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Apathy Underscores Bosnian Vigil at Brown

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

In blustery, subfreezing temperatures, a small group of Brown University students staged a public protest against the slaughter that continues to rage in Bosnia-Herzegovina on the school's main green on Feb. 25. Yet despite widespread advertising throughout the college community by the Balkan Human Rights Task Force and local community groups, only about two dozen students showed up — a fraction of the predicted 600 students.

"I'm totally embarrassed to be associated with this university," Tala Hadid expressed bitterly as she shivered in the freezing wind. "This only goes to show that all the perception of Brown being such a liberal-minded, conscientious institution is all a facade."

Hadid and Eric Antebi are organizers of the Balkan Human Rights Task Force, formed last semester after news reports of widespread rapes and torture in Bosnia were reported by the wire services, they said.

One by one, Michael Rader, Antebi and Hadid pleaded with the sparse crowd not to give up the struggle to persuade Congress to endorse Resolution 24, five points supporting a direct approach to stopping the bloody conflict.

"If the war extended into the southern province of Kosovo, the situation would explode," noted Professor Stephen Shenefield, a research associate with the Thomas J. Watson Jr. Institute for International Studies

at Brown.

"If people allow ethnic cleansing in Bosnia-Herzegovina to go unchallenged, then other countries will implement the same type of policies," Antebi warned.

According to a statement by the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, "As Jews, for us the legacy of 'never

again' extends to never again allowing the world to stand idly by in the face of organized oppression based on religious or ethnic identity."

A silent candlelight vigil and a home video documenting Bosnian war atrocities planned for later that evening also garnered few attendants. Yet several task force members are optimistic that despite the low turnout, support will come.

Strajcher Leaving PHDS, Moving To Ohio School

by Anne S. Davidson
Herald Editor

Just when he wasn't looking, opportunity came knocking on Rabbi Sholom Strajcher's door last month. When he answered, he found a new job and a new direction for himself and his family.

"The need for new challenge at this point in my life was something that was very necessary."

— Rabbi Sholom Strajcher

Rabbi Strajcher made the formal announcement last month that he will leave Providence Hebrew Day School in the summer, ending a 13-year journey as dean of the school. In a career switch, Strajcher will serve as principal at the Jacob Sapirstein Mesivta High School for boys in Cleveland. He will

also be an educational consultant to the Stone Sapirstein-Weiss Foundation.

"I've had the opportunity to move a number of times and each move has brought not only its challenges but also its incredible blessings of people and accomplishments," he told the Herald last week, upon returning from a visit to Ohio.

The move to Cleveland will not only present a change of jobs but a significant geographic change as well. "I grew up on the water. I grew up on the beach. But it is all G-d's country," Strajcher came to Providence after spending five years in Savannah, Ga., two and a half years in New Orleans and three years in Memphis, Tenn. Born in New York, he was raised in Miami Beach, Fla.

"G-d has blessed me for 13 years to really work in a special (Continued on Page 21)



PERFECTIONIST — Michelle Pepper, 13, a Hey student at Torat Yisrael, designs a tile for the Circle of Clay program that will include tiles from 4,000 Rhode Island public and private school students in the new Hasbro Children's Hospital this fall. The class took place Sunday.

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Warren H.S. Seniors Learn Lesson of Past and Present

by Anne S. Davidson
Herald Editor

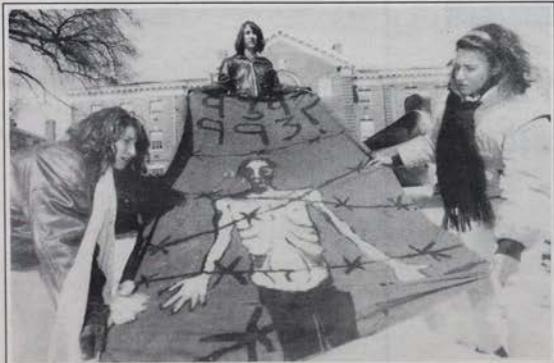
A responsibility was passed on to members of the Warren High School class of 1993 last week — a responsibility to bear witness and question authority. These were among the lessons conveyed Feb. 25 by Holocaust survivor Ray Eichenbaum, who shared his story of losing his family and the happy childhood he had known in Poland.

The students, members of James F. Davis' English class who have been studying the Holocaust in recent weeks,

packed the school library for Eichenbaum's talk. He had been asked to speak to the students by his friend Everett Kagan and his wife, Helen Kagan, a teacher at the high school.

"It is not that we Jews want the world to feel sorry for us. ... However, it is painful for us to hear such insinuations [of Holocaust revisionists] because it would mean that all our suffering ... were in vain," he said. "That is why I want you to bear witness for the future."

Eichenbaum said he survived (Continued on Page 3)



THEN AND NOW — Students Ilana Braun, Helena Miller and Elizabeth O'Brien unfurl a giant mural depicting human suffering at the Bosnian vigil on the Brown campus Feb. 25.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

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INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

English Silks Are Topic of Lecture

Visiting scholar and costume historian Jean L. Druesedow will present an illustrated lecture entitled "Floral Fantasies: English Silks in the 18th Century. Costumes & Interiors" at the University of Rhode Island on March 11.

The program will be held in Room 273 of URI's Chafee Hall and will be free and open to the public.

Druesedow will give an overview of the period in the history of European textiles and will document societal influences on the designs of 18th century silks.

For further information, call Joy Spanabel Emery at 792-2713.



CONCERNED — Rabbi Alan Flam addresses a small crowd of students at the Balkan Human Rights Task Force's Bosnian vigil on the Brown University campus on Feb. 25.

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Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Volunteers Needed for Riding Program

Narragansett Pacers, a horseback riding program for disabled children and adults, is seeking volunteers for its 1993 Spring/Summer program.

Volunteers are vital members of the therapeutic riding team providing the support and

supervision needed for students to ride safely and successfully.

Volunteers can become involved in many program activities including sidewalking, leading, grooming, saddling horses, stable management, supervising students and clerical tasks.

Although experience with horses and/or the disabled is

desirable, a sincere interest in working with horses and the disabled is all that is required to become a volunteer. The program provides hands-on training.

Volunteers are needed Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings and afternoons. The program is located on Salisbury Road, Foster. To learn more about the Pacers' volunteer program, contact Randi Stanford at 647-9666.

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Information on Frozen Deposits Was Incorrect

The Internal Revenue Service announced recently that contrary to previous advice, taxpayers do not have an option in reporting interest on frozen deposits. In the past, IRS publications stated that taxpayers could choose to report interest on frozen deposits in the current year or postpone reporting the interest until the money was received. This information was incorrect. IRS Code Section 451(g) states that interest on frozen deposits can only be reported to the extent it has been received.

Malcolm A. Liebermann, district director for Providence, said, "I sincerely regret any inconvenience to taxpayers resulting from this error." The IRS will provide whatever assistance is needed to help taxpayers file Form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, Liebermann said.

DEPCO taxpayers should file a 1040X if they chose to include interest on frozen deposits on their 1991 or 1992 return. They will receive a refund including any interest due.

Taxpayers who need assistance to amend a return or have questions can call 528-4188. Leave your name and phone number and a taxpayer representative will return your call. Assistance and/or preparation of Form 1040X will be provided at any IRS office.

OCEAN STATE NEWS BRIEFS

The Rhode Island Optometric Association will offer free eye examinations and eye glasses to uninsured working Rhode Islanders from March 7 to 13. To register, contact Rhoda Kelly, executive director of the association, at (800) 491-7550, or call the Providence Salvation Army at 421-0956.

The Valley Hospice/Visiting Nurse Service of Pawtucket is looking for volunteers to help provide a listening ear and a caring touch to patients and families. For more information, call Joan Major or Inez Cote at 725-3414.

The Providence Public Library invites the public to attend a book and author reception featuring Wil Haygood, author of *King of The Cats: The Life and Times of Adam Clayton Powell Jr.* on March 8, from 5 to 7 p.m. For more information, contact Beth Watson Sousa at 455-8090.

The Rhode Island Subchapter of the American Association of Individual Investors will present Alfred B. Van Liew and Robert E. Cusack Jr. at the Johnson & Wales Airport Hotel, 2081 Post Road, Warwick, on March 8 at 7 p.m. The two investors will speak on current economic conditions and trends. For more information, call John Adams at 723-8000.

The next meeting of the *Compassionate Friends*, a self-help group for parents who have suffered the death of a child, will be held on March 8 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Brendan's Church Hall, 33 Turner Ave., East Providence. The meeting is open to the public and members are invited to bring a friend or relative. For more information, call Judy at 437-0282.

Women with breast cancer are invited to meet with the American Cancer Society's Reach to Recovery Volunteers in a free mini-workshop on March 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Breast Health Center at Women and Infants' Hospital, 1 Blackstone Place, Providence. For more information, call 722-8480.

The 25th Infantry Division Association is announcing the 44th annual reunion-convention, set for Aug. 5 to 8 in Louisville, Ky., for veterans who served in the division during World War II, the occupation of Japan, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, or in peacetime. For more information on the reunion or the association, contact Andy Ansell, R.D. #1 Box 336, Acme, Pa. 15610.

FEATURE

Seniors Learn

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because of a willpower to live, inborn optimism, a belief in G-d and a refusal to give in to animalistic tendencies. He said that while he despises Nazis with all his heart and soul, he admires Germany's many contributions to the world. "I do not hate blindly. I cannot hate blindly because if I would, I would be like the Nazis.

"Do not follow your leaders blindly," he warned. "Speak out for what you believe is right. ... Abstaining from controversial issues is as if you

"Do not follow your leaders blindly. ... Speak out for what you believe is right."
— Ray Eichenbaum

voted for the wrong side. ... Above all, love your fellowman."

At one point, Eichenbaum called on student Chris Collins to read a story Eichenbaum had written as a college student because of his elder brother Maurice, explaining that it is too painful for him to read himself.

Describing Maurice's self-sacrifice for the brother he

loved and their last goodbye before being taken away by the Germans to his death, Collins broke down, the room filled with tears and Eichenbaum gently reclaimed the podium after a moment of somber reflection.

Eichenbaum used to lecture frequently about his experiences as a survivor of the Holocaust. But as years have passed, he and his wife have come to realize that each talk takes a little more out of him — mainly, long sleepless nights as thoughts of the past overpower



Ray Eichenbaum
Herald photo by Anne Davidson



LIVING HISTORY — Holocaust survivor Ray Eichenbaum addresses Warren High School seniors last week. "I want you to bear witness for the future," he says.
Herald photo by Anne Davidson

him. "I'm exhausted," he told a friend that day.

"History ... is the record of the past. It is also what historians write," Davis told his students. "It disappears, fades, it goes away as it ceaselessly fades into the present ... but

most of all, it survives in people. ... We look especially to them for the deeper meaning of life itself."

Eichenbaum doesn't relive these moments of pain for himself; he would much prefer to forget them. But he realizes the irrefutable responsibility that he and others like him have to tell their story, he said. "We speak about it because we do not want it to happen again — never again."

preschool and kindergarten undergraduate years at the Day School. We snapped some twinkly shots of the rabbi with Reuben, the diploma in their hands.

A few times I have interviewed Rabbi Sholom for help with interpretation of a holiday. Last year, we went over the Jewish attitude toward wine. His words came across with good humor, ease, grace and wit.

I bet it's not easy to be a rabbi in our hectic world. Jews give other Jews a hard time. Maybe that's part of our tradition. Nobody's perfect. In the old country in the old time, you bragged about your rebbe. Around here these days you put people down. Sholom in Torah built a great Jewish culture that sent rays of light all over the world. "Sholom" suits our rabbi, a person of peace and wisdom.

In a Name



by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

Rabbi Sholom Strajcher joined a pro-Falasha Providence group more than a decade ago. He was the first, the only, local rabbi to march in a Statehouse rally of support. It just made sense to him to carry a picket and chant a hymn of brotherhood.

When our first son was born, I cornered Rabbi Strajcher in the library of the Providence Hebrew Day School. I asked him what he thought of the name "Reuben." I mean, Jacob's firstborn son wouldn't pass muster if he ran for public office nowadays. He did some questionable things. Like, he carried on with his dad's lady, Jacob told off his heir, "Your blood will run off like water." He loses the special blessing of the eldest brother. Then, he joins his siblings in the kidnap of Joseph, Jacob's favorite.

"Rabbi, what kind of role model will Reuben stand for if we give our baby that name-sake?" I asked.

Well, Rabbi Strajcher pointed out that all the world means is "Hey look, a boy!" he slipped in a few kindly footnotes. "Reuben takes his mom Leah's side in family disputes. He looks out for her. As for the Joseph episode, Reuben softens his younger brothers' envy and anger. In fact, Reuben places his kid brothers' destiny right on the road to the great story that will unfold for him and for the peo-

ple of Jacob, of Israel."

Even more important than any of these details of Torah, according to Rabbi Strajcher, Judaism doesn't craft superhuman creatures, idols of flesh and blood. Nobody sets a perfect example. We try to live toward the ideal image, which is not an image, of Hashem. We turn like plants to face the sunshine.

Well, our Reuben turned out to open up a sunny soul, gentle and loyal. Rabbi Strajcher got to check him out during his

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Women's History Month Events



Tuesday, March 9

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Outdoor Vacations for Women Over 40: Environmentalist
Marion Stockard

Wednesday, March 10

7:30 p.m.
Time for Women?—Myth or Reality? Judge Victoria Lederberg

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Jewish Singles Could Tap into Jewish Community's Resources

To the Editors:

It was nice to see that the JCRCI Singles Club is planning so many events ("JCRCI, Singles Plan Busy Month Ahead," *Herald*, Feb. 25). However, it is distressing that a group reaching out to Jewish singles seems to be running away from any Jewish content in its programming.

On March 6, the club is planning a dance at Mustang Sally's with a choice of oldies or country. March 6 just happens to be Purim night, one of the most joyous, fun-filled and exciting events in the entire Jewish calendar. Is it so unrealistic to think of a program incorporating some of Purim's joys, perhaps a masquerade, or an event in conjunction with an area synagogue? There are so many dimensions to the fun of Purim, it seems that many programs could be planned, even if one wishes to avoid any hint of religious associations.

