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## ONE WEEKEND-TWO MILESTONES TO CELEBRATE

### DELAWARE JCC MARKS 100 YEARS OF SERVICE

### COMMUNITY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHED

Mark your calendars for a truly memorable weekend. The Delaware Jewish community has much to celebrate October 12-October 14. Plan on attending as many of these exciting events as your schedules allow.

The Jewish Community Center of Delaware culminates its year-long 100th anniversary celebration with a special weekend beginning with a

Community Shabbat Dinner on Friday, October 12 at 6:00 p.m. Usher in the Sabbath with a Kabbalat Shabbat, followed by a traditional family-style dinner and activities for all ages.

The Presidents Ball, a truly special evening of tribute to all Jewish Community Center presidents, will be celebrated on Saturday, October 13th. The night begins at 7:00 p.m. with a Havdallah service followed by an elaborate cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception. Guests will then be escorted to the main dining room for a gala dinner featuring white glove service and entertainment by the Sid Miller Orchestra.

Then on Sunday, October 14th, the community will transition from celebrating its

past to launching its future during a day-long series of free activities on the grounds of the Jewish Family Campus. Seth Bloom, Director of the Community Capital Campaign describes The Community Blast as an "exciting way to salute the Delaware JCC, Albert Einstein Academy, Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School, Hillel at the University of Delaware, Jewish Family Service and the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home as these Federation beneficiary agencies reaffirm their commitment to serving the Delaware Jewish community with quality services in quality facilities." This program of family entertainment begins at 1:00 p.m. and features performances by popular children's entertainer David Jack, a Klezmer Band and

A Cappella Group, and the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Dancers; middle eastern food, a teen sports fest, hay rides and much, much more.

At 3:30 p.m., the entire community is invited to the official launch of the Community Capital Campaign. Campaign co-chairs Annette and Robert Aerenon, Phyllis and Norman Aerenon, Marcia and Andrew Aerenon, Yetta Chaiken, Karen Morris and Alan Levenson, Doris and Irving Morris and Ruth and Bernard Siegel, will be joined by Jewish Federation of Delaware President John A. Elzufon and Executive Vice President Judy Wortman and political dignitaries during an hour-long program which will include a

covenant signing ceremony. Bloom explains that the presidents and executive directors of all Federation beneficiary agencies will sign a covenant agreement declaring their participation in and full support of the Community Capital Campaign. Also at this time, Campaign leadership will announce project plans, goals and achievements to date.

The weekend will end with a lavish fireworks display at dusk.

For additional information about the JCC 100th Anniversary festivities, please call Susan Parcels, at 302-478-5660.

To learn more about the Community Capital Campaign, call Seth Bloom, at 302-427-9646.

## AKSE BEGINS KOHANIM SERVICE AFTER 50 YEAR HIATUS

Story and photos by  
Joel F. Glazier

"At Adas Kodesch we will revive an ancient service not done in Delaware for almost 50 years," said Rabbi Sanford Dresin as he announced plans to have the Bircas Kohanim (Priestly Blessings) part of the High Holiday services this September. "This is part of an ongoing spiritual renewal taking place among many Jewish Congregations around the country," he added.

Eleven AKSE members who are Kohanim, participated in a 2 hour session recently to discuss the priestly blessing service. Cantor Ben Bazion from Silver

Spring, Maryland, spent a productive Sunday morning with the men who volunteered to learn about the customs of the Kohane Priests that started about 3000 years ago by Aaron, brother of Moses. Rabbi Dresin declared to the men, "It is an historic day for AKSE and the Jewish Community of Delaware that the *duchanen* part of the festival services will begin again in Delaware. It will better the bond between the congregation and The Almighty."

"This is something you were born to do and in modern times, Kohanim in hundreds of shuls, Conservative and Orthodox, are happy to recite these unique blessings out of love and

obligation," said Cantor Bazion. The New York native has been participating in *duchanen* services with his father for 30 years, since he became a barmitzvah. He shared with the AKSE members that congregation members may remember seeing this part of a service in their own youth and many may find it interesting, fascinating and especially curious to observe. The Kohanim will bless the whole congregation in special prayers following the Musaf service.

AKSE member David Fruchtman remarked, "My father thought it was great I was going to participate as he himself remembered seeing his own father *duchanen* back in Poland." Kohane status passes on through the father, and AKSE had its own father/son team participate in the recent preparation session. Howard Cohen, described it as "Absolute joy to learn together with my son, Nathan, and we will both educate my older son who now lives in California." Nathan, 19, will attend Holiday services at Northwestern University and is anxious to offer his newly learned role at services there.

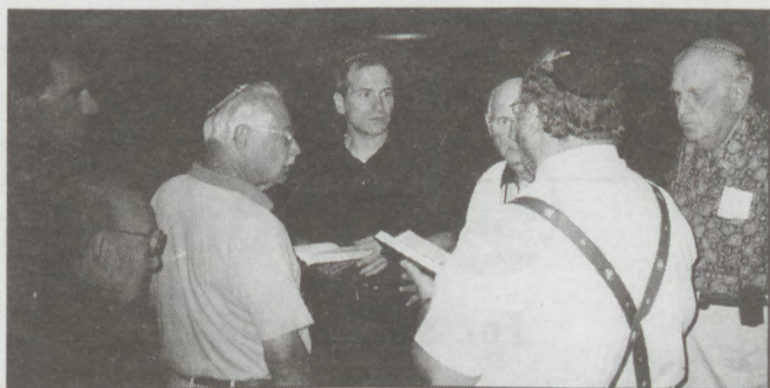
Sam Samuels, of AKSE's



Ritual Committee, commented, "I'm excited to see *duchanen* reinstituted at AKSE. The ritual not only brings back fond childhood memories but it provides a personal and palpable link between our forefathers, being blessed by Aaron and his sons and us, being blessed in the same way." Some of the scriptural requirements of the ritual include making the blessing in Hebrew; in a loud voice; facing the congregation while standing and with their hands raised. The position of the fingers looked familiar to some as television's Dr. Spock used a similar sign of his spread fingers to mean "live long and prosper."

The Orthodox raised Leonard Nimoy reportedly knew of what he scripted. The unique blessing by the Kohanim in Services ends with *be-ahavah*, meaning "with love."

As Cantor Bazion reminded the congregants, "Recent DNA studies have confirmed that Kohanim are related genetically and it is an awesome feeling to be among those who can carry on a tradition of 3000 years." The ritual is also to be part of the 4 festivals after the High Holidays, when Kohanim in attendance will ascend the platform (*duchan*) before the Holy Ark to bless the Congregation.



Maryland Cantor Ben Bazion (center) puts the men through their paces at AKSE Kohanim training.

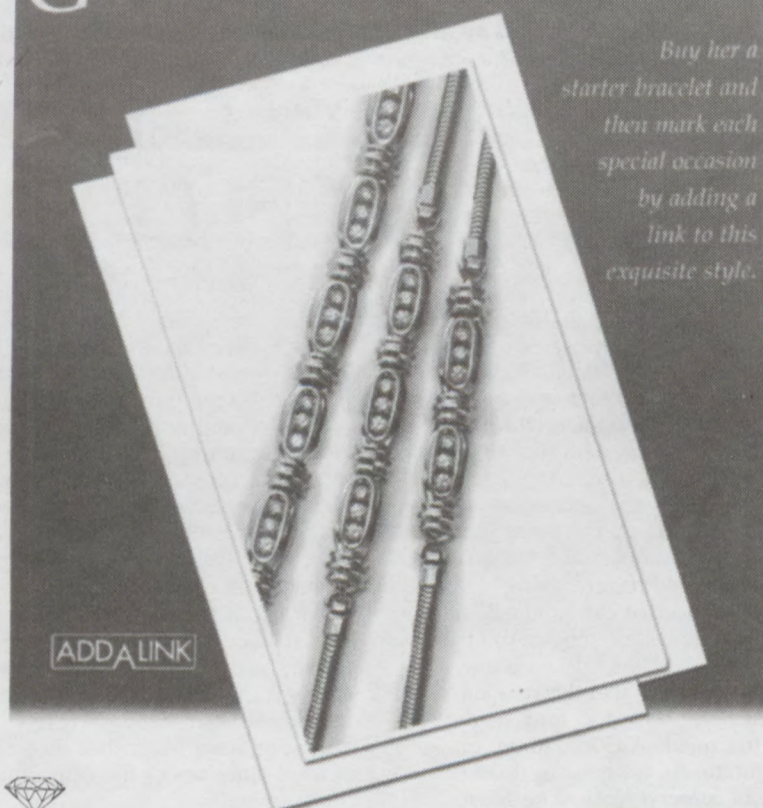
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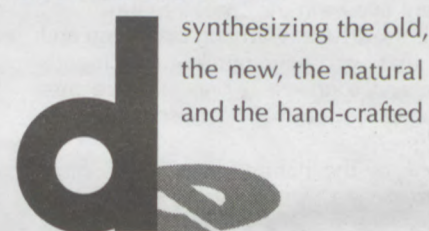
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## EDITORIAL

## Making Sense Of The Senseless

It has now been more than a week since terrorists violated our great nation. Ten days have done nothing to blur the vivid television images of the mighty World Trade Center reduced to rubble in the obscene aftermath of a human airplane bomb. This passage of time has not dulled my memory of CNN's Washington correspondent announcing that "The Pentagon has been hit." My senses remain overwhelmed by the barrage of news coverage of this unspeakable tragedy.

