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Emergency Steps Needed To Combat Intermarriage

by Debra Nussbaum
NEW YORK (JTA) — A group of Brandeis University researchers who recently studied marriage trends in eight U.S. Jewish communities has concluded that the American Jewish leadership must take bold steps to confront intermarriage, which is at an all-time high.

They are recommending that the Jewish community actively encourage conversion among intermarried couples and couples contemplating intermarriage.

The study, conducted by Brandeis University's Maurice and Marilyn Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies, found that 29 percent of Jewish marriages today involve a spouse who was not born Jewish.

By comparison, the rate of intermarriage was 5 percent a

generation ago. Today's rate, the highest in American Jewish history, shows no signs of slowing or even leveling off, according to the researchers. In fact, younger Jews are intermarrying at much higher rates, indicating that the problem is likely to worsen in future generations.

Moreover, conversion is becoming less popular among couples that intermarry. In four out of every five intermarriages in recent years, the non-Jewish spouse did not convert.

This trend has ominous consequences for Jewish identification, since the study also found that couples with a non-Jewish spouse are much less likely to observe Jewish rituals and give their children a Jewish education than couples in which the non-Jewish spouse

has converted. As a result, the researchers recommend that "without diminishing the passionate commitment of the American Jewish community to pluralism or religious freedom, the community should advocate conversion" of non-Jewish spouses.

The findings and recommendations were contained in a Cohen Center report titled "Intermarriage and American Jews Today: New Findings and Policy Implications."

The authors, Drs. Sylvia Barack Fishman, Mordechai Rimer and Cary Tobin of Brandeis, and Dr. Peter Medding of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, presented their research recently at a daylong conference on intermarriage co-sponsored by the Cohen Center and the American Jew-

ish Committee's Jewish Communal Affairs Department.

Their research was based on data from Jewish population studies conducted between 1985 and 1989 in eight communities: Baltimore; Boston; Cleveland; Dallas; Essex and Morris counties, N.J.; Rhode Island; San Francisco; and Worcester, Mass.

The intermarriage rates varied greatly from city to city, reaching a high of 40 percent of all married Jews in San Francisco, compared to 11 per-

cent of all marrying Jews in Rhode Island.

The rates were 32 percent in Dallas, 29 percent in Worcester, 21 percent in Cleveland, 20 percent in Boston, 15 percent in Baltimore and in the two New Jersey counties studied.

The Cohen Center report looked at three groups: "intermarrieds," in which both spouses were born Jewish; "conversionary marriages," in which one spouse converted to Judaism; and "mixed mar-

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Each To One's Own Jewish Tradition

by Michael Fink
Dorothy Wiener sets up a Jewish tradition of her own. I only found out about it this month. She throws an annual birthday bash for her son, Sandy, just down the street to the end of Hope at La France. Sandy turned forty-four this time, and he's had his share of problems. At this point he has tunnel vision in one eye. He gets headaches. People with problems, they call them spe-

cial, and Sandy is. Dorothy told me, Sandy hasn't had a lot of success in his life, but he sure scored a great hit as host.

People showed up to fill the glittering bistro from diverse parts of our city, and of our world. Nelson Vieira of the Brown Portuguese department reported in fresh bread from Brazil. I shook hands with Robert. I shook hands with Father Trepanier from Holy Name on Camp Street. Dorothy placed us at a table across from

Jose and Ricardina Galvao, who came originally from Brava in Cape Verde. You pay for your supper with a few lines of verse addressed to Sandy at the head table. You recite for your fancy French victuals: General Leonard Holland dug right into the poems. Some of the doggerel moved the crowd to laughter, and some to tears. Dorothy, chic in an aqua dress with some kind of ribbon straps flowing back, led the ritual reading with her own love song to her son. She called him an elegant fellow and gave him a kiss. I heard someone comment, a birthday party should bring together the one who gives birth, along with the one birthed. Both suffer together, and both celebrate as well.

When my moment came along, I fell back on the line we used to say in grammar school on Summit Avenue: "You're a poet, but you don't know it." Who says we make our way into the world to print our name in the marketplace? Sandy and Dorothy fit together like a fine team. Dorothy keeps her booth at the Great Fair a few blocks from La France. She sends folks all over the world — where Jews have gone for thousands of years, bringing their stories with them and taking some stories back. Sandy stays home, where he belongs. He holds onto the center, the force that ties a world tight so it won't spin away from itself. Everybody hopes to stand around him again a year from now.

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Although Martha and the Vandellas did not make an appearance, those attending the Chabad Succot celebration were moved to get dancing in the streets.

Variations on the Theme of the Value of Life

by Ray Eichenbaum

Looking at her objectively, she was a poor representative of her splendid specie. She had an excessively short clipped tail, and she lacked the grinning and prancing so noticeable in her sisters. She had none of the "La Pompadour" demeanor so famous of her kind. Let's face it, she was an ugly French poodle. Her given name was Liguine — we called her Licky. She was our dog for 15 years and we loved her.

Two weeks ago Licky left us and went to dog heaven for sure. To think otherwise in the Eichenbaum family would be blasphemous.

Licky's love for each one of us was simple and pure. For

everyone in the family, she showed a different type of attachment. She was a part of us.

We cherished her like a goddess who could do no wrong. Our neighbors and friends could talk bad about me and my wife, they could even bad-mouth our two sons, but to insult or brandish Licky was an affront to all of us. Licky lived a charmed existence.

About three months ago, the miniature poodle incurred an inner ear infection, a serious malady for an old dog. She stopped taking nourishment and water. The vet gave us a somber assessment of her chances for survival. Yes, with extra care, and hefty medica-

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NEW YORK — United States envoy to the United Nations Thomas Pickering explained the U.S. position on the Security Council's anti-Israel resolution at a meeting with members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. At right is Seymour D. Reich, chairman of the Conference. The resolution condemned Israel for excessive violence in dealing with the Palestinian riot on the Temple Mount. Conference members praised the envoy as a long-time friend but told him the resolution was one-sided and "stacked the deck" by pronouncing a verdict against Israel before investigating the facts. Chairman Reich said the resolution will encourage more violence against Israel as a means of achieving the Arab political goal of diverting attention from the Persian Gulf crisis and renewing international attention on the Israeli-Palestinian issue.

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SPECIAL OCCASIONS

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Inside the Ocean State

Andrea Levin Will Discuss "Media Bias and the Defamation of Israel"

Andrea Levin, the national president of CAMERA — Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting in America — will speak on "Media Bias and the Defamation of Israel" at Young Israel of Sharon, in Sharon, Mass., on

Sunday, November 4, at 7 p.m. The event is sponsored by Second Generation of Southeastern New England, a RI-based group of children of Holocaust survivors, as well as all five Sharon synagogues.

CAMERA has eight branches throughout the United States. The organization's purpose is to monitor and respond to media distortion in order to promote public understanding of Middle East events.

Mrs. Levin will present documentation on how the media distort events in the Middle East. She notes "Historical forces and the crucial context of events are superficially covered. Such shallow and misleading presentations of complex events seriously undermine public understanding and engender dangerous misperceptions about the Middle East conflict."

A related sharp increase in anti-Israel themes in the growing number of anti-Semitic incidents has been recorded by both the Anti-Defamation



The NY Friars Club honored actor Chevy Chase at the Sheraton Centre in N.Y.C. on Wednesday, October 17.

In attendance were R.I. comedian and magician Lou Cerel (center), seen above with Saturday Night Live's Dennis Miller (right), and veteran funnyman Henny Youngman (left).

Also appearing at the event, which was the most attended in Friar Club history, were Paul Newman, Robert De Niro, Sally Fields, and a host of past and present SNL performers.

League and the World Jewish Congress, according to Mrs. Levin.

As part of her presentation, she also will emphasize anti-Semitism and its relation to the Holocaust.

Central to CAMERA's approach toward the issues of media bias is its belief that all friends of Israel, regardless of political persuasion, are united in opposing defamatory coverage. The organization espouses no substantive political line,

whether with regard to actions of the U.S. government or the policies of Israel's government.

Prior to founding the Boston chapter of CAMERA in 1988, Mrs. Levin was associate editor of the *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* at the Kennedy School, Harvard University.

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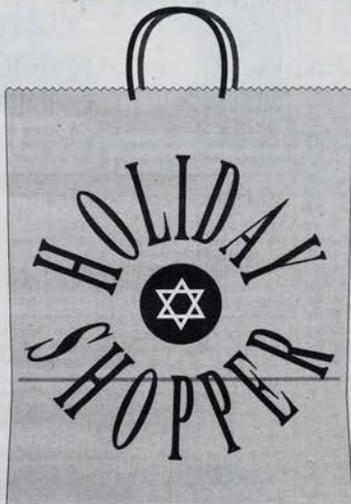
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To the Editor:

From late 1944 through early 1945, during the German counter-offensive in the Ardennes region of Belgium (popularly known as "The Battle of the Bulge"), German military forces captured approximately 15,000 American soldiers, interned these men as POWs. Among these POWs were soldiers of the 28th and 106th Infantry Divisions, many of whom were captured in Luxembourg early in the Battle.

After roughly 4,000 of these POWs had been transferred to

a POW camp at Bad Orb, Germany, the men were segregated by their captors, with soldiers who were identified as Jews, those of "ethnic" ancestry, and men dubbed as "trouble makers," being placed in a separate group totalling 350 men. This group was transported by rail to the Berga-Elster slave labor camp, west of Chemnitz and north of the Czechoslovakian border.

