# The Year In Review December

... This month saw the beginning of unrest within the Occupied Territories that was to continue for months. There were three main reasons for the uprising: a road accident in the Gaza Strip involving an Israeli truck and two Gaza vehicles in which four residents of the Jebalya refugee camp in the Gaza Strip were killed; rumors began to spread in Gaza and the West Bank that the Israeli driver had intentionally smashed into the two Arab vehicles as an act of revenge for the earlier murder of an Israeli in Gaza; and a hang-glider opera-tion in upper Galilee by Arab gunmen in which six Israeli soldiers were killed. Although the first few months saw the most heated violence, the unrest continued steadily with sporadic heavy

...Toby Weiner retired from the staff of the Jewish Community Center after 26 years. She served the JCC in many capacities during her tenure, including Day Camp Director, Assistant Executive Director, Administrative Director, and Membership Director. As Diector of Development, Weiner provided the staff leadership in the Campus Capital Campaign to raise funds for the Family Campus.



Holding his automatic weapon in one hand, an Israeli soldier fires rocks at unseen Palestinian demonstrators in January in the West Bank.



Kaffiyeh-clad Palestinian youths rioting in the Kalandia refugee camp near Ramallah. The youths covered their faces to avoid being recognized.

...On December 6, 200,000 Americans and Canadians, mostly Jews, assembled in Washington, DC, to demand freedom for Soviet Jewry. From Delaware, 300 adults and children travelled in buses chartered by the Jewish Federation's JCRC. The "Freedom Sunday" march came on the eve of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's arrival in Washington for summit talks with President Reagan.



Three hundred Delawareans joined 200,000 others in Washington to demand freedom for Soviet Jewry.

## January

1988

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Soviet refusenik Josef Begun (right) is greeted upon his arrival in Tel Aviv by Natan Shcharansky (center) and Vladimir Slepak.

... Israeli diplomats at the UN expressed disappointment over the US decision to abstain from voting on a Security Council resolution deploring Israel's handling of the disturbances in the occupied territories.



...England's Chief Rabbi, Immanuel Jakobovitz, who fled Nazi tyranny as a teenager, was elevated to the House of Lords. He is the first Chief Rabbi to be ennobled since Jews were allowed to resettle in England in 1656.

... Refusenik Josef Begun arrived in Israel after a 17-year battle to emigrate from the Soviet Union.



Rabbi Immanuel Jakobovits donned robes and took his seat in England's House of Lords. He is the first Jew to be ennobled since Jews were allowed to resettle in England in 1656.



U.S. Secretary of State George Schultz shakes hands with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir at the beginning of peace negotiations.

...The U.S. Congress voted an unprecedented amount of financial support for Israel and Jews...from funds for Holocaust studies in Polish universities to \$3 billion in military and economic grants to Israel.

...David Ben-Dov, Israeli Consul for the Philadelphia region, addressed the Wilmington community at the JCC on the situation in the Occupied Territories, noting that the Israeli government was caught unawares by the rioting and stressing the nature of the rioting and describing the complicated position in which Israel finds itself.

...The Jewish Voice published a special supplement — A Time Of Testing — dealing with the Palestinian violence in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip and offering a number of opinions on the situation as well as an interview with four local Israelis.

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A newspaper for Jewish children

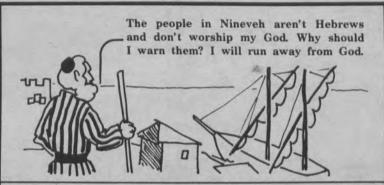
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#### A Whale Of A Tale

One day God said to Jonah, a Hebrew prophet.

Go to Nineveh. Tell the people they are wicked and have sinned. Tell them to change or I will destroy the whole city!



Jonah got on a ship going to Tarshish, far away from Nineveh. Soon a terrible storm came! Afraid, the sailors cried and prayed for help.

God is angry with me. You must throw me overboard. If not, the storm will get worse and all of you will die!

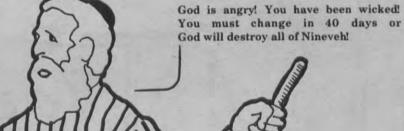


They threw Jonah overboard and God stopped the storm. Jonah was swallowed by a giant fish. He lived in the fish's belly for 3 days and nights. He prayed to God for forgiveness.

God listened to Jonah's prayers and spoke to the giant fish. The fish spit Jonah out onto dry land. Jonah kept his promise and



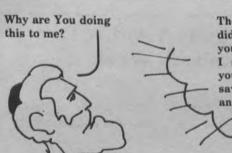
went to Nineveh. He spoke to the people.



To Jonah's surprise, the people changed their evil ways! They fasted and prayed, so God saved all of Nineveh.



Jonah climbed a hill and sat under a booth (a sukkah). Suddenly a vine grew and covered the booth. Jonah fell asleep. Then God told a worm to attack the plant. The plant died.



The vine didn't belong to you. You didn't grow it or take care of it, but you're sad because it died. You think I should have saved the plant just for you. Now you can understand why I saved the thousands of people and animals in Nineveh!

Finally Jonah understood. God is eager for people to ask for forgiveness and to change. If they do, God will forgive them and save them, just like He saved the people of Nineveh.

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(shah-voo-ah) week

(loo-ach) calendar

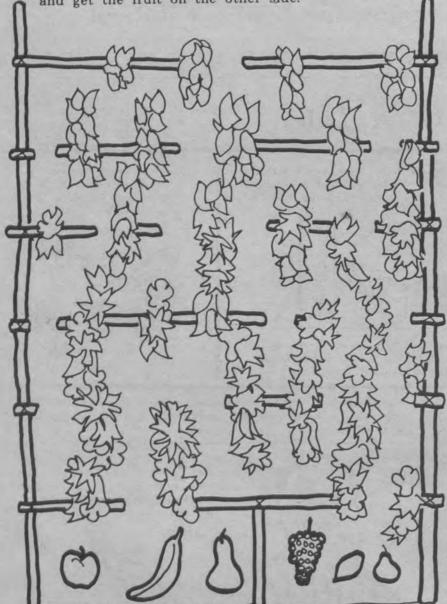


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## A-Maze-ing Sukkah

All of the fruit below needs to be hung in the sukkah. Go through the sukkah maze to get the fruit on one side. Then, start over and get the fruit on the other side.



#### Have Some Funny Visitors In Your Sukkah All Week

This craft project uses gourds. A gourd is a vegetable that grows from a vine, such as pumpkins, cucumbers, squash, and melons.

#### What You Need:

As many gourds as you like Acrylic paints Paint brush String



#### What You Do:

- 1. Wash the gourds and dry them very well.
- 2. Holding the gourd upright, paint silly faces on them.
- 3. Be sure to let the paint dry. After the gourds are dry, tie string around the tops and hang them from your sukkah.
- 4. Try to decorate some other fruits and vegetables too. Colored felt-tipped pens will work for some.

#### תחרות (Tah-chah-root) - Contest!

What You Do: Write a page from the diary of any Chanukah character. (A diary is a book in which people write about their thoughts or things that happened to them. People who write in a diary usually try to write in it every day.) Pick a Chanukah character, such as Judah, Mattathias, King Antiochus, a Syrian soldier, a Jewish child from that time, or anyone else in the story. The person could be real or pretend. Then, imagine what one day of that person's life was like.

Here is an example of a make-believe page in the diary of a Syrian soldier:

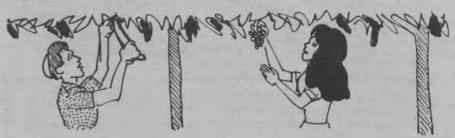
Dear Diary:

I'm so bored! I've been standing here in front of this Temple for weeks now. Nothing happens. The general keeps telling me I have to be prepared. He says he heard the Jews would attack any day now. I don't believe it. I can't imagine Jews fighting against the Syrian army. That's a laugh! I'll probably be standing here for 200 years and they'll never show up. Even if they did, the fight would take about a minute and they'd never try that again. Ho-hum. I think I'll take a nap now. Bye.

Write your diary page in your own words. It can be long or short, funny or serious.

Mail your entry with your name, complete address, and age (you must be 6-12-years-old to enter) to: NOAH'S ARK, Diary Contest, 7726 Portal, Houston, Texas 77071. All entries become the property of NOAH'S ARK and cannot be returned.

Deadline: October 10, 1988.



בּרִיחַה (B'dee-chah) - Joke Did Adam and Eve walk out of the Garden of Eden? God drove them out

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## קברים לְעֵם (Chah-veh-reem L'et) - Pen Pals

#### Dear Readers:

Here are some readers who would like to hear from you! If you are 6-12-yearsold and want a pen pal, you may write to one of these names or fill out the form below. We are sorry that we cannot print every letter we receive. - Kanga

Adam S. Block

5514 Rutherglen
Houston, Texas 77096
Age: 7½ Grade: 2nd
Likes volleyball and baseball. Collects baseball cards. Wants to learn how to play football.
Wants a boy pen pal, same age.

Roni Menachem

6331 Deborah St.
Long Beach, California 90815
Age: 7½ Grade: 2nd
Likes swimming, parties, animals, soccer, movies, candy, carnivals, and writing.
Wants a girl pen pal, aged 6-8.

David Kochman

8 Touraine Court
Pittsford, New York 14534
Age: 9 Grade: 4th
Likes baseball, swimming, school,
gymnastics, reading, music, and art.
Wants a pen pal, same age.

Miriam Sternfeld

7875 Bellaire Ave.
North Hollywood, California 91605
Age: 9½ Grade: 4th
Likes gymnastics, singing, swimming,
dancing, and playing with friends.
Wants a girl pen pal, aged 8-11.

Valery Avadiaiev, aged 10 Yudit and Itshak Avadiaiev, aged 5 Ul. Gagarina 20-13

Kafkaza Derbent USSR

Valery and Itshak are boys; Yudit is a girl.

Their family are refuseniks (Jews who ask for permission to leave the Soviet Union and are refused). In fact, their parents asked for permission to leave 13 years ago. Valery, Yudit, and Itshak need letters to know you care about them! When you write, write like you would to any pen pal. Do not write anything about them being refuseniks or anything bad about the Soviet Union. Send a picture if you have one. (Needs an overseas, air mail stamp.)



Allison Fox
22 Mt. Pleasant Rd.
Morristown, New Jersey 07960
Age: 10
Likes doll houses, movies, attackers, computers, swimming,

Likes doll houses, movies, athletics, stickers, computers, swimming, music, and dancing. Wants to trade stickers. Wants a girl pen pal, aged 10-13.

Donna Sivan

2343 39th Ave.
San Francisco, California 94116
Age: 11 Grade: 6th
Likes sockball, swimming, boys, dancing, and talking on the phone.
Wants a boy pen pal, aged 11-12.

Jeremy Schneider

2211 Fall Meadow Dr.
Missouri City, Texas 77459
Age: 11 Grade: 6th
Likes baseball cards, soccer, writing,
parties, girls, TV, and talking on the
telephone.
Wants a pen pal, same age.

Rachel Kesselman

Macher Resselman 1616 Oak Hill Cove Memphis, Tennessee 38138 Age: 11 Grade: 6th Likes swimming, movies, acting, cable TV, the beach, and sports. Wants a girl pen pal, same age.

Name:		
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### בְתֵאְבוּוְ (B'teh-ah-vone) – Good Appetite

On Sukkot, we thank God for all the things that grow, including vegetables and fruit. A fun way to celebrate this holiday is to make this cool and fruity dessert to serve in your sukkah.

A parfait is a cold dessert made of layers of fruits, ice creams, and whipped cream. It is usually served in a tall, thin glass. You can use any fresh, frozen, or canned fruit.

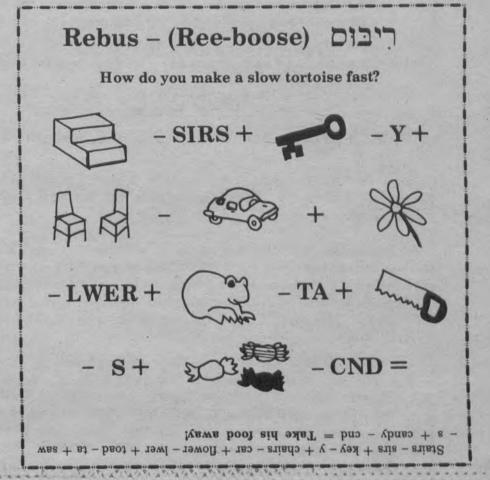
#### What You Need:

Rainbow sherbet (or your favorite flavor)
Strawberries
Blueberries
Pineapple
Oranges
Whipped cream



#### What You Do:

- 1. Clean and cut up the fruit. Put each fruit in a separate bowl.
- 2. Fill the bottom of each parfait glass with a spoonful of sherbet, filling the glass about 1/5 high.
- 3. Now spoon a layer of strawberries on top of the sherbet.
- 4. Next add a layer of pineapple chunks.
- 5. Add a layer of blueberries.
- 6. Next add a layer of oranges.
- 7. Top it off with whipped cream.
- 8. Now put the dessert in your freezer. Take it out a few minutes before you are ready to eat.



## קשְׁחָק (Mees-chahk) – Game

The names of the Hebrew months are hidden in the sentences below. Can you find and underline them from this list? The month Av, which comes after Tammuz, is used in this example.

#### Example: I have never seen a monster.

Tishrei	Shevat	Sivan	
Heshvan	Adar	Tammuz	
Kislev	Nisan	Elul	
Tevet	Ivar		

- 1. Our teacher says Ivanhoe will be covered on our next test.
- 2. Steve talked to Aaron for over two hours.
- 3. The police radar proved he was speeding.
- 4. Alex had his skis level with mine.
- 5. Bubby sent Eli yarn and knitting needles.
- 6. Snack at seven is sandwiches and coffee.
- 7. The babysitter sang five lullabies to us.
- 8. The skittish reindeer backed away from the other animals.
- 9. Tam muzzled her dog after he bit her.
- 10. Carolyn had to push Eva to fit through the door.
- 11. "The Hebrew word for six is shesh," Vanna answered.

#### **Answers To Meeschak**

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#### מַעשים מובים

#### (Mah-ah-seem Toe-veem) - Doing Good Deeds

Here's something special you can do with your greeting cards. When the holidays are over, send them to the Broward Center for the Blind.

At the Center, they use the cards for people who aren't able to shop for cards or who can't afford to buy their own. The people who work there help clients "recycle" the cards (fix the cards so they can be used again). All year, send any kind of used greeting cards to: Broward Center for the Blind, 650 N. Andrews Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33311.

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If you or any child you know, aged 6-12, has done a mitzvah that could be featured in NOAH'S ARK Newspaper, just write about him or her and send it to: NOAH'S ARK Mitzvah, 7726 Portal, Houston, Texas 77071. Be sure to include the child's age, complete address, phone number, and a picture if you have one.

#### The Creation of the Animals

God filled the earth, land and sea,
But what should all the animals be?
He thought He made His very best,
But are there changes they could suggest?
God asked the life forms, lined in a row,
"What can I change, little embryo?"

"I want to jump to get about And hold my babies in a pouch. On just two legs I want to stand, And live in an exotic land."
"All these things shall come to you."
And He created the kangaroo.

"I want to fly above the earth,
And from an egg, my children's birth.
I want feathers and a crest.
I'll make my home in a nest."
After a pause came the Lord's word,
"You have it all – you are a bird."





The next one thought, "I've a notion I'd like to spend my life in the ocean. Undisturbed by winds and storms, Please give me fins instead of arms." God said, "It shall be as you wish. Now, my friend, you are a fish."

"I would like to be very sly,
So none could trick me, though they try.
I need a thick coat to keep me warm
Even through the winter's storm."
"Then so be it," said He,
"From now on, a fox you'll be."

"I want to live close to the ground And make a terrible hissing sound. I would like a poisonous bite. Scaring others will be my delight." "I do not know why you want this, Now you're a snake, you have your hiss."

"Let all fear me – move out of my way. Let me kill small animals for prey. Give me a large and beautiful mane. Make me strong, for I am vain." "Everything you've asked, I give. As a lion, you shall live."

As the day was reaching its end
God looked at all, foe and friend.
But there was one small creature still
Who had not asked for beak or bill.
"Well, you are the very last
I've given the others what they've asked."

"Sir," it began, "If I may,
I'd like to stay just this way.
Whatever I am, it was Your plan.
I'd like to call myself a man."
"Man, you'll rule the others big and small.
This creation needs no change at all."



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## The Year In Review March

...The Wilmington community mourned the death of Rabbi Jacob Kraft, Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom, at the age of 84. Rabbi Kraft served that congregation as rabbi for 40 years and in an emeritus capacity for 18 years. The Jewish Voice wrote: "Rabbi Kraft's exemplary life and the spiritual-moral leadership he provided are legacies which will continue to nurish and inspire his congregants and others in the community. Rarely in a lifetime does one come across an individual who is so unanimously loved. Rarer, yet, is the individual who, revered and loved as [Rabbi Kraft] was, retains his humility and sense of humanity."

...Jonathan Pollard's motion for a reduction of life sentence for espionage on Israel's behalf was denied and Former Israeli nuclear technician Mordechai Vanunu was given 18 years in prison for revealing Israel's atomic secrets to a British newspaper.

...Israel's 40th anniversary was celebrated in Delaware at the JCC with a day-long celebration which included a fashion show of Israeli fashions, a performance by the Adas Kodesch Dance Group, Israeli music and art as well as food.

.. Israel and Hungary reestablished ties broken in 1967 during the Six-Day War by establishing interest sections in both Budapest and Tel Aviv.



one of the highlights of the celebration of Israel's 40th anniversary at the JCC.

...President Reagan and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir met in Washington, DC, for talks on solutions to the continuing Palestinian unrest in the Occupied Territories. Reagan warned Shamir, "Let's be clear about several things: the U.S. will not slice this initiative apart and will not abandon it...Those who will say no to the U.S. plan — and the Prime Minister has not used this word — need not answer to us; they'll need to answer to themselves and their people as to why they turned down a realistic and sensible plan to achieve negotiations."

...The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Resource Center was dedicated on March 13. David Lee Preston, Halina's son, addressed the issue of the importance of such resource centers by noting, "Halina Wind Preston is gone. Rabbi Jacob Kraft is gone. Our teachers pass on. The students become the teachers. And time is our greatest gift. Let's not blow it. Let's make it count for something." The Center is a project of the JCRC's Holocaust Education Task Force.

...Professor Allen Pollack addressed the community on the unrest in Israel. Pollack, a founding member of the American Professors for Peace in the Middle East and the author of numerous publications, addressed audiences at the University of Delaware and the Jewish Community Center. In analyzing world response to the West Bank/Gaza situation, Pollack contended that the media had unquestionably played a damaging and dangerous role in exacerbating the situation, both in rousing world opinion and in stirring up Palestinian nationalism among Israeli Palestinians.



