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## Budapest And Beyond: A Mission Of Enlightenment

by Sandra Silva

Recently, Norman Tilles, President of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and United Jewish Appeal Regional Allocations Chairman of Rhode Island; and Elliot Cohan, Federation Executive Vice President, participated in the 1989 UJA Allocations Mission: Budapest and Beyond.

In addition to Mr. Tilles and Mr. Cohan, there were twenty-eight other Jewish leaders who participated in the mission. The first half of the mission was spent visiting the Jewish communities in Budapest and Ladispoli, Italy as part of the UJA National Allocations Mission. The latter half of the trip was spent inspecting Jewish Agency and American Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) installations throughout Israel.

Following is the story of the Mission as told to this Herald reporter by Elliot Cohan:

"There are eighty to one hundred thousand Jews [Hungarian] in Budapest. Before the Holocaust there were about four million. Most of the Jewish population in Budapest still lives in the same ghetto where they lived before the Holocaust. In this ghetto, there is a large number of people under the age of fifty. There are also eight to ten thousand aged, mostly at the poverty level.

"The JDC has established two homes for the aged in order to help support the elderly. The Pava Soup Kitchen serves one thousand meals a day to the poor elderly.

"As a result of the relaxation of government restrictions in Budapest, there has been a resurgence of Jewish identity. Prior to the openness that Glasnost has brought about during the past eighteen months, Jewish people were not allowed to learn about their religion. Up until eighteen months ago, there were maybe

eight or nine kids in the JDC run Anna Frank Gymnasium [school]. Today, there are about eighty-five students and the school looks forward to about one hundred and twenty students next year.

"Prior to Glasnost, the JDC has been allowed to operate in Ladispoli because they are a non-political organization. They have been in Budapest since approximately 1980."

The purpose of the JDC is to revitalize the Jewish community through cultural activities, basic subsistence programs providing food, shelter and clothing and, as mentioned above, educational support and support of the elderly. In addition to the JDC activities already mentioned, there is a bi-weekly community newspaper. There are youth groups, singles groups and a mikvah. The community has begun to export kosher wine and matza to other Jewish communities in order to become more self-supporting. There is a Rabbinical seminary in Budapest and there is a summer camp on Lake Balaton.

Also, thanks to Glasnost and the revitalization efforts of the JDC there are two dozen functioning synagogues, there is a kosher restaurant, kosher bakery, kosher dairy, a challah shop. There are kosher butchers and there are Judaica shops.

The quality of Jewish life has improved drastically in Budapest over the past eighteen months and the moral of the young people is running high as for the first time in their lives they are able to meet freely in groups to discuss issues regarding their Jewishness and their relationships to Israel. And the JDC is there to help them along.

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## A Family Separated: The Tragedy Of The Luries

By Sandra Silva

"Last November, my husband, David, and I were allowed to emigrate from the Soviet Union to Israel, but we can't enjoy our lives in Israel," began Anna Shvartzman as she nervously faced the cameras of channels 12 and 10 in the boardroom of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Anna and her husband, David, were in Rhode Island to plead for help. In the Soviet Union, Anna was a leader in the Moscow Jewish youth movement. Her family endured a long struggle waiting for their visas and now, finally in Israel, she says that they cannot enjoy their lives there — why? Because they are not there—Anna's family, that is. Anna's parents are Emanuel and Judith Lurie, and her sister is Bella. If you are not aware of their story, you should be.

Emanuel and Judith Lurie and their daughters, Bella and Anna, applied for permission to leave the Soviet Union. Upon receipt of their visas, they were dismissed from their jobs and sold all their belongings. Judith's mother, Rika Kulbak, was the first to leave, emigrating in January of 1980. Five days after Mrs. Kulbak had left, Emanuel Lurie purchased the train tickets that were to take his family on the first part of their journey to freedom, only to discover, upon arriving home, that their exit visas had been revoked.

That was over nine years ago, and the Luries, probably the most well-known of the refusenik families, are still fighting for their release. Since last November, leaving the Soviet Union has become more important than ever because their daughter Anna, along with her husband and fellow refusenik, David Shvartzman, were allowed to leave for Israel with their infant son. This has resulted in the heart-breaking separation of the Lurie family.

In a packed boardroom at the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Anna battled conflicting feelings: she was appreciative of the enthusiastic response to her plight and yet still obviously concerned



Friends reunite for a brief period of time. Left to right are: Mila Shroyer, Anna Shvartzman, David Shroyer and David Shvartzman. Mila and David Shroyer are former refuseniks who now live in Providence. In the Soviet Union, they were close friends with Anna's parents, Emanuel and Judith Lurie.

about helping her family's situation.

"So, now," said Anna, "we come to the United States to raise American public opinion on the issue of my parents." She spoke in a subdued, controlled voice as she faced news cameras and members of the Soviet Jewry Task Force of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

"The most important thing that I have to tell," she continued, "is that American public opinion is the only thing that makes the Soviet government improve their human rights situation."

As explained by Elliot Cohan of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Soviet Union has been experiencing economic difficulties due to their restrictive policies and they are now in search of most favored nations status with the United States. One of the conditions they must fulfill to obtain favorable recognition from the American government is the improvement of their human rights situation.\*

"My parents don't have any reason to be kept in the Soviet Union. The reason the Soviet government gives [for refusing] them permission to leave is [my father's previous access to classified information] which took place twenty-five years ago," Anna explained.

Sheila Galland, Community Relations Representative of Action for Soviet Jewry in Waltham, explained that, according to Soviet law, the restriction of secrecy is lifted once the individual in question has been out of their position for ten years. Emanuel Lurie has not been in any position where he is privy to state secrets for twenty-five years now, and, therefore, the secrecy restriction should no longer be valid.

Rabbi Rosenberg spoke with Emanuel Lurie when he visited the Soviet Union in the Winter of 1988. During that visit, Emanuel Lurie told him that the real reason he is being denied permission to

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## Reading The Signs

Ezra Stieglitz Senses Community Needs and  
Works Toward Solutions

by David DeBlois

"I really enjoy it," says Ezra Stieglitz. "I mean, I originally became involved [with Providence Hebrew Day School] because my oldest son was going to school there...That eventually led to my involvement with the BJE. Obviously, I'm concerned with the quality of education in this community, and it's just nice to help out when you can."

Dr. Ezra Stieglitz has certainly helped.

Since coming to Rhode Island in 1972 to join the faculty of Rhode Island College as a Professor of Education, Stieglitz has donated a great deal of his spare time to the local community. In addition to serving on the Executive Board of PHDS, he has chaired the Bureau

of Jewish Education's (BJE) By-laws Committee, which restructured the Bureau.

Taking a few minutes out of his schedule, Stieglitz discussed his work from the friendly confines of his East Side home, where he lives with his wife Varda and their three children: Eric (14), Dani (8), and Evy (4).

"The major change we made," explains Ezra, "was to add more board members in order to better represent the community. It had been quite awhile since there had been any updating at all [at the Bureau], and so there were a lot of details to take care of. Mainly, though, the expansion of the Board was the big thing."

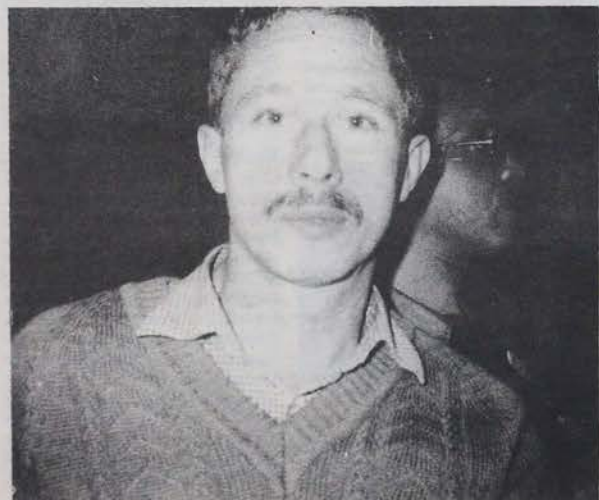
According to the BJE, Stieglitz has also been the "powerhouse" be-

hind their Accreditation Committee, which seeks to make quality Jewish education a goal for every school.

His years of service of service to the Rhode Island Jewish community were duly recognized on May 26, 1988, when Ezra was presented the prestigious Merrill L. Hassenfeld Leadership in Community Service Award. Stieglitz is characteristically modest about the honor:

"That was very nice...And it gave me the chance to go to Israel—that was part of the award, a trip to Israel. I just got back, as a matter of fact. I went as part of a [United Jewish Appeal] mission. It was a terrific way to see the country. We hit all the usual tourist stops. of

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This young man has been waiting, with his wife and children, in Ladispoli for permission to emigrate to the United States to join his in-laws and his brother. He has applied for, and been denied, refugee status twice (the maximum number of applications allowed) and now he and his family face an uncertain future. Photo by Elliot Cohan



## Local News

### Congregation Sons Of Jacob

Friday, April 21 — Second Day of Passover. Morning service 8:30 a.m.; Light candles 7:16 p.m.; Mincha 7:20 p.m.; Maariv 8 p.m.; Yom Tov is over.

Saturday, April 22 — First Day of Hol-Hamoed — Torah Reading is Rey Atoh. Morning Service 8:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:15 p.m.; Maariv 8 p.m.; Shabbos is over 8:20 a.m.

Sunday, April 23 — Second Day Hol-Hamoed. Morning service 7:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:20 p.m.

Monday, April 24 — Third Day Hol-Hamoed. Morning service 6:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:20 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25 — Fourth Day Hol-Hamoed. Morning service 6:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:20 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26 — Seventh Day of Pesach, Yom-Tov. Morning service 8:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:20 p.m.; Light candles 8:27 p.m.

Thursday, April 27 — Eighth Day of Pesach, Yom-Tov, Last Day. Morning service 8:30 a.m.; Yizkor (Approx.) 10:30 a.m.; Mincha 7:15 p.m.; Holiday ends 8:20 p.m.; Chometz can be eaten at 9:15 p.m.

### Striar JCC

The Adult Services Department of the Striar JCC on the Fireman Campus, 445 Central St., Stoughton is sponsoring a 50's-60's party/dance on Saturday, May 20, 1989 at the JCC.

Munchies and dessert, cash bar, music by deejay T. Rizzo Productions. Dress in the 50's-60's styles.

Registration at the front desk needs to be prepaid by Friday, May 12. Members: \$12.50, Non-members: \$18.75.

The Adult Services Department of the Striar JCC on the Fireman Campus, 445 Central St., Stoughton is sponsoring a Spring Fling in New York City on Sunday, May 7, 1989. We will be traveling via luxury coach from the JCC to the city. Use the time to shop, visit friends, or see a play! We will depart the JCC at 6:15 a.m. promptly, and return at 10:30 p.m.

Prepaid registration required at front desk of JCC by April 21. Space is limited.

### Sisterhood Temple Torat Yisrael

The Sisterhood of Temple Torat Yisrael will hold its annual Torah Fund Supperette on Wednesday, May 3, 1989 at 6:30 p.m. at the Temple. Guest speaker will be Lonna Picker. Ruth Ross is Chairperson. Members and friends are invited.

### Temple Beth-El

The Social Action Committee of Temple Beth-El, chaired by Alan Axelrod, is joining leaders of the Reform Movement in participating in Project Chameitz. Initiated by the Religious Action Committee of Reform Judaism, Project Chameitz urges Reform Congregants to participate in the tradition of Bedikat Chametz, searching for chametz and removing it from one's house before Pesach. The Reform twist to this ancient ritual is for members to donate the forbidden foodstuffs to those who are hungry. This modern search for chametz is not only in response to Jewish Law, but is a manifestation of the Reform Movement's profound respect for human life.

Members of the community are urged to join the congregation of Temple Beth-El in bringing all unopened packages and boxes of chametz to the Temple by Friday, April 21. These donations will then be packaged and delivered to the Rhode Island Community Food Bank. For more information on how you can participate in this program to help feed the poor in the uniquely Jewish way, contact the Temple office at 331-6070.

## Yom Hashoah Holocaust Remembrance

The Annual Interfaith Commemoration of the Holocaust will be held Monday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El, Morris & Sessions St., Providence. The service is being sponsored by the Diocese of Providence, Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, Holocaust Survivors of Rhode Island, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Ministerial Alliance of Rhode Island, National Council of Christians and Jews, Rhode Island Board of Rabbis, and the Rhode Island State Council of Churches. Leaders of each of the sponsoring groups have come together with common commitment to the well-being and survival of humanity.

The service to remember the Holocaust will include members of the clergy of the various faiths, and presentations by survivors of the Holocaust, as well as 2nd and 3rd generation descendants of survivors, a candlelighting ceremony, poetic readings, cantorial presentations, and memorial prayers. At the conclusion of the service in the Sanctuary, a candlelight procession will proceed to the Garden of the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum, located at the Jewish Community Center on Elm Grove Avenue in Providence. The service will continue with the presentation of the "Never Again" Award to Governor Edward M. DiPrete and J. Terrence Murray, Chairman & President of Fleet Norstar Financial Group, for their work on behalf of the establishment of the Holocaust Memorial Museums in Providence and Washington, D.C. Gov. DePrete served as Honorary



Chairman of the United States & Rhode Island Holocaust Memorials Campaign, and Mr. Murray served as a Co-Chairman of this committee.

The Commemoration Service is open to the public.

### Yiddish Eldercamp 1989

Save The Dates! July 24-28

The Bureau of Jewish Education of RI and the Jewish Community Center of RI will hold their fourth annual Yiddish Eldercamp, July 24-28 at the JCC in Providence. The nationally recognized program has been extended to five full days. An exciting array of courses taught by stimulating teachers is being planned. The classes will be held daily from 10-3. Students bring their own brown bag lunches; coffee and dessert will be provided on Monday-Thursday; a graduation luncheon on Friday is included in the \$42 cost. An optional trip, at an additional fee, is being planned for Sunday, July 23. Watch for an update.

Details on classes and teachers will follow. But, save the dates now! For further information, or to be put on the Yiddish Eldercamp mailing list, call Ruth Page at the BJE, 331-0956.

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## Joseph Teverow Memorial Lecture



Dr. Gary Tobin

The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island invites the community to attend a lecture by Dr. Gary Tobin, *In Memory of Joseph Teverow*, on Sunday evening, April 30, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El in Providence.

