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Clinton's Refusal to Grant Clemency Angers Supporters of Pollard

by Larry Yudelson

NEW YORK (JTA) — President Clinton's recent decision to deny clemency to Jonathan Pollard not only disappointed but angered the imprisoned spy's supporters, who believed they might have one last chance to make their case to the White House.

"We had been assured that the president's decision would be considered carefully following the Justice Department's recommendation and that we would be permitted to meet directly with White House officials to discuss the matter," said Ted Boutros, one of Pollard's lawyers.

"We were denied that opportunity," he said.

Clinton's decision came less than four hours after White House spokeswoman Dee Dee Myers said the Justice Department's recommendation in the Pollard case had not yet been reviewed by the president.

Clinton explained his decision noting that the former Navy analyst who spied for Israel had committed "one of the most serious crimes against our country — placing national security secrets of the United States in the hands of another country."

Clinton said his judgment reflected the recommendation

of Attorney General Janet Reno and "the unanimous views of the law enforcement and national security agencies."

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Many Jewish groups had asked the White House to commute Pollard's life jail sentence, which they see as overly harsh.

In his statement, Clinton said he had considered the argument that Pollard deserved a shorter prison sentence because he spied for a friendly nation.

"I nevertheless believe that the enormity of Pollard's crime, the harm his actions caused to our country and the need to deter every person who might even consider such actions, warrant his continued incarceration," the president said.

Despite the successful efforts of Pollard's family to turn his case into a national Jewish issue, there remained much ambivalence about Pollard in the organized Jewish community.

While Pollard's advocates argued that he committed his crimes out of love for Israel's security and caused no real damage to American interests, many in the community were inclined to listen to the government's position that Pollard had spied for money and may have jeopardized American lives.

Signals from the White House in December that it was seeking to gauge the political impact of a clemency decision met with a response from the Jewish community that "I don't think was overwhelming," said an official from one Jewish organization.

That ambivalence was evident in a letter mailed to the White House by the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council just hours before Clinton announced his decision.

The letter notes that "there are many in our community for whom there remain serious questions about the sentencing proceedings and Pollard's sentence."

It also acknowledges that the decision on clemency can only

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President Clinton recently denied clemency to Jonathan Pollard.

Photo courtesy of the White House

Push for Parole Next

by Larry Yudelson

NEW YORK (JTA) — The push to free Jonathan Pollard has not been ended by President Clinton's refusal to grant a clemency petition.

Supporters of the former Navy analyst, who is serving a life sentence for spying for Israel, plan to continue their struggle.

Their new goal is ensuring that Pollard will be released in November of next year, when he first becomes eligible for parole, 10 years after he was arrested outside the Israeli Embassy in Washington.

"We're going to continue this campaign," said Pollard's father, Morris Pollard.

For months, Pollard's supporters had awaited the day when a promised Justice Department review would land on Clinton's desk and the president would fulfill a campaign promise to review the case.

But Pollard's advocates had hoped for an opportunity to make the case one last time with White House officials, and in a statement, Seymour Reich and Karen Rubinstein deplored

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THE KOSHER CONNECTION — Creators of the Bread & Circus kosher list (from left to right) Wendy Steinberg, Dana Rego, and Christina Siou.

Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

Kosher Convenience

By Stacey A. Pacheco
Herald Co-Editor

There are various dietary guides put out by many organizations. For instance, the Heart Association provides a brochure listing most non-fat foods for those on a mandatory no-fat diet. There is also a new pamphlet available — something "a little" different, something "a little" kosher.

"We wanted to make kosher shopping easier for the customer," said Wendy Steinberg, Bread & Circus' cheese supervisor and housewares buyer.

Steinberg, who is lactose intolerant must adjust her food in-take accordingly. Being Jewish, she began to wonder about the difficulty for others on a dietary food watch — the kosher shopper.

Which products are kosher? Are they glatt kosher? What's kosher? Putting the latter ques-

tion (that brings much controversy) aside, she focused on Bread & Circus in-house kosher products that are in arm's reach on the shelves for their customers, hence she submitted a letter of remedy to the "round table" team.

During this process, Steinberg learned that another store employee, Dana Rego, had already started to compile a list of every kosher item on the premises. He then categorized and identified each kosher product — taken from the symbol on the products' label. Whether circled "U" or "K-p" — if it's kosher, it's listed.

The final print concluded as a 14-page laminated brochure, currently for in-store use, with copies soon available for shoppers to keep. A copy can be found at the service desk upon entry to the whole foods market.

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INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

WLNE-TV 6 Wins Highest AP Honors

WLNE-TV Channel 6 was named News Station of the Year, for this area, by the Associated Press on March 23. In addition to winning overall best station award, the local CBS affiliate also earned four first-place awards and two second-place finishes in specialized categories.

"This is our best showing ever" reported WLNE News Director Scott James. "Two of our first-place wins — the Downtown 5-K and the Freedom Torch Awards — were examples of a total team effort by every department in the station."

Other WLNE awards included a first-place finish in the Special Events category for coverage of last year's March Storms and a second place selection in the continuing coverage category for the station's "You Paid For It" series.

Representatives of WLNE Channel 6, will receive their awards on April 9 at Marriott Long Wharf in Boston. WLNE belongs to the AP's Division B television segment; other competitors in Division B include the areas of Rhode Island and Springfield, Mass.



WITH A WATCHFUL EYE — Richard Lee (left) the bank's first customer in its no-closing-costs loan program, oversees Union Bankers Ray McConaghy (center) and Jerry Leveille (right) begin home improvements.

Photo by Constance Brown

Union Bank Offers New Loan Program

Union Bank, 1565 Mineral Spring Ave., North Providence, recently announced a \$250,000 FHA Title I home-improvement loan program, with no fees or closing costs, for homeowners located in the urban neighborhoods of Providence and vicinity.

"We are really excited about this program," said William F. Sullivan, chairman of Union Bank. "Many of our customers have been telling us, 'We don't have enough equity in our homes to qualify for traditional home-equity loans. Can you offer us something else?'"

"So we have. We have teamed up with the federal government to substitute the federal government's guarantee for the homeowner's equity. We now can make home-improvement loans to borrowers with little or no equity in their homes."

"We've also gone one step further," Sullivan continued. "We are waiving all fees and closing costs for borrowers in the urban areas of Providence,

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Red Cross Sponsors Comprehensive First Aid Course

The Rhode Island Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a community first aid and safety course on April 12 and 19 from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The course will be taught at the Central Region Office, 150 Waterman St., Providence.

Community First Aid and Safety is a new nine-hour course designed to meet the needs of the family and community by training individuals to overcome any reluctance to act in emergency situations, and to

Proposal Made To Insure Nursing Home Inspections

The Long Term Care Coordinating Council, a 33-member group committed to advocacy for a quality long-term care system in Rhode Island, has announced legislation to ensure the availability of funds for nursing home inspections.

This proposed law, submitted at the request of Lt. Gov. Bob Weygand, who chairs the LTCC, would ensure that \$500,000 of the provider tax revenues paid by nursing homes is held in a separate account and used for health inspections only.

Market Sponsors Design Contest for Children's Hospital

Calling all students . . . Eastside Marketplace is sponsoring a coloring/design contest which will also act as a fund-raiser for the Hasbro Children's Hospital, local schools and Eastside Marketplace Friendship Fund member organizations.

The focus of this year's contest is a child's view of the four seasons. The competition is open to students in age categories broken down as follows: (winter) 4 to 6, (summer) 7 to 9, (fall) 10 to 12 and (spring) 13 to 16 years.

For each entry received, Eastside Marketplace will make a contribution to the Hasbro Children's Hospital of \$2 and will give \$2 to the entrant's school.

As an added incentive, any member organization of the Eastside Marketplace Friendship Fund will also receive a donation of \$2 per entry.

Eastside Marketplace has established criteria and a set of rules which are felt to be appropriate for contestants in all age groups. U. S. Savings Bonds will be awarded to those winning entries who show creativity, style and the ability to complete the project. Adjudicators for this contest will be chosen from a wide range of professional fields. The deadline for the arrival of entries is 9 p.m., April 29.

For additional information, contact Willis-Whyte at (401) 831-7771. Eastside Marketplace is located at 165 Pitman St. (on the East Side of Providence.)

recognize and care for life-threatening emergencies such as respiratory or cardiac failure, sudden illness or injuries to infants, children or adults.

Students successfully completing this course will receive a community CPR certificate valid for one year and a community first aid and safety certificate valid for three years.

The course fee is \$45, which includes course materials. Advance registration is required.

For more information, call the Red Cross at 831-7700.

Weygand said, "For the sake of the elderly and their families we need to ensure consistent, quality care at all of our nursing homes. We simply cannot have a situation where nursing home inspections are conducted intermittently."

Under the current law, the state is required to conduct nursing home inspections bi-monthly. Last January, it came to light that the inspections were not being carried out as mandated by law because there were insufficient funds for inspections.

New York, New York!

International House of Rhode Island, 8 Stimson Ave., Providence, is sponsoring a day trip to New York City on April 30. The bus will leave from International House at 7 a.m., and return by 11 p.m.

Participants will be dropped in mid-town Manhattan where they can enjoy the museums, the theater, shopping, or exploring the city at their leisure.

The bus will also make a stop at Battery Park for those who would like to visit Ellis Island and/or the Statue of Liberty.

The fee for the trip is \$32 per person for members of International House and \$36 for non-members and includes the bus fare, information about things to do in New York City, and a continental breakfast at International House before departure.

Reservations are limited to 47 people and will be accepted on a first paid-basis. For further information, call International House at 421-7181.

Newport to Celebrate Religious Heritage Weekend

Newport's religious heritage will be the theme of the weekend of April 22 through 24. Many of Newport's religious congregations are working together in recognition of the fact that Newport, founded as a haven for religious freedom, is today a center of the hospitality industry in the Northeast.

The oldest Baptist congregation in America, the United Baptist Church on Spring Street, was founded in Newport as an escape from the tyranny of Massachusetts' Puritans.

Jews escaping the Spanish inquisition built America's oldest synagogue, on Touro Street.

George Washington worshipped at Trinity Church, John F. Kennedy married at St. Mary's and Dwight D. Eisenhower worshipped at the Presbyterian Church on Broadway.

Julia Ward Howe, author of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," worshipped at Channing Memorial Church, on Touro Park.

Events will include a lecture by Daniel Snyder, executive director of the Newport Historical Society, on Newport's role



March 27 - Taunton Antiques Center, 19 Main St., will open to the public. Dealers from all over the country, and Italy, in a building on National Register of Historic Places. Call (508) 880-4960.

March 31 on - time to walk miles preparing for 5-mile American Heart Walk, May 7, 10:30 a.m., Colt State Park. Call 728-5300.

April 6, 7:30 p.m., "Rhode Island Voices." Authors read their work, North Kingstown Free Library, Boone St., North Kingstown, 294-3306.

April 5 to 9, National Precision Skating Championship at Thayer Arena, Warwick. Call 738-2000.

April 5, 8 p.m. board meeting of Blackstone Valley Mothers-of-Twins, at Super Stop and Shop, North Smithfield, all members welcome. Call 769-5173 for membership details.

April 6, 11 a.m. Antiques Show at the Venus de Milo Restaurant, Rte. 6, Swansea, Mass. Preview at 10 a.m. Call (508) 324-1377.

April 7, 6 p.m. - Opening Day, Pawtucket Red Sox Season at McCoy Stadium, Pawtucket. Pawtucket plays Syracuse. 724-7300

in America's religious history. Also, on Friday evening there will be an English language service at Touro Synagogue. There will be walking tours in Newport to the different houses of worship.

Many of the churches will have displays about their history and tours about their architecture, such as the John LaFarge interior at the Newport Congregational Church on Spring and Pelham.

A tentative list of participating groups includes St. Mary's Church, Channing Memorial Church, United Baptist Church, Maple Ave. Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Touro Synagogue, Newport Baha'i Community, Newport Congregational Church, United Congregational Church in Middletown, Trinity Church, Community Baptist Church, Newport Historical Society, and Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church.

This is an entirely new effort. Suggestions are welcome. Those interested in becoming involved may contact Rabbi Chaim Shapiro at 847-4794.

FEATURE

Art From All Four Corners

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter



Several art shows of Jewish interest have come to town. "Young and Old Masters of Israeli Art" brought paintings and posters from the Safrai Gallery in Jerusalem to Temple Emanu-el.

"Israel has no national style. Artists come from abroad and bring design traditions from all over the world. We're not like France or England or Italy where time shaped a unified mode of expression." Menachem Safrai, gallery director, took me around at the preview and stood me before the woodcuts of Jacob Pins. "Look how he has mixed the North European, Gothic ideas of woodcut craft with Japanese method, mood and meaning." Menachem also spoke about the importance of Hebrew calligraphy. High beams flooded a group of images that combine dancing or praying figures with letters from the Aleph-Bet.

With my RISD connection, I found many of these pieces too representational. For us the word "painterly" holds almost mystical value. A painting must deal with issues of brush and canvas, not subject matter.

"Any Ethiopian pictures?" I asked Menachem. "They do sculpture more than two dimensional work," he said.