Like D-Day, September 11, 2001 will live in infamy. However, while the Japanese bombing of a military airbase was horrific, it could be explained as a targeted act of aggression to bring the United States into World War II. What was the intent of the cowardly assassins who turned innocent men, women and children into unwitting

accomplices? How could these despicable zealots sacrifice precious human lives to advance a yet undefined political agenda?

It is a particularly agonizing experience for me to compose this editorial during these Days of Awe. I struggle through the Torah and Haftarah readings to make sense of this senseless debacle. I pray to G-d to find the right words to deliver a message that will console and inspire you. Sadly, my prayers have yet gone unanswered.

But there is always hope. Hope that we will cherish our family and friends ... Hope that we learn to appreciate each and every day as a precious gift from our common creator ... And hope that, by embracing life, we demonstrate to our enemies that the American people will not be destroyed.

G-d bless America!

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A Message Of Sympathy

Dear Friends,

We in Arad-Tamar region are shocked by the recent events in the United States.

We all stand here, worrying about you and hoping that you, your families and friends are safe and sound. It is one of those rare cases when we see that terrorism hits away from home.

As one of the nations that suffers most from terror we can understand and identify with you.

The one thing we are sure of and are com-

mitted to, is to keep Jewish Unity alive, no terrorist attacks can take that away from us. We will always be one people standing together through good times and bad. Let me end by Wishing you a Happy New Year blessed with peace and filled with Happiness.

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Monica Zelingher  
Regional Director  
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## From Israel With Love

To Our Dear Brethren:

We express deep sorrow on the immense loss of life in this horrific tragedy. The forces of darkness have allied themselves against the State of Israel and against the free world.

The despicable attack on the United States and on the people of America with whom we share the same values and culture, has shocked us.

Our hearts are with you and we mourn with you as one.

"A year with its travails has passed. May a New Year filled with blessing begin."

May the year 5762 be a year of peace, security, blessing and prosperity for the entire world.

Warmest Regards,

The leadership and staff of  
the Jewish Agency for Israel

## PARSHA PLACE

Week of September 22, 5762 Parasha Vayeilekh Deuteronomy 31:10-13

In today's Torah portion we read about the ceremony of Hakhel [Deuteronomy 31:10-13]. On the first day of Sukkot in the year following a Shemittah year (as is this year) the people would assemble in the Bet Mikdash in order to hear the King declaim an extensive selection of readings from the book of Deuteronomy. The purpose of this ceremony was to recreate for the people a sense of that immediacy of God's presence that had been the lot of the earliest generations - when even the most lowly servant-girl perceived God more clearly than did the prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel later in their great visions! [Yalkut Shim'oni, Shemot, 15:244] For Moses knew that as the years pass Israel will move further and further away from God; he knew that the price of increasing sophistication is pain and disillusion [Kohelet 1:18] He also knew that this distancing is mutual: whatever distance separates Israel from God that is the distance that separates God from Israel, and it will seem that God is hidden, not perceivable and not reachable. And when God becomes "too distant" God will cease to be a factor in Israel's life. So, "I shall forsake them and hide My face from them" [Deuteronomy 31:17]. Our rabbis call a period such as ours a period of "Hester Panim", "a hiding of the Presence" [Rashi on Chullin 139b]. In our day and age we are increasingly feeling the effects of "Hester Panim". More that any past generation we are, as a whole, alienated from that sense of immediacy. We have reached a stage when we no longer see ourselves as being punished for our sins, and we have not generally yet come to the realization that we are punished by our sins. The more we sin, in the sense that we do not recognize the category of wrongdoing, the more our lives seem bleak and lacking purpose. We live in an age which enthrones the individual: myself, my needs, my rights above all. But man cannot be his own standard, as we gradually understand from an intelligent assessment of the news on a daily basis. As Jews we need that standard of Torah against which to measure ourselves and our aspirations. Past generations made "the fear of Heaven" the greatest desideratum. Today it won't work! Only "love of God" will help. And love of God and love of Torah are almost interchangeable. Well known is the statement of Rabbi Chiyya bar-Abba [Midrash Rabba, Eichah, Introduction, #2] on the verse [Jeremiah 16:11] "They forsook Me and did not keep My Torah": "If only they had forsaken Me and yet kept My Torah; by busying themselves with it, its light would restore them." Even when we have lost a sense of the immediacy of the divine Presence we can gradually find our way back to it through the love of the study of Torah - in the widest sense. And this is why, when "God is hidden", the king, at Hakhel, teaches Torah instead. We are now "between Rosh ha-Shanah and Yom Kippur". Now is the time to resolve that this coming year will be a year in which we will return to that pleasure which we have too long neglected: Talmud Torah, the study of Torah - "getting to know the mind of God". Many of our congregations have Midrashot that afford us this opportunity. All we have to do is to resolve to avail ourselves of the opportunity.

Rabbi Simcha Roth, The Masorti Movement, Israel

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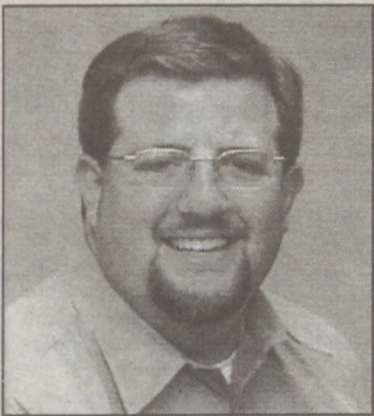
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## FEDERATION FOCUS

# You Can Choose To FAST On Yom Kippur, But Many Jews Don't Have That Choice



Todd Polikoff

By Todd Polikoff

Many of our family traditions for Yom Kippur are similar. We rise early. We dress in our best clothes. We go to synagogue, then break the fast after sundown at a large and lively gathering of family and friends. But for many Jews here and around the world, there are no traditions...no best clothes...no family and friends to share this special time...and no food.

In recognition of this serious struggle for survival, the Jewish Federation of Delaware invites you to make this an even more special

time of year by making a gift to the Federation Annual Campaign - making it a better world for Jews in dire need.

Your gift makes a big difference, feeding the body, mind, and spirit of so many. It not only helps to keep them alive, but keeps the hope of Judaism alive. The survival of Judaism depends on the survival and nurturing of all Jews. Your generous contribution is important in the enormous task of bringing aid to the hundreds of thousands of Jews hungry for hope.

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and in 60 countries around the world needs us. Start a special family tradition of your own - reach out today.

Please contact Todd Polikoff at

(302)427-2100 ext. 16 or [todd@shalomdel.org](mailto:todd@shalomdel.org) should you have any questions regarding the Jewish Federation of Delaware Annual Campaign.

## Community Copes With The Crisis

Jewish Federation of Delaware beneficiary agencies reached out to their constituents immediately following the tragedy of September 11th, in an effort to provide comfort and coping with the current crisis in America.

Albert Einstein Academy provided a special service to the students on Wednesday morning, immediately following the terrorist attacks; T'filot services were held, as usual, with Shema, S'lichot and Kadesh prayers; the students also had the opportunity to discuss their feelings, fears and confusion. It was felt that "by praying, maybe the enemy would become softer." The shofar was sounded at the end of the prayer service. Also, during the day, counselors from JFS came into the classrooms to talk with the students.

Jewish Family Service counselors have made themselves available to students at Albert Einstein

Academy, the staff of the Delaware JCC and the entire Delaware Jewish community to help individuals deal with both the long and short-term effects of this national tragedy.

Rabbi David Wortman, Director of JFS' Kimmel-Spiller Jewish Healing Center, is coordinating the spiritual component of dealing with the stress of the events of September 11. Rabbi Wortman has conducted services at the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home and has made himself available to the staff of area retirement communities.