Joseph Teverow, a past president of the Bureau of Jewish Education of R.I., was deeply

involved with many aspects of Jewish community life in Rhode Island. Through this lecture series, his family and friends hope to keep alive his love for his Jewish heritage, his devotion to Israel, and his commitment to Adult Jewish Education.

Dr. Tobin is the Director of the Center for Modern Jewish Studies at Brandeis University in

Waltham, Mass. He earned his Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning from the University of California at Berkeley.

Dr. Tobin has published extensively in the areas of urban planning, Jewish population research, and social planning in the Jewish community. He is the editor of three books: *The Changing Structure of the City*, *Social Planning and Human Service Delivery in the Voluntary Sector*, and *Divided Neighborhoods: Changing Patterns of Racial Segregation in the 1980s*. Dr. Tobin's latest book, *Jewish Perceptions of Antisemitism*, has just been published by Plenum Press. Currently he is writing a book entitled *Fundraising in the Modern Jewish Community*, and editing a volume with Lawrence Sternberg entitled *Changing Jewish Life: Service Delivery and Social Policy*.

Dr. Tobin has been the director of Jewish demographic studies in St. Louis, Washington, D.C., Kansas City, Missouri, Atlantic City, MetroWest, New Jersey, Baltimore, San Francisco, Worcester, Dallas, and Rochester. In addition, he has served as a planning consultant to the Council of Jewish Federations, the United Jewish Appeal, and Federations, Jewish Community Centers, synagogues and other Jewish organizations throughout the United States.

Dr. Tobin's topic for the evening will be "Jewish Perceptions of Antisemitism."

Refreshments will be served following the lecture.

"The Rhode Island Jewish Herald wishes to clarify a misunderstanding: The Joseph Teverow Memorial Lecture will be held at Temple Emanu-El, it is a Bureau of Jewish Education Program."



## Russian Adventure At The Library

Rabbi James Rosenberg shared aspects of his recent trip to the Soviet Union via a slide lecture at the Barrington Public Library on Monday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m. In this presentation Rabbi Rosenberg focused on his encounters with "Refusenik" families in Russia.

Rabbi Rosenberg, a gifted writer, scholar and teacher, is currently the Rabbi of the Temple Hahonim in Barrington, R.I.

For further information call Lauri Burke at 247-1920.

## Majestic Senior Guild

The next regular meeting of the Majestic Senior Guild will be held on April 25, 1989 at 12:30 p.m. at Temple Torat Yisrael, Park Avenue, Cranston.

Our speaker will be Dr. Michael Pierk who will talk on a subject that affects almost everyone of us. He is a well known physician in our community and is a very interesting speaker.

All monies for *Les Miserables* must be in at this meeting. A few tickets are still available for a pleasant and entertaining trip to White's in Westport, Mass. on Sunday, May 7, 1989 to see the Polish Princess entertain.

Start planning now for our fabulous Pines trip in the Catskills, August 20 through August 27, Sunday to Sunday. Swimming, dining, entertainment all at the height of the summer vacation period.

We have a limited number of orchestra seats for the musical, *My One and Only*. This is at the Providence Performing Arts Center, Theatre, Saturday matinee May 13, 1989. Make your reservations early.

For further information on any of the above activities call Etta Swerling at 463-1166, Pearl Staysman at 738-0255 or Bertha Gershman at 944-8209.

## Cranston Senior Guild

The next meeting of the Cranston Senior Guild will be held Wednesday, May 3, 1989, at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Avenue, Cranston at 12:30 p.m. This very interesting business meeting will include the complete schedule of all the upcoming events with complete information as to dates, prices and chairpersons. Our guest for this meeting will be Mark Traines, M.D., who is in charge of the Geriatric Department at Roger Williams Hospital. Our health is a continuing concern to all of us and such, his subject, "Grab All The Health You Can Get" will discuss various attitudes and lifestyle habits that can help us stay healthy and fit in our later years. Refreshments and a social hour will follow. Be sure to attend.

Membership dues for fiscal year, June 1, 1989 to May 31, 1990, should be paid now and certainly before May 31 in order to be a member in good standing and eligible to attend any and all functions. Don't wait — make your check payable to the "Cranston Senior Guild." Send to Rose Portney, Membership/Financial Secretary, 64 Beachmont Avenue, Cranston, R.I. 02905. Telephone: 467-4964.

Our other interesting activities for May and June are: May 24, beautiful luncheon buffet followed by the very entertaining musical show, *My One & Only* at the Coachlight Dinner Theatre, East Windsor, Ct. Call Ida or Phil Wold, chairmen at 861-2784 for your reservation.

June 7 — Installation luncheon at the Venus DeMilo, Swansea, Mass. Bigger and better than ever. Don't miss the delicious complete selected customized menu. Free valuable door prizes and entertainment by the very talented The Cranston Company. Call Helen Forman, chairman, at 921-0455 for your luncheon and table seating reservations. Don't wait. Do it now.

June 18 — "Kick-off to summer vacation" at the Nevele Country Club, Ellenville, N.Y., for five nights and six days.

There are a few more openings, so join your friends for a complete and enjoyable holiday including relaxation, activities, good food and superb entertainment. Call Leonard or Louise Lyons at 438-2634 for your reservation and table seating requests. The luggage tags for this trip will be distributed at the installation luncheon, June 7.

The officers and board of the Cranston Senior Guild wishes all its members "A Very Happy Passover."

## Men's Club Shabbat And Dinner

The Men's Club is happy to invite the congregation to a Shabbat Dinner on Friday night, May 12, immediately preceding this year's Men's Club Shabbat Service.

At the dinner, Harry Portney will be honored as this year's "Man of the Year," and will be presented with a new plaque dedicated to the memory of Dr. Max Fershtman, Al Weisman and Ira Galkin.

Reservations for the dinner, which will begin at 6 p.m. sharp, can be made by sending a check to Charles Abrams, 110 Julia Street, Cranston, R.I. 02910. The cost for the complete meal is \$7 for adults, and \$5 for children under 12; 13 and over \$7.00.

Reservations must be received by May 5, 1989.

## West Bay JCC

The West Bay Jewish Community Center is having a Family Pot Luck Dinner for members only on April 30, 1989, 3:30-6:30 at the Westminster Unitarian Church, Kenyon Avenue. There will also be a Magic Show by Rusty Simone. For registering and more information please call Ellen at the JCC 831-1390. The deadline is April 20.

## Chabad House

This past Sunday, April 16, the 11th of Nissan in the Jewish calendar, world Jewry celebrated the eighty-seventh birthday of Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, leader of the worldwide Chabad-Lubavitch movement.

To his millions of followers and admirers he is "the Rebbe," today's most phenomenal Jewish personality and undoubtedly the one individual singularly responsible for stirring the conscience and spiritual awakening of world Jewry.

As leader of the Chabad-Lubavitch movement for the past 40 years, he has set into motion massive educational, social and rehabilitative programs inspiring millions from all walks of life.

The Rebbe's brilliant insights into the human experience and world events, his genuine compassion for others and above all his concrete achievements of unprecedented magnitude, have won him the admiration and respect of all those that have come to know him.

On the Rebbe's birthday, Jews around the world gathered together to celebrate the achievements of yet another year of the Rebbe's visionary leadership.

The focus, however, is on the future.

The Chabad-Lubavitch global network will resolve to pursue an even more ambitious agenda, reaching out those who, for one reason or another, still remain in need of help.

With this perspective on the future, the Chabad-Lubavitch movement once again affirms its commitment to make this world a brighter place.

For more information about Chabad-Lubavitch and its activities, contact: Chabad House-Lubavitch at 273-7238.

## Israel Bond Tribute

Rabbi George Astrachan To Be Honored



Rabbi George J. Astrachan, spiritual leader of Temple Sinai, will be honored at an Israel Bond reception on Tuesday, May 16, at Temple Sinai, Cranston.

Rabbi Astrachan, president of the Rhode Island Board of Rabbis, chairs the R.I. Jewish Federation Interfaith Committee. He is a member of Federation's Demographic Study Planning and Utilization Committee, serving on the Families Subcommittee.

A member of the Board of Directors of Mental Health Services of Cranston, Johnston and Northwestern Rhode Island, he also serves on the AIDS Interfaith Task Force, and is an instructor in the Humanities Department at Bryant College.

He has participated on several committees, including The Soviet Jewry Task Force and the Allocations Committee of Federation. A former president of the Cranston Clergy Association,

he also served on the Central Conference of American Rabbinical Committee on Conversion.

Rabbi Astrachan, recipient-elect of the "Shema Yisrael" award, will be taking his fourth congregational trip to Israel this July, when he plans to attend Israel's Maccabiah Games. The Rabbi and his wife, Rita, have two sons, Bruce and Jeffrey.

Guest speaker for the reception is Wolf Blitzer, the Jerusalem Correspondent of the *Washington Post*.

Co-chairpersons planning and co-ordinating the Tribute are Marcia and Marvin Dronetz and Selma Klitzner.

The reception is being conducted under the auspices of the R.I. Committee Israel Bond Organization, which raises investment funds for the economic development of the State of Israel. For further information, call the Israel Bond office 751-6767.

## Temple Am David

This schedule was run last week under the incorrect headline of Chabad House. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Tuesday, April 18 — Perform *B'dinah Hametz* (search for heaven) after nightfall. (See inside for explanation.) Sell your *Hametz* if you haven't yet done so.

Wednesday, April 19: Erev Pesach — Morning services at 6:45 a.m.: *Siyum* (conclusion of seder) and Torah study. Firstborn after services; family breakfast follows. Last chance to sell *Hametz*. Burn *Hametz* (see below for explanation and blessing) by 9:30 a.m. and finish eating last pre-Pesach meal. Say blessing and declaration of *Eruv Tashmish* (see below) during day. Candlelighting is 7:15 p.m. Two blessings: 1. "Hadhik ner shel Yom Tov." and 2. *Shehechyanu*. Evening services at Temple at 6:15 p.m. First Seder at home following services.

Thursday, April 20: First Day Yom Tov Pesach — Morning services at 9 a.m. Candlelighting is 8:15 p.m. Two blessings: 1. "Hadhik ner shel Yom Tov." and 2. *Shehechyanu*. (Note: These candles should be lit with fire transferred from an already burning source.) Evening services at Temple at 6:15 p.m. Second Seder at home following services. *Sfirat HaOmer* begins and continues until Shavuot. Your Hagadah contains the blessing, which is said at Second Seder.

Friday, April 21: Second Day Yom Tov Pesach — Morning services at 9 a.m. Candlelighting for Shabbat is 7:15 p.m. "Hadhik ner shel Shabbat" (light candles from an already burning source). Evening services at 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, April 22, Shabbat Hol

HaMoed — Morning services at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. — Hol HaMoed Pesach Services — Monday, April 23, 8:15 a.m. Monday, April 24, 6:45 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, 6:45 a.m.

Tuesday evening, April 25: Second night of *Sefer Tzitzit* begins. Candlelighting at 7:20 p.m. One blessing: "Hadhik ner shel Yom Tov." Evening services at 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26: Seventh Day of Pesach — Yom Tov. Morning services at 9 a.m. Light candles at 8:20 p.m. by transferring fire from an already burning source. One blessing: "Hadhik ner shel Yom Tov." Evening services at 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, April 27: Eighth Day of Pesach — Yom Tov. Morning services at 9 a.m. 10:45 a.m. Yizkor. 8:15 p.m. Second Yizkor, Ma'ariv-Havdalah. Return to regular dishes after 9:35 p.m. Keep this listing handy. Have a Happy and Kosher Pesach!

Shabbat Services For April Parshat Tzaria Candlelighting 6:59 p.m. Friday, April 7, 6:15 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 9:30 a.m.

Parshat Metzora — Shabbat Hagadol. Candlelighting 7:07 p.m. Friday, April 14, 6:15 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 9:30 a.m.

Shabbat Hol HaMoed Pesach. Candlelighting 7:15 p.m. Friday, April 21, 6:15 p.m. Saturday, April 22, 9:30 a.m.

Parshat Aharei Mot. Candlelighting 7:22 p.m. Friday, April 28, 8:15 p.m. Saturday, April 29, 9:30 a.m.

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# Opinion

## A Passover Message

by Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein  
President,  
Jewish National Fund

To effect the release of the Children of Israel from the chains of the Egyptian slavemaster, G-d chose Moses to unite his people and lead them out of their bondage. The emergence from slavery to freedom involved the mass migration of some 200,000 people from their homes in the only land they and their ancestors had known for some 400 years — however oppressive — into the fearful wilderness that separated them from the faraway land that was their destination. To undertake such a perilous sojourn through the wilderness, a leader who was the particular choice of G-d was needed to inspire unity of purpose and strength of will. Though their faith may have faltered, the children of Israel were buoyed by their belief in providential protection and guidance, and by the singular vision that sustained them: their return to the promised homeland, Eretz Yisrael.

The lessons we learn from the events of the Exodus, which we are enjoined to repeat and remember each year, are many and profound. During these difficult times for the State of Israel, there is one lesson which can benefit those of us who are troubled by the divisiveness currently plaguing our people. With the weakening of our unity of purpose and commitment, the attainment of our goal of peace and security for our spiritual homeland becomes more difficult to realize. We may differ in our political perspective, but whichever road leads us to peace, we must travel it together. We are, after all, still on that great journey to the fulfillment of our centuries-long dream of nationhood.

We at the Jewish National Fund understand the power of such unity. Throughout the 88 years since its founding, JNF has

enjoyed the blessings and support of world Jewry. The organization's roots in our traditions and holy teachings have enabled JNF to enlist this support from the broad spectrum of our people. JNF's land use tenets stem from principles set down in the Bible; the practical seeds of JNF's establishment were sown by the leaders of the modern Zionist movement that began in the middle of the last century. Theodore Herzl's support was instrumental in creating the Jewish National Fund as a viable agency. From the perspective of Jewish history, JNF is a recent arrival, but since its inception JNF has been an honored part of the folk tradition of our people. Wherever they are, no matter their economic status, political affiliation or degree of religious adherence, Jews have understood that to support JNF is to increase and maintain the security, beauty and well-being of Eretz Yisrael.