David Lee Preston, son of Halina Wind Preston in whose name the Holocaust Resource Center is dedicated, spoke of the importance of remembering the tragedy of the Holocaust in the Center's dedicatory address.

...In Vienna the 50th anniversary of the Anschluss was commemorated at a time when the country is divided internally over the election of Kurt Waldheim as President. "Forgive us our sins" was the theme of an ecumenical gathering and religious service held outside Gestapo offices in Vienna.

## April

...Delaware's Hebrew schools celebrated Israel's 40th anniversary with a variety of activities including a simulation game of the Middle East peace process at Gratz Hebrew High School, directed by David Margules, chairman of the JCRC's Israel Task force.



Benjamin Netanyahu resigned his post as Israeli ambassador to the United Nations to pursue a post in the Knesset.

...While Jewish students at the University of Pennsylvania marked Yom Ha'Shoah, Louis Farrakhan, Nation of Islam leader, told a large, overwhelmingly Black audience that "a deal was struck with Hitler in the Third Reich that Jews would be brought out of Germany and settled in Palestine." He then compared those Jews' treatment of the Palestinians to the way European settlers treated American Indians. During his two-hour speech Farrakhan blamed Jews for instituting Black slavery in America.

... Abu Jihud, the PLO's second in command was assassinated by a hit team assumed to be Israeli commandoes. The UN Security Council voted subsequently to condemn the assassination. The U.S. abstained from the vote, explaining that the resolution singled out only one act of violence without mentioning the cycle of violence that preceded it.

...John Demjanjuk was found guilty by an Israeli court of war crimes, including the murder of some 800,000 Jews who died in the Treblinka gas chambers. The conclusion was that the 62-year-old retired automobile worker is "Ivan the Terrible" who brutalized Jews as he herded them into gas chambers that he operated. Demjanjuk was unable to produce a single witness to support his alibit that he was a prisoner of war of the Germans and the court upheld the authenticity of an SS identification card issued to Demjanjuk as a voluntary trainee for duty at the Treblinka camp.



Palestinians carry wreaths made of palm and olive branches and a poster of Yassir Arafat during a procession mourning slain military leader Khalil Al-Wazir, also known as Abu Jihad. Jihad was assassinated at his home by Israeli commandoes.

...The annual Holocaust memorial service was held in downtown Wilmington at Freedom Plaza. Sister Jeane F. Cashman, chairman of Pacem in Terris, said "There is no way in which something like this happens only to one people — an event as related to all of life as this affects every person on earth — whether they realize it or not." Approximately 100 people attended the memorial service.

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Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan addressed a largely Black audience at the University of Pennsylvania, blaming Jews for instituting Black slavery in America

## The Year In Review May

... The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra appeared at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington in celebration of Israel's 40th anniversary. The Jewish Voice reported that it was "one of the artistic triumphs of the season." The orchestra appeared under the auspices of the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

.The Israeli Foreign Ministry confirmed that Jews wishing to leave the Soviet Union to immigrate to Israel would be forced to pick up their Israeli visas to the Israeli consulate in Bucharest. The new regulations were meant to eliminate the "drop out" of Soviet Jews granted exit visas for Israel.

.President Reagan met for the fourth time with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. It was the first time in history that any U.S. President held four summit meetings with a Soviet leader. Human rights was an issue at the summit and during the meeting Jews in Moscow demonstrated against the

Soviet emigration policy.

.For the first time since Israel was founded 40 years ago, a significant number of anti-Semitic incidents in the US 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 Jewish institutions, synagogues 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 the Gaza

...Rabbi Leonard B. Gewirtz retired after 41 years as spiritual leader of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation. He conducted his last service in that capacity on Friday evening, June 24. He will serve the congregation as Rabbi Emeritus, and after it was announced that the congregation would be without a rabbi for the coming year, Gewirtz agreed to be available for services and life-cycle events at the synagogue until a new rabbi can be found.



Soviet Jews protested the Soviet emigration policy during the Reagan/Gorbachev summit meeting.



President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met for their fourth summit in the Kremlin.

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... Both Houses of Congress unanimously passed a joint resolution celebrating Israel's 40th anniversary. Nearly 100 legislators commended the people of Israel on their historic accomplishments and recognized the mutual importance of close U.S.-Israel

## June

.The new Jewish Family Campus of the Jewish Community Center was dedicated on June 5, with a keynote address by Rabbi Irving Greenberg, cofounder of CLAL, the national Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership. In opening remarks at ceremonies attended by 400 members of the Delaware Jewish community, Bernard Siegel said, '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 was given life." In looking forward to the use of the Campus, Doris Morris, who co-chaired the Campus Capital Campaign with her husband, Irving, said, "There is space here for young and old, for people who exercise and for 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." The summer heat would bring approximately 400 people to the pool every Sunday and the JCC Camp registered close to 600 children, a record number, for its summer program.

.The Israeli Labor party produced its Knesset election list with a stunning surprise: the omission of one of its bestknown and revered members, Abba Eban. The list affirmed the party's striving for a fresh image, reflected by fresh faces and new blood.



PLO leader Yassir Arafat shakes hands with Jordan's King Hussein at the Arab Summit in Algiers.

. . Mubarak Awad, Palestinian activist, was deported from Israel after his visa expired. Awad, director of the Center for the Study of Non-Violence in the Middle East, admitted he was an instigator of the six-month old insurrection. "I said that we cannot continue living under occupation...and have to struggle to get rid of occupation." Awad said he would consider converting to Judaism as a means of returning to Israel under the Law Of Return.

.. Arson became the newest Palestinian tactic in the Palestinian uprising in Israel. Conflagrations engulfed trees throughout the Jewish state, destroying tens of thousands of acres of forests and pasturelands as well as a tremendous amount of wild life. One of the reasons arsonist terrorism is so effective, is the inability of Israel's firefighters to adequately respond. The Jewish National Fund found it necessary to completely renovate the country's firefighting capabilities.



Abba Eban, one of Israel's Labor party's most revered members was left off that party's Knesset list.

.The "Who is a Jew" amendment to the Law of Return was firmly defeated by the Knesset. The amendment would have recognized as Jews only converts converted by Orthodox rabbis.

. .Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev announced that he would consider restoring diplomatic relations with Israel. This followed a demand by the U.S. and Israel that the Soviet Union restore diplomatic relations which were broken with Israel after the Six-Day War in

.An Arab Summit was held in Algiers. King Hussein of Jordan told the Arab leaders that the United States is dragging its feet on a Middle East peace set-tlement and PLO leader Yasir Arafat asked for support of Palestinan protest in Israel-held territories.



Bernard Siegel addresses the community at the Family Campus dedication. Seated are: Martin Mand, Judy Levy, Doris Morris, Irving Morris, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, keynote speaker, and Ruth Siegel.

# The YearIn Review July

...Pope John Paul II again drew the ire of Jews during a visit to Austria. The pope met with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, for the second time this year, and referred to Austria as the "victim" of Nazism. He further shocked and incensed Jews by omitting from remarks made at the Mauthausen concentration camp any reference to Jewish suffering during the Holocaust.

Austrian President Kurt Waldheim receives communion from Pope John Paul II during the pope's second visit to Austria.



...Irving Kaufman retired after 17 years as Executive Director of the Jewish Community Center. Kaufman joined the Wilmington JCC in 1971 as a new director in a new facility. Under Kaufman's leadership membership in the Center grew from 800 to 1900 and the annual budget grew from \$300,000 to \$1,800,000. Staff size increased to about 250 people in all services. The

day care and senior services grew tremendously with this nurturing. The Family Campus was Kaufman's dream since 1971 and is a source of deep pride. "It's something that can't be translated into quantifiable terms. I get joy out of knowing we have created a place in this society where an 82-year-old and a 15-year-old can play side by side."

## August

...King Hussein of Jordan cut his country's ties to the West Bank "in order to create an independent Palestinian state." He indicated that he was doing so he was bowing to the wishes of the PLO. In the move, the lower house of Jordan's Parliament, which represents the Palestinians' interests in the West Bank, was dissolved and the king canceled his five-year \$1.3 billion development plan for the West Bank. The move was a major blow to the "Jordanian option" advocated by Israel's Labor party.

...David Sorkin because the JCC's new Executive Director, replacing Irv Kaufman who retired after 17 years, and Eleanor Weinglass took over as principal of Albert Einstein Academy, replacing Roselee Redelheim.



Palestinians sit with their packed bags as they wait to cross the Allenby Bridge into Jordan. King Hussein's decision to sever ties with West Bank Arabs has prompted thousands of Palestinians to stream into Jordan for what many feared could be their last visit.



The head of the first Israeli diplomatic delegation to visit the Soviet Union in 21 years, Meron Gordon (right), and the Soviet Union's chief Rabbi Adolf Shayevich (left), chat with foreign tourists before Sabbath services at Moscow's Choral Synagogue.

...S.B. Woo addressed the Jewish community's leadership on his candidacy and Congressman Stephen Solarz (D-NY) addressed the community on the U.S./Israel Relationship.

...Israeli Consul for the mid-Atlantic region, David Ben-Dov returned to Israel and was replaced by Israel Peleg.

...The first Israeli diplomats to visit the Soviet Union since the Six-Day War attended services at the Moscow Choral Synagogues. Crowds were smaller than had been anticipated, due to lack of media coverage. Worshippers said that they knew of the delegation's arrival only through short-wave broadcasts. The delegation was greeted at the airport by two diplomats from the Dutch Embassy, but not by Soviet officials.



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## 'Secret Marranos' Discovered

By ANDREW SILOW CARROLL

NEW YORK (JTA) — For centuries they were only rumors, virtually indistinguishable from their Catholic neighbors in New Mexico and southern Texas. But thanks to two researchers in Albuquerque, more and more informationi s coming to light about the Marranos, or "secret Jews," of America's Southwest.

Washington native Stan Hordes of the New Mexico State Historical Society and Tomas Atencio of the sociology department at the University of New Mexico have been collecting the oral histories of families who trace their own roots in the New World back to the 16th century.

Although most have been baptized as Catholics, they retain a dim cultural memory of a time when Jews were forced by the Inquisition to either practice their banned religion in secret or leave Spain altogether. Their ancestors, according to the researchers, did both.

"The very earliest Spanish settlers of New Mexico, were, in fact, secret Jews," said Nan Rubin, an independent radio producer who has recorded a series on the work of the two reseachers. These settlers, she said, were originally part of the Spanish colony that inhabited

what is now Mexico, having fled or been expelled from Isabella and Ferdinand's Spain in 1492.

By the mid-1500s, the Inquisition had reached New Spain as well, and the Marranos escaped to the frontiers to the north.

Four hundred years later, an estimated 2,000 of their descendants still practice forms of Jewish customs, including Friday night candle-lighting, ritual handwashing before meals and an aversion to pork. Some continue to speak Ladino, the Spanish dialect of Sephardic Jews.

Other, hybrid forms of worship have developed over the centuries as well, incorporating Jewish and Catholic customs. Some families have worshipped a "St. Esther," after the heroine of the Purim holiday. Others, having only faint awareness of the Jewish calendar, mark Easter and Christmas with rituals remembered from corresponding holidays, such as Passover and Chanukah.

According to Rubin, the legacy of these Marranos has been one of confusion.
"I met some of the families

"I met some of the families and they seemed pretty mixed up," she said. "They said that they always felt different, but when they found out they were Jewish it fit in."

Realizing who they are can

be intensely emotional experience for community members, said Rubin. She described one custom in which mothers wait until their children are 12 or 13 years old before telling them about their Jewish roots. "At first, they're horrified," said Rubin.

Although some have had formal conversions to Judaism, others in the communities remain reluctant to have their centuries-old secret become known. Rubin recalled one man who travelled to Spain and to Israel's Diaspora Museum to search for a cure for his cultural schizophrenia, but who was not satisfied until he discovered the work being done by Hordes and Atencio.

The researchers, meanwhile, continue to study America's Marranos, searching for common threads among them or their connections to other obscure groups in the area, including the mystical "Penitente" cult of mystical Catholics.

Rubin's two-part radio series on the researchers and their subjects is available through National Public Radio. For information on obtaining a copy, write Rubin, c/o The Funding Exchange, 666 Broadway, Suite 500, New York, N.Y. 10012.

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## Jews For Jesus Charge Blackmail In Suit Against New York's JCRC

By STEWART AIN
The Jewish Week
NEW YORK (JTA) — The

Jews for Jesus missionary group has accused the Jewish Community Relations council of New York of having blackmailed a Catskills hotel into breaking its contract for the group to hold a retreat there last November.

The allegation, which is supported by an affidavit submitted by an owner of the Stevensville Country Club in Swan Lake, N.Y., is the basis of a lawsuit filed recently by jews for Jesus in U.S. District Court in Manhattan.

In the federal suit, Jews for Jesus said it entered into a contract with the Stevensville Country Club on April 2, 1987, and reserved 100 rooms and meeting space for its annual "East Coast Ingathering" plan-ned for Nov. 19 to 22, 1987.

The suit claims that Robert Kaplan, an outreach worker for the JCRC's Task Force on Missionaries and Cults, learned of the planned convention and called Kenneth Dinnerstein, an owner of the club, in May to urge that he cancel the reservation because Jews for Jesus was "a bad group."

When no action was taken,

Dinnerstein was called again on July 28. This time, according to the suit, Kaplan was joined on the telephone by JCRC executive director Michael Miller.

In an affidavit from Dinnerstein that is attached to the lawsuit, Dinnerstein said that during the conversation, Miller "told me to cancel the reservations made by Jews for Jesus or there would be a 'total boycott of the Stevensville Country Club by the Jewish community."

Dinnerstein also alleges that Miller threatened a "180degree turnaround in Jewish support" for the club, and in-formed the owner that "the only thing that made economic sense" was to cancel the Jews for Jesus reservations.

Based on the telephone call, according to the affidavit, Dinnerstein sent back the group's \$300 deposit and cancelled their contract.

On May 12, attorneys for the JCRC acknowledged that Miller called Dinnerstein, but denied he made any of the threatening statements attributed to him.

As in a languishing suit the group filed in state Supreme Court in July of 1985, the suit

filed in federal court alleges that by its actions, the JCRC violated state and federal laws by inciting discrimination against Jews for Jesus.

In filing the suit, Jews for Jesus asked U.S. District Court Judge Richard Owens to issue a preliminary injunction barring the council from "interfering with or discriminating against" the group and its right to use public places.

The judge declined, saying there was no proof that an incident like that concerning Stevensville would recur. The case remains open.

Yet the new suit seems to have pumped blood into the group's state lawsuit, in which Jews for Jesus claimed a memorandum sent by the JCRC's missionary task force, warning Long Island rabbis about the group's plans to rent space for a "seder," violated state civil rights laws.

Suggesting that the Stevensville incident was relevant to the previous lawsuit, State Supreme Court Judge David Edwards Jr. denied motions by both sides to issue a summary judgment, and has ordered a judicial hearing officer to look into the three-year-

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### She Sells Shell-less Shellfish

By MARLENE GOLDMAN

NEW YORK (JTA)-I guess this tastes like real shrimp,' commented one of some 15,000 noshers at the second annual Kosher Foods and Jewish Life Expo at the Jacob Javits Convention Center here. "I've never been able to eat shrimp, so I wouldn't know.' Imitation shrimp and "crab" meat cocktail were the genuine hits of the Expo, which ran form June 17 through the 21.

According to show manager Irving Silverman, the attraction of Mendel's Haysmish shellless "shellfish" - actually, carefully disguised pollock-lay mainly in its taboo.

Mendel's was one of the more than 400 vendors at the fair, more than double last year's number. Some 60,000 people were expected to attend the four-day gala, as opposed to last year when 42,000 attended and 18,000 were turned away. At least a dozen new products were initiated at the show, either new varieties of existing products, new products from new companies or established items gaining kosher approval.

Although the Expo, sponsored by the Israel Government Tourist Office and El Al Israel Airlines, was spread over 150,000 square feet, four times the space of last year's, and tickets were sold for three-hour shifts, lines stretched at times for hour-long waits, frustrating many ticket holders.

The kosher food industry now does \$1.5 billion in sales annually, according to Silverman, an increase from \$250 million a decade ago and growing at a rate of 20 percent a year. In addition, general products with kosher symbols bring in annual sales of \$30 billion.

Of the 16,000 kosher products now available, the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations certifies between 1,200 and 1,300 twice as many as 10

Silverman, who has conducted studies among supervisory agencies, synagogues and Jewish organizations, concludes that of some 6 million kosher consumers, 4.5 million are not Jewish.

Perharps the reason lies in New York Mayor Ed Koch's explanation. "I don't happen to practice kashrut," Koch told the crowd Sunday. "I probably should to save my soul. But kosher food is safer, healthier and cleaner. My mom told me early on, the only chicken worth eating is kosher chicken because it's fresh."

## **Foreskins Become** Living Bandages

EAST ORANGE, N.J. (JTA) - Traditionally discarded by mohelim after a brit milah ritual circumcision - infant foreskins may be put to use as works. "We think it stimulates "living bandages," according a patient's older cells to start to The Jewish News.

Dr. Tania Phillips, a fellow in dermatology at Boston University School of Medicine, has been researching a technique whereby cells from infant foreskins are cultured in a process that allows the cells to reproduce, creating a skin patch used to stimulate the healing of wounds.

The translucent, jelly-like "bandages" are stapled to a gauze pad and placed on the

Phillips told The Jewish News that she is not completely certain how the bandage growing again," she said.

The procedure is acceptable under halacha, or Jewish law, according to Rabbi Moses Tendler, a professor of biology, Talmudic law and medical ethics at New York's Yeshiva University. He said he sees no reason why mohelim could not provide hospitals with the otherwise discarded foreskins, adding, "If there's any real utility for mankind, it would be a mitzvah to cooperate.'



## Israel's 40th Seen Through The Eyes Of A Pioneer Maverick Cartoonist

By ERNEST E. BARBARASH Israel at 40 - Years of Triumph, Trials and Errors. By Noah Bee. Foreword by Wolf Blitzer. New York: Bloch Publishing Co., 1988. 207 pp.

One of my most cherished memorabilia, which line the wall of my living room, is a multicolor mural-tableau of events and personalities drawn by Noah Bee, dealing with the rebirth of the state of Israel and carrying his inscription, dated March 5, 1950: "To my Editor Ernest Barbarash as a token of friendship." This tableau, which is now a collector's item, reveals Noah Bee's exceptional skills as an artist, a man motivated in his work by his Zionist idealism and youthful career as a disciple of Vladimir (Zev) Jabotinsky in Poland.

His artistic prowess was vividly manifested in his ability to skillfully include, on a sheet measuring 14 inches by 9 inches, the drawing of some sixty portraits of the Zionist pioneers in the last hundred years, including figures such as Lee Pinsker, Moses Hess, Chaim Nahman Bialik, and Ached Ha'am.

