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Baum Blasts Buchanan

The American Jewish Congress has taken strong exception to a June 15 syndicated column by Pat Buchanan in which he describes certain activities by the national Jewish organization, and others like it, as tantamount to "Christian-Bashing."

Phil Baum, acting executive director of the AJC, said, "Once again Pat Buchanan, in his June 15 column, has postured the public debate on false premises. In his latest screed he has sought to label as illegitimate and somehow shameful, opposition to the agenda of the Christian Coalition by ourselves and others."

"Let it be clear. We vigorously endorse the right of the Christian Coalition or anyone else to argue aggressively in the political arena for prayer in the public schools, against reproductive freedom and sex

education or about any other public issue.

"At the same time it is our equal right to oppose these positions and to work against them."

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The fact that support for those causes is cast in religious terms does not inoculate it against public criticism. That in no way implies — except to those of ill will — opposition to Christianity or to Christian beliefs or values. Certainly it in no way implies, as

Buchanan maintains, that we are "enemies" of the people with whom we disagree. ...

"When religious leaders choose to frame a political debate in religious terms — when, for example, Rev. Jerry Falwell writes that he wants 'Christians across the nation [to] come together to fight and eliminate ... G-dless proposals of the Clinton administration' — they invite, even compel, those who do not share their views to protest their attempt to transfer political disagreement into a holy war."

"There must never, under any circumstances, be any toleration of Christian bashing. But surely we can all agree that no religious view, Christian or Jewish, should expect that attacks upon fundamental precepts of democracy made in its name will be immune from vigorous challenge."

Trustees Reject Bid For Membership From Humanistic Congregation

WASHINGTON — The Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC), composed of 865 Reform synagogues in the United States and Canada has rejected an application for membership by Congregation Beth Adam, a self-described "Humanistic" synagogue in Cincinnati, Ohio, that has removed all references to G-d in its liturgy.

The action, by a vote of 115 to 13, with four abstentions, came

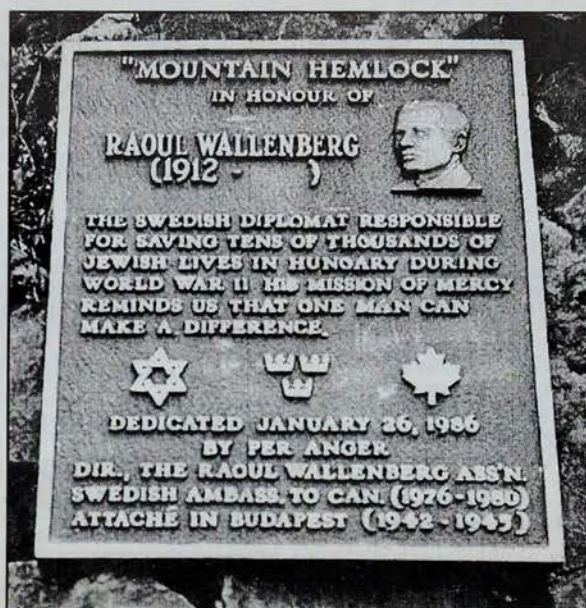
after four hours of discussion, debate and formal presentations by both sides.

Commenting on the board action, Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, president of the UAHC said: "I strongly support the decision of the trustees. I encouraged the application of Beth Adam because I felt the debate would generate an important discussion for our religious community. Now that the vote has

been taken, I hope the discussion will be carried forward.

"It is critical that we collectively ask ourselves these questions: Which beliefs have a valid place in Reform Judaism and which do not? Is there any belief that is beyond the pale? What is essential to a Reform outlook, what is optional and what if anything is forbidden?"

"The concept of G-d is the very
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"Mountain Hemlock" Memorial

Even here — in a park in Vancouver, Canada — Raoul Wallenberg, who saved tens of thousands of Jews in Hungary during World War II, is not forgotten. This plaque was dedicated January 26, 1986 by Per Anger, director of the Raoul Wallenberg Association. Note that a date of death is not inscribed. It probably will never be known.

Photo by Florence Weintraub

Oswego '44 Remembered

A fleeting chance to preserve an important part of Holocaust history presents itself this summer in a small city in upstate New York called Oswego.

Most Americans do not know it, but their government brought nearly 1,000 European refugees to Oswego in the summer of 1944. About 900 were Jews and about 100 were Christians. All of them were seeking shelter from the Nazis.

They left Italy in July and arrived in the port of New York City in early August. They came by train to a decommissioned military base called Fort Ontario, where they were housed in U.S. Army barracks behind a barbed-wire fence until early 1946, when President Harry Truman granted them permanent citizenship.

A non-profit group of Central New Yorkers has established Safe Haven Inc. to preserve the story of the World War II Refugee Center.

This summer, Aug. 5 to 7, the group will sponsor a 50th reunion of surviving refugees in Oswego.

More than 25 former refugees, as well as members of their families, are expected to attend.

Dr. Ruth Gruber — a former federal government liaison at the center and author of *Haven: The Unknown Story of 1,000 World War II Refugees* — has worked closely with Safe Haven to notify as many former refugees as possible about

the reunion. Still, the organization knows that many have fallen through the cracks.

Any former refugees who have not received an invitation are urged to write Safe Haven, P.O. Box 846, Oswego, N.Y. 13126.

"This is the last, best chance to gather information that can assure that the story of these refugees is not buried with time," said Scott Scanlon, president of Safe Haven.

Reunion events — most of which are opened to the general public — are a start toward reaching our other aims.

Safe Haven has arranged for videotaped interviews with the surviving former refugees during the reunion that will eventually be used to create elementary and high school curriculums and traveling and permanent exhibits.

The extent of the exhibits will be based on the group's ability to secure funds from corporate foundations, private grants, and individual donations.

The ultimate goal is to create a living museum devoted to refugee issues — with the Oswego story as the center piece — at Fort Ontario Park in Oswego. Manhattan museum designer Ralph Applebaum, designer of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. has expressed interest in helping create the Safe Haven Museum.



Oh, Happy Day!

The graduating class of Providence Hebrew Day School waits, all smiles, for the moment when they become alumni. Seated, from left, Sara Scharf, Esther Shafan, Shoshana Shafner, Ruchama Gibber, Dina Krakowski, Reena Schafer, Tamar Albert-Andelman and Naomi Meira Marcus. Standing, from left, Dovid Lipson, Raphael Szendro, Binyamin Gold, Yehoshua Hartman, Kalman Koblick, Aryeh Donowitz, Mordechai Gilden and Jesse Winstock. Story on page 11.

INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

A New Home for the Blackstone Shelter

There has been a growing need for shelter services in the Blackstone Valley area since the Blackstone Shelter opened in 1987. In 1993, there was a 19 percent increase in shelter nights provided. The nights at capacity increased 37 percent. Additionally, in the first four months of 1994, 99 families have been referred to other communities due to the rented facility being full. The rented facility has been at capacity 65 nights in 1994 to date.

After a long search, the Blackstone Shelter has purchased a larger facility, a 12-

room Victorian home in Central Falls. This facility will accommodate a higher number of families in a more comfortable environment. In order to provide a safe environment for women and their children, renovations must be completed prior to opening. The renovations include handicap accessibility, installation of a Class "A" fire alarm system, installation of a security system, lead paint abatement to interior and exterior, installation of a new roof and asbestos removal.

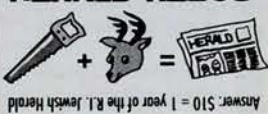
The present facility will close in August 1994. Volunteers are urgently needed for the following work on the new home: landscaping and gardening work, minor outdoor repair work, and coverage of the shelter facility.

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New CBI Director at BCC Will Help Local Businesses

Malcolm Reid of North Grafton, Mass., has joined Bristol Community College as its new Director of the Center for Business and Industry.

In his new position, Reid will work with local companies and businesses to provide work force training to support the region's economic development. "My goal is that local companies would think of us first as their vendor and consultant of choice," said Reid. The Center for Business and Industry works with some of the area's largest companies, including

Texas Instruments, Johnson & Johnson, Deknatel, and Aetna Insurance.

"An important role for Bristol Community College is to work with local businesses and help them predict what will happen in the marketplace," said Reid. "We can help businesses become proactive and anticipate what they will need six months or a year from now, and be positioned to take advantage of that."

All businesses, large and small, have experienced some downsizing over the past few years. One of the most common targets has been in-house training departments. Reid sees that CBI can serve this important need for business in a cost-effective way. "Although training departments have been reduced, businesses still need a way to provide training for their workers," he said. Bristol Community College is fast becoming local business and industry's training arm. By working closely with a business, CBI can design precisely what the work force needs.

If You Can't Beat 'em ...

The 1994 Special Enrollment Examination application forms are now available from the Internal Revenue Service. The IRS says those interested in taking the two-day examination must have their applications postmarked no later than August 1.

Anyone interested in obtaining an application can write to the IRS Public Affairs Office, 380 Westminister Street, Providence, R.I. 02903 or call IRS at 528-4288. Ask for Publication 1470, Package for the Special Enrollment Examination.

The examination is scheduled to be held in Providence on Sept. 29 and 30. Candidates will be advised of the exact location when they receive their credentials.

The examination is usually taken by tax preparers, who are not attorneys or certified public accountants, who wish to represent their clients before the IRS on tax return audits and other tax matters.

The fees for taking the examination have been increased this year. The fee for taking all four parts is \$55 (formerly \$50) and for taking less than four parts is \$45 (formerly \$40).

Donors Sought for Blood Drive

At least 400 blood donors are sought to give a lifesaving pint of blood at the annual July Fourth Holiday Blood Drive sponsored by the Rhode Island Blood Center and WLNE 6. The drive is scheduled for June 29 at the Providence Marriott from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Donors may also give blood at the main center located at 405 Promenade St., Providence, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

All eligible donors are urged to donate to help ensure an adequate supply of blood is available for all patients who may need a transfusion over the long holiday weekend. All blood types are needed.

Requirements for donating blood include being in general good health, weighing at least 110 pounds and being 17 or older. The donation process takes about one hour.

For more information, call the Blood Center at 453-8360.

Teen Volunteers Sought

The Cranston Public Library is seeking teens, ages 13 to 18, to volunteer to assist children in the summer reading program at the central library and the branch libraries for five weeks this summer.

The program involves reading books in designated categories, and writing and presenting reports. Orientation and training of volunteers will take place during the week of June 27. Days and times for volunteering are flexible.

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June 25, from 10 a.m. to dusk at Old Mountain Field, Wakefield, "Women Sharing Strength" — a juried craft show and sale, and networking event sponsored by the South County Women's Consortium and the South Kingstown Recreation Commission. Children's activities available also.

June 26, at 1 p.m., at the Samaritans building, 2 Magee Street, Providence, the fifth annual Peace Garden Ceremony in remembrance of those who committed suicide. All friends and family welcome. Reception follows. Call 272-4243.

June 28, at 7:30 p.m. at Cranston Senior Services, 1070 Cranston Street, Cranston, a meeting of the Alzheimer's Support Group, for those involved with someone suffering from Alzheimer's Disease. Call 461-1000, ext. 6126 for details.

June 28, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., a Make It and Take It workshop for kids 3 and older at the Children's Museum, 58 Walcott Street, Pawtucket. Call 726-2591 for information.

June 29 through July 10, from noon until 8 p.m. at Linden Place, Hope and Wardwell streets, Bristol, "Themes From the Garden," an exhibit of paintings, sculptures and photographs. Free and open to public.

June 30, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Providence Marriott, a chance to talk about the Peace Corps with a volunteer. Film at noon, and at 6 p.m. Current Peace Corps opportunities presented. Call (617) 565-5555 for details.

June 30 from 11:30 to 3 p.m., at Cranston Senior Services, 1070 Cranston Street, lunch and an afternoon of entertainment and dancing. Call 461-1000, ext. 6134, to reserve space for lunch.

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EDITORIAL

Illusions of Peace and Surrender

by Morris Gastfreund

One morning in February 1993, Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres appeared on American television and declared to everyone's surprise and satisfaction: "I have reached a full peace agreement between Israel and Jordan; the only thing it is missing is the pen to sign the agreement." The next day, there was a formal denial in the press by the Jordanian Foreign Ministry, stating that Peres' statement was pure fantasy. Now, almost one-and-a-half years later, we can suppose that Peres still is looking for a pen to sign the agreement.

