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Jewish Family Campus Dedicated With Celebration

By PAULA BERENGUT

After more than eight years of planning and hoping and as a result of the dedication and support of many members of the Delaware community, the Jewish Family Campus became a reality on Sunday, June 5. "Today is an historic occasion and it will be an important milestone in the history of our Jewish community... a day that will be honored by future generations as the moment when a new facility — this beautiful Campus — was given life." With these words, Bernard Siegel opened the dedication ceremonies for the Campus.

Rabbi Greenberg's Dedicatory Address 'Triumph Of Life'

By PAULA BERENGUT

In selecting a speaker for the dedication of the Jewish Family Campus, Irving Morris noted as introduction, that "we could have chosen someone who would have joined in the praise of our accomplishments." But, he added, were we to make such decisions based on the need to be praised, our structures would be in danger of becoming "only sterile symbols of our society without the learning and leadership and cohesiveness that should be the hallmark of a vibrant Jewish society." For this reason, Rabbi Irving Greenberg was chosen, because he is "one of the leading thinkers in Jewish life today."

Greenberg began his speech, which was entitled "From Death To Life," by establishing what he called "a fundamental message of Judaism... in a way, the most incredible message of all." This, he explained, is a claim that we are living in a world in which we will live to see the triumph of life. Notwithstanding all the evil and suffering in the world, all of these, he said, will be overcome by humanity.

This concept, which Greenberg noted is central not only to Judaism but to Christianity and Islam as well, may seem absurd, considering the incredible amount of suffering in the world. But, the rabbi says, this is not impossible, "if you observe certain ground rules." There must exist a partnership consisting of the Divine and the Human — a covenant — and once this partnership exists, can the evil be overcome.

The first ground rule, he says, is that "there are no magic wands" and that we have the responsibility (while recognizing certain human limits) and we are accountable. The second ground rule, is that this "will not be accomplished"

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Martin Mand described the history of the Campus, from the acquisition of the land through the planning stages to the reality that it has become. He made particular note of the fundraising efforts, without which the Campus, he said, would not exist. He singled out the efforts of Irving and Doris Morris, calling the Campus "a direct result of their leadership."

He also made mention of the significant financing that has been provided by the foundations who contributed to the project. Besides members of the Jewish community who joined in the dedication of the facilities which will be theirs to use for many years to come, the ceremonies were attended by Jewish and non-Jewish community leaders and representatives of the businesses, institutions and foundations which, through their financial contributions, were instrumental in funding the Campus project.

Mand noted that he has "used many of the community's buildings and facilities provided by the foresight, hard work and financial generosity of the many who were here before me. I do not know who these people are but I thank them. I have the satisfaction of knowing that in a small way I have played a part in leaving for future generations, most of whom I

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Rabbi Irving Greenberg, President and Co-founder of CLAL, gave the keynote address at the dedication.

'Rabbi, Teacher, Friend'

Rabbi Gewirtz To Retire After 40 Years As Spiritual Leader Of AKSE

By PAULA BERENGUT

After 41 years as the spiritual leader of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation, Rabbi Leonard B. Gewirtz is retiring. Although he will remain at the synagogue as Rabbi Emeritus, he will conduct his last service for the congregation on Friday evening, June 24.

And in his new position as Rabbi Emeritus, what can the community expect? "More of the same," he says. Much more, if he has his way. His plans for the future include all of the intellectual facets of his life that he may not have had sufficient time for as an administrator: reading, studying, publishing, lecturing and teaching.

According to John Elzufon, who has served as President of AKSE for the past two years, "It is difficult, if not impossible, to verbalize our congregation's feelings about the retirement of Rabbi Gewirtz. For the majority of our congregation, he has been the only rabbi they have ever known. For most of the rest, he



Rabbi Leonard B. Gewirtz

has been the rabbi for most of their lives."

"He is a religious leader of unparalleled dedication," Elzufon added. "This dedication is matched only by his wonderful wife Gladys. There is no facet of our congregation's life that he has not touched and bettered. His teachings and his life's example have not only made us better Jews but also better people."

Harvey Rubenstein, who served as President of AKSE for two separate three-year terms, notes, "You can't talk about the rabbi without talking about Gladys. When you engage a rabbi, you are bringing him into your family. And you bring the rabbi's family into your family. Gladys is outstanding."

Carol Concors, who has been a member of AKSE for more than 20 years, reflected on her relationship with the rabbi as his student. "Everyone, in his lifetime, should have one teacher who stands above the rest. For me, that teacher is Rabbi Gewirtz. Twenty years ago I had the privilege of studying one-on-one with the rabbi. He is a true scholar and a gifted teacher. He is a man who loves Judaism passionately and yet knows as much about secular philosophy, religion, history and literature as he does about Judaic studies."

Rabbi Peter H. Grumbacher of Congregation Beth Emeth echoed Concors' sentiments. "His vast knowledge of secular and Judaic subjects, his willingness to teach and to listen, have created an atmosphere of cooperation which, I trust, will continue."

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Family Campus Dedication
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OPINION

Editorial: We Are Commanded: Repair The World

No Jew is an island. To the Jewish conscience, all questions of politics, ethics, power and wealth are ultimately moral, ultimately Jewish issues.

Judaism is more than a religious religion. The Torah, the code of law by which Jews traditionally live, commands us regarding not only prayer and kashrut but also about relationships in this world and about our social responsibilities. Ultimately, Judaism is an obligation to live morally and justly.

Tikkun olam — repairing the world — is the term given to the idea of creating a more just, more whole world. The Jewish ideal is not in the perfection of individual should, but in the perfection of humanity. This, we are taught, takes place through interactions between people and between communities. Jewish teachings have always been concerned with morality, social responsibility and questions of leadership, power and control of property.

An example of this philosophy of repairing the world came to our community's attention last month when Paul and Gloria Fine made a generous financial contribution which will give students of the Conrad Middle School

in Wilmington the opportunity to attend college. Those students will also be provided with counseling, tutoring, and enrichment programs, in preparation for college. The hope behind the gift is that this will provide an incentive for the youth to stay in school, work hard and be the first in their families to get a college education — to make their world better.

The Fines are active, contributing members of our Jewish community. But they understand the importance of also contributing beyond the confines of their own immediate community — they understand the concept of *tikkun olam*. We must laud the efforts of the Fines and others who assume their responsibilities both within their own Jewish community and in repairing their world...our world. We will, hopefully learn a lesson from them.

The solutions to the world's problems are not easy ones nor will they come quickly, but they are certainly within our means. No one can resolve them alone, but individual or group efforts can make a difference. We read in the Pirkei Avot, "Lo alecha hamlacha ligmor..." — It is not up to you to finish the job, but you are not free to ignore it.

Letter to the Editor

University Does Not Reject Jews And Judaism

In this column of the May 27 issue, A visiting professor, Lawrence Perlman, attacked the University of Delaware and its Jewish faculty for "the rejection of Jews and Judaism" and for the "deceitful practice" of ignoring Jewish Studies. We would like to correct a few of the false impressions that Mr. Perlman has created through these rhetorical excesses. First, the presence of Jews and Judaism" has increased steadily at the University of Delaware over the past 10 years. The Hillel Foundation, which now receives the majority of its financial support from the JFD, has between 250 and 300 members, an active leadership, and full (and visible) religious and social programs. With an estimated 1400 Jewish students on campus, Hillel's membership and the support it receives from the Jewish students is at an all-time high. The university has been more than generous towards Hillel in the last few years, and even provided university facilities for Passover dinners during the past academic year.

Second, among the approximately 70 Jewish faculty and staff are many who are actively involved in Jewish religious, cultural, and communal affairs. A relatively high number are members of Temple Beth El in Newark and several are members of other congregations. Jewish faculty from the university have been members of the JFD Board and Executive Committee, chairs of major Jewish organizations

such as the JCRC, and one is currently a vice president of the JFD. For the past ten years several faculty members have sponsored a Winter Session trip to Israel on an every-other-year basis, taking about 30 students each trip for a five-week study tour. The recently retired president of the university, Arthur Trabant, made a trip to Israel himself, has hosted at his home (with his wife) a major Hadassah event, and provided as one of his last official acts funds for a one-year visiting professorship in Jewish Studies. Through administrative and departmental support a number of Israeli faculty have been visiting professors at the university, including Osvaldo Romberg, a prominent Israeli Artist, who for two years held the title of Distinguished University Professor here.

We regret that Mr. Perlman refused to become acquainted during his stay here with either the general Jewish community or any of the Jewish faculty other than the two he exempted in his letter from his gross accusations. He might have learned that the university has concerned Jewish faculty who don't hide their Jewishness under the rocks, and he might also have learned that new programs at this or any other university rarely result from reckless insults of the faculty or intimidation of the administration. There is now an ad hoc committee of faculty who are working towards a Jewish Studies program, and it has found, contrary to Mr. Perlman's unfounded assumptions, that the administration, particularly as represented by the Dean of Arts and Sciences, is supportive of this effort and has offered to assist in a number of ways. The long term success of this endeavor will come not from diatribes like Mr. Perlman's, nor from administrative fiat, but from the cooperative efforts of faculty who are committed to the existence of such a program.

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Jackson Statement Recalled

Priscilla Siegel's article in The Jewish Voice of 5/13/88 — The Jesse Jackson Candidacy — detailed in laudable journalistic style what Ed Koch so undiplomatically expressed in a single sentence. Over the years Jesse, in his own inimical style has often expressed clearly and unmistakably his feelings about another minority. His remarks as well as his never seriously denied closeness to outspoken anti-semites put him into the front row with the very bigots he claims to fight.

Like it or not we are all responsible for our past and it is, therefore, only fair and just that a presidential candidate's earlier years are examined to the last detail. If a candidate for the Supreme Court can be rejected because as a young man he was caught smoking pot, a man who wants to be president of the United States cannot make a claim for less scrutiny.

In this connection an incident comes to mind which, to me, seems more significant than Jackson's Hymietown remark and maybe even his often claimed and occasionally denied closeness to Arafat, Hasan and "that divine man of the cloth," Farrakhan, the most detestable of the bunch.

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Letter To A Dear Friend

To my dear and respected friend, Rabbi Leonard Benjamin Gewirtz:

It has been announced that on Friday evening, June 24, 1988, there will be a special Oneg Shabbat honoring you on the occasion of your last Shabbat Eve sermon as Rabbi of Congregation Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth, preparatory to becoming Rabbi Emeritus. Rona and I will be there, of course, as will so many others of the congregation, along with a multitude of your admirers who are not members of your congregation.

We first met, I recall quite clearly, in 1971, when you visited me shortly after I moved my offices from Dover to Wilmington, graciously welcoming me to the area, and leaving me a copy of your excellent book, *The Authentic Jew and His Judaism*. Our paths intersected more frequently during the years in which I was president and general campaign chairman of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, and still later I had the great pleasure of studying with you portions of Maimonides' *Mishneh Torah* and some *Gemara*. Capping all this has been the joy of *davening* with you on Shabbat mornings and hearing your insightful comments on the Torah portion of the week.

During these years my respect for you

personally, for what you do, for what you stand for, has steadily grown, and I have become increasingly aware of the great service you have rendered our community in your vigorous representation of traditional Judaism. You know so much better than I that it has not been easy. Wilmington and Delaware are not, to say the least, hotbeds of Orthodoxy. We have a good community, one of fine people working hard to support and build our Jewish institutions, but with only a modest number committed to Jewish study, Jewish law and Jewish tradition in the Orthodox sense. For over four decades now, you have again and again gone to the barricades to fight for what you believed to be right. It has often been a lonely battle, and not always a successful one, and I'm sure that some of the wounds have cut deep.

But your impact, your positive impact, on the Jewish community has been substantial. Because of you, because of what you have stood for, our community is a better one, a stronger one. You have been true to your name: Leonard, *Aryre*, the lion.

I have known you also as a teacher, a scholar. And here you are hard to match. There is an excitement in you, an

enthusiasm, a bursting effervescence that is irresistible. There is even, forgive me, a bit of the performer there, and it is a charming addition. No wonder your classes have always been so popular at Gratz! At times when it has been common to preach politics and social reform from the pulpit, you have spoken words of Torah. You have come to the lectern with a tractate of Talmud or a book of rabbinic commentary from which to read, not with a clipping from the New York Times or Newsweek. You have never lost sight of the definition of rabbi: teacher!

So I thank you, dear friend and rabbi, for your service to our community over the past 41 years, service from which all of us have gained benefit. And I thank you for the warmth of our personal relationship, which I hope will continue for many, many years. Rona still keeps the letter you sent me on the occasion of an article I wrote; you said that you had always felt we were brothers, and that now you knew that we were truly brothers. I was deeply touched, although I knew that if we were brothers, then, in the words of the Haggadah, you were the Wise Son and I the Simple Son.

Finally, a word about things to come.

We Jews don't like to have something end without an accompanying beginning. On the same day that we finish reading the fifth and last book of the Torah, Deuteronomy, we begin again the first book, Genesis. When we finish a tractate of Mishnah or Gemara, we begin another. In this way I know that the end of your 41 years as Rabbi of Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth will also be a beginning. A beginning as Rabbi Emeritus of the congregation, a beginning of more time to study and to write. It was my great honor that you asked me to review your most recent book, *Jewish Spirituality, Hope and Redemption*, when it was published. It is a scholarly and insightful work based on the thought of Rav Avraham Kook. I know that there will be more books and more articles as you launch with that boundless energy of yours into this new career. May your works be fruitful and may they multiply.

I close this letter with the prayer that you and your dear wife, Gladys, and your family will go from strength to strength. May God bless you with health and length of days and joy and fulfillment. And may He continue to bless me with the sweet privilege of calling you my dear friend and rabbi.

The Search For The Unaffiliated Jews

Captain Kirk and the crew went searching for Dr. Spock in a recent Star Trek reprise. Porgy went searching for Bess. Sidney Greenstreet and a slippery Peter Lorre went on one more troubled expedition to find the Maltese Falcon. Meantime, Jewish organizations and in-

stitutions continue to seek the ever elusive "unaffiliated Jew."