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News Analysis:

Murders Were Act of Terrorism

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Yair Street in the Baka quarter of southwest Jerusalem is only a few blocks long. It is lined with old houses in the Arab style surrounded by lush greenery, which makes it picturesque and exudes a peaceful ambience.

But innocent blood ran in that street and filled it with terror and violence, while most of the residents were still asleep.

Israelis recoiled with horror, fear and fury. Jerusalem may never be the same again.

Shortly before 7 a.m., three residents of Baka were preparing to leave for work. Iris Azouli, 18, a soldier with the military police, stepped through the front door in uniform, but unarmed, on the way to report to her unit.

A few doors away, Eli Alataraz, 43, was about to leave for the plant nursery he owns nearby.

Shalom Charlie Shloush, 26, a trainee in the border police anti-terrorist squad, was also on his way to report for duty, having spent the night at his in-laws' home in Baka.

Unbeknownst to them, all three were living the last minutes of their lives.

Baka is an entirely Jewish neighborhood. Arabs are part of its almost bucolic landscape but only as transients. They come from bleak West Bank villages and squalid refugee camps to work, serving Jewish Jerusalem or helping to build it.

Their jobs are generally menial. They are factory hands, waiters and busboys in restaurants, bricklayers and concrete-pourers at construction sites.

Omar Sa'id Salah Abu-Sirhan, 19, a Palestinian from Ubeidiya village, east of Bethlehem, could be considered typical. He was employed as a plasterer at a building going up on Barak Street, not far from Yair.

Suddenly, for no apparent reason, he dropped his plasterer's trowel and began to race

down Barak Street toward Yair. From on his person he drew a vicious-looking bayonet from a Kalachnikov assault rifle, razor sharp.

As he ran down the street, he cried out with fervor, "Allah akhbar" (God is great). He also screamed in Arabic, "Slaughter the Jews," and proceeded to do so without discrimination.

Within minutes, Iris Azouli was lying dead on the sidewalk in a pool of her own blood. Eli Alataraz never reached his plants. He, too, was stabbed to death on his doorstep.

Shloush was armed and trained. He fired at the assailant, hitting his legs. But the strength of a berserk man can be greater than normal. They grappled, and in the struggle, the young police cadet training for combat terrorism fell victim to a terrorist's blade.

But is Abu-Sirhan a terrorist in the generally accepted meaning of the word, or a self-appointed avenger, incited by religious fundamentalism? He insists he was not acting on behalf of a terrorist organization, and the police believe him.

"Revenge emerges as the main motive," said Deputy Commander Avi Cohen, who heads the Jerusalem police investigations department. He spoke following the interrogation of Abu-Sirhan, captured and subdued after his murderous rampage.

The young Arab said he killed to avenge the deaths of 21 Palestinians who were shot by Israeli border police on the Temple Mount on October 8, after rioters stoned Jews worshipping at the Western Wall during Sukkot.

Palestinians were in fact exhorted to kill Jews in leaflets circulated by Hamas, the Islamic fundamentalist group in the Gaza Strip that is playing an ever more violent role in the intifada.

Al Fatah, the military wing of the Palestine Liberation Organization, also called on Arabs to avenge the Temple

Mount dead.

But Hamas' leaflets were much more violent and specific: "Every Jew or settler is a target and one must kill him," the leaflets said. They described Jews as the "bloodsuckers of humanity," the "sowers of evil."

The police believe that Abu-Sirhan was following the injunctions of Hamas.

The organization has a growing following among Palestinians, and has emerged as the chief rival of the PLO for the loyalty of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Some students of the Arab-Israeli conflict, who acknowledge vengeance as the motivating force, detect a deadly change in its nature.

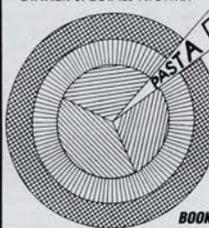
In 1973, vengeance for the 1967 defeat by Israel prompted Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to launch the Yom Kippur War. It was intended to recover lost honor and lost territory, a nationalistic desire to settle accounts with the Jewish state.

Correction

In an obituary notice of Selma Souza the *Herald* incorrectly printed that her daughter's name was Gloria Single. The woman's name is Gloria Siegel. The *Herald* regrets the error.

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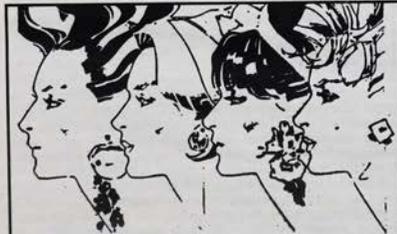
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AN OBSERVANT EYE

AVI SHAFRAN

Misplaced Outrage

It has become fashionable in recent years — more fashionable still in recent weeks — to compare Israel's government and security forces with those of Nazi Germany.

The proponents of that similitude seem to take an almost carnal delight in using history's most loathsome oppressors of the Jewish people as objects of comparison for the leaders and people of the Jewish state.

The most recent offender — and a repeat offender — is a political cartoonist by the name of Oliphant, who, in a caricature syndicated widely throughout the country after the altercation at the Western Wall, portrayed a mindless-looking Israeli soldier with a smoking submachine gun standing amid the bloody corpses of dead innocents (plenty of blood, though, tellingly, not a rock in sight), with a Lilliputian Yitzchak Shamir in the background calling coldly for "Damage Control" ("Ve need to put a POSITIVE SPIN on zis!", he orders). Two bald and proper (though, surprisingly, unmonocled) "Israeli Public

Relations" men, with suits, ties and breast-pocket handkerchiefs (another good clue to Mr. Oliphant's ignorance of things Israeli) rush to the rescue — of the Prime Minister, of course. To make his point obvious to even the dullest reader, the cartoonist has a tiny character — a conceit common to many of his cartoons — suggesting that "They were simply obeying orders."

The trend toward associating Israel with the Third Reich, has been most actively promoted of late, and of not-so-late, by various Arab organs, especially periodicals published or controlled by the P.L.O., the Syrian government, and the Egyptian government (whose government-sponsored paper *Ruz Al-Yousef*, on July 17, 1989, published a large caricature of a mustachioed, swastika-armed Mr. Shamir carrying a club with one hand and giving the Nazi salute with the other). Its spread to the American scene — and its mainstream yet — is indicative of the mercurial nature of American loyalty to true allies, and

an ominous development for American Jews.

Some argue that such an editorial approach, verbal or visual, is, ipso facto, odious and objectionable. They maintain that, however harshly a writer or cartoonist may want to treat Israel, no matter how justified the judgement may be, comparing her to the instrument of her people's own torture is simply not a morally acceptable alternative. "Nazi," the argument goes, is so reprehensible, so obscene, so powerfully personal an epithet to a Jew, that it is psychological cruelty and conceptual barbarism of the crudest sort to apply it, regardless of the circumstances, to a Jew or Jewish state. This approach considers calling Jews "Nazis" akin to identifying a rape victim with her assailant or spitting on someone's parent's grave. No, even worse.

Lost, though, in all the moral outrage, in all the shock at Oliphant's monumental **chutzpah** and insensitivity, is something much more important.

The Nazi, we might recall, blatantly marked the Jewish people for annihilation, and systematically went about the task of effecting their designs. Israel, needless to say, has never even flirted with any such attitude toward any Arab

people. Not even Meir Kahane has.

For over forty years, nearly every Arab state — and the P.L.O., ever since it willed itself into existence — has fervently hoped for not only the dissolution of the state of Israel but the extermination of her Jewish citizens. Most children of Arab countries were raised with the desideratum of "driving the Jews into the sea" occupying about the same place as "the lion lying down with the lamb" does in most Jewish minds. The Jews in pre-war Germany, of course, harbored no ill-will toward those among whom they lived, and certainly never set about murdering or starving Germans.

Israel is the only country in the Middle East where human rights are actively protected, by law, the courts and various citizens' groups. It is the only country in the area with free elections, a free press, unrestricted right of movement of its citizens and the right of dissent. Israel has even ceded Judaism's holiest spot to its Moslem minority (the mosques on the Temple mount could, of course, easily be razed if Israel so willed) — and only because that minority has occupied the spot for the several hundred years since it violently seized it from Christian caretakers.

Nazi Germany, on the other hand, was Nazi Germany.

And so, at least to my mind, it is perhaps unwise to attack Oliphant and his ilk for perpetrating an essentially *immoral* act by comparing the Jewish state to the Nazi one. Our outrage should derive not from Oliphant's violation of some unwritten taboo or his moral affront against a decimated people — but from the much simpler fact that he is a yet lower form of journalistic life altogether: a shameless liar.

URI Lecture

HILLEL SUNDAY BRUNCH LECTURE SERIES: Peter Hellman, noted author and Kingston native, will be speaking at the third Sunday Brunch and Lecture Series of the Hillel Foundation on Sunday, November 4. He will be discussing his latest book, "Heroes: Tales from the Israeli Wars." The brunch will begin at noon at Hillel, 34 Lower College Rd., Kingston, followed by Hellman's talk at 12:45. The cost for the brunch is \$3.50 for faculty and community members, and \$2.50 for all students. Reservations are required by Friday, November 2 by calling the Hillel office, at (401) 792-2740.

Bored?

The temple president had called a Board meeting. He was annoyed to see someone who wasn't on the board and had never shown any interest in temple affairs. He would just come to temple on Saturdays and sit idly through the services.

"What brings you here?" the president asked him. Stifling a

yawn, the man replied: "Mr. President, you asked for all board members to attend. I am indeed a Bored member."

I bring up this boring incident because our local paper recently reported a proposal to abolish Friday night services; they're "too boring." They even went as far as blaming the Divine: "G-d, Himself, is bored with the service!"

