likud's newly elected chairman, Benjamin Netanyahu, also attacked Rabin for closing the territories.

He compared the closure to putting "a thin plastic lid on top of a boiling pot." He called it dangerous because it drew "a false border lines."

Regardless of the potential long-range consequences of the closure, one fact was undisputed: April 1 was the first day of the week that passed without no stabbings.

Army officers reported a tense quiet in the territories, but no violent clashes.

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"Foreigners Out? One day we must all go out. Against Racism!"
Submitted by Bill Brown

Inside the Envelopes

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into the streets by the wharves of the Seekonk River.

Finally, I sliced an envelope that held a tape from the Chancery, law offices of Gerald Wolf, from Long Island. He created a 10-track manifesto titled "Soul of the Wolf."

He took his Sabbath prayers, the words of David, Solomon and Jeremiah, our psalmists

and prophets, and rendered them into a mix of folk, pop, jazz and swing. The reason he sent the songs on to me was, he is accompanied on the accordion by Angelo DiPippo, who had appeared here in Woonsocket. The singer and composer is 46 and the father of four daughters.

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Herald photo by Omar Bradley

A Closer LOOK

BUSINESS PROFILES

Patches Getting Better with Time

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

The best-kept secret in Cranston may be a small but successful children's gift and furniture business called Patches Inc. The cottage industry company is the brainchild of Jodi Miller and Marcy Granoff, partners who started the business two years ago.

Miller and Granoff, who hail from New York and New Jersey respectively, discovered the lack of imaginative gifts and products available for children in Rhode Island. The two enterprising women immediately went to work — attending trade shows, meeting with reputable manufacturers and planning a marketing strategy. "We deal strictly in colorful, personalized and upbeat products for infants and children," Miller declared.

Looking at the vast array of brightly decorated lunch boxes, toy chests, baby pillows and rocking horses, one can see the success of Patches. "Whatever the customer wants to spend for a gift, we'll help them choose it right over the phone," Granoff said.

In fact, much of their business is conducted that way — over the phone or by mail order through their catalog. So far, not one customer has ever returned their selection. Miller attributes their success to good business practices and letting the products sell themselves. "Our customers are the friends and relatives of other customers who'll call up whenever they need a baby gift or an accessory for a room," Miller expressed.

If a customer wants to furnish a child's room — no problem. Patches carries cot racks, step stools, hangars and chairs to list a few. All products can be painted and personalized with the child's name in whatever design the customer desires. Granoff assured. She also claims that all products are carefully finished with safe, nontoxic materials.

Both Miller and Granoff are married with children and Miller is expecting a sibling playmate for daughter Jessica. Yet both women contend that they love what they are doing — usually during school hours, on evenings and weekends — between juggling responsibilities of marriage and motherhood.

Although the business is still young, Miller and Granoff are perfectly happy with the way things are going. Not only do they have a thriving business, but wonderful families as well. The best of both worlds. Hope fully, Patches Inc. will only get better in time.

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What Are My Rights?

by Louis M. Pulner, Esq.

Phony Ad Angers Consumer

Dear Attorney Pulner:

I recently picked up one of those free newspapers that are distributed throughout the city at many drugstores and convenience marts, and while looking through it I saw that a local store was advertising the sale of a certain appliance that I have been needing, and that the price that it was offered at was at least 40 percent cheaper than offered at the larger department stores.

I went down there immediately with checkbook in hand but much to my dismay, the salesman told me that the item I was referring to was not available for sale after all, and then proceeded to pacify me by showing me an inferior brand model that was still a little bit higher than that which was advertised for the better model.

I was outraged and told him so, and his weak effort at an apology still leaves me reeling. Aren't there laws against what that store is doing, and isn't that newspaper also responsible for carrying those blatantly false ads?

Cursing Consumer

Dear CC:

Yes and no. There are laws in this country which clearly prohibit the conduct that you have described in your correspondence. Specifically, it would appear that the store you visited is guilty of having made false statements in advertising, and while there are many ways to pursue your outrage, you might be interested in knowing that what they have

done is criminal.

Any person, firm or corporation who directly or indirectly offers to the public, for sale or distribution with the intent to either increase the consumption thereof or induce the public in any manner an advertisement which contains any assertion, representation or statement of fact which is untrue and designed to be deceptive or misleading, is guilty of a crime and can be punished by a fine of up to \$500 and imprisonment for as much as 90 days, or both.

Possessing this knowledge, you can do one of two things. Either contact the police and file a criminal complaint, or contact the store manager in order to find out exactly how this false advertisement came to be.

In the event that it was truly a mistake which can be fully explained, you might be better off trying to negotiate yourself some compensation for this deception, for example, the original item at the offered price plus an additional discount.

In any event, the answer to your second question is no. Rhode Island law clearly provides immunity to any publisher or printer for a false advertisement unless actual knowledge of the falsity can be proved.

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

Louis M. Pulner is an attorney in Rhode Island with law offices at 2 Williams St. (at South Main Street), Providence, R.I. 02903.

Feinstein Offers \$1 Million to People of R.I.

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community service programs in schools throughout the state. Feinstein, founder of the World Hunger Program at Brown University, is supporting community service learning programs in 18 Rhode Island high schools.

Feinstein has also established the Louis Feinstein Memorial Scholarship fund. This \$2 million endowment, in memory of his father, will award 10 to 15 \$10,000 scholarships to high school seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to bettering the lives of others. The first awards are to be made this spring.

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