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'The Circle of Peace is Not Yet Closed...'

Excerpts from a speech by President Clinton to the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee Conference.

"I want to thank you for helping to make the partnership between the United States and Israel what it is today. I want to thank you for understanding by the enormous response you gave to the Prime Minister the incredibly pivotal role he has played in making that partnership what it is by having the courage to take the risks he has taken to make a lasting peace. Few individuals that I have ever met have risen to the challenge of history as he has.

"He could well have been content simply to be a member of the heroic generation that defended Israel at birth, and then to have risen to lead the Israeli military in preserving its strength against all odds. But instead, he has shepherded the Jewish state into a new era. And I am persuaded that no matter what happens in the days and weeks and months ahead, there will be no turning back, thanks in large measure to Prime Minister Rabin.

"He has sacrificed many things large and small to make this relationship work and to pursue the peace. He has, for example, endured the ban on smoking at the White House... When we first met... I said, if you will take risks for peace my

job is not to tell you what to do, how to do it or when to do it, it is to minimize those risks. This is what I have tried to do.

"...Anytime a leader takes on an issue this fraught with difficulty, this full of emotion, where every day and every way even the leader must sometimes have mixed feelings about the decisions that have to be made, that requires a level of fortitude and vision most people in any elected democracy cannot muster. You have to be willing to watch your poll ratings go up and down like a bouncing ball. You have to be willing to be misunderstood. You have to be willing to know that no matter what you do if it is all right, things beyond your control could still make it turn out all wrong. And if you do it anyway because you know that it is the only honorable course for the long-term interests of your people, that is true statesmanship. And that is what the Prime Minister has done....

"We've also based our policies from the beginning of our administration on a sober assessment of the challenges faced by these nations and a conviction that cooperation was in our best interests. We supported the forces of openness, democracy, and reform in Russia for one reason above all — it is good for the American people and good for the rest of the world.



APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE! Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and President Bill Clinton applaud each other, and each other's country, at the recent AIPAC conference.

"In the last two years that policy has made every American safer. It's helped Russia become a partner for trade, investment and cooperation, and to assume its rightful place among the nations of the world. We've got some concrete benefits to show for it. Some of you may not know this, but because of the agreement made last year between the United States and Russia, for the first time since the dawn of the nuclear age, there are no Russian missiles pointed at the citizens of the United States.

"We're destroying thousands
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Tensions on the Rise in Crown Heights

By Jon Kalish

The New York Jewish Week
NEW YORK (JTA) — Chanting "Whose streets? Our streets!" and carrying signs that said, "Hasidim: Keep Yo' Unholy Hands, Feet, Spit Off Black Kids," about 150 black demonstrators rallied outside the Lubavitch synagogue in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn on a recent Saturday afternoon.

Led by black activist the Rev. Al Sharpton, the protest came in the wake of recent assaults on an 11-year-old black girl and a 7-year-old black boy in the neighborhood.

Two Chasidim, Ella Skoblo and her 19-year-old son, Leib, were charged with harassment of the girl. A third Chasid, Joseph Mochkin, was charged with third-degree assault of the boy. No one was injured in either incident.

According to published reports, the incident with the Skoblos allegedly erupted when the black girl was walking with friends and bumped into a group of Chasidic boys. Racial slurs — and fists — began flying, the reports said.

In the other incident, Mochkin,
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Israel Festival Coming to JCCRI

There will be an Israel Festival of Rhode Island on May 21 at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence. Starting at noon, the festival will feature live entertainment, including a Jewish songfest with Laura Berkson, a performance by the Providence Hebrew Day School choir led by Rabbi Mordechai Fried, and a puppet show by the Providence AZA. There will also be Israeli dancing and crafts with product and information booths for Jewish organizations.

Participating food vendors include Zachary's Gourmet Ltd. and Jeff's Kosher Kitchen.

Special activities for children, craft projects and a children's art show in the JCC gallery, will take place.

Participating organizations include B'nai B'rith, Bureau of

Jewish Education, Camp JORI, Chabad House, Congregation Beth Shalom, Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island, Temple Shalom/Samuel Bazarisky Religious School, Tours — New England Action Sports, National Council of Jewish Women, Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association, Rhode Island Chapter of Hadassah, Temple Am David, Temple Habonim, Israel Aliyah office, Jewish Family Service, Jewish National Fund, Temple Sinai, Touro Fraternal Organization and the URI Hillel.

The Israel Festival of Rhode Island is funded by the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Anna and Peter Woolf Fund and the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island.

For more information, call Marvin Stark at 861-8800.



'...Bringing May Flowers'

The Providence Hebrew Day School PTF, under the direction of Deborah Hirschon, created a mini-flower show in the school courtyard Sunday morning, when they staged their plant sale.

Herald photo by Alison Smith

INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE

RWMC Hosts Free Arthritis Forum

The Arthritis Foundation estimates that nearly 40 million people of all ages are affected by arthritis.

In recognition of National Arthritis Month, Roger Williams Medical Center and the Rhode Island Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation will host a free forum on May 24, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the hospital's Kay Auditorium.

At the event, Edward Lally, M.D., director of the division of rheumatology at Roger Williams Medical Center, will moderate a panel presentation on "Positive Steps to Take Charge of Arthritis."

Topics for discussion include

"Exercise Recommendations," by Barbara Stavros, certified Patients with Arthritis Can Exercise instructor at RWMC; "Medication Options," by RWMC pharmacist Ted Gorham; "Managing Pain, Depression and Stress," by Ellie Collins, R.N., RWMC clinical nurse specialist in psychiatry; and "Joint Protection," by Donna Melnick, manager of rehabilitation services at RWMC.

Arthritis Foundation staff-person Rebecca Martinque will also speak about programs available through the RI chapter.

To register for this free program, call 456-2055.

Historical Society Holding Flea Market

The Cranston Historical Society will hold its annual flea market on May 20 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the grounds of the Sprague Mansion, 1351 Cranston Street.

Scores of vendors have signed up for the event and will be spread out over the expanse of the mansion's property. Those

attending will be able to buy their lunch and browse through the grounds and carriage house. The society's own baked goods table will be set up along with a popcorn machine and soda stand.

Herb and Sandra Zakrison are co-chairpersons of the event.

Parking is free, as is admission. For further information, call 944-9226.

Have Breakfast at the Sanctuary

There will be a May Breakfast on May 21 (servings at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.) at the Norman Bird Sanctuary, 583 Third Beach Road, Middletown.

A wide assortment of breakfast specialties will be served, and there will be exhibits and bird walks and classical music

Books and Bunnies

Karen Lambe of the Children's Museum of Rhode Island will bring 12 baby rabbits to a story hour at Books on the Square, 471 Angell St. (in Wayland Square), Providence (331-9097) on May 21 at 1 p.m.

The program is free and open to the public.

Call Diane Wellins Moul or Sarah Zacks (331-9097) for more details.

R.R. Cooper to Read from New Book

Rhode Island author Rand Richards Cooper will beat Books on the Square on May 21 at 2 p.m. to read from, and sign, his new collection of short stories, *Big as Life: Stories About Men*.

Books on the Square is located at 471 Angell St., Providence.

You Made It?

The Fabric Studio will offer four seminars that teach the artistic principles necessary to create a designer look and find the formula for proportion when you are choosing a pattern. These seminars will be offered at the Fabric Studio located at 1211 G.A.R. Highway, Rt. 6, in Swansea, Mass., on June 1, 2, and 3.

Breakfast will be \$8 for an adult, children 3 to 12 years will be \$4, children under 3 years of age are free. Tickets are available at the door.

Call 846-2577 for more information. The breakfast will benefit the sanctuary.



A Restaurant's Best Friend

AAA South Central New England President H. Thomas Rowles (right) presented the Sea Fare Inn's Four Diamond Award to (from left) Theodore and Anna Karousos, and Master Chef George Karousos.

Sea Fare Inn Presented AAA Four Diamond Award

For the third consecutive year, the Sea Fare Inn ranks among North America's finest restaurants as recipient of the prestigious AAA Four Diamond Award. The presentation of the Four Diamond Award was recently made to members of the Karousos family, owners of the Sea Fare Inn, by AAA South Central New England President H. Thomas Rowles.

To obtain the Four Diamond

designation, a restaurant or lodging must have a skilled and professional staff that consistently provides excellent service, a high level of hospitality and upscale facilities.

Last year, AAA TourBooks listed more than 9,000 restaurants, of which only five percent were Four Diamond. Of the more than 22,000 lodgings listed, only four percent were Four Diamond.

Pharmacist to Field Questions

The Comprehensive Adult Day Care Center is offering a free prescription evaluation clinic between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon on May 31.

The program, called the Brown Bag Prescription Evaluation Clinic is designed to allow interested citizens the opportunity to discuss their medications with a registered pharmacist. In addition, the pharmacist will check the participants' medications for possible drug interactions, inappropriate dosages, or confusion as to when the medi-

cation should be taken. Participants will be free to discuss with the pharmacist any questions concerning medications that he or she may have.

Anyone interested in taking advantage of this free public service project should call Comprehensive Adult Day Care at 351-2440 before May 24 to arrange an appointment.

On the day of the project, participants must bring all their medications in their original prescription containers for review by the pharmacist.

Scleroderma Group Plans Meeting

There will be a Scleroderma Support Group meeting on May 24 at 7 p.m. at Roger Williams Hospital, Chalkstone Ave., Providence, R.I., in the first floor,

day treatment room. Guest speaker will be Laura Wheeler, physical therapist.

For more information, call Gail at (508) 695-1058.

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Clinton

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of nuclear weapons at a faster rate than our treaties require. We have removed nuclear weapons from Kazakhstan, and Ukraine and Belarus soon will follow. We're cooperating with the Russians to prevent nuclear weapons and bomb-making materials from falling into the hands of terrorists and smugglers. We're working together to expand indefinitely a nuclear nonproliferation treaty. ...Almost 60 percent of the Russian economy is now in private hands, and the elements of a free society — elections, open debate, and a strong, independent media, whether the politicians like it or not — are beginning to take root.

"Compared with only a few years ago, when severe disagreements with Moscow paralyzed our relations and threatened nuclear confrontation, we live in safer, more hopeful times because of this extraordinary opening to new freedom in Russia.

"Of course, ultimately, the fate of this country, like every other, lies in the hands of its own people. And there is still struggle between the proponents of reform and the forces of reaction. Peaceful, democratic change is not inevitable and the forces of reform will suffer setbacks. But after all, that's no different from what happens in any democracy. The forces of hope and fear are not always in the proper balance.

"...We will have our differences with Russia, but even our differences today occur in a different context. The movement of the relationship is plainly toward increasing democracy and increasing security. The interests of our people are clearly best supported by supporting that transition in Russia to a more free and open society. When we have similar goals, we'll cooperate. When we disagree — as we do and we will — we must manage those differences openly, constructively, and resolutely....

"All of you know that Iran, a country with more than enough oil to meet its energy needs, wants to buy reactors and other nuclear technology from Russia. This fact, together with other evidence about Iran's nuclear program, supports only one conclusion — Iran is bent on building nuclear weapons.

"I believe Russia has a powerful interest in preventing a neighbor, especially one with Iran's track record, from possessing these weapons. Therefore, if this sale does go forward, Russian national security can only be weakened in the long-term. The specter of an Iran armed with weapons of mass destruction and the missiles to deliver them haunts not only Israel, but the entire Middle East, and ultimately, all the rest of us as well.

"The United States, and I believe all the Western nations, have an overriding interest in containing the threat posed by Iran. Today Iran is the principal sponsor of global terrorism, as the Prime Minister has said. It seeks to undermine the West and its values by supporting the murderous attacks of the Islamic Jihad, Hezbollah, and other ter-

rorist groups. It aims to destroy the Middle East peace process.

"You know the need for firm action here as well as I do. And I thank you for your long history of calling attention to Iran's campaign of terror. I thank you for urging a decisive response, and I thank you for supporting the action we have taken. We have worked to counter Iran's sponsorship of terrorism, its efforts to acquire nuclear weapons....

"...We value the support we have received from the Prime Minister and the state of Israel.

"...Now I want to go over some of the things that the Prime Minister has said because it is important that we be seen as one voice on these issues. ...Before I was elected to office I vowed to be an unshakable supporter of Israel. I have kept that commitment. We have maintained current levels of security and economic assistance. We've made clear to all that our commitment to the security and well-being of the Jewish state is absolutely unwavering, and will continue to be.

"In any agreement, in any agreement that Israel concludes with Syria it will have the means to defend itself by itself....

"Today Israel's military edge is greater than ever because the United States has kept its word. We approved the purchase of F-15s for the Israeli air force — because Israel should have the world's best long-range multiple-role fighter. We have continued the transfer of 200 fighter aircraft and attack helicopters that began after the Gulf War. We are committing over \$350 million, the major share of development costs, for the Arrow missile system — to assure that Israel never again is left defenseless in the face of a missile attack.

"We delivered the most advanced multiple-launch rocket system in the world to give Israel defense forces the fire power they need. And to help enhance Israel's high-tech capabilities, we approved the sale of supercomputers, and we allowed access for the first time to the American space launch vehicle markets.

"As you and AIPAC have argued for a decade, this is a two-way relationship that has real benefits for both our nations. Our strategic and intelligence cooperation is now deeper than ever. ...We are pre-positioning more military hardware in Israel. And the Pentagon has signed contracts worth more than \$3 billion to purchase high-quality military products from Israeli companies.

"The landmark events of the last two years were, in part, pos-

AAA Urges Bicyclists to Use Their Heads

Biking is fast becoming one of our favorite pastimes.

"An estimated 66.9 million bicyclists annually ride a total of 15 billion hours in the United States, according to a recent survey directed by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission," said Robert P. Murray of AAA.

"Biking provides cheap, environmentally sound transportation for many people," Murray continued, "not to mention its cardiovascular benefits. But there is a downside."

In 1992, almost 650,000 bicyclists were treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries. Of those hurt, 75,816 had head injuries. Yet head injuries are among the most preventable. Bicycle helmets can reduce head injuries by 85 percent. All it takes is a helmet that fits properly and complies with the standards of the Snell Foundation or the American National Standards Institute.

sible because the United States worked to ensure Israel's strength; because we helped to give Israel the confidence to make peace by minimizing those risks; because we built a relationship of trust; and because we made it clear that no one could drive a wedge between us.

"And, Mr. Prime Minister, as long as I'm here, no one will ever drive a wedge between us.

"But we have a new problem here at home to which others have alluded. Here in the United States and in positions of authority, there are those who claim to be friends of Israel and supporters of peace, and people who believe they are friends of Israel and supporters of peace, whose efforts would make Israel less safe and peace less likely. Under the cover of budget cutting, back-door isolationists on the left and the right want to cut the legs off of our leadership in the Middle East and around the world. They want to deny the United States the resources we need to support allies who take risks for peace.

"Legislation being prepared in Congress could reduce by as much as 25 percent our foreign policy spending, which is now just a little over one percent of the federal budget. ...We did not win the Cold War to walk away and blow the peace on foolish, pennywise, pound-foolish budgeting.

"Everybody is happy that we're helping Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan get rid of

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"Nowadays, helmets are economical, cool and comfortable, and they come in all sorts of attractive styles and colors," Murray added. "Unfortunately, only about 15 percent of bicyclists wear helmets all or most of the time."

Fourteen Tips for Safe Biking

1. Always wear an approved bicycle safety helmet.
2. Stop and check for traffic before you enter a street.
3. Avoid riding after dark or if the weather is bad. All cyclists are at risk during the hours of darkness.
4. Obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings.
5. Drive on the right-hand side of the street.
6. Be extra careful turning left. Vehicles approaching or following you don't expect you to go left and often don't see left-turning cyclists.
7. Slow down, when you approach intersections; stop, look and listen at stop signs. Walk your bike across busy intersections and streets.
8. Give cars and pedestrians the right-of-way.
9. Avoid broken pavement, litter, loose gravel, mud, or leaves or slow way down.
10. Help other drivers to see you. Wear light or brightly colored clothes. A "Day-Glow" flag on a 6-foot flexible staff on your bike warns motorists of your

presence.