The search for the unaffiliated Jew is a misguided effort. The biggest problem we face is not in rates of affiliation, either with synagogues or temples or other Jewish organizations. It is levels of involvement that should concern us most.

Study after study in the 1980s, whether in St. Louis, San Francisco, Baltimore, New Orleans, or other cities, show that most Jews are affiliated. Some may belong to a synagogue or temple. Others belong to one Jewish organization or another. Most Jews make some nominal gift to some Jewish philanthropy. Most Jewish children receive some Jewish education. The majority attend High Holiday services, even if they do not belong to a synagogue or temple. When all of these are added together, the total encompasses the great majority of Jews. Those who do none of these things are likely to be over the age of 65, and used to belong to some organization or institution, or under the age of 30, and plan to join in the future. Proportionately, few Jews are totally disconnected, totally unaffiliated. Rates of true non-affiliation are found to be highest among intermarried Jews.

The real problem can be found in the level of commitment, involvement, and activity for connected Jews who are inactive within the organizational and institutional structure. The reason Jewish organizations search so hard for unaffiliated Jews is because most affiliated Jews are invisible within the Jewish communal structure. They are

members, but in name only.

While Jews give something to Jewish causes, the vast majority give only a few dollars. Most Jews who belong to Jewish organizations volunteer no time for them. Jews go to a synagogue or temple, but only once or twice a year, or to drop off their children at Hebrew school.

The search for the unaffiliated is a cop-out. It allows Jewish organizations to focus outward instead of looking critically inward. Jews are already connected in some way, or will be, or used to be. Certainly we should make every attempt to reach out to those who are totally outside the organizational and institutional structure. But that search should not serve as a smoke screen to the obvious problems of involving those who will be marginally drawn to Jewish communal life at some point. Marriages, birth of children, children becoming school age, illness and death are all life cycle events that bring Jews into contact with Jewish organizations and institutions. What do we do to expand that contact?

The most pressing and vital challenge we have is increasing levels of involvement and participation. That requires creating new volunteer jobs, undertaking new and broader agendas in our institutions and organizations, opening up leadership circles, providing different and more human services. It means more creative religious services and educational programs. It means social events that are vibrant and exciting. It means diversity in what we do and the ways we do it.

Jewish organizations and agencies

must be willing to change and experiment. Jews' lack of involvement is partly due to the competition of a secular society and the weakening bonds of religious Judaism. But the problem also rests partly with Jewish organizations and institutions themselves. How creative, energetic, and open have they been to new ideas, new programs, and new faces? Federations, temples, synagogues, and all other organizations must stop asking "how do we bring more people within our walls?" and seriously consider "how can we expand our walls to the places where people live and think and believe?" Hundreds of thousands of Jews with nameless faces are walking through our institutional and organizational doors. It is our communal task to ensure that they do not walk right back out again.

Apology

The Jewish Voice regrets the omission of the following paragraph from the article on the Jewish Federation's annual meeting:

In presenting Doris and Irving Morris with an award for their work in connection with the Jewish Family Campus, Herrmann called them "The architects" of this major community project. In accepting the award, Mr. Morris noted that this project will "place upon the community the mark of our presence." Morris made it clear, however, that the project is still facing "a financial crisis," and that \$350,000 is needed to complete the project.

ENDOWMENT

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For additional information about life income plans please call Connie Kreshool, Endowment Director, at 478-6200.

7 Delaware Seniors Graduate From Gratz

The Administration and Faculty of Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School are proud to announce that Johanna Goldlust, Shana Hart, Lynne Miller, Phillip Nathanson, Beth Panitz, Meredith Tucker and Stephanie Wohlman have successfully completed all requirements for graduation from Gratz College.

These young people were honored locally at a "Farewell to Seniors" picnic on Tuesday, May 24 and also at a graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 26. They will join other seniors from Gratz College in Philadelphia for formal commencement exercises and the conferring of diplomas on Sunday, June 12.

We extend our congratulations to these fine students for their outstanding achievements and offer our best wishes for their continued success and excellence.

MEREDITH P. TUCKER, plans on majoring in history, government or international relations. Her community activities included volunteering for Hagley Museum and Tom Carper's and Mike Dukakis' campaigns. A graduate of Brandywine High School, she was Co-Editor-In-Chief of the school newspaper, a varsity starter on the State Champion Field Hockey Team,



Meredith Tucker

a member of the Tennis Team, and a french horn player in the marching and concert bands. Also active in school theatre, Meredith landed roles (one leading) in four plays and served as President of the Drama Society in her senior year. The daughter of Marcia Tucker and Leonard Tucker, Meredith was a member of National Honor Society, Vice-President of French Honor Society in her sophomore year and the recipient of first and second place honors on the National Social Studies Olympiad World and U.S. History Teams respectively. She was the head Israeli delegate to Brandywine's Model United Nations and participated on the High School Bowl Team. Meredith has attended summer school at

Phillips Academy and taken pre-college courses at the University of Pennsylvania. She has not yet chosen a college or profession.

LYNNE S. MILLER, daughter of Alfred and Bobby Miller, is a National Honor Roll graduate of Tower Hill School. She has received a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit



Lynne Miller

Scholarship Program and has been inducted into Who's Who in America. Her extra curricular activities included playing on the Varsity Basketball and Lacrosse Teams, being Vice-President and a four year member of the Student Faculty Council, serving as Co-Photo Editor for Tower Hill's yearbook and participating on the Arts and Social Service Committees. Also active in the community, Lynne was a member of the Senior Leadership Committee for the student union of four local schools and a first grade Spanish teacher. She is a queen candidate for the Blue-Gold All Star Football Game and a "buddy" to one of its beneficiaries, a mentally handicapped child. Interested in an international business career, Lynne hopes to major in business and economics. She is undecided where she will attend college.

years and toured Israel for six weeks last summer. Shana, daughter of Marvin and Orlene Hart, will attend the Culinary Institute of America to pursue a profession as a chef.

STEPHANIE A. WOHLMAN, will be a University of Delaware Undecided Liberal Arts Major in the fall. She has been a Gratz honor roll student, the Spirit Chairperson for Newark's B'nai B'rith Youth Organization and a teacher's aide/substitute teacher at Congregation Beth Shalom's Religious School. This Alexis I. duPont High School graduate was a member of the American Field Service Organization, Junior Varsity Cheerleading Squad and Junior Varsity Softball Team. Stephanie, who is



Stephanie Wohlman

the daughter of Sanford and Vera Wohlman, also participated in the Drama Club and was involved in six school plays.

JOHANNA L. GOLDLUST, daughter of Perry and Sheila Goldlust, will attend Virginia Commonwealth University and major in commercial interior design. At Concord High School, her alma mater, she edited the Senior Section of the yearbook, participated in Majorettes, managed the Boys' Baseball Team, took part in the Drama Club and performed in two school plays. A Concord and Gratz honor roll student, Johanna was also a member of Delaware's Blue-Gold All Star Marching Band for two consecutive years. She has been a



Johanna Goldlust

JCC camp counselor for the past four summers and now works part time after school and on weekends.

PHILLIP A. NATHANSON, graduated from Mount Pleasant High School where he participated in the Chess Club.



Phillip Nathanson

The son of Simon and Suzanne Nathanson, "Phil" is currently the oldest active minyonaire at Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth and a part time employee at the Royal Exchange Restaurant in Branmar Plaza. His future plans are to attend the University of Delaware and pursue a career in computers.

BETH A. PANITZ, the 1986 third place and 1987 first place National Bible Contest winner, recently returned from Israel where she participated in the International Bible Contest. She has been President of the Gratz Student Council and will be giving the Invocation at Commencement Exercises for Gratz College in Philadelphia. A graduate of Concord High



Beth Panitz

School, Beth was Vice-President of National Honor Society and chaired its Induction Dinner, Assistant Editor (junior year) and Editor (senior year) of the yearbook, Opinions Editor of *The Eye Magazine* and a reporter for Concord's newspaper. She also took part in the Science Olympiad, was a member of the Math Team and participated in Girls' Track. Named a Concord Representative to Girls State in 1987 and an alternate to the Governor's School for Excellence, she will attend the University of Maryland at College Park. Beth, who has volunteered at Camp Manito for the handicapped, is the daughter of Bernard and Sylvia Panitz.

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Shana Hart

SHANA HART, is a Concord High School graduate who participated in Intramural Volleyball, worked on props and costumes for Concord's plays and received two school letters and a pin for managing the Girls' and Boys' Swim Teams. A former JCC afterschool volunteer, she also attended Camp Ramah for five

Reagan Meets With Refuseniks, Presses Soviets On Human Rights

NEW YORK (JTA) — President Reagan continued to press the Soviet Union on its human rights record in a meeting with Soviet activists, including 17-year refusenik Yuli Kosharovsky. "On human rights, on the fundamental dignity of the human person, there can be no relenting. For now we must work for more, always more," said Reagan in remarks broadcast live in the United States on network television on May 30.

The hour-long meeting took place at Spaso House, the Moscow residence of U.S. Ambassador Jack Matlock.

The president's remarks were the second that day to address the human rights issue. Earlier, while visiting Moscow's Danilov Monastery, he called for increased religious liberty in the Soviet Union and the reopening of thousands of churches and banned congregations.

Reagan seemed to be paying little heed to a sharp rebuke by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Gorbachev welcomed Reagan to their fourth summit conference by arguing that the U.S. president had ignored the changes that have been implemented under the new Soviet leadership.

But Soviet complaints about American leaders arriving in Moscow to lecture the Kremlin on human rights may have persuaded the White House to cancel another scheduled Reagan meeting with Soviet refuseniks.

The president reportedly had been planning to make a surprise visit to the Moscow home of Yuri and Tanya Ziemans, who first applied to emigrate in 1977. When word got out about the scheduled visit, crews of painters, street cleaners and maintenance workers arrived



Soviet Jews protest May 31 near the Lenin Library in Moscow as Reagan and Gorbachev met for their summit meeting.

at the Ziemans residence to spruce up the surroundings. Reporters also gathered at the site. But the president never showed up. U.S. officials would not comment on the reasons for the cancellation.

The Associated Press, however, quoted an unnamed Reagan administration official as saying that Soviet authorities threatened that if the meeting took place, the Ziemans would never be released.

In his meeting May 30 with dissidents and human rights activists, Reagan told the activists that he believed "this is a hopeful time for your nation," citing the release of more than 300 political and religious prisoners from Soviet labor camps since Gorbachev assumed leadership.

Nevertheless, the president declared that "the basic standard the Soviet Union agreed to almost 13 years ago in the Helsinki Accords, or a generation ago in the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, still need to be met."

Kosharovsky, who first applied to emigrate in 1971, joined two dissidents, a former

political prisoner and a Russian Orthodox priest freed last year after six years in jail, in the meeting with Reagan and his top advisers.

"Despite democratization, our lot has not improved," Kosharovsky told Reagan. "The government continues to deny our right to teach and learn our culture."

North American Soviet Jewry activists arrived in Moscow on May 30 for meetings with the press, refusenik families and Soviet officials, according to Jerry Goodman, executive director of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Goodman said leaders were scheduled to arrive in Moscow during the week. Some would be travelling directly from the United States, he said, and some from Helsinki, where they convened to advocate the inclusion of human rights issues on the summit agenda.

According to one report reaching New York, Rabbi Avi Weiss of New York, national chairman of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, held a small demonstration in Red Square calling attention to the concerns of Soviet Jews.

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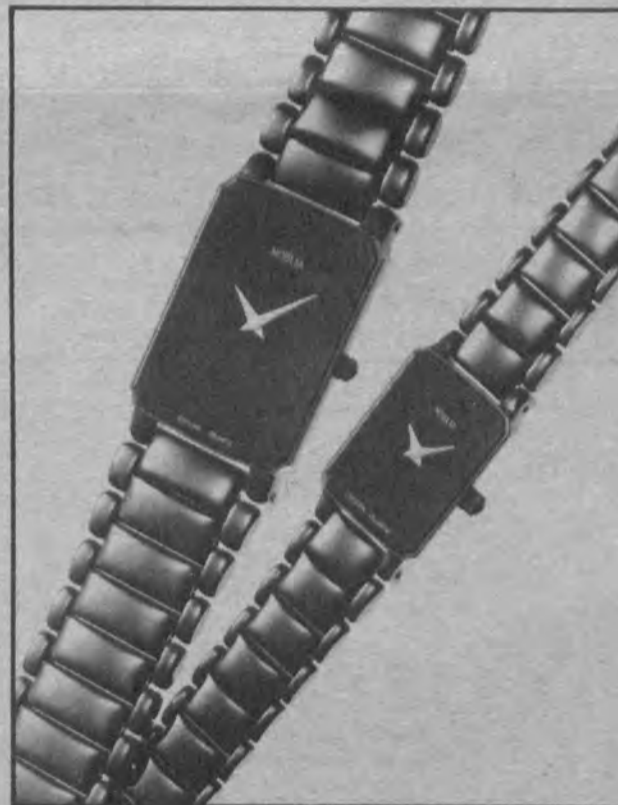
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Fruits Of Farrakhan Dinner To Benefit Jewish Charity

By **SUSAN BIRNBAUM**
NEW YORK (JTA) — The Jewish owners of a kosher catering facility in Queens, who unwittingly rented their hall to a group honoring Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan as their guest speaker, have pledged their entire proceeds from the dinner to Jewish charity.

Allen Sherel, co-owner of Terrace in the Park, said that "every penny that we make from this dinner we're going to give to Jewish philanthropy." Sherel and partner Stanley Lewin rented their Flushing Meadows Park facility to a group calling itself, "Concerned Citizens for New York," an alliance of black businesspeople who, the two men later learned, were having Farrakhan as their guest speaker.

When Sherel and Lewin were apprised of the situation, they consulted with their attorneys and were told they could not legally back out of the dinner. The two men were somewhat distressed by the announcement of a purported campaign by Jewish militants and mainstream Jewish leaders to protest the dinner and boycott Terrace in the Park, which is

located in a predominantly Jewish neighborhood.

