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## Accused Nazi War Criminal Deported

WASHINGTON — Karl Linnas, an accused Nazi war criminal, was deported on Monday of this week to the Soviet Union, where he faces a death sentence for his alleged World War II role as head of an Estonian concentration camp where 12,000 people were killed.

The Supreme Court cleared the way for Linnas' expulsion, voting 6-3 to deny his request for a delay, effectively ending his five-year struggle to remain in this country. The justices issued no opinion with their vote.

Justice Department officials said Linnas was taken from his New York jail cell by federal agents and placed on the 7:20 p.m. flight of CSA, the Czechoslovakian airline, from John F. Kennedy International Airport to Prague en route to the Soviet Union. The plane left JFK at about 8 p.m., Monday night.

Linnas, in handcuffs and wearing a brown fedora and a suit and tie, shouted to a group of reporters at the airport that Americans should consider his deportation to the Soviet Union to be the equivalent of "murder."

Linnas' attorneys filed last-minute actions in federal court seeking to delay his departure. A federal judge and an appeals court both turned down the requests. Linnas' daughter Anu tried to get through to

Attorney General Edwin Meese 3d to plead for more time to find a third country willing to take her father, according to a family attorney.

The Linnas case triggered a battle that split the Reagan administration and pitted the Jewish and East European immigrant communities against one another.

Justice Department attorneys had demanded his deportation, while Patrick J. Buchanan, former White House communications director, protested sending a U.S. resident to face Soviet justice.

Buchanan, who asked Meese to block the deportation, was supported by Ramsey Clark, a former U.S. attorney general who is now one of Linnas' attorneys, and Amnesty International, which opposes the death penalty.

Justice Department officials said Meese has tried to find a country other than the Soviet Union willing to take Linnas because he had doubts about the Soviet-supplied evidence used by the Justice Department to convict Linnas of fraudulently obtaining his U.S. citizenship.

Panama had agreed secretly to take Linnas but canceled the plan last week after Jewish groups found out and denounced the arrangement.

Linnas cannot be tried under

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## Mayor Koch Visits Camps

NEW YORK (JTA) — Mayor Edward Koch, in a voice filled with sadness and a delivery bereft of any of his flair for the dramatic, spoke Sunday night of his visit to Auschwitz and Warsaw in February, of the weight of the Holocaust on the Jewish people, and of his own feelings of being Jewish.

He was addressing a memorial gathering for the 44th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, mounted jointly by the Metropolitan Synagogue here and the Workmen's Circle, an organization which Koch has frequently supported.

In slow and measured words, Koch related how he went to Poland in February out of "a compulsion, an obsession" to see the Warsaw Ghetto memorial and Auschwitz. He did not go, he said, to see "quite frankly, the place where my parents had been born, because I don't know of any Jews who were born in Poland who ever tell me it's their home, because they were not made very comfortable there."

He went to see Warsaw and Auschwitz, he said, because he had "an almost pain to do that." In Warsaw, he said, after breakfasting with Warsaw Ghetto hero Marek Edelman, he went to see the monument to the ghetto, a memorial that affected him in an unexpected way.

"The monument that you see," Koch recounted, "the face of the



Mayor Koch

monument, did not move me... It was the reverse side that moved me. The reverse side is a frieze showing a line of men, women and children who are marching to the crematoria. That image that I have, there is no question but that Jews, under the most extraordinary of circumstances, showed special courage... But for me, it was to see Jews marching — children, women, men — to their death with faith in God, exhorting us from that monument never to forget what happened." He saw this in his mind, he said, later when he went to Auschwitz, where he spent several hours, touring the barracks, "And I had great sorrow — it was unbearable. And yet, I

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## R.I. Holocaust Memorial Groundbreaking

by Robert Israel

PROVIDENCE — In the back of the Jewish Community Center here on Wednesday afternoon of this week, under overcast skies, with a unseasonably cold wind blowing dust and dirt into the eyes of the more than 150 men, women and children attending, ground was broken for the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial building and garden. An emotional event for all those participating, the groundbreaking ceremonies is the realization of many years of planning by Holocaust survivors and volunteers who have pledged a campaign goal of one half million dollars to build the garden and the museum and to sustain it as a living, teaching memorial. The event took place after the conclusion of Passover last week and in advance of Yom Hashoah, the Day of Remembrance for the victims of the Nazi Reich.

Attending the ceremony were Rhode Island's elected officials, including Gov. Edward DiPrete, Lt. Governor Richard A. Licht, representatives from Sen. Pell and Sen. Chaffee's offices, a representative from U.S. Rep. Claudine Schneider's office, Rhode Island State legislators, members of the Jewish Federation professional staff, area rabbis and congregants, as well as Holocaust survivors and their children. The event was also covered by television crews and newspapers.

Chairman of the day was Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Leonard Holland who introduced the guest speakers.

The invocation was read by Rt. Rev. George N. Hunt III, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island. He was followed on the dias by Mark S. Mandell.

"The State of Rhode Island has made a commitment of one million dollars for the Washington, D.C. Holocaust



The Holocaust Memorial in Providence is located at the Jewish Community Center on Elm Grove Avenue.

Memorial with \$200,000.00 to be earmarked for the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial building and garden," Mandell, chair of the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial executive committee, said. He added that he had visited the site of the Nazi death camps during a mission to Poland and was overcome by the "death that I felt there."

Mandell introduced Gov. DiPrete who also spoke of his travels in Europe in 1952 when he was a student at Holy Cross College.

"Many of you have heard me speak of this before, so please bear with me. I visited Dachau as a college student," Gov. DiPrete said, "and I realized then that the Holocaust should never again be allowed to happen."

Rev. Edward H. Flannery, director of Catholic-Jewish relations, Diocese of Providence and the author of *Anguish of the Jews*, was the next guest speaker. He read a short, moving prayer in memory of the "six million Jews and the one million children" that

died during the Nazi Reich.

Samuel Jamnik, a Holocaust survivor and President of the Rhode Island Holocaust Survivors, said: "This is a great day. Over the years, we have learned that bigotry has no place. There is only a place for love in the world. With the building of this memorial to those that have been lost, let us go on to build schools and bridges of freedom between people of all races."

The benediction was given by Rabbi Wayne Franklin of Temple Emanu-El, chairman of the Rhode Island Board of Rabbis. "Ani M'amim" was the concluding song led by Cantor Samuel Linkovsky of Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston.

Following the conclusion of Cantor Linkovsky's song, there was a short groundbreaking ceremony.

"Thank for joining us here today," May. Gen. Leonard Holland said. "And I hope to see you again in six months when the building is completed for the dedication."

## Yom Hashoah: Holocaust Remembrance Day



THE SELECTION  
by Lenka K. Rose

Let us remember — and never forget  
the Jewish children who perished during the Holocaust.

One and one-half million were lost to Auschwitz, they were sent to meet their death.

The cattle cars rushed human cargo day and night

without any interruption of their plight.

Vicious dogs, Mengelle with whip in hand — they met their stark, murderous faces — those barren of human feelings and places.

The doomed shocked children — torn from their gasping helpless mothers Moved as no others.

To the evil Nazi forces — They were merely faceless masses.

There was the sun, moon, stars shining on their faces But where was world's mankind — and their faces.

In the name of humanity... Why, oh why, were they forsaken...

In those men-created evil infested places...

by Robert Israel

The poem above, written by survivor Lenka Rose for the *Herald*, is but one of the many messages of remembrance that will

be uttered during Yom Hashoah, the Day of Remembrance for the victims of the Holocaust which is held on April 26.

This year, as in years past, we will again have the opportunity to reflect on the lives of men, women and children lost in the Nazi reign of terror at many interfaith commemorations of the Holocaust in our community.

Interest in the Holocaust — the extermination of Jews and others considered enemies of the Nazi Reich — has intensified in this country and abroad over the past several years. The stories that appear in this week's *Herald*, for example, — Mayor Koch visiting Auschwitz, an accused Nazi deported from the United States to the Soviet Union, a report of Nazi activity in Chile from the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith — are only three stories out of several that speak of the on-going discoveries and the historical importance of the Holocaust. As evidenced by the reports, events are happening on a global scale: in Jerusalem the trail

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# Local News

## JFS Asks For Your Reponse

Once again, as Jewish Family Service plans its Family Life Education programs for the next season, the agency is asking that the community communicate their requests for workshops.

Paul Segal, Executive Director of Jewish Family Service, says, "Our programming has been most successful when we listen to the needs of our constituency. This past year our Family Life Education workshops were designed on the basis of the results of the previous year's responses. We ask that each person who takes a workshop fill out a needs assessment. In the spring of each year we tabulate the results and plan our programming accordingly. Our workshops fill rapidly and our evaluations are rewarding.

"Our concern is that there are constituencies that we are not reaching. We are asking for suggestions from the community for workshops that they would like to see our Family Life Education program offer."

To fill out a needs assessment, or to offer a suggestion, call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

## Computer Lecture

Joseph Raben, a leading proponent of computer use in the humanities, will give a lecture entitled "Why Humanities Need Computers" on May 7 at Brown University. Raben will speak from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Crystal Room at Alumnae Hall on the Pembroke campus.

Raben is currently the director of Paradigm Press and SCOPE. Paradigm Press is a publishing company concerned with computer-oriented research in the humanities. Today, his journal is widely regarded as the foremost publication on this topic.

Raben has taught English literature at several colleges, most notably Queens College in England where he taught for 30 years. He has published articles on both computers and literature in such diverse publications as *Science, Computers and People*, the *Keats-Shelley Journal* and the *Review of English Studies*.

The lecture, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by Computing and Information Services and the Institute for Research in Information and Scholarship at Brown University.

## Improving Your Marriage At JFS

A workshop designed to help couples understand how a marriage works will be offered by Family Life Education at Jewish Family Service.

"Enriching Your Marriage," a program for couples of any age and stage from newlyweds through the middle years, will be held on Tuesday, May 12 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Jewish Family Service offices at 229 Waterman Street in Providence. The fee for the one-session workshop is \$15 per couple.

Workshop leaders, Ivy Marwil and Ruth Berenson, both social workers on the staff of Jewish Family Service, will focus on the skills necessary to make a marriage work, techniques for communicating effectively and methods of resolving conflicts.

Preregistration is required. To register or for further information call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

## Trude Coxe At Beth-El

Trudy Coxe, Executive Director of Save The Bay since 1979, will be the Temple Beth-El Brotherhood guest speaker on Sunday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m. The community is welcome to attend.

Under the leadership of Trudy Coxe, Save The Bay has grown into an effective and well respected environmental organization. A graduate from Beaver College in Pennsylvania, Coxe serves on a variety of regional and national committees and has been the recipient of several awards including the Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental Merit Award. For more information call 331-6070.

## Art Auction At Temple Habonim

Temple Habonim of Barrington presents its second art auction on Saturday, May 2. The art collection will be auctioned by Sakal Galleries of New York and Florida. Featured artists will be Moulton, Mazur, McNight, Boulouger, Calder, Delacroix, Miro, Vasarely, Appel, Agam as well as many other famous and soon-to-be famous sculptors, constructionists and assemblagists.

Preview is at 7 p.m. The auction begins at 8 p.m. There are complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and desserts. There is also a \$5 donation per person and a chance to win a raffled framed print.

For more information contact Rabbi James Rosenberg, Temple Habonim at 245-6536.

## Majestic Seniors

A regular meeting of the Majestic Senior Guild will be held Tuesday, April 28 at Temple Torat Yisrael 12:30 p.m., Cranston, R.I.

A luncheon and show is scheduled at Whites in Westport, Mass., on May 20. Reservations with monies accepted at this meeting. A trip to the Pines in the Catskills is arranged for June 14 for 8 days. Don't miss this fantastic holiday trip. Make reservations at this meeting.

Other trips and theatre parties for the coming months will be discussed at this meeting.

## Rabbi Pinsky Receives Grant

Rabbi Yechiel Pinsky, a teacher in the elementary and high school division of the Providence Hebrew Day School and the New England Academy of Torah, has received notification of his selection as a 1987 National Fellow for Independent Study in the Humanities. He is one of approximately 150 Fellows chosen from over 1200 applicants.

Rabbi Pinsky's independent study will be in the area of Prophets with special concentration on the book of Isaiah. The program, which is for an eight-week period, includes a \$200 grant for the purchase of books for the school's library. Funding for this project is by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

A native of Baltimore, Maryland, Rabbi Pinsky received a BA in Talmudic Law from Ner Israel Rabbinical College in Baltimore. He also received a M.Ed. in Counseling from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Rabbi Pinsky has been on the faculty of the Day School since 1982. He previously had been director of the vocational program at Yeshivat Kerem in Santa Clara, California.

## Jewish Holidays 5747 1987

Yom HaShoah .....	Sun., Apr. 26
Israel Memorial Day ....	Sun., May 3
Israel Independence Day .....	.....
.....	Mon., May 4
Yom Yerushalayim ....	Wed., May 27
Shavuot 1st Day .....	Wed., June 3
Shavuot 2nd Day (Yizkor) .....	.....
.....	Thurs., June 4
Tisha B'av .....	Tues., Aug. 4
Rosh Hashanah 5748 1st Day .....	.....
.....	Thurs., Sept. 24
Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day .....	.....
.....	Fri., Sept. 25

## Pulitzer Prize Winning Journalist David Shipler At Beth-El



David K. Shipler

The Benefactors Fund of Temple Beth-El is pleased to welcome author and journalist David K. Shipler on Wednesday, May 6 at 8 p.m. Chief Diplomatic correspondent in Washington for the *New York Times*, Shipler received critical acclaim for his book: *Arab and Jew: Wounded Spirits in a Promised Land*. Shipler joined *The Times* as a news clerk in 1966 and has served as a foreign correspondent in Southeast Asia, the Soviet Union and the Middle East. The Benefactors Fund was established in 1980 on the occasion of Temple Beth-El's 125th anniversary. Other speakers in this series have included: Abba Eban, Chaim Potok, Elie Wiesel, Madame Jehan Sadat and Mary Travers.

