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## Israel Ready For Attack

by David Landau

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir assured the Israeli people — and warned their enemies — that Israel possesses "the capacity, the will, the ability and the readiness" to defend itself against a threat from Iraq or any other foe.

He spoke shortly after his office's director general, Yossi Ben-Aharon, warned that Israel must be prepared for a chemical attack.

Shamir's remarks were Israel's first official reaction to the allegations recently by an Iraqi military spokesman that Israel was acting in collusion with the United States, which has sent air, sea and ground forces to defend Saudi Arabia against a possible attack by Iraq.

The Israeli prime minister

voiced warm support for the American and international effort to contain Iraq.

"What can stop Saddam Hussein today is only a large and strong force that will put a brake on his wildness and aggression," Shamir said in an address to graduates of the National Defense College.

The Israeli premier acknowledged that Iraq's moves in the Gulf present Israel with "an aggressive threat to its security and well-being," but that the Israel Defense Force "is ready to face any threat or development."

Earlier, at a meeting with the heads of local authorities in his office here, Shamir said that while "Israel is not ignoring these threats, it is not deterred and is certainly not cowed."

He observed that "The con-

centration of international forces around Iraq, and the boycott measures by the international community, can achieve the goal.

"This force, coupled with determination on the part of all those who oppose totalitarian dictatorship, can become a ring of steel around Saddam Hussein that will get ever tighter, until it breaks his aggressiveness once and for all," Shamir said.

An Iraqi spokesman recently again claimed that Israeli warplanes disguised with U.S. markings were arrayed against Iraq.

Deputy Foreign Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said Israel was acting through diplomatic channels to assure the world community that the Iraqi charges were a baseless (continued on page 15)



Greeting each other at the recent dedication of the Judge Zev W. Kogan Road and the Martin Elliot Kogan Plaza at the Jewish National Fund's Jabotinsky Park, northeast of Caesaria, Israel, are (left to right) Judge Kogan, president of the JNF Southern Region; Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, and Dr. Samuel I. Cohen, JNF executive vice president.

## All He Really Wants to do is Sing

A closer look at Bruce Sundlun



by John Chadwick  
Herald Editor

Part of an occasional series on Jewish candidates for public office.

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He arrives 30 minutes late and without apologies. He shines in a double-breasted jacket but the humidity today is stifling and his usually glowing face is creased in irritation. He greets me only with a glare that seems to ask, "You're the reason I had to cut lunch short?"

But Bruce Sundlun — war hero, millionaire, gubernatorial candidate and perhaps Rhode Island's most famous living public figure — has learned to accept the requirements of political candidacy. And that means allowing a total

stranger, less than half his age, to grill him on anything from religion to politics.

With his years as a corporate big shot, it is not something that comes easy. He had to work at becoming a viable candidate, work at making himself more accessible. "I had to change my entire method of thinking, method of speaking," he told the *Herald* last week. Once he gets settled though, he responds to questions with a self-assured mix of history, personal anecdotes and homilies that seems remarkably free of campaign rhetoric.

But the only time he lightens up and smiles is after noting gleefully that his endless list of honors and accomplishments are, "more than you could fit on one page in the Jewish

Herald."

True enough. In 70 years, Bruce Sundlun's life is the stuff legends are made of. Or at least a television mini-series. From his daring exploits as the leader of a World War II fighter pilot squadron, to his years as a Washington attorney and insider (he was named by John F. Kennedy to a key national board), to his stint as corporate chief of Rhode Island's Outlet Communications, Sundlun has amassed quite a resume.

But despite the accolades and achievements, his later life quest for public office has proved elusive. He has lost two bids for governor in 1986 and 1988. This year he announced his candidacy late and failed to receive the Democratic endorsement. He is facing Providence Mayor Joseph Paolino and Warwick Mayor Francis X. Flaherty in a primary.

And along with his accomplishments comes a reputation for lavish living — jaguars, houses in Newport and Jamaica — and for being aggressive and pompous. A 1988 *Providence Sunday Journal Magazine* feature on him was entitled "Bruce Sundlun — Very Rich, Very Smart, and so Very Brash." While the article was generally complimentary, it mentioned that Sundlun is commonly perceived by others as a "success-aholic," and in some cases, "a stuffed shirt."

But if that's true, he also possesses that wild integrity. He is not a career politician and he tends to give the impression he would be an effective governor simply because he couldn't stand being perceived as any-

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## IDF Will Not Distribute Gas Masks

by Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israel Defense Force has decided not to begin the general distribution of gas masks to civilians at this time in order to avoid provoking hostile action by the unpredictable Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, Gen. Dan Shomron, IDF chief of staff, announced recently.

He spoke after near panic gripped some parts of the country, following threats by Hussein to use chemical warheads against Israel if Iraq were attacked by Israeli warplanes masquerading as American.

Shomron explained on Israel Television that the decision to defer the general distribution of gas masks and anti-chemical warfare kits was made because if they were distributed to Israeli civilians now, Saddam Hussein might assume an attack by Israel was imminent, Shomron observed.

Shomron said the Iraqi charge of Israeli collusion with the United States seems to have two objectives.

One is to convince the Arab states that Israel is their common enemy, and that they should therefore join Iraq in confronting Israel and its American supporters.

The second objective is to warn Israel to take no action against Iraq.

Under these circumstances, Israel should refrain from hasty action which might engender a warlike atmosphere, the chief of staff said.

Without offering details, he suggested that the situation is not as dire as many Israelis thought it was earlier in the day.

But the situation was not helped when the director general of the Prime Minister's Office, Yossi Ben-Aharon, warned recently that Israel must be prepared for an Iraqi chemical attack at any moment.

In some areas, concern approached panic when it was learned that civil defense organizations would not come (continued on page 16)

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## Some Jewish Groups Upset With Spike Lee

by Allison Kaplan

NEW YORK — Filmmaker Spike Lee's portrayal of two Jewish jazz club owners in the new film "Mo' Better Blues" is being called anti-Semitic by both the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and some leading film critics.

In his previous three movies, including last year's "Do The Right Thing," Lee vividly explored the black experience and the effects of racial prejudice in America. In "Mo' Better Blues," his central character is a black trumpet player who tries unsuccessfully to wheedle a raise from the two Jewish owners of the jazz club where his band performs.

The two-dimensional depiction of the two brothers, name Moe and Josh Flatbush, who appear in brief scenes throughout the movie, was sharply criticized by Abraham Foxman, national director of the ADL.

"Spike Lee's characterization of Moe and Josh Flatbush as greedy and unscrupulous club owners dredges up an age-old and highly dangerous form of anti-Semitic stereotyping," Foxman said.

ADL is disappointed that Spike Lee — whose success is largely due to his efforts to break down racial stereotypes and prejudice — has employed the same kind of tactics that he supposedly deplores."

Foxman told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he issued the statement in the same spirit that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Urban League have protested stereotypical portrayals of blacks.

"Here's a man who's creative," Foxman said of the black filmmaker, "yet he falls back on these stereotypes that are so simplistic and crude. There are many ways to portray greedy people. He had all kinds of choices. That's the choice he made."

Susan Fowler, a spokeswoman at Lee's Forty Acres and a Mule production company, said the writer/director was not issuing a statement in response to the ADL's charges. Lee feels that "the movie speaks for itself," Fowler said.

Recently, *The Los Angeles Times* surveyed leading film critics, and while many agreed with the ADL charges, some also defended Lee's right of free artistic expression.

One of the sharpest rebukes came from David Ansen of *Newsweek*, who said in his review that the Flatbush brothers are "caricatured as villainous Shylocks." Coming "from a self-proclaimed enemy of ethnic stereotyping, this is inexcusable," he wrote.

*New York Times* critic Caryn James also described the two club owners as "money-grubbing, devious, ugly stereotypes with sharks' smiles," and asks, "What could have been going through Lee's mind when he invented the Jewish club owners?"

David Denby, the critic for *New York* magazine, agreed that Lee was feeding the currently "fashionable" anti-

Semitism among black people.

But he also warned that it was dangerous to pin labels like "misogynous," "racist" or "anti-Semitic" on films, because "you get to the point where you can't say anything," Denby said.

*Time* magazine critic Richard Schickel panned Lee for his constant stereotyping of characters in all his films, but did not specifically touch on the Flatbush issue in his review.

"I didn't take this to be anti-Semitism on his part," Schickel said. "These guys are fringe characters who operate marginal show business enterprises with a shrewd eye to the main chance. The type is familiar to anyone in show business... and not particularly Jewish. We're not talking Shylock here."

Though Lee has not responded to the criticism directly, he told *Variety* columnist Army Archerd last week that his own father played for jazz clubs that were owned by Jews and that he did not intend the Flatbush brothers as an indictment of all Jewish club owners.

"But the facts are that black artists have always had to struggle to be paid what their white counterparts were paid," Lee said.

Lee also questioned in the interview whether the Jewish top executives at Universal Pictures, Lou Wasserman and Sidney Sheinberg, would have released the film if it struck them as obviously anti-Semitic.

The two executives were quoted in *Variety* as defending Lee's right to creative freedom, and a studio spokeswoman reiterated this point.