While any hint of the Jewish Purim's joys are ignored in the single's calendar, St. Patrick's Day, a non-Jewish holiday commemorating a saint of

some other religion, is specifically celebrated by a special dinner at a local restaurant. Why are Jewish singles commemorating this holiday? At least, give Jewish holidays equal representation!

Finally, it is noteworthy that the bulk of programs take the

How can they participate in single's activities?

The status of being single is fraught with spiritual and social challenges. Any efforts made by the Jewish community to reach out to these people deserves commendation. In addition, the Jewish community of Rhode Island, with its dynamic synagogues, committed rabbis and speakers, extensive media collection, Holocaust museum, historical

Letters to the EDITOR

format of dinner get-togethers at local dining spots, of which all are non-kosher restaurants. Again, is this the best vehicle for Jewish singles to meet? Assuming that the members of the JCRCI Singles Club have chosen this group rather than another singles club because they are proud of their Jewish identity, can't we at least provide the group with kosher food? And what about those singles who do keep kosher?

archives and opportunities for volunteering with seniors through the JCC or Jewish Home, children at the area schools or influx of new Americans, provides a rich fabric of interaction and enrichment for any individual or group who wishes to reach out to other Jews or be a part of a dynamic, live community.

The Jewish calendar itself provides tremendous opportunities for stimulation, growth and support for all sectors of society. How unfortunate that there is no opportunity for Jewish singles to tap into these resources.

Deborah Worch
Pawtucket

A Known Quantity

To the Editors:

I recently attended a meeting of my Masonic Lodge where columnist Mark Patinkin was a guest speaker.

After his discourse, I approached him asking for an autograph, and when I introduced myself, he said, "I know you well from your letters to *The Jewish Herald* and to *The Echo*. You are the one preaching tolerance."

Hans Heimann
Cranston

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Fifty Years Ago This Week In The Jewish Herald

Rally Demands Fit Punishment for Nazis

NEW YORK — Religious, government and labor leaders, crowding Madison Square Garden and a big overflow crowd in the streets outside the big auditorium, heard prominent speakers demand fit punishment of Hitler and the Nazis for their policy of extermination of the Jews in Europe. They called for immediate action to halt persecution of Jews in German-occupied Europe; served warning on Germany that full retribution would be exacted for the 2,000,000 slaughtered Jews

WEEK OF MARCH 5, 1943 Revocation of Nurnberg Laws in N. Africa

A resolution introduced in the Rhode Island legislature by Rep. Joseph Shaolson calling upon the Secretary of State Cordell Hull, to use his good offices to effect at the earliest possible moment the revocation of the Nurnberg laws and other anti-Semitic regulation still in force in North Africa has been passed by the House and sent to the judiciary committee of the Senate.

Sen. Johnson Heads Drive to Aid Jews

WASHINGTON — Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D., Colo.) has accepted chairmanship of a national movement to rescue Jews from Nazi-occupied countries and organize an army of about 200,000 stateless Jews to fight for the United Nations. Among the committee's aims, Johnson said, was to get the appointment of an inter-governmental commission of military experts to form a realistic and stern policy to stop the slaughter of European Jews.

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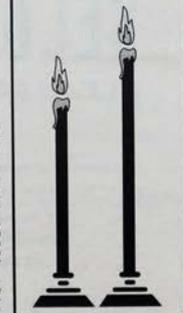
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Impact of Clinton's Plan on Charitable Giving Not Yet Clear

by Larry Yudelson

NEW YORK (JTA) — Like much else about President Clinton's economic plan, its impact on Jewish philanthropy is unclear.

Raising the top income tax bracket from 31 percent to an effective 39.6 percent may increase contributions to Jewish causes, since donors will get a larger deduction for their donation.

Conversely, it could hurt fund-raising efforts, since, deduction or not, America's richest individuals — and biggest givers — will have less money in their pockets at the end of the year.

"The relationship between the top tax rate and charitable giving is unclear," said Donald Kent, director of planned giving and foundation relations for the Council of Jewish Federations.

"As the rate has gone down over the last 20 years, charitable gifts from individuals have continued to go up."

Besides, said Kent, "the charitable deduction is not the primary reason people give the gift they give."

But Bob Smucker thinks the higher rates will mean higher giving. Smucker is director of governmental relations for the Independent Sector, an organization of 850 voluntary associations, foundations and corporate giving offices.

"Research shows that as the marginal tax rate increases, people give more," said Smucker, "especially very wealthy people."

And while Clinton, in his Feb. 17 address announcing the plan, minimized the number of Americans to be affected by the income tax increases, the same wealthy minority whose tax rates will go up constitutes the financial backbone of federation and other charitable campaigns.

According to the 1990 National Jewish Population Study, the median annual income of Jews was \$39,000 — a figure that means half of American Jews will feel any bite from the Clinton plan at the gas pump, rather than on their tax returns.

But the 1.7 percent of Jewish households earning \$200,000 or more, who will see their top tax rates rise to 36 or 39.6 percent, are the backbone of Jewish communal institutions.

They represented half of those responding to a 1991 sur-

vey of CJF board members and lay presidents of local federations. They constituted a third of a broader strata of local Jewish leadership surveyed by the American Jewish Committee.

And they are basically the 1.6 percent of all federation donors who, in 1987 gave \$10,000 or more, representing 57 percent of the campaign.

Not All Bad News For Wealthy

The news for their taxes under the Clinton plan, however, is not all bad.

According to Kent and Smucker, Clinton's proposal restores a tax break for donors that was eliminated in the 1986 tax reform under President Ronald Reagan, partially restored under President George Bush in 1990 and then allowed to expire last summer.

At issue was the tax deduction for appreciated property donated to charity, such as real estate or stock. Until 1986, the appreciated value could be deducted from income. But under the current rules, taxpayers subject to the Alternative Minimum Tax can only deduct the price they paid for the item they donate, not its present value.

"We know of several specific major gifts that have been delayed because of this issue," said Kent. "We're talking a significant difference in the amount they can leverage gifts."

The deduction is "very important for the Jewish community," said Smucker, "because the lead gift in almost any capital campaign would be a gift of stock."

Kent cautioned donors — and not just the wealthy — that hand in hand with this provision will come a demand for better record keeping.

Under a compromise worked out between the nonprofit community and the Treasury department last year, and expected to be part of the current package, charitable deductions over a certain limit, perhaps as low as \$100, can only be taken with a receipt.

This is to curb the practice of donors improperly deducting benefits received in exchange for their donations, such as the meals served at benefit dinners.

The Treasury estimates that such deductions cost \$1 billion or more in lost tax revenue annually. Under the compromise,

benefits would be listed on the receipt as subtractions from the total donation.

One area where the Clinton plan holds bad news for philanthropies is the "3 percent floor." This provision eliminates deductions, including charitable ones, equal to 3 per-

cent of adjusted income above \$100,000.

For someone with an adjusted income of \$150,000, the result would be to disqualify \$1,500 worth of deductions. For residents of New York and other high-tax states, that might not mean much. But in states with low taxes, "that has

clearly and directly had an effect on charitable giving," said Kent.

Smucker agreed, saying that the current floor, which is due to expire in 1995 but Clinton would make permanent, paves the way to eliminating the charitable deduction altogether.

Purim and Meshiach Mania

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Europe, etc.

It was during periods of oppression, which brought depression and gloom, that false messiahs arose, claiming they were appointed to save our people. They often were welcomed by a populace desperate for salvation. These inevitably resulted in great disappointment and greater despair and, leading often to wholesale abandonment of our faith, a severe rupture in the fabric of our community. Most people were not cognizant of G-d's pattern in history, his manner of determining events. They knew Purim meant "lottery," and as far as they were concerned, G-d's deliverance was a "hit-or-miss" lottery, an act based on chance and not on a predetermined, purposeful blueprint.

However, even a comparatively simple study of our scriptures can reveal a general understanding of G-d's method in determining the future fate of our people. There is a specific, divine plan. Mere mortals often cannot fathom or predict G-d's actions. I would hope that my discernment of G-d's plan may be inaccurate for I, too, yearn for the messiah's arrival and my heart would also exit in his coming.

However, my mind tells me that even if the establishment of the state of Israel may be the "hatchalatah de geulah," an important initial step on the road to redemption, the imminent arrival of the meshiach is premature now.

Every morning, pious Jews recite the blessing of "ani maamin," a reminder in our faith of the coming of the mes-

siach. However, there are two directly contrary scenarios for this event to become a reality.

The more pleasant and preferable prerequisite is the extensive and almost complete return of our people to G-d's precepts, to the observance of our Torah. This can be noted in the Purim episode, when Mordechai gathers together all the children of Persia and starts teaching them our Jewish traditions. This started a complete reversal in the Persian community, a truly remarkable religious revival and return to the observance of Judaism.

The other road to the messiah's coming is the completely opposite approach. If our people have fallen to the lowest levels of degradation, similar to our status as slaves in Egypt, then G-d will redeem us before we reach the "lowest rung" of survival as Jews. This is often referred to as the "ikva d'meshicha" and associated with "pre-messianic pangs," as per the holiday of Passover.

In our contemporary Jewish scene, I believe, we have not reached either of these extreme situations. We have seen great strides of progress, in the American Jewish community accompanied by the phe-

nomenon of many "baaley-teshuva" (returnees to the Jewish fold), especially in many large urban and suburban Jewish areas.

However, we have also seen serious deterioration and shrinkage of the general Jewish community, even in the minimums of Jewish religious identification. Thus, we see that neither trend has been exclusive and results in our continued "waiting for his arrival."

Hopefully, the message of Purim will spark a true, extensive return to our heritage, and we will be able to witness the arrival of the true messiah.

Dr. Shapiro is the rabbi at Touro Synagogue in Newport.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Israel Hopes Move Will Bring Palestinians Back To Talks

by Cynthia Mann

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israeli leaders are hoping a U.S. decision to issue invitations for a ninth round of Middle East peace talks will bring the Palestinians back to the negotiating table.

U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher announced last week that invitations for the bilateral talks, to take place in April, will be issued shortly.

Christopher made the announcement Feb. 25 in Geneva, where he met with his Russian counterpart a day after completing his weeklong visit to the Middle East.

But the U.S. secretary was evasive when asked if he had a firm commitment from the Palestinians to attend the talks.

In Jerusalem, the Palestinians negotiating delegation issued a statement saying that "while no final agreements have been reached, we are still engaged in ongoing discussions and hope to be able to solve outstanding issues in the near future."

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Christopher's announcement put the burden of responsibility on the Palestinians "to come back to the reality of the situation" and return to the peace talks.

The Palestinian statement appeared to be more positive than ones issued earlier last week, which still demanded a full resolution of the crisis over the 415 Palestinians whom Israel deported to Lebanon in December.

Earlier last month, Israel offered to take back 101 of the deportees immediately and the rest by the end of the year. That plan was backed by the

United States but rejected by the Palestinians as insufficient.

On Feb. 25, Israeli leaders reiterated that no further concessions on the issue would be made. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said in Tel Aviv that if the Palestinians are hoping for changes in the American-Israeli understanding, "they can forget about it."

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Israel Mute on Russian Report

by Deborah Kalb

States News Service

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israeli officials are dismissing but not explicitly denying the accuracy of a Russian intelligence report that asserts the Jewish state could have stockpiled about 100 and 200 nuclear weapons since 1970.

An English translation of the report was made public last week by U.S. Sen. John Glenn (D-Ohio) during a hearing of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, which he chairs.

The Israeli Embassy responded to the report by issuing the same statement it always does when asked about the country's nuclear capability: that "Israel will not be the first [country] to introduce nuclear weapons into the Middle East."

Similar reports about Israel's possible nuclear stockpile "have been cropping up for many years now," said Michael Shiloh, deputy chief of mission at the embassy. "Israel has never related to such reports."



Biggest Message in the Mideast

This 80-meter billboard, located in one of Tel Aviv's busiest junctions, is part of a massive billboard campaign that recently rocked Israel and the rest of the world. It bears the message, "Welcome King Messiah," and features a picture of Lubavitcher Rebbe Menachem Schneerson. On Jan. 31, Lubavitcher Hasidim publicly acknowledged the rebbe as the messiah in an internationally telecast ceremony. They base this acknowledgment on the fact that he has fulfilled all the criteria for the messiah set forth in Jewish law. The Hasidim also point to events such as the fall of communism and the Gulf War, which Jewish holy writings from centuries ago predicted, as signs of the messianic age. Lubavitcher organizations are urging people to prepare for this new age through good deeds, acts of kindness and renewed commitment to inner spiritual goals.

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"I don't know" if the senator "thinks he detected anything new," Shiloh said. "I don't see anything new."

A spokesman for Glenn agreed that there have always been rumors relating to Israel's nuclear stockpile. "We're not endorsing" the Russian findings the spokesman said. "We're showing what the Russian intelligence service has done."

Glenn released the English

translation last week at a hearing where James Woolsey, the CIA director, was testifying.

The report, compiled by the Russian Foreign Intelligence Service and titled "A New Challenge After the Cold War — The Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction," surveyed the global threat of nuclear proliferation and provided information on the nuclear stockpiles of specific countries.



INTERNATIONAL

LONDON (JTA) — A 5-year-old struggle by North London's Orthodox community to reject an eruv was dealt a bitter blow last week when a local planning council rejected the plan. After weeks of controversy, the planning and research committee of the Barnet Council on Feb. 24 voted 11-7 against the establishment of what would have been Britain's first eruv.

BONN (JTA) — An internationalist wanted Austrian neo-Nazi activist, Walter Ochsensberger, was arrested recently in the northern German port of Kiel. He was expected to have been extradited to Austria shortly after his arrest. In Vienna, the Austrian Interior Ministry welcomed the arrest and said that Ochsensberger would have to serve a prison term of two years for anti-Semitic and other activities related to his ideological inclinations.

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (JTA) — A reserve officer in the Canadian Armed Forces filed a suit in federal court against the Ministry of Defense claiming he was denied a posting during the Persian Gulf War because he is Jewish.

Jewish Agency Hears Rosy Forecast on Economy

by Cynthia Mann

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Finance Minister Avraham Shohat told the Jewish Agency's Board of Governors last week that a strong economy is "the best and main solution" for absorbing immigrants and that the new government's policies are spurring economic growth.

But Shohat conceded that the government's best efforts to create jobs have not yet made a dent in the 11 percent unemployment rate.