On the other hand, Jewish interest runs to nostalgia. After all, memory has held us together as a people for two millennia. In the sentimental mode, the portrait that hit me hardest was a strange soft oil of a seated boy at study. He wears long sideburns. A bookcase stands beside his head. His hand extends along an open volume. His gentle features struck me as strangely familiar, like a bar mitzvah boy from long ago and maybe far away. Refined and removed, the face could have been my dad's or uncle's, my brother's, my own. The thought came to me, and I spoke it to Menachem, "I am the age of the million children killed in Europe. This sweet-faced student could be any one of them. I can identify with this charming, enchanted memoir. It looks like the drawings and paintings of the '30s, the depression, the pastel, brown tones, looking back toward a vanished Paris gone with the wind. It's Europe in Israel." I made this speech, and Menachem answered, "But it was only done recently." I think my words surprised him, even caught him off guard. I looked at the name on the canvas—"Cohen Zedek." It's not a common style among the other,

whiter, sprightlier choices in the Emanu-el vestry.

I also stopped over at Hillel to have a look-see at the Jewish exhibit gathered from RISD and from around town. I had pored over the notices calling for contributions of designs put up on burlap and corkboard among the East Side cafes. I liked seeing the word "Jewish" hyphenated with "art." I perked up because I'm supposed to be preparing a talk about local Jewish art.

Anyway, once again I'll just pick out a favorite object that not too many people may have glimpsed, tucked in a corner on an alcove wall. Mischa Beletsky recalls his daily metro travels in an interior landscape of the Moscow subway. In the soft grey tones of yesterday, a crowd stands or sits, silently.

Mischa studies illustration at RISD and has learned some of its techniques of focus and subtle composition. "The subway keeps a '30s Stalinist mood. It's the only place you can go where you still feel the ambitions of that time." Mischa doesn't exactly convey regret, nor bitter aftertaste, just the id of his past. It works like a dream, in a broken fragment from his childhood. I meet his brother and his band of friends at the opening of the show on Brown Street. I choose among the larger images this small glimpse because I like things incomplete, that hold back on you. They let you think your own spiritual musings, in the murky half-light of a panel in a room full of people. You turn your back and stand alone with a ghost of ink or watercolor, crayon or smear of oil. You make your own response to the visual commentary by the artist.



"Can We Help?"

The newest hotline in Israel is manned by Russian-speaking volunteers at the Jewish Agency's Telephone Information Center. A toll-free number provides information and reassurance to newcomers from the former Soviet Union.

UJA Press Photo by Ziva Cohen

Help Is a Phone Call Away

by Marvin Shemesh, U.J.A.

JERUSALEM — Question: What's one of the most popular telephone numbers in Israel?

Answer: The number of the "hotline" of the Jewish Agency's Telephone Information Center, which provides new immigrants from the former Soviet Union with information and advice in Russian, and serves as a sympathetic ear for the various problems they may encounter.

The phone lines, staffed by volunteer counselors furnished by the Zionist Forum, are open from Sunday to Thursday, from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., explains Kalman Grossman, the Jewish Agency Immigration and Absorption Department's deputy director general for municipal absorption.

The questions most often asked of the operators concern Jewish Agency services such as loans and baggage storage, as well as tax rights, mortgage options, health coverage, social security benefits for the elderly, sick and unemployed, education, and military service. The answers to all these questions appear in a few seconds.

Kira Dvorkin, a 26-year-old

social worker, who immigrated to Israel from Belarus three years ago, operates a hotline phone two evenings a week. "People pour out their hearts to us," she says. "Some of them are very angry or frustrated when they begin their calls. But we tell them exactly which offices can solve their problems, and they calm down. The next day, they phone back to thank us for pointing them in the right direction. It's very satisfying to know that we are helping."

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United States Study on Hunger

WEST WARWICK, R.I. — Rhode Island Community Food Bank, a member of the Second Harvest network of food banks, recently released the results of the most comprehensive study ever completed on emergency feeding programs. The compelling results of the study illustrate that hunger in America is a much more serious problem than most people realize.

The study revealed that 10.4 percent of the population, or a staggering 25,970,319 Americans, rely on the nearly 50,000 food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and other emergency feeding programs served by the Second Harvest network. Moreover, 45.5 percent of these people did not expect to need assistance three months ago.

The demographic information revealed a significant percentage of those needing assistance are women and children. Women account for 60.9 percent of network clients, while children aged 17 and younger account for 42.9 percent of network clients. And although

whites comprise the largest group of food recipients, African Americans are represented in much larger numbers than their populations warrant.

The 18-month study was conducted by the VanAmburg Group, a marketing research consultant firm, and funded by a grant from Kraft General Foods.

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Social Seniors of Warwick

The Social Seniors of Warwick will hold a meeting April 13 at 1 p.m., at Temple Am David, Gardiner St., Warwick. Entertainment will be by the Trudeau Singers. Refreshments will be served.

On April 24 members will have brunch at the Providence Marriott Hotel, at Charles and Orms St., and then go to Rhode Island College to see "Gypsy."

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OPINIONS

Jewish Democrats Surveyed

by Deborah Kalb

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A wide-ranging survey recently released by a Jewish Democratic group revealed that education, Israel, and health care were among the issues ranked as very important by Jewish Democrats.

Education topped the list, with 86 percent of respondents calling it "very important." Israel and health tied for second, with 81 percent ranking them "very important."

Only 26 percent of respondents ranked freeing Jonathan Pollard, convicted of spying for Israel, as "very important."

The survey, conducted by the National Jewish Democratic Council, a group promoting grass-roots Jewish Democrats political activity, consisted of responses from 886 of the group's members.

"It is a good and accurate reflection of how active members feel," said Hyman Bookbinder, a longtime Jewish community leader who serves on the executive committee of the NJDC.

But Bookbinder added that he could not "insist that this was a true sample of all Jews in America."

He said the breakdown of respondents by denomination was fairly reflective of the Jewish community as a whole.

Forty-three percent of respondents identified themselves as Reform, 38 percent as Conservative, six percent as Orthodox, three percent as Reconstructionist, and six percent other.

But Bookbinder also said that the responses tended to be "somewhat skewed to the el-

derly." Only 39 percent of respondents were 50 years old or younger.

The survey was mailed in December to the homes of 3,900 members of the Jewish Democratic group, and 23 percent responded, most of them during the first two weeks of January. The group has a total of about 5,000 members in 43 states.

On the issue of the Middle East peace process, 86 percent of respondents said they either strongly or somewhat agreed with the statement, "I support the recent Israel-PLO agreement."

"We are quite gratified the membership indicated a very, very high approval for the Middle East peace process," Bookbinder said.

He added, though, that the fallout from the killings of Arab worshippers by a Jewish settler in Hebron "might have affected some issues."

But "overall, it was a confirmation of where progressive Jewish Democrats are on the issues of the day," Bookbinder said.

On other issues relating to the peace process, 84 percent of respondents said they agreed that the United States should recognize a united Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

Only 21 percent supported the idea of an internationalized Jerusalem.

On the issue of Syria, 85 percent said they agreed that Syrian participation in the peace process was essential to the success of the process.

Pumpkin Challenge

John Castellucci, the reigning record holder for the largest pumpkin ever grown in the state of Rhode Island, and Don Langevin, the author of *How-to-Grow World Class Giant Pumpkins*, announce the first annual Rhode Island State Giant Pumpkin Championship to be held Oct. 8 at Castellucci Farm in Smithfield, R.I.

The purpose of this event is to determine the largest pumpkin grown in the state of Rhode Island each year and to crown a Rhode Island champion.

To encourage participation by all gardeners and growers interested in this event, free seeds will be given to anyone interested in growing a giant pumpkin this year. These seeds come from John Castellucci's record-breaking, 532.5-pound, 1993, Rhode Island record, and select seed stocks provided by Howard Dill of Nova Scotia, Canada.

Dill is a four-time world champion, and developer of the Dill's Atlantic Giant Pumpkin. The Atlantic Giant is responsible for all the world records in pumpkin growing over the last 16 years. The world record is an amazing 884 pounds, and competitive pumpkin growers are predicting a 1000-pound pumpkin in the next five years.

Rhode Island has good climate for pumpkin growing, and could easily be the site of the first half-ton vegetable grown in the world.

For free seeds and information, contact:

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Reform Zionists Support Disarming of Fanatics

NEW YORK — The Association of Reform Zionists of America commended the Israeli government for its "swift decision" to disarm known violence-prone fanatics in the settler community in the wake of the Hebron mosque massacre on Feb. 25.

A statement issued by Marcia Cayne, president, and Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch, ARZA's executive director, said the action was necessary to prevent further violence and that "additional steps may be necessary," if the Commission on Inquiry set up by the Rabin government should recommend them. They added:

"We strongly support the decision of the government to crack down on extremists associated with the mass murderer who slaughtered 40 or more Muslims at prayer."

"This is a moment in history when Israelis and Palestinians who seek peace must stand together in repudiating violence on either side — a message they can deliver most effectively by a swift resumption of the peace negotiations."

ARZA conducts an active program in Israel in defense of religious pluralism and civil and human rights through its sponsorship of the Jerusalem-based Israel Religious Action Center.

Outrage at German Court for Reversing Conviction

by Miriam Widman

BERLIN (JTA) — The Jewish community and survivors of World War II are outraged by a ruling issued recently by Germany's highest appeals court, which said that repeating another person's denial that the Holocaust occurred was not in itself a punishable offense.

In its March 15 ruling, the Federal Court of Justice reversed the decision of a lower court against Guenter Deckert, the chairman of the extreme right-wing National Democratic Party.

At a rally in 1991, Deckert had served as translator for Fred Leuchter, an American

who promotes the theory that the Holocaust never took place.

In addition to translating comments by Leuchter, who tried to cast doubts on whether Nazi war crimes ever took place at the Auschwitz-Birkenau and Majdanek death camps, Deckert said he supported Leuchter's theories.

Under German law, which has been supported by the courts for many years, it is a crime to display the swastika, cast doubt on Nazi war crimes or publish neo-Nazi propaganda.

After the rally, Deckert was

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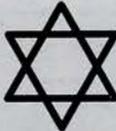
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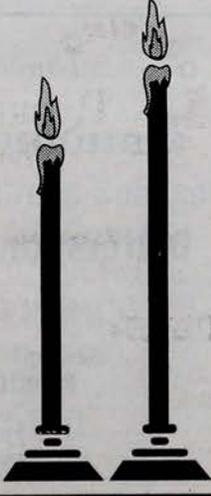
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Kahane and Goldstein Do Not Represent All Orthodox

by Avi Shafran

An anonymous correspondent angrily challenges me, as a writer who often presents Orthodox Judaism's attitudes to the larger reading public, to react to the recent massacre of Arab worshippers in Hebron. He or she clearly assumes that mainstream Orthodoxy condones the shedding of Arab blood, that the murderous settler's Orthodox affiliation bestows guilt by association upon us all.

The response in the Orthodox Jewish world — my world — to the recent massacre in Hebron has been quite clear, and can well be captured in a word: shame.

We Orthodox do indeed firmly believe that the land on which the state of Israel presently exists is holy, and moreover that it is divinely designed to perfectly resonate with the collective soul of the Jewish people. And, along with all our fellow Jews, we are filled with grief, anger and frustration every time one of us is maimed or killed by an Arab terrorist or some other ilk of anti-Semite. But the vast majority of us were deeply pained and shocked to hear the horrible news of a fellow Jew — an Orthodox Jew, yet — who had reduced himself to treating innocent Arab lives with the same barbaric disregard more

commonly directed toward Jewish ones.

Much of the press, though, seems largely unversed in subtleties like the distinction between the vibrant, multifaceted mainstream Orthodox world and the minuscule minority of radical Jewish political militants who, while they may (or may not, as is often the case) affiliate with Orthodoxy and may even be observant of Jewish law, totally ignore the ethical and political guidance of the spiritual giants of the Orthodox world, the revered yeshiva heads and rebbes, saints and scholars who rarely counsel political activism any stronger than voting, and certainly never violence. Those Orthodox leaders are as far from the seething Iranian mullahs we have come to associate with religious zeal as prayer-books are from pornography; Orthodoxy's weapons of choice are personal repentance, Torah-study and prayer, not knives and bullets.

To be sure, a part of each of us, honestly speaking, is a bit resentful of how the world press barely mentioned the calculated machine-gunning of a 30-year-old pregnant Israeli woman by Arab terrorists only a week before the Hebron massacre, and of how it doesn't bother mentioning at all the mounting body count of terror-

ist-murdered Israelis that has become a tragic part of life in the Jewish state over recent months.

And, yes, another part of each of us cannot help but focus on the fact that the Israeli settler who created the recent carnage in Hebron was a doctor who had treated many Israeli terrorist victims and had been particularly distraught over the recent terrorist killings of close friends of his. Far from a cold-blooded career terrorist, he had never before, despite his political radicalness, done anything remotely like what he did that day; he apparently simply went berserk.

But while those thoughts rightfully assert themselves, they cannot, in the end, dissipate the cloud of shame that envelops us. Observant Jews believe that the Jewish people are special, not in the sense of a nation of *Übermenschen*, but in the sense of lights unto the world; that Jews are meant to be paragons of moral, ethical and religious virtue. And so when individuals from among our own tribe, for whatever reason, act in a shameful manner, we feel true pain, look deep into our souls, and hope that the future will see us all Jews living up to what we believe is our mission: acting as guideposts, not obstacles, on the road to a better world.

EDITORIAL

Moderation is a Virtue

by Rabbi William E. Kaufman

Most Israelis and American Jews were appalled by the massacre at the mosque in Hebron by Dr. Baruch Goldstein. Goldstein was the product of a pernicious ideology: the anti-Arab bigotry of the late Rabbi Meir Kahane. Most of the 130,000 Jewish settlers on the West Bank do not share that ideology. On a spectrum of settlers Dr. Goldstein was at the extreme.

