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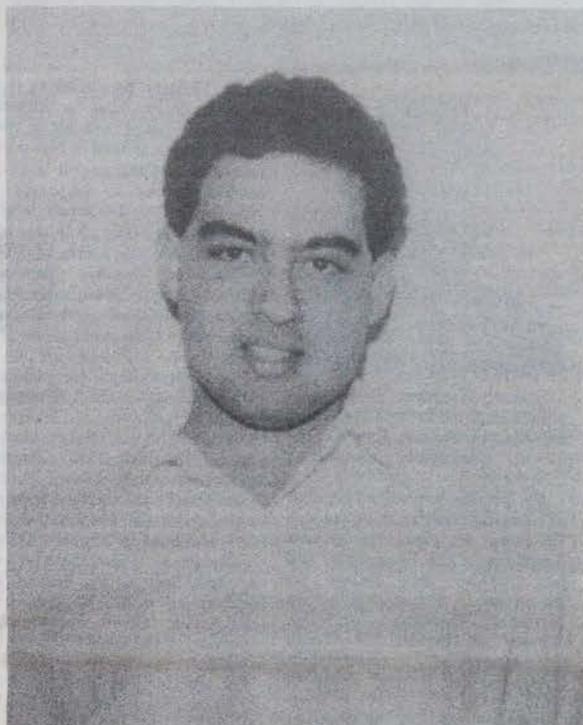
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Providence USY

Ari Newman Appointed to International Board



Temple Emanu-El Sr. USY Board Member, Ari Newman, has been appointed to the International Board of United Synagogue Youth for the coming year. He has been asked to co-chair the Tarbut program, a newly created project of International USY. In that capacity, Ari and co-chair, Leslie Effron, will develop a culture and arts program, for use in USY regions throughout the country.

Ari also attended the USY spring convention in the Catskills this past weekend. Providence USY'ers Elie Kaunfer, Tamar Gutman, Josh Schiffman, Daniel Stein, and Scott Sisman attended the convention as well.

USY Reflects The Light of Social Commitment

When President George Bush spoke to the nation about 1,000 points of light, he may well have had in mind the light reflected by a very special group of youngsters: the members of United Synagogue Youth. While the giving of tzedakah is mandated by United Synagogue of America's Tikun Olam program, the extent to which the students involve themselves in community action projects might well provide a model for volunteers around the country.

The group's commitment to bettering society was epitomized in their most recent international convention, held last December in Chicago. Not only did delegates fan out into the community to visit the elderly and provide services for various social welfare organizations, but each delegate was asked to bring to the conference cans of food, winter coats and other items to distribute to the needy.

Rabbi Paul Freedman, Director, Department of Youth Activities, points out that "our tradition teaches us that we are responsible for each other. USY demonstrates this both by deeds and action." The determination of USY youngsters to serve their communities has permeated the international arena as well. During their recent visit to Los Angeles, members of NOAM, USY's sister organization

in Israel, volunteered their time at a shelter for the homeless, while students who participated in Pilgrimage, the organization's summer program in Israel, must as part of their scheduled activities spend time working at a rehabilitation center for the elderly.

"Social action is a central part of USY on all levels" says David Bianco, International President, USY. "Our chapter, where I live, pays a monthly visit to a homeless shelter. Participating in projects like this is what USY is all about."

Whether participating in a read-a-thon for the blind, as one chapter did recently in California; or conducting a benefit for children with Down's Syndrome; as in Cleveland; or helping serve at outreach seders for the homeless as well as Jewish people with AIDS, as did members of the New York Metropolitan Region, United Synagogue Youth reflects the light of compassion and commitment so necessary today.

United Synagogue Youth is part of the United Synagogue of America.

The United Synagogue of America, founded in 1913, is the association of 850 Conservative congregations in North America. With 2 million members, the Conservative Movement is the largest branch of the Jewish faith.

Thank You For Surviving

by Ray Eichenbaum

Last spring after my talk to an assembly in a local high school during the Week of Remembrance, a slightly-built, woman history teacher whispered into my ear "Thank you for surviving." I didn't make anything of it, but when I came home that evening I was stunned when I grasped the meaning of these kind words. Since I did not take these words as personal praise at all, it then began to sink in that these were the only words that all the Holocaust survivors seek.

I consider myself very fortunate indeed to have survived this human catastrophe. I am grateful to have overcome this personal tragedy with my senses and intellect intact. Besides surviving, I am thankful for being a cognizant observer of the events and people around me. As far as I can tell, not many of us survivors take this almost three-dimensional look back at what has transpired in our lives. Perhaps they were too busy with the process and mechanics of survival those dreadful days. I consider myself an exception, because being one of the few youngest to survive — 16 on the day of liberation — I did not accomplish this feat by brawn, shiftiness, speed of movement and/or aggression. On the contrary, I remember being quite passive and resigned to my fate, although full of will-power and inherent optimism. If anyone ever conducted a study of who the survivors are, I will probably be the one who by all odds should not have gotten through. However, this passiveness allowed me to

observe and be more conscious of the happenings about me. I am also very appreciative and thankful to the people of Rhode Island and the Jews of the Providence area, in particular. When I came here in 1947 as a youth, I was marvelously received, placed in a loving home and allowed to resume my education. This last factor was the most important in my "resurrection" since it made possible my going to college later on — an opportunity not available to the majority of survivors who were mostly sent off to work. I will also be forever grateful to the beautiful and generous people of Rhode Island, who contributed so much to the creation of the Holocaust Memorial of Rhode Island, a living museum whose main purpose is to honor the martyrs of the Holocaust by educating Rhode Islanders and others about the dreadful happenings of those horrible times so as to prevent such occurrences from happening ever again.

"Thank you for surviving." — how sweet these words sound to me. If they convey a true feeling, then I am euphoric because I believe that humanity is finally on its way to expurgate itself from one of its repeating periods of extreme terror and brutality. These few sounds portend to me that there is a chance that man is evolving into a finer species, that he might be on the threshold of a new era in human relations.

For me personally, these few words represent many other things as well: The continuation of the human spirit, indeed proof of its

non-destructibility. As a Jew, they also mean that we are surviving well as a people; that our traditions and way of life were not destroyed, albeit they were badly shaken. Indeed, these sounds to me are the verification that the promises we, the surviving, made to those dying around us in their hours of martyrdom are being kept and that the sacrifice of their lives would not have been in vain.

We, the survivors, are a unique lot. For many years most of us could not talk about our tragic, immediate past. The terrible experiences were too recent; the pain too much for the soul to disclose. We carried our burden inside, accumulating our hurts, just an occasional whimper here and there.

The world was also not ready to hear us. Even the victorious allies in their victory blush were more receptive to the pandering, babbling of the rosy-cheeked, submissive Nazis than to the truthful voices of the emaciated victims. Most of our liberators looked away — not wanting to believe that any members of the human race could perpetrate such heinous crimes. The Nuremberg Trials were quickly done and disposed of. Humanity did not want to own up to its enormous criminal potential. Come to think of it, if Hitler's hordes had another year's time — there would have been no survivors at all. A clean slate. No witnesses. Some previous civilizations must have disappeared from the face of this earth this way.

We who survived started to talk (continued on page 15)

JHA Environmental Services Staff Celebrate



Pictured, from left to right are: in front, Tee Tee and Pat Mauricio. Behind them is Director, Joe Morris, with Tony Matterna, Diane Rattey, and Elmer Allen.

Director Joe Morris, Jr., and his staff celebrate their achieving a favorable visit from the State Board of Health.

The framed letter is from Executive Director, Saul Zeichner,

and states "... the Jewish Home was revisited by two State surveyors on a follow-up visit from October. We did extremely well and they commented upon the significant improvement in the

rooms, the floors and the patient care equipment. This could not have happened without the effort of your staff and I want to let them know that it is appreciated."

Local News

Temple Beth David Hosts Community Seder

It was the first, but certainly not the last!

Last month, on Thursday evening, April 20, 1989 Temple Beth David, in Narragansett, R.I., was the setting for a Second Seder open to the entire community. The goals were to bring together families in the spirit of Passover, and to share the story of the Exodus as a community.

Nearly 50 people, young and old, members and non-members of Temple Beth David, all participated in every facet of the Seder: leading parts, singing, asking questions, answering questions, setting the tables, serving food, eating, searching for the Afikoman, and in general, having a wonderful time.

Children, parents and grandparents joined Mr. Howard Brown as he led the Seder. The event was co-ordinated by Linda Zell, Temple Vice-President, and Principal of the South County Hebrew School.

There are already plans for next year's Community Seder.

Temple Beth David, in Narragansett, is a full year Temple, with regularly scheduled services throughout the year. Anyone interested in becoming a member, or just looking for information, is encouraged to call the Temple President, Dr. Stanley Barnett at 789-7435.

Sisterhood Mishkon-Tfiloh

The Sisterhood of Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh will hold a membership luncheon on Sunday, May 21, 1989 at 1 p.m. in the social hall of the Synagogue, 203 Summit Ave., Providence.

All members are urged to attend this meeting. A pleasant afternoon is being planned for you.

Congregation Sons Of Jacob

Friday, May 19 — 14 days in the month of Iyar. Pesach Sheyne, 2nd Passover. Candlelighting is at 7:44 p.m., Minchah services are at 7:50 p.m.

Saturday, May 20 — 15 days in the month of Iyar. Reading in the Torah for P'Behar. Morning services are at 8:30 a.m. This Sabbath the kiddish will be sponsored by Mr. George Labush in honor of the wedding of his sixth grandson. George has sixteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. May the Almighty give him many more happy occasions!!!

Minchah services will be at 7:35 p.m. The Shabbat is over today at 8:47 p.m. Havdalah service will be at 8:54 p.m.

The days between Passover and Shavuot are a solemn period on the Jewish calendar. They recall the suffering which the Jewish people endured under Roman persecution. No joyous celebrations, like weddings and parties are held during the Sefirah days. But Lag Be-Omer comes to break the solemn days. Lag Be-Omer is the one joyous day of the Sefirah days. For according to folklore, Bar Kochba won a great victory on the thirty-third of the Omer days.

Temple Emanu-El — Photo Contest Winners

The United Synagogue of America has announced that our entry to the Photo Contest has been selected for the 5750 United Synagogue Art/Education Calendar.

The winning entry is a beautiful photograph of a hand fashioned silver Mezuzah by Ilya Shor. Friends of Saul Feinberg commissioned this artwork in his memory.

Congregation Ohawe Sholam

Services this Friday evening are at 6:45 p.m. Shabbat morning there will be a Kiddush immediately following services at 9 a.m. Rabbi Jacobs will give his class in "Ethics of the Fathers" at 7 p.m. Mincha is at 7:40 p.m. followed by the Third Sabbath meal. Ma'ariv is 8:40 p.m. Havdalah is at 8:50 p.m.

On Monday evenings Rabbi Jacobs is giving an elementary Gemorrah class at 7 p.m. The emphasis is on textual analysis. Minimal Hebrew background is the only requirement. Anyone interested in more information may contact the Rabbi at 724-3552.

This Sunday, May 21, our Junior N.J.S.Y. (children 5th-8th grade) will go miniature golfing in Rehoboth. There is also go-carts and batting practice. We will leave from Ohawe Sholam at 2 p.m. After golfing we will return to the shul for refreshments.

On Saturday, June 10, the second day of Shavuot, the congregation is having a full course Shavuot luncheon at noon immediately following service. The meal will be catered by our own talented women! The cost is only \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 3-12. Phone in your reservations early at 726-6633, 725-3886 or 724-3552. The whole Jewish community is invited.

There will be a regular schedule of services this week.

Morning — Sunday 7:45 a.m.; Monday and Thursday 6:40 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:50 a.m.

Evenings — 7:55 p.m. when possible.

National Council Of Jewish Women - R.I.

Our Annual Meeting and installation of board members will be held on Wednesday, May 24, at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence.

Coffee and dessert will be served at 12:30 p.m., with the meeting set to commence at 1 p.m. The installing officer is State Representative Linda J. Kushner.

Providence Hadassah

The Providence Chapter of Hadassah will hold a Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 23, 1989 at 1:00 p.m. at the Club House, Four Seasons East, East Providence.

This Board Meeting is a special meeting to make plans for the coming year. All members are urged to attend. Mrs. Bea Klein, who is a member of the National Board of Hadassah, will be the guest speaker.



Pacesetters raise \$370,000 for Israel Bonds — standing left to right, are Daniel S. Kaplan, R.I. State Chairman, Israel Bonds; guest speaker, Judith V. Dranger, diplomat, Israel Embassy, Washington, D.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Dressler who hosted the reception under the auspices of the R.I. Israel Bond Committee which raises investment funds for the economic development of the State of Israel.



Samuel Friedman of Newport will be honored at an Israel Bond breakfast on Sunday, June 4 at the Jewish Community Center in Newport.

Mr. Friedman, a valued member of Congregation Touro Synagogue for over 40 years, is a past president of the Synagogue, and has chaired and served on numerous committees. As National President for The Society of Friends of Touro Synagogue, he received their "Distinguished Friend" award in 1981.

Sam was the lay chaplain for

Majestic Senior Guild

The Majestic Senior Guild will hold its next regular meeting at Temple Torat Yisrael, 330 Park Ave., Cranston, R.I. on Tuesday, May 23, 1989 at 12:30 p.m. This is an important meeting as we will have nominations and election of officers for the coming year. Also there will be a most interesting slide show on upcoming trips. Try to attend.