11. On streets where cars are parked, watch for car doors opening into the roadway.

12. When riding with a group, form a single line, one bike length apart, on the right-hand side of the roadway.

13. Carry packages in a basket, carrier or back-pack.

14. Keep your bike in good repair. Check tire pressure weekly. Clean and lightly oil moving parts regularly.

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EDITORIAL

Do We Need Another White Elephant?

(Excerpts from an open letter addressed to the governor, and to members of the General Assembly and media)

"Dear Governor Almond:

"In your campaign for Governor you signed a pledge to 'pull the plug on public funding of the mall.'

"Operation Clean Government is not blind to the possibility that changing conditions can warrant a change in public policy. Accordingly, Operation Clean Government has taken the following position: Absent overwhelming and irrefutable evidence that using public funds to support the mall is clearly in the best interests of the great majority of Rhode Islanders, Operation Clean Government expects you to keep your pledge.

"We appreciate your efforts to negotiate a better deal and we recognize that your proposal is far better than the agreement you inherited: nonetheless, unless and until we see the evidence, we remain unconvinced that public funding of the mall is in the best interests of the people of this state.

"Operation Clean Govern-

ment has continued, deep reservations regarding any public subsidization of the proposed Providence Place Mall.

"First, public funding of a proposed private retail enterprise unfairly pits the subsidized retailer against the unsubsidized existing retailers. That is an inequitable public policy.

"Second, public subsidization of this project is bad public policy whether the mall is successful or not.

"If the mall is successful, this success may be built upon substantial harm to other retail establishments throughout the state. If other businesses close, a ripple effect could create an erosion in the property tax base of those adversely affected communities. The financial repercussions could be very serious for cities and towns already in deep financial trouble.

"Using public funds could create a transfer of wealth from cities and towns throughout the state to the city of Providence that, while not intended, could prove to be disastrous.

"If the mall fails, not only could the above results still oc-

Coalition Honored for Medical Van Program

The Rhode Island Department of Health Immunization Program has presented an award to the Health and Education Leadership for Providence Coalition for its "Healthy Kids Initiative."

The centerpiece of the initiative is a mobile medical unit, which provides immunizations, health screenings, and other basic health services to elementary school children in Provi-

dence in collaboration with the Traveler's Aid Society of Rhode Island. Coalition members include: Brown University, Johnson & Wales University, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence College, Roger Williams Medical Center, St. Joseph Hospital, The Miriam Hospital, Women & Infants Hospital, Butler Hospital and Rhode Island Hospital.

By Perseverance and Determination 'Lag B'Omer'

The 49 days between Passover and Shavuot (Festival of the Giving of the Torah) are connected with "The Counting of the Omer." The 33rd day of the Omer, called "Lag B'Omer," May 18, is celebrated as a joyous occasion, since it marks the cessation of the plague that had taken a heavy toll of the students at the Torah academy of the famed Rabbi Akiva.

Both the life story of Rabbi Akiva and the experiences of his pupils convey significant messages to us. The Talmud relates that Rabbi Akiva was faced with great hardships when he set out to begin a life of Torah study. He was already 40 years old, completely unlettered and

extremely poor. Once, he noticed how constantly dripping water had worn a hole into hard rock. He said to himself: "The rock is hard, the water soft, and the drops small. Yet, falling steadily, day after day, month after month, the water has made an indentation in the rock! By perseverance and firm determination surely my difficulties can likewise be overcome and I can yet become a scholar." Indeed, years later, Rabbi Akiva headed a Torah academy of 24,000 students!

This classic episode clearly demonstrates that it is never too late to return to Torah and Judaism, for there is nothing that can stand in the path of a man's firm resolution. If one will but perse-

vere, but there will also exist a "white elephant," single purpose building sitting on prime real estate.

Providence Mall is of sufficient potential to the state to justify the level of public subsidy needed to create such a mall.' To this end, your contracting with an independent consulting firm (HSG/Gould Associates) to perform a comprehensive economic impact statement was vital....

"To justify the mall this economic impact study should demonstrate that the proposed level of subsidy provides overwhelming benefits and this study should take into account the answers to these questions:

"1. How much of the annual \$6 million in sales tax revenue is new revenue and how much will be siphoned off from existing Rhode Island retail businesses?"

"2. How many Rhode Island retailers will go out of business, how many employees will lose jobs because of taxpayer subsidized competition and what is the financial impact on the adversely affected communities?..."

"Operation Clean Government respectfully submits that there is an entirely different way to look at this subsidy. What if Rhode Island devoted 46 million per year for 20 years to help existing Rhode Island busi-

nesses with expansion and to stimulate technology and new product development for new and existing companies? It might be possible to leverage \$6 million per year at minimal risk into \$20 to \$30 million per year of debt and equity for many, many different companies throughout the state. The result would be the creation of enormous economic growth and thousands of genuinely good paying jobs in our state. This course of action would appear to have far greater long-term economic benefits to all Rhode Islanders than a state subsidy of \$120 million to a retail mall in Providence.

"Operation Clean Government can only imagine the tremendous pressure you may be under from a variety of powerful groups urging you to proceed with Providence Place Mall. At the same time, there is significant likelihood that you were elected to be our governor due to the pre-election position you took on this project.

Operation Clean Government
Bruce Lang, ex officio chairman
Charles M. Silverman, acting chairman
Steven Richards, director at large

Conservative Rabbis Reject Discrimination

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen
 NEW YORK (JTA) — Rabbis in the Conservative movement have passed a resolution rejecting discrimination against their female colleagues.

The resolution, passed at the annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly, acknowledged discrimination against women in their congregational jobs, including less pay for the same work.

The resolution rejects "any attempts at gender discrimination" and instructs the movement's Joint Placement Commission "to provide equal access employment, to address the issue when raised by congregational members and to take appropriate action" when necessary.

The convention, held at the Concord Hotel at Lake Kiamesha, N.Y., included a special ceremony on the opening night of the gath-

ering to honor a decade of women's work as rabbis.

Female rabbis lit 10 candles, each to represent an aspect of their work. Their achievements were applauded by all 260 rabbis in the room, who gave them a standing ovation.

The ceremony ended with the recitation of the Shehecheyanu, the prayer of thanksgiving for having reached a special time.

"We seek the same respect, rights, privileges and an equal hearing for our male and female colleagues," said Rabbi Joel Meyers, executive vice president of the Rabbinical Assembly.

"We want to create one class of rabbis, not two."

This year's class of rabbis being ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary next week will include 11 women, bringing the total number of female Conservative rabbis to 71.

vere, he will eventually succeed and become both learned and observant of the Torah and its commandments. This is one of the lessons which Rabbi Akiva's life story teaches us.

The lesson from the personality and conduct of Rabbi Akiva's students is as follows:

Rabbi Akiva had two kinds of students. Some of them applied themselves to their studies diligently and also treated each other with mutual love and respect.



In this merit, they survived the plague and enjoyed great success in perpetuating Torah. Their teachings and their names continue to shine brightly in our lives to this day.

The other group of students, however, did not practice mutual love and respect. This proved their undoing and failure; their fate was sealed in the days of the plague before Lag B'Omer.

The lesson from the experience of Rabbi Akiva's students is best expressed in Rabbi Akiva's own words: "Ahavas Yisroel—love of our fellow Jews—is the great principle of the Torah."

Excerpts from a Lag B'Omer message delivered by the Lubavitcher Rebbe. Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer.

Jews Return

by Ruth E. Gruber

BERLIN (JTA) — Jews from around the world participated in ceremonies for the opening of a new Jewish museum and cultural center in Berlin's partially restored New Synagogue, memorial services, commemorative meetings, and the groundbreaking for a new museum about Gestapo terror.

"Unfortunately, when I read the news I get the feeling that people have hardly learned anything," Ignatz Bubis, chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, told a German television station.

Bubis told the gathering that the experience of history shows that people learn slowly and forget quickly.

"A museum here will help show future generations where terror can lead," he said.

"It was nice to be here and see that the Jewish people are finding a place here, but I myself would not live here," Lily Zucker of Miami said.

"I am one who cannot forgive or forget," she said.

Kurt Olden, who is from New York, was more positive.

"I think Germany has made great progress in democracy," he said.

"I can't feel at home here," said Berlin-born Max Flesch, who left Berlin in 1933 for Tel Aviv.

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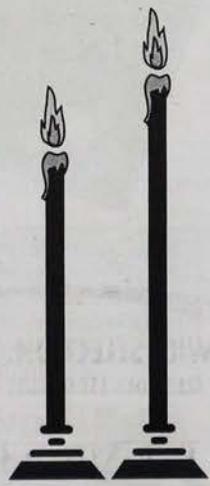
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FEATURE

"2354"

By Cindy Halpern

"2354 step forward!"

The boy knew that he was in trouble as he took two steps forward.

The charge was read. His crime against the Third Reich was that he dared to go to the bathroom "without permission." Never mind that there was no bathroom to use or that the boy hadn't realized that even the natural meadows were denied to him as a place to relieve himself.

But he offered no defense, for in the eyes of the Third Reich, there was no defense against being a Jew.

He withstood a brutal beating for he was young and stubborn. He refused to shed a tear but vowed not to labor for his taskmasters, the new Egyptians.

That night when he returned to the prisoners' bunk, beaten and exhausted, he confided his intentions to a man laying on the bed opposite his. The man, whose fate was to be sealed when his number was called a few days later, spoke to the boy like a father would speak to his son. "I will not survive, but you are young and you will survive to tell of our people's hardships. Do whatever they tell you to do to survive and tell."

The boy became a man by solemnly respecting the advice of his doomed elder.

The year was 1934, and the boy and his real father were reunited and released from the

camp. But much worse was to happen as the years rolled on and Nazi tanks penetrated Europe.

In 1943, while the family was in hiding in Berlin, his father had been betrayed to the Nazis and his mother, for better or for worse, joined her husband. They perished.

The boy was alone in the world that had tried to destroy him.

But just as Isaac survived the possibility of slaughter and later mourned the loss of his mother by taking a bride into his mother's tent, the boy, Heinz, fell in love.

The bond between him and his love was to survive Nazi genocide and Russian brutality.

Theirs was the first Jewish wedding conducted among the ruins of Berlin. It was a bitter-sweet reminder not only of the destroyed Temple of Jerusalem, but also of the foundation being put in place for the future.

Heinz Sandelowski kept his sacred vow to tell as he spoke before the audience of weeping students and teachers at Portsmouth High School.

This is his legacy in fulfilling a prophesy of our sages:

"I will people your settlements, and ruined places shall be rebuilt and desolate land after lying waste in the sight of every passerby shall again be tilled and men shall say that land once desolate became like the Garden of Eden."

Amen.

'To The Sea, To The Sea...'

By Sylvia Tippe

It was a beautiful spring-like day — warm, fresh, clean air, everyone walking with a lift in his or her step. A renewal was beginning to take place.

When the spring season starts, and is all too short, it brings back memories of long-ago summers spent at beaches.

I remember my first visit to Narragansett Beach — with my husband, Sam, and my two young sons. (I was a product of Coney Island in New York.) There were so few people lolling on the warm sands at the Rhode Island oceanside. I was overwhelmed at the empty spaces — you could see for miles it seemed, and so few bodies lapping up the sun.

My recollections of going to a beach with my mother and father and two younger brothers were so totally foreign from what greeted me at Narragansett.

In the late '30s and early '40s, if you lived in the Bronx, you trekked off to Coney Island, in Brooklyn (or as most natives called it — "Kunee" Island) on Saturdays or Sundays.

My mom got up at 6 a.m. Sunday morning, quickly shopped for enough food to fill two shopping bags, and at 9 a.m. we left for the hot, long two-hour trip to the beach by subway.

"Car?" you say. Are you for real? We knew no one who owned a car!

I don't think Mom or Pa really cared for swimming or sand, but they did it "for the children."

The awful thing about the early morning trip, with hundreds of other people like ourselves, was the lack of seats. In addition, at the time I was a non-subway rider, and was unaccustomed to the smells of the engine and the underground — so we had to get out at almost every station, so that I could throw up. (Forgive me.)

That didn't deter us. When we would finally arrive at the further outreaches of Brooklyn, we quickly walked about six or

life and memory of happiness of Europe's Jewish culture.

Mary Casale gave me a written statement of principles. "We are fostering personal involvement, engagement, and commitment to one's own learning. We need to understand the relationships and responsibilities we have to ourselves and our world."

"If we could really deal with the ironies and insights of Theresienstadt, your ideas would come true with the rebirth of 'Brundibar,'" Isaïd with handshakes and kisses. Sherye and Mary went up to Benefit Street, but we'll meet again.

eight blocks in the hot sun, to find a space for ourselves among the hordes of humanity already covering almost every foot of beach. The early-comers had staked out, with their blankets, areas as near to the water as possible. Late 11 a.m. arrivals had to settle far back, and then, when we removed our outer clothing and revealed swimwear, made a wild dash to throw themselves into the cool delicious waves of the Atlantic Ocean. The trick was to be able to be reunited with your parents. Back and forth we went — to touch base and also to get some food, which always tasted better at "Kunee" Island.

About 6 p.m., being surfeited with sea and sand — and agonizingly sunburned (oh — those terrible Mondays!), we then turned our sights to Surf Avenue, the famous sideshow carnival and Famous Nathan's hot dogs, where people lined up in clusters yelling their orders. Nothing ever lasted so good then or since.

At 9 p.m., we dragged back to the subway and sleepily endured our ride home.

My father's last words each Sunday night, as we tiredly got into our beds, were: "Never again — I'm never going to Coney Island again. Do you hear?"

Well, you know the end of this story — of course we went the next Sunday and the next, and after that... All too soon the short summer ended, and we all agreed that it had been pretty terrific.

For about five minutes tonight, I wish I could go back and spend a Sunday at "Kunee" Island and feel as happy as I did back then.

P.S. The *New York Times* always published a head count for Coney Island. Yesterday, (Sunday), it was approximately 2,000,000!

From G-d To The Youth of the World

by Leonard Chernack

When you have religion It's just a start. The real religion Comes from the heart. So, stay on the right side And you will see A beautiful future Yours will be. There will be some setbacks In the years ahead. Keep your chin up high Remember what I said. Let the religion in your heart Be your guiding light, Give your courage and strength So that you can fight For the good things in life That will be your reward. Because you believed in your heart With the help of the L-rd.

HERALD ADS GET RESULTS!

"Brundibar" Comes Back

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

"Our world continues to witness the tragedies of the abuse of power and the loss of child-like simplicity, spontaneity, passion and wisdom." Mary Casale, artistic director of a company called "Interarts," handed me her card and a worksheet about her project called "Brundibar."

"Brundibar," a children's opera in two acts with music by Hans Krasa and libretto by Adolf Hoffmeister, was performed in Theresienstadt to deceive the International Red Cross into the mad notion that this camp was a paradise for children.

Mary, a violinist and teacher, hopes to recreate "Brundibar" with the help of her collaborative vice president of Interarts, Sherye Weisz. Sherye manages an agency called SMARTS, a southeastern Massachusetts arts cooperative to bring educators and artists together "so that children can learn imaginatively."

We met in my office to talk about the planned production and its purposes. I asked these eager and energetic women where their love of beauty stems from. "My father, who survived Krystallnacht and a series of internment camps, played melancholy tunes on his violin. My mother, who came from Montreal, had literary tastes. I picked up respect for art in my childhood and I hand it down to my own youngsters." Mary added her own footnotes to Sherye's story. "In an Italian household there is a spirit of celebration and appreciation."

We talked about the mysteries of poetry and music, the way sadness and joy can mix, the fact that a masterpiece may grow in a place of tragedy.

Although "Brundibar" was written before the war, it took on its paradoxical meaning among the doomed. "The children radiated a joie de vivre that inspired audiences with a sense of hope and courage," notes Mary. She seeks funding from various organizations. Bob Jaffe of Vidi-O introduced her to Mark Ludwig, director of the Terezin Foundation, and both Sherye and Mary pursue other sources of support.