The majority of Israelis and American Jews are moderates. Goldstein's horrible act illustrates that the real war in the Middle East is not merely between Jews and Arabs, but between moderates and extremists on both sides, between

those who want to resolve the old conflicts and move forward to a peaceful future versus those who want to sustain the blood feud. It is to be hoped that moderation and the peace process will triumph.

As a Conservative rabbi, I consider Goldstein an observant, but not a religious Jew. Ethics are as integral to Judaism as ritual. It is written in the Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt not murder." One is allowed to kill in self-defense, but the murder of innocent people is a crime. No one who violates this commandment can be considered religious, for a religious person sees all human beings as equally sacred in the sight of G-d. To be considered a reli-

gious Jew, one must observe the rituals and ethics of Judaism.

A basic ethical principle in Judaism is moderation. Moses Maimonides (1135-1204), the great Jewish philosopher and authority on Jewish law, enunciated the principle of the Golden Mean, the creative middle between extremes. For example, he recommended that one should be neither hilarious nor gloomy but quietly cheerful. Maimonides asserted: "He who avoids extremes and follows the middle course in all things is a wise man." (Maimonides, Mishneh Torah)

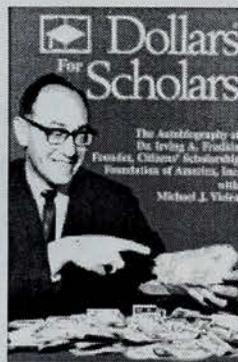
In this spirit we pray for the moderates to prevail in the Middle East. According to Judaism, as I interpret it, following Maimonides, moderation is a virtue.

Rabbi Kaufman is located at Temple Beth El in Fall River, Mass.

"Dollars For Scholars"

By Stacey A. Pacheco
Herald Co-Editor

The autobiography of Dr. Irving A. Fradkin, founder of Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc., is a worthy cause looking out for our American future. The children who will inherit this country benefit from what the book, *Dollars For Scholars* is founded on. The next generation should be thankful that someone took the time to create such a successful organization.



better place than we found it."

Fradkin also believes that "CFSA is a unique national organization whose purpose is to help students by giving them hope, opportunity, and scholarships to go on to higher education."

In reading the book, you will follow the trail of his Jewish family making their way to the land of opportunity.

When Fradkin founded the CSFA in 1958 he did so with just \$500. Over the

past 35 years the program has generated \$210 million, with half that figure raised in the last four years. Along with Congregation Adas Israel and Temple Beth-El, both of Fall River, where Fradkin holds memberships, we all have someone to be proud of — Irv Fradkin.

At age 72, Fradkin has once again put Fall River, Mass., on the map in our history books — where he resides with his wife Charlotte. Now when people think of Fall River, it's not just of Lizzy Borden.

The book is available in your local book store or through Branden Publishing Company in Boston.

Always thinking of others, as displayed through his concerns and actions, Fradkin includes a special dedication of his book "In memory of the late beloved Sam Levenson, the foremost humorist and humanitarian of his time. He was installed as the first and only Honorary President of Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America on January 11, 1961. He declared, 'I expect this scholarship program to become one of our great national projects, supported by every citizen in every hamlet of America.'"

The book is also dedicated to "the many people who believe in the concept that America is stronger and better served when citizens appreciate our priceless freedom and work toward the fulfillment of the dream of democracy," writes Fradkin. "To those Americans who are trying to leave this country a

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Question Marks

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter

His office shared a common wall with mine. I might wave and say hi to students waiting in line in the vestibule between our doors.

As department head I had sat in on a class he taught. He read all kinds of meanings, including a Jewish reference, in Poe's tales. In "The Fall of the House of Usher," the Ushers with their high foreheads of an intelligent race doomed to go under stood for the Jews. "The Pit and the Pendulum" symbolized the agony of the Sephardim under the Cross.

He spoke with verve, vigor, flair. He earned a Fulbright to teach in Germany and wrote me and others at home base, clear and lively letters keeping in touch.

A young faculty member must build his world upon campus. He served as backstage angel for a new student literary magazine. He picked out an odd title, *Pan*. I asked him, why that name. "In cinema a pan is a wide-angle look round at the world. In criticism a pan is a put-down, a hard judgment. In the history of poetry and painting, Pan keeps changing from a deity of nature to a goat-god from the underworld, a devil, a savior, a wandering Jew. Of course, Peter Pan was the spirit of endless childhood, the boy who can't grow up."

I dug out a photo I had taken for the *Jewish Herald* of the Pan in our museum garden, both boyish and girlish. He took it and used it as the logo for the magazine and its advance notice posters.

My young colleague and school neighbor dressed snappily, with elan, colorful sneakers matching carefully chosen plaid shirts. He had the braying panlike face of the young Jerry Lewis, and some of that manic energy. He made some foes among his fans. Fellow faculty of his generation whispered against him. A girl student he made friends with lodged a complaint. I never saw that dark side, the shadow, only an eerie absence in the last week of the semester, an exhausted

look in his eye. He had always spoken deliberately and courteously as he stepped into my space to say good morning.

When his name hit the newspapers and his face came out from late-night television screens with a tragic scandal, I shrank in sadness. Teaching English is a pact you make to deal with the secrets of language, its inner codes, the alchemy of metaphor, and the broad human dilemmas posed by the pen. To pick up a telephone, that instrument of Satan, or Pan, and use it to harass is to betray the sacred trust of teaching the value of words.

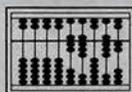
When he went to Germany, he saw the surge of neo-Nazi activity. It brought out his sense of a Jewish identity. As English teacher, artist and Jew, he came so close to the centers of my world, like that thin partition with his desk on one side, mine on the other. I called a friend who knows more of Jewish lore than I do. I asked him about the rules of the tongue and pen, ways to avoid *loshen hora*. "Stay away," he counseled. But I rush in—the story holds the elements of tragedy, the flaw that cracks and brings ruin from within. The noble soul brought down to disgrace and exile. The final page of Dorian Grey, where the secret portrait comes out of hiding.

After a season, my work-neighbor came out of hiding and silence. My phone rang with its jangle. "It's been a long

time. Can we meet for coffee?" We drove our cars to a dark cafe with a view of a thoroughway. Over a narrow onyx booth table, we took a look at each other. Over the barrier of the deep rift in his career we made eye contact. "I'm glad my name sounds anonymous. I stay away from people I knew. Either they look too deep, or they turn away. Women friends tell me we're through. The television cameras stalked me and drove me away from my apartment. I stay with strangers in another part of town."

I couldn't turn the cozy corner with its steaming white cups of coffee into a judge's bench and make sounds of decree and verdict. I told him a few of my own youthful misadventures and mischiefs. "But I only hurt myself." I put in. It was my way of asking, why? "I see doctors to help me answer that. My dad's family were gamblers. Maybe I picked up a gene for risk. My family has come closer together. My brother and I team up together. But I know I'll have to get away, do something somewhere. Maybe I'll translate texts an ocean beyond the classrooms where I've lost my base."

I touched his hand gently as we parted. A wordsmith who broke his bond with words and has to put his life together again with new sentences, new commas and periods, question marks, and a new chapter.



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WORLD NEWS

Could Be a Cold Winter for Birobidjan

NEW YORK (JTA) — Although coal deposits lie within easy reach, the Jewish autonomous region of Birobidjan has no money to develop them, according to Tass, the Russian news agency.

There are an estimated 30 million tons of coal, which have already been prospected, in the area of Ushumusk — enough to satisfy the region's needs for 30 years, Tass reported.

"By the end of year 1995 we could begin delivering cheap local coal for the Birobidjan thermal power station, district boiler rooms and the population of the Jewish autonomous region," according to Pyotr Rozental, director of a trading firm called Initiative.

However, Tass said, the regional administration is out of funds to exploit the coal. "The possibilities of the regional budget have been exhausted."

Money to develop the coal deposits had been expected from local commercial banks.

"But neither the Jewish Investment Bank nor the Kreditprombank and the Bank for Re-



Economic Summit

Prominent leaders building the Middle East economy reaffirmed that private industry is achieving cooperation and growth among Israel and its neighbors, despite recent setbacks in the peace negotiations. Speaking at a recent panel discussion in Beverly Hills — sponsored by the American Society for Technion-Israel Institute of Technology were (left to right) Uzia Galil, founder and chairman of Elron Electronic Industries; Ambassador Reuven Merhav, vice president of external affairs at Technion; Clinton Harris, senior vice president of Advent International; Giora Meyuhas, economic minister of Israel to North America; Mel Levine, co-chair of Builders for Peace; Rob Davidow, president Southern California chapter, American Technion Society.

gional Development could allocate, on a share basis eight billion to 10 billion rubles for the development of the Ushumusk coal deposit, as it will yield profits only in three to four years.

"Bankers prefer to invest money in programs which guarantee quick profits," Tass said.

Birobidjan, established by the Soviets on March 28, 1928, as a Jewish region, is in the extreme east of Russia, just north of the border with China.

Push for Parole

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what they called "an overly hasty presidential decision."

Reich and Rubinstein are president and executive director, respectively, of the American Zionist Movement. Their statement accused Clinton of failing to consider that "Pollard was guilty not of treason but of a single count of passing classified information to a U.S. friend and ally, Israel; that an agreement to plead guilty in exchange for less than a life sentence was broken by the government; that Pollard has already served eight years, most of it in solitary confinement, and that Pollard had cooperated fully with the government in the investigation of his spying activities."

A similar view was voiced by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein, president of the Synagogue Council of America. "We have to keep up the pressure. It took nine years for (Nathan) Sharansky to get out of Soviet prison, under vastly different circumstances.

Pollard committed a crime, he's paid for it and he should not be abandoned to a life sentence," said Lookstein.

Lookstein said that in 36 years in the rabbinate, "I can hardly remember an issue on which there is so much unanimity in the Jewish community, among the rank and file and among Jewish organizations."

It remains a question whether, over the next year and a half, Pollard's supporters can overcome a definite ambivalence in the Jewish community toward Pollard. The ambivalence has been evident in the positions of several national Jewish organizations that had refrained from calling for commutation of Pollard's sentence, either saying nothing or simply calling for a review of the case.

A request for parole, based on the premise that Pollard is far from guilty but that after 10 years will have served enough time, may win wider support.

Reich said that many in the community who hesitated to get involved for commutation said they would address the matter when parole comes up.

Phil Baum, associate executive of the American Jewish Congress, agreed, saying that "when he becomes eligible for parole, I have no doubt there will be wide support for it within the Jewish community."

One-Time Screening of 'Federal Hill'

An independent film which has received international accolades will be showcased at a special screening to benefit Trinity Repertory Company on April 4 at 5:30 p.m.

The film, written, produced and directed by Providence-born Michael Corrente, will receive a one-time special screening at the Avon Cinema, 260 Thayer St. in Providence.

Tickets are \$15, and include admission, free popcorn and soda, and a reception following the screening. The benefit is partially sponsored by WHJJ/HJY and the Avon Cinema.

The film's international premiere at the Berlin Film Festival received both critical and popu-

NEWS BRIEFS

INTERNATIONAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel's highest-ranking army officer has told the official commission investigating the Hebron massacre that there were never any standing orders that soldiers should never shoot at Jewish settlers. Army Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Ehud Barak testified to the panel that it was obvious that the army's open-fire orders had been misunderstood.

JERUSALEM (JTA) — At least four leading Hamas terrorists were killed in an 18-hour battle with Israeli troops in Hebron.

JOHANNESBURG (JTA) — Leaders of the Jewish community have held their first-ever meeting with a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

NATIONAL

NEW YORK (JTA) — A suspect in the bombing of the World Trade Center is now being linked to an attempted bombing of the Israeli Embassy in Bangkok, Thailand.

No Clemency

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be made "by someone in authority having access to the entire record in the case," much of which is classified.

The letter concludes: "We respectfully recommend, Mr. President, that, in your review of the Pollard case, if you determine that the sentence was inappropriate, you consider a modification of the sentence, including the possibility of commuting the sentence to time served."

Pollard was arrested while trying to seek refuge in the Israeli embassy in November 1985. He pled guilty to passing secrets to Israel and was sentenced to life in jail in 1987.

He will be eligible for parole in November 1995, but under Justice Department guidelines release is unlikely until the year 2015, according to a published report.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Tel Aviv's Mayor Tours America

by Tom Tugend

LOS ANGELES (JTA) — He is the recently elected, first-term conservative mayor of a major city and he says that his biggest problems are traffic and parking.

No, it's not Rudolph Giuliani of New York or Richard Riordan of Los Angeles, but Roni Milo of Tel Aviv-Yafo, who was recently on tour for a series of private meetings with well-heeled current and potential supporters of the Tel Aviv Foundation.

Milo wasn't kidding about his number one problem and it provided a certain reassurance for Diaspora Jews — who often visualize all Israelis as wrestling constantly with momentous questions of war and peace — that the mayor of Israel's second largest city is preoccupied instead with such mundane and familiar matters

as urban gridlock and parking meters.

With almost half of all vehicles registered in Israel using the city's streets on any given day and with the cavalier Israeli attitude toward "No Parking" and "Yield" signs, one can well imagine the dimensions of the problem.

Milo spoke about life in Tel Aviv, parking problems included, when he spoke to supporters of the Tel Aviv Foundation.

The foundation was launched in 1977 by Milo's predecessor, Shlomo Lahat, and since then has underwritten some 250 projects, mostly in the poor southern section of Tel Aviv.

