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Muriel Gilman inducted into Hall of Fame



Muriel Gilman

By Lynn B. Edelman, Editor

Muriel E. Gilman recently became a "Hall of Famer". Her tireless commitment to improving the quality of life for her fellow Delawareans, led to her March 16th induction into the 2005 Hall of Fame for Delaware Women. Gilman, a board member of the Jewish Fund for the Future, joins the ranks of 86 women who have been recognized by the Delaware Commission for Women since the Hall of Fame was established in 1981. The Commission began this special tribute to native daughters of the First State in celebration of Women's History Month. Inductees, who come from diverse

personal and professional backgrounds, are linked by their common commitment to positively affecting the lives of others. Muriel Gilman embodies this commitment through her service to numerous health, education, social welfare and philanthropic organizations. She used her Master of Public Administration degree—a rarity for women in 1949—as a springboard to organizational leadership in the not-for-profit sector. She served for 23 years as executive vice president of United Way of Delaware and earned a reputation as a community builder. In 2002, she received the Children and Families First J. Thompson Brown Award for her contributions to fam-

ily life in Delaware. In 2003, the organization honored her again with its National Family Week Advocacy Award. One year later, The National Conference for Community and Justice publicly recognized her efforts to combat bigotry and help build strong communities. 2004 also saw Gilman recognized by Governor Ruth Ann Minner as recipient of the Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Award. She continues in her role as a child and family advocate through her leadership roles on 15 community boards. She currently serves as assistant secretary of the board of the Delaware Community Foundation and is a member of the Delaware Commission for Women

and of the Visiting Committee for the University of Delaware's College of Health and Nursing Sciences. During the Hall of Fame award presentation banquet in Dover at which Governor Minner spoke, Gilman shared the stage with fellow Hall of Fame inductees: The Honorable Patricia W. Griffin, recognized for her work in the field of government; Teresa Haman, honored for her contributions to the fields of education and art; and Delaware Secretary of Education Valerie A. Woodruff, lauded for her move to put wellness centers in schools and for her efforts to increase accountability in the field of education.

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For more information about the Endowment Book of Life, please turn to Page 3.



Left to Right: Doris Morris, Dora Eisenstat, Esther Sherman McDonald, Goldie Katz, Ruth Siegel, and guest speaker (circa early 1960s State of Israel Bonds Women's Division luncheon). Ruth and Bernard Siegel established the Bernard L. Siegel and Ruth B. Siegel Endowment with the Jewish Fund for the Future to support the causes they believe in and insure the strength of the Jewish community in Delaware and Israel. Esther Sherman McDonald's legacy is perpetuated through the Esther Sherman McDonald Endowment Fund for Israel. The McDonald Fund, established by bequest, supports social and educational services for immigrant and needy children in Israel.

Berlin Holocaust Memorial marks 60th anniversary of end of WWII

By Toby Axelrod, JTA

On May 12, a few days after ceremonies marking 60 years since the end of World War II in Europe, the public will be able to enter the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe, a sea of 2,700 cement steles in the heart of Berlin. Visitors also may descend into an information center, where the history of the Holocaust is told with photos, documents and names. They can learn about Meyer Spektor of Odessa, shot to death by a Nazi mobile killing squad in 1942, when he was 64. Or Olga from Litomysl in the former Czechoslovakia, murdered at 46 in Auschwitz. Or Rachel Posinova of Hamburg, asphyxiated in the gas chambers of Auschwitz with her daughter in 1944. In all, 800 names — of infants, adults, the elderly — will represent the 6 million murdered Jews. "The main task of the memorial is to keep alive the discussion about German history," says Dagmar von Wilcken, 46, the exhibition designer whose concept for the underground center complements the aboveground sculptural memorial designed by American architect Peter Eisenman. "What I like about the memorial is that it is not a thing that says we have apologized and now it is over," von Wilcken says. "Rather, people will like it and dislike it and discuss it. And maybe we can even expect that right-wing people will spray-paint graffiti on it. It is a place where all the different thoughts in Germany exist at the same time." Paired like the conscious and subconscious mind, the memorial's two elements represent the landscape of Germany's so-called culture of remembrance, marked by