Terezin, the "model" camp for designers and for children, was an inferno of lies and betrayal. After showing off for German cameras, artists were destroyed or deported. Painters and illustrators buried their true accounts in harsh pictures within cans under the soil. Nevertheless, in lyrical realms truth and falsehood twist round each other. Although "Brundibar" conceals horror underneath its cheerful melodies and voices, it also bears witness to the love of

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS



TOGETHER, AT LAST! Yula Yegilskaya embraces her mother, Raisa, who had just arrived at the Ben-Gurion Airport.

Flights to Safety

Yula Yegilskaya, who is 14, and her mother, Raisa, were reunited in Israel at Ben-Gurion Airport after a two-and-a-half-year separation. Mrs. Yegilskaya and her daughter, come from Gomel, Belarus, the city which today boasts the highest rate of thyroid cancer — 200 times above normal — in all of Belarus and the Ukraine.

Raisa Yegilskaya arrived in Israel aboard the Chabad Children of Chernobyl's 16th evacuation flight that brought 28 more 6- to 12-year-old children to Israel, bringing the total number of children evacuated by Chabad to 1,167.

Fearful for her daughter's health as a result of the Chernobyl disaster, Yegilskaya sent Yula to Israel on Chabad's ninth flight two and a half years ago. "I wanted her away from the contamination and in the hands of people who care about her and could provide her medical care," said Yegilskaya. "Seeing Yula today, I know I made the right decision. Her cheeks are rosy, and she looks wonderful, far different than the pale, thin child I put on a plane two years ago."

In Israel, the children live, go to school, and receive medical care on specially created campuses in Kfar Chabad, located 15 miles southeast of Tel Aviv.

Within two or three years, the parents follow their children and to date nearly 800 children have reunited with their parents and are now living permanently in Israel.

"We want to get the children out while they still have a chance of avoiding Chernobyl's worst health threat," explained Yossie Raichik, director of the project.

This 16th flight is the fifth in a new series of monthly evacuations created in response to World Health Organization predictions that the worst outbreak of radiation-related diseases will escalate starting in another two years. "We want to get the children out while they still have a chance of avoiding Chernobyl's worst health threat," explained Yossie Raichik, director of the project.

E.U. Doesn't Want to Ban Iran

by Joseph Kopel
BRUSSELS — (JTA) The European Union does not want to follow the U.S. lead in imposing economic sanctions on Iran, according to a European Commission spokesman.

"The European Union wants to maintain a critical dialogue with Iran," the spokesman said, adding, "We aren't going to respond to this initiative."

President Clinton recently announced a new executive order banning all U.S. trade and investment with Iran. Washington also called for its international allies to take part in the ban.

The European Union lets its businessmen make "decisions on the basis of commercial considerations," the spokesman said. "It's in our interest to continue talking with a country that is a major power in the region."

Survey Finds Americans Know Little About Stroke

In a recent survey of the general public's perceptions about stroke less than half of the respondents could name one warning sign of stroke, which is the nation's third leading cause of death, and its leading cause of disability.

The survey was commissioned by the national American Heart Association.

May is Stroke Awareness Month, and the AHA is promoting the theme, "Stroke is a Brain Attack. Know the Warning Signs."

Some 43% of those surveyed did not know even one warning sign of stroke. According to the AHA, the warning signs associated with stroke are:

- Sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm or leg on one side of the body
- Sudden dimness or loss of vision, particularly in one eye
- Loss of speech or trouble talking or understanding speech
- Sudden severe headaches with no apparent cause
- Unexplained dizziness, unsteadiness or sudden falls, especially when combined with any previous symptoms

Seventy nine percent of people surveyed associate stroke effects with paralysis or weakening. However, other common effects of stroke are: neglect of the recovering side; trouble understanding speech; difficulty in talking or communicating; memory lapses, and problems performing tasks.

Only 29 percent of those surveyed would call "911" or go to an emergency room for unexplained dizziness and lost vision in one eye that last more than 15 minutes. The AHA recommends that anyone experiencing stroke warning signs get help as soon as possible to minimize brain injury.

"Heart attack and brain attack (or stroke) are diseases of the circulatory system caused by the blocking or rupturing of arteries," Suzanne Oparil, M.D. says. "If an artery leading to the heart is blocked, a heart attack occurs. If the same thing happens in an artery leading to the brain, a brain attack occurs and

brain cells begin to die within minutes. That is why immediate medical attention is crucial."

While certain stroke risk factors such as age, gender and family history are uncontrollable, there are a number of risk factors that are controllable, says Oparil.

"You can reduce your risk for stroke and heart attack if you maintain proper blood pressure, quit smoking, exercise, cut your fat intake and watch your weight," says James T. Robertson, M.D., chairman of the American Heart Association Stroke Council.

Our Missiles Are Missing

by Naomi Segal

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israeli officials are investigating the theft of seven anti-tank missiles from an army base in the Jordan Valley. Soldiers found a break in the fence surrounding the base.

It remains unclear whether the theft was carried out by Palestinians or Israelis.

Sources in the military said such thefts are a recurring problem.

In the past two years, there have been eight incidents in which weapons were stolen from Israeli army bases.

"The theft of weapons from IDF bases is a grave matter," the *Ha'aretz* daily quoted an army source as saying.

Congress Asked to OK Weapons Sale

by Matthew Dork

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Department of Defense has asked Congress to approve a \$416 million sale of weapons to Israel.

Israel hopes to buy 42 multiple-launch rocket systems and about 2,640 Tow II anti-tank missiles. Although Congress has 20 days to pass legislation to block the sale, no opposition is expected.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Philadelphia Force to Train Palestinians

by Steve Feldman

The Jewish Exponent

PHILADELPHIA (JTA) — Seven men from a Palestinian police force will be visiting Philadelphia to receive training.

The Palestinian police officers, who are assigned by the Palestinian Authority to patrol the West Bank town of Jericho, are spending 12 weeks here to receive training in police work such as community policing, administration, surveillance and communications.

Most of the seven, at one time or another, were imprisoned by Israel for a variety of offenses.

Israel Consul General Eviatar Manor said, "We hope that they will learn efficient and modern law enforcement methods from the Philadelphia police force, and that they will bring home both democratic principles and values.

"It is a generous offer of the Philadelphia Police Department to train these men," Manor added.

For their part, the Palestinian police officers are excited about the training program.

It is hoped that studying how Philadelphia police do their job will give the visitors a new approach to relations between the police and the community.

The question for some is whether the Palestinian police officers can make the transition from outlaws to law enforcers.

"That can always be a problem where people who were the iconoclasts are now the power," said Rabbi David Wortman, ex-

ecutive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia.

Sameh Kanaan, one of the Palestinian police officers, said he foresees no such problem. "What we learn here is democracy," Kanaan, 40, said. "In the end, we will ring our own bell."

Kanaan, who is from Nablus, said it is common in new countries to have persons who "were rebels become presidents and chairmen."

Kanaan said he would have no trouble apprehending and arresting individuals who are fighting the same fight that he once fought, including those engaged in terrorism.

"I am under the orders of my leadership," he said.

Not everyone in the Jewish community is happy about the local training of Palestinian police officers.

"The behavior of the PLO police clearly contravenes the peace accords," Morton Klein, national president of the Zionist Organization of America, said. "I doubt that many Philadelphians want their tax dollars being used to train members of a PLO force that is responsible for such behavior."

James Golden, executive officer to Philadelphia Police Commissioner Richard Neal, and who is overseeing the training program, said no expenditure of tax dollars is involved. The Palestinians, he said, are merely accompanying Philadelphia police as the local officers go about their normal duties.

Golden said the feedback from Philadelphia police officers who are working with the Palestinians "has all been very positive," and the department views this as an opportunity to "showcase" itself.

He said the Philadelphia Police Department often trains or works with police from other American cities or other nations.

Last April, Golden said, a policeman from the African National Congress received training here before South Africa had its first all-race elections.

Israel Applauds Nuclear NPT Decision

by Mitchell Danow

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —

Israeli officials have applauded a recent decision by a conference of U.N. signatories to extend indefinitely the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Israeli representatives were especially pleased that the resolutions adopted by the conference did not single out Israel for refusing to sign the NPT, despite months of intense pressure by Arab countries to do so.

Israel is widely believed to have developed an arsenal of hundreds of nuclear weapons, but its formal position is that it will not be the first to introduce nuclear weapons into the Middle East.

Along with Israel, India and Pakistan have also refused to sign the NPT and are believed to possess a nuclear capability.

Arab nations settled for a general statement about a nuclear-free Middle East.

Five Torah Scrolls Stolen

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — Five Torah scrolls were stolen from a St. Petersburg synagogue in Russia recently, including one the congregation had obtained just last year.

Two thieves broke a window at the St. Petersburg Synagogue, broke the lock on the ark and fled with the holy scrolls, according to David Pollock, administrator of the Universal Torah Registry.

The method of the theft has led investigators to believe that the thieves knew exactly what they were after. They stole nothing else and committed no vandalism.

Russian police are zeroing in on a suspect, Pollock said.

The Universal Torah Registry, based in New York City, has offered a \$1,000 reward for the St. Petersburg scrolls' safe return, though those Torahs were not registered with the organization, Pollock said.

The registry has also alerted U.S. customs officials and Israeli police in an effort to close off the two most likely ports of entry through which the thieves would try and sell the Torahs, Pollock said.

Since the group's founding in 1982, thefts of Torahs have dropped from about 200 each year in the United States to virtually nil.

Each registered Torah scroll is marked with a pattern of eight tiny holes made with a super-fine needle. The placement of the perforations tells the registry the identity of the owner of the Torah.

Traditional Jews Sought

By Deobrah Nussbaum Cohen

TEANECK, N.J., (JTA) — In an age when non-Orthodox Jews are often described as becoming more liberal and the Orthodox as becoming more stringent, the Union of Traditional Judaism is ready to tap into what one member called "the great unserved market of traditional Jews."

A "silent majority" of fully observant, philosophically flexible Jews pray at as many as 100 synagogues that remain unaffiliated with any of the major denominations in Jewish life, according to Rabbi Ronald Price, executive director of the UTJ.

Those who describe themselves as traditional Jews generally belong to synagogues that have either mixed seating or a mechitzah separating the genders, but do not allow women to be called to the Torah.

They do not believe that Jewish law permits women to be counted as part of a prayer quorum, or minyan. They have no interest in tampering with G-d language to make it gender-inclusive or to include the matriarchs with the patriarchs at various points in the liturgy, and they generally pray from the Birnbaum siddur or a similarly traditional prayerbook.

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Debating the Existence of G-d

by Neil Nachbar
Herald Associate Editor

The existence of G-d seems, at least on the surface, cut and dried. Either you believe in G-d or you don't.

However, in *A Question of Faith*, Rabbi William E. Kaufman and Morton Shor, an atheist, offer a provocative debate on the existence of G-d.

As stated in the introduction, the purpose of the book is "to pre-sent the issue of G-d's nature and existence in a dispassionately intellectual manner." Considering how passionate most people get about the subject, the tone of their argument is very unique.

The book takes the form of a correspondence between two friends, whose mutual respect is evident. The two gentlemen make a series of thoughtful points and counterpoints throughout the book.

Kaufman, a rabbi at Temple Beth-El in Fall River, draws upon his extensive background in philosophy to make his points. For example, he refers to process theology, which is based on the philosophies of Alfred North Whitehead and

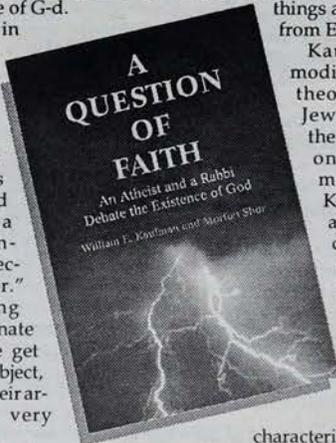
Charles Hartshorne.

According to process theology, G-d works by persuasive rather than coercive power. It also says that G-d is limited by what happens in the universe. Therefore, G-d could not have prevented the Holocaust. By the same token, however, G-d could not be credited with such things as the exodus from Egypt.

Kaufman then modifies process theology to a Jewish process theology based on Lurianic mysticism or Kabbalah. This attempt to describe G-d is quickly rejected by Shor who responded, "How do you know all of these wonderful characteristics of G-d?"

The two gentlemen draw upon a series of texts and famous figures to illustrate their positions. But the essence of their argument is this: Kaufman feels that the universe is so complex, "a higher power" had to be responsible. Shor recognizes that humans need to believe in a G-d to give them hope and comfort, but maintains that G-d is only an idea.

A Question of Faith was published in 1994 by Jason Aronson Inc. For further information, call Kaufman at (508) 674-3529.



Federations in 2005

What will the federation look like in the year 2005? Given that we are in a time of great change, how should federations reposition themselves in the marketplace now and into the next century? These and other issues of concern were raised by 16 executive directors of large intermediate city federations who recently attended the 1995 Council of Jewish Federations Large Intermediate City Executives Institute in Sarasota, Fla. Steve Rakitt of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island was one of the directors present.

"We recognize that the system is constantly changing to address the growing needs within our local Jewish communities and that we as professionals can serve as a critical link in repositioning the federations to meet those needs," said Harold Morgan of Phoenix, who served as program chairman. "Our objectives for this year's institute," he added, "were to recall and examine the reasons and challenges that originally attracted us to the Jewish communal service field, address the present and explore the future in terms of what the model federation will look like 10 years from now."

Steve Rakitt of Rhode Island reviewed his federation's campaign opening and volunteer training techniques

In his opening keynote address, Gene Greenzweig, executive director of the Central Agency for Jewish Education in Miami, provided an historical overview of different segments of change that have impacted the Jewish people. "By looking at different texts and learning from past experiences, it is clear that there is a need for a different mindset. We need to stop talking about our federations as a business and instead, adopt a language of Judaism and values so that we can become an instrument of change and education in our communities," he said.

A highlight of the institute was the annual Ideas Exchange during which four communities had an opportunity to share their innovative and creative programs. Ken Bierman of Fort Lauderdale shared plans for the creation of a community fund for youth — a second line campaign for Jewish Continuity — and the federation's recent Super Sunday event, held at the largest mall in the Southeast; Steve Rakitt of Rhode Island reviewed his federation's campaign opening and volunteer training techniques; and Gary Rubin of South Broward discussed the addition of a community grants writer to seek funding for community agencies, "Jewish Life," a monthly supplement to the *Miami Herald* highlighting Jewish life in South Broward, and the Golden Givers Mission.



Sentimental Journey

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter

"When my lucky star begins to shine," croons Arnie Greene standing just beside Al Simms on the mini-stage of La France on Hope Street. Behind the duo hangs a pale tapestry, around them an ornate fleur-de-lis wallpaper, before them the slim aisle of the Parisian cafe at the border of Providence and Pawtucket. It is alone at the tiny copper bar, while a waiter moves about among the silent tables empty late on a week-night. This is absolutely a secret treasure in town—the wee combo of tunes and lyrics haunting this intricate, intimate space.

Just round the corner in a basement gallery on—get this—Paris Street in Pawtucket, Nicole Saul Kogut, elegant French hostess in a simple black dress, opened a group show on the first May weekend. Dan Rosenthal shows some floral images on ceramic among glass by Daniel Read, oils by Elizabeth Congdon, and watercolors by Sally Caswell. "There is so much fine art in Rhode Island," says Nicole, "but it's a private realm, unknown to most people. I'm a linguist, an interpreter, but I serve as art consultant to fill a need."

I stood straight while World War II vets sang "God Bless America" among the vast, spar-

kling spaces of Rhodes on the Pawtucket. The American Red Cross set up a USO style carteen called "Sentimental Journey." Wearing my late uncle's good conduct medal on a khaki military jacket, I toured the exhibits, posters, and jitterbug performances, feeling alone among my thoughts, even while dancing with the hostesses to the old sweet songs. Lori Kershner, director of communications, a former editor of the *Herald*, took me round among

the Rosies in their turbans and trousers, the dancers in their shoulder pads and snoods, the old soldiers proud among the younger flagbearers. When the band took a break, an antique record player squeaked out melodies from the decca albums, one song at a time.