At Gratz, whose classes began this past week, discussion was to be held in each class; during class break, Rabbi Sanford Dresin was scheduled to lead a memorial service on Thursday evening, and Rabbi Steven Leapman was set to lead the service on Sunday.

Hillel reported that their stu-

dents participated in the University of Delaware candlelight vigil on Tuesday evening, September 1, 2001 and in the interfaith service on September 12. A special Shabbat service was held last Friday.

On Sunday, September 23, the Jewish Federation of Delaware will join with the City of Wilmington and the National Conference for Community and Justice in a Stand for Freedom Rally in Rodney Square. This community event begins at 1 p.m. and will feature multi-denominational expressions of faith, words of remembrance from community representatives and dignitaries and uplifting music. JFD urges those who answered the call to participate in the cancelled National Solidarity Rally in New York City on Sunday sponsored by United Jewish Communities to support this important local event.

## UNITED JEWISH COMMUNITIES OPENS EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND FOR VICTIMS OF TERRORIST ATTACKS ON AMERICA

In response to the horrific events of September 11, 2001 when four airline jets were hijacked and used as jet-propelled terrorist weapons against the American people, United Jewish Communities has opened the UJC Emergency Relief Fund to assist in the recovery, relief and rehabilitation of the victims of this tragedy and their families.

In addition, the United Jewish Communities family expresses its great sadness and horror at the recent attacks and calls on all Americans to stand in solidarity and to act with continued compassion and generosity.

Checks should be made payable to UJC Emergency Relief Fund and sent to: UJC Emergency Relief Fund 111 Eighth Avenue Suite 11E New York, NY 10011.



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## ENDOWMENT FOR THE FUTURE

# September 14, 2001. Day Three After



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I had originally planned to discuss the Haftarah Jonah, the tale of the man swallowed by a great fish, traditionally read on the afternoon of Yom Kippur, and the lessons which Jonah learned as a result of his adventure.

Instead, I find that I am compelled to write something relating to the scenes that we have watched, over and over, the articles we have read about New York City, the Pentagon

and Western Pennsylvania and the stories we have heard of those who miraculously survived and those who did not - and the people they leave behind. With the rest of the civilized world, I first listened to reports about the World Trade Center attack and then watched in horror as the buildings collapsed.

I cannot help but be struck by the fact that many of the people who lost their lives on a beautiful September morning were young. What were their dreams? What did they wish for? What did they one day hope to accomplish? Did they plan to change the world, or some corner of it? Many of them must have felt there

would be time for all of that - later.

If there is some "lesson" to be learned from this week's horror that relates to my work, it is not to wait for "later." Many people I speak with are not ready to discuss or think about the subject of their estate. It frightens them; they are "too young;" they are not ready to deal with it; they don't have time right now.

This week dreadfully reminded us all not to postpone things that are important - reconnecting with someone who was once dear to you and with whom you are no longer in touch, volunteering, being part of a community, teaching your children

what is important to you and choosing the legacy you wish to leave behind.

Perhaps in the end I am still writing about Jonah and reflecting on life and the meaning of *teshuvah*, repentance. However, while Jonah was swallowed by the fish, in the end, he was spit out and returned to dry land and the people he loved and he had a second chance to fulfill his mission.

May we may all be inscribed in the Book of Life for a new year of peace in body and peace in mind, as well as a year free from hate and free from terror, for all of the Almighty's creations.



Rachel Gross

## COMMUNITY FOCUS

# Simchat Celebration To Honor Molly Cohen And Joe Byer

By Marvin S. and Susan F. Cytron

On Wednesday morning, October 10, Congregation Beth Shalom will, as part of their Simhat Torah celebration, honor two well loved and prominent members. Molly Cohen and Joseph Byer will be called to the Torah as Kallah Torah (bride of the Torah) and Hattan Torah (groom of the Torah). This long standing Beth Shalom tradition recognizes two individuals "that have given much devotion and leadership to the synagogue, the

Jewish Community and have exemplified the values and teaching of our Torah".

Molly A. Cohen, a Wilmington native, is the daughter of immigrant parents. Her father was born in Russia and her mother in Romania. Molly had two siblings, a brother and sister, twins. Her mother belonged to the Bichor cholim Society, the forerunner of today's Kutz Home. Mollie says that she learned Hebrew by "osmosis" when a tutor came to prepare her brother for his Bar Mitzvah. Molly also went to a school operated

by the "Workmens Circle" a social and mutual benefit organization, where she learned to read and write Yiddish. She met her husband Benjamin D. Cohen in High School and they were married when Molly was 21. They had two children, Shelley and six years later Robert. Molly and her husband had a retail business and she did the "books" for him. When the children were grown she took the Civil Service Exam and

went to work for the IRS for 15 years. Molly is proud of her three grandsons, Shelly and Marty Mand's children. Her grandson, Brian Mand was recently engaged.

Molly is a very active women who volunteers her time in many places. She has been a volunteer at Riverside Hospital for 33 years in a variety of places including the Medical Records Department as well as the medical library at the VA Hospital. She was a

volunteer at Friends School in the Alumni Development Office for 10-15 years. A life-long volunteer at Beth Shalom, she has labeled thousands of envelopes and also helps the office when needed. This amazing women will be 87 years "young" in December. She does her volunteer work two days a week, but on Wednesdays, she bowls with the "survivors", a group of women from

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# COMMUNITY FOCUS

## Simchat Celebration (continued from page 5)

both Hadassah and Bnai Brith that have been together for years! This energetic woman was a past President of B'nai B'rith, still finds time to tend to her garden, to sew and knit, and walks everyday and also does the N.Y. Times crossword puzzle daily, which Rabbi Kraft told her many years ago would keep her mind sharp. It certainly has worked!

When asked what she would tell a new young family joining Beth Shalom, she responded that "the Hebrew School is great, her children received an excellent education." She also has high praise for Rabbi Dan Satlow and Cantor Michael Horwitz, crediting them for creating a warm, social worship environment. "I have known Molly for over 30 years. She doesn't participate for glory, but is content to work behind the scenes. Her enthusiasm and energy is contagious" said Rhoda Dombchik, past synagogue president and along with Bob Berman was last

year's *hattan* and *kallah*.

Joseph (Joe) Byer was born in Belorussia, now part of Poland. One of ten children, most of whom were lost in the Holocaust, Joe attended high school in Vilnius, Poland and yeshiva in Bialystok. In 1936 Joe left his home and decided to apply for medical school in Pisa, Italy, these plans quickly changed as the Fascists came to power in that country and freedom and liberty throughout Europe began to crumble. Joe traveled to Haifa, and began to study architecture at The Technion. The outbreak of World War II interrupted his studies and Joe joined a British naval unit serving on the SS Queen Mary, which had been converted to a troop carrier. By 1948 Joe, having served in the post war merchant marines, ended his naval career in Portland, Maine and traveled to Newark, NJ. Here he took a position teaching Hebrew and physical education at an orphanage. On a visit to

New York City to attend a piano concert he met Millie, and as he says "he caught her" and married her.

In 1950 Joe answered a Jewish Theological Seminary advertisement for a Hebrew school educator in Wilmington, Delaware. He met Rabbi Jacob Kraft, of blessed memory, and "the rest is history". Joe taught Hebrew School and bar and bat mitzvah students ("hundreds") for 35 years. During these years Joe earned a BA degree at the University of Delaware, worked for Stoltz Realty as he and Millie raised two children, David and Carol. Upon his retirement in 1985, a grateful Beth Shalom gave Joe and Millie a trip to Israel, and from there they traveled throughout Europe. Joe's retirement years have been busy and rewarding, reading and chanting Torah and Haftarah whenever needed at Beth Shalom, attending classes at The Lifelong Learning Institute, tending his garden, working out at the JCC.

And especially enjoying and having *naches* from their four grandchildren, most recently twins grandson and granddaughter. As Joe looks back upon his years with Beth Shalom, he says that the synagogue's great strength has been its *pastoral* philosophy. Caring for it's congregants, nurturing young and old alike, and his hope that this will not change in the years to come.

"Joe is a Beth Shalom treasure. He has educated generations of Beth Shalom students and shares his special stories, and his in depth knowl-

edge and experience of Judaism and Israel with our congregants and community" said Dombchik.

In his book, **The Jewish Way, Living the Holidays**, Rabbi Irving Greenberg describes the special *aliyah* (honors) for the *hattan* and *kallah* as one that "evokes the classical symbols of marriage and covenant to extol the faithfulness of Jews to the Torah". Congregants, friends, and family of Molly and Joe are cordially invited to the 9:30 AM service with a *kiddush* and luncheon following the service.

