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It's Off to Camp We Go

Rabbi Shmuel Filler leads his young charges down Olney Street toward the Hope High School field recently for some fun and games as part of the Gan Israel program sponsored by the Chabad House.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

New PHDS Dean Makes the Rhode Island Connection

by Anne S. Davidson

Herald Editor

Rabbi Daniel Goodman was not even officially hired as the new dean of the Providence Hebrew Day School/New England Academy of Torah yet when he began to put his hands-on educational philosophy to work in the Ocean State.

"When I was here for an interview, Rabbi [Sholom] Strajcher was speaking about the Jewish Home," Goodman said, "so that morning, I met with Steve Raskitt," the executive director of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island. Together with parents in the school, a committee was formed and the "Keshet" program was developed.

The Keshet program brings Providence Hebrew Day School and New England Academy of Torah students and parents together with residents and former residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged on Shabbat.

Keshet, which means "connection" in Hebrew, has already been in place for several weeks, to the delight of all involved. One week,

visitors brought residents flowers to greet the Sabbath.

This program not only brings students face to face with people from whom they can learn, it



Rabbi Daniel Goodman

also helps create a "living connection" between the community and the school — another of Goodman's goals, he said.

"The idea is keeping in touch," the rabbi continued. "I think it's very important that the school be an integral part of the community. ... It creates a living connection."

Rabbi Goodman's get-to-it approach is certainly nothing new. As principal and director of the South Peninsula Hebrew Day School in Sunnyvale, Calif., he introduced his students to many current issues through

guest speakers and other hands-on activities. Among the featured guests at the South Peninsula school were the famous rebusnik, Ida Nudel, California Congressional candidates and Great Britain's chief rabbi.

"I think it gives to children a whole different level of understanding," Rabbi Goodman said in a recent interview with the *Herald*. "I think it's important to set up educational experiences such that you create a standard of high achievement."

"Students should not only have the opportunity but be given the vision that high achievement is possible."

Goodman plans to bring speakers to the day school and NEAT. Class curriculum focuses on the speaker and his or her topic beforehand, so the students are well-versed by the time the speaker arrives.

"It breaks open and expands the horizon," he said. "Besides classroom discussion, now they can have discussion with adult experts in the field."

Rabbi Goodman spent the last 15 years in Northern California, serving at the Sunnyvale day school from 1988 to 1993. Before that, he was principal of Judaic studies (1986 to 1988) and vice principal of Judaic studies (1978 to 1986) at the Hebrew Academy of San Francisco.

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Cease Fire Ends Week's Violence

by Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel continued its air raids and shelling of southern Lebanon last week, as a domestic debate over the military operation intensified. However, a U.S.-arranged cease-fire was called Saturday and Israel withdrew tanks from southern Lebanon.

Environment Minister Yossi Sarid of the dovish Meretz bloc, who was one of the first politicians to speak out against the Lebanon War 11 years ago, has once again taken the lead in criticizing the army's actions. This time, though, he is a member of the government, rather than of the parliamentary opposition as he was in 1982.

A number of other Cabinet ministers apparently feel the current operation has spiraled "out of control." They are said

to be particularly upset about the large number of Lebanese refugees who have been forced to flee their villages in the south for safer areas in the north.

According to reports, an estimated 500,000 villagers have sought refuge further north.

But senior army officers maintain that, from a military point of view, the operation has been successful, since the Iranian-backed Hezbollah's ability to fire rockets at Israel has diminished considerably.

Nevertheless, some Katyusha rockets did fall July 29 on northern Israel.

Since the start of the operation, two Israeli civilians and one soldier have died, with another 31 Israelis injured in the rocket attacks. Reports put the death toll there at about 140.

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Levy Ends His Term With Grace

by Omar Bradley

Herald Assistant Editor

Members of the Jewish community turned out Sunday to bid farewell to Israeli Consul Gen. Yaakov Levy and to herald the opening of "Life In Israel," a photography exhibit at the Jewish Community Center of Newport.

Everyone from Gov. Bruce Sundlun to tourists who happened to pass by the historic Touro Synagogue and center came to hear Levy's farewell speech and witness the opening of the exhibit.

The consul general said he was

"deeply moved" by the tremendous turnout of friends and supporters who came from as far away as Israel to say goodbye.

During his four-year diplomatic tour as consul general, Levy helped rally support for Israel during the Gulf War and encouraged those around him to never forget their homeland. Levy will now return home to Israel.

He thanked his staff, members of the Rhode Island and New England Jewish community, the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, which helped sponsor the

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THAT'S MY FAVORITE — New England Israeli Consul Gen. Yaakov Levy points to one of his favorite photos of Ethiopian refugees living in Israel at the "Life In Israel" photography exhibit at the Jewish Community Center of Newport on Sunday. Levy gave a farewell speech that day.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

Due to the observance of the holiday on Monday, next week's *Rhode Island Jewish Herald* will be delivered on Friday.

INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

Fall Programs to Start at Y

The East Side • Mt. Hope YMCA will begin its Fall I program on Sept. 7. Registration for members begins Aug. 9 and for nonmembers on Aug. 16.

For preschoolers, programs include: "Skippers," swim lessons for ages 6 months to 5 years, "Preschool Movement Education," "Water Play," "Tumble Tots" for ages 18 to 36 months, soccer for ages 4 to 5, ballet for ages 4 to 7 and "Time for Twos," an hourlong program for your "terrible two."

For youth, programs include: the National YMCA "Progressive Swim Program," six levels of swim lessons; soccer, gymnastics, swim stroke clinic, "Kid's Club," an evening pro-

gram for kids ages 4 to 7 and ballet. There is also, the "Sea Lions," swim team, which starts Sept. 27.

For teens, programs include: "Teen Fitness," "Strength Training," "Teen Leader's Club," "Funkie Jazzercise" and the swim team.

For adults, programs include: "Step Fitness," "Strength Training on the Nautilus," "Low-Impact Aerobics," "Y's Way to Fitness" (a stretching class), "Funkie Jazzercise," "Y's Way to Water Exercise" (a beginner program), "Senior Swim," "Water Walking," "Water Aerobics," adult swim lessons and arthritis exercise.

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Going In Circles

Cathy Neumann of Glendale, N.Y., spins around on the orbitron, a human-powered gyroscope, at the 15th annual South County Hot Air Balloon Festival in Kingston. The mother of three said the ride was "like riding a looping roller coaster, but it was great fun."

Herald photo by Omar Brailley



Avi

'Bestsellers' to Host East Side Children's Writer

"Bestsellers" with Ray Richman, a talk show on Rhode Island public television, will feature children's author Avi on Aug. 29.

Avi, who has written many books for children and young adults, has won the Newberry Honor twice, for *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* (1990), and *Nothing But the Truth* (1991). These and other books have won numerous other awards, including several citations as "best book of the year." His newest book, *City of Light, City of Dark* (1993), won the American Bookseller's Award this summer.

Avi's books are lively and enjoyable. He has lit up children's eyes for years. Originally a playwright, Avi turned to writing children's books when his own children were born.

Bestsellers began on July 11 with an interview of Gordon S. Wood, author of *The Radicalism of the American Revolution*, and a Pulitzer Prize-winner. Avi appears on "Bestsellers" Aug. 29 at 6:30 p.m. on Channel 36.



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FEATURE

Editor's Brother Visits Austrian Camp Site for Holocaust Survivor

by Anne S. Davidson

Herald Editor

Years of waiting have brought sadness, but maybe some relief, to local Holocaust survivor Ray Eichenbaum. After 48 years, Eichenbaum returned to the scene of his liberation. No, he didn't actually travel to Gurskirchen, in the forest of lower Austria, but he did send a messenger.

That messenger, Scott Davidson, the brother of Herald Editor Anne Davidson, traveled by train to Gurskirchen from Salzburg, where he currently lives, to visit and photograph the place where Eichenbaum was liberated on May 5, 1945.

"I always had in mind to go back but somehow never got the chance," Eichenbaum told the Herald recently.

The photos and Davidson's story saddened Eichenbaum, who learned that the camp site — log cabins with dirt floors and no electricity or running water at the time — had been destroyed in recent years. "I don't feel good about it," Eichenbaum said, learning that the camp is now gone. But standing as a mute reminder of the past, outside of town beside the autobahn, is a simple stone monument.

Davidson was surprised that the monument was placed — almost deliberately — on the fringes of town, away from all activity, save for speeding cars. Upon his arrival to Gurskirchen, he found the streets empty, except for a young girl

who agreed to guide him to the site of the monument.

At this time of year, the monument stands tall among lush, green trees. On its facade are two fists breaking the chains that once bound them together. At its base sat two jars of preserves, perhaps a gift to a long-lost loved one.

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Ray Eichenbaum

To the side, etched in German, is this following inscription, translated by Eichenbaum: "From March 12 to May 5, 1945, during the last days of the Nazi rule, in the woods across this road, was the site of the concentration camp Gurskirchen — an outside branch of the concentration camp Mauthausen. In this place, approximately 15,000 people, mostly Hungarian and Polish citizens of Hebrew persuasion, were held prisoners — many of these perished, 1,227 victims, whose remains were buried in many mass graves in this forest, were transferred in the fall of 1979 to the place of honor in the Common Honorary Memorial Grounds in Mauthausen."

Upon seeing a batch of photos taken by Davidson, Eichenbaum said, "I'm glad that the monument is there at least. I

expected nothing."

Eichenbaum, who was at the camp for about two months, was one of maybe 12 Polish-speaking boys among many more Hungarian Jews. "When we got there, it was like we were abandoned — no more SS guards," he recalls. Only older German men, in their 40s and 50s, were left to watch the prisoners, who were told they would be shot on site if they attempted escape.

But a couple of nights before liberation, Eichenbaum and the other prisoners heard artillery in the distance. "We knew it was coming to an end," he said, "but most of us were so sick. My liberation was not like you would imagine. You sort of found your way to the road."

The story of Eichenbaum's liberation is unusual. "We did not know we were liberated. We noticed there were no more guards, so we crawled to the road. ... A black man threw me a candy bar from a truck — that was the first American I ever saw."

The night he was liberated, about eight of the Polish-speaking boys died of dysentery, he recalls. "I was so lucky. I crawled into some place and there was a D.P. [displaced person] kitchen. The first thing I ate was some soup with milk" — not the meat and sugar that made the other boys sick.

Weighing only 52 pounds at the age of 14, Eichenbaum spent the next three months in the hospital. Three years later, he came to America, and the rest, as they say, is history.

blamed Larry. We had to hide our comradeship. Then, if faded.

We lost track for a bit. I did attend his first wedding. Larry showed up at both my shivas. His hug meant a lot.

My chum carried of a certain gallant dignity. He smoked too. He talked Reaganomics years before the Reagan regime. He liked to argue with me in upholstered chairs. Back then I mouthed liberal rhetoric. When the doves messaged on Israel, I moved over sharply to the right. Larry and I were left with nothing to quarrel sociably about.

I have not met Larry's third wife. I tried to phone him, but he had gone away to Albuquerque. He had been planning the

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BROKEN CHAINS — A solemn monument for victims of the Holocaust stands alone, just off the autobahn, on the outskirts of Gurskirchen, about 6 miles from Wels in lower Austria. Survivor Ray Eichenbaum was liberated at a now-demolished log cabin camp there in 1945. Jars of some sort of preserves were probably placed at the base by a loved one.