You had to have been alive 50 years ago to get the charge, the impact, the power. Yet the message blares out its mission loud and clear like a trumpet blast. The women have muscles and jaunty figures, and the men take part in an international struggle for the victory of freedom and kindness over cruelty and tyranny. Is this 50th anniversary a swan's song, or only the start of our heritage?

Bureau of Jewish Education to Hold Annual Meeting

The Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island will hold its annual meeting on May 25, 7 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center in Providence.

The meeting will include the election and installation of the 1995-96 officers and board of the BJE. A group of educators will receive awards for creative teaching. Fellowships enabling educators to continue their professional training as well as special conference grants will be announced. In addition, a group of students will be honored for

their academic and community achievements. Finally, those high school and college students who will be participating in study and travel programs in Israel will be recognized.

A special part of this year's program will be the honoring of Rhode Island Jewish educators who have served for 25 years or more.

The community is invited to participate in the meeting. For further information, contact the BJE, 331-0956.



A Touching Moment

Members of the Russian community marched into the Jewish Community Center's social hall, led by these women who carried yellow candles. The moving event on May 9 was to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II and to honor those who were killed.

Herald photo by Neil Nachbar



Let's Remember Herald photo by Mike Fink

Fall River Jewish Home Celebrates Its 70th Birthday

The Fall River Jewish Home is celebrating its 70th birthday on May 21 from 2 to 4 p.m.

To celebrate this occasion and show off the newly refurbished and redecorated facility which provides a warm, comfortable kosher home environment for all residents, the board of directors are planning a special party, open to the public, at no charge.

This landmark healthcare facility services primarily, but not exclusively, the Massachusetts and Rhode Island areas. The board extends a warm welcome for all interested people to come and be one of the chosen and celebrate. Music, canapes, birthday cake as well as guided tours

will mark the occasion. Invited guests include leaders in the communities.

For directions and further information, call (508) 679-6172. The Fall River Jewish Home is located at 538 Robeson St., Fall River.

Announce your wedding, bar or bat mitzvah, anniversary or a child's birth in the *Rhode Island Jewish Herald*. The community is interested in what happens to you!

Black and white photos are welcome. Send submissions to: RI Jewish Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, RI 02940

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Marion Goldsmith Honored for Service

The Rhode Island Section of the National Council of Jewish Women was recently recognized for its community service projects at the Leadership in Volunteerism Celebrations sponsored by the R.I. Commission for National and Community Service and the National Volunteer Week Associates.

Marion J. Goldsmith, past president of the R.I. Section of NCJW was honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award in recognition of her "devotion, commitment, and unselfish service to NCJW."

National Council of Jewish Women, the oldest Jewish women's volunteer organization in America, has, for more than 100 years, defined unmet human needs in the community, and developed programs to meet those needs. Nationally, an army of 100,000 members serve as volunteers in a broad range of community service projects befitting parents, children, the elderly, and Israel.

The following tribute was paid to Goldsmith by Carol Brooklyn, president of the R.I. Section.

"Through her inspired leadership, the R.I. section took on three outstanding projects. They were Family Day Care Celebration September 1992 at the State-

house in Providence where we honored day care providers for the work they do with children on a daily basis; our national Day of the Working Parent focusing attention on the need to provide resources to help all Americans who balance work responsibilities with the demands of caring for families, and a daylong symposium addressing the workplace problems of working parents, held in September, 1993; and the Family Care Fair to assist the non-English speaking population with information on services available at hospitals, banks and agencies, June 1994.

"To accomplish these projects, Marion organized a consortium of business, public and private groups which raised funds to carry out these important programs. These were daunting tasks, but not to Marion. Many NCJW volunteers participated. Government leasers were involved. It was an intense learning experience for all.

"For all of these activities and more, R.I. section, national Council of Jewish Women is very proud to present this special award of honor for volunteer service to Marion J. Goldsmith in recognition of her commitment and unselfish service."

NCJW to Hold Installation

The National Council of Jewish Women in Rhode Island will hold its annual meeting on May 24 at Temple Emanu-El.

Dessert will be served at 12:30 p.m., and the meeting will start at 1:15 p.m.

A slate of officers will be presented. Counter nominations may be made from the floor.

Election of officers will follow, and officers will be installed by Irma Gross, past president of the group.

The NCJW offices are at 14 Lafayette St. in Pawtucket.

Brown Bag Club to Tour Cooperative Care Center

The Brown Bag Club of the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, will take a tour of the new Cooperative Care Center, located next to Hasbro Children's Hospital, in Providence. The group will also receive lunch and validation of parking. Members should meet at 11 a.m. in the lobby of the Cooperative Care Center. Call Evy Rappoport at 861-8800 to reserve space for this event. There will be no Yiddish Vinkel this day.

Temple Shalom Spring Fair Promises a Good Time

Spring hosts many a boisterous event, not the least of which will be the Temple Shalom Spring Fair, June 11, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Highlights of the fair include an appearance by LeRoy White, (1 p.m.) minstrel extraordinaire, whose performance combines theater, foot-stomping music, song, poetry, congas, and more. Kids and adults alike thrill to

LeRoy's originality and presence.

Earlier in the day (11 a.m.), the fair will host an equally effervescent performance by the Off The Curb dance troupe. Off the Curb is fast gaining an impressive reputation as a talented ensemble of young (13- to 17-year-old) dancers who express their positive message of united youth through innovative street dance.

Congregation Ohave Sholam To Hold Pre-Shavuot Party

On May 21, Congregation Ohave Sholam/Young Israel of Pawtucket will hold a gardening and crafts party for children and adults of all ages from 10 a.m. to noon.

Bring your gardening tools and help beautify the synagogue grounds in time for Shavuot. A special children's garden will be planted by the children.

If you would like to adopt a perennial plant, send contributions to: Congregation Ohave Sholam, c/o Linda Kessler, 9 Blodgett Ave., Pawtucket, RI 02860.

Hadassah Plans A Summer Treat

Hadassah is offering a deluxe spa experience at Canyon Ranch in the Berkshires, Aug. 27 to 31. The resort is located in Lenox, Mass.

The five-day package includes round-trip transfers from nearby airports; accommodations; three spa meals daily; personal treatments; health and healing services; use of spa and resort facilities; outdoor sports; and entertainment, tax and gratuities. Price per person, based on double occupancy is \$1,541. There is a \$25 supplement for non-Hadassah members.

For information and reservations contact Hadassah Travel at 50 West 58th St., New York, NY 10019; (212) 303-8128 or (212) 303-8031.

The Temple Shalom fair will not lack for traditional fare: games, children's events, crafts booths galore, a plant sale, a jewelry bazaar, a sweets and bake shoppe, an hourly raffle, a Chinese auction, popcorn, candy and frivolity.

Call 846-9002 for further information.

Goldsteins Return From Indiana University

For three weeks during this past April, Sidney and Alice Goldstein of Providence were Visiting Fellows at the Institute for Advanced Study at Indiana University, Bloomington. The institute brings distinguished scholars, scientists, and artists to campus to foster programs that cut across disciplinary and cultural boundaries.



Passing the Torch

On May 9, the Providence Hebrew Free Loan installed their new officers. Herbert Meister (left), past president, swore in his nephew, Jay A. Rosenfield (right), as the new president. Ken Resnick, who just completed his term as president, looks on. Rosenfield later presented a plaque to Resnick for his service.

Herald photo by Neil Nachbar

Orot Shabbatone Scheduled for Touro

The Orot organization, a dynamic young group mainly from the metropolitan New York area is sponsoring a Shabbatone in Newport at Touro Synagogue.

The group will spend the weekend of June 16 to 18 in Newport and will participate in the synagogue services. They will serve glatt kosher meals for registrants in the Touro social hall, and will conduct several lecture/discussion groups.

Among the guest speakers will be Rabbi Benyamin Elon, a noted Jerusalem scholar and American rabbi, Matis Greenblatt, Joshua Hoffman, and Bezalel Naor, who is also the Orot director. Touro's spiritual leader, Rabbi Dr. Chaim Shapiro, will also actively participate.

Musical artists Yossi Sonnenblick, Shmuel Burstein and Chaim Chait, will present a



Rabbi Bezalel Naor

post-Shabbat Kumsitz concert. For registration and other information, contact the Touro Synagogue office at 847-4794.

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SINGLES & THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Jewish Community Starting to Consider Needs of Neglected Singles Population

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen
NEW YORK (JTA) — Long neglected and underserved, Jewish singles are slowly beginning to garner the attention of the organized Jewish community.

There are more than half a million single Jews in the United States ages 18 to 40, according to the 1990 national Jewish population study.

As the organized Jewish world continues its focus on promoting continuity, it has begun to realize that the decisions these singles make about marriage partners and involvement in the Jewish community will, in large measure, shape the future of American Jewish life.

Yet singles say that the only time they hear from the organized Jewish community is when they are being solicited for a contribution, and that it is clear that their needs are not considered much of a priority.

But Jewish communal organizations are now beginning to consider how to better service this population.

"With our renewed commitment to college youth, and to an ongoing connection with young adults, it's in the interests of the community to devote more effort to relating to this population," said Joan Strauss, associate director for community planning at the Council of Jewish Federations.

And two new reports take a look at the Jewish communal services available to singles and make recommendations for improving what some concede is a dismal lack of attention to this population.

In cities like New York and San Francisco, there is a wealth of

Jewish activity available, much of it not specifically targeting singles. But in the vast stretch of America that lies in between, especially in small and mid-sized cities, there are few places for unmarried Jews to meet.

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"We haven't yet as a community put a lot of energy into what we're doing with the young singles population," said one senior federation official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

It is a sizable population — estimated to number 536,000 — with idiosyncratic and sometimes contradictory needs, which makes it difficult to serve.

"In general the federations have had difficulty seeing this group — they're not big givers for the most part and they're not clients," said the senior federation executive.

In the increasingly long span between the college campus and married life, Jewish singles have been found in one study to be somewhat quixotic in their expectations.

They want more opportunities to meet other singles, for instance, but are wary of activities labeled as "singles events."

The few communities that have devoted serious attention and money to addressing the needs of singles have found that the most successful way to frame the effort is to market the activi-

ties to all young Jewish adults, married or unmarried.

One of the new reports was prepared by CJF, under Strauss' direction. Called "Selected Services to Jewish Singles," it is an overview of how various federations serve the population.

Singles who were interviewed listed as obstacles to involvement high synagogue and Jewish community center fees, a lack of programs, insufficient federation leadership opportunities and a generally negative attitude of the mainstream Jewish community towards singles.

Denver's federation, cited as an example, has a singles coordinating group called L'Chaim. Its "limitations are its lack of greater support from the Jewish community, which often does not see the need to service this group as a priority," according to the CJF report.

The other new report, "Promoting Jewish Intramarriage Through Increased Social Interaction," is an in-depth look at the situation in Cleveland, home to the Immerman Family Foundation, which commissioned the research.

Cleveland demographer Ann Schorr, a consultant to the project, found that the city has about 6,600 Jewish young single people ages 20 to 40, half of whom are under 30, and that they have high levels of Jewish identification.

Yet in interviews, Cleveland's young Jewish singles indicated a significant willingness to date and marry non-Jews.

More than half of Cleveland's Jewish singles, 55 percent, will date non-Jews, although they prefer to date Jews, the survey found.

Nearly half of Jewish singles, 47 percent, said they were willing to marry a non-Jew, though they prefer a Jewish spouse. More than a third said they will marry only a Jew. Seventeen percent said they did not care about the religion of the person they marry.

The research revealed a number of paradoxes the report terms "vicious circles":

- Cleveland's Jewish singles think highly of the city's organized Jewish structures but are very critical of them for ignoring their unique needs and not involving them in the decision-making processes.

Unmarried Jews are more enthusiastic about events that tie into their interests... (rather) than any specially designed for singles.

- They want more opportunities to meet people but are leery of programs obviously designed to help them meet people.

- They prefer to meet and marry other Jews but do not want to work too hard at it.

- They express pride in their Jewishness but are anxious about appearing "too Jewish" or "religious."

- They want sophisticated programs and sources of information but are sensitive to price.

The solution, according to Edward Kagen, co-author of the report and director of the JCCA's research center, is for Jewish organizations to get out of the "singles business" and target programs to all young adults.

The research of the JCCA and others has revealed additional truths which thread their way through all efforts to reach young adults, especially singles.

Unmarried Jews are more enthusiastic about events that tie into their interests — like skiing, theater, sailing and investing — than any specially designed for singles.

The events should be positioned to overcome any skepticism that they are only a ruse to bring lonely singles together, ac-

ording to the Immerman report.

Efforts to reach young adults through a community's agencies and synagogues should be coordinated by an independent entity whose sole business is servicing this population, according to the Immerman report.

Other recommendations include developing programs with the central theme of professional networking and career development and programs to allow easy access and minimal commitment.

The report also suggests putting together a "package membership" which would, for one fee and a finite length of time, allow a single Jew to belong to one or more synagogues, the Jewish community center and other Jewish community groups.

Montreal Sets An Example

Montreal is one city that has successfully recast its efforts to attract and retain young Jewish adults.

ProMontreal, as the effort is named, was begun in 1991 with a \$1 million commitment by the Montreal federation for a three or four-year launch of initiatives to keep young Jewish Montrealers in the city.

That community has faced particular pressure to keep its young people because the separatist movement in Quebec has led many Jews to leave for Toronto and other cities.

ProMontreal programs include a free, professional placement agency for young graduates. In the past year it has placed more than 550 graduates in jobs.

ProMontreal also has a social interaction committee, a consortium of 14 young adult leadership groups which have sponsored popular social events attracting as many as 1,700 Jews, mostly singles, ages 18 to 34.

A trendy monthly magazine, *In Montreal*, targets young Jewish adults and includes a calendar of events, who is back in town, what jobs are available and how readers can play a part in the community.

The effort has been extremely successful, said Penni Kolb, director of community development for the Montreal federation. "Young people are not only staying, but many that left are returning," she said.

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One Milwaukee Woman Finds Way to Help Singles

by Debra Nussbaum Cohen

NEW YORK (JTA) — Dianne Spector is tired of meeting friends in the supermarket and lamenting the fact that their children are not meeting other young Jewish singles.

Her 23-year-old daughter, like many of her friends' children, moved back to Milwaukee after graduating from college.

Milwaukee's Jewish community has few events to offer its singles. And because the city of 1 million souls has a Jewish population of only about 25,000, there is little chance that Jewish singles will meet other unmarried Jews at work or at bars, said Spector.

Then Spector saw in her local newspaper a federation "wish list" of programs it was trying to fund, including \$30,000 for interfaith programming and just one-third as much devoted to singles.

She also saw a Jewish community center program with activities scheduled for every conceivable population, including intermarrieds, but none for young single adults.

So she decided to do something about it.

Spector, 50, is not a power player in Milwaukee's Jewish establishment. She is not a federation bigwig, or does she have the financial resources to underwrite an effort on her own.

But she did have an idea — to organize activities where Jewish singles could meet and to create a system to let them know what was available to

them in Milwaukee.

With only her idea in hand, Spector asked everyone she knew for ideas, found out about what some other mid-size Jewish communities are doing for singles, and then approached her Jewish federation for some help.

"All federations have money. We have to get them to recognize singles as a top priority in every community."

Dianne Spector

She was shunted from staffer to staffer, and finally rebuffed and told "just because you have an idea, what makes you think you could make it happen?" she said.

Undaunted, she moved forward on her own.

With a handful of friends, she arranged a Yom Kippur break-the-fast for singles. Their only publicity was announcements from four synagogue pulpits on the High Holy Days and a one-time ad in the local Jewish paper.

The response was more enthusiastic than Spector had imagined it could be.

One hundred fifty men and women in their late 20s and 30s came to the pot-luck buffet. The woman who hosted the event in her apartment

building's party room even met someone promising.

Since then, under the auspices of the Milwaukee Jewish Link, as it is now called, Spector has arranged two book clubs — one for singles under 40, one for singles over 40 — which meet in a local bookstore/cafe.

Weekly volleyball games will soon begin at the Jewish Community Center.

Spector, a native of the city, describes herself as a "street-corner psychologist" and, from listening to what her daughter's friends say, has come to some conclusions about Jewish singles.