"GETTING TO KNOW YOU": Monica, a youngster from Peckwood — an inner-city neighborhood in Atlanta — poses with new-found friends from the Reform movement's South East Federation of Temple Youth (SEFTY) during weekend at Camp Jenny Rosenthal in Cleveland, Ga. At left is Carrie Goldman of Congregation Schaarai Zedek, Tampa; at right is Joui Hessel of Miami's Temple Beth Am. The Florida teenagers were among 50 counselors in the program. They are members of the SEFTY Mitzvah Corps, organized to perform needed communal services. Some 125 deprived children were guests of the Mitzvah Corps at "Camp Jenny," which is located on the site of the Coleman Camp-Institute of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The annual camping weekend for poor children was started in 1985.

"We understand the concerns," she said, "but we are not in the business of censoring filmmakers. We didn't try on 'The Last Temptation of Christ' and we aren't now. We stand behind freedom of speech. Once you start censoring, where do you stop? Who makes these judgments? Any portrayal is the filmmaker's choice."

(JTA correspondent Tom Tugend in Los Angeles contributed to this report.)

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# Editorial

## Social Security — The Tax Scapegoat

by **Martha McSteen**

**WASHINGTON** — Fifty-five Franklin Roosevelt signed into law what has become the most successful social program in American history — Social Security.

Over the years, Social Security has provided a strong measure of economic dignity to tens of millions of seniors and disabled Americans and has become the cornerstone of planning for tomorrow's retirees.

But Social Security, as we know it, faces serious challenges.

With the federal budget deficit expected to top \$160 billion next year, budget experts, desperate for new revenues of any kind, are targeting the Social Security Trust Fund as a way out of their financial mess. They want to reduce the deficit

by trimming Social Security benefits.

But this strategy, which singles out one segment of our society to shoulder a disproportionate part of the budget pain, would be unfair and makes no sense. After all, Social Security didn't create the deficit. Why should it be the solution?

Many Americans, young and old alike, are confused. They see the continued chipping away of Social Security benefits and wonder how much will be left for their children and grandchildren.

Their fears aren't unfounded. As recently as eight years ago, Social Security benefits weren't taxed at all. Now, 50 percent of those benefits may be taxable and some of our leaders would like to raise that to 85 percent.

Another idea being floated, this one by Rep. Dan Rosten-

kowski, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, would eliminate next year's cost-of-living adjustment for Social Security beneficiaries. Over five years, that would cost single beneficiaries an average of more than \$1,660 and married couples more than \$2,800, according to the Congressional Budget Office. In addition, it is estimated an additional 400,000 beneficiaries would be pushed below the poverty line.

These and other benefit-reducing ideas are being raised at the same time the White House wants to cut capital gains taxes.

Why is Social Security being singled out in the name of deficit reduction? One reason is because Social Security trust funds are counted as general revenues, just like income taxes. They are being used to pay not only Social Security

benefits, but for programs that should come from general revenues, like stealth bombers. And this process will continue until Social Security funds are removed from the budget process, as Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., and others on Capitol Hill are seeking to do.

Let me make one point perfectly clear. America's seniors aren't seeking special treatment in this fiscal mess. They want to be part of the solution, not part of the problem.

But many of them barely are getting by. One-fourth of Social Security beneficiaries 65 and older depend on Social Security for at least 90 percent of their income. Cutting Social Security benefits or raising taxes on them would not be asking seniors to do their fair share to reduce the budget deficit. It would be forcing seniors to do their unfair share.

When FDR unveiled Social Security more than half a century ago, it was never expected that trust funds would be counted alongside general tax revenues. They were to be sacrosanct, to pay for this most successful trust program between government and the American worker.

That tradition must continue. Americans, young and old alike, should send a strong, clear message to their elected representatives: Hands off Social Security.

*Martha A. McSteen, former acting commissioner of the Social Security Administration, is president of the almost 5 million-member National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare.*

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### Trends In Education

Accountability, whole language experiences, individualized guided instruction. Even though it's summertime, topics in education still find their way into the news, reminding us how important we consider education in this country.

Even if we don't have school-age children, we are often at least familiar with some of the trends in the field. Take, for instance, a teaching method that has been receiving praise, known as "peer tutoring." In peer tutoring, both students involved are expected,

even required, to play an active role in their own education; one student teaches and the other student learns from him. In the end, both students benefit from this one-on-one arrangement.

A slightly different version of peer tutoring, appearing in the Gemara, credits its founder with keeping Judaism alive!

Rabbi Chiya succeeded in keeping Torah alive among the Jewish people. How did he accomplish this? He sowed and reaped flax, then spun the flax into threads which he wove into nets. With the nets he trapped deer, feeding orphans with its meat and preparing the

skins into parchment. Onto the parchment, Rabbi Chiya wrote out the entire Torah. After all this was completed, he still was not finished. Rabbi Chiya himself, a great sage and scholar, went to a town that had no

to G-d's commandments ... and the curse, if you will not hearken to G-d's commandments ... (Deuteronomy 11: 26-28).

Why did G-d create the world so as to necessitate blessings and curses? Why did G-d create something to stand in the way of good, to make it difficult for us to do what is appropriate and right?

Evil alternatives exist to allow for free choice. If there was only good in this world — no chance for a person to behave in a questionable manner — he couldn't freely choose to do good; he would be forced to do good for lack of alternatives, by default. In order to have options, there have to be at least two different routes. Then, a person can use the free choice to choose the correct path.

Freedom to choose one path of action over another is a fundamental principle of Judaism. It is at the very core of the advantages of a human over other created beings. Other creatures don't have this option of free choice; their actions are based on natural instincts and environmental training. Only man has such an advantage.

The concept of reward and punishment revolves around choice. If there is no choice, there is no room for reward and punishment. A person can receive a reward for his good deeds because he has free choice.

It is therefore understood that the existence of the opportunity to do "bad" is not to make a person evil, but the opposite. Wrong exists only to allow a person to choose right.

The opportunity to do bad, therefore, wasn't created to prevent a person from accomplishing what he needs to. In fact, it is to push the person toward the correct path, a path to be traveled on in the midst of freedom of choice and desire.

Knowing that "bad" exists only to encourage us toward the good, also gives us the ability and strength not to be intimidated or overwhelmed by the bad.

*Adapted from the works of the Lubavitcher Rebbe. Submitted by Rabbi Y. Laufer.*

### States Battle Workplace Discrimination

A trend is emerging in many state legislatures toward enacting legislation to protect workers from employers who try to control personal behavior during non-working hours.

In Colorado, a law that prohibits the firing of employees for legal, off-duty activities that do not relate to bona fide occupational requirements or cause a conflict of interest with job responsibilities becomes effective on July 1, 1990.

And Kentucky Gov. Wallace Wilkinson signed legislation, effective July 8, 1990, that prevents employer discrimination against employees who smoke. The law makes it illegal for employers to discriminate against smokers in terms of compensation and conditions of employment, to require a current employee to refrain from smoking off the job, or to fire or refuse to hire people who smoke.

With these new laws, Colorado and Kentucky join Oregon, Virginia and Tennessee in passing legislation against employment discrimination. Similar legislation is pending in eight other states: Delaware, Rhode Island, Alabama, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, South Carolina and Missouri. **II**

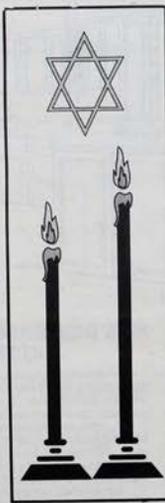
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teachers and taught a different one of the five books of the Torah, and the six books of the Mishna to eleven different children. Then he said to them, "Until I return, teach each other the Torah and the Mishna."

Rabbi Chiya enjoined the children to teach each other even before they themselves had mastered all the other parts of the Torah and Mishna. Each child's first obligation was to teach what he knew to his friends.

Today, we must be the Rabbi Chiyas and his students. There are many Jewish children without even a minimal Jewish education. By using Rabbi Chiya's methods, we can be instrumental, in our own way, in keeping Judaism and Torah alive. If we know the alef-bet, or a bit of Jewish history, a brocha, or a Jewish law, we should find someone who doesn't have this knowledge, a child or even a peer, and "tutor" him. Then, we should feel free to study more ourselves.



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### Free Choice

The Torah portion of *Rei* opens with a foundation of the Jewish religion — free choice. G-d says to the Jewish people, "Look, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse: the blessing, that you will hearken

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# Gertrude Meth Hochberg - A Study In Dedication

By Eleanor F. Horvitz  
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How does a woman who has been inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame, who has been the first woman to become a Vice President of a college in Rhode Island, who has been the first woman to chair the Governor's Permanent Advisory Commission on Women in Rhode Island (and that is only for "starters") cope with retirement? The woman is Gertrude Meth Hochberg who moved to Providence from Pennsylvania in the early 1930's. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, she started out as a society reporter for the *Wilkes-Barre Times-Leader*, her hometown paper. She found her forte in advertising, for as she remarked, the editors were not about to allow a woman to move into political beats. This interest led to a long career in advertising and public relations, culminating in a 28-year association with Bryant College as Director of Public Relations. In 1975 she was named vice president for Public Affairs, retiring in 1977.