Terrace in the park received several phone calls indicating concern and even stronger sen-



Louis Farrakhan, Nation of Islam leader, pauses during a speech on May 21 at Terrace In The Park. A controversy appeared when Jewish leaders discovered that Farrakhan, who has called Judaism "a gutter religion," was to speak at the kosher establishment. (Photo credit: RNS Photo)

timents. What seemed to be forgotten was that that Saturday night would be the Jewish holiday of Shavuot, when it would be highly unlikely that any observant Jews would be out on a picket line in front of a catering hall.

Members of the Jewish community who were questioned about their desire to protest Farrakhan indicated that although they strongly oppose Farrakhan, they would largely ignore his appearance in Queens.

Rabbi Fabian Shonfeld, spiritual leader of Young Israel of Kew Gardens, Queens, and head of Poale Agudath Israel of America, said he had discussed the matter with the Queens Jewish Community Council and they had decided that "any attempt to confront Farrakhan will only arouse Farrakhan. All of us are agreed that the best policy now is to ignore it."

Likewise, Rabbi Yitzhak Sladowsky, executive vice president of the Rabbinical Council of Queens, and Michael Miller, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, said they preferred to observe Shavuot, not Farrakhan.

'The Triumph Of Life'

(Continued from Page 1)
ed by some mega-structure that we dwarf humans" but only by individual human beings.

Each of us is accountable for his own life as well as the world in which we live. The "infinite value of every human being," once understood and accepted, is the basis upon which we can, according to Greenberg, overcome evil and suffering and transform the world.

How do you transform the world? Begin with your own family, he suggested. Jews are not responsible for Jews alone, but "we have to start somewhere." We must train ourselves in the concept, said Greenberg. He used the example of Anatoly Scharansky's release to freedom as an il-

lustration of human beings being trained that their time should be devoted to helping, by reminding the audience of the thousands of people around the globe who joined in the effort to free the refusenik.

Finally, he said, achieve the dream one generation at a time. "Start with one promised land and eventually the whole world will be a Garden of Eden." The bottom line is that we must do as much as we can do in our lifetimes and then pass it on. "One step at a time you will transform the world."

Greenberg cautioned the audience to allow for diversity. "People are unique." What you are, he said, is not a burden but, rather, a calling. Don't help people because they are male,

like you, or female like you. Don't help them because they are the same religion as you are." We must, he said, respect this diversity within the human race. Each group, each religion, each person should "show a proud model of what their calling can be." Once we can do this, he notes, we will achieve a perfect world and as a result of the diversity, this perfect world will be a "tapestry or a symphony."

Greenberg went on to point out the paradox of the twentieth century, a century of unprecedented power and technology. The same power and technology which has been used to feed and provide shelter for unparalleled numbers of people has also been used, according to Greenberg, to perpetrate the greatest destruction of life in the history of humanity. Power, he cautioned, can either liberate or become the source of evil. The use of power is the "litmus test of a community's ability to accept diversity."

"So which will it be?" Greenberg asks, "Will this be the century of the transformation and fulfillment of the dream or the breakdown of the community and the growth of the selfishness?"

Greenberg closed on an optimistic note, saying that Judaism teaches that life will triumph. The new Jewish Family Campus and its commitment to family and community symbolizes that triumph.

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Announcements/Events

Holocaust Education Committee Receives Grant For Kristallnacht Commemoration

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee has received a grant of \$3,910 from the Delaware Humanities Forum to present a commemorative program on the 50th anniversary of Kristallnacht. The program will

be held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 13 at Clayton Hall of the University of Delaware and will be open to the public at no charge.

Professor Raul Hilberg, author of *The Destruction of*

the European Jew, and currently the John G. McCullough Professor of Political Science at the University of Vermont, will be the featured speaker.

The Kristallnacht commemoration is being planned

as an intergenerational event with the expectation that high school and college students and parents with teenage children will attend. A film presentation and panel discussion will round out the program.

REMINDER

The
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Karen Greggson, Coordinator of the AIDS Program Office of the Delaware Bureau of Health, will be lecturing on "AIDS Awareness." The pro-

gram will take place at the Jewish Community Center on June 29, 7-8:30 p.m. The lecture will focus on the HIV virus, methods of transmission, and issues of prevention.

Singles' Happy Hour

There will be a Happy Hour for Jewish Singles 21-31 on Wednesday, June 15, 5:30-

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Kuller-Barbanel

Mark Kuller and Lori Barbanel, both of Wilmington, were married at AKSE on Sunday, May 29. The groom is a patent lawyer for Hercules, and the bride is Special Assistant to the Director of the V.A. Hospital.

Seidel

Ethan D. Seidel, son of Barry and Phyllis Seidel, was ordained at the commencement exercises of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in New York City, on May 19. He received the Rabbi Max Gelb Memorial Prize in Talmud.

Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis, Wilmington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bonnie Susan Davis, to Howard Brian Horowitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Horowitz of Bridgewater. Bonnie is a graduate of the University of Virginia and is currently an MBA candidate at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Howard is a graduate of William and Mary College and resides in Reston, Va.

Klassman

Stephanie Klassman has been named a Collegiate Scholastic All-American by the United States Achievement

Academy. She attends the University of Pennsylvania and was nominated for the award by the Dean of Nursing there. Stephanie's name will appear in the Scholastic All-American Collegiate directory, which is published nationally.

The USAA has established this award program in order to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The scholars recognized in the program must maintain a 3.30 or better grade point average.

Stephanie is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Barry Klassman. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Haberman of Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. H. Klassman of Cherry Hill, N.J.

Markell

David L. Markell, an attorney with experience in litigating Superfund and hazardous waste cases, has been appointed director of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Enforcement.

In his new position, David will manage the state's program to require those parties responsible for pollution to bear the cost of cleaning up toxic waste sites throughout New York. He will oversee the activities of over 40 attorneys and scientists.

David is the son of Bill and Leni Markell of Newark.

Paz

Cherall and Moises Paz announce the birth of a daughter, Chava Aliza Faye Paz on June 6. Chava is the sister of David.

Goldstein

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Goldstein of Wilmington celebrated their Golden (50th) Anniversary on June 2. Their family and friends celebrated at the Royal Exchange Restaurant on May 29.

Lieber

On May 20, Sam Lieber, son of Dennie and Efrem Lieber, won the Delaware State High School Tennis Championship, first singles position, and led his Brandywine High School team to its first State Championship since 1977. Sam defeated last year's state champ, Steve Rao of St. Andrew's School, in straight sets. Rao had previously been unbeaten in 50 high school matches over the past four years. Following his high school tournament success, Sam won the Delaware State Tournament (USTA) singles title, 18 and Under, and then completed a week of winning tennis by capturing the Delaware State Tournament (USTA) doubles title with his partner, Lee Short. Sam will be attending the University of Delaware in the Fall.

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Shamir Rejects 'Quick Fix' Solutions

By ANDREW SILOW CARROLL

NEW YORK (JTA) — Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir appeared nonplused Monday by U.S. Secretary of State Shultz's remarks that Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip is a "dead-end street." Appearing before the conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations one day after his three-hour meeting with the secretary of state, Shamir said of Shultz and President Reagan: "We may not always agree on everything, but they have never allowed our disagreements to affect our friendship."

Shamir made no direct reference to Shultz's remarks during a 15-minute address and short question-and-answer session with the Jewish leaders. But after praising Shultz on his fourth peace-making mission to the Middle East, Shamir declared that "there is no quick fix for our complex situation," and that the Camp David accords "still offer the best plan for progress towards peace. We cannot be asked to trust any future agreements if this one is declared dead nine years after it was born," the prime minister said.

Shamir said he told the secretary of state Sunday that he continued to oppose U.S.

calls for an international peace conference and a three-year timetable for deciding the final status of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

As he repeated Monday, Shamir believes that direct negotiations, without preconditions, are "the only way to settle disputes between sovereign nations. I am used to pressure on me, but it doesn't have any impact on me," he said when asked about criticism of his stance.

Shamir said the results of the unrest in the administered territories will be viewed as "salutary because they have shattered illusions." He then listed six such illusions, including the belief that Palestinians will be satisfied with a state within the West Bank and Gaza, that further concessions by Israel will lead to peace and, in another apparent dig at the U.S. peace plan, "that we can be forced by violence to act against our interests."

Shamir did praise Reagan for continuing to press the Soviet Union on human rights at last

week's superpower summit. The subject of Soviet Jewry led the prime minister to a declaration condemning the practice of Soviet Jews "dropping out" on their way to Israel.

"Let me explain again that the State of Israel cannot lend itself to the perpetuation of fraud by granting Israeli visas to those who apply to go to Israel and who have no intention of doing so. It undermines our credibility, impugns our integrity and insults our sovereignty."

A note of discord entered into the meeting during the question-and-answer period, when Menachem Rosensaft, president of the Labor Zionist Alliance, told Shamir that polls of U.S. Jews indicate greater support for a peace settlement based on a "land-for-peace" formula than for the policies of Shamir's Likud bloc.

Amid cries of "Lies, lies!" from supportive audience members, Shamir repeated his belief in direct negotiations with the Arabs to determine the final status of the administered territories.

Israeli Opinion Split After Summit Meetings

By DAVID LANDAU JERUSALEM (JTA) — Premier Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres had markedly different reactions June 1 to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's statement in Moscow that the Soviet Union would consider restoring diplomatic relations with Israel at the start of an international conference for Middle East peace.

Gorbachev spoke in response to questions at the first news conference ever held by a Soviet leader in Moscow. Peres, who will head the Labor Party list in the Knesset elections next November, found Gorbachev's remarks encouraging.

He said he would "welcome" a new and more balanced Soviet position on the Middle East conflict and would be pleased if Gorbachev's worlds signaled an era of cooperation, instead of confrontation, between the superpowers in this region.

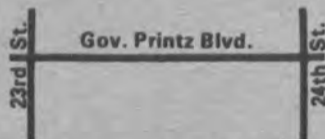
Shamir, who was formally elected June 1 by the Herut Party Central Committee to head its election list as candidate for prime minister, reacted cautiously. He said he wanted to scrutinize the text of Gorbachev's remarks and to discuss these developments with U.S. Secretary of State George Schultz after his arrival here.

Political observers here interpreted Gorbachev's remarks as a measure of encouragement to Shultz to continue pressing his peace plan. The different reactions of the two Israeli leaders reflected their opposing hopes and expectations from the Moscow summit conference between Gorbachev and President Reagan, which has just ended.

Labor hoped for a narrowing of the differences between the superpowers over an international conference. Likud, which adamantly opposes the conference scenario, hoped for an opposite outcome.



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For these three Tuesday night performances transportation will be provided by the JCC. Limited seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The Center will also provide free tickets to other selected concerts for this summer series. Please call the JCC Front Desk to register.

Other concert highlights will include Vladimir Feltsman, the Soviet emigre pianist, Soviet Conductor Yuri Temirkanov as well as Riccardo Muti.

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For more information or to register for the JCC Day Camp Program, call the JCC at 478-5660.

Williamsburg Presentation

An audio-visual presentation on Williamsburg by W. T. Drennen, Jr. will be presented on Monday, June 27, at 12:45 p.m. The presentation will explore Williamsburg, a beautiful colonial town which was the British Jewel of Pre-Revolutionary America.

Mr. Drennen is a member of the Delaware Camera Club and the Photographic Society of America. He has won awards for his photos and specializes in presenting video shows to social groups.

Trip To Inner Harbor Planned

A bus trip to Baltimore's Inner Harbor is planned for 7th and 8th graders on Tuesday, June 28. The bus will depart from the JCC at 8:45 a.m. and return at 5:15 p.m. The fee is

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Israeli Dancing

Michelle Wiener will teach a program of Israeli Folk Dance at the JCC Family Campus. Wiener has previously taught and performed with the Cafe' Israeli Dancers, including a performance at the Israel 40th Anniversary Celebration in Philadelphia this past May. Classes will begin on Tuesday, June 21, and will continue for seven weeks. The fee for members is \$25. Please call the Center at 478-5660 to register.

Aquatics Facility Opens

On Sunday, June 5, the new Family Campus Aquatics Facility officially opened after the Dedication Ceremonies. The facility consists of a 6,000 square feet z-shaped swimming pool which will accommodate the needs of our community and our camp children, as well as a 9' x 12' toddler pool.

Aquatics classes for all age groups will be offered Monday through Friday beginning on June 20. For additional information on the programs,

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Membership cards will be necessary for admittance into the pool area and individuals are reminded to bring their own lounge chairs.

Family Night At Campus

Beginning on Thursday, June 23, and every Thursday night throughout the summer there will be a family night at the JCC Family Campus. There will be special activities from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. for the entire family. Activities will include learning how to juggle, hikes through the Brandywine Creek State Park, cookouts, tournaments and lots of other entertainment and fun. Picnic tables are available for bring-your-own suppers.

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The Jewish Voice Recognizes...

Charles Salkin

Dover Resident Researches Delaware's Jewish Farm History

By PRISCILLA W. SIEGEL
Staff Writer

One of the myths about Jews is that they are urban dwellers who can't or won't do manual labor, so the image of the Jew as farmer is one which even many Jews find strange. Research by local historians around the country has proven the stereotype wrong as the existence of more and more Jewish farm communities, past and present, is being discovered.

Delaware is fortunate to have a dedicated researcher whose fascination with local history led to the discovery of a nucleus of Jewish farmers in the Dover area, going back to 1897. Charles Salkin, a Dover resident who manages Technical Services with the State Division of Parks and Recreation, came to Delaware from Pennsylvania about ten years ago.

Bringing with him his love of local history, he was especially interested when he came across *Delaware and the Jews* published in 1979. A reference

to 25 Jewish farmers who settled in the Dover area during the early part of the century elicited disbelief.

"At first, I didn't believe it," said Mr. Salkin, but his curiosity was piqued. "About three or four years ago, I searched the records in the Kent County Courthouse, and found the Jewish Agricultural Society listed dozens of times from 1900 on as having provided part of the mortgage money for farm purchases." Mr. Salkin's detective instincts were, by now, definitely aroused.

The idea of a population of Yiddish speaking immigrant farmers in lower Delaware during the early years of the century was tremendously exciting to him. Working with census information and land and tax records, Salkin is painstakingly and methodically reconstructing the pattern of Jewish farm settlement in Delaware. By mapping the locations of the farms, he shows that the Jewish farmers tended to settle in clusters mostly within a twelve mile area of Dover.

