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SENATOR BIDEN SPEAKS AT AKSE ON MAY 30TH

...Community to Rally Support for Israel during the Jewish Federation of Delaware's 68th Annual Meeting

By Lynn B. Edelman,
Editor

Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr., chairman of the powerhouse Senate Foreign Relations Committee, will be the keynote speaker at the Israel Solidarity Rally sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Delaware. The Thursday, May 30 event at Congregation Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth will mobilize community support for Israel during this critical time and will make the 68th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Delaware a particularly auspicious occasion.

The program begins promptly at 7:15 p.m. and will include the

installation of Federation officers and new board members. A special tribute is planned for John A. Elzefon who is ending his two-year term as JFD President. He will pass the gavel to his successor, Incoming President Barry Kayne.

Senator Biden is the Democratic Party's chief spokesman on national security and foreign policy issues. A staunch advocate of Israel, he was recently honored by the Jewish National Fund with its Tree of Life Award for his steadfast and vocal support. During the tribute dinner, Senator Biden spoke about the turbulence in the Mid-East and admonished attendees to "continue to believe that there is hope." He

expressed his personal belief that "Israel will remain an independent locale, with borders that it determines, and no one, no one, will be able to destroy its nationhood."

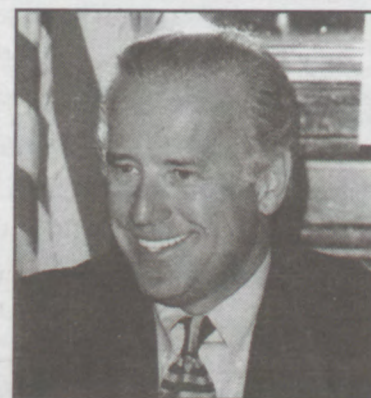
The senator has publicly called for the Bush administration to become "more personally involved" in the conflict in an effort to stop the bloodshed and has praised Israel's "tremendous restraint in the face of repeated suicide bombings." After the terrorist incident during the first night of Passover when 19 people were killed and 172 injured while enjoying seder dinner at a crowded Netanya hotel, Senator Biden stated his outrage and called for a quick response by Palestinian leadership.

"The time for responsible Palestinian action is quickly running out, and unless Yasir Arafat takes clear, unequivocal steps to put an end to terrorism, he will lead his people to disaster," he commented in a news release issued on March 27th.

This important Israel Solidarity Rally and JFD Annual Meeting is free and open to the entire community. Participants will have an opportunity to contribute to the Israel Emergency Fund. Demonstrate your commitment to Israel's safety and security-NOW AND FOREVER! Tell your friends and family to support this major show of solidarity with Eretz Yisroel!

For additional information about

the May 30th program, please call Amalia Snyderman, Campaign associate, at 302-427-2100, ext. 30.



Delaware Senator Joseph Biden

SEASIDE JEWISH COMMUNITY DEDICATES REHOBOTH HOME

Story by Joel F. Glazier

Six years after responding to an advertisement inquiring about a possible Pesach Seder for "coastal Delaware" Jews, members of the newly organized Seaside Jewish Community held a dedication ceremony at their new home at the Ocean Wave Lodge Building on Holland Glade Road in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. The April 27 ceremony was attended by 75 people, including statewide elected officials and area leaders. "I read about this dedication and was so glad to learn about a Jewish Community here. I have felt such a need for a connection, I am going to join," commented counselor Carol Randolph, who spends many weekends in Bethany Beach and also resides in Bethesda, Maryland.

Many in the Seaside Jewish Community, like Ms. Randolph, are former and current metro Washington, DC and Baltimore residents. Regular members have attended Seaside activities and services from their Delaware homes in towns like Lewes, Rehoboth, Dewey, and Bethany Beach. "It is so important to have a sense of community and the ability to learn from one another," shared Fay and Irwin Gold of Laurel, Maryland and Rehoboth. "This dedication event is wonderful, as are the people attending."

Father Max of All Saints Church on Olive Avenue in Rehoboth attended the festive dedication ceremony. His Episcopal Church responded to Seaside President Lynne Chichi's appeal of "We need a place to pray!", by letting the new group use the church on Saturday

mornings and for special holiday services for several years. Due to limited parking in the area in summers, Seaside could not hold services during the busy tourist time at the church, but met in members' homes. When the crowds became too large, they learned of the Rehoboth chapter of the I.O.O.F.'s (Odd Fellows) decreased use of their own lodge building. The building now is available to Seaside all year. "Not only is there sufficient parking, but there is a main meeting room and a full lower level for services, events, and a kitchen," according to Chichi, Board President of Seaside.

State Wide Leaders Praise The Jewish Community

"A new Jewish house of worship honors our past and our future," proclaimed Delaware State Treasurer and Jewish Federation Board Member, Jack Markel. "We have a proud tradition of z'chut avot, living off the merits of our ancestors," he told the assembled crowd. "Imagine the life cycle events which will take place in this building," he added and shared an old belief that "one is strong and not afraid because one is not alone" and that no longer will the growing Jewish population in the Delaware Beach area feel alone.

Delaware Attorney General, Jane Brady, spoke about the "envy and respect" she feels toward Jewish roots and Jewish history. "I know this is a hard time for Jewish people in the world but a positive time for Seaside." A representative from Senator Biden's Sussex Office read a congratulatory letter from the Senator and also commented "it was an honor to attend such an event." The superintendent of Cape

Henlopen School district attended and added his words of "welcome to Sussex County."

Governor Ruth Ann Minner, and Lt. Governor John Carney sent their regrets that out of state commitments kept them away but a Tribute Honoring The Seaside Jewish Community of Delaware was presented. After the last speech was given, Seaside President Chichi and Vice President Cheryl Fruchtman led a hearty "L'Chaim" and champagne and hors d'oeuvres, prepared by Celsius Restaurant in Rehoboth, were served in huge quantities.

Summer Services Planned

In their new home, which is off Route 1, Seaside plans to hold Shabbat services on the third Saturday of each month. "We welcome the tourists and visitors," said Cynthia Silverblatt. Many Seaside members are seasonal but a growing number are year round permanent residents of the Delaware Beach area. "Because of the many young families moving here, we will begin a parallel service for children at the same time as our 10:00 AM Shabbat Services," according to Allison Colker, who will also act as children's educator. "We will have a family service in June, and may form religious school classes on Saturday as demand warrants." Ms. Colker is a religious school teacher from Maryland.

Many Delaware natives may remember Rehoboth as a place known for property "restrictions" and for restricting Black citizens' beach use to only one day a week. According to Dr. Vivian Klaff, Professor of Sociology and Director of the University of Delaware Center for Jewish Studies, Rehoboth now

could be considered a "take off point" community. "Not only is there a Jewish presence, but the general population of the beach area is taking off. It is no longer considered back-woods."

Dr. Klaff, who was part of the team conducting the 2000 National Jewish Population Study explained, "While there is a national trend of younger Jews leaving smaller communities, Rehoboth's new Jewish community is more of a random occurrence due to the condition of being a center of a leisure industry and a popular place for retiring professionals." He added, "Delaware's beach area is now considered a place to live instead of Florida, apparently, for a number of aging professionals from the Wash./Baltimore area."

The same day Seaside held its dedication, the NY TIMES reported about the final services of a congregation that had been meeting for over 100 years in Wharton,

Texas. It was reported that, as part of a national pattern, many members have died off or have moved to larger urban areas. The old Texas Shearith Israel Synagogue as recently as the 1970's counted 400 members and 100 students in its religious school. The Jewish population in Wharton, coincidentally, held its first services in a Masonic Lodge. The Seaside Jewish Community of Delaware now welcomes all to its newly established home in an Odd Fellows lodge. The rabbi of the now disbanded Texas shul, commented, "Wherever we are, wherever we go, ...we worship. As remnants of Israel we must build a mighty future." The members of Seaside seem to have taken up that idea that very same day, when they dedicated "their warm humble building" as a place of worship for the future.

(Information about the Seaside Jewish Community is available by calling (302) 644-2209).

