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Hungary Apologizes

NEW YORK (JTA) — Hungary's foreign minister has apologized to the Jewish people for Hungary's role in the Holocaust.

During World War II, Hungarian pro-Nazi fascists — both in league with the Nazis and independently — rounded up Jews and deported them to their deaths.

In meetings here recently with the World Jewish Congress and the Jewish Agency for Israel, For-

eign Minister Laszlo Kovacs also took steps toward restitution of Jewish property seized by the Nazis and the Communists.

Speaking on behalf of Hungarian Prime Minister Gyula Horn, Kovacs told the WJC, "It is self-deception if anyone shifts responsibility for the genocide in Hungary solely and exclusively to Nazi Germany."

Kovacs also stressed Hungarian responsibility for anti-Jewish

acts years before the Holocaust.

"The shutting out of society and even persecution of Jews of Hungarian citizenship did not begin on May 19, 1944, when the Germans occupied the country. We should not forget about the murders committed by the White Terror Squads in 1919, (the quotas) in the 1920s, and the shameful anti-Jewish laws, which meant a trumping of the law."

"Consequently, it has to be stated unambiguously that history obliges us to apologize," he said.

Kovacs is a member of the Socialist Party, which was created by the reform wing of the former Communist Party and took control of Hungary in elections held last May.

The new regime appears to be making a bold break with the past. In an earlier meeting with the American Jewish Committee, Kovacs said that it is "of the utmost importance how Hungarian Jewry feels in Hungary, because it shows how democracy has developed in the country."

Kovacs told the Jewish Tele-
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Jewish Federation of R.I. Condemns Billboard

The following statement was made Oct. 4 by Maxine Richman, associate chair of the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

"The group responsible for the Cranston billboard against gun control is a fringe group, headquartered in Milwaukee, that is not representative of the organized R.I. Jewish community.

"Through its misuse of historical analogies, this fringe group takes its disagreement with public policy to an unfortunate extreme.

"The Jewish Federation of Rhode Island shares our state and nation's concern over problems of crime and violence and the proliferation of handguns. In our tradition, the safety of both our society and its individual members is paramount. As a member of the R.I. Coalition Against Gun Violence, we are proud to have supported passage of the Brady bill, the efforts of the R.I. General Assembly to insure safe storage of firearms and Senator John Chafee's handgun control proposals."

Israeli Conversion Law Case A Study In Irony

NEW YORK — When Natalia Voitoulevitch, an emigre Russian actress living in Israel with her Jewish husband, decided to convert to Judaism, she underwent a year and a half of intensive studies at Beit Daniel, a Reform synagogue in Tel Aviv. But when the time came for the actual ritual, she had to fly to the United States to be converted.

The conversion took place recently at the headquarters of the Association of Reform Zionists of America, in spite of the fact that Voitoulevitch had al-

ready been examined by a Reform beth din — religious court — in Israel that found her qualified. Its finding was sent to a Reform beth din in New York where three Reform rabbis approved her conversion largely on the recommendation of the Israeli beth din.

Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch, executive director of ARZA, organized and served as a member of the American beth din, with Rabbi Harvey M. Tattlebaum of Temple Shaaray Tefila in

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Jerusalem's Mayor Urges Christians To Support A United Capital of Israel

by Michele Chabin

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Without the support of the world Christian community, Jerusalem could be in danger of being redivided, Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert recently told thousands of Christian visitors.

Speaking before members of the International Christian Embassy, an interdenominational Christian group that wholeheartedly supports Israel, Olmert said that world public opinion could ultimately decide the fate of Jerusalem.

Olmert warned the participants, who came from more than 90 countries, that "some people want to split the city." But, he said, "this city will never be redivided again. It will remain forever the united capital of the State of Israel."

Though not openly critical of the government's policies, the mayor, a member of the Likud opposition, implied that Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is on the wrong track, both politically and religiously.

"I know there will be a challenge (to the status of Jerusalem), and it won't be easy. Even those committed by us to give us direction may not always have



Kindergarten Adopts A Tree

Members of the kindergarten class at Alperin Schechter Day School in Providence sit under their tree with general studies teachers Nancy O'Hare and Dvorah Lansky. The class looks forward to watching their tree change and grow as the seasons pass.



CHOOSING JUDAISM, Natalia Voitoulevitch, seated in the center, watches while Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch signs her certificate of conversion, signifying the end of her long struggle.

the strength of will and conviction to do what the Lord wants us to do," Olmert said.

Olmert called on the Christian gathering to support Israel and to "return in the millions" in 1996 to celebrate the city's 3,000 anniversary. This, he said, "will send a message to the whole world."

Many of the delegates, including some from Saudi Arabia and Malaysia, countries which do not have diplomatic ties with Israel, said they had come to

Israel solely to show solidarity.

"We love Israel and the Jewish people," declared Barbara Melin from Delray Beach, Fla. "I want to let Jews know that our thoughts and prayers are with them."

"I'm here to support Israel," said Kerstin Ekholm from Finland. "In the past, the church and many Christians took a stand against the Jewish people. I wanted to let Israelis know that many Christians believe in them and their country."

Area Jews Will Welcome All Jews Who Drop In

Congregation Beth Sholom will join the National Jewish Outreach Program for a nationwide Sabbath celebration on Oct. 21.

Jews from all over the Providence area will be introduced to a traditional Friday night experience at Turn Friday Night Into Shabbos (TFNIS) a biannual event taking place at Congregation Beth Sholom in Providence, and other synagogues and temples. The effort is part of an event coordinated by the National Jewish Outreach Program. Synagogues across the

country will participate, hosting it is hoped, thousands of Jews at a Friday evening beginners service and a festive Sabbath meal.

"This is a very special opportunity to bring people into the synagogue, where they can openly explore Jewish tradition perhaps for the first time in their lives," said Rabbi Marder of Beth Sholom. "Turn Friday Night Into Shabbos provides a comfortable atmosphere for all Jews to experience a traditional Sab-

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INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

Radisson's First Rhode Island Hotel Will Serve as Hospitality 'Classroom'

In a partnership between Radisson Hotels International and Johnson & Wales University, Radisson will provide the financial support to establish a new franchise hotel that will provide the university's students with on-line hotel training.

On Sept. 22, the Johnson & Wales Airport Hotel officially became the Radisson Airport Hotel Providence, a Johnson & Wales educational facility. Students, together with their instructors and hotel professional staff, will operate the hotel as a model Radisson franchise. They will use Radisson's global computer reservations and property management systems, train in the "Yes, I Can!" guest satisfaction principles and implement the standard operating procedures of Radisson hotel management.

Candidates Hold Town Meeting

The Government Accountability Project is holding a breakfast/town meeting for the gubernatorial candidates. The town meeting will be moderated by Arlene Violet. All are invited and a reservation is required.

The date is Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Tara Airport Hotel, 1850 Post Rd., Warwick. Cost is \$15 and checks should be made payable to G.A.P., P.O. Box 28435, Providence, R.I. 02908. For more information or a ride, call 274-4427 or 821-7346.

Adjacent to T.F. Green Airport and just 15 minutes from downtown Providence, the Radisson Airport Hotel Providence features 111 deluxe rooms and suites, two restaurants and 10 meeting rooms encompassing 10,000 square feet of meeting space.

Johnson & Wales' 11-week "practicum" rotation is hands-on, learning-by-doing education which gives each student a clear perception of what working in the hospitality industry is like. Although students perform many of the operational and managerial tasks, the property has a full-time, professional staff responsible for fiscal decisions, planning, marketing, reservations, housekeeping, maintenance and — ultimately — quality control. Areas of study included in the students' rotation are: night audit, AM front desk, PM front desk, reservations, housekeeping/guest services and banquet and ala cart kitchen and dining rooms.

Star Search

One of the area's top plus size models, Marialana Cook, will be visiting Boston to scout for new faces for the plus size modeling industry.

Cook will be conducting a model search for plus size women at the internationally affiliated Barbizon Modeling Agency, 607 Boylston St., Boston, on Oct. 19, from 1 to 8 p.m. A free personal interview and models consultation will be given by Cook for all women sizes 12 to 24 who are interested in pursuing modeling careers.

Interviews are by appointment only. Women interested should call the Barbizon Agency at (617) 266-6980 to reserve their appointment so long as they have the crucial three Ps — pretty face, proper proportions and pleasant personality.

Cook's career began three years ago at a similar model search for plus size women, where she was discovered by Pat Swift of New York's famous Plus Models Management.

Scholarship to be Established in Food Writer's Name

New England's finest restaurants and culinary professionals have joined forces to honor noted Boston food writer Phyllis Hanes for her years of service to the food community.

The event, chaired by Julia Child, will be held on Nov. 7 at Trattoria Il Panino in Boston.

A portion of the proceeds raised will establish a scholarship at Johnson & Wales University, in Rhode Island. This year's scholarship recipient will be announced in March 1995 at the World Trade Center in

Boston.

For a \$20 donation, guests will be served food prepared by some of Boston's best restaurants, including Alloro, Figs, Icarus, Julien, Legal Sea Foods, Maison Robert, Mirabelle, Rows Wharf and Salamander.

Hanes has been an intrepid chronicler of food trends around the world for over 25 years.

For additional information about the event, call Peter McNamara at (617) 338-1000.

Pollution Prevention Conference Coming to Convention Center

There will be a two-day conference on many aspects of reducing or preventing pollution, increasing profits and improving the region's economy on Oct. 19 and 20 at the Convention Center in Providence.

Speakers will include Gov. Bruce Sundlun; Carol Browner, Environmental Protection Agency administrator; Sen. John Chafee; Claudine Schneider; Michael Annarummo, director of the R.I. Department of

Environmental Mangement, and Paul Penault, executive director of the Narragansett Bay Commission.

To register, or for more information, call 277-3434.

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Get Ready, Get Set, Go!

Hand-crafted items from more than 100 artists, an international coffee bar, and entertainment will be featured at the Rhode Island School of Design alumni and student art sale on Oct. 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Benefit Street in Providence.

The sale, a reunion tradition, features student and alumni

artists selling creations in jewelry, glass, ceramics, photography, printmaking and more. Many items are discounted.

The daylong event is free and takes place outdoors on Benefit Street.

Call 454-6337 for more details.

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A document verifying that you receive Social Security benefit payments, Supplemental Security Income, or both. You may need this document to show proof of your income to other agencies.

You can also call to ask for these forms during daytime hours — 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on business days.

The IRS Has a Surprise For You

If your name is Jason Brucker, Karin Buchbinder, Orlando Chegwin, Matthew Daenzer, Hilda Eichin, Patricia Fackler, Jeffrey Fein, Jason Fink, Carl Ganz, Maurice Lake, Gary Leonard, Arieh Lowenstein, Sarah Pearlman, or Charles G. Schwab, the IRS has money to give back to you.

Actually, the service is searching for 261 Rhode Islanders who are due a refund.

If you think you might be one of them, call the district office at 380 Westminster Mall, Providence, R.I. 02903.

Navy Vets Hold Luncheon Meeting

The Sampson WW-2 Navy Veterans, Inc. will hold an area luncheon meeting on Nov. 10 in the Ramada Inn, Seekonk. Registration will be from 11 a.m. to noon, with lunch to follow.

The featured speaker will be Captain Arie Sigmund, USN retired, of Portsmouth, R.I., who was the third skipper of the USS Sampson DDG-10. Robert Robbins of Thompson, Conn., will speak about Veterans Day.

Regional Director and Executive Trustee Charles Abrams will discuss the forthcoming 8th annual reunion of Sampson sailors which will be held on Sept. 15 to 17, 1995.

Volunteers are restoring the old navy brig into a memorial

museum at the former Sampson Naval Training Center which is now the Sampson State Park in upstate New York. The memorial museum will house many artifacts which the Sampson vets have collected.

Anyone interested in learning about the Sampson vets and the work being done to restore the former navy brig are welcome to attend the luncheon meeting.

Those interested are encouraged to contact Charles Abrams, P.O. Box 10037, Cranston, R.I. 02910-0090, telephone 944-0539 for further information and reservations. Deadline for receiving reservations is Nov. 7.



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FEATURE

Is the Jewish Community Adapting to Meet the Needs of a Changing Jewry?

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Jewish community has undergone dramatic demographic changes over the past several decades — and the organizations that serve it are struggling to catch up.

The new realities are prompting a philosophical debate among Jewish sociologists and organizational leaders about the directions they must take if Jewish institutions are to both serve already affiliated Jews and reach out to those in the vast penumbra of people with a tenuous connection to the Jewish community.

A manifesto for change, newly published by demographer and sociologist Gary Tobin, and reaction to its dramatic proposals, illustrate the range of perspectives within the debate.

Others, including Tobin, say that change is not happening quickly enough. The result, he says, is that the majority of Jews are unaffiliated with the organizations that are supposed to serve their needs.

There is wide agreement among observers that American Jewry today is thoroughly different than the community that existed decades ago when most major American Jewish organizations were founded in response to the needs of those eras.

Recent studies show that the Jewish population today is increasingly disenfranchised from the traditional measures of connection to Jewish identity, such as synagogue membership, federation contributions and levels of observance.