## "Distant Voices" Performance

Newark Hadassah, Temple Beth El and the Unitarian Fellowship will present a unique multi-media performance based on the personal diary of Hiroaki Nishimura, a Japanese-American interned after Pearl Harbor, on September 30, 3 p.m. at the Unitarian Fellowship, 429 Willa Road, Newark. "Distant

Voices" combines dramatic reading with piano accompaniment to portray the unjust treatment of Japanese-Americans during World War II. Nishimura, a young photographer living in San Francisco, was among the many Japanese-Americans who were rounded up by police and incarcerated on sus-

picion of spying and collaborating.

His diary has been adapted by Danny Peak, an actor and affiliate of the Delaware Theatre Company. Julie Nishimura, faculty accompanist for the Department of Music at the University of Delaware and musical accompanist for the production, is the daughter of the

author. "Distant Voices" has been performed to enthusiastic, inter-generational audiences nationally and internationally.

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## COMMUNITY TRIBUTE

## Jewish Community Mourns The Loss Of Irving Shapiro



Irving Shapiro

By Lynn Edelman, Editor

The Jewish community of Delaware has lost one of its shining stars. Irving Saul Shapiro, the first Jew to serve as Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of DuPont, died Thursday after a long illness at the age of 85.

The eldest child of Lithuanian immigrants who settled in Minnesota, he believed that the American dream should be available to all, regardless of race, gender or ethnicity. The 1941 graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School was angered when he learned why-as a young attorney with the U.S. Justice Department-he was not allowed to affix his signature to the legal briefs he had prepared. He was told that there were too many Jewish names in the department.

He vowed that, if he was ever in a position to right the wrongs of discrimination, he would do so. When he ascended the leadership ladder at DuPont he moved women and minorities up to prominent positions within the firm. He was the founder of the Rodney Square Club-Wilmington's first non-discriminatory dining club and made certain that women, African-Americans and individuals reflecting a broad range of religious and ethnic groups were represented on the club's original board of governors.

After a long career at DuPont, Mr. Shapiro moved on to new challenges. He began a new career in corporate law, becoming a partner in the New York law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. He worked with the firm right up until his death.

Irving R. Morris, partner in the Wilmington law firm of Morris and Morris, recalls Mr. Shapiro as a man who used his "considerable influence with business and political leaders to benefit Jewish communal causes". Morris served as Campaign Director during Mr. Shapiro's term as President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware. Morris recalls that "Irv served as an advisor to governors and presi-

dents and prevailed upon them to speak at campaign events." Morris added that "He also gave considerable gifts of time, talent and financial resources to benefit the Jewish Federation of Delaware and its Community Capital Campaign." Both men served on the board of directors of the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home. Mr. Shapiro became President of the Home, a JFD constituent agency, in 1965 and remained an active agency board member for many years.

Bernard (Bernie) Siegel, President of the Milton and Hattie Kutz Foundation, was privileged to

call him a friend. "Despite his deep involvement in national and international business and politics, Irv never forgot his Jewish heritage and was always available for advice and consultation." Siegel added that "He was a great asset to our community and he will be missed."

Current Jewish Federation of Delaware President John A. Elzufon concurs with Siegel's assessment of Mr. Shapiro as a "trusted advisor". "After I became president, I had several opportunities to seek his advice and found him to be a decent human being with a wealth of knowledge and

insight," Elzufon said.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; his son, Stuart and beloved daughter-in-law, Janice Lee; his daughter, Elizabeth; brother, Leonard and sister-in-law, Zetta; and his adoring grandchildren, Lily, Sam, Kenny and Mark.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, September 16 at Congregation Beth Emeth. His family requests that contributions in his memory be made to the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home, 704 River Road, Wilmington, DE 19803 or to the American Cancer Society.

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# THE RABBI WRITES

## Out Of The Depths Have I Called You

**Rabbi David A. Wortman**  
 "Heal us O God, and we shall be healed." These words from the Amidah speak to us in our hour of grief and the depths of our anger. What happened in New York, the Pentagon and Western Pennsylvania not only destroyed buildings and deprived innocent people of the fulfillment of their lives, but it also permeated to the very soul of our nation.  
 How do we cope? What do we do with our frustration? To whom do we appropriately direct our anger? Where was God? How could an ever-present, all-knowing and all-powerful God create a world in which people, speaking in His name, do the unspeakable?  
 Unfortunately, there are no easy answers. When evil obstructs

the road to goodness and peace, I remind myself of a single sentence written by Rabbi Harold Kushner in his famous book *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*. Confronting the coexistence of God and evil he wrote, "In the biblical metaphor of the six days of Creation, we would find ourselves somewhere in the middle of Friday afternoon."  
 What if the Creation story in Genesis is not history but reflects a blueprint, illustrating God's intent? Then we might understand that the world is not yet perfected. God has not stopped the struggle to create this world. God has not rested. On these High Holy Days, being in the presence of community brings *chizuk* (strength). We can rest assured that the person on our left

and the person on our right have experienced the same fears, anger, anxiety, frustration, rage, depression and despair. A *minyan* is required for *kaddish* because a mourner needs the strength of community. So too can the mere act of being in synagogue, with family and friends, elevate us to a new level at which we can feel the healing nature of the Almighty.  
 Healing does not mean cure. Healing means refilling our spiritual wells. It means giving us the ability to face the world without quaking. It means achieving an inner peace that soothes the soul.  
 On Rosh Hashanah we began the healing process, starting an introspection that lasts for ten days. We search our very essence to see not only where we have

sinned, but also to identify the empty spaces where healing is necessary. To not at least look is a sin of its own.

The events of last week have carved their own empty spaces into the soul of America. We need God's healing power. We need to know that God is with us. We need the consistency of our liturgy. We need the strength of our numbers.

We need the soothing notes of those who lead us in prayer. We need the assurances that the Rabbi may bring. Only then we can stand before God and implore Him to: "Heal us, O Lord, and we shall be healed."

Rabbi Wortman serves as Director of The Kimmel-Spiller Jewish Healing Center, a program of Jewish Family Service.



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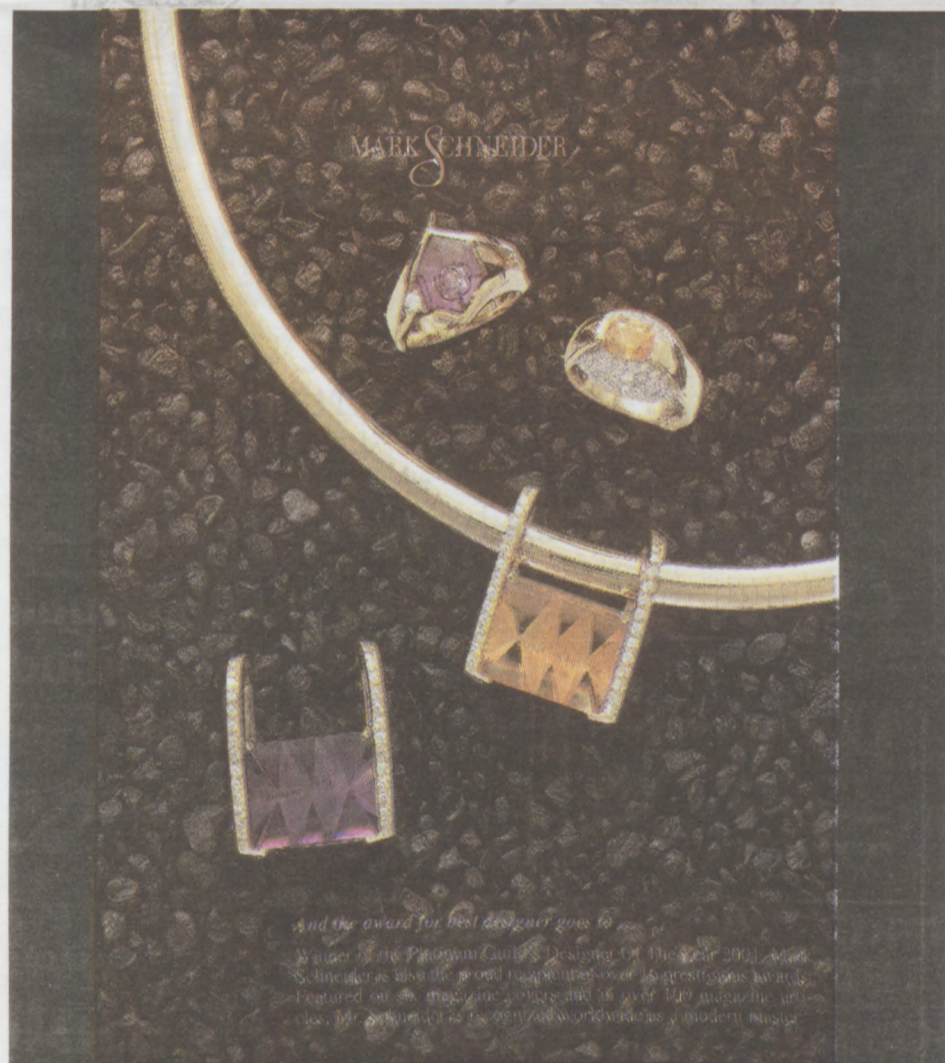


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Dr. Morelli is also a Founding Fellow of the Academy of Cognitive Therapy, an organization that certifies psychologists who have met the highest standards in the practice of Cognitive Therapy. She is also a Fellow of the Pennsylvania Psychological Association, where she also serves on the Board of Directors of PennPsyPAC. She is the Secretary-Treasurer of PennPsyPAC as well.