Arad/Tamar Delegation Comes to Wilmington



Betzalel Tabib, mayor of the Israeli city of Arad, spent time in Wilmington recently as part of a delegation from Arad/Tamar-Israeli communities which are paired with Jewish communities in Delaware and New Jersey through a collaborative program known as Partnership 2000. Mayor Tabib received the key to the city from Wilmington Mayor James Baker during his visit, which was designed to give Delaware Jews insight into the devastating effects of the Intifada.

(Please turn to Page 4 for additional photos and coverage of the Arad/Tamar delegation)

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EDITORIAL

Embracing The Torah

"The ways of the Torah are ways of love-ness and all its paths are peace." These are the words purportedly spoken to the people of Israel on the ascent to Mt. Sinai. To make themselves worthy of this great gift from G-d, our ancestors stopped their bickering and resolved disputes with their neighbors. When Moses presented his community with the holy tablets crafted during the first Shabbat after Creation, the people of Israel entered into a sacred covenant with G-d.

Shavuot, which begins on Thursday night, is a time to renew this covenant by enjoying the gift that celebrates our people's unique relationship with our creator. Synagogues throughout the state of Delaware will host special services and study groups to connect "the people of the book" with this ancient yet timeless tome. Required reading during the festival known as Z'Man Matan Torahteynu-The Time of Giving Torah- is the Ten Commandments, the guidepost to behaving ethically and morally in today's spiritually troubling world.

Also a "must read" on this holy day is the

Book of Ruth which teaches the values of tolerance, loyalty and love. The possibilities are endless for D'var Torahs that relate the story of Ruth to the need for a united Diaspora standing in Solidarity with our beloved brethren in Israel.

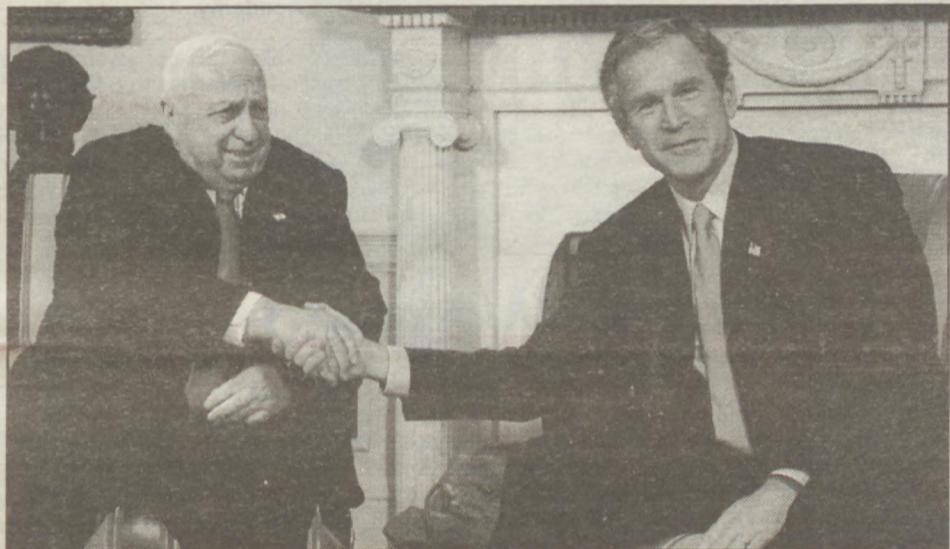
Delaware Jews will have a special opportunity to demonstrate their love and loyalty for the people of Eretz Yisroel during a May 30th Israel Solidarity Rally/Jewish Federation of Delaware Annual Meeting featuring US Senator Joseph R. Biden.

Let's embrace the values of our proud heritage by ensuring that the people of Israel, selected by G-d to receive this precious gift, are supported and sustained during this time of crisis. Demonstrate the strength of your commitment to Israel on May 30th, 7:15 p.m. at Congregation Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth.

B'Shalom,

Lynn B. Edelman
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What A Difference A Day Makes



After a day of meetings with President Bush, designed to discuss the prospects of peace and stability in the Mid-East, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon received the news of the horrific suicide bombing in Rishon Letzion. He cancelled all remaining meetings and returned home to Israel after releasing the following statement: "I depart now to Israel with a heavy heart, heavy with grief and heavy with rage. The rage of every man and woman in Israel. The rage of each and every Jew in the world. The rage of all those who share our values: freedom, liberty and democracy. Israel will fight for these values. Israel will fight anyone who tries to threaten these values. Israel will fight anyone who tries, through suicide terrorism, to sow fear. Israel will fight, Israel will triumph and when victory prevails, Israel will make peace." Photo by Ron Sachs/JTA

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Israel - We Are Here

By John A. Elzufon
President,

Jewish Federation of Delaware

The crisis in Israel is real-make no mistake about it. There is also a crisis about Israel-in what is being said about her and the pressure being brought to bear on her.

The so-called "peace plan", recently endorsed by Arab countries, is no peace plan at all. There is no renunciation of the right of return-which would emasculate Israel as a Jewish state. There is no renunciation of state owned newspapers and radios that teach hatred of Israel and hatred of America.

Half-truths about Israel are broadcasted/printed daily and picked up by local news organizations as full truths with minimal if any investigative reporting.

Decades of teaching of hatred, banned in the Oslo Accord, a ban totally ignored by the Palestinian Authority, has resulted in a new breed of men and women who believe that the highest achievement of life is to die killing Jews-especially Jewish children.

The enemies of Israel know they cannot defeat her militarily so their only hope is to defeat her spirit and her morale. The enemies of Israel know that the road to the destruction of Israel lies not so much through Jerusalem and Tel Aviv but through the hearts and minds of Americans-especially the American Jewish community.

It is incumbent on every Jew to support Israel and be involved at many levels.

Every Jew must be knowledgeable about the Middle East and be an ambassador to counteract the lies and half-truths unleashed about Israel by her foes and their sympathizers. You can keep abreast of developments by accessing the United Jewish Communities Website at www.ujc.org, the AIPAC website at www.aipac.org or the news section of our own website www.shalomdel.org. An excellent website for English translation of Arab position papers is www.memri.org.

Every Jew should strive to participate in solidarity rallies organized by the United Jewish Communities and other major Jewish organizations. The leaders of our country follow these rallies and carefully watch the level of support.

Every Jew must make a capability commitment to support Israel financially. The loss of tourism money, the downturn of the world economy which decimated Israel's technological market and the millions spent on defense has put a tremendous strain on Israel's economy. The American Jewish community is by far the wealthiest Jewish community in our people's history. We have the means to do it.

The question is whether we also have the will to do it.

The American Jewish community is mobilizing in support of Israel. In Delaware, our Israel Now campaign has already raised over \$450,000 which, on a per capita basis, makes us one of the leading communities in country. \$210,000 has already been sent to Israel. Our community has also purchased an armored bus for use in Israel to transport children and the elderly, two pieces of equipment to upgrade ambulances in Arad-Tamar, Delaware's Partnership 2000 communities, and we fund the Israel Trauma Hotline (NATAL) for one year. Thank you to those who have contributed. If you have not, please contact Todd Polikoff at Federation offices by calling 427-2100 x16 or e-mailing him at todd.polikoff@shalomdel.org.

If we fail to support Israel and be unequivocal in that support then Israel's demise cannot be far behind.

It does not matter if you have never been to Israel before.

It does not matter if whether you support Labor, Likud or any other Israeli political party.

It does not matter what you think of Ariel Sharon's policies.

It does not matter what branch of Judaism is theologically closest to your beliefs.

It does not matter what you may or may not think of the organized Jewish community.

It does not matter if, at some time in the past, you have been offended by something done by Israel, its leaders or its rabbinate.

What matters is whether you care if Israel survives.

Only by being involved at all levels can you secure Israel's future.

In the darkest days of the Holocaust, a song from the Vilna Ghetto became the anthem of the Jewish Resistance and ended with the words "we are here."