Studies also reveal a Jewish population now creating more than twice as many intermarried couples as in-married ones.

The new realities have begun to impact much of Jewish organizational life — from membership and fund-raising to the delivery of Jewish social services and education.

Some Jewish organizations are facing shrinking and aging memberships. The women's organization, Hadassah, for example, found in a recent survey of its members that nearly two-thirds are over the age of 50 and only 5 percent are 34 or younger.

In addition, synagogues, Jewish schools and membership organizations like B'nai B'rith are dealing with a significant minority of non-Jewish participants, most of whom come to the institutions through intermarriage.

And almost every agency is confronting shrinking funding. Several Jewish groups have been forced to cut staff and others, to consolidate office space.

The American Jewish Committee, for example, slashed its staff by one-third in 1990 in order to cut a \$4 million deficit after five years of riding a fiscal roller coaster.

In the process, it re-defined

its mandate and now focuses more on issues of pluralism in America and enhancing Jewish identity than it did before.

It has also rented out some of its empty floor space at its headquarters in New York to other Jewish organizations, including the New Israel Fund.

"The communal agenda is clearly in a period of transition exactly at a time of institutional shrinkage," said Jerome Chanes, co-director of domestic concerns at the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council.

NJCRAC is an umbrella body for 13 national agencies and 117 local community relations councils.

According to Tobin, Jewish organizations and institutions are currently failing to meet the needs of those they are supposed to serve.

They must radically change or will have to be abandoned in favor of new groups, asserted Tobin in a manifesto for change recently published by the Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies, which he directs at Brandeis University.

"There has to be a recognition that the dynamics of Jewish life have changed and we have to be in a mode to rethink what the Jewish community is going to be."

Gary Tobin

Tobin outlined his blueprint for change in the form of a new booklet titled "Creating New Jewish Organizations and Institutions."

Tobin wrote that some organizations "may have to be abandoned in order to make way for new" ones, because those which already exist fail to meet the needs of today's Jewish community.

"There has to be a recognition that the dynamics of Jewish life have changed, and we have to be in a mode to rethink what the Jewish community is going to be," Tobin said.

"Current concern over the issue of 'Jewish continuity' masks the real issue facing the American Jewish community: whether or not the existing structure has the capacity to build and nurture the Jewish community of the future," wrote Tobin in his publication.

"Existing ideological and structural gaps are inhibiting change at the most basic levels," he argued. "Organizations and programs often suffer from a lack of direction, a lack of will or both."

In his conceptual re-engineering of the Jewish community, Tobin lists new institutions which he believes should be created to take the place of the old.

They include: an institute for Israel/Diaspora community relations, a national Jewish learn-

ing center for adults, Jewish retreat centers and new institutes for rabbinical training.

One organization founded 20 years ago in part to overcome institutional boundaries in Jewish communal life is CLAL — the Center for Learning and Leadership.

According to Irwin Kula, CLAL's director of education, a "certain paralysis" plagues Jewish life in response to the problem of intermarriage.

"A lot of the protective attitudes we have had as a community, like focusing solely on the Holocaust and using Israel as a vicarious experience," of Jewish life "won't work anymore," said Kula.

"We need to think about who we are as Jews," he said. "We need to open up the whole system" to the input of every segment of the Jewish community.

Abraham Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League, argued that organizational change "is happening all the time."

"The ADL today is not what it was 20 years ago or 40 years ago," he said. "There is a continuous evolutionary process" going on.

"The marketplace," he said, "will determine which institutions will or will not survive, who we are and how we act."

Sydney's Jews Bury Torah Scrolls

by Jeremy Jones

SYDNEY, Australia (JTA) — More than 1,500 members of Sydney's Jewish community attended a special burial service this week for Torah scrolls and other holy books burned in a Sept. 25 fire that destroyed the sanctuary of the city's Orthodox Central Synagogue.

All 17 of the synagogue's Torah scrolls, including 15 stored inside a recently installed fire-proof safe, were decimated in last week's blaze after the intense heat caused the safe to buckle.

Arson was originally suspected, but police and fire officials have indicated that the blaze was caused by a malfunction in the air-conditioning unit.

At the burial, rabbis and communal figures, joined by Israeli Ambassador Yehuda Avner, recited Psalms. They also buried sacks containing the charred remains of the scrolls, which the synagogue's Rabbi Selwyn Franklin announced would be reinterred in the foundation of the shul's Holy Ark when it is rebuilt.

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EDITORIAL

This Is An Historical Event, Mr. Smith

by Alison Smith
Herald Editor

Like a recurring bad dream, Bradley Smith, the Revisionist, has surfaced again — very close to home. On WALE radio, in fact. For 13 weeks he held forth at noontimes on Tuesday, but this week he moved to that 5 to 6 p.m. slot where talk show hosts hope to engage commuters in combat.

Smith has stated, with no apparent awareness of what this really means, that WALE is the only station in the nation that will carry him right now. He admits, almost proudly, that 38 university and college newspapers had refused to mail him their rate sheets so he could consider advertising with them.

Neil Nachbar and I spent an hour listening to Smith on Oct. 4, and it was time well spent, in spite of the fact that we both had headaches when it was over. (By the way, he got only two calls in that whole hour.)

He spent the first 15 to 20 minutes of his hour letting us know about the little wooden shed out back where he broadcasts, the streams that trickle through his property carrying snowmelt water from the higher elevations (he lives out west); introducing his debater as a man with 70 or 80 children (chuckle, chuckle. The man has seven and his wife is expecting again.); telling us all how he was no expert, no scholar, just a man searching for the truth and speaking his mind. If you've ever read a fable called "The Emperor's New Clothes" you'll immediately recognize the image he was trying to project —

that of a bright, fresh-eyed innocent who was daring to speak the truth in the face of tired, self-deluded authority.

Anyone who is going to describe a whole race or one of the major religious groups of the world as liars and conspirators should not boast of having no expertise in that particular field ... should not slander such a group without being overwhelmingly sure of his evidence.

But Smith is sharp. He has developed a debating style that is effective until you've analyzed it and know where to strike and when.

It's no use sending Holocaust survivors up against him, counting on the fact that their memories, their all-too-apparent suffering even today, their age, their frailty, will temper his attack. I understand he shreds them and leaves them emotionally devastated.

This is how he fights. He takes some statement made by a survivor or chronicler of survivors — some statement that is metaphorical, perhaps, or overwrought and a sign of the wounds that never, ever heal — and he picks that one statement apart, over and over, scientifically dissecting it, and using it like a cudgel to bludgeon his debating opponent every time a question he can't comfortably answer arises. For instance, Elie Weisel is widely quoted as having said, "and written, that after the Holocaust, geysers of Jewish blood were seen to spout from the ground, so many bodies had been buried in some places.

Scientifically, it is true that in a few isolated cases, depending

on specific weather changes, soil composition and the numbers of bodies buried one on top of the other, blood was seen surfacing from mass graves long after the bodies were buried. Geysers? I don't think so.

Weisel, and so many others, cannot speak dispassionately of the Holocaust. Everyone says things, in the heat of great emotion, that describe exactly what happened spiritually, but not physically.

When his debater raised any objection that Smith felt threatened by, no matter how big a stretch it was at that point, he executed a U-turn verbally and said, "But do you really believe that there were geysers of Jewish blood spouting into the air?"

A good debater (not the amiable soul he talked to last Tuesday) could run rapiers through Smith almost at will once he caught the pattern and the tempo of Smith's approach. We don't need to confront this man with survivors, we need to confront him with aggressive, smart, tough Jewish lawyers who have had long, long conversations with survivors. We need to demolish this man in public, time after time, till he becomes a joke. He is not all that clever, or all that skillful, and he certainly is not inventive. I understand that the whole of an earlier program was centered on whether or not Nazis actually made soap out of Jewish bodies. He refused to focus on what happened to 6 million missing people, but kept swinging back to human soap. I'd be willing to bet that this is the only pattern he knows.

No one will ever be able to erase the fact of the Holocaust from history. However, this man should not be allowed to slander the survivors this way, or the whole rest of the worldwide Jewish community. For that reason, I believe he must be dealt with as severely and as devastatingly as possible, as often as possible. It is time to give Smith the verbal drubbing he deserves — leaving him looking not like a martyr, but like the poseur that he is.

We received a "Campus Update for Editors" Summer, 1994, from Smith. I found it very interesting that, in cartoons where he portrays all humans as mice, dogs, cats and pigs, he reveals his inner self. He can cover up better with words than with drawings the fact that he despises not only Jews, but all humans.

Voting Information

The Secretary of State's office has instituted a toll-free hotline number (1-800-94U-VOTE) to answer any questions on voting. There is also literature available which explains how to register to vote, how to use the manual lever voting machine, and the location of polling places. A newsletter, *Vote 94*, from the secretary of state's office explains all facets of voting and is free to Rhode Island citizens.

TORAH TODAY

Abraham's Inn of Hospitality

This week's Torah portion, Lech L'cha, opens a new and inspiring chapter in Torah — the life of Abraham, father of the Jewish nation.

Abraham did not wait to be approached and asked about his belief in the one G-d, which was a startling innovation in his time. Wherever he went, says the Torah, "... he called on the name of G-d, L-rd of the Universe." The rabbis of the Talmud, commenting on this verse, explain that he called (vayikra) should rather be read vayakari — he caused others to call.

Abraham's efforts were directed even towards the heathen Arabs of Canaan, a tribe so lowly that they worshipped the dust of their feet! Yet, Abraham tried to bring about that even they should "call on the name of G-d."

Abraham accomplished this by setting up an inn in the Beersheba desert, and inviting all passing travelers to come in and enjoy his hospitality. He provided his guests with a full meal of meat, wine and fruit; he gave them a bed to sleep on, and even went so far as to provide a court of judges at the inn to settle the various disputes and questions of law that sometimes arose among the wayfarers!

After they had enjoyed all the pleasure of his hospitality and wished to thank him,

Abraham told them, "Bless H-m whose food you have eaten. Thank, bless and praise H-m whose word created the universe." Thus he literally made G-d's presence "famous" in the world — and indeed went to remarkable lengths of hospitality to achieve this end.

He was not satisfied to give his guests bread and other staple food, which would have been sufficient to satisfy their hunger. He did not feel that it was adequate to give the bare minimum, but deemed it necessary to provide his guests with luxuries and "extras" — fruit, wine, all kinds of delicacies, a bed and even a court of judges. This is all the more remarkable when we consider that he went to such lengths although the guests were complete strangers to him.

To give another person what he lacks is understandable, for one's feelings of pity are naturally aroused on seeing another's need. However, to give someone that which he does not lack, but which is rather a luxury for him, stems from a goodness of character that is motivated by something higher than reason.

We, the descendants of Abraham, should try to emulate his noble example. We should do our share in helping Jews learn about Judaism, making our motto vayakari — causing others to call on the name of G-d.

Based on the works of the Lubavitcher Rebbe. Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer.

Cape Cod Motel Owner Charged With Public Accommodation Crime

by Stewart Ain
New York Jewish Week

NEW YORK (JTA) — Federal and county prosecutors charged the owner of the Sunset Motel in North Falmouth with civil and criminal charges recently stemming from her refusal to rent rooms to Jews in September.

The charges were filed after Sandra Khalifa, 43, a native of Sharon, Mass., and her mother, Rhoda Lubin, complained to authorities that the motel owner, Wanda Szemplinski, refused to rent them rooms.

Lubin, 65, told *The Jewish Week* that they were trying to rent the rooms for her brother and his son, who were coming to town for a family wedding. She said that Szemplinski told her the rooms were available, and that as she took out her check book, Szemplinski asked the names of the guests.

"I said my brother's name is Isadore, but she didn't understand it," Lubin recalled. "So I said, 'Both names would be under Freedman.'"

"She said, 'Freedman, are they Jewish?' We both said 'Yes.' She then slammed the book down and shook her head as if to say, 'No, I don't want them, I don't want Jewish people,'" said Lubin.

Until she told Szemplinski

her family name, Lubin said Szemplinski was "cheerful and friendly," even telling them she came from Poland after Khalifa told her she currently lives in France.

Since filing their complaint with authorities, Lubin said other people have come forward to say they had similar experiences at the motel.

"She did it this time to the wrong person," said an outraged Lubin.

A spokesman for Barnstable County District Attorney Philip Rollins said Szemplinski has been charged with a criminal violation of the public accommodations law.

"I have private property," noted Szemplinski, who added that she had "the right to rent rooms to the people I want."

If convicted, she could be sentenced to one year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Lubin said the incident has not soured her on Falmouth, where she owns a summer home, and pointed out that her neighbors have been "supportive."

She said that after hearing of the incident, a non-Jewish man she did not know offered the Freedmans the use of his waterfront home. But she said they were able to find another motel instead.

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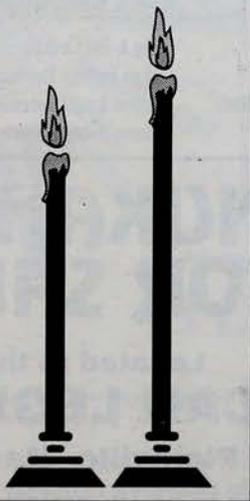
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OPINIONS

'What Does It Mean — To Be Jewish?'