Dr. Morelli received her Ed.M. in 1978 from Rutgers University in Educational Psychology, and her Ph.D. from Temple University in Counseling Psychology in 1984. She has been in private practice in Chadds Ford, Pa since 1987.

She is also a member of Congregation Beth Shalom in Wilmington, Delaware, where she has been a member of the Board of Directors.

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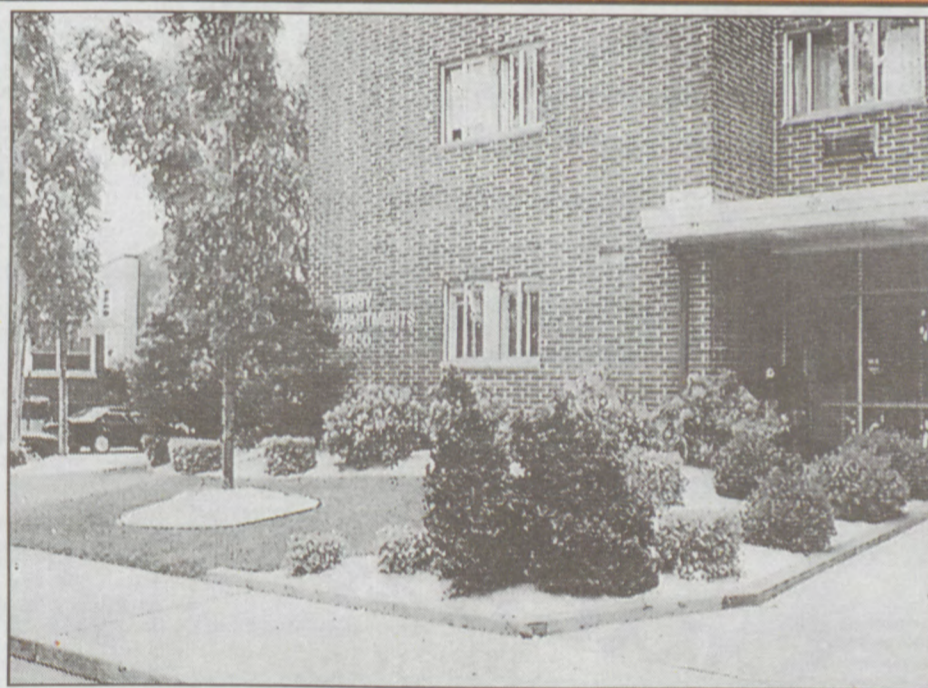
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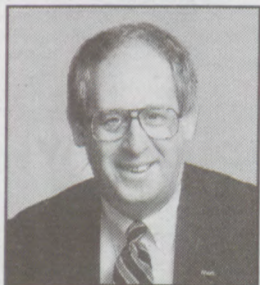
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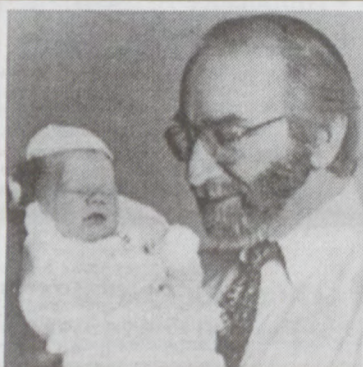
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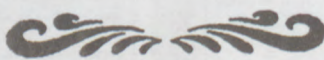
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# MATTER OF OPINION

## Shoe Is On Other Foot

By Nechemia Meyers

The terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon drastically changed the tenor of messages on Habonim, an Internet discussion group to which I belong. The participants, who live in either the U.S. or Israel, are all alumni of a Zionist youth movement known as Habonim, and feel close to one another despite the thousands of miles that separate them. So it was only natural that after major terror attacks in Israel, those who remained in the States would send messages to Habonim about their concern for the safety of those who had made aliyah. This last week the shoe was on the other foot.

Y. Sela of Israel, for example, wrote that he was shocked by what had happened in the U.S. and asked his friends to let him know,

by E-mail, that they were alright. "You are in our thoughts and minds at this awful hour," Sela concluded.

In reply to that and similar messages from Israel, Americans Aliya Cheskis-Cotel and Moshe Cotel wrote: "We are O.K. Thanks for caring."

Tammy, a Washingtonian, wrote that her husband had been on his way to a meeting near the Pentagon that fateful day but heard the news before he reached his destination. So he turned around and went home. At the time this message was sent, Tami's husband didn't yet know whether any of his friends had been injured or killed.

In conclusion, she observed: "I find it quite ironic that my 16-year-old daughter, currently on a program for American high schoolers at Kibbutz Beit Hashita, is now

more worried about us that we are about her. When she heard what had happened at the Pentagon, she flipped. We reached her by Internet to let her know that we are fine."

American Alan Pristoop described a similar situation. He wrote: "In an interesting and ironic reversal of roles, my son Rafi, now safely at the Sackler Medical School on the campus of Tel Aviv University, called home to ask if we were O.K."

Rafi was luckier than many other people in this country. On the day after the tragedy, there were 20 times the usual number of Israelis trying to call the United States, and only one in five got through.

The irony of the present situation wasn't lost on participants in Jewish solidarity missions then in the country. One woman, who

ordinarily works in the World Trade Center, said her life was saved by virtue of the fact that she was in Jerusalem rather than New York when the attacks took place.

Just before the horrifying news came through, a solidarity mission was visiting Jerusalem's frequently shelled Gilo neighborhood. There

they heard a lecture by an expert on trauma, whose job it is to help local residences cope with the tensions facing them.

That evening, after the Americans heard about what had happened in the States, they invited the expert to their hotel for a talk on the same subject.

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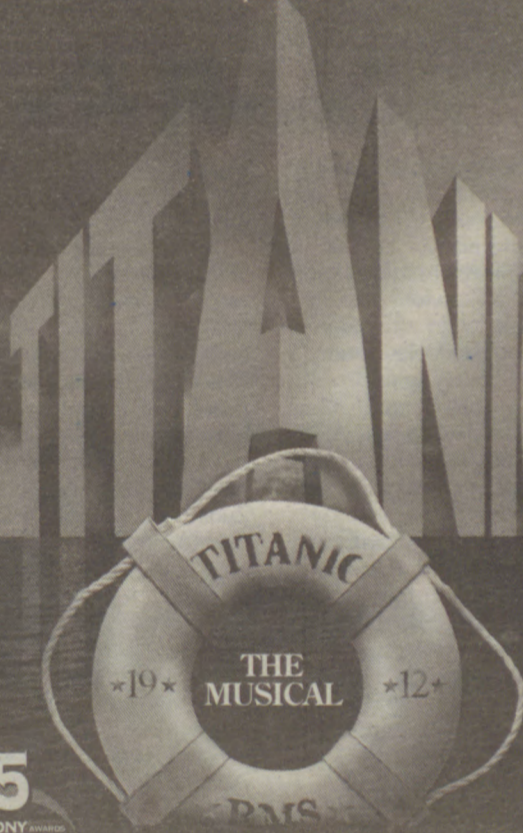
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## JEWISH PERSPECTIVES

# Chaplain And Orthodox Medical Volunteers Help Heal Traumas Of Terrorism

By Steve Lipman

Rabbi Alvin Kass was watching the morning news Tuesday on Channel 4 when the report came in: a plane had crashed into the World Trade Center. Soon the rabbi, senior chaplain of the New York City Police Department, was on the phone with headquarters. The police sent a car to pick him up from his Brooklyn home.