"We're doing the best we can," said Shohat. He pointed out that 75,000 new jobs were created last year and argued against short-term quick fixes advocated by some politicians here.

Shohat pointed to recently stepped up spending on infrastructure, education and investment incentives, saying it would lead to a healthier investment climate, a more competitive work force and long-term job growth.

The finance minister acknowledged that unemployment is key. "It means 200,000 who want to work can't find work," he said.

"And it affects the decision to make aliyah," he said. "The fact that it is quite hard to find a job here," especially in potential immigrants' professions, directly influences their decision to come to Israel, he said.

But Shohat emphasized the positive in his presentation to the Jewish Agency leaders. He cited last year's growth rate of 7 percent, an export increase of 11 percent and progress toward privatization of state-owned industries.

While he called privatization a difficult process, he said the government wants to be less directly involved in the business sector. He predicted the number of companies sold would triple in the coming year.

Shohat also predicted a boon in foreign investment in Israel in response to prospects for regional peace agreements. The desire to invest here is "unbelievable," he said.

"The main reason is the belief that we'll find a solution, that the horizon is a little brighter and that we're ready for certain kinds of agreement," he said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

INTERNATIONAL

MONTREAL (JTA) — For the fourth time since New Year's weekend, Montreal Jewish institutions have been defaced with anti-Semitic graffiti by unknown individuals. Some time Feb. 20, vandals spray painted three swastikas on the Anshei Ozeroff synagogue in Montreal's Cote des Neiges district. The suspects were not seen.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, returning shocked from a visit to an impoverished Tel Aviv neighborhood, has expressed concern about deteriorating social and economic conditions. Rabin, who toured the poorer areas of southern Tel Aviv two weeks ago, said he was surprised at the high rate of unemployment, the lack of medical services and the high use of drugs.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — John Demjanjuk, the Nazi war criminal sentenced to death by an Israeli court, decided to go on a hunger strike from his prison cell beginning March 1, his lawyer said last week. Demjanjuk, 73, has appealed his verdict to Israel's High Court of Justice, and sources say a ruling in the long-running case should be issued within two months.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel's Reform movement filed a petition with the nation's Supreme Court last week in the hope of winning state recognition of Reform conversions to Judaism performed in Israel. The Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism and the Association for Civil Rights in Israel joined forces to challenge the Interior Ministry's refusal to accept the validity of such conversions.

BONN (JTA) — Most Jews from the former Soviet Union who immigrated to Germany during the past few years plan to stay here, according to a poll taken by the Moses Mendelssohn Institute in Potsdam.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Jewish groups are welcoming news that the United Nations will set up a war crimes tribunal to prosecute those committing atrocities in the former Yugoslavia. Organizational officials say the tribunal will send the proper message to war criminals in the Balkans and around the world, causing them to think twice about their actions.

Israelis Ready To Compromise For Peace

by Hugh Orgel
TEL AVIV (JTA) — Just over half the Israeli population is willing to give back to Syria some or all of the Golan Heights in exchange for peace, according to a recent survey.

The survey, conducted by Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies, also revealed that most Israelis are interested in peace but mistrust Arab intentions.

The poll, based on a representative sample of Israelis excluding those living on kibbutzim or in the administered territories, showed that Israelis regard the present moment as presenting more possibilities for peace than at any time since the Persian Gulf War.

Government policy in the territories is perceived as being too weak, and the public appears to be highly concerned about personal security.

The poll revealed that 33 percent of Israelis are ready to return a small portion of the Golan Heights in exchange for peace, 15 percent are prepared to give up a large part and 5

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Sports Tribute

About \$10 million in investment capital was mobilized when State of Israel Bonds recently honored National Basketball Association Commissioner David Stern (far left) at its inaugural International Sports Tribute at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City. NBC Sports President Dick Ebersol served as chairman of the tribute and NBC Sports personality Bob Costas was the master of ceremonies. Former NBA player Sen. Bill Bradley and former Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp (second from right) were honorary chairmen. Julius "Dr. J" Erving (far right) was among those paying tribute to the NBA commissioner. Also seen above is Ambassador Meir Rosenne, president and chief executive of State of Israel Bonds.

Ruling on N.J. Kashrut Laws Has Some Orthodox Worried

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen
NEW JERSEY (JTA) — The U.S. Supreme Court's decision to leave standing a New Jersey court ruling that voided the state's kosher food regulations has some in the Orthodox community concerned about the implications for kosher consumers in New Jersey and around the country.

The July 1992 decision by the New Jersey State Supreme Court ruled that the state's kosher food regulations involved an "entanglement" of government and religion and were thus unconstitutional.

The regulations defined kosher as food prepared according to Orthodox Jewish tradition, which, despite general consensus within the Jewish community on many normative aspects of kashrut, can vary in nuance from one segment of the observant Jewish community to the next.

The Supreme Court decision could have national implications if any of the 22 other states with kosher regulations has them challenged on constitutional grounds.

But that is unlikely, said observers, because of the very specific wording of the New

Jersey regulations and the more general phrasing of most other states' statutes — which leave the definition of kashrut to community consensus — and because of the higher standards of proof required to prosecute in other states.

In New York and Maryland, for example, prosecution for abrogating standards of kashrut requires proof of intent to sell non-kosher products, according to Marc Stern, legal director of the American Jewish Congress.

"This 'much higher standard of proof means that the state is not compelled to decide theological questions,'" said Stern.

New Jersey's Bureau of Kosher Enforcement is presently working to finish new regulations, which will require manufacturers and retailers to disclose their standards of kashrut observance, rather than require that they comply with one standard of kashrut or another.

The new regulations, which the bureau expects to publish within weeks, will require that the manufacturer or retailer disclose the standard by which they define "kosher" — whether the standard is that of

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Territories' Dependence on Israel Poses Challenge for Autonomy Plan

by Hugh Orgel
TEL AVIV (JTA) — A new study done by Tel Aviv University has shown that the infrastructure of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip is too underdeveloped to independently sustain the residents' current standard of living.

Economic studies of the territories, such as the present one,

have taken on added importance as policy-makers try to project what type of autonomy arrangements for Palestinians might be feasible.

The economic life of Palestinians in the territories is highly dependent and intertwined with the more modernized economy of Israel proper, said

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The public is invited to attend an art exhibit by artist **Valery Daniels** at the Sarah Doyle Gallery, 185 Meeting Street, March 1 to 25. For further information, call Alyssa Qualls at 863-2189.

A free concert of "Wonders of the Wurlitzer" by organist Steve Schlesinger will be held on March 6 at 1 p.m. at the Providence Performing Arts Center. For more information, call 421-2997.

The Festival Ballet of Rhode Island will hold a "Carnival at the Casino" on March 6 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Roger Williams Casino to raise funds for their organization. For ticket information call 353-1129.

The South County Center for the Arts will present a "World of Music" at the South Kingstown High School in Wakefield on March 7 at 3 p.m. The concert will feature music from Asia, Africa, Europe and South America. For ticket information, call 782-1018.

The Rhode Island Philharmonic Youth Orchestras will present its annual winter concert on March 7 at 4 p.m. at Veterans Auditorium in Providence. The orchestra will perform "Festive Overture," Op. 96, by Shostakovich and Elgar's "Enigma Variations, Op. 36." For further information, call 831-3123.

A Native American History and Culture Week will be held at the Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology in Bristol from March 7 through 14. The event, sponsored by the Third World Center at Brown University, will begin at 2 p.m. on March 7. For more information, call 863-3693.

Peter Himmelman, Darden Smith and Brenda Kahn will come to Rhode Island next week for two performances — March 9 at RISD and March 11 at URI — as part of their All Strung Out tour.

Brown University Theatre will present "Camille" from March 11 through 14 at the Russel Leeds Theatre, 77 Waterman St., Providence, at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call 863-2838.



"WHAT IS IT?" — Nicole Weber, 10, contemplates James Russell's sculpture of "Godassa," at the art exhibit featuring his work at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island Sunday.

(See story on Page 25) Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Center To Present 'Sing! Sister, Sing!'

The Langston Hughes Center for the Arts will present "Sing! Sister, Sing!" a tribute to women of color in music, directed by Jeree Wade on March 13 at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$12.50 in advance, \$15 at the door. The concert takes place at the

Langston Hughes Center for the Arts, 1 Hilton St., CCR Providence Campus, Providence. For information, call 454-5422. This event is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts Expansion Arts Program.

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Good Vibes

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

The lights hit Mark Sherman full on his white shirt, with its neat necktie pulled up tight. He holds four wands with round red knobs in his agile fingers. He bops them, softly, surely, swiftly, onto the vibes. This is the first time Mark has played with jazz accordionist Angelo DiPippo. He mixes in with aplomb and gusto, standing in front of bassist Jack Six and drummer Ron Zito.

The place is Chan's in Woonsocket, the time a frigid February Saturday night stand. Tucked away behind the dim sum, round the bend from the Asian statues and soft sculpture playful giant dragons, hides an old-time nightclub but set up with large Hong Kong-style tables. This "Arthur Street" combo takes part in a distinguished jazz series at Chan's.

What they do is pick up a nostalgic tune whose lyrics you mutter to yourself, like "Makin' Whoopee." Then, each artist takes a turn doing a virtuoso solo that goes off on its own. A phrase from the old melody perches on your soul and flutters off again. Then it flies back to roost as the piece ends with understated wit.

Mark smiled and mouthed a silent thank you after each round of applause for his act. You remember when Frank or Fred did that ballad, or maybe Peggy Lee in Vegas decades ago. Well, Mark accompanied Peggy for years. Angelo tells us, and calls out Mark's name at each pause between numbers.

At first break I moved up to Mark on stage and flashed my Herald press pass. I asked the usual question. "Hey Mark, are you Jewish?"

"Of course," he went. "My dad sang for years at Providence's Temple Emanu-El at the high holidays. My uncle was a rabbi."

Mark Sherman has a pleasant open face with dark hair, cut in

a '50s style. He spoke with forthright good nature, very matter of fact. He said he was 35 and has a 3-year-old kid.

My wife and I drove to Woonsocket with members of the DiPippo family. Angelo's brother Bob was our host. He married a cousin of our sister-in-law. In fact the audience at Chan's folded in a whole clan of cousins and uncles. Angelo was one of six brothers and has six children. And he introduced Frank Rotondo from a front table to the club as "the perfect accordionist, who never makes a mistake."

I went over to shake Frank's hand. He returned Angelo's compliment. "Angelo's the finest in the entire world."

Jazz has changed since the old days. Angelo kept asking his fans, "Are we coming on too loud?" He doesn't want to hit you over the head. This ain't rock. Jazz slips along with smooth and subtle grace, like an echo of the peak of Dave Brubeck. Once it socked out a message to the young and radical. Jazz has gone classical.

"But jazz has roots in Africa," Mark said to me. "Yeah, but how about the Klezmer influence?" I fought back a little. Chan introduced the last set at midnight. With his thin curved waxed mustache and slim figure in tux, he seemed to step out of a Warner Brothers film noir.

I made so bold as to ask for a request. The group tried to pull together "Golden Earrings" for me, but it didn't work out. I've been seeking for somebody to play a Gypsy tune all over the world. Even "In a Quiet Caravan." Because the vibes and the accordion, they're my instruments. They make me think of Rome, of old Paris or Prague, former times and lost romance. Some old man with a ruined face but sturdy torso holds you in thrall on a street corner or under a bridge. But Angelo is fancy and polite. And Mark Sherman, straight and strong, makes you feel that jazz, like "our love," is here to stay.

Gallery 401: Call for Exhibitors

Gallery 401, a strong presence in Rhode Island for nearly two decades, is recruiting artists to exhibit during the 1993-94 year. Located in a heavily frequented environment, Gallery 401 presents monthly exhibits representing a broad variety of styles and media.

The gallery, which promotes the work of regional and local

artists, is seeking works of art of appropriate quality for its 1993-94 season.

Anyone interested in exhibiting their work may submit a biography, slides or photos and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ruby Shalansky, gallery director, Gallery 401, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, R.I. 02906-3400.

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Appearing in the Community College of Rhode Island Players' production of the comedy "Let's Get A Divorce!" are (from left) Chris Hager, Michele L. Bourget and Robert Anthony Meyers. Performances will be presented at the Knight Campus in Warwick on March 4, 5 and 6 at 8 p.m. and March 7 at 3 p.m. For ticket information and reservations, call 825-2219.

Photo by Bert Silverberg

Philharmonic Announces Special Event for Singles

The Rhode Island Philharmonic will host a special "Music After Hours for Singles" event on the evening of March 12 at Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence. This event will begin at 5:30 p.m. "Music After Hours," the popular dress rehearsal event, offers an informal and informative behind-the-scenes view of the Rhode Island Philharmonic dress rehearsal for the classical concert that will be presented the following evening.

The March 12 "Music After Hours" is the first singles-only event the Philharmonic has hosted. It will begin with an informal reception with complimentary refreshments and beverages as well as a cash bar. At 6:30 p.m., guest pianist Christopher O'Riley will speak informally to the group in the concert hall. At 7, guests are invited to mix and mingle while the stage is set up for the dress rehearsal that will begin promptly at 7:30. The audience is invited to remain as long as

they would like for an up-close view of the collaboration between the musicians, conductor and guest soloist as they prepare for the concert.

Tickets for "Music After Hours for Singles" cost \$12 each or two tickets for \$20. Tickets are limited to the first 250 people and reservations are required. Tickets are available through the Philharmonic office by phone 831/3123 or fax 831-4577 using MasterCard or Visa, or in person at 222 Richmond St., Providence, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Israel Hopes

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But Rabin emphasized that, in accordance with the plan, all deportees would be allowed to return to the administered territories by the end of the year.

Israel Television reported that the government is also considering allowing Palestinians also considering allowing Palestinians who were permanently exiled years ago to return.

But it said Rabin has rejected a Palestinian demand that Israel renounce the future use of deportations as a punitive measure against the Palestinians.

"I don't enjoy deportations," the prime minister said. But he added: "If the level of violence is reduced, there will be no deportations."

Rabin expressed the hope that the Americans and the Russians would take the necessary steps to reconvene the peace talks and that the fate of the peace process would not be determined by Palestinian Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

Palestinian spokespersons said they needed to get approval from Arafat and the PLO leadership in Tunis before agreeing to return to the talks.