The earliest farmers followed the lead of their non-Jewish neighbors and grew vegetables, corn, and wheat. Typically, these first Jewish farmers lasted 1-5 years, as their lack of experience, training, and capital often spelled failure. The second wave of farmers who came from 1918-21 were more successful and were encouraged to stay on their farms longer.

The Jewish Agricultural Society, financed by the Baron de Hirsch fund, became more expert in selecting prospective farm settlers and in providing training in farm techniques.

By 1919, chicken farming began to emerge as an important industry in Delaware and the Jewish farmers became heavily involved in chicken raising and egg production. Some Jews, Salkin discovered, marketed their eggs in New York, using the passenger train from Dover for transportation. 1920 was a peak year of Jewish farmers in Delaware, with 35 adult Jews farming in the Dover area.

In examining the social history of the Delaware Jewish farmers, Salkin found that several of these farmers, after the first generation, became assimilated. Others, such as the Markowitz's of Hartley, retained their Jewish identification, and managed to arrange Hebrew education for their children. During interviews with elderly non-Jews who still remember their Jewish farm neighbors, Salkin learned, not surprisingly, that the Jewish farmers mostly kept to themselves and would not eat in the homes of non-Jews.

As far as Salkin can determine, people were aware that the new settlers were Jewish, but no overt anti-Semitism was directed toward the strangers in their midst. These novice Jewish farmers, however, according to his gentile interviewees, were not considered to be good farmers.



One of the Jewish farmers researched by Charles Salkin was Simon Reich, shown on his farm in Chiswold, Delaware, with son Phillip, in 1923.

Salkin was able to locate and visit a number of the farms he has researched. In some cases, the farms are intact and the old houses still exist. "How exciting it would be to find a mezuzah on the doorway of one of those houses!" said Salkin, somewhat wistfully.

While the houses and farms will remain part of the landscape in the foreseeable future, Salkin knows he is working against time in trying to capture the oral history. He has interviewed several individuals who were part of the Jewish farm experience and some of their descendants, but there are still a number of interviews to be conducted. "If someone doesn't do this research now," says Salkin, "the history will be

lost. We are really running out of time."

His informants, with first-hand experience are in their 80's and 90's and in some cases, scheduled interviews could not take place due to the deaths of his interviewees. Salkin's busy work schedule leaves him little time to pursue this local history research, but he has collected an impressive amount of information which, when more fully complete, he hopes to make available in either journal articles or in book form.

Mr. Salkin would be delighted to have information from anyone who can add to his growing history of Delaware's Jewish farm communities.

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AEA Kindergartners Know The Meaning Of Tzedakah

The 26 children in the afternoon (Hebrew) Kindergarten at Einstein Academy have learned the lesson of giving Tzedakah well. Mrs. Amira Silber has been discussing the concept with her students all year and her students have been collecting money while learning about the mitzvah of giving. On Friday, June 3, the entire class visited the Jewish Family Service offices and presented the staff with the

money they had saved in their Tzedakah can.

Silber told the staff at JFS that children in her class have learned that some people are not as fortunate as they are and that it is important to share what they are lucky to have. The children asked the staff of JFS to help someone in need and suggested that perhaps the money could be used to help a child like themselves.

The children understand the

concept. When asked why they have made contributions to the Kindergarten Tzedakah box, each student had an answer. Heather Chamish and Anika Mamberg agreed that the money would "help people." Josh Berengut and Lance Dicker would like "to buy poor children toys." Jillian Yarnell says it's "good to help someone else." Abram Barth summed it all up by noting, "It makes me feel good."

Rabin May Ease Restrictions In Administered Territories

By GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin will consider easing restrictions on the Palestinian population in the administered territories, according to two Knesset members who met with him in his office here Monday. Amnon Rubinstein and Yitzhak Artzi, members of the new Center movement, said Rabin's concessions would be contingent on the continuation

of the present relative calm in territories. According to one report, the concessions could include a reform of the administrative detention appeals process.

Meanwhile, the head of the civil administration the West Bank, Col. Rami Yadin, handed over a check for 35,000 shekels (\$22,000) to a resident of Beita village, near Nablus, as compensation for the destruction of his home by the Israel

Defense Force in April. The IDF demolished 14 homes in Beita as a punitive measure against villagers who took part in an April 6 confrontation with teen-age Jewish hikers from nearby the settlement of Eilon Morch. The man who received the check was found to have had no part in the incident, and the payment was an admission of the IDF's error.

In another development, a military court on June 5

sentenced Pvt. Yaacov Tamir, 24, to one year in prison for manslaughter in the Gaza Strip last January. The soldier was found guilty of the unwarranted shooting of a local storekeeper, who approached the military truck in which Tamir was riding while other soldiers were chasing stone-throwers.

Tamir, who emigrated from Ethiopia four years ago, was found to have been under great emotional strain at the time of his induction into the armed forces. The military court criticized the decision to assign him to combat duty.

During his meeting with the two Knesset members, Rabin reportedly said he might replace the military appeals boards with a judge authorized to overturn administrative arrests. Under the present system, there is no judicial

supervision of administrative detention. The only recourse a detainee has is to the military appeals boards, which so far have heard only a tiny fraction of the cases.

Administrative detention, a holdover from the British Mandate, allows the authorities to detain a person for renewable six-month periods without filing formal charges or bringing them to trial. There are presently some 1,900 Palestinians under administrative detention.

Rubinstein and Artzi, who left Tuesday for a conference of the Liberal International, said they would introduce legislation to declare Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist Kach party illegal in the administered territories. That would empower the Defense Ministry to disarm Kach members carrying weapons in the territories.

Mideast Primer

The Chicken Or The Egg?

By IRV BRESLAUER

One of the questions that clouds any Middle East discussion is whether the Jews or the Arabs have the longest, unbroken tenure in Israel. The Jews point to the first aliyah by Abraham, 1,800 years before Jesus. They can give chapter and verse of the comings and goings of the Habiru who predated Abraham; of Moses who led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt where they had fled from the drought that blighted Canaan; of Joshua, the hero of Jericho; of Saul, David and Solomon.

They can recite the names of victories and defeats in engagements with Babylonians, Assyrians, Persians, Philistines, Greeks and Romans before the Christian era. They can tell of the first Diaspora in Babylonia and the dispersion of the tribes of Israel by death, banishment, slavery and assimilation.

By the beginning of the Christian era Jews could be found all over Asia Minor, in Southern Europe and along the northern coast of Africa. But there was always a link to the land of King David, and Jewish col-

onies were maintained in Hebron, Safed, Tiberias and Jerusalem throughout the Christian era.

Although the land was dominated by foreign invaders from 70 CE-1948, Romans, Byzantines, Arabs, Seijuks, Crusaders from Europe, Mamlukes, Ottoman Turks and the British, none of them made it their national or spiritual center. Jews continued to live there in greater and lesser peril and in larger and smaller numbers, depending upon their relationship with the occupiers.

By the middle of the 19th century a Jewish state was proposed; the first Jewish neighborhood of Jerusalem, outside the walls of the old city, was established, and the first modern aliyah from Eastern Europe and Yemen took place. Additional aliyah saw the Jewish population grow dramatically, and when statehood was established in 1948 the Jewish people and the Hebrew language were dominant in the land.

The Arabs point to the nomadic tribes and ethnic groups of the region, which lived in Tyre and Ashkelon and Schechem and are named in

the Old Testament. They refer to Ishmael, fathered by Abraham, and to Mohammed, his conquest of the region in the seventh century and the explosive growth of Islam.

They talk of the dominance by Arabic speaking people from the seventh to the 11th century and later the defeat of the Crusaders by Islamic forces and the occupation by the Ottoman Turks from 1517-1917. They allude to the fact that Arabic was the language and Islam the religion of the region for centuries.

The question of who came first and who stayed the longest may be debatable. It may even make for good discussion. The answer, however, doesn't matter. Israel is a nation; its existence is axiomatic as its right to survive and endure.

Editor's Note: Irv Breslaauer, a retired U.S. Air Force officer, lived for a year in Israel, and is coordinating the observance of Israel's 40th anniversary for the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis. The 'Mideast Primer' is a feature which seeks to clarify the complex issues of the Mideast conflict.

US Official Accused Of Removing Archaeological Coins From Israel

By HUGH ORGEL

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A senior American official accused of removing archaeological items from the country without a license was identified by Haaretz on May 26 as Abraham Sofaer, legal adviser to the U.S. State Department. The paper said he is suspected of having done this over a 15-year period during which he frequently visited Israel.

Sofaer was in the country most recently last month in connection with efforts to arrange a compromise between Israel and Egypt in their dispute over Taba, before an

international arbitration panel issues its binding ruling.

The State Department acknowledged in Washington that its legal aide has gotten into an entanglement with the Israeli authorities for taking ancient coins out of the country. "Sofaer is an avid coin collector and he has bought coins in Israel," State Department spokesman Charles Redman said. He added that Sofaer was unaware "of the fact that a license is required to take coin purchases out of the country."

Redman said that "in view of this information, he has contacted legal counsel in Israel to

make sure that he is on compliance with all the requirements of Israeli law."

The Ministry of Education and Culture's antiquities division claims that Sofaer bought the archaeological finds from a person who engaged in illegal excavations and theft of antiquities.

According to Haaretz, Sofaer said his purchases of antiquities were always made through authorized dealers. He said he was prepared to return all of his purchases to Israel if there is any doubt about the legality of his transactions.

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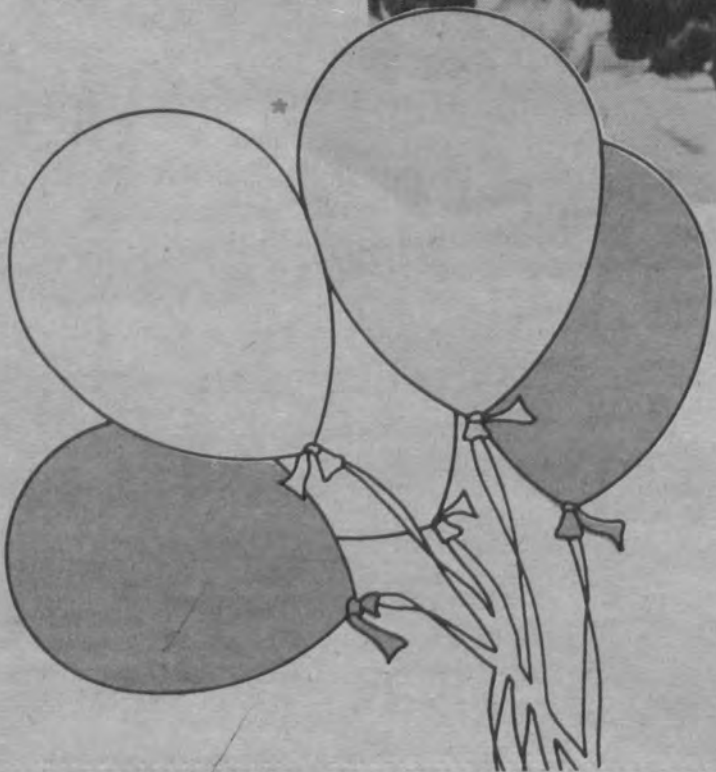
Judy Levy addressing the crowd during the dedication ceremonies.



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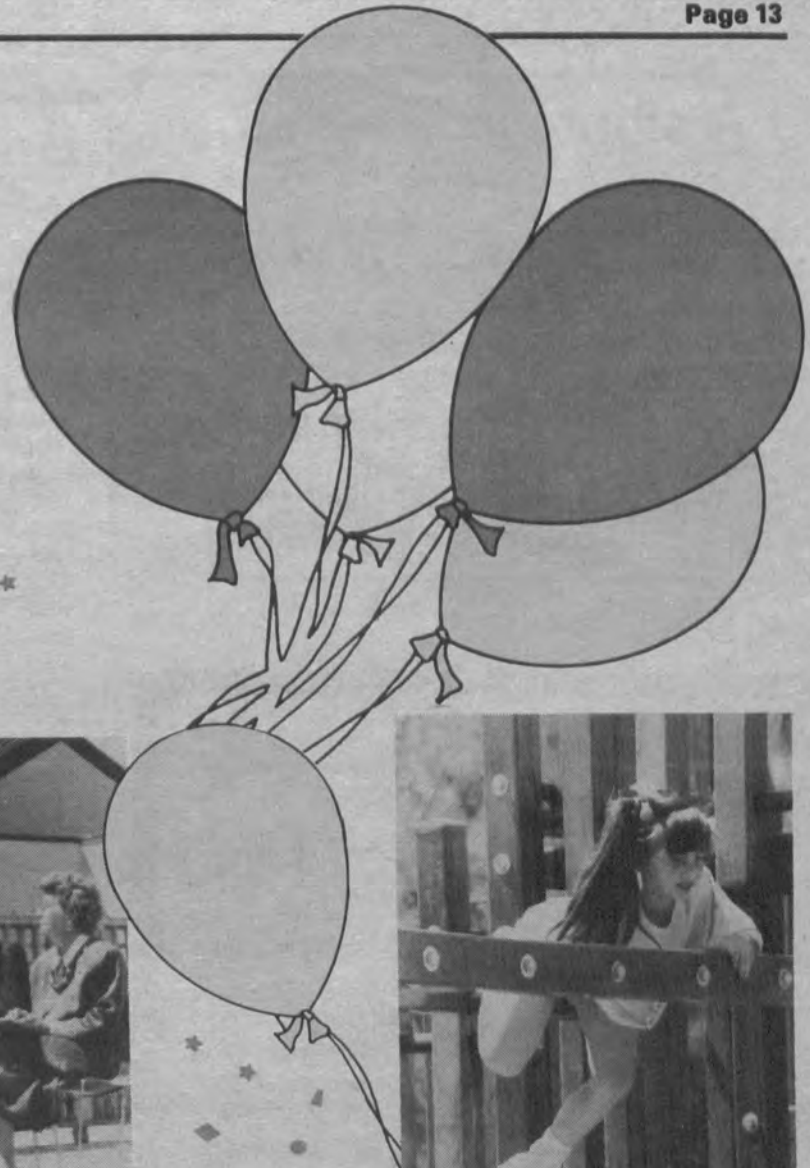
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Gorbachev Speaks Of Ties With Israel But Differs With US On Human Rights

By DAVID FRIEDMAN
WASHINGTON (JTA) — Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev said last week that Moscow would consider restoring diplomatic relations with Israel at the start of an international conference on a Middle East peace settlement. But he, responding to questions at a news conference, the first ever held in Moscow by a Soviet leader, made clear that while the Soviet Union and the United States agree on the need for a conference, they still disagree on the purpose of such a meeting.