Congregants are indeed tired

of lifeless routine lip service. But the rabbis' challenge is to make it more exciting and meaningful through a better understanding and spiritual dimension. Hardly anything is more moving or inspiring than the Friday night prayers:

"Boring? You're at the most unusual wedding reception, Sabbath, beautiful as a bride, regal as a queen, is about to make her debut. The groom welcomes his bride upon her grand entrance.

"Boring? As the evening opens, you're treated to a smorgasbord of tasteful selections by King David, the sweet singer of Israel.

"Boring? The centerpiece, "Lecha Dodi," is a magnificent flowery arrangement by Shlomo Alkabat of Safed. Vivid and colorful, it is interwoven with Jerusalem motifs. The *chupa* is about to begin.

"Boring? It is a medley of lively processions, triumphant marches and joyous waltzes, interspersed with rhapsody and loving nostalgia. You hear all the popular wedding-tune hits and after *Bo-re B'sham* everyone turns around to welcome the bride in her full glory. Mazal Tov and Good Shabbat!

"Boring? The very words cause you to awaken, and sing along! A stirring psalm, "Miz-Mor Shir" follows, written especially for the occasion.

"Boring? *Shema, Emissa* of our faith, and the silent *Amida* spread out a peaceful canopy upon Israel and Jerusalem. It concludes with Heavenly accompaniment, and you come home to the ambience of radiant Shabbat candles, *Kiddush* and a hearty *Shalom Aleichem*.

I could go on and on. But before this gets too boring, I'll end with a rule of good public speaking and writing. "It's like digging for oil. Once you strike, stop boring!"

By Rabbi Israel Rubenstein, director of Chabad of the Capital District, Albany, N.Y. Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer.



Abraham's Plea

This week's Sidra, Vayera, contains the account of the destruction of Sodom. G-d told Abraham that he was about to destroy the city as punishment for its evil behavior. Abraham pleaded with G-d for justice: "Will you indeed destroy the righteous with the wicked? ... Perhaps there are fifty righteous men in the city ... will you spare the place for the sake of fifty? ... Shall the judge of all the earth not do justice?" G-d assured Abraham that if there would be fifty righteous men in Sodom, he would spare the city. But Abraham was not yet satisfied. "What if there are only forty, or thirty or twenty?" Finally, he received Divine assurance that even should there be no more than ten righteous men in Sodom, the whole city would be spared.

With this, Abraham was completely satisfied.

We have seen from the previous accounts of Abraham's hospitality, how his life was dedicated to the task of enlightening people, teaching them to be righteous. Here, too, when pleading for Sodom, he begged that the city not be destroyed for the sake of the righteous. When he was assured that Sodom would perish only if less than ten righteous were found there, Abraham demanded no more. He neither supplicated nor pleaded with the Almighty for the sake of those who were not righteous. This, too (as mentioned concerning Noah) was before the Torah was given to us with its command of "Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself."

The last of this "trio" of great leaders compared by the Zohar is Moses, called the "faithful shepherd" of his people. How perfectly he justified this title when he pleaded with G-d for the Jews. After almost the entire nation had sinned by worshipping the Golden Calf, and the Almighty wanted to destroy them all, Moses pleaded for forgiveness. Not only did he refrain from asking that he and his family be spared (as did Noah), but he (if you do not forgive them) then blot me out from Thy book that Thou hast written!"

Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer.

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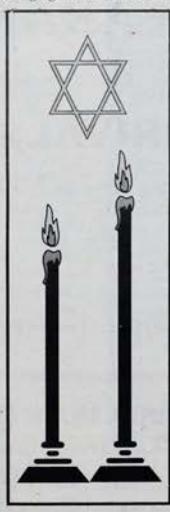
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Lippitt on Lippitt



by Kathy Cohen
Herald Assistant Editor

At the age of 73, Frederick Lippitt is running as an independent for mayor of Providence.

He's been involved with public service since he joined the General Assembly after the Korean War. He served as a state representative for 22 years and served as Governor DiPrete's director of administration for two years.

Although the Providence mayoral race is a three-way dead heat between Lippitt, Buddy Cianci and Anthony Annaldo, this cold October morning finds Lippitt relaxed and upbeat. Lippitt was reared in a political atmosphere.

Born in Washington and raised in Providence, Lippitt says he became involved in politics because the "political life was never very far removed from my background."

His grandfather and uncle were both Rhode Island governors in the previous century and his father was a United States Senator. His mother was christened in the White House — her godmother was Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes, President Hayes' wife. His mother's sister was married to President William Taft.

Lippitt said he remembers spending time with President Taft. "When we were little my Uncle Will was still living," said Lippitt. "In the fall, Aunt Nellie and Uncle Will would

stop here on the way back from Canada where they went in the summer. You would see this great portly gentleman coming in..."

Lippitt was attending Yale Law school when World War II broke out. "I went to the 26th infantry division at Camp Edwards and we had hardly gotten there when Pearl Harbor happened," Lippitt said.

After the war, Lippitt completed law school and started practicing law in Rhode Island. To Lippitt, it was "social upheaval" that led him to refocus his thought and run for General Assembly in 1960. His first big social issue was fair housing.

Today, Lippitt's life is filled with campaign obligations. "This is what I live by. I had a meeting at Brown University at eight, nine I have you, I have to go get a haircut at ten o'clock so I'll look sharp for the Truman Taylor Show at one." And the rest of the day is filled with appointments, door to door campaigning and debates, until 10:00 p.m.

Do you feel you have Jewish support?

"I don't want to say that I have Jewish or whatever support. I hope I have the support of people who agree with what (I am) doing."

Lippitt says he would like to be remembered "As someone who was trying to make change and who succeeded in making change."

Fenton Launches First Campaign

Joshua Fenton 27, is running as an independent for a seat (Ward 3) on the Providence City Council. It is his first campaign for public office.

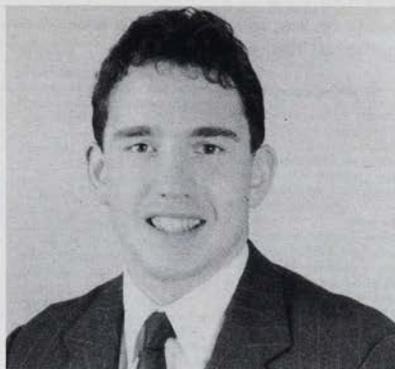
An East Side native and a University of Rhode Island graduate, Fenton is full of youthful idealism and energy. "I've always run as an independent," he said recently. "I don't want to be part of the machine, you've got to get individuals willing to stand up and say what they believe in."

In person, he is polite, studious and cautious, making numerous references to his "strong concerns" on various issues and his "track record of achievement." Asked if he has any heroes, he says, "Hero worship can be a dangerous thing, but there are many people that I like and respect." Since his graduation, Fenton has been cutting his teeth in Washington, working as an assistant to Senator John Chafee and Senator George Mitchell. Of his experience in Washington, he says, "you learn that everyone is human."

He is married to Julie DiPrete and lives off Hope Street. He works as an assistant to the director at the state Department of Environmental Management.

Fenton has solid liberal credentials and has been endorsed by the National Organization for Women and several other pro-choice groups. "On most social issues I am a liberal, but I require accountability on expenditures."

In Providence, he lists the top issues as taxes and education. "We pay the highest taxes in the state, but the services fall short. The schools are second rate. Parents are left with three



choices, send their kids to private schools, move out, or else send their kids in and pray."

As a teenager, he won a scholarship for academic and athletic excellence to Suffield Academy in Connecticut.

How will an independent-

minded candidate fare on the Council? "You have to take on one issue at a time and try to build a coalition," he said. "Once you build a coalition, you can hold up the budget, you can say 'hey wait a minute...'"

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Checking in With Cianci

Buddy on life, religion, politics and four guys from England

by John Chadwick

Despite having resigned as mayor of the city of Providence six years ago amidst a storm of controversy, 1990 mayoral candidate Vincent A. (Buddy) Cianci Jr. still commands a considerable following, including some Jews.

What makes figures like Cianci, who, in 1984, according to the Providence Journal-Bulletin, pleaded no contest to two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon (an ash tray, a lit cigarette and a fireplace log), so appealing?

Speaking to the Herald last week, Cianci, dressed in blue suit and red tie was loquacious, funny, aggressive and vaguely repentant. "I'm older, wiser, I've learned from my mistakes," he said. Whatever ugly incidents cloud his past, he comes off as intelligent, qualified and human. But when asked if there is anything he would have done differently in those years, he begins talking

politics: "I wish I could have spent more time in the various neighborhoods; maybe I could have done something to prevent the decline we have now."

One prominent Orthodox rabbi, who asked not to be quoted by name, says Cianci has done a "tremendous amount of good things for the Jewish community." And, the rabbi adds, "We (Jews) have a principle, if somebody does something for you, you return the favor."

The rabbi said that Cianci's accomplishments include:

- Obtaining a city grant for an elevator for the handicapped at the Jewish Community Center.

- Introducing Chanukah candlelighting at City Hall

- Allowing for zoning changes that helped Providence Hebrew Day School add another building.

- And most importantly, the rabbi added, "Cianci showed up to functions at the Day School whereas Mayor Joseph Paolino would always send underlings."

But what about the alleged assault and the various indictments against members of his former administration? Aren't moral considerations as much a part of the argument as who did what for whom? "Who knows how you or me might have reacted in the same situation," the rabbi said. The victim of the alleged assault was said to have been having an affair with Cianci's wife from whom he is now divorced. "Besides, when someone admits their mistakes and faces up to them, they are forgiven," the rabbi said.