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R.I. Is Reaching Across

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

I write an open letter to Larry, a friend who has moved away from Rhode Island. Maybe he'll read it.

I went to kindergarten with Larry at Summit Avenue. He was a big boy, and I was a little fellow. Larry was an only. I was youngest of three. His folks moved from one house to another among our hills. His dad switched jobs and businesses a few times. We stayed put.

Larry and I got to know each other pretty well. We listened to big band records after school. His mom made me a sandwich on Saturdays. He came by my place most when my parents were keeping store.

As a teen, Larry nourished an oddball dream for a Jewish boy. He figured he'd run a catterhanger. He looked the part. Larry liked

guns and hunting dogs. He told a crude joke with gusto. We laughed aloud together. We also talked fancy, especially at the bar mitzvah stage, existentially searching, searching.

For a few seasons in high school, we drifted into different directions. He chose to hang out with kids bent on business. I had my eye on literature and art.

We had one misadventure. I talked Larry into driving off a car with its keys in the ignition. The sedan sat in my driveway. The careless chap was in my own parlor playing poker with my brother. I said, we'll just grab a coffee at Topp's; they'll never even know the difference. But we got caught. My dad

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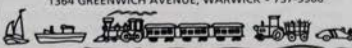
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What's So Funny?

David and Louise Felder enjoy a humorous moment in Yiddish class during Yiddish Camp at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island recently. The camp was sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island. *Herald photo by Omar Bradley*



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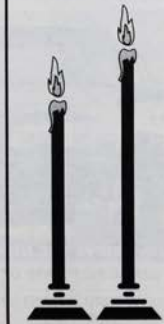
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Torah Is Bread from Heaven

"He fed you the Manna which you did not know, neither did your fathers know." These words are found in this week's Torah portion, Elkev.

What a difference there was between the "bread from heaven" — the manna that fell from above for the Jews during their 40 years in the desert — and ordinary bread "from the earth."

To produce bread, great effort and hard labor is required — ploughing, sowing, reaping, grinding, kneading, baking, etc. And the finished product, in common with all other physical foods, cannot be totally absorbed and utilized by the human body; part of it is rejected by the body as waste. But manna, the "bread from heaven," did not require any labor for preparation and contained no waste whatsoever.

Who was able to eat this noble, almost spiritual food? All Israel — the righteous, the average and even the wicked. Moreover, the manna did not become debased and lose its special qualities when digested

by an evil person; even within their bodies it had no waste. On the contrary, it had a refining, elevating effect on them.

Torah is called "bread," and within Torah wisdom we may also discern two kinds of "bread." The revealed parts of Torah — the oral law, the Bible, Mishna, Talmud, etc. — is called "bread from the earth" because of the toil and labor associated with the question-answer, challenge refutation method of study. The inner aspect of Torah — Kabbala, Hasidic philosophy, the mystical teaching, etc. — is called "bread from heaven."

Who may partake of this noble food? Who may study this refined and esoteric wisdom of Torah? There are some

who claim that these teachings, as embodied in Hasidism, are only for the select few, that special preparation is required in order to participate in such studies. But such a claim is similar to the claim of years ago when the validity of Hasidism itself was questioned.

Today, however, as we approach the dawn of the coming of moshiah, the claims against Hasidic teachings have disappeared. Instead, there are claims that the esoteric wisdom of Hasidism is too refined for the masses, etc.

But the inner aspect of Torah, the "bread from heaven," is for all and may be ingested, like the manna, by every Jew no matter at what level he or she finds himself. Like the manna, it has a refining effect and brings us all closer to returning to our Source.

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Letters to the EDITOR



'Coping' Is an Understatement

To the Editors:

For the last few weeks, I have been reading in your paper the closing of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

It has bothered me since reading about this. Although I have been living in Florida for the past 14 years, I have visited my family in Rhode Island every year. Many times my dad and I would go and visit someone in the home on my return visits.

It is hard to believe that this great institution would close without many of the leaders in the state taking up the course of the Jewish Home.

The headline that you used "Coping" with closing is an understatement. All the Jewish people in the state should never have let this happen. All the people who lived at the home thought they

had a safe haven until their time came. Celebrating all the Jewish holidays, having kosher meals served each day, having friends through the years, daily services and high holy day observances, all thrown out the window. It bothers me so much that I had to write this letter.

Why wasn't anything done before it reached this level of crisis? Was there something not mentioned to the public that could have prevented this closing? Someone should be held accountable for this unfortunate occurrence.

I would think that with all the agencies throughout the state, everyone could have mustered enough to keep this great institution from closing.

All that I can say now is: shame, shame, shame.

Carl H. Bakelman
Clearwater, Fla.

Fifty Years Ago in the Rhode Island Jewish Herald

WEEK OF AUGUST 6, 1943

U.S. Soldiers Save Colony

JERUSALEM — United States Army officers and men were instrumental in saving the colony of Givat Brenner from destruction this week, it was revealed here. While the American soldiers were visiting the settlement, which is located in Judea, a fire broke out, threatening buildings and crops. With their assistance, however, it was soon extinguished. The Youth Aliyah organization announced that 23 Jewish children from the Balkan countries have arrived here in Turkey. They are the fourth small group of young refugees from the Balkans to arrive in recent months.

Facists Kidnap 1500 Families

LISBON — A special squad of "Black Shirts" rounded up all Jews in Sicily soon after the fall of Tunisia and deported them to an unknown destination, according to reports reaching here. The kidnapping of the 1500 Jewish families who had been living in Sicily took place late at night for fear that the people of Sicily might protest against the removal of their Jewish neighbors.

Nazi Laws Don't Apply

STOCKHOLM — Such Jews as remain in Germany and the Czechoslovak Protectorate, it was reported this week, have been placed outside the protection of the law, and upon death their estates become state property. A decree to this effect appeared in the Reichsanzeiger, an official gazette. This development was accompanied by other suggestions that Nazi authorities were planning to eliminate from the Reich all persons classified as "part Jews."

Regina, Queen of Compassion

by Cindy Halpern
Special to the Herald

My Aunt Regina — born the second oldest child — assumed an important role as care provider for her family spanning three generations. By the time the youngest child, Tina, was born, Regina had learned responsibility by helping with the care of her other brothers and sisters.

It was Regina's loving hand that wiped my mother's girlish tears, packed her lunches and held her youngest sister's hand while she walked her to school.

She taught my mother how to survive in anti-Semitic Vienna: speak only German, never mention religion or private family affairs.

But she also taught my mother values, not just by her words, but by example. In the home, Yiddish was the language of the heart. Respect for one's elders and love of the Torah was practiced.

When the Korner family immigrated to America after surviving the Holocaust, Regina, Mina and Tina had to work to support their weary parents, who had to once again adjust to a new language and land.

Regina became the care provider for her parents after my mother married in 1949. Father time caught up with the older generation. In addition to the regular duties of cleaning, washing, shopping and paying bills, Regina had to rush home from her job at noon to make sure her parents ate a proper meal.

She had learned English and listened to her co-workers' troubles, but she never complained about her own life.

When my oldest sister, Anita, was born, Regina wanted another chance to help a child. Every evening after work, Regina went over to my parents' home to help wash diapers and feed the baby.

Regina's life mission as care provider to three generations ended in 1957, when Regina died at age 49 of a ruptured appendix. Her caring and devotion shines brilliantly through the flames of her Kaddish candle to yet another generation.

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Courage and Class

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

"Last night, I dreamt I broke into Auschwitz armed with a machine gun and artillery. I destroyed the Nazis and saved my fellow Jews. I know what my dream meant. I fought death and conquered it."

I told Ray Berger, "But it's typical of you, that you saved others, you defended people in trouble. It was a good sign."

It wasn't an idle dream, because Ray really is battling for life. I hope he won't mind my thanking him for the letters and messages he sends me. He clips stories from *The New York Times*, from the *Forward*, from magazines and newsletters on a wide range of Jewish subjects, from the welfare of the Ethiopian Jews to the right way to tie a bow tie, a column his son-in-law pub-

"I dreamt I broke into Auschwitz... I destroyed the Nazis... I know what my dream meant. I fought death and conquered it."

Ray Berger

lished for big bucks.

The piece from the English *Forward* told the saga of the Sephardic pirate who fleeced the anti-Jewish Spanish ships of

slaves. But the infamous Jean Lafitte sold the poor wretches.

Even so, he made friends with Marx and Engels and took good care of his mood. The bizarre historical tale made me smile at Ray's very grasp of an-

cient as well as current events.

I've never known anyone who handles being sick like Ray. He wears a smile, and holds himself elegant and well-groomed as a prince. He asks for my well-being, and even hears my gripes before he tells me how he is faring and what his doctors say.

"I've got to eat ice cream, to

keep up my weight. Isn't that funny?" he comments dryly.

I used to sit with Ray at the little tables on Wickenden, but last week I stopped over at his East Side house. We settled on his screened side porch. He took the white bench that hangs from a chain like an old-fashioned swing. I picked out a white metal lawn chair, the familiar '40s design when chrome and steel held sway before the age of plastic.

Outdoors, giant evergreens shaded and cooled the plank floor. Only a screeching recycling truck could cut through the curtain of quiet and calm.

"My folks kept a summer place in the Adirondacks. We always meant to put in another bathroom. We never got around to it. We went there in the warm months since the early '30s."

Ray's open parlor was about as pleasant a setting on a hot noontime for a visit as any spot you can find in town. I had stepped in from the vestibule

and living room, but I left by way of a rear screen door that gives onto the garden. Classic earthen pots of flowers and plants guard the stairs to a green enclosed oasis. We stood on the grass. Should I press for further, final details or should we stay upstayed? I let Ray set the mood. "I get tired, but I feel comfortable."

Sometimes I ask myself if illness strips the veneer of good will among allies in life. Do you turn totally selfish and curse? Never Ray. Not that he's fake cheerful. Ray has an edge. You can't play your part in the Bernie Bell coffee club without being able to dish it out and take it, too, and deal with the real.

As Jewish Community Center director, he had faced all aspects of handling a crisis. Ray doesn't pretend things are OK, but he's living a Jewish life to the full. He speaks his mind and keeps getting up and on the go with menschlichkeit and grace, courage and class.

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by Leonard Chernack
Special to the Herald

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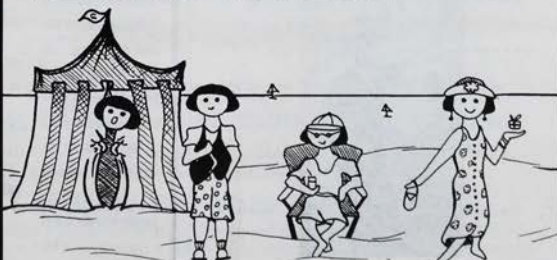
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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Syria Helped Supply Hezbollah Before Recent Escalation

by Deborah Kalb

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Syria was involved in supplying Iranian weapons to the Shiite fundamentalist Hezbollah movement just prior to the recent upsurge in attacks on Israeli troops, a California congressman charged last week.

"It's my understanding that ... on July 15th, Syrian armed guards stood by at Damascus International Airport as an Iran Air 747 unloaded anti-tank rockets and a range of other weapons," Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) said at a congressional hearing July 28.