It is obvious that Jordan is not yet ready to sign a peace agreement with Israel. And Shimon Peres is still fantasizing, but on a grand scale. I have just finished reading his newly published book, *The New Middle East*. Upon analyzing his text, I could not help but ask myself how an Israeli foreign minister, who must deal with everyday realities to steer the country on the right path, can allow his illusions to take over.

In his book, Peres paints the wonders of a peaceful Middle East with a booming economy, in which Israel will be the central player. The Arab states will stop spending the billions of dollars for armament and use the money for economic development. Israel, with its technological superiority, will help the

entire Middle East become a paradise, which will be the envy of the world. Fantasizing, Peres builds physical infrastructures, like super highways, railways, air routes — advancing the avenues of communication. Peres goes on to fantasize about a railroad running from Medina in Saudi Arabia through the Jordan Valley, Haifa and Damascus in the north. He sees European tourist travel through the new rail network, from Turkey through Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf.

Peres does not wake up to ask himself if all his sweet dreams can be transformed into reality. While Peres is ready for his new Middle East, did he stop to ask all the Arab states if they are ready to accept Israel as a partner in his Middle Eastern paradise? It reminds me of the amusing tale of Yankel, who dreamed he became a millionaire: One day, Yankel comes home excited and tells his wife, Gitel, that he almost became a millionaire. Gitel opens her eyes and mouth in excitement and asks, "Yankel, where is the million?" Yankel responds, "Here is the story: I was in the bank, and looking through a small window, I saw many bundles of hundred-dollar bills, probably several millions dollars." Gitel, now impatient, asks, "Yankel, how do you think you almost be-

came a millionaire?" Yankel, in humiliation, said, "If only the guy behind the little window would say, 'Yankel, take it,' I would be a millionaire."

With his grand illusions, Peres orchestrated the Oslo agreement with archterrorist and murderer Yasser Arafat, whose hands are stained with Jewish blood. Arafat was down in the gutter politically and financially after his alliance with Saddam Hussein during the Gulf War, and was the pariah in the eyes of his Arab brethren. Peres and Rabin pulled him out of the gutter and transformed him into a world statesman, praising him as the man of peace with whom they were ready to sign a peace agreement.

Since last September's handshake between Rabin and Arafat on the White House

lawn, the peace agreement has been a one-way street. Israel has made all the concessions, while Arafat has broken all commitments of the Oslo agreement. As Arab leaders from Beirut to Amman and Cairo can testify, Arafat's actions bear no relation to his commitments. He has violated so many agreements with Jordan's King Hussein, that Hussein barely bothers talking to him anymore. Therefore, Peres and Rabin should not be surprised with Arafat's call for a "jihad" (holy war) to liberate Jerusalem, just six days after signing the Cairo peace agreement. The Cairo peace accord, signed in May, was not a peace agreement with the PLO — it was a surrender of Peres and Rabin to Arafat. With the Gaza and Jericho transfer to the PLO, the PLO will realize its dream

of creating a launching pad from which it and Islamic nations can try to conquer Israel.

As for Peres' grand fantasy about a peaceful Middle East paradise where Israel will be an equal partner, consider this: In the scholarly journal *Middle East Quarterly*, Hilal Khasham, professor of political science at

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AJCongress 'Regrets' NAACP Invitation to Farrakhan

The American Jewish Congress issued the following statement relating to the NAACP invitation to the Rev. Louis Farrakhan to the NAACP Leadership Summit this weekend in Baltimore:

"The NAACP obviously is entitled to invite to its African-American leadership summit anyone it believes can help address the acute problems confronting the African-American community.

"Nonetheless, in the light of Rev. Farrakhan's record it is regrettable and disappointing that the NAACP believes that he fits into that category. He has, after all, repeatedly espoused the very form of bigotry that the NAACP itself valiantly fought against over the years.

"We fervently hope that this invitation presages no significant or lasting change in the NAACP's historic conviction

that bigotry and prejudice of any kind have no place in American life. We trust that the Summit meeting this weekend will demonstrate that fact and will open the way to the pursuit, with even renewed vigor, of our joint struggle against every form of racial and religious hatred."

A Glass Half-Full

by Alison Smith
Herald Editor

While we regard anything written by Morris Gastfreund, who is a much-loved Holocaust survivor, with respect, and bow to his wisdom and experience, we would like to offer some counterpoints to his conclusions in his essay on this page.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres is not the only expert on the Mid-East situation who considers a "booming economy" in the Mid-East a possibility.

Across this desk there is a constant flow of news releases, editorials and speeches by leaders in Israel, the Arab states, and countries like the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, and Norway which discuss the prospects of expanding markets, cooperative scientific and engineering projects of worldwide implication, and a greatly improved infrastructure in the Mid-East. Almost every one of them takes rapid growth in the tourist industry as a given.

We do not publish them all. There would be no room for anything else in this paper. But it seems clear that Peres is not alone in his vision of the future.

Admittedly, the whole situation could go sour, but at this point, when hope for a more peaceful life for everyone seems to be at least possible, maybe it is a question of mak-

ing a conscious decision to see the glass as half-full instead of half-empty.

It seems highly improbable that Israel — known worldwide for its muscle and steely determination to survive — "has made all the concessions."

So much is being said by so many — from extremists on the left to extremists on the right, in both Israel and the Palestinian Organization, that it is possible to hear provocative, alarming statements in favor of almost any position. But quoting the most hostile speakers may give them an importance they do not really deserve. In Arafat's case, he is tap-dancing as fast as he can to stay in power, and sometimes he says things "for domestic consumption." Every major political figure in the last 50 years has done this, with the possible exceptions of President Harry S. Truman and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Thatcher became known as "The Iron Maiden," in part because of her candid, almost brutal, pronouncements and stands, and is now known as unemployed.

Trying to find a better solution always means taking some risks. Continuing in the same old pathways also involves considerable risk, as those, Palestinian or Israeli, who have lost someone in the recent hostilities, will tell us.

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NATIONAL NEWS

JNF Doing Outstanding Work

The Jewish National Fund has hosted a week long workshop in Jerusalem on arid land technologies — planting in the desert.

"Arid Lands Management — Towards Ecological Sustainability" convened at the Laromme Jerusalem Hotel on June 19. It included a field trip to a research facility in the Negev Desert on June 22.

Representatives from China, Egypt, India, Kenya, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Spain, Australia and Brazil attended. The workshop was the first sponsored by the International Arid Lands Consortium, of which JNF is a charter member, with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service and five major American universities. The IALC's mission is to seek ways in which to make arid lands productive.

Israel is the only country in the world in which the desert is not expanding, and this is due largely to the work of JNF.

Egypt sent its undersecretary of state for afforestation. Other

countries sent government officials, many of whom represented their agriculture and development ministries, as well as agronomists and university professors.

The chief of the USDA Forest Service, Dr. Jack Ward Thomas, was represented by Dr. Thomas Hoekstra.

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While the agenda was scientific, addressing such issues as "The Concepts of Sustainability in Arid and Semiarid Ecosystems," the participation of so many different nations in Jerusalem presented another facet to this conference. It reflected the recognition that the state of Israel, through the Jewish National Fund, has pioneered the development of technologies that brought the wilderness to life. According to Moshe Rivlin, JNF world chairman, "We are ready to share these technologies."

At a folk conference in Israel of JNF leaders from around the world, Dr. Samuel I. Cohen, JNF of America executive vice president, noted that the arid lands conference "is a wonderful opportunity for Israel to share its expertise with people of developing nations."

"If desert lands can be made

Channel 6 Wins National Award

WLNE-TV has won the 1994 National Radio-Television News Directors Association Edward R. Murrow Award for best feature in television. This award represents the RTNDA's highest award for outstanding achievement in electronic journalism.

The winning entry, a photo essay called "The Convention Center, A Different View," was the work of WLNE photographer Robert Crowley. Crowley shot the award-winning footage perched on a crane high atop the 25-story Westin Hotel at the Rhode Island Convention Center.

to produce," he added, "We're on our way to changing the feeding system of the world."

Milton S. Shapiro, president of JNF of America, agreed. "Israel has worked miracles. We

"If desert lands can be made to produce, we're on our way to changing the feeding system of the world."

Dr. Samuel I. Cohen

can now show others what we have done, and how we did it. This conference provided Israel with an opportunity to be "a light unto the nations" by helping these countries make their own barren lands productive."

Lerman Receives Israel Bonds Award

WASHINGTON — In memory of the past, and in support of the future, more than \$10.1 million in Israel bonds were purchased in honor of Miles Lerman, who was presented with the inaugural Israel Bonds Freedom Award at a tribute dinner held June 5, in Washington, D.C.

The event also marked the inauguration of the new Miles Lerman Center for the Study of Jewish Resistance. Participants at the event, as well as those at pre-event receptions held throughout the country, were given the opportunity to make donations to the new center, which in turn will use the funds to purchase Israel bonds.

Lerman, who fought the Germans as a partisan commander during World War II, founded the center to chronicle the com-

plete story of Jewish resistance during the Holocaust.

vention Center. Earlier this year, the story won the Murrow Award for New England, making it eligible for the national competition.

The award will be presented

Runners For Jerusalem Marathon

The mayor of Jerusalem, and member of Knesset Ehud Olmert recently invited runners from around the world to participate in the third running of the Jerusalem Marathon, slated for Oct. 25.

With a full marathon, half marathon and 4.2 K fun run, the marathon has something for everyone, whether he or she is a world class athlete or weekend jogger.

The race course of the marathon includes ancient paths as well as modern streets of the city, and passes through some of Jerusalem's world-famous landmarks.

The slogan of this year's race is "Run for Peace." The marathon is one of many events in 1994 that mark the 100th year anniversary of the Olympic Games, as determined by the United Nations and the International Olympic Committee.

In 1993, more than 4,000 athletes participated in the event, with a larger field expected this year. Last year's male winner was Hassan Sebtaoui of Morocco (2:25:53), and female winner Dominique Rembert of France (3:03:52).

at the opening ceremony of the RTNDA convention in Los Angeles on October 12. The keynote speaker for the evening will be Andy Rooney, commentator on the CBS television news show, 60 Minutes.

The marathon is represented in North America by the Jewish Sports Congress, a non-profit organization chaired by Hall of Fame broadcaster and athlete Marty Glickman.

For further information, sponsorship opportunities, race applications and travel packages call the Jewish Sports Congress at (800) 210-7002.

Israel Bonds Announces Rates

Current annual interest rates of 6.50 percent and 6.125 percent were announced by Israel Bonds president and CEO Nathan Sharony (Major General Ret.) for Israel's floating rate issue bond and individual variable rate issue bond, respectively.

On May 1, the government of Israel increased the rates on two other Israel bonds. The fixed annual interest rate of Israel's economic development issue bond is 7.20 percent and the yield to maturity for the nation's zero coupon bond is 7 percent.

"By raising the rates on the EDI and zero coupon bonds, Israel demonstrated its continued commitment to raising funds through the sale of bonds," Sharony stated.

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Stop & Shop Helps Feed Hungry

The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company has announced that it collected over 90 tons of food and over \$17,000 in cash donations on May 13 and 14, at its fifth annual Food for Friends Food Drive, the largest, corporately sponsored food drive in New England.

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Speedy is also distributing the materials to various community groups — including local business organizations, and municipal, state and campus law enforcement agencies — as the basis for travel safety seminar programs.

NEWS

BRIEFS

INTERNATIONAL

JERUSALEM (AFHU) — The United States would probably be willing to commit a sizable contingent of troops on the Golan Heights as part of a projected Syrian-Israeli peace agreement, if those troops would only be assuming a passive peacekeeping role, Les Aspin, former Secretary of Defense in the Clinton administration, told a recent conference on United States-Israeli relations.

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Israel has released two former leaders of the Islamic fundamentalist Hamas movement who apparently signed a document renouncing violence and "terror." But another 650 Palestinians preferred to remain in jail rather than sign the document, and Israeli officials — who had originally planned to release some 1,000 Palestinians by this time, obliged them by keeping them imprisoned.