Who Are You?

When Cianci talks about Providence there's an undeniable spark set loose. His eyes twinkle as he anticipates every question, his answers flow with a love of conversation that makes even his most political statements seem likable and warm. At his best, he's a charismatic leader, at worst he sounds like just another political hack. But once he gets going, he's a non-stop whirlwind:

"We re-opened the Biltmore Hotel, we opened the Marriott, Moshassuck Square — we did all that. We restored the Performing Arts Center, we built a conservatory at Trinity, we started the Capital Center, we got the very first grants for the Capital Center. . . and on and on and on.

Bringing it All Back Home

His house is a marvel of luxury — a fully stocked bar with mirrored walls on the ground floor — and pictures — Cianci with Reagan, Cianci with Frank Sinatra, Cianci with Colonel Sanders, Cianci with Tony Orlando. His huge oak desk is adorned with one picture — his boat.

How, I'm wondering, could he put those closest to him through the ordeal of another campaign after the negative



events surrounding his departure from office? "I would never have run for mayor if I hadn't discussed it with my daughter Nichole — she said I was happiest when I was mayor."

Cianci grew up in the Silver Lake section of Providence. "What do you want to know first?" he asks me. "You want me to talk about going to Mass on Sundays and then home for a traditional Italian meal?"

Asked about his religious leanings he says: "I went to Catholic schools, I went to

Moses Brown which is a Quaker School, then I went to Fairfield which was a Jesuit School — not to be affected by all that is ridiculous."

Won't Get Fooled Again

While scanning his compact disc collection, one selection in particular stands out. In between Jackie Gleason's "Music, Martins and Memories" and a Barbra Streisand collection, there is a recording by The Who. Hey Buddy, what gives?

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Rabbi Laufer with friends, at the Succot celebration.

ADL Says Victory Over Metzger Has Far-Reaching Effect

By Tim Sills

Portland Jewish Review
PORTLAND, Ore. (JTA) — The ruling recently by an Oregon jury that white supremacist Tom Metzger and his son, John, were responsible for the 1988 murder of an Ethiopian national by Skinheads, has particular meaning to the Jewish community, according to the director of civil rights for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Foremost in the mind of Jeffrey Siemsky, who helped represent the plaintiffs in the case, is the crippling effect the decision will have on the anti-Semitic operations of Metzger's organization, White Aryan Resistance.

A Multnomah County Circuit Court jury voted 11-1 to find the Metzgers liable for the murder of Mulugeta Seraw, then assessed \$12.5 million in damages against them, their organization and two of the Skinheads involved in the racially motivated beating death.

The verdict was announced after five hours of deliberation recently, following a nine-day trial.

Metzger, a 52-year-old television repairman from Fallbrook, Calif., vowed to appeal, but it is believed doubtful that he can muster the \$5 million required for an appeals bond.

"Metzger obviously doesn't have the \$12 million," Siemsky said regarding the jury's award, "but you can be damn sure we're going to strip him to his underwear. If we have to pull up in a van and empty his house, we'll do it. We believe this will shut down his operation."

Although Metzger claims his net assets are less than \$100,000, ADL says his home alone is worth four times that much. "He'll be too busy trying to ward off the auction of his house to continue as an advocate for racist Skinheads," Siemsky added.

ADL had long hoped for a case against Metzger, but it was not until early last year that compelling evidence was available.

That's when Dave Mazzella, who later testified against the Skinheads convicted for the Nov. 13, 1988, murder of Seraw, called ADL's San Diego office and said he wanted to talk. Mazzella told ADL that he was an "agent provocateur in

the killing, under explicit orders from Metzger to do violence to blacks and Jews.

"It was miraculous," Siemsky recalls. "Mazzella was the missing link that brought our effort beyond the boundaries of circumstantial evidence. Without him, it would have been difficult to make it fly."

"Whether or not the Metzgers will strike out as a consequence of the trial is up in the air," he said. "All of the ADL's offices are on high alert. We have been targeted for firebombing in the past, and it's certain that many of these people are unstable and violent-prone."

"When I put my name on the complaint, I thought long and hard about it," he said. "But the message had to be sent that extremist individuals will have to consider the consequences of their conduct."

Neither Metzger nor his 22-year-old son were charged criminally in the case, and state prosecutors said they did not expect to ever file such charges against them.

The Metzger trial is the second successful prosecution of a national racist group for recovery of hate-crime damages. In 1987, the Southern Poverty Law Center, the lead attorney for the plaintiffs in the case against the Metzgers — sued United Klans of America on behalf of the family of a slain black man. The action effectively bankrupted the Klan and has minimized its activity since.

Jewish Tradition

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To tell the truth, I used to dash off in a rush from errand to errand — I never stopped to really look at Sandy, or take in his words. This month he has come back into my world just at the right moment in time. I've been seeking a core of noble quiet, so rare in our wound round. Sandy pulls all his guests down to give each and all a hug and a kiss for the words of blessing. He gives back what he gets and more.

I even sometimes harbor doubts about the value of travel. But I've changed my tune about that, too. These hard times try our souls. Do we dare to voyage forth into a changing world? If we hold fast behind our front fence, do we dare to face one another? At Sandy's toast to the town, it all happens. You feel good about people, about the planet, and even about the passing of time.

Beth-El First Tot Shabbat

For the past several years, Family Times, Temple Beth-El's family program, has sponsored a variety of worship services for families with young children. This year is no exception, for in addition to many festival services for families, Rabbi Sid Helbraun will lead 5 Tot Shabbat services for the very young, and very young at heart!

The first Tot Shabbat service will be held on Friday, November 2, at 6:45 p.m. in the Temple's Sanctuary. Light refreshments will follow the service which will be comprised of songs and stories. Family Times is made possible through the generosity of the Temple Beth-El Sisterhood. For more information, call Rabbi Helbraun at 331-6070.

Herald Editor Leaves

The Herald bids adieu and good luck to editor John E. Chadwick, who has been with us for one year. John is moving on to an editorial post with a metropolitan daily newspaper in New England.

"It's been a wonderful experience working with the Rhode Island Jewish community," John said. "I'll have many fond memories of those who welcomed me so warmly!"

Letter to the Editor

(continued from page 2)

Allies, the POWs were forced to quarry rock for the construction of what was described as an underground synthetic rubber factory. According to reports published shortly after the war's end, the men were continuously worked for ten hours a day, seven days a week, with no medical care and grossly insufficient rations.

Between February 28 and until liberation by advancing American forces, an uncertain number of the group (anywhere between 70 and 250 soldiers) succumbed to the brutality of these conditions and the cruelty of their captors.

According to the depictions of survivors, at least one member of the Berga-Elster POWs was known to be from Providence. He was Private Arthur S. Rosen, of Company F, 422nd Regiment, 106th (Golden Lion) Infantry Division. Documents from that time period list Private Rothman's wartime address as 423 Rider (or River?) Ave.

Unfortunately, I currently have no other information about Private Rosen except these rather dry facts. I would be grateful for contact with any individuals who knew Private Rosen and/or members of his family. In particular, I'd like to

obtain a photo of him, as well as more subjective information about what he was like as a person. Given the sad and sensitive nature of the topic, the names of contributors will be kept anonymous, if desired.

I have the hopeful aim of eventually publishing a journal article or book about this story, and particularly desire to identify all the POWs who were held captive there.

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AROUND TOWN

by Dorothea Snyder

Three Rhode Island chapters of Pioneer Women came together for a 65th Anniversary celebration at the Marriott on Sunday, October 21.

Through speeches and their souvenir program, they communicated with pride that 65 years of achievement have turned past goals into realities.

"Throughout Israel, NA'AMAT's multi-faceted social services are available to care for our children, teach youth and inform and protect women regarding their rights.

"NA'AMAT USA has the important role of keeping members informed about our work in Israel, and achieving the necessary funds needed to provide continuous support for our many installations in Israel."

The guest speaker was Avis Jacobson, past national board member and past president of the Greater Boston Council of NA'AMAT USA, who said the past and future of NA'AMAT are built upon the Labor Zionist Movement's ideology and working hand-in-hand with their sister organization in Israel.

"In the United States, NA'AMAT's advocacy for political and social issues reflect the same ideology and concern for social justice and equality we support in Israel.

"At age 65, NA'AMAT USA is discovering and exploring new avenues of growth, and picking up the challenge of new issues in both Israel and the U.S."

Mollie Sklut and Chaya Segal are the presidium for Pioneer Women

Club One, organized in 1927 through Lizzie Sherman of Providence.

"Both ardent Zionists," Mollie said, "the Shermans visited Palestine and left inspired with the work of the Chalutzim. They called New York, where the Labor Zionist women had organized in 1925."

The Providence group developed through six women: Sarah Boyman, Rose Beeber Berren, Rose Burt, Esther Halpern, Anna Chaet, Rebecca Mankowitz, and Lizzie Sherman.

Mollie joined them in 1937 when she went to pay her mother's dues. "Every mother brought her daughter, and in no time, we had hundreds of members. We worked hard with rummage and cake sales, concerts, dances, card parties, and door-to-door raffles.

"In 1948 I chaired a donor luncheon. We served two cookies and one scoop of ice cream, and charged \$25.00 a plate. It was the year that Ben Gurion declared the independent state of Israel!"

With changing times and the need to involve younger women, the Dvora Dayan and Shalom groups were formed.