Tickets for this program can be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Benefactor's Committee, Wayland Square Station, P.O. Box 3312, Providence, R.I. 02906. There are no reserved seats and tickets will be issued on a first come, first serve bases.

## Scholarship Available

The Advisory Commission on Women in Rhode Island (ACW) will be awarding its fifth educational scholarship for women according to Dr. Rita Clark-Chambers, ACW Executive Director. The Women's Equity Scholarship Program recipient will receive up to \$300 to be used for child care, travel, materials and/or other support services.

The scholarship is provided annually for a woman who has demonstrated a need for supplementary financial assistance to pursue educational or job training. "The program addresses needs not met by existing scholarships, such as transportation, child care, introductory courses to a program, tutoring and other such costs particularly affecting women students," stated Roberta Richman, Chair of the Women's Equity Scholarship Committee.

"The Commission is particularly interested in helping Rhode Island residents who are seeking non-traditional education or training; teenaged parents or prospective parents who need help to finish high school; prisoners in a state correctional institution or ex-offenders who want to undertake vocational and/or career training, or women who have been absent from the labor market for a substantial number of years and need to acquire skills to re-enter the workforce," said Margaret L. Barrett, Chair of the ACW.

Application forms may be obtained from the ACW office at 220 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, and must be submitted by May 30, 1987. For more information or help in completing the forms, call 457-1802.



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## Jewish Education And Afternoon Schools

by Isaac Klausner

Jewish education in America is medicine to the disease of assimilation, wrote Dr. Jonathan Woocher, executive vice-president of the Jewish Education Service of North America. Like any medicine, Jewish education is thought of as unpleasant, sometimes to be endured as long as absolutely necessary. And it is the patient, the youngster, when he or she reaches Bar or Bat Mitzvah, that decides whether or not to quit taking the medicine and to continue or not with a formal Jewish education.

Learning has always been the supreme value for the Jewish people. Reverence for education was expressed in lullabies such as "Learning is the best ware" or "Grow, my child, to be a learned Rabbi." The Melamed (teacher) would teach the Siddur and the Chumash and illustrate his point with stories and parables that left an indelible impression upon the minds of his pupils.

We live in a changed world. The new math, the discovery approach in science, the new methods in teaching languages, the video and the computer — all this has benefited teaching and prompted demand to rise the quality of teachers and the teaching methods.

Children live in a competitive and frenzied world. They need now, more than ever, meaning to their everyday life.

There is now a language boom at every level of schooling in the United States. Research shows that language acquisition skills are at the highest in children before they reach the age of eleven. Not only Spanish or Italian or Russian are offered but also Japanese, Chinese and Arabic. A growing number of schools offer language instruction from kindergarten to graduate school. A "second language" in school is a longterm investment and a vital one.

A Jewish child might find relief and meaning in the Religious school. Jewish education is not merely another "extra-curricular activity" and parents should know it. Our task is to arouse children's curiosity and imagination. No bribes, like praise, candy or endless games, would do it. Regardless of the limited hours in the afternoon schools, the students should learn who they are and why they should be proud of whom they are.

I am constantly amazed at the depth of talent among many Jewish students. From his beginning in school, the child must have the very best teacher. The teacher must be not only certified by a license but must have the skill, the knowledge and the personal competence. The teacher has evidently a great responsibility. Teaching is not simply academics, for there are additional processes involved in the development of a child. A Jewish education is much more than chanting the Haftorah.

There are many Israeli studying in America who take up a teaching job in the afternoon schools. But "just because one can speak the language doesn't mean you can teach it." However, the great majority of Israeli do contribute immensely to Jewish education in America.

There are always criticisms: boredom in the classroom, poor teachers, inefficiency, short hours. Unrealistic expectations should not prevent us from recognizing that the religious schools do provide a fundamental and vital understanding of Judaism that the student will carry into adulthood. Outside evaluation of programs and teachers, statistics published and contests held once or twice a year with published results, would add interest and activities for the religious school.

## Betty Bumpers To Speak

Betty Bumpers, founder of Peace Links, will speak on "Women's Work — Ending the Threat of Nuclear War," at 7 p.m. on May 14 at the Cathedral of St. John, North Main Street, Providence. The event is sponsored by Women for a Non-Nuclear Future.

Peace Links is a national women's organization led by 130 wives of members of Congress. One of several prominent women featured in the Academy Award-winning film "Women — For America, For the World," Mrs. Bumpers leads the Peace Links network of over 35,000 members who work with their families, clubs and communities in activities that will help prevent nuclear war.

According to Sharron Singleton, co-Director of Women for a Non-Nuclear Future, "We invited Betty Bumpers to speak in order to educate and reenergize our current members and to reach out to new people. Increasingly dangerous and expensive nuclear weapons systems are still being built. We need to develop a new sense of urgency about the need to make sane national security decisions."

Mrs. Bumpers is the recipient of several awards, including the 1985 Woman of Conscience Award from the National Council of Women in the United States, and a citation from the Arkansas Audubon Society for her work with the "ultimate conservation issue." Mrs. Bumpers has three children; her husband is Senator Dale Bumpers (D) of Arkansas.

A discussion period and refreshments will follow Mrs. Bumpers' talk. The public is cordially invited to attend. A donation of \$2-\$5 is requested.

## Dr. Goldfarb To Speak

Dr. David Goldfarb, the renowned Jewish geneticist who was released from the Soviet Union last fall, will be a special guest here on June 11 at a major dinner sponsored by the American Jewish Historical Society.

Dr. Goldfarb, 67, and his wife, Cecilia, will be reunited at the Emma Lazarus Statue of Liberty Dinner with Dr. Armand Hammer, the industrialist and citizen-diplomat who arranged for their release.

They will be joined by their son, Dr. Alex Goldfarb, a microbiologist at the Hammer Sciences Center at Columbia University in New York. The younger Dr. Goldfarb emigrated to the United States in 1975.

Dr. Hammer will be honored at the dinner with the Lazarus/Liberty Award which is presented to an American Jew who has made a major contribution to American life, according to Morris Sobel, president of The Society.

In a visit to the Soviet Union last October, Dr. Hammer, chairman of Occidental Petroleum Corporation, raised the issue of Dr. Goldfarb's release with Anatoly F. Dobrynin, the former Soviet Ambassador to the United States.

News reports indicated that Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev was contacted about the case and agreed to permit Dr. Hammer to take the ailing Dr. Goldfarb from a Moscow hospital and bring him back to the United States.

Dr. Goldfarb, a one-time head of a laboratory of molecular genetics at the Academy of Sciences who was suffering from diabetes and a heart condition, was taken aboard Dr. Hammer's private jet and flown to New Jersey where he was met by his son and taken directly to the hospital.

Dr. Goldfarb's appearance at the Emma Lazarus Statue of Liberty Award Dinner will mark his first appearance in Boston.

## Jewish Historical Association Meeting



The Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association will hold its 33rd annual meeting on Sunday, May 3, 1987 at 2 p.m. in the auditorium of the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence.

The 17th annual David Charak Adelman lecture will be delivered by Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Lt. Commander, Chaplain Corps, U.S. Navy. The topic of his address is: "The Tablets and the Stars: A

History of Jewish Chaplains in the United States Military."

Rabbi Resnicoff holds degrees from Dartmouth College, Salve Regina-Newport College (M.A., International Relations), and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, where he was ordained in 1976. Rabbi Resnicoff also graduated with distinction from the Naval War College where only a few chaplains have ever studied.

His assignments with the Chaplain Corps include Yokosuka, Japan, Norfolk, Virginia and the staff of Commander Sixth Fleet — traveling to all ships in the Mediterranean and to the Marines in Beirut.

In Rhode Island Rabbi Resnicoff is active in military and community affairs and has spoken to many diverse groups including many colleges and universities.

The slate of officers and members-at-large of the Executive Committee will be presented by the nominating committee for election. A social hour will follow the meeting. The public is invited, and there is no charge.

## Dr. Shani To Speak

The Annual Burgess Oratorion will be held in The Miriam's Sopkin Auditorium on May 14, 1987 at 11:00 a.m. The speaker for the oration is Dr. Mordecai Shani who will address "Health Care in Israel."

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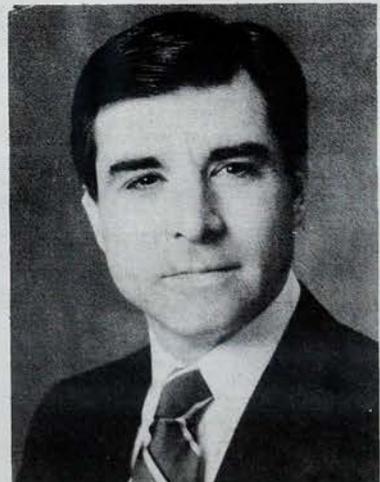
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# From The Editor

by Robert Israel



## Yom Hashoah: Holocaust Remembrance Day

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of John Demjanjuk continues after a Passover recess; he is being accused of perpetrating crimes against humanity as "Ivan the Terrible." In France, the trial of Klaus Barbie will take place next month, the so called "Butcher of Lyons," who, like the two Nazis facing trial in the Soviet Union and in Jerusalem, escaped his captors for many years until very recently.

There are scores of new books and historical studies of the darkest period of history. Just last week four books arrived at my office written by survivors and historians.

As I outlined in an editorial recently, I don't think it is too much. I don't think the message of the Holocaust is being over-dramatized. And as ground is being broken for the Holocaust Memorial in Providence, it is my hope that the community listens and cares, that the message of the Holocaust is repeated for generations upon generations. Only in this way can we hope to change humankind.

Here are several events that will be taking place in the community in observance of Yom Hashoah:

### Temple Shalom

The Congregation of Temple Shalom of Middletown will assemble for a late Shabbat Eve Worship Service on Friday, April 24, at 8 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary of the Temple. Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer will chant the liturgical portions of the service and deliver the sermon entitled, "Boesky and Pollard... How Far Reaching is the Guilt?" An Oneg Shabbat will follow in the social hall, graciously sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker in honor of his special birthday.

A special program and Service of Remembrance for Yom Ha-Shoah, the Day of The Holocaust will take place on Sunday, April 26 at 10 a.m. in the temple social hall. Students from the United Hebrew School will participate.

### Temple Emanu-El

Senator Claiborne Pell will receive the Jewish Federation's *Never Again Award* at the annual Interfaith Holocaust Commemoration on April 26 at Temple Emanu-El, Providence.

Members of the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish communities will gather for the commemoration, at which Senator Pell will be honored for his efforts to eliminate anti-Semitism and racism, for his support of efforts to commemorate the Holocaust, and for his commitment to human rights.

The commemoration will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Temple, 99 Taft Avenue, Providence.

The Interfaith Commemoration will also include presentations by survivors of the Holocaust, the traditional candlelighting ceremony, readings, cantorial presentations and the Memorial Prayer.

Others participating in the Program will be Christian and Jewish clergy, Gov. Edward DiPrete, Monsignor Daniel O'Grady of the Diocese of

Providence, and Charles Samdperil, President of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

The commemoration is open to the public and is sponsored by the Diocese of Providence, Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, Holocaust Survivors of Rhode Island, Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Ministerial Alliance of Providence and Vicinity, National Conference of Christian and Jews, Rhode Island Board of Rabbis, and Rhode Island State Council of Churches.

### City Of Warwick

A Holocaust Remembrance Day is scheduled for Thursday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Warwick City Hall. In sponsoring the event, Mayor Francis X. Flaherty said "While the example of the Holocaust degradation reveals the depths to which human beings can be brought, the survivors provide us with the inspiration to strive to build a better world of peace and love. Remembering is our legacy and our mission."

Highlighting the evening's program is a panel discussion entitled "Holocaust Lessons." Moderated by Professor Michael Fink, the panel consists of Chhem Eng, Executive Director of the Cambodian Society; Ray Eichenbaum, Holocaust survivor; Ara Shiragian, co-chairman of the Armenian Martyrs Memorial Committee and Representative Zygumnt Friedemann, Holocaust survivor and Professor of Political Science at Providence College.

### Torat Yisrael

A Torah scroll (handwritten text of Five Books of Moses) used by the Jewish community of Tabor, Czechoslovakia, until the community was destroyed by the Nazis, will be presented to Temple Torat Yisrael and placed on permanent display.

The Torah was originally confiscated by the Nazis for placement in their planned Jewish Museum in Prague. Visitors to the museum were to be shown how Jews "used to" live; for this museum, the Nazis collected literally thousands of items, many of which were recently brought to America as part of "A Special Legacy" exhibit.

Following World War II and the Nazi defeat, many of the Torah scrolls were shipped from Prague to safekeeping in London. In the years since 1945, an attempt has been made to find new homes for these scrolls.

The Tabor scroll is being presented to Temple Torat Yisrael through the efforts of Dr. Richard Glick and his family. At the brief service of commemoration April 26, Dr. Glick will describe the history of the scroll, and explain how the scroll made its way to Rhode Island.

### Cong. Ohawe Sholam

The annual Holocaust memorial service will be held at the congregation 8 p.m., Monday, April 27.

## Volunteering For Israel

by Eric Rosenman

by Eric Rosenman

Like most good ideas, it was simple. And its success has been invaluable.

In the fall of 1982, with many Israeli reservists still on active duty as part of the war in Lebanon, crops on some northern kibbutzim and moshavim went unharvested. Gen. Aharon Davidi, who had been commander of Israel's special forces in the 1967 Six-Day War, discussed with a few friends the idea of recruiting short-term volunteers to help. Soon 650 Americans were working in the fields and even assisting with guard duty.