Dagmar von Wilcken

60 years of confronting the legacy of National Socialism. In 1945, many Germans were relieved to blame a few perpetrators. Today it is widely understood that Nazi crimes against humanity were committed with the help, approval and acceptance of a majority of Germans. By now, the period has been memorialized in hundreds of monuments, in museums at former concentration camps and in books about local history. But there still is resistance to establishing a huge memorial in Germany's reclaimed capital. There are questions of cost — which runs to the tens of millions of dollars — and of purpose. For more than a decade, many Germans have expressed annoyance with the constant reminders of their history. That's one reason why TV personality Lea Rosh, who is

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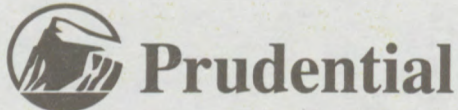
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How do you define the word mensch?



Samuel H. Asher
Executive Vice President

According to author and Yiddish popularist Leo Rosten,

"A mensch is someone to be admired and emulated, someone of noble character. The key to being a 'real mensch' is nothing less than character, rectitude, dignity and a sense of what is right, responsible and decorous."

Dr. Barry S. Kayne, outgoing President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, is a "real mensch" in every sense of the word. I am proud to call him my friend and my true partner in the great work that our Federation does locally and globally.

I recall that when we first moved to Delaware, Barry and his wonderful wife, Reiko, invited my whole family over for one of their famous barbeque dinners. They bent over backwards to make us feel at home. Barry was particularly kind to my children, finding out their interests and helping us to identify ways to get them involved in community programming. Barry's warmth and outgoing personality never ceases to amaze me.

His approach with donors and volunteers mirrors his approach to me. Barry is always interested in getting new people involved and making our tried and true volunteers feel good about their efforts on behalf of Federation and its agencies. In times of simchas or sadness, Barry takes the time to write a personal note. His concern is genuine—he is a true community builder.

One of Barry's main goals upon assuming the presidency was to engage new and younger leadership. He has made this happen by having innumerable lunches with volunteers and having made hundreds and hundreds of call to donors and volunteers through out his presidency. Under

his watch the Community Leadership Institute program was inaugurated and the Women's Philanthropy Program was revived.

Throughout this period of growth and development, the barbeques continued. Barry and Reiko played host to the Federation staff, board members, past presidents, community dignitaries, Partnership 2000 leadership and the young Israelis who participate in the Maccabi games every summer.

Barry truly thinks about Federation all the time. If you need proof, just check my cell phone bill. Why he's even designed a special blue and white gauze pad for his dental practice emblazoned with the "Live Generously" JFD Campaign slogan. Barry believes in sharing his enthusiasm with others!!

This gracious couple took time out of their busy schedules to accompany Jack Zigon (then JCRC and planning director) and Rick Jenson, WDEL broadcaster on the Voices in Israel trip back in the Fall of 2004. This was groundbreaking *Hasbara* or Israel advocacy – for a non-Jewish media personality to broadcast live from Israel. Barry was again his affable self, working with Jack to tell Israel's story to as many Delawareans as possible via the airwaves. Many communities have followed our lead and have sent radio personalities to Israel to help improve our *Hasbara*.

During his presidency we have realized many milestones—the highest campaign tally in the history of the JFD, an astronomical Capital Campaign, the end of primary elections on Shabbat, just to give a few examples. However, I am certain that the community will most closely associate his presidency with the completion of the Capital Campaign and the building project which have resulted from this initiative.

Barry's nurturing nature has resulted in many new leaders becoming full participants in JFD activities. He has set a high benchmark for his successors.

Barry often talks about creative Jewish Survival. He has truly been a driving force toward this end. Thanks to his leadership, our community is poised to meet the challenges of the next century.

On Monday, June 20, the JFD will mark its 70th annual meeting. Our theme is "Building Community"—a particularly appropriate theme for an event, which pays tribute to one of our finest community builders. Please join us as this "real mensch" turns over his gavel to Bob Pincus after so ably leading this great Federation for the past three years.

Yasher Koach, Barry. May you go from strength to strength in the years to come, and may you continue to be a great community leader.

Limited bus space available for Yom Ha'atzmaut Festival

...Last chance to travel with fellow Delawareans to Philly on May 15th!!