Today 50,000 NA'AMAT USA members support 1000 child care and vocational training installations, legal aid, university scholarships, and social services for women, youth, and children throughout Israel. More than 750,000 women in Israel belong to Na'amot, Israel's largest women's organization.

Pioneer Women Celebrate 65th Anniversary



Shown are Phyllis Solod, 65th Anniversary Chair and Shalom Chapter president; Mollie Sklut, Club One president; Florence Silver, Dvora Dayan president.



At the brunch table with Celia Krieger, Ruth P. Friedman, Lynne Stepak, Tillie Reuter, Iris Yanow, Libby Brickman, Eileen Sreilberg.



Guest speaker was Avis Jacobson, past national board member and past president of the Greater Boston Council of NA'AMAT USA.



Seated at table are Celia Brown, Jacqueline Teverov, Anita Norman, Geraldine Foster, and Chaya Segal. Mrs. Segal serves on the presidium of Club One.



Pictured are Rita Nash, Idelle Wolf, reservations; Phyllis Solod, Fania Gross, decorations.

Photos by Dorothea Snyder



Arts and Entertainment

"Les Miz" Challenges Josh Finkel



Joshua Finkel can be spotted on the highest plateau in the Barricades scene of the Students from "Les Misérables," playing at the Providence Performing Arts Center through this weekend. Photo: Michael LePoer Trench/Bob Marshak

by Dorothea Snyder
He isn't a clotheshorse by choice.

Joshua Finkel changes costumes 17 times playing 10 characters in "Les Misérables." At the end of Act I, he switches from gang member to student with a flick of eliminating three garment pieces and replacing them with two. He also speaks lines for five distinctive characters.

The Los Angeles native opened in L.A.'s original company of "Les Miz" on April 11, 1988. Thirteen months ago, he joined this national touring company's production, on stage at the Providence Performing Arts Center this week.

Asked if the show has worn out the welcome mat for him, Josh said in a phone conversation that the present time is the most exciting since performing with the Los Angeles company.

"The company's spirits are high. There's a great deal of integrity and commitment on the part of everyone. We work hard. It's an honor and a lot of fun to be on the stage with a creative cast."

When Josh catches himself repeating actions instead of creating something new every night, he rallies. "I don't like to find myself in a rut. It's not that the show is any different. It's my work. That's a challenge signal to change everything, throw myself into a new arena,

and look for new things. "Les Miz" lends itself to improvisation.

"I don't see anyone doing the same thing over and walking through this show. It's new, fresh and fun to be out there and see what's going to happen tonight. It's thrilling to be able to say that, 'I'm very proud of this show. "Les Miz" carries an amazing message and moves people so deeply."

A Los Angeles native, Josh majored in theatre at the University of California at Irvine. He furthered his studies in a graduate acting program at the University of Milwaukee, which auditions prospective students every three years.

Initially, he planned to do league auditions with Juilliard and Yale, but a vice president in-charge-of-casting at Paramount, whom he knew, had seen the previous cast of this program, and raved about it. Josh's mother worked with the father of Arvin Brown, Long Wharf Theatre's artistic director, who also applauded the University of Milwaukee acting program.

Out of 1000 people who auditioned, 36 got in, including Josh. The program has since relocated to the University of Delaware.

Josh's three years of intense training in classical theatre has put him far ahead of the game by being better prepared for auditions. "That provides a cutting advantage," he said.

Finishing the program, he

did an equity summer season in Milwaukee, then headed back to L.A. where he auditioned for "Singin' In The Rain" and "Les Miz." He was chosen for the Cosmos role made famous by Donald O'Connor. "It was a blast," he said. "Sometimes I miss that out-there musical theatre off-the-wall kind of thing. When I play Thenadier in "Les Miz," it fills that need in me."

Two and a half years ago, Josh left the musical comedy show for "Les Miz" in which he plays a different ensemble role as Jean Prouvaire and Claquesous. When "Les Miz" opened in Buffalo, the Thenadier role was in transition. Josh covered for the actor leaving the role until the replacement actor, J. P. Dougherty, stepped into the role.

"After two years, I have some physical evidence that I've played a major role... my name in print. The reviews were very exciting," he said.

Another highlight was the opening of "Les Miz" in Los Angeles. "After seeing so many shows at the Shubert while growing up in L.A., here I was performing as an original company member in a major hit of the year."

Occupational hazards can happen in "Les Miz." Josh had a frightening experience when a swing performer went on for a principal actor. Josh was set to cross the barricade, but the

swing was on Josh's box instead of the box below. Urging him to cross over, Josh slipped and almost fell 15 to 20 feet through the barricade to the floor."

Group movement and patterns amidst darkly lit scenes can be dangerous in "Les Miz." Light sensitive, Josh's eyes need time to adjust from darkness to bright light. Opening nights in different cities present pattern changes and cautious procedures.

While performing "Les Miz" in California, Josh auditioned for and got the voice part of the prince in the film, "The Little Mermaid." He was chosen

because of his skill in synchronizing voice with the prince's facial and body expressions. "It's an amazing Disney film," he said.

What the future holds are more possibilities to come in acting and perhaps directing, Josh projected. "I also know that life is a roller coaster with highs and lows." With a sense of humor mixed with a note of reality, he added "not to buck those computer jobs."

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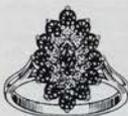
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Generations 'I'd Trade All My Tomorrows For One Single Yesterday'

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So many of us contemplate tracing our ancestors, compiling family trees, becoming involved in genealogy. After our initial plunge into these activities, realization sets in. It is hard work, it is time consuming, the other members of the family do not cooperate. Our enthusiasm wanes. It becomes "something to do in the future." But there are many who are more persistent and the number of "family trees" on file in the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association

archives testifies to those ardent amateur genealogists.

Maurice Cohen (Moe) is one of the dedicated individuals who has an admirable collection of family photographs which document the generations preceding his, his own generation and those which followed. Included in his collection is this very interesting newspaper account of his grandparents marriage, that of Herman Paster to Clara Cohen, which occurred in 1890. Following are excerpts from the description:

"A very fashionable Jewish wedding took place when

Henry Paster, a rich merchant of Lowell was married to Clara Cohen of this city. Rabbi Joseph Leavitt of the Russian congregation officiated with all the pomp and eclat which the ritual allows.

When the time came for the ceremony an orchestra struck up a gay march, and eight children joined in a cantata composed in honor of the occasion.

The bride was attired in a superb damask dress which will set off the beauty of the river of diamonds around her neck. The rabbi read slowly from manuscript words that seemed to make a deep impression on the audience, composed mostly of New York and Boston merchants.

Then began the longed for event. The musicians played a jingle tune, the children encircled the altar with gold bands in their hands, and the rabbi performed the office of the wedding. The friends shook hands with the pair when it was all over, kisses were exchanged right and left.

A sumptuous supper was finally served and after partaking of it to satiety the guests were cordially entertained."

Reproduced are a few of the photographs in the Cohen collection. They also illustrate the styles of dress of each generation as well as the poses assumed for the photographer.



Leah Schrob (1835-1915) and Zalie Kogon (1830-1908) parents of Jacob Cohen (1863-1914).



Jacob Cohen with his daughter, Pauline Cohen Berger, in tailor shop on North Main Street, Providence.



Herman and Clara Paster

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Hannah Rifkin Cohon wife of Joseph Cohon and mother of Clara Paster.



(L to R) Joseph Cohon, father of Clara Cohon Paster, Hattie Cohon Mayers, Moe Cohon, Joseph Cohon holding Irving D. Paster, Fannie Paster Davis and Nettie Paster Cohen. Photo was taken around 1901.



This photograph was taken at 309 Lowell Ave., Providence, at the residence of Nettie and Aaron Cohen. Seated (L to R): Nettie P. Cohen, Dora F. Paster, Fannie P. Davis. Standing (L to R): Aaron Cohen, Irving (Sonny) Paster and Heman M. Davis. Nettie, Fannie and Irving are the children of Herman and Clara Paster.



Top row (L to R) Bella Kaminsky Cohen with her children: Aaron, Milton, Julius, William. Bottom: Anna, Marion, Pauline and Jennie.



Hilda Cohen, daughter of Bella and Jacob Cohen.

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Local News

Krystallnacht Candlelight Vigil At U.R.I.

On Thursday evening, November 8, a candlelight vigil will be held on the Quadrangle of the Kingston campus to commemorate the 52nd anniversary of Krystallnacht.

On November 9, 1938, the Nazis officially initiated their terror against Jews by committing a systematic act of terrorism. This was called

Krystallnacht — "The Night of the Broken Glass."

It was the evening that began one of the worst chapters in history, an evening in which humanity died. According to figures compiled by the Nazis, they arrested and sent 30,000 Jews to concentration camps, destroyed 815 shops, 29 warehouses, 171 homes, 167 synagogues and killed 36 — all in the space of a few hours.

To remember the millions of people who suffered under the Nazi regime, and to pray for peace in the present tumultuous world, the Hillel Foundation and the Campus United Jewish Appeal will hold a candlelight vigil on the Quad from 7:30-8 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

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Brennans Announce Birth

Lisa and Michael Brennan of St. Petersburg, Fla., proudly announce the birth of their first child and daughter, Sarah Dora Brennan, on September 6, 1990. Lisa is the former Lisa Sax, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Abrams, of Narragansett and Pompano Beach, Fla. and the late Seymour Sax.

Maternal great-grandparent is Anna Sax of Warwick and the late Sophie and Max Weiner. Paternal grandparent is Robert K. Brennan of St. Petersburg, Fla. and the late Dora Brennan.