GENEVA (JTA) — According to a survey released here, Tel Aviv ranks No. 13 on a list of the world's most expensive cities. The most expensive is Tokyo and the cheapest is New Delhi. Tel Aviv is a more expensive place to live than Los Angeles, London, Frankfurt, Milan, Madrid, Amsterdam and Cairo.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A bipartisan group of 16 Senators have formed the Peace Accord Monitoring Group in an effort to ensure that the Palestine Liberation Organization complies with the terms of its agreements with Israel.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (The Jewish Ledger) — Nancy Mayer, general treasurer of Rhode Island, has sharply criticized Gov. Bruce Sundlun's approval of the Rhode Island Investment Commission's purchase of \$250,000 in Israeli bonds. Mayer, who is chairman of the commission, said the bonds are not rated by a recognized credit-rating agency. Jerrold Lavine, a commission member, said the bonds are secure and carry a rate of return "within the range" of similar commission investments. Lavine said they are not rated because Israel has refused to pay for such a rating. The fund already has \$750,000 in Israel bonds.

JNF Warns Congress About Expanding Desert

"The desert is expanding, and without interfering in this process the future is bleak," Israeli Minister of Agriculture Ya'akov Tzur recently told officials of the U.S. Congress.

"There is a direct relationship between peace and economic development, and in this area there is a wide range of possibilities on how we can work together."

The first workshop of the International Arid Lands Consortium will be hosted by Jewish National Fund of America and held in Israel on June 19 to 24. Recognized as a leader in arid land technologies, JNF is an IALC charter member, along with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service and five major American universities. The mission of the IALC is to seek ways in which to make arid and semi-arid lands productive.

China, India, Egypt, Brazil, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kenya, Ethiopia, Eritrea and the Ivory Coast are some nations that will be attending the June workshop.

Reflecting the critical nature of the issue of water in the Middle East, Tzur noted the following:

- Ninety percent of Arab lands are arid or semi-arid.
- Farmers make up 70 to 80 percent of the population of countries surrounding Israel.
- Only two to three percent of Israel's population is engaged in agriculture (not more than 40,000 workers), yet Israel, which had to import food several decades ago, is an exporter of high quality produce.
- Israel uses about 300 cubic meters of water per capita each year, while Arab countries use, on average, more than 1,000 cubic meters per capita, because of poor water management.

• Twenty percent of the water used for agriculture in Israel is recycled from sewage, and in 10 to 15 years all water used for agriculture will be recycled from sewage.

The minister observed that Israel can teach its neighbors how to manage water to increase efficiency and the land's output. "It will be important to

raise the standard of living of our neighbors so that they will have hope, and something to lose if the process falters," he said.

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Professor Eliahu Rosenthal, chief negotiator on water and natural resource issues for the Israeli bilateral negotiating team, said:

"Though the Jordan River is thought of as a large river, it contains barely one and one half times the capacity of Washington's, D.C.'s Rock Creek.

"Rainfall is unpredictable and may come in two-to-three-day bursts, after which nothing will fall for months.

"Because of the lack of reservoirs to contain rainwater, much of it is lost to the sea.

"Israel is the only country in the world in which water is completely nationalized and which maintains an entirely integrated water system from one end to the other.

"Shepherds would cover a well with a rock that took five men to move — no one individual could do it."

Minister Tzur reminded his audience that the region's water problems date back to biblical times, when Abraham and Lot had to share the scarce resource: "Shepherds would cover a well with a rock that took five men to move — no one individual could do it. Only by working together could they reach the water. This is the meaning of cooperation."

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IDF Clamps Curfews on West Bank Towns

by Dvorah Getzler

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Israel Defense Force clamped curfews on the West Bank towns of Hebron and Ramallah on June 5, following two days of rioting.

In the wake of violence that began in Hebron, members of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron say they are considering an early end to their mission, since they believe they are not accomplishing anything, Israel Television reported.

The unarmed, 114-member international observer force, recruited from Norway, Denmark and Italy, arrived in Hebron on May 8 as part of an agreement reached by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization in the wake of the Feb. 25 Hebron massacre.

Hebron has been the site of nearly daily unrest since that incident, in which at least 29 Palestinians were killed by an Israeli settler at a local mosque.

On June 4, the town experienced one of its worst days since the massacre, with more than 30 Palestinians wounded, six of them from soldiers' bullets. Others were victims of tear gas and rubber bullets.

During the course of the day, Palestinian youths erected stone barricades in the streets

and hurled rocks at IDF patrols. Rejectionist Arab parties are believed to be actively encouraging the youths into the streets.

Meanwhile, the IDF prevented Israeli settlers from driving through the autonomous district of Jericho with Israeli flags flying from their cars.

In response, settlers harassed Palestinians to the north of Jericho who were flying their flags and exhibiting pictures of Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat.

The settlers blocked the road, stopping and searching vehicles and tearing whatever flags they found. They repeatedly clashed with Israeli security forces who tried in vain to move them on.

"If we can't drive through Jericho with our flag, they won't drive with theirs," said one of the settlers.

Israeli farmers later showed reporters crop damage and chopped-down telephone poles — acts of vandalism they said were the work of the Palestinian residents of Jericho.

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FEATURE

A Reporter's Notebook Revelations from a Trip to Jordan

by Michele Chabin

AMMAN, Jordan (JTA) — This immaculate white-stoned city, which so much resembles Jerusalem, is not what I expected it to be.

Prior to visiting Jordan for the first time in late May, my only link to Israel's neighbor was the state-run Jordan TV.

The Jordan depicted on JTV seemed utterly obsessed with King Hussein and the royal family. It seemed even more obsessed with denouncing Israeli actions in the Occupied Arab Lands of the West Bank and Jerusalem.

When the opportunity came to visit Jordan, I hesitated. Certain that I would have to hide my identity as a Jew and an Israeli, I thought that it might simply be better to stay home.

The Israeli border police at the Allenby Bridge evidently had the same idea. But after 1½ hours of argument, they inexplicably gave us the green light to cross the border.

Frankly, a part of me was hoping that the border police wouldn't let us leave. Perhaps they knew something we didn't! Walking across the wood-planked Allenby Bridge (known as King Hussein Bridge in Jordan), I wondered whether the Jordanians would let us into their country. And if they did, would our host for the duration of our stay in Jordan still be

waiting for us more than two hours after the arranged meeting time?

It was with profound relief that we saw a man resembling Omar Sharif running to greet us the minute we stepped onto Jordanian soil. With a warm smile and a strong handshake, he waved us into his air-conditioned Landrover van.

Khahil Adwan, a successful travel agent and unofficial emissary of the Jordanian government, showed me a Jordan I never knew existed.

After he had shown us the tourist sights — the Nabataean city of Petra, the Roman ruins at Jerash, and Mt. Nebo, the site where Moses is said to have overlooked the Land of Israel — he took us to his home and introduced us to his family.

Sitting in his apartment, munching on tuna salad and pita, Adwan explained why Israel and Jordan must make peace. He pointed to his three children and said, "This is the reason."

Earlier in the day Adwan's wife, Rana, had invited us to their daughter Fatima's fifth birthday party in her kindergarten. She took us shopping in out-of-the-way shops and introduced us to her friends.

The couple spoke of their love for their king and the good things he has done for their people. They compared the

price of apartments in Amman and Jerusalem, and spoke longingly of owning their own house one day. They admitted that some Jordanians are anti-Semitic and anti-Israel, but said that things had improved since Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization signed the declaration of principals last fall.

I did not encounter anti-Semitism, even when, on the last day of my stay, I wore a Jewish star around my neck.

Though I did not flaunt the fact that I am Jewish and Israeli to the strangers I met, I did not hide it, either. I did not encounter anti-Semitism, even when, on the last day of my stay, I wore a Jewish star around my neck.

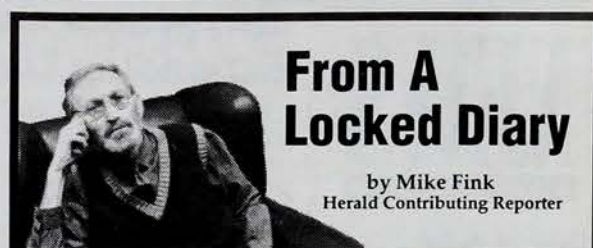
On a day trip to Petra, my companions and I joined a group of mostly Arab tourists. After hiking up and down the ruins, members of the group began to mingle.

"Where are you from?" one of the Arab men asked us. "Israel," I replied. I expected a frown, or worse. Instead, he smiled. "My friends and I are from Gaza but I sometimes work in Jerusalem," he said.

We continued to speak about the beauty of Petra, about Yasser Arafat's true intentions, about ending terror and making peace. Then he invited me to his home in Gaza City, to see his work and meet his family.

An hour or so later the entire group sought shade and a cook drink in the lobby of a nearby hotel. There, we got into a heated, but respectful, discussion about the peace process.

One of the Palestinians from (Continued on Page 15)



From A Locked Diary

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

She's a poet. She sure does know it. My daughter Lily took in all sorts of day debris and spun gold. Problem was, I liked her verse too much, and so she pulled in like a snail or a turtle. I even offered to pay for the poem. Nothing worked. "Don't obsess," she shouts. For Father's Day, I claim paternal privilege and here goes.

*Will the world ever come to an end?
Is the death of everyone just around the bend?
Will the moon ever outshine the sun?
Will I live to the age of a hundred and one?
In this universe what is my role?
What will become of our species as a whole?
These questions leap about in my head like a dancer.
They are questions to which no one has an answer.*

Maybe you need some background for this ballad. Like, Lily takes dance classes and comes home for supper all swooping and kicking, hair done up in a tight knot like a ballerina, lanky and rangy with her long coltish legs. That's why the line about questions on the meaning of life struck me as both intense and playful, a magical metaphor.

Lily's great-grandma died last month, at the ripe century mark, a season after her 100th birthday party. Was her great age kismet or mazel, bad or good luck? Lily's a middle child, born with a certain drive to take care

of others, lest trouble come, from the river, the sky, the street. She worries about the dog, the boat, the brother, the sister, our human race as well as her own destiny. Yours truly fits into the poem too. I'm the guy who groans all over the place posing the big gloomy philosophical dilemmas to which you can only go, "Oy!" And the line about the moon and the sun owes a debt to Shakespeare, whose Romeo and Juliet speak to Lily in her Classical English course.

Lily likes to use a fine pen and confide in a locked diary from a fancy shop. Every once in a while, one of her school papers or a simple sketch she scribbles puts out a perfect flower of artistry. That's why I desire to share her lovely lyric.

When I studied at Yale, I took it easy, napping in the window seat or the leather wing chair at the library or common room or sipping a glass of beer at the corner pub. The course that imprinted itself upon my conscience was a strange class on poetic theory. The professor preached that mood means more than content. In the language of the artist, tone, ambiguity, simile and irony matter beyond your opinion or your idea. Duh, I mean I guess that's pretty obvious, but it made me watch movies differently and gave me plenty of topics to talk about over those draft ales.

Lily, you have the gift! Make the most of it. Let me enjoy it and brag a bit. Aw, please.

Strawberry Time in Israel

by Sharon Kannon

Israel's delicious strawberries combine size, shape and flavor. "Other countries have emphasized high yield and firmness over taste," said Eva Izsak, the main strawberry breeder at Israel's Volcani Agricultural Research Center in Beit Dagan. Izsak, a plant physiologist working with geneticist Professor Shamay Izhari since 1970, has developed and released more than 10 varieties of strawberries, and plans to release another four or five new varieties this year.

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June 24 through 26, and July 1 through 3, "The Billy-Club Puppets" by Lorca, at the Fox Point Summer Theatre, on Young Orchard Street, between Hope and Cooke streets — comic opera for children. Call 863-2776 for times and ticket information.

June 26 at 5 p.m., an outdoor concert by United Brass at Blithewold Mansion, 101 Ferry Road (Route 114), Bristol. Call 253-2707 for ticket information.

June 28 through July 24, "A Chorus Line" at Theatre by the Sea, Matunuck. Call 782-8587 for ticket information.