The projects include centers for day care, community activities, youth, sports and senior citizens, as well as libraries, parks, museums, theaters and

senior citizen programs.

During its 17 years, the foundation has raised about \$250 million, and during Milo's current American trip, which includes stops in New York, Miami and Palm Beach, Fla., he hopes to raise \$8 to \$10 million more.

At 44, Milo is one of Israel's younger generation of Likud leaders. He became the first native Tel Avivian to serve as mayor when he was elected in November.

He was a close aide to former Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and served in a variety of cabinet posts during Shamir's administration. If not the most charismatic of Israeli politicians, Milo has shown an exceptional talent for coalition building.

Chosen mayor by direct election in a city whose voters generally are 70 percent in the Labor Party camp, Milo ran as an independent. His main Labor opponent is now his deputy mayor, and Milo has hammered together a wall-to-wall coalition in the city council, consisting of 30 of its 31 members.



Temple Beth Hillel Receives Award

Noel Espar on the bimah (left) and Judy Tenner (on Amigo vehicle) demonstrate how the wheelchair lift for the disabled works at Temple Beth Hillel in North Hollywood, Calif. The synagogue won the first Union of American Hebrew Congregations Award for its Moses Program — designed to enable people with physical and mental disabilities to participate more fully in religious worship and congregational life.



CELEBRATING — the opening of the new Bone Marrow Transplant Unit at Roger Williams Hospital are U. S. Congressman Jack Reed, Claflin Company president Ted Almon, and Marc Weinberg, M.D. Photo courtesy of Roger Williams Hospital.

New Unit Opens at Roger Williams

The arrival of spring '94 in southern New England brought new hope for cancer patients and their families with the opening of the Bone Marrow Transplant Unit at Roger Williams Medical Center. The facility, the only one in the state of Rhode Island, and in fact in southeastern New England, was dedicated on March 20.

"The opening of the BMT Unit at Roger Williams Medical Center provides a tremendous stride for southeastern New England in accessing quality care," stated keynote speaker, U.S. Congressman Jack Reed.

Reed, whose mother was a former cancer patient at Roger Williams Medical Center, is especially attuned to the needs of cancer patients and the tremendous boost they receive from being close to home where they can receive the support of family and friends.

Also speaking at the event was Nuala Pell, cancer survivor,

member of the Roger Williams Medical Center board of trustees, member of the Roger Williams Cancer Center board of governing trustees, and the wife of U.S. Sen. Claiborne Pell.

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ISRAEL

The Killing Has Not Stopped

by Dvorah Getzler

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Two Israeli soldiers were recently killed in the southern Lebanon security zone in an ambush by gunmen of the Islamic fundamentalist Hezbollah movement.

The soldiers were killed in the eastern region of the security zone near the village of Ayshiya. An officer with the South Lebanon Army, Israel's ally in the region, was killed in a separate incident.

In retaliation, Israeli and SLA forces opened up heavy fire along an entire front, pounding the area to the north of the security zone where there are known Hezbollah bases.

On the same day in the West Bank, a bus en route to the settlement of Ateret was shot at as it was passing near the town of Ramallah. Three Israelis were injured.

The bus driver, despite being injured, managed to increase his speed and drive his vehicle to safety in the settlement. An Israeli soldier accompanying the bus returned fire.

Worldwide to Celebrate

JERUSALEM — Mayor Cardell Cooper, chairman of the delegation of 10 American mayors visiting Israel to participate in the American Jewish Congress-sponsored 14th Jerusalem Conference of Mayors, called on cities throughout the world to join Jerusalem in celebrating its 3000th anniversary. Cooper suggested in recognition of this historic occasion, his fellow mayors initiate such special projects as naming a square, street or playground after Jerusalem.

At the closing dinner, hosted by Jerusalem's mayor, Ehud Olmert, AJCongress presented the Israel Museum Ruth Youth Wing with a scholarship in honor of Teddy Kollek, the former mayor of Jerusalem. This scholarship will enable a poor or immigrant young person to participate in programs conducted by the museum's youth wing.

David Kahn, president-nominee of the AJCongress, accepted a plaque from Mayor Olmert, paying tribute to the American Jewish Congress' special role in conceiving of and sponsoring the annual mayors conference.

In addition to Cooper, other American mayors included James A. Sheets, Quincy, Mass., and Lillian D. Clayman, Hamden, Conn.

Rochelle Manning Dies Unexpectedly

by Dvorah Getzler and Tom Tugend

Just over a week before she was supposed to have been extradited to the United States to stand trial in connection with a murder, imprisoned immigrant Rochelle Manning died unexpectedly March 18 from what is believed to have been a heart attack.

Manning, 54, had been unsuccessfully fighting extradition to the United States, where her husband, Robert, was convicted and serving a life sentence, in connection with the same 1980 murder of a California secretary by a booby-trapped parcel addressed to her employer.

Manning collapsed one morning after roll call. Although suicide was discussed and ruled out, a post-mortem investigation was to be conducted.

Her daughter told journalists that her mother was a strong-willed woman who would not have committed suicide.

The Mannings, who had been followers of the late Rabbi Meir Kahane and early members of his Jewish Defense League, lived in the West Bank settlement of Kiryat Arava after they made aliyah 10 years ago.

Manning, who had been in the Neve Tirza jail for the past three years, had fought extradition, saying she believed she would not be permitted to wear modest garments and head coverings in an American prison in accord with her Orthodox Jewish religious beliefs.

Earlier this year, she lost her final appeal to Israel's high court, after the U.S. Justice Department had given assurances to Israeli authorities that her re-

ligious needs would be met. But in a special gesture, her extradition had been deferred until after Passover.

After the roll call, Manning said her morning prayers and talked to her 20-year-old daughter on the telephone. Shortly thereafter, she collapsed and was rushed to the prison hospital, where doctors worked unsuccessfully for 40 minutes to revive her.

Her husband, Robert, was described as "distracted and grief-stricken" after being notified that his wife had died.

He has been awaiting transfer to a maximum security prison in Florence, Colo., but has now asked for permission to remain temporarily to observe the traditional seven days of mourning at the detention center. He also faces the problem of how to say the kaddish for his wife without a quorum of 10 men, said Block.

Attorney Richard Sherman, who defended Robert Manning during the trial, said he had not filed a petition to permit Manning to return to Israel for his wife's funeral because "there was absolutely no chance that he would be released." In addition, Sherman said, Manning would have had to pay for the airfare and expenses, running up to \$30,000, for at least two federal marshals to accompany him to Israel.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Dean Dunlavey, who prosecuted the Manning case, concurred with Sherman's assessment.

It was reported that Manning's family wanted her to be buried alongside Dr. Baruch Goldstein, who last month gunned down 29 Palestinians at a Hebron mosque.

Eastern Europe Treasures Available To Israeli Researcher at Last

JERUSALEM — A new agreement of cooperation between the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Academy of Sciences of Ukraine promises to make available to Israeli researchers heretofore inaccessible material on Jewish history and culture.

Professor Wolf Moskovich, head of the Institute of History and Philosophy of the Hebrew University, said that the Ukrainian library has the largest collection in Eastern Europe of Hebrew manuscripts as well as Hebrew and Jewish books and Jewish ethnographic and musicological material.

The collection includes the material that was in the possession of the Research Institute for Jewish Culture that existed

in Kiev until 1948 and material collected by the ethnographic expedition of the Jewish author and Zionist S. An-Sky in the Ukraine in 1912 through 14.

Under the terms of the agreement, microfilms will be made of the Hebrew manuscripts in the Ukrainian library and will be sent to the Hebrew University where they will be catalogued and housed in the Institute of Hebrew Manuscript Microfilms at the Jewish National and University Library.

This will be the first time that this material has been catalogued. The JNUL will supply the Ukrainian library with the equipment and materials needed to carry out the project and will advise on the preservation and restoration of the manuscripts.

The JNUL will also send to the Kiev library duplicates of books it possesses that are of interest to the Kiev library and also microfilm copies of historical records from Jewish communities in Ukraine and western Russia.



L'hitraot

Dr. Yevgeny Royzen says good-bye to his daughter, Sonia, who made aliyah alone in 1993. He is returning to Russia after visiting Sonia. Their hope is that eventually the family will be reunited in Israel.

UJA Press Photo by Vladimir Godnik

Dalai Lama Visits Israel

by Dvorah Getzler

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Dalai Lama, spiritual head and exiled ruler of Tibet's six million Buddhists, has begun what is being described as a private visit to Israel.

The Buddhist cleric is a guest of the Society for the Preservation of Nature in Israel, which is hosting an international ecological conference in Eilat.

Israel has refused to tender an official invitation to the Nobel Peace Prize laureate in order to avoid complications with Beijing, with which Jerusalem seeks to cultivate relations. The

Chinese Republic has incorporated Tibet into China, strongly fighting an indigenous Tibetan resistance movement.

On the first day of the Dalai Lama's visit, he was scheduled to meet with the country's religious leaders — Jewish, Moslem and Christian — and with Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert.

The Dalai Lama, the world's most famous contemporary proponent of non-violence, was also to receive an honorary fellowship from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in recognition of his contribution to world peace.

Mayors Examine Israeli Approach to New Business Development

JERUSALEM — A unique program to help launch and stabilize new businesses got the attention of U.S. mayors in Israel recently for the 14th Jerusalem Conference of Mayors.

The Tefen Industrial Park, established in 1985 on a large tract in the Western Galilee region, is developing the nation's export industry, and thereby its economic independence, according to its founder, prominent Israeli businessman Stef Wertheimer.

The business "incubator" at Tefen is designed to teach aspiring entrepreneurs how to get started in business with little investment in plant, equipment or personnel, Wertheimer explained.

They are allowed to make use of the park and its various services for up to four years. The most important aspect, he said is for the fledgling business to find its first export order. Only then can it shift its focus to production.

This approach appears to be working: to date, 45 companies have been launched at Tefen with only two failures.

Wertheimer's own manufacturing company, a producer of industrial cutting and milling tools, is his best example of Israeli export potential. Ninety-seven percent of the company's output goes to North America, Europe and Japan. The remaining output is sufficient to meet 80 percent of Israel's needs for such products.

A Palestinian Police Force in Israel

by Dvorah Getzler

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Israeli team's recent meeting in Tunis with Yasir Arafat received instructions to tell the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization that Israel is ready to set up a municipal Palestinian police force in Hebron, according to reports.

Israel is also reportedly ready to weigh the establishment of a Palestinian police presence in other West Bank cities and to accept the temporary presence of unarmed international observers there.

Efforts will be made to recruit

the police force from among Palestinians who served in such West Bank units before their mass resignations at the start of the intifada, or Palestinian uprising, in December 1987.

The units, if established, will be under the control of the Israeli authorities.

Meeting with Arafat in Tunis were Uri Savir, the director-general of the Foreign Ministry; the army deputy chief of staff, Amnon Shahak; Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's special political adviser, Jacques Neria; and Yoel Singer, the Foreign Ministry's legal adviser.

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JTS Student Awarded Fellowship

Jennifer Kraft, a third-year student in the Jewish Theological Seminary of America's social work program, has been named the recipient of the prestigious Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship in International Jewish Communal Service, awarded each year by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

Only one fellowship is awarded per year to candidates in the early stages of their careers with a demonstrated potential for leadership in communal service and a strong interest in international Jewish communal affairs and international social welfare.

"I chose the social work field because of the seminary's program," said Kraft in a recent interview. "I thought of the rabinate and I thought of psychology (she has a B.A. from Tufts University in clinical psychology), but when I heard about the dual degree social

work program with JTS and Columbia, I felt it was the perfect way to combine all my interests — serving the Jewish community, furthering my Jewish studies, and developing and using strong clinical and practical skills."

The RIG fellowship will begin in September and extend for a period of one year. Kraft will receive a \$25,000 stipend, exclusive of travel and expenses, to work in one of JDC's overseas offices. At year's end, she will be required to present a paper analyzing a particular aspect of a JDC program or a community endeavor in which she participated.

Currently, in addition to a full class load, Kraft is doing her required internship at the Jewish Board of Children and Family Services Division of Community Education, where she creates programs for individuals and communities that involve integrating a positive



Jennifer Kraft
Photo by Sharon Stern

self-concept with a positive Jewish identity. Much of her work is with Hebrew high school and Jewish day school students.

The deadline for applying for the 1995 Goldman Fellowship is October 15. Interested applicants should send a letter advocating their candidacy to Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 711 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10017.

Brandeis Professor Leads Heritage Tour

Antony Polonsky, the Walter Stern Hilborn professor in Judaic and social studies at Brandeis, will lead a 16-day Brandeis National Women's Committee Heritage Tour of Poland, Hungary, Austria, the Czech Republic and Slovakia this spring. Space is available for the tour, which departs May 21 and returns June 5. For more information, call (800) 338-2485.

Considered to be among the top historians of Poland, Polonsky will provide tour members with access to several private centers of Jewish history. "We're going to the heart of Europe right after the revolution of 1989 through 1991 — a turn of events every bit as important as the revolutions of 1789 and 1971 — to see firsthand the total transformation of the social, economic, and political life of the entire region," Polonsky said.

In Krakow, Polonsky said, the group will visit the second oldest university in Central Europe. They will also visit the "perfectly preserved" city of Prague and see the oldest Jewish synagogue east of the Alps.

Summer Program Director Named

Coleen Clement of Narragansett, formerly of East Greenwich, has been named summer program director at Rocky Hill.

A former student at Rocky Hill, Clement is presently the extended day supervisor at the school and was the assistant director of the summer program last year.