Dedication to JNF's goals is a powerful, unifying force. We renew and fortify that dedication even as troubles may intensify for the Jewish state. That is the fulfillment of our pledge to redeem our homeland; that is the fulfillment of our promise to the Jewish people who understand the sacred nature of our mission.

### Three Videos For Passover Season

In celebration of Passover 5749, Ergo Media Inc. of Teaneck, New Jersey, announces the release of three videos, all geared for family viewing. The three videos are *A Brivle Der Mamen, Passover Adventure* and *The Four Sons: A Guide to Passover*.

In *A Brivle Der Mamen* (A Letter to Mother), one of the last Yiddish movies to be produced in Poland, filmmaker Joseph Green uses the Passover Seder as a melodramatic backdrop to highlight the absence of the father who has just left for America in search of a better life. The film proceeds to chronicle the efforts of one Jewish mother to keep her family together.

While lunching at Manny's Deli, three brothers ponder the question, "How can we make a Seder this year if Mom and Dad can't be here to help us?" Manny, the affable deli owner, comes up with the answers in *The Four Sons: A Guide to Passover*.

In *Passover Adventure*, a good humored Israeli guide, Haggadah in hand, leads us on a trip through the desert where he retraces the route of the exodus from Egypt.

All three videos are available through retail outlets or direct from Ergo Media Inc., P.O. Box 2037, Teaneck, N.J. 07666. (201) 692-0404.

### Candlelighting

April 19, 1989

7:12 p.m.

April 20, 1989

8:17 p.m.

April 21, 1989

7:15 p.m.

by Jacob Neusner

Religion explains a greater range of everyday reality than can philosophy and history, economics, sociology, psychology, and politics. Proof of that simple proposition lies not in the distant past of the rise of Islam and the Christian Crusades, on the one hand, or the building of the Christian civilization of Europe or the Buddhist civilization of the Orient, on the other. Proof comes from the here and the now. I invoke only these places to make my point: Sri Lanka, Ireland, Canada, Belgium, Jerusalem, Baghdad and Teheran. True, the point is then a negative one. Religion forms a powerful force for human action against humanity, for the nurture of hostility and the legitimization of homicide. But explain Ireland without religion, or the Middle East without religion, or India and Pakistan and Sri Lanka without religion, or the struggle for Belgium and the Netherlands and the politics of Italy and Canada without religion? It simply cannot be done. Religion is what they call in the social sciences an independent variable. And for us in the humanities, the appeal to religious belief as an autonomous force in the framing of culture and sensibility, in the shaping of mind and intellect, in the structure and system of imagination bears the same force.

One may argue that religion then bears a heavy burden of responsibility for the human condition, and indeed it does. But that is not the point. For when we seek to find our way toward the twenty-first century — and that is the task of the hour and the purpose of our learning — then we have to turn to ask how religion, in its concrete embodiment of the works of imagination and will, has done its work. And dismissing religion as contingent, a dependent variable, no longer yields that guidance that we must have in making sense of human action and in making something out of the human condition.

For at stake is not whether or not religion is a good thing. It is, what religion is? and what makes up the human imagination and will that religion embodies? The answer to the first question is simple. Religion forms a world-creating realm of power, and that means, so I maintain, that it is within our mind and

imagination that the world takes shape. First we dream, then we do. And our dreams are ours, or come from somewhere beyond this place, and from some force beyond the tangible.

Let me give three concrete instances of what I regard as that simple fact. First, the State of Utah, built as it was by decision, born as it was in the mind and imagination of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. First they dreamed, then they went and did. Second, the entirety of the civilization of Latin America, which, as much of the place-names indicate, is the formation of a particular kind of Christian, a Roman Catholic Christian engaged (as the founders of my native New England were engaged), in the creation of a Christian civilization in the New World. They went from Spain and Portugal to found Christian, by which they meant, Catholic, civilization, and they were mostly priests and religious. And they did precisely what they planned to do: but first came the plan. Third, the State of Israel, born as it was in the imagination of a Jewish journalist of meagre religious roots in the anti-Semitic Vienna of the 1890s, realized as it was at the very moment at which the Jewish People passed beyond the gates of hell. That was an act of not only supererogatory imagination, it was, still more, a statement of defiance of despair. Whence such power in the realm of the unconscious, and where in class interest such a thing takes place, I cannot say.

That is why I maintain that there is simply no coping with the world today without the intellectual tools for understanding religion, not as a theory of another world, but as a power and force in the shaping of this world. Events in Iran and Afghanistan, as to Islam, Azerbaijan and Armenia as to Islam and Christianity, Latin America and Poland, as to Roman Catholic Christianity, the State of Israel and the U.S.A., as to Judaism, only illustrate that simple fact that most (though not all) of humanity does what it does by reason of religious conviction. And since public policy falls silent before that fact, it is time to reenter discourse with issues long dormant on the relationship between religious systems and the

world of politics and of economics, psychology and sociology.

To do so, let me call attention to two cases that seem to me to demonstrate the power of imagination, in particular, the religious imagination, to form culture and frame politics. The one shows us how religions change — and then change the world. The other defines for us a range of thought and speculation that seems to me productive. To show how religions change and then, in that sequence, change the world, I wish to invoke the case of Roman Catholic Christianity in its relationship with the Jewish People and with Judaism. In every account of the history of the Jews in Christian Europe and the Western hemisphere, Roman Catholic power and policy find a principal role in explaining the Jews' condition. Since that condition is always (and generally with good reason) represented as uncertain and frequently as pitiable, Catholic power and policy are implicitly credited with considerable influence over the making of the world. But in our own time, when we are asked to assume, religion, including Roman Catholic Christianity, is no longer a force, we hear little about that same matter.

When we examine the issues of Christian-Jewish relationship, however, we discover an interesting fact. From World War II onward, the Roman Catholic Church has totally and completely reconsidered its relationship with the Jews and also with Judaism. Formerly it was at best humanitarian toward the Jews, showing a patronizing and condescending willingness, sometimes, to let them breathe. And, as to Judaism, that attitude uniformly yielded the dismissal of Judaism as a road to salvation. So many important books have traced the long history of Roman Catholic hostility toward Judaism and also toward the Jews that we must stipulate the facts. Less celebrated is the news that, in the past two generations, since before World War II, the Roman Catholic Church has affirmed Jewry as the enduring people of God, and has affirmed Judaism as a work of God. This is not in theory only or mainly. It is in liturgy and homily, where the Church lives in the hearts of the people.

### The Complex Egg

by Chaim Bermant

(WZPS) — I don't know if any egg-eaters in Israel have gone down with salmonella poisoning, but there's been quite an epidemic of it in England and people have been talking about little else.

I used to think that salmonella poisoning was something people got from a surfeit of smoked salmon, and served them right too, but who would have believed that one could catch it from something as innocent as an egg?

I not only go to work on an egg (in so far as I go to work at all), I go to sleep on an egg, which is to say I like to whisk up the yellow of an egg with hot milk and a drop (well maybe two drops) of brandy. An excellent soporific, I may say, works like a sermon.

The egg is a staple Jewish food and enters in one guise or another into every Jewish dish you could name, and quite a few you couldn't, if only because it's the poor folk's protein. Those who couldn't afford fish or flesh, usually had a chicken or two scratching around in the back-yard so they could always be sure of an egg.

Thus one finds eggs in chopped herring and eggs in chopped liver and in cholent and kugel and galuphti and borscht and lokschen pudding and latkes and kreplach and kneidech and kichel and fishnogs (known otherwise as calf's foot jelly or p'tcha), and, of

course, egg and onions, and eingemachtes. (I don't know what eingemachtes is, or are, but I can't imagine it, or them being made without eggs because Jewish cooking sans eggs isn't Jewish, which is perhaps why so many Jews are egg-shaped).

I should imagine that the average Jew consumes at least twenty eggs in one form or the other in the course of an average week, but when it comes to the Passover holiday, the number must be nearer a hundred, and I know whereof I speak, for I am an expert in and a devotee of matzah-brei which should really be called matzah-fry. A good brei calls for at least one egg per square foot of matzah and a sizeable family can go through about an acre of matzah-brei. In the course of the festival, a family could consume something like 4,840 eggs.

One also uses prodigious quantities of eggs in matzah-balls, matzah pudding and a delightfully light soufflé of my wife's making which I call Matza - do - about - nothing. There is also, of course, the egg in salt water which one eats at the Seder dinner and which makes a rather delicious hors d'oeuvre. (I have tried eating it at other times and it's quite tasteless; I suspect it seems delicious at the Seder because after the long haul through the Haggadah almost anything would seem delicious.)

I suppose eggs are particularly useful on Passover because they are about the only food which does not have to be licensed by the rabbinates as 'kosher lePasach' — fit for Passover use (though, no doubt, that will come), which does not, of course, mean that all eggs are kosher. One blood-spot renders an egg unfit for Jewish consumption. We once had a very observant relative staying with us who thought she saw something which, if examined under an electronic microscope, might have proved to be a blood-spot, and threw out half the eggs she cracked. By the time she had finished, I nearly cracked her.

I understand that the chance of coming down with salmonella poisoning from eating an egg is about one in 200,000,000. If one eats 100 eggs over Passover, the chances are reduced to one in 2,000,000. The chances of coming down with matzah poisoning, I would say, are rather greater.

I am saddened by the doubts cast on this most benign and versatile of foods. When I was a child, eggs were not only considered good for you, but were thought of as an actual health food and they formed the basis of a whole host of home-brewed medicines. Strange how the elixirs of one generation become the health-hazards of another.

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## Three Russian Words

by Abraham H. Foxman

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To understand the dynamic transformation taking place in contemporary Russian society under the leadership of Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, Americans should add to their vocabulary a third Russian word in addition to the two — "glasnost" and "perestroika" — they are already familiar with. "Glasnost" signifies a new openness and search for democratic reform, and "perestroika" connotes a restructuring of the Soviet economy to decentralize the moribund Soviet industry and make it more competitive and efficient. But that third word, "Pamyat" — the name of a rapidly growing, ultra-nationalistic organization — contradicts the other two.

Because of the developments signified by glasnost and perestroika, the image of the Soviet Union as the totalitarian dictatorship of a cowed and terrorized people has also been changing. As a consequence, Americans have begun to think that the cold relationship between our two countries since World War II is thawing and warming the way to a far more friendly peaceful association.

And, why not, if democracy is truly on the advance in the Soviet Union, if the gulags are opening their prison doors, if the Iron Curtain is being lifted for those who want to leave, and human rights abuses are fading away.

Pamyat, which emerged as a result of glasnost, is the poisonous weed among the democratic flowers that are beginning to bloom.

The word itself means simply "memory" but it has taken on a new connotation as the name of a rabidly anti-Semitic reactionary group which until last year was hardly noticed. Pamyat demonstrated its size and popular appeal last May with a public rally and march to the Moscow Soviet (town hall). There it was symbolically, if not officially, given

a stamp of approval when a delegation of its leaders was cordially welcomed by two high ranking Soviet officials — Boris Yeltsin, then First Secretary of the Moscow Oblast (region) and recently elected to the new Soviet legislature, and Valery Saykin, chairman of the Moscow City Soviet.

Pamyat stems from the Russian people's deeply rooted isolationist attitude, an attitude which rejects the West as materialistic and lacking in moral, ethical and spiritual values. To Pamyat, Jews are bitterly hated representatives of the West, cultural enemies who are linked with the Masons in an international conspiracy. With its aim of a Russia which is *Judenrein* and its belief in, and promotion of, the notorious forgery, *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, Pamyat seems to be leading its thousands of members — in chapters throughout the Soviet Union — on a lemming-like march into the Russian past of pogroms, libels about ritual murder and ghettos.

The organization's vicious verbal attacks upon Jews, who they describe as "Yids" and "kikes," openly reveal a longing for "the good old days" when there was open season on Jews. Although the Soviet press does sometimes criticize Pamyat, the criticism is usually linked with Zionism in such language as "anti-Semitism and Zionism are twin evils." And while Pamyat activities and propaganda clearly violate Soviet criminal statutes, the group seems to function under a grant of immunity. No arrests are made, no prosecutions are launched.

It was Lenin who said that if Communism is to advance, it is sometimes necessary to take one step backward in order to eventually take two forward.

While glasnost and perestroika are tentative steps toward a more enlightened Russian society, Pamyat is without doubt a gigantic step backward which may very well trip up the country's fumbling attempts to democratize itself.

## In Remembrance!

by Lenka Rose

We shall remember!  
and never forget  
the Six Million who perished during the Holocaust.  
Pity the children who were lost,  
swallowed up as if by an ocean. All were lost.  
A mother's last effort to shield her child from an SS soldier  
while his gun was aimed at her shoulder.  
Then one shot, killing mother and child.  
As a beast gone wild, devouring his prey,  
the Nazi hordes had a free hand, unchecked,  
while the outside world simply looked away.  
How lowly and sad for a "civilized nation"  
to go stark, raving mad. Oh how sad!  
More than sad, is the tragedy of the Six Million  
which must be told and retold, six million fold.  
The message and their memory must forever reverberate,  
throughout the planet Earth and the entire Universe.  
It must be said: "We triumphed over the enemy,  
those of us who survived. That is our victory!"  
Martyr museums stand in many states.  
We beseech you, keep open those once, barbed-wire gates.  
Museums are buildings of but mortar and stone.  
Let's not leave the martyrs in them,  
forgotten and alone.  
The tragedy of the Holocaust must be told  
again and again,  
lest their deaths be forgotten; they must not have died in vain!

## UJA Proclaims Passage To Freedom Week

The Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal Rabbinic Cabinet, Rabbi Norman R. Patz of Metro-West, New Jersey, and Chairman-Designate Rabbi Matthew H. Simon, of Washington, D.C. have proclaimed this year's celebration of Passover as Passage to Freedom Week. The UJA Rabbinic Cabinet is urging all rabbis to speak about the importance of Soviet Jewish resettlement in freedom and dignity during the course of the Passover holiday and to encourage their congregants to enthusiastically respond to the UJA Passage to Freedom Campaign. "Passover's theme and the theme of the UJA/Federation Soviet Jewry Campaign are both exodus and freedom," the rabbis declared. During Passover rabbis across the country will deliver sermons on the redemption of Soviet Jewry.

The Cabinet is also publishing a

special issue of *The Orchard*, its sermon compendium, which is dedicated to the Passage to Freedom Campaign, and which will be sent to all rabbis in the United States with information about the needs of Soviet Jewry.