There's also an imposing sketch of Theodor Herzl, merging in the background with portraits of Louis Brandeis and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, as the latter addresses the United Nations. The mural ends with a drawing of David Ben-Gurion proclaiming the establishment of the Jewish state and the inauguration of Chaim Weizmann as its first President.

"Israel at Forty," which covers events in Israel and the Middle East from 1983 through 1987, is Noah Bee's third book tracing the history of the state of Israel through his uniquely interpretive political cartoons.

The immense literary and informational value of his books. especially the current one, is that it represents an unbroken link in the chain of his remarkable cartoon recreations.

It was my privilege to feature his cartoons, beginning in 1945, on the editorial page of The New Palestine (which was renamed The American Zionist in 1951), the official publication of the Zionist Organization. His cartoons attracted the attention of Boris Smolar, editor of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, who subsequently engaged Noah Bee as its syndicated cartoonist.

"Israel at 40" is a must reading for every student of Jewish and Zionist history. It deserves to become a best seller because of its understanding of the complexities of Israel's cause - the valiant struggle for the preservation of Israel's democracy and independence in the light of the drastic changes that have occurred in the Middle East in the

Bee's cartoons, which are often satiric in their interpretations, portray the inherent causes and effects of the divisions between the ultraorthodox and secularists, the rifts within Israel's political parsystem, the exodus of

good stead in overcoming the trials and tribulations which normally beset every artist and idealist of independent thought.

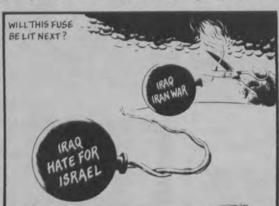
In his foreword, Wolf Blitzer, noted Washington correspondent of the "Jerusalem Post," correctly evaluates Noah Bee's perspicacity of his reportage

figure of Father Time recording Israel's development and achievements step by step since its establishment 40 years ago. "It has been a hard climb, with many accomplishments, triumphs, trials and errors. Someday Israel will reach the top step and find peace and tranquility. In the

meantime, Mazel Tov on this milestone anniversary," reads the caption.

Thus, the thrust of the book's historic recital of the story of Israel at 40, through the medium of Noah Bee's provocative brush, encompasses turmoil, terror and trauma. blended with affection and adulation. These are the ingredients - as the author indicates - that go into this tale of a nation steadfast in the pursuit of peace.

Ernest Barbarash, currently editor of the Bnai Zion Voice, served as night editor of the JTA in the late twenties. He is the author of a number of books, including "John F. Kennedy on Israel, Zionism and Jewish Issues," and "If I Am Not For Myself," both published by Herzl Press.





Israelis to countries abroad, the "drops outs" among Soviet Jews, American-Israeli relations as well as the latest Arab "uprising." The subjects of his cartoons are indeed of wide

Through his works, Bee may be characterized as a "rebel" in that he frequently clashes with members of the "establishment." Like all mavericks and rebels in public life, he had to confront amateurs posing as experts and the hostility on the part of bureaucratic and vested interests. His fortitude and philosophy of life served him in

range.

and message when he writes, "Readers of this book will be moved to laugh, to cry and to think. They will recall the most recent story of the Jewish people - a continuing saga. The challenge remains. There is no shortage of problems. This book - like Noah Bee's previous ones - helps to keep the struggle in perspective."

Reflective of Noah Bee's confidence and faith in Israel's eternity is his concluding cartoon in the book, in which he depicts the symbolic Israeli (wearing the cap known as a "Kova Tembel") climbing and reaching the 40th step, with a



## Congress, Wiesel Ask Gorbachev To Explore Soviet Anti-Semitism

WASHINGTON (JTA) - One hundred and seventy members of Congress are asking Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to formally investigate the ac-

tionalistic groups that have recently surfaced under "glasnost."

In an Aug. 8 letter, the

tivities of new anti-Semitic na- lawmakers said that in the new era of openness, "anti-Semitic acts are currently being organized against Jews in Moscow and other cities in the Soviet Union."

They praised Gorbachev for recent human rights advances but asked him to officially condemn anti-Semitism and to halt further incidents against Jews.

The lawmakers also complained to Gorbachev about anti-Semitic speeches and articles in the Soviet Union.

In Moscow last month, about seven Jews were arrested for apparently violating a new law that requires demonstrators to give 10 days' notice to Soviet authorities before staging a protest, UCSJ spokeswoman Jennifer Kane said.

In a separate letter to Gor-

bachev, Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel called upon the Soviet leader to clear the names of 24 Soviet Jewish writers and cultural figures murdered on a single night, Aug. 12, 1952.

The group, known collective-ly as the "murdered Yiddish poets" because of the preponderance of Yiddish poets among them, has never been totally accounted for, and their story has become legend among Jews of diverse political and cultural bents.

Wiesel's appeal was part of an effort being coordinated by the National Jewish Communitv Relations Advisory Council, which planned to erect bronze plaques dedicated to these murdered Soviet Jews in 19 American cities on Friday.

### **Tunisian Tombstones Vandalized**



Tombstones in the four-acre cemetery in Hara Khebira, Tunisia, show damage caused by vandals who regularly toss garbage over the wall into the burial ground. The dusty Arab village is inhabited mostly by Jews whose ancestors were the earliest Middle East refugees 2,400 years ago. Most speak only Arabic and have lived among the local population in peace for centuries. They blame the vandalism on Israeli-Arab tensions. (Photo credit: RNS)





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## Israel's Honey Industry

By D'VORA BEN SHAUL

(WZPS) When the spies that were sent into Canaan returned to base, they spoke of a land flowing with milk and honey. This sweet (throughout most of mankind's history the only sweet available aside from fruits), has always been treasured and modern Israeli beekeepers are finding that despite alternative sugars and diet conscious populations, honey still remains highly popular with local consumers and as an export item.

Although a good part of the 2000 tons of honey exported from Israel each year is produced by the large apiaries of kibbutzim, there are also a large number of privates apiaries, ranging from small enterprises of a dozen hives or so to those with hundreds of hives. Israeli Arabs and residents of the administered territories are among some of the most successful of the private beekeepers but it took them a while to accept that in Israel all hives have to be licensed.

The licensing is required in order to make sure that one apiast does not graze his or her

and mild antibiotic action.

For many apiasts, however, pollination is where the real business is. There are a number of crops, particularly citrus, cucumber, melon, alfalfa and clover, that must be pollinated by bees. Every year in spring and autumn, as Israel's two growing seasons approach, thousands of hives are hired for pollination and beekeepers all over the country are besieged with calls from kibbutzim, moshavim and private planters.

Sometimes, if a hive is not immediately available, a farmer may have to delay planting for a couple of weeks in order to be assured that his crops will be properly pollinated when they blossom.

Israeli honey comes in a variety of flavors and honey lovers are choosy about which kind they want. Consequently some expert apiasts specialize. There is wildflower honey from the hills of the Galilee, and the earthy aftertaste and scent of a summer field, eucalyptus honey, starkly pale and lightly tangy, carob honey, dark and full bodied, wild herbal honey



(many good beekeepers are women) bees on another's "pasture" and to allow for veterinary inspection of hives. Bee diseases are taken seriously and hives may not be moved from one area to another until certified as healthy.

But honey itself is only one bee product produced for local consumption and for export. One of the most expensive side products of the hive is Royal Jelly, a material secreted by juvenile female bees and used to feed the queen throughout her life. This jelly is highly prized as a food and as a cosmetic additive.

Pollen from wild flowers is also collected from the hives and sold in health food stores as a protein supplement for vegetarians and, of course, the wax from the honeycombs is in high demand both for making honeycomb bases and for superior candels. One of the most interesting hive products is prophylis, a black tarry wax secreted by bees and used as a calking material in the hive. This material is used by homeopaths and naturopaths since it has a strong germicidal

from the oregano plants in the Jerusalem hills that is prized by herbalists and, from the coastal plain, orange blossom honey, an all time favorite, with the lingering scent of an orange grove in bloom.

Most bees kept in Israel are of the Italian strain and all beekeepers invest regularly in artificially inseminated queens to ensure the purity of their stock. The Italian strain is valued because it is a good honey producer yet mild mannered and not inclined to amount an attack. There is no point in allowing a pure bred queen to make a mating flight because the local wild bees are far stronger and faster than the hive's own Italian males and there is no chance of them competing with the wild drones and mating with the queen, the local wild bee is still present in large numbers and can be found in natural colonies throughout the hills of Judea and in the Galilee. Deep in a cleft between the boulders they produce and store their amber treasures, and one is reminded of the scriptures, "I have given you honey from the rock.'

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## Sweetening The New Year

**By NAOMI ARBIT** 

Each Jewish holiday has its own characteristics and its own traditional foods. In the celebration in the home, there are many foods which are important because of what they symbolize.

At Rosh Hashanah, the traditional braided Shabbat challah loaf is baked in a round form and is dotted with raisins. This challah, along with slices of apple, are dipped in honey, symbolizing the hopes for a full, wholesome and sweet New Year.

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4 1/2 cups bread flour

2 packages quick rise yeast (Instant Blend Dry Yeast)

2 tablespoons sugar 2 teaspoons salt

1 cup water

2 tablespoons oil 3 eggs, slightly beaten; reserve

1 tablespoon for glaze ¼ cup white raisins

Combine 2 cups flour, yeast, sugar, and salt in large bowl of an electric mixer; beat with dough hook if available.

Heat water to a temperature of 120 degrees; add to flour mixture. Add eggs and beat at high speed for 3 minutes. Stir in 2 1/2 cups flour and the raisins, mixing by hand until dough leaves the sides of the bowl. Place dough on a floured sur-face and knead until smooth and elastic; about 5 minutes. Place in a greased bowl; turning to grease the top. Cover and let rise in a warm place until double in size; 30 minutes. (You can turn your electric oven on to 150 degrees for 1 minute, turn it off, place bowl of

dough on rack with door closed). Poke 2 fingers in the center of the dough. If holes remain, raising is complete. Shape dough into an elongated baseball bat about 34 inches long. On a greased

baking sheet, circle rope around itself (Large end under center), until a round dome-shaped Challah is formed. Cover and let raise in a warm place 15 minutes.

Combine 1 tablespoon egg with 1 tablespoon water, brush over the surface of the Challah. Sprinkle with sesame seeds if desired. Bake in a 375 degree oven for 55-60 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on a rack.

**TZIMMES** (Traditional side-dish; a meatless variety)

2 pounds carrots 3 pounds sweet potatoes or

12-16 ounces pitted prunes ½ cup sugar

½ cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon salt

1-2 tablespoons margarine 2 cups water

Slice carrots 1/2 inch thick. Peel and slice sweet potatoes into 11/2x1/2-inch chunks

Combine all ingredients in a large casserole. Cover and bake in a 425 degree oven for 1 hour.

Uncover; bake 1 hour longer, stirring occasionally until carrots and potatoes are tender and water has evaporated.

HONEY PECAN CAKE (A modern adaptation of the traditional Honey Lekach)

1 tablespoon vinegar and enough milk to make 1 cup

cup vegetable oil

½ cups sugar

3 eggs

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups flour

3 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon cloves

½ cup chopped pecans

½ teaspoon baking soda Honey glaze;

¼ cup honey

1 tablespoon water

1 tablespoon lemon juice

In a large mixing bowl, stir oil in the sugar; add eggs and vanilla. Beat 1 minute at medium speed with an electric mixer.

In another bowl combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and spices. Add to creamed mixture alternately with the sour milk. Beat 1 minute more. Stir in the pecans.

Pour into a well greased 10inch fluted tube pan. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 40 minutes.

Let stand 10 minutes. Remove from pan.

In a small saucepan, bring honey, water and lemon juice to a boil. Prick holes in hot cake; drizzle with Honey Syrup. Cool on a rack.

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sity of Iowa) 2 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 cup honey 2 egg whites, lightly beaten 2 cups flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

pinch of salt

cup bran

cup pineapple juice 1/2 cup chopped pecans

In a large mixing bowl, blend together oil, honey, and egg whites. In a separate bowl, stir flour, baking powder, salt and bran together. Add flour mix-ture and pineapple juice all at once to honey mixture.

Stir until dry ingredients are just moistened. Fold in the nuts. Spoon batter into an oiled

9x5x3 inch loaf pan. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 50-60 minutes or until cake pulls away from the sides of the pan.

Naomi Arbit teaches cooking and is the author of seven cookbooks.

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## Wiesenthal Center Finds Japanese Anti-Semitism 'Unabated'



Among the many anti-Semitic books published in Japan are "The Jewish Strategy of World Rule" (Part 1, top right, and Part 2, top left), and "If You Pay Too Much Attention to the Jews, the World Will Disappear" (bottom, second from right).

Wiesenthal Center Associate Dean Rabbi Abraham Cooper, returning from a week-long fact-finding mission to Japan, reported that the proliferation of Japanese best-selling books with antisemitic themes continues unabated. "Virtually every one of the two dozen bookstands I visited in Tokyo featured popularly priced books which blamed international Jewry for every conceivable problem, from the overvaluation of the yen to a purported cover-up of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster," said Rabbi Cooper.

One of the more popular

authors, Masami Uno, has has a string of best-selling books over the last two years which have sold in excess of 2.5 million copies. One of his books has been translated into Korean and he was recently invited to Seoul to share his "expertise" on World Jewry.

## **Anti-Semitic Books Worry Arabs**

TOKYO (JTA) — In a seemingly paradoxical move, the League of Arab States in Tokyo has expressed concern over the proliferation of anti-semitic literature in Japan.

In an editorial, "A Windfall for Israeli Apologists," published recently in the Asahi Evening News, Abdelwahab Chalbi, a league spokesman, wrote that Arabs are now worried about a backlash. They are convinced that the anti-Semitic literature is "a windfall" for Israel's apologists in the United States,

Chalbi wrote, "allowing them to exert further pressure and leverage on the Japanese government" to improve diplomatic, economic and cultural ties with Israel.

A spokesman for the Israeli Embassy here called Chalbi's article "completely without factual basis." Chalbi's comments are seen

Chalbi's comments are seen by Middle East analysts here as proof that counterpressure from the world Jewish community is finally having an influence on the Arab lobby in Japan, which has basically operated without opposition since the oil crisis of the early 1970s.

It was against this background that Foreign Minister Sosuke Uno visited Israel in late June. He made the trip—the first ever to Israel by a Japanese minister—over the strong protests of Arab ambassadors in Tokyo.

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However, Uno characterized the trip as not signifying "even a slight change" in Japan's basic support of the Arab side.

Although the Japanese government is still trying to convince American Jewish groups that the anti-Semitic books here are only a passing fad, Masami Uno, the most popular of Japan's anti-Jewish authors, released his third book, If You Understand the Jews, Then the Epoch Comes Into View, in May.

### **Dancer Defects**

TEL AVIV (JTA)—A non-Jewish member of a Polish dance troupe that performed in Israel has defected to the Jewish state. Zigmund Iriniash, 27, a member of the Slovianki folk dancers, who participated in an international folk-dance festival in Haifa this week, defected and remained in Israel when the troupe returned home Tuesday.

Iriniash is believed to have joined an Israeli Jewish woman he met last year, when both took part in another international folk-dance festival in Canada.



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## Henry Roth Returns To Judaism And Writing

#### By ANDREW SILOW CARROLL

"I would have expected that the Guinness book of records would have called me up by now," said Henry Roth about what may be the longest writer's block in Jewish-American literary history.

It cetainly is the most famous. Roth was 28 when, in 1934, he published his only novel. "Call It Sleep," about a Jewish boy growing up on New York's Lower East Side.

Over the next 50 years, Roth published sporatically — a handful of short stores for the New Yorker, essays for Commentary, even a piece on how to make farm implements for The Magazine of Ducks and Geese.

There was to be no major second work from the author of what critics, in 1960, called the "most undeservedly neglected book of the previous 25 years."

That is until now. For along with the publication of "Shifting Landscape" (Jewish Publication Society, New York, 301 pp., \$19.95), a "composite" edited by Mario Materassi that brings under one cover everything Roth wrote before and after "Call it Sleep," comes news that the 82-year-old writer is at work on his second novel.

Entitled "Mercy of a Rude Stream," it will begin in 1914 and trace the intellectual development of a young, communist writer in the 1930s, the political and creative struggle he felt doomed never to resolve and his late-life return to his art and his Jewish roots.

Roth touched on each of these themes during an hour-long telephone interview from his home in Albuquerque, N.M. Like the protagonist in "Call It Sleep," Roth grew up seeped in the sounds and cadences of Yiddish, but his firm voice to-day carries no trace of an accent.

He often refers to himself in the third person, as an author might speak about a character, and makes it nearly impossible to separate the writer from his work. Nor is it easy to separate his rejection of and eventual return to writing from his negation and return to Judaism.

Roth said he finds the most satisfactory explanation for his long silence in the social upheavals of the late 1930s and 1940s — ideological "shocks" that left socialist and communist writers struggling for a voice.

But even as Roth, in his words, "negated" his Jewishness, his infrequent writing continued to contain Jewish themes. At one point he contemplated writing a historical novel focusing on the Marranos, the "secret Jews" of Inquisitional Spain. He didn't write that novel, but he did complete, in 1966, "The Surveyor," a celebrated short

story with the Inquisition as its theme.

Of that period, Roth said, "I didn't know that this actually represented a reunion with Judaism.... The Marrano was of course a crypto-Jew and I felt that during all this time, that without my really knowing it, I had never departed from Judaism, no matter what I said."

"I think I was no different from many others who suddenly gave up in one form or another," said Roth, who joined the Communist Party in 1934. "I mean, if they didn't give up, they became repetitious or went to Hollywood, or found some other way of writing."

Roth wrote "Call It Sleep" with the encouragement of Eda Lou Walton, the Columbia University literature professor with whom he lived in the late 1930s. After his publication, he wrote more than 100 pages of a second — proletarian — novel, but abandoned the project. His short stories appeared until 1940, followed by 14 years of silence.

During that time he worked at a variety of jobs, including an extended period when he raised waterfowl on a secluded farm in Maine. "I no longer felt that I was a writer at all," recalled Roth of those years.

In the 1950s Roth began to write occasional pieces for magazines. In 1963, Midstream magazine asked him to contribute to a forum on "The Meaning of Galut in America Today." The writer whose experiences in an Orthodox "heder" were central to his only novel, wrote that "the last and greatest boon" Jews could confer on humanity would be "orienting themselves toward ceasing to be Jews."

"In disapora Jewry there was a lot I didn't like," Roth explained in the interview. "I

mean a sensibility — the business disapora, so to speak. The strong emphasis on success and material aquisition, and all the other things that one comes to know. And as far as the religion was concerned, it was all meaningless to me."

The Marrano in Roth was exposed in 1967, when war broke out in the Middle East. "Up until '67 I was still very much under the sway of the Soviet idea," said Roth. The strict party line, according to Roth, maintained that, at last, "the outpost of materialism (Israel) was to be driven into the sea by the progressive Arab forces."