Clement received her bachelor of arts degree in elementary education from Simmons College in Boston.

The summer program, in its 54th year, will run from June 27 to August 12. For a brochure, call 884-9070.

Jewish Tours to Russia

NEW YORK, N.Y. — The American Jewish Congress is offering its members five different 1994 tour routings featuring Russia and the states of the former Soviet Union, each with a particular stress on sights and regions of special interest to Jewish travelers.

"One of the most extraordinary of these journeys, is a Jewish heritage expedition called Jewish Life in the Far East," according to Geoffrey Weill, director of the AJCongress tour program.

Jewish Life in the Far East will be accompanied by the eminent Dr. Jane Gerber, professor of Jewish history at the City University of New York; it starts in Kyoto, Japan, then takes travelers to Russia's Far East, where, in the 20th century, Jews have lived in substantial numbers.

Participants will visit Vladivostok, once known as Port Arthur, the Russian naval base only recently opened to foreigners, and ride the Trans Siberian Express train to Khabarovsk, and Birobijan, settled by thousands of Jews in the 1930s and designated as the USSR's "Jewish Autonomous Province"; a small Jewish community still lives in Birobijan, and Yiddish remains one of the region's official languages. Travelers will also visit Harbin, capital of the Chinese province

of Manchuria — where Jews lived in great numbers until 1948 — as well as Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong.

A second Jewish Heritage Expedition entitled the Art Treasures of Russia and Paris takes travelers to St. Petersburg and Moscow in the company of St. Petersburg-native, Professor Alexander Shadrinsky, consultant to New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art and a member of the faculty of the Conservation Center of New York University's Institute of Fine Arts. In both cities, participants will be treated to artistic and Jewish experiences normally unavailable to the public.

The organization's newly published 96-page 1994/95 *Worldwide Tour Catalogue* may be obtained by calling (212) 879-4588, (516) 752-1186, (914) 328-0018 or nationwide, toll-free (800) 221-4694.

Licht & Semonoff Associates

Attorneys Steven C. Sidel and Michael K. Prescott recently became associated with Licht & Semonoff.

Steven C. Sidel practices in the firm's Corporate & Tax Law Group, Real Estate Law Group, and Environmental Law Group at the firm. Prior to coming to Licht & Semonoff, Sidel practiced for two years at the Los Angeles law firm of Irell & Manella where he handled a wide range of commercial matters. He is a magna cum laude, phi beta kappa graduate of Brown University, and received his law degree from Harvard Law School. A resident of East Greenwich, Sidel is a member of the California State Bar, and recently took the Rhode Island Bar examination.

Michael K. Prescott is active in the firm's Corporate & Tax Law Group, and Banking Law Group. He received his under-

graduate degree from Northwestern University, and received his law degree from Emory University School of Law. Prior to attending law school, Prescott spent two years at Fleet National Bank and Fleet Precious Metals Inc.

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Why Is the Red Sea Blue?

by Rachel A. Schwartz

It probably began a couple of millennia ago, at that first Passover in Egypt when a child piped up and said: "We eat this flat bread because the Egyptians didn't make us rise out of bed to go to work today."

Now that would have been an explanation.

Ever since parents began recounting the story of Passover, their children have exercised their G-d-given freedom to embellish it. After all, once you've told a child to pretend as if he has personally come out of the land of Egypt, you've opened the floodgates of make-believe.

I met with a bunch of kids ages 4 through 8 in the suburbs of New York and Washington, D.C., to get their refracted view of Passover. They sat with their little legs hanging off straight-backed chairs, squinting their eyes and pounding tables as they remembered and relayed -- more or less -- what they'd been taught, from the birth of Baby Moses ("The name Moses means 'lost and found,'" suggested one child) to the search for the afikomen ("I usually get seven bucks," bragged another).

They considered such weighty problems as the role of G-d and the meaning of freedom, and that great imponderable: "So why does [the Red Sea] look blue in all the pictures?"

Enslavement

The Jews were "enslaved," says Sharon. Enslavement is a huge bummer that entails working all night and never getting to go home. "And they

never got to sleep. They never got to eat," offers Kate with the insistence of a defense attorney driving home a point.

But they must have eaten something, submits this prosecutor, or they wouldn't have had the energy to work. "Oh, they could have found something when they're digging," Sharon cheerfully allows. "They found something, but it wasn't so good," explains Kate. "Because when you're digging something it's in the dirt and when you dig in the dirt stuff isn't good." "And it could have been in the mud," says Sharon. "What does it mean to be a slave?" I ask Benjamin. He replies in detail: "You have to have a shield, with this kind of pointing thing on the top, and you got to have this hat with this kind of feather on the top, like when your hair is sticking up flat."

And the difference between a slave and person who just goes to work? "He doesn't have a watch and stuff."

And then there's money. Elissa notes that "slaves have to work for somebody but they don't get paid. They might get paid like a dollar a week or a month or something like that." "Maybe not even a dollar," rejoins Juliana. "Maybe 50 cents." Perhaps just "one chicken leg," Max suggests.

Besides the watch, what makes a free person free? "A free person," trumpets Max, "can do whatever he wants and the slave has to do whatever the free person wants."

Matzo beats spinach

It's pretty widely known that Jews eat no bread (or corn syrup, points out Michael) on

Passover. "What else, you little matzah brain?" a disdainful Gabriel asks. But the reason we eat matzah is open to interpretation. "They didn't have time for it to . . ." Sharon searches her mind for the word, supplanted by this interviewer. "Rise" she nods. "So it wouldn't turn into challah."

"When we left Israel," says Marin, "we didn't have time to cook . . . And it was bakin' so long it turned into matzah." Laura allows we eat matzah, but that doesn't concern her very much. "You know what I don't like?" she asks. "Spinach . . . I don't like it. I don't eat it. Sometimes my mommy makes me eat it."

"some scientists say it was possible that it was just a chance of luck that the seas parted because the high tide comes in very fast in the sea of Goshen. So they could have crossed at low tide and then high tide could have come in really fast and washed the Egyptians." Jacob, by the way, is 8.

Once over the sea ("Red or Blue," says Max, who wonders, "so why does it look blue in the stories?") the Jews were in the desert, where they remained somewhere between 40 days and 400 years. In the desert they ate manna. "Yeah," remembers Marin, "it's called like food fell from the sky, and it come down very slowly and they brought out their whole plates and brought it in to the bad guys."

Lice isn't nice

So what is Passover all about? Why do we study Passover at all?

"Because if we don't, we don't know what to do on Passover," Naomi says with authority. One little girl says Passover is generally about having fun and having your toys, unless you have lice, one of those pesky recurring plagues, "cause if you have lice you cannot have your toys."

Leaving lice aside for a moment, Marin explains that at Passover we remember that although we were once weak slaves, today "we are free, we have the muscles now, we can think about when we were slaves. That's why we have all these holidays: for the freedom!"

Jacob elaborates: "We celebrate Passover, because it is celebrating why, when and how we came out of Egypt. . . . Another reason we were commanded to celebrate Passover is because it showed to the whole world that G-d is almighty and all-powerful that he could do this to a powerful



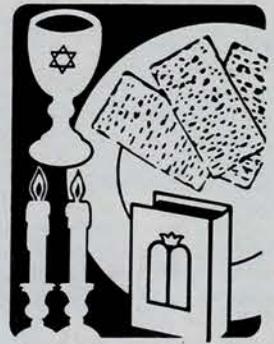
"I know a story," Rosalie pipes up during our analysis of matzah. "It's called Four Little Pigs. This little piggie went to market, this little piggie stayed home, but the little piggie, a tiny little pig, was crying but it ran all the way home."

"The bread didn't rise and that's why we have matzah," Stephanie declaims, categorically, "because that's what they named it, 'matzah.'"

Crossing the blue sea

The sea parted, the children explain, separating their hands, so that the Jews could get across, and then came back together and drowned, or drowned, the Egyptians, many of whom could not swim, notes Stephanie.

However, Jacob points out,



nation."

A lucid, intelligent explanation, to be sure. "But a long one," says classmate Rocky with disdain.

Moses meets the MTV generation.

Rachel A. Schwartz is an editorial assistant with The B'nai B'rith International Jewish Monthly from which this is reprinted with permission.



Chometz

and Matzah

Arrogance and Humility

We are strictly forbidden to eat any leavened foods on Passover. Bread is replaced by kosher for Passover matzah — flat baked wafers made only of flour and water. Jews the world over are scrupulous to avoid eating even the smallest particle of chometz.

The characteristic of leavened food (chometz) is that it rises and swells, symbolizing pride and boastfulness. Matzah, on the other hand, is thin and flat, suggesting meekness and humility. Passover teaches us that "chometz" — arrogance — is the antithesis of the Torah ideal.

An arrogant person will dream up all kinds of mitigating circumstances to justify his conduct. When the opportunity arises to do a mitzvah, he finds reasons why not to fulfill it. If the mitzvah involves a degree of self-sacrifice, such as charity, he is doubly certain not to perform it.

He believes he deserves what he has, so why give away some of his own possessions to someone obviously less deserving. The arrogant person's sensitivity toward others is deadened.

The humble person, however, thinks along quite opposite.

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Sharing a Community Seder

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The Eternal Flame of Pesach

by Ethan Adler

As we all know, Passover is a holiday of questions, why is this night different than all other nights? ... When do we eat? ... Is this brand of coffee OK to use on Pesach? ... Who's got the stomach pump?

There may be those who are asking a different kind of question.

Why bother with all this preparation, and shopping, and cooking and cleaning?

Why put up with all this stuff?

Enough is enough! I'll eat some matzah, a gefilte fish or two, shove a macaron in my lunch bag, and I'm a happy Pesach camper! Why make such a tsmimes out of a little chometz?

These are good questions. You may have answers of your own, and the Torah has answers of its own. One of the answers is derived from last week's portion, which is called Tzav, meaning, "command," as in ... "And G-d spoke to Moses saying: 'Command unto Aaron, and his sons,'" etc.

In our weekly readings, we recall how the Jews traveled through the Sinai Desert, making their way to the Promised Land. While on route, they were commanded to observe certain rituals, some of which relate to sacrifices. In the verses we read last week, we discovered an interesting comment about the "Evening Offering," and the "Morning Offering," which were the typical sacrifices of the evening and the morning.

The rule was that you had to keep the evening fires burning until the morning, so that the remaining embers could kindle the morning sacrifice, which itself had to be kept burning all day, until it could be used to kindle the next evening's sacrifice, and so on. This system of "everlasting" fire was even kept up on Shabbat. The commandment "You shall kindle no fire throughout your habitation upon the Sabbath Day," did not apply to the sanctuary.

The idea of keeping the fires burning is in the following verse: "Fire shall be kept burning upon the altar continually; it shall not go out."

Why was there such an insistence that the fire, once started, was not allowed to be extinguished?

The answers to this question may be many; but here is one. G-d, through Moses, feared that once the fire was extin-

guished, it might remain unlit indefinitely.

Modern examples are plentiful.

Every day, you walk two miles before going to work. Day in, day out, you walk, you shvitz, you kibbitz with the neighbor, and feel very healthy afterwards.

Then, the fire stops. You miss a day here, you miss a day there, some weeks you stop

walking altogether, your neighbor wonders where you are, and now, instead of feeling great, you feel guilty.

Or you go to shul every Shabbat. Week in, week out, you go to temple, you kibbitz with your neighbor, and you feel great. Then the fire goes out. You miss a Shabbat here, you miss a Shabbat there, some months you stop going to shul altogether, your neighbor wonders where you are, and instead of feeling great, you feel guilty.

Once the momentum is slowed, once the habit has lost its grip, it is difficult to rev up the engine and begin again, so, the Torah warns; better not to stop at all.

And now, for the Passover connection. If we stop doing all the things our parents used to do for Pesach, then our children will stop at even less. Heaven forbid our grandchildren should ask at their seder: What were those questions that our grandparents used to ask at their seder?

The fires of Judaism and family celebration cannot be allowed to go out, even for an instant. As long as we ask why is this night different, we will be able to have a "different" night than our neighbor's. As long as we keep the fire of Judaism going, we will not be consumed by the fires of indifference and assimilation.

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May we all enjoy a holiday of peace, of blessing and of grace, and a Chag Sameach Vekasher — a most joyous and kosher Passover.

Chometz and Matzah

(Continued from Previous Page) site lines. "Am I really so much better than this poor individual that I deserve to have what he has not?" His self-analysis is strict and it brings him to the conclusion that he must give charity to another individual.



As it is with charity, so it is with all other mitzvahs. The egotistical reasoning of the haughty individual leads him to more and more unwholesome acts. But, he doesn't see these faults. The unassuming individual, however, does not attempt to justify his incorrect behavior when confronted with it.

Each year on Passover we are commanded to rid our domain of all traces of chometz. We must also see to ridding ourselves of every particle of spiritual chometz — arrogance — and enable ourselves to more clearly perceive our own faults and our fellow man's good qualities.

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Baritone soloist for the Sacred Service will be Cantor Eliot Vogel. Vogel attended Boston University, the Hartt School of Music, and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He was a member of and soloist with Zamir, as well as with other Jewish choruses.

The narration will be read by Rabbi Bernard H. Mehlman. Mehlman is a graduate of Hebrew Union College and is senior rabbi at Temple Israel in Boston.

Soloists for other works on the program are Cantor Benjie Schiller, frequent Zamir soloist cantor Charles Osborne, and Jules Rosenberg, another frequent soloist and past chairman of Zamir's board of directors.