As a fund-raiser, Gertrude has no equal. She received the national award for the Public Information campaign she conducted for the United Jewish Appeal in 1960. She devoted 25 years of service as publicity chairman for the Rhode Island Jewish Federation fund-raising campaigns. These are but two examples of the many volunteer fund-raising positions she assumed. That is why she was appalled

when she walked into the local library of her present residence in Bradenton, Florida and saw that this beautiful library located on the water contained half-filled shelves of books. When queried about the half-filled shelves, the librarian answered that the library was being built for the future. Gertrude, never one to abandon a wrong that she feels can be made right, contacted the director, who had been a former engineer. Mr. Place told her that they needed money badly but that there was no organization created for raising money. Gertrude, as she had so often done in the past, volunteered to take on the large task of raising money for the library. Like the notorious Willie Sutton, Gertrude went first to "where the money is" — the banks. Contact with heads of the various bank trust departments soon produced results. "America is in love with its libraries," Gertrude remarked, and within three months they had no problem in raising \$30,000.

Gertrude Hochberg's public relations expertise has been demonstrated in the many positions she has undertaken. Proof of her expertise resulted in the Eleanor Collier award of the American College Public Relations Association in 1975. It was given for "best exemplifying the high standards of leadership and achievement" in public relations. She was also the recipient of a plaque given to her by the American College Public Relations Association of New England and Middle Atlantic States

Districts. This award was an acknowledgment of the success of the Smithfield campus dedication in enhancing Bryant's new image and its ties



Gertrude Hochberg, *Providence Journal-Bulletin* photograph.

with the Rhode Island community. "That year she was instrumental in securing more news coverage for the Bryant dedication than any college event in the northeast," wrote Carol Stocker in the *Providence Sunday Journal* of April 1, 1973. She continued, "The three-day event attracted a massive turnout of 25,000 and got enrollment applications and fund-raising off to a fast start. And after 109 years in the shadow of Brown University, Bryant College made a heavy claim to a place in the sun."

With Gertrude's background, it is no wonder that the L.W. Blake Memorial Hospital in Florida was grateful

when she volunteered her services. When the Sun City Center Division of the hospital was to open up, she undertook the task of publicity for the dedication. Anticipating, at best, a turnout of 1,000 people, she was amazed when 5,000 showed up. However, in all modesty, Gertrude commented that so many retirees who reside in Florida usually have nothing to do and that they will attend any function.

Another important aspect of Gertrude's retirement is her association with her temple in Florida, Temple Beth Israel. Not content to be only a member, she has served as president of the temple's women's group. For the past 6 years she has been program chairman. For someone of her contacts and interests, it is not difficult for her to engage distinguished speakers. Such contacts include election as the 1964 advertising woman of the year by the Women's Advertising Club of Providence, Rhode Island and recipient of the 1977 Women of Achievement award by the Rhode Island Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club.

All the lofty positions Gertrude Hochberg has held and the many "firsts" she has been awarded in no way prepare one for the warm and concerned individual she is. Gertrude was married to Robert Hochberg, owner of a medical supply center, for 45 years. Robert died on October 13, 1982. She has two married children, Eric H. Stern, recently appointed Director of the Kennedy Foundation, and

Dr. Mark S. Hochberg, a cardiovascular surgeon in New Jersey, and four grandchildren, ages 16, 14, 10 and 7. Like so many women and men who have retired, she has found extra time on her hands (in spite of her many Florida volunteer jobs), and has taken up golf and bridge, which she pursues with the same enthusiasm and hard work as she has every other aspect of her living.

Although Gertrude Hochberg lives in Florida for most of the year, she comes back to Providence for several months of the year. Rhode Island and her friends here are of great importance to her. We can understand how she feels about Rhode Island in this speech which she gave on being inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame on May 16, 1977:

"I feel deeply privileged to be inducted into the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame. In this brief response I wish to express my gratitude to the selection committee and to the

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## Parents' Plights and Rights

By Dr. Steve C. Imber

Dear Dr. Imber:

I saw the horror on their faces — the horror of my son's teachers — every time I went to a conference, every time I attended a meeting, every time I picked him up after school. It's hard to admit that my son was an absolute terror last year. During class, he talked constantly, was out of his seat, and often refused to follow directions. We don't know why he acted this way. We also don't know why he has improved!

He attended camp for two weeks and we got nothing but good reports. He has actually become a pleasure to have at home. He's a bright child who learns easily, so we are not concerned about how he will do academically. We are concerned that even if his improvement occurs in school, that he will be a "marked" man and we will be "marked" parents. How can we build a cooperative relationship with his teachers and his principal this year?

Marked Mom

Dear Marked:

Every once in a while good things happen! It sounds like your son is certainly doing a lot better and you are, too. Just because your son seemed to have functioned well in camp and has improved at home does not mean that he will adjust well to school. However, let's look on the bright side. It may very well be that your son will look forward to going to school and is in the

process of shedding his "old skin."

You've related your concerns openly to me. I would suggest that on the first day of school you ask the principal for about 90 seconds of his or her time. Share with him your son's improvements and tell him that you are hopeful that his teachers will also see these positive changes as well. Tell him that you would like to be available to him and to your son's teachers and are looking forward to working with them during the coming school year. It would certainly be appropriate to share with him your anxieties about the "marked" mother and "marked" child syndrome. He or she will un-

derstand your concerns. You might volunteer to participate on the PTA or to offer to be a room mother (although you might want to see how things develop before considering the latter suggestion). It would also be helpful if during the first week or two of school you checked in with your son's teacher and shared similar thoughts. Ask for feedback and constructive suggestions. It would also be helpful to thank the principal and the teacher for their time and to assist them in any way that you can.

Since your son enjoyed summer camp, he might enjoy participating in the Cub Scouts, the YMCA, or some other type of group activity. The "marked

child/marked parent" syndrome can be altered by positive, cooperative, and supportive action!

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# World and National News

In This Corner . . .

## Sharon Battles Moda'i, Olim Stranded In The Middle

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The clash between two ambitious Likud ministers over priorities for Soviet olim is as much a matter of hard facts as it is of strong will.

Ariel Sharon, the retired general whose brilliant tactics made him the only hero to emerge from the 1973 Yom Kippur War, believes in quick, bold action.

As minister of construction and housing, he has staked his political career on a crash program with a \$13.5 billion price tag, which will provide housing for 1 million immigrants expected over the next five years.

Without it, Sharon warns, Israel will be consumed by social unrest.

Moda'i, a former and present finance minister, is a tireless politician who does not leap at quick solutions. He has announced his opposition to Sharon's program on grounds it will lead to devastating inflation and unemployment.

As far as Moda'i is concerned, jobs take precedence over housing. In his view, until they find adequate employment, the newcomers can live in tents or tin huts if necessary.

Moda'i, like Sharon, has based his political future on this issue.

He and Sharon, fierce hard-liners on most policy matters, share the ambition to replace Yitzhak Shamir as leader of Likud and prime minister. They allied themselves last

year against Shamir's peace initiative, which called for Palestinian elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and virtually brought it to a halt.

Now the former allies are at swords' point.

Sharon, bitterly criticized for his incursion into Lebanon in 1982, now wants to achieve a quick solution to the pressing housing shortage. He wants to achieve this by unorthodox means, such as the massive import of temporary housing.

Impatient with bureaucracies, he also wants to circumvent the planning and zoning laws and grant tax incentives.

After the High Court of Justice abrogated Sharon's emergency powers earlier this month, he appeared recently before the Cabinet and asked for Knesset legislation to reinstate those emergency powers.

He underscored his need to expedite or override the various local permits needed to build in various areas of the country, and received from the local authorities permission to build in the south of the country.

Among Sharon's plans are the purchase of 50,000 mobile homes and 40,000 prefabricated homes over the next two years, at an estimated cost of \$3 billion.

His plans also call for the government to build 45,000 apartments this year and about 60,000 more every year for the next four years.

Sharon would refurbish some 8,500 units belonging to

the government-owned Amird housing company. He would temporarily house some of the immigrants in hotels, guest houses, hostels, army camps and kibbutzim.

The housing minister went on television recently to convince the public. He warned that if there is no immediate solution to the housing problem, aliyah may be halted.

"Employment is very important," he said. "I am also for employment, but first we have to give the people a roof over their heads."

Sharon maintained that within a few months, thousands of imported prefab homes could be assembled in Israel, providing both jobs and shelter.

Moda'i, who claims credit for reducing inflation from triple to double digits while he was finance minister in 1985, does not want galloping inflation to return while he holds that office again.

But Sharon fears the potential of a social explosion is so great that one cannot wait for gradual solutions.

He sees not only the pressing needs of the immigrants but also the growing tension among the settled Israelis, especially young couples who cannot find affordable housing.

He is shrewd enough a politician to know he does not have much time. He must show some results by the 1992 Knesset elections or be blamed for the housing crisis.

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Cantor Alberto Mizrahi of Cleveland (third from right) leads members of the American Society for the Advancement of Cantorial Arts recent cantorial mission to Europe in a memorial service at the grave of Salomon Sulzer in Vienna to mark the 100th anniversary of the renowned cantor-composer's death.

## Homeless Occupy Absorption Center

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Twenty homeless families continue to occupy the Jewish Agency's absorption center in Jerusalem's Gilo neighborhood, which they seized over the weekend despite an offer to make housing units available to them.

The offer was made by Meir Shetreet, acting chairman of the World Zionist Organization Executive and treasurer of the Jewish Agency and the WZO.

He proposed that the agency would turn over 64 apartments at the center to the Housing Ministry. The ministry agreed to allot them to needy young couples at a public tender.

But the squatters refused to leave. After meeting with ministry officials recently, they fortified themselves at the absorption center and insisted they would not leave until assured of proper housing.