"The '67 war brought things to a crisis," the author continued. "Because there I began to get a very deep apprehension about the Jews, alone in a sea of Arabs... The Holocaust had already begun to sink in, and here I felt another two million, three million were going to be annihilated."

The war, he said, "negated my previous anti-Jewishness."
But Roth could return to Judaism only on his own terms. "I couldn't come back to diaspora (Judaism). That's important. I had to come back to Israel," he said. "Because that's where the reunion was, and not with the people here."

As for many American Jews, Roth's Jewishness found its expression in his support for Israel. Eight years after writing that disapora Jews should cease being Jewish he wrote, "I have now adopted one, out of need, a spiritual home, one where symbols can lodge, whatever it is in actuality, whatever waverings and residual reservations I may have: Israel."

"To me its important that Jews be a nation, a nation among nations," Roth explained. "One fees that they have at last become a regenerated peo-

ple in the sense that they span the entire spectrum of what constitutes a people. Not a city people, as it were, or a shadow people. That's important to me."

Roth and his wife Muriel visited Israel in 1977, as guests of the Israeli government. But despite plans to move there permanently, Roth chose the diaspora. "I was going to make aliyah and then my hip went all to pieces and I developed very bad arthritis and so forth," he said.

He added that he "can't really criticize those who don't go.
They're too well-heeled here.
How can I expect them to go

simply on the basis of idealism?"

Roth's return to Judaism coincided with a return to creativity. He began work on his "memoir/novel" in 1979, and has completed a draft — thanks, he says, to a new word processor.

Yet Roth doesn't expect "Mercy of A Rude Stream" to be published in his lifetime.

"I'm now about 10 or 15 percent in the reworking of it, Whether I finish or not at the age of 82 is another question," he said. "It was my wife who reminded me that I'm not required to finish."

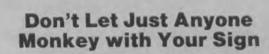
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## Israel Runner Wins Moscow Race

TEL AVIV (JTA)—Mazal Shalom, Israel's champion long-distance runner, won the 15-kilometer "Moscow Peace Race" through the streets of the Soviet capital on July 17. Her time was 53.36 minutes.

Shalom was the first Israeli athlete to compete in the Soviet Union since Moscow broke diplomatic ties with Israel in 1967. She is a member of the Hapoel sports Beersheba.

The race was sponsored by Trud, the Soviet trade union newspaper. Shalom participated under an agreement reached in April between Hapoel and the Soviet sports syndicate, within the framework of the international trade unions sports movement.



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## 5749: Accentuate The Positive!

#### By RABBI PETER H. GRUMBACHER

The game of Gematria in which numbers and words have special meaning was most evident in the year which is quickly passing. The letters of 5748 spell out the command, "Be Joyful!" This coming year of 5749 has as its root the Hebrew letters "Shin," "Mem," "Tet" and a number of lessons for the New Year emerge from that root.

There is one idiom in the Hebrew language which means 'to demote someone," literally translates "to pull the pillow from under." You can readily see just from this one example that the root is negative; there aren't too many positive aspects of it.

Too many of us have the temptation to boost our own egos by inflicting pain upon someone else "to pull the pillow from under" another one of God's creations for the purpose of our own gain or satisfaction. From the perspective of our community, one which prides itself on its ability to work closely together, we must not allow ourselves to deprecate others whose belief are different from ours, but rather to strengthen all of the best qualities of those with whom we live, work and worship so that together we can achieve the fulfillment of the precious values of our tradition.

Another idiom from the same root means "to slip one's memory." Sometimes such a slip is conscious; we conveniently forget and by doing so cause great harm in the process. As troubled as we are by the events in the State of Israel we cannot forget the greatness of the Jewish homeland during the past 40 years of her existence. When we mention the cruelties we have heard about, do we forget how many Arabs



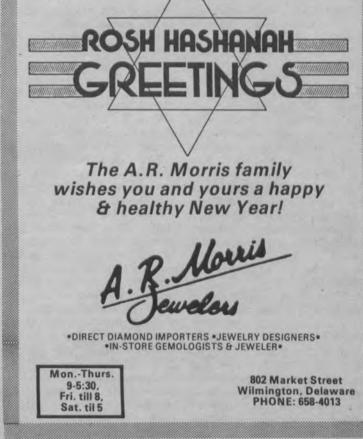
have been treated in Israeli hospitals, how many Third world nations have been assisted through the technological capabilities of Israel even when there was no official political recognition; and do we forget her indomitable spirit to progress in every sphere in the midst of antagonism? In our tradition "to remember" is a Divine commandment; everything has to be put in the proper perspec-

Still another idiom from the root tells us "write down all the facts and omit none! Maintain a faithful record!" We are bidden at this time of the year to take stock of our lives and to do our best to change that which should be changed. We are told to undergo a cheshbon hanefesh, an inventory of the also write down all the facts the good and the bad - and omit none. To be true to ourselves we should maintain a faithful record in order for use to honestly confront our inner

My colleagues join me in wishing all of you a sweet and healthy 5749. May we see the day of peace dawn for us and all the world.

(Rabbi Grumbacher is chairman of the Rabbinical Association of Delaware.)

soul. In doing so we should selves so that the spiritual process of turning in a new direction will be a honest one. How hard it is to maintain such a faithful record! Implied in this idiom is the recognition of human faults. Indeed there is a great deal that is beautiful in our lives if we but search for it so that it may properly emerge.







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## Needs Of The Homeless Addressed By Ministry's Services

By SISTER JEANNE F. CASHMAN

(Editor's note: Sister Jeanne F. Cashman met in June with representatives of the Jewish Community Relations Committee and Beth Emeth and Beth Shalom Congregations to explore possible ways the Jewish community could become more closely involved in the work of the Ministry to the Homeless. For further information, call Harriet K. Wolfson, Director of the Jewish Federation JCRC.)

A destitute man shivering in a downtown doorway in January provided the impetus behind the St. Andrew/St. Matthew Ministry to the Homeless in Wilmington.

It was The Rev. David Nickerson, who retired in June as pastor of St. Matthew Episcopal Church (on Walnut Street in the city), who was so moved by the plight of this man that he gathered interested members of his congregation to explore the possibility of helping the homeless in Wilmington. And because the downtown area congregations often experience at first hand the need for housing, he invited St. Andrew Episcopal Church on 8th and Shipley Streets to join them.

The combined church groups met for some time exploring the needs and the different ways to address these needs.

When they learned that the city had a vacant firehouse it was willing to have used as a shelter, the group decided the time was right for them to swing into action. They hired Sr. Jeanne Cashman, an Ursuline Nun with experience in working with and for the poor, and the shelter on 12th and King Streets became a reality.

The shelter opened on November 1st with two managers in place, three volunteers on hand, and two clients; by the end of that first week, 45 people were being housed there. Ironically, the least funded and last organized has become the largest shelter operation in the state, housing up to 110 persons on some nights during the winter.

Early in its ministry, the group realized that its mission was to house the so-called "chronically homeless:" largely single males, men and women with drug and alcohol problems, and the mentally ill form the major part of this shelter's population, although there are also single women and families with children. These latter segments of the homeless population tend to have no other alternatives to choose for emergency shelter either other, better equipped shelters, or shelter with families and/or friends.

People come to the firehouse

shelter on their own, or by special delivery; city, county and state police bring homeless people there in the course of a night, the hospitals. send people there, Detox refers its overflow there, and the psychiatric mobile crisis unit sends the people it cannot handle to the shelter. So there is a clear and demonstrated need for a shelter of this type in our state.

At present, in the warm weather, the average population in the firehouse is 75; people do not like to sleep on the streets just because the weather is warm - which was a real shock to city officials who thought the need for such a facility ended with the advent of lilacs and swallows.

Started with grants from the Episcopal churches involved, the shelter has been maintained largely through donations from other religious groups and from many individuals. Public funding is limited, but the group has managed to secure as much as possible to apply to the narrowly defined categories such funding must be used for. With a full-time, onsite staff of four, salaries are a big chunk of the expenditures; this money comes exclusively from donations since none of the public funding can be used in this way. Paying wages from week to week has become a real act of faith and a real concern for the group as it struggles to raise funds.

However, fear of the unknown dollar has not kept the group from plans for expansion. Originally opened solely to provide shelter from the elements, the group now sees the need to provide so many auxiliary services. Presently, meals are being prepared and brought to the shelter five nights a week by church and community groups. Plans are underway to establish a daytime shelter at the firehouse where people can take respite during the day as well as find medical (including mental health), employment, housing, and substance abuse counselling as well as assistance with other social services. These services, many of which are donated, are expected to be on place by early September.

The homeless population in Delaware, as elsewhere, is very real and is not likely to go away very soon. Their needs must be addressed. The committee counts on the generosity of people all over the state to help them to keep up with the needs of homeless Delawareans.

## **Senate Panel Clears Hate Crimes Bill**

WASHINGTON (JTA)—A bill requiring the U.S. Justice Department to gather and publish annual statistics on crimes motivated by hate was approved in a voice vote by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The bill, which covers crimes against individuals or property because of race, religion, ethnic heritage or sexual orientation, was approved by the House in May. The full Senate is expected to act on it this month.

If the Senate approves the statistics bill, it would be the second law dealing with hate crimes adopted this year.

In June, President Reagan signed into law a bill that imposes federal criminal penalties for damage to religious property or injury to anyone in the exercise of his or her religious beliefs.

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## Campaign Launched To Spur U.S. Tourism To Israel

By HOWARD ROSENBERG

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Israeli Ministry of tourism, El Al Israel Airlines and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations announced a campaign last month to encourage U.S. citizens to visit Israel during

the coming Hebrew year 5749. At a news conference here, Moshe Shoshani, Israel's North American commissioner for tourism, said the number of U.S. tourists visiting Israel was down 8 percent during the first seven months of 1988, compared with the same period in

Before the beginning of the Palestinian uprising last December, El Al, which flies about 55 percent of U.S. visitors to Israel, planned to of-

fer 20,000 additional seats to U.S. tourists this year.

To spur U.S. Jews to visit Israel, Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, who chairs the Committee on Tourism of the Conference of Presidents, said his group is forwarding "pledge cards" to synagogues for distribution at Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kip-

pur services in hundreds of synagogues. Sternstein is president of the Jewish National Fund. Those who sign the card, addressed to Israeli President Chaim Herzog, pledge that they will visit Israel during 5749.

The conference is also distributing a "Guide to Israel Tourism Resources," which includes telephone numbers for Israel Government Tourism Offices and El Al district offices throughout the United States.

The Conference of

Presidents also has set up a hot line designed to provide up-todate information on tourism and special events in Israel.

Israel's Tourism Ministry will begin a new U.S. advertising campaign in September, highlighting the theme "See Israel: See For Yourself." The advertisements are being targeted to Jewish audiences and such trade publications as "Golf Digest," which is being asked to run an ad with the teaser, "1,000 Americans will play golf in Israel next month."

## Abu Jihad's Widow Campaigns In Rome

By RUTH E. GRUBER

ROME (JTA) — The widow of the Palestine Liberation Organization's No. 2 man, Abu Jihad, assassinated April 16, in Italy to deplore Israeli behavior and promote the Palestinian cause last month.

Um Jihad met with senior Italian political figures here, including Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti, and two members of the Communist Party: Nilde Iotti, president of the Chamber of Deputies, and Giancarlo Pajetta, a member of Parliament.

She told reporters that her talks focused on conditions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"There have been 15,000 prisoners taken during the Israeli occupation, there have bee 950 miscarriages due to the use of gas and 3,500 people have been permanently disable by beatings," she claimed.

## **Swiss Close Youth Camp**

By TAMAR LEVY

GENEVA (JTA) — Swiss authorities have ordered the closing of a neo-Nazi camp for boys and girls that was thriving in the Alps. The camp, located in Seelisberg, had been operated by The Young Vikings, one of the most active neo-Nazi groups in Europe.

The Young Vikings consider themselves followers of the Hitler Youth, which was founded on July 4, 1926, years before Nazism was generally perceived as dangerous. The leader of the Swiss affiliate had rented the camp's location from a local farmer, allegedly saying the youth were boy scouts. They paid about \$200 for the rent.

The boys in the group wear brown shirts, the girls blue

uniforms. Every morning, the youth raised the Nazi flag with its swastika and sang Nazi songs. Young "Vikings" with knives stood near the entrance to prohibit any non-member from entering the compounds.

Swiss police said they had expelled the group from Switzerland and registered the members to prevent their future return to Switzerland. The Swiss had learned about the camp in an article in the Zurich newspaper Wochenzeitung.

The camp incident is not Switzerland's first. Another neo-Nazi summer camp was held near Lake Constance on the German-Swiss border earlier this summer. It was disbanded before police could act.

## Jerusalem Exhibit Honors M.L. King

NEW YORK (JTA) - An exhibit honoring Martin Luther King Jr. opened in late June at Jerusalem's International Cultural Center for Youth, as part of a tribute on the 20th anniversary of the civil rights leader's death. The center's display, part of Israel's 40th anniversary celebration, translates to Hebrew the "Hand in Hand for Justice" exhibit produced by the Washington-based American-Israel Committee to Commemorate Martin Luther King

Jr.

"We have long admired Dr.

Ktng, who was a good friend of Israel," said Zvi Dagan, director of the Cultural Center. "We believe it is vital to bring the message of his life and work to schools all over our country and to Jerusalem visitors from all over the world."

Included in the exhibit are photographs and texts depicting the highlights of King's career, American Jewish supporters of civil rights, and how King has been honored in Israel over the years. Also featured is a text of the greeting from Coretta Scott King to Israel's Knesset, when Israel celebrated "King Day" on Jan. 20, 1986, the date of the first U.S. observance of the national holiday in King's honor.

In her greeting, Coretta Scott King said: "Martin held your country, your people and your traditions in special esteem. Martin dedicated his life to the goals of peace and unity among all peoples, and perhaps nowhere in the world is there a greater appreciation of the desirability and necessity of peace than in Israel."



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## **Promoting Twenty Years of Co-Existence**

(WZPS) Kalman Yaron was worried as the new trimester of his Hebrew-Arabic ulpan (language school) opened. He feared that this time, Palestinian students would not turn up for the Hebrew classes, due to the riots in the administered territories and the curfews, searches, road blocks and other measures adopted by the Israeli army and police.

"In these times it is not always easy for an Arab to make his way from Ramallah or Bethlehem after dark, at 6 in the evening, to Jerusalem," Yaron explained. "Yet over 200 came from Hebron alone. There has been virtually no drop in enrollment of Arabs, and the number of Jews is increasing."

Yaron is director of the Martin Buber Institute at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The Hebrew-Arabic ulpan, which has just celebrated its twentieth anniversary, was set up after the Six-Day War by Yaron and Mother Aline, head of the Ecce Homo convent of the Sisters of Zion in the Old City of Jerusalem. Yaron hoped that a Catholic convent run by French nuns would be seen by Arabs - Moslem and Christian alike - as neutral ground where they could come to study Hebrew without compromising themselves, and he proved to be right. The news of the language school in the Via Dolorosa spread like wildfire



Even with the unrest in the administered territories constantly in the news, there are some positive and fruitful contacts between the Jews and Arabs taking place on a daily basis. The Hebrew-Arabic ulpan at Jerusalem's Martin Buber Institute, despite the general situation, has had no drop in enrollment of Arabs and the number of Jews participating in the language school has even increased. The ulpan has just celebrated its 20th anniversary.

through the Old City. The convent was soon packed with Arabs from East Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, as well as foreign residents and Christian clergy of all denominations, anxious to learn the two semitic languages. Within a year, 400 Jews and Arabs were atten-

"The Jews came mostly for ideological reasons," Yaron recalls. "They wished to be able to communicate with Arabs, to understand Arab culture, to forge friendships with Arabs. The Arabs were more pragmatic. They felt they needed Hebrew to be able to deal with the Israeli authorities on a more advantageous footing, to improve their job opportunities or to engage in commerce with Israelis." The Jewish students are predominantly university graduates. The Arabs include manual workers as well as intellectuals.

At the suggestion of Mother Aline, a tea-break was introduced, so that Jewish and Arab students could get to know each other. This led to other forms of social activity, folklore evenings, a workshop in graphic and plastic arts, and study sessions on subjects of interest to both sides. There were bus trips to the Dead Sea, the Red Sea, to Arab towns and to kibbutzim. Mother Aline appointed Sister Rose Therese students in the Hebrew course, to organize the extracurricular activities. Sister Rose is still doing the job today.

Mother Aline was dedicated to correcting the historic injustice of Christianity towards the Jews and to promoting Jewish-Arab reconciliation. She encountered severe criticism in the Catholic Church and even in her own order, the Sisters of Zion, for allowing the Hebrew-Arabic ulpan to operate in the convent.

Palestinian Christian circles in Rome complained to Laurice, Mother-General of the order, that the Sisters in Jerusalem had now repudiated Palestinian interests and were supporting the Israeli occupation. Aline retorted that she was helping the Palestinians to cope with their new situation. However the Latin Patriarch in Jerusalem, Monsignor Gori, condemned the activities at the convent. Aline was replaced as Mother-Superior, and died in 1971 of a heart attack at the age of 60.

The ulpan had grown too large for the premises; so in 1972-73 it moved to the new Martin Buber Institute at the Mount Scoupus campus of the Hebrew University.

Over the years, Yaron and the other teachers have forged firm friendships with innumerable Palestinian students. One of them is Dadu Haron, who is now living in Finland. In a letter to Yaron, he commented on the recent hang-glider attack in Galilee, in which a PLO suicide attacker killed six Israeli soldiers: "I must tell you that I felt proud when the Palestinian flew to Israel and killed some Israeli soldiers, and at the same time I hoped that your children were not there." Yet, he adds in the same letter: "In the middle of the conflict, the ulpan became special ... If I had stayed in Jerusalem, I could have been standing beside you and we might have created big powerful groups and 'fight' with the weapon of love and understan-

Says Sister Rose Therese, (Continued to Page 59)



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By BARBARA AMOYUAL Room H131 is like dozens of other chambers strewn throughout the House side of the Capitol. Especially in the summer season, the nondescript meeting place is barely discernible amid the throng of baby carriages, tourists and student groups. But every other Thursday, H131 assumes an "other world" character.

There, for a few hours, House members and their staffers engage in introspection, Torah study and penetrating questions about Jewish values and ethics. Around the white, linen-clothed table, over bagles and lox or fruit platters, the largely secular gathering absorbs insights from the Jewish sages. Photocopied texts of Rashi, Maimonides and Pirkei Avot aid in discussions of historical dilemmas that bear uncanny relevance to contemporary issues: the Pollard spy case, Palestinian uprising in the territories, even AIDS or Ivan

"Nothing is taboo," insists Rabbi Jay Marcus, director of the New York-based Genesis Foundation, which sponsors the biweekly seminars. "There is no set regimen. Any subject is fair game. This includes state security, medical ethics, drugs or what it means to be a leader.