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A four-day jazzfest that features popular jazz artists from around the region and University of Rhode Island's own homegrown talent will take place at U.R.I., April 5 to 8.

On April 5, Semanya McCord, a featured artist in the Boston area, will perform with her quintet. McCord is the recipient of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Musical Achievement Award from the city of Boston, and was named "Outstanding Jazz Vocalist" at the 1988 Boston Music Awards. The concert is scheduled for 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall.

Campus talent will take center stage on April 6, when the U.R.I. jazz ensembles play in concert beginning at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall. Performing are the U.R.I. Traditional Jazz Band directed by Gary Buttery; the U.R.I. Jazz Big Band, directed by Joe Parillo; and the U.R.I. Jazz Combo, also directed by Parillo.

On April 7, the jazz theme continues when various Rhode

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Macaulay at RIC

Designer, teacher, author, illustrator, Providence's own David Macaulay will bring an exhibit of his works to Rhode Island College's Bannister Gallery April 7 to 30, with a lecture and book signing on April 13 at 7 p.m. in Clarke Science Building, Room 125.

RIC's laboratory school, Henry Barnard, is inviting school children from around the state to schedule visits to the exhibit from April 11 to 29.

Macaulay will visit the Henry Barnard School on April 15 and talk to the students about his writing life.

Macaulay writes and illustrates books that offer insight into the architecture and design of structures ranging from the pyramids to castles, from pulleys to rockets.

In one award-winning book after another, beginning with

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10	Spirituality Retreat, Sturbridge, MA, 9:30-3:30
10	Kent County Group — Ellis Island Day Trip
11	Cranston/Warwick Meeting, Cranston Senior Citizens Hall, 7:30 pm
11	Providence Group Meeting, TBA, 12:30 pm
14	Western New England Region Board Meeting, TBA
18	R.I. Chapter Board Meeting @ office, 7 pm
20	Pawtucket Group Regular Meeting, Highland Court, 7:30 pm
24	Statewide Donor Brunch, R.I. Convention Center, 10:30 & 11:15 am
27	Outreach Dinner at Ducoff home, 6:30 pm
27	Kent County Group General Meeting @ office, 7:30 pm
TBA	Newport Group Card Party
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1-2	Spring Conference, N.E. Co-Op, Waltham, MA
11	Pawtucket Group Board Meeting, Highland Court, 7:30 pm
11	South County Group Meeting @ Adele Curhan's home, 7:30 pm
12	R.I. Chapter Board Dinner/Meeting, 6:30 pm
18	Nurses Council Meeting, TBA, 7:30 pm
27	South County Group Shabbat Services at Narragansett Synagogue
TBA	Newport Group Fashion Show

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

A Duet of Dorothys

by Mike Fink

They sat side by side, a couple of chums who chat on the phone to share their own day's news before the 11 o'clock reports.

Dorothy Ann Wiener threw a small supper party Saturday night at her favorite French bistro. Under fancy red brocade wallpaper the long cafe table shaped the illusion of Paris. Dorothy Isenberg and her husband Jay mark their birthdays in March. Their granddaughter Rachel read off a poem she composed for them, and also faxed copies of verses sent by her older brothers. David and Diane Iseberg also put together some lines and handed out pretty ribboned copies. "This is the first time I ever tried to write rhyme," beamed David, who sat beside me.

The jist of everybody's epic effort was, that Jay and Dot jump right in and help others, without being asked. They come to the rescue of the Music School, the Museum, foundations and individuals, and the beat goes on till Dorothy Isenberg cried, "Enough!"

She turned to her hostess and proclaimed, "She goes to work every day, even through this terrible winter. She keeps Hope Street on its toes. So how does she find time to play the gracious hostess as well? She amazes me with her energy and kindness, to her son Sandy, to her friends, to one and all. I'll never forget this tribute and treat!" Now it was Dorothy W's turn to shout, "Enough already, don't let the soup get cold."

(Rachel muttered good-naturedly, "They really like this sort of thing.")

The intimate soiree spread into a grand affair. Dorothy

Wiener in a soft blue suit looked smashing and chic. Her profile as she lifted her face to bless her son Sandy reciting some sonnets he had written years ago, the story of his long illness, gave out lines of pride and the light of love. Just back from a stay in hospital, Sandy sat beside his beloved mom, with a certain regal dignity. "She comes home to me every day and cooks a marvelous supper," he declared and hugged her.

Dorothy Wiener is a working girl, with the glamour that goes with the job. She made friends with Golda Meir as president of Hadassah. "Golda could give you specific street addresses in Providence," she smiled and noted. "I tried to help a scholar get funds for books. They put my name on the library at Bar Ilan University. For twelve years I taught Sunday School at Bethel, and I cherish the letters Seymour Krieger sent me. I save papers and try to read everything that comes my way. But you get overwhelmed. You also can fall through the cracks, no matter how much you do."

My own couplets about this dynamite, dynamic duo of Dorothys compared them to the Dorothy who skipped down the yellow brick road to find truth and beauty and the great Wizard. "Dorothy means gift of God, and in the Oz books she stands for all of us. Dorothy Isenberg picks up the lions and the men of tin, takes them in, and helps them win. Dorothy Wiener helps us on our way, it's what she does each day."

I drink off my draft to the duet of Dorothys who hold up our town and bring panache to Providence.

Announce your graduation, new job or promotion in the *Herald*.
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The American Experience

"America And The Holocaust — Deceit And Indifference" premieres April 6 at 9 p.m. on Public Broadcasting Stations nationwide, including Channels 2 and 36. The 90-minute film probes into America's complex reaction to the Nazi campaign to eliminate Jews from Europe. A repeat of the production will be aired on Channel 44 at 8 p.m.

Photos: Yivo Institute for Jewish Research (left) and Kurt Klein (center and right)

You Can't Get There From Here — Without a Reservation

In less than a year, more than 1.5 million people have visited the Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, D.C., approximately 25 percent of whom arrive in groups with dates set months in advance. "We invite everyone to come, but due to our enormous popularity, we are pretty much booked for groups for the next six months," Kathryn Hill, director of Visitor Services, said. For weekday group visits, the museum receives an average of four requests for every slot available, and 10 requests for each weekend slot.

Here are some tips for arranging group visits offered by the museum staff:

All requests must be in writing. Please include group name, Please include group name, group size, number of children and chaperons (1 chaperon per 7 children required), preferred date and time and several alter-

nates, contact's name, address and phone number.

The more flexible you can be with your choice of dates, the better the museum will be able to accommodate you.

Requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Once you have sent a request, you do not need to resubmit it.

The scheduling office reserves dates up to six months in advance, and will respond to

your request within two weeks of receipt.

If your request is for dates more than six months ahead, within two weeks you will receive a letter noting the receipt of your request.

The confirmation letter serves as ticketing for the entire group. No individual tickets are needed.

Entry is timed to prevent overcrowding. Please be prompt. If a delay is unavoidable, leave a message at (202) 488-0419.

Interfaith Commemoration of Holocaust

Members of the Jewish and Christian communities will join together to commemorate the Holocaust at the Interfaith Commemoration of Yom HaShoah on April 7 at 7 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El in Providence.

Participants in the service include survivors and witnesses who will speak of personal experiences during the war years. During the service, the Holocaust survivors of Rhode Island will receive the Never Again Award of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals who, by significant, positive pursuits in the community, seek to influence the reduction of anti-Semitism, racism and preju-

diced attitudes toward others.

This year's recipients have exemplified courage by enduring tragedy and going on with their lives despite the scars of their losses during the Holocaust. These survivors teach people today of the dangers of hate and racism they experienced.

The Yom HaShoah (Holocaust) Memorial Day service is sponsored by the Diocese of Providence, Episcopal Diocese, Holocaust Survivors, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Federation, Ministers' Alliance, National Conference of Christians and Jews, Board of Rabbis, Holocaust Memorial Museum and the State Council of Churches, all of Rhode Island.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

'Learn To Swim' Kids!

Two-thirds of all drownings, the third leading cause of death in the United States, involve non-swimmers. The YMCA wants to help lower this statistic. During the week of April 18 to 22, free swimming lessons will be offered for elementary school-aged children who are not members of the YMCA of Cranston.

The YMCA runs the "Learn-to-Swim" program nationwide during spring vacation week for children ages 6 to 14.

The five-day program covers swimming basics including

water adjustment, floating, breathing, strokes, and safety. Classes are taught by well-trained, certified instructors.

Classes will run April 18 to April 22 at several different times including 9 to 9:45 a.m., 10 to 10:45 a.m., 10:45 to 11:30 a.m., and 2 to 2:45 p.m., 2:45 to 3:30 p.m., 4:15 to 5 p.m., and 6:15 to 7 p.m.

Registrations are limited and are on a first-come, first-served basis. To register for classes or for more information, drop by the YMCA of Cranston, 1225 Park Ave., Cranston.

Calendar of Jewish Events

Friday, April 1

8:15 p.m. — "First Friday" late services at Congregation Mishkan Tefila in Chestnut Hill will continue with Rabbi Michael Menitoff. He will be joined by special guest, Dr. Leonard Fein, writer, teacher, and founder of Moment Magazine. All are welcome. For more information, call (617) 332-7770.

Sunday, April 3

6:30 p.m. — Joy! Rapture! The end of eating matzah has come and to celebrate that moment MATIV will gather to consume mass quantities of Chinese food at the Galaxy Restaurant, Cranston. For more information, call Sue at 461-6202.

Tuesday, April 5

7:30 — 8 p.m. — The Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum invites you to an opening reception featuring "What About Today?" The exhibit, developed by the Anne Frank House, Amsterdam, explores the problems of anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial. A panel discussion will follow. JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove St., in Providence. Call Beth Cohen at 861-8800.

Wednesday, April 6

11 a.m. — Temple Beth El Sisterhood's annual Lunch, Learn and Play will present Associate Rabbi Sid Helbraun who will help explore how the Jewish community transmits family values and religious customs from one generation to the next. Lunch follows in the Silverman Meeting Hall for \$2.50 per person. For reservations, call Rona Nachbar at 331-6070.

7:30 p.m. — Holocaust Memorial Lecturer Judith Magyar Isaacson will discuss her book, *Seed of Sarah, Memoirs of a Survivor*, in Brown's Winston Hall, room 102. For more information, call Brown-RISD Hillel at 863-2805.

Thursday, April 7

7 p.m. — The Never Again Award of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island will be presented to the Holocaust survivors of Rhode Island at Temple Emanu-El in Providence. For more information, call 421-4111.

Members of the Jewish community are encouraged to submit events for inclusion in the Jewish Calendar. Please mail to R.I. Jewish Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, R.I. 02940, or fax to 726-5820, before the Friday prior to publication.

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Bread & Circus

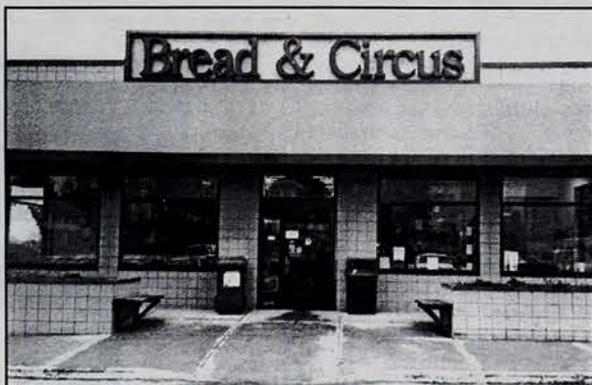
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The company decided to take the kosher awareness a little further. A square one-inch blue and white Israeli flag emblem was placed by each kosher product for quick kosher identification. "Placing Israeli flags around the store was the easy part...it took three months to get kosher camembert and feta cheese imported from Israel," explains Steinberg.

Since Bread & Circus is open on Saturdays, "the company does not proclaim itself as a kosher market," said Elizabeth Pasternak, Bread & Circus' sign maker — who continued to say that, "we carry kosher products for those who may need them."

"Our own deli department is not kosher, but the (deli) annex does carry kosher products," acknowledges Pasternak.

"To preserve the kosherness, Bread & Circus has always invited customers to bring their own cutting boards and knives



THROUGH THE DOORS OF BREAD & CIRCUS you can conveniently pick up a kosher listing of all kosher products in the store.

Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

to the annex, where they can cut kosher cheese," encourages Steinberg.

According to store employees, this practice is not uncommon for customers who wish to keep the kosherness of the product intact with kosher law. By providing this service, non-Jewish employees do not handle

the kosher product.

Bread & Circus' sister company in California, Mrs. Gooch's, has been offering customer's distinct shopping guides for diabetic, celiac, macrobiotic, and low-fat diets.

Who would have thought that its sibling from the smallest state in the nation, a small town in East Providence, would be the first on the block to offer kosher shopping to their customers?

For more information, call (401) 272-1690.

Be S.A.F.E., Not Sorry

For its annual education program, women's division, Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, has chosen the theme of protection against crime and violence — protection of one's self, one's children, and one's home.

Entitled "SAFE," an acronym for "Streetwise: Arrest Fear Everywhere," the program will have a dynamic as well as practical format. Participants may choose one of two comparable sessions, either an evening gathering on April 12 from 7 to 10 p.m. or a morning group on April 13 from 9 to 12.

Each session will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence.

After brief welcoming remarks and light refreshments, there will be an hour-long self-defense demonstration by karate instructors, Brian Kreizinger, third degree black belt, on April 12, and Robin Dufresne, black belt, on April 13.

Audience participation will be encouraged. The invitation recommends casual dress and sneakers.