They don't want to hear directly from a federation, she said. "There's the perception that if their names get into the hands of federation they'll be hit on for money."

She has also found that there is little continuity when singles coordinate their own programming, and even when a Jewish community center or federation hires a part-time worker to coordinate efforts.

There is a lot of turnover among the part-time coordinators, who are most often young single women who get married and leave the position. When singles coordinate their own programming, Spector said, they lose interest when they marry.

Even while unmarried, they have unique stresses in their lives as they get settled in careers and as some deal with being single parents. As a result,

they have little time to organize singles activities, she said.

Instead, Spector's vision is to have Jewish singles telling coordinators what kind of activities they will come to and to have settled people organizing things.

"If we can get non-single rooted people working with rooted agencies and synagogues, getting direction from singles, I know we can be a major help to them," she said.

Spector said that her goal is to get young people to want to stay in Milwaukee because they feel they have a future there, not necessarily to make marriages.

"If that happens, wonderful, but the way I'm trying to market this is that the future of the Milwaukee Jewish community depends on our creating opportunities for people to meet," she said.

The Milwaukee Jewish Federation, after much lobbying on Spector's part, has contributed only \$5,000 to her efforts so far.

"Federations generally cannot turn on a dime and respond to requests," said Rick Meyer, executive vice president of the

federation. "There are a lot of constituencies out there, and each one has a justifiable and legitimate point of view about what the priorities should be.

"We're still not sure where singles fit in with (our priorities vis a vis) intermarrieds, the elderly, etc. That will be determined through planning task forces," he said.

According to Spector, though, seed money for her singles project is not enough.

"All federations have money," she said. "We have to get them to recognize singles as a top priority in every single community. When are they going to wake up?"

AJCongress Offers Its Largest Selection of Singles Tours

The largest ever selection of tours designed by the American Jewish Congress specifically for "singles" is featured in the organization's recently published 88-page *Worldwide Tour Catalogue 1995-96*.



Geoffrey Weill, director of the organization's International Travel Program says, "...there are singles who've developed a network of close friends on our tours, and they all come back year after year. And then there are those who met their spouse-to-be on one of our tours — to date, there have been more than 20 matches — and about 15 years later, we hope they'll come back to take a Bar-Bat Mitzvah tour!"

Singles tours are offered for a variety of age ranges — under 40, under 49, 29 to 49, over 39, under 45, 35 to 55, over 50, over 55.

While single travelers participate in almost every AJCongress tour ("Of the thousands of tours we've operated since 1958, probably no more than 10 turned out to be 'couples only,'" says Weill), singles are also particularly attracted to the organization's touring-hiking-rafting-climbing-riding Israel Adventure tours,

which, in 1995, includes three days in neighboring Jordan.

In 1995, AJCongress will be offering the following array of singles-only tours (in addition to its Israel Adventure tours):

- **Moroccan Discovery** — May 20 to 30 (35 to 55), Aug. 12 to 22 (under 40), Dec. 23 to Jan. 2 (29 to 49)
- **Catalonia and Provence** — July 16 to 30 (29 to 49)
- **Grand Tour of Spain** — July 17 to 31 (29 to 49)
- **Eastern Europe Discovery** (Poland, Lithuania, Czech Republic, Hungary) — July

17 to Aug. 3 (29 to 49)

- **The Wonders of Turkey** — July 23 to Aug. 6 (29 to 49)
 - **Safari in Kenya** — Aug. 1 to 13 (29 to 49)
 - **Italy and Riviera Journey** — Aug. 13 to 27 (over 39)
 - **Grand European Odyssey** (cruise-tour to England, France, Portugal, Spain, Italy) — Aug. 31 to September (over 50)
 - **Costa Rica Adventure** — Dec. 25 to Jan. 1 (under 45)
- The *Worldwide Tour Catalogue* is available by calling (800) 221-4694 or (212) 879-4588.

Shabbaton for Orthodox Singles to be Held in Atlanta May 26 to 29

Dr. Anita Turteltaub, the Atlanta Scholars Kollel and Congregation Beth Jacob in Atlanta, will be joining forces to present an exciting extended weekend for Orthodox Jewish singles of the United States and Canada, May 26 to 29.

Singles 30 to 70, who are serious about getting married are encouraged to attend, since shabbatons are a very successful way to meet "that certain someone." Turteltaub, with numerous successful shabbatons and matches to her credit, will be there to facilitate, to make sure you meet appropriate people.

The keynote speakers will be Rabbi Ilan and Mrs. Miriam Feldman. The Feldman's are

witty, charming and informative speakers who have earned a reputation for captivating audiences on a wide variety of Jewish topics. The Kollel rabbis, dynamic speakers in their own right, will also enliven the program with their insights into "relationships."

Shabbaton participants will experience southern hospitality firsthand and get to see some of the interesting sights in Atlanta like the laser show on Stone Mountain and the Coca-Cola Museum, as well as enjoying glatt kosher catering at its best.

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Sing a Song of Newport Pockets Full of Rhythm and Blues, Folk Music and Jazz

George Wein has given Rhode Island a glimpse of the summer splendor coming to Newport on July and August, and it doesn't look as if Wein has left anyone out.

The first (you can say you went to it the very first time it happened) annual Newport Rhythm and Blues Festival will take place at Fort Adams State Park on July 29. The list of performing artists is not complete yet, but should be announced soon. Tickets are \$35 general admission and \$15 for children under 12. On site parking will be available at \$6 per car.

The 1995 Ben and Jerry's Newport Folk Festival will celebrate acoustic music in several styles. Several performers are still to be announced, but the

Jayhawks, the Indigo Girls, Joan Baez, The Subdudes, and Bob Weir and Rob Wasserman, with drummer Jay Lane, are already committed, along with a dozen others.

Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$32 on the weekend, two-day tickets, \$50. Children under 12 will be \$10 per day.

On Aug. 12 and 13, the Jazz Festival will present Earl Klugh, Rite of Strings, Jon Faddis, Dr. John, Grover Washington, Jr., and the Thomas Chapin Trio, among others. Ray Charles and Carol Sloane will open the festival on the evening of Aug. 11.

Tickets will be \$55, \$37.50 and \$25 for the 11th (all seats reserved), and \$30, \$33, and \$12.50 on the 12th and 13th.

Tickets are on sale now through Ticketmaster.

'For Sentimental Reasons' Held at Bumblebee's

"For Sentimental Reasons," a nostalgic cabaret, has added a fifth show at Bumblebee's at the Boulevard on May 21 at 8 p.m. The first four shows sold out in record time. The show's setting is a "live" radio show being broadcast over the Armed Services Radio, circa 1944.

Some of the biggest songs of the war era are featured, such as Glenn Miller's hit songs "Moonlight Serenade" and " Chattanooga Choo Choo," Irving Berlin's "Stage Door Canteen," and the Andrews Sisters' "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

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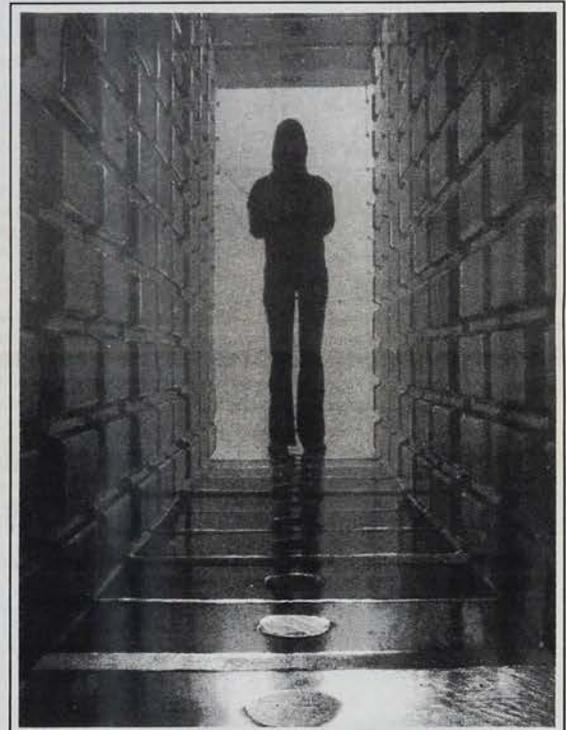
Nantucket Harborfest

From June 9 to 11, celebrate the beauty and environmental integrity of Nantucket harbor at the third annual Harborfest, a festival featuring historical and nautical exhibits, water sports and children's activities. The tall ship Continental sloop Providence will return to Nantucket again this year to participate in the activities including sailing trips and tours.

Visitors of all ages will enjoy the traditional blessing of the fleet and boat parade as decorated vessels pass and costumed crews wave to the spectators. Parents and kids will delight in dressing up for the annual pirate and mermaid parade. Children will be treated to a host of special activities such as outdoor games, a dinghy race, songs and stories of the sea, plays and concerts.

An impressive array of seaworthy vessels, from tall ships to tugboats, will grace Nantucket harbor and offer special tours and cruises. For a bird's eye view of the island, travelers can take off on a scenic harbor flight and view the shoreline and harbor by airplane. Athletic-minded festival-goers will enjoy the kayak clinics and windsurfing regatta.

A full Harborfest calendar of events including historical and nautical exhibits, demonstrations, tours and events will be available by calling the Nantucket Island Chamber of Commerce at (508) 228-1700, ext. 609.



FROM THIS PLANET? Are you sure? This film cell is part of an exhibit, "Mutant Materials in Contemporary Design," at the Museum of Modern Art.

Mutant Materials To Summer in New York

A new show at the Museum of Modern Art, 11 West 53rd St., New York, N.Y. 10019, celebrates — brags about — new, man-made materials, and the

innovative use of traditional materials. It should have been called "See What We (all of us) Can Do!" and it is in that exuberant, slightly wild mood that you should probably approach the exhibit.

The show was organized by Paola Antonelli, associate curator, department of architecture and design, who says, "Taken as a group, the objects on display highlight the shared sensibility and logical beauty that are the characteristics of today's good design."

With apologies to Antonelli, I don't think "today" has that strong a grasp on sensibility and logical beauty — no more so than any other design age, probably — but the show sounds as if it is fascinating, and exciting and fun.

The show runs till Aug. 27.

Try 'Forty Carats' with Dinner

The City Nights Dinner Theatre production of the Jay Allen comedy "Forty Carats" opens May 26 and runs all Friday and Saturday evenings through June 18. There will also be a Thursday evening performance on June 15, and Sunday matinees on June 11 and 18.

The show is directed by Lawrence Calabro and produced by David Jepson. The cast consists of Beth Jepson, Stefan Tornquist, Michael Jepson, Dawn Warnock, Mary Jane Dodds, Anna Drake, Joe Thomp-

son, Tom Epstein, Denise Moffat, Patricia Joaquim and Tony Mancini.

Julie Harris starred in the Broadway production of this comedy. A 40-year-old divorcee whose car breaks down in Greece is introduced to the true romance of the country by a 22-year-old youth. Back in New York she returns to a successful real estate business, her ex-husband, a 17-year-old daughter and a handsome 45-year-old client. Find out what happens when the boy who comes to date her daughter turns out to be her love from Greece "Great fun. A breezy, beguiling comedy." — *New York Times*. "A comedy that makes one laugh all night long." — *New Yorker Magazine*.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT HILLEL

Bryant College Hillel Struggles For Numbers

by Neil Nachbar
Herald Associate Editor

Regardless of how much planning and preparation, attendance at Bryant College Hillel events this year has been poor. According to a survey taken four years ago, 10 percent of the school's population is Jewish, but for some reason students have chosen not to get involved in Hillel.

"We're lucky to get 10 to 15 students at an event," said Hillel president Michelle Nathan. "There's not a lot of interest. Some events have been cancelled because of a lack of support."

Nathan, who is about to graduate, has been president since she was a sophomore. Despite the disappointing turnouts, the business communications major has tried to remain positive.

"I hate to fail," said Nathan. "It's a challenge to get people. I say to myself, 'Maybe the next event will be better.'"

Allen Olinsky, Hillel's faculty advisor, speculated why students don't get involved.

"They just left home and they're feeling rebellious," said Olinsky. "They don't want to do something their parents would want them to do."



Allen Olinsky
Herald photo by Neil Nachbar

According to Nathan, Hillel isn't the only organization on campus that has difficulty attracting students.

"Different clubs have the same problem," said Nathan. "People don't know what it is.

Almost every club has said their goal (each year) is to retain the same numbers."

In trying to attract new members, Nathan has concentrated her efforts on the underclassmen. "I always look to recruit freshmen," stated Nathan. "If people haven't joined by their senior year, they're not going to."

Olinsky feels that the school's location (in Smithfield) and limited resources has made it difficult to reach out to the Jewish students on campus.

"Schools nationwide are struggling with numbers, especially those in the boon docks," stated the math professor. "We don't have a Hillel house like the URI or Brown, or a kosher cafeteria or a synagogue within walking distance."

Brown's Hillel has welcomed members of Bryant's Hillel to participate in their activities, but transportation has been a problem.

"Many of the students don't have cars," said Olinsky. "Those that do, go home."

One time, Bryant's Hillel

rented a minibus for a trip to the Newport mansions and historic Touro Synagogue, but only six students turned out for the event.

"It was disappointing," said Olinsky. "We didn't rent a bus for anything after that."

Although Bryant has one of the smallest Hillels in Rhode Island, they are fortunate to have a rabbi who comes to campus once a week.

Rabbi Lawrence Silverman, who works at a synagogue and prison in the Plymouth, Mass., area (an hour and 15 minutes away), has been a tremendous asset to the Hillel.

A couple of years ago Bryant planned to start the school year during the High Holidays. This would have forced the Jewish students to choose between observing the holidays or starting school on time. Silverman convinced the administration to delay the start of school until after the Holy Days. He also has been instrumental in getting tickets for students to attend High Holiday services.

During Purim, Silverman

reads from a generations-old Megillah. During Passover he has picked up kosher meals from Johnson and Wales. The rabbi has also given talks about his trips to Russia and Israel and has arranged for Holocaust survivors to come and speak to the students.

"It's good to have a rabbi on campus," said Nathan. "He's somebody I could contact if I have a problem. He's really easy to speak to."

In the four or five years that he's been at Bryant, Silverman has done a couple of conversions and performed a memorial service for a faculty member.

Bryant Hillel receives half its funding from the school and half from the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island. Because the Hillel is small and not very "successful" in terms of numbers, their budget may be cut by the federation. However, Olinsky hopes Silverman's presence won't be affected by a budget cut.

"So far the federation has been good about our funding," said Olinsky. "They have questioned whether we really need to have a rabbi and I have continually fought for his presence here."

Hillel Undergoes Some Major Changes; Sets High Goals

The following story is a continuation of a piece that appeared in the Herald on April 27 and originally ran in the February 1995 issue of Moment magazine.

Bronfman, who has a long track record of supporting students, gave Joel a second chance, this time to address the Bronfman Fellows, an elite and diverse group of high school students who participate in an intensive summer-in-Israel program and leadership training seminars. This time, the performance was classic Joel, interacting and relating to a young audience and ultimately inspiring them. At the conclusion of the session, Bronfman assured the dream peddler of his support.

Joel helped convince the CJF Task Force on University Services to recommend the doubling of federation dollars to Hillel by the year 2000.

However, the turn of the century is a long time to wait for many cash-strapped Hillels. "While national Hillel has managed to attract millions of dollars for special programs, most campuses have not yet directly felt a trickle-down effect," says a frustrated lay leader with the Florida region of Hillel.

"Nothing has changed here," says Brenda Morrison, director of the University of Denver Hillel, of the programming she is able to provide to the 2,700 Jewish students at her own and four other area campuses. "We're still struggling. What good is a national Hillel Leaders Assembly if we can't raise the additional subsidies to send students?"

Where Joel-inspired initiatives have reached campuses, the results have been encouraging. Zimmerman Outreach Grants, averaging \$8,000 per campus were awarded at five colleges in 1994.

At the University of Michigan, the Zimmerman grant is

being used to create a forum for leaders of campus organizations who happen to be Jewish.