Our obligation to Israel is no less. American Jewry must tell the world that "we are here" for Israel, now and forever.

Ask yourself whether you, as a Jew, are willing to sit idly by and abandon this chapter of our people's history and abandon those who cry for help as they seek to write this chapter of our people's history. Ask yourself whether you, as a Jew, are willing to serve the cause of your people or betray it.

The time to act is now.

The great poet Dante wrote: "The hottest corner of hell is reserved for those who stand neutral in a time of crisis."

Where do you stand?

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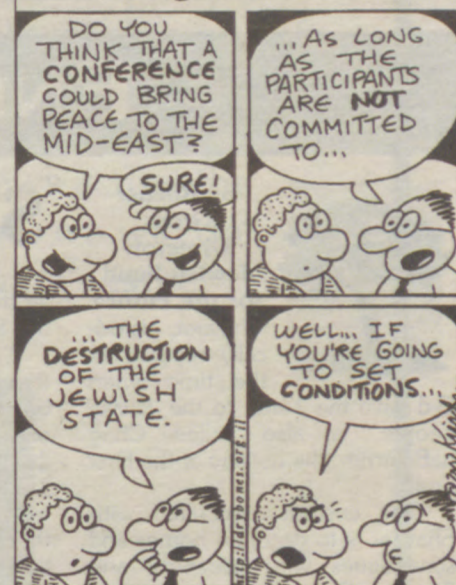
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Arad/Tamar Feels The Effects Of The Intifada

Betzalel Tabib, mayor of the town of Arad, a community created in 1962 and currently home to 27,000 Israelis, came to Delaware last week to talk with Partnership 2000 communities about the reeling economic effects of the 18-month intifada on his city and the surrounding region of Tamar. Accompanying him were Ira Kerem, the community representative from United Jewish Communities for this Partnership 2000 region, Yaacov Akrish, secretary of the Tamar Regional Council and Ofra Schwartz, a member of the Education Committee of Tamar. Both Akrish and Schwartz live on Neot HaKikar, one of five settlements that comprise the Tamar Regional Council.

This region, which abounds in tourist attractions like Massada, the Nature Center at Ein Gedi and the Dead-Sea-famed for its restorative

mineral spas, has been severely hit by the virtual shut-down of the tourist industry. Unemployment is currently more than 11%, as many of the region's residents work in area restaurants, hotels and tour companies.

Agriculture, the region's other principal industry has also been effected by the Mid-East conflict. According to Yaacov Akrish, farmers in the southern Tamar region have lost money on their harvests because several European buyers have refused to buy Israeli fruit as a statement of solidarity with the Palestinians.

A recent layoff at the Motorola Company plant in Arad has added to the area's economic woes.

At the same time that tax revenues have plunged and government funds for education and social service programs have been cut-back to pay for the war effort, immigration is steadily rising. More than 40% of



Mayor Tabib chats with third graders at Albert Einstein Academy.

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Arad's citizens are new immigrants. Mayor Tabib recently traveled to Buenos Aires where he spoke to members of the Jewish community about life in Israel. Arad has already welcomed 75 of these families who were financially devastated by Argentina's failed economy. Many

more are on their way.

Mayor Tabib talked to the Jewish Federation of Delaware Board of Directors about the community's increased need for security for schools, hospitals and parks. He requested funds to create an Emergency Operations Center which

would allow military, government and medical operations to operate in the event of war.

The mayor explained that most Israeli cities already have such a facility—a sobering commentary on the challenges of living life in the midst of an intifada.

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Todd Polikoff
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ENDOWMENT FOR THE FUTURE



By Rachel Gross
Director,
Jewish Fund
for the Future
Shavuot, historically recalled as the time when

G-d gave the Torah to the Jewish people, is also called Chag haBikurim, the holiday of the First Fruits.

One custom associated with Shavuot is to decorate homes and synagogues with greenery and flowers. One commentator suggests that the reason for these decorations is to remind us of how things were at the time the Torah was given. We are told that Mt. Sinai was full of greenery. G-d warned the nation of Israel not to

Shavuot: Festival of The First Fruits

let their sheep and cattle graze on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 34:3).

The Magen Avraham mentions that there used to be a custom of bringing trees into the synagogue on Shavuot because Shavuot is the day on which the fruit trees are judged as to how they will produce for the rest of the year. If trees are there before us as we pray, we will be reminded to pray for the fruit trees as well. (This custom was probably abandoned when other religions brought trees into their houses of worship on their holidays.)

The symbolism of the First Fruits took on new meaning when

Eastern European Jews returned to Israel and established the first kibbutzim. For the first time in thousands of years, the agricultural meanings associated with the harvest festivals were again emphasized. Many kibbutzim staged "parades" on Shavuot during which they showcased beautiful produce and new babies - their first fruits for that year.

Today in North America many of us are acquainted with the custom of confirmation taking place on Shavuot. The "fruit" of our community, the children, are acknowledged and congratulated for the fruit of their labor "com-

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Beth Shalom To Honor Late Cantor

By Marvin S. Cytron

On Sunday afternoon, June 9, 2002, family members, clergy, former students, friends and congregants of Beth Shalom will gather for a concert in memory of Cantor Andrew Salzer. The Andrew Salzer Memorial Concert is sponsored by the congregation and the Cantor Andrew Salzer Memorial Fund Committee of the synagogue. The fund was established in 2000, in memory of Cantor Salzer, to promote and bring music to the community.

In 1951 among the remnants of European Jewry, following the genocide of World War II, Andrew and Margaret Salzer, natives of Hungary, arrived in Wilmington. They had spent tragic years in Europe, difficult years in Honduras, and Cantor Salzer was initially engaged as a "High Holy Days" cantor. With his artistic skill, melodic talent, devotion to people and genuine warmth he was soon elected as Beth Shalom's first permanent cantor. Throughout the years, "Andy", as he was affectionately known became a valuable and

respected clergy associate of Rabbi's Kraft, Geffen and Cohen. On the occasion of his twenty-fifth anniversary with the congregation, Rabbis Kraft and Geffen wrote: "There was more to Andrew Salzer than song and melody. There was a consistency in moral purpose and quality living. He dedicated himself to ethical goals that demanded fullest devotion. He has given of himself far more than the demands of duty call for he has used his utmost skills to develop excellence in our B'nai and B'not Mitzvah." Over the years Andy, his wife Margaret and daughters, Agi and Eva, contributed to the quality of Jewish life not only at Beth Shalom but throughout the community. Andy was the recipient of many awards and honors most notably from the Cantors Assembly and the Jewish Theological Seminary.

"Andy Salzer was a quiet man of small physical stature with a big beautiful voice. His dedication to Beth Shalom was total and without reservation. As our first cantor, he showed us the way to make our services more spiritual and mean-



The Late Cantor Andrew Salzer

ingful through music and did so with a generous, giving, and caring spirit. He touched many of our lives and we are better for it. He set the 'Gold Standard' for his successors and made great contribution to our congregation," said Martin G. Mand, Community Leader and Past President of Beth Shalom.

Following in the tradition of Cantor's Concerts inaugurated by Cantor Salzer, Hazzan Michael G. Horwitz will bring together artists and music that portrays the devotion and talent that Andy gave to Beth Shalom. This first concert in

Cantor Salzer's memory "An Afternoon of Memories and Music" will feature music representing various styles. "There will be something for everyone including duets, opera, cantorial, and a bit of Hassidic sounds. It is a pleasure to take part in this concert and showcase some wonderful music that will follow themes to relate to the attributes of a wonderful cantor and sweet singer of Israel" said Hazzan Horwitz.

Hazzan Horwitz is completing his first year as Beth Shalom's cantor. He, is a graduate of Indiana University and the H.L. Miller Cantorial School of the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS). Prior to his move to Wilmington he served as associate cantor at Beth El Synagogue, Omaha, Nebraska. "In the brief time Hazzan Horwitz has been with us, he has enhanced our services with his musical ability and warm inviting style" said synagogue board member Dr. Steven Klein.