The National Chairman of the Passage to Freedom Special Campaign is UJA National Vice Chairman Marvin Lender of New Haven, Conn. The goal of this special campaign is to raise \$75 million in cash by the end of the year to assist in paying for the resettlement of Soviet Jews in the United States and Israel. Funds are urgently needed to provide housing, maintenance, medical care, job retraining, education, and a wide range of humanitarian services until the new arrivals find employment. It is projected that 30,000 to 40,000 Jews may leave the Soviet Union in 1989.

## Letters To The Editor

### Holocaust Commemoration

I am writing to extend a warm invitation to all of you to participate in the third city-wide commemoration to the Holocaust which will take place the week of April 30 through May 6 in Woonsocket.

By planning the events listed below, Woonsocket joins a long list of cities and municipalities throughout the United States which will be marking Holocaust Commemoration Week at that time. The highlight of the week's events will include the presentation of an official proclamation by Mayor Baldelli to me, as well as a City Council resolution in support of these special commemorative days.

The initial event of the week will be the interfaith service, in two parts, to be held on Sunday, April 30 at 7 p.m. The first part will begin at our synagogue, followed by a procession to Our Lady of Victories Church where the second part will be held. We are pleased that Guest Cantor David Axelrad will participate this year. A collation will be served in the Parish Hall at the conclusion of these services. Father Alfred Desrosiers and I have been hard at work to guarantee the effective planning of this event and we are anxious to see the maximum attendance from our congregants, along with other residents of the city and the Greater Woonsocket area.

An essay contest and an art contest, sponsored by the mayor's

office, are being held throughout the city and beyond for all junior and senior high school students. The winners will have their entries published in the *Woonsocket Call*, one each day during the Days of Remembrance. The theme of the essay contest is "Children of the Holocaust: The Silent Cry."

On Thursday, May 4 at 7 p.m. there will be a special Evening of Reflection on the Holocaust at which time there will be a major presentation by a Holocaust survivor, as well as the awarding of prizes to winners of the Mayor's Essay and Art Contests. This Evening of Remembrance will be held at Harris Hall in downtown Woonsocket.

I hope that we can count on you to join us in these events. Remembering is the very least we can do in the context of the Holocaust.

Rabbi Joel D. Chernikoff  
Congregation B'nai Israel  
Woonsocket, R.I.

### Let One Who Is Hungry Enter And Eat

"Let all who are hungry enter and eat."

Those are the words with which our Seder meal opens. The twin concepts of caring and commitment, embodied in this commandment, are fundamentals to Judaism. In different times and in different places throughout our history, they have obligated our people to reach out to those who are the most deprived among us — the hungry and homeless who are also the most helpless.

Mazon — A Jewish Response to Hunger — is the contemporary manifestation of Jewish willingness to respond to the need of the hungry to "enter and eat," in our own country and around the world.

By sharing our good fortune with those in need, American Jews have enabled Mazon during its

first three years to distribute more than \$1 million dollars to agencies dedicated to the relief of those who have little or nothing to eat and no roof under which to lay their heads.

This record should be a source of pride within the Jewish community. More important, it should be a wellspring of encouragement to accelerate the effort, particularly during the Passover season.

Mazon asks each of us to make a gesture that is full of meaning within the context of the Jewish tradition: When your family prepares the table for this year's Seder, add one guest to your table by making a gift of \$18 — Chai — to Mazon. In that way, the ancient words that are recited at the start of the Seder will take on enhanced meaning by providing for those who suffer outside our doors.

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## Social Events

### Treblow-Ziegler



Miss Annette Rebecca Treblow, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Mordechai Treblow of Dayton, Ohio, was married on March 12 to Lawrence Evan Ziegler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Ziegler, 114 Redwood Road, Portsmouth, R.I., at B'nai Emunah Congregation in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rabbi Joseph Weiss officiated at the ceremony. A reception was held at the synagogue and was attended by 150 guests.

Rochelle Singer, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Naomi Ziegler, sister of the bridegroom; Carol Blau, cousin of the bridegroom; Michelle Mark and Deborah Samuels. Bruce Krulwich was best man. Ushers were Marshall Treblow and Michael Treblow, brothers of the bride; Charles Jainchill and Benjamin Fine. Robert Cohen, cousin of the bride was ring bearer.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh with a degree in Psychology and Business. The groom is a 1987 graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa., with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He is currently employed as a Product Engineer at Sprague Electric in Worcester, Mass.

The couple honeymooned at Couples Only in St. Lucia in the Caribbean. They are currently residing in Framingham, Mass.

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### Rothschilds Announce Birth

Barbara and Steven Rothschild of Worcester, Mass., announce the arrival of Joshua's brother, Jeffrey. Grandparents are Trudie and Max Marks of Pawtucket, R.I. and Janice and Herbert Rothschild of Worcester, Mass. Great-grandparents are Ben and Ida Wolin of Shrewsbury, Mass.

### Fishman-Hurwitz

Ethel and David Fishman of Framingham, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter, Melyssa to Scott E. Hurwitz, son of Bobbie and Alan Hurwitz of Pawtucket.

She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fishman of Malden, Mass.

He is the grandson of Saul Miller of Pawtucket and Mr. and Mrs. William Hurwitz of North Miami Beach, Fla.

### Linda Wasserman Bat-Mitzvah

Linda Helen Wasserman of 42 West Blue Ridge Road, Cranston, R.I., will celebrate her Bat-Mitzvah on Saturday, April 15, 1989 at Temple Beth Torah Cranston, Rabbi David Rosen officiating.

Linda is the daughter of Arnold and Rienette Wasserman of Cranston.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hans Heimann also of Cranston. Paternal grandparents were the late Herman and Esther Wasserman.

### Dvorah-Dayan Club

#### Spring Yard Sale

The Annual Spring Yard Sale by the Dvorah Club of Na'Amat will be held this year on Sunday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the property of Seymour and Ceil Krieger, 381 Cole Avenue, Providence. We are in need of saleable items from friends and members — any items other than adult clothes. We can use children's clothes. Please call 351-2139 if you can assist us in selling on May 7 or to prepare for this sale and/or contribute merchandise.

If requested, we are prepared to offer receipts for Income Tax purposes for any goods donated. Call chairperson Ruth Garber 725-3728. Dvorah Dayan will hold its Annual Dinner and Installation on Monday, June 19 at Highland Court. Reservations and payment of \$10.00 must be in by May 15.

## Kitty Dukakis To Address NEIT Commencement



WARWICK, R.I. — Katherine D. "Kitty" Dukakis, who won the admiration of millions during last year's Presidential campaign, will deliver the keynote address and receive an honorary degree at New England Institute of Technology's 49th Commencement.

The graduation ceremonies will take place at 1 p.m. on Sunday, May 7, in Meehan Auditorium on the campus of Brown University in Providence.

"We are delighted that Mrs. Dukakis has accepted our invitation," said NEIT President Richard I. Gouse. "She is a woman of exceptional accomplishments whose courage and honesty in times of both triumph and defeat have touched all our lives," President Gouse said.

"The 600 young adults who will be graduating from our collegiate institution are very fortunate that she will be here to share her insights as they go off to meet the triumphs and challenges of their own lives," stated Gouse.

During the graduation ceremonies, New England Tech's annual America's Finest Award will be presented jointly to Mrs. Dukakis and her husband,

Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis, who is scheduled to be in attendance.

The award is presented each year to persons who, "have inspired others to lead useful lives." Previous honorees include former President Gerald R. Ford, retired Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., retired U.S. Chief Justice Warren E. Burger and actor James Woods.

William W. Bennett, a leading Rhode Island industrialist and civic leader, will also be awarded an honorary doctorate during the commencement exercises.

Mr. Bennett is Division Vice President and General Manager of the Quonset Point Facility of General Dynamics Electric Boat Division. He also has overall responsibility for Electric Boat Division's Charleston facility in Charleston, S.C., and for the company's Electro-Dynamic operation in Avenel, N.J. The Quonset Point Facility, located in North Kingstown, employs more than 5,000 men and women, making it Rhode Island's largest private employer.

New England Tech was founded in Providence in 1940. It grew rapidly in the 70s and 80s and now has three campuses — one in Providence and two in Warwick. More than 2,000 men and women annually enroll in classes at the college.

Among the most popular programs are electronics and computer programming, which are offered as both associate and baccalaureate degree programs. Other popular courses include automotive technology, building construction, cabinetmaking, architectural, mechanical and computer-assisted drafting, electrical technology, marine technology, plumbing/heating, refrigeration/air conditioning, administrative medical assistant technology, administrative assistant technology and technology business management.

### Workshop Slated In May For Interfaith Couples In South County

Interfaith couples who have questions which often arise concerning their present or future relationships will have an opportunity to seek help in thinking out and finding answers from professionals in this field.

This special workshop will run for three days on Thursdays May 4, 11 and 18, in South County.

The leaders will be Paul Segal of the Jewish Family Service in Providence, and Rabbi Scott White of Temple Am David. The fee for the three days is \$30.

For registration or information, telephone Susan Kirschenbaum evenings at 789-0984, or Paul Segal at 331-1244.

### Temple Sinai Sisterhood

There will be a Temple Sinai Sisterhood meeting April 24, 1989, at 7:30 p.m. at the Temple Social Hall. The speaker will be Barbara Fuyat, Executive Director of Elizabeth Buffum Chase House, a shelter for abused and battered women. Passover refreshments will be served.

Elley Marcus is Program Chairman; Susan Appleton, President.

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## NCJW Plans Award Luncheon: Foster, Segal To Be Honored



**Chaya Segal**

Born in the Ukraine, Chaya Segal emigrated to the United States with her husband, Beryl, and settled permanently in Providence in 1936. She has worked tirelessly as a volunteer in a variety of organizations ranging from the Red Cross and the Rhode Island Philharmonic to the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Jewish Home for the Aged, Israel Bonds, Pioneer Women and Temple Beth-El, where she taught in the religious school for 35 years. She is a Charter member of the Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, D.C.

National Council of Jewish Women, Rhode Island Section, will hold its 12th annual Community Service Award Luncheon on Thursday, May 4 at the Inn at the Crossings, Warwick.

This year's honorees are humanitarians and educators Chaya Segal and Geraldine Foster.

Proceeds from the major fundraising event will directly benefit the Scholarship Program which offers financial assistance to deserving college students and summer campships to needy children.

Reservations are open to the public and may be made by calling 861-0448 or 521-2932. Categories are: Sponsor \$20, Patron \$30, Angel \$75, Benefactor \$50, Special Gifts \$100 and over.

Chairing the event are Barbara Long and Beth Weiss. Members of their committee include: Jane Nelson, Claire Ernstof, Gertrude Gordon, Mardelle Berman, Abigail Leavitt, Ardean Botvin, Marion Goldsmith, Sheila Greenbaum, Bonnie Goldowsky, Mitzi Berkelhammer, Nan Levine, Shirley Rotkin, Jaqueline Teverow, Sue Shindler, Karen Seeche and Hinda Semonoff.

Founded in 1893, National Council of Jewish Women is the oldest Jewish women's volunteer organization in America. Its 100,000 members in 200 sections nationwide are active in the priority areas of children and youth, women's issues, Jewish life, aging, Israel and constitutional rights. The Rhode Island Section has over 500 members.

In 1978 the Community Service Award was established by the Rhode Island Section to honor individuals who best exemplify the ideals of NCJW and whose commitment to human need has been outstanding.

The awards will be presented by Roberta Holland and Rabbi Leslie Guterman.

### Volunteers For Israel

The primary purpose of this program is to provide aid to Israel through volunteer work and to build lasting relationships between Israeli and diaspora Jews. The program is available to the young and the young-at-heart (ages 17-65). An EKG is required for applicants 60 years and over.

The program affords world Jewry the opportunity of participating in the national effort of the Jewish People in the State of Israel. Volunteers will participate in various duties currently performed by overburdened Israelis, thus lightening their load by our efforts.

This program is an experience that enables the participants to familiarize themselves with life in the country . . . and puts them in touch with the people of Israel and the land of our heritage.

### What To Expect

The 23 days program is based on an Israeli routine. An Israeli week includes 5½ work days. Friday is shortened, to allow preparations for Shabbat.

During the program, you will participate in social and cultural activities, visit historic sites, and hopefully, learn a little Hebrew.

Spring and summer dates and prices are as follows:

Student flights: May 23 \$638, May 29 \$638, June 4 \$599.

There is a Mass./R.I. Community flight, open to all ages, on June 12, 1989. Price is \$636.

Call Ruth Page, Bureau of Jewish Education of R.I. — 331-0956 for more information.



Members of the committee for the annual Community Service Award Luncheon sponsored by Rhode Island Section National Council of Jewish Women.

### High-Schoolers To Study In Israel This Summer

The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island will hold a seven-hour orientation program for high school students travelling to Israel on a variety of summer programs. Entitled, "Israel: The Myth and the Reality," the course will attempt to explore issues and institutions which permeate the fabric of Israeli society: the army, the Arab-Israeli conflict, Women in Israel, Israel in the News, politics, the kibbutz, and art and culture in Israel. Guest lecturers for the series will include David Ellison, former soldier in the Israeli army, now a United States citizen; Dorit Oved, an Israeli currently teaching at Solomon Schechter Day School of Rhode Island; Bill Tilchin, history teacher at Providence Country Day School and Ph.D. candidate at Brown University; and Rabbi Daniel Liben, Associate Rabbi at Temple Emanu-El. The dates of the program, to be held at the Bureau of Jewish Education and the Jewish Community Center, are Sunday, May 7 from

12:30-4 p.m. at the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island, and Monday, May 15 from 6-9 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

The high-schoolers who will study and travel in Israel this summer and their programs are: David Jasper, "NFTY Archaeological Dig"; Tamar Gutman, "Nesiyah Arts Program"; Joram Borenstein, "Ramah Seminar"; Leslie Rosen, "BBYO Israel Summer Institute"; Debra Franklin, "Ramah Seminar"; Ilana Subar, "Let's Go Israel"; and Nanette Loebenberg, "The Alexander Muss High School in Israel." All students are recipients of incentive grants from the Leonard I. Salmanson Endowment Fund of Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Tamar Gutman was named Joel H. Zaiman Scholar for 1988-1989. Ilana Subar received the Ross Award.