The Michigan Hillel has become a classic example of a successful Hillel that continually reinvents itself, pioneering programs that reach a majority of the university's 6,000 Jewish students. Its myriad of social, cultural, religious and political programs makes it the university's second largest campus organization.

"Students are really searching for a sense of spirituality... a way to integrate their social action with Judaism."

Rabbi Debrah Cohen

But top-ranked universities with large Jewish populations, like Michigan and many of the Ivies, create their own momentum. Students there tend to overachieve in whatever direction they choose, including Jewish activism, and well-heeled alumni underwrite their efforts. Brand new Jewish centers at Princeton and Harvard are testimony to the power and self-confidence of these student-alumni partnerships.

At the majority of American campuses, however, outreach programming — motivating Jewish students to choose Jewish activities from a bewildering array of options, temptations and responsibilities — has become increasingly important, especially as the great mobilizing issues that once attracted marginal Jewish students to Hillel have faded.

"I don't think that Israel and the Holocaust or Soviet Jewry is going to keep students Jewish," says Rabbi Debrah Cohen, asso-

ciate director of the Tufts University Hillel in Medford, Mass., which recently opened a new \$6 million building. "Students are really searching for a sense of spirituality. They are trying to figure out a way to integrate their social action with their Judaism."

Hillel professionals see signs of such turning inward in the increased popularity of kosher dining. Study of Jewish texts has also become hip on many campuses. At Columbia University, several hundred students gather every Wednesday for informal Talmud study.

Joel hopes these trends inspire other donors to come forward and underwrite a piece of his dream. Last spring Joel was shmoozing in the Wall Street office of yet another billionaire, Michael Steinhardt. "What is your dream?" challenged the philanthropist.

"My dream is to have an outreach worker on every campus," said Joel.

"How would you do that?" Joel explained what a pilot project would look like. He sketched out his most-talked-about project yet — the Jewish Student Service Corps.

Modeled on Project Areivim, an Israel-based service corps to small Jewish communities around the world, the JSSC awards one-year Steinhardt Fellowships to recent college graduates from a variety of backgrounds who are charged with reaching uninvolved Jews. Each placement is a partnership between a local Jewish community, which supplies half the cost, and national Hillel, which offers a \$12,500 challenge grant from Steinhardt and, at two other campuses, from retired New York investor, Jan Mitchell.

"You can never have enough outreach," says Debora Ebroon, a former president of Hillel at Northwestern University and a

Steinhardt Fellow.

At Northwestern, Ebroon takes uninvolved Jewish students out for coffee and holds fireside chats with Jews in the fraternity and sorority system. None of the programs she has conducted has taken place at the Hillel House. "It's not Hillel we are interested in pushing," she says of herself and the other 19 Fellows. "It's Judaism."

At Tufts, outreach worker Adam Holzhauer has launched a new Jewish environmental group, a mentoring program for Tufts alumni and students, a Shabbat dinner for fraternities and sororities, a "Seinfeld" evening, and Jewish culture dinners at various international houses on campus.

The emphasis on outreach to the unaffiliated has led to grumbling by some Hillel professionals that Hillels are offering a watered-down Judaism.

Nevertheless, Joel says he hopes the Steinhardt program will lead to an outreach worker at every campus where there's a Hillel, and it's likely it will.

By 1997, every Hillel will undergo a rigorous evaluation to make sure that they meet national standards for staffing, diversity in programming, lay support, outreach and student empowerment.

Student empowerment — which Hillel defines as giving students a "sense" of local "ownership" and student activists define as outright ownership — may be the Achilles' heel of Hillel's lofty plans to double, by the year 2000, the number of Jewish students they currently reach.

At the 1994 G.A., the relative passivity of today's college students was a theme sounded again and again by attendees. Students came to the conference with no new manifestos, priorities or plans for Jewish life.

"The Jewish student move-

ment today stinks," says Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and a veteran of Jewish student activism in the early 1970s. "Students used to play a role here, helping to stimulate, helping to energize. The students got co-opted into the G.A. I want them to bring new ideas and to challenge the leadership, challenge all of us, into doing more."

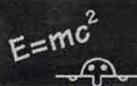
Of course, it may be that it's hard to remain anti-establishment when the establishment has adopted so much of your agenda — as Joel and his colleagues undoubtedly have. Even the traditionally restrained UJA has established a plan to send 50,000 teens to Israel every year by the year 2000.

The problem with an uninspired — and uninspiring — student leadership is the loss of a model that remains effective around the world today. In 45 countries, Jewish students are independently organized in unions and run every aspect of campus life.

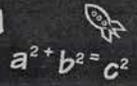
By the year 2000, Jewish students will undoubtedly be served by hipper, better-funded and more diverse Hillels. The next challenge is to have students themselves invest new models of Jewish living and thinking — and to have national Hillel relinquish some of its mandate to students.

It is a challenge Joel may be ready to take on. As Hillel's funding looks more secure, he has been able to embrace some independent student groups.

"I would love to have a giant array of money, have an [allocations] jury that's overwhelmingly composed of students with some philanthropic participation," says Joel. "I would love to have 100 outreach workers each year."



SCHOOL BEAT



"COME HERE AND SEE THIS!"

An Alperin Schechter kindergartener would like to share her discovery with a friend, at the book fair.

Herald photo by Alison Smith

Ostrach and Finkelstein to Receive Honorary Degrees from URI

At the University of Rhode Island's undergraduate commencement exercises on May 21, Augusta Finkelstein, a former Woonsocket resident who championed support for public education, and Dr. Simon Ostrach '44, a pioneer of new engineering technologies will receive honorary degrees.

Christiane Amanpour, CNN's chief international correspondent and URI alumna, and Heidi Kirk, who has worked to improve international relations and educational opportunities for students, will also receive honorary degrees.

When Ostrach received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from URI in 1944, the U.S. space program hadn't yet gotten off the ground. Ostrach could hardly have imagined a future for himself which would include masterminding some \$25 million worth of experiments on the NASA space shuttle.

"When you stop and think of a Jewish kid who came from a ghetto in Providence; it's been quite a story," said Ostrach.

Currently the Wilbert J. Austin Professor of Engineering at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ostrach is one of the best-known engineering professors in the country and a world authority on natural convection.

Ostrach pioneered the modern research area of buoyancy-driven flows and heat transfer. He entered the field some 40 years ago as an expert in fluid dynamics with no formal education in heat transfer and proceeded to develop important concepts that propelled the field into the present era of enormous engineering activity.

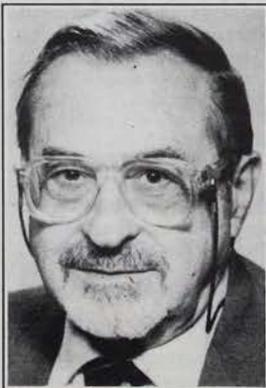
In addition, Ostrach's entrepreneurial studies into the crystal growth process have been invaluable to all U.S. industries involved in crystal growth.

Ostrach has received innumerable professional honors throughout his career, including NASA's Distinguished Public Service Medal, and an honorary doctorate degree from the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology.

At least once a year Ostrach visits Israel in a technical capacity.

A native of Providence, Ostrach earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from URI. At this year's commencement, he will receive the honorary Doctor of Science.

"It's kind of nice to be recognized by your old school," stated Ostrach.



Simon Ostrach
Photo courtesy of URI

In the 1950s and 1960s, Finkelstein and her late husband Robert introduced and championed within Rhode Island ideas that are now considered cornerstones of public education: high quality textbooks, open meetings of public boards, an end to direct public financial support for parochial schools, and increased state and federal aid to education.

Finkelstein moved with her husband to Woonsocket in the

Moses Brown Middle Schoolers Earn Mock Trial Honors

Moses Brown's middle school mock trial team was cited for excellent team strategy and excellent team performance following the recent Rhode Island Mock Trial Tournament.

Members of the MB team include: Eddy Ameen, Pawtucket; Benjamin Biller, Warwick; Christopher Curran, Providence; David DiSanto, Cranston; Jonathan Elmer, Seekonk; Jesse Freedman, Pawtucket; Al Mayer, Providence; Rachel Reibman, No. Easton, Mass.; Seth Weitberg, Pawtucket; and Andrew Van Degna, East Greenwich.

Each team prepared to argue the case of Hill vs. Rockville Board of Education. The team was coached by Charisse Mayer,

an attorney and Moses Brown School parent.

In addition to the team honors, individual students were recognized in the following categories:

Seth Weitberg, two outstanding citations for cross examination and direct examination

Al Mayer, outstanding witness, excellent witness

Ben Biller, excellent witness

Rachel Reibman, two excellent citations for cross examination and direct examination

Andrew Van Degna, excellent witness

Christopher Curran, excellent examination

Jonathan Elmer, excellent examination.

Pianist Honored by Music School

Pianist Bertica Shulman Cramer will receive the Distinguished Alumna Award at the Longy School of Music, Cambridge, Mass., graduation ceremony on June 4 at 2 p.m.

Cramer, who received a Longy diploma in 1949, has per-

formed extensively throughout the Americas as a soloist and with orchestras. She became a protégé of renowned pianist, opera director and Longy faculty member Boris Goldovsky who later said of her, "She has the rare qualities of an extraordinary soloist... and is the best chamber player I know."

At age 16, Arthur Fiedler presented Cramer as soloist with the Boston Pops in symphony Hall. Hailed as a virtuoso by *The Boston Globe*, she has since appeared with the Pops nearly every year since—more than 38 performances. She is a faculty member at the New England Conservatory of Music extension division.

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RISD Graduate Students' Work Displayed

The annual Rhode Island School of Design graduate student exhibition will be at the Museum of Art, RISD, from May 19 to June 14.

The exhibition will feature a selection of works by students graduating from RISD this year with master of fine arts, master of landscape architecture or master of industrial design degrees.

RISD departmental programs include ceramics, furniture design, graphic design, jewelry/metals, photography, sculpture, painting/printmaking, and textiles.

On the opening day of the show, May 19, the Museum of

Art's Lunchart program will feature several RISD graduate students who will discuss their work in the exhibition. This lunch-time program, scheduled for 12:15 p.m. is free and open to the general public.

Visitors can view the RISD graduate student show for free during May in celebration of Museum Month. On June 1, admission returns to \$2 for adults; \$1 for senior citizens; and 50¢ for children ages 5 to 18 and collegestudents. Museum hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, noon to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Writing, Publications Seminars Coming in June

AS Waterman, a Seekonk-based consulting network of publications professionals, is offering a series of one-day and half-day seminars to help business people (and job-hunters) sharpen their writing and publications skills.

The series begins on June 22 with a one-day seminar on technical writing. Other scheduled seminars include: desktop pub-

lishing and design, proposal development, and expert proof-reading techniques. Registration for the June 22 seminar ends June 15.

Although there is a small fee for the general public, representatives of non-profit agencies are invited to attend free of charge.

Seminars are held at an East Providence location, or can be scheduled at other sites for



THE LIGHT OF LEARNING illuminates faces at the Alperin Schechter Book Fair.

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Lincoln School Announces Inductees

On May 8, Lincoln School held its annual Cum Laude Society ceremony to induct five new student members. These new members were elected to the society by the Lincoln School chapter of the national Cum Laude Society, which recognizes academic excellence in secondary schools across the country.

Miriam Ryvicker (class of 1995), of Providence, was one of last year's inductees who was on hand to explain the purpose and ideals of the society.

CCRI Holding Registration

Community College of Rhode Island is holding late registration for summer session 1 courses at the college's main campuses in Warwick, Lincoln and Providence.

Late registration for credit courses runs May 22 and 23 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information on what's being offered and how to register, call CCRI's office of admissions and records in Warwick at 825-2125, in Lincoln at 333-7097 or Providence at 455-6017.

RIC Artists Exhibit Work

The department of art at Rhode Island College presents an exhibition of artwork by graduating seniors receiving degrees in all studio concentrations, including ceramics, design, fibers, metals, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture.

The exhibit will run May 18 to 27. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday evenings 7 to 9 p.m. For more information, call 456-9765.

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Four Students Receive Gourse Family Scholarships

Four young women have been awarded the 1995 Gourse Family Fund Scholarships for travel and study in Israel. Three are Brown University students and one is a high school student from Waban, Mass.

Nadine Cohen, a sophomore at Brown from East Brunswick, N.J., whose ultimate goal is to pursue a career in family medicine, has taken an active role at Hillel as both a student representative on the board of trustees and general board member of the Jewish Student Union.

Working as an adviser to high school students in the Providence Young Judaea Club, she has dealt with such issues as Jewish identity and Israel, which provided her with an outlet for expressing her love for Judaism and Israel. Cohen will spend a year in the Jewish state, immersing herself in the land and culture which she loves.

Julie Friedkin, also a Brown sophomore from Piedmont, Calif., participated in a yearlong social service program in Israel sponsored by Hadassah. That experience inspired her to establish real links to the country which she hopes to one day

make her home. This summer she will be engaged in seminars on ancient Jewish history, walking tours of ancient sites, and daylong dig expeditions, all of which generate appreciation and enthusiasm for ancient Jewish history and the rich archaeological landscape of the region as a whole. Her concentration at Brown is on history/Judaic studies.

Beth Farbman, the third Brown student from Swampscott, Mass., who intends to concentrate in religious studies, visited Israel earlier this year, and made the following observation: "When in Israel, I felt a unique connection that I have never felt before. As a Jew in the United States, I felt accepted, but in Israel I felt more than accepted — I felt welcomed! I know this connection is something that will stay with me for the rest of my life. Visiting Israel helped me to understand more about my religion as well as more about myself."

Farbman comes from a strong Jewish family background and will be studying at Tel Aviv University in its overseas student program.

Amy Farman, a Newton South High School student from Waban, Mass., is a great-granddaughter of the late Philip and Emma Dondis of Fall River, and the granddaughter of Nathan and Edith Dondis of East Falmouth, Mass. She has spent the past seven summers at Camp Young Judaea in Amherst, and this year will travel with a group of 35 Young Judaeans, for six weeks, touring and studying in Israel and witnessing first hand, what have only been classroom experiences until now.

The Gourse Fund was established at Temple Beth-El in Fall River. Zelda Fisher Gourse, of Providence, speaking for her family, said the awardees of 1995 will join 42 other young men and women who have been granted scholarships under the Gourse program since its inception in 1978.

Dancing With Wolves And Hanging Loose With Primates

The topic for Roger Williams Park Zoo's Adventures for Preschoolers in May is "The Call of the Wild." Adult and children pairs can learn about wolves and make a Native American wolf shield to take home. Sessions will be conducted twice daily at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on May 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and May 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27.

The topic for June's Adventures for Preschoolers is "Hanging Loose with Primates." Children can learn about the greatest gymnasts in the zoo and make a primate placemat to take home. Sessions will be conducted twice daily at 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on June 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and June 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24.

Rhode Island Zoological Society members will pay \$9 per adult/child pair. Non-members will pay \$12 per adult/child pair.

Adventures for Preschoolers is also open to groups of up to 25 children. This series is most suitable for groups of children from pre-school to second grade. The cost for groups is \$5.50 per child per session with at least one adult in attendance. Group programs have the same topics but are available on a limited basis.

For more information, call the zoo's education department at 785-3510, ext. 311 for dates and times.



ILLUSTRATION from the exhibition, "A New Book of Ruth: Calligraphy and Illustration by Sharon Binder," at the Yeshiva University Museum.

New Book of Ruth Explores Role of Women in the Torah

Before she set out to transcribe and illustrate a "Book of Ruth," artist Sharon Binder studied calligraphy and traditional Torah sources for four years. The integrated result of her scholarship and her artistic talents are presented in her exhibition, "A New Book of Ruth: Calligraphy, Illustration and Design by Sharon Binder," at the Yeshiva University Museum through June 15.

The story of Naomi and Ruth is a beautiful one in its own right. Exiled from Israel by a famine, Naomi's two sons marry Moabite women. When both sons subsequently die, Naomi chooses to return to her Jewish homeland, and bids her daughters-in-law to return to Moab. Ruth, however, chooses to remain with Naomi: "Your people shall be my people; your G-d my G-d."