"What's important is for members and staffers to understand that Judaism is real. It works," asserts the 40year-old rabbi and scholar from the Young Israel congregation of Staten Island. According to Marcus, contemporary issues can be "clearly" analyzed and comprehended in the context of Judaic teachings. "By applying not only tradition, Jewish values and ideas, discussants glean modern-day perspective to problematic issues.'

More than a dozen congressional aides and often 20 or more House members attend the Thursday sessions. Staffers convene at 11 a.m. for brunch, and then the table is reset for the members' 12:15 lunch. On particularly harried days, members may stop by for a brief cup of coffee before rushing back for a frantic staffer or a compelling "beeper" to pull a member away from the existential calm.

"Our sessions are flexible and informal. We realize the demands on a member's time and try to accomodate their frenetic activity. Our members know they're welcome for five minutes or the whole session,' says Carol Waxman, Washington representative of the Genesis Foundation. Waxman, 24-year-old daughter of California Rep. Henry Wax-man, organizes the Thursday encounters and works with Marcus to arrange topics for discussion.

"All we do is throw out ideas and provide the relevant texts or commentary. The par-



Carol Waxman and Rabbi Jay Marcus of the Genesis Foundation, which sponsors biweekly seminars on Torah study.

ticipants then determine the direction and the nature of discussion," she says. Waxman and Marcus are "amazed" at the success of what Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-Conn.) refers to as his "Thursday thing.

"The level of receptivity has been phenomenal," Marcus smiles. "I'm a bit surprised and immensely pleased that staff and members are so committed to exploring their Jewish identi-

When Marcus was first approached by Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) five years ago to start a Capitol Hill study group, the rabbi was admittedly apprehensive. Although he had instructed sophisticated and articulate groups before - the Genesis Foundation had sponsored seminars for business executives, high-powered attorneys and Wall Street moguls for years - Marcus was wary. 'I remember on the flight to Washington, my heart was in my mouth. How would Torah and Talmud be received? I was concerned that this was an entirely different group of in-dividuals representing America and Jewish leadership," recounts Marcus.

Before that first Capitol Hill session, Marcus decided to keep things truthful and pleasant. No hard sells. No pressure. No implicit messages. Completely underwritten by the Genesis Foundation, the sessions have no direct or tacit appeal for contributions. And these rules still apply today. The original core group of Reps. Schumer, Ben Gilman (R-N.Y.) and the late Sala Burton (D-Calif.) has mushroomed into a cadre of regular attendees cutting across party and ideological lines. "Qualifications such as Democrat/Repulbican and liberal/conservative are not relevant in our setting," insists Waxman. "What matters is our commonality and Jewish

Marcus says he prefers not to

deal with specific legislation. "But occasionally, it obviously comes up," he says. Citing examples of contra aid and apartheid, the rabbi often assumes the role as spectator while members hash out their differences. "If the sessions were always noncontroversial and totally devoid of passion and heated debate, I doubt whether members and staffers would be as attracted as they are," he reasons.

Rep. Ben Cardin (D-Md). notes that the study group has contributed to relationships that "quite frankly, would not have been permitted to happen elsewhere." Cardin has found the Thursday sessions "extremely useful."

'It gives me the opportunity to reflect on the background and apply our tradition to problems confronted every day in Congress. It's a really pleasant part of my week, and I look for-ward to it with relish," says Cardin.

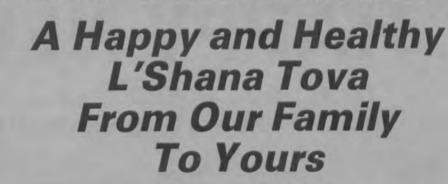
Rep. Mel Levine (D-Calif.), according to foreign policy advisor Bill Marks, "religiously" attends the Thursday sessions. 'No pun intended, but Mel really makes the effort to be there, regardless of what's happening on or off the Hill," says Marks.

Marks himself enjoys the "give and take" of the study "I'm no Talmudic group. "I'm no Talmudic scholar. So for people like myself, it's a welcome extension...to be able to relate Judaic teachings to real-life issues." Marks recalls one session dealing with the Teaching of Ramban and Rashi justifying the Jewish presence in the land that was once Canaan. "That was an issue I always wondered about. And it was particualrly useful from a 1988 political, as well as intellectual, standpoint."

Rep. Gilman admits that members of Congress, immersed in a hectic, secular environment, tend to lose sight of ap-proaching Jewish holidays. Those periodic lunches remind us of our +adtions. We're continually drawing from ancient teachings and applying those precepts to current issues," he says. Gilman enjoys the combination of conviviality and serious scholarly review characterizing the biweekly study group. "Undoubtedly, we're drawn closer together through our philosophical and religious discussion," Gilman observes. A chief aide to Rep. Robert

Toricelli believes he can better serve his boss through insights gained at the Thursday session. "For those of us who work on Mideast policy, the lesson can be very useful and applicable," says Louis War-shauer. "Jews are acutely aware of possibilities of oppression, and we have discussed what happens when Jews find themselves in control of another people. Our discussions have helped us to reconcile the responsibility to survival with Judaic treatment of the ger (outsider)," note Warshauer.

Wendy Senor, foreign policy advisor to Rep. Waxman, enjoys the opportunity to meet with congressional colleagues and explore with them the meaning of their Judaism. "The beauty of that forum is that it gives us the opporutnity to disuss issues we all focus on at work." Senor finds the Thursday sessions a welcome respite. "When I slip away for an hour in H131, it's like I'm temporarily slipping into another world," she says. (Continued to Page 59)







## JWB Issues Guideline On AIDS

#### New Sourcebook Will Help JCCs and Ys Deal With The Difficult Questions

New York - What is the responsibility of the Jewish community, and specifically of the Jewish Community Center, toward fellow Jews who have contracted AIDS or who are at risk of doing so? Jewish law clearly mandates compassion toward the sick and helpless, but in helping people with this deadly disease, are we putting the rest of our community in jeopardy? What are the medical, legal, ethical, social, and financial aspects to consider if a person with AIDS wants to swim in the JCC pool or a child in the day care center is found to be infected with the AIDS virus?

These questions and others are discussed in a comprehensive new sourcebook issued by JWB offering guidelines to the approximately 275 Jewish Community Centers, YM/YWHAs and camps that are its members across North America.

Like the booklet on smoking issues by JWB several months ago, this publication not only offers practical suggestions on what to do about a difficult problem, but sets the problem in a Jewish context that explains why something needs to be done. "Our Jewish tradition calls upon us to offer healing and give comfort to the sick," the introduction explains. "We

must ensure that people with AIDS do not become strangers in their own lands. These mitzvot must be translated into action for our time. This booklet is intended to help Jewish Community Centers cope with this issue as totally and sensitively as possible."

and sensitively as possible."

The booklet begins with background information about Jewish tradition and about the disease itself, and then goes on to offer concrete suggestions in a checklist called "What Can a Center Do?" The list includes establishing an advisory committee including a physician, an attorney and a rabbi, as well as Board and staff members, to offer policy recommendations, make decisions concerning individual cases, develop educational programming and review legal and insurance issues, among other things.

Particular attention is given to considerations involved in developing a policy around AIDS with relation to both personnel and membership. The need to be aware of legal issues is emphasized, and included is a helpful appendix summarizing several legal decisions that have a bearing on AIDS policy in relation to such sensitive matters as confidentiality, disability, defamation and sexual preference discrimination.

Another important area is

education. Several pages of the sourcebook are devoted to outlining the importance, characteristics and materials available for AIDS educational programming for staff, for membership in all age groups and for the general community. In order to help Centers develop educational programming, the booklet includes a comprehensive list of resources, such as hotlines, legal and insurance experts, organizations (in the U.S., Canada, England and Israel), special publications and program materials (plays, articles, b o o k l e t s / b r o c h u r e s, videos/film, books).

The final section of the booklet offers comprehensive sample policy statements from the Louisville, Kentucky, JCC, and other non-profit organizations that Centers might consider as possible models for their own policy statements.

The booklet is being distributed to all Jewish Community Centers and YM/YWHAs affiliated with JWB. For more information or to receive a free copy of the booklet, contact JWB Health, Physical Education and Recreation Consultant, or Leonard Rubin, Director of Program Services, at JWB, 15 East 26th Street, New York, NY 10010-1579; (212) 532-

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In addition, JWB will collect data from Centers that have developed AIDS policies and programming, and will make the data available to other Centers through its computerized PRISM project. To contribute or request information from the PRISM databank, contact Sheila Lippman at JWB.

JWB is the leadership network of and central agency for 275 Jewish Community Centers, YM-YWHAs and camps in the U.S. and Canada,

serving more than one million Jews. It provides informal Jewish education and Jewish cultural experiences through the JWB Jewish Book Council, the JWB Lecture Bureau, the JWB Jewish Music Council and many projects related to Israel. JWB is also the U.S. Government-accredited agency for the religious, Jewish educational and recreational needs of Jewish military personnel, their families and patients in VA hospitals through the services of the JWB Jewish Chaplains Council.

## U.S. Fleet In Haifa For Joint Exercises

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A fivevessel battle group of the U.S. Sixth Fleet arrived in Haifa Bay to carry out joint training exercises with the Israeli navy in July. The American unit consists of the 80,000-ton aircraft carrier Eisenhower, the cruiser Belknap, which is the flagship of the Sixth Fleet, and three missile-carrying destroyer escorts.

The battle group is under the command of Vice Adm. Kendal

Moranville, commanding officer of the Sixth Fleet. He described the joint exercises as "routine, scheduled several months ago as a result of an agreement by the United States and Israeli governments for combined training by the two fleets."

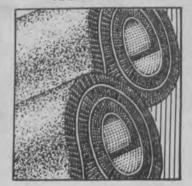
The American ships remained in Israel for two weeks during which their complement for 7,000 seamen and pilots had shore leave.

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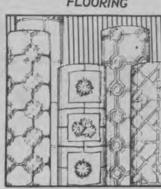
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## Holocaust Aftermath Exhibit At B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum



Photo from the exhibit "In Spite Of Everything: The Jews Of Europe, 1945-50" at the B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum in Washington, D.C. Depicted is the illegal immigrant ship "Theodor Herzl" in Haifa Harbor in 1947. (Photo credit; Central Zionist Archive, Jerusalem)

## Drummer Boy-

(Continued from Page 48) became a drummer boy. He had performed some act of incredible bravery - we each heard slightly different versions. Either he had captured a large quantity of enemy arms or had killed a large number of the enemy. In any event, as a consequence, he was granted the equivalent of 75 acres of land, including fishing rights on a portion of the nearby river.

The fortunes of the family

New House-

Rangel (D-N.Y.), \$500.

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(D-Ohio), \$500; and Charles

In addition, the Puerto Rican

delegate, Jaime Fuster, a

Democrat, received \$250 from

the National Bipartisan PAC.

Mark Siegel, the founder of the

PAC, said that Fuster

"solicited us," noting his

membership on the House

Foreign Affairs Committee. In

changed, and thereafter, they all became fisherman, operating fish stores and stalls. From then on, every son, at birth, was given a toy drum in remembrance of the drummer

They could be no question now. Alexander Shmukler, Moscow, and Joseph Smukler, Philadelphia, were related. Two parts of the family - one in Russia, one in America, separated for more than 65 vears - had immigrated to Israel. The descendants of the drummer boy were in Russia, Israel and America.

PAC considers other factors besides commitment to Israel, as does the Joint Action Committee for Political Affairs.

The 17 PACs and their contributions through March 31 are National PAC, \$377,500; Washington PAC, \$234,150; Hudson Valley PAC, \$158,250; Dessert Caucus, \$101,000; Joint Action Committee for Political Affairs, \$93,250; Delaware Valley PAC, \$86,850; Citizens Better Government, \$52,500; National Political Action Comawarding contributions, the mittee (NACPAC), \$51,000;

Washington - The end of World War II brought glimmers of hope to many shattered lives, but the immediate post-Holocaust period was still a time of great tragedy and suffering for many survivors of the ghettos and concentration camps. The story of this prolonged agony, not without glimpses of the resilience of the human spirit, is movingly and vividly retold in a stunning exhibit at the B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum in Washington.

D.C.
"In Spite of Everything: The Jews of Europe, 1945-1950" is an extraordinary collection of photomurals, artifacts and slide presentations, displayed in the museum since June 16. The five themes of the exhibit -Liberation, Flight, Displacement, Deportation and

We drank toasts to our reunion. Our last toast was that our families meet "next year in Jerusalem." We embraced and parted. I to America and freedom, he to his flat in Moscow, still waiting for his exit visa.

Joseph Smukler is a past president of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia and a member of the board of directors of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry. This article is reprinted from the Philadelphia

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Organized PAC, \$81,000; St. Louisians for Better Government, \$52,500; National Political Action Committee (NACPAC), \$51,000; San Franciscans for Good Government, \$49,500; Roundtable PAC, \$48,000; Florida Congressional Committee \$34,250; Citizens Concerned for the National Interest, \$32,000: Arizona Politically Interested Citizens, \$25,000; National Bipartisan PAC, \$13,500; Committee for "18," \$2,500; and Americans for Good Government, \$1,819.

## Torah On The Hill-

"We can always count on a minyan," says Rabbi Marcus of his regular study group participants. Spouses and parents are also invited, as well as the occasional special guest. Last year, Natan Sharansky talked with members and staffers about human rights and glasnost. Janis Berman, wife of California Kep. Howard Berman, recounted a particularly useful session in early January during the height of the Palestinian uprising. In a prior interview, Berman spoke of negative television footage and its dampening effect on America Jewish morale. "We discussed Maimonides and his teachings referring to the use of-444 527474 545454 44454 4444 45454 45464

force. And it helped us to understand a little better what was going on over there," she

The familial relations cultivated at the regular Thursday sessions extend beyond Capitol Hill. House members and their families have taken to celebrating holidays and simchot together. More than a dozen congressional families celebrated Sukkot, for example, at the Waxman's home in Bethesda. The year before, the party was hosted by Mel and Jan Levine.

The Genesis Foundation is now considering buying a Capitol Hill "headquarters," where members and staff can participate in regular Shabbat

and holiday services. Its 11member board of prominent business men and women are in the process of generating funds. The Foundation, whose three goals are Jewish awareness, Jewish understanding and Jewish concern, is also planning a trip to Israel for its congressional aides.

"What we'd like to accomplish is the integration of secular life and religious experience. Judaism is more than a religion. It can enrich even the most successful and accomplished lives," insists Marcus. Referring specifically to the benefits of his Capitol Hill study group, the rabbi quips, "Call it coincidence, call it preordained. The fact remains that we've never lost a member in a re-election campaign.'

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Homecoming - are brought to life during this period not only by means of unique visual displays, but also through lectures and dicussions that will be sponsored by the museum.

According to B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum director Gayle Weiss, "In Spite of Everything" is the first U.S. exhibit to focus on this transitional period in Jewish history, between the nightmare of the Holocaust and the rebirth of the state of Israel. "The title is taken from a phrase that came out of the Holocaust ex-perience, 'in spite of everything, the Jewish people live,' " explains Weiss.

"But there is more to living than just existing. In the DP camps and British internment camps on Cyprus, survivors who had gone through so much had to continue enduring horrendous conditions. Yet, a sense of community developed. People cared about each other. Orphans were taken under the wings of strangers who themselves had lost children to the Nazi killing machine.'

The exhibit, partially sponsored by American Airlines, will run through January, 1989. The B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum is open Sunday-Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Roots and Branches -

(Continued from Page 21) York, New York 10168 (212/370-0024).

Although vast numbers of Jewish cemeteries were destroyed throughout Europe during the Holocaust, a recent publication captures the monuments of Polish Jewish cemeteries through words and photographs. The photographs in Time of Stones by Monika Krajewska (Interpress, Warsaw, 167 pages, \$6), were taken during the period 1974-1986. Some photographs are of high artistic quality; others are purely documentary.

According to Miriam Silverman, an anthropologist, photographer and expert in historical archaeology, "Gravestones are stone documents, absolutely dated and relatively indestructible." Silverman has documented gravestone typology throughout the world and is an active member of the Association for Gravestone Studies, a national organization located at 46 Plymouth Road, Needham, Massachusetts. 02192. The Association is dedicated to the heightening of appreciation for our historic gravestones, and the promotion of varied conservation and preservation programs.

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Miriam Weiner, a certified genealogist, has prepared a beginner's guide (55 pages) on how to research family history that includes charts, list of archives and libraries, bibliography, maps, family group sheets and more. It can be ordered for \$10 or \$2.50 postage/handling by writing to her at 136 Sandpiper Key, Secaucus, NJ 07094.

#### Co-Existence —

(Continued from Page 56) "We have had Palestinians who did not take part in any of the extracurricular activities at first. When I asked them why they wanted to learn Hebrew they would reply: to be able to fight my enemy better. They did not attend the tea-breaks, so as not to have to talk to Israelis. By the end of the trimester, they would be asking me how to organize bus trips to kibbutzim. They still demand self-determination, but they are much more objective about the conflict. It is significant that most of the Arab participants in the last two courses asked for a Jewish teacher, rather than an Israeli Arab. They didn't want any translation into Arabic. Most of those who come to the courses are tired of the present violence. Some say the great powers ought to step in and provide a solution. Most of our students say they do not agree with rioting as a method."

Kalman Yaron insists that the teachers never indulge in propaganda or indoctrination. 'Anything that smacks of the patronizing, we avoid like the plague," he says. "our approach is to respect the individual and his culture."

### Economic Year-

(Continued from Page 31) social costs will be too high and that the Jewish State will become a more prosperous but less caring society. Those for capitalist reforms argue that greater prosperity will benefit all Israeli citizens.

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## Shamir And Peres At Odds Over Taba Border Dispute

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) - Partisan recriminations over the handling of the Taba border dispute with Egypt enlivened a session of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee on July 25. Premier Yitzhak Shamir started the uproar by intimating that the Labor Party had bullied Likud into accepting binding arbitration of the

dispute, which now seems likely to uphold Egypt's claims to the tiny strip of Red Sea beach instead of Israel's.

"Those who supported arbitration rather than conciliation served Egypt's interests rather than Israel's," Shamir claimed. He was clearly referring to his differences with Labor Party leader Shimon Peres in 1985 and 1986.

Peres was prime minister at that time. Shamir, who was foreign minister, insisted that the conciliation process had not been exhausted, while Peres pressed for international arbitration.

Both methods of settling bilateral disputes are allowed under the terms of the 1979 Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty.

The Taba dispute was submit-

ted to an international panel of five experts, which spent most of last year sifting thousands of documents and hearing oral arguments by both sides in

Attempts at conciliation negotiations aimed at reaching a compromise - continued with the support and encouragement of the United States. But they had failed to

make progress by the time the arbitrators adjourned last February to begin deliberations. It is widely assumed the international panel has decided in Egypt's favor.

Conciliation efforts have now been revived. The arbitration panel has agreed to delay announcement of its decision until September to give the disputants time to hammer out a compromise.