Landaus Announce Birth

A baby girl, Alyssa Danielle, was born October 16, 1990 to Linda (Schaeffer) Landau, formerly of Warwick now living in California. The baby's Dad is Louis Landau.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Morris Landau of New York. Maternal grandparents are Lester Schaeffer and Ann Oken both of California. Maternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joslin Oken of Florida.

Jewish War Veterans State Dept. Meeting

An Executive Board Meeting of the Jewish War Veterans State Department of Rhode Island will be held at state department headquarters 83 Park St., Providence, R.I., on Monday, November 12, at 8 p.m. All members are requested to attend this meeting as this will be our last meeting for the year 1990.

I. Charles Abrams, as your state department commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Rhode Island, want to wish all the members of the Jewish War Veterans and the Auxiliaries and their families A Happy and Healthy Holiday Season.



Herman Weds Warshay

On September 15 at Temple Beth-El, Providence, Debra Herman, daughter of Rita Herman of Providence and Dr. Arnold Herman of Sharon, Mass., was married to Daniel Warshay, son of Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Warshay of Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Debra and Daniel are magna cum laude graduates of Brown University. Debra is currently a doctoral student in clinical psychology at Northwestern University. Daniel is COO and consultant with Specialized Systems and Software, Inc. in Chicago.

Maid of honor was Caroline Kay and bridal attendants were Catha Day, Sue Orenstein, and Alisa and Susan Warshay, sisters of the groom. Raphael Orenstein was best man and the groomsmen were Matt Kursh, Howard Jacobson, Russell Simmons and David Herman, brother of the bride.

The couple will be residing in Evanston, Ill.

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Sholes Called To Torah



Marc Louis Sholes
On October 27, 1990, Marc Louis Sholes of Warwick will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah at Temple Am David. The son of Jill and Steven

Sholes and the grandson of Charlotte and Robert Abrahms of Houston, Texas, and the grandson of Leonard and Anna Sholes of Cranston. Marc is the older brother of Adam, Noah, and Hope. He is the great-grandson of Sarah Abrahms and Julius Kohn and the late Hyman Abrahms, Tillie Kohn, Louis and Bertha Greenfield and Morris and Nellie Sholes.

Marc is a student at Aldrich Jr. High in Warwick. He attends Harry Elkin Midrasha and is a member of Warwick U.S.Y. and B'nai Brith Youth. Marc plays soccer for Warwick Fire Fighters Soccer Assoc. He enjoys swimming, biking, baseball, rollerskating, computer and playing the trumpet in the Aldrich Jr. High band.

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Saturday, November 3 - 15 days in Marcheshvan. Parshas today is Veyiero. Morning services at 8:30 a.m. followed by kiddush. Mincha 4:40 p.m. followed by the Third Meal. Maariv 5:15 p.m. Shabbos ends 5:21 p.m. Havdalah service 5:25 p.m.

Sunday, November 4 - Morning services at 7:45 a.m. Mincha for the week is at 4:55 p.m.

Morning services for Monday and Thursday are at 6:30 a.m. and for Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6:45 a.m.

From Our Sisterhood's Kitchen

Here are a few recipes from the Ladies Auxiliary at our shul.

Baked Apples 'N' Honey
4 baking apples
½ cup honey

¼ tsp. cinnamon
¼ cup chopped nuts
½ cup chopped cranberries
½ cup apple juice or cider

Core the apples and enlarge opening to hold filling. Combine other ingredients (except juice) and fill apples. Place in baking dish. Pour juice around apples. Bake at 350°F. for 45 minutes.

Harvest Frittata

2 Tbsp. margarine or butter
6 eggs
1 cup milk
½ cup flour
1 cup shredded cheese
1 cup veggies, chopped (squash, peppers, onion, tomatoes)

Stir fry the veggies for 3-5 minutes in 1 Tbsp. oil.

Pre-heat oven to 450° F. Melt margarine in 9x13 cake pan. Beat eggs, add milk, and then flour. Pour mixture (it's o.k. if it is lumpy) into pan and bake for 5 minutes. Add

veggies, top with cheese and return to oven once more for 10 minutes. Cool and cut into wedges.

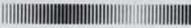
For information, complaints on the above - or more recipes, call or visit the shul.

Alphabet Minestrone Soup

2 quarts water
Soup bones or chicken broth
1 can kidney beans
1 can tomato paste
3 cups sliced vegetables - zucchini, carrots, onion, potatoes, cabbage, green beans, ½ cup alphabet macaroni.

Bring meat to a boil. Add tomato paste and simmer, covered 1 hour. Add vegetables and cook ½ hour. Add macaroni. Cook 15 minutes.

We look forward to comments and participation. Want your favorite recipe passed on to the readers? Call us!!



Cranston/Warwick Hadassah

The next Board Meeting of the Cranston/Warwick chapter of Hadassah will take place on Monday, November 5, at the home of Mrs. Miriam Bosler, 425 Meshanticut Valley Parkway, Cranston at 10 a.m.

A program entitled "What's Your Opinion?" will precede the regular meeting.

All Board Members are urged to attend and participate in this format.

Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood Mitzvah Event Presents: "The Imported Bridegroom"

Something special for movie buffs. Don't miss Sisterhood's presentation of the internationally acclaimed movie, "The Imported Bridegroom." It is an endearing film about a man who returns to Poland to find a bridegroom for his daughter. The *Boston Globe* claims "it's a strong storyline with outstanding performances" and *Variety* states "the film is a charmer."

The two show times are 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, November 29. All people donating \$12 or more to the Mitzvah Telethon will receive two free movie tickets.

Refreshments are available. General admission collected at the door. Chairperson for the event is Barbara Lightman.

Call Temple Emanu-El for further information at 331-1616.

Shabbat Family Service and Dinner

Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood is sponsoring the Shabbat Family Service on November 2 at 5:45 p.m. Following is a traditional Shabbat Family Dinner. This year we are honoring our new Temple members.

Register for Session II Fall Classes at the JCCRI

Session II fall classes begin on Nov. 11 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence. To insure placement in a class, mail in the registration form located in the Session II class listings before Nov. 7. Registration will be held in the

lobby on Wednesday, Nov. 7, from noon-7 p.m. for full members only. Registration will continue on Thursday, Nov. 8 from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. for full and supporting members. Non-members may register for classes after the registration period. For further information call the Center at 861-8800.

Bring your entire family for all to enjoy!

Our chairperson for the evening is Lynn Markoff.

For further information call the Temple office at 331-1616.

Sisterhood Mitzvah Telethon

A dedicated team of women under the supervision of Caroline Gereboff and Roberta Blum have the task of calling upon every Temple Emanu-El member to support the Telethon.

Calls will be made on November 12, 14, 15 from 7-9 p.m. The money raised in the telethon represents our gift to the Temple and is presented at the Annual meeting.

Volunteers please call the Temple office at 331-1616.

All donations of \$12 or more will receive two movie tickets to see "The Imported Bridegroom," this year's mitzvah event at Temple Emanu-El.

November 6 - Sisterhood Board Meeting

The Sisterhood board meeting will be at noon in the Sisterhood Lounge at Temple Emanu-El.

Kristallnacht Commemoration JCCRI

The annual commemoration of Kristallnacht, "The Night of Broken Glass," will be held in the Social Hall of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on Thursday, November 8 at 7:30 p.m. with a program "Their Voices Can Still Sing," performed by Cantor Brian J. Mayer of Temple Emanu-El.

Kristallnacht is considered to be the public launching of the Holocaust. The anniversary is annually commemorated so

that the lives it destroyed will never be forgotten. It is also important never to forget the cultural richness that European Jews enjoyed.

To preserve that richness, Cantor Mayer will be recreating the liturgical music of the Jewish communities of Germany and Europe. "For the last half century, we've been focusing on the destruction of Jewry. I want to give attention to what was alive in that culture and to help it come alive again," said Cantor Mayer.

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Alperin Schechter Students Adopt Unusual Pen Pals

It's not unusual for school-children to have pen pals. This sort of exercise is encouraged at a variety of levels. First graders, for example, needing writing practice, enjoy a departure from routine when they write to contemporaries in another city or state. Older children get reinforcement in letter format and structure as well as communication skills. Foreign language students, too, find that having a pen pal is a wonderful way to use the language. And everyone always loves to receive mail!

However, the fifth grade at the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School has adopted a somewhat unusual set of pen pals: the servicemen on the USNS Mercy, stationed in the northern Persian Gulf.

The project came about in an interesting fashion. As Terri Coustan, fifth grade General Studies teacher tells it, "We were discussing ancient Egypt and doing work with a map, identifying the area and the countries surrounding Egypt. The students noticed Saudi Arabia and began to speculate on what it would be like to live there and what some of the difficulties might be. They also remembered that the U.S. had servicemen in the area, and one student suggested that they write to them and find out about life in the Persian Gulf."

It became a class project. Each student wrote a letter, sharing information about himself and trying to make it a personal message. The letters were light-hearted and encouraging, attempting to make the serviceman feel he was being remembered. In addition to the letters, some students enclosed things they thought would be of assistance in making life more pleasant: one sent

money (seven cents); another enclosed a cigar; a third student sent along a hand-made bracelet.

No one really expected an answer, but as the letters have begun to arrive from the USNS Mercy, excitement is building. Here are some examples:

Dear Jacob, Sari and Zachary.

I was glad to get your letters. The letters give me a sense of pride in what we are doing out here. It is so nice to hear our young people voice their opinion.