The weapons, Lantos continued, "were promptly trucked off to Lebanon under military escort for use by Hezbollah to intensify its attacks on the settlements in the north of Israel."

In response to the attacks from Hezbollah, Israel mounted a large-scale bombing campaign in southern Lebanon. A cease-fire was called Saturday, ending the weeklong attacks. The rise in violence caused concern among American officials here and was one reason Secretary of State Warren Christopher cut short a trip to Asia and returned to Washington at the request of President Clinton. Christopher arrived in Israel on Tuesday.

The Clinton administration is currently involved in a delicate balancing act involving Syria, one of the parties engaging in negotiations with Israel in the Middle East peace process.

The administration is trying to keep Syria involved in the peace process. And at the same time, it would clearly like Syria to do more to contribute to an

end to the violence in southern Lebanon.

Clinton, who had praised Syria for exercising restraint in the current crisis, said July 28 that he thought Syria "could do more" to contribute to ending the violence.

The president also said he did not "think anybody thought that Syria was exactly behind Hezbollah."

That remark came as a surprise to some and stood in contrast to statements made by other administration officials.

On July 29, State Department spokesman Mike McCurry appeared to take a different line by saying, "We have been aware for a number of years that Iran has supplied Hezbollah through Syria, and we have repeatedly expressed our concern about resupply activities."

Lantos, for his part, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency on July 29 that he felt Syria has been "playing a double game."

Syria, he said, "is perpetrating violence against Israel via proxy, while pretending to be a party to the peace process. This double game cannot continue."

Lantos, who made his remarks about Syrian support for Hezbollah at a hearing July 28 of the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on international security, which he chairs, said that he was satisfied with the response of CIA Director James Woolsey, the witness at the hearing.

While Woolsey did not say a great deal about the ties between Syria and Hezbollah at the open hearing July 28, Lantos said his subcommittee was planning further hearings in executive session with the CIA director.

The Case of 'Ivan the Terrible' Long Riddled With Ambiguities

by Susan Birnbaum

NEW YORK (JTA) — The decision handed down last week by Israel's Supreme Court in the case of John Demjanjuk culminates more than a decade of controversy in one of the most hotly contested war crimes cases in history.

Demjanjuk, a 73-year-old retired Cleveland autoworker, was extradited to Israel in 1986 and convicted there of crimes committed as "Ivan the Terrible," the sadistic guard at the Treblinka death camp who he herded them into the gas chambers. In 1988 he was sentenced to death.

Between 800,000 and 900,000 Jews died at Treblinka. Throughout Demjanjuk's long ordeal, through deportation proceedings in the United States, a protracted trial in Is-

rael and numerous appeals in both countries, the Ukrainian native has steadfastly maintained that his is a case of mistaken identity, and that he never served at any concentration camp.

The long-awaited decision by Israel's High Court comes after a lengthy review of its 1988 verdict and death sentence for crimes of mass murder committed both at Treblinka and at the Sobibor concentration camp.

The Demjanjuk case has been fraught with ambiguous evidence from the start.

Most of the Holocaust survivors who testified that Demjanjuk was the notorious Ivan were elderly and the defense team charged that they could not identify a guard 40 years after their ordeal.

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Demjanjuk Verdict Raises Concern

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — The decision by Israel's Supreme Court clearing John Demjanjuk of charges that he was "Ivan the Terrible" did not exonerate the ex-Nazi of having served as a death camp guard.

But Holocaust historians and activists are concerned that the court's decision to free Demjanjuk may be used by Holocaust-deniers as a vindication of their version of history.

"The Holocaust denial movement just got a booster shot," said Charles Allen Jr., an authority on Nazi war criminals.

"The results of the trial are fueling the revisionists, who say that this didn't happen," agreed Eva Fogelman, an expert on the Holocaust and founding director of the Anti-Defamation League's Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers.

"It's another example of them saying 'the Jews put someone to trial and he didn't do anything,'" said Fogelman.

The Supreme Court ruled there was reasonable doubt about Demjanjuk's identity as the sadistic Nazi guard at the Treblinka death camp known as "Ivan the Terrible."

But the justices also noted there was clear evidence that Demjanjuk trained to be a Nazi guard and other evidence that he may have served as a guard at Sobibor, another death camp.

They said, however, that Demjanjuk did not have a "reasonable opportunity" to defend himself against those other charges, and thus could not be sentenced for them.

"I find it morally, if not legally disturbing that somebody who was working actively as a

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NATIONAL

NEW YORK — Members of Amcha-The Coalition for Jewish Concerns have sent telegrams and faxes to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and German Ambassador to the U.S. Dr. Immo Stabreit protesting the recent release of Treblinka death camp commandant Kurt Franz. Franz, who was serving a life sentence for his part in the murder of "at least 300,000 people" including 193 by his own hand in Treblinka, was quietly set free last week despite appeals from the state prosecutors who argued that his crimes were too severe to merit early release. "The insensitivity of the release of a murderer like Franz just at the moment when the John Demjanjuk case has inflamed the sensibilities of Holocaust survivors is outrageous," said Judy Balint, CJC-Amcha national director.

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NEW YORK (JTA) — Two American Christian organizations recently called on Israel to reopen Jerusalem to the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Israel sealed the territories and barred entry to the Palestinians living there on March 30 in response to a spate of attacks on Israeli civilians and soldiers. Churches for Middle East Peace, a consortium of 14 Protestant and Catholic agencies, and the General Synod of the United Church of Christ, have now issued separate calls protesting the policy and asking the Clinton administration to condemn it.

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WASHINGTON (JTA) — President Clinton has given concerned senators his assurance in writing that his administration will not let the plight of Syrian Jews "slip from our attention." In May, a group of 73 lawmakers led by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Charles Grassley (R-Iowa) wrote to the president, urging him to press Syria to allow Syrian Jews to travel freely. Despite Syria's assertion in June that its Jewish population no longer wishes to leave the country, Jewish groups here have charged that Syria has reneged on its earlier pledge to allow Jews unrestricted travel.

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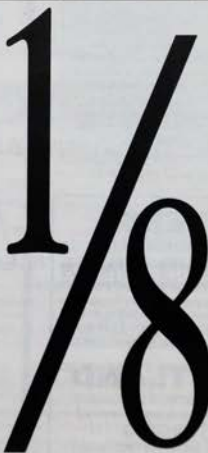
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INTERNATIONAL

GENEVA (JTA) — In the last year at least 10 Swiss companies have exported, directly or indirectly, equipment to Iran for producing atomic, chemical and biological arms and long-range rockets, according to a recent report here. The article, based on a report which first appeared in the Israeli newspaper *Ma'ariv*, also asserts that dozens of Swiss companies were heavily involved in assisting Iraq's nuclear development program prior to the Persian Gulf War.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Knesset has reversed an earlier decision to strip Knesset member Raphael Pinhasi of his parliamentary immunity so that he could face fraud charges connected to his position as treasurer of the Shas party. The Knesset voted 54-50 July 29 not to remove Pinhasi's immunity, reversing an earlier vote in March. The re-vote was ordered by Israel's High Court of Justice, which ruled recently that Pinhasi was not given an adequate opportunity to present his case to Knesset members before the first vote.

Groups Like What They Heard from Ginsburg

by Deborah Kalb

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Like many others here, Jewish organizations like what they heard from Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg during recent confirmation hearings on her nomination to the Supreme Court.

While the Jewish groups noted that the nominee was very cautious about commenting on a host of volatile issues, they praised her stands on abortion rights and on issues concerning discrimination.

On the separation of church and state, some were pleased by what she said, while others said they wished she had been more forthcoming in discussing her views.

Ginsburg, who became the first Jewish woman ever to sit on the court and the first Jew on the court since Abe Fortas resigned in 1969, has received plaudits from both the Jewish community and the Senate Judiciary Committee.

She won easy confirmation by the Senate this week, 96-3. The Judiciary Committee, which held the confirmation hearings, voted to confirm her.

Ginsburg, who sat on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, has had little experience with church-state cases.

But some officials with Jewish organizations here said they were satisfied with her responses concerning a controversial legal doctrine on church-state separation known as the Lemon test, after a 1971 case called *Lemon v. Kurtz*.

The test, supported by many in the Jewish community with the exception of some Orthodox groups, provides a strict standard for preventing undue government entanglement with religion.

Hate Crimes Legislation Moves Closer to Passage

by Lisa Mann

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Legislation that would enhance penalties for hate crimes moved one step closer to passage last week, as the House Judiciary Committee approved the Hate Crime Enhancement Act.

The bill, supported by many Jewish groups, calls for sentences of convicted criminals motivated by hate, bias or prejudice to be increased by about a third. Introduced last year, the bill was unanimously agreed upon in the House but failed to pass the Senate.

But this year's bill is making its way through Congress in the wake of a recent Supreme Court decision, *Wisconsin v. Mitchell*, that upheld the constitutionality of a Wisconsin law enhancing penalties for crimes committed by hate.

The Wisconsin law was based on a model hate crimes statute drawn up by the Anti-Defamation League.

Forty-seven states and the District of Columbia now have statutes addressing hate violence, according to the ADL.

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Support for Israel at UN

America will "continue to stand by Israel" at the United Nations, Madeline Albright, U.S. permanent representative to the UN (left), pledged in addressing a meeting in New York of the conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. Kent Schiner, president of B'nai B'rith and chairman of the Presidents' Conference committee on the UN (right), presided. Gad Yaacobi, Israel's ambassador to the UN, told the group that his nation now sees the UN as "offering an option to achieve influence, to gain support and to win friends."

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ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Cultural Roots Program Is Under Way

The Pawtucket Arts Council announces its programming for the summer portion of the ongoing Cultural Roots program. Cultural Roots is a program developed by the council to provide underprivileged youth with opportunities to learn about, and participate in, various art and cultural activities. The focus of the 1993 summer program is music, and the council has the talents of two visiting musicians to work with Pawtucket area youth.

Abdoul Doumbia is a traditional African drummer from the West African country of Mali and is working in conjunction with the Pawtucket Recreation Division Summer Day Camp at Slater Park. He

works with two groups of 20 children each week to teach them about rhythm and the use of traditional African instruments.

Each child is provided with a drum or another instrument on which to produce sound, and Doumbia presents the children with different rhythmic patterns for them to reproduce. Once the children have mastered a specific pattern of notes, Doumbia chimes in with a more complicated rhythm, thus creating a duet.

In addition to working with Pawtucket-area children, Doumbia is also displaying his talent in other parts of the state. He is a member of the musical group Africa Babema and is a

music instructor at Brown University.

The council's second visiting artist, Meredith Mitchell, is a member of the Arts Corps program, sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts and the National Association of Local Arts Agencies. Mitchell will spend six weeks in Pawtucket, sharing her vocal and instrumental talents with children at Progreso Latino. She is working with children aged 11 to 14, teaching them to sing popular songs by performers like John Secada, Shai, and The Nylons.

In addition, the children are receiving basic instruction in reading music while learning to play the recorder, a simple instrument, and one-on-one piano instruction is also available for those children who are interested. While in Pawtucket, Mitchell is also assisting the Arts Council in developing a survey for an upcoming community cultural assessment. The survey will be distributed to area residents in August.

For information about upcoming Cultural Roots programming or about the Pawtucket Arts Council, contact Katherine Valvoda at 725-1151.