No move was made to evict them.

They are typical of the hundreds of Israeli families made homeless by soaring rents.

Voice of Israel Radio meanwhile, reported recently that a company in Luxembourg presented a plan to the government recently to build 60,000 new apartments in Israel, to be let at low rents.

According to the report, the apartments would be leased to the government, which would rent them at a deficit to low-income families.

A four-bedroom apartment would rent for under \$300 a month, the radio report said.

It said the unnamed company intended to fund the project with \$2 billion, to be raised in Israel and abroad.

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## Mission Tomato - Ohio Farmers Visit Israel

by Vivian Witt  
*Cleveland Jewish News*  
CLEVELAND (JTA) — They grow a lot of tomatoes in Ohio, but none has a shelf-life of 45 days like the ones developed and grown in Israel.

Those tomatoes amazed a delegation of 28 non-Jewish farmers and farm officials from the Buckeye State, who recently went on Ohio's "first-ever" fact-finding agricultural mission to Israel.

Delegates were in for more surprises when the saw "Zionist" cows that produce more milk than other cows, peanuts with four nuts to the shell, flowers being exported to Holland, high oil-content corn seed and sophisticated drip irrigation systems.

When the Ohioans took a firsthand look at the Holy Land and met their Israeli counterparts, the two groups literally found "common ground" and learned from each other.

"Everyone came away with positive feelings," reports Tim Wuliger, mission chairman, a volunteer leader at the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland.

The group included the director and deputy director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture, four legislators and several professors from Ohio State's School of Agriculture and working farmers. There were also leaders of the state's most powerful agricultural

interest groups, such as the Farm Bureau Federation, Farmers Union and Cattlemen's Association.

Dennis Henderson, a professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Ohio State University, lauded the strong work ethic in Israel and "the dedication of Israelis to making a nation together and making it work."

That kind of patriotism impressed Bruce Buurma, who operates a 2,000-acre vegetable farm in Willard, Ohio. "I couldn't get over the fact that when you discuss Israel with an Israeli, it's like talking about one's mother."

According to Freda Dailey, vice president of the Cattlemen's Association, Ohio has more cattle than Nevada and Utah combined, and ranks 19th in beef and cattle farming in the country.

Dailey and two other mission participants were escorted to cattle ranges in the Golan Heights along the Syrian border by the executive director of the Israeli Beef Organization.

Dailey said the Ohioans felt a "sense of kinship" with farmers at three kibbutzim where cattle are raised. They both face the same problem of wild animals preying on the cattle.

But Dailey also cited a problem unique to the Israelis: Sometimes the cows step on land mines and get blown up.

## Rabbi Who Invented Sport Receives Degree

Rabbi Reeve Robert Brenner was awarded the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree by Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR) as he marked the 26th anniversary of his ordination.

The honorary doctorates to Rabbi Brenner and other alumni were conferred by Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President of HUC-JIR, at Founders' Day Exercises in New York City. Founders' Day commemorates the establishment of Hebrew Union College and the Jewish Institute of Religion by Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise and Stephen S. Wise, respectively. The two institutions merged in 1950.

Rabbi Brenner, who is known for his endeavors on behalf of the disabled, is the inventor of a new sport called Bankshot™ Basketball, the fastest growing sport in America. Bankshot was designed by Rabbi Brenner in Israel for the handicapped in connection with the International Year of the Disabled in 1981. There are now some 60 Bankshot courts across America in sports centers, waterparks, mini-golf facilities, malls, campgrounds and recreation centers.

The sport is played with a conventional basketball and rim. The "twist" is that all of the backboards are unique and unconventionally configured, requiring different shooting strategies for banking the ball off the "Bankboard" in order to score points. The object of the game is to master the angles of the Bankshot boards much like billiards with a basketball. The bankshots become increasingly difficult as one progresses through the course of 18 to 24 stations. Each court accommodates a large number of players, over 100 at once, in a space approximately the size of half a tennis court. The game requires intense concentration, keen accuracy, touch, and shooting strategy.

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Rabbi Reeve Robert Brenner, who was awarded the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, demonstrates Bankshot (tm) Basketball, a sport he invented for the handicapped, which can be played by everyone regardless of age, sex, or size.

disabilities restrictions.

Rabbi Brenner, who was born in New York, was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1964. The author of the prize winning *The Faith and Doubt of Holocaust Survivors*, he is a scholar and widely

published Jewish thinker. Before he invented Bankshot, he received Israel's scholarship award from the Ministry of Culture and Education and the YIVO Jewish Scholarship Prize. Sports and scholarship have been the rabbi's passions since his Brooklyn childhood.

## Ethiopia Not So Terrible, Israeli Leader Claims

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Absorption Minister Yitzhak Peretz claimed that news reports of harsh conditions endured by Ethiopian Jews waiting to come to Israel are inaccurate and excessively downbeat.

Nevertheless, Israel will send a doctor to Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, to look after the would-be emigrants, many of whom are reported to be seriously ill, Israeli Radio reported.

The doctor will work out of the Israel Embassy. Two large tents are being sent to facilitate health and other services for the Ethiopian Jews, Israeli Radio said.

Peretz said the Jewish people are doing "everything possible" to help those waiting to immigrate. He insisted, however, that these efforts should not be publicized in detail.

Peretz spoke after the weekly meeting of the Absorption Cabinet, the ministerial committee established to coordinate immigration and absorption. The committee is chaired by Minister of Construction and Housing Ariel Sharon.

One of the big problems discussed here and abroad has been the thousands of Jews, perhaps as many as 15,000, stranded in Addis Ababa. They have poured into the capital, mainly from the impoverished Gondar province, to await transportation to Israel.

But as their wait lengthened, their condition has been said to have deteriorated for lack of food and shelter and the ravages of disease.

Their emigration, which had been proceeding since last fall

at a rate of about 500 a month, slowed down appreciably recently.

The reason was alleged to have been the Ethiopian government's retaliation for Israel's refusal to provide it with cluster bombs to use against Eritrean separatists and rebels from Tigre province.

But the Ethiopian foreign minister, Tesfaye Dinka, said at a news conference in Washington that the problem had nothing to do with weaponry, attributing the reported drop of Jewish emigration to joint Ethiopian-Israeli efforts to weed out non-Jews attempting to flee to Israel.

Meanwhile, a group of Ethiopian Jews demonstrated outside the Cabinet office building, demanding more energetic measures to hasten the reunion of their families.

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## AROUND TOWN

by Dorothea Snyder

## Camp Spirit High At Jori



Singing folksongs in a cobblestone hideaway are front from left, counsellor Ina Bochner, Julie Berstein, Lisa Schneider, Meredith Fink, Diana Bronstein, Loren Rappoport. In the rear are Jessica Stern, Joanna Leviit, Heather Homonoff, Ilana Kahn, Debbie Mann, Shayna Kulik.



Time out from a relay race that required sponges and buckets of water are the sophomore boys, who have their own nom de plume, the Glamour Boys. Watch out New Kids on the Block! Seated from left are Daniel Mer, Jonathon Hodgson, Eric Rosenthal, David Scheraga, Stephanie DeBlecourt (counsellor from Holland), Jarret Klein, Eric Hochman. Standing from left are Roman Altshuler, Seth Presser, counsellor Adam Wasserman, Evan Saltzman, Howie Cardoza, Josh Caplin, Seth Corin.

*It was more like summer at the starting gate rather than summer simmering down for campers and counsellors at Camp Jori this week!*

*The camp pulsed with enervating energy from all the bustling activity on the Point Judith site.*

*Aerobics, relay races, soccer, swimming were all in progress. Even voices singing folk songs could be heard vibrantly throughout the camp.*

*Camp spirit was at a top-level high!*



Photos by Dorothea Snyder



A recuperating Nadav Mer rests in "the hammock" outside the infirmary at Camp Jori.



Leading this active group in aerobics are Cara Kritzman and Amy Margolis.



A few minutes of free time and Anna Sirota surfaces from a refreshing dive. Anna is a first-year counsellor in the arts and crafts program. Originally from the Soviet Union, she was a camper at Jori.

## Arts and Entertainment

## "Fiddler On The Roof" Comes To PPAC

"Fiddler on the Roof" the musical which has garnered an impressive array of Awards, including the Tony Award for Best Musical in 1965, Oscars and New York Drama Critics Awards, will be performed Tuesday - Sunday, September 18-23, at the Providence Performing Arts Center. Theodore Bikel stars as Tevye in all performances except Wednesday and Thursday, September 19 and 20; Mark Zeller plays the role at these performances. Tickets are on sale now and may be ordered by calling (401) 421-ARTS.

Now completing its 25th Anniversary year, "Fiddler on the Roof" opened on Broadway on September 24, 1964, at the Imperial Theatre. It is adapted from the stories of Russian-born Sholom Aleichem by special arrangement with Arnold Perl. The story takes place in Anatevka, an im-

pooverished village in Czarist Russia, minutes before the Revolution. The story focuses on Tevye and his five daughters; the story's lesson speaks to the world and its generations to come.

Both the music by Jerry Block and lyrics by Sheldon Harnick earned Tony and Academy Awards. Among the most popular and beloved songs featured are "If I Were a Rich Man," "Matchmaker," "Sunrise, Sunset" and "Tradition."