Following this, attendees will select one of two concurrent workshops — "Protecting Our

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Nobody Can Empathize With a Tax Audit Like a Kosher Chicken

With April 15 just around the corner most accountants advise you get your receipts, a good calculator and a nice garlic rosemary marinade.

With the new tax laws in effect, and millions of people facing things like a retroactive tax for the first time, many believe that in 1994, more audit notices will be sent out to the American public than ever before.

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Anyone who wants to receive the tender loving reassurance

that only fowl can provide should send a copy of their audit notice to H&R Chicken, c/o Empire Kosher Poultry, P.O. Box 165, Mifflintown, Pa., 17059.

JERI To Honor Volunteers

Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island will be honoring the efforts of its volunteers at the first annual volunteer recognition brunch on April 17 at 10 a.m.

The event will be held at the senior adult lounge of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. Featured speaker will be Roberta Hawkins, executive director of the Alliance for Better Nursing Home Care, Inc. R.S.V.P. by April 5 at 521-JERI (5374).

Announce your wedding in the HERALD.



THE CHEESE STANDS ALONE — The kosher cheese, that is. Herald Photo by Stacey A. Pacheco

Cranston-Warwick Hadassah

The monthly meeting of Cranston-Warwick group of Hadassah will take place April 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cranston Senior Center, 1070 Cranston St.

Stella Pollock and Evelyn Wasser, program chairpersons, will welcome Rose Mossberg, who is director of Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

To Remember and Honor

The 18th annual Service of Remembrance in commemoration of the Holocaust will take place on April 7 at 7 p.m. in the main sanctuary of Temple Shalom, 223 Valley Road in Middletown.

This day, the 27th of the Hebrew month of Nisan, called Yom HaShoah, has been designated as a day of mourning by the Israeli Parliament.

Participating in the service will be Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer, members of Temple Shalom, representatives from the Christian community and the children of the Bazarsky School under the direction of Linda Franklin.

The theme of this year's service will be a tribute to those righteous gentiles who risked their lives to save thousands of Jews. The service is open to the community and all are cordially invited to attend.

Mossberg will speak about the Israeli negotiations for peace.

Election of officers for the 1994-95 season will be held, and the annual raffle will take place.

Refreshments will be served.

Vanguard Hosting an Evening at Foxwoods

An evening at Foxwoods Casino in Ledyard, Conn., will be held by Vanguard on April 9 at 6 p.m.

A bus will leave from Warwick Mall parking lot, pole 15, and return at 12:45 a.m. Reservations are necessary.

Advance payment is required. Please call Lorraine Weber at 463-7605 or the Hadassah office at 463-3636.

Vanguard is under the auspices of Rhode Island Hadassah and aims to bring together Jewish singles between the ages of 25 to 40 to share in social and cultural events.

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School Beat



Educating Our Future

The Jewish Educators Assembly hosted its annual, international conference in Bethesda, Md., a Washington, D.C., suburb, on March 6 through 9.

Programs were devoted to the theme: "Educating Our Future — A Capitol Investment: Principal and Dividend." Major sessions featured a panel discussion — Teaching the Ideology of the Conservative Movement, a career services symposium, and workshops on approaches to sensitive subject areas including Peace Education, Holocaust, Life and Death, and Teaching of Israel.

Attending the Jewish Educators Assembly from Rhode Island was Lonna Picker, the educational director at Temple

Torat Yisrael. Picker is currently on the JEA Board. She was actively involved in the conference and chaired the career services symposium.

Among session leaders this time were Dr. Gordon Cawelti, former executive director of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development; Gary Schiff, president of Gratz College, Rafi Sheniak and Etti Serok, World Zionist Organization educators; Dr. Robert Abramson, Rabbi Shelley Melzer and Kay Pomerantz of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Education Department; Dr. Marcia Kauner, Dr. Ruth Neal and Bracha Werber of the Melton Resource Center. Scholars in residence

included Professor Joseph Lukinsky, Dr. David Marcus, and Rabbi Joel Roth of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Yitzchak Yitzchaki delivered this year's Hebrew lecture.

On alternate years the JEA honors a lay person who has made significant efforts on behalf of Jewish education. This year's honoree was Joseph L. Mendelson, a philanthropist who gives of his time and funds for Jewish education. Also honored was Rabbi Marim D. Charry, this year's recipient of the Behrman House/JEA Award for lifetime achievement.

Jewish Educators Assembly is the organization of professional educators who work with schools and agencies of the Conservative movement.



Very Rich and Very Poor

Trinity Repertory Company members Ed Shea and Janice Duclos appear as Samuel Slater and Mrs. Arnold, a poor resident of Pawtucket, in a performance at the Alperin Schechter Day School, recently. The program was designed to bring Rhode Island history alive for middle-school students.

Bryant College Best Buy

For four consecutive years, Bryant College has been ranked as one of the top three business specialty colleges by *U.S. News & World Report*, and *Barron's* rated Bryant as one of the best buys in college education nationwide. Bryant annually enrolls more than 4,600 undergraduate and graduate students. In addition, each year more than 10,000 business people from 1,800 firms take advantage of Bryant's continuing education and corporate outreach efforts offered through the college's Center for International Business and Economic Development.

Kids Protecting the Environment

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has announced that its annual President's Environmental Youth Award program has begun.

EPA's New England regional office is now accepting entries for the 1994 PEYA program.

PEYA is open to young people in grades kindergarten through 12. Participants help work to help protect the environment. A national winner is selected in each of EPA's 10 regions.

The program hopes to help youngsters acquire a greater awareness of and appreciation for their natural surroundings. The PEYA program provides an opportunity for these students to pursue their own environmental interests in their own communities.

The deadline for completed entries is July 31.

Certificates will be awarded to every student who participates in the program.

Each national winner and their sponsor will receive an expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for an awards ceremony, a tour of our nation's capitol and \$1,000 grants each from the Keebler Company and Church & Dwight Company, makers of Arm & Hammer baking soda. Church & Dwight Company will also provide grants of \$500, \$300, and \$200 to the first three runners-up.

For a copy of the program's brochure or for more information, contact Evelyn Sullivan at EPA, CAII (617) 565-3187.

Speak in Many Tongues

Courses in French, Spanish, Italian, and German, at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels, are available this spring at International House.

Under the direction of Aida Sahakian, beginning French classes meet Tuesdays from 4 to 5 p.m.; intermediate classes are held Mondays from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and the advanced class meets Mondays from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Instructor Zoila Castro teaches an advanced beginning Spanish class on Wednesdays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and a beginning class from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Classes in advanced beginning German with instructor Marga Lemaire will be Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. with intermediate classes from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Advanced beginning Italian classes with instructor Maurizia

Natali meet Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Russian, Japanese, Chinese and Portuguese classes will also be scheduled during the day or in the evening if sufficient enrollment is attained.

Classes in other languages can be arranged for small group instruction if there is enough interest.

Classes will begin April 11 and continue for 10 weeks. They will be held at International House, 8 Stimson Ave., Providence. The fee for the classes is \$80 for members and \$90 for nonmembers and includes the use of the language lab. Yearly membership fees are \$10 for students; \$25 for individuals; and \$40 for families.

For further information about any of the above programs, call 421-7181.

Student Applications for Summer Environmental Biology Program

High school students who wish to explore the effects of pollution on the environment are invited to apply for Providence College's Environmental Biology Program, to be held June 20 to July 28.

The six-week program offers high school freshmen, sophomores, and juniors from Rhode Island, nearby Massachusetts, and Connecticut the opportunity to study with college faculty and environmentalists both on campus and at professional work sites.

The program is directed by Dr. Robert I. Krasner, professor of biology at Providence College, who founded the program in 1975.

During the study of units about air, water, land, energy, populations, and computer simulation of biological systems, students will investigate such topics as the effect of acid rain on plant growth, the pollutants we breathe every day, the safety of drinking water, the body as an energy-expending machine, and will discover the dynamic interplay between human populations and the

Earth's limited carrying capacity.

The topics will be studied through lectures, labs, weekly field trips, and visits with environmentalists at such "on-the-job" sites as the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, the Caratunk Wildlife Refuge in Seekonk, Mass., and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Northeast Fisheries Center in Narragansett, R.I.

Tuition for the six-week program is \$225. Scholarship funds are available. Applications for the program can be obtained from high school guidance counselors and science teachers. Applications must be postmarked by April 11 to receive first consideration, but later applicants will be considered if openings are still available.

For an application or for more information, contact Dr. Robert I. Krasner, program director, at 865-2200, or write the Biology Department, Providence College, Providence, R.I. 02918.

Bar Codes and Receipts Will Get You Great Gear

Alperin Schechter Day School has enrolled in the A+ America Technology for Schools Program.

Members of the community who want to help can save UPC codes and receipts when they purchase the following items: Brigham's/Elan ice cream or frozen yogurt, one lid; Curious George paperbacks, original receipt; Sunoco, voucher; Farberware, all products, UPC codes; Stonyfield Farm yogurt, lids; Dunkin' Donuts, 1 dozen doughnuts, proof of purchase; Circuit City, original receipt; Polaroid Film or 35mm camera, UPC; Lotus

Development Corporation, original receipt and photocopy of UPC; BASF cassettes and diskettes, UPC or proof of purchase.

Saratoga Springs has just joined the program also.

The school earns points for each proof-of purchase toward the acquisition of audio, video and computer equipment. Schechter has already earned 25,000 points in the program. For instance, lids from pints of Brigham's ice cream are worth 25+ points.

Drop off your accumulated proofs of purchase at the collection box in the school office.

'How to Stay in Charge of Your Kids'

Attorney General Jeffrey Pine will be a featured panelist at a noontime forum on violence at the fourth annual Parenting Matters conference on April 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This full-day parenting education conference, sponsored by Bradley Hospital and the R.I. Committee to Prevent Child Abuse, will be held at the Toll Gate/Winman School complex in Warwick.

This year's keynote address, "How to Stay in Charge of Your Kids in a Fast-Paced World" will be presented by Dr. Ron Taffel, parenting

columnist for *McCall's*, and author of *Parenting by Heart*.

Taffel's address will be followed by panel discussions on violence, school services, and 32 workshops dealing with issues such as sibling rivalry, peer pressure and positive approaches to discipline.

A resource center will feature exhibits from over 60 community organizations and businesses serving children and families.

For program and registration information, call Bonnie Braga at Bradley Hospital 434-3400, ext. 161.

Preventing School Violence Workshop

The Department of Special Education at Rhode Island College is offering a four-week workshop July 5 to July 28 on Preventing School Violence.

The purpose of the workshop, says Steve C. Imber, professor of special education, is to make problem-solving easier for teachers and to share actions designed to reduce individual, classroom and school violence.

The workshop will be aimed at general and special education teachers at the elementary, middle and high school levels

as well as guidance counselors, school administrators, school psychologists and school social workers.

The RIC workshop will use team teaching, role playing, videotape analysis, instructor presentation, guest speakers, small and large group discussion, and participant selected projects to encourage problem solving, says Imber.

For further information, contact the RIC Department of Special Education at 456-8024 or the Office of Continuing Education at 456-8091.



School Beat



Teachers Invited to Apply For Fellowships in Israel

Secondary school teachers of social studies or literature who conduct Holocaust studies in their classrooms — or who are interested in introducing such courses — are invited to apply for summer fellowships in Israel to study the Holocaust and Jewish resistance to the Nazis. The fellowships are open to teachers of all faiths.

The three-week seminar, which includes a stopover in Poland, extends from July 5 to 29. It will feature discussions with noted scholars as well as an intensive living and learning experience for the participants. In Poland, the teachers will

visit former centers of Jewish culture as well as Nazi concentration and death camps. In Israel, the program will include study at such prominent Holo-

The application deadline for this summer's program is April 15.

caust institutions as the Yad Vashem Documentation and Research Center in Jerusalem and the Ghetto Fighters House at Kibbutz Lohamei Hagetaot. Excursions to historic sites are also included.

The fellowship program is

sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers, the American Gathering/Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors and the Educators' Chapter of the Jewish Labor Committee.

Participants pay \$1,750 — less than one-half of the total cost of this program. The fee covers travel from New York, hotels (double occupancy), two meals a day and some side trips.

Some 385 teachers from across the country have taken part in the seminars since their inception 10 years ago.

The application deadline for this summer's program is April 15. For further information and an application form, write to the Summer Fellowship Program, Jewish Labor Committee, 25 East 21st St., New York, N.Y. 10010.

Kids Compete in the Lunch Box Derby

Fourth- and fifth-graders across the U.S. are being challenged to design, build and race model cars made entirely of fresh fruits and vegetables.

Organizers hope the Lunch Box Derby, a new hands-on classroom activity from the Washington apple growers' *Healthy Choices For Kids* program, will give grade schoolers a dietary tune-up.

"The activity has several benefits," said Jim Thomas, manager of the program. "It gives teachers an interesting way to teach nutrition, and students get a chance to use their imaginations while learning about teamwork."

"By building a car completely out of fruits and veggies, kids will have to become familiar with the shape, size and texture of different foods," Thomas said. "To make the cars work, they'll have to use a wide variety of produce. Hopefully they'll learn what makes a high-performance car body also makes a high-performance kid body."

You definitely won't find any grease under the hood, Thomas said.

"Apples, carrots, bananas, cucumbers, potatoes, celery and other high-fiber stuff will be the building materials of choice," he explained. "They're going to hold up pretty well. A car made out of chips, snack cakes and cheese doodles wouldn't get very far."