Our annual luncheon and installation of officers will be held at the Providence Marriott Hotel, Charles and Orms Streets on Monday, June 26, 1989 at noon. Buses at no charge, will pick up at Temple Torat Yisrael, Park Ave., Cranston at 11 a.m., Charlesgate Apartments, North Main St., Providence at 11:15 a.m. and the Jewish Community Center, Elmgrove Ave., Providence at 11:15 a.m. There will be a delicious

Jewish Military personnel at the Newport Navy base, a former teacher and board member of the United Hebrew School of Newport and served as Chairman of U.J.A., Newport County.

Currently, Mr. Friedman is on the boards of the R.I. Jewish Historical Society, Bank of New England-Old Colony, Newport Lion's Club, Cancer Society, Community Chest and Brown University Club of Newport County.

The breakfast is being sponsored by the Newport Havurah Group, Newport Hadassah Chapter, Judah Touro Lodge #998, B'nai B'rith, Temple Shalom and Touro Synagogue-Congregation Jeshuat Israel, under the auspices of the R.I. Committee Israel Bond Organization. Guest Speaker at the breakfast is Dr. David T. Raphael, author of *The Alhambra Decree*, a novel about the expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492.

For additional information, call the Israel Bond office 751-6767.

luncheon, superb entertainment, dancing, door prizes and more.

Make reservations and send monies early to Harold Gordon, 491 Pocasset Court, Warwick, R.I. 02886 or Etta Swerling, 1401 Warwick Ave., Warwick, R.I. 02888.

All dues are payable now to June 1. Please pay on time so that you can participate in all the activities and trips coming up.

On August 6, 1989 we have a one day trip to the Cathedral in the Pines, in Rindge, New Hampshire. There will be a Jewish program prepared by a Rabbi from Connecticut and a Cantor from Massachusetts. This will be a delightful day spent in lovely surroundings. Rates will be announced at this meeting or call Pearl Stayman at 738-0225.

We have our trip to The Pines Hotel in the Catskills, August 20 through August 27, eight days of fabulous summer vacation. Super deluxe rooms, top notch entertainment, superb dining, all at the height of the summer season. Call any of the above for information.

October 16, 1989 we are going to Bally Grand (formerly the Golden Nugget) on the boardwalk at Atlantic City, New Jersey. Two nights and three days, two shows, two dinners and quarters. Send reservations early.

Information on a trip to Nova Scotia, planned for September will be given at this meeting.

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Gloria Block and Susan Baron, co-chairpersons, Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers for the Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

The 92nd Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers of The Miriam Hospital Women's Association will be held on Monday, May 22, 1989 at the Holiday Inn at the Crossings, Warwick. A noon luncheon precedes the 1 p.m. open meeting during which a new slate of officers will be elected and installed. Co-chairpersons for this meeting are Susan Baron and Gloria Block. Patricia G. Cohen, who currently serves as Co-president, has been nominated for a third term. Patricia A. Hairabet, current President Elect, will be elected and installed as Co-president with Mrs. Cohen. Claudia Deutsch

leaves office as Co-president after an unprecedented four-year term. Dee Dee Witman is nominated as President Elect and Joanne Summer as Vice President.

Ruth W. Adelson will receive the sixth Annual Recognition Award, a tribute to her unselfish commitment to The Miriam Hospital.

In keeping with tradition, life members of The Women's Association will be honored.

Other committee members include Barbara Rosen, reservations; Lillian Zarum, decorations; Grace Alpert and Patricia Hiarabet, Public Relations.

Torah Studies Summer Program For Women

The Women's Institute for Torah Studies in Jerusalem has announced a summer program for women seeking intensive courses leading to an in-depth knowledge of Judaic subject. The three-week program scheduled from July 31 to August 16 covers a broad spectrum of traditional subjects which are taught in English. It combines challenging academic course work comprised of lectures and study sessions with guided tours of Jerusalem and the surrounding area.

A unique feature is the bi-weekly Beit Midrash Chevrua sessions where students are guided by scholars in the study of original Biblical, Talmudic and Rabbinic sources. The objective is to provide students with the skills to work with these sources independently.

Designed with teachers and

other serious students in mind, the summer program is part of a year-round institute directed by Malke Bina. The student body is made up of Israeli women who hold responsible positions while pursuing Jewish studies in an environment commensurate with their achievements and personal goals.

For more information, contact Atarah Ross at (718) 692-0615.

Striar JCC

The Adult Services Department of the Striar JCC on the Fireman Campus, 445 Central Street, Stoughton is sponsoring a Mah Jongg Tournament on Monday, June 12 from 6:45-10:30 pm.

Advanced prepaid registration is required at the front desk of the JCC. There is limited seating available. Cash Prizes.

Hope High 45th Reunion

45th Reunion, Hope High, Class of January 1944. June 3, 2 George Street, Pawtucket, R.I., 7 p.m. For more information, please call Margaret Cruikshank Hopkins, 336-9579 or Abe Gershman, 722-7528.

Old Photos Available

The Recreation Therapy Department has found about 300 old photographs; some dating back to 1970. Family members are invited to come to the "activities room" to look through these pictures and take the ones of their relatives.

The Public Relations Office also has photos taken in the last four years. Relatives may look through these (on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday only please), and may take the ones they wish to have.

Touro Fraternal Association

The response to Touro Fraternal Association's new home was fantastic and the last part of the kitchen has been installed. After the new window treatments and the front of the building has been completed, Touro Fraternal Hall will be the pride of Rolfe Square.

Some of the members were voicing concern that we still do not have our large sign outside but that is being worked on. A lot of Jewish men, now that they have seen our building, have recommended sons and grandsons to now join the largest Jewish men's fraternal association now in the New England area. The membership drive that is still on has stated that every week, more and more members of the Jewish community are finding out what a great group of men belong to Touro. Not just the older members but younger as well. We welcome you to find out what Touro Fraternal Association can be and do for you as a member of the Rhode Island Jewish Community. A gift of a membership for a son or grandson or even a friend you enjoy spending a night out with would be welcome.

Are you new to the Rhode Island area, want to meet other Jewish men, just to get involved in the community, to know what is going on with other Jewish families? Then Touro Fraternal is for you. Contact us at 785-0066 or write us at Touro Fraternal Association, 45 Rolfe Square, P.O. Box 3562, Cranston, R.I. 02910.

Touro will be holding its annual election of officers on May 10. A meeting of the board of directors was held at the new Touro Hall on Wednesday evening to plan future events. Touro is close to having its 1,000th association meeting since its start in 1918. Plans are being made to celebrate this historic event in Touro history, and in its own home. The inside decor is fantastic and with its kitchen, etc. a lot of Touro affairs are being planned. Don't miss out. Join Touro.

Congratulations to Gerald D. Hodosh of Cranston who will be the Administrator of Touro Fraternal Association. With this position Touro will have its paperwork and day-to-day problems taken care of in short order. Mr. Hodosh has been a member of Touro for a long time and understands its workings inside and out. He is also treasurer, a post held by him for 25 years. It is good to see such progress by a Jewish organization in Rhode Island. Rhode Island Jews should be proud that such an organization can be growing when in other locations, organizations are closing down due to lack of membership. We are proud and hope you can join with us in growing even further.

Call us or write. Watch for more Touro Fraternal information in other weeks to come.

Touro Fraternal Association wants to remind all of the Touro brothers that Israel needs trees. We are building a Touro Fraternal Forest in Israel to celebrate happy events as well as remembering departed friends and family. Remember, give life, give love, give trees. For further information, contact Robert Hodosh at the Touro Hall office now at 45 Rolfe Sq., Cranston. The phone number is 785-0066. Have you as members been to the new Touro Hall? If not, you should take advantage of an association meeting to get to see the showplace of Rolfe Sq. For example, mark down on your calendar a members only association meeting on May 31, 1989 for the installation of officers or how about a members only free hot dogs and beans supper on June 21, to be held at the new Touro Hall. The membership is still on the rise and growing due to the fact that Touro members are bringing in Jewish friends to join the largest independent Jewish fraternal association in the area. It was a real pleasure to go vote at the new Touro Hall on Wednesday the 10th and to see all the faces of members who have not been to the new home. Outstanding, fantastic, those were the words used by all who came. And the hall and kitchen were noted by many as the

best in the area.

Officers elected are president, Joseph Shapiro; vice president, Michael D. Smith; secretary, Andrew S. Lamchick; treasurer, Gerald D. Hodosh; chaplain, Gary Lamchick; faithful guide, David Fink; inside guard, Ronald Berman. The five winning candidates elected for three-year terms to the Board of Directors were Morton L. Coken, Barry E. Newman, Arthur Poulten, Judah Rosen, and Wallace H. Serge. Also elected for one year to the board was Milton Bronstein.

A major dedication of the new Touro Hall will take place in September and is being planned by a special committee. If a member would like to serve on this committee, please advise the president or chairman of the board. Young Jewish men who are new to the area are asked to contact Touro Fraternal if they wish to join. Call 785-0066, or write Touro Fraternal Association, Box 3562-0562, Cranston, R.I. 02910. A membership member will contact you. Touro is the way to grow.

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Opinion

Payment For Suffering

by Dr. Jay N. Fishbein

Cash payment for those who suffered from injustice caused by the American government has been making the headlines. In 1980 the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the Federal Government to pay \$122 million to the Sioux Indian tribes for the illegal seizure of their lands in 1877. Japanese Americans forced into internment camps during World War II were awarded \$20,000. Now some African Americans ask for compensation for the slavery their ancestors endured. The reparation idea is gathering momentum. The Detroit City Council has asked Congress to establish a \$40 billion education fund for the descendants of slaves.

With millions and billions banded about it seems that Jews who suffered as the result of American injustice should also be entitled to compensation. Just before the outbreak of World War II, 937 Jewish refugees fleeing the Nazi terror purchased visas issued by the Cuban Immigration Director. So great was the demand that they sold on the black market at fantastic prices.

Obtaining an exit visa in Nazi Germany was not only time consuming but fraught with danger. Frequently the long lines outside the consulate would be attacked by storm troopers, beaten and herded into trucks for shipment to concentration camps. Wealthy Jews were often able to buy their way out, but it was a time of terror. In the desperate struggle to obtain a visa it was necessary to resort to bribes, and then pay again to ensure it did not end up in a dead stack. German officials grew wealthy on this human traffic. Finally, there was the matter of exit taxes which varied as the officials haggled to exact the maximum.

Although there remained a substantial number of American

visas still available, consulate officials were ill-prepared to handle the vast number of applicants. It was not easy to meet the rigid requirements demanded by immigration authorities, who required evidence of good moral character. One can imagine the courage it required for a Jew to visit the police for a certificate, and it did not come free. It was easier for the wealthy, acting through agents to obtain a visa, or if one had influential friends, or were sufficiently prominent to discourage abuse.

Before the outbreak of war the Nazi government was willing to permit emigration so long as all possessions were transferred to the government, but the problem of finding a haven became increasingly difficult as neighboring countries became burdened with destitute refugees.

Manuel Benites, Director of Immigration, sold over 4,000 visas, and amassed a personal fortune. As he failed to share with Cuban officials the visas were not honored when the S.S. *St. Louis* arrived in Havana. Those who were fortunate in securing space on the ship lived in constant dread that new obstacles might arise, or that the voyage might be cancelled. Even when they were on the high seas their misgivings continued, for the sailing date was the 13th, which was also the Sabbath.

These passengers were not illiterate peasants from Central America or Mexico pouring in across the border in search of a better life. These terrified refugees did not seek a better life — only the opportunity to survive. Nor were they criminals or mental patients that Fidel Castro later dumped onto our laps and who have created a battlefield in Southern Florida. These people were among the cream of German Jewry, educated individuals, business people and professionals, who could afford the outrageously priced visas and passage on a luxury liner. They would not have constituted a drain on our economy, but would have established industries and enhanced our prosperity.

This tragedy did not occur during the Dark Ages, but in our own time. Soon it was to encompass the remaining Jews of Europe and fill another black page in Jewish history. The so-called "Dark Ages" were much darker for Jews, whose lives and property were never secure. For them the Dark Ages never really ended. It was simply transferred from Europe to the Middle East.

On Saturday, May 27, 1939 the *St. Louis* arrived in Havana, and anchored in the roadstead. The passengers were called for breakfast, but most had spent the night on deck, anxious to catch a

glimpse of the shore and were much too excited to eat. However they entered the dining room in high spirits, happy that the voyage had come to an end. They rushed through breakfast in order to be early in line for the medical inspection. Their baggage was lined up on deck. Ashore, the Jewish Relief Committee was working feverishly to arrange transportation, while relatives and friends waited eagerly to greet them.

On singling out their friends they waved, calling out greetings, and their friends happily shouted back. The din was unimaginable as they tried to make themselves heard. Tears of joy were shed freely. Adding to the confusion were the cries of fruit vendors hawking their wares from boats alongside. Small boys dived for coins which the happy passengers tossed over the ship's rails.

No one could explain the delay. Police launches prevented anyone from going aboard or from leaving the ship. Rumors were rife. They were waiting for tugs to bring the ship to dock. They were waiting for tenders to take the passengers ashore. They were waiting for the medical inspectors. The police came aboard but ignored questions, and the hours slowly dragged on. Lunch was announced but they were without appetite and few entered the dining room.

The passengers were finally told that their precious visas were not valid and a pall of gloom descended on these unhappy refugees. Most also had American visas, but would have to wait until their quota number was reached. To assist the local committee, the American Joint Distribution Committee flew in two members, Lawrence Berenson, an attorney, and Cecilia Razovsky. As the news media sensed the developing drama, more and more reporters and radio crews were dispatched to Havana.