Newport Jazz Fest Announces Lineup

Ray Charles highlights a stellar 1993 JVC JAZZ Festival in Newport this month that warms up with legendary "girl singer" Rosemary Clooney on a Friday evening, cools out with the mellow sounds of Grover Washington Jr. on a Saturday afternoon and then sizzles with salsa master Tito Puente on a Sunday afternoon, producer George Wein announced in disclosing the musical lineup for the open-air event scheduled for Aug. 14, 15, and 16.

Along the way, festival goers can hear performances by long-time jazz greats Nina Simone, Sonny Rollins and Horace Silver, as well as by newer artists. Spyro Gyra, Joshua Redman and Michel Camilo.

"Newport is a superb setting for a jazz festival that presents a spectrum of styles performed by outstanding artists, while at the same time paying homage to the roots of a classic American musical tradition," said Wein, who staged the first jazz festival in the historic seaport in 1954.

Wein, who has gone on to produce thousands of musical festivals throughout the world, is an accomplished jazz pianist in his own right who will take the Newport stage this year.

The festival swings to life at 8 p.m. on Aug. 14, with Rosemary Clooney and the Count Basie Orchestra performing on Centre Court in the storied Newport Casino, the architecturally distinguished 19th-century home of the International Tennis Hall of Fame.

Clooney rose to fame in the 1950s, when she and other female singers such as Peggy Lee and Doris Day emerged as individual stars at the end of the big band era. Her distinctive, smooth sound is at its mature and mellowed peak, as shown on her recent album, "Girl Singer." She continues to give concerts across the country and has appeared frequently on television.

The Count Basie Orchestra will also perform at the casino under the direction of Frank Foster, a veteran saxophonist who played with the late great Count Basie in the group from 1953 to 1964. Foster, a music educator and arranger as well as a gifted soloist, then fronted his own band before returning to the orchestra in 1986, to continue its tradition as one of the top swing bands in the land.

On Aug. 14, the scene shifts to Fort Adams State Park at the edge of Narragansett Bay for seven hours of music starting at 11:30 a.m. and featuring Ray Charles and His Orchestra. Charles is a giant of American music, with an inimitable song and piano style that blends jazz, rhythm and blues and pop and has produced decades of hits, from "Hit The Road, Jack" to "Night And Day" to "Georgia."

The Saturday lineup also includes Grover Washington Jr., a veteran saxophonist and band leader with a soulful, sophisticated sound and two Grammy awards to his credit, including one for his hit, "Mr. Magic." Longtime roots jazz standout Horace Silver, a composer whose recording career dates back to the golden age of the '50s, will perform with his Silver-Brass Ensemble. Up-and-coming tenor saxophonist Joshua Redman will showcase his award-winning improvisational style, and Michel Camilo, whose song "Why Not" won a Grammy for Manhattan Transfer, will lead his trio on piano.

The festival continues Aug. 15, at Fort Adams from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. with an all-star array featuring the king of Latin music, triple-Grammy-winner and timbales maestro Tito Puente, who adds years of expertise to the day's schedule, as does Nina Simone whose poignantly soulful singing and piano playing continues to earn international acclaim. The "High Priestess of Soul," Nina Simone has not graced the Newport stage for 20-some-odd years.

The monumental Sonny Rollins, often called the greatest living tenor saxophonist, brings his musical statement to the Sunday lineup, while Spyro Gyra offers an eclectic contemporary sound with a stylistic range stretching from breezy pop-jazz to bluesy jazz-rock to Latin-flavored romps. The Newport All-Stars round out Sunday with festival promoter and Columbia Jazz Recording Artist George Wein taking a turn at the keyboard.

Tickets to the Aug. 13 concert at the Newport Casino cost \$55, \$37.50, and \$25, all seats reserved. Tickets to the Aug. 14 and 15 concerts cost \$28.50 per person, per day in advance and \$30 per person, per day on festival weekend.

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Murder mysteries will be presented on Aug. 5, 12, 19 and 26 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Astors' Beechwood Mansion, 580 Bellevue Ave., Newport. They are sponsored by the Beechwood Theater company. For more information, call 846-3772.

The annual Newport "Night In White" will be held Aug. 7 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight at Belcourt Castle, 659 Bellevue Ave., Newport. The proceeds from the event will benefit the Royal Arts Foundation. For more information, call 846-0669.

The Summer Concerts By-The-Bay series will feature soprano Maricel Lucero and guitarist Christopher Kane on Aug. 8 at 7 p.m. in Blithewold Mansion & Gardens, 101 Ferry Road, Route 114, Bristol. The duo will perform traditional Spanish and Brazilian music. For more information, call 253-2707.

The Wickford Art Association will present "Through The Garden Gate," an open juried all-media show Aug. 8 through 19 at 36 Beach St., North Kingstown. The non-abstract work in all media will be presented in a garden setting. For more information, call 294-6840.

The Great Woods Center for the Performing Arts in Mansfield, Mass., will feature Stars of the American Ballet on Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m. The show will include Susan Jaffe, Julie Kent, Amanda McKerron and other dancers from the American Ballet Theater and New York City Ballet. For ticket information, call (617) 931-2000.

The New England Quilters Guild will present the New England Image Quilt Show on Aug. 12, 13 and 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Aug. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Royal Plaza Hotel & Trade Center, 181 Boston Post Road West, Marlborough, Mass. The show will feature antique quilts, daily workshops, lectures, auctions and more. For more information, call (508) 452-4207.

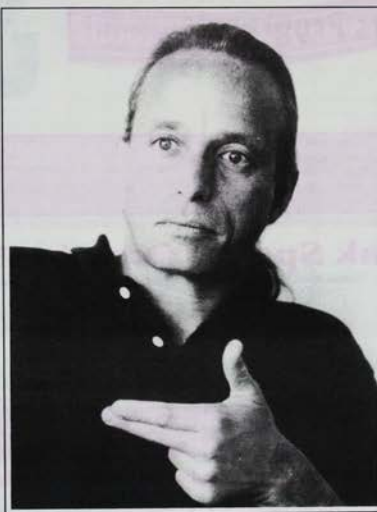
Perishable Theatre to Present 'Family Arts Blastoff'

Perishable Theatre is staging a festival of storytelling, theater, music, puppets and clowning for audiences of all ages at the Casino in Roger Williams Park on Saturday, Aug. 21 from noon to 5 p.m. Admission for the festival is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children.

The afternoon will feature performances by nationally and regionally known artists, all of whom are local residents. A&M recording artist Bill Harley is a singer/songwriter/storyteller whom *Entertainment Weekly* described as "the Mark Twain of contemporary kids' music." Multicultural storyteller Len Cabral appeared at the Presidential Inauguration in Washington last January. The All Children's Theatre Ensemble will be performing their original production of "Beauty and the Beast."

Storyteller Marc Joel Levitt is locally famous for his historical storytelling shows about Johnny Appleseed and his weekly live radio comedy show. Tom the Fool is a juggler/clown/acrobat who starred in last summer's "Pan-Twilight Circus."

Perishable Theatre's "Shows for Young Audiences" is a popular touring company that performs original musical plays for children throughout the region.



Marc Joel Levitt

David Macaulay, author of popular picture books *Castle* and *Pyramid* will be signing books at the event. There will also be door prizes and refreshments.

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Perishable's Capital Campaign to raise funds for renovations and equipment at its new home at AS220's Empire Street Complex in DOWNEY Providence.

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Fund-Raiser to Honor Eisenhower With Never-Before-Seen Exhibit

Retired photojournalist Anthony C. Ferri of Barrington, a former accredited member of the White House Press Corps, will present and narrate a color slide show at a fund-raising gala to be held at Eisenhower House, Newport.

The gala, cohosted by Lt. Gov. Robert A. Weygand and Newport Mayor Robert J. McKenna, will begin at 7 p.m. on Aug. 19.

Ferri's photographs of President and Mrs. Eisenhower were taken over a three-year period (1957, 1958 and 1960), when the Eisenhowers vacationed in Newport. The exhibit will offer a nostalgic look of the president and Mrs. Eisenhower both at work and play.

In March, 1991, Ferri donated his collection of presidential photographs to the Eisenhower Library in Abilene, Kansas, where they will be enshrined as a permanent part of the official archives.

Ferri covered the Eisenhowers' vacations at the summer White House, today known as Eisenhower House, for a publication entitled *Telephone Topics*. He later earned White House Press Corps credentials and was granted greater access to President Eisenhower.

This "Remembering Eisenhower" exhibit is part of the "A Taste of Newport Past" fund-raiser, which is looking to raise money for the maintenance of the historic Eisenhower House

in Fort Adams State Park.

As part of the event, guests will have the opportunity to sample cuisine from some of the area's most famous caterers including Blackstone Caterers, Kathleen's, the Marriott, Glorious Affair, La Forge and Blue Rock. Entertainment will be provided by Saucy Sylvia.

Tickets cost \$25 per person and may be purchased by calling Eleanor Borges of Eisenhower House at 847-4663 or 847-6740.

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'Gorgeous Mosaic' Comes to JCCRI

From Aug. 11 to 20, Cranston artist Charles Grossman's "Gorgeous Mosaic" will be on display at Gallery 401 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence.

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Its ongoing construction serves as a class project for young students who learn about diversity while drawing pictures of themselves and their friends to be used in the mosaic.

For more information about this exhibit or upcoming events at Gallery 401, call Ruby Shalansky at 861-8800.

Newport Jazz

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tickets for children under 12 cost \$12.50 at all times. To purchase tickets by mail or to receive additional information, write to: JVC JAZZ Festival, P.O. Box 605, Newport, R.I. 02840. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope and a \$3 handling charge per order. Tickets may also be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets or by calling 331-2211.

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The modern bride chooses to combine the romantic customs of the past with today's current trends. Too often, though, traditions are not known or understood. Here are three popular Victorian traditions certain to add romance and charm to your wedding day.

A delightful custom just for your bridesmaids and widely followed in the traditional wedding is the custom of ribbon pulling. The bride acquires a set of six special sterling silver charms: a ring, a flower, a heart, a clover, an anchor and a rocking horse. A thin, flowing ribbon is then tied to each charm, as each is hidden in the wedding cake's frosting. Just before the bride cuts her cake, each bridesmaid "pulls" a ribbon, selecting a charm and her fortune! The ring foretells the next to marry; the rocking horse of who will have a "happy home." The anchor symbolizes a future of adventure; the heart, of true love forthcoming; and the clover, of good luck. The flower signals the blossoming of new love.

Presentation of each charm in special jewelry boxes is an accepted variation of this tradition. They do make lovely gifts for the bridesmaids.

The next tradition is perhaps the most widely followed nuptial custom, but the least understood. Each line of the commonly heard wedding poem, "Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue, and a lucky sixpence for your shoe," has unique significance to the wedding.

"Something old" and "borrowed" are items usually given to the bride by a loved one to bring happiness to the new marriage. "Something new," often the gown, represents the bride's acceptance of new life. As for the "something blue," its origins can be traced to the rhyme, "Those who dress in blue have lovers true."

The last line of the poem, "And a lucky sixpence for your shoe," has gained tremendous popularity in recent years with its story becoming more widely known and followed. In the Victorian era, brides began to place a sixpence in the heel of the left wedding slipper to ensure

wealth and good luck for the newlyweds. The custom has been passed on for generations, since the first minted in 1960 as a collector's item.