Heshy Jacob found out about the terrorism from his son. Shalom, near City Hall, saw the crash and called his father, who lives on the Lower East Side.

Within minutes Jacob, a volunteer member of and spokesman for the Hatzolah emergency medical service, was at the Twin Towers. Another Hatzolah ambulance, staffed by volunteer members of the Orthodox community, was

there, too.

"Before the second plane crashed, we were already treating people from the first crash," he said. Jacob was done at midnight.

Fifteen Hatzolah ambulances and nearly 200 volunteers — some from upstate Monsey and Lakewood, N.J. — spent the day at the scene, treating the injured and taking them to hospitals. "Every single neighborhood sent an ambulance," Jacob said.

Six volunteers were injured, from falling debris. Some suffered injuries as serious as broken bones. Two members were buried in the rubble of the collapsed first building before being dug out.

"It's a miracle of God that Hatzolah didn't lose any members," Jacob said.

One Hatzolah ambulance was

crushed, he said, and 12 sets of equipment, worth about \$100,000, were destroyed.

Rabbi Kass was on the job from 11 a.m., two hours after the tragedy started, until 3 a.m. Wednesday: at the scene of the destroyed Twin Towers; at three Manhattan hospitals; at police headquarters.

"This is the worst" day he's had as a chaplain, he said. This from a man who has dealt with hostage takers, talked a despondent man out of jumping from a skyscraper, and counseled officers and firemen and civilians after the 1994 bombing at the World Trade Center.

"I felt I was in a war zone" Tuesday, Rabbi Kass said. "I was in the Air Force — I have never seen anything like this."

Rabbi Kass, the spiritual leader

of the East Midwood Jewish Center in Brooklyn, was to officiate Tuesday at a wedding and a funeral — both were canceled. Instead he spent the day with new and veteran officers, police brass and relatives of officers missing in action. The mood: "wrenching, overwhelming."

By midweek, 259 police were listed as missing in the rubble of the collapsed buildings. They are presumed dead.

"I told their families, 'Where there's life, there's hope,'" Rabbi Kass said. "People kept turning up alive." His memories of Tuesday: a young, wounded officer in the hospital overcome by emotion; the "top brass" at headquarters equally emotional. "Everyone was crying," he said.

Now Rabbi Kass has to revise his

High Holy Days sermons. "Everything I had thought about talking about is irrelevant," he said.

The rabbi said he will probably discuss the questions he heard on Tuesday: "How could God allow this to happen? How can people act this way?"

Heshy Jacob said he would recite gmel, the prayer thanking God for deliverance from danger, during the Torah reading in synagogue Thursday morning. "One hundred percent. All of our members are going to bentsch gmel."

And Rabbi Kass' duties as chaplain will continue in the coming weeks. He will help officiate at the funerals of police officers.

"There will probably be hundreds of them," he said.

Steve Lipman is a staff writer for New York Jewish Week

## Jews Help Rebuild Kosovo Mosque

By Ruth E. Gruber  
JTA

The dedication of a war-damaged mosque in Kosovo that Jews, Catholics and Muslims rebuilt together is providing a rare gleam of hope against the background of religious tensions elsewhere.

"It was a nice ray of light," said a Jewish source who attended the brief but moving dedication ceremony. "It showed that while Israelis and Palestinians are locked in bloody conflict, and while anti-Semitic rhetoric flared at the U.N. World Conference Against Racism in Durban, South Africa, there can still be cooperation between

Jews and Muslims."

Taking part in the ceremony were representatives of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, which spearheaded the project, as well as Rexhep Boja, the Kosovar grand mufti, and Mark Sopi, the Roman Catholic bishop.

"This is a symbol of tolerance, peace and a brighter future for the citizens of Kosovo," said Rexhep, who led hundreds in prayers in the new building after the inauguration.

He hopes the restoration will "contribute to stability of this place, this region and beyond."

Rexhap said.

JDC Board member Alan Batkin called the mosque "tangible proof that the three faiths that are so connected to each other can work together in peace and harmony."

The mosque, in the village of Shqiponje, was one of more than 200 mosques damaged or destroyed during the war in Kosovo in the late 1990s.

It was reduced to rubble during the fighting and has been fully rebuilt as a compact structure with seven low, golden domes and a soaring minaret. Plaques in Albanian and English note that the restoration was carried out by a

Jewish-Muslim-Catholic partnership.

The restoration was coordinated and largely funded by the JDC as part of a major nonsectarian relief program it initiated in Kosovo two years ago to aid the hundreds of thousands of refugees who returned to the area after the end of hostilities.

"Through its nonsectarian programs in Kosovo, JDC has renovated 40 schools and established a psychology department at the University of Pristina," program director Eli Eliezri said. In addition, working together with ORT, a Jewish group that focuses on edu-

cational and vocational training, JDC has sponsored numerous vocational training courses, he added.

Eliezri initiated and supervised the mosque restoration after local Muslims asked for help with it last year.

"An agreement was made before the current intifada broke out, but events in the Middle East did not affect the project one iota," said a source connected with the project.

Funding came from individual donations to the Kosovo mailbox set up by JDC to finance its entire \$2 million nonsectarian program.

## The Arab-Jewish Ensemble: An Instrument For Peace

By Rebecca Kaplan Boroson

Israeli composer Yair Dalal has served in two wars. "I'm not a musician in the army," he said in an interview. "I was in tanks. I can tell you that it's awful. The first thing you want to do after is take your instrument and play music. I hope it's not coming again."

Dalal and a small band of other musicians, both Jewish and Arab, are doing what they can to foster harmony in an increasingly discordant time.

The group, which performs and teaches in Israeli and Palestinian schools, calls itself the "Arab-Jewish Ensemble," and shared its musical and diplomatic artistry last month with enthusiastic benefactors of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, which was here for a series of concerts at the Tanglewood Music Festival.

Part of the IPO's KeyNote program, which brings classical music to Israeli schools, the Arab-Jewish Ensemble consists, at the moment, of five Israelis and four Arabs. All but one of the Israelis are IPO members; Dalal, who is also an authority on ethnic music, is the fifth. The Arabs, while not IPO members, have studied with Israeli teachers and/or performed with Israeli musicians. They came to the United States specifically to join their IPO colleagues for a weekend of concertizing, "to show sponsors and American friends what they've

been sponsoring," said Irit Rub-Levy, director of KeyNote, in an interview.

The musicians, she continued, "really became good friends, really respect each other, and we all feel that in spite of the difficult time, doing this is not putting on a show. It is honest cooperation and real proof that music can be a bridge between two nations. When you meet as musicians, it doesn't matter if you're Jewish or Arab." Zubin Mehta, the IPO's musical director, told the spellbound audience about conducting a concert in Jerusalem for "kids from kibbutzim and refugee camps" at a place both sides considered neutral territory. "The IPO accompanied an Arab pianist in Rachmaninoff's Second Piano Concerto; an Arab program followed. The kids sat mixed; no one knew who was who. It was my most satisfying musical experience in years."

Toward the concert's end, Mehta recalled, "I called an Arab and an Israeli child to help conduct a Strauss polka. Tears were in everybody's eyes...."

"Every day," he said, "there is more suffering.... We, the musicians, can only do what we can do." The program was an appealing mix of Israeli, classical, and Arab music. The musicians, who have played together for a year, work well together, and their sound was bright, clear, and warm. The

pony-tailed Dalal's own piece, "Acco Malka," was ebullient, a kind of fusion music, combining Western and Eastern influences. Like fusion cuisine, such a combination can work wonderfully well, as in this case, and it always stimulates. As with seasonings, it has to be prepared by knowledgeable, sensitive hands.

Inas Masalha, a lovely young soprano from the village of Daboria, near Nazareth, drew warm applause for her renditions of arias from Handel and Mozart and traditional Arab and cabaret songs. Some of the warmth sent her way may have been due to the fact that she could have been the daughter of anyone in the audience, not just the daughter of an Arab lawyer in Afulah. The 22-year-old Masalha had studied voice development at Kibbutz Mizrah and then at the Rubin Academy in Jerusalem. She dreams of a career in opera, believing that "it's my duty now to bring this new repertoire to my people." Still, she has just earned a degree in music education. "To be an artist is very competitive," she said in a post-concert interview, and she must be "very realistic." Besides, she said, "I really enjoy teaching, and would like to work with Jewish and Arab children."

Of her colleagues in the ensemble, she said, "I love the whole group, every one of them, first of

all like a person. You feel respected. They understand what you are doing."