While telegrams were being exchanged and frantic conferences were held by the Relief Committee and government officials, one of the passengers, Max Loewe, who after untold agony had been released from a concentration camp to embark on the liner, slashed his wrists and jumped overboard. A seaman dived after him and a police launch helped pull him in. The ship's siren caused consternation along the waterfront where relatives and friends were waiting in anguish, terrified that the siren signaled the ship's departure. Newsmen came aboard and questioned eyewitnesses, and later radioed about "The Ship That Shamed the World." The shame however, failed to move the U.S. State Department. Dr. Goebbels' Propaganda Ministry gaily reported that the world agonized over the refugees but refused to accept the "human garbage."

The A.J.D.C. bargained with the Cuban officials, offering to post a bond or place money in escrow to ensure that the refugees would not become a public burden, but the administration firmly insisted on cash. Meanwhile the A.J.D.C. tried to reassure the passengers that it was only a matter of money and that a satisfactory solution would be worked out.

American Jewish leaders appealed to President Roosevelt who assured them that while the United States could not exceed its quota, the State Department was working energetically to have the refugees admitted to Cuba until they could be admitted legally. They accepted his assurances.

In Germany, *Der Sturmer*

Letters To The Editor

Americans Should Back Shamir Peace Proposals

For American Jews — speaking from the comfort of our homes — it is deceptively simple to demand that Israel trade territories for peace. After all, it is not the safety of our borders or of our people that is being challenged. Imposing a settlement from America, however — or from any place else, for that matter — is neither an appropriate nor a democratic way to proceed. The residents of Israel must determine their own destiny.

In that vein, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is to be congratulated for putting forth a reasonable — and democratic — solution to the complex problems presently embroiling his nation, made even more complex by the involvement of nonresidents. Shamir has called for free elections in the "occupied" territories so that the Palestinians residing there can elect their own representatives to negotiate an interim period of self-rule.

After such a period, during which peaceful relations would be maintained, a permanent solution to the problem of the territories would be negotiated and agreed upon. The Prime Minister has given his assurance that there would be no pre-conditions attached to such negotiations, thus assuring an open dialogue.

Shamir is on the right track, for in any democracy, it should be the people who live on the land, those with the greatest stake in the outcome, who decide their own fate. They may get advice, suggestions and input from outside sources, but ultimately they must be the parties who negotiate.

Would it be democratic to accept Arafat as a negotiator? Would Americans allow residents of Great Britain or anywhere else to represent one of our Congressional districts? I hardly think so. At any rate, Arafat's very ambiguous partial disavowal of the Palestinian National Covenant, which calls for Israel's destruction, and his silence in the face of recent acts of terrorism, render him an inappropriate negotiating partner. Only time will tell if Arafat is sincere, but certainly during the interim period of self-rule envisioned by Shamir, his intentions will become obvious.

All Americans — Jews and

non-Jews alike — should support Prime Minister Shamir's peace plan, with the intention that we hold the Prime Minister and the Israeli government to their word. If, as Shamir has insisted, the intifada is halted before negotiations begin, the uprising can always (regrettably) begin anew if Israel does not "deliver." If the ultimate goal of Palestinians living in Israel is self-rule, it would certainly seem that Yitzhak Shamir's plan for Palestinian elections is a good place to start.

Franklin D. Kreutzer,
International President
The United Synagogue
of America

In reading Elliot Welles' account of his suffering at the hands of the Nazis when he was sent to a Concentration Camp, I, again, started pondering on how could the Holocaust happen in our times when we are supposed to be so civilized!

I have read of many more accounts through the years of the demoralizing existence forced upon the Jews of Europe and I also have been attending the Holocaust Memorial Services when I can get there. Had the whole world gone crazy? Unbelievable — 6,000,000 Jews and 6,000,000 others. It is said, "God sees all, knows all." There must be some sort of retribution! Is retribution coming out in the form of the state of the world and what it has been since 1945 — the Korean War, the Vietnamese Non-War, Afghanistan, Nicaragua, the Ethiopian famine.

I have also been reading in several places the wonder why none of the Nazis who survived and are now living in different countries as free men have never spoken up to voice their remorse as to what the Nazis did to their country, to at least show some human sympathy for the victims of Concentration Camps, but perhaps they are still jealous of the attention the Jews are getting (what is left of them) and bitter because all weren't exterminated.

I have heard that there are some German people who helped some of their Jewish friends by either hiding them, feeding them or in other ways in spite of dire threats

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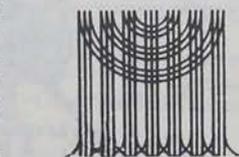
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The Divine Chess Game

to their lives if they were found out.

One woman, a Jewish refugee, told me that a girl friend of her's, who was German, allowed her to stay in her house during the daytime but at night she had to leave. She rode the subways all night and came back to her friend's house in the morning. This woman is now deceased.

I have also read that Israel is looking for instances of Germans helping the Jews during the Hitler days so they may be honored in the Yad Vashem Remembrance Hall.

Sometimes I think that we are having so much trouble in the World today because the Nazis who escaped to foreign countries are getting to Government leaders and poisoning their minds with the Nazi doctrines which have been engrained in their minds. They are still brainwashed!

Dorothy Sherman

For the first time, the Peace Now movement is having problems. It is important to understand the significance when Israelis, regardless of their political/philosophical point of view, put the interest of Israel first.

This has been the ZOA message in the United States. Those who have continued their public denunciation of Israel / Israeli leaders / policies may be giving vent to their political frustrations, but they do so at the risk of inflicting real harm on the Jewish State. Their public criticism has done much to undermine Israel's position.

Those who have advocated accommodation with Arafat and the PLO at a time when a unity government has a position to the contrary, do not represent the best interest of Israel, nor do they have the superior wisdom to determine for Israel and its democratically elected government what is best for the Jewish State.

Paul Flacks
Vice President
Zionist Organization
of America
New York City, N.Y.

BOSTON, Mass. — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith has received a request from the Office of Special Investigations seeking to identify and interview persons imprisoned at the concentration camps listed below between the dates specified:

Sachsenhausen/Oranienburg, June 1943-September 1944.
Stutthof, November 1942-April 1944.

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Majdanek, November 1943 - April 1944.

Flossenburg, February 1945 - April 1945.

OSI's interest in locating these survivors has been occasioned by its investigation of alleged members of SS guard companies assigned to these camps. Survivors are free to contact ADL (617-330-9696) or OSI. Please note that OSI is seeking both English and non-English speaking survivors.

Replies (with copy to ADL) may be addressed to:

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Office of Special Investigations
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St. Dunstan's Day School

Last week we printed the list of honor students from St. Dunstan's Day School. One name was inadvertently omitted and is listed below.

Lisa Lopatin, a senior level student, achieved high honors. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Lopatin of Pawtucket.

Imagine a chess game where the pieces on the board seem to move of their own accord. Pawns, rooks, queens and kings all move in the correctly prescribed manner, yet of their own volition. The chess pieces, we decide, must be puppets with invisible strings or they're magnetized or computerized. Somewhere, somehow, there is a hidden hand pushing the pieces around.

The events which we commemorate on Purim are their own kind of chess game. In the *megilla*, the record of the story of Purim, one does not see, nor hear any mention of G-d. In fact, G-d's name is not mentioned in the entire *megilla*; the Book of Esther is the only book from the Bible entire in which G-d's name never appears. And yet, somehow, somehow, after learning about the "chess game" which took place in those days, one must conclude that G-d's hand was controlling the game.

Judaism teaches that G-d supplies the "recovery" before he brings the "illness." In the case of Purim, even before Haman convinced King Ahashuerus to sign the decree to annihilate all the Jews. The King became angry with his wife, got rid of her, and began a search for a new queen.

Enter Esther, a woman who had

no interest in becoming the new Queen, who, in fact, hid herself from the royal messengers and, according to many sages, was even disqualified from participating in the "beauty contest." In addition, Esther did nothing whatsoever to beautify herself once she was among the "contestants" in the palace.

Add to this the fact that, though Esther's relative, Mordechai, was well-known by all, no one in the palace knew or realized that Esther was Jewish, nor did it ever leak out and enter the king's ears until Esther told him herself.

Esther was already well-placed in the palace and a favorite of the king when Haman's evil plan was signed into action. The Divine recovery could begin its work once the illness had begun.

Throughout the entire course of events, everyone moved as they should have; the king one square at a time, Esther, as she pleased but in accordance with Torah, Mordechai in a straight line. To the untrained eye, it looked like a regular game. Except that chess pieces don't move by themselves.

The story of Purim, with its overt lack of G-d's name even once in the entire *megilla*, was a Divine chess game, par excellence. And the best thing about it was that our side won.

Peace And Economic Development Go Hand In Hand

by Elmer L. Winter
Chairman, Committee for
Economic Growth of Israel

Prime Minister Shamir's proposal for elections in Judea, Samaria and Gaza has thrown the P.L.O. into disarray. One of Yasir Arafat's top aides, Abu Iyad, reported that leaders of various P.L.O. factions meeting in Tunis had decided elections could be held even before an Israeli troop pullout from the West Bank and Gaza. The next day 80 Palestinian leaders on the West Bank issued a statement rejecting the idea of elections. The State Department commented wisely that "we are only at the beginning of a process."

To speed a settlement of the Palestinian issue (and thus help bring about the day when Israel's Arab neighbors would join in the peace process), I strongly urge that Israel keep up its peace offensive by offering economic benefits to the Arab population in the territories. These would include opportunities for jobs and entrepreneurship that would become available when a settlement is reached and the rioting is ended. Similar benefits should be extended to Arab states that sign peace treaties with Israel.

This kind of economic program, which I advanced at the Jerusalem Solidarity Conference some weeks ago, would also benefit Israel's economy, which has encountered serious setbacks since the start of the intifada 16 months ago. Absenteeism and scattered strikes by Arab workers are estimated to have cost Israel more than \$100 million in 1988. Another \$100 million loss to Israel's economy has been caused by a sharp drop in purchases of Israeli goods and services by Palestinians. Still another \$100 million blow to the economy is the estimated cost of extra reserve duty for Israel's soldiers, which requires direct spending by the government and causes additional losses to business because employees are putting down riots rather than turning out goods and services.

The territories have also suffered economically during the period, with a decline in the standard of living estimated at more than 20 percent. It is said that the P.L.O. must pump \$600 million a year into the territories to keep the intifada going. In turn, this increases the dependence of the local Arab population on the terrorists.

My proposals are based on the fact that the Palestinians and residents of Arab countries need goods and services that Israel produces. Despite the Arab boycott, Arab countries buy almost \$1 billion of Israeli goods per year — goods without Israeli markings, sold via neutral countries like Greece. Among the Israeli products the Arabs want and need are agrotechnology, fertilizers, medical services and equipment, computers, textiles, even chocolate.

Here are my proposals for new economic development to be put on the table now, but to go into effect only when the intifada is ended and a settlement is reached with the Palestinians:

1) Joint ventures should be encouraged that would bring together Palestinian and Egyptian firms with Israeli, American and European companies to take advantage of Israel's Free Trade Agreement with the U.S. and Israel's membership in the European Economic Community.

Under such joint ventures, Israeli factories could sub-contract work to Palestinian plants operating in the Gaza Strip and on the West Bank. After the products are returned to Israel for additional processing, they could then be sold to American and European buyers — duty-free, under the terms of the FTA and Israel's EEC membership.

2) An Industrial Park should be established in the West Bank and Gaza where factories owned jointly by Israeli, American and Palestinian businessmen would produce needed goods for the local market as well as for export. Companies that set up shop in these industrial parks would benefit from tax holidays and similar concessions.

Tax incentives would make it particularly economical to produce prefabricated housing units in the industrial park. The market for such housing should be huge once a political settlement is reached and Palestinians can be moved out of camps.

3) Government-owned companies in Israel should be encouraged to sub-contract work to factories in the industrial park or in the West Bank, where labor rates are lower than in Israel. The reduced manufacturing costs could help Israeli goods become more price-competitive in foreign markets. To help meet the need for able personnel,

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Remembering Must Be Our Legacy

by Abraham H. Foxman
Mr. Foxman is national director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and a Holocaust survivor. This article was prepared in connection with the Holocaust Remembrance Days for the May issue of the ADL Bulletin, the League's national publication.

We Jews are not a forgetful folk. For us, there are memories that never dim and wounds that time can never heal.

In our painful and anguished history there are events that, among other people, might have been obliterated from memory by the passage of centuries. Our exile in Egypt, the destruction of the Temple, the Inquisition, the expulsions and the wanderings from country to country, the murder libels, the segregation into ghettos and the pogroms — all are still recalled and mourned as if each of us had experienced them.

We remember what much of the world would like us to forget. They would like us to forget the Holocaust or, if we must, keep it to ourselves and not remind them of that cataclysmic incarnation of evil.

But how can we forget? On the millennial time scale of our ancient people, the mass slaughter happened only yesterday. It is but half a century since World War II began, less than 45 years since the flames in the crematoria were extinguished. Fewer every year remain to bear witness to he horror.

How can we forget what was lost to us and to the world? The six million dead — our grandparents, parents, children, brothers, sisters,

cousins, friends, a diversity of humankind with all kinds of talents and abilities and potential. Their silent voices must continue to be heard and no mass conspiracy that denies they ever existed will still them.

They speak to us of a time that lives only in dusty tomes, fading photographs, salvaged heirlooms and our recollections. There is desolation in our hearts not only for their unfulfilled lives, but also for their peaceful, little shtetls with homes and shuls dotting the landscape, for the great institutions of Jewish scholarship they built and treasured and for all that might have been without the destructive Shoah.