President Reagan, who held a separate news conference, did not mention the Middle East, except to note that it was one of the regional issues discussed in the two leaders' final meeting. Both news conferences were monitored here in Washington.

The type of conference outlined by Gorbachev is one that "is not simply an umbrella for separate negotiations," but rather "a real forum connected with bilateral, trilateral and other forms of discussions. As soon as that conference starts working, we would be prepared to address ourselves to the question of diplomatic relations with Israel," the Soviet leader said.

The United States and Israel have demanded that the Soviet Union restore diplomatic relations, which were broken with Israel during the 1967 Six-Day War, before Moscow can be included in the Middle East peace process. A five-member

Israel consular delegation is expected to arrive in Moscow soon, the first Israeli diplomatic mission to the Soviet Union since Moscow broke ties.

The Soviet idea of a conference is also diametrically opposed to the one outlined by Secretary of State George Shultz in his Mideast peace initiative. The conference proposed by Shultz would only pave the way for negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbors. It would neither dictate nor veto a settlement reached between the Middle East parties.

Gorbachev said the conference should deal with the "return of occupied lands" and "the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination." He added, "Of course, we proceed from the assumption that the people of Israel, the State of Israel, have the right to their own security, because there can be no security for one at the expense of another."

The Soviet leader did not specifically call for a Palestinian state. He said that as to the form of self-determination, "let the Palestinians, with their Arab friends, decide on that." Nor did he demand, except by implication, that the Palestine Liberation Organization represent the Palestinians in negotiations.

"We cannot decide for the Arabs how the Palestinians participate in the international conference," he said. "Let them decide for themselves, let the Arabs decide." But he

stressed that the United States and the Soviet Union "should respect their decision." Israel opposes PLO participation in negotiations.

Shultz, in an interview on PBS's "MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour" on May 31 said that there were "worthwhile discussions" with the Soviets on the Middle East. He said that along with the United States, the Soviets share "a sense that the situation there is not stable" and "the status quo is not an option."

But Shultz, who returned to the Middle East on June 3, stressed that if a settlement is to be achieved, "it will have to be basically between Israel and each of its neighbors in those bilateral negotiations."

On human rights, an issue which Reagan stressed repeatedly in public comments since his arrival in Moscow, Gorbachev said, "I'm not filled with admiration for this part of the visit."

Gorbachev said he had long discussions with Reagan on the issue and came to the conclusion that "the American administration does not have a real understanding of the real situation... They just don't know about the process in the sphere of democracy and democratization in this country." He said that he suggested an interparliamentary permanent seminar that would exchange information about conditions in the United States and the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev also attacked the Jackson-Vanik Amendment, which links most-favored-nation trade benefits with increased emigration from the USSR. He quipped that in trade, the Soviets are receiving "unfavored-nation treatment."

"Why should the dead hold onto the coattails of the living?" Gorbachev said he asked Reagan. "I mean the Jackson-Vanik Amendment. One of them's already physically dead. The other's politically dead." He was referring to the late Sen. Henry Jackson (D-Wash.) and former Rep. Charles Vanik (D-Ohio). Gorbachev said he stressed that "the more we depend on each other economically, the more predictable will we be politically." The Reagan administration repeatedly has asserted that it does not support repeal of the amendment. Reagan again stressed human rights at his news conference. "The United States views human rights as fundamental to our relationship with the Soviet Union and all nations," the president said. "From the beginning, we've stressed this point and we are encouraged by recent signs of progress in the Soviet Union. I believe that where people have the right to speak, write, travel and wor-

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'Vot Voz, Ain't'

By HEDVAH CAMPEAS-COHEN

Mrs. Lena Sayer's pithy words predated Alvin Toffler's "Future Shock" by some decades. Here in Delaware, our lives are changing at an accelerated rate. Some of us work for companies that are growing so fast that our offices are constantly under construction. We are often forced to reshuffle friends and families, as marriages, divorces, remarriages, deaths, and transfers take their toll. For most of us, change is the only constant.

We are stuck with the fact that "Vot vaz, ain't." Although change is inevitable, it is difficult to "relax and enjoy it." Change is inherently stressful. We can reduce our levels of stress by taking control of ourselves and of the change process.

Begin by acknowledging that change is stressful. For example, a child may fear switching his summer camp to the new Jewish Family Campus, no matter how beautiful the facilities. Fear of the unknown is a common source of



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resistance to change. Others may fear that change will bring more loss than gain. This might be loss of a comfortable role, position, territory, money, etc. Some of us resist change because change would acknowledge that our previous beliefs, attitudes, or behaviors were wrong. These fears have to be acknowledged and

evaluated before an individual can manage change.

Sometimes individuals and organizations truly believe that change for the better is impossible. When that belief is based on prior experience, it takes extra effort to take charge of change. Other barriers to taking charge include reluctance to devote the needed time or practical resources to the change effort.

With all these barriers to managing change, how does anyone ever take charge? We need to focus our thoughts and efforts on obtaining desired resources and positions. That individual JCC camper mentioned above can manage his fear by exploring the facilities of the new Campus. We need to believe and demonstrate that change for the better is possible. This may begin with very small steps (a swim in the new pool; batting practice on the new field). Identify sources of discomfort, and try to alleviate them. Face up to outside constraints ("You can't go back to the Seller's Estate. It's been sold"). Finally, an appeal to altruism may be in order ("The new Campus is better for lots of

people who live north of town").

"Vot voz, ain't." But "What will be, will be" need not be said with resignation if we become active participants in the inevitable process of change.

If it gets to the point where anyone is unable to cope with this problem, remember that Jewish Family Service is adjacent to the new Jewish Family Campus, and that qualified counselors are available to help. Just call 478-9411.

Dear Rachel,

Dear Rachel:

It is almost June, and my family can't figure out what to do about the summer. My sixteen year old daughter wants to go with her friends to Israel.

I think it would be very good for her. With only two years left before college, I want her to be very clear about who she is. My husband is a firm believer in parents' rights. He says "Deborah" has plenty of time, and we need a vacation for ourselves. Since money

doesn't grow on trees (not even J.N.F. trees), we can't all go. Do you have any sage advice for us?

Which Year in Jerusalem

Dear Which Year, "Which year?", indeed. Sort out the merits of Deborah's going this year with friends, versus working for a year to earn all or part of her fare. How important is it for you to sink some roots into Jerusalem soil this year? Will a week in

Rehoboth or the Poconos hold your marriage together until next year? Regard this as a win/win proposition: you'll all reach Jerusalem one of these years.

Rachel

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Forest Fires Sweep Through Galilee

The seasonal khamsin, a wave of hot weather, has resulted in one of the worst heat waves in Israel's history, sparking fires which have swept through forests and farmlands.

The areas hardest hit were in the Galilee, including Rosh Hanikra, Hanita and Mitzpeh and Khlil, among others. Blazes also broke out in Hazani and Amatzia in the South and the land between Eshtaol and Tzora in the Judean hills.

Jewish National Fund firemen and local brigades managed to bring the fires under control after arduous bat-

tles. Two hundred and fifty acres of forests have been destroyed, encompassing 200,000 trees. In the Galilee, fires took more than 28 hours to control, with blazes in other areas taking from one to three hours to subdue. Several communities had to be evacuated; one, Ein Gev, suffered \$50,000 in damages. Vast avocado and banana plantations and grazing areas in the region were devastated, with farmers estimating the damage in the millions of dollars. The origins of fires in the Galilee are suspicious, with investigators discovering burnt tires around

electric poles.

"It appears as if arson has emerged as a deliberate tool among Israel's enemies in their efforts to destroy the Jewish state," stated Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein, JNF of America president. "It will not work. JNF and its supporters will replace every tree, redeeming and beautifying the land these terrorists are trying so hard to destroy."

Daytime temperatures in Israel have generally been in the high 90's, hitting 105 degrees Fahrenheit in the coast and the Negev desert, 114 in Jerusalem and 123 in Tel Aviv.



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Obituaries

Dr. Wallace H. Sadowsky
Dr. Wallace Hyman Sadowsky, 69, of 948 Nina Ave., Havre de Grace, Md., died May 30.

Dr. Sadowsky, a native of

Elkton, was a physician in the Havre de Grace area for 42 years.

He was a member of the Medical & Chirurgical Faculty of the State of Maryland and in 1987, received a 40-year service certificate. He was a member and past president of the Harford County Medical

Society, a founding member of the American Trauma Society, and a member of the American College of Surgeons and the Association of Veterans Administration Surgeons. He was a fellow of the American Board of Surgery and a past member of the board of directors of Harford Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Sadowsky was an honorary member of the Havre de Grace police department, a member of the Antique Automobile Club of America, Aberdeen Lodge, AF&AM, the Scottish Rite and the Boumi Temple Shrine. He was a member of Beth El Congregation, Baltimore, and a founding member of Temple Adas Shalom of the Harford Jewish Center.

He is survived by his wife, Beatrice S.; four daughters, Natalie Cheerman of Meriden, Conn., Jocelyn Schaffer of Potomac, Shelley Gross of Rockville and Iris Sadowsky of Baltimore; a brother, Irving of Perryville; two sisters, Ann Berkman of Middletown, Del., and Esther Pilnick of Hockessin, Del., and five grandchildren.

Services were by Schoenberg's.

Jeffrey Heimann

Jeffrey Heimann, 27, of Edison, N.J., died May 30.

Mr. Heimann lived in Wilmington, before moving to Edison about 3½ years ago. He was a certified public accountant at Merrill Lynch Hubbard of New York for more than five years.

He graduated from the University of Delaware in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He was a member of the American Institute of CPAs.

He is survived by his wife, Marla; his father, Max Heimann of Wilmington; his mother Florence Mason of Wilmington; a brother, Mark of Wilmington; a sister, Cynthia Armstrong of Pennsylvania; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heimann of Wilmington; and his maternal grandmother, Anna Arlicks of Wilmington.

Bruce Garth

Bruce Garth, a vice president at Ciba-Geigy Corp. in Wilmington, died June 2. He was 47.

Mr. Garth, of 3 Bridleshire Road, Bridleshire Farms, was vice president of the automotive and industrial coating pigments division at Ciba-Geigy.

He was a member of Temple Beth El, Newark, where he was a former board member and active in the men's club. He was past president of H.B. Du Pont Middle School's PTA.

He earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Rutgers University, a master's degree in business from the

University of Delaware and a doctorate in chemistry from Rutgers. He was a member of the American Chemical Society.

He is survived by his wife, Irene L.; three sons, William Louis, David Michael and Matthew Eric, all at home; his mother, Rose Garth of Succasunna, N.J.; two brothers, Rory Lance of Hackettstown, N.J., and Jerald Matthew of Succasunna; and a sister, Sandra Garth Kriensky of Weston, Mass.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Rutgers University Foundation, New Brunswick, N.J.



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Statement Recalled —

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In a column which appeared in the Evening Journal some eight to ten years ago Jesse Jackson, the author, discussed in details the position of black journalists' writings in white newspapers. He stated that articles by such journalists would appear in prominent positions if they were favorable to whites and their causes but hidden in the back pages or not printed at all if critical of white behavior or promoting the interests of blacks. He ended his observations with a remark which, in essence said: "Where, do you suppose, an article would be printed in a white newspaper if it outlined the black opinion on the raid on Entebbe."

I read and reread this statement, unable to grasp that Jackson, the man of God, speaking for himself and black citizens as a group could consider the raid on Entebbe anything else than what it was, the freeing in sensationally executed manner of kidnapped, innocent people from the hands of inhuman terrorists, among them a head of state.

Consequently I wrote a polite letter to the man who now wants to be president of the United States of America asking him what this "black opinion on the raid on Entebbe" might be. I also directed the same question (with a copy of the column enclosed) to Benjamin Hooks, president of the NAACP, and also to Vernon

Jordan, then, I believe, president of the National Urban League in Philadelphia who had always impressed me as one of the outstanding leaders of the black community.

Jackson, as expected, did not reply. Benjamin Hooks thanked me for my letter stating that he would pass it on to the officer of the NAACP in charge of public relations and that I would hear from him direct. He failed to indicate, however, when such a reply might be forthcoming, and I am still waiting.

Vernon Jordan's reply, as anticipated, was clear and to the point. He stated that "he had never heard of a black opinion on the Entebbe raid," that he could not imagine what such an opinion might be but that I should not forget that blacks, like all other people have their individual opinions and attitudes on subject matters and that there might well be an opinion on the Entebbe raid that is not in line with that of the vast majority of fair-minded people, black or white.

At least eight years have passed. While the copies of the column as well as my letters and the replies thereto were lost, the events are as clear today as they were then. I thought they might be of interest to those in whose mind Jesse Jackson is an acceptable candidate for the presidency of our country.

Eric O. Raphael

Human Rights —

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ship freely, creative energies are released."

But at the news conference, Moscow State University, Moscow State University Reagan seemed to absolve Gorbachev of responsibility for the human rights problems, blaming them instead on the bureaucracy.

Reagan denied that he was interfering with Soviet domestic affairs. He explained that the United States is a nation of im-

migrants and that one out of eight Americans either came from the Eastern bloc countries or traced their ancestry there, and were concerned about what happened to their relatives and friends there.

"When we feel that people are being unjustly treated, imprisoned for something that in our country would not be a crime," said the president, "our people get aroused and they come to us and they want help."