There's still time to board the bus for a fun-filled day in Philadelphia to celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut. Join in a march by thousands along Philadelphia's Ben Franklin Parkway wearing a specially designed T-Shirt showing Delaware's commitment to the Jewish State. Help get into the Guinness Book of World Records for the world's largest Hora. Make the 57th anniversary of Israel's independence a truly joyous event.

Yom Ha'atzmaut is being coordinated by the Jewish Federation of Delaware and the Bernard and Ruth Siegel Jewish Community Center.

Delawareans will depart from the Jewish Community Center of Delaware at 10:30 a.m. and enjoy refreshments en-

route. They will arrive in Philadelphia in plenty of time to participate in The Walk for Israel down the Ben Franklin Parkway beginning at 12:30 p.m. The Israel Street Fair at Eakins Oval will continue all afternoon, featuring kosher food vendors, Israeli crafts and products, a Bedouin tent coffee house, the monster mural, Israel Quest, camel rides and much more!

The cost for participation in this special celebration is just \$10 per person or \$36 per family and includes transportation and a T-Shirt.

Buses will leave from the JCC at 10:30 a.m., from Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth at 10:45 a.m., from Temple Beth El in Newark at 10:15 a.m. and the JCC at 1:00 p.m.

Reservations are filling up fast. Call Ivy Harlev today at 302-478-5660 to reserve your seat for a fun-filled celebration!

Save the Date

The entire community is cordially invited to attend the

70th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Delaware and "Dedication of the Wall of Honor"

Monday, June 20th, 7 p.m.

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EDITORIALS AND OPINIONS

Celebrate Jewish Motherhood

"She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

Proverbs 31:26-28

Mother's Day may indeed be a modern day innovation masterminded by the marketing gurus in the greeting card and florist industries, however reverence for mothers is deeply rooted in Jewish tradition.

When G-d made the world, he gave mothers the unique power to create life within it.

Indeed, Eve's Hebrew name is a variation of Chai-the Hebrew word for life.

Through the ages, women have harnessed the awesome power of their role as mothers to accomplish great things. Devorah the Prophetess, one of Judaism's most revered female figures, defined herself and her achievements by her fulfillment of

this maternal mandate. In Judges, Devorah states, "Security ceased, ceased in Israel, until I, Devorah, a mother in Israel, arose."

Modern day Israel was guided and shaped by the leadership of another formidable female, Golda Meir. Like Devorah, Israel's first and only prime minister was empowered by her matriarchal role to lead her people through extremely challenging times.

Seize Sunday, Mother's Day, as an opportunity to reflect upon and revere those special women who have so greatly influenced and enriched our lives.

B'Shalom,

Lynn B. Edelman

Lynn B. Edelman
Loving Daughter of Fran Bandell

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Reflections on Yom Ha'Shoah

At our Passover Seder a few years ago, I asked my kids what they would ask Moses if they had the chance to meet him.

My son Michael was six years old at the time. And he responded with what I thought was a fascinating question.

He said that he would ask Moses something like "how did you get all the Jews to believe that you would lead them to freedom?"

A good question. And one that I think about in terms of the Holocaust. How do charismatic leaders make people believe - for good and for evil.

How is it that Hitler made people believe - in his evil plan, in his hatred?

Theories abound. Much has been written to explain the collusion of the German people. No satisfactory explanations exist.

What is just as confusing, though, is to realize how, during the Holocaust, outsiders were unwilling to stand up and be counted.

While many people of good will did provide assistance, millions of people around the world - including Americans - knew what the Nazis were doing. And they did nothing to stop it.

Where were the moral compasses? Do we have the right to abstain at moments of peril? Of course we don't.

From where do we get the strength to stand up, to take a risk?

It must be from our faith.

When the Israelites advanced on the Red Sea, chased by the Egyptians, the situation looked dire. The waves raged. And the bible tells us "The Lord said to Moses, why do you cry out to Me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you lift up your rod and hold out your arm over the sea and split it, so that the Israelites may march into the sea and on dry ground."

A classic explanation tells us that as the Israelites stood on the shores of the sea debating which tribe should go first, a single man, Nachson ben Aminadav, was the first one to plunge into the sea. He trusted that the promised miracle would occur.