Theodore Bikel is a very well known veteran actor and singer who made his stage debut as Tevye, the milkman, in "Fiddler on the Roof" and considers it among his favorite roles. Due to the observance of Rosh Hashanah, he will not perform in the September 19 and 20th shows. The role on those evenings will be performed by Mark Zeller, an actor with numerous credits on

Broadway, Off-Broadway and regional theatre stages.

Tickets for "Fiddler on the Roof" are \$35.50, \$33.50, \$31.50 and \$29.50. Call the Box Office at (401) 421-ARTS or Teletron at 1-800-382-8080; tickets are also available at Ticketron locations.

There is a special 25% off discount package available to groups of 20 or more and corporations for the Tuesday and Wednesday evening performances. Some restrictions apply. Call the box office at 421-ARTS or the telemarketing department at 521-4040.

The 10% discount for groups of 20 or more is in effect for the Thursday 8 p.m. show, the Saturday 2 p.m. show and the Sunday shows at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

"Fiddler on the Roof" is part of the Bank of New England/Old Colony Broadway Series.

## Sharon Battles (continued from page 6)

On the other hand, if the crisis is averted, the credit would be mostly his.

But there is more than ambition.

For Sharon the former soldier, the housing crisis is a battlefield which must be approached as such.

Turning his back on his former constituency when he was minister of industry and trade in the last government, he now wants to import houses against the immediate interests of local manufacturers and builders.

It is "the only way to cope with the situation," he told the television audience.

Moda', strictly a man of finance, warns that Sharon's demand for an immediate \$3 billion addition to the state budget for absorption purposes could cause an 8.5 percent budget deficit.

"There is no Western economy that is capable of living with such a deficit," he said recently.

Moda' is also well aware that even if the housing shortage is relieved, an unstable economy could still shake

Israeli society and end the flow of immigrants.

His prime target therefore is the creation of more job opportunities.

Theoretically, the country can be flooded with prefabricated houses within a relatively short time, but job opportunities are not easily come by.

To create jobs requires a revival of the faltering economy, which requires time.

That was behind Moda's blunt statement recently that immigrants could just as well live in temporary housing, like the hideous ma'abarot of the early '50s, when waves of immigrants were pouring in from North Africa.

Yuli Edelstein, a former prisoner in the Soviet Union who came to Israel three years ago, said recently that he was surprised by both Sharon and Moda' and their "Solomonic judgment" of aliyah.

"Whoever lives in a tent and does not have proper work will not be content, and vice versa," said Edelstein in a radio interview recently.

## Michael Feinstein At Great Woods

Michael Feinstein will perform with the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra on Sunday, August 19, at 8 p.m. at Great Woods. Leading the Pops will be assistant conductor Ronald Feldman.

Considered to be the bright young star of cabaret, Michael Feinstein's interpretations of romantic music by composers such as Gershwin, Berlin and Kern have reintroduced millions to American popular music of a bygone era. After the completion of a nationwide tour of his Broadway show, "Michael Feinstein in Concert," the dynamic performer plans to return to Broadway this fall.

## City Nights Dinner Theatre

City Nights Dinner Theatre announces open auditions for the award winning "Steel Magnolias." Performance dates are October 12, 13, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, November 1, 2, 3, 4.

Auditions will be held at the theatre Sunday, August 5 at 7 and Monday, August 6 at 7. The show is directed by Peggy Pires.

Needed for the cast are the six female roles aged 20 to 60. Those people auditioning for the first time are encouraged to bring, if possible, a resume and recent photo to be kept on active file. Auditions for new shows are approximately every six weeks.

"Steel Magnolias" is the second play of the theatre's seventh season. City Nights is one of the few theatres in the state that provides a stipend payment to cast, crew and production staffing. Inquiries are always welcome for all areas of participation including performance, instrumental, directorial, technical and production staffing. Apprentice positions are often available.

For further information or to let the casting department know of your intention to audition, call the Box Office 723-6060, leaving name and telephone number. Calls will be confirmed.

His program with the Pops will include selections from his latest recording, "The MGM Album," featuring great songs and rediscovered classics from the great movies of Metro Goldwyn Mayer.

A pre-concert performance featuring Ron Della Chiesa and the White Heat Swing Orchestra will begin at 6:30 p.m. as part of the Overture

series.

Tickets for Pops are \$27.50, \$25.00 and \$22.50 for reserved seating in the pavilion and \$15.00 for the lawn, which is general admission. The pre-concert series is free with the purchase of a ticket for that day's performance. To charge tickets by phone, call (617) 931-2000.



Haim Wiener (right), president of the American Society for the Advancement of Cantorial Arts, presents the Society's insignia pin to then-Prime Minister Milos Nemeth of Hungary, who attended the first cantorial concert ever given in the Budapest Opera House with other officials and members of the diplomatic corps.

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# Local News

**Friday, August 17** — Twenty-six days in the month of AV. Candlelighting 7:23 p.m.

**Saturday, August 18** — Twenty-seven days in AV. The Torah reading today is Parshas RE'EI. Also today we will bless the coming month of Elul which falls on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 21 and 22.

The molad, (appearance of the new moon) occurs on Tuesday morning at 5:30 a.m. and 17 seconds (or 5 chalakim). Morning services 8:30. Kiddush follows immediately. Minchah 7:30 p.m., Se'udah Shelishis follows, with Z'mrot, Ma'Ariv 8:17 p.m., Havdalah 8:30 p.m. Sabbath concludes at 8:26 p.m.

**Sunday, August 19** — Morning services at 7:45.

**Monday, August 20** — Tefilas Yom Kippur Koton is recited at Minchah. Morning

services 6:30. Rosh Chodesh Elul — Tuesday and Wednesday, August 21 and 22 — morning services at 6:15.

Thursday morning services at 6:30.

Friday morning services at 6:45.

Minchah for the entire week is at 7:40 p.m.

## Asthma — To Reduce Risk

An extremely interesting article on asthmatic children appeared in the spring issue of *New Direction*, a public affair bulletin published by the National Jewish Center for Immunology and Respiratory Medicine.

In part is discussed how researchers at National Jewish Center in Denver, Colorado are researching how to prevent or to delay the onset of asthma in children. In genetically-sus-

ceptible young children, asthma has a significant genetic component, and presently there are no "miracles" to alter this fact. However, doctors believe that the parents of these diagnosed children may be able to control these risk factors to some extent. Although testing is far from finished, preliminary finds by two doctors studying 150 asthmatic mothers and their children for five years, have uncovered a number of statistically significant indicators for asthma onset.

For families where there is a chance of asthma, researchers are in the process of discovering that early family distress is one strong predictor for a child to develop asthma in the first two years of life. A child's diet is one of the major ways young

children encounter foreign proteins that can cause allergic symptoms and asthma. If a mother is breast feeding it is sensible for her to make an effort of a controlled diet. Researchers felt that minimizing dust pollens and animal dander were helpful in delaying asthma. Foods that they found to be highly allergenic were milk, corn, soy products, eggs, nuts, and fish.

Some physicians suspect that upper-respiratory viral infections are also a significant factor in starting asthma.

Early detection of any suspicious respiratory ailments in young children should be immediately addressed for medical attention.

## Elul

During the whole month of Elul (except on shabbos and

erev Rosh Hashonah) the shofar is sounded after shachring (morning services). Teki'ah, shevorim-teruah, tekli'ah follow with Le-Dovid Ad-noiri (Psalm 27) and mourners kaddish. The shofar calls: "Awake you sleepers from your slumber and you drowsy ones from your napping, search your ways and repent" (maimonides). In Elul it is important to study texts dealing with Jewish ethics as these instruct a man in the ways of repentance and help him in his self-evaluation. It is customary to pay respect at the graves of our departed relatives and righteous ancestors. All questions can be easily answered by the shul or calling Rabbi Y. Dubovick.

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## The Al Goldberg Memorial Foundation



Carol Reeman Chesler presently studying at the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York is the proud recipient of the Al Goldberg Memo-

rial Foundation Scholarship for the academic year 1990-1991. Carol studied music as an undergraduate at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music focusing on classical guitar. A member of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, Carol was graduated from the University.

After many years of teaching and performing Jewish music in Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis and Jerusalem, and working for Hillel, she decided to become a Cantor. Carol is presently working as a Cantor at the Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged in Manhattan.

She is looking forward to graduating in 1992, and perhaps sharing a pulpit with her husband, Barry, who is studying to become a Rabbi.

The Board of Director of the Al Goldberg Memorial Foundation is proud to be able to help students such as Carol to further their education in Cantorial studies, in behalf of the memory of Al Goldberg for whom the foundation was established.

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## Touro Institutes Daily P.M. Service

Touro Synagogue of Newport, R.I., the oldest synagogue in continental North America, has started a new program of afternoon weekday "Mincha" services, announced Rabbi Dr. Chaim Shapiro, the congregation's spiritual leader. This new program was started recently to accommodate the large number of tourists who visit the historic synagogue and are anxious to pray in the sanctuary. Rabbi Dr. Shapiro in explaining this new project, pointed out that although the original requests for these serv-

ices came mainly from many Orthodox visitors and frequent tourists who were mourners, the participants in these services have come from a broad spectrum of Jews. The Mincha services are conducted Sunday through Thursday at 5 p.m., at the conclusion of the busy daily program of synagogue tours. Since Rabbi Shapiro normally conducts the last daily tour at 4 p.m., he is able to lead the prayer service at 5 p.m. On Fridays and Sabbath, the Mincha services are part of the regular Sabbath services.