After that initial success, Davidi suggested to the army that using volunteers from overseas to supplement Israel Defense Forces (IDF) civilian reservists be made a permanent program. Since then 10,000 people, including 4,500 Americans, have worked on military bases across the country through Volunteers for Israel.

During the day volunteers load fuel drums, clean and lubricate armored vehicles, paint naval vessels, package spare parts, work in kitchens or do any of the other chores necessary for military preparedness. Their uniforms identify them as civilian volunteers. Unlike some of the program's first participants, they do not handle weapons or pull guard duty.

At night volunteers study Hebrew, hear lectures from a teacher or professor on reserve duty, or leave their bases for a trip to town — when one is nearby. Weekends include both shabat and a second day off for organized tours throughout the country.

A fringe benefit, according to staffer Clark Evenchik, is that participants' round-trip tickets are subsidized and are good for six months. So after completing their stints at an IDF base, volunteers still have more than five months which they can spend in an academic program, on a kibbutz or in other ways.

Seamon Glass, an ex-Marine, former professional boxer, merchant seaman, public school employee and now writer, learned of Volunteers from a lawyer in his hometown of Santa Monica, Calif. The lawyer, Glass said, "heard of it through word-of-mouth and had gone three or four times. He ended up going a fifth time, and I met him over there."

A sturdy 61, Glass was assigned to a

Negev Desert supply depot — cleaning, stacking and distributing 50-gallon fuel drums at a warehouse. "It was a workout, but not back-breaking. But they take care to make sure no one is over their head."

The program recruits people from 18 to 65 years of age. In addition to college students — who can earn credit for a four-week stint — and senior citizens, volunteers have included professors, retired U.S. diplomats, antique dealers — "you name it and we've had it," Evenchik said.

Sharon Becker, 19, a Brown University student, and her Volunteers group worked at a large base near Tel Aviv last winter. "There was a new storage warehouse, and we had to re-do the inventory."

Because her group did not sleep on base but commuted by bus from Jaffa, "we had access to Tel Aviv at night," Becker said. "I know that volunteers at other [more remote] bases spent more time there and got to know the Israelis better. A college group in Eilat even got invited to some of the [resort] hotels. Each group at each base has a different experience."

She plans another stint in Volunteers next year either before or after a semester at an Israeli university. Meanwhile, to those of her friends who might be interested in the program, "I really pitch for it."

Although designed to ease Israel's manpower squeeze and to promote solidarity between Israelis and diaspora Jews, Volunteers has had some other welcome side-effects. At IDF bases on which participants serve, their enthusiasm has affected the regular personnel and efficiency has climbed, Evenchik reported. And of the 10,000 volunteers so far, 650 later made *aliyah*, moving to Israel permanently.

Interest in Volunteers for Israel has surged, drawing participants not only from the United States but also Canada, Mexico, Costa Rica, Argentina, South Africa, England and France. Previously run by volunteers, the program itself now has two full time staffers, with more planned. Recruitment will be expanded soon to Switzerland and Belgium. For more information, contact Volunteers for Israel, 40 Worth St., Suite 710, New York, N.Y., 10013.

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## Letters to the Editor

### To The Editor:

This newspaper has in the past published several letters I wrote protesting items written to the major newspaper in this State by scholars and educators regarding internal Jewish affairs.

Once again, a lengthy and benign article, written by a local and nationally known Judaic educator appeared recently in that newspaper.

The newspaper, as has been substantiated several times, leans away from our beloved Israel, magnifies any apparent indiscretions in banner headlines and prominent space. Any atrocities or inhumane behavior by our enemies are reported in a less conspicuous manner and in softer tones.

Personally, I feel the current article indicates nothing new nor anything of which the average Jewish person is not aware, and which is of no concern to the non-Jewish population.

Most naturally, taken from the text of the article, is the headline gleefully stated in large bold letters. The headline reads "Freedom unknown before makes U.S. the Jews' promised land — for now."

Are we to assume by this headline that in spite of some anti-Semitism and related problems in this country, we have had no freedom in the past? Shall we give some first class nut in this country an idea and have him attempt to eliminate the "for now"?

The only feasible explanation of having articles and letters of this type submitted to the newspaper in question is the result of naivete and the apparent sheltered and cloistered life led by some distinguished and highly capable scholars and educators.

Harry J. Kolodney

### To The Editor:

We at Jewish Family Service thank you for the two articles in the April 17 issue of the *Rhode Island Herald*, describing some of the services we provide for our older Jewish people.

The workshop on "Aging Parents: How Can We Help?" was co-sponsored by Jewish Family Service and the Jewish Community Center. Besides

myself, Toby Galli, Gladys Kaplan and Deborah Prinz from JFS and Sharon Custis from the JCC were the presenters.

We want to clarify the difference between two programs: the Lifeline Program and the National Council of Jewish Women's Telephone Assurance Program.

The Lifeline Program, originally funded by the Jewish Federation and now by the Miriam Foundation, is a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week emergency response system. A subscriber wears a pendant around his/her neck; we attach a response unit to a telephone. If a person needs help and can't get to a telephone, he/she presses the button on the pendant which sends a signal via the response unit to a monitoring center which will send help in a matter of minutes.

The Rhode Island Section, National Council of Jewish Women's Telephone Assurance Program has volunteers who call some of our older people on Sunday morning at a fixed time to befriend them and to make sure they are well. The volunteers are trained by staff at Jewish Family Service. This call is sometimes the only call a person receives during a lonely weekend.

We also wish to emphasize that the concerts to bring older people together from all over the state are sponsored by S.A.G.E. (Senior Adult Group Educators). S.A.G.E. is comprised of professionals from the Bureau of Jewish Education, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Home for the Aged, Jewish Family Service, Leisure Club of Temple Emanu-El, Jewish Family Service Mealsite at Temple Torat Yisrael and Shalom Apartments. The concerts held alternately at Temple Beth-El and Temple Emanu-El, were originally funded by the Jewish Federation Endowment Fund, and this past year have been sponsored by the Zerkind Family in memory of Larry Zerkind.

If anyone wishes further information about any of these services, I would be glad to speak to them at Jewish Family Service, 331-1244.

Maxine Richman  
Social worker for the Elderly  
Lifeline Coordinator

by Morton M. Rosenthal

A *Life* magazine photo showed him offering the Nazi salute over the open grave of Walter Rauff, the Nazi war criminal who invented the mobile gas chamber and later found refuge in Chile. He was billed as a keynote speaker for a Los Angeles convention of the California-based Institute for Historical Review, a group that claims the Holocaust is a Jewish hoax. As a Chilean diplomat, he was Ambassador to India and became an intimate friend of Indira Gandhi.

His name is Miguel Serrano. He is a colorful and charismatic character who has been in the forefront of an upsurge of Nazism and anti-Semitism that has caused concern to the Chilean Jewish community during the past three years. Their fears have been heightened because these acts reflect an apparent change in the military government's policy, which, from the time it took power in 1973 until 1984, had sought to prevent manifestations of anti-Semitism. Two weeks after the 1973 coup, representatives of the military government came to the Anti-Defamation League's national headquarters in New York and reassured the agency's Latin American Affairs Department that "there is no anti-Semitism in Chile and there will be none."

In 1984, the Jewish community publicly deplored the increase of Nazi activity in Chile. Recently, the president of the Representative Committee of Jewish Entities in Chile, Isidoro Gorodischer, met with the Minister of Justice, Hugo Rosende, to discuss the problem and specifically the activities of Miguel Serrano. The Jewish leader urged legal sanctions against those who promote racist ideas.

Serrano is a self-declared racist. He characterizes all mestizos (persons of mixed ancestry with American Indian blood) as "bad."

A paranoid anti-Semite, Serrano sees Jewish plots everywhere. Among his contemporary villains are "the Great Synagogue, Masonic Lodges and the Vatican."

Serrano published three books in 1986, each ending with the words "Heil Hitler! Zig Heil!" and dated "the 97th year of the Hitler Era."

One of the books is entitled *National Socialism, the Only Solution for the People of South America*. Another, *The Resurrection of the Hero*, is a

mystical treatise invoking astrology and alchemy, in which Serrano portrays Hitler as the "Incarnation, the emanation of a God, a hero..." The book denounces the Catholic Church as an entity "which takes its orders from the Synagogue."

The third is entitled *The Chilean Racial Cycle*. All three are being distributed widely.

A leftist in the 1930s, Serrano first published his Nazi ideology in 1978 in a book called, *The Golden Cord: Esoteric Hitlerism*. The work claimed that the Holocaust never occurred, a theme he repeats in later books. He also argued that Hitler is still alive, concluding that even though he had been unable to find him, "Hitler, for us, is as alive as Jesus for the Christians."

Serrano is well-connected, inside and outside of Chile. In 1982, he was invited to lecture at the Chilean Academy of National Security. Addressing the military officers, he expressed his hope that the Chilean Army would be transformed into a "Racist War Order."

In an interview published in the Spanish newspaper *El Pais*, in 1985, Serrano claimed that the Nazis did not operate "even one gas chamber" and described the Holocaust as a "diabolic hoax." In announcing Serrano's appearance as a speaker at the Institute for Historical Review convention in Los Angeles, in February 1986, the Institute described him as "a world-class author... the world's foremost authority on the intriguing and little-known relationships between the National Socialist government and Third World nations..." His lecture, "National Socialism and the Third World," apparently followed the theme of his book on the same subject.

In 1986, the leading Santiago daily newspaper, *El Mercurio*, devoted two-thirds of a page to his lengthy defense of Nazism.

Serrano is linked to CEDADE, (Spanish Circle of Friends of Europe), a neo-Nazi group based in Barcelona, now active in Chile and Argentina. CEDADE distributed in Chile new editions of Hitler's *Mein Kampf* and *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion*. Both contained prefaces written by Serrano. He described *Mein*

*Kampf* as "the Bible of the Aryan peoples" with "immortal validity." In the 30-page preface to *The Protocols*, he asserted that the Jews' objective is "the total domination of the world" and credited Hitler and the Nazis for having discovered "this great plot." Serrano added that *The Protocols* are being fulfilled, part by part, protocol by protocol, here, among us.

Serrano cannot be dismissed as a harmless eccentric. His ideas have explosive potential in Chile's current political and economic crises. Acts of vandalism and terrorism against Jewish institutions and homes, including the bombing of the home of the chairman of B'nai B'rith's ADL Committee in Chile, are ominous. So, too, is the government's failure to keep the lid on such activity.

It is time for the government of Chile to honor its commitment — made to ADL in 1973 and reiterated to Jewish leaders in July 1985 by the Director General of Investigations, General Rodolfo Paredes, to arrest those responsible and to halt anti-Semitism in Chile.

Morton M. Rosenthal is director of Latin American Affairs of the ADL.

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## Non-Surgical Heart Valve Operation At Miriam

For the first time in Rhode Island, a patient with a defective stenotic aortic heart valve was successfully treated with a new nonsurgical procedure that may become a safer alternative to open heart surgery and valve replacement for some patients. At The Miriam Hospital recently, a 75-year-old female with advanced heart failure was the first patient to undergo this new procedure.

The procedure is called balloon aortic valvuloplasty and it involves threading a special balloon tip catheter from an artery in the leg into the heart and across the aortic valve. The balloon is then inflated which increases the valve's area and allows blood to flow more freely. It is very similar to a procedure already in use in cardiology which opens partially blocked or narrowed coronary arteries and is called coronary angioplasty.

This technique is used to treat certain cases of valvular aortic stenosis, a disease generally found in the elderly population and which is usually caused by rheumatic fever earlier in life. It

can also be part of the natural aging process. This disease involves the depositing of calcium and other fibrous tissues on the valve leaflets, causing them to become rigid and immobile. Patients with the disease typically complain of shortness of breath, chest discomfort and sudden blackouts. Until now, there has been no effective medical treatment for this condition; open heart surgery and aortic valve replacement were required.

Persons suffering from valvular aortic stenosis whose condition is further complicated by severe heart failure, lung disease or other system disorders, are very poor risks for surgery. Balloon aortic valvuloplasty is a significant alternative for these patients and offers them symptom relief and increased life expectancy.

According to Dr. Kenneth S. Korr, Director of the Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at the Miriam and the cardiologist who performed the valvuloplasty, the patient was totally awake through the 1/2 hour procedure. She experienced no complications and

was discharged several days later. By comparison, the usual hospital stay for an open heart operation is approximately ten days with a much longer recuperation period at home.

Dr. Korr says that balloon aortic valvuloplasty will begin to have an increasing role for many patients who are not good surgical candidates.

Perhaps several years in the future, he says, it may be an alternative to valve replacement surgery much in the way that coronary angioplasty has become an alternative to bypass surgery in many patients.

## Chinese Feast At ORT

The Providence Chapter of ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation Through Training) invites all ORT members and friends of ORT to join them on May 2, 1987 at a Chinese Feast. "China Chai Chai" will begin at 8 p.m. at the Hunan Garden Restaurant, 464 Silver Spring Street, Providence.

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# Social Events

## Dance Social At Temple Beth-El



"Shall We Dance," a Spring Social at Temple Beth-El will be held on Sunday, May 3 at 6 p.m., announced chairwoman Nan Levine. In addition to a buffet supper, Lisa and Jeff Allen, professional ballroom competitors,

will perform and teach skills of ballroom dancing. The cost is \$20 per person and reservations are required. So, put on your dancing shoes and call the Temple today at 331-6070.



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## Am David Sisterhood

The Thirty-Third Annual Donor Dinner of the Sisterhood of Temple Am David, will be held at the Temple, 40 Gardiner St., Warwick, R.I., on Monday evening, April 27. A sherry hour will be at 6 p.m. with dinner to follow at 7 p.m.

The committee planning the affair is headed by Faye Schachter, chairperson. Others are Sadye Muffs, decorations; Pearl Stayman, Raffle and Treasurer; and Beverly Kaplan, entertainment.