From our loins have sprung great leaders who guided the way we, and indeed the world, think and live — the great books, the music, the inventions, the contributions to science and medicine made by our people.

And so we anguish and lament over the might have been, the dreams never fulfilled, the ideas never realized, the books and plays unwritten, the songs never heard, the deeds never accomplished.

Remembering is our legacy, our duty if the Holocaust is not to recur. We must work to prevent a recurrence. That means teaching what we remember to our contemporaries and to the generations that will follow us. It grows more difficult as the years pass and the survivors pass with them, but that makes our mission all the more challenging and necessary.

The Holocaust has taught us a bitter lesson. Never again.

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Social Events

Lunzer-Kritz

Mr. and Mrs. J. Peter Lunzer of New York City announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Francesca Zipporah Lunzer of Washington, D.C., to Mr. Neil J. Kritz of Washington, D.C., the son of Cantor and Mrs. Karl S. Kritz of Narragansett, R.I. and Long Beach, N.Y.

Miss Lunzer graduated from Touro College and received her master's degree from the London School of Economics. She is an associate editor of *U.S. News and World Report*. Mr. Kritz is a graduate of Brandeis University and has his J.D. degree from American University-Washington College of Law. He is the special assistant to the chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States. Neil is also the grandson of Mrs. Minnie Kritz of Warwick, R.I. and the late Morris Kritz.

After a June 4, 1989 wedding to be held in New York City, the couple will make their home in Washington, D.C.

Gaines-Dressler

Mr. and Mrs. Normand A. Gaines of West Hartford, Ct., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ellen to Mr. Charles B. Dressler of Warwick, R.I., son of Mr. and Mrs. Max B. Dressler of Warwick, R.I. and Palm Beach, Fla.

Miss Gaines is a graduate of the University of Maryland. She holds a master's degree in speech/language pathology from the University of Maryland.

Mr. Dressler is a graduate of the Community College of Rhode Island.

The wedding is planned for July, 1989.

Sacks Family Birth

Marilyn and Jeffrey Sacks announce the birth of their first daughter and second child, Rebecca Anne, on May 4, 1989.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Grebstein of Warwick and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sacks of Newton, Massachusetts.

Elana Rothberg Bat-Mitzvah

Elana Rothberg of Cindy Ann Dr., East Greenwich, R.I., celebrated her Bat-Mitzvah on Saturday, April 8, 1989, at Temple Torat Israel, Cranston. Rabbi David Rosen officiated.

Elana is the daughter of Dr. Kopel & Sharron Rothberg, and the sister of Hilary Rothberg.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jamison of N. Miami, Florida. Paternal grandparents are Esther Rothberg of Warwick, and the late Maurice Rothberg.

The Rabbinic Blessing was given to Elana by her uncle, Rabbi Samuel Rothberg.

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Miller-Klabin



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The wedding will take place at St. Botolph Club in Boston.

Samantha and Alex Klabin, children of the groom, will serve as attendants.

After a wedding trip to Portugal, the couple will reside in Wellesley.

Rabbi Kaplan To Attend 50th Class Anniversary



Rabbi Philip Kaplan, chaplain of the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Providence, and a supervisor of Vaad Harabonim, the Massachusetts Rabbinical Council, Boston, will return to Yeshiva University for a 50th anniversary celebration of the Class of 1939 of May 24.

Alumni will be honored at the 58th annual YU Commencement exercises at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall in New York City on May 25.

Rabbi Kaplan is a resident of Pawtucket, RI. He was rabbi of congregations in Attleboro and Fall River, MA; Colchester, CT; Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, and Philadelphia.

He is a member of the executive board of the Rabbinical Council of America and has served as president of the Attleboro Mental Health Association and of the Attleboro Clergy Association. He also was a member of the executive committee of Attleboro United Way.

He and his wife, Esther, are parents of Andrea Dina Lieberman, an actuarial assistant before her marriage, of Bellmore, Long Island, and Dr. Allan S. Kaplan, psychiatrist and director of the Eating

Disorder Clinic, Toronto General Hospital.

Alumni from throughout the country will attend the 50th anniversary celebration.

Six noted personalities will receive honorary doctoral degrees at the Commencement. They are U.S. Senator Joseph I. Lieberman of Connecticut, who will give the Commencement address; Aharon Appelfeld of Israel, acclaimed author of 20 books, including *To the Land of the Cattails*; Yousuf Karsh of Ottawa, the internationally renowned photographer; Dr. William Z. Low of Israel, Sadie Danciger Professor of Physics at Hebrew University; Bernice L. Rudnick of Palm Beach, a vice chairperson of the Board of Overseers of the University's Albert Einstein College of Medicine; Rabbi Rafael G. Grossman of Memphis, TN, spiritual leader of Baron Hirsch Congregation, the nation's largest Orthodox synagogue.

Dr. Norman Lamm, president of Yeshiva University, will preside at his 13th (bar mitzvah) Commencement as leader of the nation's largest and oldest (102 years) university under Jewish auspices.

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You are cordially invited to attend the 37th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island on Thursday Evening, June 1, 1989 - 7:45 p.m. at 7 p.m., Joshua & Cheryl Teverow, Co-Chairmen.

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*Passage to Freedom Update.

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In accordance with the By-Laws, the President will appoint four additional members of the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.

According to the By-Laws of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, "Additional nominations may be made in writing, signed by not less than twenty-five members of the Federation in good standing, and filed with the Secretary at least fifteen days prior to the annual meeting. The Secretary shall forthwith make known by any reasonable means to each members of the Federation, such additional nominations."

Submitted by the 1989-90 Nominating Committee:

Bruce R. Rutenberg, Chairman; Prof. Stanley M. Barnett, James Botvin, Marla Chernick, Fredda Dressler, Stephen M. Garfinkel, Prof. Maurice Glicksman, Marshall Goldberg, Nancy Goldberg, Prof. Richard Hellman, Cynthia C. Kaplan, Jerome Kritz, Jason Z. Levine, Edward P. Odessa, Walter M. Oppenheim, Dr. Morton L. Perel, Lonna Picker, Dr. Neal Rogol, Edward L. Shore, Varda Stieglitz, Alan L. Swartz, Dee Dee Witman.

CJF Begins Data Collection

For 1990 National Survey Of American Jews

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The Council of Jewish Federations, which agreed last fall to conduct the 1990 National Survey of American Jews as part of a world-wide series of national studies of Jewish populations, has commissioned the ICR Survey Research Group of Media, PA to begin collecting data in a three-stage phone questionnaire.

Preliminary screening by means of a random selection procedure began in April in order to accumulate prospective households. This procedure allows for an equal probability of Jews to be selected from every state whether in small towns or in major metropolitan areas so that a national picture will emerge. In May-June 1990, 2,500 households will be interviewed in-depth. Through the statistical analysis of data obtained from the phone interviews, various components of the Jewish community will be assessed such as the demographic, social and economic structure, migration patterns, changes in size, composition and distribution as well as patterns and levels of births and deaths.

The CJF Research Department has recently released the publication, *A Handle on the Future — The Potential of the 1990 National Survey for American Jewry*, which outlines the purpose and goals of this historic survey.

The publication features two reprinted papers: *A 1990 National Jewish Population Study: Why and How* by Dr. Sidney Goldstein, Chairman of the National Technical Advisory Committee on Jewish Population Studies and Director of the Population Studies and Training Center at Brown University, and *Jewish Megatrends — Planning for the Twenty-First Century* by Dr. Steven Huberman, Executive Director for Community Services at the Jewish Federation Council of Los Angeles.

"It is our hope that this publication will inform our member Federations of the importance of the survey for gaining knowledge of future trends

among the mass of American Jews," noted Dr. Barry Kosmin, CJF's Director of Research and Director of the North American Jewish Data Bank. He added that an initial \$200,000 has already been provided by the CJF Endowment Fund for the 1990 survey and that CJF member Federations have been asked to contribute their pro-rated shares for the remainder of the project's cost.

The North American Jewish Data Bank was established by the Council of Jewish Federations and the Center for Jewish Studies of the Graduate School and University Center of The City University of New York. Its primary role is to act as the repository for computer-based population and survey data on Jewish communities in the United States and Canada.

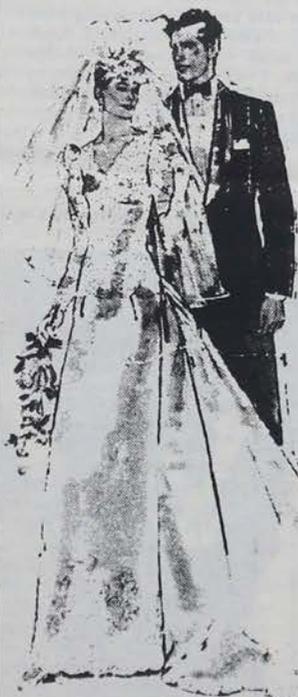
Plans are already underway for specially commissioned monographs to be included in the North American Jewish Data Bank's publication series on topics such as (1) regional and city-size difference, (2) marriage, family and fertility, (3) geographical migration and distribution, (4) Jewish identity, (5) income, economic status and education, (6) the life cycle, (7) Jewish women and (8) communal service needs and implications.

Requests for copies of *A Handle on the Future — The Potential of the 1990 National Survey for American Jewry* should be sent in writing to the Council of Jewish Federations, 730 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10003.

Established in 1932, CJF helps strengthen the work and the impact of Jewish Federations by developing programs to meet changing needs, providing an exchange of successful community experiences, establishing guidelines for fund raising and operations and engaging in joint planning and action on common purposes dealing with local, regional and international needs.

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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder

"It Could Never Happen To Me: Today's Woman and Domestic Violence" was the stirring subject Betty Levinson addressed to men and women at the Greater Rhode Island YWCA's Outstanding Women's Luncheon recently at Johnson & Wales Hospitality Center.

An attorney and partner of Levinson, Mogulescu & Kaplan, a general litigation firm in New York City, Betty's areas of expertise include custody and divorce law as well as the criminal and civil problems of battered women.

Her current caseload includes: *Smigiel v. Steinberg* and *Launders v. Steinberg*, in which Hedda Nussbaum is being sued by the biological mothers of Lisa Steinberg and Mitchell Steinberg, and *Nussbaum v. Steinberg*, in which Ms. Nussbaum is suing Joel Steinberg for the physical and emotional injuries he inflicted upon her over more than 12 years.

Before her Luncheon appearance, I had a chance to speak with her for a short while. With much sensitivity, Betty spoke about her client, Hedda Nussbaum, and the tragic results.

"I received a phone call from a man, who asked if I was familiar with a case that occurred in Kiev in 1910 or 1911 in which there was a conspiracy, and a Jewish man was accused of murdering a Christian child.

"Here," she interjected, "we have Joel Steinberg and here we have a child from a Christian family. The man's viewpoint was that the case against Joel Steinberg was a conspiracy, that he was not guilty, and that it was basically a religiously motivated plot.

"Clearly that's not the fact, but it's the replaying of the embarrassment a minority group feels when a member of its group is targeted," she noted, referring to the Rosenberg case and the Frank case in Georgia.

"One of the nice things about the trial was that there were representatives from several of the Hassidic Hadar students to watch the proceedings. The Rebbe, who was very traditional, was with these young people because they felt the issue was relevant to their communities, and that was very encouraging.

"The first time I met Hedda Nussbaum was in February of 1988. She was arrested in November. I don't exaggerate that she looked as if she had walked out of Bergen Belsen.

"I have used that image and I have been criticized by survivors for diminishing their experiences. I can understand their reactions, but she was within days of her own death. She had a horrible blood infection from injuries on her leg. She hadn't eaten or slept in weeks, except for a couple of minutes at a time.

"Part of the problem people have in coming to grips with the situation is they cannot truly believe and grasp that it was as bad as it was. She has no desire and neither do I to get into any kind of contest about who was more of a victim.

"I once did a call-in radio show and some elderly Jewish women took the exception with that comparison. I was

sorry they felt hurt. In fact, her physical condition was worse than some of the people who came out of the camps.

"Lots of people blame Hedda Nussbaum for letting it happen. That is a convenient way to deal with it, but it does remove responsibility from us in dealing, identifying and solving the problem. Six times she had gone for help. One problem was her being in a large metropolitan area where people very often don't want to get involved.

"Many battered women, like Hedda, create a big smokescreen. Their most important task is covering up and protecting the men. One reason I was asked to come into the case is that I've been representing battered women for years.

"My first homicide case was that of a battered woman who killed her husband as he was coming towards her with a knife. She was a Jewish woman, a corporate executive who had all the money in the world to get out, but she couldn't. She had been in this unbelievable relationship. It is a myth that it only happens to poor ignorant people with no economic options.

"There are two problems . . . the shame attached to it, that everything we are raised to do as women is to keep it together. To heal, to survive, to endure. These are the feminine attributes, and then to succeed professionally in the world is twice as hard."

Asking how she handles the emotional impact she feels from her cases, Betty replied, "Sometimes very personally, and I don't apologize for this. I've been accused by one of Joel Steinberg's lawyers of being overly emotionally involved in the case, and I've told him, 'You bet I am. Part of the problem with you, as far as I'm concerned, is that you never made that emotional connection, and if you had, you wouldn't be doing the case.'

"I was being facetious obviously, of course. I feel very personally committed to the issue of domestic violence and battered women.

"Learning how to protect Hedda and myself from people who wish to exploit her has been very interesting. In one particularly terrible situation, somebody, whom she had known 20 years ago, showed up at the hospital where she is being treated. He held himself out as an old friend, and then he submitted to a newspaper copy filled with inaccurate information and outrageous misquotations from Hedda.