Binder's special insight focuses on Naomi and Ruth as active participants in shaping the course of events. Like Sarah, Miriam, Deborah, and other women of the bible, they take decisive action at a critical mo-

ment in history. In addition to pencil, pen-and-ink and watercolor illustrations from Binder's "Book of Ruth," the exhibition features a diorama in porcelain from Israel's Szyfra Institute for Artisan Training. All clothing, accessories, scenery and animals handcrafted in Szyfra dioramas are historically accurate.

In celebration of Shavuot, the Yeshiva University Museum will conduct a special gallery tour of the exhibition on June 1. The tour will take place from 1 to 2 p.m. Admission is free.

Yeshiva University Museum, a teaching museum whose purpose is to preserve, enrich and interpret Jewish life as it is reflected in the arts, history and sciences, is located at 2520 Amsterdam Ave. at West 185th St. in Manhattan. The exhibition galleries are open Tuesday through Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 6 p.m.

Admission is \$3 for adults; \$2 for senior citizens and children ages 4 to 16; museum members are admitted free. For guided tours, call (212) 960-5390.

Dedication of the Rabbi Baruch Korff Learning Center

On May 28 at 10 a.m. at the Providence Hebrew Day School, 450 Elm Grove Ave., Providence, The Rabbi Baruch Korff Learning Center will be dedicated.

In appreciation and recognition of his service to the Jewish community, the Providence Hebrew Day School established the center in the new wing of the school.

This center will emphasize classical and traditional Jewish learning and develop an outreach program to enable our fellow Jews to learn the wisdom, beauty and warmth of the Torah which has outlived every civilization.

Rabbi Korff's mother was

killed in a pogrom in Russia, sacrificing her own life by placing her body over her children in order to protect them from killers. It is the wish of family and friends and the Providence Hebrew Day School that the Judaism that she loved and died for should be continued in the generations ahead.

Rabbi Korff has been frequently called on for advice by presidents of the United States and leaders of Israel and Egypt. His contributions to society at large as well as to the Jewish community are still revealing themselves.



Down The Garden Path

Eight hundred flats of flowering plants glow in the morning sunlight at the Providence Hebrew Day School plant sale, Sunday.

Herald photo by Alison Smith

MILESTONES



Mr. and Mrs. David Selsberg

Lori Kaplan Weds David Selsberg

Lori Beth Kaplan, of Cranston, and David Scott Selsberg, of Stamford, Conn., were married on April 29 at Temple Beth El, Providence. The bride is the daughter of Richard and Nancy Kaplan of Cranston, and the bridegroom is the son of William and Carol Selsberg of Stamford, Conn.

Donna Figueroa, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Betsy Kaplan, Jill Kaplan, Martha Nicholas, Jody Rabinowitz and Marci Selsberg, sister of the bridegroom, and Amy Perler. Flower girl was Shari Castelli.

Best man was Philip J.

Curran. Ushers were Michael P. Lynch, James F. Keefe, Gary L. Rabinowitz, Gary S. Klien, Andrew S. Breines, Justin Castelli, and Brandon Lane.

The bride graduated from Union College and Hofstra University Law School and is employed at Protective Alarms, Inc. The bridegroom graduated from Ohio University and is employed by Abstracts, Inc.

The couple honeymooned in Greece and will reside in Stamford, Conn.

Mallory Talya Cohen

Lisa and Robert Cohen of Natick, Mass., announce the birth of Leah Alexandra's sister, Mallory Talya, on April 19.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. Arthur and Barbara Block of Framingham and Nantucket. Paternal grandparents are Jason and Sylvia Cohen of Providence.

Fund Created in Memory of Student

by Steven M. Zeitchik
NEW YORK (JTA) — One organization is laboring to ensure the preservation of Alisa Flatow, who was killed in a recent Islamic terrorist attack in the Gaza Strip.

A scholarship fund has been established in Flatow's memory by the Jewish Community Foundation of MetroWest, a constituent of the United Jewish Federation of Metro West. The fund will provide grants for American students studying in Israel.

Contributions to the Alisa Flatow Memorial Fund can be sent to: Jewish Community Foundation of MetroWest, 901 Route 10, Whippany, N.J. 07981.

Moshe Chaim Beiser

Suellen and Joshua Beiser have announced the arrival of their first child, Moshe Chaim, on April 26 in New York. The grandparents are Ed and Grace Beiser of Providence and Rennie and Marjorie Brown of Pawtucket.

Paternal great-grandparents are Zelda Beiser and Bertha Fischer, both of New York City. Maternal great-grandparents are Dorothy Kay of Providence and Miriam and Louis Brown of Deerfield Beach, Fla., formerly of Providence.

Norman Elman Re-Elected Brotherhood President

Officers of Temple Sinai Brotherhood will be installed June 18, during a dinner at the Blue Parrot Café on the Cove, East Greenwich.

Norman Elman of Warwick has been re-elected as president. Other officers are Jerome Kaplan of Cranston, vice president; Sidney Marcus of Cranston, treasurer; Bruce Astrachan of East Greenwich, recording secretary, and Sam Price of Cranston, corresponding secretary.

Elman announced the appointment of Ira L. Schreiber of Cranston as representative to the temple board; Sanford Fink of East Greenwich as membership chairman, and Joseph Postar of Cranston as program chairman.



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Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey P. Horowitz

Kaplan and Horovitz Marry

The marriage of Lisa R. Kaplan and Jeffrey P. Horowitz took place on March 25 at the Ledgemont Country Club in Seekonk. Rabbi George Astrachan officiated, assisted by Cantor Rennie Brown.

The bride is the daughter of Gladys and Jerome Kaplan of Cranston. The groom is the son of Debbie and Adrian Horovitz of Cranston.

The bride was attended by her sister, Paula Kaplan, as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lori Hilton, Tina Sandbach, Amy Rockwerk, sister of the groom,

and Gail Kaplan, sister-in-law of the bride. Flower girl was Melissa Rockwerk, niece of the bridegroom.

The bridegroom was attended by Mark Taylor as best man. Ushers were Kerry O'Shaughnesy, Steven Kaplan, Benjamin Kaplan, brothers of the bride, and Alan Rockwerk, brother-in-law of the bridegroom. The ringbearer was Matthew Kaplan, nephew of the bridegroom.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple now make their home in Cranston.

SPORTS FEATURE

Championships May Run in the Family

by Robert K. Epstein
If the Phoenix Suns win the National Basketball Association championship this season, history would be both made and repeated. For the first time, a father and son will have captured this valuable prize.

Danny Schayes, the only current Jewish player in the NBA, is fully aware of the shadow cast by his father, Dolph, 40 years ago with the Syracuse Nationals.

"My father has set a very high standard, one that I am proud of," said Danny about his Hall of Fame parent. If the younger Schayes does win, there will be no jostling for space in the spotlight.

"He is my biggest fan," continued Danny about the one-time NBA coach and supervisor of referees. "There is a satellite dish at home so that he can watch all of my games. I can always count on a few pointers when we speak."

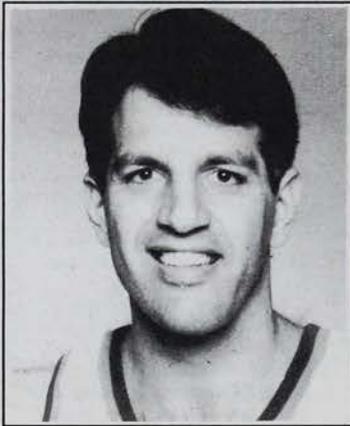
Dolph Schayes was All-NBA, first or second team, for 12 consecutive seasons between 1950 and 1961 and never averaged less than 12 rebounds per game during this period. He led the NBA in free throw shooting three times and rebounding once. From 1955 through 1961, his lowest season scoring average was 20.4 points per game.

Dolph Schayes refused to play on major Jewish holidays. Nobody complained.

Danny has forged his own successful career, breaking in his own shoes rather than trying to fill his father's. In college

he was named an All-American after leading Syracuse in scoring, rebounding, shooting percentage, and blocked shots.

As one of the country's top players, he was drafted in the first round of the 1981 college player draft. The 6'11", 276 pound center became an instant hit. He was traded in 1983 to the Denver Nuggets where he played for the next seven and one-half years.



Danny Schayes

Schayes became active in Denver's Jewish Community Center and on the court, fit perfectly into Doug Moe's high octane, high scoring offense. He led the team in shooting percentage for three seasons.

For most of the last four years Schayes played with the Milwaukee Bucks. He finished the 1993-94 season with the Los Angeles Lakers. Most observers assumed his NBA career was ending, but Schayes had better ideas.

"The Bucks and the Lakers made it clear they were looking for youth," the 36-year-old explained. "I knew there was a market for big centers, and my health was returning. There was no reason not to play."

Four to five teams contacted me but once Phoenix expressed a strong interest, I was not interested in going anywhere else." Schayes and his wife, Olympic diver Wendy Lucero, both love the weather in their new home-town and, he added, "Everybody on the team has been great."

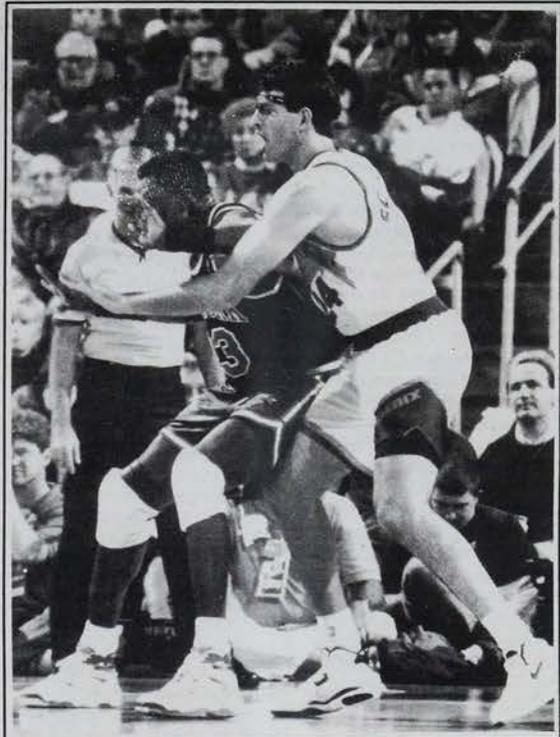
Finding himself among a team of All-Stars, Schayes understands his new role. "I need to set, pick, pass, hit the open shot, rebound, and play good defense. There are plenty of people to do the scoring."

Schayes had other things on his mind recently. His father had just had surgery to replace both knees, and Danny hoped to be able to visit him.

Schayes is considering ending his career in Israel.

"I played in my first Maccabiah Games in 1977 while I was still in high school," he recalled. "We won by one point over Israel. It was all so overwhelming. In 1981 we won by 20 points." Schayes was selected to carry the American flag into the closing ceremonies of the event.

Last year he took his wife to the games. "I had the time to observe more than when I participated, but it seemed strange not to play." The final decision



IN THE TRENCHES — Danny Schayes is asked to defend strong centers like the New York Knick's Patrick Ewing every game.

Photos courtesy of the Phoenix Suns

will ultimately depend on whether he can play for the national team now that Jewish players no longer qualify automatically.

If he decides to play in Israel, it will certainly not be a decision based on money. Schayes has averaged more than \$1 million per year for 14 NBA seasons. The best paid Israeli players make \$500,000 after the teams pay their taxes, an unbelievably low salary compared to American professional athletes.

So if he does play, it will have something to do with the love of the sport — which begs another comparison with his father. Dolph Schayes always had to work in the off-season to supplement his income and support his family.

Robert Epstein is an attorney in a private practice in Silver Spring, Maryland. His article appeared in Washington Jewish Week and Sports Scene, a publication put out by Maccabiah USA/Sports for Israel.

Those Were the Good Old Days

by Leonard Chernack
My life started in the lower East Side, an area between Camp Street, North Main Street, Olney Street and Duncan Avenue. Our street was Howell Street.

Our street lived many Jewish families, naming some, Franks, Pollocks, Blocks, Claimons, Chases, Horowitzes, Waxes, Homonoffs, Daniels, Greenes, Blakes and Bersons. We were first generation, born of parents that came from Europe. We were poor, but we managed. Through the years, many prospered and moved to a higher level. Howell Street Synagogue was our place of worship and Hebrew school. We were all well behaved children.

Our main forte was sports. Our sports equipment was more or less homemade. We played in the streets — Bates Street playground, Hopkins Park. The old East Side reservoir where Hope High School now stands.

Howell Street's rivals were Lippitt Street, Carrington Avenue and Pratt Street.

Our rivalry was in baseball, basketball and football, sometimes track events. Many of us did well in sports throughout our school years.

Peggie was one of the home homemade games.

We would take a piece of a

broomstick, about five inches long, sharpen both ends to a point. We would then take another piece of broomstick, about two feet long, and use it as a bat. We would hit one end of the sharpened piece which was lying on the street, when this piece was in the air, we would hit it with the bat. Sewer covers on the street were our goals. The one that reached first was the winner.

Then we had skellys. This game was played with metal caps that were on soda bottles. We would draw squares on the sidewalk, number them from one to 10, not in numerical order. We would set the cap on the ground at a starting point, snap it with our finger. Whoever finished first was the winner.

Baseball with a tennis ball was played in the street. Our first was our bat. Football was played with a tied up bundle of rags, but we had fun.

Warren Rolls Out the Fun on May 20

The Warren Preservation Society rolls out a series of fund-raising events with "Warren on Wheels" on May 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The festival will include a wide range of family entertainment activities and admission is free. The festival's rain date is May 21.

The festival will raise funds to establish an East Bay regional center for the arts and humanities in the historic waterfront village of Warren. The center will serve as a site for activities designed to promote interest in the town's historical heritage.

For more information, contact Meb Boden at 245-1625.

We had our Jewish Community Center on Benefit Street. Our club meetings were held there. We had a gym and every once in a while our parents were invited to see what their children were doing at the center.

Our clubs consisted of both girls and boys. The girls had their own. Our club, the William Gates Cutler Olympic Club was founded by a group of 9-year-olds. We are still in existence to this day.

Thanks to fellows like Syd Green, Syd Cohen, Jack Jacobson, Lou Yasinoff and Joslyn Presser. We meet and have get-togethers every now and then.

What a wonderful feeling you get when talking about old times.

A few of our boys are gone. Those of us who are left count our blessings and work with the more unfortunate. We do this because we were once there.

Levitt Headed to the Games

Michelle Levitt, of Cranston, has been accepted to participate in the Rhode Island Scholar Athlete Games as a musician.

Levitt is the daughter of Joan and Steve and the granddaughter

of Gloria Levitt of Providence, and Ruth and Larry Bertman of Cranston.

The Games will be held at the University of Rhode Island at the end of June.

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OBITUARIES

MARCIA R. BELLIN
DORCHESTER, Mass. — Marcia Sema (Rosenberg) Bellin of Newton Centre, Mass., died at Carney Hospital in Dorchester on April 28. She was 65. She was the wife of Dr. Albert I. Bellin.

Born in Providence, she was the daughter of the late Israel and Rebecca (Blumenthal) Rosenberg. She attended Pawtucket East High School and graduated from Pembroke College of Brown University in 1950. Prior to her marriage in 1953, she taught in the Pawtucket school system. She was a long-time resident of Boston's North Shore having lived for 33 years in Lynn and Swampscott where she had been a member of Congregation Ahabat Shalom and Temple Israel and was active in its sisterhood. She moved to Newton in 1987 and had been a member of Temple Emeth in Chestnut Hill and was currently a member of Congregation Beth El-Atereth Israel and its Sisterhood in Newton. She had been a member of AMIT, Women's American ORT, Hadassah, Providence Hebrew Day School, American Diabetic Association, and the Kidney Transplant/Dialysis Association.

Besides her husband, she is survived by children, Dr. Steven and Renée Bellin and Dr. Jeffrey and Lisa Bellin and grandchildren Joshua, Ari, Daniel and Deborah, all of whom reside in Newton, and her brother, Howard Rosenberg of Pawtucket.