July 1, at 6:45 p.m., a free outdoor concert by the Metropolitan Wind Symphony at the Quadrangle at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass. Call (508) 285-8391.

SUMMER FLICKS

"BELLE EPOQUE" • "CITY SLICKERS II" • "WOLF"

by Mike Fink

Herald Contributing Reporter
I have to talk myself into admiring "Belle Epoque." I can't argue with all those Oscars.

An army deserter finds out with a rich landowner and finds refuge and four pretty playmates, the farmer's daughters, into the bargain. This Spanish import at the Avon offers some sprightly action, charming scenery, and mood indigo. Personally, I found it forced and foolish, but hey.

"City Slickers II" gives Jack Palance a chance to grin crazily and haunt Billy Crystal on his 40th birthday searching for gold and ghosts. Some funny lines and western landscapes keep you going along. It packs an anti-feminist message. Guys find comfort by themselves like hunters, though the trail winds through fake signposts. This sketch is so brief and vague it won't help you. But it won't harm your fun if you give it a try.

"Wolf" took me in on one of those dog-days of early summer. I don't go in for superstars as a rule, they're overpaid and overpainted. But Jack Nicholson's the exception — and he makes a marvelous wolfman,

subdued and smart. Mike Nichols packages the film elegantly and goes along with a script that lets you do a bit of thinking, believe it or not.

This wolfman tale sets its scene in a great Manhattan publishing house, torn between yesterday's fancy culture and tomorrow's vulgar ambitions. Our wolf comes to find out you have to fight for your terrain. I'll skip the synopsis and just say this. It's the best wolfman movie since "American Werewolf in London." The only scene that let me down was the big fight scene between two werewolves, loaded down with too much make-up and too much Hollywood mayhem that mars another otherwise slick and subtle version of the vampire legend that went from Rumania to Los Angeles and put down roots there.

On June 21 my screen tastes undergo an instant change. I'll see anything and dig in and enjoy whatever fare is placed close to my bunk. A late show lets you out into a summer moon and a black velvet sky. I see 'em all and take 'em in like watermelon. "Black Beauty" will trot back soon. I look forward to that one above all the rest.

Art of Caring Photography Contest

The Caring Institute invites amateur and professional photographers to enter the seventh annual Art of Caring photography contest. World-renowned photographer Yousuf Karsh; ABC-TV director of photography, East Coast, Brent Pe-

tersen; award-winning Washington Post photographer Michael Williamson; and actress Susan Sullivan will head the panel of judges that will select the entries that best portray what it means to care.

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Fox Point Summer Theater

The Fox Point Summer Theater is launching its inaugural season of creative workshops for Fox Point youth and theater for the entire community. Twenty-five student artists from Brown University, in association with the Fox Point Public Library, will conduct small and creative theater workshops with children from the Fox Point Boys and Girls Club. The workshops range from storytelling to instrument-making to improvisation to writing and performing a play. Workshops will take place at the Boys and Girls Club and eventually will move to the Fox Point Summer Theater space on Young Orchard Avenue. The workshops promise to be collaborative learning experiences, bringing the Brown and the Fox Point communities together in a creative environment.

In addition to the workshops, the company will perform its summer season. First the company will present Federico Garcia Lorca's farce, "The Billy-Club Puppets," directed by Brian Jones, for two weekends only, June 24 to 26 and July 1 to 3.

On the weekends of July 15 to 17 and July 22 to 24, Shakespeare's comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," directed by J. J. McArdle, will be staged.

The work children do in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" will prepare them for the final production, the "August Slot." It's the culmination of the Fox Point season, where the summer stage and the workshops come together. Interested kids will have been working with volunteer artists throughout July to develop this final production. It could be anything! The kids will decide. Be sure not to miss the best show of all, running Aug. 5 to 7 and Aug. 12 to 14.

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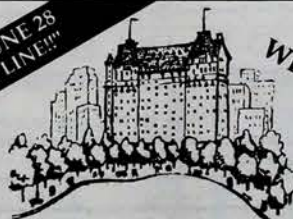
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The bride-to-be is a graduate of the Pingry School, New Jersey, and Syracuse University, and is sales manager at Interim Health Care. Her fiancé is a

graduate of the Moses Brown School and Syracuse University and is in management at the United Supply Companies of Warwick, R.I., and Uxbridge, Mass.

She is the granddaughter of Hilda Leibo of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., the late Walter Liebo, Rose Greene of Mount Clair, N.J., and the late Edward Greene.

He is the grandson of Ceil Katz of Boca Raton, Fla., the late Dr. Harold H. Katz, and the late Bess and Michael M. Levin.

The wedding date is November 5, 1994.

Rabbi J. Rosenberg New RIBR President

The Rhode Island Board of Rabbis is pleased to announce that Rabbi James Rosenberg of Temple Habonim in Barrington has been elected as its new president, effective July 1.

Rosenberg succeeds Rabbi David Rosen, who served as president for the last three years.

Serving as vice president for the next term will be Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer of Temple Shalom in Middletown.

Good News

Rabbi Eliezer Levy and his wife, Chanie, would like to inform all their friends and acquaintances and the Jewish community at large, that a son was born to them on June 17. The Shacharit service will be June 24 at 6:45 a.m., the bris at 8 a.m., at the Chai Center, 15 Centerville Rd., Warwick.

Samuel Joseph Karnes



Richard and Janice (Friedman) Karnes of South Kingstown, R.I., are the proud parents of their first child, a son, Samuel Joseph, born on May 8.

Maternal grandparents are Isadore and Sally Friedman of Providence, R.I. Paternal grandparents are Ronald and Janet Karnes of West Warwick, R.I., and Delray Beach, Fla.

Samuel Joseph is named in loving memory of his paternal great-grandmother, Sophie Weiner and his maternal great-uncle, Abraham Goodman.

Landesberg Awarded Doctorate

Jill Susan Landesberg, daughter of Melvin and Arlene Landesberg of Medfield, Mass., was awarded a doctorate of education degree from the University of Mass., Amherst, on May 21.

Landesberg's dissertation, entitled "Work Group Mem-

bers' Perception of the Effects of their Cultural Differences on their Ability to Function Effectively as a Task-Oriented Team," was defended before the dean of the school of education, Dr. Bailey W. Jackson, Dr. Ronnie Janoff-Bullman, and committee chair Dr. Maurianne Adams.

Presently Landesberg is employed by IDS American Express Financial Services.

She is the granddaughter of Harriet Landesberg of Cranston.



Adam Charles Gabrilowitz

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Gabrilowitz of Narragansett, R.I., announce the birth of their second child, and son, Adam Charles, on May 27.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Winograd of Warwick, R.I., and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irving Gabrilowitz of Narragansett, R.I.

He is named in memory of his great-grandmother, Ada Davis and his great-grandfather, Charles Bochner.

Goldman Recognized

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The Sisterhood of the New England Branch of Conservative Judaism are asked every year to select a woman to receive the Light of Torah Award. This woman shows, through her Jewish lifestyle, a dedication to pillars of Judaism: Torah — study of Jewish laws, teaching — Avodah, service, and Gemilut Hasidim — good deeds.

This year, Temple Beth El Sisterhood of Fall River, presented the Light of Torah Award to Renee Lipson.

Lipson is well known in the Providence and Fall River areas, especially for her work with the elderly and in holistic counseling.

She has a B.A. in psychology from University of Mass., Dartmouth, and studied in the religious department of Brown University. She has graduate certification in gerontology

from Rhode Island College and two master's degrees from Salve Regina University, one in human development, gerontology specialization, and the other in holistic counseling. She has trained professionally at the Wellness Center, Inc., in California, with the Poldi Institute of Florida and as an ECap therapist with Bernie Seigel in New Haven.

She is the past president of Brandeis University women's committee and presently the chairman of special fund raising. Lipson is recording secretary of the Hebrew Ladies Helping Society, on the executive board of Temple Beth El Sisterhood and public relations convenor for the New England Holistic Counselor Association.

Lipson lectures on topics of Jewish interest and has taught Hebrew calligraphy at Temple

Emanuel. She is an artist of the Hebrew text design and illumination of the ketuba (the Jewish marriage contract).

Currently, she is co-leader with Rabbi William Kaufman of Temple Beth El of the "Wellness and Spirituality Seminar" and the facilitator of monthly series conducted at the JFS kosher meal site in Cranston's Temple Torat Yisrael, entitled "Holistic Health in the 21st Century."

Spisso and Cohen Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spisso Jr. of Lanoka Harbor, N.J., announce the engagement of their daughter, Terri Anne Spisso, to Datan Benjamin Cohen, son of Enid Cohen and the late Robert Cohen of Providence, R.I.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lacey Township High School and the University of Rhode Island, and is currently employed by Coffee Kids, Inc. of Providence, R.I., as assistant director of donor relations. Her grandparents are Ernest T. and Mary Spisso of New Jersey.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Barrington High School, R.I., and the University of Rhode Island, and is employed by Science Applications International Corporation of Narragansett, R.I., as a biologist. His maternal grandparents are Ida and Paul Gregerman of Boynton Beach, Fla., formerly of East Providence. Paternal grandparents are Betty Tapper and the late Howard Cohen of Cranston.

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School Beat



Honored Scholars

From left, seated, Lisa Mizrahi, Dory Elman, Tracey Tebrow, Adina Szendro, and standing, from left, Rebecca Shansky, Inna Shporkin, Daniel Birch, Molly Shabica and Jeffrey Sukharev have all been named scholars, and received awards from the National Council of Jewish Women. Not pictured were Kayla Pliskin, Karen Katzovitz and Roy Katzovitz. The presentation was made at Highland Court on June 14.

Awards to ASDS Students

In the Middle School of the Alperin Schechter Day School, the morning of June 10 was set aside for the annual honors ceremony, noting the achievements of a variety of talented middle school students.

Winner of the Simon Wegner Memorial Award for achievement in mathematics was Lena Makovetskaya. This award was established by Professors Judith and Peter Wegner in memory of their son, a gifted and dedicated mathematician.

The Klara Lowy Memorial Award, given by the Adler family for outstanding achievement in Judaic studies, was presented to Jaime Singer.

Free At Last!

Providence Hebrew Day School graduated 10 high school students June 15:

Faige Gorkin, Arielle Rachel Orenstein, Alina Zhitnitskaya, Ya'akov Irving Asher Baram, Benjamin Beiser, Yehuda (Yudi) Dov Botnick, Yitzhak M. Gottlieb, Seth Haddad, Bruce Alan Kessler, and Zachary Rubenstein.

Sixteen junior high school students also graduated:

Tamar Albert-Andelman, Aryeh Donowitz, Ruchama Gibber, Mordechai Z.T. Gilden, Binyamin Shalom Gold,

Michael Furman, Judah Jacobson, Abigail Levine, Jonathan Liss, Meredith Ross, Daniel Sternberg, and Natasha Ushomirovsky (grade six), Arkady Yerukhimovich (grade seven) and Marian Levchinsky, Lena Makovetskaya, Eitan Miron and Jamie Singer (grade eight) received academic achievement awards for being named to the high honor roll during every marking period this year.

Judah Jacobson, Daniel Sternberg and Arkady Yerukhimovich were recognized for their high achievement on the math league competitive exam.

Creativity awards were presented to Sanya Kantarovsky (grade six), Shayna Kulik

Yehoshua Zev Hartman, Kalman Koblick, Dina Rivka Krakowski, Dovid Lipson, Naomi Meira Marcus, Reena Tzivia Schafer, Sara C. Scharf, Shoshana Shafner, Esther Shafner, Raphael Szendro, and Jesse Weinstock.

Rabbi Avi Shafran gave the opening Torah message, Benjamin Beiser was the valedictorian, and Arielle Orenstein gave the Torah message.

Awards and honors were bestowed by Rabbi Daniel Goodman, Mrs. Maureen Sheehan, Rabbi Abraham Jakubowicz and Rabbi Avi Shafran.

(grade seven) and Marian Levchinsky (grade eight).

To note outstanding effort resulting in academic achievement, Emily Diamant and Katya Ginsburg (grade six), Samantha Braverman (grade seven) and Jessica Sultzer (grade eight) were given Kochav HaShachar Awards.