The performer who just about brought down the house — a hall at the elegant Wheatleigh Hotel — was Bishara Naddaf, a percussionist who is a native of Nazareth. His instrument? The very old, primitive even, tambourine, which he made sound, observed double bassist Peter Marck, the program's moderator, "like all the percussion instruments in the IPO put together." He gave it a "remarkable range," Marck added.

Naddaf, who according to the program notes is "largely self-taught," performed his star turn during a traditional Arab piece, and everyone in the audience who could stand gave him — and the entire ensemble — a standing ovation.

A beaming young man, he has performed in more than 16 countries and his television appearances have been broadcast in Israel, Jordan, Egypt, and Saudi Arabia. Among his other accomplishments, he teaches percussion ensemble in elementary schools and is a consultant about training music teachers to Israel's Ministry of Education. Marck made aliyah from Milwaukee 25 years ago. "Until two years ago," he said in a post-concert interview, "I had been 23 years in Israel and had never met an Arab on a one-to-one

basis. They are great musicians. It is such a pleasure to play with them."

The performers, he added, "do a lot of kissing. We like one another. We have mutual respect." He has been moved by his membership in the ensemble to take up the oud, a Middle Eastern lute, and "when I play oriental music I play it like an oriental player — not exactly crossover."

Asked if the ensemble intends to expand, Marck said, "Our work with kids is the real intention; you don't need more than this. This is the right size."

"When we went into the classroom we did a pilot; this year we split into small groups at random. We went to Arab and Jewish schools. The response was incredible. We can do it."

Asked how he, a former soldier and reservist, feels about working so closely with Arabs, he said, "They have the exact same goals as I do. They want to raise their families and get ahead in their professions. These guys are my partners for peace."

Rebecca Kaplan Boroson is the editor of *The Jewish Standard*, in Teaneck, N.J., where this article first appeared.

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# JEWISH EXPRESSIONS

## Memories Of Sukkot Past

By Linda Morel, JTA

Caryl Ehrlich has vivid memories of the sukkah built by an Orthodox rabbi in the Miami Beach neighborhood where she was a child.

That grid of streets is still lush with green lawns in front of pastel houses; behind them grass-covered alleys wider than trucks. Every Sukkot, the rabbi erected the ceremonial hut in the alley behind his house, diagonally across from the Ehrlich family's back door. In the spirit of the holiday, the rabbi and his wife invited their neighbors to celebrate Sukkot.

"We were not a religious family," Ehrlich says, explaining that they hardly saw the rabbi all year. "I used to look forward to this festivity every fall; it was my only connection to Judaism."

A Manhattan resident for decades, Ehrlich, who teaches a behavioral approach to weight loss, recalls the palm fronds that created a lacy ceiling and the rabbi filling his small hut with oranges, grapefruits, limes, mangoes, papayas, lemons — and etrogs, the citrus-like fruit that is used to celebrate the holiday. Their varied shapes and colors mesmerized her; tropical perfume filled the air.

"The dangling decor wasn't just for show," says Ehrlich, describing large baskets filled with Florida's finest fruit among dishes on the table that the rabbi's wife had prepared from the same kind of produce gracing the sukkah's walls.

Her description brought back Sukkot celebrations from my childhood. But since I grew up in the suburbs of New York, I was smelling and tasting entirely different crops: apples and pears, eggplants, peppers, pumpkins and parsnips.

In contrast to our visceral memo-

ries, there are people who now decorate sukkah walls with plastic fruit and vegetables, which they recycle and use year after year. A page in a Jewish holiday cookbook I own features a photo touting "creative Sukkah decoration in Los Angeles." Its walls are made from bamboo curtains stenciled with bananas, watermelons, oranges and strawberries; its ceiling supports super-sized cardboard pears and twirling mobiles of artificial fruit. In a world where computer programs compete with real life experiences, is virtual fruit becoming the link to our ancient harvest festival? How did Jews stray so far from our agrarian roots?

Sukkot began as a pilgrimage holiday, a time when our forbears traveled to Jerusalem carrying figs, dates, pomegranates, apricots, squash, oil, barley, wheat bread and wine. After the year's final harvest, the Israelites offered thanks for the blessing of fruit and grain and shared the earth's bounty with the poor, none of which involved plastic produce or pictures of fruit. Since Sukkot marked the end of the growing season, thousands of people were able to spend a week celebrating and living in harvesters' huts, a precursor to the modern sukkah.

Although it takes more time and effort, hanging a farmers market worth of produce on Sukkah walls and incorporating some of the fruits and vegetables into recipes, such as the ones below, is far more rewarding than decorating the easy way, with toy food.

Lemon chicken is a traditional Sukkot dish, probably because the etrog, a lemon flavored, divinely scented citrus the size of a grapefruit, plays a pivotal role in the holiday's rituals. The Book of Leviticus

says, "You shall take for yourselves the product of goodly trees," which rabbis throughout the ages have interpreted as the etrog. Along with the lulav — branches of palm trees, willows of the brook and leafy trees, assumed to be myrtle — the etrog is one of the four species of the earth, which represent all growing things.

In today's push-button world, many of us have lost the connection between farming and the food on our table. Perhaps it's because we purchase shrink-wrapped produce, order groceries online or rely on restaurants to deliver dinner. We couch potatoes have become too comfortable to adorn a sukkah with food we cook and eat, to entertain friends outdoors, or simply to commune with nature.

For centuries, people have read, noshed and — on warm afternoons basked in filtered sunshine inside sukkahs — they have chatted for hours under the stars within their walls. Traditionally these makeshift huts have been a place of hospitality and openness, a place to invite guests for dinner, especially those who do not have a sukkah of their own. Weather permitting, people should enjoy as many meals as possible inside sukkah walls during the eight-day holiday, all of which is more meaningful surrounded by the touch, sight and smell of real food.

### AUTUMN VEGETABLE SOUP

3 quarts chicken broth  
3 potatoes, peeled and diced into bite-sized chunks  
6 carrots, 2 parsnips, 2 zucchini, cleaned & sliced into circles  
6 celery stalks, peeled and sliced  
2 large onions, skinned and diced  
1/2 lb. string beans cleaned and cut horizontally into two or three

pieces

1/2 tsp. minced parsley and dill, fresh or dehydrated

Place all ingredients in a large pot. Cover and bring to a boil. Lower temperature to a medium flame, stirring occasionally. Simmer for one hour or until vegetables soften. Ladle into a soup terrine and serve immediately or refrigerate and reheat. Tastes better when prepared a couple of days in advance. Yield: 8 servings

### LEMON CHICKEN

1 chicken cleaned and cut into 8 pieces

1 lemon for squeezing; plus 2 lemons for slicing

1/2 cup olive oil  
2 garlic cloves, minced  
3 tsp. dried rosemary needles  
1 tsp. salt  
No-stick spray  
Optional: 2 tsp. fresh parsley, minced

1. In a bowl, pour juice of one lemon and olive oil. Add garlic, rosemary and salt. Mix well. Coat chicken with mixture and marinate for an hour.

2. Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Heavily coat a roasting pan with no-stick spray.

3. Slice remaining 2 lemons into rounds (removing pits) and scatter on bottom of pan. Arrange chicken pieces on top.

4. Place in oven and baste every ten minutes with pan liquids. Roast for 45 minutes, or until chicken browns and juices run clear when pierced with a fork.

5. Serve on a platter, surrounding chicken with lemon rounds. Garnish with parsley. Yield: 5-6 servings.

### ROASTED EGGPLANT AND TOMATO

No-stick spray  
4 small eggplants, sliced into 1/4

inch circles

Garlic salt to taste  
8 medium tomatoes, sliced into approximately 1/8 inch circles  
3/4 cup seasoned bread crumbs  
Olive oil for drizzling

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heavily coat a shallow ovenproof roasting pan with no-stick spray.

2. Place eggplant circles in roasting pan. Sprinkle with garlic salt.

3. Cover with tomato slices. Sprinkle bread crumbs and garlic salt on top. Drizzle with oil.

4. Roast for 45 minutes, or until tomatoes shrivel and both vegetables soften. Serve immediately. Yield: 8 servings.

### PEAR & PLUM CRISP

4 pears, peeled, cored and sliced  
5 plums, peeled, pitted and sliced

2 tsp. lemon juice  
1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon  
1/4 tsp. cloves  
1/4 tsp. nutmeg  
1/4 tsp. cardamom  
1 Tbsp. white sugar

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 7 x 11-inch ovenproof dish with no-stick vegetable spray.