Like Nachson, we must have faith. If we believe that "never again" is more than just a slogan, we must speak out and lead even if we find ourselves standing alone. During this season of rebirth and renewal, we not only have the opportunity to give thanks for the miracles in our own lives, but we can recommit ourselves to remember those who perished in the Holocaust and to make their lives and their deaths a blessing.

Cordially, Jack Markell

PARSHA PLACE

Week of May 7

Kedoshim

Vayikra 19:1 - 20:27

Love Yourself

By Yanki Tauber

Ok, here's the problem: I'm supposed to love my fellow man. Which means that I should accept my fellow human beings as they are. (That's what love means, right?) But can I - indeed, should I - accept my fellow human beings as they are?

Should I accept a malnourished child as she is? Should I accept a drug-addicted teenager, a suicidal spouse or a bigoted friend as he is? If a person I love suffers a lack of something - whether that something is food, money, knowledge, health, moral integrity or peace of mind - and whether that person wants to be helped or not - should I not do everything in your power to fill that lack?

Love is an oxymoron. To truly love someone I have to do two contradictory things: I have to respect him and I have to care for him. If I do not accept him as he is, that means that I do not respect him. It means that I don't really love him - I love only what I wish to make of him. But to love someone also means that I care for him and desire the best for him. And since very, very few people are the best that they can be, caring for someone means not accepting him as he is, but believing in his potential to be better and doing everything I can to reveal that potential.

I can respect someone. I can care for someone. I can accept a person as s/he is. I can not accept a person as s/he is. But I can't do both at the same time. Love sounds great in principle. In practice, it's impossible.

But I love myself. I'm not unaware of my deficiencies - indeed, in a certain sense, I am more aware of them than anyone else. I want to improve myself, but I don't think less of myself because I haven't yet done so. I respect myself and I care for myself; I accept myself as I am, while incessantly striving to make myself better than I am. I love myself - truly, fully, in every sense of the word.

The fact that such love is a logical paradox is irrelevant. It may be impossible to do two opposite things at the same time, but billions of people, myself included, do exactly that. I love myself regardless of whether this love makes sense, regardless of the inherent contradiction it embodies.

That's why the Torah tells us to "Love your fellow as yourself." If you find it impossible to love your fellow - to both respect him and care for him, to be deeply concerned about his faults and be completely unmindful of them at the same time - think for a minute about how you love yourself.

Then love your fellow as you love yourself.

By Yanki Tauber; based on the teachings of the Lubavitcher Rebbe. For more Parsha commentaries by Reb Tauber visit www.chabad.org.

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This Week in Jewish History



Celebrate 350
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"This Week in History" is an introduction to 350 years of American Jewish history, brought to you by the Jewish Women's Archive. More information about each of the events described below can be found on JWA's website at http://www.jwa.org/this_week/week_14.html

MAY 2, 1975
On May 2, 1975, the American Jewish Committee announced publication of a guidebook by Gladys Rosen suggesting ways to recognize Jewish contributions to the United States during the Bicentennial celebrations.
MAY 3, 2000
When Lillie Steinhorn retired from the Social

Security Administration on May 3, 2000, she was the longest-serving federal employee on record.

MAY 4, 1930
Roberta Peters, who achieved the longest tenure of any soprano in the history of the Metropolitan Opera, was born on May 4, 1930.

MAY 5, 1900
Nacha Rivkin, the founder of the first girl's yeshiva in the U.S., was born on May 5, 1900.

MAY 5, 1921
Poet and liturgist Ruth Brin was born on May 5, 1921.

MAY 7, 1973
Liora Reich became the first woman to win the International Bible Quiz on May 7, 1973.

MAY 7, 2002
Psychologist Carol Gilligan published "The Birth of Pleasure" on May 7, 2002.

INSIDE DELAWARE

AKSE celebrates 120 years

Celebrating its 120th Anniversary, Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth (AKSE) will be presenting a fantastic evening of song and dance. Café Tamar will take place on Monday, May 30, 2005 at 6:30 PM. This year's program, "From Strength to Strength," rejoices in the synagogue's accomplishments and future endeavors. It is also the celebration of Israel's Independence Day.