The "great majority" of Jews in the former Soviet Union, who are "coming out of hiding" after years of fear and repression under the toppled Communist regime, are not religious but want to revive their connection with world Jewry, a Ukrainian Jewish leader told an international assemblage of Secular Humanistic Jews in Moscow.

Arkady Hydekely, president of the Ukrainian Association for Humanistic Judaism, was one of half a dozen leaders of secular Jewish organizations in former Soviet republics who addressed the fifth biennial conference of the International Federation of Secular Humanistic Jews on Sept. 22 through 25 in Moscow at the 2-year-old Jewish University of Moscow. The conference issued a declaration on the theme, "What Does It Mean To Be Jewish?"

"There is no single way to be Jewish," the preamble states. Jewish identity is a developing historical phenomenon. Jews in many places throughout history have developed varied ways to affirm and express their identity. Secular Humanistic Judaism recognizes this pluralism ... as an essential feature of Jewish life."

More than 80 delegates from North America, representing the Society for Humanistic Judaism and the Congress of Secular Jewish Organizations, were among the 250 conference delegates. Many of the Euro-Asian communities have been "adopted" as sister communities by federation affiliates in North America, which are supplying funds for educational materials and programs.

"There is no single way to be Jewish," the preamble states.

"For us, this (Secular Humanistic Judaism) is the optimal way to live as a Jew, especially for most young people, who do not want to become religious," said Semyon Avgustevich, who in 1992 founded the 2,000-member Euro-Asian association headquartered in Moscow. In lands where only a few years ago Jews were arrested and sent to concentration camps merely for teaching Hebrew, increas-

Peace Should Mean the MIAs Come Home

by Pesach Wolicki

As the peace process moves forward, the vision presented by the Israeli government becomes more and more detailed. Both the Israelis and the Syrians see the potential economic prosperity of peace. Particularly for Syria, this prosperity is contingent on their budding relationship with the United States.

It is safe to judge from Syrian President Assad's recent statements, as well as those of Foreign Minister Sharaa that speak of Syria's "strategic" move toward peace, that economic benefits are his primary motivation for Syria's participation in the present negotiations. Without Soviet backing, the choice for Syria is either to cultivate a relationship with the United States or to wallow in a prolonged state of economic crisis. This problem is exacerbated by the rise of Islamic fundamentalism, a movement that exploits poverty to win over the masses.

Israelis, while appreciating the economic potential of peace, generally seek something more than the mere exchange of ambassadors and written agreements. Israelis want peace. They want peace, not primarily for the economic benefits, not for the prestige of their leaders on the interna-

ing numbers of Jews today eagerly seek knowledge about their cultural roots, Avgustevich said. But for vast numbers of them, 70 years of life under an atheistic regime wiped out religious belief.

"The door to Humanistic Judaism is wide open in Russia — you do not have to push," said Olga Apollonova, an architect from Kazan.

Yehuda Bauer, director of Holocaust studies at Hebrew University and president of the International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism, said open anti-Semitism currently is declining in the former Soviet Union (and worldwide). However, latent anti-Semitism remains and a catastrophe could occur, forcing out large numbers of Jews. At present, Bauer said, despite the tremendous turmoil, many Jews want to stay and are searching for meaningful ways to assert their Jewish identity. "The task of Secular Humanistic Judaism is

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tional stage. Israelis want peace because peace means no war, less military service, less broken families. Israelis want peace because it is peace.

In recent weeks, the Israeli public has begun to question the pros and cons of peace with Syria. The Golan question has taken up almost permanent status on the front pages of local newspapers. With regard to Gaza-Jericho First, many Israelis simply figured, "At least I don't have to do any more army duty in Gaza." The benefits, in this respect, were immediate. Many Israelis saw the gamble as worthwhile.

The Syrian track, on the other hand, seemingly provides for no instant gratification, no issue that says, "Well, even if it isn't all its cracked up to be, at least ..." No issue, that is, except one, and it's a big one. The Missing Israeli Soldiers.

The one way that Syria could show us, the Israeli people, that peace means peace, that peace means less war and less broken families would be to carry out the most basic gesture of reconciliation and human decency. Give us back our men. Minimally, provide us with hard proof of their fates. Lay to rest the suffering of their loved ones.

The three men taken in the battle of Sultan Yakoub, Zachary Baumel, Tzvi Feldman and Yehuda Katz, were taken in Syrian controlled territory. They have since been seen alive in Syrian territory. The Geneva convention (article II, 1949) places the responsibility for their fates on the country in which they were last seen. In this case Syria is responsible.

There is one simple way to make the Syrians come forward on this issue. Those negotiating with them must demand it. Sadly, this has not been done. It was Israel's own Deputy Foreign Minister Yossi Beilin who said only a few months ago, "Does anyone really think that we're going to hold up the peace process for a few missing soldiers?"

Unfortunately, Mr. Beilin, peace minimally means certain things. Without resolution of the issue of the missing Israeli soldiers, Mr. Beilin, there may be a process, but it isn't a peace process.

Pesach Wolicki is the director of the International Coalition for the Missing Israeli Soldiers.

Attorney Says There Were Other Offers

To the Editor:

An article appeared in the Jewish Voice of Rhode Island relating to the sale of the Jewish Home for the Aged property at 99 Hillside Ave. The article contained a statement that Antonio L. Giordano, operating as Hillside Health Center Associates' will take possession of the property in January. I am given to understand that this is not the case as Giordano does not have the financial ability to take possession of the property.

The article also stated "The public was told that there was a second offer. Over the last several months we were able to test the validity of casual offers. There are and were no other offers. None. The public was terribly misled by people who asserted otherwise."

I acted as one of the attorneys in the court case which was brought to prevent the closing of the Jewish Home. I also was instrumental in bringing to the attention of the people in charge of the home the fact that there were several potential buyers for the home. I can categorically state that the statement, "There are and were no other offers," is a false one.

I have been attempting to get the people who are in charge at the Jewish Home for the Aged of Rhode Island to listen to other offers. They are completely unresponsive and refuse to negotiate. One of the groups interested owns and operates 12 other nursing homes throughout the country. They are a financially successful group, but were rebuffed by the chairman of the properties committee of the home when he was approached.

The public is being terribly misled as the article states, but

it is not by the people who want to see the home reopened. It is by the people who are in charge of the home's assets whom I believe want to bury the home once and for all.

Z. Hershel Smith

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At this time of year the trickle of political press releases and letters grows until it flows across our desks like a white river. From now until November, one out of every four pieces of paper we get will have political overtones. Therefore, our publisher has ruled out the inclusion of campaign material in the Jewish Herald. The paper would be swamped, otherwise, and embroiled constantly in debates over allocation of space, etc.

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Labor Minister Unleashes Fury By Suggesting 'Selectivity' in Aliyah

by Cynthia Mann

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Labor and Welfare Minister Ora Namir has unleashed a fury here by suggesting Israel be more "selective" in the immigrants it absorbs from the former Soviet Union.

In an interview published recently in the Israeli daily *Ha'aretz*, Namir criticized the wave of immigration in the past 18 months for including a disproportionate number of old and handicapped people.

She said many of these individuals are sent by family members who do not want to take care of them and who take advantage of Israel's generous social welfare policies.

Government and immigration officials condemned her remarks, saying her ideas ran counter to fundamental Zionist principles which call for Israel to be a home and haven for every Jew who wants to make

aliyah.

But Namir said these dependents are a heavy burden on Israel's social security system.

"I wouldn't say a word if the family came together, but they send their (elderly relatives) to relieve themselves of their care, and they go to the United States," she said.

They know "there's no other country like Israel," said Namir, who added, "I don't think we can handle it."

In the interview, Namir appeared to be suggesting that Israel limit the number of dependents by a selection process. But when pressed, she stopped short of calling for a policy to bar the entry of those considered undesirable.

"I didn't say to deny them entry," she said. "I just said we have to check (the situation) more carefully."

Her comments provoked a sharp rebuke from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who said he completely rejected Namir's remarks.

Other leaders also lashed out at Namir.

Immigration advocate and former refusenik Natan Sharransky said he was "shocked" at Namir's "call for the selection of immigrants. Only the government of the British Mandate would do this."

For her part, Namir held her ground under fire.

"What I said is part of the public agenda," she said in a radio interview. "It's difficult and very severe, but I don't regret anything."

She said that Israel wants the elderly and infirm immigrants to come, "but with their whole families."

Nalmir maintained there has

been a big drop recently in the number of young, working people who have emigrated to Israel.

Among the immigrants who came to Israel in the last year and a half, about one-third are old, one-third are handicapped and one-third are single parents, she said.

Absorption Minister Yair Tsaban disputed her figures. He said the most surprising thing about immigration in the past few years is how consistent the demographic breakdown has been.

Fifteen percent are elderly, 10 percent are single parents and "a lot less" are handicapped, he said.

"This inaccurate demography stigmatizes and distorts the picture of aliyah," he said. In fact, he said, the new immigrants have contributed to Israeli science, the economy and society.

Last month, according to figures of the Absorption Ministry, 6,800 olim came to Israel. Of that total, 5,600 came from the former Soviet Union.

Gulf States Ease Boycott

by Mitchell Danov

NEW YORK (JTA) — Jewish and governmental leaders here have joined Israeli officials in hailing the decision by Saudi Arabia and its five Persian Gulf trading partners to ease the Arab boycott of Israel.

But while applauding the Gulf states move recently to terminate the secondary and tertiary boycotts against Israel, pro-Israel activists said a total termination of trade restrictions against Israel were long overdue.

Israeli commentators called the move an important milestone in the peace process, and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres welcomed the decision as "an additional move in dismantling the walls of hatred and separation and boycott."

Israeli Finance Minister Avraham Shohat said the easing of the boycott would provide a boost to the Israeli economy, which over the years has suffered the adverse effects of foreign companies fearful of ignoring the boycott.

Russia to Establish Presence in Jericho

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Russia will soon establish a low-level liaison office in the autonomous Jericho region in the West Bank.

The decision to open an interest section in Jericho, which officially fell under Palestinian self-rule in May, was announced in Moscow during an official visit by Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas, who is also known as Abu Mazen.

Camp's Decision To Censor Magazine Illustrates Rift Among Conservatives

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — Canada's conservative Jews have long been discomfited by the willingness of their colleagues south of the border to ordain women. And recently, some refused to be good campers about it.

The Canadian arm of the Conservative movement's camp system refused to distribute the summer 1994 issue of *Ramah — the Magazine* because it included an article about female camp alumnae who now serve as Conservative rabbis and cantors.

The magazine's former editor, Lori Forman, has charged that the Conservative movement's leadership in New York did not sufficiently push the Canadians to send out the issue because it was afraid of losing the funding the Canadians provide to the Jewish Theological Seminary.

That charge was disputed by a seminary spokesman.

According to the director of Camp Ramah in Canada, camp officials refused to distribute the issue because they felt that the article on clergywomen represented American, rather than Canadian, Conservative values, said Rabbi Mitch Cohen, director of the camp.

"Anything having to do with women's rights in the movement is very, very sensitive here," said Cohen. "But this has less to do with women's rights than with American control over Canadian values."

"Camp Ramah in Canada still has a form of religious practice which is not completely egalitarian," Cohen said. "That form of religious practice still needs to be respected, and is not by many people in our movement."

The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards, which serves as the official interpreter of halacha for the Conservative movement, decided in 1983 to allow the ordination of women as rabbis.

But the Conservative movement in Canada remains far more conservative than its American counterpart. Most Canadian Conservative congregations are not egalitarian, and only one, in Halifax, Nova

Scotia, has hired a female rabbi, compared to dozens in the United States.

According to Forman, the Canadians feared the article about clergywomen would be "bad publicity" and could drive away the 75 campers from Orthodox homes who attended the camp.

But, said Forman, herself a Conservative rabbi who spent eight summers of her youth attending Ramah camps, more than half the campers at the Camp Ramah in Canada are Americans from Detroit, Cleveland and Pittsburgh, whose egalitarian practices should be respected.

According to JTS spokesman Shammai Engelmayer, "The Canadian office has a right to distribute magazines as they see fit. Not everyone in Canada agrees with egalitarianism, and there was a feeling that the article could be seen as a slap in the face to those who don't feel that way."

"Fund-raising did not enter into it," Engelmayer said. "We don't want to see one part of the movement breaking away over an ideological issue when the movement prides itself — and has historically been — pluralistic."

Forman believes that while Canada's Conservative congregations are entitled to disagree with the ordination of women, censoring the fact that women are ordained within the movement contradicts the pluralism which Conservative Judaism ostensively values.

Forman said she was distressed, but not surprised by the refusal of the movement's leadership to intervene.

The movement's leaders "don't want to celebrate" the role of women as rabbis and cantors, she charged.

Engelmayer described that charge as "absurd on its face."

"We had a whole conference here last year celebrating the 10th anniversary of women in the rabbinate," he said.

Forman said that while the magazine ultimately was not distributed, she and her colleagues succeeded in raising "a lot of consciousness" over the issue of women rabbis and cantors.