Book Review

Julius Lester's 'Lovesong' Black And Jewish

Reviewed by Michael Levin

If it's hard to be a Jew, it's harder to be a Julius Lester. As a young man, he denied the divinity of Christ, although (or perhaps because) his father was a Methodist minister. During the 1960s, his writings about Black Power identified him as a militant — but he never saw himself that way. On the radio, he explored the developing rift between blacks and Jews and found himself accused of exacerbating that rift. Later writings left him in disrepute among many blacks. Enough conflict for one lifetime? No. Julius Lester had to confront one more thing. This black son of the pre-Civil Rights era South was convinced that he possessed a Jewish soul. *Lovesong*, a painfully

revealing autobiographical essay, describes and explains Lester's conversion to Judaism.

Finding a pattern in the seemingly random events of one's own life is no easy task. Lester, looking back, recalls that his curiosity about Judaism dates back to his childhood. At college, the story of the Holocaust overwhelmed him. He writes: "What I really need to know is: Why do I rage over and mourn for murdered European Jews as I never have for my own people?" Seeking an answer, he works at a Jewish summer camp and falls in love with all things Jewish, music most of all. "I don't know or understand the words, but the songs are familiar, and instinctively I know the odd intervals melodies will take. The

simplest Israeli song . . . brings tears to my eyes as spirituals never have."

Meanwhile, the Civil Rights train is leaving the station, but Julius Lester is not quite on board. "My soul did not believe in the movement," he writes. A recurring theme of *Lovesong* is Lester's discomfort at his own distance from black issues, black politics, and, on many occasions, blacks themselves. He mocks his lack of commitment: "I doubt that militants go to the Brasserie (a New York restaurant) as often as possible for its superb caviar-and-sour-cream omelet."

The book lags a bit when Lester recounts a spiritual cross-country odyssey, but it resumes its narrative force

when, after his father's death, he decides to convert. Humor infuses his account of studying Hebrew with a "very serious" college student: "Each week I expect her to rap my knuckles with a ruler or have me stand in a corner where I would pull at my imaginary payess."

Lester attends services and begins to keep the Sabbath, but he is slower to abandon Saturday afternoon televised sports. At a time when many Jews find it hard to conceive a personal God, Lester breaks down barriers between the human and the divine in passages like this: "I will probably need a personal visit from God before I'll find a virtue in not watching the NCAA basketball tournament, and even then, I'm not sure I wouldn't be able to conceive God to pull up a chair and watch Patrick Ewing slam-dunk!"

The book's biggest shock comes when Lester receives a letter from a white descen-

dent of his Jewish great-grandfather. Lester learns that all his white relatives have married Gentiles. He says, with traces of irony, wonder, and regret: "I am the only Jew left in the family."

Only in America, as Harry Golden used to say, could the son of a black Methodist minister travel a rocky path through the Sixties, fatherhood, and an unbearably high degree of inner turmoil—and emerge Jewish. *Lovesong* is gorgeous, joyous, poignant, and eloquent. Julius Lester's love for Judaism should be a lamp unto our feet, an example for the rest of us.

Michael Levin wrote *Journey to Tradition* (Ktav Publishing House) and *The Socratic Method* (Simon and Schuster).

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Julius Lester Dismissed From University Black Studies Dept.

B'nai B'rith has noted with dismay the arbitrary dismissal of distinguished scholar Professor Julius Lester by the Black Studies department of the University of Massachusetts.

"The dismissal of Julius Lester by the University of Massachusetts' Black Studies department is a triumph of political loyalty tests over academic freedom," said Thomas Neumann, Executive Vice President of B'nai B'rith, on June 3. "This kind of action has no place in a free society."

Dr. Lester was asked to leave after his newly published book *Lovesong* criticized the author James Baldwin for a lecture in which Baldwin chastised the

media for reporting the Reverend Jesse Jackson's 1984 "Hymletown" remark.

Lester, author of 15 books and the only professor to have won all three of the University of Massachusetts' most prestigious faculty awards, has been reassigned to the University's Judaic Studies department.

"It is indeed regrettable," said Neumann, "that the University's Black Studies faculty expects its members to march to the same drummer, and that any deviation is grounds for banishment. The punitive action taken against Professor Lester is not only unjust, it is inhibiting and stifling to an academic atmosphere. Any time a faculty attempts to impose ideological standards

on its members — especially in defense of censoring the media — both higher education and democracy itself suffer.

B'nai B'rith deplores this ill-considered action by the University's Black Studies department and calls on the appropriate authorities at the University of Massachusetts to undertake a review of this shameful decision. At the same time, we urge all those in university life who believe in the inviolability of academic freedom — indeed, all Americans who believe in the basic principle of academic freedom — to make their voices heard. The silence which has followed this incident has been deafening."

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The Rabbi Writes



Rabbi Peter Grumbacher

Beth Emeth Congregation

seats and little interference in the pools. It was comfortable because it was empty, and this was very sad, and this did not reflect dedication.

Members of the Jewish community are today able to be affiliated with just about any country club or swim club. Will those who put up their money for the Campus absent themselves? Is the facility good enough for some but not for others? Is it not in the professional interest of some to be seen there? These are some of the things I have heard about Sellers; I hope we do not hear the same about the Family Campus.

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Let there be commitment and dedication to the work of our hands many, many years after the formal dedication.

we will say, "...and then there was a dedication." We will tell them of the large crowd, the inspirational words of Rabbi Yitzchak Greenberg, the mood of exhilaration, the music, the laughter, the children.

I hope, however, that we will also be able to talk about the true dedication, the one which follows. This dedication is marked by continuous use of the facilities, the encouragement of family and friends to join in the efforts of the total community not only in pledges and money but in presence as well. In the latter years of Sellers it was nice being comfortable; one had the choice of

Woman Wins Right to Sit On Human Rights Violations

By DAVID LANDAU
JERUSALEM (JTA)—Israel's Orthodox religious establishment is in turmoil over a Supreme Court ruling that a woman may sit on a local religious council.

The case involves Lea Shakdiel, who was elected last year to the religious council in the Negev town of Yeroham but was not seated because of objections by Orthodox members. Israel's two chief rabbis, Avraham Shapira (Ashkenazi) and Mordechai Eliahu (Sephardi), issued a joint statement right after the high court's decision, warning that scholars and rabbis might refuse to sit on religious councils all over the country if women were allowed to do so.

The chief rabbis observed that it was "customary for reasons of modesty, that men and women not sit together on religious bodies."

Each city and township in Israel has its religious council, composed of nominees of the local authorities. Their function is to maintain local religious facilities, but the service they perform is administrative, not theological. Until now they have been a male, mainly Orthodox, preserve.

The Supreme Court ordered the mayor of Yeroham, Amir Peretz, to endorse Shakdiel's nomination within 30 days.

The head of the council, Moshe Peretz — not related to the mayor — said he would rather resign than sit with Shakdiel and claimed the other council members felt the same.

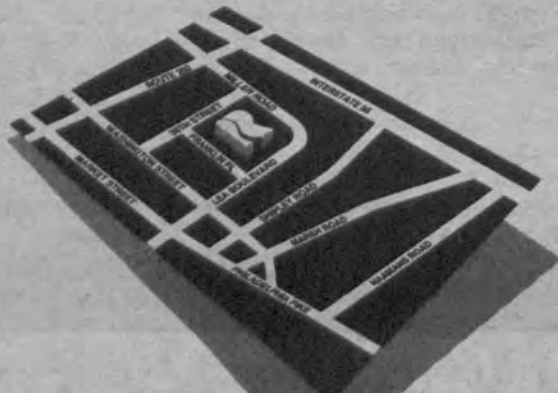
The latest confrontation between the religious establishment and the high court, a secular institution, has its irony. Shakdiel, a school teacher who brought the test case to court, is an observant Jew. Justice Menahem Elon, who wrote the decision, is an Orthodox Jew and Talmudic scholar.

The judges expressed "regret" that Mrs. Shakdiel's problem was not resolved by the religious authorities. In the opinion of certain "wise and good" halachic authorities, a woman is in fact halachically permitted to serve on a religious council together with men, the court said.

Shakdiel thanked the court and Mayor Peretz, who she said stood by her. She said the decision was a victory for religious Zionism and for some rabbis who came out in favor of her election. It was also a triumph for women in Israel, she said.



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I am certain that by the time this article is published we will have had the dedication of the Jewish Family Campus. When we tell our grandchildren about viewing the step-by-step construction, planting trees which they will take for granted, and being a part of the celebration,

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Rabbi Gewirtz To Retire After 40 Years —

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During his tenure in Wilmington, Gewirtz has been active both locally and nationally in Jewish affairs. On the national level, the rabbi was a member of the National Kashruth Commission of the Rabbinical Council of America from 1952 to 1955 and served on that commission's Publications Committee and Social Action Committee from 1955 to 1960. He also served on the National Executive Board of the Rabbinical Council of America from 1959 to 1962.

A staunch Zionist, Gewirtz is proud of the fact that AKSE was the first local synagogue to display the "kachol V'lavan" the blue and white flag of the State of Israel in 1952. He mentions that while other congregations were questioning the propriety of pledging two allegiances, he convinced his congregation that it was certainly appropriate.

In 1947 he founded the Kashruth Committee (Va'ad Hakashruth) in Wilmington. From 1953 to 1962, he was Hillel Director at the University of Delaware. Gewirtz has served as president of the Rabbinical Association of Delaware and has served on the boards of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, the Jewish Community Center and

the Jewish Family Service.

Grumbacher reflected on the sense of community that he feels his colleague has inspired. "Pirkei Avot states, 'Which is the right path to choose? One that is honorable in itself and also wins honor from others.'" Grumbacher noted, "Rabbi Gewirtz has brought honor to his congregation, allowing them to appreciate the beauty of our tradition along with a dedication to the highest principles of Torah."

Reflecting on the sense of community he feels his colleague has inspired, Grumbacher said, "Our relationship in the 16 years I have been in Delaware has made me realize that all branches of our People can serve God together if there is mutual respect."

Gewirtz has not confined his effort and service to the Jewish community, however. In 1956, he served as Director of the Delaware Citizens Housing Commission. From 1955 through 1963 the rabbi was Director of the Blood Bank of Delaware and in 1956 he served as Director of the Juvenile Delinquency Commission of the Delaware Social Welfare Council. He was Director of the Delaware Mental Health Association from 1967 to 1971.

Concours called the rabbi "a compassionate man who cares as deeply about the community as a whole as he does about the Jewish community. As my teacher, he inspired me to a lifetime study of Judaism, but, more importantly, he taught me how to apply the ideals of Judaism to daily modern living."

Reflecting on his 40 years as spiritual leader of AKSE, Gewirtz singled out several things of which he is particularly proud. One is the fact that he came to a congregation over 40 years ago that was aging (95 percent of its membership was over 55) and "turned it into a living congregation" with a large number of young families in its membership. Forty years ago, the rabbi adds, he gave his sermons completely in Yiddish.

The traditional synagogue he has nurtured "offers an alternative to the reform and conservative" choices in Wilmington while maintaining respectful relationships with the other synagogues.

The AKSE Talmud Torah is his second source of pride. The Talmud Torah "offered an image of what Orthodox Judaism was" and "raised a generation" that has "grown to be active members of the shul" and, he notes, whose children are

now enrolled in the school.

"Generational continuance" is what Rubenstein calls it. He credits the rabbi with maintaining a young membership. "One might think the rabbi is doctrinaire because he is Orthodox. It is true that he feels strongly about Jewish practice and law. But I have found him to be very flexible." Rubenstein added that "although the rabbi is not young, he has a young attitude."

Gewirtz founded the weekly radio program "The Rabbi Speaks" in 1948 on WDEL and continues to be a participant. In 1960 he was the Delaware delegate to the White House Conference on Children and Youth and in 1963 he organized and presided over the AFL-CIO Rabbi's Conference on Labor and Religion.

"I personally find Rabbi Gewirtz to be a very remarkable individual for whom I have the highest respect," commented Rabbi Kenneth Cohen, of Congregation Beth Shalom. "He is a *talmid chacham* — a very learned and knowledgeable Jew — and a *yode'ah sefer* — a well-read individual. He had contributed an enormous amount of *Yiddishkeit* to this community."

Gewirtz says he is always in-

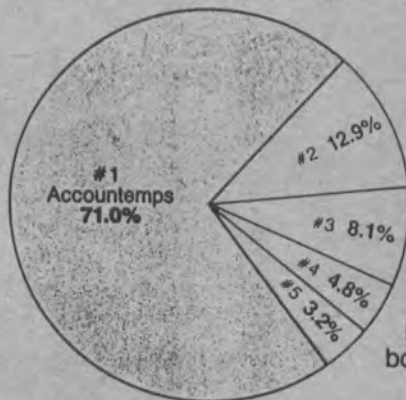
terested in the presentation of ideas and refers to his work as "teaching." Among his publications are "The Authentic Jew and His Judaism" (1961) and "Jewish Spirituality: Hope and Redemption" (1987). Gewirtz is listed in Who's Who in World Jewry (1965 and 1985), Contemporary Authors, and Who's Who in Religion (1977 and 1985).

Cantor Morris Markowitz, who has worked with Gewirtz for the past six years, called him "a very educated and well-versed man" with whom he spent up to an hour every morning after services having "great discussions on the various politics of the day, as well as Talmud and religion."

Concours probably summed up the feelings of all of those members of the community who have known Rabbi Gewirtz by saying "I will always treasure our debates, discussions and dialogues and I will always be proud to say that this kind, brilliant and witty man is my teacher, my rabbi and my friend."

Rabbi and Mrs. Gewirtz were honored at the annual concert at AKSE on March 26. A dinner in their honor is planned for October 16.

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Moses: "If I had known we were going to hike this far, I would have gotten a new pair of Reeboks."

Esther: "I know I am not supposed to tell you, but here goes anyhow."

Daniel: "I Hope they didn't run out of cat food."

Jonah: "You wouldn't believe the size of the one that got away."

Jacob: "Boy am I glad I didn't shave today."

Job: "And you think you got tzorres."

David: "The bigger they are the harder they fall."

Samson: "That's the last time I go to that hair stylist."

Solomon: "I tell you what, we'll split 50-50."