The program for the evening will be *Anita and Her Sweethearts on Parade*, which is a group of 15-20 women and men, all over 60 years of age, who have been entertaining the past 5 years throughout the southern New England area. They will be accompanied at the piano by Peggy Sullivan.

Reservations for the event may still be made by calling Sadye Muffs, 272-9045; Joan Tebrow, 822-0434 or Pearl Stayman, 738-0225.

## Help A Shelter

Be a part of the solution! Join in an action day full of fun, fellowship, and food. This is your chance to be an "Upper and Doer."

Join the ranks of volunteers doing a paint up and fix up at the Women's Center, a shelter for battered women and their children. This event is sponsored by the Temple Beth-El Social Action Committee. The committee is looking for volunteers for a two-hour commitment on Sunday, April 26. If you can give a little of your time to a very worthy cause, please call Temple Beth-El at 331-6070 and leave your name.



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## "I Can Cope" At RIGHA

RIGHA and the American Cancer Society, RI Division, Inc. will join forces in May when they begin a free "I Can Cope" educational program.

The 7 session course, running from May 6 through June 24, will be held each Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to noon at 530 North Main St., Providence, R.I., Conference Room "A," Level 1.

"I Can Cope" is an educational program for cancer patients and their families and friends. The course is designed to help people regain control over their lives through better knowledge of cancer and its physical, social and emotional impacts.

The course is conducted by health providers including an oncologist, an internist, a nutritionist, a physical therapist, health providers and other professionals from the community.

RIGHA staff will cover the following topics: Living with Cancer, Dr. Steven McCloy, RIGHA physician; and, Dealing with Daily Health Problems, Pat Blenkiron, M.S.R.D.

Additional topics to be discussed during the course include: Learning More About Cancer; Understanding Your Emotions; Enhancing Self-Esteem and Sexuality; Keeping Active in Mind and Body; and, Identifying Support Systems and Resources.

For more information and to register for "I Can Cope" call RIGHA/Social Services Department at (401) 331-3000.

The course, offered by RIGHA/American Cancer Society is free and open to the public.

## NCJW Luncheon

The National Council of Jewish Women held the kick-off for their annual Community Service Award luncheon on March 31 with a coffee hour at the Seekonk home of Mrs. Melvin Frank. The luncheon will be held at noon on Wednesday, May 13 at the Marriott Inn, Providence.

This year's honorees will be the 15 past presidents of the Rhode Island Section including: Pauline Bernstein Berger, Marcia Blacher, Naomi Brodsky, Gloria Brody, Caroline Brunschwig, Barbara Coen, Sylvia Galkin, Helen Gerber, Adele Goldfarb, Irma Gross, Elaine Hoffman, Muriel Leach, Barbara Long, Fannie Shore, and Audrey Yashar.

Proceeds from the major fundraising event will benefit the NCJW Scholarship Fund which offers financial assistance to college students and summer campers and other community service projects sponsored by the organization.

Charing the event are Lillian Bernstein and Jacqueline Nemzow. Members of their committee are: reservations, Gertrude Hak and Beverly Sugarman; Scholarships, Celia Adler and Irma Gross; luncheon, Adrean Botvin; decorations, Janet Friedman; publicity, Mardelle Berman; invitations and program, Lynn Markoff; kick-off, Ellie Frank; hostesses, Beth Weiss and Caryl Feibelman; awards, Phyllis Goldberg; Treasurer, Claire Ernstof; typists, Kay Abrams and Anne Pelter; advisor, Sylvia Brown; ex officio, Marilyn Friedman; Program, Kay Kaplan and Doris McGarry; and Vice President of Community Service, Marion Goldsmith.

Reservations are open to the public and can be made by calling 725-9006 or 781-5681. Categories are: Special Gifts, over \$50; Angels, \$50; Benefactors, \$35; Patrons, \$25 and Sponsors, \$20.



## Dr. Leeman Joins Maimonides Hospital

Dr. David E. Leeman, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Saul Leeman, has accepted an appointment as cardiologist on the medical staff of Maimonides Hospital in Brooklyn, N.Y. He will be assistant director of their Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories and will also serve as assistant professor at the Medical School of the State University of New York at Downstate. He will assume his new position in July.

Dr. Leeman received his early education at the Providence Hebrew Day School and at the Maimonides High School in Brookline, Mass. He is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Harvard College and received his medical degree at the New York University Medical School. At present he is completing six years of training at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston — three years residency in Internal Medicine and three years fellowship in Cardiology. He holds membership in the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Society as well as in the Massachusetts Medical Society and the American College of Physicians. The main focus of his research as well as his practice will be in Angioplasty.

His wife, Dr. Ramona Leeman, conducts a dental practice in Boston. The Leemans reside in Roslindale and have three children: Rebecca 7, Joshua 5½, and Jonathan 1½.

## Teresa Heller Weds Dr. Robert Salk

Teresa Heller and Dr. Robert Salk were married on March 20, 1987 in Wiamea Falls, Honolulu, Hawaii. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Heller of Caracas, Venezuela. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Salk of Warwick, Rhode Island.

The bride is a graduate of the University of San Francisco and is a Registered Nurse and a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army stationed at Tripler Army Hospital, Honolulu.

Dr. Salk is a graduate of Boston University and the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is completing his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Tripler Army Hospital where he is a Captain in the U.S. Army.

Dr. and Mrs. Salk will reside in Nuremberg, Germany.

## Am David's Zeidman School

Looking for a religious school program for your pre-schoolers? The Eunice Zeidman Sunday School at Temple Am David, located at 40 Gardiner Street in Warwick, invites you to their open house on Sunday, May 3, 1987, at 10:15 a.m. Come observe classes and meet our Principal, Dolly Musen and the parents of children who are already enjoying the program.

There are classes for children ages 4-6, and Synagogue affiliation is not required to attend the Eunice Zeidman School. For further information, please call 941-2042 or 885-4414.

## Pawtucket-Central Falls Hadassah

A special pre-donor meeting of the Pawtucket Central Falls Chapter of Hadassah will be held Monday, April 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Our year's programming culminates with a special presentation by our guest speaker, Judith Weiss Cohen, whose topic is "Here We Were and Here We Are: How Woman Are Changing by the Numbers."

Ms. Cohen is a Census Awareness and Products Specialist in the Boston Regional office of the Census Bureau.

### Richard Berkman Appointed



Richard O. Berkman has been appointed Vice President for Support Services at The Miriam Hospital. In this position Mr. Berkman will oversee nine hospital departments and over 300 employees.

Mr. Berkman has familiarized himself with the various departments and personnel by attending staff meetings and talking with department heads. In doing so he has acquired a "full flavor for the important role support services plays at The Miriam."

Mr. Berkman was previously with Harvard University Health Services in Cambridge, MA, where he was Assistant Director for Administration. Prior to that he was Manager of Management Engineering Services at New England Deaconess Hospital and Director of Management Science at University Hospital in Boston. Mr. Berkman's career also includes over five years of hospital consulting and eleven years of military experience.

Mr. Berkman is affiliated with the American College of Hospital Administrators, the Health Care Management Association of Massachusetts, the Hospital Management Systems Society as well as other organizations. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Bacteriology from the University of Maine, his M.B.A. from Suffolk University and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Standing in Health Care Management from Northeastern University.

Mr. Berkman and his wife, Susan, have one daughter, Deborah, and presently reside in Stoneham, MA.

### Dr. Dashef To Be Honored

The Board of Managers of Woonsocket Family and Child Service will honor Oscar Z. Dashef, M.D., F.A.A.P. for his forty years of dedicated service as a pediatrician to the children and families of the greater Woonsocket community at its 97th annual meeting to be held on Thursday, April 30, at the Bocce Club, Woonsocket. Cocktails are at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m.

Installation of officers will be held. The incoming slate includes Gerard A. Noel, Jr., president; Joseph Sweet, 1st vice-president; Lorraine Robidoux, 2nd vice-president; Diane Begin, recording secretary; Carol Robbins, corresponding secretary; Normand Tousignant, treasurer; Rhoda Perry, assistant treasurer. Marjory M. Brenner headed the outgoing slate.

Dr. Dashef has volunteered service on several boards of local human service agencies, including the former Social Progress Action Committee, ROAD, Head Start, Northern R.I. Mental Health Clinic, and the medical advisory board of the Visiting Nurse Service. He currently is a member of the R.I. Medical Society, the New England Pediatric Society, American Academy of Pediatrics, the Board of Directors of Congregation B'nai Israel, Greater Woonsocket Lodge B'nai B'rith, the Masons, Action for Soviet Jewry, and Physicians for Social Responsibility.

After retirement from active practice on June 30, 1986, Dr. Dashef is now involved in the Brown University Learning Community and the Elderhostel Study Tours Abroad.

Respected by his colleagues, patients, and friends, Dr. Dashef is well-deserving of the tribute that will be offered to him at this event. Reservations must be made in advance by calling the WFCS office, 460 S. Main St., Woonsocket, phone 766-0500 (by April 23). Ticket price is \$15 per person. Chairperson of the evening is Diane Begin, assisted by Thelma Steffancci, Doris O'Brien, Marjory Brenner, ex-officio, and Dr. Bernard Heath, executive director, WFCS.

### NCJW Scholarships Available

Rhode Island Section, National Council of Jewish Women, is receiving requests from seniors in high school, and also renewal requests from those already in college who have previously received grants which range from \$150 to \$400. Students must be of good character, highly motivated, and in need of financial aid.

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The bride-to-be is a cum laude graduate of Berklee College of Music with a degree in Professional Music. She is currently performing as a pianist and vocalist in the New England area and is a private music

instructor.

Her fiance is a graduate of Cranston East High School, and has a certificate in Computer Programming from Blake Computer Programming Institute. He is currently employed as a restaurateur at Twin Oaks Restaurant in Cranston, R.I.

Debra and Harry will be joined in marriage on September 20, 1987.

Debra is the daughter of the late Jerry Manekofsky.



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You are cordially invited to a brunch in honor of your voluntarism on Sunday, April 26, 1987 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Special recognition will be given to all the Honorary Board Members of the Women's Association and to some volunteers who give direct service to the residents of the Home.

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### Meissner Memorial Shabbat At Beth-El

The first annual Dr. George F. Meissner Memorial Shabbat will be held at Temple Beth-El on Friday, May 1, 1987 at 8:15 p.m. in the Temple's Sanctuary. Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Lt. Commander Chaplain Corps, U.S. Navy will be the guest speaker. His topic will be: "A Time to Keep Silent and a Time to Speak (Ecclesiastes 3:7): Life After the Holocaust." The program is made possible through funds donated in memory of Dr. George Meissner. Following services, an Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Temple's meeting hall sponsored by Betty Meissner and Jane and Jeffrey Sharfstein.

Rabbi Arnold Resnicoff is an instructor at the Naval Chaplain's School and the first chaplain to teach at the Naval War College.

He is also project officer for "Horror and Hope" a special holocaust workbook and research package to be distributed throughout the navy and marine corps. A graduate of Dartmouth College, Salve Regina — Newport College, and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Rabbi Resnicoff's assignment with the Chaplain Corps include Yokosuka, Japan; Norfolk, Virginia and the Staff of Commander, 6th Fleet, travelling to all ships in the Mediterranean and to the marines in Beirut. His honors include the State of Israel Heritage award, the Meritorious Service Medal, and 2 navy commendation medals. For more information on this program, call 331-6070.

# Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder



## “Images of Holocaust”

“I wanted to open a gallery where the public could see fine contemporary art,” Lenore Gray says, holding the invitation to her first gallery show 20 years ago.

At that time the works of Walter Feldman, Richard Fishman, and John Udvardy were being shown.

And now twenty years later, these three recognized artists, along with Edward Schwartz, Mahler Ryder, Gilbert Franklin and Alfred DeCredico, are exhibiting “Images of Holocaust.”

“This particular show is a little unusual for me,” Lenore says, “because this is the first time I’ve had an invitational where I invited these seven artists to do a specific piece.

“It was difficult to put it together, because all the artists are here in town, except for Gilbert Franklin, who is a Cape Codder, and Edward Schwartz, who lives in Connecticut.

“Images of Holocaust,” she explains, “got underway several years ago.

“It is a grim reminder that the



Lenore Gray is presenting an invitational exhibition titled “Images of Holocaust.” It is on view through May 6 at the Lenore Gray Gallery at 15 Meeting Street in Providence. (Photos by Dorothea Snyder)

Holocaust could happen to anybody. It’s not the Jewish Holocaust. It’s everybody’s Holocaust. The Armenians had a Holocaust. In Vietnam, there was a

Holocaust. The South Africans are going to have a Holocaust unless they do something about it.

“This particular exhibit is deeply

important to me. It’s been uppermost in my mind.”

Lenore Gray studied painting at the Art Students League in New York City evenings for two years while working in an advertising agency days.

“Art has always been very important to me. Opening my gallery was a way to keep in touch with art.”

Asked if she ever strokes a brush on the canvas, she replies, “I had to decide earlier if I were going to be an artist’s artist, because you really have to be dedicated and devoted.

“When I first opened up the gallery, my children were young, so I did it part time. I don’t think I could have afforded a studio in my own home, plus it’s impossible to paint in your own house with kids around.

“I thought I could do both, but you can’t. I paint for my own pleasure.”