My name is Michael W. Green. I am 31-years-old. My wife's name is Alice and we have 5-month-old twin girls, Brianna and Stephanie. We live in Fallon, Nevada. My wife and I are both in the Navy. I am presently stationed on one of the hospital ships, the USNS Mercy.

The ship left Oakland, California on the 15th of August. We stopped in Subic Bay, the Republic of the Philippines, on the 2nd of September and then proceeded on to the Persian Gulf, getting here on the 15th. We traveled half-way around the world in 30 days. Right now we are anchored off the coast of Saudi Arabia. We are acting just like a large hospital in the States does. We take care of all the people over here. Most of them come to the ship by helo. My job is with the Air Department. We land and launch the helos from the flight deck. I am a Paramedic and fly on the helos.

The weather here is not too bad right now, because fall is coming on. The temperature is between 100 and 119 during the day and it gets cooler at night. Most of the days are hazy, but some days it's clear blue skies.

Again I would like to thank you for your nice letter. Sari, thank you for the seven cents you sent. I will use it to buy Kool-aid. Please take care of yourself and your family.

Your friend in the Persian Gulf

Dear Michael,

I don't really know you yet but we already have 3 things in common. I also like sports, music and fast and stylish cars. As for your question, "What's it like living in the desert?" Well, the ship you see above (USNS Mercy pictured) is where I live. It's got water off the right and left side and off the front and back and not a drop to drink. The temp. is about 90 to 95 degrees with about 100% humidity. So in other words it's getting better here because when we first got on station the temp. was around 110 to 130 with 100% humidity. So in other words, it was REAL HOT!

I appreciate the letter and would like to hear from you again. Write me and tell me what's going on in your town, school, etc. I also would like to see a picture of you so write soon.

Your friend from the Northern Persian Gulf

Dear Jessica,

My name is Hospital Corpsman Scott T. Robicheaux. I'm 21 years old, 5'6", brown hair and eyes. I'm currently stationed at the USNS Mercy. The Mercy is a floating hospital that gives medical support to the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines of all countries.

The weather is cooling down. It's getting below 100 degrees (finally!). The food aboard ship isn't bad. It isn't great, but it isn't bad. Of course

right about now I would love a prime rib steak. There is one way that I think the ground troops are luckier than us. That is, they see and touch land every day. We only see water, water and more water for 3 months. We are on land for only 6 1/2 days out of that 3 months — period.

Write back soon and yes, I would like to be your pen pal.

Your friend from the Northern Persian Gulf

According to Mrs. Coustan, these letters, with their specific information, have awakened new questions: How do the military helicopters move on and off ships? How are servicemen's children being cared for at home? How do people who live on a boat get their clothes washed? "Slowly we're getting a sense of who these people are. At first they were just names. Now they are people with problems and the children are interested in being part of their lives."

Miriam Receives Accreditation

The Miriam Hospital has been awarded a three-year accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JCAHO). The action came after a thorough survey of the hospital during the summer.

"We are pleased to be awarded this three-year accreditation as it is a reflection of the high quality of care we provide," said Steven D. Baron, president of The Miriam Hospital.

The commission surveyed a wide range of the Miriam's services including patient care, the hospital's administration, medical records and dietary procedures.

Talk on Soviet Jewry at Emanu-El's Minyanaire Series

Barbara Gaffin, Congressional liaison of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, will speak at Temple Emanu-El on November 4. Ms. Gaffin's talk, which is one of a series on Soviet Jewry, will be on the current situation facing Soviet Jews in the USSR and how they have been affected by the recent major developments in that country. The series of talks are part of the Temple Emanu-El Men's Club's Minyanaire lecture program. The program, chaired by Ralph Levitt and Doris McGarry, offers the talks along with breakfast on Sunday mornings at Emanu-El. Before taking her present position at the NCSJ, Ms. Gaffin was Director of International Affairs at the Baltimore Jew Council. Her interest in international Jewry has led to a long involvement with Ethiopian Jewry beginning in 1979. In 1982 she was among the first volunteers to live and work with Ethiopian Jewish immigrants in Israel. She was active also in the United Jewish Appeal's "Operation Moses" fundraising campaign.

Ms. Gaffin's talk begins at 10 a.m. in Temple Emanu-El's Bohnen Vestry. Preceding the talk will be Minyanaire Shacharit services at 9 and breakfast at 9:30. Open to Men's Club members, wives, sponsors, contributors, relatives and friends.

Temple Emanu-El Leisure Club

The next Sunday meeting of Temple Emanu-El Leisure Club will be held on November 4, 1990 at 2 p.m. in the Bohnen Vestry of the Temple.

"Our guest for this program will be Mr. Stephen Martorella who will speak on "A Soviet Odyssey — A Cultural Exchange." Mr. Martorella is the organizer for Temple Torat Yisrael and Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church in America and a faculty member at R.I. College.

Last season he was both soloist and conductor of the American Waterways Wind Orchestra in a joint concert with the orchestra of the Soviet Army in Leningrad. He has also appeared as soloist in Belfast, London, Paris and Miami as well as on a live broadcast as part of the Kerkrade Summer Festival, Netherlands.

Mr. Martorella has made frequent appearances with R.I. Civic Choral, R.I. State Ballet, Providence New Music Ensemble and R.I. College Chamber Music Series.

After the meeting, a social hour will follow and refreshments will be served.

Shalom Chapter's Night Out

Shalom Chapter is planning a night out, Saturday, January 19, at City Nights, 27 Exchange St., Pawtucket. The "Odd Couple" will be the production.

Tickets for the show with dinner total \$18. Money is to be sent to Roberta Blum, 44 Baldino Drive, Cranston 02920 by November 2 or 3. Friends are welcome.



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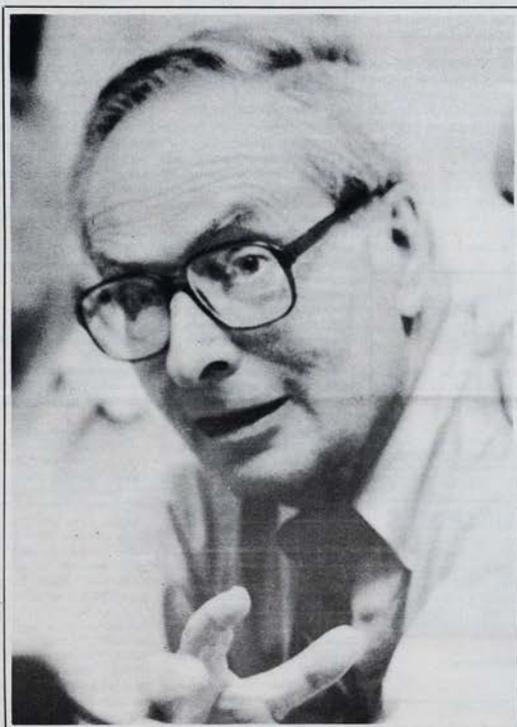
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Obituaries

BESSIE BRONSKI

PROVIDENCE — Bessie Bronski, 95, of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., died Monday, 99 October 22, 1990, at the home. She was the widow of John Bronski.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Harry and Lena (Klatcowski) Wine.

Mrs. Bronski was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Miriam Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

She leaves several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held Wednesday, October 24, at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Value of Life

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tion doses, she might live for another few weeks. Maybe two months. We went home brokenhearted with the little princess ensnared in my wife's lap. We held a powwow and decided that as long as there is a chance to extend her lifespan, we shall take it.

For two whole weeks we

fought for her life, tooth and nail. She could not move, even when she tried. Her head would lean to one side, and she would lose her balance and fall in a heap. There were plenty of chores. We had to make her drink water to prevent dehydration. She had to have some nutrients. We brought plastic syringes from the lab. The glassblower made special glass tubing for her so that she could take in water. She was taken care of. At about that time we started to notice that she was getting better, and, sure enough, she soon started to eat and drink on her own.

We regained her and the feeling of satisfaction was indescribable. She wasn't made well completely, but Lucky was breathing and eating — we appreciated every day that she was with us. When we looked at her, we beamed, because we knew that we had fought off death. We had gained a month of Lucky's life.

How different was this incident in my life from those others which occurred in a Nazi concentration camp. There, people like you and I, of flesh and blood would come to extinguish human lives. Innocent

lives of children and old people. Noncombatants who never hurt a fly. Young beings in the prime of their lives. Creatures supposedly created by the one and only G-d in his own image.

But they kept coming over us with their scythes. Taking a life became meaningless to them — they did their inhuman acts methodically with great premeditation. And the good people amongst them closed their eyes and pretended that all the killing was an act of war. Somehow, I survived. But I have lost a lot, and witnessed more.

I thank the Almighty that he preserved in me the appreciation for the value of life — be it the life of a little dog — even a month of that little dog's life.

Intermarriage

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riages," where one spouse remains non-Jewish.

The study found that younger Jews who intermarry today are more likely to marry spouses who do not convert to Judaism.

In Dallas, for example, the non-Jewish partner converted in 52 percent of the intermarriages among people 55 to 64 years old. But in intermarriages involving people between the ages of 18 and 34, the non-Jewish spouse converted only 17 percent of the time.

In some places, like Boston, fully one-third of young married Jews have non-Jewish spouses. But such mixed marriages account for only 1 percent of marriages there involving Jews over age 55.

Nearly half of the Jewish men in Boston who wed in the 1980s are in mixed marriages, as are over one-quarter of that city's married Jewish women. By contrast, only 1 percent of Boston's Jewish women and 6 percent of Jewish men married non-Jews in the 1950s.

There are tremendous differences between the Jewish practices and priorities in conversionary and mixed-married households.