Upon their return, students will participate in a community service program.



**Geraldine Foster**

Geraldine Foster is president of the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association and is a speaker at public meetings on the history of Jews in Rhode Island. She has taught both Jewish-American and Yiddish literature at several area religious schools and was chairman of the English Department at Nathan Bishop Middle School. Her columns have appeared in the *Jewish Herald* and she was editor of both the 75th Anniversary Book of the Jewish Home and the *Congregation Sons of Israel and David Pictorial Memoir*. Her Board positions include the Solomon Schechter School, the Bureau of Jewish Education, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island and the Women's Association Jewish Home for the Aged. She is the daughter of Chaya Segal.

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# Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder

"We don't know what we would do without our toymakers from the Comprehensive Adult Day Care Center at the Jewish Home," said Irma Hyman, administrator of the Early Intervention Program at Meeting Street School where the woodworking group had just arrived.

They had come with their finished and prized products, colorfully painted puzzles in all shapes and sizes. Irma led the group to a play area where the tots would soon come in and see their brand new toys and the devoted artisans who created them.

"Toys are a very important part of the Early Intervention Program in teaching a variety of tasks to the children," she stressed. "We teach parents how toys can help in the development of their children at home. When the children are finished with the toys, they're ready for the next stage in their development. The woodworking group has enabled us to loan the toys to the families for use at home."

The children entered the room with their teachers and settled into an activity, adjusting to the presence of their enthusiastic volunteers from the Adult Comprehensive Day Care Center. Their faces lit up at the sight of them.

The puzzles were laid out for the youngsters who were instantly attracted to them and got right down to the business of serious play. The woodworkers were enthralled ... Abbott Lieberman and Philip Simon, under whose wing the team

saws, sands and paints ... Joe Coelho, Gigi Snaita, Mitchell Sherwin, Julius Rosenberg, Dave Hazman, Bob Spingarn, Jack London. Other woodworkers unable to be there that morning were Bernard Guy, Abe Markowitz, Ansel Cleinman, Mildred Solomon and Ida Levy.

Composed of Comprehensive Adult Day Care clients, Jewish Home residents and volunteers, the woodworking group is not a recent venture. The Tuesday morning group has hammered away for 14 years with new people joining. Toys for the Early Intervention Program have been a major project for the "carpenters" the past 10 years.

The word has gotten out about this group, which has carved a niche in the hallmark of volunteerism. They've expanded their caring efforts statewide through the Early Intervention network at Meeting Street School. Irma Hyman noted, making toys for the children's program at Rhode Island Hospital, the Woonsocket Family and Child Service Agency and the Groden Center in Providence.

"The volunteers are the kind of people whom I never have to call to come," said Abbott. "If they're ill, they call. Other than that, they're at it Tuesday mornings, week in and week out."

"It's no task. They get more out of it than giving their three or four hours. They get such a great feeling from what they do. They love what they're doing!"



A giant letter of appreciation presented to the woodworking group composed of about 14 Comprehensive Adult Day Care clients, Jewish Home residents and volunteers. "Thank You from all the children in Early Intervention." From left are Debbie Davis, speech-language pathologist, holding youngster, Janis Still, Irma Hyman, administrator, Early Intervention Program, Meeting Street School; Sharon Rice, and some of the volunteers, Abbott Lieberman, Mitchell Sherwin, Phil Simon, Dave Hazman.



Toymakers, teachers and tots engage in a bit of old-fashioned play, blowing bubbles. A good time was had by all. The youngster at the bottom holds up the bubble wand for the start of a hefty bubble by Dave Hazman. Behind Dave are Phil Simon, Janis Still, Mitchell Sherwin, Mary Federico, special education teacher, and Debbie Davis, bottom right.

Photos by Dorothea Snyder

# They've Carved A Niche



The youngsters are busy at play with their new toys. And the toymakers are mesmerized. From left are Bob Spingarn, Sharon Rice, director, Adult Comprehensive Day Care Center, Jewish Home; Joe Coelho, Phil Simon, Jack London (bent over), and Julius Rosenberg.



Play is serious work for these youngsters with Abbott Lieberman, woodworking volunteer co-coordinator, and Janis Still, physical therapy assistant, Early Intervention Program at Meeting Street School.



The toys were a huge success!



Gigi Snaita, Jewish Home resident, and tot play with a dowel toy.





### JCCRI Summer Day Camps For Boys And Girls

Applications are being accepted to enroll children ages 2½ to 15 years in six summer day camps at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence. The camps will be held from June 12 to August 18.

Camp K'ton is for toddlers ages 2½ to three, Camp Yeladim is for children ages three to five, Camp Haverim is for grades K-4, Sports Camp is for grades K-5, Bogrim is a pre-teen camp for children entering grades 5-7 and C.I.T. Camp is for children entering grades 8-10. Each camp is designed specifically to meet the needs of its age group regarding creative expression and self-esteem.

On Wednesday, June 7 from 7 to 8 p.m. the Center will be having an orientation night for parents to meet camp counselors. Parents will also receive a free T-shirt for their child.

For further information on the specific camps and fees please call the Center at 861-8800.

### Congregation Ohawe Sholam

Thursday, April 20 — Morning services 9 a.m., Mincha 7:20 p.m. (learning session), Maariv 8:00 p.m. (Candlelighting 8:17 p.m.), Counting of the Omer begins 2nd Seder.

Friday, April 21 — Shacharit 9:00 a.m.; Mincha-Maariv 7:20 p.m.

Saturday, April 22 — 1st day of Chol Hamoed. Shacharit 9 a.m., Mincha 7:15 p.m. (learning session), Maariv 8:10 p.m., Havdalah 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, April 23 — Shacharit 7:45 a.m.; Mincha-Maariv 7:20 p.m.

Monday, Tuesday, April 24 and 25 — Shacharit 6:30 a.m.; Mincha-Maariv 7:25 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26 — Shacharit 9 a.m.; Mincha-Maariv 8 p.m.; Candlelighting 8:23 p.m.

Thursday, April 27 — Shacharit 9 a.m. (Yizkor); Mincha 7:30 p.m.; Maariv 8:20 p.m.; Havdalah 8:30 p.m. Chometz cannot be eaten until 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2 — Holocaust Day. Cong. Ohawe Sholam, Cong. Beth Shalom, Mishkan Tefilah, and the Providence Hebrew Day School are sponsoring a holocaust memorial program featuring Mr. Edward O. Adler as guest speaker. Time: Tuesday, May 2, 8 p.m. Place: Cong. Ohawe Sholam, Young Israel of Pawtucket.

include services on Friday night 6 p.m., Saturday morning 9:30 a.m. and evening 7:15 p.m.

Services for the last days of Passover will take place on Tuesday, April 25, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday morning 9:30 a.m. and evening 6 p.m., and on Thursday morning 9:30 a.m., Yizkor, and evening 8 p.m.

For additional information, please call Temple Torat Yisrael at 785-1800. The congregation is located at 330 Park Avenue (opposite the entrance to Roger Williams Park) in Cranston.

### Temple Emanu-El Passover Service Schedule

Thursday, April 20 — 9:30 a.m., Yom Tov services, main sanctuary. 6:45 p.m., Minhah and Ma'ariv for Yom Tov, Fishbein Chapel.

Friday, April 21 — 9:30 a.m., Yom Tov services, main sanctuary. 7:15 p.m., Minhah and Ma'ariv, Fishbein Chapel.

Saturday, April 22 — 8 a.m., Shabbat services, Fishbein Chapel; 10 a.m., Family Shabbat services, main sanctuary. 7:30 p.m., Minhah, Fishbein Chapel.

Tuesday, April 25 — 7:15 p.m., Minhah and Ma'ariv for Yom Tov, Fishbein Chapel.

Wednesday, April 26 — 9:30 a.m., Yom Tov services, main sanctuary; 7:15 p.m., Minhah and Ma'ariv for Yom Tov, Fishbein Chapel.

Thursday, April 27 — 9:30 a.m., Yom Tov services, Yizkor, main sanctuary; 7:30 p.m., Minhah and Ma'ariv, Fishbein Chapel.



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### Touro Synagogue

#### First Days

Synagogue services 6:30 p.m.; First Seder 7:15 p.m., Viking Hotel.

Thursday, April 20 — Synagogue services 9 a.m.; evening services 7:15 p.m.

Friday, April 21 — Synagogue services 9 a.m.; evening services 7:15 p.m.

#### Chol HaMoed

##### (Intermediate Days)

Saturday, April 22 to Tuesday, April 25.

#### Last Days

Tuesday, April 25 — Evening services 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26 — Synagogue services 9 a.m.; evening services 7:15 p.m.

Thursday, April 27 — Synagogue services 9 a.m. (Yizkor Memorial Services) Final services 7 p.m.; use of "Sold Chometz" after 9:30 p.m.

This Passover, Congregation Meshuat Israel is offering a unique opportunity for all members and friends to share in the celebration of a gala Communal Passover Seder. This will be a time of singing, ethnic foods, and tradition. We invite you to join us for what will surely be a memorable evening.

The seder will take place on Wednesday, April 19, 1989, at 7:15 p.m. at the Viking Hotel in Newport, Rhode Island. The cost is \$18 for adults and \$12 for children under 13.

Send name, address, telephone number, and check to: Touro Synagogue, P.O. Box 3383, Newport, RI 02840, or phone 474-4794. Reservation deadline — Monday, April 10!

### Temple Beth-El

The festival of Passover will be celebrated at Temple Beth-El with a service of prayer and meditation on Wednesday, April 19 at 5:45 p.m. in the Bennett Chapel. Services continue on Thursday morning, April 20 at 10 a.m. with a family festival service led by Rabbis Gutterman and Miller. On Sunday, April 23, the Religious School will host a special Passover Seder for children in the Religious School and their parents. Yizkor services will conclude the festival of Passover on Wednesday morning, April 26 at 10 a.m. There will also be brief memorial prayers appended to the conclusion of the daily Minyan at 5:45 p.m. on April 26.

### Temple Sinai

Thursday, April 20, Passover Sabbath morning service, 11:15 a.m.

Friday, April 21, Sabbath evening service, 8:15 p.m. Guest speaker, Ellen K. Steingold, A.C.S.W.

Saturday, April 22, Sabbath morning service, 11:15 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Kondon, daughter of Jane and Nicholas Kondon. Torah Portion: Chol Hamoed Pesach. Exodus 33:12-12:26.

Tuesday, April 25, last day of Passover, service of dedication, Yizkor, 8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26, Passover morning service, 11:15 a.m.

Friday, April 28, Sabbath evening service, 8:15 p.m. Observance of Yom Hashoah. Guest speaker, Rev. Jude McGeough.

### Passover At Torat Yisrael

The celebration of Passover at Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston will begin with the Fast of the First Born on Wednesday, April 19. The 6:30 a.m. service will conclude with a study session led by Rabbi Rosen, and break-fast prepared by the Temple's Sisterhood and Men's Club.

Passover's beginning will be marked with services on Wednesday night at 6 p.m., Thursday morning 9:30 a.m. and evening 6 p.m., and Friday morning 9:30 a.m.

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## Budapest And Beyond (continued from page 1)



Soviet Jewish children studying English in Ladispoli, Italy.

### Ladispoli

"It was raining," continued Cohan, "when we drove into Ladispoli. Ladispoli is a seaside resort about one hour north of Rome where most of the Soviet Jews stay while they await permission to enter the United States."

"We drove directly to the JDC building in Ladispoli, where we lunched with some of the Soviet Jewish people who were waiting there for us. It was there that I met this young man. [see photo on front page] He's a computer programmer. He is in Ladispoli with his wife and two children his mother-and- father-in-law are in America, as is his brother."

"He is running out of money (there have been drastic JDC budget cuts and it is not possible for the Soviet Jews to work in Italy) and he is full of fear."

"He has been denied refugee status twice on arbitrary grounds and that is the maximum number of times allowed to apply. Now, he must take his family to Israel and from there apply for permission to enter the United States as an immigrant. The terrible thing about this is that the INS officers have

separated this family."\*\*\*

There is a tragic situation about to erupt in Ladispoli. The cottages that the Soviet Jews have been renting there belong to Italian citizens. They are vacation cottages and come June they will no longer be available for use by the Soviet Jewish people there.

The JDC started, in December, giving them \$10.00 a day per individual for subsistence. This is for use with food, clothing, rent and other basic needs. (Each Russian adult is permitted to take a maximum amount of \$150.00 upon leaving the Soviet Union and there is no allowance for children, so these people are in dire need of financial assistance.)

The JDC has incurred a tremendous deficit and would not have been able to operate after March 31, 1989 except that the Federations were able to send them some funding. The current campaign, "Passage to Freedom," was specifically instituted to help the JDC with this situation.

### Israel

The Jewish Agency for Israel constitutes a partnership between diaspora Jewry and Israel. In Is-

rael, the Jewish Agency administers human services in the following areas: absorption, youth aliyah and rural settlements within Israel and research and development in those areas. Because of a lack of funds from the diaspora, they have had to cut \$28,000,000 out of their budget for the coming year.

This situation has arisen because of the need for federations to allocate more of their funds to local agencies (throughout America) because of growing problems in such areas as elderly and abuse within families. Some of the funds raised in the annual campaign are allocated to replenish this budget.

"Israel has a major problem," Cohan explains. "There are 1500 high school drop-outs. Most of them are orphans or kids from broken homes. This is important because Israel's only natural resource is the development of her people."

"One of the ways that Israel has combatted this problem is through youth aliyah camps. [These camps are funded by the Jewish Agency]. These camps include residential and day schools that provide special care and attention to kids that can't function in any other school. Here, they are brought up to snuff—they're taught trades and are even prepared for higher education. Because of these budget cuts [above], there are 2200 kids who won't be able to participate in these programs."

"We visited the Ben Yakir Youth Village which is just north of Tel Aviv in the Hadera region. This is a fine example of one of these camps. Here, there are 110 boys aged from 14 to 18, half of whom are Ethiopian Jews. They are orphans or they come from broken homes."

"Here, they're taken in, four to a large dorm room. There is only one maintenance man, but the grounds and the dorms are spotless. The boys do it themselves."

"They have a kind of animal farm with lambs, birds, cats, dogs, and goats. The boys take care of the animals extraordinarily well, because they're so filled up with the need to love, as most of us are, but they've had no way to express it."