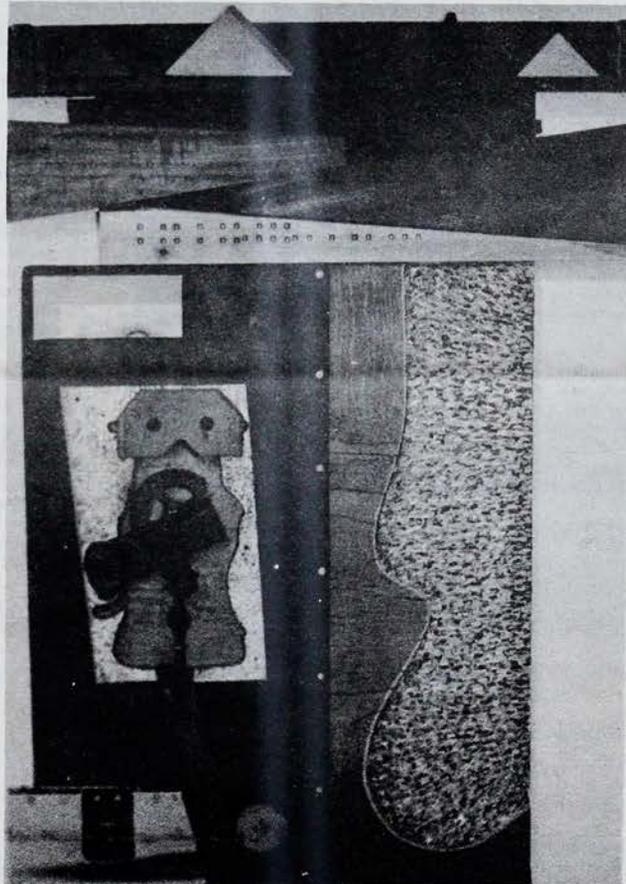
Lenore Gray’s Gallery consumes all of her time, she says, not minding it at all. “I love art.”



“For Dante” by Richard Fishman of Brown University. This abstract sculpture is composed of wood, cement and steel.



John Udvardy’s “Medusa” (Fetish for displaying Bitter Memories). Branches, turtle shell, bone, metal, wood and string are elements in the piece. The artist is with the Rhode Island School of Design.



“Untitled,” by Mahler Ryder, is made of metal, wood, wire, and acrylic. The artist is on the faculty at Rhode Island School of Design.



Walter Feldman’s “The Palace,” is a collage done in acrylic on masonite. A professor of art at Brown, Mr. Feldman is director of the Art Department’s Studio Art Division.

# Mayor Koch

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was glad that I could come in winter, when I could see it at its worst.

"I walked through the barracks, with no heat, and here I was all bundled up, and I was terribly cold. I could see the rooms where people were three in a wooden cot, nine in the cot, with three rings, with no blankets, and no heat . . .

"Then they took you into a number of different barracks, and one would describe the Jewish experience. The others would describe the French, the East Germans, others. And I said to myself, it's a sin that they describe it as the French, the East German, the other countries, because people who came from those other countries were Jews.

"There were four million people who were murdered at Auschwitz and Birkenau, and three and a half million of them were Jews. And so only until a few years ago, we would not have known that they didn't have the barracks described as 'the Jews.' It was only world pressure that, I think, brought them to the point where they had to acknowledge it. You would not have known that the overwhelming number of people killed at Auschwitz and Birkenau were Jews."

### The Word Jew Not Mentioned In Soviet Film

What was worse, said Koch, was a film showed to those entering Auschwitz, a film made by the Russians 42 years ago when they liberated the camp. "Not one acknowledgement in that film — 22 minutes it is, and it's in different languages — they never mention the word Jew once in the film. You would never know that Auschwitz was the place where they murdered Jews."

Koch said that he took the matter up with the Deputy premier of Poland when he came to New York following his visit. He told him, he said, two things: "In America, we are all hyphenated. We have Irish-Americans, French-Americans, Italian-Americans, Jewish-Americans. And we all revere the country of the birth of our parents and our grandparents. But," he told the visiting diplomat, "never in the world would I ever say to anybody that I am a Polish-American. I could never say that, because the memories that I have that go back to when my parents escaped from Poland are such that I could not possibly think of Poland as the country of my ancestors. I could not."

Koch emphasized that he did not blame Poles for the concentration camps, to which Poles were sent as well. "But," said Koch, "there were Poles who deliberately delivered Jews into the hands of the Nazis. We know it, and we can't forget it."

The Polish diplomat asked Koch "to understand that it was only in Poland where if a Polish Christian helped a Polish Jew, that the entire Polish Christian's family was subject to death according to the Nazi law, whereas in other countries occupied by the Nazis it would only be that individual."

And that is true, said Koch. And the Polish Deputy Premier reminded him that the largest number of Righteous Gentiles honored at Yad Vashem are Polish Christians. Koch agreed to this, too. But, he said he told the Polish Diplomat, "there is something you can do about that film. You have got to have a prologue, you have got to recite the fact that Auschwitz and Birkenau were concentration camps built especially to murder the Jews." The Polish official told him, Koch said, that he would.

# Accused Nazi War Criminal Deported

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U.S. laws for war crimes he allegedly committed outside the United States. U.S. jurisdiction in the case is limited to proving that he falsely obtained his citizenship by concealing his Nazi activities and to deporting him to face trial in another country.

Neal Sher, head of the Office of Special Investigations, the Justice Department's Nazi-hunting unit, said, "This has been a case we've had in litigation for nearly eight years. The court findings in this case were overwhelming as to his participation in atrocities . . . and

mass executions. We're glad this has finally come to a close."

Linnas, 67, a retired land surveyor and former Boy Scout leader in Greenlawn, N.Y., came to this country with his wife and two daughters in 1951 and became a citizen in 1960. His alleged crimes occurred in Tartu in Estonia, which is now part of the Soviet Union. He was tried in absentia in 1962 in the Soviet Union and sentenced to death.

His citizenship was revoked in 1981 by U.S. courts. Linnas had declined to testify or appear at his

denaturalization trial after being told that he could not invoke the privilege against self-incrimination in refusing to answer questions.

Witnesses at the camp where Linnas allegedly worked testified in deportation trials that he helped round up Jewish women and children for slaughter, required them to kneel at the edges of pits and then ordered the guards to open fire. The key witnesses — except for a New York acquaintance who said he heard Linnas admit to serving in

the camp — were Soviets whose testimony was videotaped in Estonia.

Americans of East European descent lobbied hard against deporting Linnas, saying the Soviets had coached witnesses.

Linnas fell two votes short of the five needed to extend the stay that had been temporarily granted April 6 by Justice Thurgood Marshall, who voted against staying his deportation. Justices William J. Brennan Jr., Harry A. Blackmun and Sandra Day O'Connor voted to stay.

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# Business & Financial

## Understanding Mutual Funds

by Matthew Olerio

If you're a current or prospective mutual fund investor, you may be confused by all the different fees, commissions, "loads" and expenses charged by various funds. Your confusion is legitimate, as there are now well over 1,100 mutual funds — and no uniformity of fee structures. You may find five funds with similar investment objectives and performance histories, yet each may have a different array of charges.

For many people, the key question has to do with load versus no-load funds. A load fund has an

up-front sales charge and is typically sold by brokerage firms and other investment professionals. Years ago, most loads had a maximum sales charge of 8%-8.5%, but today many maximum loads are much lower, in the 4.5%-5.5% range. In return for paying a charge, you should expect professional guidance in comparing funds' track records and prospectuses and in selecting one or several funds that meet your financial and service needs.

You do not pay a sales charge when you buy a pure no-load fund, but you must seek out such funds yourself, request literature and

applications from the fund sponsors, read and compare prospectuses, do all the paperwork and transact your business directly with the funds, usually by mail and/or phone. But, as many investors have found out recently, a growing number of funds they thought were no-loads have turned themselves into "low-loads." They typically charge 1%-3% up-front, or redemption charges, or a combination, even though you still have to do everything for yourself.

Another type of fund is the 12b-1 fund. These funds deduct nothing up-front and invest all your money immediately in fund shares. But they have an annual distribution fee, usually .5%-1.25% of average assets, and in most cases, shareholders are charged sliding-scale fees if they sell their shares within a few years of buying them. This charge typically disappears by the sixth year you hold the fund.

Keep in mind that all funds, even no-loads, levy administrative and management charges, which usually range from around .5% to 2% of average assets. These charges cover the basic management and operating costs of the fund, such as paying the portfolio managers, printing fund materials, administrative fees, legal and professional fees, directors fees, and transfer and custodian fees.

Whether to buy a load or a no-load fund is a highly individual decision, similar in some respects to the choice investors have to make between a full service brokerage firm and a discount. You must go through the same sort of self-analysis about your own investment knowledge, the time you can devote to selecting and monitoring investments, the degree of confidence you have in your own decisions and the amount of record-keeping you are willing to do.

If you have the time, interest, knowledge and confidence to research and keep up with your mutual fund investments, you may do well on your own with no-load funds. But if you'd like a professional to advise you, for example, when it's time to switch out of an equity fund and into a money market fund, or to explain why last year's "hot" fund may not be right for you this year, then you are probably much better off paying some type of load, whether up front or through annual distribution fee, and working with a Financial Consultant at a full service brokerage firm.

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## Common Stocks To Match Investments

Building a portfolio of stocks is a lot like building a house, but it takes longer. For a sound structure you need to have a good plan, one that reflects the needs and personalities of the owners.

The key to investing successfully in stocks is to determine your objective and buy stocks that are appropriate for that objective. There are only two basic objectives of investing: to achieve growth of principal and to obtain current income. But these two are not mutually exclusive. Sometimes income stocks go up in price, and some investors seek growth of principal through total return by reinvesting income, rather than spending it.

The other element of investing is risk. You shouldn't take more risk than you can afford or feel comfortable with. Fortunately, there are stocks that are suitable for almost every degree of risk tolerance and to suit almost every investment objective.

### Types Of Common Stocks

Some of the major categories of stocks are as follows:

**Defensive stocks** are securities of big companies with strong balance sheets that have maintained a dominant position in an established industry for many years and are generally held in high esteem by investors. They have long histories of earnings growth, cash dividend payments and a conservative financial base. They offer investors a high relative degree of safety of principal and consistency of earnings. In general, they tend to perform better than growth stocks in bear markets and not as well as growth stocks in bull markets. Defensive stocks can provide balance to a portfolio even for more speculatively inclined investors.

**Income stocks** offer high current yield, usually with higher than average safety of principal, which makes this group attractive to people needing a steady income, retired people for example. This group comprises mature companies in stable industries, such as regulated utilities, which pay a large percentage of their earnings back to stockholders in the form of high dividends. Prices of income stocks generally do not appreciate as fast as those of growth stocks. For investors who don't need income, reinvesting dividends may provide a better-than-average total return on investment.

**High-quality growth stocks** offer the potential for appreciation of capital over the long term and are often a good choice for investors building a nest egg for a specific future purpose, such as retirement. A growth stock company is usually a top competitor in a rapidly growing

industry that is expected to grow faster than the overall economy. Its shares typically pay low dividends and have a below-average yield, since this type of company generally plows back a large share of its earnings into research, development and expansion. If this "investment in the future" pays off and the company performs well, the value of the stock may rise quickly.

**Cyclical stocks** are issues of companies in mature segments, such as heavy industry and manufacturing, that are affected by business cycles and consumer demand. When the overall economy is booming and demand is strong, the prices of these stocks may move up. During recessionary periods, the stocks usually perform poorly. By studying economic forecasts, the alert investor can profit by buying these depressed stocks before business conditions improve, though there is a high degree of risk involved.

**Speculative stocks** carry a higher degree of risk than other types of stocks simply because they represent the unknown. These may be stocks of emerging growth companies or new issues of start-up companies, such as small high-tech companies. Speculative values can also be found in stocks of established companies that have fallen on hard times and may be about to turn around. Low price-to-earnings ratios (P/Es) on these higher-risk issues may be an attraction to investors who can afford to take calculated risks with part of their capital in pursuit of above-average returns, and who feel comfortable doing so.

### Keys To Successful Investing

How does the investor put this information together in a successful investment portfolio? Over the long term, buying the right stock for your objective is even more important than the specific price or time when a stock is bought. People who place greater emphasis on timing of stock purchases generally have a short-term focus, while a long-term perspective is more appropriate for most investors. Many successful investors emphasize quality in stock selection and buy stocks on a value basis when they are out of favor.

Diversification can also help investors come out ahead. Selecting a variety of stocks — perhaps in more than one category — should increase your chances of making money over time. Finally, always keep in mind the reasons you bought a particular security. If your income stock lowers its dividend, or your blue chip doubles in price, you should probably at least consider selling. Although Wall Street is a one-way street, the stock market isn't.

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NEW YORK, N.Y. — The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) has received a grant of \$444,051 from the U.S. Office of Human Development, a division of the Department of Health and Human Resources, to conduct research on the use of children as witnesses in cases of child sexual abuse.

Estimates vary as to the number of child sexual abuse cases in the United States, but some sources place that figure as high as 200,000 new cases a year. With children's testimony generally considered admissible in criminal court proceedings, the need for research on the subject is urgent. The purpose of the study will be to suggest new ways of improving the credibility and accuracy of children's testimony. Research will be conducted so as to have practical implications on the way in which child sexual abuse cases are investigated and prosecuted.



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## Syrians Release Jewish Prisoners

The Syrian government has released five Jews detained in Syrian prisons, according to former President Jimmy Carter, who had been asked to intercede in their behalf by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Abraham H. Foxman, ADL's associate national director and head of its International Affairs Division, said the League had been telephoned recently by Mr. Carter personally to inform ADL officials of the release of the five. The former President has just completed a visit to Syria and other Middle East countries and has returned to his country.

## Residents Spring Bazaar

The residents of the Jewish Home are having a Spring Bazaar on Sunday and Monday, May 3 and 4. It will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days in the Chase Auditorium of the Home.

The Spring Bazaar will feature items handcrafted by the residents for all ages and occasions. The selection of items will include: crewel pillows, baby dolls, stuffed toys, knitted vests, wooden toys, books, plants, a penny social, and a raffle.