"As you might guess, one of Hedda's problems is that she has been inappropriately willing to trust people. She continues to be a very trusting person, which doesn't change overnight, even though she has been victimized the way she has. That's her basic nature. She's a very open person.

"One of the things she's learning is how to protect herself. There are people who wish to simplify, who want to make her a symbol for everybody, which she shouldn't be. She's her own person. On the other hand, her experience is enormously useful and educational for many other

It Could Never Happen To Me



Betty Levinson, Attorney and Partner, Levinson, Mogulescu & Kaplan in New York City.

battered women. Ultimately, what she'd like to be able to do is to be helpful, and I think that will happen at an appropriate time."

Hedda Nussbaum's father died recently. "Interestingly, her mother feels that Hedda's experiences in dealing with the death of Lisa and the loss of Mitchell provides her mom with an example of how one can be strong, endure and survive. That, in turn, is gratifying for Hedda."

At the Outstanding Woman's Luncheon, the New York attorney was introduced by Secretary of State Kathleen S. Connell. Excerpts from Betty's speech are:

"If we do nothing about domestic violence, nothing will change. It's been going on a long time. Unfortunately, like in many other areas of social tragedy, it takes real horrible events such as the death of Lisa Steinberg to force our attention on the problem.

"I have received many calls from battered women. 'I don't have any broken bones. I don't have a cauliflower ear. My nose wasn't repeatedly broken. Am I really a battered woman? Do I deserve to be helped?' Of course you deserve to be helped, I tell them. The symptoms include the words as well as the physical abuse in identifying someone who's been a victim of domestic violence.

"There are hopeful signs. I observed in the court two women on a witness stand in a divorce case testifying to having been physically abused. One woman said, 'I saw in my mind the picture of Hedda Nussbaum. I couldn't let that happen to my children.' She has triggered an alarm system in many women through her tragic experience.

"The fact that professional women excel in the workplace makes it even harder for us to identify that we may be battered. It's much easier to change the job than to change your husband or boyfriend or the person who is doing this to you.

"We women have to start telling war stories about what happened to the casualties of domestic battering, sharing with one another those graphic horrible experiences."

"In reaction to the Steinberg Case, a lot of people are furious with Hedda Nussbaum because she didn't identify herself as a battered woman, and as a primary parent, she was responsible for the safety of her children. She worked at a publishing firm editing children's books. How come she didn't get out? I know some people don't like to hear that if Lisa Steinberg hadn't died, nobody would have cared about the fate of Hedda Nussbaum.

"There are many men who are very angry with Hedda. They have no trouble understanding the prisoners of war during Korea or other wars. She was a victim of a long war, and similar to those who gave classified material in order to save their own lives.

"No one, least of all, Hedda Nussbaum, asks that you exonerate her. These decisions are personal. There is a difference between legal liability and moral culpability. I am not here to participate in all the ultimate conclusions all of you may draw. People have their opinions and are entitled to them.

"What I want to draw your attention to is how we as a culture are to start dealing with this problem happening all around us. It happens all the time."

photos by Dorothea Snyder



Beverly J. Wiley, board president, YWCA of Rhode Island, presents a book to Betty following her dramatic speech at the Outstanding Woman's Luncheon. The book's title, "Heroes of Their Own Lives," is a history of domestic violence in families. The YWCA houses a battered women's center at its Blackstone Shelter.



Fielding questions after the luncheon.



Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall Of Fame May 21

On Sunday, May 21, the fifth annual Rhode Island Jewish Athletic Hall of Fame will induct six athletes in three divisions. The ceremonies are sponsored by the Health and Physical Education Department of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island. The induction ceremonies will begin with a reception at 6 p.m. followed by the induction at 6:30 p.m.

Co-chairs of the event, Jeffrey Goldberg and Stephen Litwin have announced the following inductees:

Veterans' Division:

Raymond Laurans, Handball. Mr. Laurans, a prominent leader in the food industry was president and CEO of Roger Williams Foods for over 40 years. His athletic accomplishments began in high school at Durfee High in Fall River where he was first string varsity on the basketball and baseball teams. At Rutgers University he was handball champion and first string on the baseball team. His baseball skills were photographed for the *New York Times*.

Max Miller, Football. Mr. Miller has played football locally and nationally, on an amateur and professional level. He began his athletic career playing both basketball and football. In 1929 he was a member of the undefeated Jewish Community Center Intermediate League Basketball Team. He also played guard for the Commercial High School football team. In the early 1930s, he was a member of the Orioles. This was the only all Jewish semi-pro football team in the country. At Boston University he played both offensive and defensive guard weighing less than 160 pounds yet receiving three varsity football letters. After graduation, Mr. Miller played both offensive and defensive guard for the Providence Steamrollers.

Contemporary Division:

Daniel J. Kapstein, All Round Athlete, Football, Basketball, Baseball. Shortly after his graduation from Northeastern University in 1972, where he was a senior football letterman, assistant freshman baseball coach, varsity basketball scout and varsity football aide, Mr. Kapstein was signed as free agent for the New England Patriots Football Team. He has served as sports information director at Rhode Island College and has coached football and baseball at several area schools. During his own school days at Providence Country Day, he was named to the Rhode Island Prep School All-State Football and Basketball Teams as well as the All-New England Prep School Squad selected by the *Boston Herald Traveler*. He currently is a consultant for the R.I. Department of Health increasing the public awareness of the health dangers of anabolic steroids among the state's high school students.

Thomas Pearlman, Football, Wrestling. Mr. Pearlman, a member of the All State Football Team in 1943 and 1944 from Classical High School, continued his interest in sports at Amherst College in varsity football,

wrestling and lacrosse. At Harvard Law School he chaired the Athletic Committee of Philips Brooks House. His community activities include an officership in the Classical High School Varsity Club.

Service to Sports:

Jeremy Kapstein. "Jerry" Kapstein, a well-known agent for professional athletes, has been a pioneer in his field. He represents athletes in several major professional sports in contract negotiations. A 1965 graduate of Harvard College, he earned his law degree from Boston College Law School in 1968. After serving as an officer in the United States Navy, Judge Advocate General's Corps, he was an innovator in his chosen profession.

Gus Parmet. Since 1945, Gus Parmet has been involved in radio sports reporting in Rhode Island, possibly the longest stretch for anyone in Southeastern New England. His career started with high school sports in Fall River and quickly moved to the high school and college scene in the state with heavy emphasis on URI basketball and football. Throughout the years, Mr. Parmet has put together special coverage of tours involving the high schools, the colleges, little league and American Legion ball. In recent years, he has served as host for his own controversial sports talk show, "Sports Sound Off."

Tickets are \$10 per person; for reservations or more information call Elliott Goldstein at 861-8800.

Daniel Kapstein will be giving the keynote address, "Impressions of Professional and Amateur Sports."

Teens! Don't Miss Out! On JCCRI Camps Bogrim And C.I.T.

Something totally new and exciting is happening at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence. The Center has introduced a Camp Bogrim for pre-teens entering grades 5 through 7. Campers will travel twice a week and participate in tennis, swimming lessons, arts and crafts as well as in a program to receive their American Red Cross Standard First Aid Certification. Camp Bogrim is its own special camp within the JCCRI where pre-teens can enjoy specialty programs ranging from dramatics to Shabbat. Other activities include: horseback riding, canoeing, biking, pottery and theatre.

Also being offered for another year is C.I.T. Camp for those entering grades 8 through 10. This is a special camp for teenagers who aspire to learn and enhance their good leadership qualities while enjoying privileges of special group projects and trips. The CITs will receive their American Red Cross Standard First Aid Certification as well as creative programming skills appropriate for various age groups. They will travel twice weekly and divide the remainder of their time between training and in-group participation. The summer will culminate in a camping trip for two nights and three days.

Both camps will meet five days per week from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For fee and further information contact Michele Bram at 861-8800.

Brown Bag Club Tour RISD Museum Of Art

The Brown Bag Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island will be touring the Museum of Art at the Rhode Island School of Design on Tuesday, May 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Participants will meet at the Center, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence, at 11 a.m. to carpool. Bring a brown bag lunch; dessert and beverage will be provided. The donation is \$1.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE



Dear JFS:

I am a Jewish woman in my seventies. I've been living alone in my own home since my husband died last year. I used to go out with a couple of friends, but now they've both moved to Florida to be near family and I feel like I have no one. My children all live in another state and even though I still drive, it's too far to drive alone. I don't want to move there and be dependent on them, either.

I used to be such a good cook, but now it seems pointless to cook just for one. I don't feel like eating much anyway. I guess things could really be a lot worse, but it just seems like the joy has gone out of life.

How can I get myself out of these doldrums?

Sincerely,
Laura

Dear Laura,

After the death of a spouse, feelings of loss, isolation and loneliness are common. Things you did as a couple, now you must do as an individual. You want to be part of something, but may not know how. You need something to look forward to, to treat yourself to some conversation and stimulation.

You might consider going to the JFS Kosher Mealsite in Cranston. Many who participate are widows or widowers. They will make you feel part of a group. There is a camaraderie, a sense of family, a sense of sharing. Where else can you get all of this plus a nutritious kosher meal?

The JFS Mealsite is open at 11 a.m. weekdays for special programs with lunch served as noon. You should try to make your reservations a week in advance, by calling 781-1771. There is a nominal fee.

At 2 p.m. the Yiddish Club will be meeting. The Yiddish Club is open for all who would like to attend.

For more information please contact Lisa Goodman at 861-8800.

Outdoor Club Goes Biking On Block Island

On Sunday, May 21 the Outdoor Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island will be biking on Block Island. Teens in

Gladys Kaplan, Jewish Family Service Mealsite Coordinator welcomes seniors to the Kosher Mealsite in Cranston. Reservations may be made by calling 781-1771 for a hot kosher meal and a chance to meet friends.

The JFS Kosher Mealsite offers a real sense of community as seniors from the Cranston and Warwick areas join together for friendship and food. And if you don't feel like driving, transportation is available in Cranston and parts of Warwick.

Pre-lunch programs include activities such as exercise, films, group discussions, blood pressure checks by a visiting nurse, Bureau of Jewish Education programs, birthday parties, special events, outings and holiday observances. Every Friday lunch is a special Shabbat meal with candlelighting and kiddush.

Gladys Kaplan, the Mealsite Coordinator, can help you connect with other JFS services such as Home Care, Lifeline, telephone assurance, as the need arises.

I think the JFS Kosher Mealsite could help you put some joy back into your life. Why not give it a try?

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,

grades 9-12 will depart from the Center, 401 Elmgrove Avenue in Providence, at 8 a.m. and return at 5 p.m. The fee is \$25 and includes the bus to Point Judith, ferry to Block Island, bike rentals and lunch. In case of rain the trip will

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Announce your graduation, new job or promotion in the *Herald*. Black and white photos welcome.

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.

Jewish Family Service Celebrates 60 Years Of Service

Jewish Family Service, founded in 1929, is celebrating its sixtieth anniversary throughout 1989. The theme of the activities is "Sixty Years/Here for You," focusing on the agency's responsiveness to the community's changing needs over the last six decades. A list of "Sixty Reasons to Celebrate with JFS" has been compiled, providing examples of the agency's services in many different categories. A special commemorative booklet reflects on past accomplishments and future goals of the agency.

In early June, for the first time in the agency's history, Jewish Family Service will launch an endowment campaign to establish funds that will supplement agency income.

The highlight of celebration activities will be Thursday, June 15, when Jewish Family Service hosts its gala sixtieth birthday party, complete with all the trimmings including a cocktail reception and birthday confections at 7 p.m. at the Roger Williams Park Casino in Providence. David S. Liederman, Chief Executive Officer of the Child Welfare League of America will offer the keynote address.

Five of the 60 reasons to celebrate with JFS:

1. JFS Helps a Family Solve a Problem — A family whose pressures force them to consider divorce have now set goals toward a cohesive family unit, with the help of a Jewish Family Service social worker.
2. Outreach to the Elderly — JFS provides support services to the elderly and their families, helping seniors to maintain their independence as long as possible and to enhance the quality of their lives.
3. Warmline (331-KIDS) — The JFS Parent Exchange offers information and practical answers regarding any issues of parenting. Call 331-Kids, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
4. 1929 — Jewish Family Service is established on April 17, 1929, as the Jewish Family Welfare Society, working with a budget of less than \$10,000.
5. Refugee Resettlement — JFS makes new immigrants feel welcome in Rhode Island by coordinating their resettlement services and acculturation. Look for more of the sixty reasons next week in the Rhode Island *Herald*. For information on any of the Sixtieth Anniversary activities, call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

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Parents' Plights And Rights by Dr. Steve C. Imber

Teen Not Peachy With Peers

Dear Dr. Imber:

We are writing to express our concerns about our eighteen-year-old daughter. She has always had difficulty making friends and finds it difficult to interact with people of her own age. While she is well liked by adults, she feels that she does not possess the ability to relate to her peers. Furthermore, she wants to feel that she is making a contribution by working with others but is unsure of how to find a place for herself.

When my husband and I make suggestions, they are often met with resistance. We feel badly for her and yet are unable to be of much assistance. We have taken her to counselors in the past but she has not seemed to respond with any sense of clear direction. As she gets older, our concerns deepen. Your thoughts would be appreciated.

Deeply Concerned

Dear Concerned:

Adolescents often experience troubled concerns as they attempt to find themselves. Trying to achieve an identity is not an easy thing for anyone. However, it is especially disconcerting for some adolescents. In your daughter's particular case, developing comfortable social relationships with her peers seems to transcend her adolescence. Furthermore, your communication suggests that she is feeling the need to find herself and her own sense of worth. Unfortunately, parents sometimes become disenfranchised sources of advice merely because they are parents and not because their ideas might not be meaningful.