Keter Shem Tov Awards, recognizing high character and good citizenship, were presented to Judah Jacobson (grade six), Ramesh Radparvar (grade seven), and Lena Makovetskaya (grade eight).

Josh Beraha (grade six), Joshua Rubin (grade seven) and Eitan Hersh (grade eight) were named all-around athletes.

Congratulations to all the Alperin Schechter Middle School award winners!

Students Interact with Jewish Eldercare Clients

Poems written by third-grade students at the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School were recently published in *The Shalom Times*, the newsletter of Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island.

The students participated in a special intergenerational program under the direction of their teacher Jane Myers. They visited residents from Rose-

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Alperin Schechter Day School Graduates 17

In ceremonies on June 12, the Ruth and Max Alperin Schechter Day School graduated 17 students.

Graduating from eighth grade were: Gary Baskin, Ilana Bilik, Ben Garber, Ariela Lev, Marian Levchinsky, Lena Makovetskaya, Debbie Mann, Zachary Marwil, Eitan Miron, Sari Peiser, Jake Schiffman, Leonard Sherman, Jaime Singer, Jonathan Snow, Jessica Sultzer, Oleg Tukh and Elliott White.

Graduation exercises began with a minyan service, led by the students. Speakers included Dianne Z. Newman,

ASDS president; Myrna Rubel, school director, and Marcia Lapidus Kaunfer, assistant director. Each student also made an individual presentation. Diplomas were presented by Rubel, Newman and the ASDS Middle School faculty.

In addition, in recognition of the theme of this year's graduation: "building," Rubel presented each graduate with a brick, with the hope that the students will use their learning at the Alperin Schechter Day School as a secure foundation.

The graduation was followed by a reception and collation. Mazal Tov to the graduates!

Study Tour for Therapists

A study tour on "Universal Issues in Family Therapy" is being sponsored by the department of summer courses and special academic programs at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Rothberg School for Overseas Students from August 7 to 21.

The program is designed for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors and clinical social workers, who may earn continuing education credits for their participation.

It will include seminars conducted by professionals in the family therapy and counseling fields, as well as touring. Participants will stay in university faculty club accommodations as well as in hotels outside of Jerusalem.

Details and registration information are available from Dr. June B. Green, 2635 Dahoon Ave., Coconut Creek, Fla., 33063, telephone number (305) 972-6816.

Barbecue and Picnic for Seniors

The Cranston Department of Senior Services is sponsoring an outdoor barbecue and picnic on July 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Masonic Youth Lodge, off Buttonwoods Ave. There will be barbecued chicken, corn on the cob, baked beans and watermelon. Outdoor activities will include shuffleboard, horseshoes and swimming. There is a built-in pool and a beach. Tickets are available in

the nutrition office. The suggested donation for this event is \$1.75 per person. Bus transportation is available from Cranston Senior Services Transvan, 1070 Cranston St., for an additional \$1 per person. Buses will depart from Cranston Senior Services at 11 a.m. For more information, call Laura or Kathy at 461-1000 (ext. 6215 or 6216).

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'Yiddish Camp'

The ninth annual Yiddish-camp, co-sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island and the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, will be held from July 18 through July 22 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the JCCRI, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. This program has attracted over 350 adults over the last eight years. 1994's enrollment will be limited to 60 participants.

Classes in Yiddish language and literature at three levels, and courses in the history and culture of Eastern European Jewry will be offered. The staff at Yiddishcamp includes a talented group of professionals.

A new format will be instituted this year in response to student requests. The morning Yiddish language and literature classes will be increased by 30 minutes each so that more in-depth study can take place.

They will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch (students should bring a dairy brown bag lunch; drinks will be provided) is scheduled from 1 to 1:30 p.m. The afternoon lecture will be from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Use of the JCCRI pool is available to Yiddishcampers throughout the week. Prior registration is necessary.

In addition, a new class, which will attempt to teach students to read Yiddish in five sessions will meet from 9:30 to 10 a.m. daily, before regularly scheduled classes, and in addition to them.

Cost for the week of Yiddishcamp is \$50. Scholarships are available. An effort will be made to set up carpools. Yiddishcamp is open to adult lovers of Yiddish and Yiddishkeit of all ages. For applications and more information write or call Ruth Page at the BJE/RI, 130 Sessions St., Providence, R.I. 02906, 331-0956.

Senior Guild Installs Officers, Plans Trips

The Cranston Senior Guild has six trips or events coming up in the next six months.

On July 6, the group will sail Boston Harbor on the Odyssey, and visit a Cambridge gallery. Call Jeanette Richman, 461-7108, for ticket information.

On July 18 to 22, the group will visit Toronto and Ottawa. A full schedule is planned. Call Judah Rosen at 942-0985.

On Aug. 4, the destination will be Hu Ke Lau. Call Evelyn Brodsky at 467-6179.

The group will go to Matunuck on Aug. 11. Call Evelyn Wolff, at 463-7715.

On Oct. 6, Concord will be the destination to see fall foliage and colonial charm. Call Dorothy Rosen at 942-0985.

There will be a Chanukah party on Dec. 8. Call Sam or Selma Price at 943-3427.

The yearly installation luncheon of the Cranston Senior Guild was held on June 9. The officers installed for the year 1994/95 were as follows: President, Judah Rosen; first vice president for trips, Dorothy Rosen; Carol Rotkin, second vice president for programs; Lillian Mushnick, secretary; Trudy Rotenberg, treasurer; Helen Forman, financial secretary; Sam Kleinman, chaplain.

The board of directors will be Evelyn Brodsky, Claire Ernstof, Lillian Gilstein, Ben Gilstein, Edna Gilstein, Beverly Jacobson, Hy Jacobson, Fran Mendelsohn, Selma Price, Sam Price, Jeanette Richman, Herbert Rothschild, Sylvia Tippe, Sayra Weiner, Evelyn Wolff.

Honorary board members will be Louise and Leonard Lyons and Rose and Harry Portney.

Membership Bid

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foundation of Judaism. The quest for G-d defines us as a people. It is our mission, our historic calling; it is the duty that defines us as the covenant people.

"I am particularly troubled by Beth Adam's deletion of the sh'ma — 'Hear o Israel, the Lord is our G-d, the Lord is One.' The erasure of this supreme expression of our faith is not just a severing of our ideological roots but also of our historic roots as a people. The sh'ma is the primary mode of our being aware that we are Jews, whatever our ideological divergences."

Rabbi Robert Barr, founding rabbi and spiritual leader of Beth Adam, told the UAHC trustees: "What is being advocated by those who urge that our application not be accepted is to limit the autonomy of the individual Reform Jew."

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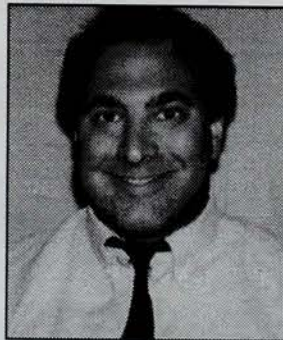
"The necessary consequence of those who oppose Beth Adam's application is not only to impose a theological litmus test on those congregations seeking admission to join the UAHC but also to delete Article VI in the UAHC constitution, which states: 'Nothing contained in this constitution or the by-laws shall be construed so as to interfere in any manner whatsoever with the mode of worship, the school, the freedom of expression and opinion, or any of the other congregational activities.'"

In his statement opposing Beth Adam's bid to join the UAHC, Rabbi Lawrence A. Hoffman, professor of liturgy at the New York campus of HUC-JIR, told the board members:

"For 3,000 years G-d has been central to the Jewish people. What G-d is — on that matter we have encouraged near-universal speculation. We like to say that we the people of Israel, like Israel our progenitor, are G-d-wrestlers. But to enforce a ban on even the name of G-d — to take G-d out of the wrestling ring, as it were — denies the very root whence we spring."

The Miriam Hospital Picks Cohen to Develop Neuropsychology Program

Ronald A. Cohen, Ph.D., has joined the staff of The Miriam



Ronald A. Cohen, Ph.D.

Hospital and the faculty of the department of psychiatry and human behavior of Brown University Medical School. Cohen is developing a new program in neuropsychology at Miriam. He will direct neuropsychology research and training and clinical services.

See Charlotte For Yiddish

The award-winning Charlotte Yiddish Institute at the Wildacres Retreat (1990 National JWB Award for Excellence in Judaic Programming) will sponsor its 16th season at Little Switzerland, N.C., from August 25 to 28.

The institute is open to men and women dedicated to enhancing their knowledge and use of the Yiddish language and culture in a unique, heimish atmosphere of yiddishkeit.

The institute offers faculty lectures, Yiddish language classes, Yiddish culture workshops, concerts, folksinging and dancing, daily and Shabbat services, a well-stocked book and gift shop, and outstanding southern hospitality.

For information and application form, please send name and address to: Charlotte Yiddish Institute/JCC, 5007 Providence Rd., Charlotte, N.C. 28226.

Kosher Mealsite Presents Comedy, Holds Picnic

The Kosher Mealsite Program at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue, Providence, will present part two of "America in Comedy Series: Harold Lloyd" on June 26, from 11 a.m. to noon.

A picnic will be held June 27, at the Masonic Picnic Grounds in Buttonwoods. Participants should bring their own picnic lunch; additional refreshments will be provided by the Golden Age Club and the JCCRI. Picnickers will leave the JCCRI at 10 a.m. and return by 3 p.m. The cost is \$3.00 for GAC members, \$4.00 for non-members.

On June 28, part two of "A Stranger Among Us!" will be shown from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Call Sandy Bass at 861-8800.

Cohen serves as a clinician in The Miriam Hospital's Memory and Cognitive Disorders Clinic, and on the psychiatry consultation-liaison service. His ongoing neuroscience research includes studies of the neural mechanisms underlying attention, the relationship between disorders of memory, attention, and sensory-motor systems, as well as Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. He has presented his work throughout the United States and Europe, published many research articles, and is the author of *The Neuropsychology of Attention*.

Cohen, 38, joined The Miriam Hospital from the University of Massachusetts Medical Center where he was an associate professor of neurology and psychiatry and director of the neuropsychology service and the neuropsychology training program. He is also an adjunct neuroscience faculty member at Clark University and the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

A native of New Jersey, Cohen earned a bachelors of science from Tulane University and a doctorate in clinical psychology from Louisiana State University. He was the neuropsychology intern at the Neuropsychiatric Institute of the UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles, and subsequently completed a post-doctoral fellowship in neuropsychology at the University of Florida Medical Center before taking a faculty position at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in 1993.

Cohen, his wife, Yvonne, and their children reside in Shrewsbury, Mass.

Kanner Honored

Edwin B. Kanner, president of American Insulated Wire Corp., has received the Charles D. Scott Distinguished Career Award.

The award, established by the membership of the New England Wire and Cable Club in association with *Wire Industry News*, is presented to individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to the wire and cable field by working in that industry for a minimum of 25 years and "demonstrating outstanding professional acumen along with personal attributes of an exceptional degree."



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Kanner entered the wire and cable industry in 1952 as an assistant sales manager and has since dedicated his life to the field. He headed the team that created the Bronco wire and cable line and has been in control of some of the industry's largest corporations.

Kanner joined American Insulated Wire in 1984 as president and CEO.

Register for Early Childhood Programs

As part of its early childhood programs for children from infancy through age 5, the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Avenue in Providence, is accepting registrations for its 1994-95 fully-licensed, year-round Infant/Toddler Childcare Center, preschool classes and state-certified kindergarten. Early arrival, and care until 5:30 p.m., are available.

The ITC is for children (including those with special needs) ages 3 months to 3 years, with a ratio of one adult for every 3 to 4 children. The staff includes a registered nurse. Classroom activities are supplemented by supervised outdoor play in a specially designed infant/toddler playground. The ITC also offers, for a separate fee, a swim lesson once per week for children between 2 to 3 years of age.

The fully-accredited preschool offers classes for children ages 28 months through 5 years and afternoon enrichment classes. The classrooms, activity rooms and playground are supplemented by the center's physical education facilities.