The final tradition meant to bring good luck to the marriage is the silver horseshoe (small blue ribbon "blue" is sewn into the bride's wedding dress). The royal family made this an eternal tradition.

MODERN
TRADITIONS

A big tradition in wedding celebrations is the trimming of the bride and groom. The engaged couple is dressed in this "fairly tale" in the cautious planning with the budget. Victorian is of particular importance for even made or served more couples. The majority of the brides themselves—extending their period to give save. Watch the findings at off-p.

Here's a look at the trends in wedding traditions, honey, from the editor of Your New Home.

The wedding
• Couples are using a "sterling silver knife" engraved with their parents' initials. The kn family heirloom down to the bride and her sister.
• Couples are wedding party friends, regaling (i.e. A "man" places a "man" "best man" man.)
• Ethnic influences are in the celebratory bagpipe series reception to dance" with Polish wedding.

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• Food trends feature "dinner by the bite" — an assortment of passed hors d'oeuvres — and "grazing stations" with seats near each buffet to allow guests to change places for each course and mingle with other guests. Fewer courses, lighter selections (such as chicken, pastas, fish) are budget and health conscious.

• Innovative entertainment is spotlighted at the reception in the form of a toastmaster, comedian, magician to amuse and involve guests; the spectacle of a laser or fireworks display heralds the new marriage.

Fashion

• Choice, individuality and value are this season's watchwords, as designers create a silhouette for every figure — and price point. The newest notion: unadorned designs with choose-your-own-embellishments. More fashion trends to note:

• Classic gown shapes (A-lines, draped or fitted empires, hourglass) are punctuated with romantic detailing. Deep décolleté necklines offer an alternative to off-the-shoulder styles. For less formal nuptials, evening wear is reinterpreted and just about any length is appropriate, including the unexpected combination of long skirt over short dress.

• For bridesmaids, the party dress reemerges, overshadowing suits and separates. Floaty fabrics remain spring perennials, while jaunty stripes and polka dots are lively options. The new hues are soft and pale, creating a sophisticated counterpoint to a bride in white or ivory.

• Bridal bouquets blossom with vivid colors (influenced by a bounty of hybrids from the international flower market), while the all-white nosegay remains a classic favorite.

The honeymoon

• High-adventure trips, from motorcycle tours of the Grand Canyon to white-water kayaking down a rushing river. • Getaways to "eco-destinations" — places of lush natural beauty, such as Costa Rica — are newly appealing, as are "environmentally-correct" hotels like the Post Ranch Inn in Big Sur, a hideaway built without a single redwood destroyed.

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Local Women Receive Hadassah Leadership Awards

Gertrude Max of the Pawtucket Hadassah Group, Erna Oelbaum of the Providence Hadassah Group, and Karen Penn of the Kent County Hadassah Group have been named recipients of the seventh annual Hadassah National Leadership Award. Hadassah National President Deborah Kaplan announced the recipients at Hadassah's 79th annual convention recently held in Los Angeles.

This award honors members whose leadership accomplishments within Hadassah and other civic, educational and cultural organizations reflect Hadassah's dedication to the principles of the volunteer ethic. Award recipients are selected by their peers within their groups and represent a wide range of achievements.

"The source of Hadassah's strength lies in leaders who are empowered with the motivation and skill to effect positive change," said Kaplan. "It is a privilege to present the Hadassah National Leadership Awards to these women in recognition of their extraordinary contribution to their community. They exemplify

the best qualities of today's Hadassah woman," said Rosalind Bolusky, Rhode Island Chapter president. "We all share a sense of pride for the tribute bestowed upon them."

Currently, Max is chairwoman of volunteers for Hadassah's Community Service project at Rhode Island Hospital Pottery Wing, and is a past president of the Pawtucket Chapter. Oelbaum is a past president of the Providence Chapter, and past treasurer of the Rhode Island Chapter. She recently spent two months in Israel on the "WLN" program, and currently serves as travel consultant on the chapter board. Karen Penn currently serves as vice president of fund-raising for the Kent County Group, and is the editor of their award-winning group bulletin.

Over the past 81 years, Hadassah volunteers have been an example of the leadership to provide the means for Hadassah Medical Organization to be a pace setter in healing, teaching and research for all those in need.

For information, call 463-3636.

Friedman Named to Board

The Providence Performing Arts Center's board of trustees announces the selection of Larry Friedman as the newest, active member of the board.

Friedman is president of P.M. Industries Inc., a management company located in Providence. He is a graduate of The Rhode Island School of Design and is a trustee at Miriam Hospital in Providence and the director of Laurel Lake Association in New Hampshire.

The present 25-member board of trustees is the policy-making force behind the success of the nonprofit, Providence Performing Arts Center.



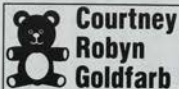
Richard Rosen, M.D.

Rosen Speaks at Hungarian Seminar

Richard A. Rosen, M.D., a Harvard Community Health Plan of New England (HCHP/NE) Lincoln Health Center pediatrician and Providence resident, participated in the second Hungarian Seminar on Quality Assurance in Health Care last month in Eger, Hungary.

His presentation on "Quality Improvement Activities in HMOs," was sponsored by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and Healthcare Enterprises International (HEI).

"This conference included the Central European Study Group meeting on Quality Assurance in Health Care, and allowed networking between professionals from the U.S., Canada, U.K., Australia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Austria, Estonia, Netherlands, Finland, Spain and Hungary," Dr. Rosen said.



Michael and Judy Goldfarb of Cranston, announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Courtney Robyn, on May 22. She was welcomed home by her brother, 3-year-old Kyle Charles Goldfarb.

Maternal grandparents are Delvina Russ and the late Charles Russ of Fairfield, Maine.

Paternal grandparents are Samuel Goldfarb and the late Doris Goldfarb, formerly of Pawtucket.

Great-grandparents are Gertrude Russ and the late Fred C. Russ, and the late Jack and Sarah Saltzman.

Courtney Robyn is named in memory of her maternal grandfather, Charles, and her special grandfather, the late Dr. Richard Rouslin.



Mr. and Mrs. Chris Miller of 87 Old Stage Road, Chelmsford, Mass., announce the birth of their first child, daughter, Rebecca Ellen, on July 14.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ira Silverman of Harrisburg, Pa.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller of West Boyfield, Mass.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Percy Newman of Providence, Dr. and Mrs. James Lyons of Haverhill, Mass., and Eileen Dickey of Haverhill.

Hate Crimes

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The ADL and seven other groups wrote July 26 to Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.), who introduced the legislation, expressing support for the 1993 act.

"We believe increasing penalties for federal crimes motivated by prejudice will have a deterrent impact — and send the message to both perpetrators and victims that society will not tolerate these odious crimes," the letter stated.

Except for two amendments, the 1993 version of the bill is identical to last year's version.

The first amendment provides that the determination of a hate crime shall be made by the jury or judge at the trial, offering more protection for the perpetrator as opposed to determining the type of crime at the time of sentencing.



The Cumberland Youth Athletic Council will host Cumberlandfest Aug. 6 through 9 in Diamond Hill State Park, Cumberland. The event will feature live entertainment, food, arts and crafts, a road race, a volleyball tournament and fireworks display. For more information, call 658-0248.

The 121st annual Lawn Party will be held Aug. 7 at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 324 East Main Road, Portsmouth. Auction, baby parade, bakery table, food and drink tank will be featured. For more information, call 846-9700.

Glocester Heritage Day is Aug. 8 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Chepachet Main Street, Putnam Pike, Glocester. Fine antiques, arts and crafts, music, horse and carriage rides will be offered. For more information, call 568-8967.

The Department of Elderly Affairs will process identification cards for those 60 or older and disabled persons aged 18 to 59 every Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 160 Pine St., Providence. On Aug. 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the DEA will process ID cards at the Woonsocket Senior Center, 84 Social St., Woonsocket. For more information, call 277-2880.

The Rhode Island College Foundation will host its fourth annual Golf Day Aug. 10 at 11 a.m. at the Warwick Country Club, Warwick. All proceeds will go toward the foundation's scholarship fund. For more information, call 456-8224.

Barrington resident and Barrington Community School director Sandi Tinkyl will present a slide talk on Western Japan at the Barrington Public Library on Aug. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at 281 County Road, Barrington. For more information, call 247-1920.

The Cranston Public Library will feature storyteller Joan Bailey on Aug. 11 at 3:30 p.m. at the Central Library, 140 Sockanosset Cross Road, Cranston. Bailey, with Lancashire dogs and thumbstick, will tell tales about the places she has lived, as part of the "Travel the Reading Road" series for children. On Aug. 13 at 10 a.m. at the Auburn Branch, Sparky's Puppets will dramatize world folktales. For more information on either program, call 943-9080.

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Levy Ends Term

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exhibit, and the governor for their support.

Levy also pointed to successful rescue of Ethiopian refugees and stressed the continuing need to rescue and relocate Jews from the former Soviet Union.

In a personal moment, Levy invited everyone to visit him in Israel. He said he is proud to be leaving at the opening of "Life In Israel," a photography exhibit of contemporary Israel featuring the work of four Israeli photographers.

Gov. Sundlund gave Levy an official proclamation recognizing his 23 years of involvement in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and his ceaseless efforts to advance international understanding of Israel.

"But as the only Jewish governor in the United States, I'm very sorry to see the Israeli consul general go back to Israel — even if it's to get a promotion," the governor told the press after the ceremony. Gov. Sundlund

was referring to Levy's promotion to director of the training and manpower division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

One by one, leaders and dignitaries extolled plaudits and praise for the outgoing consul general. Harris Rosen, president of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, told the audience that the federation was grateful that the federation was grateful to be involved in supporting the special exhibit.

Rabbi Chaim Shapiro, an advocate of cultural and religious awareness, gave Levy a model of the synagogue. "We're very proud that he [Levy] came here. I think it's very appropriate that before he goes back to Israel, that he has this program in our synagogue which is a way of saying that there's a bond between our synagogue — which represents American Jewry — and Israel's," Shapiro said.

Headed that the exhibit was a great way to end the three weeks of mourning for Tisha B'Av. "This is what the state of Israel — to a great extent — represents to us... a future hope

for the whole world," Shapiro said. "Hopefully there will be peace in Israel and peace throughout the world."

As guests sampled hors d'oeuvres and fruit salad at a reception downstairs, many climbed the spiral staircase to view the vivid portraits of "Life In Israel."

Pointing to a large color portrait of Ethiopian Jews, Levy said he sympathizes with their struggle to reach their homeland. "These pictures illustrate the saga of the Jews in Ethiopia who were airlifted to Israel just over two years ago in an operation which took less than 36 hours," Levy said, recalling the massive airlift of Israeli planes which brought the refugees to Israel.

Throughout the room, old and young alike stared intently at the beautiful scenes and portraits of Israel. A young woman from Tel Aviv, holding her 2-year-old son, had walked in from the street because it was the only way for her to meet Jews from Rhode Island while on vacation here.

On the other side of the room, Rosalind Bolusky, president of Rhode Island chapter of Hadassah, beamed with pride. "I think it's very exciting... to be able to see Israel as it is today, and hopefully many of us will be going to Israel soon and be able to see Israel for ourselves," she said.

Bolusky also said she is sorry to see Levy leave. "He's been a big asset in this area," she said.