ROBERT R. BERKOWITZ
PROVIDENCE — Robert R. Berkowitz, 97, of 500 Angell St., founder and owner of the former Rhode Island Florist Supply Co. for more than 40 years before retiring, died May 14 at the Summit Medical Center. He was the husband of the late Bessie (Horvitz) Berkowitz. He was also the husband of the late Ann (Zura) Berkowitz.

Born in Palestine, now Israel, he settled in Dorchester, Mass., as an infant and moved to Providence 70 years ago.

He received his engineering degree from the former Rhode Island State College, now the University of Rhode Island. After retirement, he became a salesman for the former Rhode Island Tobacco Co. He was an Army veteran of World War I, and served with the Signal Corps in the Philippine Islands. He was a past commander of the Rhode Island Jewish War Veterans, Post 23.

He leaves a son, Dr. Norman Berkowitz of Providence; eight grandsons, and five grandchildren. He was the father of the late Morton B. Berkowitz.

A graveside service was held May 16 at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Burial followed. Arrangements were made by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

RHODA ELYSE BRENNER
EAST PROVIDENCE — Rhoda Elyse Brenner, 46, of 10 Brookfield Rd., founder and

owner of a former child care service, The Sitting Co., for seven years, died May 11.

Born in Woonsocket, a daughter of Shirley (Skydell) Brenner of Woonsocket, and the late Judge Samuel H. Brenner, she moved to East Providence 18 years ago.

She was a 1969 graduate of Graham Junior College in Boston, with a degree in retailing. She had previously been a district manager for Foxmoor Casuals, a department manager for Peerless Stores and Option Inc. in Providence, a supervisor for Keri Kreations, and a vice president of sales for the New Courier Co. in Foxboro, Mass.

She was active in the campaign for a child seatbelt law in Rhode Island. She was an adviser of B'nai B'rith youth in Woonsocket, and a former board director of the Furniture Bank in Cranston. She was active in the Coats for Kids Drive and Travelers Aid.

Besides her mother she leaves a brother, Jeremy Brenner of Providence.

The funeral was held May 15 at Congregation B'nai Israel, Prospect Street, Woonsocket. Burial was in B'nai Israel Cemetery in Woonsocket.

DORIS BRYNES

PROVIDENCE — Doris Brynes, 76, of Wendell Street, an assembler for the Ballou Co., died May 10 at home. She was the wife of Nathaniel Brynes.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Michael and Bessie (Bloom) Gentile.

Besides her husband she leaves two sons, Harvey Brynes of Providence, and Michael Brynes of Warwick; a sister, Gladys Filler of Cranston; three grandchildren, and a great-grandson. She was the mother of the late Sharon Brynes, and the sister of the late Dr. Herman Gentile.

A graveside service was held May 12 at 10:30 a.m. at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

RACHEL CHANTZ
PROVIDENCE — Rachel Chantz, 93, of Rosewood Manor

Nursing Home, 140 Pitman St., a jewelry industry worker for many years, died May 11 at the home.

Born in Russia, she was a daughter of the late Louis and Betsy (Kaufman) Chantz. She lived in Providence for 60 years. She was a member of Congregation Sons of Jacob, the Jewish Community Center, the Pioneer Women, the Mizrahi Women and the Senior Citizens Guild of the East Side and South Providence.

She leaves a sister, Eva Sackschneider of Providence.

A graveside funeral service was held May 14 at Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

ROSE FELDER

FALL RIVER — Rose Felder, 93, of 49 Dudley St., died May 13 at Charlton Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of William Felder.

Born in Fall River, she was a daughter of the late Jacob and Fannie (Cutler) Epstein.

She was a 1920 graduate of Durfee High School. She was a member of Temple Beth-El and its Sisterhood, and the Sisterhood of Congregation Adas Israel. She was a member of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and had been a member of its board of directors. She was a member of the women's association of Brandeis University, and a member of Hadassah.

She leaves two daughters, Joan Felder of Fall River, and Avis Burger of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a son, Dr. Martin E. Felder, M.D., of Providence; three sisters, Hilda Epstein of Fall River, Ada Semansky of New Bedford, and Irene Feinberg of West Hartford, Conn.; five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. She was the sister of the late Dora Wyse, and Joseph, Milton and Harry Epstein.

The funeral was held May 14 at Temple Beth-El, High Street, Fall River. Burial was in Temple Beth-El Cemetery. Service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

JACOB "JACK" GOLDSTEIN

BOYNTON BEACH, Fla. — Jacob "Jack" Goldstein, 79, of Boynton Beach, Fla., owner of the former J.G.'s Electrical Wire Co. in Providence for 15 years before retiring in 1978, died May 14 at home. He was the husband of Anita (Loiter) Goldstein.

Born in Providence, a son of the late Harry and Rose Goldstein, he lived in Cranston

for 22 years before moving to Florida in 1977.

He had been a member of the former Providence Steamroller football team. He was the former owner of a retail fruit produce store on Taunton Avenue, Seekonk, Mass., for 10 years.

Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Rosalie Guttin of Pawtucket, and Lenore Kay Coit of North Providence; a sister, Pearl Phillips of Warwick; seven grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Frieda Chase, Lillian Chorney, and Joseph and William Goldstein.

The funeral procession departed from the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence on May 16 for a graveside service at Sharon Memorial Park in Sharon, Mass.

ROSE KRETZSCHMAR

TEANECK, N.J. — Rose Kretzschmar, 86, of North Prospect Avenue, Bergenfield, N.J., a teacher for the blind in Hackensack, N.J., for 37 years before retiring in 1973, died May 13 at Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, N.J. She was the widow of William Kretzschmar. She was also the widow of Eugene Averill.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Oscar and Eva (Levin) Berlan, she lived in Northbridge, Mass., and Worcester, Mass., before moving to Bergenfield many years ago.

She was a 1928 graduate of Northbridge High School, and a 1929 graduate of the former Worcester State Teachers College, now Worcester State College. In 1930, she was graduated from the Perkins Institute for the Blind. She was a member of the Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey and National Education Associations. She was a director of the Central Bergen and the Teachers Credit Unions. She was a violinist with the Ridgewood, N.J. Symphony Orchestra.

She leaves a niece, Judith Rice Tedeschi of Woonsocket, and a nephew, Max E. Rice of Cumberland.

A graveside service was held May 16 at Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence.

ELAINE M. LONDON
PROVIDENCE — Elaine M. London, 51, of 83 Cliffside Drive, a telemarketing specialist for Ross-Simon Jewelers for five

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years before retiring in 1993, died May 8 at the Philip Hulitar Hospice Inpatient Center in Providence. She was the wife of Howard A. London.

Born in Providence, a daughter of Tillie (Gerstein) Goldberg of Pawtucket, and the late Al Goldberg, she lived in Pawtucket for two years before moving to Cranston 26 years ago.

She was a graduate of Bryant College. She was a member of Temple Beth-El in Providence. She had been president of the Ladies Association of the Providence Hebrew Day School. She was a member of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

Besides her husband and mother she leaves two sons, Andrew and Robert London, and two brothers, Bernard and Shelly Goldberg, all of Cranston.

The funeral was held May 10 at Temple Beth-El, Orchard Avenue. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick. Service was coordinated by Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence.

MOLLIE SHORE

EAST PROVIDENCE — Mollie Shore, 69, of 96 Narragansett Ave., died May 12 at home. She was the widow of Abraham Shore.

Born in Newport, a daughter of the late Louis and Clara (Solotorosky) Huttler, she moved to Riverside 40 years ago.

She leaves a daughter, Paula Perry of East Providence; a son, Steven Shore of Seekonk, Mass.; a sister, Marion Spencer of Delray Beach, Fla.; a brother, Joseph Huttler of Boynton Beach, Fla.; and a grandson. She was the sister of the late Sadie Jernigan, and Morris and Harry Huttler.

The funeral was held May 15 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery in Warwick.

MARILYNN E. SIEGEL

PROVIDENCE — Marilynn E. Siegel, 71, of the Charlesgate Apartments, 20 Randall St., died May 10 at Miriam Hospital.

Born in Providence, a daughter of the late Adolph and Elizabeth (Gertsacov) Gorman, she formerly lived in Long Island, N.Y., Massachusetts and Chicago, Ill.

She attended Boston University, and was a magna cum laude graduate of Rhode Island College in 1974. She was a member of Phi Alpha Theta National Academic Honor Society. She was the first woman radio disc-jockey in Rhode Island, and had been associated with stations WRIB and WKFD from 1961 to 1964. She had been an account executive for the Cinerama Corp. of Rhode Island for four years, and had been the district sales manager for the Avon Corp. until retiring in 1973. She was a member of the League of Women Voters, and the Hadassah. She was a former member of Temple Beth-El.

She leaves two sons, Steven and Paul Siegel, both of Warwick, and a sister, Joyce Silverman of Boston.

A private funeral service took place May 14 at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St.,

Providence.

LILLIAN WHITE

PROVIDENCE — Lillian White, 75, of Pompano Beach, Fla., and 199 Angell St., Providence, died May 11 at Miriam Hospital. She was the wife of Max White.

She was born in Lynn, Mass., a daughter of the late Louis and Dora Goldberg.

She was the owner, along with her husband, of M.L. White Realty Co., Providence, for 38 years. She was a member of Crestwood Country Club and a former member of the Temple Sinai Choir. She had attended the New England Conservatory of Music.

Besides her husband she leaves a son, Edward Katz of Cranston; a daughter, Joan Sackett of Warwick, and three grandchildren.

The funeral service was held May 14 at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

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by Louis M. Pulner, Esq.

My Son Has Gotten Himself Into... Trouble

Dear Attorney Pulner:

My son has gotten himself into some significant legal trouble and I am not quite sure how to go about helping him, if at all. Two years ago my son and three of his friends signed a lease for a home down in South County while they were attending the University of Rhode Island. After living there for a year, they moved out and went their separate ways, two having graduated and the other two, including my son, renting new places separately. Evidently, the boys did a great deal of damage to the home they rented together and now there is a lawsuit seeking \$10,000 in damages. Even though my son has not lived at home for the last three years, a constable came and left a summons and complaint for my son at my home. The two questions I have at this time are don't they have to serve my son with the lawsuit personally, and how can my son be made to pay 25 percent of the damages being asked for when he doesn't even have a job or any savings?

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Dear D.I.P.:

First of all, based upon the information provided, it may be that your son has a lot more at risk than just 25 percent of the damages that have been alleged. If your son and the other three roommates all signed the lease together, then the landlord will have the right to seek all of the damages from your son alone depending upon the circumstances of the other three roommates. The reason that your son can be wholly responsible for the \$10,000 is that by signing their names to the lease, they became jointly and severally liable, meaning that any one of them can be sued for the entire amount of damages which in turn would require them to go after the other roommates for contribution. Even assuming that all four boys were sued, the former landlord would not have to suffer the consequences because two or three of the boys were judgment-proof and without an ability to pay off the judgment she obtained. She has a right to be compensated for her loss and if one student can bare the brunt of the judgment financially, then he will be made to do so. By way of analogy, if you and your husband own a home with a hefty mortgage balance and then something happens to one of you — death or divorce perhaps, the remaining spouse would be solely obligated to make the mortgage payment each and every month. Even after a divorce where one party retains title to the home, the nonpossessory spouse whose name continues to exist on the mortgage, will always be responsible for any nonpayment by the possessory spouse. By

the same token, if the homeowner is continuously delinquent in making mortgage payments, the credit rating of the other spouse will be effected as well. Clearly, I think it would be in your son's best interests to try to work out some sort of arrangement with the landlord wherein he would agree to bind himself to 25 percent of the damages and then perhaps make payments on a monthly basis until his obligation has been fulfilled. By doing this, he can avoid having to incur legal fees and the risk of being wholly responsible for the entire amount of loss.

Finally, you questioned whether or not service could be made upon your son at a home that he has not lived in for a period of three years, and the answer is yes and no. In the first instance, diligent efforts must be made to serve your son personally in any suit in which he is a named defendant, but if after diligent attempts are made, they cannot locate your son, it is often a tool of a seasoned attorney to go to the court and request that alternative service be made by leaving a summons and complaint at the last known address of the person being sought. The court might be susceptible to allowing that to be done in cases such as the one we have here, because you are the parents of the named defendant and there is a reasonable certainty that if the papers are served upon you, that they will in fact be turned over to your son in due course. I think the best thing for your son to do at this point in time is to come forward and share some of the responsibility for his own actions. You didn't cause the damage and therefore you shouldn't have to be responsible for it. He and his former roommates should.

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

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sify his efforts to crack down on extremists. He is now taking concrete steps to prosecute those who plan and carry out acts of violence. These measures and others to confront terror and establish the rule of law must be continued. The peace will never succeed without them....

"That means that the next century can be the most exciting time, the time most full of human possibility in all history. But we also know that all these forces of integration have a dark side as well, for they make us vulnerable in new ways to organized destruction and evil — in terrorism terms and in terms of proliferating weapons of mass destruction. We see that not only at the terrible tragedy in Oklahoma City or the World Trade Center, or in the streets of Israel, we also see it in the subway stations of Japan. The more open and flexible our people become, the more we move around and relate to each other, the more vulnerable we will be, and the more vigilant we must become.

"In the Middle East as nowhere else these two forces of integration and disintegration are locked in a deadly struggle. A strong Israel backed by a strong America, building peace with its neighbors, a new openness in the region — but on the other side, these continuing desperate attempts of fanatics, eager to keep old and bloody conflicts alive.

"We can beat them. We must beat them. But we are going to have to work at it. We cannot grow weak. We cannot grow weary. And we cannot lose our self-confidence. If we give up on the peace, if we give up on our freedoms, if we walk away from what we are and what we can become, in the United States, Japan, the former Soviet Union, but most of all in the Middle East, then they will have won, even if we defeat them.

"So I ask you in closing, stand for the forces of the future. Stand with this brave man in his attempts to make peace. And let's don't stop until the job is done. Thank you, and G-d bless you."

Crown Heights

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according to reports, reputedly was reacting to a rock thrown at his windshield when he was driving in the area April 7.

The protest rally comes just a week after the black weekly *The City Sun* reported on the attack with the headline "Pols Fail to Diffuse HASIDIC HATE; Blacks Victims Again." Editorials in that paper and *The Amsterdam News* cast blacks as victims of powerful Jews.

Hundreds of Lubavitchers — some with tallitot draped around them — stood behind police barricades on a nearby corner, watching the protest.

Asked whether the decision to demonstrate on the Jewish Sabbath was a conscious one, Sharpton said, "No. We're not marching against Jews. We're marching against beatings. And this is a day that everyone is off work and that's why we're here."

At a briefly after the group had marched through Crown Heights, Norman Reide, president of the African Coalition Against Racism, said: "I can assure you, my brothers and sisters, that if a black person had touched a Jewish child in Williamsburg, Borough Park or Crown Heights, they [Jews] would be out on your Sabbath day." Williamsburg and Borough Park are sections in Brooklyn heavily populated by Jews.

Rabbi Joseph Spielman, vice chairman of the Crown Heights Community Council, said: "The Jewish people involved in these incidents were not looking for a black person to do bodily harm to. They were reacting to attacks on them."

Traffic was rerouted in the area as about 200 police officers, including a dozen police on motorcycles, accompanied the protesters, who apparently kept authorities guessing about the march's itinerary.

The roar of the motorcycles and the angry chants created an uneasy tension, but there were no incidents or arrests. The substantial police presence was no doubt a precaution to prevent more unrest in the neighborhood where riots in the summer of 1991 after the death of a black

child resulted in the stabbing death of Lubavitcher Yankel Rosenbaum.

Sharpton alleged that the Chasidic community gets preferential treatment from the Brooklyn district attorney's office. At his speech after the march, Sharpton said: "We don't want assault [No.] 3. We don't want other frivolous crimes. When people commit a crime, they ought to be charged to do the time."

One black woman at the rally seemed to sum up the bitterness in Crown Heights, when she declared: "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth and a child for a child."

Reide, of the African Coalition Against Racism, countered: "I want to say to the Jewish community. We are not your enemy. Are you our enemy?"

Commenting on the demonstration, Spielman said less than 10 percent of the demonstrators came from the neighborhood. The rabbi said: "There's no groundswell in the black community here that something terrible is going on in Crown Heights."

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