"In Israel, 170,000 Soviet Jews have been resettled. They have adapted extremely well. In fact, they are some of the highest contributing members of society. I met with some good Israeli friends of mine who told me the government strongly desires to have more Soviet Jews resettle there because of the way they contribute."

"For example, they said that half of the cultural and artistic activities in Israel are directly attributed to the Russians. Without the Russians, there wouldn't be any ballet schools, music and art schools and classes. There are also many good technologists—engineers and various kinds of high-tech scientists—who have emigrated."

As much as the government desires the resettlement of a greater number of Soviet Jews in Israel, there is a strong need for more housing and jobs for these people. There is also a growing need for funds to bring them from the Soviet Union to Israel. There are many fees (payable to the various embassies and the Soviet government) that must be paid to cover the processing and transportation of refuseniks leaving the Soviet Union. They then arrive in Israel in the same financial situation as the Soviet Jews of Ladispoli, with \$150.00 per adult and nothing per child.

The Jewish agency assists Israel with these problems of resettlement and next year's budget cuts will affect this area (absorption) as well as the youth aliyah programs. This is why the federation's pledges to the federation campaigns are so important.

**The Passage To Freedom Campaign and the 1989 Annual Federation Campaign**

The Passage to Freedom campaign has already raised \$230,000 out of the \$460,000 goal set for



A young boy holds a goat in the Ben Yakir Youth Village.

Rhode Island. That \$460,000 breaks down to \$450,000 for the total effort and \$10,000 for special campaign expenses.

"Were very concerned about this campaign," Cohan continued, "as well as our regular yearly campaign. We have raised half of our goal but now it's the other half that we have to worry about."

"The total goal [for all federations] is seventy-five million dollars and that figure depends on what happens with the refugee bills that are currently before the Congress. We are hoping that that will be enough. All monies raised in this campaign are to help the JDC continue in their effort of Soviet Jewish resettlement."

"The money to help the village children in Israel comes out of our regular campaign which we are also very concerned about. This campaign helps to fund the Jewish Agency. Last year, we raised \$4,653,000 in Rhode Island. This

year, so far, we're at \$4,550,000 and we still have about \$350,000 in pledges that we haven't secured yet. This is a very serious problem and it's one of the reasons why we can't help those kids, as much as we need to. Needless to say, at this point, we're very concerned."

At this point, the pledge of each individual is very important to the continuation of these agencies; each of which is vital force in the lives of so many people. It's now up to the diaspora Jewry to determine on what level the Jewish Agency and the JDC will continue to operate. Actually, it's up to you.

\*Information from a recent UJA release.

\*\*For information on the current problems in Ladispoli between the INS and the Soviet Jews see story *Has Let My People Go Become Where Will My People Go...* on the front page of the March 30, 1989 issue of the *Herald*.



Elliot Cohan in Rondo Cafe in Jerusalem with Russian Jewish tourists.



Norman D. Tilles, a UJA Regional Allocations Chairman of Rhode Island, speaks with a recently released Soviet Jew at the community center in Ladispoli, Italy.



Norman Tilles speaks with these Soviet Jewish children in Ladispoli, Italy.



Elliot Cohan, Executive Vice President of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, and mission participant Leslie Litwack of St. Louis, meet with a student at Tel Hai College, a regional educational facility serving the entire Galilee.

The student to Elliot Cohan's right is Orly Dadon. This twenty-three year old, married and mother of one child, is a student at the Tel Hai College. Her family is originally from Iraq, she is a first generation Israeli.

Photos by Elliot Cohan



## Youth Hi Lights

### Pro-Choice: Alive And Kicking



The pro-choice rally in Washington, D.C. Marching alongside thousands of participants, including this B.B.W. coalition, were many Rhode Island residents. Tj Feldman presents her experiences and thoughts regarding this demonstration.

by Tj Feldman

Wow! This is the only word that comes to mind when I reflect on the "Women's Equality/Women's Rights" March on Sunday, April 9 in Washington, D.C.

It was an experience that gave new meaning to the words — "freedom of speech." Well, we certainly spoke freely, and a great number of important people did the majority of speaking out. Notable participants in the March were Jesse Jackson, Cybill Shepherd, Anne Archer, Glenn Close, Judy Collins, Molly Yard (Pres. of National Organization for Women). Some other memorable speakers included Veronica Hamel, Claudine Schneider, and more including the President of the National Council of Jewish

Women.

Quite a few Jewish organizations participated in the march including the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Many colleges also participated including Wellesley, Ithaca, and others. I marched with the Brown Coalition for Choice and the R.I. Chapter of the National Organization for Women.

It was quite an experience to march with 600,000 people for such an important cause. I stood watching the entertainment (which included Peter, Paul and Mary among others), then as we prepared to march we were informed that the pro-life people were blocking the march route and

that we would have to go around the other way to the Capitol.

Once our march from the Washington Monument to the Capitol began, we walked through the streets chanting pro-choice slogans and wildly waving our signs and banners. We knew as we marched that we had been victorious by getting a large turnout, and that large turnout made it possible to effectively gain the attention of all the people who want to get *Roe v. Wade* overturned. They may not have known it before, but they certainly know now that the pro-choice advocates will not roll over and play dead.

For me, this march marked the beginning of what I hope will be a lifelong dedication to causes I believe in. I discovered that there is a difference between wanting change and actually working toward it. On April 9, I felt like I was making a difference and it was one of the most fulfilling things I've done. If I had to tell people what the best way to get involved in life is, I'd tell them getting out and demonstrating for a cause.

My exhausted, aching body is proof that demonstrating and marching is not without consequence, but it is certainly worthwhile. I feel fortunate to have been able to participate in a march of this magnitude. I'm proud to be an American, because in most other countries such a tremendous march would never have been allowed to take place. Now, the pro-choice must keep the pressure on and hope that the Supreme Court won't make a ruling on *Webster vs. Health Services*, that will affect *Roe vs. Wade*.

### Executive Director of the National Christian Leadership Conference for Israel to Speak at the URI Hillel Annual Holocaust Program

Sister Rose Thering, the Executive Director of the National Christian Leadership Conference for Israel will be the guest speaker at URI Hillel's Annual Holocaust Remembrance Program, which will be held on Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 p.m. in White Hall on the URI Kingston campus.

The URI Hillel Foundation, which is the Jewish student organization on campus, has held an Annual Holocaust Remembrance Program for many years. In an effort to recognize all of the people who suffered at the hands of the Nazis and to promote humanitarianism throughout the world, student groups representing all religions and ethnic groups have been encouraged to participate in this campus wide program. Over 100 campus departments, organizations and groups co-sponsor this program every year.

Sister Rose Thering has been acclaimed and acknowledged as a leader in both Catholicism and Judaism. Sister Rose has worked all of her life for a greater understanding of the Holocaust, Soviet Jewry and Israel. The depth of her sensitivity and the vigor of her work have brought her honors from political and social leaders around the world.

In 1982, Sister Rose Thering was invited by Prime Minister Menachem Begin to Israel to participate and deliver a paper at the Prime Minister's World Conference on Tourism. Later, Sister Rose was a delegate to the World Congress on Soviet Jewry, led a pilgrimage to Auschwitz, and in 1987 made a special two-week visit to the Soviet Union to visit refusenik families, bringing hope and assurance.

Sister Rose Thering holds a Master's Degree in Judaean-Christian Studies from Seton Hall (where she is currently Professor Emerita) and a Ph.D. degree from St. Louis University. Sister Rose began her career in education, teaching in public and private secondary schools and universities. In 1965, she accepted the position of Director of Special Programs for the Catholic Adult Education Center of the Archdiocese of Chicago, where she



Sister Rose Thering

directed programs in Catholic-Jewish Relations, Jewish Studies, Black Studies, and Ecumenical Affairs.

In 1968, Sister Rose became Program Co-ordinator of the Institute of Judaean-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University. In 1972, Sister Rose planned and directed the Menorah Institute to Israel, to which she continues to donate the honoraria she earns from lectures. This Institute funds Jewish studies in Israel for Seton Hall students. A year later, Sister Rose led her first Annual Study-Tour to Israel, which she has continued to lead each year.

For more information, please call Rina Sky Wolfgang, Director, URI Hillel Foundation, 792-2740.

### NEAT Mock Trial Team Concludes Case

by Joshua Pearlman  
Coach of New England  
Academy of Torah

March 30, 1989 at the Rhode Island Supreme Court with Judge Weisberger presiding. New England Academy of Torah was prosecution and Cranston East, defense. The final tally: NEAT, 87 and Cranston East, 91.

The Judge, effusive in his praise for the performance of both teams, acknowledged as remarkable that New England Academy of Torah placed in the final four of competition in its first year. Cranston East has many years of experience and members of the team had at least one year's previous participation. It was a great season, and the benefit to the students exceeded the hours of preparation. The virtues of team spirit and competition preceded the team to each match.

A quote is inscribed on the oak panelling in this state's highest courts, "NON SVB HOMINE SED SVB DEO ET LEGE." Judge Weisberger asked if anyone present could translate. New England Academy of Torah's Sigal Gottlieb was able to translate, "Not under man, but under G-d and the law." The Judge proceeded to explain that the quote was originally from Braxton, a 14th century jurist made famous by Judge Cook of the King's bench, two centuries later, when James I of England proclaimed himself above the law. All the jurists fell to their knees quaking, but Judge Cook raised his head and said, "Thus spaketh Braxton 'NON SVB HOMINE SED SVB DEO ET LEGE.'" Judge Cook was not on the bench much longer, but he did live to join the Parliament to be a thorn in the King's side. The quote captures the sentiment that the mock trial competition is meant to teach.

Judge Bruce Selya of the U.S. Federal Court presided over the playoff match between Cranston East and Providence Country Day School. Judge Selya is now a member of the first circuit appellate division having been appointed by former President Reagan from his position as a justice of the R.I. District of the Federal Court. Cranston East was prosecution and won by one point. It was a great season.

#### Justin Bekelman Appointed

Justin Bekelman, 15, grandson of Harold and Bessie Bekelman of Warwick, R.I., has been appointed Student Member of the Maryland State Board of Education by Maryland Governor William Donald Schaefer. Justin was nominated for the position in a student election at a statewide convention and his appointment was confirmed by the Maryland Senate.

Justin is a member of Adas Israel Congregation in Washington, D.C., where he is in the confirmation class and active in the religious school's high school and in United Synagogue Youth. He has been president of his high school's sophomore and freshmen classes, a peer counselor, active in student groups combatting drugs and alcoholism, and heads the school-wide fundraising and clothing drive for homeless families.

An honor student, Justin was also recently selected finalist in the Maryland Academy of Sciences Junior Symposium and will represent the state at the national science fair held at West Point in May. He plays both viola and violin and participates in area soccer and basketball leagues. Justin is the son of Alan and Judy Bekelman of Bethesda, Md.

### Stern Selected For Soccer Team Will Compete in Australia

Alan Stern, 17, of Providence, R.I., has been selected as a member of the *Sport For Understanding* boys soccer team traveling to Australia this summer. Stern attends Classical High School.

Stern and 15 other team members were selected from throughout the United States. The team will be hosted in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

*Sport For Understanding* participants and their volunteer coaches live with host families during their stay, experiencing the country's life firsthand while bettering their sports skills. Sport participation — training and competition — is usually scheduled daily; the remaining time is spent sightseeing and with the host families.

This summer, SFU will organize some 60 teams in more than 20 different sports to travel abroad to destinations in Europe, Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America. To qualify, players must be ages 14-19, be active in their chosen sport, and have a GPA of at least 2.0. The SFU program is for athletes of average or better skills and focuses on using sport as the vehicle for cultural learning. The program emphasizes sportsmanship and host family living.

SFU is a program of Youth For Understanding, Inc., one of the largest non-profit international student exchange organizations. YFU has exchanged more than 130,000 students in the last 36 years and maintains 13 offices in the U.S. and 26 countries around the world.

For further information on the wide variety of programs offered by Sport For Understanding, write to Sport For Understanding, 3501 Newark Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016, or call 1-800-424-3691.

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## Vive La Revolution, Schechter Style



The Plotters: Debby Bojar, Noah Melnick, Mimi Ryvicker, David Cutler, Danny Silverman, Jessica Schiffman, Ruth Kaplan, Carla Miller, Jeremy Stein, Liat Savin, Erica Newman.

Sixth graders at the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter School have plotted together to plan and carry out a Revolution!

Fortunately for all those in authority, this Revolution actually took place two hundred years ago, in France.

In fact, this re-enactment of the events leading up to and characterizing the French Revolution was the culminating activity after a lengthy study of this period in world history.

The students wrote their own scripts based on research that they had already done. Jeremy Stein, as Montesquieu, a philosopher and legal thinker who greatly influenced both the American and the French Revolutions, introduced the re-enactment. He described the influence of the early writers and thinkers on the middle class in France.

Danton and Robespierre (Mimi Ryvicker and Debbie Bojar) described the frustration of the middle class and the ultimate division within the ranks of the middle class itself.

King Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette (David Cutler and Carla Miller) showed the lack of communication and empathy between the First Estate and the rest of the population. "Let them eat cake" took on a life of its own.

The Peasants, played by Ruth Kaplan, Noah Melnick, Erica Newman, Jessica Schiffman, Liat Savin and Danny Silverman, revolted in true form. Their frustration was clearly seen in a chant they created, "We're off to get the king."

Vive la Revolution! Viva la Republique! Happy bicentennial birthday to the French Revolution!



Erica Newman and Danny Silverman complain of the Peasants' Plight.



King Louis XVI (David Cutler) and Marie Antoinette (Carla Miller) enjoy the pleasures of royalty.



Danton, left, (Mimi Ryvicker) and Robespierre, right, (Debbie Bojar) with Montesquieu (Jeremy Stein) in the background.

## Operation Pesach

For the third year, the Union for Traditional Conservative Judaism will conduct its popular and successful "Operation Pesach," a program to assist Jews in observing the laws and customs of Passover. The program includes a day set aside for taking Passover questions on the U.T.C.J.'s toll-free number, and a national center for the sale of chametz (food with leavening).