Rebekah: "All I did was give the fellow a drink of water."

Goliath: "That kid must think I have rocks in my head."

Eve: "Taste it, you'll like it."

Methuselah: "Social Security wants to know how much longer."

Adam: "She says she doesn't have a thing to wear."

Jezebel: "It's all gossip."

Ruth: "But I don't want to go home to mother."

Judah: "I hope the oil man makes a delivery tomorrow."

Joshua: "Those trumpeters sure know how to roll those rocks."

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Let Off Steam Write A Letter To The Editor

Newspaper Ads Have Become Costly Battlefield

By ANDREW SILOW
CARROLL

NEW YORK (JTA) — An opinion, said Bob Freeman, grand master of the Brith Abraham fraternal organization, "will have value once in print." But someone valued Freeman's opinion even before it appeared in print — advertising salespeople at The New York Times, to be precise, who charged him \$11,000 for a full-page ad appearing in an edition of the newspaper last month.

Recent advocacy advertisements relating to the Middle East have ranged in style from densely written polemics to pithy slogans, and have ranged in opinion from bravos to Yitzhak Shamir to condemnation of the Israeli government he heads. But whatever their focus, the ads prompt a similar reaction from readers: "How much did that thing cost?"

designate when and where he wanted the Times to place his ad, which criticizes how the media have been covering the unrest in Israel's administered territories, Freeman's rate represented a major discount. According to spokespersons at three major dailies, the going rate for a full-page ad is between \$36,000 and \$43,000.

"Advocacy ads make up a major amount of revenue," acknowledges Bob Rawls, advocacy advertising salesman for The Washington Post, where the cost of a full-page ad can range from \$34,452 to \$40,920.

Rawls thinks his newspaper may be the most popular venue for such ads, since its 764,000 daily and 1.85 million Sunday readers include all but one member of Congress (he would not say who) and most top officials of the Reagan administration.

control and legalized abortion, the Middle East inspires some of the largest numbers of ads, said Rawls. At least six pro- or anti-Israel ads have run in the paper since the unrest began in December, he said.

William Adler, a spokesman for The New York Times Company, declined to tally the number of Middle East-related ads that have appeared there recently, but said "it's safe to say that the ongoing situation in the Middle East provokes a lot of that kind of opinion."

A full-page ad in the Times costs between \$36,000 and \$38,000. Circulation is 1 million on weekdays and 1.65 million on Sundays, according to Adler. The individuals and organizations placing the ads say the steep prices are worth it. "The Times has the kind of audience we wanted," said Daniel Benson, who heads a committee that has placed full-page reprints of George Will's pro-Shamir columns in two recent Sunday editions of The New York Times.

Benson's Ad Hoc Committee for Middle East Policy Options placed the ads to coincide with Shamir's visit to the United States. The response, said the New York attorney, has been better than he expected, and has included 300 letters and \$10,000 in contributions. The money will go for future ads.

Nan Fink, publisher of the liberal Jewish magazine Tikun, said that the magazine also timed its New York Times ad to appear during the Shamir visit. Boldly headlined "Israel Must End the Occupation," the quarter-page ad included the names of close to 250 prominent American Jewish academics and celebrities, including Woody Allen, Richard Dreyfuss, Arthur Miller and Philip Roth.

"We wanted to tell Shamir that not all American Jews agree with him," said Fink. "Our readership is self-selective, and an ad gets our point of view out to other people who may be stimulated by it."

Some pro-Israel groups responded angrily to the advertisement, which supported a similar petition by Israeli academicians calling for self-determination for the Palestinians living in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. But Fink said that more than half of the letters she has received supported the ad, and that contributions it generated have totaled "in the thousands" of dollars.

Still, Benson and Fink's efforts are modest, compared to those of Jack Mondlak, a Jewish-Mexican industrialist whose full-page pro-Israel ads in the Times, Post and Wall Street Journal run to 5,000 words and more. Mondlak wants to place the ads in 150 major newspapers worldwide, and has set up the Jack

Mondlak Defend Israel Fund, under the auspices of the Zionist Organization of America, for that purpose. In a solicitation letter, Mondlak calls his fund "a battle for the minds and hearts of the world community."

Major newspapers welcome the range of opinions, or at least the revenue, represented by all of these ads, but do set standards for what can and cannot be printed. Although most newspapers insist the advertiser and advertising agency assume liability for content and any libel claims that may arise, libel laws can hold the publisher, as well as the advertiser, responsible for a libelous advertisement.

At The New York Times, an advertising acceptability department checks each ad for language that may be discriminatory, vulgar, fraudulent or misleading, said Adler.

At The Washington Post, said Rawls, the acceptance committee asks that advertisers substantiate any facts and figures. It generally requires signed release forms from those listed in petitions. All ads must include the name and address of the advertiser.

"Generally, our policy reflects the fact that it's a free country," said Laura Morgan, a spokesperson for the Los Angeles Times, which charges between \$36,610 and \$43,000 for a full page. The paper's circulation is 1.27 million weekdays and 1.41 million Sunday. Morgan said there are no "hard and set" rules for what is acceptable, but a review of accuracy is usually part of the process.

Ads are rejected outright, said the spokespersons, but usually not before some effort

is made to suggest changes to the advertiser. Freeman of Brith Abraham, for example, agreed to changes in his organization's ad before it appeared in The New York Times. "They found some of the wording objectionable," he said.

Spokesperson Adler was not familiar with Freeman's ad, but said that suggestions are made "so as not to discourage the advertiser." He acknowledged, however, that New York Times' standards "are known for being stricter than some."

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The "unified National Leadership of the Palestinian Uprising" issued call number 17 demanding that all Palestinian Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza working in civil service positions for Israel resign immediately. "We have issued our warning and are not responsible for the consequences" (Baghdad Radio, May 22).

The PLO designated May 31 as a day of observance to show "popular anger and confront the occupied forces and herds of settlers." The call continued, "with your chaste blood, the uprising affirms that our victory is undoubtedly coming, that your strong arms are destroying the basis of the Zionist occupation, are the same arms with which you will build the independent Palestinian state under the PLO leadership in our Palestinian homeland and with Jerusalem as its capital."

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With the advent of summer, the kids out of school and vacation plans in the offing, a favorite destination is Washington, D. C. Both adults and children relish the feeling of patriotism and glow of American spirit that engulfs them when they visit the Washington, Lincoln and Jefferson Monuments, Congress on Capitol Hill, the White House, the Smithsonian's array of museums, Arlington Cemetery and whatever else time permits.

Although that seems like a hectic schedule, I would like to suggest another worthwhile visit for you and your family. It's part of Americana, but it also may provide a link to your family's roots. The National Archives in downtown Washington is within walking distance of most hotels, but more important, it houses the history of most families in a mind-boggling collection of documents.

"But my great-grandparents didn't come over on the Mayflower," you may respond. "They weren't in this country during the Civil War or the Spanish-American War either. They came here after the turn of the century from Eastern Europe."

You're absolutely right; however, recently, the largest single cache of information about Jews of Russia and Eastern Polish origin known to exist anywhere in the world (outside of the Soviet Union)

became available to researchers in the West.

The newly-accessible collection of documents housed at the National Archives in Washington consists of a large collection of Russian Consulate records which were impounded by the United States in 1933 from the Russian embassy. In the 19th and early 20th century, the Russian Empire, which included most of Eastern Poland, maintained consulates all over the U.S. and Canada. The consulate records consist of case files on some 250,000 persons and it is estimated that at least 60 percent were Jewish. Today, most American Jews have at least one grandparent who originally came from Russia or an area that was once part of the Czar's empire.

Approximately 500,000 names were generated by these records that contain birth, death and marriage certificates as well as passports, official and unofficial correspondence along with countless photographs.

These files contain correspondence between individuals of Russian descent in the United States and their family in Russia during 1849-1926. Passport and visa matters, financial correspondence and many civil documents are a part of this collection.

The Jewish Genealogy Society of Greater Washington, recognizing a project of great historical and genealogical significance, reached a three-

way agreement with the National Archives and Mormon Library. The Mormons, recognizing the unique value of these records, have microfilmed the entire collection with the National Archives providing technical and material support.

Under the sponsorship and direction of the Jewish Genealogy Society, the indexing and cataloging has been completed. The index is soundexed by name which means that all the different spelling variations will be grouped together by sound. The microfilms and index are available for research at the National Archives Building in Washington while the index, itself, can be consulted in any one of the thirteen regional branches of the National Archives throughout the country.

While at the National Archives, be sure to ask for their free brochure entitled "Genealogical Sources at the National Archives" which describes ship passenger records, census and military records, and much more.

The Vancouver and Montreal files (the LI-RA-MA Collection-MG30 E406), are indexed and copies can be obtained from the National Archives of Canada (Manuscript Division), 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N3, Canada (613/996-7453).

A quick look at the index (*Russian Consular Record Index and Catalog* by Sallyann Amdur Sack and Suzan Fisher Wynne; Garland Publishing



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Co., New York: 1987) produced three unknown members of my Odnoposoff family. I have since identified two of these people and determined their place on my family tree by meeting with their descendants whom I traced to California, Colorado, Massachusetts, and New York. Although postage is high in the pursuit of family history, it is easily outdone by long distance telephone charges and escalating airfares.

The actual case files on my new "cousins" revealed a wealth of information including occupation, date and place of

birth, names and of parents, religion, nationality, purpose of travel and a photo!

The Russian Consular Records at the National Archives hold the promise of unimaginable discoveries for many, and possibly you.

Each year a national conference sponsored by one of the 35 Jewish genealogy societies in the U.S. is held in a major American city. International conferences have been held in Jerusalem and London. The next national seminar will be in Washington, D.C. from June 26 through July 1 and will conclude organized visits to the National Archives, Library of Congress and other sites. For further information, write to Jewish Genealogy Society, Box 412, Vienna, VA 22180.

A *Beginner's Guide* (55 pages) on how to research your family history, which includes charts, list of archives and libraries, maps, bibliography, family group sheets and more, can be ordered from: Miriam Weiner, 136 Sandpiper Key, Secaucus, NJ 07094 (cost: \$10 & \$2.50 postage & handling).

First Congressional Phone Conference With Refuseniks

Washington — A unique and unprecedented "open-phone meeting" in a Senate hearing room on Capitol Hill linked leaders of B'nai B'rith, prominent members of Congress and well-known refuseniks in the Soviet Union on Tuesday afternoon, May 24. For an emotion-filled hour, bipartisan members of Congress, representatives of the world's largest Jewish organization and refuseniks from Moscow and Moldavia dramatically demonstrated solidarity with those Soviet citizens who, as refuseniks, are denied basic human rights on the eve of the Reagan-Gorbachev summit in Moscow.

B'nai B'rith sponsored the unusual and moving phone meeting, together with U.S. Representative Jack Kemp (R.-N.Y.) and Senator Frank Lautenberg (D.-N.J.). Seymour D. Reich, International President of B'nai B'rith, and B'nai

B'rith Executive Director Thomas Neumann joined Kemp, Lautenberg, Senators Kit Bond (D. Mo.), Dennis DeConcini (D.-Ariz.), Charles Grassley (R.-Iowa), Paul Simon (D.-Ill.) and Phil Gramm (R.Tex.), as well as Representatives Ben Gilman (D.-N.Y.) and John Porter (R.-Ill.) in speaking with refuseniks Yuli Kosharovsky, Rianna Royak, and Judit Lurie. Mrs. Annette Lantos, wife of Rep. Tom Lantos (D.-Calif.), also participated in the event.

The three Jewish families have long been denied permission to leave the Soviet Union: the Kosharovskys for 17 years, the Royaks for 15 years and the Luries for 9 years.

Among the organizers of the phone meeting were B'nai B'rith District 3 Soviet Jewry Chairman Jacques Lurie of Philadelphia, who proposed the idea; Robin Saipe, of the National Conference on Soviet

Jewry; and Dr. Stan Levin, a B'nai B'rith activist on behalf of Soviet Jewry from Reisterstown, Md. B'nai B'rith member Boris Katz, of Princeton, N.J., served as an interpreter.

Kemp, co-chair of the Congressional Coalition for Soviet Jews, praised B'nai B'rith for its history of "standing side by side" with refuseniks. "The issue of human rights unites Christian and Jew, Democrat and Republican, Conservative and Liberal," Kemp told Kosharovsky.

Lautenberg, a member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (the Helsinki Commission), assured Judit Lurie that "we will not be satisfied" until refuseniks' rights are recognized. He and DeConcini pledged to work for a human rights amendment to the INF treaty, whose ratification is now being debated in the Senate.

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Anti-Israel Sentiment Reflected In Rise Of Anti-Semitic Incidents

NEW YORK (JTA) — For the first time since Israel was founded 40 years ago, a significant number of anti-Semitic incidents in the United States now reflect "a politically-related anti-Israel component," according to a report published by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The report said that 88 of the 443 reported incidents of anti-Semitic vandalism, threats and harassment directed against synagogues, Jewish institutions, other property and individual Jews included bomb

threats and graffiti such as "Death to Jews and Israel" and "Long Live the PLO." The vandalism is linked to the Palestinian unrest in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The study by the ADL's Civil Rights Division, titled "Audit of Anti-Semitic Incidents: The Anti-Israel Component," describes the phenomenon as new in the United States, "though it's been a common occurrence in European countries," said ADL national director Abraham Foxman.

During all of 1987 in the United States, there were only

three incidents of an anti-Israel nature out of a total of 1,018 reported in the ADL audit, Foxman said. In 1986, only eight out of 906 anti-Jewish episodes were politically oriented. According to Foxman, the 88 incidents occurred in 18 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

The state with the highest number was California, where 25 such incidents were reported. Illinois was second with 9, followed by Florida with 8, Minnesota with 7 and Massachusetts and Pennsylvania with 6 each.

Overall, the 443 anti-Semitic incidents reported during the first four-and-a-half months of 1988 showed an increase of 16 percent compared to the same period in 1987.

The increase for 1988 reflects the trend the ADL found last year, when statistics gathered by the league's 31 regional offices, law enforcement officials and other sources showed a significant increase in total anti-Semitic incidents after a five-year downward trend.