The Choral Group will perform under the direction of Cantor Joel Kessler. Other vocal performers include Cantor Joel, Hailey Weiner, Cindy Goldstein, Irene Plotzker, and Benjamin Russell and Rebecca Slomowitz in a duet.

The children's choir, Shir Chadash, will entertain as well. The Men's Chorus will feature a surprise addition for their performance.

Harokdim, the teenage Israeli dance troupe, has returned from its New York City performance with an exciting program. A-Kids, the children's dance troupe will return, and Lanetzach Tz'irim, our adult dancers, will perform new Israeli dances in costume.

David Gesterak will entertain with the accordion and accompany the choir on the keyboard.

Tickets are on sale at the synagogue office and from the performers.

Adults: \$10.00, Children (under 13): \$5.00

Refreshments are included in the price of admission.

Don't miss this outstanding event Jewish community event and help AKSE celebrate its 120th anniversary at on Monday evening, May 30 at Café Tamar!



Homeland Security expert to speak

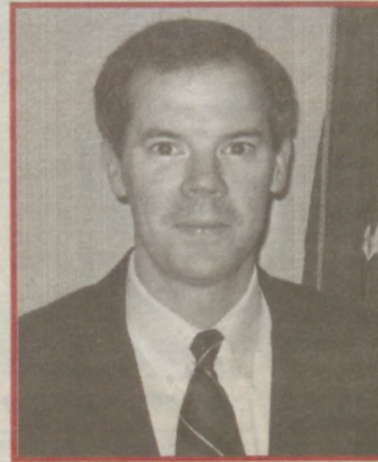
The Honorable Colm F. Connolly, United States Attorney, District of Delaware since 2001, will discuss "Homeland Security and Civil Rights Can We Have Both?" on Wednesday, June 8, 2:00 p.m. in the social room at Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 West Lea Blvd in Wilmington.

From 1992 to 1999, Mr. Connolly was an Assistant United States Attorney. In that position, he led an 18-month multi-agency investigation into the disappearance of Anne Marie Fahey, press secretary to former Delaware Governor Tom Carper, which resulted in the indictment of Thomas J. Capano for first degree murder. He was cross-designated as a Special Assistant Attorney General to co-prosecute State v. Capano and won a first degree murder conviction. In addition, Mr. Connolly prosecuted the first federal criminal civil rights case in Delaware history.

From 1991 to 1992, Mr. Connolly clerked for Judge Walter K. Stapleton of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He has litigated more than 40 cases in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and prosecuted over 100 defendants for various offenses.

A question and answer period will follow Connolly's presentation. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

This program is free and open to the entire community. Please RSVP to either Susan Goodman, at 529-0189 or Nance Brown at 798-7772.



Honorable Colm F. Connolly

Stem cell research panel

The Newark and Wilmington Chapters of Hadassah and Temple Beth El will sponsor a program on Stem Cell Research and Its Implications on Wednesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth El, 301 Possum Park Road, Newark, Delaware. Rabbi David Kaplan of Temple Beth El will present a Jewish perspective on stem cell research. Marian Palley, Professor of Political Science and International Relations, will moderate the panel.

Panelists include:

Dr. Jeffrey Russell, Director, Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, Christiana Care.

Professor David Smith, Professor of Biological Science, University of Delaware Ms. Elizabeth Wenk, Communication Director for Congressman Michael Castle.

Refreshments will be served.

For directions to Temple Beth El, which is located on Rt. 72, please contact Linda Oster, Administrator, Temple Beth El, 302-366-8330.



Three groups sponsored by Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation in Wilmington will be celebrating Yom Ha'atzmaut in Wilmington, at Border's Bookstores on the Concord Pike on May 11th at 7:00 p.m. Harokdim - is a community-wide teenage dance group, which performs Israeli and Jewish folk dance. AKids - is a group of 2nd-6th graders who perform Israeli folk dance. Shir Chadash - is a youth choir, featuring songs in Hebrew and English with a Jewish theme. Come

join us to observe Israel Independence Day and cheer on Israel and our children.

Berlin Holocaust

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not Jewish, fought for 10 years to have an unavoidable reminder of the Holocaust placed in the nation's capital.

The German Parliament gave its approval in 1999. But the question remains: For whom is this memorial? The historians and artists working on it say it is for them, and for all Germans.