In announcing the third annual "Operation Pesach," U.T.C.J. executive director Rabbi Ronald D. Price said: "We would like all Jewish families to have the joy of knowing that they and their homes are ready for Passover. We realize that sometimes the preparations can seem daunting, especially if one is unfamiliar with all the laws and traditions concerning this very special time. That is why the

U.T.C.J. wants to lend a helping hand."

The U.T.C.J. will open its toll-free phone lines to answer Passover questions on Sunday, April 16 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., New York time. Halakhic authorities (experts in Jewish law) will be on call to provide information and advice on all aspects of Passover observance. Anyone interested in making their home kosher for Passover may call 1-800-THE-UTCJ (1-800-843-8825); in New York State, the number is (914) 667-1007. If lines are busy, please keep trying — last year hundreds of calls came in during Hot-Line Day.

### U.T.C.J. To Arrange Sale Of Chametz

This year the U.T.C.J. will serve once again as a national center for

mechirat chametz, the sale of one's leavened foodstuffs to a non-Jew prior to Passover. The procedure assures compliance with the Traditional requirement that all food with leavening (chametz) be released from one's possession during Passover. Arrangements for the transaction can be made well in advance, although the sale itself occurs on the morning of the 14th of Nisan.

The sale of chametz is usually transacted by a rabbi who has received written authorization from the head of the household, along with a donation for charitable purposes. The chametz may not then be used from the time of sale (10 a.m. on April 19, 1989) through the last day of Passover.

Rabbi Price notes: "The aim of our National Center for Mechirat Chametz is to make this important procedure easier and more accessible. This service is essential for Jews in outlying areas where no rabbi is available, as well as for the elderly and the homebound. Simply by sending a note of authorization to U.T.C.J. headquarters, you may be assured that the transaction will be completed properly."

The U.T.C.J. will accept authorization notes only through Monday, April 17, in order to insure that the transactions are completed in a timely manner. The authorization should be worded as follows:

"I hereby authorize Rabbi Ronald D. Price, or his delegate in the appropriate time zone, to sell all chametz of whatever kind in my possession by 10 a.m., 14 Nisan 5749 (April 19, 1989)."

The authorization must be signed, and include the person's address (or addresses) and phone number. A small donation should accompany the authorization, to be used for charitable projects of the U.T.C.J. Checks or money orders may be made payable to the Union for Traditional Conservative Judaism, and sent with the authorization to U.T.C.J. headquarters at 145 North Fifth Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York, 10550.

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## Ask JFS

Jewish Family Service offers comprehensive services to the Jewish community. These services include: counseling, services to the elderly and their families, Home Care service, Family Life Education, The Parent Exchange, adoption services, refugee resettlement, the kosher mealsite in Cranston, Tay Sachs testing.

In this monthly column, the staff of Jewish Family Service presents a problem and an approach. In the cases presented all names and situations have been altered, for clients who come to the agency are assured of complete confidentiality.

For information on the services offered by Jewish Family Service, call 331-1244.

Dear JFS,

My husband's work as a sales rep takes him on frequent trips away from home. We have two children in elementary school. I am a working mother who tries to keep a stable home for my children when he is away, and for my husband when he is at home.

The fighting between my

husband and me has been increasing. We recently had an enormous fight and he used the word "divorce." I don't understand why we have so much bickering when I really believe we care about each other. I feel I have no one to talk to.

Jane

Dear Jane:

The quality of family life varies depending on the stresses the individuals in a family are experiencing at any given time. The overall cohesiveness of a family and the quality of family life is tested over the family life cycle.

When a formerly cohesive family is undergoing a tense period, and there is a solid marital relationship, very often a family can emerge stronger after they go through the process of working out the problem.

Your husband's anger is a symptom of a problem needing a solution. Your husband may be feeling the stresses of his job compounded by his sense of isolation from his family due to the demands of business trips. He may

be expressing his guilt for "abandoning" his family and his sense of loss for not being a part of all the day-to-day interaction.

You are perceptive when you say that you believe that you both really care about each other and the family unit. Perhaps your relationship needs to be consciously reestablished. Methods of communication are the key.

*ask*  
JFS

• Plan to spend time together during the week: get up earlier to talk when he is home, set aside a few minutes for coffee and conversation, turn off the television for a while.

• Establish rules for clean fighting. Learn to talk about the issues without attacking the other person. Conflict is inevitable in any relationship, but you can still be supportive while being direct about stating a problem.

• Non-verbal communication is as important as verbal communication. Recognize the importance of the touch, eye contact, facial expression, body language and distance as forms of communication.

• Learn to listen to your partner and your children. Respond to their self-disclosures. One of the

most crucial communication skills is the ability to reveal one's true self. The feeling of vulnerability can be replaced with a feeling of trust.

• Learn to respect each other's space. If one partner has to be alone, this is not necessarily rejection. It can also be a way to handle the stresses one feels.

The structure of family life is in flux and the old, established patterns are no longer there. In past generations, it was very clear how people lived, what they did together, what time was spent together. Because of the structure of society today and the pressure it imposes, rules for family time are changing and can be confusing. Often the television interferes during potential family time such as supper or pre-bedtime. Both parents and children have a multitude of outside activities as well.

Because days are filled with scheduled activity for fathers, mothers and children of all ages, time for being a family and a couple must also be scheduled into the day. Make room for tradition, for rituals, for sharing family history, for family leisure.

It can be very reassuring to understand that some of what is happening is a normal part of married life.

Set time aside for each other and communicate. Discuss the issues without striking out at each other. Reestablish your family unit.

**Jewish Family Service**

**Family Life Education Offers Workshops**

The death of a parent and the

end of a marriage are very different situations, both involving loss. Jewish Family Service Family Life Education will be offering "When an Adult Loses a Parent" and "Single Again: Surviving Marital Separation" each a four-session workshop with groups beginning in early May. The workshops will take place at Jewish Family Service, 229 Waterman Street in Providence.

"When an Adult Loses a Parent" will focus on understanding the grief process and learning to cope with loss. Many times there is a feeling of "unfinished business," the things one wishes he or she had said or done. This evening workshop will help participants learn how to move through the "orphan" stage to one of acceptance and growth.

"Single Again: Surviving Marital Separation" is for individuals who are recently separated or divorced, and want to learn ways of coping with the experience of being single again. Many emotions are felt when a marriage ends: confusion, sadness, anger, loneliness. Working through these feelings to come to terms with the change will be part of the process of revitalization. Issues of particular interest may include handling the children's reactions, dealing with the ex-spouse, dating.

Pre-registration is required for all workshops; registration for Family Life Education at Jewish Family Service is open to all who would like to attend. Call Bryna Bettigole, Clinical Director of Jewish Family Service at 331-1244 for details and information.

## A Family Separated (continued from page 1)

emigrate to Israel is because the Soviet government wants to "show who is the boss." Through this action, they hope to deter others from becoming leaders in the resistance. Emanuel and his family are very active in the struggle for freedom within the Soviet Union, and he feels that this is the government's method of sending a mes-

sage to anyone else who might be thinking of joining them as leaders.

"[The Soviet government] took them from their grandson. They have caused a division in my family," Anna, obviously tormented over the separation, explained.

"My grandmother is a very old woman. She has suffered much in her life, and now she must suffer

the loss of her family. Five days after my grandmother left the Soviet Union," she continued, "our visas were revoked, and my grandmother discovered that she must live alone. She is afraid now that she will never see her only daughter again."

"My parents spend all their time struggling for their release. They are always going on demonstrations. My mother just participated in a three day hunger strike with other women, she is one of the organizers of JEWAR, Jewish Women Against Refusal.

"It is becoming more and more difficult for my parents, because four thousand Jews have just received permission to emigrate, but my parents have not and now they are afraid to be forgotten," she concluded.

"Since 1987, Temple Habonim and the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island have been committed to the plight of the Lurie family," explained Maxine Richman, Chairperson of the Social Action Committee of Temple Habonim in Barrington.

"We have sent hundreds of letters of support to them and hundreds of letters to Gorbachev requesting their release. Our congressional delegation has been very supportive in writing to different Soviet officials advocating for the Luries' [release]. In fact," she continued, "Senators Pell and Chafee appealed to former President Reagan asking him for help with the Luries when he went to the May Summit Conference in Moscow."

"Despite this pressure and...the pressure from other countries around the world, and despite all we read about Glasnost and the freedom that supposedly exists now, the Lurie family has still not been allowed to emigrate," Maxine concluded.

Temple Habonim has been very active in the struggle for Soviet Jewry, and the Lurie family is one of three families the Temple had 'adopted'. Of these three families, only three members of the Lurie family remain in the Soviet Union. The Luries are the only family of the three that has been separated. The Social Action Committee and the Soviet Jewry Task Force of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Is-

*"My parents are doing all they can to leave the Soviet Union. Dozens of times they have demonstrated and appealed to Soviet authorities, but all of this is like crying with emptiness. They are in deep despair, and it is difficult for them to even write me letters, because they don't want me to see their mood. Those refuseniks that have left the Soviet Union have done so only with your help. But there are thousands still waiting for their visas. I ask you from the bottom of my heart to help my family reunite."*

Anna Shvartzman, from a recent letter to Action For Soviet Jewry, Inc.

Community members who are concerned about the plight of Emanuel, Judith and Bella Lurie are urged to write letters on their behalf to Soviet authorities and to our own representatives, many of whom are currently advocating for the Luries.

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Letters of support may be sent to the Luries at:  
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Questions may be directed to:

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Soviet Jewry Task Force  
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Anna and David Shvartzman were at the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island on Friday, April 14, 1989 to address the Rhode Island Jewish Community regarding the plight of Anna's family, Emanuel, Judith and Bella Lurie, longstanding Soviet Refuseniks.

land will continue to petition the Soviet authorities and our own governmental representatives for assistance on behalf of the Luries.

The community is urged to become involved with the attempt to assist the Luries by writing letters on their behalf.

Questions may be directed to Maxine Richman of the Social Ac-

tion Committee of Temple Habonim on New Meadow Road in Barrington, RI, or the Soviet Jewry Task Force of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island on Sessions Street in Providence. See sidebar for pertinent addresses.

\*See story in the April 20, 1989 Herald.

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## Obituaries

### HYMAN BLAZER

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Hyman Blazer, 72, of 2859 Queens Courtyard Dr., owner of the Lorraine Mill Outlet, Pawtucket, died April 13, 1989, at home. He was the husband of Viola Blazer of Las Vegas.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Harry and Lena (Abramitsky) Blazer, he had lived in Cranston over 40 years before moving to Nevada 12 years ago.

He was a World War II Army veteran, a member of the Jewish War Veterans and an associate member of the Pawtucket Fraternal Order of Police. He was a former member of Temple Emanu-El, Providence.

He attended Providence College. He leaves a daughter, Linda Blazer and two sons, Robert and Harry Blazer, all of Atlanta, Ga.; a sister, Esther Radner of Sunrise, Fla.; a brother, Charles Blazer of Providence, and a grandson.

A funeral service was held at

Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

### HARRY BLOOM

Harry Bloom, a resident of Providence for many years before moving to Delray Beach, Fla., three years ago, died April 6 at Norwood Hospital in Norwood, Mass. He was born in Worcester, Mass., a son of the late David and Annie (Goldsmith) Bloom.

While a resident of Providence, he was a member of Temple Emanu-El. He was a salesman for retail furniture stores.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Toby Elkind and Mrs. Dale Mushlin, both of Sharon, Mass.; one sister, Mrs. Juliette Goldenberg of East Providence; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services took place Sunday, April 9, 1989, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel. Burial took place at Lincoln Park Cemetery.

### LEONARD FAIN

PROVIDENCE — Leonard Fain, 77, of 76 Edgehill Rd., co-owner with his twin-brother of the former Fain's Department Store, Charles Street, died April 17 at Miriam Hospital.

When Mr. Fain and his brother, Alfred Fain, decided in 1982 to close the North End department store, their parents, Nathan and Lena (Salk) Fain, had started 78 years before, long-time customers cried.

Succeeding generations of North End families marked life's milestones by heading to Fain's for baptism dresses, wedding clothes and maternity suits. But the sadness was as much over the retirement of the twins, as it was over the loss of the store.

Leonard Fain and his brother — you could tell them apart by Leonard's mustache — were much loved in the North End. They were Jewish merchants in an Italian neighborhood, but Leonard and his brother spoke Italian as well as anyone. Both Leonard and Alfred were elected to the Wanskuck Boys' Club Hall of Fame.

No doubting they were twins. When they applied for Social Security their numbers were consecutive, their workplace and date of birth the same. Even their

salaries were identical.

Fire destroyed the original store in 1969, but they rebuilt it and reopened it that year on their birthday, November 17. They modernized with the industry, buying up lots for parking, introducing credit cards and giving discounts. They went on to their biggest year in 1981, despite growing competition from larger operations.

The following year, after 53 on the job, they decided to close down after banks wouldn't loan to prospective buyers.

Leonard Fain was the husband of the late Frances (Alter) Fain. He was born in Providence. He was a founding member of the North End Businessmen's Association, a member of Temple Emanu-El, its Men's Club, the Jewish Home for the Aged, Miriam Hospital and the Jewish Family Service.

Besides his twin brother he leaves two daughters, Janie Dressler of Cranston, Nancy Fain of Sunrise, Fla., and two sisters, Dora Paster and Jeanette Rosofsky, both of Providence.

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

### SARAH KESSLER

SMITHFIELD — Sarah Kessler, 81, a resident of Heritage Hills Nursing Center, co-owner with her late husband of Kessler Bakery and Delicatessen in Providence and North Providence, for 40 years retiring in 1973, died April 13, 1989, at the center. She was the widow of Jacob Kessler.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Charles and Becky (Acroman) Feldman, she lived in Lincoln for 25 years before moving to Smithfield eight years ago. She previously lived in Providence and Newport for many years.

During World War II she and her late husband supplied pastry and cookies gratuitously to the troop trains that stopped in Providence.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, the former Ansho Kovno Synagogue on Orms Street. She was a contributing member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for Aged, Hadassah and Providence Hebrew Sheltering.

She leaves a daughter, Rosalie Buckler of Lincoln; a son, Morton Kessler of Providence; two brothers, Leo Feldman of Orlando, Fla., and Hyman Feldman of Van Nuys, Calif.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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

### ELMER LEVENSON

FALL RIVER, Mass. — Elmer Levenson, 84, of 241 Freelove St., a jobber of fabric and women's wear for 40 years before retiring in 1984, died April 12 at St. Francis Hospital, Miami Beach, Fla., while on vacation. He was the husband of Irene (Berman) Isserlis Levenson. He was also the husband of the late Ann (Zucker) Levenson.