Rep. Jack Reed was among several dignitaries in attendance. "This is a wonderful exhibit of Israeli art and it shows the diversity of our community



UNDER THE ARCH — Gov. Bruce Sundlund stands beside New England Israeli Consul Gen. Yaakov Levy Sunday under the venerable arch of the Touro Synagogue in Newport to celebrate the opening of "Life In Israel," a photography exhibit currently on display at the Jewish Community Center of Newport.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley



PREVENTING DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE — Providence Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Jr. presents a check for \$15,500 to Vivian Weisman, assistant executive director of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, at ceremonies at City Hall on July 28. The JCCRI is one of five Providence nonprofit organizations receiving grants from the Mayor's Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse. Steven Patriarca, executive director of the Mayor's Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse, is also pictured.

JCCRI Receives Grant

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island was one of five Providence community-based agencies to receive a substance abuse prevention grant from the Mayor's Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse during a July 28 awards presentation at Providence City Hall. Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Jr. hosted the ceremony.

"The Jewish Community Center is a vital force in Providence," the mayor said. "I am pleased to present this grant of \$15,500 to help fund the center's substance 1993-94 abuse prevention programs for children of substance abusers, parents and adolescents. Programs such as these are essential to the healthy development of our children, and the eventual elimination of substance abuse which, every day, threatens the dreams and lives of our young."

The mayor presented the check to Vivian Weisman, assistant executive director of the JCCRI.

Other community groups re-

ceiving grants are: The Genesis Center, the DaVinci Center, the Spirit Educational Corporation and the Urban League of Rhode Island.

The grants are administered by the Mayor's Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse from funds allocated through the Rhode Island Substance Abuse Prevention Act.

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trek for years. I wish he had called first. I must have hurt his feelings last time we spoke."

We were supposed to go to a friend's funeral together. We missed the rendezvous. Blamed him, he held me guilty for the mix-up. Whatever.

I'm not sure that "relationships" count for everything in life. We live alone and keep our own counsel. Even so, others shape us, reflect and rescue us, keep us.

Larry found a steadier companion in Richard Shein. Richard lets me know how our Providence pal is doing. "He needs his friends. He's a little lonely. He hopes he's missed. Larry's quite sensitive under the macho mask."

and also the strength of our community," he noted.

Reed characterized Levy as a wise counselor and an excellent representative of Israel.

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Touro To Sponsor 'Meet the Rabbi'

Touro Synagogue of Newport, in conjunction with the Touro Synagogue-United Hebrew School, is sponsoring a "Meet the Rabbi" program in the Touro Community Center building on Aug. 22 at 7 p.m.

This free program is aimed at greeting new potential member families to the congregation and religious school.

Rabbi Dr. Chaim Shapiro, the congregation's spiritual leader and also the school's principal, will discuss plans for the forthcoming synagogue and school year, and will also be available to discuss individual questions with the participants.

The 1993-94 school term will commence on Sept. 9, for Hebrew School students; the Sunday school program will start on Sept. 12.

The Touro-United Hebrew school is starting its fifth year in its reorganized state, and graduated its first class last May.

The school has shown steady growth and the congregation has shown its appreciation for the educational program. Some of the graduates will be attending the Midrasa High School program this year.

This year's staff will include the following: Rabbi Shapiro, Rivkie Gerber, returning to conduct the Sunday school program, and Simon Feldman, the newest member of the faculty.

The school's program emphasizes meaningful experiences along with interesting academic procedures, with small class sizes to allow for individualized attention.

Registrations are now being accepted in the synagogue office. Interviews of students and parents with the principal, Rabbi Shapiro, are recommended as a means of orientation. For further information, contact the Touro Synagogue office at 847-4794.



DOG-DAY AFTERNOON — A petite Stefanie Fargues, 3, of Fitchburg, Mass., gets acquainted with Bogart, a 125-pound bull mastiff belonging to Fred Radway of Rumford, Saturday at the Providence County Kennel Club Dog Show and Obedience Trials at East Providence High School.

Herald photo by Omar Bradley

A Summer Day in Three Cities

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter
Was this the English countryside, with tents of fancy dogs being combed, brushed, coiffed, to be presented at court? Or maybe the back lot of a circus carnival, with all those tents and bazaarers? No, it was only the campus of the East Providence High School.

You saw little tiny poodles and terriers running about in miniature rings of wire. Elegant treat wolfhounds and mastiffs quietly strode by on errands. Among the groups of silent thor-

oughbreds, representatives of the Animal Rescue League urged passersby to take responsibility for the lower-class teeming refuse of the breeding of champions.

I was on the lookout for Italian greyhounds, but there weren't any listed in the catalog or at the obedience tables and tents. I bought some IG writing paper. Then, who did I spot among the throng? Norman Bolotow and his daughter, Alexandra, who was wearing a wire-haired terrier T-shirt. We talked of the range and variety of the terrier class. They're into the small fox-type. It was so hot under the wide blue yonder that even Norman — the sleekest, best-dressed top dog on city pavements — wore shorts and a T. We waved, "Let's lunch!"

I went on to the Indian powwow in Roger Williams Park. Cathy Watkins greeted me and introduced me 'round. "I worked with his wife, also Michael. I retired for health reasons." Cathy and I had once compared two tribes, the Jews and the Narragansetts, and we took up where we had left off.

Cathy speaks with eloquence. Westwood under a beautiful tepee decorated with deer silhouettes. I admired the simple logic of its lines. "Native peoples would never have set themselves up for the flood disasters of the Midwest. They welcomed the overflow tide to nourish the soil. They could pick up and move with the weather."

I agreed with Cathy. "If we studied our Native American designs with genuine respect, we might learn something. This tepee isn't just quaint, it made sense, and still does." I met her sister, in grand regalia.

I moved over to the booth of local artist Sharon Brown. She paints picture-stories on South County rocks. They're not tourist stuff, but real ideas and observations. "Mother Earth weeps for her children," one is

titled. "First I study the rock, and try to pull my story out of its spirit," she explains.

She also tie-dyes T-shirts. I loved the one with the yellow and white dandelions. "It's got a whole philosophy, that one," I commented, "food for thought and leaves for salad and wine." Sharon's smother put in, "The earth can provide for all her children." She takes my phone number and address. Maybe her son or grandson can build me a stone wall and bless and protect my summer garden.

I always go to powwows and try to say the right things, to make friends, like Roger Williams. It used to be the style to make your July and August as Indian as possible. What with high-tech TV and phones, that fashion's flown, it's just a '30s-'40s mode, earlier in our century. But maybe it'll come back. The grove of cool trees turned for this weekend into an Indian settlement — just off the dusty highway.

I crammed one more city into the day. Well, it's not a real city, more of a town. Alvin Rubin, the first, maybe the only Jew who resides year-round in Wickford, calls this "village." We met graceful Alvin, in his usual straw hat, among the charming shops on Main Street. He greeted us with a bright smile.

An hour in Wickford could pass for a visit to the British isles. An Englishman's arrow comes right to our table at an alley cafe. It takes our crumbs with cocky self-confidence.

You can buy Indian dreamcatchers — woven webs of twig and feather — to catch the kids' nightmares. You can find herbs, or stone hedgehogs, or a wide array of baths, feeders and nest boxes for your yard birds.

Summer nights I pore over old books, like *Black Beauty*. I swim at dawn or dusk. But for a few midday hours, it's nice to touch base with all the treasures of our towns.

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THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

State Sets up Safety/Security Program at Charlesgate North

by Omar Bradley
Herald Assistant Editor

Six weeks ago, Sarah Murphy and Jewish residents of Charlesgate North were the targets of an unknown perpetrator bent on stealing their mezuzahs. In the ensuing weeks, everyone on the Anti-Defamation League to the Attorney General's Office has made sure that these hate crimes plaguing the seniors don't ever happen again.

Although Murphy is relieved that the acts have apparently ended, she's guarded about the future. After the story broke in the June 17 *Jewish Herald*, she was contacted by Jonathan Easton of the Anti-Defamation League, Tom Palumbo of the Attorney General's Office and Rabbi Hershy Worch of Temple Ohave Shalom in Pawtucket. As word spread throughout the 15-story building, more reports of stolen mezuzahs were discovered. Concern was then directed at the management's handling of the matter.

A general meeting was held June 23 after Palumbo, the Anti-Defamation League, the Providence Police and Davenport Management officials agreed to inform residents of their rights and remind them of

safety procedures.

Since that meeting things have quieted down at Charlesgate and all parties involved are breathing a sigh of relief that further vandalism against Jewish residents has stopped.

Murphy has received two mezuzahs from friends and Rabbi Worch, but she isn't optimistic in the least. "I've contacted people all over and let them know that anti-Semitism is alive and well. I don't feel as though everything is fine, because everything isn't fine," Murphy said.

When asked about the publicity the story has received, Murphy grew adamant. "I don't believe in secrets like this. This is something that should never be kept quiet. It should be talked about to everybody," she said.

But Charlesgate administrator Ray Winks is confident that the worst is over, after having scheduled the first meeting of Charlesgate North residents, management and security to discuss the Department of Elderly Affairs Safety and Security program. The program serves as a guide for all residents of private and public housing. Similar meetings will be conducted in other high-



A SIGH OF RELIEF—Ray Winks, left, the administrator of Charlesgate North Apartments, and Sarah Murphy, a resident, are both relieved that acts of vandalism against Jewish residents' property at the apartment complex have ceased. Murphy is shown here with two mezuzahs she received from friends.



Herald photo by Omar Bradley

rises operated by Davenport on a quarterly schedule to remind seniors of specific safety measures.

However, as of presstime this week, no suspects have been apprehended, according to the Charlesgate administrator. "There have been no incidents since the time prior to the [June 23] meeting, no further problems — to my knowledge — nobody has said anything,"

Winks said. "I'm very satisfied with the security and I believe this ongoing education that has been set up through state legislation is ... helping the elderly with their security," he said.

Tom Palumbo, a special assistant attorney general who sits on the Governor's Committee of Racial, Religious and Ethnic Harassment, believes that "unless we get a lead from an eyewitness, or strong evidence

... it would be impossible to prosecute." Palumbo has learned from sources that someone may have been stealing the Torah scrolls in order to sell them to area religious stores for money. But a random check of local dealers proved fruitless.

Yet for Murphy and other residents of Charlesgate North, nothing will alleviate their inner fears until whoever is responsible is apprehended.

The Kent Brothers — a Mission in Tel Aviv

by
Jeffrey L. Goldberg
Special to the Herald



It's late Monday afternoon, deadline is getting close. I am anxiously awaiting to hear from old friend Dave Hochman. It was the late '70s when Dave and I embarked on a basketball coaching ride. I had been an understudy of Ed McGovern. The legendary player and coach for the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island had a very aggressive approach to the game. His players often played above and beyond themselves. Ed was a motivator and I learned what buttons had to be pushed as his assistant.

Dave Hochman was coaching the junior varsity at the time. Ed McGovern was not coming back to coach the following year and handed me his squad. There weren't enough JV players for the following season. Rather than forcing these kids out, Dave and I blended some ninth graders with the varsity. It would prove to become the spark that gave Goldberg and Hochman three regular seasons without a loss.

Part of that team included Mitch Greenberg, Doug Martin, and Scott and Jeff Kent. Scott was so small that first season, his game jersey hung

around his ankles. This squad could run and they learned to play within themselves. When practice began the next season, Scott must have eaten something because his body just sprang loose.