Until now, "There had been no place in Germany that was dedicated to all the murdered Jews of Europe," says historian Ulrich Baumann, who for three years assembled family histories for the information center. "It is a subject that is nearly unbearable."

He often asks himself, "What would I have done if I lived in the ghetto?" How would he have felt "going to the gas chamber?"

"The murder plan was so brutal, and you can't really imagine it," he says. It's also difficult to imagine how Germans "coming from more or less normal families went to Poland and became murderers. These are

some of the questions that we faced every day" on the project.

One of the youngest staff members, museum-education expert Stefanie Fischer, 27, helped set the tone for the underground exhibit.

The theme of the Holocaust has "somehow always accompanied my life," says Fischer, whose undergraduate project focused on former West German exhibitions on the Holocaust. "As a result of the Cold War, most museums in [West] Germany focused on the fate of German Jews, and that's a very small minority among Holocaust victims. So I think we are going to close a gap in the presentation of the Holocaust in Germany."

"Many Germans are tired of talking or hearing about the Holocaust," she adds. "They think they have already heard so much about it, they hear it every day. But if you listen very closely to what they know, they know nothing. And this tells me that there is still a lot you can teach people."

The Adas Kodesch Adult Education Committee and Mens Club invite the community to hear

Dr. Rachel Ehrenfeld...

... an authority on the problems of terror financing, international terrorism, political corruption, money laundering, drug trafficking, and organized crime and the connections that bind these groups together address *Funding Evil: The International Funneling of Money to Islamic Terrorism*

Sunday, May 15, 2005, 9:45 AM

Program is free, enjoy breakfast at 9:15 a.m. for just \$4. Please R.S.V.P to Adas Kodesch, 302-762-2705

* Note: Program begins early on May 15th to enable congregants to leave after the program for the Yom Ha'atzmaut program in Philadelphia.

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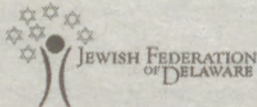
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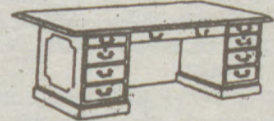
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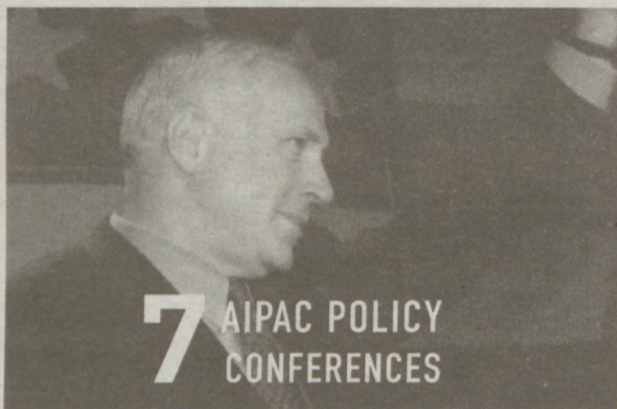
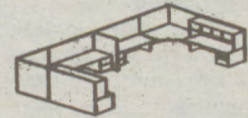
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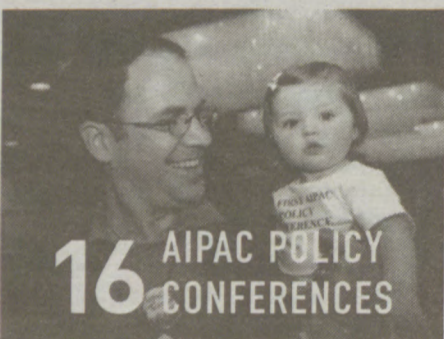