Poets are invited to enter one original, unpublished work to the Pawtucket Arts Council's 10th annual poetry competition. First prize is \$200, second prize is \$150 and third prize is \$100. Poems must be submitted in English, be the author's original, unpublished work, and may be written in any style and on any subject. The poem with its title and no further identification, must be typed, double-spaced, and no longer than two 8 1/2 x 11 sheets of paper. The poet's name, address, telephone number, and poem title must be on a separate sheet of paper. Poems must be accompanied by a \$3 fee (checks made out to the Pawtucket Art Council). No entry fee is charged for the high school competition. Entries must be postmarked by March 27 for the Galway Kinnell Poetry Prize and March 1 for the high school poetry competition.

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Pamela and Joseph Knorr
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Lazarus and Knorr Are Married

Pamela Lazarus and Joseph Knorr were united in marriage on Nov. 6 at the Carolina Club in Margate, Fla. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lazarus of Cranston. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Knorr of Kansas.

Rabbi Loring Frank and Pastor Todd Anderson officiated at the 6:30 p.m. ceremony, which was immediately followed by a reception, also at the Carolina Club.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Stephanie Lazarus served as maid of honor for her sister. The bride was also attended by Deanna Knorr, Stephanie Nashman and Cathy McCarthy.

Brian Knorr was best man. Ushers included Ben Overman, Jon Hanson, Steve Sanders, Ray Schmidt and Travis Chambers.

The bride is a graduate of George Washington University.

The bridegroom, also a graduate of George Washington University, is employed by the federal government.

Following a wedding trip to Rome, the couple resides in Florida.



Correction

Joseph H. and Beth Shauston were married Nov. 29 in New York. The photo caption that ran with their wedding announcement in last week's *Herald* incorrectly identified Joseph Shauston. We apologize for any inconvenience or confusion this may have caused the family or our readers.

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The Omni Biltmore Hotel will again host the annual event. A cocktail reception starts the festivities at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Subscriptions are \$300 per couple; tables for 10 start at \$1,500. Black-tie attire is optional.

Dinner officers include Lawrence K. Fish, chairman,



Robert L. McCabe

and Jerome L. Lefkowitz, treasurer. Fish is chairman and chief executive of Citizens Financial Group Inc. Lefkowitz is managing principal of the Lefkowitz, Garfinkel, Champi & DiRienzo accounting firm.

"This award dinner is a fitting tribute to an extraordinary man," said Fish.

McCabe joined NEES, a public utility holding company headquartered in Westborough, Mass., in 1969. Over the ensuing 20-plus years, he held a variety of personnel and

management positions, including vice president of the service subsidiary, and vice president and district manager of the Merrimack Valley District of Massachusetts Electric Company.

His business interests and volunteer activities include the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, Rhode Island Chamber of Commerce Federation, Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council, Save The Bay, Rhode Island Urban Project, The Providence Foundation and Bryant College Graduate School Advisory Council. McCabe hails from Marlborough, Mass. He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., and he served in the U.S. Army.

"I am humbled to accept this honor from National Jewish," said McCabe. "In doing so, I can call attention to the Denver biomedical institution that serves people with diseases such as asthma, emphysema, tuberculosis, lupus and juvenile rheumatoid arthritis. Many residents of our state have been helped by the center's care, and 13 Rhode Island medical professionals received specialty education from National Jewish. I am pleased to be among the center's long list of worldwide supporters."

For more information about the McCabe tribute dinner, and to make reservations, call Joan Booth at National Jewish at 421-4340. To learn more about the center, call the toll-free Lung Line information service at (800) 222-LUNG. Specially trained registered nurses are available to answer questions about chronic lung and immune system illnesses.

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The Name is Paul Auster

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter
"Diamond," our tattooed figure model who posed in my class, handed me a book called *The Invention of Solitude* by Paul Auster. "He writes the way you tell your students to write, in clear still lifes and lively portraits," she told me.

I often pick up facts of Jewish art and history from unex-

pected sources at RISD. Jerry, the Jewish chief-manager of our snack bar, brings me articles about Confederate Jews in the Civil War.

"Jews didn't always take the side of abolition, you know," he says from behind the counter.

Leib, who wears the insignia "Physical Plant" on his rose and gray uniform, dumps out

my wastebasket. "I can bless you on Yom Kippur, I'm a Cohen." He answers a lifelong inquiry of mine. Do Sephardim and Ashkenazim mix?

"My name is Morein. It means Marrano. My father's family came from Spain. But I'm Ashkenaz."

These brief encounters in the staff lounge last but a few hours in memory. Alas, I clean forgot the name, and the exact title, of Paul Auster's memoir. I tried to track it down in every

bookstore, for several seasons. I never lost sight of the story though.

A young man pokes through his late father's wordly goods in drawers and closets. He comes to understand a life object by object. The young fellow, a divorced dad himself, takes his little boy to his apartment for weekends. The second half of *Solitude* talks about toys. The text keeps as simple, and complex, as that. Well, the author just came to

town the last week of February.

Auster read the unpublished manuscript of a new work to a Brown audience next door to the bear in the quadrangle. Auster has caught on big in France; his books are all the rage in Paris. They're hot stuff to youthful readers in the Ivy League as well.

The powers behind his visit kept changing the hour and venue of his reading. First it
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Then and Now: Put Yourself in Shushan Shoes

We read in the Book of Esther that long ago, in Shushan, Persia, people had problems they had to solve. Put yourself in their shoes - what would you do?

Then: Mordecai overheard the palace guards plotting to kill Ahashverus, the king. Mordecai told what he heard and saved the king's life.

Then: Mordecai didn't bow down to Haman because he only bowed to God. He stood up for his beliefs even though his action made Haman furious.

Now: What if you overheard some friends as they planned to play a cruel trick on another child? Would you tell the other child? Would you try to stop your friends? Would you get help from an adult?

Now: What if you were asked to sing Christmas carols in the school choir? You don't believe the words to the songs; would you sing them anyway?

Then: Esther went before the king and begged him to save the Jews because she was a Jew herself. She took the chance of being killed.

Then: Vashti was asked to dance before the king and his court. She refused, even though she knew she could be killed for not following the king's order.

Now: What if you heard someone at school saying bad things about Jews. Would you admit you were Jewish? What if you heard someone saying mean things about other groups of people? Would you stand up for them?

Now: What if your best friend was doing something that you knew you were not supposed to do? What if your friend said he or she wouldn't be your friend anymore unless you do it, too? Would you do something you knew was wrong to keep your friendship?



How Well Do You Know The Purim Story?

Across:

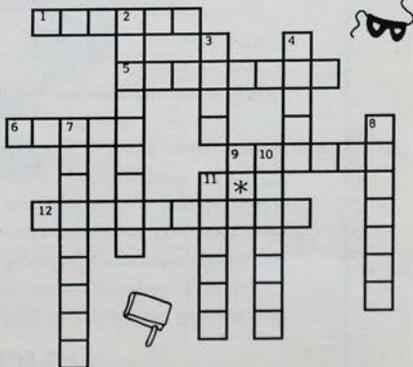
- The king's first wife.
- He told the queen about the plot to kill the Jews.
- The Purim story's bad guy.
- The queen who saved the Jews.
- The king.



Down:

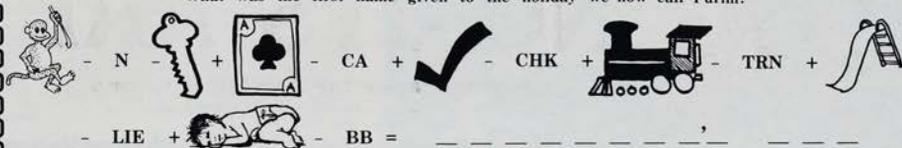
- The triangle-shaped cookie we eat on Purim.
- The Hebrew month when this story took place.
- The Hebrew word for portions or gifts. (Hint: read "Doing Good Deeds.")
- We send _____ (#4 Down).
- The Purim noisemaker.
- The city where the story took place.
- The ancient name for the country where #10 was located.

- Answers on next page.



Rebus - (Ree-boose) ריבוים

What was the first name given to the holiday we now call Purim?



מעשים טובים

(Mah-ah-seem Toe-veem) - Doing Good Deeds

One of the mitzvot (commandments) we are supposed to do on Purim is mishloach manot. Mishloach manot are gifts that are usually given to at least two friends. The gifts are supposed to be food or drink. The word "mishloach" comes from the Hebrew word לשלח (lish-low-ach) which means "to send." מנות (mah-note) is the Hebrew word for "portions" or "gifts."

Here is something you could do on Purim for mishloach manot - and also help people who could use some Purim cheer (it's another mitzvah to be happy on Purim!). Send your Purim gift to someone in the hospital. You could send your gift to someone you know, someone who is a member of your synagogue, or even a Jewish patient from out-of-town.

What You Need:

- construction paper
- colored pens
- a small paper plate
- hamantashen
- hard candy
- plastic wrap
- ribbon



What You Do:

1. Get the names of Jewish hospital patients by asking your rabbi or the chaplain from your community's Jewish Federation. You could also make these gifts for people who live in nursing homes.
2. Using the construction paper and pens, make a Purim greeting or get-well card. Be sure to include your name and complete address on the card. (See the craft project in this issue of NOAH'S ARK for a Purim card idea.)
3. Buy or make hamantashen.
4. Place a few hamantashen and some hard candy on the plate. Put your card on top.
5. Pull out enough plastic to wrap the plate. Place the plate on the plastic wrap. Pull the plastic wrap up around the plate and twist it at the top.
6. Tie a ribbon around the top of the plastic wrap to keep it from opening. Make a simple bow.
7. Make as many gifts as you can, because all of the Jewish hospital patients would love some cheering up on Purim!

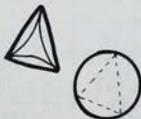
מלאכת יד

Arts and Crafts - (M'leh-chet Yahd)

This "hamantash" is for greeting, not eating! It is a greeting card that will be the perfect way to say "Happy Purim" in your mishloach manot (sending gifts) basket.

What You Need:

- colored construction paper
- colored markers
- scissors
- compass or any round object



What You Do:

1. Use a compass or any round object (like a bowl) to draw a circle on the paper.
2. Cut out the circle.
3. Fold three edges of the circle towards the middle to make a paper hamantash.
4. Open the hamantash card and write your Purim greetings inside. You could also decorate your card if you like!

Answers To Crossword Puzzle

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|----------------|--------------|
| Across | Down: |
| 1. Vashti | 2. Hamantash |
| 5. Mordecai | 3. Adar |
| 6. Haman | 4. Manot |
| 8. Esther | 7. Mishloach |
| 12. Ahashverus | 8. Grogger |
| | 10. Shushan |
| | 11. Persia |



Answer To Rebus

Monkey = n - n - key + card
 = ca + cbeck - chk + train
 = tr + sblie - lie + baby
 = bp - Mordecai's Day.

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PURIM



MASKED MAIDEN — Mary Lamb, director of programs for the Children's Museum of Rhode Island, models one of several masks she brought to a workshop on mask making for art teachers at the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island last week.

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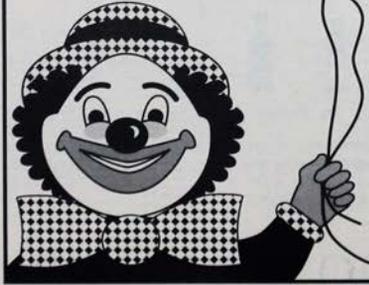
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"A fraeilich Purim" is a Yiddish expression that conveys the joy, lightheartedness and exuberant feelings of a close-knit community that this most special day of the Jewish calendar brings out. At Congregation Ohave Sholam, the Young Israel of Pawtucket, Purim will be celebrated in its most delectably fraeilich tradition.

On March 6, at 7 p.m., Rabbi Hershy Worch will read the Megillah. Bring your grogger and watch out Haman! The Megillah reading will be immediately followed by a costume contest, so be sure to come dressed in your craziest, funniest or most wild get up. The next event on this evening's program will be a special Purim pinanta. Children (of all ages) can take turns whacking at a stuffed Haman, filled with sweets and treats.

The fun will continue as the Chabad Lubavitch of Providence joins in with Purim superstars Jonah the juggler, a top-ranked performer from the Moscow Circus, Dana the clown, and the musical entertainment of Nosson and his Purim spirit. The event is free.

Rabbi Worch will give a Megillah reading March 7 at 8:45 a.m. There is no fee for this event.

The bounty of last week's clothing drive is available for new Americans or other needy families to pick up each 7 from 3 to 5 p.m. Tell your friends or neighbors to come pick up clothes if you think this could make their Purim a little more fraeilich. The clothes will be distributed at no charge.

A Purim seudah (feast) and shpiel are set for 5 p.m. on March 7 (\$7.50 per person, by reservation only.) A Purim

feast will be served to round out the day's activities. Finally, the Pawtucket chapter of NCSY, National Council of Synagogue Youth, will present a comic Purim play, now an annual Pawtucket tradition. Because of the advance preparation necessary for planning this meal, this event will be open only to those with prior reservations.

Chabad House Plans Purim

The Chabad Lubavitch of New England will distribute Purim kits to university students and families.

Each kit contains two kinds of food, as prescribed by the tradition of Mishhadk Monos. Pennies for charity and a brochure describing the various mitzvot (commandments) are included to remind the recipients of the full meaning of Purim.

Hundreds of kits will be distributed to schools and hospitals in Providence, and surrounding areas.

As part of a nationwide campaign initiated by the Lubavitcher rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, Shlita, Chabad representatives will share the holiday spirit with patients and residents at Miriam and Rhode Island Hospitals, Charlesagie and Oak Hill Nursing Homes, the Jewish Home for the Aged, and with senior citizens at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

All these activities are designed to recreate the spirit of unity and harmony that prevailed among the Jewish people during the miracle of Purim.

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On the evening of March 6, continuing into March 7, Jews around the world will celebrate the annual joyous holiday of Purim. Purim commemorates G-d's salvation of the Jews through a miraculous turnaround of events during the days of Mordechai and Esther, as recorded in the Book of Esther.

The holiday is celebrated by:

- Reading the Book of Esther, known as "Megillas Esther," at night and then again in the morning.

- Giving "shaloch manos," packages of at least two food items to friends.

- Giving "matanos la'evyonim," gifts of charity to at least two poor people.