It would seem critical that your daughter have an opportunity to talk with a counselor or therapist who could discuss with her specific goals, previous attempts (both successful and unsuccessful) at approaching those goals, and some strategies for achieving those goals over the short and long run. From what you have described, it is likely that a considerable amount of anxiety would surround any efforts towards addressing goals about peer involvement and feelings of worth. The situation might be described as one of "approach avoidance." More likely the reality is of addressing goals of social interaction which produce anxiety, the greater the anxiety. Thus, it would be essential to work towards these goals in very small steps. Some modeling of appropriate social interactions may be especially helpful. "Inoculating" your daughter for possible early failures will be especially important. If she agrees to follow a plan of action which does not meet with immediate success, she may very well become depressed and desire to give up. She will therefore need to be prepared for the fact that she may not achieve immediate success. An alternative plan to deal with possible failure should be a part of the overall program.

From what you have described, it also may be especially helpful for your daughter to participate in group counseling with her peers. There are a number of professionals within the area who offer such groups for teenagers where your daughter can express her feelings and concerns and can participate in discussion with her peers which will enable her to understand better how she might perceive and how she might cope with "social panic attacks."

The important thing for you as

parents is to be supportive of her (without nagging) and to encourage her to work towards her goals. Your concerns and willingness to ask questions is a most positive first step!

Diagnosis Prognosis

Dear Dr. Imber:

My daughter was evaluated earlier this year because she was exhibiting behavior problems in her elementary school classroom. The people who evaluated her decided that she should be given special education services as a behaviorally disordered student.

My husband and I agree that our daughter has shown a lot of behavior problems, but we're wondering if she might have an undiagnosed learning disability which has affected her behavior in school. Is it possible that she has been misdiagnosed? Is it possible that her real problems are not being addressed?

We would appreciate your thoughts on the matter.

Befuddled

Dear Befuddled:

You have identified a problem that is of real concern to parents, teachers, and school administrators. Multidisciplinary teams are responsible for assessing all available information before attempting to determine whether a child is eligible for special education services and what specific type of handicapping condition the child evidences. Normally, a multidisciplinary team will consider information provided through parent and teacher interviews, a review of the child's performance based on daily seatwork, academic grades and achievement test scores, and a review of diagnostic testing in a variety of academic areas. Additionally, multidisciplinary teams utilize the results of intelligence testing as well. In some instances, particular information or information achieved through a psychiatric evaluation is also given consideration.

Multidisciplinary teams are expected to include an administrator who is qualified to supervise programs for special education or designee, a school psychologist, a school social worker or guidance counselor, a specialist in diagnostic testing, and the classroom teacher. In many instances, teams are able to discern rather easily the degree to which the child may exhibit a particular handicapping condition. The process for determining which (if any) handicapping condition is the most appropriate based upon all available information is known as "differential diagnosis."

In your daughter's case, making such a differentiation may not have been a particularly easy one. However, if the multidisciplinary team utilized a very thorough review of individualized testing, then it might have been possible to more easily determine whether the child's primary presenting problem is a learning disability or behavioral disorder. If, for example, no evaluation was conducted in order to assess written communication and your child has often failed to complete classwork or homework and has performed poorly on written assignments, quizzes and tests, then it is entirely possible that your child may have been misdiagnosed. Certainly, a child who has such a disability in written expressive communication may evidence very noticeable emotional or behavioral problems

Questions On Quitting Smoking

by Ronald M. Gilman, M.D.
Q. Why do people have withdrawal symptoms when they quit smoking? What are the symptoms? How can they be minimized?

A. Withdrawal from the addicting effects of nicotine can cause a group of symptoms known as the nicotine withdrawal syndrome. These vexing symptoms can include: irritability, anxiety, craving for tobacco, restlessness, headache, difficulty concentrating, drowsiness, and gastrointestinal upset.

Symptoms may occur within 24 hours of the abrupt cessation or significant reduction of tobacco use. However, symptoms do not occur in all people trying to quit smoking and most only experience mild symptoms. It's important to remember that symptoms are temporary and usually last only 1 to 2 weeks.

A positive attitude in a highly motivated person appears to lessen the symptoms of withdrawal.

Nicotine chewing gum may lessen withdrawal symptoms and clonidine skin patches are presently being evaluated for a possible role in decreasing these symptoms as well.

Q. When can I expect to feel better after quitting smoking?

A. Some benefits are noticed almost as soon as you stop

smoking — better breath, better ability to taste and smell. It may take up to six months to notice a significant decrease in cough and sputum production. Cancer and heart disease risk decrease over years after quitting smoking.

Q. What is involuntary smoking? Is it hazardous to your health?

A. Involuntary smoking, also known as passive smoking, secondary smoke inhalation, and sidestream smoke inhalation is the involuntary inhalation of cigarette smoke by non-smokers. The danger of such passive smoking is a real problem that must be addressed.

The 1986 Surgeon General's report asserted for the first time that involuntary smoking can cause disease, most notably lung cancer. It is estimated that 2500 to 8400 of the 12,200 lung cancer deaths each year in non-smokers are related to environmental tobacco smoke.

The level of exposure to environmental smoke correlates with urinary cotinine levels (a urinary metabolite of nicotine), and is one of the measures used to gauge exposure and effects of involuntary smoking.

A very recent study of cotinine levels in airplane passengers showed that non-smokers in the

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May Is National Better Hearing Month

by Jane Asprinio O'Brien, M.S., C.C.C.

Those of us with normal hearing take for granted the sounds which surround us. We talk with a friend, listen to music on the radio, call on the telephone: all of this without much effort or thought.

Yet an estimated 16 million Americans suffer from hearing impairments. They struggle with the social isolation brought on by their inability to effectively communicate with others. Because most hearing loss occurs gradually, it may not be recognized as a sign of depression and withdrawal from social and familial situations.

While noise, aging, and viral infections are the most prevalent causes of hearing loss, there are others. Genetics, birth defects, disease, ototoxicity (medications used to help one disease that adversely affects hearing), otosclerosis (a degeneration of one of the middle ear bones), strokes, impacted ear wax, and an infection commonly experienced by children called otitis media: or fluid in the middle ear.

Oftentimes, people equate hearing loss with deafness. In actuality they are not the same thing. People who are called "deaf" usually hear some sound, but they have no useful functional hearing. Deaf individuals may hear an airplane but they lack the ability to hear or understand aural communication.

There are three parts to the ear: the outer, middle, and inner ear. Hearing impairment which occurs in the outer and middle ear is usually correctable through surgery or medication. Here the problem is an abnormal transmission of sound. To correct this problem the sound needs only to be amplified with a hearing aid or corrected through medical intervention.

Hearing loss with its origin in the inner ear is not medically correctable. The problem in these cases is one of discrimination: an impairment to hear different sound frequencies. The disability is a matter of pitch or frequency, rather than solely intensity or loudness.

Hearing people speak but misinterpreting what is being said, an inability to understand the television, or a need to adjust the volume on the telephone are all indications of a hearing loss.

Older people tend to lose their ability to hear high pitched sounds; such as the voices of women and children, doorbells, and ringing telephones. The hearing loss may be due to a vascular disease, a degeneration of the cochlea (a bone in the inner ear), inadequate nutrition or the cumulative effects of noise exposure. It is usually a combination of factors that cause presbycusis or "old hearing."

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when they are asked to complete work which is at their frustration level.

Even when a child has been placed in a special education classroom as a behaviorally disordered student, it is always possible that the classroom teacher or other specialist may begin to perceive that the problems are not primarily behavioral in nature. Thus, if your daughter's behavior improved rather dramatically when her work was individualized, then it is very possible that one or more learning disabilities have impacted upon her ability to evidence appropriate behavior.

You have an opportunity as the child's parent to refer the matter to the team for an IEP review. If you and/or the classroom teacher feel that further testing is necessary

(especially when such testing may have not been completed thoroughly at the time the team initially reviewed the situation), then further assessment may shed light on the matter.

Dr. Imber is a Professor of Special Education at Rhode Island College, a past president of the International Council for Children with Behavioral Disorders and a consultant to parents and schools. Questions about children and adolescents with learning or behavioral problems can be mailed to him at 145 Waterman St., Providence, R.I. 02906 (401) 276-5775. All communication will be held in strict confidence.

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Gala Lag B'Omer Festival Set For Tuesday

Lag B'Omer celebrates the *yahrzeit* of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. Rather than being a sad date, Rabbi Shimon asked that his *yahrzeit* be preserved as a day of joy. As a result, thousands of Jews visit his resting place in Meron, Israel to recite psalms and sing songs of praise.

Over the years, it has become a custom for Jewish boys and girls all over the world to go out into the fields and play games. In Rhode Island, the Jewish community celebrates Lag B'Omer with a custom of its own... the annual community festival sponsored by Chabad-Lubavitch and Camp Gan Israel.

This year's community picnic and festival takes place on Tuesday, May 23, 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hope High School field. As traditional, there will be plenty to see, do and hear, including live music, a special performance of the Chabad players, carnival booths and games for children, free helium balloons for kids of all ages, and much more. Hot dogs, hamburgers and cold drinks will also be available for a modest donation.

Last year, more than 125 people enjoyed the beautiful weather, great food, and carnival fun and games; and this year's festival promises to be even bigger and better.

In addition to enjoying all the action and excitement of the Lag B'Omer festival, parents will have an opportunity to meet Mrs. Sara

Morozov, who will be directing Camp Gan Israel this year. Mrs. Morozov brings to Gan Israel a wealth of experience, enthusiasm and energy. She'll be happy to discuss her plans for an exciting summer season. She can also provide details about Gan Israel's "Free Week at Camp" opportunity.

Finally, the Lag B'Omer picnic represents the first opportunity the Jewish community will have to welcome several newly-settled immigrants from the Soviet Union.

The tenth annual Lag B'Omer

community picnic is open to the entire Jewish community. In case of rain, it will be held right around the corner at the newly-renovated Chabad House, 360 Hope St. For more information, contact Chabad at 273-7238. To learn more about Camp Gan Israel, call Mrs. Morozov at 274-3065.

The Lag B'Omer picnic is a time when families gather together for fun and games. These photos, from previous year's picnics, show some of the families who turned out for the festivities.



PHDS' Anne Frank Instructs and Entertains

On Thursday, May 11, students at Providence Hebrew Day School were treated to a special stage adaptation of a classic. All eyes in the packed auditorium were riveted on the stage, as the PHDS Drama Class presented their version of *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

Boasting an excellent cast, the production, directed by Denise A. Kavanagh, effectively brought the world's most famous diary to life.

However, Candice Nokomowitz (as Anne), by the sheer force of her personality, quickly turned the play into her own tour-de-force.

She handled all the spunk, energy, and emotion required by the role, seemingly with ease.

The rest of the company was equal to the task of keeping up with Ms. Nokomowitz. Two of the supporting players, Marc Trachtenberg (as Peter) and Adina Szendro (as Mrs. Frank), also gave standout performances. Their scenes with Nokomowitz provided some of the play's best moments.

The audience, particularly the younger children in the front rows, were entranced by the production, which not only conveyed the message of its subject, but entertained as well.

Tenth Annual Providence Hebrew Day School Road Race June 11

The Providence Hebrew Day School's Tenth Annual "Torah Freedom Run" will be held on Sunday, June 11, 1989 at 9 a.m. at 450 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, R.I. The run which is open to the public and benefits the athletic fund of the school, consists of one-, three- and five-mile distances. Valuable merchandise prizes will be awarded in each of the three races.

The Torah Freedom Run, a colorful event which runs along

Blackstone Boulevard and Providence's historic East Side, gathers a throng of runners, from first-timers to marathoners. The sponsors, Insurance Underwriters, Inc., The Rhode Island Podiatry Society, and Northeast Fitness & Sports, encourage people of all ages to participate.

The Torah Freedom Run is unique in that it combines a flat, fast course favored by runners, with special fun races such as the Rabbi Run, and the Mini Mile (for children under age five). Coca Cola and oranges are made available free of charge to all runners.

The five-mile course has been carefully measured to meet official standards for the event. Entrants

are asked to register in advance and to include the \$6 registration fee with their applications. The fee is \$8 on the day of the race. The first 100 entrants will receive a free T-shirt and entry gift, and all participants will receive refreshments and become eligible for merchandise prizes donated by local merchants.

For further details and entry forms, write the Providence Hebrew Day School at 450 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, R.I. or call (401) 331-5327.

Children's Museum

Annual Giving Campaign

Tom McHale, chairman of the 1989 Annual Giving campaign announced the beginning of the fund raising season for the Children's Museum of Rhode Island. Reflecting the rapid growth and ever-entertaining direction of the museum, this year's theme is "Making Magic Wherever We Go." Master magician, Tom McHale said, "We expect to surpass this year's goal of \$60,000."

Assistant magicians are Board president, Robert Buffum, vice-president of Bank of New England, chairman of major gifts; David DeBlois of Amica Insurance Company, phonathon chairman; Steve Howard of Cookson America

and Patrick Canning of KPMT Peat Marwick, co-chairmen of the business drive.

David DeBlois said, "The phonathon, to be held May 15 and 16 at the Attleboro Pawtucket Savings Bank, should be the most successful phonathon the Children's Museum has ever had."

"In the past, contributions to Annual Giving have enabled the Museum to keep membership and admission fees at a minimum," said Tom McHale. "The actual cost of a Museum visit is \$6.75 per person and those costs are rising. The Annual Giving campaign provides a vital part of the operating costs of the Children's Museum."