Palau and Israel Establish Ties

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A day after it declared independence, the tiny Pacific island-nation of Palau established full diplomatic relations with Israel.

A mutual-recognition agreement was signed recently by Israel's ambassador to Fiji, Shmulik Moyal, and Palau's foreign minister, Andre Uherclau.

Formerly a part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands which fell under the U.S. supervision as part of a United Nations mandate established after World War II, Palau is located east of the Philippines and north of Papua New Guinea.

Comprising an archipelago of 340 islands and atolls, only 10 of which are inhabited, Palau has a total population of 16,000.

Israel is the fourth country to establish diplomatic relations with Palau, following similar moves by the United States, Papua New Guinea and the Federated States of Micronesia.

Palau's economy is based on tourism and fishing. According to an agreement, the United States remains responsible for Palau's security.

Palau is the 14th country from the Pacific island region of Oceania, and the 147th nation in the world, to establish full diplomatic relations with Israel.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

New Urban League Chief Reaches Out to Jews

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — The newly installed chief of the Urban League is making good on his promise to hold dialogues with Jewish groups.

Hugh Price, who took the helm of the civil rights group in July, said in his remarks to 150 members of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council's executive committee that he is dedicated "to an agenda of racial inclusion," and is focusing his agency's efforts on young people.

The assembled NJCRAC members came to the daylong meeting held at the headquarters of the Anti-Defamation League from national Jewish organizations and community relations councils around the

country.

Teaching black parents to be more effective advocates for adequate resources and higher standards in public education is one area on which Price said he plans to focus.

NJCRAC chair Lynn Lyss, in an interview following Price's remarks, said that public education is a good "bridge issue," on which NJCRAC and Urban League members can work together.

Price "knows that we're ready to work with them on bridge-building," said Lyss.

During the question-and-answer session, Price was asked the inevitable: How will the Urban League respond to Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and the statements he makes, which are widely regarded as

anti-Semitic?

Price responded that the Urban League "will collaborate with whomever is useful."

We "have to dialogue, which does not mean embrace or work with" Farrakhan's Nation of Islam, said Price. He noted the "extraordinary job" the black nationalist group is doing in "saving young people from prison and driving drugs from public housing projects."

"We have to learn from that," he said.

"That's because the Jewish holidays were in September and we were all busy."

Price also voiced the hope that he will not have to spend half his time on the job talking about Farrakhan.

"The first couple of months, I thought I might have to make a career out of it. I spent July talking about Farrakhan and August talking about the NAACP," he said.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was under fire that month, after its leader, the Rev. Benjamin Chavis, was ousted under a cloud of controversy. Among other controversial issues, Chavis had invited Farrakhan to the group's leadership summit earlier in the summer.

"In September, finally, I got to talk about the Urban League," said Price, with great relief.

Quipped former NJCRAC chair Maynard Wishner, "That's because the Jewish holidays were in September and we were all busy."

Anti-Semitism at U.C. Berkeley: True or False?

by Larry Kanter

Jewish Bulletin of Northern California

SAN FRANCISCO (JTA) — Recent articles in two national publications have painted the University of California at Berkeley campus as a hotbed of anti-Semitism.

The charge has Jewish students and staff on campus crying foul.

According to a report in the August issue of *Penthouse* magazine, despite a campus ethos of diversity and multiculturalism, U.C. Berkeley has been plagued by an alarming increase in anti-Jewish activity. Many of the article's conclusions are based on a paper on the subject written by a graduate student there.

Picking up *Penthouse's* lead, a story in the July 29 issue of the New York-based Jewish newspaper *The Forward*, under the headline "Hatred Enrolls at Berkeley," claims the campus is rife with "Israel-bashing" and a "lack of attention to Jewish concerns."

Both reports came as a shock to Rabbi Rona Shapiro, director of U.C. Berkeley Hillel.

Contrary to media reports, said Shapiro, Jewish life on

campus has flourished in recent years. With two information tables each day on the campus' central Sproul Plaza, and an unprecedented 1,500 students on Hillel's mailing list, Jewish students at Berkeley are more visible and active now than in years, she said.

Shapiro acknowledged that anti-Semitic attitudes have not been purged from campus life. But, she said, Berkeley's atmosphere is nowhere near as nasty as that of, say, San Francisco State University — which captured national headlines last spring when a student group unveiled a mural of Malcolm X that included anti-Semitic symbols.

"This is just a way to run some juicy news and get some people scared," Shapiro said.

Shapiro added that she and her assistant, Michael Taller, were interviewed for the articles, but neither of their comments were used.

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Tunisia Initiates Ties With Israel

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — In a move reflecting greater international acceptance of Israel in the wake of its peace initiatives with the Palestinians, Israel and Tunisia have agreed to take a first step toward normalizing relations between the two countries.

After meeting in New York recently, Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and his Tunisian counterpart, Habib Ben Yahia, announced their countries would establish economic interest sections in Tel Aviv and Tunis.

Under the terms of their agreement, which was reached with the help of Belgium, the two countries will soon exchange economic representatives. Because interest sections mark a lower-level exchange than the establishment of embassies or consulates, each country's representatives will be sent to the Belgian embassies in Tel Aviv and Tunis.

The question of when the two countries will begin stationing officials with higher diplomatic rank has been left open, pending further discussions.

Peres later said the agreement will extend Israel's diplomatic ties in North Africa.

"This is an agreement we will pursue until we attain a full agreement on relations," he told Israel Radio. "At this point, we have some sort of relations with three North African states — namely, Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia."

On Sept. 1, Israel and Morocco announced they would establish economic liaison offices in Tel Aviv and Rabat, a move that made Morocco the second Arab country to estab-

lish ties with Israel. The first was Egypt, which signed a peace agreement with Israel in 1979.

Israel has been greeted with increasing acceptance by the international community in the wake of the signing of the Declaration of Principles by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization in September in Washington.

Prior to the agreement with Tunisia, Israel established ties with 21 nations in the past year. Israel now has relations with 146 of the 185 member nations in the United Nations, the highest number since the state was established in 1948.

In addition to its agreement with Israel, Tunisia also plans to establish economic liaison offices in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank enclave of Jericho, the two Palestinian self-rule zones established as a result of the Declaration of Principles.

The PLO maintained its headquarters in Tunisia from 1982 until July of this year, when PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat moved his headquarters to Gaza. Over the years, Tunisian government officials reportedly urged Arafat to pursue dialogue with Israel.

After meeting with Ben Yahia, Peres met with the foreign minister of Qatar, Hamad Thani. Qatar also is said to be interested in forging relations with Israel but has been under pressure from the Syrians not to do so.

Qatar is among the six member nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council, which recently announced they were ending the secondary and tertiary boycotts against Israel.

B'nai B'rith Praises Israel and Tunisia

The announcement that Israel and Tunisia will establish economic interest sections in Tel Aviv and Tunis was greeted with optimism by B'nai B'rith.

"This establishment of ties is yet another indication that the peace process is shattering decades-old barriers," said Tommy P. Baer, international president of B'nai B'rith. "This is a positive step and we hope that it is an omen for full diplomatic relations to be established in the near future."

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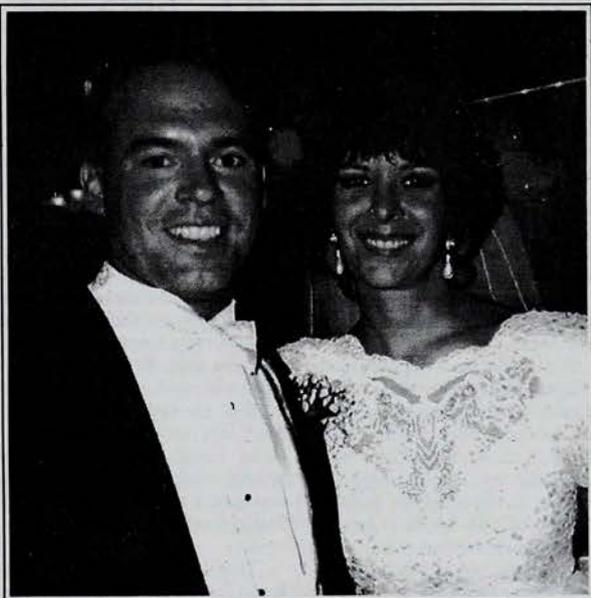
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MILESTONES



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bohac

Lisa Carroll Weds Mark Bohac

The marriage of Lisa Carroll and Mark Bohac took place at the Meadowbrook Inn, Charlestown, R.I., in a garden ceremony on Aug. 28.

The bride is the daughter of

Sandra Bresler-Dolan and Hal Dolan of West Warwick. She is the granddaughter of the late Charles and Lillian Bresler. The bridegroom is the son of Lorraine and Frank Bohac of Chicago, Ill.

Michelle Charleson was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Beth Valente, Linda Doyle, Lisa Lasorsa and Diane Tammaro. Lauren Bohac was flower girl and Bradley Bohac was ring bearer.

The bridegroom's father was best man. Ushers were James and David Bohac, brothers of the bridegroom, David Denman Jr., Ray Michuda, John Kleinhenz and David Leary.

The bride attended the University of Rhode Island, graduated from Katherine Gibbs School and received her associate's degree from the Community College of Rhode Island. She is employed at Metropoli-

Kaplan to be Installed as JFS President

Richard Kaplan will be installed as president of Jewish Family Service at the agency's 65th annual meeting and installation of officers at 8 p.m. on Oct. 13 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave. in Providence.

Kaplan, who has been the vice president of JFS for the past three years, is president of Kaplan Moran & Associates, Ltd. His community service experience includes serving as the Rhode Island chair of the Israel Bond campaign, treasurer of the Providence Rotary Club and past president of the Community College of Rhode Island Foundation.

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The bridegroom received his bachelor's degree from the University of Dayton, Ohio. He is also employed at Metropolitan Property & Casualty Insurance Co., Warwick, R.I.

The couple honeymooned in Aruba and will reside in Hope Valley, R.I.

In addition to the installation of officers, this year's meeting will feature a special video presentation entitled "These are the Stories of JFS." The video, which was recently produced as a marketing tool for the agency, is an overview of the services and programs offered by JFS. There will also be a musical performance by the Kol Simcha Chorus under the direction of Irina Matt, and jazz improvisation by pianist Lev Goroshit.

Also to be installed at the event, which will be chaired by Samuel and Lauren Zurier, will be Jerrold N. Dorfman, vice president; Samuel Zurier, treasurer; Alan Harlam, assistant treasurer; Nancy Kaufman, secretary; and as new Jewish Family Service board members Deborah Blaine, Jeffrey Brown, Susan Fine, Herta Hoffman, Dianah Kahn, Stanley Kanter, Michelle Lederberg, Gary Levin, Joseph Lubiner, Sherman Price, Lola Schwartz, Sue Suls, Scott Wolf and Ellis Waldman.

Judge Selya Re-Elected

Bruce M. Selya, a judge on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in Rhode Island, was recently re-elected to the American Judicature Society's board of directors at the society's annual meeting in New Orleans.

A graduate of Harvard Law School, Selya is director of the Federal Judges Association. He also serves as director of Judicial Education for the First Circuit, and as a member of the committee of the Judicial Branch of the U.S. Judicial Conference.

Selya is also chairman of the board of Lifespan and on the board of trustees of Rhode Island Hospital. He has held committee chairmanships for the Rhode Island Bar Association, is a member of the Rhode Island Bar Foundation, received the Louis D. Brandeis Medal for Distinguished Legal Service awarded annually by Brandeis University and the Neil J. Houston Jr. Criminal Justice Award.

Founded in 1913, the American Judicature Society is a national organization of judges, lawyers, and lay members of the public working to improve the nation's justice system at all levels.

King Juan Carlos Given Award By Erensia Sefardi

Erensia Sefardi, a part of the Foundation for the Advancement of Sephardic Studies and Culture, the umbrella group of the descendants of the Spanish and Portuguese Jews in the United States, will present the third annual Pulido Award to King Juan Carlos of Spain.

The award will be accepted by Ambassador Jose M. Allendesalazar, consul general of Spain in New York at the Instituto Cervantes on Oct. 20.

The Pulido Award honors the memory of Dr. Angel Pulido, a Spanish politician, who at the turn of the century, dedicated his life to the reconciliation between the Sephardim, the descendants of the Spanish Jews banished in 1492, and Spain. Pulido, through his books, articles and speeches, was able to raise the consciousness of the Spanish intellectuals and government to

the realization that some half a million descendants of those Spanish Jews still kept intact in their exile their Spanish language, culture and heritage.

The Pulido Award will be presented to Juan Carlos for his efforts in pursuing the dialogue with the Sephardim throughout the world and for the solicitude shown them in this century by the Bourbons of Spain.

Barrow Makes Dean's List

Stacy Barrow has been placed on the Brandeis University dean's list in recognition of his academic performance.

Barrow is in his senior year and is majoring in law, and spent last summer assisting the probation officer in the East Boston District Court.



Stacy Barrow

He is the son of Leslie and Arthur Barrow of Acton, Mass.

His maternal grandparents are Eunice and Joe Greenfield of Cranston, R.I.