Hazzan Shelly Kaszynski, of Chicago, will join Hazzan Horwitz, along with synagogue accompanists Robert Wallace and the Beth Shalom choir. Hazzan Kaszynski grew up in Delaware and is one of the first women in the Conservative movement invested as Hazzan. A graduate University of Delaware and JTS, she also studied at Carnegie Mellon University and Gratz College. She currently serves as hazzan-in-resi-

dence at the Northwest Suburban Jewish Congregation in suburban Chicago. In addition to spending at home time with her husband, Joe and son, Yoni she maintains an active schedule in community affairs. Hazzan Kaszynski "warmly remembers the commanding voice and grand hazzanic style of Cantor Salzer" ... he had planted in her a love of golden age hazzanut ... a great source of inspiration ... and is honored to return to Beth Shalom to participate in the inaugural concert."

Professional Musician Robert Wallace is no stranger to the Beth Shalom family, having served this congregation and other houses of worship as choir director, organist, accompanist, composer, and music arranger for the past twenty two years. He, his wife Rose and daughters, Krissy and Giuli, are residents of Newark DE. Bob is the Music Director at Bohemia Manor High School in Chesapeake City, MD and Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Newark.

A 1:00 p.m. afternoon tea and reception will be held prior to the concert. The 2:00 p.m. concert will be held at the synagogue, 1801 Baynard Blvd. There is no charge for the afternoon events, however contributions to the Andrew Salzer Memorial Fund will be gratefully accepted. Reservations can be made by calling Janet Bailis (302) 475-2380 or Karolin Lipman (302) 888-1744.



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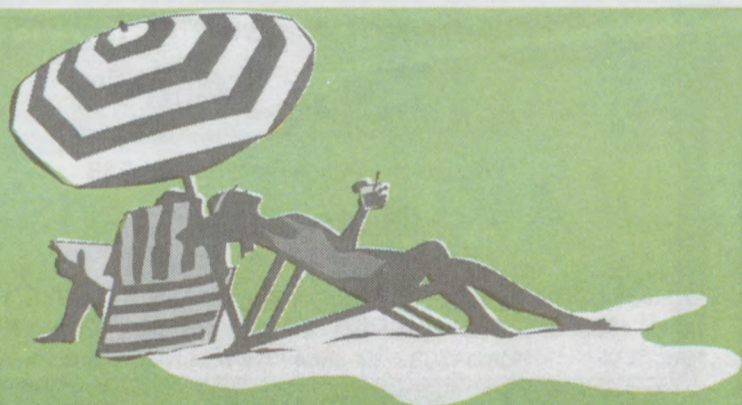
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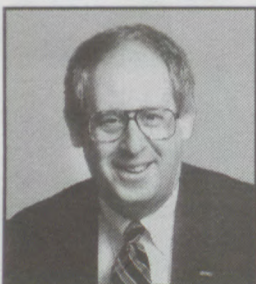
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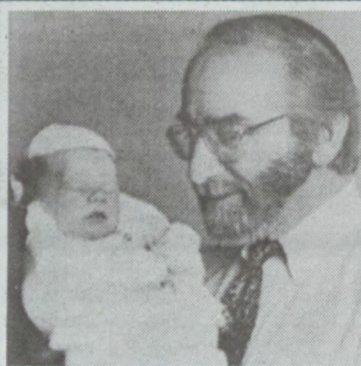
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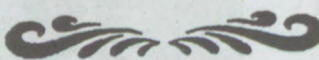


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This is the third installment of a chapter from a book written by EE Jaffe's cousin and 23 other Holocaust survivors who reside in Kalingrad. Yakov was the only member of his immediate family to survive the Shoah. He lost his parents, his brother and sister. His heartbreaking story is excerpted below. This translation by Jaffe appears exclusively in The Jewish Voice.

The Germans knew that Yerukhem had returned to the ghetto. On March 3rd they found and killed him. He fought to the very end. Friends buried him in the Jewish cemetery.

A few days later I joined up with a small group from the ghetto and fled to the forest. The group consisted of five people. Except for me, all were refugees from Gluboke's neighboring towns: Kasril Fuchs and Myla Katz from Disna, Shaia Shenkman from Luzkov. These three were about forty years old. Mocia Zmievski from Danilovich was my age, fifteen years old. We obtained arms from a secret storage place and headed toward the towns of Disna and Mior, to the known "Khuliaki" swamps and the "Krukov" forest. In these places we found refugees from various neighboring communities of Gluboke who were hiding on farms or out in the forest. Their desperate situation improved somewhat by joining us.

One young Jewish man we found hiding on a farm was Ziama Katz from Dubna. The farmer, a friend of Ziama's father, had stored some of his father's belongings for him. Ziama had escaped from the ghetto along with his brother Moishe, but Moishe was later killed when the farmer's sons betrayed him.

Ziama joined us and participated in several operations carried out by our group, proving himself to be a daring and courageous fellow. After joining me in the pursuit and capture of Dubna's deputy police chief, he also tracked down and killed the informers who betrayed his brother. He bravely confronted the partisan commander, Konopelko, an anti-Semite who had ties to the family responsible for Moishe's death. Unfriendly and often hostile relations between non-Jewish and Jewish partisans like us, made our lives significantly more difficult.

Other Jews who fled the ghetto, particularly older people, women and children were accommodated in a makeshift camp located on a mossy part of the "Khuliaki" swamp in the "Krukov" forest. We regularly provided them with clothing and food. Young males with fighting ability joined our group and we succeeded fairly rapidly in arming them. Our group organized ambushes against German officials and police, and we attempted to destroy German storage facilities. Our group provided help to escapees and prisoners who fled the ghettos and directed a court that punished people who robbed or participated in killing Jews, the latter having been the court's main aim.

Soon we began cooperating with the leadership of a Jewish par-

tisan squadron that subsequently arrived in our area. The commander of the group was David Pinzov.

At that time the Gluboke ghetto was one of the last remaining in the important territories of Belarussia, the Baltic area, Russia and eastern Poland. Refugees from a series of cities and towns in these regions, forty-two small and large communities in all, found shelter and refuge in the ghetto.

I repeatedly visited the ghetto to rescue people from what I knew was a certain fate. As the situation there progressively deteriorated, a great number of Jews still did not lose hope for liberation. Sadly, clinging to this hope deprived them of the will to fight.

In early August 1943, at Pinzov's request, a partisan named Zimmer, commanding 20 men, planned a mission attempting to free the ghetto population for escape to the forest. My assignment was to help organize and coordinate an armed action by young people in the ghetto at the very moment the partisans were to attack the garrison.

Tragically, the plan failed to materialize because on August 17th an action took place, which would trigger a sequence of events pre-empting our plan and ultimately leading to the demise of the Gluboke ghetto. On that day, Radionov's* (part of Vlasov's** army) regiment working without knowledge of our activities, attacked and destroyed the Krulevshisna railroad station garrison just 14 kilometers from Gluboke. German reinforcements arriving from the Globoke garrison were also defeated. As a consequence, the station workers, prisoners from the ghetto, were rescued that day. Among them was my friend Lieva Gil who now lives in the United States.

It is important to note that there were no differences between Radionov and the partisan leadership, with whom he made common cause, as far as the fate of Jews in Gluboke was concerned. They simply did not think of the consequences of their "victory" with respect to its impact on the Jewish community's fate. They did not try to utilize the confusion and panic that arose among the Germans that day to liberate the ghetto, only 14 kilometers away.

After the events in Krulevshisna the Germans regrouped and immediately decided to liquidate the Globoke ghetto and within two days they called in special detachments that carried out a monstrous punitive action. It transpired in the following way.

On the evening of August 19, 1943 a group of SS troops came to the Judenrat and took all cash and other worthwhile belongings. That night the inhabitants of the ghetto were on alert. They noticed that the guards around the fence were reinforced as new troop units were moved to the perimeter. In the early morning hours on August 20th, it became clear that the ghetto was totally surrounded. At 4:00 a.m. an SS officer arrived at the Judenrat and demanded that the Jews ready themselves within two hours for a work dispatch to

Lublin. At that time nobody knew about the existence of death camps, but the meaning of "work dispatch" was familiar to all.