- Eating the "seudah," a festive holiday meal.

Children symbolize the turnaround of events by turning around their appearance with masks and costumes.

In Providence, the Purim celebration will include the annual Providence Purim parade, which begins at 10:45 a.m. on March 7 (rain date March 8) at the junction of Elmgrove Avenue and Savoy Street in Providence.

The participants will include the Providence Police Department, Providence Fire Department, Bristol Fire Department, Greenwood Volunteer Fire Department, U.S. Marines, Rhode Island National Guard, Jewish War Veterans, Foreign War Veterans, Rhode Island Blue Knights and Boy Scouts of America.

It will feature stunt bicycl-

ists, exotic and antique vehicles, horses, hayride, clowns, oxen, live music, acrobats, world champion juggler, floats and costumes galore.

For information, call the parade office at 274-3298.

Haman's Demise Celebrated at JCCRI

All members of the community are invited to the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence, on March 8 at 6 p.m. to celebrate Haman's demise and the triumph of Queen Esther at the annual Purim Party.

All ages are welcome to masquerade in costumes, sample a few hamantaschen and enjoy the festivities. A story will be read and groggers provided so that everyone can drown out the sound of Haman's name.

Admission costs \$2.50 per person, with a maximum of \$10 per family.

For further details, call Ruby Shalansky or Evy Rappoport at 861-8800.

In addition, seniors are invited to join their own combination Birthday-Purim Party today, March 4, at 11:30 a.m. Marcia Kauner's fifth-grade classes from the Alperin Schechter Day School will bring shalash manot and provide entertainment during lunch. Then at 12:30 a.m., the renowned Fishel Bresler will perform some of his distinctive Klezmer music on the clarinet. Call Sandy Bass at 861-8800 for more information.

Sinai To Have Reading, Carnival

On the evening of March 6 at 7 p.m., Temple Sinai will celebrate Purim with the reading of the Megillah of Esther.

Prizes will be awarded to all children who come in costume. Adults are encouraged to wear costumes as well.

The temple's youth group is also sponsoring a Purim carnival for the religious school at 10:45 a.m. on the morning of March 7 in the temple's social hall.

Beth Sholom To Celebrate Purim

The happiest festival of the Jewish year will be celebrated on the evening of March 6 at Congregation Beth Sholom.

Megillah reading is called for 7 p.m., to be followed by the annual Beth Sholom Purim carnival (at about 8:15 p.m.). There will be lots of food as well as entertainment for the entire family. Costumes are optional; there is a special contest for the adults.

The entire evening's activities are open to the entire community. Everyone is welcome.

Beth Sholom is located at the corner of Rochambeau Avenue and Camp Street on the East Side of Providence. For more information, call 331-9393.



SURPRISE — Ilana Olster, a USY Charter president for Temple Torat Yisrael, is surprised by Esther Smalley of Kent Nursing Home who helped her celebrate her birthday. Olster's USY group was helping the seniors celebrate Purim at a party at the nursing home Sunday.

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Contract: A contract should
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The Once and Future Purim: Thoughts on the Holocaust

(Editor's note: The following is the last of a two-part feature on Purim and the Holocaust.)

by Rabbi Avi Shafran
Special to the Herald

In Part I of this article, I explored some of the more intriguing aspects of the Nazis' connection to the biblical embodiment of evil, Amalek. The last element recounted was Julius Streicher's bizarre reference to Purim just before his hanging at Nuremberg. The "Amalek-irony" of the Nuremberg executions, however, does not end with Streicher's strange final announcement.

In the Megilla, we are told how Haman's 10 sons were hanged in Shushan. An 11th child, a daughter, committed suicide earlier, according to the Gemara. At Nuremberg, just 11 men were condemned to execution by hanging, only 10 were actually hanged. The 11th, the foppish, effeminate and degenerate Goering, died in his cell only hours before he was to hang; he had crushed a hidden cyanide capsule between his teeth.

Temple Shalom Prepares for Purim

The Tree of Life Group, the seniors organization of Temple Shalom, will present a pre-Purim party on March 4 at 12:15 p.m. in the social hall of the temple. A deli luncheon will be served, followed by holiday games, songs and prizes. Reservations are a must and may be made by contacting the temple office at 846-9002.

At an early Sabbath eve family worship service on March 5, Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer will conduct a teach-in for Purim with the congregation. To reinforce his presentation, the Temple Shalom puppet players will delight those present with a holiday puppet show. The Oneq Shabbat following the service will be sponsored by the Anthony family.

Yet, what may be most striking of all is something that was noted by, among others, the late Belzer rebbe. In the Megilla, the names of the 10 sons of Haman are unusually prominent, written in two parallel columns, a highly unusual configuration.

Odder still is the fact that three letters in the list, following an unexplained halachic tradition, are written very small, and one very large. The large letter in the Megilla is the Hebrew character for the number six; the small letters, added together, yield the number 707. If the large letter is taken to refer to the millennium and 707 to the year in the millennium, something interesting emerges. According to Jewish tradition, the present year is 5752. The year 5707 — the 707th year in the sixth millennium — was the year the world calls 1946, the year in which 10 sworn enemies of the Jewish people were hanged in Nuremberg, as were 10 in Shushan so long before them.

The text of the Megilla (9:13), moreover, makes refer-

ence to the hanging of Haman's sons after the event has transpired in the *future tense*, presaging, one might reasonably surmise, a hanging yet to happen.

And, finally, the day on which Streicher and his compatriots were hanged was, as it happened, a Jewish holiday after all. It was Hoshana Rabbah, the seventh day of Sukkot — the day of the year, the Zohar tells us, on which judgement is passed on the nations of the world.

I didn't realize any of that until recently when I first contacted the Holocaust. But still, as a believing Jew I had come to conclude that a Jewish catastrophe of such stunning proportions could not be rooted in the unmitigated evil which is Amalek. My father's assumption had ceased to be ludicrous to me.

Viewing the Holocaust, as I came to do, not as some unponderable enigma, but as a continuation of a biblical theme of evil is, as it happens, central to the true perpetuation of its memory. Seeing it as we believing Jews do, as part of a larger historical pattern, does not lessen its importance by "relegating" it to a mere "footnote" to a "religious" context.

On the contrary, the very opposite is the case. By seeing the Holocaust as a link in the chain of meaningful Jewish experience, we empower it with the full force of all of Jewish existence; we charge it with the endless energy of the Torah and Nevi'im, with the brimming life force of the Mishna and Talmud. We render it thereby unified with the national soul of the Jewish people throughout the world and throughout the ages.

And that, of course, is why many Orthodox Jews choose to mourn the Holocaust not on some arbitrary day chosen for sentimental reasons, but on the day that encompasses all Jewish mourning throughout history: Tisha B'Av. That does not diminish the memory of the Holocaust; it enhances it, by connecting it, in the most vivid and real way, to the wholeness of the Jewish his-

torial experience.

Most Jews recognize Tisha B'Av as the day that saw the destruction of the first and, hundreds of years later, the second Beis Hamikdash. But, decades after the Churban Bayis Sheini, the final squelching of the second temple era B'Av as the day that saw the destruction of the first and, hundreds of years later, the second Beis Hamikdash. But, decades after the Churban Bayis Sheini, the final squelching of the second temple era B'Av as the day that saw the destruction of the first and, hundreds of years later, the second Beis Hamikdash. But, decades after the Churban Bayis Sheini, the final squelching of the second temple era B'Av as the day that saw the destruction of the first and, hundreds of years later, the second Beis Hamikdash.

World War II, the precipitant of the Holocaust, did not, as it happens, begin anywhere near Tisha B'Av, which is why most people would, and do, look askance at the idea of including its commemoration on that day of the Jewish year. But

they may well be losing the forest for the trees by dating the Holocaust by the convenient milestone of Germany's invasion of Poland in 1939, rather than looking to the true beginning of the German belligerence which that invasion, and those that followed, embodied. Germany's belligerence in 1939 did not coalesce suddenly from the clear Bavarian air; the country's economic and psychological instability in the '20s and '30s was the direct result of the strong, unforgetting terms of the Treaty of Versailles which had brought the "Great War," the first world war, to an end, in 1919. In a sense then, the Third Reich had its deep roots in the earlier war, which Germany called into being with its declaration of war on Russia on Aug. 1, 1914, which, in 1914, was Tisha B'Av.

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Purim in Pawtucket

by Rabbi Hershey Worth
Special to the Herald

I was holding a soggy Hamantaschen dipped in chicken soup, savoring the aroma. As the fragrance filled my mind, I thought of Mordechai, a childhood friend, flooded through me. I pray no one ever writes a novel about the power of smell to evoke memories. It would be too tedious to bear.

Thinking about that whole episode, I realize there hasn't been a scholarly reevaluation of Hamantaschen or their use as mystical metaphor, in a number of years. Kabbalistically speaking, I can tell you from the outset, the white dough is symbolic of loving kindness, the red of the mystical attributes. Now with Kreplach, for example, the whole thing is simple to decipher. You see, kreplach ingredients contain minced meat; the symbol, therefore, is that of harsh judgment. In contrast, Hamantaschen, the traditional hamantaschen, on the other hand, is full of poppy seeds, kabbalistically inert, so to speak — go explain.

More perplexing than the filling even, is the enigmatic name. Yiddish scholarship (and Jewish mysticism) offers three theoretical origins. The Yiddish name for poppy seeds is mohn. German/Yiddish taschen translates as "pockets," hence mohn-taschen becoming homantaschen. It is all very nice as a theory, of course, but wholly insupportable in view of the evidence. Which brings us to the second school of thought.

In the 11th and 12th centuries, halachic controversy waded furious in Egypt and the adjacent countries after Maimonides (the Rambam) banned outright the use of an imported grape jelly. He gave it the same legal status as wine and other grape products manufactured by gentiles. In the adjacent Jerusalem, inclined to that dispute, references to a confection known as "ham antasheen" occur. Obadiah of Bertinoro, during his 15th century peregrinations through Alexandria and Sinai, in the adjacent Jerusalem, declined to become embroiled in the still-raging dispute. He, too, mentions having been served a

"confit: Ham-antashen" by his hosts in Cairo.

The third side of the triangle, as it were, refers us through "Semitic cognates" to the original Sanskrit word Hamanta. This is the triangular locket or purse full of seed, worn around the neck of the Buddha on his journey. It is thought by most proponents of this theory that the "shin" on the end of "Hamantaschen" is the original Sanskrit word "djin." (More commonly known to English speakers as "genie," the "djin" is a powerful demon in the bestiary of the Middle East, mistaken in this instance for the Buddha.) Here, in Hamanta shin't we find a curious admixture of the cross-cultural taxonomy typically associated with the culinary transmigration of words.

There are Talmudic references to Esther having kosher food, and the gemara refers to the faithful Shashzag named in the Megillah. Poppy is one of the many kinds of seeds he brought her to eat.

Did you know that the N.E.C. (the Nuclear Energy Commission) decided upon the words to logo only after the famous postwar conference in Pawtucket 1947? Rabbi Solvay Konetens, my predecessor, who was hosting some informal discussions with reform physicists at that time, recalls:

"We were enjoying the Hamantaschen my wife had sent to the conference for the delectation of those Jewish scientists newly arrived from Europe. It was the week of Purim ... the general feeling was one of optimism. Richard Feynman was chewing and admiring the cookie in his hand. Von Neuman wanted an explanation of the history of the Hamantaschen. Gamow and Feynman took turns asking us questions regarding the history of the Purim story. I don't remember who it was suggested that the three triangles in the Hamantaschen might suggest the Atomic Radiation theory. None of them ever dated the words on the flask of inspiration. But the idea was taken up and passed into common usage in no time at all."

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Sunday, March 7, 1993



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EAT the festive Purim meal and rejoice in the Purim Spirit.

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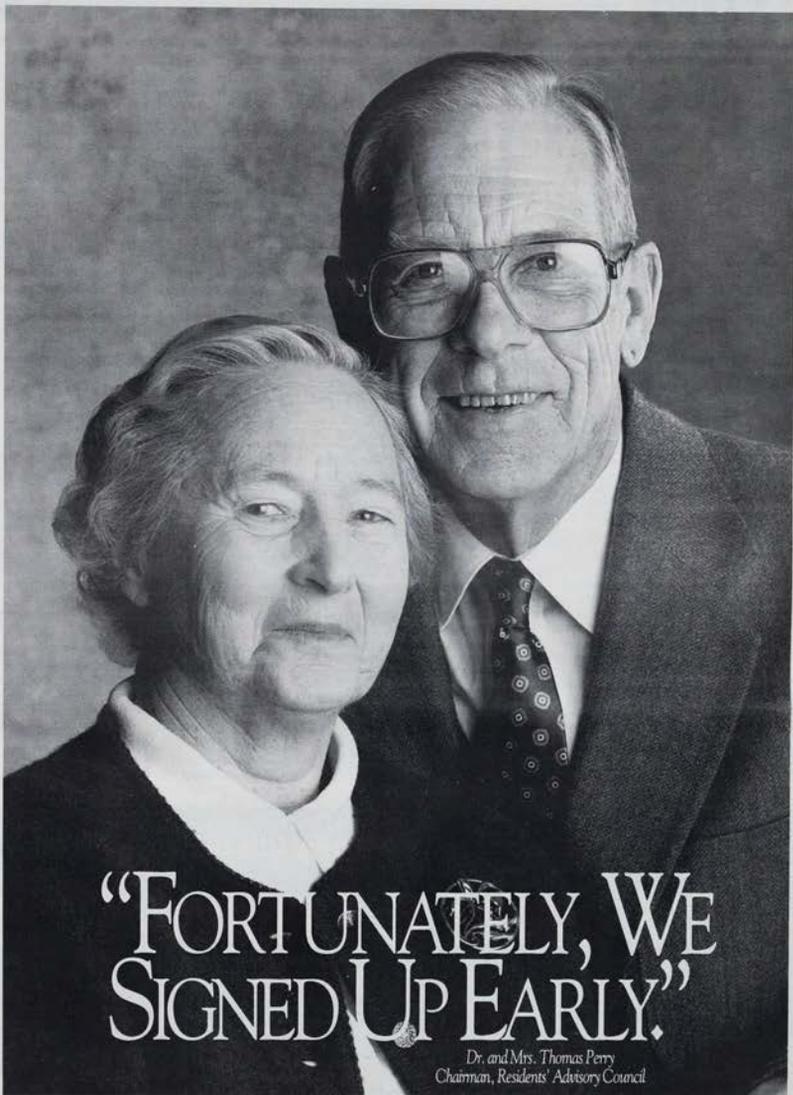
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Remember to recite the Al Hanissim prayer, and also the Al HaGeta Alot Meils, the special part for Purim, beginning with "Al Hanissim."