His paternal grandmother is Evelyn Barrow of Albany, N.Y.

Barrow will enter law school next September.



Jacob Aron Bergel

Mr. and Mrs. Steven I. Bergel of Sharon, Mass., announce the birth of their second child and son, Jacob Aaron, on Sept. 9. Jacob's sister is Riva Sara.

Paternal grandparents are Judy and Arthur Bergel of Providence and maternal grandparents are Estelle and Al Limer of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Paternal great-grandparents are the late Sally and Arthur Saltzman, and the late Anna and Isadore Bergel.

Maternal great-grandparents are Francis Limer and the late Jules Limer, and the late Rose Siskin.

Jacob is named after his late great-grandfathers Arthur Saltzman and Jules Limer.

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day trip departs from Miami, Fla., on Feb. 26 and returns on March 4. After leaving Miami, the ship will visit Key West; Playa del Carmen and Cozumel, Mexico; Montego Bay, Jamaica and Georgetown, Grand Cayman.

The Costa Romantica offers nightly entertainment in a variety of lounges, plus a pizza parlor and cappuccino bar, a modern fitness center and excellent health spa.

The cost of this vacation starts at \$1,339 per person based on double occupancy. Rates for single accommodations are also available at \$1,839. Credit cards are accepted. There is an early book-

ing deadline of Oct. 29 when prices will increase \$100 per person. More than 1,200 Jewish singles from all over North America have sailed on previous nationwide Jewish singles super cruises sponsored by the St. Louis Jewish Community Centers Association. In addition, more than 40 marriages have occurred from singles who have met each other on these cruises over the past

decade, not to mention the hundreds of new friendships.

Accommodations fill fast. Full payment is due by Dec. 20. For more information or to make a reservation, please call Stephanie or Carol at Brentwood Travel, (800) 628-3941 or (800) 527-1059 or Julie Glaser at the Jewish Community Centers Association at (314) 432-6780, ext. 213.

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HEALTHWISE



Restoring Life At Its Fullest

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

Ed and Eleanor Gershman met me in the lobby of the Hasbro Children's Hospital, just across from Rhode Island Hospital on Eddy Street. Sculptures, tiles and paintings celebrate childhood among the entrance gardens, the passageways, and the waiting rooms. One motif repeated in various forms on the flat, pebbled roof terrace and as bas-relief among the stairways is the dolphin, emblem of play, fun, and rescue.

Ed Gershman contributed a brass piece he calls "Playtime." A central figure, adapted from a Hasbro logo, holds hands with troupes of kids lightly dancing and cavorting. Animal and bird shapes hold the design in place, an eagle on top, a lion on the bottom, and a lizard in between, with bubble-like circles among them. "The eagle stands for free-

dom, the iguana for quiet toy-like peace, and the lion, like the Lion of Judah, for strength," Ed tells me. The light, airy sculpture hangs from a back wall at the registration desk, where many people pass by all day. "We love this work of art, it has whimsy and a sense of health and the spirit of games," claims a woman in charge of the office island.

Ed retired from running an air conditioning business and took up the life of an artist decades ago. At 76, he looks back at 25 years of showing the fruit of his studio at festivals in Wickford, Scituate, and nearby Connecticut. "I have carpal tunnel syndrome, and had cataract operations, but I keep very busy and happy, turning out large and small ideas that go here and there about town and country."



To Be A Child

From the left, Elenore and Ed Gershman, and Michael Fink, at the dedication of Gershman's sculptural gift to Hasbro Hospital, shown behind the artist. Photo by Jessica Burko

We talk about his son and daughter, the five grandchildren, and the extended family. "My cousin did a family tree and found some tie to Ringo Starr the Beatle."

You can see the light of joy in Ed's eyes and smile. You can find gentle pride in Eleanor's look at him and at the mischievous brass sketches that fly from his hands. Like "Playtime" on the wall at Hasbro Hospital, where it brings good will to the small fry. Like the rest of the beautiful gifts, it may welcome people as in to a gallery, so that this hospital will serve to restore life at its fullest.

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Prevent High Blood Pressure

Just about everyone is familiar with high blood pressure, or hypertension, but few understand it.

Try this true or false quiz:

1. Stress causes high blood pressure.
2. High blood pressure has no symptoms.
3. People whose parents had high blood pressure will also have it.
4. Nothing can be done to prevent high blood pressure.

The answers to these questions, from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute — one of the National Institutes of Health — can be surprising.

The first statement is false. Stress does make blood pressure rise, but not permanently. Rising and falling blood pressure is normal, but it becomes dangerous when it is always high.

The second statement is true — usually. High blood pressure is called "the silent killer," making regular blood pressure checks vital.

The third statement is false. Family history makes high blood pressure more likely, but not a certainty.

The encouraging news is the fourth statement is false. High blood pressure can be prevented through four simple steps:

- Control weight. Being overweight means a two- to six-fold higher risk of developing high blood pressure. About 20 to 30 percent of hypertension in the United States is related to excess weight. If you need to reduce, try to lose one-half to one pound per week.

- Increase physical activity. Many studies show that active men and women of all ages have less hypertension than their inactive counterparts.

- Avoid excess salt and sodium. Consume no more than 2,400 milligrams of sodium a day. This includes what's in processed foods and added during cooking and at the table. Salt is only one form of sodium — there are others. So watch your use of all forms.

- Avoid excess alcohol. If you drink, do so in moderation — no more than two drinks daily. About 5 to 7 percent of hypertension in the United States can be attributed to the consumption of three or more alcoholic drinks a day.

For more on high blood pressure, call the NHLBI information line at (800) 575-WELL.

Toy Guide for Children with Vision Problems

The only U.S. guide of its kind, "1994-1995 Guide To Toys For Children Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired," is available free to those who write the American Toy Institute, c/o TMA, 200 Fifth Ave., Rm. 740, New York, N.Y. 10010.

The guide provides full color pictures of the toys, a complete description of each including title, manufacturer price and age recommendation.

Toy descriptions also include a rating B, indicating a toy appropriate for a child who is blind, or LV, indicating a toy suitable for a child with low vision.

The Silent Epidemic

Most women have no idea that heart disease affects them as much as it does — nor that it has such deadly consequences. In fact, heart attack is the No. 1 killer of American — and Rhode Island — women. And, more women than men die as a result of cardiovascular diseases.

To help women become more informed about heart disease and how to control their risk factors, the American Heart Association, R.I. Affiliate will hold a conference for women on Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the R.I. Convention Center in Providence, entitled, "The Silent Epidemic: Heart Disease in Women."

Conference speakers will be former R.I. congresswoman Claudine Schneider and Alicia D. Monroe, M.D., assistant professor of family medicine, Brown University School of Medicine, Memorial Hospital of R.I.

WPRI's Ann Conway will be the conference moderator.

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The conference fee is \$30, including lunch, and advanced registration is required. For further information on the conference and for a registration brochure, call the American Heart Association, R.I. Affiliate at 728-5300.

Hospital Seeking Volunteers for Research

Researchers at Rhode Island Hospital are seeking volunteers to participate in a study of the variation of carnitine, a substance normally present in the human body and important for normal energy production of muscle.

Blood, urine and muscle will be sampled for carnitine. Volunteers will receive \$200 for full participation. The research will take place in the Ambulatory Patient Center at Rhode Island Hospital.

For more information or to volunteer, call James Gilchrist, MD, or Manju Kandula, MD, at 444-8761 or 444-4882.

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Fighting Breast Cancer

In observance of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Roger Williams Medical Center is sponsoring a free panel discussion on Oct. 17, at 7 p.m. in the hospital's Kay Auditorium.

Guest speakers at the roundtable will include surgeon Helena Chang, MD; medical oncologist Marcia Browne, MD; radiation oncologist Scott Friedman, MD; support group facilitator Ellie Collins, RN; and oncology nurses, Elaine Anter, RN and Terri Mowry, RN.

For many women, recent reports about breast cancer research have raised more questions than they've answered. The program will address such issues as screening and preven-

tion, surgical approaches, radiation therapy, chemotherapy treatment and cancer support services.

Roger Williams Medical Center is also offering free breast

Roger Williams Medical Center is also offering free breast examinations and mammograms for women 40 years and older.

examinations and mammograms for women 40 years and older, who have not had a mammogram within the past year. Mammograms must be completed prior to the exams. Exams will be conducted on Oct. 26 and 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. at 877 Chalkstone Avenue (ad-

acent to the main hospital).

Women interested in participating in this free screening should call 456-2503 for an appointment.

Full-Spectrum Healing

The HOPE Center will present its second education program of the 1994 series on Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m. Maureen Gordon-Johanson, M.S., director of the East Side Wellness Center, will discuss the seven levels and three dimensions of full-spectrum healing.

Complementary healing techniques such as energy balancing, yoga postures and breathing exercises will be demonstrated.

Gordon is a recent graduate of the four-year Barbara Brennan healing science training, and a yoga teacher with a private healing practice.

The presentation will be held in the Crooker Room at the Cathedral of St. John, 270 Main St., Providence. For reservations, call The HOPE Center at 454-0404. A \$5 donation is requested.

Temple Torat Yisrael Announces Fall Series

Torat Yisrael will bring its members a broad range of courses for adult study this fall.

Jewish Omnibus classes are open to members and non-members alike, to Jews and non-Jews, to anyone who would like to learn more about Judaism and the Jewish way of life.

Classes will meet on five Tuesdays — Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 15, 22 from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m.

Registration is \$18 per family, and all family members are urged to attend any classes. Registration will take place on Oct. 18 from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

This year we are happy to announce Yadayim, an additional series of classes especially designed for parents of religious school-age children. Yadayim is partially funded through a grant from the Bureau of Jewish Education. Yadayim classes will meet only three times — on Oct. 18, 25 and Nov. 1. Yadayim classes are marked with an asterisk.

Temple Torat Yisrael is located at 330 Park Ave. in Cranston (directly off Route 10). For additional information, please call 785-1800.

First hour (7:30 to 8:15 p.m.)
 "Tough Choices: Jews and Social Justice." Instructor: Rabbi David Rosen. Do Jews still have a passion for social justice? Can American Jews fight hate speech without impairing the First Amendment... support the human rights of

gays while preserving the traditional Jewish family?... sustain Black-Jewish relations while combatting black anti-Semitism? Rabbi Rosen looks at these and other tough issues through the eyes of Jewish tradition, history and law.

"This World and the Next: A Jewish Guide." Instructor: Rabbi Deborah G. Helbraun. What does a person say and do in a shivah house? What are the steps of Jewish mourning, and what do they mean? What do Jews believe about the world to come? Rabbi Helbraun's class is neither about death nor dying, but rather the way we Jews approach this inevitable part of life.

"Teach Me a Haftarah!" Instructor: Cantor Shimon Gewirtz. You've always wanted to chant a Haftarah? Cantor Gewirtz will turn anyone into an Haftarah chanter in five easy lessons. Learning the trope is not only easy, it's fun.

"Page 1, Chapter 1, Verse 1: Studying Bereshit." Instructor: Pam Kaitin-Miller. This class will begin at the beginning! Everyone knows that Torah is the foundation of the Jewish people. This class will look at the structure of the Bible and focus upon some of the most important ideas and issues in the book of Genesis.

"A Deeper Look at Torah." Instructor: Hana Berman. We are told to "turn it and turn it again," for in every reading of the Torah we find a new message. What are the key messages of Torah? This course will focus on some of the most significant moral and ethical messages in the books of Exodus, Leviticus and Numbers.

"Making Sense of Prayer." Instructor: Donna Picker. Throughout the ages, Jews have turned to prayer for personal comfort, strength, fellowship, self-expression, self-assessment and identity. What does prayer mean to you and how do you make your personal prayers more meaningful? This course will help you better understand the Jewish religious service.

Second Hour (8:30 to 9:15 p.m.)
 "Jews and Arabs: Uneasy Neighbors." Instructor: Yehuda Lev. Peace has been (and remains) elusive in the Middle East. What are the origins of the present conflict? Yehuda Lev helps us better understand what is happening today by clarifying the conflicts — both in philosophical and physical — which have preceded the current twist of events.

"Becoming a Balabusta!" Instructor: Ronni Guttin. You'd like to make traditional Jewish dishes like your bubbe did, but you don't know where to begin! The cookbooks tell you to "take a pinch" of this and that, but nothing comes out "just right." With Ronni Guttin as your guide, you can finally feel at home making all the traditional Jewish dishes that will make you into a genuine "balabusta!"

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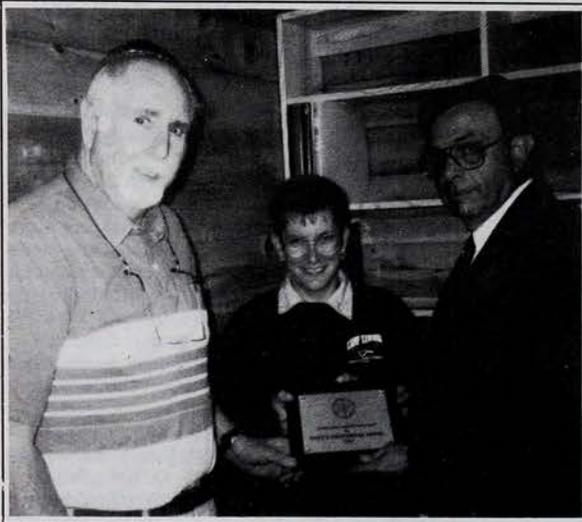
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THE JEWISH COMMUNITY



RINA SKY-WOLFGANG receives a plaque at the dedication of the Chapel of the Ten Commandments at Camp Yawgoog. Arthur Poulten and Robert Hodosh made the presentation recently.