A sudden wave of panic overcame the ghetto, and as if by mass instinct, all dashed toward the fence with the aim of breaching it, somehow recognizing it was their only chance to survive. This was met with dense machine gun fire. The streets, playgrounds, yards were briefly filled with troops and the seriously wounded, but those who could quickly retreated deep into the ghetto in search of cover.

A group of my friends and I climbed into an attic of the tallest brick house on the perimeter of the ghetto (Kontorovich's house). From there we saw everything that was happening in the ghetto and beyond. Persuaded that escape during the day was impossible, we descended into the basement. The basement, built before the war, was designed as an air raid shelter, and it had well-concealed exits. We hid there along with many others until nightfall.

By mid-day airplanes appeared over the ghetto, flying low and discharging machine gun fire. They dropped bombs and a flammable liquid onto the homes. Soon the entire ghetto, several hundred houses, was on fire. The people of Sodom and Gomorra, who perished in an instant, did not experience such horror. As soon as a group of Jews, smoked out of their hiding place, moved into the open, German units would surround them and attack. Only a few of the many hundreds who fled from the hide-outs under the burning houses succeeded miraculously in dodging the enemy bullets.

The fate of those who remained in concealed hiding places turned out to be more frightful than those who perished earlier at the fence. It is true that they lived another few hours, some full days, but their death was much more agonizing -

they suffocated or were burned alive.

It was equally terrifying for some others who fell into the hands of the executioners but who were not immediately shot. Several hundred were herded into the yard of the cinema "Korso". Of these, only two escaped - one of them my friend Raphael Levin. He told us what transpired in the cinema yard: They were brutally tortured before being killed, the German troops stabbing them in the abdomen, cutting off their ears and noses, pulling out their teeth. Levin and another fellow imperceptibly succeeded in separating from the throng and hiding in an old house. They crawled into an oven and through the chimney made their way to the attic. That night, they managed to maneuver around the fence without detection, making it safely out of town, arriving a few days later in the "Krukov" forest. Raphael did not survive the war as he perished in one of the blockades at the end of 1943.

All day long, on August 20, 1943 machine gun fire was heard throughout the ghetto. Wherever there was suspicion that people might be hiding grenades were thrown and bombs exploded. Hundreds of people perished in their hiding places under the ruins or in pits.

The ghetto burned for several days. Everything was transformed into ruins and ashes. The Germans organized ambushes throughout the surrounding area; for a distance of many kilometers corpses of escaped Jews rotted in the fields, meadows, and at roadsides. Within a few days the Germans brought farmers with carts from neighboring villages who collected the bodies and took them to pits in the Barok forest. Most of the killed were not buried, their bodies left for animals and birds to prey upon.

*Gil Radionov, a lieutenant colonel in the traitorous Vlasov

army, was fed up with German atrocities committed on his compatriots as a consequence of which he and his men turned to fighting the Germans. After the successful operation at Krulevshisna, Radionov and his men retreated to the forest and joined the partisans.

**General Andrei Vlasov was one of the early Soviet war heroes. He distinguished himself in the bat-



Yakov Sukhovolski

tle for Moscow but later was seized by the Germans and promptly switched sides to become the highest-ranking traitor of World War II. He recruited an army of Russian prisoners and led them on behalf of the Germans until the end of the war. He ultimately surrendered to the American army in Czechoslovakia. Based on an agreement at the summit conference in Yalta, he was returned to the Soviet Union where he was promptly hanged.

The Irreverant Imp Is Coming To Town

By Lynn Edelman, Editor

Jackie Mason fully intended to follow in his fathers' and grandfathers' footsteps by becoming a congregational rabbi. However, when he tried his hand at stand-up comedy between breaks at the seminary, he felt that G-d was pointing him in another direction. Mason describes his routines, which poke fun at the people and events that shape our lives, as "sermons in the guise of jokes".

While he is often irreverent (no newsmaker or public figure is immune from satire)-he is never off-color. "Comedians who use vulgarities for shock-value are covering up their lack of talent," he said, adding that "good clean humor can provide a much needed break from the pressures of life in an often frightening world."

Mason maintains that television situation comedies have grown in popularity and people are coming to comedy clubs in record numbers since the events of September 11th. "Life has become far too dramatic and people are crying for comic relief."

His career has taken him from the Borscht-Belt to Broadway to London, England for special audiences with the late Queen Mother and in countless other world arenas. He believes the secret to his longevity and broad-based appeal is his continually updated material. He is a news junkie who constantly scours the headlines for "something new to poke fun at".

Mason invites members of Congregations Beth Shalom and Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth to attend the opening night performance of "Much Ado About Everything" at the Playhouse Theatre on Wednesday, June 5th at 8 p.m. For ticket availability for this performance only, please call Marsha Borin, at 610-388-0550.

The comedian will be in Wilmington from June 5-9. Tickets range from \$54 to \$58 with senior, student and group discounts available.

For additional information about performance times and availability, please call the box office at 302-656-4401 or 800-338-0881. Tickets may also be purchased on-line at www.playhousetheatre.com.



Jackie Mason

MAZEL TOV TO THE CLASS OF 2002

Beth Shalom Salutes Confirmation Class Of 2002

Mazel Tov to the following confirmands and their families:

Ilene Bloom is the 15 year old daughter of Mace and Joy Bloom. She is a sophomore at Concord High School in Wilmington and attends Gratz Hebrew High School. She is an honors student and participates in many extracurricular activities such as yearbook, leader corp, drama, Future Educators of America, weightlifting club, sophomore board, and student government. When not involved in school activities, Ilene enjoys hanging out with friends, music, shopping, and skiing.

Lara Goldstein is a sophomore Honor Roll student at Brandywine High School. She is running with the spring track team for the first time, but her sport of choice is volleyball. Lara played volleyball for the Wilmington JCC last summer in the Monmouth, NJ Maccabi games and looks forward to playing with the team again this summer. Lara, a 1998 Albert Einstein Academy graduate, is Mazkirah (Secretary) for the Wilmington BBG chapter and attends Gratz Hebrew High School, through which she learned about and participated in, the Jewish Civics Initiative in Washington, D.C. Lara also enjoys working on and off stage at the Delaware Children's Theater, and looks forward to participating this summer in the A.I. DuPont Children's Hospital High School Summer Volunteer Program.

Marni Grossman is a sophomore at Tower Hill School. She is an editor and contributor to her school's literary magazine, the Lit Page. She has performed in Tower Hill's productions of the musical "Pippin," last spring, and "Museum," this past fall. In addition to writing and acting, Marni enjoys singing and art. She was awarded a Scholastic Art Award last year and exhibits her love for singing by taking part in Chorus, Vocal Ensemble, and Girls' A cappella. Marni has been a volunteer at Read-Aloud Delaware, and has attended Gratz Hebrew High School for four years.

Anna Klein is a sophomore honor student at Tower Hill School. Her favorite subjects are English and Science. Art and music have always been a central part of her life, and she enthusiastically participates in her school band, chorus, vocal ensemble, and a cappella groups. Anna looks forward to completing her driver's education requirements this year, with all her bones, wits, and family relations intact. Anna enjoys the opportunities she has had this year to lead services and read from the Torah.

Pamela MacDonald is currently a sophomore in the Honors Program at Brandywine High School, where she is an honor roll student, plays goalie for the lacrosse team, and is a member of the swim team. Pam also swims for the JCC team, attends Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School, and is Vice President of the Wilmington Chapter of B'nai Brith Girls Youth Organization. Most recently, Pam attended the Jewish Civics Institute in Washington, D.C., along with other Jewish youth from all over the country. Pam is an Albert Einstein Academy graduate and attended Akiba Academy for 7th and 8th grades. Pam has participated in the Summer JCC Macabbi program for the past 3 years, and will compete again, for the last time, this summer as a swimmer. The balance of Pamela's summer will include a 2 week BBYO Leadership Training Camp, and working as a junior counselor at Wilmington's Camp JCC.