#### 10 Return Soviets Agree nunity Center

NEW YORK (JTA) - A Schneier, president of the Apformer Jewish community center in Moscow will be returned to its owner, Moscow's famous Choral Synagogue, 47 years after it was requisitioned by the Soviet authorities to serve as a hospital for war casualties. An agreement was reached last month between Rabbi Arthur

peal of Conscience Foundation, and Mayor Valery Saikin of Moscow for the transfer, which has been approved by the Moscow City Council.

Schneier said his congregation will help pay for restoring the 100-year-old building, which stands next to the Choral Synagogue, the largest in the

Soviet Union, on Arkhipova Street. It will send architects and construction specialists to Moscow for that purpose.

Schneier, who is rabbi of the Park East Synagogue in Manhattan, said he began to campaign for the return of the building 18 months ago, in talks with Konstantin Khar-

will convene at that time in

Jerusalem to attend the com-

mencement and celebrate the

chev, chairman of the Council of Religious Affairs of the Soviet Council of Ministers.

Earlier this month, the Soviet government returned property to the Russian Orthodox Church that it has controlled since the 1920s. "It's part of a process that seeks to align religious believers with perestroika (reconstruction) and the rebuilding of Soviet society," said Schneier, whose foundation promotes religious freedom worldwide. He said it was unlikely the synagogue's annex would have been returned five years ago.

The building, which was requisitioned in 1941, now houses a medical school. The two doors connecting it to the synagogue are sealed. The transfer will be finalized when Mayor Saikin signs a contract with Rabbi Adolph Shayevich of the Choral Synagogue.

A new round of conciliation talks was to open in Cairo this month, with Shamir's top aide, Yosef Ben-Aharon, heading the Israeli delegation.

But Shamir's tough stand does not argue well for the process. He has already refused an Egyptian offer to give Israel free access to the luxury resort hotel and vacation village it has built at Taba, provided Israel cedes sovereignty over the area to Egypt.

Shamir's implication that Peres was serving Egypt rather than Israel drew cries of outrage from Labor members of the committee and their

"Rubbish," shouted Laborite Micha Harish, "Disgraceful," said Yossi Sarid of the Citizens Rights Movement. Likud members shouted rejoinders. Shamir picked up his papers and stalked out of the chamber.

#### Conservative Jews To Ordain In Israel

New York (JTA) - The Conservative movement in Israel, known there by the Hebrew names Masorti (traditional), will ordain the first Israeli-trained rabbis to serve the Israeli Conservative community in ceremonies at the Mt. Scopus campus of Hebrew University, a spokesperson for the Jewish Technological Seminary, the spiritual base of the Conservative movement here, said last month.

Leaders of the Conservative Jewish movement in America are planning to attend the ceremonies, which were described as a "historic event." JTS Chancellor Ismar Schorsch and members of the JTS board of directors are undertaking a mission to Israel to participate in the event.

In addition, the board of the Rabbinical Assembly and the United Synagogue of America

40th anniversary of the State of Four graduates of the Bet Midrash, the institution for Judaic studies of the Conser-

vative movement in Jerusalem, which was founded in 1984 and currently has 21 students, will be ordained.

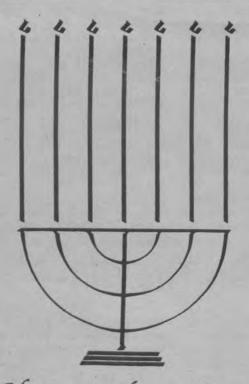


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### Ailing Refusenik Arrives In Boston

NEW YORK (JTA) — Nineyear refusenik Benjamin Charny of Moscow, ill with skin cancer, heart disease and hypertension, arrived at Boston's Logan Airport last month aboard a jet owned by industrialist Armand Hammer.

Waiting to greet Charny and his wife, Yadwiga, were his brother, Leon, and his daughter, Anna Blank, as well as Kitty Dukakis and U.S. Sens. Edward M. Kennedy and John F. Kerry, both Massachusetts Democrats.

In related news, 17-year refusenik Yuli Kosharovsky has been told by Soviet authorities he will not be able to emigrate at least until 1991, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry reported Tuesday.

Charny arrived in this country in the wake of an announcement by the U.S. Embassy in Moscow that it will resume processing visas for Soviet Jews and other refugees leaving the Soviet Union. However, the embassy said, it will require all

but 400 refugees in the most difficult circumstances to obtain private funding if they want to leave before Oct. 1.

The embassy had announced July 8 that it was suspending the refugee program until Oct. 1 because of insufficient funds.

Hammer, who has been involved in Charny's case for two years, used his influence to airlift the 50-year-old refusenik out of Moscow in order to give him a better chance for successful medical treatment. Soviet doctors reportedly

refused to treat Charny's cancer owing to his heart condition.

The New England Medical Center in Boston began its long-promised free treatment of Charny on Monday.

Hammer, meanwhile, has also been asked by Zubin Mehta, musical director of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, to help win the release of 14-year refusenik Elena Keis-Kuna of Leningrad, the sister of IPO violinist Anna Rosnovsky.

## 1,493 Jews Left Soviet Union In June

NEW YORK (JTA) — A total of 1,493 Jews were allowed to leave the Soviet Union in June, but only 150 of them, or 10 percent, went to Israel, according to figures released by the Soviet Jewry Research Bureau of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry.

The June total represents an

increase of 434 over the number of Jews allowed to leave the month before. It is 697 Jews more than the number allowed to leave during the same month last year. The emigration tally for the first six months of 1988 stands at 6,078, compared to 3,104 Jews allowed to leave during the first half of 1987.

The National Conference figures for June contrast slightly with those released over the weekend by the Intergovernmental Committee for Migration in Geneva. It reported that 1,470 Jews left the Soviet Union, of whom 127 went to Israel.

According to a spokesperson for the National Conference, the Geneva figures do not include the 23 Jews who traveled to Israel via Bucharest, Romania.

The Geneva figures also included a half-year emigration total of 6,930, considerably higher than the National Conference figures.



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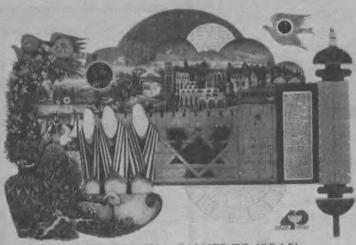
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## Amram Ebgi Graphic Salutes Israel At 40



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Israeli artist, Amram Ebgi has designed an original graphic tribute to Israel in celebration of its 40 years of statehood. This special work of art symbolized Jewish independence in Israel and depicts the historic roots of the Jewish people in their homeland. Ebgi's "Salute To Israel" is part of a nationally coordinated licensing program by the National Committee for Israel's 40th Anniverary providing memorabilia for the anniversary celebration. The Committee chairman recently presented this etching, signed by the artist, to Vice President and Mrs. George Bush at a reception in their home in honor of the 40th anniversary.



## Wiesenthal Center Produces Documentary On Palestinian Uprising



The Simon Wiesenthal Center has produced a 20-minute documentary focusing on the current unrest on the West Bank and Gaza, entitled, THE WAR OF STONES: ISRAEL'S DILEMMA. The film provides an overview of the issues surrounding the current unrest, rare historic footage, and interviews conducted by the Wiesenthal Center's crew with young Arabs in the Jabaliya refugee camp (pictured) and on the streets of West Bank towns. Statements by both Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres are also included.

"This video has been designed to help people gain a sense of perspective on the current difficulties," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper, Wiesenthal Center Associate Dean. "THE WAR OF STONES: ISRAEL'S DILEMMA video can also be utilized as a trigger piece for discussion in the classroom, synagogue or community center."



Best Actor Academy Award winner Ben Kingsley stars in "Murderers Among Us: The Simon Wiesenthal Story," a biographical drama produced by HBO pictures and slated to debut in early 1989. Kingsley portrays the renowned humanitarian and Nazi hunter. The shooting of the movie took place in Budapest, Hungary.

## Consular Team Told To Lower Profile

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israeli consular delegation in Moscow has been instructed by the Foreign Ministry to lower its media profile.

Officials in Jerusalem are reported to believe that the massive media scrutiny accorded to the delegation since it arrived in Moscow on July 28 has displeased the Kremlin, which delayed the granting of visas for many months.

The Israelis point to the disparity between the attention given to the delegation by the Israeli news media and the foreign press corps in Moscow, and the scant publicity it has

received in the Soviet press.

Some sources also expressed regret that the Israeli media had erroneously projected that the delegation would receive an enthusiastic and emotional welcome from Soviet Jews.

In fact, Soviet Jews have as yet not shown much interest in the delegation.

Only about 60 Soviet Jews came to the Moscow synagogue to meet the Israelis when they attended Shabbat services last Friday night. Local Jews have expressed mixed feelings about the delegation's presence in Moscow.

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#### Fund Grants \$200 Million To Survivors

NEW YORK (JTA) — More ed grants totaling more than 71,500 Holocaust survivors worldwide have receivcalled hardship fund of the

## Film Protester Tied To Jews For Jesus

Los Angeles (JTA) - Rev. Robert L. Hymers, head of the Baptist Tabernacle of Los Angeles, who targets Jews for an active outreach conversion program has been linked with the Jews for Jesus Organization.

The Los Angeles Jewish Journal reported that Hymer was married six years ago by Jews for Jesus leader Moshe Rosen. Hymers has admitted to financially supporting Rosen's organization.

Hymers gained sudden national prominence when he staged an updated Passion Play outside the home of Lew Wasserman, chairman of MCA, charging him with responsibility for financing Martin Scorsese's film, Last Temptation of Christ.

Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, the organization's president, Dr. Israel Miller, reported last

Speaking at the biennial meeting of the claims conference's board in Tarrytown, N.Y., Miller said that since the organization was established in 1980, the fund has received 133,000 applications for reparations from survivors in 23 countries.

Miller told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the conference is processing the remaining applications and negotiating for additional monies from the government of West Germany to ensure that all eligible claimants receive the payments they are entitled

The one-time grants have gone primarily to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution who emigrated from Eastern Europe after 1965, the year that the fil-ing period for claims expired under the German Federal Indemnification Law.

In addition, Miller said, the conference is vigorously pursuing negotiations with the East German Democratic Republic to secure funds to benefit the Jewish victims of Nazi persecu-

With regard to East German reparations, World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman, who is due to discuss the issue with East German leaders later this month, said recently that the chances are good for a speedy agreement on the issue.

## Frank Letter's Authenticity Confirmed

Amsterdam (JTA)-Experts last declared genuine a letter written in English by Anne Frank to a pen pal in the United States. The letter will be auctioned in October by Swann Galleries in New York.

The letter is one of two written in April 1940 by 11-year old Anne Frank and her 14year-old sister, Margot, to Juanita and Betty Ann Wagner of Danville, Iowa. They are

dated April 27 and 29, a month before the Nazi invasion of Holland.

Some doubts were raised about the authenticity because English was not taught at the Montessori school attended by Anne Frank. Research showed, however, English was taught at the secondary school where Margot Frank was a pupil.

An English teacher at the school initiated the letter writing, and when Margot Frank wrote to Betty Ann Wagner, Anne added her own letter to the younger Juanita Wagner. It was translated for her into English, which she copied in her own hand.

The letter has been put up for sale by the Wagner sisters. The Anne Frank Foundation here has entered a bid which it considers "reasonable," but was reportedly rejected.

### Jews Protest U.N. Tribute To Arab Dead

Geneva (JTA) - Jewish groups sent a letter to the chairman of a United Nations conference here protesting a decision to have a moment of silence in memory of the Palestinian children killed during the unrest in the Israeliadministered territories.

The letter was sent to Murdlhar Chandrakani Bhandari, chairman of the United Nations Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities. The UN body decided at the opening of its 40th session to honor the memory of children who have died in the Palestinian uprising.

The moment of reflection, proposed by representatives from Morocco and Algeria, was added to a similar gesture to honor children killed in South

The letter was initiated by the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizationis here and was signed by representatives of the International Council of Jewish Women, Women's International Zionist Federation, World Jewish Congress and the World Union of Progressive Judaism.







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## Announcements/Events

### Unaffiliated Welcomes

Since its founding 52 years ago, Machzikey Hadas Congregation, in Claymont, has had an open door policy during the entire year, including the High Holy Days. Formal membership is not mandatory and non-members who have not made a commitment to a synagogue are always welcome.

The holiday schedule at Hachzikey Hadas will be as

follows:	
Sept. 3 -	
Selicoth 1	1 p.m.
Sept. 11 -	- Pini
Erev Rosh Hashanah	8 p.m
Sept. 12 -	· p
1st Day Rosh Hashana.	9 a.m.
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Sept. 13 -	o pinii.
2nd Day Rosh Hashana	9 a.m.
Sept. 20 -	
Erev Yom Kippur	
(Kol Nidre) 6:1	5 p.m.
Sept. 21 -	
Yom Kippur	
Regular Services	9 a.m.
Yizkor	1 p.m.
Sept. 26 -	77000
1st Day Sukkot	9 a.m.
Sept. 27 -	
2nd Day Sukkot	9 a.m.
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Hoshanah Rabah	9 a.m.
Oct. 3 —	
Shmini Atzerit	9 a.m.
Yizkor1	1 a.m.
Oct. 4 -	
Simchat Torah	
Services	3 p.m.

Machzikey Hadas Congregation has obtained the services of Cantor Marvin Zukerman as its full-time religious leader. Cantor Zuckerman will be conducting all Sabbath and Holiday services. The congregation is located in the B'nai B'rith Building. 8000 Society Drive, Claymont. For further information, call 478-0454 or 792-

### Mended Hearts

A regular meeting of the Mended Hearts of Delaware will be held on Monday, September 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 1309 of the Christiana

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Carol A. Tavani and the topic will be "Stress as it relates to bypass surgery or heart attack recovery." All interested people are invited to attend.

The Mended Hearts is a National Organization providing moral support to all cardiac patients and their families while experiencing the trauma of heart attack or open heart

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## Dinner And Book To Honor Rabbi Gewirtz

On October 16 Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth will honor Rabbi Emeritus Leonard B. and Gladys Bewirtz for their 41 years of service to AKSE and the community with a dinner

A "Book of Remembrances" is being assembled for this occasion which will feature a textand-pictures history of the Rabbi's years at AKSE, and a section of community memories of these years. Included in this memory section will be written and photographic contributions from AKSE members, people who have worked with Rabbi Gewirtz in community organizations, his former AKSE at 762-2705.

students, and his fellow clergymen.

"We know Rabbi Gewirtz has touched the lives of many Wilmington families who are not AKSE members," noted Harvey B. Rubenstein, Program Chairman for the October event.

If you have a memory - or a photograph — to include in the Rabbi's "Book of Remem-brances," please send it to AKSE, Washington Boulevard & Torah Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19802. Deadline for all materials is September 15. For additional information about this event, please call

## Political Forum Planned



Judy Stiebel (left), President of the Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah and Bettina Heiman, member of Hadassah's American Affairs Committee, met to plan the Candidates Forum to be held Sept. 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Heiman will act as moderator for the evening which will present candidates for statewide office and the office of County Executive. Candidates will make short presentations and answer audience questions. The program is jointly sponsored by the Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah and the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federations.

## Holiday Services On Video At Medical Center Of Del.

The Medical Center of Delaware, in an attempt to accommodate its Jewish patients and their special needs during the holiday season, has made special High Holiday arrangements.

A special High Holiday television program has been made to be shown in the Center's three hospitals: Christiana, Wilmington and Pelleport. The program will be shown on the patients' room television on both Erev Rosh Hashana and Erev Yom Kippur. The Medical Center has also provided Kosher meals, Mahzorim, and electrical Yahrzeit candles which are all available upon request.

Rheva Cook, Chaplain of The Medical Center of Delaware, has explained that the Center is aware of how difficult it is for the Jewish patient to be in the hospital at this time of year. She will be available to discuss any patient needs at The Medical Center of Delaware, Department of Pastoral Care Office, at 428-2780.

### **Holocaust Committee** Seeks Volunteers

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee is seeking volunteers who are interested in training to interview Holocaust survivors, children of Holocaust survivors and liberators of concentration camps who now live in Delaware.

The committee has joined with the Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies at Yale for this project. The purpose of the Video Archive at Yale is to give a vivid and unforgettable picture of what happened during and after the Holocaust. Locally produced video tapes will be stored at Yale and in our own Holocaust Resource Center at the Jewish Communi-

Professor Fletcher of the History Department at the University of Delaware will present a briefing for volunteers on Holocaust history on the afternoon of October 16 at the J.C.C. Training by Yale project personnel will be held Saturday evening, October 22, at the home of Joan Spiegelman and all day Sunday, October 23, at the Jewish Community Center.

Volunteers interested in participating in this project must be willing to attend the three training sessions. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested, call Carol Sue Rudnick at 478-6200, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## **Chabad Offers Holiday** Services For House-Bound

Chabad-Lubavitch of Delaware has announced that it will again be offering a special service for those that are house-bound and unable to attend a synagogue for High Holiday services. Rabbi Chuni Vogel, director of Chabad-Lubavitch, and volunteerrs will make me visits on the day of Rosh Hashana, and blow the shofar which is the most important part of the holiday ser-

"Of all the times during the year to be housebound, Rosh Hashana is the worst," says Rabbi Chuni Vogel. "To bring the spirit of the holy day to these people at such a time is extremely important and meaningful. The smiles and tears of gratitude we received last year will never be forgotten."

For those wishing to avail themselves of this service call the Chabad office at 478-4400 by September 8.

## **Beth Shalom Hay Ride**

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Shalom is sponsoring its second annual Succoth hayride. The hayride will take place at Bellevue State Park on Saturday, September 24, at 7 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, September 25. The cost of the event is \$2.50 per person or \$10 per family.

The Sisterhood will supply apples, and the park will provide a bonfire and sticks for marshmallows.

Reservations can be made by calling Sena Garber at 475-1510 after 5 p.m. Reservations and payment must be received by Thursday, September 22.

## Shir Chadash To Perform At Kutz Auxiliary Ball

A return performance by Shir Chadash ("a new song") will highlight the Kutz Home's 1988 Forget-Me-Not Ball, an evening of cocktails, dining and dancing scheduled for Saturday, October 1 in the Gold Room of the Hotel du Pont. Sponsored by the Kutz Home ry, the event the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home, an 82-bed nursing facility providing continuous, quality care for its elderly residents. The Home has been serving the community for more than 25 years.

Guests at the Ball can choose several levels of participation: Gold Circle (\$500 contribution per couple), Benefactor (\$300

contribution per couple), patron (\$250 contribution per couple) or Sponsor (\$200 contribution per couple). Individuals may attend by contributing 1/2 of these amounts. In addition, those who cannot attend the Ball but wish to support the Auxiliary's efforts may become a Friend (\$100 contribution), Supporter (\$50 contribution) or Contributor (\$25 contribution).