Camp Library Is Dedicated

Late this summer the Touro Fraternal Association library at the Chapel of the Ten Commandments at Camp Yawgoog was dedicated.

Robert Hodosh and Arthur Poulten presented a dedicatory plaque to Rina Sky-Wolfgang to mark the occasion.

The Touro library at the chapel is a collection of Jewish

historical, reference, religious and leisure-time books. It was established several years ago by Touro and the association provides additional funds annually to purchase new books. The Touro board recently approved an additional grant to help speed the process of fully stocking the library for the use of the scouts at the camp.

JDC Accepting Applications

Whether establishing a Jewish Resource Center in Budapest, Hungary, counseling Bosnian Jewish refugees in Croatia, or surveying Jewish communal assets in Morocco, the recipient of the 1995 Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship will have a highly enriching and rewarding experience. Applications are now being accepted for the fellowship, which is awarded by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

Only one fellowship is granted per year to candidates in the early stages of their careers with a demonstrated talent in the practice and/or study of communal affairs and international social welfare. Candidates should preferably hold a master's degree or equivalent and demonstrate intelligence, integrity and leadership.

The fellowship was established in 1985 to honor Ralph I. Goldman, honorary executive vice president of JDC, whose career in Jewish communal service spans more than 40 years in the United States and Israel.

The deadline for applying for the 1995 Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship is November 1, 1994.

The fellowship will begin in September 1995 and extend for a period of one year. The recipient will receive a \$25,000 stipend, exclusive of travel and expenses, to work in one or more of JDC's overseas offices. At year's end, the recipient will be required to present a paper analyzing a particular aspect of a JDC program or a

community endeavor in which he or she participated.

The deadline for applying for the 1995 Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship is November 1, 1994. Interested applicants should send a letter advocating their candidacy to: Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 711 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017-4014. The letter should include details of the applicant's educational background and work experience, his or her plans for the future and reasons for interest in this fellowship, and a list of references.

Three Garden Clubs Join for Program

A joint meeting and program of the Gaspee Plateau, Governor Francis, and Eden Garden Clubs will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 20, at Temple Beth-El.

Michael J. Gerard of Ferns and Flowers, Warwick, will talk and demonstrate structure, color, and texture for all seasons and styles.



Barrington Woman Head of Realtors

Isabel (Micki) Gold of Barrington, broker/owner of Coldwell Banker Gold of Riverside, was installed recently as president of the Rhode Island Association of Realtors.

Local Hillels

Bryant College Rabbi Lawrence Silverman, 232-6119
Johnson & Wales University Amy, 598-1196
Roger Williams University Fran Katzanek or Dr. Jeffrey Martin, 254-3244

The Legend Lives On

On Oct. 16, seniors can enjoy the VCR program, "Legend of Marilyn Monroe" from 11 a.m. to noon at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave. in Providence.

The JCCRI's annual yard sale, with a variety of items for sale, will also be held on Oct. 16, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Hostesses for the Eden Garden Club are Bess Lindenbaum and Lillian Strauss. The centerpiece will be arranged by Abraham Gershman.

Guests are invited. Call Martha Finger at 272-0623 or Shirley Schreiber at 738-0934 for reservations.

Family Service Offers Bereavement Support

Jewish Family Service is sponsoring a support group for bereaved individuals in Cranston and Warwick, beginning Oct. 14 at 12:30 p.m. at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave. in Cranston.

For those in the Providence area, a group will start in early November at the office of Jewish Family Service, 229 Waterman St. in Providence. Call 331-1244 for details.

The groups will be led by clinical social worker Lisa Yanku, MSW/CISW. She will lead discussions on death and dying within the Jewish tradition, and help those in the midst of the grieving process. Members of the groups will talk about dealing with loneliness while coping with daily life.

The sessions will be an ongoing, open-ended basis. New members can join at any time by calling 331-1244 to pre-register. Many insurance plans are accepted and fees are charged on a sliding scale based on ability to pay.

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CO-CHAIRS FOR LUNCHEON — Clarissa Kulman, (left) and Roberta Levin pause in planning South County Hadassah's luncheon on Oct. 19 at the Larchwood Inn, Wakefield, at noon. A social afternoon of games will follow. Call 783-1114 for details.

Have You Ever Been to Israel?

If you haven't (or even if it's been a while), you can spend New Year's in Israel with over 200 students from Brown, RISD, and universities across the country.

Spend 10 days in Israel (with the option to extend) on the United Jewish Appeal winter

student mission to Israel, Dec. 26 to Jan. 4.

The total cost is \$872 (which includes subsidies from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and UJA, and a suggested minimal gift to UJA).

Call Alisa at 863-2805 for more information.

RIC Professor to Speak at Stars of David

The local chapter of the Stars of David, a support group for Jewish or partly Jewish adoptive families, that is sponsored monthly by Jewish Family Service, will begin its second year with a special guest speaker.

Deborah Siegel, Ph.D., Rhode Island College professor and adoptive parent, will present a speech entitled "Talking to Children About Adoption: Jewish and Secular Issues." Siegel will address

how to empower parents to make decisions about talking to their children.

The meeting will be held on Oct. 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence. There is no fee. For more information, call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

The Center Is Having a Flea Market

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave. in Providence, is sponsoring an annual autumn flea market on Oct. 16 from 8 a.m. to noon in the social hall.

Items to be sold include toys and games, household items and small appliances.

Volunteers and donations are needed. Bring donations (no clothing) to the center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Oct. 14.

Contact Sandy Bass at 861-8800 for more information.

Majestic Senior Guild Meetings

The first autumn meeting of the Majestic Senior Guild will be held on Oct. 18 at Temple Torat Yisrael at 12:30 p.m. There will be a speaker, and a discussion of plans for the new season. Refreshments will be served.

The November meeting will be held on Nov. 15 and the December meeting will be held on Dec. 20, at the Temple Torat Yisrael.

Plans have been made for

day trips and overnight trips and other trips are still on the drawing board so the wishes of the membership will be welcomed in the discussion.

On Nov. 29, the guild will hold a Chanukah party at Temple Torat Yisrael, featuring a kosher meal, cash raffle, and entertainment by Mel Simons from Boston, a well known humorist.

Members are urged to attend all events.



SPECIAL GIFTS COMMITTEE — Seated from the left, Evelyn Wasser, Marian Goldstein and Frances Wexler; standing, from the left, Betty Adler and Etta Pinsley, meet to plan their luncheon at the Squantum Club, in East Providence, on Oct. 30 at 11:30 a.m. There will be a guest speaker, and the event will benefit the maternity pavillion at Hadassah Medical Center in Israel. Call 737-6682 or 738-2987 for details.

Notes on 'Can You Help Us?' Pictures

We have heard from Earl Fleisig of Delray Beach, Fla., that his name is Earl, not Carl as stated in the picture of the class of 1928 at Peace Street Grammar School.

Earl also informs us that Edward Golden, who lived on Taylor Street, was Irish

Catholic, not Jewish.

From Jeff, of Jeff's Kosher Kitchen, we learned that the two ladies pictured in the Aug. 18 edition of "Can You Help Us?" were: (on the left) Hannah (Katzman) Rashbaum and Shirley (Katzman) Libson.

Our thanks to Earl and Jeff.

It's Not Too Early To Shop for Chanukah

Women's American ORT, Elmgrove Chapter at Large, is having its annual holiday boutique on Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. at 11 Mountain Laurel Drive, Cranston. Chanukah is on Nov. 27 this year. ORT hopes you will take advantage of this chance to do some shopping, and enjoy it.

A wide variety of vendors will be present, selling jewelry, toys, personalized gifts, and more.

For more information, call 943-5252.

Free ADL Catalog Offers Wealth of Resource Material

The Anti-Defamation League is offering a 50-page illustrated publication listing several hundred books, videos, periodicals, curriculum guides, posters and exhibits on a broad range of subjects that are crucial to American Jews. There is a long list of Holocaust materials, resources for dealing with anti-Semitism and hate crimes, and publications focusing on Israel and the Middle East. There is also information about the ADL A World of Difference In-

stitute's diversity training programs.

To order a free copy of the *Material Resource Catalog*, call the ADL Material Resource Center at (800) 343-5540 or fax your request to (201) 652-1973.

Come to Ulpán on Oct. 17

Temple Beth Shalom has moved the start-up date of the Ulpán to Oct. 17.

Temple Beth-El's Celebrity Week

On Oct. 16 at 9:30 a.m., M. Charles Bakst, columnist with the *Providence Journal* and television commentator, will appear at an informal brunch and discussion at Temple Beth-El. This meeting will be the first of the Temple Beth-El Adult Enrichment Sunday Brunch Series. Registration is not required.

On Oct. 18, Cokie Roberts of "This Week," "Nightline" and "Good Morning America," will speak at the Temple at 8 p.m. The program will be sponsored by the Benefactors Fund of Temple Beth-El and is invited guests only.

NCJW Holds First Meeting of New Season

The National Council of Jewish Women will hold their first fall meeting on Oct. 20 at 9:30 a.m., at the Jewish Community Center in Providence. The speaker will be M.

Charles Bakst, *Journal-Bulletin* government affairs editor. His topic will be "R.I. Politics: Up to the Minute."

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

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School Beat



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82% of RIC Grads Achieve Career Goals

The percentage of the Rhode Island College class of 1993 graduates in career-related employment or in graduate school was recently reported at 82 percent, according to the placement survey of the Career Development Center. This reflects a 10 percent increase over the percentage of the graduates of the class of 1992.

This return to the "80-plus" range of placement reflects the more typical pattern during the last decade for RIC graduates, stated the report.

With 82 percent of the 1993 graduates staying in the state, and over half of the 12 percent leaving the state but remaining in New England, this placement rate offers an optimistic sign for the economy, it was

Johnson & Wales Hosting Eastern Collegiate Conference

For the third time in four years, students of the American Marketing Association at Johnson & Wales University will host the Eastern Collegiate Conference on Oct. 28 and 29 at the Johnson & Wales Inn, in Seekonk, Mass.

More than 200 students from the Northeast and Canada will gather to discuss "Target 2000," focusing on the present and future state of the marketing profession. More than a dozen seminars are scheduled for Saturday, including: International Business Protocol,

Coaches Can Get Certified

National Youth Sports Coaches' Association State Coordinator Vincent LaFazia is issuing a reminder that the fall/winter sports season is upon us. Recreation departments, league officials and volunteer coaches should schedule certification clinics for the coaches in their leagues. With proper planning, coaches will be ready to take their places on fields and courts without a last-minute scramble to certify. Sports include soccer, football, basketball, wrestling and cheerleading.

The NYSCA is a membership and certification organization for volunteer coaches in out-of-school sports for athletes 16 years old and younger. Training is conducted via videotape and group discussion with a certified clinician.

Pool Tournament at JCCRI

Those in grades seven to 12 can participate in a Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island youth department pool tournament on Oct. 15 from 7 to 10 p.m. It will be held in the gameroom of the JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. First, second and third place winners will be announced; refreshments will be provided. The event is free to JCCRI members and \$3 for non-members.

Contact Alisa Yanow at 861-8800 for more information.

noted.

Of those responding to the survey, 78 percent of the arts and sciences graduates, 88 percent of the social work graduates, 68 percent of the Center for Industrial Technology graduates and 90 percent of the education graduates reported that they were either in career-related employment or graduate school.

While 81 percent of the 1993 graduates were contacted, not all were willing to take part in the survey. The percentages reported reflect only those willing to provide information.

The total number of majors was given at 1,030 for 800 responding or 78 percent of majors responding to the survey.

Broadcast Media Through 2000, How to Develop a Portfolio, and Professional Etiquette. AMA collegiate members also will learn more about how to operate their collegiate chapters more effectively with seminar sessions on Chapter Management — Public Service Projects and Chapter Management — Publications and Communications.

To register or for additional information, contact the American Marketing Association of Johnson & Wales University at 598-1759.

Topics in the program include psychology of coaching youth sports, maximizing athletic performance, first aid and safety, substance and physical abuse prevention, and specific sports techniques. The primary goal of the organization is to increase the level of fun for the young athletes and reduce their drop-out rate.

To schedule an information session or certification clinic for coaches, contact the district coordinator in your area: Ralph Coppa, Narragansett 789-1044; Guy LeFebvre, Coventry 822-9107; Artie Sullivan, Providence 421-7740; Dan Mazzulla, Johnston 272-3460; or Vin LaFazia at Johnston Recreation 272-3460.

Who Is That Caped Crusader?