Rabbi Shapiro expressed his satisfaction in the success of this new project, pointing out that the only synagogues conducting these services in this area are in Fall River, Mass., or Providence, which are close to an hour's driving time away. Although this is only a summertime program, Rabbi Shapiro hopes to expand it in the future. Touro Synagogue is located at 85 Touro St. in Newport. Further information is available through Touro's office at (401) 847-4794.

## Beth-El Concert Series

A Patio Concert Series will be held at the Temple Beth-El Biblical Garden and patio located on the corner of Orchard and Butler Avenues on Providence's East Side.

The series will be conducted on Wednesday evenings August 15, 22, and 29 at 8 p.m. Admission: \$6.50 per concert. Wine and cheese will be served.

**August 22, Elizabeth Monacelli, violin, Mark Tukh, viola.** A mostly Mozart chamber program performed by internationally acclaimed musicians.

**August 29, David Azarian's Jazz Trio.** Boston based recording artist David Azarian in an evening of jazz.

## Jakov Jakoulov

Jakov Jakoulov was born in 1958 in Moscow, U.S.S.R. He studied at and graduated from Gnesin Moscow Institute in 1979. After graduation, he

worked as a composer for The Moscow Artistic Theater (MKhat) and wrote numerous scores for over twenty stage productions. Since 1980, Mr. Jakoulov made frequent appearances as a piano soloist with The Moscow Philharmonic, he has performed in numerous chamber ensembles and has directed various choirs and orchestras.

Mr. Jakoulov has toured extensively in Europe, introducing his own theater production and performed solo recitals. In early 1988 he was commissioned by the Swedish Theater "Lilla" (Helsinki, Finland) to write the score for a play based on Chekhov's novel "Ward No. 6" which was performed later that year. During the same year he participated in the International Theater Festival in Munich, West Germany presenting his work "A Heart of a Dog" based on Bulgakov's story.

In 1988 Mr. Jakoulov left the Soviet Union. First he settled in West Germany where he became a member of the Free Center of Contemporary Music and wrote several chamber pieces. His works for orchestra were accepted by Bavarian Radio to be performed in the contemporary music series "Musica Viva."

In 1989 Mr. Jakoulov moved to Israel. Upon his arrival he completed two works for the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra. The first piece, "The Diamonds," was written for the opening ceremonies of the Jerusalem Art Festival "Hudzoit-Yozet." The second piece, Concerto for Cello and Orchestra, will be performed in the 1990 season.

Mr. Jakoulov came to the States in September 1989 having been invited to participate in the Louisville festival of arts "Classics in Context." Since then he has been residing in Boston, Massachusetts, where he has been composing a ballet score for The Vienna Opera Theater and a violin concerto for the Ensemble of Contemporary Music in residence at Boston University. Currently he is giving piano and organ recitals throughout New England.

Recordings of Mr. Jakoulov's piano and organ recitals are available for sale after the program.

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## Pawtucket Arts Council

The Norm Lacaille Sextet will play Sunday, August 26, at Slater Park, Pawtucket, in the ninth of a series of Blackstone Valley Summer Music Festival concerts. The group will perform Big Band and Dixieland music, show tunes, and, as Lacaille puts it, "maybe even a polka or two."

Lincoln resident Lacaille, a tenor saxophonist and clarinetist, will be joined by Dick Parent, horn and vocals; Gerry Deragon, trombone; Phil Morrison, drums; Bill Moretti, chording; and Bill Carter, bass.

The concert, free and open to the public, begins at 2 p.m. at the bandstand near the duck pond. The audience is request-

ed to bring blankets or chairs for seating.

The festival is sponsored by the Pawtucket Arts Council, the Music Performance Trust Fund of the American Federation of Musicians, the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Pawtucket and the Recreation Department. Attleboro Pawtucket Savings Bank is a co-sponsor of the August 26 concert.

The last concert in the series will be held at Salter Mill, Sunday, September 2, as part of the Labor and Ethnic Heritage Festival celebrating the Cotton Bicentennial. Eddie Zack and the Hayloft Jamboree will perform.

## Temple Emanu-EL Leisure Club

On Wednesday, September 26, 1990, the Temple Emanu-EL Leisure Club will visit the De Cordova Museum in Lincoln, Mass., to see the National Geographic Exhibit, "Odyssey."

Curated by the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., for the centennial celebration of the National Geographic Society, the exhibition includes more than 150 black-and-white and color photographs from the 1880's to the present, selected from among hundreds of thousands of images in the Geographic's vast photographic archives. More than half of the works in the show are on view to the public for the first time. The exhibition includes the works of more

than 100 photographers and touches upon every period and every kind of photography. "Odyssey" is a stunning glimpse into cultures across the globe, the achievements of many of the world's most talented photographers, and, indeed, the history of photography itself. In addition, we will have time to enjoy the many fine pieces of sculpture on the grounds.

The bus will pick up at Temple Torat Yisrael at 12:15 p.m. and at Temple Emanu-EL at 12:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 6 or 6:30 p.m.

For reservations please call Charlotte Primack at 751-9286 to reserve a seat. The cost is \$14.

ground in an airplane (Sundlund's plane was shot down over Nazi occupied territory), now maybe God helped me, but the reason I didn't get killed was because I controlled the airplane."

Later on, he says, "I've come close to dying too many times; there was a certain finality to what was about to happen."

But he does see his Jewish background as more than that earlier liability to "making it" in America. ("Being raised as a Jew) has made me conscious of individual rights; it's made me aware of those who are downtrodden and excluded and rejected."

In his years as president of the Outlet Company, he is said to have hired minorities at company affiliates around the country.

As a member of the Providence Housing Authority he says he introduced a living skills program for needy, single mothers. "Ask any of those poor, single mothers living in the Providence Housing Authority if I made a difference, not only in the bricks and mortar they lived in, but in the (way they lived)."

Sundlund graduated from

## Beth Sholom Sisterhood Rummage Sale

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Sholom will be holding its annual rummage sale on Sunday, August 19, 1990 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale will take place "rain or shine" at 275 Camp St., (corner Rochambeau) in Providence.

A varied and interesting array of second-hand merchandise at bargain prices will be displayed, including clothing for the family, books, toys, household items, etc. Baked goods will also be available for purchase.

## Ohawe Sholom

Services this Friday evening at the Young Israel of Pawtucket will begin at 7:30. Shabbat morning a Kiddush will follow services which begin at 9 Saturday morning. The rabbi will give his class at 6:40 Saturday evening. Mincha will be at 7:20 p.m., followed by the Third Sabbath meal. Ma'ariv will be at 8:20 p.m. Havdalah will be at 8:30 p.m.

There will be a regular schedule of services this coming week. Morning services will begin at 7:10. Evening services will be at 7:25.

Wednesday evening the crash course in reading Hebrew will continue at 8 to 9:30.

Announce your child's bar or bat mitzvah in the Herald. Black and white photos are welcome.

Classical High School. After earning a purple heart in the war, Sundlund attended Harvard Law School and worked for his father's law firm. The next stop was Washington where he served as an attorney for the Department of Justice. He eventually went into private practice.

In May 1976, he was named president of the Outlet Company. Under his leadership, the company expanded rapidly, gaining radio and television stations around the country. Today he runs Bruce Sundlund Company in Providence, an investment firm.

While it's easy to see Sundlund as the consummate "can do" over-achiever, he does have a less pragmatic side. "If I could be born again and choose my talent — above everything else in the world I would choose to be a singer," he says.

He has been a big supporter of the arts in Rhode Island but when asked if he listens to music, he replies, "Yes, but I don't understand it."

"I have no talent, I can't even sing in the shower. What an amazing emotional relief it must be to be able to convey feelings to other people."

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## Offers Hope For Chronic Pain Sufferers

NORTH ATTLEBORO, MA. — Dr. David Satloff recently completed a post-doctorate certification in Neurology and Orthopedics from the National Cranio-Facial Pain Center in Bethesda, MD. The year-long program focused on chronic pain disorders of the head, face, and neck.

Chronic pain symptoms can be quite varied — headaches, neck pain, dizziness, ringing ears, nausea and depression. "While pain may be very debilitating, a proper diagnosis with effective integrated treatment can manage most pain problems," Satloff reported.

Satloff, a dentist specializing in cervical-craniofacial dysfunction therapies for head, face, and neck pain, works with many patients who are also under the care of neurologists or orthopedists.

"Joint inflammation may be an orthopedic problem. Joints

phoresis, the electronic pulsing of medication through tissue, is often a successful therapy in an integrated pain treatment program." Currently, Satloff is the only dentist in New England trained to use this advanced technique. It is most frequently used in his practice for inflamed TM joints.

"Many neurological syndromes typically have secondary pain patterns stemming from trigger points — a restriction within the tissue that can refer pain elsewhere." Proper treatment of trigger points is a key to pain management according to Dr. Satloff.

This certification of advanced study follows Satloff's recently awarded board certification by the American Academy of Pain Management.

Dr. Satloff maintains a private dental practice in North Attleboro and Somerset.

## He Wants

### to Sing

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thing less than great at a particular task. Most everything he's done — from being a Boy Scout leader to a CEO — he's done pretty well. For all his corporate bluster, he is said by others to value fair play and he appears deeply sensitive to the needs of minorities. At 70, he remains robust and energetic and undaunted by previous defeats.