There also will be a "Second Time Around" clothing and white elephant table. The proceeds from this table will go to the homeless of Rhode Island. The residents feel that they want to reach out to those less fortunate than they (those that are homeless), and raising money is one way to do it.

## Reforming The Jewish State

by Andrea King

(JSPS) JERUSALEM — Meir Azari is studying to be a rabbi in Israel. But unlike most of the rabbinical students that fill the yeshiva study halls in Jerusalem, Azari wears no long black coat nor even a yarmulke. He is dressed like a typical Israeli, in corduroys and a slightly worn sweater.

Azari, 28, does not look like the majority of rabbis in Israel because the majority of rabbis in Israel are Orthodox. Azari has chosen to become a Reform rabbi, thus placing himself in the minority in Israel, where Reform Judaism is new and a bit foreign.

Although the Reform Movement claims 1.3 million members worldwide, only a very small number (estimated at 5,000-6,000), live in Israel, many of them American or European immigrants. There are twenty ordained Reform rabbis in Israel, including three women, although not all of the rabbis are currently working. Seven rabbinical students, including Meir Azari, will be ordained next year.

Religion in Israel is slowly changing — to the satisfaction of some and to the horror of others. One outpost of change is the Reform Movement's \$33 million dollar World Education Center for Progressive Judaism, recently dedicated on the campus of Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem.

With more than 800 congregations, the reputation of America's large, well-established and wealthy Reform movement has plagued the developing movement in Israel.

"We thought that the name Reform Judaism had too many unpleasant connotations for the average Israeli," said Azari, himself a Haifa-born sabra. "And since we are part of the World Union for Progressive Judaism (The international umbrella organization for Reform and Liberal congregations), we thought that Progressive Judaism would be a more popular name for Reform Judaism here in Israel."

Another important reason for choosing a different name was the desire of the Reform Movement in Israel to create its own identity as a more traditional form of Judaism. "We have the authority in Israel to be tougher with our rabbis and to decide issues that impact them," said Azari, who also serves as executive director of the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism. "For instance, our assembly of rabbis has decided that conversion in Israel should be closer to tradition and should be more difficult than conversion in the States.

"By virtue of our being in Israel, we are closer to our traditions and have a different starting point and attitude," said Azari. He recently traveled to the United States and visited many Reform congregations, in cities such as New York and Washington, D.C., experiencing some of the differences for himself.

Azari admits that Reform Judaism in America must adapt to its Christian surroundings in some ways, just as Progressive Judaism in Israel must adapt itself to a more Middle Eastern orientation. "If a large synagogue with music and stained glass windows is part of Reform Judaism in the American culture, that's O.K.," said Azari, "until the time when they begin to hurt the real heart of Judaism. I cannot deal with that.

"We have reached a point today where the Jewish world is separated. When Reform Judaism changed the prayer, the meaning of kashrut or the Jewish home, these were big changes. But none of these changes can compare with the changes that have been made in the last few years, in the United States, regarding conversions, marriage and the question of who

is a Jew.

"I understand that in the United States there is a huge problem with intermarriage," said Azari, "and the Reform movement, unlike the Conservative or Orthodox, decided to deal with this problem by accepting patrilineal descent. In Israel, however, we do not have the problem of intermarriage and our council of rabbis decided not to accept patrilineal descent."

Azari and his fellow Reform rabbis in Israel are trying to send a message to the Reform rabbis in the United States to be more careful with their conversions. In Israel, they are pushing for the establishment of a court that will include Reform, Conservative and Orthodox rabbis and will decide such sensitive and divisive issues as conversion. "The only solution to these types of problems," said Azari, "is that the Orthodox must lower their standards and the Reform must raise theirs."

The Progressive movement in Israel has shown itself to be more traditional than its American counterparts. The kitchen of the new WUPJ center is strictly kosher and there is even an area outside of the dining hall for the ritual washing of hands before meals. During services men wear yarmulkes and prayer shawls and the service is conducted entirely in Hebrew.

However, these concessions toward a more traditional observance of Judaism have been virtually ignored by the Orthodox community in Israel.

The continuing hostility from the state-funded Orthodox rabbinate reached a nadir last October, during the holiday of Simchat Torah. Rabbi Eliahu Abergil from the Jerusalem neighborhood of Baka led a group of his supporters to the local sports hall where a Reform congregation was holding its holiday celebrations.

When he saw men and women dancing with the Torah, contrary to the Orthodox separation of sexes, Abergil began screaming, calling the congregants "evil" and "corrupt" and accusing them of turning the synagogue into a whorehouse. Meanwhile, his followers tried to grab the Torah away from the congregants.

While Abergil ultimately sent a letter of apology to the rabbi of the Reform congregation, Levi Weiman-Kelman, the incident attracted attention and support to the Reform movement.

Israel's Sephardi Chief Rabbi Mordechai Eliahu inadvertently garnered support for the Reform movement from Israel's non-religious majority when he told a radio interviewer that "there is no freedom of worship in Israel. There is only one Torah, and it is forbidden to recognize the legitimacy of any other way of religion."

Azari sharply disagreed. "I want to know who has the right to decide such things, to decide what is true Judaism," he asked.

"How many Jews today live like the ultra-Orthodox?" he continued. "They are not examples of what it is to be a Jew today. There is one authentic Judaism. Authentic Judaism is that there are many ways to God and many ways to build a Jewish life and society."

## ORT Yearbook

The latest ORT Yearbook has been published and is being distributed to Jewish organizations and leaders throughout the U.S., according to David B. Hermelin, President of the American ORT Federation. It provides a comprehensive, country-by-country report to the American Jewish community of ORT's global operations which provide vocational, technical and Jewish education to some 158,000 students in 17 countries, with 87,000 in Israel alone. The Yearbook is available upon request from the American ORT Federation, 817 Broadway, New York, NY 10003.

The lead article, "ORT: A Lifetime of Learning," highlights the proliferation of adult education programs at schools throughout the ORT global network, in conjunction with regular classes for the younger student population, in response to the growing need for specialized skills training in today's hi-tech work place.

"Hi-Tech Training at ORT: Future Trends" presents some of the newest areas of high technology which will be incorporated into the curricula at ORT schools worldwide, including artificial intelligence, telecommunications and biotechnology, a rapidly developing field that will require trained manpower in the near future. A pilot program in biotechnology was recently launched at the Emanuel and Helen Ebin School for Chemical Engineering in Ramat Gan, Israel, to train technicians and practical engineers for the burgeoning genetic engineering industry.

Also discussed in the Yearbook is the progress of construction of the ORT Braude Institute of Technology in Karmiel, Israel, ORT's first international technical institute due to open in January 1988.

"Preserving Jewish Communities" offers a look at ORT Latin America's innovative educational programs in six countries — Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Peru and Uruguay. Among the programs highlighted are Uruguay's computer science curriculum for systems analysts, which has gained nationwide recognition, ORT Mexico's new technology course which teaches computer design to children in the elementary schools, and ORT Argentina's highly successful vocational training project that provides young dropouts with marketable work skills.

The important role played by ORT France in training the long-term unemployed is highlighted in "ORT France Offers Skills Training to the Jobless."

## "Waving Goodbye" Opens At Jewish Repertory Theatre

*Waving Goodbye*, a new comedy by Bob Morris, will open at the Jewish Repertory Theatre, 344 East 14th Street (between 1st and 2nd Avenues) on Sunday, May 3 at 7 p.m. Previews will begin on Saturday, April 25 at 8 p.m.

Presented by the Jewish Repertory Theatre, Ran Avni, Artistic Director, "Waving Goodbye" captures the intimacy and humor shared by two brothers.

Under the direction of Robin Saex, the cast features: Robert Dorfman, Michael Ornstein, Bernie Passeltiner, Debbie Silver and Viola Harris. Set design is by Jeffrey Schneider, costumes by Karen Hummel and lighting design by Dan Kinsley.

Performances are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$15 on weekdays and \$18 on weekends. For information and reservations call (212) 505-2667.



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# Arts & Entertainment



## Great Woods Announces Concerts

The greenery of Great Woods will resound with syncopated rhythms when the second annual Jazz and Blues Festival at the Great Woods Center for the Performing Arts takes the stage on Saturday, June 20, at 1 p.m., Saturday at 7 p.m., and Sunday, June 21, at 1 p.m. Max Roach, The Modern Jazz Quartet, John Lee Hooker and Koko Taylor top the list of internationally renowned artists that Jazz Programming Consultant Fred Taylor has lined up for this sizzling summer showcase of jazz and blues. The Jazz and Blues Festival is presented as part of the "USTRust Festival '87," a summer-long series that also includes classical and folk music.

"The dean of modern percussionists," Max Roach, will open the 1987 Jazz and Blues Festival on Saturday, June 20, with *An Afternoon with the Masters*, a unique program which will trace the development of jazz

tap dance, and demonstrate its relationship to jazz drumming. He will be joined in this informal, afternoon concert by a pantheon of jazz tap greats, including Chuck Green, Jimmy Slide and Diane Walker. In addition to accompanying these masters of rhythmic dance, Roach will present his solo drum concert, a stunning display of percussion virtuosity. Max Roach is unfailingly cited as one of the most influential percussionists and composers in contemporary music; his works for soloists, orchestra, percussion ensemble, theatre, film, and television have earned numerous international awards. This very special program will be hosted and narrated by Tony Cennamo of WBUR-FM.

The Modern Jazz Quartet bring their 35th anniversary celebration to Great Woods on Saturday at 7 p.m. when they headline a gala evening of *The Classics of Jazz* which also includes Carmen

McRae, The Count Basie Band and special guests. The MJQ — Milt Jackson, vibes; John Lewis, piano; Percy Heath, bass; and Connie Kay, drums — have come to define the term "chamber jazz." Their smooth interplay of classicism and swing, and an intuitively responsive style of improvisation have made the MJQ consistent audience favorites around the world. When it comes to underlining the emotional content of a song with phrasing and vocal control, Carmen McRae knows no peer. Her delightful interpretations will be accompanied by her own trio. The name Count Basie is synonymous with big band jazz; The Count Basie Band carries on his tradition of musicianship, power and energy. As at last year's Festival, when Ella Fitzgerald, Illinois Jacquet and Toots Thielman brought down the house, surprise guests and special reunions are always possible.

An *All-Day Blues Festival* shakes the Jazz and Blues Festival to a close on Sunday, June 21, starting at 1 p.m. Despite a kaleidoscopic array of styles and techniques, the blues come down to one thing: raw emotion. Nothing expresses the blues more eloquently than the wailing sound of Koko Taylor's growling voice. "The Queen of the Blues" has won every award that the blues world has to offer, including seven W.C. Handy Awards, and six Grammy Award nominations. The "Queen" and her Blues Machine will make way for "The King of Boogie," John Lee Hooker. The 69-year-old blues pioneer has headlined every major festival in the world, and was cited with a National Folk Heritage Award from the Smithsonian Institute. Hooker has also been a major influence on the development of rock music. Local heroes Roomful of Blues were just awarded a Best Blues Band honor at the first Boston Music Awards. Their updated big band sound has won praise from audiences and critics alike, and they have garnered three Grammy nominations. The first family of New Orleans music, The Neville Brothers, brings the sweat-drenched sound of the Mardi Gras to the Jazz and Blues Festival. The Nevilles have a 30-year history of bringing the New Orleans sound to the rest of the country, and they consistently top readers' polls and critics' surveys. Special guests for the Festival include blues legend Albert Collins, also a Grammy winner this year, The Nighthawks, Johnny Winter and Luther "Guitar" Johnson.

Great Woods' Jazz Programming Consultant Fred Taylor has been involved in the jazz club and concert world since 1961. He formed relationships with mainstream jazz artists such as Herbie Mann, Howard McGhee and Count Basie, which led to the establishment in 1963 of the fabled Jazz Workshop on Boylston Street in Boston. During the next 15 years he booked almost every major jazz artist in the U.S., from John Coltrane to Keith Jarrett, significantly aiding the career development of many. Since 1978, Taylor has worked with Windham Hill artists on the East Coast. He is also active in the comedy world, working with Jay Leon in the New England market.

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Tickets for the second annual Jazz and Blues Festival go on sale Thursday, April 16. Tickets are available by telephone charge from Ticketmaster at 1-800-682-8080, and at all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets are also available by mail order from the Great Woods box office at P.O. Box 810, Mansfield, MA, 02048. Tickets for the Saturday afternoon program are \$12.50 and \$9.50 reserved, and \$6 for the lawn. Tickets for the Saturday evening program are \$23.50 and \$19.50 reserved, and \$15 for the lawn. Tickets for the Sunday program are \$18.50 and \$15 reserved, and \$13.50 for the lawn. Those who purchase tickets for the Saturday evening or Sunday programs by mail order from the Great Woods box office will be able to purchase tickets at the same time for the Saturday afternoon performance for the discounted price of \$10 and \$7.50 reserved, and \$4.50 for the lawn. For more ticket information, please call 1-800-BEETHOVEN.

## Leonard Slatkin To Conduct

The critically acclaimed St. Louis Symphony, Leonard Slatkin, conducting, will perform at Boston's Symphony Hall on Sunday, May 3, at 3 p.m. Presented by Walter Pierce in the Wang Celebrity Series, the St. Louis will play works by Haydn and Shostakovich as well as the Boston premiere of a new work by American composer Joan Tower.

Founded in 1880, the St. Louis was recently hailed by *Time* magazine critic Michael Walsh as one of the two top orchestras in the United States. Under the leadership of Leonard Slatkin, the St. Louis presents more than 200 concerts each season. The orchestra presents a 26-concert broadcast series that is heard on more than 200 radio stations across the nation, and records actively on the Telarc, Vox, Angel, Nonesuch and RCA labels. Their recent recording of the Prokofiev fifth symphony won two Grammy awards.