Born in Pawtucket, a son of the late Morris and Sarah (Rosenberg) Levenson, he lived in Fall River for eight years. He previously lived in Cranston and Providence.

Mr. Levenson was a past treasurer of the Majestic Senior Guild and was a past treasurer of What Cheer Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Lois Winkelman of Cranston; a brother, Nathan Levenson of Columbus, Ohio; and two granddaughters, Karen

Winkelman-Furman and Marcia Selinger, both of California.

The funeral service was held at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass.

### ESTHER SHANAHAN

EAST PROVIDENCE — Esther Shanahan, 97, of Eastgate Nursing and Recovery Center, Waterman Avenue, died April 13, 1989, at the center. She was the widow of Patrick D. Shanahan.

Born in New York City, a daughter of the late Simon and Jennie (Bornstein) Miller, she had lived in East Providence for the past five years. She previously lived in Barrington and Miami, Fla. She had resided in Revere, Mass., most of her life.

She leaves three daughters, Gloria Lichtenstein of Barrington, Marion Argenbright of East Providence and Ruth Jarmak of Moultonboro, N.H.; two sons, Daniel Shane of Boston and Myron Shanahan of Laconia, N.H.; two sisters, Eva Kravitz and Rose Drooker, both of Randolph, Mass.; two brothers, Harry and Charles Miller, both of Miami, Fla.; 17 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at Knollwood Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass. Services were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

### BENNIE STONE

NORTH PROVIDENCE — Bennie Stone, 88, of 10 Tanglewood Lane, owner of the former Stone's Kosher Meat Market, Hope Street, Providence, for more than 30 years before retiring 10 years ago, died April 16, 1989, at home. He was the husband of Freda (Mednick) Stone.

Mr. Stone was a member of the Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association and Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh Synagogue.

Beside his wife he leaves a son, Sanford Stone of St. Petersburg, Fla.; two daughters, Ruth Marder of N. Dartmouth, Mass. and Palm Beach, Fla.; and Betty Falk of N. Dartmouth, Mass.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral cortege left from the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence, for a graveside service at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

### DR. ARTHUR L. STONE

EAST PROVIDENCE — Dr. Arthur L. Stone of 300 E. Shore Circle, a former dentist, died April 9, 1989, at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Jessie (Novack) Stone.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Harry and Sila (Shapiro) Stone, he lived in East Providence for 11 years. He previously lived in Providence and Cranston.

Dr. Stone was a graduate of the Harvard College School of Dentistry in 1921, and was awarded a citation by the school for more than 40 years of service. He was an Army veteran of World War I. He was a member of the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity. He practiced dentistry in Providence and East Providence for 56 years before retiring 12 years ago.

He was a member of the Jewish War Veterans, Post 23, and a member of the New England and Rhode Island Philatelic Societies. In his earlier years, he was active in Boy Scouts.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Marilyn S. Gilbert of Newton, Mass., and Sylvia S. Nathaniel of Narragansett; a sister, Rose Earle of Wilmington, Del., and four grandchildren.

The funeral procession departed from Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence, for a graveside service at Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass.



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course...but as part of the mission you get to see a lot of things that tourists usually don't.

"I hadn't been there in about twenty years. I called it my 'Second First Trip to Israel.' I was over there for Purim, which was great—I got to see all the celebrations and all of the kids in costume...I had a great time."

While in Israel, Stieglitz was especially impressed with a relocation center he visited, which provides temporary housing for emigrants from all over the world. "They had a bulletin board there which had pins in it showing where all the people had come from. It was really very...moving."

Much like Ezra's community service record, his professional life is rich with accomplishment. He is a former President of the RI State Reading Council of the International Reading Association, and former State Coordinator of Teacher Training on Computers for the Rhode Island Office of Higher Education. He has twice been elected to the Board of the New England Reading Association.

Stieglitz has been honored with the Rhode Island State Reading Council's annual Literacy Award, which is given for the promotion of literacy in the state, and a Thorp Professorship in the School of Education and Human Development at R.I.C., which is awarded to a faculty member who has made sus-

tained creative and scholarly contributions to his/her field of discipline.

In addition to numerous articles published in education journals, Stieglitz has recently coauthored *Tales for Thinking* with William Oehlkers. The book utilizes fairy tales to help children develop their reading, writing, listening, and thinking skills. Students are asked to listen to a portion of the text (read by a teacher), then to read a short continuation of the story, and finally to predict what will happen next. Stieglitz field tested many of the tales to assure that they are interesting to their intended audience. The book is designed for children in grade 3 or above who are reading on a 2nd grade level, and Dr. Stieglitz has already begun work on a second volume of *Tales*, to be aimed at those reading on a 3rd grade level. The book is set to be released in June 1989 by Curriculum Associates, Inc., though it will be introduced before that at the International Reading Association Convention in New Orleans.

"The book was three years in development," says Stieglitz, "but it offers something very different from what's currently available...The fact that this book asks the kids to predict what will happen next is very important—that measures a higher level comprehension skill. That's why we had to be sure to pick stories that would

really interest the kids. When we [field] tested them, we found that the stories were even high interest to older kids and even teachers."

Aside from working on a second volume of *Tales for Thinking*, Dr. Stieglitz has also taken on another challenge. He hopes to create a reading inventory, to be used in determining a child's reading and comprehension level. He is currently on sabbatical leave from Rhode Island College to accomplish this task. One of the major features of *Tales for Thinking*, however, has carried over into this new project: the reading samples in the inventory are high interest in nature.

This new reading inventory will also have other relatively unique features. First, it will attempt to measure the difference in a child's reading comprehension level between expository and narrative subject matter. Also, the questions posed to the students about their reading will not just require simple information regurgitation. Instead, their will also be questions on implied meanings and, for the first time, higher level creative/critical comprehension questions. The stories for the inventory are presently being field tested with the help of a number of teachers in the area (including Ezra's wife Varda, a Reading Resource Teacher in Attleboro).

"I begin teaching again in the

summer session, which starts in only a few weeks," says Stieglitz, "so I guess I'll be pretty busy. I'm still very active with PHDS—I'm still a strong supporter and friend of the school. I don't see that ever changing."

Ezra's sense of commitment to the community did not end with the Hassenfeld Award, for he does not thrive on recognition for his contributions.

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A new release on video, *Faith Amid the Flames*, is the first film ever produced to address the remarkable spiritual heroism and resistance of Orthodox Jews during the Holocaust. The film records the astounding faith of observant Jews and what one rabbi calls, "the secret to Jewish survival." Until now, these survivors stories have never been told.

The 40-minute color film is suitable for a home or school library, and includes startling accounts by survivors never before recorded on film. Until now, Orthodox Jews were reluctant to speak about their experiences, because of the painful memories or a desire for privacy. But with the aging of many Holocaust survivors and the lack of Holocaust literature on the subject of faith, many decided to come forward for the filming.

The unique perspective of the film brings to light the extraordinary spiritual resistance of observant Jews who risked their lives to maintain their faith, whether to say the daily prayers or make religious artifacts under extraordinary circumstances. It

shows the dilemmas which pitted the horrors of day-to-day survival against the faith and belief of a people.

But the film also has a universal message; it exposes the depths of an unshakable faith and portrays how these survivors responded to tragic events. The film clearly explains what drove observant Jews to sing, "How lucky we are that we are Jews," as they marched in the concentration camps. Numerous examples are given of the tremendous spirit of observant Jews who gave words of encouragement and hope to others; while undergoing their own trials.

The film also deals with the fascinating struggle leading rabbis endured in order to faithfully answer many of the questions on Jewish law brought out by the Holocaust. One woman cried while relating the horrific question addressed to her father, a prominent rabbi in the community; "He was asked, if a baby is crying and endangering the lives of others in hiding, is it permitted to stifle his cries and risk killing him?" The rabbi ruled you may not risk the child's life.

Despite the sometimes painful

accounts of the horrors inflicted on Jews, the film aims to teach a universal lesson; how a people kept their faith and their hope, something which even baffled the Germans. Thus, one if left not with a feeling of despair, but with a feeling of admiration for the remarkable tenacity of the Jewish people.

The film, on VHS, soon to be available in bookstores, is a Lubicom production. It does not contain material unsuitable for youth. It can be ordered at \$39.95 by calling Eventful Enterprise, 21 W. 38th St. NY, NY 10018 (212) 764-4330. Group discounts are available.





## Richard Oster Honored



Richard M. Oster receiving the National Humanitarian Award from the National Jewish Center.

by Roberta Willett

PROVIDENCE, RI — The National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine recently presented Richard M. Oster, president and chief executive officer for Cookson America, with its 1989 Humanitarian Award. The award was given for his unselfish support to both civic and charitable causes.

Close to 500 guests attended the gala dinner, chaired by James J. Skeffington, at the Omni Biltmore Hotel on March 30. Turning out to honor Dick Oster were Rhode Island's leading political and community figures, including Governor Edward DiPrete, Mayor Joseph Paolino, former Governor J. Joseph Garrahy and Rabbi Leslie Yale Guterman of Temple Beth-El. All proceeds from the event were donated to National Jewish.

National Jewish is one of the many civic and charitable organizations that Dick Oster actively supports. Among the others are the Providence Convention Center Authority, Rhode Island Special Olympics, Rhode Island Anti-Drug Authority, Caritas House, the Jewish Home for the Aged and Big Brothers of Rhode Island. He is also committed to education, offering assistance to Brandeis Univer-

sity, the University of Rhode Island, Providence College, and many elementary and secondary schools.

The National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine is the nation's premier institution for research, professional education and patient care in lung disease and immunology. National Jewish has highly specialized basic and clinical research programs that have resulted in a number of documented scientific discoveries. These findings are distributed worldwide among the biomedical community, sharing new knowledge with people and peers. In conjunction with research, National Jewish is an educational facility in the areas of respiratory disease and immune system disorders for physicians and research scientists. The Center also operates LUNG LINE, a nationwide, toll-free information service for people with questions and concerns about its disease specialties.

National Jewish is funded through grants from the National Institutes of Health and by the support of the private philanthropic sector. The Center has been used by nearly 700 Rhode Island residents.



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Andrew Massey, Music Director of the Rhode Island Philharmonic, has announced the concert series scheduled for the 1989-1990 season, which includes seven classical and three Pops concerts at the Providence Performing Arts Center on Saturday evenings at 8:30 p.m.

Featured classical artists are: Maureen Forrester, contralto, October 14; Nathaniel Rosen, cellist, November 11; Barbara LaFitte, principal oboe, R.I. Philharmonic, January 13, 1990; Delphin and Romain, duo pianists, February 17, 1990; Stephanie Chase, violinist, March 10, 1990; Philippe Entremont, guest conductor and pianist; March 31, 1990; Andre-Michel Schub, pianist, May 5, 1990.

The Pops Concert series opens on October 28 with Peter Nero, pianist and guest conductor, performing with his trio and the Philharmonic; followed by Fiedler's Favorites on February 3, 1990; and an evening of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, April 21, 1990.

Subscription packages can be chosen for all 10 concerts, seven classical or three Pops concerts. Prices range from \$35 to \$165 with up to 33% savings over single ticket prices; greater discounts are available for senior citizens and students.

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B'Chol Dor Va'dor — In every generation and at every Seder we break a matzoh in half. The hidden Afikomen reminds us that the Exodus was only the first step in redemption.

B'dor Ha'zeh — In this generation, tonight, let us bind ourselves anew in the covenant of our people. We will become partners in deliverance and commit ourselves to a shared destiny, so that all who pass into freedom may experience true freedom with dignity.

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Author: CLAL Scholar Rabbi Laury Derby.

Suggested Placement: When Afikomen is broken at beginning of Seder.

## Trinity To Celebrate 25th

### Mayor Paolino To Host Gala Weekend Of Events

Trinity Repertory Company, in recognition of twenty-five years under the artistic leadership of Adrian Hall, and as one of the leading professional theatre companies in the country, will celebrate its 25th Anniversary April 27 through April 29. The Gala Weekend, featuring a variety of festive activities, will be hosted by Providence Mayor and Mrs. Joseph R. Paolino, Jr.

The three-day celebration will begin with a reception hosted by the Mayor and Mrs. Paolino at City Hall on Thursday, April 27, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Alderman's Chamber. A Proclamation will be presented by the Mayor at 5:45 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar by Murphy Caterers, door prizes, and the Jazz Tarboosh Band will be featured. The admission price is \$5 per person. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the Trinity Rep Box Office.

On Friday, April 28 the Trinity 25 Gala Ball will be held. The Black Tie Gala will include elegant dining, music by the Bob Sagnella Orchestra, and dancing. The evening will include a special cabaret salute to Trinity Rep by Richard Cumming, featuring Trinity Rep Company members. The Gala is being held at the Omni Biltmore Hotel. Reservations are required, and a limited number of tickets are still available at \$150 per person. As of Monday, only about 20 tickets were left, so act fast.

On Saturday, April 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Trinity Rep will host an Open House at the theatre. Everyone in the community is invited to participate in the celebration of Trinity Rep's Silver Anniversary through a variety of

events scheduled to take place both inside and outside the theatre building. Radio station WSNE (93.3 FM) will broadcast live from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., and activities such as special presentations, displays, backstage tours and conversations with the actors, designers and staff will be offered. Food and beverage concessions planned for the event include Guiliano Hazan's Gastronomica, Beau's Homemade Ice Cream of East Greenwich, Pierre's Felaful from Hot Pockets and others. Admission is free.

The three-day celebration will culminate in a Finale Party at the Rhode Island State House from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. The evening, sponsored by the Phoenix's *NewPaper*, will be hosted by the *NewPaper*'s infamous duo Phillippe and Jorge, and will feature music by the renowned Duke Robillard Band and the unique Big Nazo Bowling Alley Band, dancing, hors d'oeuvres by Michael's Catering and a cash bar by Murphy Caterers, as well as games and door prizes. Tickets are \$25 per person, available in advance at the Trinity Rep Box Office, or at the door that evening.

For further information concerning tickets and other details, please contact our Box Office at (401) 351-4242 or the Development Office at 521-1100.

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