The rules are fairly simple. A classroom is divided into groups of four students, with each sending a representative to a table full of produce to make an inventory of available building materials. The group refers to the list in creating a design on paper, then has the teacher slice the

food to make the necessary parts.

Students then assemble their dream machines, but are only allowed to use three bamboo cooking skewers, four toothpicks and a rubber band to hold it all together. Then it's time for the green flag.

Kids place their racers at the top of an eight-foot ramp and let them coast. The vehicle traveling the greatest distance wins.

"We tested the idea first with adults on our staff, and then in some classrooms at local grade schools," Thomas said.

"Some entries ran like Indy cars, others looked like exploding salads when they hit the bottom of the ramp."

"Our staff had a lot of fun, and thought they had designed some pretty competitive veggie-mobiles," he said. "Then the fifth-graders tried it."

"They blew us away. It wasn't even close."

Teachers wanting to get a sign-up kit — complete with lesson plan, racing guidelines and decals for their nutritionally-balanced buggies — should write to Lunch Box Derby, P.O. Box 550, Wenatchee, WA 98807, or call (509) 663-9600. After completing the activity, teachers should send in the names of the winning team, a photo of the champion car and the distance it traveled.

Entries will be judged 70 percent on performance, 30 percent on appearance, Thomas said, with winners competing in regional qualifying heats. National finals will be held in May.

"A good design will be the key," he said. "Because they'll have to reconstruct their racers at regionals and nationals."



University Researchers Receive Awards

At a ceremony held at Ben-Gurion University, the first scholarships from the Berelson Scholarship Fund for Peace were awarded by B.G.U. President Dr. Avishay Braverman to (left to right) Yossi Amitay, Dr. Aref Abu-Rabia and Dr. Meir Zamir. The fund, established by William Berelson of San Francisco, Calif., will support faculty members or graduate students who have contributed significantly to the enhancement of peace in the world.

URI's Alton Jones Campus to Host Summer Camp Programs

The University of Rhode Island's W. Alton Jones Campus will host two open houses at its Environmental Education Center to provide information about summer camps. Prospective campers and their families can attend on April 9 or April 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The 2,300-acre campus at 401 Victory Highway in West Greenwich will host three camping programs. All programs are accredited by the American Camping Association.

Summer camp: This camp offers six-day residential experiences for kids ages 8 to 12. Special themes such as Earth Discovery and Farmsteading give campers a chance to focus on what they enjoy most. Living, learning and playing together, they make new friends and develop a sense of responsibility toward the environment. They also enjoy home-style cooking, cabin housing and the use of Lake Eisenhower. Fee is \$255.

Summer teen expedition:

These programs for youths ages 12 to 16 offer backpacking, kayaking, and canoeing trips to some of Rhode Island's finest natural areas, including a Stream to Sea Program along the Pawcatuck River to the Little Narragansett Bay co-sponsored by the Mystic Marinelife Aquarium.

The programs are available in five, six and 10-day excursions. Depending on the trip, teens receive special instructions in canoeing, backpacking, rock climbing and/or rappelling so that beginners can fully participate in the expedition. Fee varies by length of program. Fees are \$245 to \$475.

Farm and Forest Day Camp: This five-day program for children ages 5 to 9 at Alton Jones' historic Woodvale Farm offers campers a chance to care for barnyard animals as well as gardening, swimming, and nature studies. The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bus transportation is available from Kingston and Warwick during selected weeks. Fee is \$135.

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the criteria by which these awards are to be made.

The academics, traditionally self-governing bodies in Israeli universities, want the power vested in those they elect for the job. The heads of the universities want the matter left to them.

Also still undecided are the terms to be awarded to junior teaching staff below the rank of lecturer.

Students have gone to court, seeking tuition refunds.

1994: The Black Year for Higher Education

by Dvorah Getzler

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Four of the country's university campuses were locked tight as the heads of the institutions said they could not afford to keep them open.

The move took place as the strike of university teachers approached nearly 80 days.

At stake in this latest round of the struggle is the question of who shall decide which academics are to get merit increments and who is to determine

72 Percent of RIC Class of 1992 Are in Career Jobs or Grad School

Some 72 percent of the graduating Class of 1992 at Rhode Island College have found career-related employment or graduate-school acceptance, according to the just-released placement survey of the Career Development Center.

"While this represents a substantial decrease in the placement rate (one year after graduation) for RIC graduates compared to the placement rates of the past decade, it is a slight improvement over last year's 68 percent," the survey found.

These statistics reflect the reality of being an entry-level professional in a national recession, it was noted.

"Even more directly affecting the Class of 1992," said the report, "is the fact that New England was one of the first areas of the country to enter the recession and will probably be one of the last to recover."

It is realistic to describe the job market for the Class of 1992 as "the worst in the last half of this century."

The highest placement rates within the academic units were in special education and social work.

The survey showed that graduate school attendance remained at approximately the level of the Class of 1991, as was the in-state, out-of-state distribution.

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OBITUARIES

IRVING GREENBERG

PROVIDENCE — Irving Greenberg, 68, of 157 Glen Hills Drive, Cranston, an assistant administrator at the Institute of Mental Health for 25 years, retiring five years ago, died March 24 at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Gladys (Brotman) Greenberg.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Joseph and Anna (Beck) Greenberg, he had lived in Cranston the last 40 years.

Environment Council Hosts Auction

The Environment Council of Rhode Island is hosting its Ninth annual Dinner Auction on April 8, featuring live music, a grand raffle, a silent auction, a gourmet dinner and the main auction led by Jonathan Isham of Newport.

At 6:30 p.m., the silent auction, hors d'oeuvres, live music by Fuzek • Rossoni and the main auction preview will begin inside the Roger Williams Park Casino in Providence.

At 7:30 p.m. the gourmet dinner will be served, followed by the main auction.

The grand raffle drawing will take place during the event. Grand prize is a trip for two to the Dominican Republic with air accommodations provided by Continental Airlines.

Tickets for the dinner auction are \$25 each. Prepaid reservations, mailed to ECRI Dinner Auction, P.O. Box 209, Harmony, R.I. 02829-0209, will be accepted until April 5, or call 949-1612.

ECRI is a coalition of concerned individuals and over 45 public interest organizations, serving as an environmental advocate for Rhode Island, as well as the state affiliate for the National Wildlife Federation.

This fund-raiser is the council's primary source of income supporting educational programs such as Issues Day and Earth Day, the publication of the *Green Report Card for Rhode Island Legislators*, the distribution of educational materials to teachers in Rhode Island, and advocacy for sound environmental policies.

He was a World War II Army veteran, having served in the Signal Corps. He was a 1947 graduate of Bryant College and a member of the Touro Fraternal Association. He was a member of the Jewish War Veterans, Post 28, the Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association, Temple Torat Yisrael and the Cranston Senior Guild. He had belonged to the former Temple Beth Israel.

Besides his wife, he leaves two sons, Howard M. Greenberg of Plainville, N.Y., and Robert S. Greenberg of Warwick; a daughter, Marlene L. DiPrete of Lincoln; and four grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Florence Resnick.

Artists Jam

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Island jazz bands, assembled by U.R.I.'s Joe Parillo, will perform.

Two of Boston's premier ensembles bring their talents to the Kingston campus on April 8 at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Recital Hall. One of the driving forces of contemporary big band music, Orange Then Blue, a 13-piece ensemble with drummer George Schuller, is considered among the region's finest, according to *Boston Magazine*.

Following the Orange Then Blue performance is Mili Bermejo and her five-piece jazz group Nuevo. Bermejo draws from the folk song traditions of Argentina and Mexico, but transforms them into something uniquely her own. "With her dark, smoky voice and soulful delivery, Mili Bermejo has established herself as perhaps the premier Latin jazz vocalist in the Boston area," says Fernando Gonzales in the *Boston Globe*.

Admission per person for each of the four concerts is \$5, \$2 for senior citizens and free for U.R.I. students.

Free workshops and clinics will be held by the artists during the afternoons of each of the four concert dates. The workshops are open to the public, start at 4 p.m., and will be held in the Fine Arts Center Recital Hall. For additional information, call 792-2431.

The funeral was held March 25 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 485 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

SHIRLEY I. RESNICK

PAWTUCKET — Shirley I. Resnick, 70, of 114 Harcourt Ave., died March 27 at Miriam Hospital. She was the wife of Leon Resnick.

Born in Bristol, a daughter of the late Samuel and Lena (Rabinowitz) Osofsky, she lived in Pawtucket for 40 years. She previously lived in Central Falls.

She attended the Rhode Island School of Design, and had been an art teacher for many

years in Bristol and Pawtucket. She was also a freelance artist.

She had also been manager of the gift department of the former Peerless Department Store. She had been manager of the former La Palette Gift Shop, Providence. She had also been a clerical worker for Starkweather & Shepley.

Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Janis Corsair McGroarty of New York and Francine D. Eisenhuth of Pawtucket. She was sister of the late Jacob and Israel Osofsky.

The funeral service was held March 29 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Due to Passover, memorial observance will not be until April 4 at her late residence 2 to 4 p.m., and 7 to 9 p.m.

DAVID RUBIN

PROVIDENCE — David Rubin, 91, of Hallworth House, 66 Benefit St., a businessman and former president of Benedict & Co., New Haven, Conn., one of several family fuel businesses in New Haven, Hartford, and Springfield, Mass., died March 25 at the house. He was the husband of the late Florence (Jacobson) Rubin.

Born in New Haven, a son of the late Nathan and Ida (Ladd) Rubin, he lived in Palm Beach, Fla., before moving to Rhode Island in 1988. He previously lived on Highland Avenue, Providence.

He was a member of Temple Mishkan Israel, and the Probus Club, New Haven. He was honored by the Connecticut Mental Health Association, and the Connecticut Prison Association for his volunteer work.

He leaves a son, Dr. Lowell Rubin, a daughter-in-law, Margot Rubin, both of Providence; a sister, Ester Portnow of New York; and two grandsons.

The funeral service was held March 29 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Swan Point Cemetery.

'Multiculturalism

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will be moderated by Winnie Lambrecht, director of the Folk and Ethnic Arts Programs at RISCA.

The address and round-table discussion are free and open to the public.

A brief listing of these events follows. For more detailed information, call 456-8269.

• April 6 — Chamber Music Series with the Chestnut Brass Company, 1 p.m., Roberts 138 (recital chamber).

• April 7 to 30 — Exhibit of the works of David Macaulay entitled "The Way He Works," Bannister Gallery in the RIC Art Center.

• April 11 — Muir String Quartet performing the Beethoven Quartets as part of the Performing Arts Series, 8 p.m., Gage Hall auditorium. Pre-concert lecture by Beethoven scholar Benjamin Sander, 7 p.m.

German Court

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arrested and given a suspended one-year sentence by a state court.

Leuchter, who was held in jail, immediately went to Frankfurt upon his release and boarded the next plane for the United States.

Deckert's suspended sentence was appealed by both sides. The state prosecutor was seeking a tougher sentence. Deckert's attorney wanted the case dropped.

Recently, the appeals court reversed the lower court decision and ruled that merely stating the "Auschwitz Lie" — that Jews were not gassed in concentration camps — is not in itself a punishable act.

New Loan Program

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by Alison Smith
Herald co-editor

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Herald Photo by Alison Smith

Be S.A.F.E.

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Everyone will come together for the wrap-up session when social worker Kathie Toner-Walkden, C.I.S.W., A.C.S.W., will speak on the topic "Healthy Defensive Psychology for Today's World," and Rabbi Alan Flam, executive director, Brown/RISD Hillel, will present "The Jewish View on Self-Defense."

Audrey Licht and Maybeth Lichaa are co-chairpersons of the event. They are assisted by Grace Alpert, Mitzi Berkelhammer, Patricia Coleman, Bonnie Gold, Joyce Holland, Doris McGarry, Susan Odessa, Karen Rasnick, Joyce Robinson, Natalie Stein, and vice president DeeDee Witman.

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Correction

In the Herald's issue of March 24 on the back page following Louis M. Pulner's article, "What are My Rights," incorrectly credits Dr. Imber. Concluding the article should have read:

The answers provided above are based upon general legal principles and, therefore, will vary from case to case.

Louis M. Pulner is an attorney with law offices at 2 Williams St. (at South Main Street), Providence.

Car Care

The national annual cost of owning and operating a new car has increased seven cents per mile for 1994 to almost 40 cents, AAA South Central New England reports.

The 1994 edition of "Your Driving Costs" shows lower fuel prices and a decline in finance charges helped offset higher depreciation expenses, limiting this year's driving cost increase to under a penny per mile. Average ownership and operating expenses are based on driving 15,000 miles per year.

For 1994, motorists will pay an average \$5,910 in ownership and operating costs, up \$106 from last year.

AAA's driving costs are based on a composite national average for operating three domestically built passenger cars — a subcompact, a mid-size and a full size.

Check Your Oil

by Stacey A. Pacheco
Herald Co-editor

Today's engines are worked harder and run even hotter than older models to produce the same power. They need clean, fresh motor oil about every four months, or by my calculations, as the seasons change — so does my car's oil. Now that we've just entered spring you should be reminded about the stress put on your car during that rough winter. If you're worn out after our most recent winter, then so is your car.

Motor oil makes it possible for the moving metal parts in your car's engine to glide in synchronicity, allowing your car to purr. If the motor oil is old, sludge build up will lessen the performance of your car. You are also looking at a large mechanic bill after your engine has to be rebuilt if you do not change the blackened goop.

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gine protection, says David Payne, the Herald's in-house car therapist — "like Slick 50, which protects the motor from wear."

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