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Camp Gan Israel's Free Week offer is open to children between

the ages of three and 11. It's also open to more than one child per family. To coordinate staffing and scheduling, Camp Gan Israel reserves the right to arrange which week can be taken.

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How To Do Your Own Real Estate Appraisal

With today's "do it yourself" outlook, many endeavors such as painting a home, changing the oil in a car, or building a deck or patio, can often be performed without the services of a professional. The same is possible for making an appraisal of your home. After all, who knows your house better than yourself.

Doing your own appraisal is easy to do; but like painting your house, it takes some time to do. Be prepared to spend three or four days on the project. You will need to make phone calls, visit real estate offices, and go through some "open houses." Most people find it very interesting, quite rewarding, and extremely educational. You might want to do it even if you plan to hire a professional appraiser.

The first thing to do is to measure the actual structure of your house from the outside and calculate how many square feet it contains. As an example, a house that is 24 feet wide and 40 feet long contains 960 square feet. This figure can be used when comparing your home to others that have recently sold, making sure they are of the same size.

Call the county government offices where you live and ask for the Assessor's Office. Tell them your address and ask for any property details they may have. They should be able to give you the age, lot size, zoning, taxes, and also what size (square footage) is recorded for your house.

Now you're equipped to begin to

look for similar properties that are currently for sale plus those that have recently sold. These "comparable properties" should be as similar to your home as possible. That is, they should be approximately the same size, style, shape, age, and condition as your home. Also, be sure that you compare apples with apples and oranges with oranges.

Be sure that these "comparable properties" have the same number of bedrooms and total number of rooms that your house has. Be sure you compare a one-story, three-bedroom house to a one-story, three-bedroom house. Also, be sure any additional features such as a garage, number of bathrooms, pool, etc. are also the same when comparing properties. If the "comparable property" is not truly a similar property, don't use it, and keep looking until you find a few. If not totally similar be sure you make a dollar adjustment for the differences. An example would be your house and the comparable are alike except one has a fireplace. Perhaps the home that has the fireplace is worth \$1500 more.

Take a photo of the outside of your house and bring it, together with all the property data you have on your house, to a few real estate offices. This is just how the appraisers do it. You'll find most real estate offices very helpful. Ask them if they have sold any homes in your neighborhood or similar neighborhoods like yours that are similar. You will probably be very surprised to learn how much data

is easily available. Take the information with you and go to the next real estate firm. You should visit three firms and get at least eight to ten comparable properties before you complete this exercise.

Next, drive through your neighborhood and see if the homes for sale are similar to yours. If so, call and ask how much they want for their property. If there are "open houses" on these properties during the weekend, attend them. Learn all you can about the homes that have sold and those that are for sale. Remember, those that are for sale reflect "asking prices" and someone probably could offer less and buy it. Nevertheless, they are properties with which your home may compete.

Now that you have all this data on the sales and offerings, toss out the highest and the lowest. You will then see a fairly close range of



prices for the houses. Drive by them again, talk to the real estate firms again, seeing just how similar they really are. You might end up tossing out one or two other sales at this point, leaving you with four or five good sales.

At this point, you will have the evidence before you, pointing to a value range for your home. Generally the sales will show a spread of approximately 5% to 10%. If you're thinking of selling, you will want to price your home on the higher side as someone may offer less during sale negotiations.

If you find all this too time consuming you can hire a designated member of the National Association of Real Estate Appraisers. They are known as "CREA's" or "Certified Real Estate Appraisers." Like professional house painters, they have the tools, knowledge and experience to do a fast and efficient job. For a free directory of members write: National Association of Real Estate Appraisers, 8383 East Evans Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260-3614.

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Asset Allocation: The First Step In Investing

by John Wm. Thompson
Investment Executive

The new buzzword in financial circles is asset allocation. Everyone seems to be talking about it, from investors to brokers to financial reporters.

But, asset allocation is not a new strategy. So, why the sudden interest? Asset allocation gained attention in the wake of October 19, 1987. Just prior to the sharp decline in stock prices, several investment strategists who actively used asset allocation lowered their recommended weighting on stocks, advising investors to put the majority of their portfolio into bonds and cash. Investors who heeded this advice were doubly rewarded — not only did they escape the 25% drop in the Dow Jones Industrial Average in October, they also participated in a 5% increase in the bond market during the month.

What exactly is asset allocation? Specifically, asset allocation is a decision to allocate your investments among the three major financial asset classes — stocks, bonds, or cash (including CDs and money market instruments). That choice is usually made based on the expected returns and risks associated with each asset category.

Asset allocation does not attempt to predict market tops or bottoms. In theory, it systematically eases an investor out of a particular asset as the risks become greater than the potential returns, generally near, but not at the peak. At the same time, it eases an investor into a declining market, as the asset becomes cheap relative to other assets, and potential returns outweigh the risks. This strategy is designed to reduce volatility and risk while providing stable, superior returns over the long term.

Asset allocation is the first decision an investor should make, and some say it is the most important — according to a study reported in Institutional Investor Magazine, "asset mix judgment accounts for as much as 95% of total return..." The stock, bond and cash markets move in cycles, depending on variables such as economic conditions, corporate profit expectations, and short-term interest rates. How these variables interact to form an overall investment environment will determine the attractiveness of each asset class. For instance, high short-term interest rates may be negative for the stock market (depending on the market's level), but positive for the cash equivalent market, meaning an investor might do better having a portfolio weighted more toward cash equivalents than stocks.

But, how do you determine the best asset allocation at a given point in time? While advice based on sound asset allocation principles can be very valuable, investors should be aware that all asset allocation strategies are not created equal. Investment strategists use a variety

of different techniques to arrive at recommended asset mixes. Because there is no "standard" of asset allocation, the advice will vary from one asset allocator to another. Take, for example, a story in the Wall Street Journal on October 31, 1988. Wilshire Associates, a company that tracks the asset allocation advice of major brokerage firms for the Journal, reported that on the same day in 1988 brokerage firms were recommending stock exposures ranging from 22% to 100% of an investor's portfolio.

According to the Wilshire studies, some of the best asset allocation advice comes from strategists who use computer models based on completely objective information to determine recommended asset weightings. For example, a computer-based asset allocation model might use historical patterns of markets and market relationships to arrive at allocation decisions. To illustrate: Over the past 62 years, stocks have tended to outperform all other types of investments, offering an average annual return of 9.9%, compared to 4.3% for long-term government bonds and 3.5% for treasury bills. At the same time, stocks are considerably more volatile than bonds or T-bills, and thus offer a greater degree of risk. The model would compare the current expected returns of each asset type, and compare those returns against what have been normal relationships in the past. Stocks are historically riskier than bonds or cash, therefore stocks should offer a greater potential for return since the investor is assuming additional risk. This is called the "risk premium." When the current expected return from stocks is greater than the risks, stocks would be considered more attractive than bonds or cash, and the recommended percentage of stocks in a portfolio would be higher.

Investors should consider several factors when evaluating asset allocation methods. First, look for the track record. The new-found popularity of asset allocation has spawned a host of "born-again asset allocators" with no proven technique or track record. Look for an asset allocation model with a published proven track of stable, above-average returns over the long term, five years or longer.

(Keep in mind that track records refer to theoretical portfolios and market indices; real world returns may differ due to transaction costs and actual performance of specific securities.) Second, be sure that the asset allocation model uses a totally objective approach, taking the emotion out of investment decisions. Finally, the asset allocation model must be followed in a disciplined manner. Although objective asset allocation advice is by its nature often contrary to current market sentiment, following a good asset allocation model in a disciplined manner, regardless of current market trends, can enable investors to achieve superior returns with minimized risks.

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The course of one's life depended on decisions offered in the adventure series, with research questions appropriate to the experience answerable from library materials.

The students' passports were stamped according to weekly progress, reaching the milestone of "citizenship" with a real gold seal embossed by the Temple Emanu-El Library upon completion.

Our 14 citizens in the photograph are: Seated: Jonathan Hodgson, Jennie A. Kay, Samantha Witman, Rebecca Schwartz, Lily Fink. Standing: Nina Rosenblatt, Meryl Mactas, Richard Suls, David Suls, Jason Engle, Matthew Resnick, Elliott White, Lillian Schwartz, Librarian. Not present for the photo: Eric Parness, Nikki Parness.



S.A.T. Time For RI Students



Gretchen W. Rigol

Can the SAT keep a student out of college? Is it biased against women and minorities? Does coaching work? And why do colleges use the SAT anyway?

Many of the 2,500 high school students in Rhode Island who will take the SAT on Saturday, May 6 probably would answer these questions incorrectly, according to Gretchen Rigol, a former college admissions director and currently executive director of the Admissions Testing Program of the College Board, the organization that sponsors the test.

"Rhode Island students are probably no less confused about the SAT and its role in college admissions than the other 390,000 students across the nation who will take the SAT this May," Ms. Rigol explained. "SAT distortion is rampant today, with some people actually believing that, by itself, a score on a three-hour test can make or break a student's academic future."

Ms. Rigol said she does not blame students for their impressions.

"Students have been the target of a lot of misinformation about the SAT lately," she said. "However, the facts are a bit more complex than the headlines would

sometimes lead you to believe."

What are the facts? Ms. Rigol discussed some common myths about the SAT recently in an interview in New York.

Is it true that the SAT can get you into or keep you out of college?

Ms. Rigol: No. By itself, the SAT won't get students into college, or keep them out. The SAT is only one of several factors that college admissions officers consider in deciding who is admitted.

Students probably attribute all this clout to the test because they really don't know how the college admissions process works, and because they are seldom told why they are accepted or rejected. Colleges first look at grades and evaluate the strength of the student's academic program. At most colleges, extracurricular activities, recommendations, special talents, and the college application essay are also important.

Most students don't realize that colleges have to consider their own needs when they select students — in certain academic areas, athletics and other talents, and overall demographic diversity. Colleges have been known to reject students with very high grades and SAT

scores, proving that admissions decisions are more complex than simply plugging numbers into a formula.

Since women score lower than men on the SAT but receive higher grades than men in high school and college, doesn't that prove that the SAT is biased against women?

Ms. Rigol: Absolutely not! The SAT is not biased against women.

On average, women who take the SAT have different educational, social and other background experiences that help to explain their performance on the SAT and other standardized tests. For example, women who take the SAT are less likely than men to have taken college prep courses in high school and more likely to be the first in their family to be going to college.

Women also enroll in fewer math and science courses than men in high school and college. The courses women take tend to be ones in which students get higher grades. For example, did you know, the average grade in math courses last year was 2.89; the average grade in arts and music was 3.59?

Researchers continue to look for other reasons why men and women perform differently on tests — such as societal expectations, classroom behavior by teachers, biological differences, and differences in interests and attitudes. Blaming a test for score differences may keep us from identifying and addressing the real causes.

Do most minorities get lower scores on the SAT because the words on the test are culturally biased against them?

Ms. Rigol: The words on the SAT are not culturally biased. Every question on the SAT is reviewed by a racially and ethnically diverse panel of experts and pretested by thousands of students to identify the slightest signs of bias. Any question that seems particularly difficult for a group of students is not used.

Some people believe that certain words are biased if some racial and ethnic minorities can't recognize them. But in reality, most students of similar ability recognize these words, regardless of ethnic or racial background.

The most common example of a word cited as biased against blacks is "regatta," which hasn't been used on the SAT since 1973. But, when students of similar abilities were matched on that question, the differences between black and white students virtually disappeared. Most students got that question right or wrong

because of differences in ability, not in culture.

Rather than reflecting any particular culture, the language on the SAT is standard American written and spoken English, the kind of language that students will encounter in college textbooks and classrooms.

Can coaching courses raise a student's SAT scores by 100-150 points?

Ms. Rigol: Students should be very careful of any program that says it can raise SAT scores by 150 points through coaching. No independent scientific studies have verified such large gains.

Students may not realize that scores tend to rise over time even without coaching, an average of 30-40 points on the combined verbal and math scores. The best available research indicates that skill-development courses of 40 or more hours may increase combined scores an additional 35-50 points.

However, nobody can predict ahead of time who will and who won't improve from coaching, and by how much. That's why I can't recommend coaching courses,

especially if they cost a lot or take a lot of time and effort that students could spend on school work or other worthwhile activities.

Students should be familiar with the test. That's why the College Board provides a copy of *Taking the SAT* to every registrant. This booklet contains information on item types and formats, advice on test-taking strategy, and a complete SAT for practice.

Why do colleges use the SAT anyway?

Ms. Rigol: The SAT helps a college admissions officer determine whether a student might succeed at that college, or in certain areas of study. You also have to remember that grading practices and standards differ from class to class and school to school in the nation's 25,000 high schools. The SAT is a common yardstick or standard that the admissions officer can use when comparing students and evaluating their grades.

Do you have any final advice for students preparing to take

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Obituaries

RENEE K. DREYFUSS
DELRAY BEACH, Fla. —
Renee K. Dreyfuss, 68, of 5104
Foxpointe Circle, died
unexpectedly May 5, 1989. She
was the wife of Dr. Jack B.
Dreyfuss.

Born in New York, she was the
daughter of the late Samuel and
Ida Kahn. She had lived in
Cranston and Warwick before
moving to Florida eight years ago.

Mrs. Dreyfuss was a graduate of
the University of Rhode Island
and received her Master's degree in
education from Rhode Island
College. She served as an
elementary teacher and reading
specialist for the city of Cranston
for over twenty years. She was
former Sisterhood president of
Temple Torat Yisrael. While
residing in Florida, Mrs. Dreyfuss
continued her community service

by serving as president of the
South Palm Beach Chapter of
Friends for Life, supporting
continuing medical research at the
University of Miami Medical
Center. In addition, she provided
voluntary tutorial assistance to the
underprivileged and functionally
illiterate.