Leonard Slatkin, who became the St. Louis conductor in 1979, enjoys one of the most varied careers of any conductor active in the world today. In the 86-87 season alone he will have conducted for the Chicago Lyric Opera, the London Symphony, the Oslo Philharmonic, the New York Philharmonic, and the Stuttgart Opera. Born and raised in Los Angeles, educated at Juilliard, and tutored in conducting by Walter Susskind and Jean Morel, Slatkin made his conducting debut at Carnegie Hall at the age of 22. He is known to Boston audiences as a guest conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Joan Tower, composer-in-residence for the St. Louis Symphony since 1985, began her collaboration with Leonard Slatkin and the St. Louis in 1984 with the premiere of her *Sequoia*.

The program for the St. Louis Symphony concert on May 2 is as follows: Franz Josef Haydn, Symphony No. 67 in F major; Joan Tower, *Silver Ladders*; Dmitri Shostakovich, Symphony No. 5 in D minor, Opus 47.

Remaining tickets for the St. Louis concert, priced at \$17.50 and \$16.50, go on sale April 21 at the Symphony Hall box office (266-1492) and through Concertcharge, 497-1118.

The 1986-87 Wang Celebrity Series is supported in part by Wang Laboratories Inc., and by generous grants from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts & Humanities, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Boston Arts Lottery Council.

## All Breed And Specialty Cat Show

The All Breed Cat Club of the Northeast and Minuteman Feline Fanciers will kick off their Spring show season with an All Breed and Specialty Cat Show on Saturday, May 2, and Sunday, May 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the South Cumberland Middle School, Highland Avenue, Cumberland.

Judges from the eight-judge panel include Donald Williams, president of the Cat Fanciers Association, and Leta Williams of Florida.

Admission for adults is \$2.00; senior citizens and children, \$1.00.

## Piano Recital In Boston

The distinguished Soviet-born pianist Vladimir Ashkenazy will perform in recital at Symphony Hall on Friday, May 1 at 8 p.m. Presented by Walter Pierce in the Wang Celebrity Series, Mr. Ashkenazy will perform major keyboard works of Schubert and Schumann.

Born in the Russian city of Gorky in 1937, Ashkenazy was the son of two accomplished pianists, and as a result of their influence, he became proficient at the keyboard at an extremely early age. Later in Moscow, he studied under Anaida Sumbatin at the Moscow Conservatory. Ashkenazy first achieved public renown in 1962 as the winner of the Tchaikovsky piano competition in Moscow. One year later, Ashkenazy married an Icelandic pianist and emigrated to the West, though he retained his Soviet citizenship. In the intervening years, Ashkenazy — whose fame initially grew from performances of Chopin and of the Russian composers — became noted as an interpreter of Mozart, Beethoven, and the French impressionists. In recent years, Ashkenazy has also emerged as a conductor for Britain's Philharmonic Orchestra, as well as a guest conductor for the Concertgebouw, the Cleveland, and the Los Angeles Philharmonic. In January 1987, Ashkenazy was named music director of the Royal Philharmonic.

Remaining tickets for the Vladimir Ashkenazy recital are priced at \$16.50 and will go on sale beginning April 21 at the Symphony Hall box office 266-1492 and through Concertcharge, 497-1118.

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## "Camelot" At PPAC

Michael Striar, in cooperation with the Providence Performing Arts Center, will present an eight-show run of "Camelot" starring Richard Harris on June 2-7.

Richard Harris will re-create his trademark role as the fabled King Arthur in the National Touring Company version of this four-time Tony Award winning musical. An accomplished actor and award-winning star of stage, screen, and television, Mr. Harris has recorded six gold records, receiving five Grammy nominations, including one for "McArthur Park."

Based on T. H. White's 1958 novel, "The Once and Future King," "Camelot" is the tale of King Arthur, the sword Excalibur, Knights of the Round Table, Sir Lancelot and Queen Guenevere.

(Tickets now on sale at PPAC box office (421-ARTS), Hours, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 12 Noon to 5 p.m. Performance schedule is to be June 2-7, Tuesday through Sunday, at 8 p.m. with matinees on June 6 and 7 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25.50, \$23.50, \$21.50 and \$19.50.

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## Paying Back Loans For Students On Aliyah

by Hal Schneider

(JSPS) — They're calling it "the mortgaged generation." More and more students finish school with thousands of dollars in education loans to repay. Speculation is rife on how this will affect everything from career choices to spending habits. But for Zionists, one cost is clear: monthly payments of an American loan can make aliyah, settling in Israel, an impossible dream.

Two innovative programs, one in place for many years at the School of Communal Jewish Service at Hebrew Union College in Los Angeles, the other set to begin this June at Yeshiva University in New York, offer some relief for those involved in this dilemma.

At the School of Jewish Communal Service the "Israel Forgiveness Fund" works like this: when students make aliyah, their loans are held in abeyance. Thereafter they are gradually forgiven each year till the debt is totally absolved.

"We hope this would not only enable but encourage students to make aliyah," explained Saragrace Brown, the school's registrar. The amounts available for this program differ each year depending on the amount of loans and the level of scholarship allotment.

This program is just part of the school's broader commitment to aliyah, which includes an Israel Communal Service Seminar during winter break. "Just this past December we brought a group of students to Israel to foster interest in aliyah," said Brown.

"We know that many who return after making aliyah do so for economic reasons," she said. "Hopefully we can make things a little easier."

The dimensions of the loan repayment problems of Yeshiva's graduates were outlined by Dr. Israel Miller, the school's Senior Vice President. He said that 70% of Yeshiva's students required some type of financial aid, and that after graduation many students have debts as high as eight to nine thousand dollars. By the time many students have paid off their loans, noted Miller, they are married and have children — which makes making aliyah that much harder.

Miller echoed Brown's concern that many people are discouraged making or maintaining

aliyah by Israel's economic problems. "They just can't repay their loans on an Israeli salary," he said. "Many Yeshiva graduates become doctors or educators, yet still cannot make ends meet with the extra burden of loan repayment."

Miller, the founding president of the World Zionist Federation, said his university tries to foster a connection with Israel among its students. "One of ten Yeshiva students has made aliyah," he said, "and we consider those who go seriously dedicated. However, there are the economic problems..."

"So if a former student has spent two years on aliyah, we feel we ought to help by the third year," he said.

The program offers \$1,000 per year for up to 10 years for graduates of the undergraduate schools, and \$2,000 per year for those who've completed one of Yeshiva's graduate schools. The only qualifications are to be a Yeshiva University graduate and to show need. Yeshiva alumni in Israel can apply to the program, even if they graduated as many as five years ago.

Dr. Norman Lamm, president of Yeshiva, conceived of the program and its planning with some help from the Aliyah Department of the World Zionist Organization. Miller said the idea developed from ongoing discussion between Y.U. and its many alumni in Israel.

"When Dr. Lamm announced the program before a gathering of our alumni in Jerusalem, he brought the house down," recalled Miller.

Who pays for the program? Miller said the program needs \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year to cover the program's needs.

"We have already heard from alumni wishing to contribute," he said. "We are hoping for half a million dollars in endowments. Also we hope to see the establishment of matching funds from the Aliyah Department of the World Zionist Organization."

"The rules are in place, the graduates are anxious, and we hope to be ready to go by June," he said.

The dream of aliyah is still often dimmed by economic problems, but for some college graduates the future is beginning to look brighter.

## AJC On Sanctuary Movement

Constitutional guarantees of religious freedom protect churches and other religious institutions as well as people, says the American Jewish Congress in a court brief related to church involvement in the so-called "Sanctuary Movement."

In an amicus, or friend-of-the-court, brief submitted to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, the Jewish organization charges that a federal district court in Arizona erred when it ruled that churches, as corporate entities, do not have legal "standing" to bring freedom of religion claims in court. The district court had contended that First Amendment rights under the Constitution "are guaranteed to individuals, not to corporations."

AJCongress wants the appeals court to reverse the district court ruling. The case, *The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) v. The United States of America*, stemmed from the infiltration of several churches in Arizona by undercover agents working for the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service. The informants were assigned to obtain evidence concerning the churches' alleged involvement in a "sanctuary movement" to hide and protect illegal aliens seeking political asylum.

The churches brought an action in the United States District Court of Arizona claiming that their Constitutional rights had been violated. The District Court dismissed the suit giving as one of its reasons the belief that the churches lacked legal standing to claim injury under the First Amendment.

The district court decision was "plainly wrong," says the AJCongress brief. "Since virtually the beginning of our Constitution, it has been recognized that religious institutions protect the religious values embodied in the free exercise [of religion] clause of the First Amendment."

The amicus brief, which was released by Simon Blattner, president of the Pacific Region of the American Jewish Congress, notes that First Amendment rights are not "purely personal" since the Amendment itself is worded not in terms of "personal" rights but simply as a general prohibition against governmental action abridging basic freedoms, including free speech and the free exercise of religion.

Citing previous court decisions in which the corporate rights of strictly commercial organizations have been deemed to come under the protection of the Bill of Rights, the brief declares that the "corporate rights of churches are no less protected" under the Constitution than those of commercial institutions.

In appealing to the U.S. Court of Appeals to overrule the district court, the plaintiff churches charged that the U.S. government's infiltration activities were not only illegal but have substantially undermined the churches' ability to carry out their religious mission.

One of the plaintiffs, the Alzona Evangelical Lutheran Church, reported that it no longer conducts Bible study meetings because its parishioners are fearful of attending. The Church has also charged that general participation and support of Church activities have been eroded and that its clergy has been diverted from regular pastoral duties in order to deal with problems created by the government's infiltration activities.

The amicus brief was prepared by Amy Adelson, Lois C. Waldman and Marc D. Stern, of the American Jewish Congress legal staff.

## Sen. Pell And Others To Be Honored

WALTHAM, Mass. — Former CBS anchorman Walter Cronkite and syndicated columnist Art Buchwald are among nine individuals who will receive honorary degrees at Brandeis University's commencement Sunday, May 17.

Poet Adrienne Rich, U.S. Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., and Frank Press, the president of the National Academy of Sciences, also will receive honorary degrees at Brandeis.

Cronkite, anchor and managing editor of CBS Evening News from 1962-1981 and currently a special correspondent, will be the commencement speaker. His assignments for CBS News over three decades covered all aspects of the American political scene, and he was inducted into the Television Academy Hall of Fame in 1985 as the "most authoritative personality in the history of TV."

The university's 36th commencement exercises will begin at 12:30 p.m. at Ullman Amphitheatre on the Brandeis campus.

Honorary degree recipients also include:

— Gerson D. Cohen, chancellor emeritus at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York, which he headed from July 1972 to July 1986.

— Paul Levenson, a member of Brandeis's first graduating class (1952), current vice chairman of the university's Board of Trustees, and a partner in the Boston law firm of Davis, Malm and D'Agostine.

— Jean Baker Miller, a psychiatrist and clinical professor of psychiatry at the Boston University School of Medicine and one of the leading contemporary theorists in the area of the psychology of women.



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## Sharansky Receives Szold Award



JERUSALEM — Former Soviet Prisoner of Conscience and human rights activist Natan Sharansky receives the Henrietta Szold Award from Ruth W. Popkin, National President of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, during the closing ceremonies of Hadassah's Diamond Jubilee Mission in Israel. The award, Hadassah's highest honor, is presented annually to an individual whose life and work exemplifies the highest humanitarian principles of Henrietta Szold, Hadassah's founder. Hadassah is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year.

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# Obituaries

## FAYE C. BRIER

PROVIDENCE — Faye C. Brier, 61, of 16 Clarendon Ave., a former costume designer and sewing teacher, died Tuesday, April 21, 1987, at Hattie Ide Chafee Home, East Providence. She was the wife of Stanley J. Brier.

Born in Miami, Fla., she was a daughter of the late Morris and Gertrude Cowen. She had lived in Providence over 40 years.

Mrs. Brier attended the University of Miami and Rhode Island School of Design.

She was costume designer for Cabot Street Playhouse. Mrs. Brier also taught sewing at Wheeler School and was costume designer for the school's Theatre Department for eight years until retiring three years ago because of illness.

She was a member of Temple Beth-El.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Amy Brier of Providence; two sons, Bruce A. Brier of Providence and Gordon S. Brier of Philadelphia; a sister, Sybil Lubin of McLean, Va.; two brothers, Raymond and Myron Cowen, both of Miami, Fla., and two grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at Temple Beth-El, Orchard and Butler Avenues. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

## ROSE TESLER-COOPER

PROVIDENCE — Rose (Titow) Tesler-Cooper of The Jewish Home for the Aged, died Friday, April 17, 1987, at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Charles Tesler and Maurice Cooper.

Born in Fall River, she was a daughter of the late Philip and Mary Titow.

She was a member of the Ladies Association at the Jewish Home for the Aged.

She leaves a son, Harvey M. Cooper of East Providence; a daughter, Arline Slack of Providence; the late Shirley Nelson and Doris Kouffman; a sister, Francis George of Closter, N.J.; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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

## ANN FELDBERG

PROVIDENCE — Mrs. Ann Feldberg, 92, died Tuesday, April 7, 1987, at the Jewish Home for the Aged where she had been a resident since March 27.

A daughter of the late Fischel and Rifka Segal, she had been a resident of the greater New York City area most of her life and was born in Russia.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Handel, Providence; Mrs. Kay Udell, N.Y.C.; and Mrs. Terry Melton, California; two sons, Benjamin Kane, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. and Arthur Kuchuck, Kew Gardens, L.I.; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services took place at Garlick's Funeral Home, Brooklyn, N.Y. and were coordinated by the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope Street, Providence. Burial was at Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Queens, N.Y.

## ALVIN H. MENDELSON

CRANSTON — Alvin H. Mendelson, 60, of 59 Cliffside Drive, a life insurance agent for many years before retiring, died unexpectedly Monday, April 16, 1987, at his home. He was the husband of Frances (Leitner) Mendelson.