Along came brother Jeff, short and skinny and no great love for the game. Jeff watched and waited. The game took on new meaning.

Scott was dazzling in the league. The moans from the opposition were deafening and they had no idea Scott had a brother that was in the blossoming stage.

Needless to say, Robert A. Kahn Aza represented B'nai B'rith and basketball in a very special way. That first season

was only the beginning.

Practice starts in early October and Jeff Kent has grown to incredible proportions. This squad has a front line that many junior colleges would have envied. Jeff Kent at 6 feet, 3 inches, his brother Scott at 6 feet and Richard Wilkinson at 6 feet, 1 inch, the backcourt is anchored by Mitch Greenberg, who was playing guard for St. Dunstan's and Doug Martin who played frosh ball for LaSalle. On the bench was Gary Greenberg and Dave Halpert.

Dave and I turned on the ignition and let this team go. It was a thing of beauty. Scott was an outstanding athlete and tried his luck at URI in football. Things did not go as well as expected but Scott's athleticism never vanquished. Jeff was carving out a splendid career at LaSalle. His senior year was missed due to an arm injury. Prospects dim, Jeff had an outstanding summer and the new coach at URI, Al Skinner, liked what he saw. Jeff Kent, Rhode Island native, goes to URI on a basketball scholarship. I had the pleasure of speaking with Jeff the other day. Dave Hoch-

man lined up the interview and, thanks to him, we have an article this week.

Jeff has just returned from the Philadelphia 76ers rookie camp. Although he had an opportunity to play, he really felt he wasn't looked at. He will be going back to Tel Aviv for his second season with the Macabiah games. He had an outstanding rookie season where he averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds. His brother, Scott, is under contract with Hap-Oal

also in Tel Aviv. Scott's numbers were just as impressive.

Jeff's career at URI was highlighted when he became captain his junior and senior year. Jeff and his URI teammates played NIT and NCAA post season. He was named to the second team all conference in A-10, top rebounder and MVP for the team. Jeff and Scott are the sons of Judith Cavanaugh and Walter Kent.

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Jewish Humor Traced at Brown Bag Club

The Brown Bag Club at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrove Ave. in Providence, is showing a program entitled "Next Time, Dear G-d, Please Choose Someone Else: The Legend of Jewish Humor" on Aug. 10 at noon.

The club, which offers adults an opportunity to enjoy informative speakers and view movies, is held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month.

Guests should bring a brown bag lunch; dessert and beverage will be provided. A \$1 donation is appreciated. Yiddish Vinkel will follow at 2 p.m.

Contact Evy Rappoport at 861-8800 for details.

Shalom Sponsoring Annual Barbecue and Concert

Continuing a summer tradition, Temple Shalom, the Conservative Congregation of Newport County, is sponsoring its annual barbecue and concert on Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. on the grounds of the temple, 223 Valley Road in Middletown.

A kosher barbecue will be served, followed by a concert by the Aviv Band.

In case of inclement weather, this event will be held in the air-conditioned social hall. Reservations are a must for this event and may be made by sending a check for \$15 per adult and \$7.50 for children 10 and younger. Send checks to Temple Shalom Barbecue, P.O. Box 4372, Middletown, R.I. 02842.

For further information, contact the temple office at 846-9002.

'Ivan the Terrible'

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Highly troubling has been a key piece of evidence against Demjanjuk, an identification card issued at a training camp for SS guards in Trawniki, Poland.

The card, which lists Demjanjuk's assignment, makes no mention of Treblinka but instead names Sobibor, another Nazi death camp.

Defenders of Demjanjuk have pointed out physical differences between the man described on the identification card of Ivan Demjanjuk, as he was known in Ukraine, and those described in testimony by former SS guards who served at Treblinka and Sobibor.

Since his April 1988 conviction by the Israeli court, Demjanjuk's defense team has provided what it called "new evidence," chiefly testimony available since the demise of the Soviet Union which points to a man named Ivan Marchenko as the so-called "Ivan the Terrible."

On his U.S. visa application, Demjanjuk listed his mother's maiden name as Marchenko, although he later said this was not so.

The case against Demjanjuk



Charlotte Penn

Rabbi to Sign Copies of Book

A book signing will be held at the Touro Synagogue Gift Shop on the afternoons of Aug. 4 and 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. The guest of honor will be Rabbi Dr. Theodore Lewis, rabbi emeritus of Touro Synagogue, who will sign copies of his book *Bar Mitzvah Sermons at Touro Synagogue*.

Rabbi Lewis served as spiritual leader of Touro's congregation for 36 years and had occasion to address countless bar mitzvah boys over the years, not only from Newport but also other parts of the

United States and Canada.

Included in this book of *Sermons* is an article titled "Reminiscences of Mir Yeshiva" highlighting Rabbi Lewis' experiences as a young man in a Yeshiva in Poland before the onset of World War II.

Copies of *Bar Mitzvah Sermons at Touro Synagogue* are available in the Touro Synagogue Gift Shop at the cost of \$15. For more information, call 847-4794.

Women's Assoc. of Jewish Home Will Continue

The Women's Association of the Jewish Home Corporation of Rhode Island continues to exist even though the Jewish Home as a physical entity will close. The immediate goal of the women's association is to service the emotional and Jewish needs of former residents of the home.

A general informational meeting will be held on Aug. 11 at 11 a.m. in the Martin Chase Auditorium in the Jewish Home.

Memorial and sunshine funds will continue with checks made out to the women's association. All items in the gift shop, with the exception of knits, are drastically reduced. The money realized from this sale will be used to help the Jewish elderly.

There will be a holiday knit sale at a central location to sell the handmade afghans and sweaters.

Betty Levy, vice president, will officiate at the Aug. 11 meeting.

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

Penn, Executive Director of NCCJ, to Retire Sept. 30

David A. Duffy, chairman of the Rhode Island and Southeastern New England Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews (NCCJ), has announced the retirement of Executive Director Charlotte I. Penn, effective Sept. 30.

Penn has directed the activities of the national conference in this region since 1973. During her administration, it became the area's leading human relations organization dedicated to combating bias, prejudice, bigotry, discrimination and racism. She was instrumental in forming the Rhode Island Coalition Against Bigotry (RICAB) in 1980. The work carried on by RICAB in the ensuing five years led to the establishment of the Rhode Island Commission on Religious, Racial and Ethnic Harassment, on which she now serves as a member.

In the late '70s, Penn formed a committee of educators from public, private and parochial schools, along with representatives from the State Department of Education to develop a curriculum of holocaust/genocide studies. The curriculum was adopted by the Providence School Department and served to sensitize both students and teachers.

Penn has directed a small staff, supported by an active board of directors and many volunteers, in developing unique programs that break down the barriers of intolerance. A prime example is the High School Heritage Panel which helps a diverse group of students realize that cultural diversity is a strength, not a weakness, and that one should be proud of his or her heritage. Panelists, once trained in a two-day course, are able to share their experiences with other class members and other grades within the school.

In addition, she has overseen the implementation of various nationally conducted NCCJ programs, including the Green Circle program for elementary schoolchildren and Issues In The Workplace, a human-relations sensitivity program for businesses, government and institutions.

During her 20 years with the national conference, Penn has worked to open lines of communication between people of different backgrounds with the intention of promoting greater understanding and respect for one another. Under her leadership, the local region has successfully conducted numerous programs and workshops in

youth training, workplace issues, interfaith relations and to help police and firefighter recruits understand minority cultures and the harm that stereotyping can do.

As a result, thousands of students and adults have become sensitized to the feelings of minorities and have learned to understand and appreciate their distinct cultures.

"Charlotte will be missed for her extraordinary leadership and ability to reach out."

Dave Duffy

Last fall, under Charlotte Penn's guidance, NCCJ cosponsored a Stop Hate Conference with the Governor's Commission on Religious, Racial and Ethnic Harassment. The conference brought together leading figures from throughout New England who were knowledgeable in the reasons why "hate crimes" and acts of bias occur and how they can be avoided.

Penn has often been called on by other NCCJ regions throughout the country to conduct the High School Heritage Panel, the two-day training program she developed and initiated here in 1984 for students, and in 1977 for adults. She has been active throughout her career on numerous community human relations task forces and committees, as well as various interfaith dialogue groups and has drawn to NCCJ activities a host of volunteers from all cultural, racial and ethnic groups.

As new programs increased and others were expanded during Penn's tenure, funding support was substantially increased as well, due to her skills and activities.

"Charlotte will be missed for her extraordinary leadership and ability to reach out and work with all segments of the community for the good of all concerned," Dave Duffy commented when announcing Penn's retirement plans. "In addition, she was instrumental in developing a strong, vital, prestigious and dynamic board of trustees that reflects a cross section of top leadership in this community."

A committee has been formed to find a replacement. Duffy said that a new director will be on board before Penn leaves.

The Kent Brothers

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It's truly amazing how some things turn out. Back in the late '70s, it started so innocently. Athletics have given Scott and Jeff an opportunity to see the world. Both will be making aliyah to Israel. They will become Israeli citizens and will

be serving in the military.

Both will be leaving toward the end of the summer. Until then, you can watch them play in the North Providence summer league. They are playing for South County Sand and Gravel with Tony Fiore, Bob Reitz and Dave Snedeker. Go up and watch. It's a real treat.

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OBITUARIES

PAULINE BERNSTEIN

BAL HARBOUR, Fla. — Pauline Bernstein, 79, of 521 Harbour House North died Saturday at Vencor Hospital, Coral Gables. She was the widow of Perry Bernstein. She was the widow of Milton Berger.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Adolf and Rosa Meller, she lived in Bal Harbour for 20 years. She had also lived in Philadelphia, Pa.

Bernstein was a magna cum laude graduate of the former Pembroke College, now Brown University, in 1936. In 1937, she received a master's degree in religious studies. She taught at Lincoln School for four years, and at Hope High School for a year. She was fluent in French and German.

For 25 years, from 1933 until the 1950s, she worked with refugee victims of World War II. She was a member of Temple Beth-El, and the National Council of Jewish Women.

She leaves two sons, Richard M. Bernstein of Narberth, Pa.,

and Jeremy R. Bernstein of Santa Ana, Calif.; a sister, Fannie M. Shore of Providence, and five grandchildren. She was sister of the late Max E. and Robert Meller.

The funeral service will be held Tuesday at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery, Providence.

SOL KOFFLER

PALM BEACH, Fla. — Sol Koffler, 86, of Palm Beach, a philanthropist and founder of American Tourister Luggage of Warren, died Saturday at the Manor Care Nursing Home, Boynton Beach, Fla. He was the husband of Lillian (Ritter) Koffler.

Born in Zborow, Poland, a son of the late Zisla and Eva (Merzand) Koffler, he immigrated to this country in 1920. He lived in Providence, until his retirement in the early 1980s.

Koffler had only a grammar school education. In his earlier

years he earned money by working two or three jobs simultaneously and by fighting in the ring professionally. He had about 15 professional matches to his credit.

He founded the American Luggage Works, which became American Tourister, in 1932. The company was the first to manufacture molded luggage, and American Tourister became an internationally recognized brand.

During his business career, he was granted several patents for products and processes.

From the time he reached adulthood he was a philanthropist, giving to schools, colleges, hospitals and other worthy causes.