The JCCRI kindergarten uses a whole-language approach. In addition to gym and swim programs, science classes and com-

puters are incorporated to provide children with a broad range of experiences before they move on to first grade. Children who will be at least 5 years old by Dec. 31, are eligible to participate. The teacher to student ratio is 1-to-12.

For more information, contact Eva Silver or Debbie Blitz at 861-8800.

What Next in Israel?

Gadi Aronson, campaign director for the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, will address the issues facing Israel on June 28 at noon at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave. in Providence.

The Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island's Brown Bag Club offers adults an opportunity to enjoy informative speakers or view movies on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month.

Bring a brown bag lunch with you; dessert and beverage will be provided. A \$1 donation is appreciated. Yiddish Vinkel will follow at 2 p.m. Contact Evy Rappoport at 861-8800 for details.

FEATURE

Confusion and Grief in Crown Heights

by Pamela Druckerman

NEW YORK (JTA) — People were not talking much on June 12, outside Lubavitch world headquarters in Crown Heights.

But the sound of tambourines and chants of "Melech ha-Moshiach" — the Chasidic movement's call for the biblically prophesied Messiah — could be heard all along Eastern Parkway, the main street of the Brooklyn neighborhood.

Though the movement's 92-year-old spiritual leader, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, had died of a heart attack just a few hours earlier, the conviction that the rebbe would still reveal himself as the Messiah was heard amid the prayers of mourning.

"I think the rebbe's going to redeem us," 19-year-old Yehoshua Smukler said as he stepped away from a circle of dancing men. "He's going to get up and take us into redemption."

Others in the tightly knit community struggled silently to manage their grief among the throngs of reporters, police officers and public figures who had descended upon Crown Heights to witness the funeral that many in the movement had insisted could not occur.

Behind a maze of police barricades, hundreds of men wearing black hats lined up to view Schneerson's body.

Upstairs in Lubavitch headquarters, where Schneerson had managed the movement's vast network of religious outreach services, Rabbi Yehuda Krinsky tried to paint a picture of business as usual.

"We know pretty much what the rebbe wants of us," said Krinsky, the movement's official spokesman and a close aide to the rebbe. He pointed out that in the 27 months since the rebbe's first stroke, the move-

ment had grown by 20 percent. "That continues," Krinsky said quietly. "That will always continue."

But Krinsky, his blue suit torn in a gesture of mourning, also insisted that the movement be given time to sort itself out. "We all feel that we lost a father, we feel orphaned," he said. "You should give us a chance to wrestle with that."

Krinsky said that Schneerson had left a will but that a successor was not named.

At least for the moment, though, the business of managing the movement goes on.

Word of the rebbe's passing spread almost instantaneously to the movement's offices across the globe by facsimile, electronic mail and telephone. Television cameras crowded the Crown Heights headquarters while Lubavitch representatives in South America and Australia called to arrange live satellite hook-ups to the funeral.

Leib Simcha Meadvin, a young man wearing the traditional Chasidic black hat and coat, said the community had been in denial about the possibility of the rebbe's death and now does not know how to handle it.

Like some others standing out in the rain on Eastern Parkway, Meadvin said that this generation simply may not have done enough to merit redemption by the Messiah.

"Maybe," he said, "we have to do more."

"Things had to come to a head either way," said Zelda Stein, a Lubavitcher from Long Island, "but now there's no one telling them what to do tomorrow. So what's going to happen then? A little bit has to fall apart, but let's see how much."

There Was a Boy

by Mike Fink

"There was a boy, a lonely, unattractive boy, whose mother had died. His teacher worried about him. One day he gave her a broken rhinestone bracelet and a bottle of cheap perfume. She put them on and showed them off to the class. 'You look like my mom. You smell like her,' he said gratefully. Over the years, his work improved. He wrote her notes. He wanted her to be the first to know about his progress. He even won an M.D."

Rabbi Leslie Gutterman of Temple Beth-El told this tale of an enchanted boy to the graduating class at Classical High School to point out a spiritual moral. The least among scholars and classmates may come out first. Instead of belaboring the theme, he piled up images, which stay in the mind longer than big words. You had to figure out the finale by yourself.

Classical puts on a great show at its graduation. They stage it at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium, which

sparkles in its newly restored splendor, with its bas-reliefs and fancy logos. The kids wore purple and white caps and gowns. Street people sold roses on the crowded sidewalks before the iron entrances. Everybody brags or kvells about achievement. But the rabbi brought us round to the more important part of a high school class. Smile to your neighbor, respect everybody, move at your own pace like a baby elephant coming into its own strength.

"Call me Les," says the rabbi to one and all. But Rabbi he is just the same, lifting a ceremony onto another plane. He speaks in light parables, but they are not trivial. Greet those around you, each one the same. Leave nobody out. Don't leave yourself out either.

A Chopin nocturne at a grand piano, an a cappella performance, and an address by Candice Nochomowitz, president of the class of 1994, framed the rabbi's keynote speech on Wednesday, June 15.

St. Thomas Synagogue to Celebrate Its Bicentennial

Supreme Court Justice Ruth Ginsburg and Violinist Itzhak Perlman To Appear

ST. THOMAS, U.S. Virgin Islands — An international Bicentennial Celebration slated for 1995-96 will commemorate 200 years of Jewish life in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

Visitors of all faiths will travel to St. Thomas in honor of the St. Thomas Synagogue's proud history. The celebration will be highlighted by a performance by violinist Itzhak Perlman and a speech by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Other planned activities during the 10-month celebration include entertainment by national and international celebrities; a tribute to French impressionist Camille Pissaro and an exhibit of his works; an original Sephardic service as it was performed 200 years ago; an interfaith Passover seder for more than 1,000 participants; lectures by some of the world's most recognized figures in religion, science and the arts; as well as a number of visits from statesmen and clergymen representing all denominations. All events will take place from August 1995 to June 1996.

"These events promise to bring local, national and international attention to the survival, growth and contributions of the Jewish community to life in the U.S. Virgin Islands," said Alexander A. Farrelly, governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands. "Residents and visitors can

look forward to a year-long schedule of special events planned to increase awareness of Jewish history, culture and art."

For nearly 300 years, Jews have lived in St. Thomas. In 1796, The Hebrew Congregation of St. Thomas was founded. The current St. Thomas Synagogue was later constructed on Synagogue Hill in 1833, making it the oldest synagogue in continuous use under the American flag and the second oldest in the Western Hemisphere. The synagogue itself has been a gem in the midst of the Caribbean for visitors of all faiths, attracting thousands of tourists each year. The inspirational structure features original benches, chandeliers, special Danish-made bricks, ornamental woodwork and silverwork, chairs and menorahs dating back to 1833. The floor of the synagogue is

sand, symbolic of the desert through which Moses and the children of Israel wandered for 40 years.

The congregation's international bicentennial celebration will be preceded in August 1995 by a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from St. Thomas. Travel arrangements are being handled by the synagogue. In September, the gala will open with a number of lecturers and entertainers to be determined, while October features an interfaith Succot service and interdenominational lectures, with invited guest speaker Cardinal Bernard Law, who grew up in St. Thomas.

The first-ever exhibit of St. Thomas art by the father of French impressionism and a native islander, Camille Pissaro, will open in November.

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- Linda Rubenstein
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OPINIONS

Letters to the Editor

Register To Vote

by William Fitzgerald

The elections are fast approaching. In just a few months, Rhode Islanders will choose a U.S. Senator for a six-year term, two members of the U.S. House of Representatives for a two-year term, and governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, general treasurer, and secretary of state, each for a four-year term. All 150 seats of the general assembly will be up for grabs and there will be important local elections and referendum issues decided. The party primaries are on Sept. 13 and the general election is Nov. 8. To vote, you

must be registered by Aug. 13 for the primaries, and Oct. 8 for the general election.

To register, go to your board of canvassers (usually at city or town hall) or the secretary of state's office at the State House. You will need to show identification to prove your current address. Call the voter registration information line at 277-2345.

Still Searching

Dear Editor:

My name is Magdalena Mullner. I come from a small town in Austria, which since the Holocaust has no Jewish residents. I am searching for the families of former residents including Heinie Blau (born 1929 or '30) and children of Illona and Erwin Toch.

Please contact me c/o Office of the Associate Dean, Simon Wiesenthal Center, 9760 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif. 90035.

Double Feature: Schindler's List/Roots

Excerpts from an article by Abraham H. Foxman, national director of the ADL.

"Schindler's List," is a remarkable film. Spielberg's realistic portrayal of the unspeakable horrors of the Holocaust has reached a popular audience of millions of Americans. The vast majority have been touched by the film, but not all.

Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan, his controversial disciple, Khalid Muhammad, and his other representatives and supporters, are crisscrossing America on a crusade to convince African-Americans that Jews are responsible for all the ills of society affecting them — historically and contemporarily. They also denigrate the Holocaust as inconsequential

compared to the suffering of their people.

Of particular concern are young people. When stories appear of large crowds of black college students attending Nation of Islam lectures and actively participating in anti-Semitic chants, questions arise about the particular susceptibility of the young to messages of hatred.

As a result, there has been a rush to address the issue. Governor Christine Todd Whitman of New Jersey, in one of her earliest moves, announced her Initiative Against Intolerance, and invited students — black and white — to free showings of "Schindler's List" across the state. Her intent was clear: to show kids the very real consequences of anti-Semitic rhetoric

and ideology. Since then, other examples of this approach have surfaced throughout the country. From coast to coast, tens of thousands of students have seen or are scheduled to see the film.

As well meaning as these initiatives are, there are serious questions about the direction they take. Black kids see violence and instability around them. In that environment, is it fruitful for them to be exposed in a vacuum to the horrors of the Holocaust? Does it not require an unrealistic leap of the imagination for youngsters living in difficult circumstances to conclude by watching the Jewish tragedy that they should reject today's messages of anti-Semitism? Might they not sooner wonder what this has to do with their lives, and that they are the ones facing oppression, not the Jews — so why are they being taken to see such a thing?

The point is not that having inner-city youths see "Schindler's List" is a waste of time. It can be useful if it is connected to things that are real and immediate in their experience. That means more people, like Professor Henry Louis Gates, Coretta Scott King, Harry Belafonte and Betty Shabazz, going into the schools and explaining what Martin Luther King had to say about hatred and bigotry of any kind and what Malcolm X had come to learn about the same subject before his life was snuffed out. There ought to be programs demonstrating that Louis Farrakhan has far more in common with the white supremacists of our country ... the David Dukes and the Tom Metzgers ... than he has with Rev. Jesse Jackson and Rep. John Lewis.

Therefore, in addition to "Schindler's List," a reissued "film" version of "Roots" should be made available as a package directed at inner-city school children, portraying in vivid black and white and in color, the handiwork of racism, white supremacy, slavery, anti-Semitism, and the Holocaust. Programs for students in which teachers trained in exploring diversity and tolerance as positive values are necessary components to the screenings. They lend a context to the viewing of "Schindler's List," so that the students seeing it, rather than wondering why they are being told about the sufferings of the Jews when they are living through their own pain, will instead connect to the Holocaust and understand more immediately the horrible consequences of hatred and that everyone has a responsibility and an interest in resisting the message of hatred.

Similarly through viewing "Roots," they will appreciate it in the context of today. It then becomes a story of the use of hatred as a political and social tool. It is not just what the Jews suffered, though that is surely part of the picture; and isn't just what the blacks suffered, though that too is part of the picture. It is the picture of the destructive power of hatred.

A version of this OP-ED appeared in the Atlanta Constitution on May 27.

Rebbe Says

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Excerpts from a statement by Rabbi Yehuda Krinsky, spokesman for the worldwide Lubavitch movement on June 14.

"The wound is fresh, the pain deep, it is difficult to talk. 'A light has gone out. Rarely, ever, has this metaphor resonated with such literal meaning. Rarely, if ever, has one individual radiated a light so

luminous. The Lubavitcher rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, known simply and lovingly as 'the rebbe,' has cast the warm glow of his sanctified existence, his Solomonic wisdom, his vision for a world perfected, and his sensitivity and love for humanity, over the lives of millions, to the farthest reaches of the world.