"It is unclear whether they reflect an emerging new problem of anti-Semitism with political overtones, or if they simply are a departure in the behavior of those who would commit anti-Semitic acts — using a new vehicle to spread their message of hate," Foxman said.

Among the incidents reported in 1988 involving anti-Israel threats or statements were the following:

- In Skokie and Springfield, Ill, La Jolla, Calif., and Mercer, Wash., bomb threats were received by synagogues.
- In Seattle, San Francisco, Atlanta, Minneapolis and Philadelphia, phone threats and other forms of harassment took place.
- In Fullerton, Calif., a synagogue was the target of arson.
- In Palm Beach County, Fla., four synagogues were vandalized.

Particularly disturbing, the

report said, were accounts of Israel-related anti-Semitic incidents on college campuses, where Hillel centers as well as

individual Jewish students and faculty members were targeted in six separate cases across the country.

Australians Investigating Nazi War Crimes In Latvia

The Australian government has undertaken a criminal investigation of residents of Australia who were involved in war crimes on behalf of Nazi Germany during World War II, according to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

One of the areas of investigation involves the murder of Jews in an around the city of Libau (also known as Liepaja or Libava) in Latvia. The Australian government would be interested in speaking to witnesses who have any information regarding the treatment or killings of Jews in

Libau or who have knowledge of the activities of the Latvian Security police, Latvian Political Police or the Latvian SD in Libau.

A second investigation involves the murder of Jews in and around the villages of Kurzeniec and Krasnoye in Beyelorusia (pre-war Poland).

The ADL has requested that any information about these requests should be forwarded to its New York office for transmission to Australian authorities. The offices are located at 823 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017.

Lawyers Appeal For Anne Pollard

By WILLIAM SAPHIRE

NEW YORK — Attorneys for Anne Henderson Pollard filed an appeal in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Monday seeking proper medical treatment and/or commutation of her sentence to time served. Pollard, 28, wife of convicted spy Jonathan Pollard, suffers from severe gastrointestinal disorders, allegedly exacerbated by her incarceration in federal prisons.

Her attorneys say in their appeal that she has received grossly inadequate medical care, has lost 60 pounds and is in almost constant pain.

Anne Pollard has served 18 months of two concurrent five-

year sentences as an accessory after the fact to her husband's possession of national defense documents and conspiracy to receive embezzled government property. Jonathan Pollard is serving a life sentence for spying for Israel.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed of the latest appeal by Pollard's father, Bernard Henderson. He said her attorneys have been trying unsuccessfully to allow her private physician to treat her. Henderson told the JTA that on May 9 his daughter was transferred from federal prison in Lexington, Ky., to a federal prison in Rochester, Minn., where the Mayo Clinic is located.

Israelis & Soviets To Meet After Summit

This Israeli Foreign Ministry announced last week that the first official Israeli delegation in 21 years will meet with Soviet leaders in Moscow after the U.S.-Soviet summit.

Recently, Yuri Dubinin, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, met in Washington with Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres to discuss bilateral and Middle

East issues. Dubinin said the Soviets are "willing and determined to act on a solution in the Middle East" (*Al Hamishmar*, May 19).

Members of Peres' entourage said the Soviets withdrew their demand for an authoritative, ongoing international conference but insisted on Palestinian Arab self-determination.



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Arab Students In Brandeis Program

WALTHAM, Mass. (JTA) — Six human services professionals representing Jordan, Egypt, the West Bank and Gaza have been accepted to participate in the 11-year-old Middle East Fellowship Program at Brandeis University, leading to a master's degree in the management of human services.

They will be joined by two Israeli students who will also participate in the program. The students are expected to arrive at the campus early this month.

18 Year Old Daily Vigil For Soviet Jewry

By JUDITH COLP

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington's 18-year-old Soviet Jewry vigil will remain across the street from the Soviet embassy, despite a recent Supreme Court decision permitting demonstrators to protest in front of a foreign embassy.

"The Soviet Jewry Committee felt in terms of consistency and space availability it makes most sense to keep the location of the vigil in the same area," said Samuel Sisen, a spokesman for the Council. "Our belief was that giving people a whole lot of technical regulations would be confusing, and it made more sense to keep to the same pattern with a few basic changes."

Sisen noted that although the Supreme Court decision now permits demonstrators to come directly up to the embassy, there are still restrictions on the egress of passage and pedestrian traffic that have to be followed by protestors.

But the vigil will take advantage of the part of the Supreme Court decision which permits demonstrators to carry protest signs. Two permanent "Free Soviet Jewry" signs will be positioned at the site of the demonstration, the Phillip Murray Building on 16th Street N.E., where they can be spotted by people driving by, said Sisen.

The guidelines also discourage the use of public address systems which are now legal "But are considered a major disturbance by the union workers (located in the Phillip Murray Building). Such items must not be used routinely, but only following consultation with the Jewish Community Council."

The March Supreme Court decision ruled that a D.C. law prohibiting demonstrations within 500 feet of an embassy violated the First Amendment. The decision was hailed by Soviet Jewry activists, several of whom had been arrested for violating the D.C. law. This protest tactic was never used by the Council's vigil.

The Court's decision has changed the manner of protests in embassies throughout the city, most predominantly the South African embassy. Non-Jewish demonstrators have also taken their protests to the iron gates of the Soviet embassy.

By remaining across the street, said Sisen, Council Soviet Jewry rally-goers maintain their pattern of demonstration and avoid confusion with groups breaking the law. He also said it is still not clear how the Supreme Court decision, which has made securing embassies more difficult for D.C. metropolitan police and Secret Service officials, will affect the guidelines for demonstrations.

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The Soviet Jewry Task Force of the Jewish Federation of Delaware's Community Relations Committee has suggested that tourists to Washington may be interested in attending this vigil during their stays in that city. The Soviet Embassy is located on 16th Street, NW.

Church-Run School Tells Jewish Teachers To Profess Faith In Jesus

By TOM TUGEND
LOS ANGELES (JTA) — A church-run nursery school has told its Jewish teachers they must henceforth profess faith in Jesus or lose their jobs. In response, the school's director and all its teachers have handed in their resignations.

The confrontation was triggered by an announcement by the First Presbyterian Church of Sherman Oaks, a comfortable suburb of Los Angeles, that it will add Christian instruction to its curriculum beginning in September.

"Those who teach Christian teaching should subscribe to these teachings themselves," the Revs. John and Pamela Powell of the church declared in a prepared statement. "Christian teaching is not simply an academic matter but a matter of an entire world view."

When the new policy was announced at a faculty meeting, all 12 attending teachers, five of them Jewish, resigned, as did the school's director, Wendy Cummings. A thirteenth teacher was on vacation, but relatives say she, too, plans to quit. "Our school has been for everyone," Cummings said. "How can I explain that their teacher had to leave because she was Jewish?"

"I take this as a personal

assault," said Marilyn Freitag, a Jewish teacher who has been with the school for 14 years. "They're saying they don't want Jewish influence... I think God would be ashamed of these people."

Of the school's 85 pupils, ages 2 to 4, about half are

Jewish. Jewish parents have been sending their children there because of a dearth of Jewish preschools in the area and because of the school's good reputation and its policy, until now, of encouraging faith in God without formal Christian teaching.

Legally, the church school's new policy seems to be on solid ground, according to attorneys for the American Civil Liberties Union and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Although federal law bans

discrimination on the basis of religion, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that a church may hire and fire workers for religious reasons under the Constitution's First Amendment clause guaranteeing freedom of religion.

Hate Crimes Statistics To Be Compiled In US

By DAVID FRIEDMAN
WASHINGTON, (JTA) — The House of Representatives adopted by an overwhelming 383-to-29 vote last month a bill requiring the U.S. Justice Department to gather annual statistics on crimes motivated by hate.

The bill, sponsored by Rep. John Conyers (D-Mich.) requires the Justice Department to report annually on crimes against individuals or property because of race, religion, ethnic heritage or sexual orientation.

There had been some opposition to the Conyers bill because it had originally included crimes against homosexuals. But the House adopted an amendment that changed it to crimes against heterosexuals and homosexuals.

The House vote was immediately hailed by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Congress, with both organiza-

tions urging the Senate to move swiftly to adopt similar legislation.

The House action was called "an important first step toward a coordinated nationwide response to crime motivated by bigotry and prejudice" by Justin Finger, ADL's associate national director. "The legislation will provide the comprehensive comparative data necessary to understand the scope of the problem and facilitate federal counteraction measures," he said.

Robert Lifton, AJCongress president, said passage of the legislation "sends a strong message that the federal government is prepared to join the battle against bias crimes." Lifton said "the Jewish community is particularly pleased with this action" in view of reports that anti-Semitic incidents increased in 1987, after having decreased the preceding two years.

Last year, there were 694 reported occurrences of vandalism and desecration, ranging from swastika paintings to arson against Jewish institutions and property, Lifton said.

In addition to pushing for federal legislation, the ADL also has pressed state legislatures to adopt similar

legislation and 17 have passed such laws.

The House earlier this year adopted a bill making hate-inspired violence a federal crime. The Senate is expected to act soon on a similar bill, introduced by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio).

Gold Swastikas In S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG (JTA) — An upsurge of neo-Nazi and anti-Semitic activity in recent weeks has the South African Jewish community alarmed.

The latest incident was the daubing of two swastikas in gold paint on the Torah Center in Yeoville, a Johannesburg suburb, where a yeshiva opened two months ago. Six Israeli scholars arrived recently to study there.

According to a spokeswoman for the South African Jewish Students Union, Hilary

Meyerov, "There has been a spate of anti-Semitic, neo-Nazi type incidents since the placing recently of a pig's head outside a Durban synagogue."

That was the most egregious of the recent incidents. It occurred on April 20, the eve of Israel's Independence Day and the 99th anniversary of Adolf Hitler's birth date.

On April 27, police arrested Yvonne Tina Malone, 38, an Irish woman who has been in the country less than three years.

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(Continued from Page 1) will not know, this wonderful Family Campus to enjoy for many years to come. This is, in a way, life's process. Receive from those who precede us, build upon it, and leave for those who follow us a better community."

"This facility will become the catalyst for taking the Center and the community into the twenty-first century," said Judy Levy, immediate past President of the JCC. "It will be the place

where all of us can come to be together."

Levy credited Irving Kauffman, Executive Director of the JCC, with "nurturing the dream of the Campus since 1974 . . . His research, his visitations to other Centers . . . have created the vision that has now been brought to life." Noting that Kauffman will retire in July, Levy added that "He was, as presidents and volunteers come and go, the steady hand that helped guide us to this day.

This Campus is a tribute to his years of leadership and counseling. To retire with this as a mark of achievement is glorious."

The construction crews had cleared out, the sun shone, the breeze blew, and over 400 people gathered at the Jewish Community Center to formally dedicate the new facility. Although there was the pure and simple excitement in the air (created by the blue and white balloons and the pro-

spects of spending the summer months around the new pool with friends) there was also an unmistakable sense of awe in the same air — awe in the fact that this long held dream of a family campus has finally become a reality.

This campus is the result of "a collective effort on the part of many people over the past eight years," said Doris Morris, who, together with her husband, Irving, chaired the Campus Capital Campaign, the fundraising campaign that brought the dream of the Family Campus to life. The Morrises have been involved in the planning for this facility since its conception.

As children flew kites, families strolled along the paths that wander in and out of the wooded areas of the Campus and others took advantage of the tennis and basketball courts, Mrs. Morris said, "There is space here for young and old, for people who exercise and those who contemplate, for the swimmer and for the sunbather, for music, art and games. You name it, and we can program for it. Now we must bring this beautiful Campus to life with our activities."

Irving Morris added that the Campus is "a great community accomplishment . . . with the Federation leading the way, joined by the Center and its leadership. We found a great community response, not only in the Jewish community but as well among the non-Jewish foundations." Morris added, "It is a beginning of the use of this facility and it is only through our seizure of this opportunity that we will be able to realize the dream."

Martin Lubaroff, Chairperson of the Campus Development Committee, who has been responsible for overseeing the building of the Campus, said "The facility that we have constructed carries with it a challenge. And what I would like to do is leave you with that challenge. Having built the facility it is now incumbent upon us to USE the facility in a way which is consistent with what the JCC is all about."

Lubaroff also thanked Richard Stat, with whom he worked very closely during the construction project.

"We as a community are fortunate indeed to be able to participate in the creation of the Jewish Family Campus. This

facility is a unique opportunity," commented Stephen Hermann, President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware. "Unique," he explained, "because for the first time since the building of the JCC the community has been called upon to contribute to an addition to its capital facilities, and unique because we have dedicated a truly first class instrument for sports, education and entertainment. Led by Irv and Doris Morris, Marty Lubaroff, Judy Levy and Irv Kauffman, the challenge of construction has been met. Now it is up to us to fully use this special resource."

Both Rabbi Kenneth Cohen, upon affixing the mezuzah to the doorpost of the Campus' administration building, and Rabbi Leonard Gewirtz, in his Benediction, expressed the hope that the Jewish Family Campus would be a peaceful place and a "place of life."

Rabbi Peter Grumbacher, in his invocation at the beginning of the ceremonies, summed up the sentiments of those whose effort turned the Campus into what it has become. "We have joined as one on this beautiful day to dedicate these facilities. May this Campus be a place upon which happy hearts and happy faces find enjoyment . . . May that which stirred our leaders to build for us, be a part of the inspiration of those who will use this campus, that they, too, will remember all their responsibilities for those who will come after them."

The dedication celebration was begun on Saturday evening, June 4, with a party that included tours of the new facility, entertainment, dancing and hors d'oeuvres. There was also a leadership brunch held on Sunday morning before the formal dedication began. At the brunch, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, the keynote speaker for the dedication, spoke of the importance of facilities such as the new Campus in Jewish life. "We are all Jews by choice," he noted, explaining that for the first time since the destruction of the second Temple, we don't have to be Jews because of what society has impinged upon us. Because of our open society and the assimilation that is taking place within it, it is up to the Jewish leadership, the rabbi cautioned, to help Jews understand why they are Jews and to help them remain Jews.

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