Briana Adie Mamberg is a sophomore at Brandywine High School, where she has been on the Honor Roll for the last two years. Prior to high school, she attended Albert Einstein Academy and Hanby Middle School. Currently, Briana is involved in Key Club, S.A.V.E. Club, Yearbook, and Gratz Hebrew High School. This year, she participated in the Jewish Civics Initiative Program, where she learned the value of social services in the community. Briana enjoys skiing, horseback riding, running, singing, field hockey, and visiting the Mary Campbell Center every Monday. Briana plans to become a nurse in rehabilitation with a psychology minor, and wants to complete her education by attending the University of Pennsylvania or Rutgers University.

Steven Daniel Millman is an 11th grade honor student at Concord High School. He is a star player on the varsity lacrosse team, plays saxophone in the marching band, and loves to ski. Steve has attended Camp Airy for seven years, where he will be a counselor-in-training this summer. Steven is the son of Susan and Gregg Millman. He has an older sister, Andrea, and a younger brother, Evan. Steven is the grandson of Ida and Morris Weider of Michigan, and Dorothy and



Photo by Morris Ariff

Russell McKinney of Florida.

Jessica Ryder Neipris is a ninth grade student at Akiba Hebrew Academy and a graduate of Albert Einstein Academy. This past year, she participated on the JCC Maccabi Girls basketball team, and played JV basketball for Akiba this winter. Jessie also is a competitive skater, representing the University of Delaware in numerous ice dance competitions, including the Lake Placid and the South Atlantic Regional Competitions.

Alan Plotzker is a tenth grade student at the Charter School of Wilmington. He attends Gratz Hebrew High School and has attended Habonim Dror's Camp Galil for five years. Alan plays trumpet in the school band and is on Charter's wrestling team. He has been a local prize winner and participant in the Delaware Valley Regional Science Fair for the past two years, and was just awarded a Solveman Scholarship to attend a summer program in Israel. Alan is the son of Irene and Richard Plotzker and the brother of Roz.

Brian Rosen is a sophomore attending the Charter School of Wilmington. He is a jumper and a hurdler on the school's track and field team. Brian is ranked 15th in the state for triple jump, with a record of 35 feet, 6 inches during the indoor season. This will be his second year working at Camp Rodney, a scout camp located along the Chesapeake Bay. Last summer, Brian received the rank of Eagle Scout and gained certification by the Boy Scouts of America as a lifeguard. During the school year, Brian attends Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School and intends to pursue a teaching certificate upon graduation.

Joseph Michael Zahn is a tenth grade student at Concord High School. His main interests include listening to music and playing sports. He plays varsity lacrosse and was recognized as Rookie of the Year on last year's team. He also plays on the JV soccer team and was given the award for best offensive player this year. Joey worked at Best Friends Pet Resort last summer, but at the present time, he is busy promoting his DJ entertainment business, offering to play at sweet sixteen and graduation parties. In the summer, he enjoys going fishing with his dad and playing lacrosse. Joey lives in North Wilmington with his parents, his sister Rachel, and their dog, Jessi. Grandparents Laura Zahn and Jeno Lieberman have also been important influences in Joey's life.

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Confirmation will take place on **Saturday, May 18** during Shavuot Services beginning at 9:30am. The congregation is invited to join the class, their friends and families for kiddush and luncheon immediately following services. **Reservations are required and can be made through the synagogue office.**

Congregation Beth Emeth Confirmands

Mazel Tov to the following members of the 2002 Confirmation Class of Congregation Beth Emeth in Wilmington:

Caryn Bursteindaughter of Susan and Lee Burstein
Elizabeth L. Cobindaughter of Susan and Malcolm Cobin
Peter A. Cookson of Linda and Steven Cook
Andrew P.C. Cooninson of Sally and Bob Coonin
Sarah J. Davisdaughter of Dee and Elliot Davis
Clark A. Davisson of Dee and Elliot Davis
Lindsay M. Decktordaughter of Drenna and Brian Decktor
Zachary A. Gamielson of Beryl and Bob Gamiel
Russell D. Katzson of Audrey and Elliott Katz
Karen P. Kleinerdaughter of Julie and Steve Kleiner
Robert Levinson of Debbie and Bruce Levin
Jamie A. Levittson of Patricia and Cary Levitt
Eric D. McBrideson of Sandy and Ed McBride
Alyssa McKnightdaughter of Janis and Peter McKnight

David Sophrinson of Mary and Leonard Sophrin
Hilary Sophrindaughter of Mary and Leonard Sophrin
Daniel I. Suherson of Lynne and Rusty Suher
Ben C. Warheitson of Christine and David Warheit
Sarah Weinsteindaughter of Cheryl and Jay Weinstein

Temple Beth El Confirmands

Temple Beth El in Newark wishes Yasser Koach to the following Confirmands and their parents:

David Giattinoson of Michael & Bonnie Giattino
Rebekah Kaplandaughter of David & Allison Kaplan
Philip Savinison of Elyse Houton
Beryl Schraggerson of Paul & Nancy Schragger
Michael Shertokson of Joel & Susan Shertok
Maxwell Venturason of Anthony & Laura Ventura
Lee Wallachson of Bill & Orly Wallach
Sarah Zydnydaughter of Andrew & Laurel Zydny

MAZEL TOV TO THE CLASS OF 2002

Delaware Gratz Salutes Class Of 2002



Paula Bernhardt



Ruthie Cabelli



Samantha Facciolo



Liza Lewis



Stefanie Makar



Jessica Moss



Rachel Oblath



Mara Seidel



Mark Shlossman



Miriam Tartack



Leonard Tehrani



Daniel Weinberg

Photos and Text by Ron Makar

These young men and women will graduate from Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School on Tuesday, May 14th during ceremonies at the Delaware JCC. Yasser Koach to all of them!

Paula Bernhardt

Paula is a senior at Brandywine High School, where she served as the President of the BHS local chapter of Amnesty International, and the business editor of the BHS literary magazine. Paula was a member of the Book Club, the French Club, and served as Captain of the girls tennis team. In the community, she was involved in the Albert Einstein After School Enrichment Program. Paula is the daughter of Sonia Rice and Steven Bernhardt.

Ruthie Cabelli

Ruthie is a senior at Mount Pleasant High School where she has been a member of the Blue Gold service organization, Future Educators of America, the Math League, the varsity cross country and varsity tennis teams. She has served as an elementary school teacher's aide, has participated in the AKSE Harokdim Israeli Dance Group, and is a member of AKSE Chaverot, and volunteers at the Kutz Home and the Mary Campbell Center. Ruthie spends her summers at the JCC as a camp counselor. She has served as a News Journal correspondent for Mount Pleasant. Ruthie is the daughter of Rosanne and Michael Cabelli.

Samantha Facciolo

Samie is a senior at Archmere Academy where she is a member of the National Honor Society, the Spanish National Honor Society. Samie is a National Merit Commended student. She runs winter and spring track for Archmere's varsity team and is the Director of and ESL mentoring program for elementary students as a part of Archmere's Community Service club. Samie serves on the Youth Philanthropy Board and loves to ice skate and write. During the summer, Samie can be found working at Samiches in Stone Harbor, NJ. In the future, Samie plans to study international diplomacy and Judaic studies in college. Samie is the daughter of P.J. and Carmen Facciolo.

Liza Lewis

Liza is a senior at the Sanford School where she is the Vice President of the French Honor Society, and is a member of the jazz band, concert band, vocal ensemble, and concert choir. Liza has received many honors and awards including the Cum Laude Award for Music, and an invitation to attend the 2001 Trailblazer Award, and one of twenty female students selected statewide to attend a dinner honoring Governor Ruth Ann Minner. Liza was selected to participate in the Panim el Panim Youth Leadership Program to Washington, D.C. for the 2001 Presidential Inauguration. At Beth Shalom, Liza reads Torah and Haftarah. Liza is the daughter of Judith and Jeffrey Lewis.