PURIM ON SUNDAY
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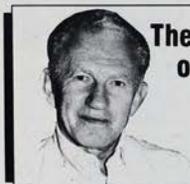
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FEATURE



The Artful Dodger of Auschwitz

by
Ray Eichenbaum
Special to the Herald

When repeatedly asked the question, "How did you manage to survive the Holocaust?" I often find myself pondering about a sincere answer. How did it really happen? What was the one outstanding event, if any, that made it possible? Was there one quality in me that was a determinantal factor in my survival?

Try as I may, I cannot come up with one easy answer. Naturally, I do want to believe, and I will believe to my dying moments on this earth, that it was the will of the Almighty that made it possible for me to overcome my travails. But, as I try to remember and analyze the occurrences during those momentous days in Auschwitz, where every step played such a vital role — where one wrong move or one moment of indecision made all the difference between life and death — the more I become convinced in my mind that it was my older brother Maurice, four years my senior, who really made my survival possible.

Yes, eternal credit should be given to my dear brother Maurice for saving both our lives in Auschwitz, due to his quick orientation, speedy movement and the wisdom to

collect the right kind of information. For dodging death in Auschwitz was not an easy task. The one singular way to leave the hellhole that was Auschwitz was to be selected to go on a work transport. Thus, the selection became the vital point of our existence there.

Let me try to acquaint you with this aspect of life in these desperate situations. Late in 1944, the acceptance of slave labor for German war-machine companies became common practice; hence, more and more representatives of such enterprises appeared at Auschwitz to "select" their slaves. Consequently, when these industrialists would appear at the gate of camp "E" where we were incarcerated, words would spread that there would be a selection in block 14 or block 20, as the case may have been.

This knowledge, which my brother would somehow "sniff out" from thin air, became, in retrospect, the very key to our salvation. Because the greater the number of selections one was exposed to, the greater the odds for survival.

I recall that I went to 11 selections in total. In the first

nine we were not chosen. In the 10th one, Maurice was taken, but not I (to my utter desperation). But he could not stand being away from his younger brother, so he stole himself back into the camp, at a great risk to his life. And then, after he came back, we were both taken in the 11th selection.

Never had the old saying of being "at the right place at the right time" held more truth than in Auschwitz. For getting to the selection was our only aim. We risked being severely beaten, even being shot at, or trampled by a stampede of people, but we had to get

Later on, for those who survived Auschwitz to go to other camps, selections were always "bad," for they would invariably be a weeding out process to get rid of the weak and the feeble. But, in Auschwitz, my brother Maurice had the knack of somehow finding out where the "bad" selections would be held, and thus we would try to find ourselves away from those "bad" barracks already the night before they were to take place.

Maurice somehow learned to dodge the bullets in Auschwitz, as if by magic. He had to be good at it. Both our lives depended on it.

Yes, if one ever had a guardian angel, that is what my brother Maurice was to me in Auschwitz.

Maurice — we called him Moniek, was a gangly, tall fellow with bright, reddish hair, and a round, cheery face. I also had bright, red hair. We, supposedly, looked very much like brothers. He was "born" to be in my parents' business. He liked it so much there, he felt so important in the store that he decided to forego school after finishing the seventh grade.

This was quite different from my sisters' and my own

choice. We decided to study and stayed away from the store as much as we could. In retrospect, I feel badly about my brother's talent in the business. It deprived him of a fun-filled, carefree part of his childhood. He never played soccer with us in the yard, although he was quite fast afoot, and good at the game. I can still hear my mother's crying out call from the window, "Moniek, you are needed in the store." But, once there, he sure felt important.

My brother Moniek had saved my life in the camps by this unique art of dodging the dangerous and perilous situations — but he, himself, did not make it. He succumbed to malnutrition and repeated beatings resulting in tuberculosis in April of 1945, just a few days before liberation. The Almighty saw to it that I did not see him die. We were separated to go to different camps in Austria in March, 1945.

The greatest pain in my "guilt trip" here on this earth is probably the knowledge that my brother Moniek was more deserving of life than I, but I am here to write about him.

"Thus spake Zarathustra," begins a famous poem... I am humble.



there. And that was what my brother was so good at. He would push me in front of himself and make me run around different barracks, as fast as we could, and somehow we got to the right selection.

And there were "bad" selections as well, where undernourished people who we called the "klapsdras" (death notices, in Latin) were selected for their final destination. Also, selections were held to take people for experimentation. Twins and extremely tall people were very vulnerable in these.

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FEATURE

Strajcher

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community and a special school," he said. "I've basically felt that the need for new challenge at this point in my life was something that was very necessary. I'm going to a school which is much smaller both in size and scope."

Strajcher's new position will bring him back into the classroom again each day — a prospect that really excites him. He also plans to pursue a doctorate of education, perhaps after his first year at the Cleveland school.

Strajcher and his wife Elaine, who serves as director of good services at Brown/RISS Hillel, have seven children. Sarah Dena Katz, their eldest child, lives in Israel with her husband, Rabbi Aharon Katz, and their two children David and Zehava. Son Joshua and daughter Deborah are both studying in Israel, while their three youngest, Penina, ninth grade, Tamar, third grade, and Malka, second grade, prepare for the move to Ohio.

"We've put down roots in the community. My children have loved it here. My wife has really become attached to the community," he said.



MOVING ON — Rabbi Sholom Strajcher, dean of the Providence Hebrew Day School, is seen in his office with a bookcase of mementos and gifts from students in the background.

Herald photo by Anne Davidson

Strajcher admits that the move won't be easy for his family. "They're going to be sacrificing at least the warmth and security of friends and a very special adult world here at the school," he said, adding, "But the greatness of man lies in the capacity to adjust and to be able to remember, and I have no doubt that they'll make that adjustment and that

their memories will be very fond and positive ones."

Strajcher's greatest joy at Providence Hebrew Day School has been "experiencing the accomplishments of our graduates as they grow into adulthood and continue a commitment to the mission of the school, wherever they find themselves.

But when asked if he has had

any disappointments, the rabbi paused for a moment, before answering: "Every day, at the end of the day, I ask myself, 'Have you done enough?' and I've always felt that there's been more to do and I've either lacked the personal resources or the ability to tap the resources of others to be satisfied

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— Rabbi Sholom Strajcher

that the task is done. It's not so much a disappointment as it is a sense that you could have done better.

"There's so much to be done and what I've tried to do over these years is if I didn't have those abilities myself, I was blessed to bring together people who could make it happen, who really made the job easy and allowed me to bask in the glory when I'm really not sure I deserved it."

Strajcher stressed that his move in no way reflects a professional "burnout" or frustration at the school. "My fire is more intense today than it was when I came in to this position. I love what I do. I can't imagine myself doing anything else but what I do. And I'm really saddened to feel the need to move on and to indeed move."

Leaving the "children, parents, coworkers and a community of people that have become my friends," is the hardest part of his decision.

Perhaps he isn't leaving them, really.

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Field Representative Lynette Graham will address the subject of the future prospects of the Social Security system at a Brown Bag Club meeting on March 9 at noon at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave in Providence.

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Royal and Loyal

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I have a hidden name, it is Motke, short and Yiddish for Mordechai. I never use it, but Pen Braude once told me it was a fine name. I should hold my head up and wear my title with pride. Mordechai saved the Jewish people. Another Mordechai, in my own life, saved our honor in the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. His statue stands straight among the wreckage of postwar Poland.

The name of our Purim hero derives from a sturdy Mideast god called Marduk. I let my mind wander over other Mordechais among us. All our Hollywood stars who have gone out on us in recent seasons — Garbo, Dietrich, Audrey Hepburn — were lauded into interstellar space by Jewish directors. Still, Sternberg, Wyler were Mordechais who planted their Esthers into a country tempted by isolationist fervor and anti-Semitic stereotypes.

Purim is our unique Jewish fairy tale. We sing, drink and act silly. It's our movie script for MGM or Paramount. And like any folktale, it can be told again and again and take on a new mood each time it comes around.

Iberian Marranos set great store by the ancient tale of Jewish survival. I came upon a fabulous Sephardic Purim parable in Casablanca.

Masks of Mordechai and Esther serve as the background for the crisis scene in an early life film about a Holocaust orphan, called "In My Father's House." Purim keeps a dreamy, sometimes nightmarish power

mixed in with the fun.

How about a Providence Purim, 1993? At the Brown campus, neo-Nazi graffiti disrupts and disturbs. Jewish institutions try and hush it up, but the police know. Haman has many sons among us. Where will our own Mordechai come from?

When I explained to my Japanese student how Israel had gathered its people from all over the world, he nodded his head and spoke "You are a very royal culture." The Japanese mix up the L and the R. I figured out later he meant "loyal," but I took the compliment in a more gilded and regal style.

I nodded and said, "Thank you." Jews often cast their lot with kings and queens. It sometimes seems to work better than tyrants and dictators for us.

My boy Reuben likes Purim for much simpler reasons than all this history and mystery. "I

like the snacks." His mom makes up fancy little platters of "shalach month" and sends him off on tasty errands around the block.

My wife does up a pretty little straw basket of noshes of undyed pistachio nuts, and a wide mix of hamantaschen pastries. She bakes min and prune, chocolate and chestnut. She even saves a few wimpy little unstuffed plain ones for me. Then the gifts go round to the usual suspects, Jewish neighbors, teachers, longtime comrades. She weaves a little network, a web spun of tasty things on the brink of spring-time.

There's plenty to smile or frown over in the myth of Mordechai. In my family, as in many Jewish clans, there are some cousin marriages. It's easy for me to see how Mordechai can be both a cousin and an uncle to Esther. Everything spills together in our spels.

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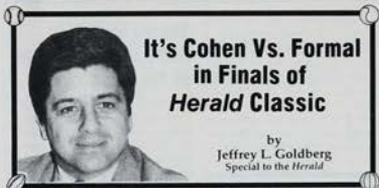
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It's Cohen Vs. Formal in Finals of Herald Classic

by
Jeffrey L. Goldberg
Special to the Herald

Much is to be said about finishing last during the regular season.

When Jaime Cohen's team raced to the regular season title and drew Steve Groag's cellar dwellers for the opening round, Cohen must have been looking ahead to the finals. Never come in to any game overconfident. They won but barely. They have earned their right to be in the big dance but I would be extremely cautious.

Groag's team played a smothering defense and forced the game into overtime. During the regular season, Groag's squad lost some nail biters that could have gone either way. Because of their terrible season, they were long shots at best to pull an upset. Well it almost happened. The final score was 65-64.

Lou Pulner scored 22 points, Pete Wallick scored in double figures and every player contributed in this tough loss. Captain Groag has nothing to be ashamed of. This was a total team effort and although they lost the game, they finished a tough season on an upbeat note.

Cohen had 16 points and MVP Gary Greenberg had 22 points. Veteran Dale Wallick expressed his feelings about seeing the ball more on offense and his comments will be acted upon for the finals, according to Coach Cohen.

Matt Santos hit a buzzer beating three-pointer that will certainly be a sweet memory to

recall in years to come.

Congratulations to both teams for an outstanding opening game. It was packed with thrills and excitement.

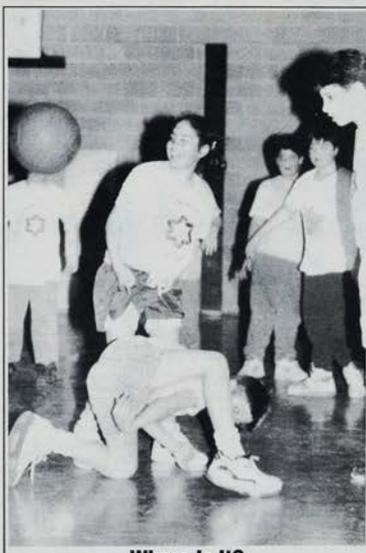
When Paul Formal's team finished the regular season with a loss, it certainly must have cast serious doubts as to how far his team could go in the playoffs. They finished the season at 6-6, but found it difficult to get any consistency. Formal never knows what team will show up. Formal's team came in pumped up and put the opening game away with relative ease against a decimated Jon Weitzner squad. Dave Baskin scorched the nets for 30 points and steady floor general Steve Litwin pumped in 12. Everyone on Formal's squad contributed in the scoring. The 63 points were the most offense Formal's team has mustered in a while.

Weitzner was in complete control until injuries took away his hopes for another invitation to the big dance.

The finals will feature four of the regular season top scorers and should be a fun contest to watch. Cohen's team is a slight favorite with its bench strength.

The finals dubbed "The Rhode Island Jewish Classic," will be covered, complete with pictures in March 11 edition of the Herald.

With the men's league coming to a close, I would be interested in hearing from our readers about individuals who are



Where Is It?

Jessie Cutaina of RA Law basketball team gets a laugh out of the disappearing ball from a Basta team player at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island last week.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

making an impact on the sports scene. I would like to do a weekly article on an individual or individuals.

♦ ♦ ♦

Playoff Scoring Leaders

Dave Baskin	30.0
Lou Pulner	22.0
Gary Greenberg	22.0
Jaime Cohen	16.0
Steve Litwin	12.0

Beth-El Having a Ball

by Jeffrey L. Goldberg
Special to the Herald

The Beth-El bowlers were treated to a rocky night in honor of the birthdays of legendary Ooh Vey (John Murphy) and gentleman Lou Bloom. The Nathan Kaufman #2 team is having a ball.

What do you get when you put together two hackers, a curl ball specialist and a captain who is either on or off but leaves no leverage? You get a team that is currently tied for first place and can't under-

stand why. Boy are they having fun.

Congrats to Joe Goodman for bowling 91 pins over average.

Congrats to Jimmy Manning for a 225 game.

Congrats to Benny Diaz for a 234 game.