"I've always been a competitor," he said, after being asked how his successive electoral defeats affected him. "I was a runner, I won most of my races but I lost a few. I played a lot of football and came up against teams I knew would wipe up the field with us."

Sundlund was born and raised in Providence. He was not raised in a religious family; his Jewish identity is rooted in his experiences of growing up in Providence in the 1930s. "My father was not a very religious man, but he always made it very clear to me that I should always remember who I was and to never deny what I was, and to be proud of my origin and my background."

"He made it clear to me that I would have to do better than average to get an even break."

Today, Sundlund, just as his father did, serves as president of stateless Temple Beth-El (Re-form) in Providence. Any spiritual beliefs he might have are tempered strongly by his own accomplishments and experiences as a man. "Yeah, I believe in God; but I'll tell you what, I've been headed to the

But while he has a breath in him, he will remain "a who, what, where, and how type person." His heroes include Harry Truman: "He wasn't the least bit hesitant about letting everyone know exactly where he stood." Sundlund's favorite book: *The Wise Men*, a book about Truman's staff who helped shape the former president's policy. His favorite au-

thor is espionage writer Tom Clancy.

Like his hero, Sundlund also is not the least bit hesitant about letting everyone know where he stands: "I'm not trying to make a lifetime career in politics, I can do what I have to do in four years and the state will be better off."

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# Milestones

## Freedmans Have Twins

Joel and Cindy Freedman, of Cranston, had twin sons on August 2, 1990. The boys are named Joshua Michael and Nathan William.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Doire of Pascoag. The paternal grandparents are Stanley Freedman of West Warwick and Phyllis Bailey of Cranston. The paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Freedman of Warwick and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cohen of Cranston.



## Cohen Elected President Of Engineering Society

Jason H. Cohen was recently elected President of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, Providence Chapter, for the term 1990-1991.

Mr. Cohen is President of Providence Electric Co., Inc., and has served in various capacities at Kiwanis International, Temple Emanu-El, Pro Cap, R.S.V.P. and the Democratic Party.

## Women & Infants Receives Gift From Wasserman Family



Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island has received a gift valued at more than \$900,000 from Bernard and Ina Wasserman and their family. The gift is the largest in the hospital's 106-year history.

The transaction evolved earlier this year when chairman of the Women & Infants' Development Foundation Board initiated inquiries into the leasing of One Blackstone Place, an office building owned by the Wassermans. As discussions progressed, Wasserman offered to sell the building to Women & Infants Hospital at his cost — while contributing more than \$900,000 of his equity in the form of a gift from his family.

"The gift to Women & Infants Hospital is the result of great generosity and real vision. The Wassermans have not only given the hospital much needed space, but most importantly, an asset of tremendous value to our endowment," says Thomas G. Parris, Jr., hospital president.

One Blackstone Place, a 24,000 square foot building, is located at the corner of Eddy

and Dudley Streets within walking distance of Women & Infants Hospital. Hospital administrators are currently considering various uses for the building.

"Women & Infants is a wonderful hospital. It has served my family for three generations — my wife, my two sons and four grandchildren were born there," says Wasserman. "I hope that the future use of One Blackstone Place benefits the community as well as the hospital."

## Methot - Carichner

Norbert and Bobbie Carichner of Tucson, Arizona, formerly of Providence and Warwick, announce the engagement of Barbara Methot to their son, David Carichner. David's maternal grandparents are Irma and Leonard Slavut of Warwick. His paternal grandfather, the late Henry Carichner, was Director of the Cranston, R.I. YMCA. His paternal grandmother is Mrs. Avel (Edna) Stone of Kismet, Florida.

Miss Methot is a graduate of the University of Arizona College of Nursing's Bachelor degree program, and is employed as a nurse in pediatrics at University Medical Center in Tucson. Mr. Carichner is a graduate of the University of Arizona College of Engineering and Mines with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, and is employed as a mechanical engineer at Arizona Portland Cement in Rillito, Arizona near Tucson. An autumn, 1991 wedding is planned.



## Goldberg — Brown

Leslie Iris Brown and Samuel Bernard Goldberg were married at the Grand Summit Hotel in Summit, N.J. Rabbi Alexander Shapiro officiated at the ceremony.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Brown of South Orange, N.J., graduated from Columbia University, where she was employed as Trust Administration Officer.

Mr. Goldberg, son of Dr. and Mrs. G. Marshal Goldberg of Marblehead, Mass., and Palm Beach, Fla., and grandson of Jacob Frank of Providence, graduated from Tufts University and holds a Juris Doctorate degree from Boston University School of Law. He has been an Assistant District Attorney in the Homocide Bureau of the Kings County District Attorney's Office, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jolie Schulte-Solomon of Washington, D.C., was matron of honor and Brian Haubenstock of Brookline, Mass., was best man. Bridesmaids were Mary Evans, Frances Nicosia, Linda Brunner, Laura Elwyn, and Cassandra Cook, all of New York and Rachel Brown, sister-in-law of the bride from Silver Spring, Md. Ushers were Andrew Horwitz of N.Y., Paul Burke, Jr. of Swampscott, Mass., Steven Altman of N.Y., Stuart Goldberg of Toledo, Ohio, and the bride's two brothers, Dr. Stuart Brown of Silver Spring, Md., and Philip Brown of South Orange, N.J. Ring bearer was Evan Brown of Silver Spring, Md., nephew of the bride.

The couple has just returned to Massachusetts and will reside in Brookline. In August, Mr. Goldberg will become an associate with the law firm of Riemer and Braunstein in Boston.

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## New Member At Beth-El To Host Open House

For the third consecutive year, the Membership Committee of Temple Beth-El will host an Open House for prospective Temple members on Sunday morning, Sept. 16, beginning at 10 a.m. The program will be hosted by Jeffrey Kasle, a Temple vice president and chairman of the Membership Committee.

The agenda will include a delicious breakfast, courtesy of the Temple's Brotherhood, in-

formation provided by Rabbis Gutterman and Helbraun, an introduction to the Religious School by Director of Education Lisa Goldstein and the showing of the outstanding 135th Anniversary Film premiered last May at the Temple's 135th Gala.

Child care will be provided. In addition, guest passes for High Holy Day services will be distributed at the close of the Open House to those individuals who have never attended High Holy Day services at Temple Beth-El.

Temple Beth-El is the largest Reform Synagogue in Rhode Island and the oldest congregation in the city of Providence. For more information about the Open House, call Executive Director Rob Goldberg at 331-6070.

# Israel Successfully Tests Missile

by Hugh Orgel  
 TEL AVIV (ITA) — Israel successfully test-launched its American-financed Arrow anti-tactical ballistic missile, convincing some well-informed observers that Israel has the "great power capacity" to design and construct highly sophisticated technological and defense equipment.  
 Its first test coincided with the Persian Gulf crisis, precipitated when Iraq invaded Kuwait and threatened Saudi Arabia.  
 The test was actually scheduled and announced three

weeks earlier, but was postponed for technical and meteorological reasons.  
 In any case, the Arrow is still years away from being a deterrent to an Iraqi missile strike on Israel, against which Israel says it has other means of defense and retaliation.  
 Development of the Arrow, initiated in July 1988, will take another three years, and equipping it with a warhead two or three more years before it becomes operational.  
 The Arrow, known by its Hebrew name Hetz, is a product of the state-owned Israel

Aircraft Industries.  
 The ballistic missile is part of the American Strategic Defense Initiative, known as "Star Wars," the controversial project for an anti-nuclear defense shield that originated with the Reagan administration but has since been scaled down for technological and economic reasons.  
 The United States, however, is underwriting 80 percent of Israel's \$158 million long-term design and development costs, under an agreement it first discussed more than four years ago with then Defense Minister

Yitzhak Rabin.  
 Rabin, now a Knesset member and No. 2 man in the opposition Labor Party, did not attend the Arrow's maiden launch.  
 Although he was one of the initiators of U.S.-Israeli cooperation in the sphere of missile defense, he was not invited, Rabin told reporters.  
 The Arrow has been described as a "flying rocket with a computer brain which takes off at some seven times the speed of sound to intercept and destroy incoming medium- to short-range missiles."

The United States relies on the slower Patriot intercontinental anti-ballistic missile to shield against trans-oceanic attacks.  
 But it is interested in the Arrow to deal with shorter-range nuclear missiles that might be fired from enemy submarines.  


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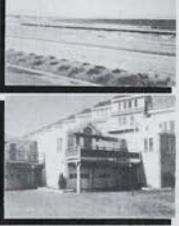
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# Obituaries

**REBECCA BOCHNER**  
CRANSTON — Rebecca "Betty" Bochner, 87, of 50 Birch St. died Sunday, August 12, 1990, at Miriam Hospital. She was the widow of Morris Bochner.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Louis and Bessie (Blumenthal) Mushnick, she lived in Cranston for 20 years.

Mrs. Bochner was a member of the Arlington Manor Building Association and Temple Sinai.

She leaves a brother, Irving Mushnick of Cranston, and a sister, Mary Berg of Rochester, N.Y.