"We have basked in the rebbe's brilliant illumination — a light that never ever waned during his more than four decades of leadership. And now, as we confront his passing we are left in the dark, without his guidance. As his Chasidim we closely followed the rebbe's every move, and found contin-

ued sustenance and reassurance in his physical presence among us. The rebbe was always there to counsel, to guide, to teach, and to bless. Our pain is profound, and the loss leaves an indescribable void.

"Still, it would be a grave error to think that our relationship with the rebbe is now relegated to history. The rebbe's gift to us far exceeds the parameters of his life span of 92 years. Through his unique and inspired vision, the rebbe endowed us with a passion for the good and the G-dly, and the means to understand that the good and the G-dly are inherent in our world and within each of us and in our everyday lives. It is a vision that will inspire us for generations to come.

"While the prophets of doom talked of the vanishing Jew through intermarriage and assimilation, the rebbe, in contrast, established bold and daring programs to reach out to those people who otherwise would be lost to the Jewish people. When others had given up, the rebbe always discerned even a small ray of hope and enlarged that hope so that everyone could share in it, and drew strength from it.

"And as always, at every step, regardless of the idea or project, there were voices of opposition to the rebbe's movement towards a better, saner and more G-dly world. Never inhibited by these voices, the rebbe persisted, and prevailed.

He has left us a legacy of thousands of educational institutions, humanitarian projects and outreach centers the world over. As it is impossible to gauge the scope of the rebbe as

a person, so it is impossible to gauge the impact of his worldwide achievements. Millions are inclined to a better life of goodness and meaning, due to his counsel.

"Who can tally the acts of kindness and charity inspired by the rebbe's own example, while he stood seven hours every Sunday, even into his ninth decade of life, receiving people from all walks of life, from all over the world, handing out dollar bills to men and women, adults and children, Jews and gentiles to be given to charitable causes?"

"Throughout this all, the rebbe encouraged us to join him in his efforts. In this way the rebbe graced us with untold merits and helped us realize the enormous potential for good that lies within each and everyone of us. When all others pandered to popular opinion the rebbe's was the lone and unabashed voice of truth, a true tonic for the tumult of the 20th century.

"By sharing with us his vision, his hopes and his promise, and by making us active participants in the perfection of G-d's world, the rebbe has empowered us in a way that every parent can only hope to empower his and her children. Handicapped as we are now by the loss of his physical presence — we rededicate ourselves to continue to accomplish that which our beloved rebbe taught us through his life's work for a humanity uplifted by good, and a world sanctified and redeemed by G-d."

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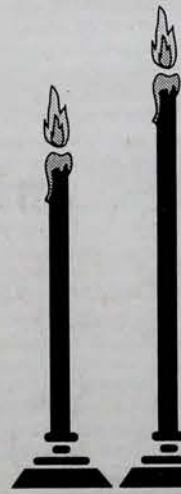
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New Englanders Headed for Israel

The Consulate General of Israel and the Israel Aliyah Center will host the annual L'Hitraot B'Yisrael (See you in Israel) send-off at Hebrew College, 43 Hawes St., Brookline, on June 20 at 7 p.m.

Family and friends will join the more than 70 New Englanders (olim) who will be moving to Israel (aliyah) in 1994, for food, fun and farewells. By the

end of 1994, more than 100 people from the area are expected to make aliyah to Israel.

This year's meeting will feature a performance by the Israeli Scouts Friendship Caravan, a singing and dancing troupe of five guys and gals from Israel.

For more information concerning the evening's events, call (617) 542-0041, ext. 135.

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY



COOPER INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT — Rabbi Nechama Goldberg and Marty Cooper share the speaker's stand at Cooper's recent installation as president of Temple Am David.

Temple Am David Installs New Officers

On June 19, in the newly refurbished auditorium, the congregation of Temple Am David shared a dinner and then discharged their officers from the preceding year and installed new officers.

Steve Sholes, the outgoing president oversaw the presentation of plaques and expressions of gratitude of those who had given so much of themselves to the welfare of the temple.

Dr. Sid Goldstein's work on the ritual committee, particularly during the years when the temple was without a rabbi, was singled out as being ex-

tremely valuable.

The new officers were installed. The theme of this part of the program was "All Beginnings are Hard." Marty Cooper, as the new president of the temple, spoke on the congregation of the temple as fabric — woven of many groups who were at different levels of observance, whose deeds and contributions were different. In the final analysis, every group has contributed to making the fabric whole.

Performing Arts Showcase

On October 5, a performing arts showcase will be presented at the Jewish Community Center on Elm Grove Ave. in Providence. The showcase will provide a chance for those interested in booking programs for their groups (schools, libraries, recreation departments, etc.) to see several 20-minute samplings of work by a variety of performing artists. Provisions will be made for further discussions with the performers and for making arrangements to book the shows. As of May 15, 15 groups were already registered to perform.

If you are interested in participating as a performer or in booking entertainment talent, call Donald Babbitt at 433-1682 for more information or write him at 145 Terrace Ave., Riverside, R.I. 02915.

Braille 'Machzor'

The Jewish Heritage for the Blind has announced that Jewish blind may obtain complimentary braille copies of the *Machzor* for the High Holy Days. These publications will assist the blind in participating in the services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

For copies, write to: The Jewish Heritage for the Blind, P.O. Box 220396, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11229 or send a fax to (718) 338-0653.



New Executive Board

The Rhode Island Chapter of Hadassah's recently installed board of officers, from left, seated, Jenny Klein, Rita Slom, Fran Sadler, and from left, standing, Karen Dannin, Evy Rappoport, Rosalind Bolusky, Fran Weisman, and Donna Ross. Claire Bell is not shown.

Fraternal Order is Still Spry at 86

Back in 1908, when Zionism was still in its infancy, a group of Jewish immigrants in New York City founded an organization to promote Zionist activity, help "Americanize" new arrivals from Europe and provide fraternal benefits to its members.

Today, 86 years later, the organization — Bnai Zion, Amer-

ica's oldest Zionist fraternal order, with chapters across the country — can look back on a proud history of accomplishment, including a stellar role in the development of Israel, both before and after its rebirth as an independent state in 1948.

While maintaining its status as an independent organization without ties to any political party in Israel or the United States, Bnai Zion has managed to touch vocational and cultural development in Israel. Its current programs include building the Bnai Zion Medical Center, a 400-bed general hospital in Haifa and establishing Maon Bnai Zion and the Quittmen Center, facilities for the care of the mentally retarded. The former is the largest institution of its kind in Israel.

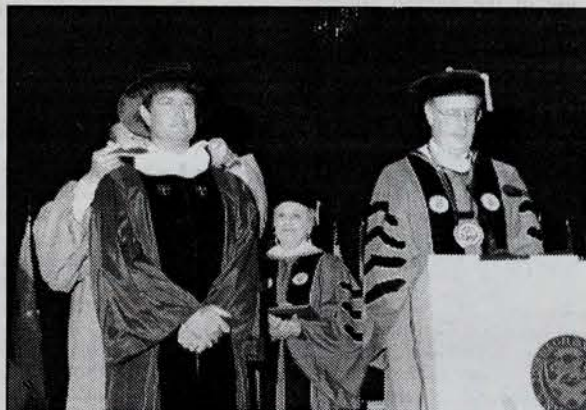
In the past, Bnai Zion founded Kfar Bnai Zion, a highly successful free enterprise community in Israel; established Ein Hod, Israel's art colony; organized 10 medical clinics in Tel Aviv, Ramat Gan, Haifa, Herzlyia, Jerusalem and

other Israeli cities; created the American Red Magen David that has sent hundreds of ambulances and huge amounts of blood plasma to Israel and built the Maccabi Sports Centers in Israel for underprivileged young people.

Old Eyeglasses Needed

The Jewish Heritage for the Blind is asking that you donate your old eyeglasses to this organization. These glasses will be given to the poor in underdeveloped countries. The JHB is working in cooperation with Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity/International on this project. Print your name, address, city, state and telephone number on a sheet of paper and forward, with your eyeglasses, to:

The Jewish Heritage for the Blind, P.O. Box 660870, Miami Springs, Fla. 33266. Please mark the package: "Glass — Handle With Care."



Hassenfeld Honored

Alan G. Hassenfeld, chairman and chief executive officer of Hasbro Inc. was presented an honorary doctorate at the 80th commencement of Johnson and Wales University recently.

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JERI Sponsors Challah Baking

What do five retired senior volunteers, a kosher volunteer from the Providence Hebrew Day School and 25 residents from the Oak Hill Nursing Home in Pawtucket have in common? They all partook in a challah baking last month.

The baking, held at the Oak Hill Nursing Home in Pawtucket, was led by Jewish Elder-care of Rhode Island volunteer Erika Kraus who taught participants the significance of challah and how to make it. Providence R.S.V.P., under the coordination of Norma Rovner, recruited five volunteers to assist and JERI volunteer coordinator Bonnie Ryvicker organized the event.

Participants rekindled child-

hood memories and enjoyed pleasant conversation. As a result, JERI was asked to assist with coordination of future programs on a regular basis.

If you have any special traditional Jewish recipes that are not difficult to make, please send them to the JERI office at 229 Waterman St., Providence, R.I. 02906.

Kosherfest '94

Six months before it is scheduled to open at Giants Stadium in the Meadowlands, the International Kosher Food Trade Show (Kosherfest '94) is almost completely sold out. The show, which will take place Dec. 7 and 8, has drawn nearly a dozen Israeli companies as well as participation from firms such as Manischewitz and Streits.

CJF Receives Hias Masliansky Award

The officers and board of directors of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society have selected the Council of Jewish Federations to be the 1994 recipient of the Zvi Hirsch Masliansky Award, which recognizes "significant humanitarian services on behalf of refugees, migrants and others forced by political or religious considerations to seek new countries of residence."

In a letter to CJF President Maynard I. Wishner, HIAS President Martin Kesselhaut, chair Bobbie Abrams and chair Bobi Klotz, wrote, "We can think of a no more deserving Masliansky Award recipient than CJF, the agency which has been intimately involved with the resettlement of Soviet Jews in the United States for the past 15 years."

"CJF has helped communities to share the costs of res-

tlement since 1990 through Equitable Collective Responsibility. The leadership and foresight of the Council of Jewish Federations has made it possible for there to be one central address for Jewish migrants in the United States."

The Masliansky Award was created in 1972 by Dr. Harold M. Weinberg to honor the memory of his father-in-law, a founder of HIAS. The Reverend Masliansky was a famed Yiddish orator and Zionist in Russia and later in the United States. He died in 1943.

The Council of Jewish Federations is the continental association of almost 200 Jewish Federations, the central community organization which serves nearly 800 localities embracing a Jewish population of more than 6.1 million in the United States and Canada.

OBITUARIES

RUTH BERNSTEIN

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Ruth Bernstein, 80, died June 1 at the Whitehall Nursing Home. She was the widow of Phillip Bernstein.

She was president of the Sisterhood at Temple Emanuel and president of Hadassah in New York.

She leaves two daughters, Phyllis Dressler and Sandra Friedman, both of Florida; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A graveside funeral was held June 17 at Mt. Carmel Cemetery, New York.

ANNE L. GREENFIELD

WARWICK — Anne L. Greenfield, 78, of 345 Post Rd., died June 17 at the Oak Hill Nursing Home, Pawtucket. She was the widow of Alexander Greenfield.

Born in Fall River, Mass., a daughter of the late Louis and Rose (Katz) Smith, she lived in Warwick for 22 years.

She was program chairman of the Social Seniors of Warwick.

She leaves two daughters, Joan Bonomi of Milford, Conn., and Lois Greenfield of Los Angeles, Calif.; three brothers, Eddy Smith of Cranston, Irving and Larry Smith, both of Fall River, and two sisters, Kitty Smith of Providence and Esther Indell of Johnston.

The funeral service was held June 19 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

REBECCA GROSSMAN

CRANSTON — Rebecca Grossman, 77, of 30 Oaklawn Ave., died June 18 at the Hospice Care of Rhode Island.

Philip Hulitar Center, Providence. She was the widow of Herman Grossman.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Philip and Ida Riter, she lived in Cranston for 30 years.