Top Five Bowlers

Benny Diaz	187.2
Rick Dressler	186.0
Mike Sugerman	183.7
Harry Rose	179.7
David Robinson	179.1

Team Standing

Baker Furniture	16	8
Standard Glass	16	8
Tooth Fairies	16	8
Nathan Kaufman #2	15	9
Halperin & Lux	13	11
Come Screen With Me	13	11
Trinkle Design	12.5	11.5
Howie's Hammers	9.5	15.5
Shamrocks	8.5	15.5
Oakland Mobil	7	17
Nathan Kaufman Co.	1.5	22.5

Won

Lost

16	8
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15	9
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8.5	15.5
7	17
1.5	22.5

New Committee Promotes Interaction

Temple Sinai of Cranston recently announced the formation of its Community Relations Committee, chaired by David Neustein. The committee hopes to broaden interaction between the temple and its neighbors.

As its first event, the committee and its many volunteers assisted the Cranston Police Department on Christmas Eve and Day by answering telephones and dispatching officers to crime scenes, thereby allowing some of the full-time employees to spend the holiday with their families. The experience proved to be an exciting one for all who participated, especially the officers.

Those who participated in the event included: Malcolm Dennis, Livia Weinstein, Marcia Dronzek, Pam Manekofsky, Richard Portno, Bruce Astrachan, Phil Geller, Russ Kushner, Rabbi George Astrachan, Rita Astrachan, Juanita Neustein, Ellen Kaplan, Joan Goranik, Sandra Gertz, Janus "Babe" Gertz, Don Weinstein, Martin Woolson, Sam Sacks and Neustein.

Following the event, each volunteer received a personal letter of gratitude from the Cranston Police Department.

Israel Business Expo Set in Sharon March 21

The Israel Affairs Committee of Temple Israel, Sharon, Mass., will sponsor "The Israel Business Expo: Trade and Investment Opportunities in Israel Today" on March 21 from noon to 4 p.m. This regional event, featuring expert panels and a showcase of Israeli products and services, is planned in cooperation with the American Jewish Congress.

The program includes two panels: "Doing business with Israel" at 1 p.m. features David Jacobson, consul-economic affairs, Israeli government; Doron Etickson, deputy chief of staff, Gov. Weid's office; Robert Davis, chief financial officer, Robert Allen Fabrics, Mansfield, Mass. (and Tamaris Corp., Israel) and Michael Koppel, tax partner, Gray, Gray & Gray, Boston.

Moderator will be Martha King, Israel office director, Governor's Trade Office. "Investing in Israel" at 3 p.m. features Joel Raskin, vice president, Shearson Lehman Brothers; Clinton P. Harris, senior vice president, Advent International; Stephen Spector president, SPK Technologies, Ltd., Stoughton, Mass. and David Eisenberg, principal, Atlantic Investment Advisors. Moderator will be Dana Edelman, executive director, New England-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

The expo will present dozens of booths with Israeli exports — from high tech to food to fashion — on display. Information will be available on travel and volunteer opportunities as well. Refreshments

with an Israeli accent will be available.

Members of the Israel Affairs Committee include: Givry Nissenbaum of Sharon, chairman; Greta Rasky of Westwood, Nina Schneider, Wally Heller, Bruce Heller, Saul Heller, Varda Ben Meir, Suzanne Gordon, Elie Chella, Ken Ojken, Elaine Calm and Michael Nissenbaum, all of Sharon.

A directory will be available listing all participants and corporate sponsors. General admission is free and open to the public. A donation of \$2 is requested for panel attendance. Temple Israel is located at 125 Pond St., Sharon. For more information, call Temple Israel at (617) 784-3986.

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"Astronomy from Space: Seeing the Universe in a New Light" will be the topic of astronomer Harry Augensen at the Rhode Island College Physical Sciences Colloquium on March 11 at 8 p.m. in Clarke Science Building 128. For more information, call 456-8090.

The Children's Museum of Rhode Island invites preschoolers to attend "Arts Smart" on March 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at 58 Walcott St., Pawtucket. The program will teach children how to make colorful wind socks. For more information, call 226-2591.

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DESIGNING LADIES—(Left to right) Maia Goldworm, 11, and Elissa Berger, 10, share a moment to study Maia's design at the Circle of Clay class for Gimel and Hey students at Torat Yisrael designing tiles for the new Hasbro Children's Hospital.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Women & Heart Disease Topic of Hadassah Meeting

"Women & Heart Disease" will be the topic of the March meeting of the Pawtucket Hadassah Group, set for March 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence.

Dr. Candace McNulty, chairwoman of the Women & Heart Disease Task Force of the American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate and a

cardiologist at Memorial Hospital, Pawtucket, will present information on the unique risk factors for women and the differences in heart disease prevention and treatment for women.

Ruth Shein, president of Pawtucket Hadassah, encourages its members to attend this special presentation. "We all need to learn more about how heart disease affects a woman's life and what steps we can take now to prevent it, or live with it, while enjoying a good quality of life."

This program is part of an outreach effort of the American Heart Association's Women & Heart Disease Speakers Bureau. For more information on women and heart disease, or to schedule a speaker, contact the American Heart Association, Rhode Island Affiliate, at 728-5300.

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Circle of Clay Comes to Temple Torat Yisrael

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

In one hour Sunday, 18 students from the Gimel and Hey classes at Temple Torat Yisrael were given a chance to become immortalized. Their mission was simply to create something joyful for children on a 6½"-by-6½" clay tile that would become part of the walls and tunnel of the new Hasbro Children's Hospital currently being built in Providence, according to Lonna Picker, director of education for Torat Yisrael.

The program, known as the "Circle of Clay," was sponsored by Very Special Arts Rhode Island and headed by Peter Geisser of the Rhode Island School for the Deaf, who encouraged students throughout the state to design a tile based on their cultures. Picker informed.

As Martha Sholes, an art educator and holiday/mitzva

teacher at Torat Yisrael, went from table to table to assist the students, a smile spread across her face. She was reacting to the charming scene of a tzedakah box with coins carefully drawn across the smooth tile made by Jessica Portnoy.

On the other side of the room, Michelle Pepper, 13, a Hey student, proudly adorned the Star of David and a Torah scroll on her tile. The clay tiles will be fired in a kiln before they are inserted in the walls sometime this fall, according to Sholes.

One by one, the children offered their work to Sholes. "I think they did a great job. It's just an amazing undertaking," she said. When Celine Arsic, 13, handed her the last tile depicting a fig tree and a goat, it became one of 4,000 pieces destined for glory on the walls of the new Hasbro Children's Hospital.

Vanguard Plans 'Jewish Men Can Cook' Brunch

Vanguard, a Rhode Island organization for young Jewish singles, has planned a brunch with the guys showing their talents in the kitchen (and dining room) on March 28 at the Springfield Apartment Complex, Information Center Building, 100 Elena St., off Atwood in Cranston.

Interested singles should send a check for \$12 (paid members, \$10) payable to Vanguard/Hadassah. The food will be kosher-style. Brunch is served at 11 a.m. (Guys, be there by 10 a.m.)

Mail by March 19 to the Hadassah office, 1150 New London Ave., Cranston, R.I. 02920.

Vanguard, under the auspices of Rhode Island Hadassah, aims to bring together Jewish singles to share in social and cultural events. For additional information, call the Hadassah office at 463-3636.

Purim Razzle Opens Reading

Chabad Lubavitch's community-wide Purim Razzle will open with the reading of the Megillah on March 6 at 7 p.m. at Congregation Ohave Shalom in Pawtucket.

At 8 p.m., Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer, regional director of Chabad, promises "lively, spirited musicians leading the musical entertainment. Clowns, fire eaters, magical acts,

balloons and more."

A children's costume pageant will be judged by the master of ceremonies, and all participating will receive awards and prizes. Purim skits will round off the evening.

Refreshments, drinks and plenty of I'chaim, Rabbi Laufer says, will be served. For information, call 273-7238.

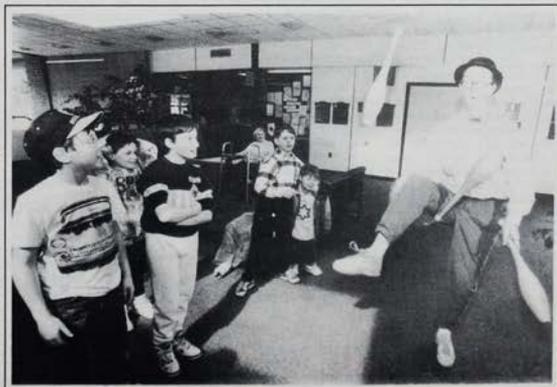
It's all Politics March 9 at JCCRI

Sen. Myrth York will lead a special discussion on current political issues that affect our lives March 9 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island from 11 a.m. to noon.

Other features of the week include the annual Purim Parade, with the school children passing the seniors' grandstand at 10:45 a.m. on March 7, and a Golden Age club

board meeting at 1 p.m. on March 11.

VCR presentations will include Parts 1 and 2 of "Israel: A Nation is Born," to be shown from 11 a.m. to noon on March 5 and March 12, and Part 1 of "The King and I" starring the late Yul Brynner from 10:45 a.m. to noon on March 7.



CAPTIVATED—A small audience of children gather around Keith Michael Johnson, a professional clown, Sunday at the Russian Festival.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

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JCCRI Overrun with Russians, Swimmers and Artists Sunday

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

Stepping into the lobby of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on Sunday, a visitor could sense something wild and wonderful was happening — a clown juggled, two boys threw scarves into the air and Russians were everywhere. It was nothing less than an invasion of wit, wonder and surprise as the center hosted an art exhibit, a swim-a-thon and the Russian Festival before hundreds of eager spectators.

While professional clown Keith Michael Johnson dazzled children with some fancy juggling, Ben Rotenberg, 11, was doing likewise with three nylon scarves which the clown had given to him. "They are great for learning basic hand coordination," said Johnson, as he juggled a pin behind his back.

In a secluded art hall, 11-year-old Nicole Weber almost twisted her head upside down trying to figure out what sculptor James Russell had in mind when he created his "Godasa,"

a surrealistic piece of wood and steel. "It's strange," was the only way Nicole could describe it.

Downstairs, one could smell the fragrance of hot, spicy food as Irene Ramm and Zhanna Firer worked tirelessly to make a batch of "pireiagas," fried dough stuffed with potatoes and onions, and a Russian salad filled with carrots, onions, sauerkraut and beets. The food was destined for a food-tasting exhibit upstairs later in the day.

Halfway across the building, deep in the basement, children and adults enjoyed the luxury of the center's heated pool as they took part in water races and games at the swim-a-thon. It provided 7-year-old Mitchell Rose with the simple enjoyment of a giant inner tube — that is, whenever his brother, Greg, wasn't splashing him.

The swim-a-thon continues through March 14 to help raise funds for the JCCRI's Aquatics Department.

Yet it was the sounds of music that filled the ears and



TIME TO MAKE THE PIREIAGAS — Irene Ramm and Zhanna Firer prepare the piriagas and Russian salad for the food-tasting exhibit at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Russian Festival Sunday.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

hearts of a packed social hall where music lovers were thoroughly entertained by Irina Kratic, 9, and Alisa Reikhrud, 11, both of whom were recent arrivals from Russia.

The two performed solo and

in duet, while a much older and more experienced Vladimir Zagadsky filled the hall with his booming baritone voice.

"Korovushka," a Slavic dance troupe pranced across the stage to the utter delight of

a mostly Russian audience with fancy high-stepping and traditional dancing. It was the climax to a day filled with sights and sounds, the likes of which the center hasn't seen in a while.

Sounds of a Lost World

"In this generation, we are nothing. There, we were not Russians, but Jews. We knew nothing about Jews." These are the words of Clara K., a theater critic in Russia, a nanny in New England. She confided in me over the dinner table. "Here, we are Russians, and that Russia which we knew has gone. We have nothing."

But at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island on Sunday, at their Festival Concert, a group of boys and girls, men and women of that time and place put on a show of song, dance and folk instruments. In their bright floral shawls pinned Gypsy-style over one shoulder, and their red sashes holding flowing white blouses in place, they linked two peoples together.

"American Jews came mostly from East Europe, the lands of the former Soviet Union. This program toasts the sounds of that lost world," said Robert Kaufman, master of ceremonies for the event.

In the last disturbing decade of a century of troubled liaisons between East and West, this group of new Americans celebrated our reunion in happy harmony.

Mike Fink

R.I. Holocaust Museum Sponsors Essay Contest

"What Have We Learned About Human Rights?" is the theme of this year's essay contest sponsored by The Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum for grades eight to 12.

To enter, students may submit an independent work of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, or drama pertaining to this theme before April 2. Each entry should include a title page stating the student's name, grade, home address and phone number, school's address, phone number and teacher. All entries should be double-spaced, typed or printed on one side of the paper and limited to 500 to 1,000 words.

The works will be judged by a committee of educators on the Holocaust. First-, second-place and honorable mention winners in each category will be announced by April 20. First-place winners will be honored with an award presentation, participation in the Days of Remembrance Ceremony in the Statehouse rotunda and a

set of books on the Holocaust. Second-place winners and the schools of each winner will also receive a set of books on the Holocaust. Honorable mention winners will receive a special certificate.

Entries should be mailed directly to the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum, Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, RI 02906-3400.

For additional information, call Beth Cohen, curator of the museum, at 861-8800.

Workshop To Address Two Religions in Marriage

As part of the "Decisions and Directions" series, Family Life Education at Jewish Family Service is once again offering a discussion workshop to explore the impact of interfaith marriages on the family. Issues addressed will include celebrating holidays, raising children, interacting with in-laws and belonging to a community.

"One Marriage, Two Religions" will be offered in three sessions on March 9, 16 and 23, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Jewish Family Service office, 229 Waterman St. in Providence. Cost is \$35 per couple.

Family Life Education workshops are open to all who wish to attend; preregistration is required.

For registration or additional information, call Jewish Family Service at 331-1244.

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THE BELLE OF BELORUSSIA — Maya Rozkov of Belorussia holds a traditional handmade toy cozy doll used to cover a Russian teapot at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Russian Festival Sunday.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Model Seder Set at Fall River Temple

A Passover model seder will be held March 28 at Temple Beth El, Fall River, Mass.

Congregation Ahavas Achim of New Bedford, Mass., the Greater Fall River Hebrew School, Temple Am David Hebrew School, Warwick, the

Samuel Zilman Bazarzsky Religious School, Middletown, and United Hebrew School of Newport will be among the schools participating.