The funeral service will be held Monday, August 13, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

**HARRIET C. BOROD**  
PROVIDENCE — Harriet C. Borod, 65, of 117 Burlington St., a bookkeeper for the law office of Norman B. Bolotow for several years, died Sunday, August 5, 1990, at Brigham & Women's Hospital, Boston.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Morton and Pearl (Morrison) Borod. She attended Brown University and was previously associated with the law offices of Jarcho, Schwartz, Yarlas and Santilli for 25 years. She was a member of the National Wildlife Association and the Rhode Island Zoological Society.

She leaves three daughters, Deborah Rose of Providence, Patricia A. Gibbons of Warwick and Susan Jones of South Kingstown; a brother, Robert Borod of New York; and a grandson.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday, August 7, at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

**ANNE COHEN**  
CRANSTON — Anne Cohen, 74, of Pontiac Avenue died Tuesday, August 7, 1990, at South County Hospital. She was the wife of Samuel "Red" Cohen.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Louis and Rose (Levine) Pedlikin, she lived in Cranston for 35 years.

Mrs. Cohen was a member of Temple Am David and its Sisterhood. She was a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged, the Cranston Hadassah, and the Auxiliary of the Jewish War

Veterans Post 284.

Besides her husband she leaves a sister, Sylvia Schoenberg of Narragansett and Cranston.

A graveside service was held Thursday, August 9, at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Funeral arrangements were coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

**ELLEN DIANE GROBER**  
WESTPORT, Conn. — Ellen Diane Grober, 36, formerly of Providence, died Thursday, August 9, 1990, at Rhode Island Hospital after an illness.

Born in Passaic, N.J., a daughter of Abraham and Joan (Feldman) Grober of Providence, she had lived in Westport five years, previously residing in New York City and Providence.

She was a 1976 graduate of Brown University and in 1978 was graduated with honors from Wharton School of Finance with an MBA.

She was president and treasurer of GGG Incorporated of Fairfield, Conn., which deals in estate liquidations. The company was recently recognized as one of the 2,500 best managed small privately held companies in the nation. Miss Grober was also a licensed gemologist and a member of the International Society of Appraisers. She was a member of the Brown Alumni Club, the Wharton Alumni Club, the Audubon Society, and Greenpeace.

Her father was founder and president of Victor Electric Wire and Cable Inc. until his retirement in 1985.

Her parents are her only immediate survivors.

The funeral service will be held

**Unveiling**  
An unveiling will be held in memory of the late Mina Gafstreu on Sunday, August 19, 1990, at 11 a.m. in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

August 12 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery, Reservoir Avenue, Providence.

**MAUDE HARRIET**  
PROVIDENCE — Maude Harriet, 89, of Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., died Thursday, August 9, 1990, at the home. She was the widow of Arthur Harriet.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Abraham and Bessie (Vilker) Perelmas, she had lived in Providence 15 years, previously living in Pawtucket for many years.

Mrs. Harriet was a life member of the Jewish Home for the Aged Women's Association, a member of Hadassah, Temple Emanu-El and the Congregation Ohave Shalom Sisterhood.

She leaves a son, Melvin Harriet of Boca Raton, Fla.; a daughter, Helen Kilberg of Cranston; a sister, Eva Schiffman of Providence; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Sunday, August 12 in the Sugarman-Smith Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

## Hochberg

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## Israel Ready For Attack

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attempt "to shift the focus of attention."

He said he was sure the other Middle East states understood that.

Israel has deliberately kept a low profile in the latest Middle East crisis, stressing that it would act only if it perceived a direct threat, for example the entry of Iraqi forces into neighboring Jordan.

But there is mounting concern among strategic planners and the public that Hussein, confronted by multinational sanctions and military opposition to his invasion of Kuwait, might act out of desperation.

The fear is that he would seek to embroil Israel as a means of rallying Arab support.

Although Israel possesses a powerful deterrent force, strategists know that deterrence presupposes a modicum of rationality on both sides.

Hussein threatened Israel with chemical weapons long before the current crisis and has the missiles to deliver them.

He may well feel his days are numbered in face of an American military challenge, and with nothing to lose, he could act irrationally.

Israel Radio reported recently that Israel has taken "certain steps to ensure that it is not surprised," but there was no elaboration.

Experts concede that Israel has no fully effective defense at this time against a large-scale missile attack. Some missiles would get through.

Hitherto, successive defense ministers have sought to head off any such scenario by asserting Israel's determination to launch massive retaliation against any missile strike.

Their statements have been

interpreted in some quarters to hint "nonconventional" — meaning nuclear — retaliation against a chemical attack on civilian centers.

Shamir's remarks, meanwhile, seemed intended both to alert and to reassure the populace.

"All the citizens of Israel know that their state has its full strength and does not stand empty-handed in this region of the world, full of dangers and tensions," he said.

"Anyone plotting to attack Israel must know that Israel has the capacity, the will, the ability and the readiness to defend its security with great force and determination. Anyone seeking to harm Israel is likely to draw down upon himself a heavy disaster."

Shamir stressed, however, that "Israel has no intention to attack any of its neighbors, but it will know how to deal with anyone who attempts to harm it."

"The citizens of Israel are confident that the defense and security forces of Israel are alert and ready and making determined efforts to prevent any danger to the nation and the state," Shamir said.

"We believe that the forces of peace and stability in the world will overcome the forces of destruction and security and quiet will quickly return to our land and to all the lands around us."

Meanwhile, Foreign Minister David Levy, meeting here with Richard Schifter, the U.S.



Thousands of lovers of hazzanut flocked to the State Opera House in Budapest for a spectacular cantorial concert — the first time the gold-becked theatre had echoed to the sound of Jewish music. The cantors were accompanied by the Hungarian State Opera Orchestra and conducted by Maestro Michael Recchliuti of New York.

assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs, praised President Bush's response to the Iraqi aggression. He said the people of Israel hoped and prayed the United States would be successful in "cutting off the evil arm."

Levy also made the point that Yasir Arafat, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, was one of the first Arab leaders to congratulate Hussein on his takeover of Iraq.

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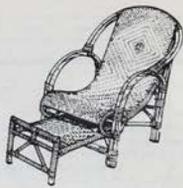
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# A Closer LOOK

BUSINESS PROFILES



## Distinctive Tastes Deserve Distinctive Window Designs

by Kathy Cohen Herald Assistant Editor

Don Altieri didn't name his business Distinctive Window Designs, for nothing. The store carries unique items for residential and commercial buildings.

His style he describes as very "modernistic, contemporary, art deco-ish, and/or Oriental." A chameleon of interior fashion, he carries an interior design collection that can adapt to the styles and tastes of his customers from contemporary to traditional.

Altieri is not in the business of decorating whole houses, yet he has the ability to install replacement windows, window designs and he performs upholstery and carpentry work as well. He'll accommodate decorators who want a particular piece to complete a look. He also gives advice to customers.

"I wanted to make the store a little different," Altieri said. "When people come in for a miniblind, they might see a vase or a wall hanging they've been looking for."

"If I make a sale on a drapery and I'm in their house setting it up, they may ask me 'What can I put in that corner to dress up that spot?' or 'What can I do in



Owner Don Altieri with his wife Sharon and his partner/brother Paul as they oversee Cranston Mayor Michael A. Traficante cut the ribbon marking their grand opening of Distinctive Window Designs.

the living room? Well, I may suggest a tree or some mirror work."

The 39-year-old designer got his start in interior fashion during his ten-year employment at Window Fashions in Providence. Within those ten years Altieri dabbled in other sales positions and for a while he

knew sales was his little niche, but he didn't know what he preferred to sell.

Eventually he realized that he wanted to stay in fashion full-time. When his cousin offered him a job at Window Fashions, he stayed on and learned the ropes.

"He offered to let me come

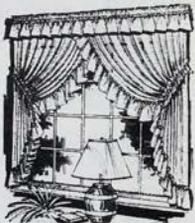
work for him part-time to make extra money. So, I said all right," explains Altieri. "I learned and I trained and I worked with them for a long time before I decided to stay on full-time."

When he began his own business, he needed to adjust to running the operation as a whole rather than handling only sales.

"People knew of me as being one of the larger producers in the business," says Altieri. "I knew my business well, but when you're taking on an army of things from selling to installing. Everything is so detailed. If something is an eighth of an inch off you may as well be a mile off."

The future for this interior designer is not to expand his line of goods, but to expand his floor space.

"I see myself growing in this part of the business to a point where it's just like this, but in a larger scale," says Altieri.



### Gas Masks

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plete the distribution of gas masks and anti-chemical warfare kits until the end of the year.

The kits contain disposable syringes with atropine, an antidote against nerve gas.

The fear was most pronounced in the densely populated Tel Aviv area and Safed in Galilee, the parts of the country slated to receive gas masks first.

It was less evident in Jerusalem, where residents entertained the notion that the large Arab population and the presence of Islamic shrines would serve as a protective umbrella.

Gas masks and protective kits are not unfamiliar to Israelis. They have been distributed experimentally in recent years, though not at such critical times as now.

The earlier trial distributions proved a farce. Follow-up investigations showed that gas masks were damaged or misused by many of the civilian recipients.

Children ended up playing with them as toys, and many wore them to Purim costume parties. Farmers wore them to dust crops or driving tractors over dusty roads.

Now, with fresh threats from an Iraqi ruler known for his hostility and ruthlessness, some Israelis demanded that gas masks be distributed immediately.

But if some are expecting an attack, there has been no signs so far that people are hoarding food and other basics at supermarkets.

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