On Oct. 19, 3 to 5 p.m., by applying gold or silver emblems and other shimmering elements to fabric, kids will make swashbuckling, magical or mysterious capes to wear for Halloween during Cape Fun at the Children's Museum in Pawtucket. Visitors will meet a caped queen, autograph her cape, and meet the masked, black-caped musician who accompanies her. Same day telephone registration is required; call the museum at 726-2591 beginning at 9 a.m. to register. There is no fee beyond the price of admission.

Saturday Youth Basketball Begins

The family YMCA in Pawtucket will begin to offer the Saturday youth basketball program on Oct. 15.

The purpose of the program is to teach young boys and girls from ages 4 to 12 how to play basketball. "The program will give youngsters an opportunity to play, learn new skills, meet new friends and have lots of fun at the same time," says Bob Cioffi, senior program director of the family YMCA of Pawtucket.

In order to participate in this program, participants must stop by the family YMCA to register. There will be sub-divisions — ages 4 to 5 years will meet from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m., ages 6 to 7 years will meet from 10 to 11 a.m., ages 9 to 12 years will meet from 11 a.m. to noon.

The fee is \$17 for full members and \$30 for non-members.

The family YMCA is located on 20 Summer St. in Pawtucket (across from the library). All participants will receive a free T-shirt at the end of the program. For more information about this or any programs offered at the Y, call Bob Cioffi at 727-7900.

Y Walk for Kids

The Pawtucket family YMCA will be hosting a Y Walk for Kids on Oct. 15 to benefit the YMCA's Support a Child Campaign.

The walk will be held in Slater Park located off Newport Avenue, Pawtucket and will start at the zoo building and continue through the small loop. One loop is approximately one mile (you may continue as many times as you wish). Maps will be available.

Check in will be from noon to 1 p.m. at the zoo building. Participants are to secure pledges and turn them in at the check-in. The pledges will go toward the Support a Child Campaign which was developed to help kids by giving them a safe place to go and develop healthy values. Participants can earn awards for dollar amounts pledged, plus be eligible to win prizes in the super drawing. Prizes include gift certificates to City Nights Dinner Theatre, the Villa Restaurant, the Spaghetti Warehouse, A.T. Cross, Uncle Tony's Pizza and many more.

For entry forms or more information, stop by the YMCA at 20 Summer St., Pawtucket, or call 727-7900.

'Walk for Hope'

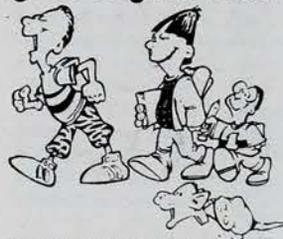
The Samaritans of Rhode Island third annual 10 kilometer walkathon is scheduled for Oct. 15 at 10 a.m. The Walk for Hope will be held at the Roger Williams Park/Zoo.

For information, call 272-4243.

Hunger Haunts Humanity Feinstein Youth Brigade Fights Back

The Hunger Haunts Humanity staff members from Park View Junior High School — a segment of The Feinstein Youth Brigade — have decided that "they will make a difference." Specifically, they have decided to help hungry Rhode Islanders. These students would like to ensure that no Rhode Islander is hungry this winter.

These students are sponsoring a World Food Day Hunger 5K Walk on Oct. 16. The walk, which will start and end at Park View Junior High School, 25 Park View Blvd., Cranston, is scheduled to begin at noon. All of the proceeds from this walk will be given to local and state



food banks and kitchens.

The brigade is asking members of the community to help ... to donate \$2, to pledge \$2 or more, to donate two cans of food, or just join them, if money or canned goods are not possible.

For more information, please call 785-8090, and ask for Patricia Wardell, Ed.D., advisor.

Classes Starting at the Local Ys

The fall II session of programs begins Oct. 31 at the YMCA at 438 Hope St. on the East Side.

Registration begins Oct. 11. There are programs for all ages from preschool to adult, and there is financial assistance available for both programs and memberships.

For preschoolers there is Tumble Tots, preschool movement education, time for twos, swim lessons, ballet, water play and gymnastics.

For youth there is swim lessons, swim team, gymnastics, ballet and Kids Club.

For teens there is swim team, teen leaders club, girls only swim, and nautilus strength training.

For adults there is step fitness, low impact aerobics, toning, aquatic water exercise, swim lessons for terrified of-the-water to advanced levels, country western line dancing, arthritis water exercise, water walking, and senior swim.

To register or for more information, stop by the Y or call 521-0155 for a brochure.

There will also be a meditation workshop on Nov. 28 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. It's \$10 for Y members and \$20 for non-members. Learn how to meditate and discuss the benefits of regular meditation with Rich Chartier, M.S.W., who has been meditating for 12 years.

Professional Development Seminars Announced

The Bryant College Center for Management Development is offering four seminars from Oct. 18 to 21 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The seminars are on Oct. 18, Working Towards Quality: A TQM Overview, and Developing Assertiveness Skills; on Oct. 19, 20 and 21, Techniques for Auditors — Internal Auditor Training, and on Oct. 20 and 21, On-Time Project Management.

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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Fink Sinks "Quiz Show"

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

I sat through "Quiz Show" with eyebrows raised alertly. But the more I went over it on my pillow back home the less I respected it. A few lines of Jewish interest stay put. Goodwin the hero agent munches a fat sandwich at a fancy cafe with his prey and pal, van Doren the velvet villain. "The Reuben recipe is an American invention. I don't see any real Reubens here."

That upper-class '50s Algonquin crowd with Thurber, Wilson and the van Dorens looks pretty stiff on camera. You never get a glimpse of the elegant wit and grace of the group, only its snobbish exclusiveness. Director Robert Redford goes for the obvious, never the ironic. Kids use the word "Duh!" for the effect it produces. Goodwin must choose between the claims of his co-religionist that the show cheated the Jew and rewarded the Christian, and the refined bid of the winner for his leniency and understanding.

Stempel the Jew loses out to van Doren the Gentile in more

ways than one. Crowds today may agree with audiences then that WASPS are deeper and more delicate in their decorum and decency than grubby Jews.

In sum, Redford betrays prejudices underneath liberal surfaces. Anyway, what do facts and insights have in common? Just because you know answers doesn't mean you're asking the right questions. Quiz shows measured the conventional cadence of the decade.



The main problem with "Quiz Show" goes back to the list of Hollywood films of decades ago. The old-time Buddy formula gets lightly updated, but its outlines stay firm. The

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Jewish Goodwin and the Goyish Doren glom on almost homorotically. Doren leaves his dad, and Goodwin moves back from Stempel. They confront each other, and that's the dramatic core of the movie. The issues have little to do with the structure of the story.

It's a man's movie, and women fit in only as sidekicks. They are either deaf or dumb, argumentative or just plain drab. Chauvinist films go sour just as feminist films do, by belaboring a bulldozed moral landscape.

All in all, I'd say "Quiz" is a bad flick. It plays up smug notions about power at the top, paranoid abstractions. I disliked "All the President's Men" for the same reasons, that the camera busies itself moving around restlessly because the writers run out of ideas and the audience of patience with genuine affairs of the world.

I squinted at the screen hoping that Redford's script and camera would get down and dirty about the assumed stupidity of the public as well as

Get Wrapped Up in the Quilt Show

The Narragansett Bay Quilters Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving our American quilt heritage, is holding its 10th biennial quilt show on Oct. 15 and 16, at the UCT Hall, 1530 Atwood Ave. (Route 5), Johnston. The show will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days. Admission is \$5.

the cynicism of the producers of these shows. Imagine, laughing on cue and clapping on command. Inviting canned responses into the intimate space of your own den. Or believing in intelligence measured by the buzz of a paid for gimmick. Truly, we get what we deserve. But for Redford to play it in a melodrama that puffs itself up with moral self-congratulation!

There's anti-Semitism everywhere, even among some people who like the Jews and work with them, live among them. Even the Jews themselves occasionally give in to it.

(Children 12 and under are free — accompanied by an adult).

The quilt show features an exhibit of more than 200 of New England's finest traditional and contemporary quilts, wall hangings, seasonal quilts, children's quilts, miniatures, wearable art and accessories made by members of Narragansett Bay Quilters Association. Merchants will have quilt-related items for sale.

Of special interest will be a fashion show of wearable quilted garments which will be held on Oct. 15 at 1 p.m.

A miniature quilt auction will be held on Oct. 16 at 1 p.m. for the benefit of the New England Quilt Museum.

Demonstrations of various quilting techniques will be held each day. There will also be a beautiful raffle quilt and door prizes. Lunch will be available. The UCT Hall is handicapped accessible. For more information, call 885-1328.

RISD Calendar of Events

Oct. 14 — Luncheon. "Music in the Museum." Listen to Barbara LaFitte, oboe, and Diana Smirnov, piano, as they present music by Loillet, Telemann, and Ravel. Free. 12:15 p.m. Museum of Art, 224 Benefit St.

Oct. 15 — Alumni/Student Sale. This sale features more than 100 student and alumni artists selling creations of jewelry, glass, ceramics, photography, printmaking, and much more. Live music and an international coffee bar. Free. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Benefit Street.

Library Book Sale. Selections from the RISD Library are for sale. A selection of prints from the picture collection is also available. Held in conjunction with the student/alumni sale. 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The RISD Library. Benefit Street.

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Illustrator's Work Displayed at JCCRI

Gallery 401 of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, which displays the works of various renowned artists every month, will have an opening reception for internationally syndicated art illustrator and cartoonist Jane Adler.

The reception will be held on Oct. 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the center, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. Her works will be in the gallery through Nov. 15.

Adler's works have been featured in newspapers throughout the country and periodicals including *The New Yorker* and *Cosmopolitan*.

Gallery 401 is open to the public during the following hours: Monday to Thursday, 3 to 10 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is closed on Saturdays. Call Ruby Shalansky 861-8800 for further information.

Concert Relocated

On Oct. 16 at 2 p.m., the Temple Emanu-El Leisure Club will present "A Pop Concert from Broadway to the Met." Marilyn Levin will present and sing with tenor Frederic Scheff, accompanied by Natalya Concharova on the piano.

The program has been relocated, and now will be held in the temple school building on Session Street.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



TED AND BETTY LEONARD, owners of Bumble Bee's at the Boulevard, relax over a brunch time cup of coffee. Photo by Jennifer Smith

Bumble Bee's at the Boulevard

by Alison Smith

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Right now, until Oct. 31, there is a complete brunch Sundays for \$6.95 per person served from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. It features French toast, fresh fruit, eggs, muffins, bagels, sausage, sometimes a fish dish (last weekend the fish was bass, caught that Saturday by one of the chefs who prepared it Sunday), hash, and potatoes. All breads served are made on the premises by the staff.

The owner is an antique car collector. Last Sunday a 1948 Lincoln Continental was parked by the curb. One of his collection is almost always out in front.

The hours are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight; Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Celebrate National Poetry Day

The first annual Poetry Festival, sponsored by the Rhode Island State Poetry Society, will be held on Oct. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Beneficent Church, 300 Weybosset St., Providence.

A \$2 donation will be requested. Bring a bag lunch.

Hebrew College Used Book Sale

The annual Hebrew College used book sale starts Oct. 16, offering more than 4,000 books, periodicals, pamphlets, records and cassettes, according to Director of Library Services Dr. Maurice Tuchman. Prices range from \$5 for special volumes to \$2 for individual books and 25 cents for pamphlets. The library is at 43

Hawes St., Brookline, Mass. Included among the general history and literature are Jewish and Hebrew secular works and popular fiction, a number of items in Rabbinics and books in German and Yiddish.

The Hebrew College library, sponsor of the annual sale, houses more than 120,000 books, manuscripts, records, microform and cassette tapes. Each year it offers the general public an opportunity to buy items that are duplicated in or outside the scope of its collection.

The used book sale runs Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 17 to Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Oct. 21 from 9 a.m. to noon, and ends on Oct. 23 at 3 p.m. Call (617) 232-8710 for more details.

March of Dimes Haunted House

The 20th annual all-night Haunted House sponsored by the March of Dimes Rhode Island Chapter is now open. This year's location is at 800 Post Rd., Warwick, across from Aldrich Junior High School.

The house will be open every night through Oct. 31, Sunday through Thursday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., and Friday and Saturdays from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$3.50 for adults; \$2 for children 12 and under.

An added attraction this year is a Fairy Tale House especially for children 8 years old and younger (price of admission is \$1.50) which will feature Snow White's cottage, Mermaid Lagoon, Darling Nursery, and the always popular Yellow Brick Road.

Locally, funds raised by the Haunted House provide grant money for projects at Women and Infants' and St. Joseph's Hospitals, for educational programs in schools and work places, and for research at Brown University.

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OBITUARIES

BARBARA J. ALTERMAN

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Barbara Jacobs Alterman, formerly of Providence, died Oct. 5. She was the wife of Nathan Alterman.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two children, Dr. Toby Alterman of Warwick and Dr. Hal Alterman of Alexandria, Va.; a brother, Ivan Jacobs; four grandchildren; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Oct. 7 at Temple Beth El, Boca Raton. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Hospice by the Sea, 1531 West Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton, Fla. 33486.