Chairpersons for this year's Ball are Dr. and Mrs. Barry Diznoff and Dr. and Mrs. Alan Evantash. For additional information or to make reservations, contact Leslie Newman, Reservations Chairperson at 655-5404.

## Naches

## Leon Vinokur Wins Honors At Delaware Boys' State



Leon Vinokur

#### Zaret

Louis S. Zaret, of Wilmington, has been invited by Jerry Lewis to appear on the annual Labor Day telethon fundraiser for muscular dystrophy. He will represent the Shriners for the state of Delaware.

#### Heiman

The Commissioners of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights has approved the recharter of the Delaware Advisory Committee to the Commission and has named Henry A. Heiman as the Committee Chairperson for a two-year term. Heiman, a Wilmington resident, is a partner in the law firm of Heiman and Aber, a member of the boards of the American Civil Liberties Union of Delaware and the Jewish Family Services. He is a graduate of Cornell University and the Yale University Law School.

#### **Blits**

Dr. Jan Blitz, Assistant Professor of political science at the University of Delaware, has been named for a two-year term to the Delaware Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Blits, an author and past fellowship holder at the Hastings Center Institute and the New School for Social Research, is a resident of Newark.

#### Kerbel

Debbie Kerbel, daughter of Bob and Ruth Kerbel, has been awarded a Delaware Artists Theatre scholarship. Debbie graduated from Concord High School in June and will attend Syracuse University in the fall.

655-5404.

Leon Vinokur, a senior at Brandywine High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vinokur, participated recently in the 51st session of Delaware Boys' State held at Delaware State College and Legislative Hall in Dover. The event was sponsored by the American Legion Department of Delaware. The purpose of Boys' State is to develop a working knowledge of the state government.

During the week, each participant was placed into one of two parties: the Nationalists or the Federalists. Each party held a convention where nominees for office were selected. Leon was nominated for and subsequently elected to the office of Governor, the state's highest office. During his "term" as Governor, his primary duty was to sign or veto the bills once they had passed the legislature. Leon accompanied Governor Castle through his morning schedule, which included a groundbreaking ceremony and an anniversary celebration in the Dover area. He also had the honor of introducing the Governor to the meeting of the Boys' State General Assembly.

On the final day of Boys' State, an election was held to determine the two delegates to represent Delaware at Boys' Nation. Leon was also accorded this high honor by his peers and will participate in a mock session of the Senate and elect national officers. Leon and the other delegates met with President and Mrs. Reagan, in the Rose Garden, toured the U.S. Naval Academy and participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. Boys' Na-tion was held from July 22 through July 30.

At Brandywine, Leon has been the president of his class for three years and will be President of the Student Council for the 1988-89 year. He has been an active member of the marching band and is considering a career in law.

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#### Schlecker

Barry S. Schlecker, president of the Barry Services Company, has been appointed chairman of the New Castle County Library Advisory Board by County Executive Rita Justice. A Wilmington native, he is a graduate of the University of Delaware and a board member of the Friends of Wilmington Library. He is also president of the Delaware Business Executives.

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MELBOURNE, Australia (JTA) - Australian Jews have used traditional Jewish chutzpah to breach a longstanding Soviet wall, and are now embarking on an ambitious project which they hope will breathe new life into the Soviet Union's languishing Jewish population.

Soviet-sanctioned auditions were held in Melbourne last month for Australian Jewish singers who are expected to tour the Soviet Union in November under the auspices of the Soviet Ministry of Culture. The choir will sing traditional hasidic as well as modern Hebrew songs. They will be the first foreign Jews to perform in the Soviet Union in

#### **Hammer Signs** Oil Deal With Israel

Tel Aviv (JTA)-For the first time, the search for oil in Israel will involve offshore drilling as oil magnate Armand Hammer announced that he had signed a \$25 million deal with Israel's Energy Ministry. Hammer said that he would build Israel's first offshore drilling rig on a platform some 10 miles off the Tel Aviv coastline.

The platform, to be operated by Hammer's Occidental Petroleum Co., is expected to begin operation by the end of the year.

Hammer said last month that Occidental's oil geologists indicate there could be a billion barrels of oil under the sea floor in Isreali waters at a depth of about 17,000 feet.

Hammer signed a three year contract with the government giving Occidental exploration rights on 3,000 square kilometers undersea and 7,000 square kilometers in the Negev. It will cost \$25 million of which the Isreal government will pay 34 percent, according to Energy Minister Moshe Shahal.

Hammer, a Russian-born American Jew, is a frequent visitor to Isreal. During his visit, he celebrated his 90th birthday and dedicated projects funded through his philanthropy.

#### Israel Knocked

Geneva (JTA) - Delegates to the United Nations subcommission on human rights last week accused Israel of flouting the most fundamental principles of international law in their handling of the Palestinian uprising.

Yves Lausrin, observer for the International Federation of Human Rights, said his organization was gravely concerned about human rights violations by Israeli authorities in the administered territories.

The Paris-based International Federation was responsible for launching an appeal to the Syrian government on behalf of that country's Jewish population.

The story began about three months ago, when Isi Leibler, president of the executive council of Australian Jewry, received a letter from the artistic director of the Moscow Jewish musical theatre, Mikhail Gluz, asking the Jewish community to welcome his troupe during its first visit to Australia.

"I wrote back to him and told him it was obscene to imagine the Jewish community here, which has campaigned strongly for Soviet Jewish rights for three decades, would welcome this group while the Soviet Union still denies its Jews the rights to emigrate and denies them freedom of religion and culture," Leibler said.

"I said they would only be welcome here when Australian Jews are allowed to return the favor.

"I never imagined at that time the Soviet authorities would really take me up on it."

But they did, and Leibler,

together with leading members of the Australian Jewish community, found themselves on the inside of a Melbourne theatre last week watching a Soviet cultural performance, instead of outside with placards and banners.

The Jewish community here is flabbergasted, but has given Leibler the go-ahead for negotiations for a series of concerts in Moscow and possibly other Soviet cities.

The Soviet Embassy's deputy head, Valery Zemskov, has agreed to address Australian Jewry's leaders at a meeting in Melbourne next month.

"I have made it clear in all my discussions with the Soviets that we will not stop our campaign for Soviet Jews until all Jews who so desire are permitted to go to Israel or elsewhere," Leibler said.

'But we are prepared to adopt a two-track policy of exploring official contacts at the same time, especially if such contacts enable us to build official contacts, we will be able bridges with Soviet Jews and provide them with Jewish culture and religious input.

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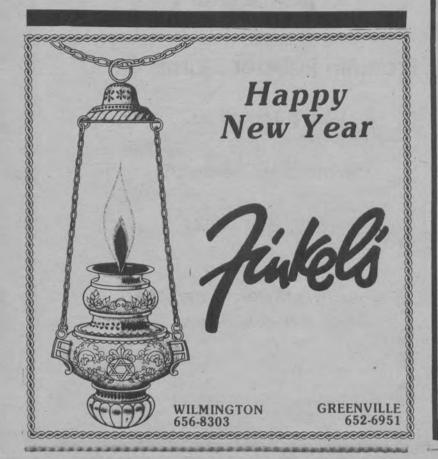
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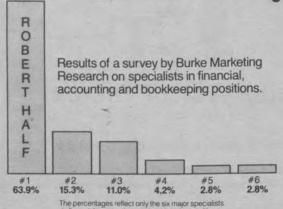


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## **BCC/Federation Fun Day A Financial Success**

**By CHARLES TWER** 

Approximately \$5000 was raised for the Jewish Federation's 1988 campaign on Wednesday, July 20, when about 75 members and guests participated in the 19th annual Brandywine Country Club/Jewish Federation Fun Day at the club's new facility. Cochairman Stanley Hart and Dr. Barry Roseman, appointed by club president, Joseph Horwitz, and assisted by Charles Twer, JFD volunteer, were in charge of the arrangements for the event.

The day consisted of a brunch, followed by a shot-gun start golf tournament, and concluded with a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres hour and dinner.

The winning team in the Golden Goose contest was made up of Mike Bloom, Dave Bloom, Andy Glazar and Bob Bess. Closest to the pins were — hole #4, Dave Bloom; hole #17, Dan Bloom; while the longest drive winners were

Dan Bloom and Steve Bernhardt.

Individual net score prizes went to: 1st, Richard Winer; 2nd, Donald Kreston; and 3rd, David Weiner. The winning team net score prizes went to Irv Kursch, William Betty, Louis Deitcher and Warren Deitcher. Second place went to Frank Chaiken, Gabe Milanese, Richard Winer, and Leonard Lipstein.

"Fun Day has become an integral part of the Brandwine.

"Fun Day has become an integral part of the Brandywine Country Club program," commented Horwitz, "and it is hoped that they will continue to become even bigger and better for many years to come, in our new facility."

"On behalf of the Federation and community I'd like to thank the Brandywine Country Club for their continuing support, with special thanks to cochairmen Stanley Hart and Dr. Barry Rosen, and Club President, Joseph Horwitz," stated Bill Topkis, Federation's 1988 Campaign Chairman.





Two of the foursomes who enjoyed the Brandywine Country Club/Federation Fun Day on July 20. Second prize team (above left) was made up of Leonard Lipstein, Richard Winer, Gabe Milanese and Frank Chaiken. Another team consisted of (above right) Stan Hart, Stan Gottlieb, Martin Sloan and Joseph Yucht.

## JWV Plaque Affixed In JCC Lobby

By PAULA BERENGUT

On Tuesday, July 26, Israel Weiner, Commander of the Jewish War Veterans, Department of Delaware, affixed a plaque to the lobby wall in the JCC "in memory of all departed veterans who were members of the Jewish War Veterans." The plaque lists 65 names. The name of Rabbi Jacob Kraft, who died in March, will be added to the list in the near future. Kraft was the chaplain for the local JWV.

Rounded in 1896, the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. is the oldest active veterans' organization in America. Because of its status as a veterans' organization, it is the only national Jewish organization that can effectively lobby without restriction in Congress on all issues of concern.

According to Weiner, the local Department of the JWV "participates in all matters concerning veterans." On Memorial Day, members of the JWV place flags at all area Jewish cemeteries for all Jewish veterans, regardless of whether or not they were members of the organization. The families of any deceased Jewish veterans may request a flag holder to be placed, free of charge, on a veteran's grave, according to Weiner. The JWV also participates in Veterans' Day affairs and is involved in



Affixing the Jewish War Veterans plaque in memory of deceased veterans in the lobby of the Jewish Community Center are (from left to right) Moises Paz, Assistant Executive Director of the JCC, Israel Weiner, Commander of the Delaware Department of the JWV, and Sam Wenzer, JWV Americanism Officer.

the activities at the Veterans Administration Hospital, and sponsors a party there once a

The organization is also active in the Delaware Commission for Veterans' Affairs and monitors legislation regarding veterans in Delaware. Members "see to it that the need of the veteran is fulfilled

wherever possible," said Weiner. The local Commander also noted that it is not necessary to be a veteran to be a member of the Jewish War Veterans. Patron membership (which includes active membership but not vote) is available. For membership information, contact Israel Weiner, Commander, JWV Department of Delaware, 764-2120.

## ROSH HIS SHINA HIS GREETINGS FOR THE COMING NEW YEAR

### What's My Name Part II

By ROBERT AKELL Find these names hidden in the puzzle:

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## At Request Of Rabbi Bank Opens Sundays

When the Broadway Bank & Trust Co. began opening its doors on Saturday mornings, a lot of hard-working customers were happy to avoid the last-minute bank rush on Friday afternoons.

But for some customers, especially the approximately 600 Orthodox Jewish families in Teaneck and nearby communities who observe the Sabbath on Saturday, the weekend hours did not help.

So now the bank's Teaneck branch is also open Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cathy Seiler, a spokeswoman for the Paterson-based bank, said she believed that the Teaneck branch was the only New Jersey bank open on Sunday.

"Teaneck happens to be a community with a large Orthodox Jewish population," said Seiler. "We did some research and decided to give it a go."

Business was light when the branch had its first Sunday hours on Aug. 7, but it has since picked up a bit, Seiler said.

"We hope as people find out about it, even people who aren't Jewish, that there will be more business," she said, noting that the bank had advertised its new hours in area Jewish newspapers and in fliers mailed to Teaneck homes.

## Christian Missionaries Spending Huge Sums To Win Over Jews

There are 147 Christian missionary groups in the United States who are oganized mainly to try to induce Jews to convert. But the end result of their efforts, according to an expert in the field, is that they spend large sums of money for small gains. According to Philip Abramowitz, director of the Task Force on Missionaries and Cults of the New York Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), the missionary groups spent a total of more

than \$150 million during the past five years.

Abramowitz told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that his best estimate of the effectiveness of such huge expenditures was roughly 25,000 Jews converted to Christianity during the past 10 years. "I wish we could do a comprehensive study of just exactly how many jews do convert, but we don't have the funds," he said.

Abramowitz said a "sister organization" to the JCRC task force, which was founded in 1977, is the Cult Line and Clinic formed by the jewish **Board of Family and Childrens** Services. That program, which is funded by a special grant from the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, mantains a 24-hour hot-line. It also offers help to individuals who are in or who have left a cult as well as to family and friends of Jews involved in cult or missionary activities. The program also helps individuals and organizations who want to know more about cults and missionary groups — "how to recognize them and how to avoid them."

The Jewish board provides initial consultation, with emphasis on improving parental communication with children, as well as long- and short-term counseling for former cult members and their families.

Abramowitz told the JTA that task forces opposing conversion efforts are maintained by Federations in Los Angeles, Philadelphia and Miami, who all work with the New York

A missionary agency par-ticularly active in the New York area is Jews for Jesus, which regularly distributes thousands of skillfully designed pam-phlets. Abramowitz said the major missionary group is the American Board of Missions to the Jews, but such groups as Jews for Jesus get their funds from a variety of Christian evangelical sources.

Groups like Jews for Jesus and B'nai Yeshua seek to form a kind of bridge. The process starts with efforts to persuade Jews they can be "Hebrew Christians," who can then be targets of outright conversion efforts. Exact figures on their successes are not available, only estimates, such as those of

As a counterforce to Jews for Jesus, Jews for Judaism was organized about five years ago in Baltimore. Its current director is Larry Levey, himself a former Hebrew Christian. He became director in 1985. In an interview with the JTA, Levey, 33, said that any jew who does not have strong personal, family or spiritual roots is susceptible to missionary sppeals at a time of transition or vulnerability. He cited as examples of transition entering college, loss of a loved one, divorce, in-volvement in drugs and leaving the sheltered college world to make one's way in the real world of work.

After the Baltimore office began operations, similar groups were organized successively in Los Angeles, Harrisburg, Pa., and then in Brooklyn. He said the four Jews for Judaism offices have attracted many volunteers to help carry out their antimissionary programs.

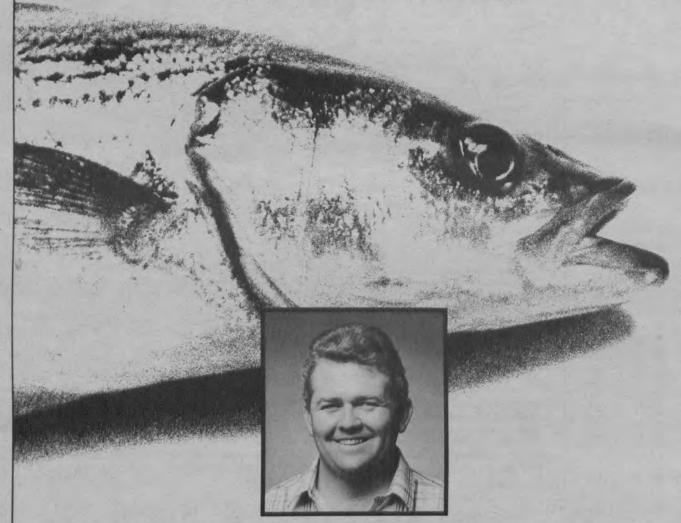
Missionaries are encouraged to reach out, to go where Jews are, particularly college campuses. They go through telephone directories, looking for Jewish-sounding names to use in mailing lists. They are encouraged to strike up personal friendships with young Jews and to invite them to meetings where the Jews are assured of warm welcomes and sympathetic listeners to their problems.

Levey said Jews for Judaism groups seek to offset the "brainwashing" by the Christian missionaries. He said names are obtained from parents who have lost children to missionary cults, and where possible, the disillusioned cult victim is made welcome at a Jewish home.

According to a report in Coalition, the Agudath Israel newsletter, Jews for Judaism has reclaimed 70 Jews who had already converted, and prevented countless others from taking that step. Each Jews for Judaism office has a speakers bureau, Levey said, but the speakers bureau in the Baltimore office operates at the

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Gene Lowe creates power for thousands of homes and a home for thousands of fish.



Gene Lowe and his co-workers at the Delmarva Power plant in Vienna, Md. produce electricity for thousands of homes. But on their lunch hour they're involved in a different kind of production. They're helping to restore the Striped Bass population by breeding them right at the plant and releasing them into the Nanticoke River.

Gene's been fishing the river since he was a boy. So he took a personal interest when Delmarva Power helped the Delmarva Ecological Laboratory set up a shore side spawning facility. Concerned about the declining Striped Bass population, Gene and his plant buddy Ed Larmore suggested building an on-site breeding pond for the fish to grow in. In just three years, Gene, Ed and other Delmarva Power volunteers, have helped raise over 42,000 fish to restock the Chesapeake Bay.

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## Spanish Government Minister First Since Inquisition

By DAVID KANTOR

MADRID, (JTA) - The first Jew to serve in the Spanish government since the Jews were expelled from Spain nearly 500 years ago took the oath of office here last month.

Enrique Mugica Herzog, a 56year-old socialist activist from San Sebastian, in the Basque region, was sworn in as minister of justice. His appointment was part of a reshuffling of Cabinet posts by the ruling Socialist Party.

Mugica Herzog, whose mother is Jewish, is vice president of the Spanish-Israeli Friendship Association. He has been described by the press here as one of the political figures mainly responsible for the establishment of diplomatic relations between Spain and Israel two years ago.

A Communist leader said here Sunday that his appointment to the Cabinet will strengthen Spain's ties with Israel and constitute a blow to the Palestine Liberation Organization

Although himself formerly a

Communist, Mugica Herzog is regarded as one of the leading ideologists of the Spanish Socialist Party and a close associate of its leader, Premier Felipe Gonzales. He has been quoted as telling friends he has three loves: Spain, his native Basque region and Israel.

As justice minister, Mugica Herzog will be involved in matters concerning church and state relationships. The Roman Catholic Church is the largest and most powerful denomination in Spain.

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## JNF Launches 'Tree For Tree' Campaign

Jewish National Fund has announced a new campaign, called "A Tree for a Tree," to replace each of the 1 million trees destroyed this summer by fires and to buy new fireprevention equipment.

JNF World Chairman Moshe Rivlin, who announced the campaign, noted that there

were 1,100 forest fires in June and July alone that consumed acres and acres throughout all of Israel. This was four to five times the average number for this time of year.