She was a member of Temple Sinai, its Sisterhood, the Miriam Hospital Women's Association, and the former Jewish Home for the Aged.

She leaves a daughter, Arline Coken of Cranston; two sisters, Lillian Koffler of Providence, and Diane Sanders of Warwick; four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She was mother of the late Philip Grossman, and sister of the late Kay Kortick. She was the companion of Nathan Gordon.

The funeral service was held June 19 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

YVETTE MELLION

PROVIDENCE — Yvette Mellion, 82, of 137 Sessions St., died June 16 at the Hospice Care of Rhode Island. She was the widow of Frank Mellion.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Morris and Rose (Schletsky) Shaset.

Since 1975 she owned the Parts Plus Auto Stores, formerly Shaset's Auto Supplies, founded by her father in the early 1930s. The business had been operated by her husband from 1939 until 1975 when she continued the operation.

She was a graduate of Katharine Gibbs School. She was a member of Temple Emanu-El, its Sisterhood, and was a past secretary of Hadassah. She had been a member of Ledgemont Country Club.

She leaves a daughter, Sussannah Mellion of Providence; a son, Dr. Morris Mellion of Omaha, Neb., and three grandchildren.

The funeral service was held June 20 at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. The service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

SAUL N. MILLER

NORTH PROVIDENCE — Saul N. Miller, 77, of 77A Valley Green Court died June 14 at Miriam Hospital. He was the husband of Mildred (Gray) Miller.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Harry and Eva (Margolis) Miller, he moved to North Providence seven years ago.

He owned the Miller Manufacturing Co., East Providence. He previously worked for 40 years in the jewelry manufacturing industry. He attended Boston University. He was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, and the American Cancer Society. He was a member of Temple Beth-El, and its Brotherhood. He was a member of Doric Lodge 38, F&AM.

Besides his wife he leaves two brothers, Dr. Joseph Miller of Narragansett, Dr. Murray Miller of Cranston, and three granddaughters. He was father of the late Donna Hennigan.

The funeral service was held June 16 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Swan Point Cemetery, Providence.

MERIAM P. ROSENBERG

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Meriam P. Rosenberg, 84, of Hampton Court Nursing Home, co-owner with her late husband of the former Raymond's Fruit Store, Prairie Avenue, for many years before relocating on North Main Street from 1947-60, died June 14 at the home. She was the widow of Raymond Rosenberg.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Henry and Anna (Haimowitz) Lerner, she moved to Florida in 1971.

She operated Raymond's Fruit Store alone during World War II. She was a former member of Temple Beth-El.

She leaves a daughter, Elayne Kessler of Cranston; two brothers, Samuel Lerner and George Lerner of East Providence; six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. She was mother of the late Roberta Gerstenblatt. She was the sister of the late Leah Litchman.

Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

ESSIE STEIN

NEWPORT — Essie Stein, 92, of the Heatherwood Nursing Home, Bellevue Avenue, died June 18 at the home. She was the widow of Dr. Harold Stein, M.D.

Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Jacob and Dina (Kuznetsky) Smith, she came to New York in 1906. She lived in Providence for five years, and previously lived in Paterson, N.J., for 68 years. She previously lived at the former Jewish Home for the Aged, Providence.

She attended Hunter College. She was a member of the Women's Auxiliary of Barnert Memorial Hospital, Paterson.

She leaves two sons, Robert Stein of Fairlawn, N.J., and Dr. Richard Stein of Lakewood, Calif.; a daughter, Doris Hirschhorn Chaffee of Wakefield; six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was private. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

BARBARA J. WILKES

PROVIDENCE — Barbara J. Wilkes, 66, of Blackstone Boulevard and Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, died June 7 at Miriam Hospital. She was the wife of Jack Wilkes.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Meyer and Florence (Strumar) Malack.

She was a graduate of Pembroke College in Brown University. She was a social worker for the state of Rhode Island from 1948 to 1953. She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh. She was a board member of the Pembroke Club of Providence. She was a member of the Miriam Hospital Women's Association, the Jewish Home for the Aged Women's Association, the

Cranston Chapter ARC, the ARC of the United States, ORT, Hadassah, Plantations/Roger Williams Unit of B'nai B'rith and Eastpointe Country Club, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Besides her husband she leaves two sons, Alan E. Wilkes of Cranston, and Richard S. Wilkes of Sayreville, N.J. She was the sister-in-law of David and Ruth Wilkes of Great Neck, N.Y.

The funeral service was held June 9 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Goldman Recognized

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rently receiving welfare.

Paula Turano, personnel manager for the company, participated with nine other employer representatives from companies as diverse as United Parcel Services with more than 200,000 employees worldwide, to B and B Enterprises of Lakewood, California, with a staff of six people.

The message sent by the employers was that recipients of aid programs are welcomed as entry level employees and the only barriers they suffer are the same ones facing all other applicants. While subsidies and tax credits may be a benefit to employers, they are not as important as getting good, quality applicants.

The governor also presented a special proclamation to Goldman and New England Pest Control in recognition of their support of the Pathways to Independence/Jobs program which is the Rhode Island initiative to return recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children to gainful employment.

Robert J. Fallon, director of the department of human services, said that New England Pest Control has been articulate about issues related to this program, and has been a vocal advocate for the employees hired.

"The company represents a good example of how both the employer and the employee can benefit significantly from this program," he noted. "It is also important to note that New England Pest Control trains and hires women for non-traditional, technical roles that will render them self-sufficient."

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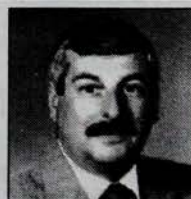
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LET'S BLOW! — Noah Marwil, Dov Neinand and Eitan Hirsh, under the scrutiny of their teacher, Robert Buzzerio, sound out at the Alperin Schechter Art and Music festival. *Herald photo by Alison Smith*

Illusions

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the American University in Beirut, reports about a new survey of 1,000 Muslims in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan, to determine their attitudes toward peace with Israel. Ninety-two percent answered that Arabs see peace as a respite before a future war for the total destruction of Israel.

In spite of the Rabin-Peres peace efforts and all the one-sided concessions, the Arabs' attitude toward Israel is that it is still a pariah state. Not a single Arab state has lifted its eco-

nomie boycott of Israel. Miss Lebanon was questioned for possible treason for posing at a beauty pageant with Miss Israel.

Arafat is sure he can get all the concessions, because he deals with the defeatist Israeli government. Arafat also believes Peres is secretly positioning himself to secure his status as the Israeli who receives the Nobel Peace Prize with him. As a result, Arafat believes, Peres will make all excuses, even for his "jihad" battle cry to the Muslim world to liberate Jerusalem.

Morris Gastfreund just returned from a four-month stay in Israel.

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Gaza said that he and his friends expected to return to their homes in Israel one day. I told him that my friends and I will not forfeit our homes in Jerusalem, and noted that nearly 1 million Jews were expelled from Arab countries in 1948.

"That's not my problem," he told me defiantly.

I realized how little I know about Jordanians when our Jordanian guide refuted the Pales-

tinians' right to an independent state.

"There can't be a separate Palestinian state," he told the Gazans. "The Palestinians will kill each other. What we need is some sort of alliance between Jordan and the Palestinians."

Amazingly, when it was time to go, we all smiled broadly. The Arabs extended their hands and said how much they had enjoyed the conversation.

I hope to continue my conversation with the Palestinians I met that day, perhaps next time in Gaza.

St. Thomas Synagogue

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followed by a December Sephardic service with the dress and food as it was 200 years ago.

Ginsburg will speak in January 1996, while the local theatre will offer cultural Jewish productions of "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Crossing Delancy Street." Perlman is slated for a February performance over President's Weekend. The congregation will host a Purim Masquerade Ball in March. April plans include a large interfaith seder, a Holocaust remembrance event and a special St. Thomas Carnival celebration.

Special hotel and travel packages will be available for individuals and groups interested in joining the Jewish community in this commemorative experience. For more information, contact the Bicentennial Hotline at 1-800-628-3943 or 314-532-5515, or call the St. Thomas Synagogue at 809-774-4312.

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Students Interact

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wood Manor, shared special holidays with them, and entered into an ongoing dialogue which culminated in an oral history project which was both successful and very moving.

One of the published poems was entitled "Spring."

Spring

I love spring
Because it's warm
And birds swarm
In the city.

Every spring I swim
In lakes, oceans, ponds and streams
And when I swim in them
The water gleams.

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Wolf Presents Shofar to Gore

Ambassador Milton A. Wolf, president of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, on the left, presents Vice President Al Gore with a shofar. Gore praised JDC for its humanitarian services throughout the world.

Photo by Bill Fitz-Patrick

A Program of Jewish Culture and History

The World Fellowship Center, in the White Mountains of Conway, N.H., is celebrating Jewish culture and history in a 10-day series of programs, featuring an international cast of authorities, from July 4 to 14.

Instruction in Yiddish language will be offered by Henny Lewin, University of Vermont. Playing Klezmer Music will be

Walk Through Jerusalem

"Walk Through Jerusalem" is an interactive exhibit for children in grades two through seven, at the Perkins Gallery, 445 Central St., Stoughton, Mass. The exhibit offers music, art, costumes and games designed to entertain and educate children about Jerusalem. It is a joint project of the Striar JCC and the Bureau of Jewish Education of Greater Boston.

The hours of the exhibit are Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Groups may visit by appointment. Call (617) 341-2016, ext. 276 for ticket information and more details.

Summer Band Concerts

Mayor Michael A. Traficante has announced the 1994 schedule of free summer band concerts performed by the Rhode Island Symphonic Band. These summer concerts, sponsored by the Providence Federation of Musicians and the city of Cranston are open to the public and free of charge. All concerts are from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The schedule is as follows:

June 27 at Fiskville Fire Station, July 11 at Hope Highlands Elementary School, July 25 at Doris Avenue Field, August 8 (V.J. day concert) at Knightsville Manor, and Aug. 22 at Meshanticut Lake.

Bring a folding chair. For more information call Laura or Kathy at 461-1000 (ext. 6215 or 6216).

instructed by Amy Rose of Klezmir ensemble. Guests should bring their own instruments.

The Trio — Children of Holocaust Survivors (Jalda Reblin, Hans Werner Apel and Stefan Maass) from Berlin, Germany, will play and sing Yiddish music.

Klezmir, a Klezmer music ensemble, will also perform.

Lectures and discussions will include: "The History and Culture of the Shtetl," "A History of the Search for Middle East Peace," "From Roumanian

Photography Contest

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The purpose of this project, sponsored by the Caring Institute and the Eastman Kodak Company, is to encourage Americans to honor, through photography, what it is we do when we serve, help, and care about each other.

Winning photographs will be exhibited and will appear in *Caring People* and in publications of the Caring Institute. Those images judged most imaginative and that best capture the essence of caring will

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Summer Seed Program

The New England Rabbinical College, in conjunction with Torah U'Mesorah, presents its Summer Seed program in Sharon, Mass.

On June 27 at 8 p.m. at Congregation Eitz Chaim, 14 Pond Street, Sharon, Rabbi Avi Shafran will ask, "Is it rational to believe Torah is from Sinai?"

On June 29 at 8:30 p.m., at Young Israel of Sharon, 9 Dunbar St., Sharon, Rabbi Avraham Antokol will discuss "Jewish Prayer: A communication of the heart."

On July 3 at 8:30 p.m. at Young Israel of Sharon, 9 Dunbar St., Sharon, Rabbi Dovid Moskowitz will ask "Why me? A different look at 'When bad things happen to good people.'"

On July 6 at 8 p.m., at Congregation Eitz Chaim, 14 Pond St., Sharon, Rabbi Eliezer Giber will talk about "Astronomy and the Bible."

On July 10 at 8 p.m., at Con-

gregation Eitz Chai, 14 Pond St., Sharon, Rabbi Naftoly Bier will talk on "Marriage: An encounter of the Spiritual and the Physical."

And on July 13 at 8:30 p.m. at Young Israel of Sharon, 9 Dunbar St., Sharon, Rabbi Yosef Lipson will discuss "Shabbos: Why do we rest?"

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