Born in New York City, a son of the late Louis and Irene (Fischer) Mendelson, Mr. Mendelson had been a Cranston resident since 1969. He previously resided in Providence.

Mr. Mendelson was a Navy veteran of World War II.

He was a member of Touro Fraternal Association and the South Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association.

He attended the University of Rhode Island.

Besides his wife, Mr. Mendelson leaves two daughters, Barbara Mendelson of Parsippany, N.J., and Marion Freedman of Kendall, Fla.; two sons, Dr. Robert Mendelson of Providence and Louis Mendelson of Tampa, Fla.; a brother, Morton Mendelson of Buffalo, N.Y. and three grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope Street, Providence.

## Book Review: "Sea Change" By Robert Kotlowitz

*Sea Changes*. By Robert Kotlowitz. North Point Press, 850 Talbot Ave., Berkeley, Calif. 94706. 1986. 275 pages. \$17.95.

Reviewed by Benjamin Nelson. Early in Robert Kotlowitz's deceptively simple and deeply felt novel, *Sea Changes*, the Vogels, a German-Jewish family, gather at the home of Julius and Elsa Vogel in Frankfurt to bid farewell to their younger son, Leopold, whom his parents are sending to a Jewish couple in America. The time is the late

1930s, and the Vogels are increasingly fearful of the Nazi menace which is clearly and frighteningly manifesting itself all around them.

The gathering includes not only the immediate family, which includes Leopold's older brother, Kurt, but various aunts and uncles, and is unique in that it is the only occasion other than the breaking of the Yom Kippur fast that all the members of the clan have been together at one time. The sequence pulsates with vivid characterization and ambience as everyone chatters through the evening, self-consciously attempting to ignore the grim reason for their reunion. In the warm, well-lighted rooms, they are figures huddling together one last time in communal affection before they all move out into the darkening chill of their respective destinies. Finally they depart, exchanging pleasantries and best wishes. And then, adds the author, "Slam, went the door of history in their faces."

It is precisely this door of history, and its tragic reverberation, that adds the vital dimension to Mr. Kotlowitz's sensitive, charming, and often humorous tale of a young man's dislocation and readjustment to a new life in a strange country. The teenaged Leopold is the protagonist of the tale. Before he comes to America he changes his name to Manfred in the comically misguided expectation that it will somehow render him more Teutonic and more American at the same time. When he arrives in the new land he takes up residence in Baltimore with his adoptive parents, the Gordons, a well-meaning but not overly sensitive Jewish family who, despite all their genuinely sincere efforts to make him feel at home, do not wholly comprehend the depths and meanings of his sense of confusion and alienation.

Kotlowitz strikingly and vividly describes this dislocation and Manfred's attempts to overcome it in his new family and new life. The reader can palpably feel the awkwardness and ambivalence of the boy's relationships with his new father, a rather crassly materialistic but decent Baltimore jeweler, and with his adoptive mother, who is totally, albeit cloyingly, committed to Manfred's welfare and happiness. His relationship with his new sister, Adele, a teenager caught

between rebellion against and acceptance of her future as a Jewish-American princess, is also described with wry and understanding humor, as Manfred vacillates between the normal resentments of a younger brother and the helpless infatuation of a lovesick swain. In a series of beautifully delineated scenes, and with a keen eye for detail, Kotlowitz also develops Manfred's interactions with his new friends, schoolmates, and teachers in the Baltimore milieu of the late Thirties.

As a novel about youthful rites of passage, the book is replete with sequences that are alternately touching, humorous, sad, and wise. Once again, we have a tale in the tried and true American tradition of *Huckleberry Finn*, *The Catcher in the Rye*, and *The Adventures of Augie March*.

What makes this particular story unique, however, is the aforementioned "door of history."

Hovering over the inner world of Manfred's adolescent turmoil is an outer world about to explode, a world which includes his former family, a world constantly and threateningly impinging upon his newly discovered American identity. For all his efforts to assimilate himself into his new existence, Manfred cannot break away from the loved ones he took for granted when he lived among them. Indeed, the more his American family tries to absorb him into their lives, the more he feels the strength of his ties to those he left behind. Increasingly, he becomes a person torn between a world he has abandoned and a world he cannot fully accept.

The climax and resolution of the novel develop credibly but powerfully out of this tension.

*Sea Changes* is an intensely personal story about the ambivalent fears and hopes of adolescence. However, it is set within a historical context that enhances it with an acute and tragic meaning. Mr. Kotlowitz's triumph is that he has not belittled or banalized the historical framework in his dramatization of a youth's coming of age; nor has he sacrificed the small but resonantly individual drama to the larger design.

In his novel, the individual and history, microcosm and macrocosm are powerfully and hauntingly enjoined and the reader is swept irrevocably and wholly into the configuration.

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## Judith Arredondo Appointed At Jewish Home

The Jewish Home is pleased to announce the appointment of Judith Arredondo, R.N. as Director of Nursing Services.

Mrs. Arredondo, in finding that her niche in nursing is in long term care, enjoys the challenge of providing the best nursing service that a facility can offer. She believes strongly that the nursing staff are advocates for the elderly — for their health care and for improving or maintaining the quality of their lives.

"The elderly are valuable. Individually and as a population, they can still contribute to society. They have all their life experiences to share, as well as

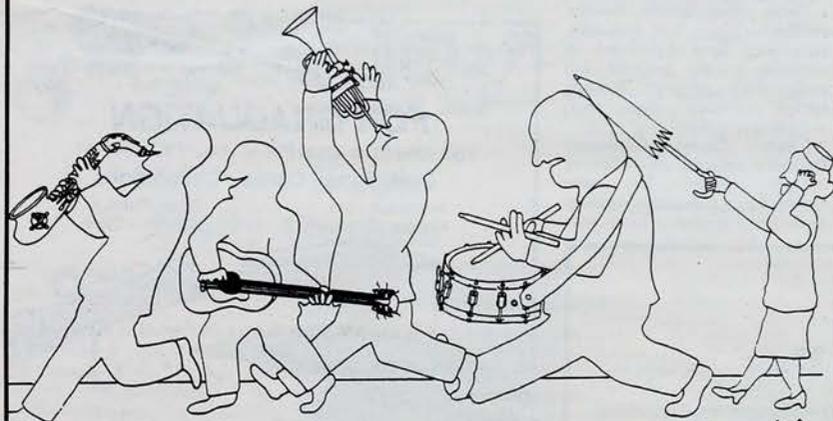


things to still live through," says Mrs. Arredondo. "Elderly, even the frail elderly, offer so much, especially to children. They give the gift of acceptance that many 'younger' adults are not able to give. The children, in return, accept the elderly as they are — not for what they were. That is a gift, too."

Most recently Mrs. Arredondo was the Director of Nursing Services at Charlwell House, a long term care facility in Norwood, MA. Prior to Charlwell House, she was involved in acute care nursing at three Massachusetts hospitals.

### Saluettes

by Sal Guglielmino



Out To Beat The Band

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Chemistry students at the ORT Ebin Comprehensive High School in Ramat Gan, Israel, prepare for careers as laboratory and dental assistants as well as for advanced study at the university level. According to the recently-published ORT Yearbook, ORT provides vocational, technical and Jewish education to some 158,000 students in 17 countries, with 87,000 in Israel alone. The Yearbook is available upon request from the American ORT Federation, 817 Broadway, New York, NY 10003.

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## Israel's Galilee Becoming Tourist Center



New construction, such as that shown above, is underway in Israel's Galilee, its northern section, where tourism is expected to become an increasingly important industry.

MIFRATZ AMNOM, ISRAEL — A holiday is serious business in the Galilee. It is one of the new keys for expanding Jewish settlement, bringing in vital foreign currency, and providing livelihoods for hundreds of settlers in this underpopulated part of Israel.

Here on the northern shores of Lake Kinneret, heavy machinery is opening new roads, setting in water and electric lines, and preparing this lakeside site for a \$12 million tourism center. When it's done, Mifratz Amnom will sparkle with holiday villages, beaches, marinas and other tourist attractions.

According to Tal Peri, chief of tourism in the Galilee for the Jewish Agency, this United Jewish Appeal/Federation Campaign-supported project will provide continuous employment for at least 200 Jewish settlers in a region where the Arab population has been gaining the numerical advantage. Mifratz Amnom will also likely draw about 100,000 (mostly Jewish) tourists a year.

Peri said that the project will be run by a consortium of kibbutzim and moshavim (Israeli communal settlements), and is intended to provide profitable employment to settlers in the region, therefore helping to assert the Jewish

presence in the eastern Galilee. Other UJA/Federation funded efforts are present in the area —

\* Moshav Amirim is offering good health and country living to tourists who take advantage of their low cost "Guest of the Family" program. This completely-vegetarian settlement attracts visitors interested in swimming, and hiking, and offers a full ration of sunshine, exercise, relaxation and good diet.

\* MaGiliot, settled by Jewish immigrants from Iran, has a folkloristic restaurant featuring the decor, costumes, music and menus of the Kurdistan Jewish tradition.

\* When the new settlers of Moshav Kahal moved into their permanent homes a few months ago, they went right to work sprucing up their original temporary homes. Today, tourists can stay in those renovated caravan homes at prices much cheaper than hotels, and benefit from the moshav's store, private kitchen and extraordinary views.

\* Near Sfad, other settlers are establishing a school for lovers of the land. The more adventurous types can learn forest survival techniques while the leisure class can ride across the landscape in an old-fashioned horse-drawn carriage.

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israel appears to have the nuclear potential to level every major Middle Eastern city, according to a book released this week by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Israel's nuclear program "is far more advanced than previously believed and ... accordingly, the pace of proliferation in the region in recent years has been more rapid than generally acknowledged," Leonard Spector writes in "Going Nuclear," the third annual Carnegie Endowment for Peace report on nuclear war.

Spector bases his discussion on Israel on disclosures by Mordechai Vanunu, a former Israeli nuclear technician, who provided the basis for a detailed account of Israel's nuclear program published in the London "Sunday Times" last October.

Vanunu's disclosures revealed that Israel may "now possess more than 100 nuclear weapons — not the 20 to 25 previously thought — and that some of them may employ nuclear fusion, the principle of the H-bomb, which would make them tens of times more powerful than the atom bombs used in World War II," Spector writes.

Evidence also suggests that Israel deployed a sophisticated short-range missile, the Jericho II, during the early 1980's, which it could equip with a nuclear warhead.

Israel has declared that it "will not be the first to introduce nuclear weapons in the Middle East," a statement repeated by Premier Yitzhak Shamir during his recent trip to Washington.

**No Comment From U.S.**  
Israel continued its nuclear buildup while the U.S. "at least partially aware of the direction of events, turned a blind eye" Spector writes. State Department spokesman Charles Redman refused to comment during a press conference recently about Spector's assertions.

Three other Middle Eastern countries, Libya, Iran and Iraq, have long been interested in acquiring nuclear weapons, but "made little progress towards nuclear arming last year, according to the report.

Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi's interest in obtaining nuclear weapons has been thwarted by a 1983 global embargo on nuclear transfers to Libya, says

the report. "Although Tripoli has turned to clandestine nuclear dealings in the past, it remains unlikely that Libya will be able to obtain nuclear arms or nuclear-weapons material by that means because such commodities remain unavailable," Spector writes.

Iraq's nuclear program is at "standstill" as a result of the destruction of its reactor by Israel in 1981, declining oil revenues and the costs of its war with Iran, the report states.

Iran has "extensive nuclear hardware, materials and technology" that had been built up by the Shah, although it has made no recent progress in its nuclear program, Spector notes. But Iran's "nuclear activities pose a future proliferation threat and deserve to be monitored."

Pakistan made considerable progress in its nuclear activities in 1986 so "it is at a nuclear-weapons threshold: it either possesses all of the components needed to manufacture one or several atom bombs or else just remains short of this goal," Spector writes. But the U.S. and Soviet Union may prevent Pakistan from conducting a nuclear test, he adds.

Kliger, a Judaic Studies professor at the University of Massachusetts, Irena Klepfisz, poet, teacher and translator, and Toby Blum Dobkin, folklorist and parent active in the Yiddish pre-school group, *Pripetschik*. Small group discussion will follow these presentations. In addition, Rakhmiel Peltz, Director of Education and Research, and Aaron Lansky, Executive Director at the Book Center, will lead sessions dealing with the history of Yiddish and the richness of Yiddish literature.

Filmmaker Abraham Ravett will show his films, recently screened at the museum of Modern Art, which portray the personal search of a child of Holocaust survivors. Other parts of the program include Yiddish singing and a visit to the Holyoak annex of the Book Center to see and hear about the astonishing rescue of 600,000 Yiddish books.

Fifty-five participants are expected to come from all over the United States and Canada. Limited scholarships are available.

For further information and application forms, contact Ms. Gene Zeiger at the National Yiddish Book Center, P.O. Box 969, Amherst, Mass., 01004. Phone: (413) 256-1241.

AMHERST, Mass. — The National Yiddish Book Center has announced plans for an innovative conference for children of Holocaust survivors entitled, "Our Yiddish Cultural Roots." The program will be held from June 12 to 15 on the campus of Smith College in Northampton, Mass. This program, the first of its kind, will serve as a vehicle for participants to explore the culture of their parents, its meaning for their lives and possibilities for transmission of this culture to children.

Plans for the conference include talks on aspects of the relationship of Yiddish culture to the heritage and identity of children of Holocaust survivors, given by Hannah

### Volunteers Needed

The Jewish Community Center's Kosher Meals on Wheels program is in need of volunteers. Teams of drivers and runners are necessary to deliver hot kosher meals to homebound elderly, weekdays during the lunch hour. A volunteer coordinator is also needed for scheduling. This involves making telephone calls each morning either from the Center or from home.

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