About 9 out of 10 families where both parents are Jews, by birth or conversion, give their children a Jewish educa-

tion, but only about half of the children of mixed marriages receive any formal Jewish education at all, according to the Cohen Center analysis.

And there is a big difference in the level of Jewish ritual observance in the families of unmarried, conversionary and mixed married couples.

Whereas nearly four out of five people in households where both partners were either born Jewish or converted said they fast on Yom Kippur, fewer than half do so in mixed-married homes.

Conversely, Christmas trees are most often found in homes where one spouse remains non-Jewish. In Baltimore, for example, 69 percent of mixed-married households have Christmas trees, compared to 22 percent of conversionary households and 1 percent of homes where both spouses were born Jewish.

In the mixed marriages, the gender of the Jewish spouse is an important factor in the couple's Jewish identification. If the wife is Jewish, there is measurably more ritual practice and there are fewer Christmas trees.

Eight percent of intermarried households where the wife is Jewish light Sabbath candles, for example, a practice that is found in only 3 percent of the mixed-married households where the husband is the Jew.

And 63 percent of the mixed-married homes where the wife is Jewish light Chanukah candles, as opposed to 43 percent of the homes where the husband is Jewish.

Unmarried and conversionary couples are also about equally likely to make charitable donations to Jewish causes, whereas mixed-married couples were less than half as likely to contribute. In fact, in most communities studied, mixed-married households were more likely to give to non-Jewish than Jewish causes.

"Conversionary families behave very much like intermarried families in many areas," the researchers found. "They are as likely as intermarried Jews to make contributions to Jewish philanthropies and are highly committed to providing their children with a

Jewish education."

But since fewer intermarried couples are opting for conversion today, and since the rate of intermarriage is increasing, the Jewish community can expect to see less charitable giving to Jewish causes in the years to come, as well as fewer Jews affiliated with synagogues and Jewish organizations.

The impact of these changes will soon be felt at every level of Jewish communal life, the Cohen Center researchers say.

Because these trends are less pronounced among conversionary marriages, the Brandeis team believes the Jewish community should actively encourage conversion, though doing so runs counter to Jewish tradition.

"How and when to achieve the goal of conversion should constitute our focus in the coming decade," the reports say. "To ignore this essential need for conversion would be Jewish communal folly."

The Jewish community needs to make "conversion more accessible," said Tobin, who is director of the Cohen Center. One key to that, he said, is to "develop programs that, at the core, strengthen Jewish family life."

PHDS Book Fair

The PTF of Providence Hebrew Day, 450 Elm Grove Ave. is proud to announce that the Annual Book Fair will be held for the public on Saturday night, November 3, from 8:10 p.m. and on Sunday, November 4, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Students will attend during school hours Monday and Tuesday. Come and buy Judaic and secular books and feast at our "Nosh-Nook" — treats to enjoy. See our jewelry display — shop for Chanukah. A sofer (scribe) will be there to check Mezzuzot and Tefillin and explain his work to the students.

Menahel Merkaz Hatorah, Jerusalem, Israel, on the topic of "Molding The Torah Personality Of Our Children: Midos Are Not Just Caught, They Must Be Taught," Saturday night, November 4, 8:15 p.m., 450 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, R.I.

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Ohawe Sholam

This Friday evening, services are at 4:25 p.m. Shabbat morning services will be at 9 a.m., followed by a Kiddush. Saturday afternoon Rabbi Jacobs will give his class at 4:40 p.m. Mincha will be at 5:20 p.m., followed by the Third Sabbath Meal. Maariv is at 5:15 p.m. Havdalah is at 5:25 p.m.

After weekday services the synagogue is featuring a breakfast for the convenience of those people who cannot go home to eat breakfast after services. The whole Jewish community is invited to join us.

The following daily schedule is as follows: Monday and Thursday 6:40 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 6:50 a.m.; Evening 4:20 p.m. when possible.

Sunday, Nov. 11, there will be a Junior N.C.S.Y. bowling party at 2 p.m., followed by a meeting to plan upcoming events.

Beginning with the week of November 12 our congregation will offer an exciting array of courses.

On Monday, November 12, we will again offer a course in Hebrew reading at 7:30 p.m. This course will last for five successive Mondays and previous knowledge of Hebrew is required.

On Tuesday, November 13, we will offer a course in basic Judaism open to anyone who is interested in a course which will discuss basic ideas and observances in Judaic philosophy. This will also take place at 7:30 p.m. and will continue for five successive Tuesdays. Everyone is invited.

On Wednesday, November 14, at 7:30 p.m. we will offer a course in Hebrew reading level II. This is open to all those who have a basic knowledge of reading Hebrew but would like to improve and understand parts of the Liturgy. This course will last for five successive Wednesdays.

All the above courses are free of charge. To register call 724-3552 or 725-3886, or 1-800-444-7232.

On Friday to Sunday, December 7-9, there will be a Junior N.C.S.Y. Shabbaton.



Providence Hadassah's Opening Meeting on October 22 was a pre-election forum moderated by M. Charles Bakst, Government Affairs Editor of the Providence *Journal Bulletin*. Eleanor Slater represented the Democratic Party and Larry Goldberg, the Republican Party. A stimulating discussion was held, emphasizing each party's and candidate's positions on topics relevant to Israel and other Jewish interests. Pictured in the photograph are Eleanor Slater, Claire Bell and Erna Oelbaum, copresidents, Larry Goldberg, M. Charles Bakst, Doris McGarry and Eunice Greenfield, program committee.

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Checking in
With Cianci

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Were't you the guy who cancelled the Who concert in Providence?

"I did, but that was a matter of public safety it had nothing to do with their music."

So you like the Who?

"I didn't say that, some of those (recordings) belong to my daughter."

There's an uncomfortable silence and he looks me in the eye and says sheepishly, "You wouldn't hold that (Who cancellation) against me, would you?" He adds quickly, "I was instrumental in trying to bring the Rolling Stones here in 1981 but the press leaked it."

In his spare time, Cianci reads, goes boating and takes care of his daughter Nichole. He has a steady girlfriend Wendy and does not "play the field."

An all too potent combination of clever politician and likable guy long on chutzpah, Cianci would be a formidable opponent for anybody. "A statesman gives the people what they need, a politician gives people what they want. I would like to earn the title of statesman someday," he says.

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Loneliness

*I'm Loneliest
In a crowd
Especially at cocktail parties
Where people stand around
Glass in hand and spout platitudes
To which no one pays heed.*

*Alone in my room
Listening to Beethoven or Brahms
Maybe rereading
Charlotte or Emily
Or the latest by Saul
I'm not lonely at all.*

Love Is A Yellow Butterfly

*Love is a yellow butterfly
Perched briefly on a perfect rose
Embrace this magic moment
Hold it close to your heart
Soon a harsh wind will come
And blow it all away.*

Carpe Diem

*Seize the day
Fling it high
Clutch it tight
Shout and cry.*

*A grain of sand
A falling leaf
I touched your hand
And day was done.*

Rare Blossoms

*My garden blooms with blossoms rare
They send their perfume everywhere
But you my love are much more fair
Your flaxen hair, your sky blue eyes
You make my world a paradise
I bless each day that brought you here
And pray you'll stay our lives to share.*

Who Will Cry For You?

*Who will cry for you?
The voice from the pulpit droned on
I heard no more
Slowly I searched each frozen face I knew
Some I didn't know too well
Certain at last no one there would cry for me.*

*Sadly I stole away
Sat in my room crying self-pitying tears
Then suddenly remembered
Surely He would cry for me*

*Rejoicing I baked an offering
A rich blueberry pie
Oozing with juice
The color of dark red wine.*

(Lillian Kline, a resident of Massachusetts, is a frequent contributor to the Herald.)

Rhoda Perry — Her Dream Rings True 38 Years Later



by Kathy Cohen
Herald Assistant Editor

When Rhoda Perry was in the eighth grade, she was introduced to a woman who, little did she know then, would influence her to eventually seek public office. Today, Perry is running as a Democrat in the District 3 Senate race.

The influential woman was Abigail Adams, John Quincy Adams' wife. "I met her obviously in a book," Perry said.

The passage was a letter written to her husband which read, "John, remember the ladies for we will foment a rebellion if we do not have a voice in the laws that govern the people."

"That was back on October 9, 1779, and of course, we didn't get the right to vote until 1914, but I used that for my campaign theme 'Rhoda Perry — a new voice for R.I.'"

As a political newcomer, the 46-year-old goes door to door making herself known to her

district by explaining her past experiences and the common concerns she shares with the voters.

"It's been awesome," Perry said. "It's a very humbling experience."

Perry was born in Melrose, Massachusetts, where she graduated high school. Afterwards, she attended the University of New Hampshire where she received a degree in Biology. She received a Master's degree in Business from Leslie College in Boston.

She moved to Rhode Island about 20 years ago when her husband, Donald, accepted a position as a professor of sociology at the University of Rhode Island.

She enjoys jogging, espionage books, mahjongg, animals, children and a bit of singing and dancing.

When asked about support from the Jewish community Perry replied: "I wouldn't say that I have a strong following as much as I would say I have strong similarities with the issues and basic aggressive agenda."

"I want to be remembered as a person concerned about other people who have difficulty taking care of themselves."

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Opening of the JDC Library in Sofia, Bulgaria. Sylvia Hassenfeld, center, is presenting the JDC library to Edie Shvartz (on the left), President of the "Shalom" Organization of the Jews in Bulgaria, and to Josif Levi (on the right), the President of the Central Religious Council of Jews in Bulgaria. Photo by Sherwood B. Slater, JDC.

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