Besides her husband, she leaves
two sons, Stephen L. Dreyfuss of
Warwick, R.I. and Robert H.
Dreyfuss of Catonsville, Md., and
four grandchildren. Burial was in
Eternal Light Cemetery, Florida.

YETTA M. FRIEDMAN
NEW BEDFORD — Yetta
(Mickelson) Friedman, 65, of 429
Union St. died unexpectedly on
Thursday, May 11, 1989. She was
the widow of Max B. Friedman
and daughter of the late Saul and
Ethel B. (Michelson) Mickelson.
She died at St. Luke's Hospital.

She was born in New Bedford
and was a member of the Ahavath
Achim Synagogue and its
sisterhood.

Mrs. Friedman was a member of
the Hebrew Helping Hand Jewish
Federation of Greater New
Bedford.

Survivors include two sons,
William and Saul, both of New
Bedford; two daughters, Wendy
Friedman and Charlotte
Friedman, both of New Bedford.

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

MARY HOROWITZ

PROVIDENCE — Mary
Horowitz, 103, of 12 Aldrich
Terrace died May 7, 1989, at the
home of her sister, Gertrude
Harris of 14 Aldrich Terrace. She
was the widow of Harry Horowitz.

Born in Providence, she was a
daughter of the late Harris and
Sarah Goldberg.

Mrs. Horowitz was a member of
Temple Emanu-El, its Sisterhood
and Hadassah.

Besides her sister, she leaves two
grandchildren and five
great-grandchildren.

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

JANET MARCUS

SOUTH KINGSTOWN —
Janet Marcus, 81, of Ledgewood
Road died May 6, 1989, at Roger
Williams General Hospital. She
was the widow of Dr. Henry D.
Marcus.

Born in New York, a daughter of
the late Joseph and Rebecca
Aberback, she lived in Mineola,
N.Y., and West Palm Beach, Fla.,
before moving to Kingston four
years ago.

Mrs. Marcus was a past
president of the Mineola Chapter
of Hadassah, and was a member of
Temple Shalom of Mineola, the
Friends of the Mineola Library,
the South County Chapter of
Hadassah and the Friends of the
Kingston Library, where she was a
volunteer.

She leaves a daughter, Carol
Englander of Kingston; a son, Dr.
David L. Marcus of New York; a
sister, Beatrice Robinson of
Clifton, N.J.; a brother, Milton
Aberback of New York, and four
grandchildren.

The funeral was held at
Riverside Chapel, New York.
Burial was in Mount Ararat
Cemetery, Farmingdale, N.Y.

Services were coordinated by
Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel,
825 Hope St., Providence.

ZELDA MIRMAN

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Zelda
(Gustat) Mirman, 82, of 3850
Washington St., died Monday,
May 1, 1989, at the Washington
Manor Nursing Home in
Hollywood, Fla. She was the
widow of the late Robert Mirman.

Born in Lowell, Mass., she was
the daughter of the late Mr. and
Mrs. Abraham Gustat.

Graveside funeral services were
held at Beth Olam Cemetery,
Middletown, R.I. Arrangements by
the Max Sugarman Memorial
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UNVEILING

An unveiling will be held in
memory of the late **Dora
Bornstein on Sunday, May 28,
1989 at 11:00 a.m. in Lincoln
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vited to attend.

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the SAT on May 6 or during
the next academic year?

Ms. Rigol: Most of us are less
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we know what to expect. Students
should review the sample
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directions in *Taking the SAT*.

I also have a special message for
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Paint with watercolors on
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Thank You (continued from front page)

and badger. The illustrious voice of one Eli Wiesel, a contemporary of Auschwitz, was like an illumination given off by one small candle in the total darkness. We kept on talking. It took almost forty years — a lifespan by biblical dimensions — for the world to regain its conscience. It took all that time for people to start to listen to our tales of woe and to regain their collective souls.

And the human kind will be better for it. Mysterious are the ways of the Almighty. Have we been "chosen" again to bring man up the ladder in its evolution another peg? To quote Tevya from *Fiddler on the Roof* — "Could He not choose somebody else for a change? However, if that's what was intended, then we are here to hear you Lord our God..."

For the survivors there will always be the omnipresent cry of blood emanating from the earth — reminding us of the millions of our innocent brothers and sisters — the sweet laughter of the multitudes of innocent children taken from us so prematurely to an incomprehensible destruction. We can only tolerate our constant "guilt trip" here on earth by believing that humanity will have emerged to a new plateau of civilized life through this latest cleansing with the blood of the innocent.

And talk out we will. We assume a right to speak on any subject seriously affecting the human condition on this earth. Some may ask — what is your constituency. We, the survivors, who are but an

extension of the fallen martyrs of the Holocaust here on earth — we dare to assume the right to speak out for the masses of the innocent who were wiped out from the face of this planet. We will speak out for this "fallen constituency" — for the bond of suffering and mourning for them makes us duty-bound to do so. Our aim is to legendize the brutality and inhumanity of the killings during the Holocaust. We hope that when they listen, people will acquire a permanent aversion to mass killings of any kind. They don't throw Christians to the lions any longer. Do they?

I vividly recall how some of the "visionaries" in the camps before their demise would exhort the surviving to go on fighting for life because — "There are good people out there — good, kind men and women who will greet you as heroes when you survive. — All your riches — material as well as spiritual will be restored to you. You will attain what all of us dreamed about in our suffering..."

I am sometimes uplifted. I am beginning to believe that some of the desired "visions" of the fallen martyrs are coming true for me. "Thank you for surviving." — Four very beautiful words.

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Questions On Quitting Smoking (continued from page 10)

smoking sections as well as those in the abutting non-smoking rows had high levels indicating significant smoke inhalation. Data like this is being used by anti-smoking groups to enhance non-smokers' rights to clean smokeless air.

A. If smoking is dangerous to health, why does it continue to be so commonplace?

A. The tobacco industry is among the top five in terms of sales, assets, and profits in the United States. \$25 billion dollars are spent annually on tobacco products. Given the enormous economic impact of the tobacco industry, it is not surprising that tobacco continues to be heavily advertised and glamorized while it continues to be lightly taxed. These factors continue to add to the new smoker pool, while the strongly addictive nature of nicotine makes it difficult for smokers to quit.

Even so, the prevalence of smoking in adults fell from 40% in

1965 to 29% in 1987 and it is estimated that 789,000 premature deaths were avoided as a result of this reduction in smoking.

Q. What is the single most important reason to quit smoking?

A. If you want to live longer and be healthier, quit smoking.

This is the third of a three-part series on quitting smoking written by Ronald M. Gilman, M.D., F.C.C.P. who is a consultant to HMO Rhode Island, Inc. He is a specialist in Internal Medicine and Pulmonary Disease and is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at Brown University, and on the staff of Miriam and Rhode Island Hospitals.

Smoking is bad for you as you know. My mom uste to smok and it was hard to stop. Ovr 100 peple hav dide. My Dad is a Doktr. My mom's a nrss. She hopte a lot uv peple get betr.

By Jeremy Gilman

May Is Hearing Month (continued from page 10)

The same type of problem exists for those with damage from noise such as loud music, firearms, or machinery. If sound hurts: if with exposure you experience pain, dullness, or ringing in the ears, if you can't hear yourself speak at conversational level: it's too loud! Repeated exposure to loud noise causes a temporary hearing loss to become permanent. If you must stay in an environment with loud noise, use earplugs. Cotton in the ears is inadequate.

Whatever the cause, most of us will experience some degree of hearing loss in our lifetime. Evidence shows that early detection and intervention of hearing impairment makes acceptance and usage of hearing aids easier than in people with a long-standing neglected hearing impairment who have grown accustomed to the mental and social sacrifices they must make to survive in our aural world.

Hearing aids can help most people with a hearing loss. However, unlike eyeglasses, hearing aids do not restore hearing sensitivity to a normal level. A hearing aid will amplify selected frequencies in order to help you communicate more effectively. Adjustment to a new hearing aid is

highly dependent on the patient's motivation and the support lent by the family. The more facts the individual has about the performance and expectations of hearing aids, the more satisfying the hearing aid fit will be.

May is National Better Hearing Month. If you or a loved one are experiencing communication difficulty because of a hearing loss, contact a certified audiologist or your physician today. Chances are: you can be helped.

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(continued from page 9) be postponed. For further information contact Michele Bram at 861-8800.

Preschool Ice Cream Social May 23

Children and parents of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island Preschool are invited to an Ice Cream Social at 6:30 p.m. at the Center, 401 Elm Grove in Providence. Tickets are \$1 per person and \$4 maximum per family. For further information please contact Eva Silver at 861-8800.

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training programs could be organized — possibly by ORT — for companies that establish plants in the Industrial Park.

4) The Office of the Chief Scientist of Israel should set up joint Israeli-Palestinian research-and-development projects, using the Industrial Park as their base. Technology developed in such R & D programs could be licensed to Israeli, Palestinian and Egyptians companies.

5) Israel should encourage its Arab neighbors to take part in a plan for expanding water resources in the area, joining hands in the long dreamed-of-Jordan Valley Authority that the American agronomist Walter Clay Lowdermilk modeled after our own Tennessee Valley Authority.

Financial help from the United States government in the form of loans, grants and other concessions may be expected for any program aimed at economic cooperation among Israel, the Palestinians and the Arab states of the region. Among other reasons, it is far cheaper to provide assistance aimed at helping the countries of the Middle East achieve economic independence than it is to engage in an arms race without end.

For all these reasons, I believe that Israel should step up its peace offensive with the added attraction, as it were, of broad economic cooperation with the Palestinian Arabs and Arab states. In such a development, everyone stands to gain.

The Committee for Economic Growth of Israel, founded in 1976, is a non-profit organization devoted to expanding business and trade relationships between Israel and the United States.

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Home Health Aides: A Scarce Resource

by Sandra Silva

There are many elderly people in our community who have no children or other close family and are in need of psycho-social support services. These people may have short-term medical problems, they may be recuperating from a stay in the hospital or they may be mending broken bones. Either way, every day chores have become too much to handle alone. For these people, a home health aide is more than a paid employee—she is a life-saver.

The Jewish Family Services has the means, through a JFRI grant, to provide these services to our elderly through their home-health aide program. Or, they would have the means if they could find someone to fill the position. This full-time, well paid position which offers excellent benefits and innumerable psychological rewards has been open for approximately one year. If someone is not found soon, the agency fears that the grant may be lost, resulting in the elimination of the program.

Deborah Prinz, of the Jewish Family Services (JFS) explains the situation:

"The state laws have been changed regarding the training of home-health aides. Anyone entering this field has to go through state approved training courses consisting of clinical and classroom study. Many of the people considering entering this field are older people who have retired and want to keep busy, or they are looking to reenter the job force after years of homemaking. This sort of position is non-threatening because it allows them to earn money relying on the skills that they have perfected as wives, mothers and homemakers. When the state enacted these new regulations, it scared a lot of these people.

"Just think," she continued, "some of these people haven't taken a test in tens of years and this is something that makes them very apprehensive. The reason for these new regulations is not, however, to scare people away, it is an attempt to professionalize the field, but it just makes it hard on the non-profit agencies like JFS and Newport Family Services."

The state training encompasses more medical information than the former types of training. Students are taught to take blood pressures, temperatures, pulses, respiration et. al.

"Upon completion of the training... that person is, in a sense, a paraprofessional," Deborah explains.

"They become a sort of nursing assistant who can go into the home and, to a point, take the place of the visiting nurse, who, in the past, would come out and do those things. The position we are trying to fill doesn't encompass the medical aspects, we are really just looking for someone who can help an elderly person maintain their independence at home. This is a supportive position.

"We need a person who can assist these elderly people with their personal care," she continued. "Some of the areas this involves are: meal preparation, marketing, errands, transportation, assisting with personal cleanliness and friendship. Our primary focus is on the emotional needs, time spent with clients is not always spent 'working'. In the past, aides have formed friendships with their clients and the clients come to look forward, with pleasure, to visits from their aides. The two may spend an afternoon doing errands or out walking in the park, the day can be whatever they make of it."

The position offered by JFS is a

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A half-hour broadcast on the "Passage To Freedom Campaign," will be aired on Cable Channel 49 (Channel 57 in Lincoln and Woonsocket) on Thursday, May 18, 7-7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, May 21, 10:30-11 a.m. This exciting program, produced by the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, will trace the history of the suffering of Soviet Jews trapped in the Soviet Union, the efforts for their release by the Rhode Island Jewish community, the drama of their flight from persecution to freedom, and the joyful reunions with families in the United States.

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A national campaign, "Passage to Freedom" has been launched to fund the resettlement of Soviet Jewry in Israel and the United States. It is estimated that 30,000-40,000 Jews will leave the Soviet Union in 1989. From the moment they enter Vienna, they are supported by the World Jewish community. Last year, 450 Jews from Rhode Island joined the 250,000 Jews and non-Jews in Washington, D.C. to rally for the freedom of Soviet Jewry. One year later, an historic and unprecedented departure of Jews from the Soviet Union has commenced.

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this year. "The community response to our appeals has been outstanding," said Richard Licht, chairman of the JFRI "Passage to Freedom Campaign." "We call on every member of our community to watch the broadcast, pick up the phone, and make a special one time gift to this special campaign."

Correction

Idith Klein is a member of the Harry Elkin Midrasha, not the Temple Emanuel Religious School.



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