He donated buildings to Brown University, Providence College, Bryant College, Miriam Hospital, Providence Hebrew Day School and the Rhode Island Jewish Home for the Aged. He was a major contributor to the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County, Fla., and Rhode Island.

Among the many honors bestowed on him, he had received honorary doctorate of science degrees in business administration from Bryant College, Providence College, and Roger Williams University.

He was a member of the Rhode Island Heritage Hall of Fame.

Koffler also was a member of the President's Council at Providence College and the board of trustees at Bryant College, the board of associates at Bennington College, the advisory board of the former Industrial National Bank, and the Bishop's Council of St. Joseph Hospital, Miriam Hospital, the Jewish Federation, Temple Emanu-El, and the Rhode Island Jewish Home for the Aged.

He was a director of the former Columbus National Bank, and a past member of the Rhode Island Commodore. He was a member of Temple Beth-El in Florida and Temple Emanu-El in Providence, and a member of High Ridge Country Club in Palm Beach and Ledge-mont Country Club in Seekonk, Mass.

Besides his wife, he leaves three daughters, Paula Granoff

of Palm Beach and Providence, Sandra Bernstein of Palm Beach and Providence, and Phyllis Braddock of Bonita Springs, Fla., and Warren; five grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Esther, Irving and Charles Koffler.

The funeral service was held Monday at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue, Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

BERNARD M. KOLODOFF

WARWICK — Bernard M. Kolodoff, 85, of Villa del Rio Apartments, 305 Greenwich Ave., a self-employed salesman for more than 40 years, died July 27 at the Jane Brown unit of Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Bertha (Taber) Kolodoff.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Jacob and Sarah (Uditsky) Kolodoff, he had lived in Warwick for the last 10 years, previously living in Cranston and Providence.

He was a graduate of Bryant College.

Kolodoff was a member of Temple Torat Yisrael of Cranston, the Touro Fraternal Association and the Majestic Senior Guild.

Besides his wife, he leaves two brothers, Max and David Kolodoff, both of Warwick. He was the father of the late Gordon "Joel" Kolodoff.

A funeral service was held July 28 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

ESTHER MARKOWITZ

PLAINVIEW, Long Island, N.Y. — Esther Markowitz, 88, of 825 Old Country Road, with her husband operated the former Dan's Deli, Nantasket Beach, Hull, Mass., for many years before retiring 20 years ago, died Monday at the Central Island Nursing Home. She was the widow of Daniel Markowitz.

Born in London, England, a daughter of the late Michael and Rose (Sherman) Soskin, she had also lived in Florida.

She leaves two daughters, Shirley Chernick of Providence, Ellen Moss of Old Bethpage, and five grandchildren.

A graveside service was held Wednesday at Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass. Arrangements were made by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

ARNOLD H. MINKIN

PROVIDENCE — Arnold H. Minkin, 74, of Taber Avenue died Tuesday at the Huhler Hospice Inpatient Center. He was the husband of Mary (Zangwill) Minkin.

Born in New Bedford, Mass., a son of the late Samuel and Theresa (Singer) Minkin, he lived in Providence for 32 years. He previously lived in North Attleboro, Mass., and Fall River, Mass.

Minkin was an Army veteran of World War II and served as a pharmacist in France. For 42 years, he was owner of the

former Wamsutta Drugstore, retiring in 1989.

He was a past president of the Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Elks Lodge, both in North Attleboro. He was a member of a Masonic lodge in Rhode Island, and the Palestine Shrine. He was a member of Temples Beth-El in Fall River and Providence.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Eileen Klockars of Belchertown, Mass.; a son, Myles Minkin of Sharon, Mass.; two sisters, Dorothy Golub of Canton, Mass., and Elizabeth Matathia of North Dartmouth, Mass.; a brother, Edward Minkin of Tamarac, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

The funeral procession will leave today, Thursday, at noon from the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., with a 1 p.m. graveside service at Temple Beth-El Cemetery, Fall River.



Dr. Stanley D. Simon

DR. STANLEY D. SIMON

PROVIDENCE — Dr. Stanley D. Simon, 77, of 500 Angell St., a former chairman of the medical board at Miriam Hospital and active in a variety of civic and community causes for nearly 50 years, died Sunday at his summer home in Wellfleet on Cape Cod, Mass. He was the husband of Marion (Faggen) Simon.

Dr. Simon was stricken while taking a shower.

He had been ill off and on in recent years — he had a few minor strokes — and occasionally complained of fatigue in recent months, his wife said.

Born in New York City, he was a son of the late Louis and Ray (Mishkin) Simon.

During World War II, he served as a physician at the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N.C.; then the Brooklyn Naval Yard, and finally was assigned to an escort ship based in Newport.

Early in 1944, the escort ship was converted to a weather station and positioned midway between Greenland and Iceland, and the timing of the allied D-Day invasion of Normandy was based in large measure on weather reports from that ship — a fact about which Dr. Simon was quietly proud.

While in the Navy, he met and married Marion Faggen, and after being honorably discharged in 1945 with the rank of lieutenant commander, Dr. Simon and his family settled in Rhode Island.

For many years he maintained a practice as an ortho-

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pedic surgeon with offices on Wayland Avenue on the East Side, then joined the Orthopedic Group at 588 N. Main St., Pawtucket, with which he was associated until his retirement in 1987.

Dr. Simon was a past president of the Providence and Rhode Island Medical Societies, a past chairman of the Medical Economic Committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society, and a former board member of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Rhode Island.

In 1966, Mayor Joseph A. Doorley Jr. named Dr. Simon to the first appointed School Board in the city, and for six years served as a member of the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities.

In keeping with his lifelong dedication to the arts, Dr. Simon volunteered on numerous committees, was past president of the State Ballet of Rhode Island, and for six years served as a member of the Rhode Island Committee for the Humanities.

A former member of the Temple Beth-El, he was a member of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Dr. Peter R. Simon, administrator of the division for Children with Special Health Care Needs in the state Department of Health; a daughter, Patricia Schwadron of Los Angeles; a son-in-law, Terry Schwadron, a managing editor of the *Los Angeles Times*; a daughter-in-law, Toby D. Simon, associate dean of students at Brown University, and six grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Bernard Simon and Shirley Reider.

The funeral service was Tuesday at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was private.

Demjanjuk Verdict

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guard in death factories should simply be seen as having been an innocent victim of a justice system that somehow went awry," said Walter Reich, an expert on the Holocaust and senior scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center, a Washington-based think tank.

Activists are also concerned that the Israeli court's ruling will have a negative impact on other countries' willingness to prosecute Nazi war criminals.

It will be used by "government bureaucrats in Canada, Australia and Iceland who have been dragging their feet on this issue for years," according to Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center.

"They'll use it as an opportunity to argue that they should not proceed" with cases against Nazi war criminals who have found refuge in their countries, Hier said.

Reich agreed. "It may make government authorities more wary of pursuing cases, and may put into question, to a greater extent, the whole effort at trying to prosecute Nazi war criminals," he said.

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Herald Assistant Editor

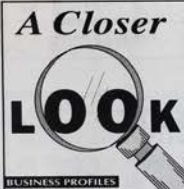
A gleaming white, custom-made van slowly pulls up to the curb, a door opens and R.J. Quinn, the amiable owner of Chauffeur Service of New England, greets you with a friendly smile. Another door opens and suddenly, his van is transformed into a small lounge with couch and bucket seats, color television and compact disc player under the ambient glow of soft lighting. Nothing is too good for the customer, as far as Quinn is concerned.

police scanner that allows him to monitor road hazards before he reaches them. He also has a cellular phone available for homesick travelers or savvy businessmen.

Although Quinn is able to drive any type of passenger vehicle imaginable, he prefers his recently purchased custom van, which gives a smooth ride and plenty of head room. "You don't have to step down to get into the vehicle," Quinn said, which makes it ideal for people who enjoy a spacious, comfortable atmosphere. The van is the perfect vehicle for a meeting, a sight-seeing tour or a tailgate party at a sporting event, Quinn explained.

The company offers reasonable, competitive rates. "I can undercut the best of them," he said, referring to the 100-odd limousine services in the state. A private chauffeur rate begins at \$15 an hour, while the van rates begin at \$25 an hour with a three-hour minimum.

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For 10 years, Quinn has been the moving force of Chauffeur Service of New England, which operates a fleet of nine limousines (six- and eight-passenger) — in black, white or gray — and one custom-made, six-passenger van.

The company will drive its clients anywhere — from Maine to Florida — in their own car or transport businessmen, tourists or bridal parties wherever they wish to go in their gleaming van or limos. "I got into the business because I had the opportunity to travel instead of being stuck in an office," he said.

The thousands of miles Quinn has driven over the years have taught him to never take a client for granted. "Whatever a customer wants and needs will be provided for the asking," Quinn said. A trip from Cranston to Hollywood, Fla., was completed in 28 hours with no difficulty, he said.

"People don't like to drive because they are tired of waiting in traffic," the chauffeur said. Quinn's van is equipped with a

Cease Fire

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with close to 500 wounded.

Israel launched the operation as a reprisal for the deaths of seven soldiers killed earlier in July in the southern Lebanon security zone.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has said the bombing of villages in southern Lebanon and the subsequent flight of refugees was aimed at putting pressure on the Lebanese government to rein in Hezbollah.

Lebanon's leaders, though, continued to justify the "legitimate resistance of Hezbollah against Israeli occupation in southern Lebanon."

Lebanese President Elias Hrawi did hint at a somewhat more flexible position, saying that while he supported Hezbollah's resistance operations in the Israeli-controlled border security zone, he did not support Hezbollah's firing of Katyusha rockets into Galilee.

Observers in Israel noted that Hrawi's statement was probably approved by Damascus and may reflect the government's position.

At the United Nations last week, U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali stepped up his attacks on Israel.

"The policy of deliberately forcing people to abandon their homes must be stopped forthwith," the U.N. chief said in a statement issued July 29.

He called as well "for an immediate cease-fire and for the cessation of all hostilities."

Responding to Boutros-Ghali, Israeli Ambassador Gad Yaacobi charged that the secretary-general "ignores the reasons for the Israeli response in southern Lebanon, and that is most regrettable."

"It is unfortunate that the secretary-general does not refer to the attacks of Hezbollah, which aim, among other things, at degrading the peace process."

Meanwhile, U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher arrived here Tuesday, and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said he hoped the crisis would be resolved by then.



A KESHER CONNECTION — Rabbi Daniel Goodman, second from right, dean of Providence Hebrew Day School and the New England Academy of Torah, meets with Rabbi Saul Goodman of the Jewish Home (from left), Bonnie Ryvicker, coordinator of the volunteer services at the Jewish Home, and Zehava Feller, co-chairwoman of the Keshet program. Not pictured is Erica Krauss, Keshet co-chairwoman.

Rabbi Goodman

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But Rabbi Goodman is no stranger to the East Coast. He lived in Brookline, Mass., in the mid-70s, where he served as an instructor and program director at the Maimonides School.

He and his wife, Judith, a registered nurse, have five children, ranging in ages from 8 to 23.

Goodman sums up his advice for students like this: "Don't think, 'I can't be done. I can't do it.' Think, 'I can be done. I can do it.'"

Correction

Joel Bernstein was inadvertently identified as Gerald Bernstein in a story on Page 1 of last week's *Herald*. We regret any confusion this may have caused our readers or the Bernstein family.

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