Stefanie Makar

Stefanie is a senior at Concord High School where she has been a member of Future Educators of America, yearbook editor, editor-in-chief for the Raider Reader literary magazine, the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society. Stefanie has been involved in cheerleading, lacrosse, and served as the Vice President of the Senior Class. In the community, she is a member of BBYO, USY, the AKSE Harokdim Israeli Dance Group, and served as President of AKSE Chaverot. Stefanie volunteers at the Kutz Home and the Mary Campbell Center. Stefanie plans to pursue a career in journalism, and one day, would like to become editor-in-chief of a major magazine. Stefanie is the daughter of Mollie and Ron Makar.

Jessica Moss

Jessica is a senior at Brandywine High School, where she is a National Merit Scholarship finalist, a Secretary of Education Scholar, and a member of both the National Honor Society and the National French Honor Society. Jessica runs cross country and track, and has twice been named First Team All-State Track. She is co-president of her school's Philosophy Club, winner of the State-wide Reflections contest in literature, and

is the only Brandywine student to participate in the Shakespeare Contest since its inception. In the community, Jessica has been a regular attendee at the National Havurah Committee Summer Institute. She is a recipient of a 2002 Silverman Scholarship and two Gratz Hebrew High School/AKSE Sisterhood scholarships. Jessica is the daughter of Karen and Arthur Moss.

Rachel Oblath

Rachel is a senior at Thomas McKean High School where she is the President of the Key Club, Treasurer of Student Government, a member of Class Council, varsity swimming and the Math League. Rachel has received the Medal Award for Math and Science, the National Merit Commended Student award, the Newark AAUW award in Math and Science, and the Michael Ferguson Scholarship in Math. In the community Rachel performs volunteer work at local area hospitals. Her future plans include study in medicine. Rachel is the daughter of Deborah Oblath.

Mara Seidel

Mara is a senior at Mount Pleasant High School where she is a member of the Spanish Honor Society, the National Honor Society, Student Council, the Blue Gold service organization, and the Math League. She plays varsity softball, and varsity cross country, where she served as captain for two years. Mara served as the News Journal correspondent for Mount Pleasant High School. In the community, Mara dances with the AKSE Harokdim Israeli dance group, is a member of AKSE Chaverot, and volunteers at the Kutz Home and the Mary Campbell Center. Mara has the distinct honor of being a 2001-2002 finalist in the Senate Youth Scholarship for Delaware. Mara is the daughter of Dianne and Jeffrey Seidel.

Mark Shlossman

Mark is a senior at Brandywine High School where he is a member of the Math League and the National Spanish Honor Society. Mark has the distinct honor of being the recipient of the Ferguson Scholarship, and the winner of the AMC 10 award. Mark is very active playing soccer, roller hockey, and tennis. In the community, Mark is a member of AKSE Minyonaires, and performs volunteer work at the JCC Senior Center and at the Mary Campbell Center. Mark's future plans include study in a science related field, possibly medicine. Mark is the son of Wendy and Phil Shlossman.

Miriam Tartack

Miriam is a senior at the Cab Calloway School of the Arts, where she has been a member of the indoor and outdoor color guard, a member of the National Honor Society, and has served as dance captain for three years. In the community, Miriam has been a CADET aide at Congregation Beth Emeth for three years and Secretary of BESTY (Beth Emeth Senior Temple Youth) in 2001 and 2002. Her future plans include college where she hopes to study dance. Miriam is the daughter of Mara and Ira Tartack.

Leonard Tehrani

Leonard is a senior at West Chester East High School in West Chester, PA, where is active as the weather reporter on the school's TV station. In his senior year, Leonard serves as the TV station manager, where he produces his own local area radio show. He has appeared on regional television stations, such as NBC10, CN8, KYW3, and Fox Philadelphia. Leonard plans to pursue an education in meteorology and communications at Cornell University. Leonard is the son of Faridah and Farhad Tehrani.

Daniel Weinberg

Danny is a junior at Brandywine High School where he has achieved honor roll status yearly. He has been a member of the Math League and the tennis team for the past three years and has recently been inducted into the Spanish Honor Society. This year he received the Michael Ferguson Scholarship award for both Math and English. He is a member of the Ronald McDonald House Teen Troop and Vice President of AKSE Minyonaires. In his spare time Danny enjoys playing the piano, saxophone, and bass clarinet and plans to pursue studies in the math and science area. Danny is the son of Gail and Mark Weinberg.

MILESTONES

In Memoriam

COHEN

Phyllis Cohen, 71, of Vero Beach, Florida, died May 4th. She is survived by her daughters, Sharon Fishman and Ann (Daryl) Wilkinson; her brother, Robert Teitler; and her granddaughter, Jennifer Wilkinson. Graveside services were held May 6th in Brooklyn, NY. The family requests that contributions in her memory be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, 623 West Newport Pike, Graystone Plaza, Wilmington, DE 19804.

COOPER

Shirley Cooper, 81, Wilmington, died May 3rd. An employee of Bob's Men's Shop in Wilmington, she had served on the

Junior Board of Riverside Hospital. She is survived by her sister, Eleanor Landow of Union, New Jersey and her nephews, Michael Schwartz and Jeffrey West of Florida. Graveside services were held on May 5th at the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road. Contributions in her memory may be made to The Kutz Home, 704 River Road, Wilmington, DE 19809.

LEVINE

Arnold "Sonny" Levine, 68, of Newark, died April 27th in the Christiana Hospital. He was surrounded by family. Mr. Levine was the founder of Swapper Publications. Although he retired in 1995, the publication remains

family owned and operated. A proud veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, he volunteered for the American Red Cross. He is remembered as a devoted family man who enjoyed cooking and rooting for the University of Delaware football team.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Fuhrman Levine; five children, Joseph A. Levine, David Levine and his wife, Gina, Margaret A. Biddle and her husband, Bill, Hope Levine Taylor and Joan Levine, all of Newark; two sisters, Dorothy Gerstein and her husband, Melvin of New Jersey and Frances Lerner of NY; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at

the chapel of Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 2465 Chesapeake City Road, Bear. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to either the American Red Cross, 100 West 10th Street, Wilmington, DE 19803 or to the Jewish Family Services of Delaware, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803.

SCHEINBAUM

Abraham "Al" Scheinbaum died April 30th at the age of 92 at the Millcroft Health Center in Newark. He had waged a courageous 27 year battle with Parkinson's disease. He and his wife of 58 years, Lucille Silverman Scheinbaum, spent much of their time in New York City, where Mr. Scheinbaum

operated Colonial Book Service, Inc. Declining health prompted the couple's move to Newark, DE where their daughter, Ann Lopata resides.

He is recalled as a proud veteran who served his country during World War II as a sergeant in the Army Air Corps Intelligence Division, an adept tennis player, master story teller and, most importantly, as a man beloved by family and friends.

A memorial service is planned for a later date. Contributions in his memory may be made to the American Parkinson Foundation c/o R.T. Foard and Jones Funeral Home, 122 West Main Street, Newark, DE 19711.

It's Not Who You Are, But Who You Are Becoming

By Alan Levenson

As Humpstone John grew accustomed to the light that streamed from the brass candle-lantern, he appeared stunned. This was not unusual, for he was a man who was often in the presence of great things.

In the midst of preparing for my son Ben's bar mitzvah this May, I, like Humpstone John in Mark Helprin's *Winter's Tale*, find myself in daily life appearing stunned with increasing frequency.

Certainly, there is the pride and pleasure I feel listening to Ben recite his haftarah and aliyot, noting his progress as he learns the Friday evening and Saturday morning services. His eagerness, maturity, insight, sincerity and warmth generate powerful waves of *naches*.

But my feelings vault beyond the embrace of *naches* to abiding reverberations of pure astonishment. Even as I behold the joyous reality before me I find myself asking, "How can this be possible?" How is it that I find myself seated at our kitchen table one night in February

presenting Ben with a set of tefillin? When Ben is eager to wear them, how can I be but as Jacob was, awakening from a dream of angels climbing and descending a ladder? Something certain and true and lasting has surely passed from father to son, from ancestor to descendent, "and I, I did not know."