Rivlin said while some of the fires occurred because of carelessness, a substantial number were acts of arson inp-

told reports. "We have

educated our children not to

hurt any human being, Arabs

included." He noted that hundreds of Arabs are working in

Or Yehuda and that no one was

In Haifa, Arab notables met

with Mayor Arye Gurel and

condemned the grenade attack,

in which a family of seven was

Although it was not yet clear

whether the motive for the at-

tack was criminal or terrorist,

the Arabs expressed the hope

that the attack would not

damage the good Arab-Jewish

relations in the city.

hurting them.

sired by the Palestinian upris-

The number of fires dropped in August, due in part to preventive measures such as clearing dry grasses and the opening up of fire paths to stop the fires from spreading, Rivlin

JNF plans this year to clear

child to donate one tree and every family to buy 10. Those who buy 1,000 trees would be with the donor's name.

foreign volunteers.

more than 400 miles of access road, build lookout towers at 10 of its 40 forest observation posts, and buy a fleet of small emergency fire engines that would be stationed right at the

Rivlin aims for every Jewish designated "Guardian of the Forests" and every donated fire engine will bear a plaque

JNF has already made plans with the Ministry of Education for every Israeli school child to plant a tree with his or her own hands this year. Rivlin expects some three-quarters of a million trees to be planted by school children and Israeli and

## Mayor Pays Condolence Call

By GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM (JTA) Mayor Yitzhak Bokovsa of Or Yehuda paid a condolence visit in Khan Yunis in the Gaza strip, to the family of one of the Arabs burned to death in the arson committed in Or Yehuda last month.

Three Arab laborers died of wounds suffered when a fire was set to the hut they were staying at in Or Yehuda, near Tel Aviv. Police remanded two Jewish residents of the town as suspects, but suggested that the motive for the murder was criminal, as the Jews wanted revenge from the local building contractor for not hiring them.

The mayor met with the family of Kafa Khalil Abdullah, one of the three victims. "We came as human beings," Bokovsa

## Kibbutzniks **Food Chain**

JERUSALEM (JTA) - The United Kibbutz Movement is planning to open a chain of roadside kosher fast-food restaurants in Israel next year to boost its tourism revenue.

Initially, there will be 12 eateries of identical design and decor along the country's highways. Besides reaching the tourist trade, the restaurant will be family-oriented, with adjaaygrounds fo

Tourism accounts for about 6 percent of the movement's \$1.4 billion turnover, and is its most important source of income after industry and farm-

Tourist facilities planned include a go-cart race track and swimming pools in the Ben Shemen forest and ski run on Mount Hebron.



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### Riebman Elected President Of Beth Shalom

Celina G. Riebman was unanimously elected President of Congregation Beth Shalom at the Annual Meeting held on June 15. Mrs. Riebman is the second member of her family to serve the congregation in this capacity. Her husband, Ronald, was President from 1984-1986.

Mrs. Riebman has been an active member of many organizations. She is a pastpresident of Beth Shalom Sisterhood, Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah and B'nai B'rith Women. She is a past National Board member of Women's League for Conservative Judaism as well as having served the Philadelphia Branch as membership Chairman, Corresponding Secretary



Celina G. Riebman

and a Vice-President.

Mrs. Riebman, a graduate of Penn State University, was a teacher of emotionally disturbed and mentally handicapped

#### Answers

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WHAT'S MY NAME? - PART II Were you able to match-up the given name of the Jewish entertainers with their professional names?

Betty Joan Perke you know as the actress Lauren Bacall.

Nellie Pauline Burgin is actress Polly Samille Diane Freisen is Dyan Cannon

the exciting young actress. Issur Danielovich is the long time star Kirk Douglas.

movies as Tony Curtis.

Morris Miller is the opera star and cantor Robert Merrill.

Leonard Rosenberg has been a hit in his many movies and TV series whom you know as Tony Randall.

Belle Miriam Silberman has retired from opera and is now the impressario Beverly Sills.

Shirley Schrift has made many movies as Shelley Winters.

children. She has three daughters, Edina and Faun, who attend the University of Connecticut, and Denise, a senior in high school. Denise is currently President of Central Region East of B'nai B'rith

In her acceptance speech, Mrs. Riebman outlined some energetic and dynamic plans for the coming year.

Elected to serve with Mrs. Riebman were Vice-Presidents Nathan Zahn, Solomon Peltz, Jordon Rosen and Jerome

Grossman; Treasurer Nancy Blumberg; Assistant Treasurer Lee Golstein; Secretary Leslie Koralek, and Assistant Secretary Gerald Turnauer. New Board Members elected were Abraham Bailis, Enda Chaikin, Jacqueline Deitch. Jeffrey Drowos, Albert Goldstein, Diane Horn, Alfred Isaacs, Edmond Jacobs, Alan Koralek, Ellen Levin, Joel Lipman, Karen Moss, Norman Robbins, Dale Rosenthal, Charen Schnetter, Lynn Sklar, Louis Zaret.

## **JWB** Announces Winners Of 39th **Annual Book Awards**

New York, - Ten authors and one illustrator have won the 1988 National Jewish Book Awards, it is announced by Abraham Kremer, President of the JWB Jewish Book Council. The winning books range widely from a sensitive study of adults' grief for parents, to a children's book in which a young Ethiopian girl describes her journey to Israel, to a new novel by Philip Roth that makes bold and radical use of conflicting

The awards were presented at a ceremony in New York City

The complete list of winners in the various categories follows:

Children's Literature - Sonia Levitin, The Return (An-

Contemporary Jewish Life - Paul Cowan with Rachel Cowan, Mixed Blessings: Marriage Between Jews and Christians (Doubleday).

Fiction - Philip Roth, The Counterlife (Farrar, Straus & Giroux).

Holocaust - Susan Zucotti, The italians and the Holocaust: Persecution, Rescue, Survival (Basic Books).

Illustrated Children's Books - Miriam Chaikin, Exodus, Adapted from the Bible, illustrated by Charles Mikolaycak (Holiday House).

Israel - Shabtai Teveth, Ben-Gurion: The Burning Ground 1886-1948 (Houghton Mifflin Co.).

Jewish History - Robert Chazan, European Jewry and the First Crusade University of California Press).

Jewish Thought - Rabbi Marc D. Angel, Ph.D., The Orphaned Adult: Confronting the Death of a Parent (Insight Books/Human Sciences Press).
Scholarship — Daniel M. Friedenberg, Medieval Jewish

Seals from Europe (Wayne State University Press).

Visual Arts — Lester D. Friedman, The Jewish Image in American Film (Citadel Press/Lyle Stuart).

A cash prize of \$750 accompanies each award, and a citation

will be presented to each publisher.

Among past winners of the Awards — widely considered to be the highest recognition in American Jewish literature - are John Hersey, Irving Howe, Bernard Malamud, Cynthia Ozick, Philip Roth, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Leon Uris, and Elie Wiesel.

This year, in addition, a special citation was presented to the Jewish Publication Society in honor of its centennial. Chaim Potok accepted the award on behalf of the Society, which has issued and disseminated a distinguished list of scholarly and popular books in almost every field of Jewish interest.

The JWB Jewish Book Council seeks to promote North American Jewish literary creativity and an appreciation of Jewish literature. In addition to conferring the annual National Jewish Book Awards, it sponsors Jewish Book Month, publishes the trilingual Jewish Book Annual syndicates "Jewish Books in Review," issues Jewish Book World and

serves as a clearinghouse for information about Jewish books.

JWB is the leadership network of and central agency for 275

Jewish Community Centers, YM-YWHAs and camps in the U.S. and Canada, serving more than one million Jews. It serves the entire North American Jewish community in the areas of informal Jewish education and Jewish culture through the JWB Jewish Book Council, the JWB Lecture Bureau, the JWB Jewish Music Council and Many projects related to Israel.

JWB is also the U.S. Government-accredited agency for the religious, Jewish educational and recreational needs of Jewish military personnel, their families and patients in VA hospitals.

#### Christian Groups-

(Continued from page 70) national level. He said Jews for Judaism is a privately financed, tax-exempt non-profit agency independent of any national Jewish organization or of any Jewish denominational group. After passing the bar in

#### Perspective –

(Continued from page 5) green country side, the acres upon acres of citrus groves, vegetable fields, flower gardens. It was the Jewish population that brought in running water, electricty, roads, telephones and the like - even in the territories.

As I write, the intifada ap-pears to be winding down. Not that the Palestinian Arabs are any happier, but as we all could have expected, the IDF is stronger. Israel is a quick study and has learned ways to put pressure on Arab demonstrators using much less lethal or corporal force than in the early days of outbreaks. The real issue is more a contest of wills - their will to express their resistance to the occupation against ours to maintain law and order until a settlement can be reached.

The restoration of relative calm or even more than that should not lull us into a false sense of security. At most it should provide us with a better climate for negotiating the political solution that is still required. Unfortunately, as we have seen on television, Palestinian Arabs still refuse to sit openly with Israeli Jews and still refuse to openly recognize Israel's legitimate right to exist. This was evident on Ted Kop-pel's Nightline where the Palestinians insisted on a symbolic barrier between them and the Israelis as if they were not appearing on the same stage, and then refused every effort to elicit their recognition of Israel's right to exist. It is apparent in the case of Mubarak Awad, the Palestinian Arab with American citizenship whom Israel seeks to deport. Despite the fact that he espouses non-violent Palestinian resistance to Israeli rule, when publicly questioned by Center Fellow Ilan Grilsammer (who is committed to a peaceful solution that includes a very substantial withdrawal from the territories) he refused to acknowlege Israel's right to exist. In the subsequent exchange, it became clear that while Awad's methods may be non-violent, his goals are the destruction of Israel just like

his more violent compatriots.

With the Palestinians inflamed by their five month "stand" against Israel, Jordan pushed out of the picture, and no Palestinian leadership other than the PLO coming forward, it is hard finding a way to negotiate any solution to the conflict between us, but we must continue to try. And, in the meantime, we must not lose our perspective nor our will to stand firm.

Washington, Levey worked for a law firm in Washington, then was transferred to the firm's Los Angeles office. Aimless in his personal life, he drifted into a group called Beth Messiah. The Bronx-born attorney attended services of Beth Messiah regularly. After 18 months, Levey became disillusioned with the Beth Messiah "theology," after seeing that Beth Messiah "spiritual" leaders taught members that conversion to Christianity would give them close ties to God and solve all their pro-

Levey had noticed that many of his fellow members remained unhappy and were obviously not getting the inner peace and happiness promised them. He moved back to Rockland County, N.Y., where he had grown up, and went to work for a law firm. Pondering his ex-periences as a Hebrew-Christian, he wrote an article which was published in the B'nai B'rith Jewish Monthly in April 1984.

He said he received a flood

#### Syria -

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ception: "Together in a coherent way, the Arabs inflicted enough military damage on Israel to force it to make concessions that it otherwise would not have dreamed of making.

"This is the whole idea of strategic parity: to extract from Israel, by force, what you will never be able to get peacefully, or - even if you can get it peacefully — to do so in a humiliating way."

of mail, including letters from parents who wrote they had lost children to the cults and that his article had given them

Levey told the JTA that not all Christian church organizations support Christian missionary work aimed at Jews. He said Episcopalian bishops in Washington issued a statement in May 1987, urging all Christian churches to have nothing to do with Jews for

#### Hadassah-

(Continued from page 11) Shoah. This award. Hadassah's highest honor, is presented annually to a man or woman whose life and work exand pioneer American Zionist who founded Hadassah.

mented that "Hadassah can feel confident that Henrietta Szold's dream continues and has expanded with 385,000 dedicated women carrying her good works for Israel and mankind."

National President of Hadassah, Ruth Popkin, finishemplifies the humanitarian ed her four years, welcomed values of the scholar, educator, and installed Carmela E. and installed Carmela E. Kalmanson, the next national president, "'Carmi' is truly president, "'Carmi' is truly dynamic, dedicated, and en-The theme of this convention dynamic, dedicated, and enwas "Keep the Dream." Ceil thusiastic about the future," Ehrich, who represented the Wilmington chapter, com-



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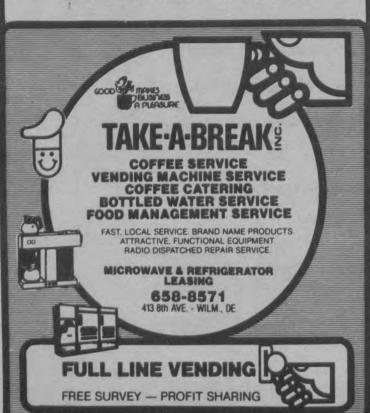
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## Religion In Public Schools-

**Holiday Greetings** 

(Continued from Page 5) inculcate belief?

• Will advocates of the teaching of "creative science" (insisting on a literal reading of the Biblical account of creation recorded in Genesis), employ such a program for intensifying

their war against Americans they have branded as Secular Humanists, especially now that those advocates have lost a recent court fight?

Will the program encourage
 Americans who have been successful in censoring standard

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public school textbooks to accelerate their campaign?

• What about America's rapidly-changing immigration pattern? Thousands of youngsters whose families have entered America in recent years come from lands in which this nation's major faiths — Christianity and Judaism — are parcticed by relatively few people

Many newcomers originated in China, Japan, Cambodia, Laos, India, and Vietnam. Will enough teachers be found who qualify to teach effectively about Buddhism, Hinduism, Confucianism, Shintoism, Islam and other historic religions? Will requirements to include this expanded group of ancient faiths cut into time needed for the traditional sectors of public school curricula?

 Can assurances be given that attempts to proselytize will fail?

In the late 1970s, the issue of teaching about religion in the public schools was debated over a long period in a plenum of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Committee.

The conclusion of that study, germane to all, is set forth here. It merits new attention. "Our statement is not to be construed as denying the responsibility of the public schools to teach with all possible objectivity the role that religions have played in the development of society. When intrinsic to the subject matter being studied, references to the role of religions in human affairs and to the doctrines and tenets of various faiths may be appropriate, useful, or necessary.

"For example, courses in literature, history, art, and social studies may be enriched by references to the sacred books of various religions, including the Bible, especially as those books may illuminate the ideas and lifestyles of the communities to which they are sacred.

"In the context of other matters, such references to religions and religious literature can, with due care for scrupulous objectivity, be incorporated into the educational program with minimum risk of religious indoctrination of pupils."

Robert E. Segal is a former newspaper editor as well as former director of the Jewish community councils in Cincinnati and Boston. (Copyright 1988, Jewish

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Those criteria include the right of labor to organize; the right to have collective bargaining arrangements; the right to protection for child labor; the right to health and safety standards, as well as to a minimum wage; and the right to protection from compulsory or forced labor.

The American-Arab committee elected to accuse Israel of impinging on the rights of Palestinian workers to organize; to work under basic standards of health and safety; and to a minimum wage.

The source added that "all levels" of the trade representative's review process, leading to the formal inquiry, found the 12-page petition acceptable.

In addition to the American-Arab committee petition, 10 members of Congress had written Yeutter urging him to investigate the treatment of workers in about 13 countries, including Israel. Among them were Rep. John Dingell (D-Mich.), chairman of the powerful House Energy and Commerce Committee.

**AFL-CIO Protests Move** 

Harsh reaction from pro-Israel groups, including the AFL-CIO, followed Yeutter's decision to accept the petition. The labor group supported petitions to probe four of the countries, but not Liberia and Israel.

"If you have a country that is facing terrorism ... annihilation of your own country, and despite these conditions you maintain a multiracial trade union, and allow 38 unions and union organizations to form over 21 years of jurisdiction over the Gaza Strip and the West Bank ... that country is not massively violating workers' rights," said Adrian Karatnycky, a spokesman for the AFL-CIO's international affairs department.

"By the standards of the Middle East, it is preposterous for the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee to criticize Israel," Karatnycky said. He urged Yeutter to "investigate the Arab dictatorships which totally control workers and thoroughly deny freedom of association."

U.S. Jewish leaders generally criticized the American-Arab committee petition as politically motivated.

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, director of international relations for the American Jewish Committee, termed it "propaganda warfare." He said his group released a study in 1987 that assessed rights of Palestinian women in Israel and the territories, and concluded that Israel's treatment

of them was "far superior to the conditions (for them) in all of the surrounding Arab countries"

"If this is to be an objective inquiry ... then let them study what is going on in the Arab countries," Tanenbaum argued.

Robert Lifton, president of the American Jewish Congress, called the Arab committee's charges "spurious" and pointed to the fact that aside from European Community member states, Israel is the "only country" that has a Free Trade Area agreement with the United States.

Lifton added that "most Palestinian residents of the territories are represented by the Histadrut," Israel's main trades union.

Jewish Labor Committee President Herb Magidson termed the Arab group's petition "a thinly veiled political attack on the State of Israel and the Office of the Trade Representative should have recognized it."

Magidson wrote a letter Aug. 12 to Hiram Lawrence, General System of Preference executive director, asking him to reject the petition. His organization, founded in 1934 as the Jewish liaison to the trades union movement, plans to testify at the October hearings.

#### Holocaust-

(Continued from Page 3) secret police, statistics on the movement of Jews (and) correspondence of Nazi officers," said Raul Hilberg, a preeminent Holocaust scholar at the University of Vermont.

The accord follows the council's Feb. 15 exchange agreement with Yad Vashem in Israel. Yad Vashem will have access to the Soviet Holocaust collection through the U.S. transmissions effort. Last August, the council signed its first accord with a foreign entity, Poland's Main Commission for the Investigation of Nazi Crimes in Poland/Institute of National Remembrance.

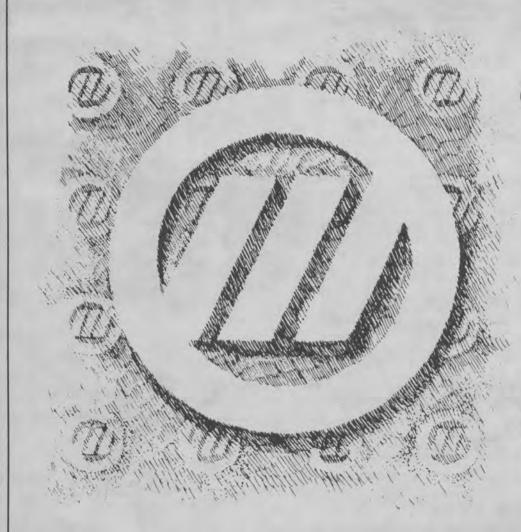
The council is hoping to next

reach agreement with the Holocaust archives of Hungary and Czechoslovakia, Lerman said.

The new access, which Lerman attributed to the new policy of glasnost under Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, is in stark contrast to the previous Soviet practice of releasing its records only for specific war crimes trials.

The documents include details not known to the West until now, including statistics on the annihilation of Galician Jewry during deportation in 1942; Latvian attitudes toward Jews in 1943; and preparations for resistance in the Kovno ghetto in 1944.





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