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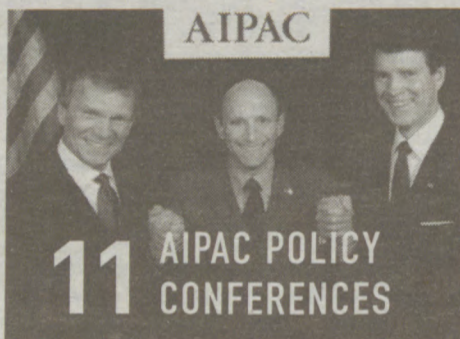
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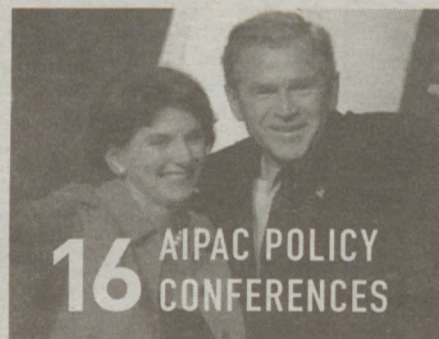
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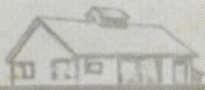
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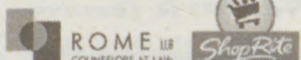
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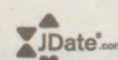


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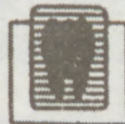
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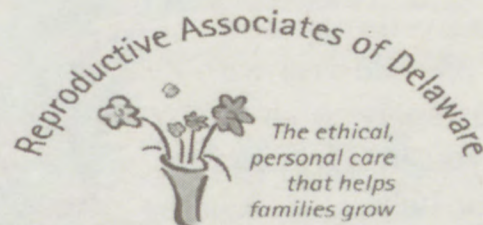
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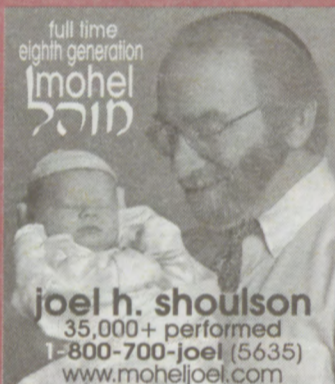
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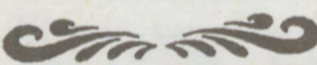


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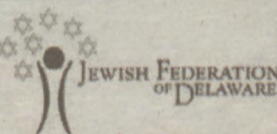
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Mr. Myers grew up in Philadelphia and was a Navy veteran of World War II. An alumnus of the University of Pennsylvania, he was a teacher and school administrator in the centennial Joint School System.

An avid fisherman, he loved the New Jersey shore.

He is survived by his daughter, Ilene Meyers of Wilmington; his son, Harris of Morrisville, PA; his sister, Jeanette Horowitz of San Jose, CA; six grandchildren and three great granddaughters.

Graveside services were held at Shalom Memorial Park in Philadelphia.

Contributions in his memory would be appreciated to the Hospice of Southwest Florida, 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34238.

NOVACK

Shirley R. Novack, 81, died April 26th. She was a retired school teacher from the Philadelphia School District, where she taught and coached tennis at Lincoln High School for many years.

She was predeceased by her husband, Milton E. Novack and her daughter, Nancy. Survivors include her nephew, Alan Silverman and her niece, Beth Weinstein.

Graveside services were held on April 29th in the Jewish Community Cemetery in Wilmington.

SHANUS

Phyllis Sheila Shanus, 72, died on April 21st in Wilmington surrounded by her family.

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she preached and was often seen playing tennis and walking all over town.

She was born in Brooklyn, NY and also resided in Kingston, PA and East Meadow, NY. Predeceased by her husband, Harvey Shanus, she is survived by her son, Michael Shanus and his wife, Reva of San Francisco, CA; son, Steven Shanus and his wife, Heidi of Wilmington and daughter, Beth Shanus and her husband, Kevin Loughrey of Wilmington. She also will be dearly missed by her cherished grandchildren, Jonathan, Allison and Sam Shanus of Wilmington and Alessandra and Sebastian Shanus of San Francisco; a brother and sister-in-law, Irwin and Marcia Birnbaum of Neponsit, NY and sister, Rebecca Birnbaum Miller of Hollywood, FL.

Funeral services were held on April 25th at the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel in Wilmington

with interment in the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road.

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SKLUT

David Sklut, 90, of Wilmington, died April 28th. He was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom in Wilmington.

Mr. Sklut was proud of his service in India with the United States Army during World War II and maintained a vast collection of memorabilia. He delighted in ballroom dancing with his wife Beatrice "Bebe", the couple also enjoyed traveling the world and spending time with their grandchildren.