How can all of this be possible? As recently as ten years ago, I would not have known what to call those things that the "really observant" men wore at morning minyan. I knew neither the "what" nor the "why" of tefillin, and I was not inclined to ask. I knew that it seemed a strange practice: antiquated, foreign; too Jewish. It was definitely not "who I am."

Since then, I've unpacked things nearer the truth that lay beneath my rationalizations. I was embarrassed by my ignorance of Jewish history, traditions and practices. I did not feel "at home" in the synagogue, and was often uncomfortably self-conscious. (If you're over 13 but never had a bar mitzvah, should you still put on a tallit?) Though I'd always been proud of

my Jewish identity, these outward, visible "old world" aspects of Jewish practice threatened my inherited propensity toward assimilation and anonymity.

But there was more. I had long known that there was something in me that was searching. From time to time it bubbled to the surface where I could sense the longing. I still have note cards that my sisters and I prepared when we were kids, outlining the order of the haggadah and telling the story of the Exodus. I remember reading them during our seder, bursting into tears without explanation, and running up to my bedroom.

We are all searching for something. We know the empty places, the fear that meaning is lacking. Yet we hesitate in observance, participation, prayer. We find "better things to do." As I stood outside of Judaism, looking in, I was not consciously aware of my deepest dread, but it was this: What if I could read Hebrew well enough to keep up with the service, and knew the ritual practices of communal prayer? What if assimilation were no longer a concern? What if I bought a tallis and tefillin, my own siddur? What if I donned these raiments of morning prayer and said the Shema? What if

I did all this, and then, in the expectant, echoing silence after *echad*, what if I heard nothing?

I want to speak to G-d, and to feel that I've been heard. But since I do not know the nature of G-d's hearing, I don't listen for you're welcome when I say, "thank you." Rather, I concern myself with the quality of my "speech," that my thoughts, prayers and actions might be worthy on occasion of a dialog with G-d. To me, living a Jewish life consists of learning to speak with the voice the *nishmat chaim*, the soul of life that G-d breathes into humankind.

The mitzvah of tefillin "bind them [the Word of G-d] as a sign upon your arm, and let them be as frontlets between your eyes" is a daily renewal of commitment to infuse our actions with life's higher purpose. I will not succeed at every moment; the lower order needs of *nefesh chaya* the breath of physical, earthly life with which every living creature is endowed will overwhelm at times the higher aspirations of my *nishmat chaim*. Putting on tefillin is a pledge that I will try.

G-d has put each of us on a rung of the ladder in Jacob's dream, and means for us to seek a higher rung, applying our physical resources to

the fulfillment of our spiritual aspirations. It is not that we will always succeed, but that we engage in *shuvah*, returning from our wanderings and re-dedicating ourselves to the path that G-d set out for us to follow.

A recent *News Journal* cover story featured a photo of three men with tallit and tefillin, huddled around a Torah scroll during a weekday morning service. I could imagine readers saying, as I once did, "It may be O.K. for them, but that's not who I am. And then, once again, like Humpstone John, my eyes had to get used to the light, the stunning realization that "who I am" the rung I'm on is of no moment in a lifelong search. That's not who I am does not make any sense. Instead it's, "I haven't gotten there yet."

At 13, Ben became bar mitzvah, "son of commandment." It is now incumbent upon him to practice his religion, participate in his community, and to begin his search, striving to deepen his faith through greater knowledge of G-d's presence in the world. As he crosses this threshold, my prayer for him is that his life is one not of defining who he is, but always of taking care for what he is becoming.

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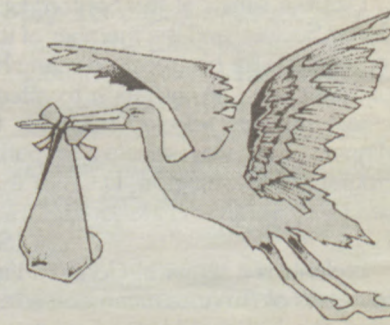
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NACHAS NOOK

A New Daughter Of Israel Is Born

Bill and Juliet Holtzman announce the birth of their daughter, Emma Rose Holtzman. Emma made her arrival on April 22nd in a Virginia hospital, weighing six pounds and measuring 17 inches.

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Israeli Comes To America For Bar Mitzvah

Ben Asor, grandson of Deane and Howard Kattler of Wilmington and Shoshana and Moshe Asor of Qiryat Gat, Israel, became a Bar Mitzvah on May 4th at Congregation Beth Shalom in Wilmington and will celebrate again in Israel on September 17th.

Ben is spending the year in Wilmington with his parents, Patti and Shlomo and his siblings, Dani, Tayla, and Yoni. They have lived in Israel for the past ten years and came to the United States for an American experience and to enjoy time with their extended family.

While in the United States, Patti is working on staff at the Albert Einstein Academy.

A sports enthusiast, Ben played on the Hanby Junior High School wrestling and basketball teams, for the Blaze traveling soccer team and Naaman's Little League baseball.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Entries for the Calendar of Events are due on the Thursday deadline published in *The Jewish Voice*. Please provide entries in the same format as seen on this page. *The Jewish Voice* fax number is 427-2438.

SIGN UP NOW FOR HOLOCAUST MUSEUM TRIP

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee, working with the Delaware Teacher's Center, is offering a trip to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, July 30th. A \$28 per person fee includes round trip bus transportation, lecture by a Holocaust educator on the bus and an introductory group orientation at the Museum. Lunch is on one's own. To register, please send a \$28.00 check payable to the Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Committee, c/o the Jewish Federation of Delaware, 100 West 10th Street, Suite 301, Wilmington, DE 19801-1628. For additional information, call Amalia Snyderman at 427-2100, ext. 30.

ALL ABOARD FOR THE JEWISH HERITAGE MUSEUM

Delaware Express Shuttle is sponsoring a trip to New York City on June 5th, 8 a.m. Buses depart

from McDonalds in the First State Plaza at 8 a.m. The cost is \$35.00 per person includes breakfast and a private guided tour of the museum. The tour takes approximately 1 1/2 hours. After the tour spend the remainder of the afternoon on your own. The bus will depart NYC from Battery Park at 6:00 PM. If interested, please call Gerry Hartman at 454-7800 extension 623.

ALBERT EINSTEIN ACADEMY SLATES ANNUAL MEETING

The Board of Directors of Albert Einstein Academy invites the community to its 32nd Annual Meeting on Monday, June 3rd in the Auditorium of the Delaware Jewish Community Center. Dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the program beginning promptly at 7 p.m. AEA staff who have served for five, ten and fifteen years will be recognized. Special recognition will be afforded long-time volunteers and officers will be installed. Dinner costs are \$15 per adult, \$10 per student. Reservations must be made by May 27th. Please call the school at 478-5026 to register.

AKSE CHESS CLUB IS BACK

Attention chess enthusiasts of all ages and levels of expertise! The Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Chess Club will hold its next meeting on

Monday, May 20th at 7 p.m. The group, led by Cantor Joel, meets at the synagogue, which is located at Washington Blvd. and Torah Way in Wilmington. For more information, please call the cantor at 762-2705 or 762-4023.

AND SPEAKING OF CHESS...

The Delaware JCC will host the First Annual Northern Delaware Elementary School Chess Championships to be held on Sunday, May 19th. Elementary school chess players of all abilities are encouraged to participate. Rounds will start at 12:30, 1:30, 3:30 and 4:30 p.m. There will be a time limit of "game/30" Awards will be given. Registration is \$6 per person. Please call Randy Rosenthal at (302) 478-5660 to receive an application.

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Jewish Family Service sponsors this co-parenting group for separated or divorced parents and children. Two, three-hour sessions focus on skills that better enable separated or divorced parents to co-parent their children, and to help their children understand and manage the change. This course is certified by Family Court. There is a \$100 fee. Scholarship assistance is available. Sessions are slated for the JFS Relationship Center in Newark on May 15th and May

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