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RUSSIAN DUET — Irina Kratic, 9, and Alisa Reikhrud, 11, both newly arrived from Russia, perform before a packed house at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Russian Festival Sunday. (See story on Page 25)

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Jewish Home Plans Volunteer Open House

The Jewish Home for the Aged will hold its second annual Volunteer Open House on March 14 at 2 p.m. in the Chase Memorial Auditorium.

Current volunteers will discuss their experiences at the home. The Jewish Home is currently looking for volunteers to help with existing programs and to create new ones.

Anyone interested in attending the open house is asked to RSVP with Bonnie Ryvicker or Kathleen Hanks at 351-4750.

Emanu-El Features Havurah Minyan

On Shabbat morning, March 13, at 10 a.m. in the Rabbi Eli and Eleanor Bohnen Vestry, Temple Emanu-El, through the Havurah Minyan, will offer a "summer minyan" style of service which encourages congregational participation through singing and an interactive d'var torah.

The Havurah Minyan provides a nurturing atmosphere for those congregants who want to increase their repertoire of skills. The minyan is committed to creating an egalitarian, spiritually uplifting, yet decidedly traditional ambience. Families, singles, all ages are welcome. For further information, contact Leah Ehrensham Hersh at 725-4779.

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A PURIM TRADITION — A Kent Nursing Home resident enjoys refreshments and a hamantashen pastry, which is traditionally served at Purim, at the Purim celebration with the Temple Torat Yisrael USY group Sunday in observance of the coming holiday.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Joy of Purim Shared With Nursing Home Residents

by Omar Bradley
 Herald Assistant Editor

The only thing Ilona Olster and a group of United Synagogue Youth (USY) members expected to find at the Kent Nursing Home Sunday was a small group of seniors ready to celebrate Purim with them. But they didn't expect to give as well as receive at the party celebrating one of the most joyous of Jewish holidays.

Thanks to Esther Smalley, a seniors' coordinator, Laurie Stuhler, the activities director of Kent Nursing Home, and Olster, president of the Cranston USY, the group and Alicia Guadagno, 10, Stuhler's daughter, performed a dramatic Purim play and reading.

A group of about 30 seniors, many confined to wheelchairs, appeared happy that Olster's group had made the effort to

come. While members read a short passage explaining the historical significance of the holiday, little Derek Stuhler, 4, wasted no time greeting each senior personally.

After the reading, everyone was invited to sample hamantashens, the triangular-shaped pastries filled with fruit and poppy seeds which are traditionally served on the holiday. Although it was the first time for many of the group, most were surprised by the exotic flavor, especially one guest who tried two flavors.

Just when Olster thought everything had been said and done, Smalley and the USY members surprised both her and Stuhler with a happy birthday greeting. It goes without saying that both were pleased to receive after having given so much.

JCCRI Kosher Meal Site

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's kosher meal-site program invites seniors to join in a variety of activities and to share a hot kosher meal at noon weekly, Sunday through Friday. Doors open weekdays at 10 a.m., with casual conversation in the lobby for an hour.

Exercise is scheduled during the week at 11:15 a.m. Seniors can try their hand at bridge on Monday afternoon from noon until 3:45 a.m.

On Tuesday a Women's Forum is held from 11:15 a.m. to noon and a bingo game runs from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, the Men's Group meets from 11:15 a.m. to noon. "Friend to Friend" meets Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon, and bingo is played from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

Shabbat traditions are observed on Friday. Sunday begins with tea, coffee and hot muffins at 10 a.m., followed by a variety of movies or VCR programs.

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School Beat



FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE—Nine-year-old Irina Kratic sings a solo ballad before a packed audience at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Russian Festival Sunday in the social hall. (See story on Page 25)
Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Camp Leadership Program Is Accepting Applications

YMCA Camp Fuller, the statewide resident camp located in Wakefield, is now accepting applications for the 1992 Leadership Training program. Boys and girls may apply for either of two four-week sessions beginning July 27 or July 25.

Camp Fuller's Leadership Training Program involves participation in the usual camp programs, with evening workshops designed to develop leadership skills. Practical application of these newfound skills takes place in the second half of the program while assisting with program instruction and cabin counselor responsibilities. Many return the following year for the Counselor in Training Program and continue as camp staff members.

The successful candidate must be 15 or 16 years old by

this July and have participated in at least one season of summer camp, either day or resident. Selection is competitive, and limited to nine boys and nine girls in each session. Demonstration of leadership skills in school and personal life is a prerequisite, and all applicants must complete a written essay detailing their desire and qualifications for participation.

Enrollment applications and complete details are available by calling the camp office at 521-1470 or writing YMCA Camp Fuller, 166 Broad St., Providence, R.I. 02903. Selections will be made by March 15. YMCA membership is not required, although nonmembers do pay a higher fee. Camp Fuller is now accepting enrollments for boys and girls ages 7 to 16 to attend the regular camp programs as well.

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The JASON Project is a science program which will be held from March 1 to 13 at the University of Rhode Island's Graduate School of Oceanography. Via satellite, the students will explore the Sea of Cortez, off the coast of Baja California, with Dr. Robert Ballard and his team of researchers. They will learn about newly discovered life forms that exist on the ocean floor, and they will witness the migration of hundreds of gray whales.

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The teachers of these students will be provided with a specially designed 350-page curriculum guide to use with their students in the classroom.

New England NCSY Holds Ski Weekend

The New England Region (NER) of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) recently enjoyed its ninth annual Ski Weekend (Shabbaton) in Lowell, Mass.

The shabbaton, which included more than 120 teenagers and advisers from throughout New England, included spirited singing and traditional Jewish and Israeli dancing, educational sessions and, of course, Saturday night skiing.

The conference is the largest National Orthodox Jewish youth organization and is open to all Jewish teen-agers, regardless of their affiliation or level of observance. It is the youth arm of the Orthodox Union and includes 13 regions and hundreds of chapters in the United States and Canada and in its two sections, juniors and seniors for grades nine to 12. The next NER NCSY weekend convention is Spring Regional in May.

For more information about NCSY, contact either the regional director, Rebeizten Weiss, at (508) 587-833, or Yonatan Kaganoff at (617) 734-0718.

ORT To Hold Hi-Tech Study Tour

The ORT Braude International Institute of Technology will again host dozens of English-speaking teens for its summer Hi-Tech Study Tour, it has recently announced.

The program, which blends the ancient with the ultra-modern, offers students ages 15 to 18 courses in computers, robotics and biotechnology along with extensive travel to sites of archaeological and/or cultural interest in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, the Galilee, the Negev and Eilat.

Social activities bringing the teens together with Israelis their own age include "Kabbalat Shabbat" evenings with Karmel youngsters and Russian and Ethiopian immigrants.

No previous experience with technology is required for the courses, which will be taught

by ORT faculty. All instruction is in English. Young people from England, Canada and the United States are expected to participate, bringing varied national perspectives for what will truly be an international experience.

The Hi-Tech Study Tour will take place July 19 to Aug. 16 and costs \$2,895 including round-trip air fare, all meals, travel, accommodations and medical insurance.

For further information, contact: Freyda Reiss Weiss, Hi-Tech Study Tour, Women's American ORT, 315 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10010; (212) 505-7700. The program is being sponsored by Women's American ORT and the American ORT Federation in cooperation with the American Zionist Youth Foundation.

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School Beat



NEAT Student Named Semifinalist

Yocheved Jakubowicz, the daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Abraham Jakubowicz and a graduating senior at New England Academy of Torah, has been named one of about 2,500 semifinalists in the 1993 Presidential Scholars Program. The semifinalists were selected from more than 2.5 million students expected to graduate from U.S. high schools in 1993.

From these semifinalists, 141 will be selected as the 1993 Presidential Scholars. The White House will announce their selection in early May.

Now in its 29th year, the Presidential Scholars Program is the highest federal honor bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character and involvement in community and school activities.

The 2,500 semifinalists were selected for their exceptional performance on either the SAT

of the College Board or the ACT Assessment of the American College Testing Program. Further consideration is based on students' essays, self-assessments, description of activities, school recommendations and school transcripts. A distinguished panel of educators will review these submissions and select 500 finalists in April.

Final selection of the 141 scholars will be made by the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars, a group of some 30 eminent citizens appointed by the president. They will select one young man and woman from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and U.S. students living abroad; up to 20 students from the creative and performing arts, and 15 students at-large.

Scholars will be invited to Washington, D.C., for several days in mid-June to receive the Presidential Scholar medalion at a recognition ceremony and to participate in activities with their elected representatives, educators and others in public life.



Defensive

Hasya Pearlman, 7, is prepared to defend herself as she exercises a karate strike at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's karate class conducted by Lorne Therrien last week.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Fourth-Graders Explore the Spirit of Giving

The Rhode Island Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE) has selected a Community Preparatory School in Providence to participate in its "Youth in Philanthropy" pilot project.

Community Prep's 19 fourth-graders, under the guidance of their teacher Cathy Jacques, will raise at least \$1,000 for a nonprofit agency or an individual of their choice. The funds raised will be matched by a grant from the Kresge Foundation.

The fourth-graders will spend half of the semester learning how people "care and share." They will then select a beneficiary and work with fund-raising professionals to raise money, using a variety of techniques. The project, begun in January, will be completed by April 30.

The school was chosen for this project because of its commitment to community service, innovative teachers and emphasis on experiential learning.

To select a beneficiary, Community Prep fourth-graders have visited several community agencies — Amos House, Meeting Street Center and the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum — and have sent letters of inquiry to local and national environmental organizations. In addition, on Feb. 25, they will interview a group of Providence-area philanthropists — including David King, executive director of the Champlin Foundations, and Frederick J. Thomas, the owner/operator of McDonald's, Broad Street — to learn how and why they give.

The students' fund-raising will be accomplished, in part, through sales of an ornament which they have designed. The Chemart Company of Lincoln

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The National Society of Fund Raising Executives is a professional association dedicated to the advancement of philanthropy through education, training and advocacy. The Rhode Island chapter of NSFRE

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Israelis Ready To Compromise

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 are willing to return the entire territory, which was annexed in the early 1980s. Forty-six percent of those polled said they are opposed to returning any part of the Golan.

An overwhelming 89 percent expressed strong support for continued participation in the peace process, while 11 percent were opposed.

The survey showed that Israeli public opinion regarding the future status of the West Bank and Gaza Strip has become more moderate. Twenty-nine percent favored the establishment of some sort of Palestinian autonomy, 20 percent were in favor of returning most of the territories to Jordan in exchange for a peace agreement, and 13 percent were ready to accept the establishment of an independent Palestinian state in the territories within the framework of a peace agreement.

However, 13 percent favored the annexation of the territories and the transfer of Arabs out of the area, 13 percent

were in favor of full annexation and 6 percent favored the preservation of the status quo.

Fifty-eight percent said the Arabs are interested in peace, while 95 percent are of the opinion that Israel is interested in peace.

Eighty-five percent expressed concern about being harmed by Arabs during the course of their daily lives. The view that the intifada and terrorism can be eliminated via military action was supported by 75 percent of the respondents. The popular view is that government policy in the territories is too weak on the Palestinians — and this opinion is much stronger than in previous years.

About 60 percent said the government's policy in the territories is too weak, 30 percent said the policy is correct and about 10 percent charged it is too harsh.

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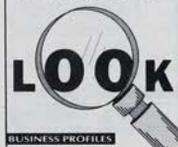
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Territories' Dependence on Israel

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the study by Yihai Dror, recently published by Tel Aviv University's Armand Hammer Fund for Economic Cooperation in the Middle East.

Dror said it would cost \$10 billion to develop the territories' infrastructure to a level close to Israel's own.

According to the latest data available, per capita gross domestic product in the Gaza Strip reached \$700 in 1990. However, per capita consumption was \$870 in the same year.

In general terms, this means that more money is spent in Gaza than is made. The difference is made up with money earned by Palestinian laborers who work in Israel proper.

The same is true of the West Bank. The per capita gross domestic product in the West Bank was \$1,335 in 1987, the last year for which reliable data are available. However, that was \$130 less than the per capita consumption during the same year.

For the territories to develop a more solid, independent industrial and economic base, the electrical infrastructure would require a major overhaul.

Dror's report noted that the Arab-owned East Jerusalem Electric Company is capable of producing only 5 percent of the electricity it provides. The company buys the rest from the Israel Electric Company.

In addition, the stations that relay the electricity are already operating at maximum capability.

Within the West Bank, many villages are not connected to the electric grid, and elsewhere the electrical lines are poor, which leads to occasional breakdowns in supply.

It would cost \$1.5 billion to add 1,000 megawatts of electricity and improve the network in the territories, the report says.

Communication systems in the territories are also poor. The telephone system in the Gaza Strip is in poor condition, being operated manually and lacking spare parts.

The West Bank's telephone system is automatic, but neither modern nor sophisticated.

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Public phones there also very scarce.

Finally, both the West Bank and the Gaza Strip suffer from a shortage of water.

The shortage in the Gaza Strip is particularly acute because the area is densely populated.

The sandy aquifer there can provide 60 million cubic meters of water a year without damage to the reservoir. But in actuality, 90 million cubic meters are drawn.

Salty sea water consequently encroaches upon the aquifer. It is estimated that by the end of the decade, there will be a serious shortage of drinking water.

Moreover, the drainage system in the Gaza Strip is so poor that a large portion of the sewage goes untreated and makes its way back into the natural water resources and contaminates it.

The report calculates that a per capita investment of \$6,000 is needed to raise the local infrastructure to Israel's level. But that is roughly four times the per capita gross domestic product.

Hence, several years and much foreign financial aid will be needed to raise the territories' infrastructure to that of Israel, Dror concludes.

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Ruling on Kashrut

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a well-known rabbinic authority or their own interpretation of Jewish law.

The bureau will be able to prosecute retailers and manufacturers who sell products that do not live up to the standard to which they have committed.

Yakov Dombroff, chief of the bureau, would not comment on specifics of the new regulations. They will need passage by the state legislature, though Dombroff expects no opposition.

He admitted that the court decision makes it theoretically possible for a retailer who claims to be kosher to sell pork, for instance, if the retailer says he interprets kashrut not to exclude pig.

"But I find it difficult to believe that we'll be opening up a sub-industry of non-kosher 'kosher' food," he said.

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