In addition to Bebe, he is survived by his daughters, Ann Sklute of Half Moon Bay, CA; Jane Goldberg and her husband, Steven and Margaret R. Sklut-all of

Maryland; grandchildren, Wendy and Andrew Goldberg of New York City and Diana Beatrice Markessinis of Santa Anna, CA.

Funeral services were held on Monday, May 2 at Schoenberg Memorial Chapel with interment in Beth Emeth Memorial Park on Faulkland Road.

Contributions in his memory would be appreciated to either Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation, 600 Highland Road, Suite 624, Westhampton, NJ 08060 or to Congregation Beth Shalom, Rabbi's or Cantor's Fund, 1801 Baynard Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802.

TOPKIS

Alice Topkis, 88, of Dallas, Texas, died on April 15th. Mrs. Topkis is survived by her daughter, Lyn Berman and son-in-law, Harold Berman of Dallas; and her son, Bill Topkis, of Wilmington. Services were held in Dallas, Texas.

NACHAS NOOK

Reflections on the life of Gladys Rich Zutz

By Rabbi David Geffen

My wife Rita and I were quite saddened when we read about the death of Gladys Rich Zutz of blessed memory. Her deep feeling for yiddishkeit and for the State of Israel which also inspired her husband, Harry David Zutz, stemmed from her wonderful parents. Gladys was fortunate that she had her own personal rabbi, Dr. Abraham Millgram. When Dr. Millgram came to Beth Shalom in 1927, he actually boarded with the "Rich" family for his three years in Wilmington. Gladys and her sisters enjoyed playing with him as well as learning from him.

In the early eighties Gladys and Harry David came to Israel for a visit. They called Rita and me, and we spent a lovely evening with them. Gladys knew that Dr. Millgram had moved to Israel when he retired, but she did not know whether he was still alive. I was pleased to tell her that not only

was he alive but he was working on another book. I gave her and Harry David Dr. Millgram's phone number and address because he resided right in the center of Jerusalem.

Several months later when I saw Dr. Millgram, he thanked me for sending such wonderful visitors. He and Gladys had reminisced about 1927-1930, about his years in her family's household, about how he brought the Jewish flag to Beth Shalom plus Hatikva and how Louis Topkis decided that Dr. Millgram should be the main speaker to dedicate the Adas Kodesch Center. He told me how he and Gladys and Harry David had laughed and cried during this wonderful reunion.

I saw Gladys once or twice after that on a quick trip to Wilmington, and she too was thankful for the reunion. May her memory be for a blessing and may her family be comforted at this time of sadness. Rita joins me in these expressions of sympathy.

Hochman and Hurst to wed

Dr. Moses and Ronna Hochman are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Lorin Michelle to David Russel Hurst. Lorin is a graduate of Northwestern University and the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. She is the Deputy Child Advocate for the State of Delaware, New Castle County.

David is a graduate of Drexel University and Harvard Law School, and is an associate in the Wilmington office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, LLP.

His parents are Mary Hurst White of Newfield NJ, and Robert Hurst of Truth or Consequences, NM.

A November 2005 wedding is planned, after which they will live in Newark, Delaware.

Keil wins academic honor

Dr. Mark Keil has been honored with the Alumni Distinguished Professor Award at Georgia State University.

Mark is a faculty member of the Robinson College of Business at Georgia State University. He is a graduate of Princeton University,

M.I.T. Sloan School of Management (M.B.A) and earned his doctoral degree at Harvard Business School.

Mark lives in Atlanta with his wife Judy and their children David and Sara.

His parents are Judge Charles and Barbara S. Keil of Wilmington.

A New Daughter of Israel is born

Ella Tova Frank was born in Jerusalem at Hadassah Hospital on April 17.

She is the daughter of Lynne and Adam Frank and the sister of Nadav.

Proud grandparents are Ruth and Shelly Weinstein of Wilmington and Lois and Larry Frank of Atlanta.

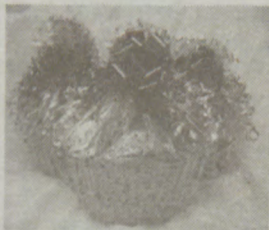
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