RUTH BLOOM

PALM BEACH, Fla. — Ruth Bloom, 83, of 100 Worth Ave., Palm Beach, died Oct. 10 at the Hospice of Palm Beach County, West Palm Beach, Fla. She was the wife of Benjamin Bloom.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Abraham and Laura Klemer, she moved to Palm Beach, in 1992.

She was a graduate of the Sargent School of Physical Education in Boston. She was a member of Temple Beth-El, the Brandeis University Women's Association, the Women's Associations of Miriam Hospital and the Jewish Home for the Aged.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Ellen Schein of Providence; a son, Peter J. Bloom of Bethesda, Md.; a brother, Harold Klemer of Beverly Hills, Calif.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Oct. 13 at Temple Beth-El, Orchard at Butler avenues. Arrangements were by Mount Sinai Memorial, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

JOSEPH CHAFETZ

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Joseph Chafetz, 75, of Delray Beach, Fla., formerly of Providence, died Oct. 6. He was the husband of Elaine Hafetz and he and his wife were residents of Florida for the past 8 years.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Jeffrey Chafetz of Livingston, N.J., and Peter Chafetz of Warwick; two brothers, Sidney Chafetz of Columbus, Ohio, and Lester Chafetz of Overland Park, Kan.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Oct. 9 in Delray Beach, Fla. Arrangements were by Joseph Rubin Memorial Chapel, Delray Beach, Fla.

ROBERT I. EDENBAUM

PORTLAND, Maine — Professor emeritus Robert Edenbaum, 64, who taught in the English department of Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa., from 1961 until his retirement in 1992, died after an eight-month illness on Oct. 5 in Portland. He was the husband of Jane Edenbaum.

He was born in New York City, educated in its public schools, and received his bachelor of arts degree from Brooklyn College in 1952. He went on to receive his Ph.D. at the University of California at Berkeley in 1961.

His field of study was American Literature, especially modern American fiction and his publications included critical studies of Nathanael West, John Hawkes, Thomas Pynchon and Dashiell Hammett.

During the late 1960s he was active in the college-based opposition to the Vietnam war and the military draft.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Seth, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; a brother, Jesse, of Cranston; two stepchildren, Anne Sherman of Derby, England, and David Sherman of Takoma Park, Md.

FRANCES FRIEDMAN

PROVIDENCE — Frances Friedman, of 158 Tenth St., a secretary for the Legal Aid Society and the late Gov. John Notte for several years before retiring, died Oct. 10 at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Lester Friedman.

She was a lifelong Providence resident.

She leaves no immediate survivors. She was the sister of the late Judge Maurice Robinson and Charles Robinson.

The funeral was held Oct. 12 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

CELIA GEREBOFF

PROVIDENCE — Celia Gereboff, of the Elmhurst Extended Care Facility, Maude Street, died Oct. 9 at the facility.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Meyer and Bessie (Grabofsky) Gereboff, she had also lived in Cranston.

She was office manager for the S.M. White Mfg. Co. for many years before retiring several years ago. She was a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Providence Hebrew Day School.

She leaves a sister, Helen Gereboff Forman of Providence. She was the sister of the late Samuel, Maurice, Shirley Gereboff, Rose Fruman and Dora Zelniker.

A graveside service was held Oct. 10 at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

JOSEPH JACOBSON

PAWTUCKET — Joseph Jacobson, 90, of 112 Sayles Ave., vice president of the former Industrial Trust Bank, now Fleet Bank, for 40 years died Oct. 11 at Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of the late Etta (Seltzer) Jacobson.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Maurice and Bessie (Hyatt) Jacobson, he lived in Pawtucket for 38 years.

He was well known in the banking field and was known nationally as the "Father of Installment Credit." He was a member of Temple Emanu-El, B'nai B'rith, the Hope Link of the Order of the Golden Chain, Nestell Lodge 37, AF & AM, and the Crestwood Country Club. He served as treasurer of the Jewish Committee on Boy Scouting, and received the Ner Tamid Award. He was a member of the Providence Fraternal Association. He was a member of the American Bankers Association and the Rhode Island

Association of Credit Men. He graduated from the Rutgers University Graduate School of Banking.

He leaves a son, Marvin Jacobson of Cranston; a brother, Nathan Jacobson of Providence, and two grandchildren.

The funeral was held Oct. 12 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

CHARLES H. SUMMERS

JOHNSTON — Charles H. Summers, 67, of 11 Sundance St., Warwick, died Oct. 11 at the Briarcliff Nursing Home in Johnston. He was the husband of the late Maxine (Arbeitsman) Summers.

Born in Wisconsin, a son of the late Orin and Doris (Combs) Summers, he lived in Warwick for 25 years.

He was retired in 1975 from the Navy as a chief petty officer after 30 years of service. For the past 20 years, he was an upholsterer for Caito's Marine Canvas and Bill's Auto Top. He was a member of Temple Am David. He had been a volunteer worker at the Trudeau Center and for the Special Olympics.

He leaves two daughters, Cassandra A. Summers of Warwick and Penny Carter of Chesapeake, Va.; two sons, Walter Summers of Shallotte, N.C., and Martin Summers of Southport, Texas; two sisters, Rosalie Summers of Warwick and Norma Glasberg of West Warwick, and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was held Oct. 13 at the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

WILLIAM LOVETT

GLENDALE, Calif. — William Lovett, 63, of 2624 Range Rd., Los Angeles, Calif., founder and proprietor of the former Asbestos Cleanup Consultants, Los Angeles, from 1972-93, died Sept. 17 at Glendale Adventist Hospital, Glendale, Calif.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Samuel and Jeanne (Millman) Lovett, he moved to Los Angeles in 1956.

He attended the University of Miami.

He leaves a daughter, Lisa Adams of Los Osos, Calif.; a son, Steven Lovett of Los Angeles; two brothers, Merrill Lovett of Warwick and Joseph Lovett of New York, and two grandsons. He was the brother of the late Tricia Stallman and Raul Lovett.

The funeral was held Sept. 22 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Congregation Sons of Israel & David Cemetery.

HERBERT MICKELSON

NEW BEDFORD — Herbert Mickelson, 77, of 401 Maxfield St., died Sept. 14. He was the husband of Lillian (Grossman) Mickelson and the son of the late Morris and Nettie (Kirschenbaum) Mickelson.

He died at St. Luke's Hospital.

He was a lifelong resident of New Bedford, a member of Congregation Tifereth Israel and a manager for Stop & Shop Supermarket for more than 25 years, until he retired 20 years ago.

He was a World War II Army veteran, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, the Jewish War Veterans and the American Radio Relay League. He was a former assistant scout master of Troop No. 8, Boy Scouts of America, for more than 30 years, and a former assistant cub scout master of Pack No. 8.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, Stanley Mickelson of North Dartmouth and Joel Mickelson of New Bedford; a brother, Sidney Mickelson of Florida; and two grandchildren.

He was the brother of the late Squire Mickelson.

Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

JAKE SONDLER

WARWICK — Jake Sondler, 86, of 303 Greenwich Ave., a retired manager for the former Florsheim Shoe Store, Providence, died Oct. 6, at Kent County Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Norma (Broadman) Sondler, and the late Ethel (Israeloff) Sondler.

Born in Cumberland, a son of the late Joseph and Bessie

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Caring for someone else brings meaning to their lives. It helps them heal.

I was touched by the fine examples of caring and giving that were displayed by righteous gentiles we learned about, like Oscar Schindler with his factory; a pharmacist in Krakow who gave drugs to Jews who needed them; Sugihara, the Japanese diplomat, who gave exit visas to thousands of Jewish families; Raoul Wallenberg, of course; and the example that hit the closest to home, of the family who saved the life of the sister of a member of our group. These people risked their own lives to save the lives of others.

We personally experienced several acts of giving. On our last day in Budapest a few of us visited a gypsy family. The father didn't have a job and their apartment was sparsely furnished. They were so gracious and warm. Immediately after we entered they offered each of us a cold drink. They had so little, but they still had something to share with us.

During our Shabbat in Warsaw, as we were leaving the kiddush that I mentioned earlier, our eyes were drawn to one of the older Jewish men outside. He was feeding the birds by sprinkling the crumbs that remained in the empty matzah boxes. He had so little, but he still had something to share with others.

We saw examples of caring and giving in our visits to the cemeteries. We were reminded that no matter how hard peoples' lives were, they always made a special point of providing their loved ones with a place to rest in peace, if at all possible. Our tradition provides us with a wonderful set of rituals associated with honoring and remembering the dead and caring for the survivors. We saw evidence of this. Often, the grave-stones taught us something about the people who were being remembered. A broken candle or a broken tree branch, often signifying an early end to someone's life; a shelf of books for a scholar; hands in the form of the priestly blessing for a Kohain; a water pitcher for a Levi, who washed the feet of the Kohanim; a theater mask for an actress; or a tzedakah box for a generous person.

I'm reminded of the poignant thought that a woman in our group shared with me when we were in the cemetery in Alexandrow. She looked out at a cemetery that was almost devoid of gravestones and said, "The only thing worse than a full cemetery is an empty cemetery." It's sad to think of the great potential that was never realized in these communities. So many people did not even have a chance to begin their lives and so many of those who were living, died in the mass grave of a concentration camp.

For those who have lost most of their original families and friends, it is as if a part of them has died. The world as they knew it has disappeared. They live with bitter memories, but many feel compelled to tell their stories. We are a part of their new world. We can learn from them about how to live with such memories, learn from them to be forward-looking and tolerant.

I think this ability to be forward-looking and approach life with a spirit of hope nourished those who were faced with horror-filled days. I'm reminded of the words of the prisoners in Majdanek when they said, "The will to live is most important" and "Hope is the last to die." Similarly, this spirit is captured in Anne Frank's words when she said, "Look up into the heavens and I think that it will all come right, that this cruelty, too, will end and that peace and tranquility will return again."

I believe we brought a flicker of hope to those in the places we visited, whether it was by re-lighting a Yahrzeit candle, by saying Kaddish, by attending services or just by being there with a listening ear for people who needed to tell their stories. We can hope that the survivors we met, and, maybe, maybe even those who are resting in the cemeteries, will be encouraged by seeing Jews like us who can live freely as Jews.

Those to whom I was most drawn in our group were those who showed care for others and who approached life with a spirit of hope. Having shared this intense emotional journey, special bonds were formed between us. We were there for each other — a comforting presence in some very lonely places.

We must not forget the past. As George Santayana said, and as we included in an Auschwitz exhibit, "The one who does not

remember history is bound to live through it again." The past cannot be changed but our memories of it — and — our actions today — are before us. We have the potential to be forward-looking — to work to minimize the chances of another Holocaust. As I think back on how I wanted this to be a trip of hope for me, I'm reminded of a comment made about the drawings of the children in Terezin — "Let their drawings and poems speak to you, it is their voice which has been preserved, the voice of truth and hope."

Torat Yisrael

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Conversion Law

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Manhattan and Rabbi Mark L. Winer of the Jewish Community Center in White Plains, N.Y.

Just prior to her conversion in New York, Voitoulevitch went to a mikveh — a ritual bath — in accordance with Reform conversion procedure.

The irony of Voitoulevitch's dilemma, which is increasingly common in Israel, stems from Israeli law that does not recognize non-Orthodox conversions if performed in Israel, but accepts them if done outside the Jewish state.

"This case underscores the misguided nature of Israeli law, which, due to Orthodox political pressure, prevents Reform and Conservative conversions in Israel," said Rabbi Hirsch. "It is a travesty that our signing the conversion certificate in New York entitles Voitoulevitch to Israeli citizenship as a Jew, while our signatures on the very same certificate in Israel would mean nothing."

The Russian-born actress was the only non-Jewish member of a well-known Moscow theatrical troupe that emigrated to Israel as a group four years ago. She fell in love with the country and became a member of Gesher — "bridge" in Hebrew — an Israeli theatrical company in Jaffa composed of Russian emigrant actors. Her husband, Gad Manor, an architect, accompanied her to New York for the conversion.

Gesher, widely praised in Israel, also has performed in the United States and other countries. The *New York Times*, reviewing Gesher's performance of "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, called it "an invigorating interpretation of the original [Tom] Stoppard."

Rabbi Hirsch said ARZA is currently supporting a campaign in Israel led by the Israel Religious Action center — an ARZA affiliate — to change the law so that conversions and marriages performed in Israel by non-Orthodox rabbis will be recognized in Israel.

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Hungary's Apology

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graphic Agency, "It is crucial for the Hungarian government to stop and protest against any appearance of anti-Semitism."

Leslie Keller, chairman of the WJC East European Commission and a leader of the Hungarian Jewish community, described Kovacs' statements as "extraordinary and marking a new, positive chapter in Hungarian-Jewish relations."

In a private meeting with the heads of the WJC and the Jewish Agency, the Hungarian foreign minister also discussed the restoration of confiscated Jewish property. "We talked about substance, and a great deal of progress was made," said Elan Steinberg, WJC executive director.

This was in accordance with the accord the World Jewish Restitution Organization signed in April with Hungary for the return of confiscated property.

Hungary and Slovakia are the only former Communist countries in Eastern Europe to have entered such agreements with the Jewish community.

(JTA correspondent Agnes Bohm in Washington contributed to this report.)

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