2. Place pears and plums in a large bowl. Add lemon juice, spices and sugar, mixing gently.

3. Line baking dish with fruit.  
4. Sprinkle topping (below) over fruit and bake for 35-45 minutes, or until casserole bubbles and topping turns crunchy.

Topping:  
1/2 cup margarine at room temperature

1 1/4 cup blanched almonds, chopped  
1 cup brown sugar  
3/4 cup flour

Place topping ingredients in a bowl and blend with a fork until mixture becomes lumpy and pasty. Yield: 8 servings.

## Test Your Sukkah Savvy

1. A "Sukkah" is most like a ...
  - a. luxury apartment.
  - b. small palace.
  - c. decorated hut.
2. The fruit included among the "four species" is the ...
  - a. banana.
  - b. "etrog."
  - c. watermelon.
3. The season of the year in which "Sukkot" falls is the ...
  - a. Fall.
  - b. Winter.
  - c. Spring.
4. The lively dances which circle around the "shul" on "Simchat Torah" are called
  - a. Square Dances.
  - b. "Hakafot."
  - c. the "Twist."
5. The palm branch is called the ...
  - a. "Hadas."
  - b. "Aravah."
  - c. "Lulav."
6. A stolen "Lulav" ...
  - a. is the best to use for the "Mitzvah" (the Commandment) of Four Species.
  - b. cannot be used for the "Mitzvah."
  - c. must be returned to its owner!
  - d. Answers "b" and "c" are correct.
7. A traditional name for the Holiday of "Sukkot" is the ...

- a. "Time of our Happiness."
- b. "Time of our Freedom."
- c. "Time of the Giving of our Torah."
8. The "Three Regalim" are "Pesach," "Shavuot" and ...
  - a. "Chanukah."
  - b. "Purim."
  - c. "Sukkot."
9. The "Beit HaMikdash," the Holy Temple, stood in the city of ...
  - a. Tel Aviv.
  - b. Yerushalayim.
  - c. Haifa.
10. A "Sukkah" which stands on the ground, and the covering of which is three thousand feet high is ...
  - a. Fine and Dandy ("Kasher," or Kosher).
  - b. Not Good ("Pasul").
  - c. Ridiculous!
11. A "Sukkah" has to be able to remain standing in an ...
  - a. average wind.
  - b. average hurricane!
  - c. average tornado!!
12. The minimum height of a "Sukkah" is approximately the height of a ...
  - a. large oak tree.
  - b. National Basketball Association player OR of "Og, King of Bashan," whose bed is described in the Bible as being 14

- "amot" long, or between 21 and 28 feet long.
  - c. short, seated adult.
13. The maximum height of a "Sukkah" is approximately the height of an average ...
  - a. tree.
  - b. sky-scraper!
  - c. cloud!!
14. True or False? Bamboo poles may be used as "Sechach," the Covering of the "Sukkah."
  - a. True
  - b. False
15. Because an "etrog" has both a pleasant taste and a pleasing smell, it symbolizes ...
  - a. A person who knows a lot of Torah, and does many good deeds.
  - b. A person with Torah but without good deeds.
  - c. A person without Torah and without good deeds.
16. True or False? If, on the Fifth Night of "Sukkot," one finds himself to be suffering in his "Sukkah" from the cold (Brrr!), he should remain there.
  - a. True
  - b. False
17. Twenty "amot" (30-40 feet) is the ...
  - a. maximum height of a "Sukkah."
  - b. minimum height of a "Sukkah."

- c. height of an average goat in the time of the Talmud.
18. In the "Sukkot Fairy Tale," the house of Little Pig Number 1 would not have made a "kosher" "Sukkah" because ...
  - a. it could not withstand an "average wind."
  - b. It didn't make a good bomb shelter.
  - c. It could not withstand a mod-

- erate-force hurricane.
19. True or False? One of the "Ushpizin," the seven holy guests whom we invite to the Sukkah, is Moshe.
  - a. True
  - b. False
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Jason Edward Bell, 29, of Cedar Farms, Newark, died September 4 in a tragic automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Joan; his daughters, Brianna and Olivia; his sister, Jill;

his parents, Lynda, the director of the Delaware Jewish Community Center Satellite office in Newark and her husband, Lynn and his grandfather, Simon Yablon.

Funeral services were held on September 7 with interment at

the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road. The family requests that contributions in his memory be made to the National Epilepsy Foundation, 61 Corporate Circle, New Castle, DE 19720.

## Sugarman Family Says Thanks

We continue to be overwhelmed by the compassion, warmth and love the Delaware Jewish community has given us during this difficult time. Although we are told that it is unnecessary to send individual messages of thanks to all who have touched our hearts over these past months, we want the community to know how much your support has meant to our family.

The many favors and errands you have done and the wonderful meals you have brought have made our lives less complicated. Your cards, calls, prayers, generous donations and expressions of kindness have given us strength. We can't thank you enough!

Our family would like to extend a heartfelt wish to our greater Jewish community family that we may all be inscribed in the book of life and have a HEALTHY, PEACEFUL, SUCCESSFUL and HAPPY NEW YEAR. Connie, Michael, Jason, Rachel, Adam and Max Sugarman

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Join the Jewish Federation of Delaware for a once in a lifetime experience. Be a part of the community's Mission to Israel, October 20 through October 28. Mission co-chairs are Reiko and Barry Kayne. Call 427-2100, ext. 30 for more information. Show your solidarity with the people of Israel.

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Sponsored by the Caring Committee of Congregation Beth Emeth, meets twice a month on Thursday evenings, October 19 through January 10, 7:30 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. at the synagogue. Dory Zatuchni, LCSW will facilitate. To register, call Congregation Beth Emeth at 302-764-2393.

### BIKUR HOLIM TRAINING

Learn how to help a person in need. Training, facilitated by Rabbi David Wortman, director, Kimmel-Spiller Jewish Healing Center, will be held on either Monday, October 15 or Thursday, October 18, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Jewish Family Service, 101 Garden of Eden Road. To register, call JFS at 478-9411.



### Albert Einstein Academy Students Begin New Term

On September 4, Albert Einstein Academy opened its doors for the 2001-2002 academic year to 130 children. Students in grades kindergarten through 6 enjoyed a variety of "welcome back" activities designed to help them ease the transition from the unstructured activities of summer to the more academically demanding classroom. As is tradition at the Albert Einstein Academy, Rabbi Ellen Bernhardt, Head of School, stood outside the school doors and greeted each and every student as they entered.

For further information about the Brandywine Valley's only Jewish day school, call Rabbi Bernhardt at (302) 478-5026.

## AROUND OUR JEWISH WORLD

### Sukkot In Sonoma

This fall, Reform Jews from across the continent will be spending Sukkot among the vineyards of Northern California, engaging in four days of Jewish learning as they sample gourmet Jewish food and wine. Sukkot in Sonoma, a special retreat sponsored by the UAHC's Department of Adult Jewish Growth and Pacific Central West Council, will be held from Thursday, October 4 to Sunday, October 7, 2001 at the UAHC's Camp Newman in Santa Rosa, CA, a facility close to several Sonoma County wineries. Cost is \$525, and includes all courses, meals, and accommodations.

Participants will study the ins and outs of Jewish food in a "hands-on" manner as they take demonstration classes with well-known master chefs, including Jesse Cool, restaurant owner and author of *Your Organic Kitchen*, and Mollie Katzen, author of *The Moosewood Cookbook*. Ernie

Weir, owner of Hagafen Cellars in Napa, CA, will teach a class delineating the different varieties of Jewish wine. Participants will also celebrate Sukkot in a wholly unique way, decorating a beautiful sukkah, and enjoying meals featuring special dishes associated with the holiday.

Guests will have the chance to study the history and development of Jewish food customs with rabbis and academicians including Reuven Firestone, Professor of Medieval Studies at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Rabbi Larry Raphael, director of the Department of Adult Jewish Growth, Rabbi Michael Berk, Director of the Pacific Central West Council, and Rabbi Shelton Donnell of Temple Beth Shalom in Santa Ana, CA. The faculty also includes storyteller and puppeteer Marilyn Price; Cantor Jeffrey Klepper, songwriter and founding member of Kol B'Seder, the

popular Jewish music group; and author Lisa Rauchwerger, whose book *Chocolate Chip Challah: New Twists on the Jewish Holiday Table* features recipes that families can make together.

For more information, visit the Web site at <http://uahc.org/growth/programs/index.shtml#16>.

Potential registrants should contact the Department of Adult Jewish Growth at (212) 650-4087, or e-mail [ajgrowth@uahc.org](mailto:ajgrowth@uahc.org).

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