

BERNIE SIEGEL TO RECEIVE THE IRVING S. SHAPIRO COMMUNITY BUILDER AWARD

One of the highlights of Thursday evening's 69th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Delaware will be the inaugural presentation of the Irving S. Shapiro Community Builder Award to Bernard L. Siegel.

This award, established by the Jewish Federation of Delaware in honor of Irving S. Shapiro, one of the Delaware Jewish community's most respected and beloved leaders, is designed to recognize those people whose service to the Jewish community transcends any loyalty to a particular agency or organization. The purpose of this award, according to Jewish Federation of Delaware President Barry S. Kayne, "is to honor those people who, like Irving Shapiro, have enhanced Jewish life because they have made the best interest of the Jewish community a high personal priority."

Mr. Shapiro, an attorney who

became the first Jewish chief executive of the DuPont chemical company, died on September 13, 2001 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was the son of Lithuanian



Bernie Siegel, Honoree

Jews who immigrated to Minnesota. He worked at his father's dry cleaning business while attending

undergraduate and law school at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Shapiro practiced law at a time when Jews were excluded from many Minneapolis law firms.

When World War II broke out, Mr. Shapiro went to Washington, D.C. to work for the Office of Price Administration. In 1943, he began work for the U.S. Justice Department, preparing briefs for cases being argued before the U.S. Supreme Court. He was angered when he was not allowed to sign his name to the legal briefs he prepared because there were too many Jewish names in the department. His work on several high profile cases drew the attention of DuPont's legal department which asked him to come to Wilmington.

He used his business and political interests to the benefit of the Jewish community which he has served as a past president of the Jewish Federation

of Delaware and the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home, a Federation beneficiary agency. Mr. Shapiro's wife, Charlotte, will present the award to Siegel during ceremonies which will begin at 7 p.m.

"Bernie Siegel has devoted a lifetime of service to our Delaware Jewish community and is the ideal recipient for this prestigious honor," said Federation Executive Vice President Samuel H. Asher. Siegel who called Mr. Shapiro "friend", currently serves as chairman of the Kutz Home Foundation and, with his wife Ruth, is a co-chair of the Federation Community Capital Campaign. His involvement with the Jewish Federation of Delaware has included service as a past president and as chairman of the Annual Campaign.

To RSVP for this community celebration which includes a special presentation by Avraham Infeld,



Avraham Infeld, Guest Speaker

interim president for Hillel International and the installation of Federation officers and board members, please call Amalia Snyderman at 302-427-2100, ext. 30 or email her at amalia.snyderman@shalomdel.org. See you on June 19th!

JOIN US AS WE BREAK GROUND ON THE GARDEN OF EDEN ROAD CAMPUS

Attend the 69th annual meeting of the Jewish Federation of Delaware on Thursday, June 19th and be a part of our community's future. Help break ground on the Garden of Eden Road Campus renovation and expansion. This project has been made possible by the generous donors to the Jewish Federation of Delaware Community Capital Campaign.

The Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family Service, Albert Einstein Academy and Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School will all reap the benefits of this ambitious undertaking.

Renovations at the Wilmington JCC will support its pre-school, fitness center, teen and senior programming and create much needed additional meeting space for the entire community to enjoy.

Jewish Family Service will move to fully accessible space in a new

building addition on campus. This space will respect client confidentiality and allow for expanded counseling, family life education and special services to émigrés and the elderly.

Albert Einstein Academy will be better able to meet the needs of its growing enrollment thanks to additional classrooms and resource spaces.

Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School students will no longer have to share classroom space with Albert Einstein students. The renovations will provide age-appropriately furnished classrooms which can be put to good use by the community for adult education, after-school activities and meeting space when Gratz is not in session.

Catch the excitement as our community begins an exciting new era. For further information about the Federation Community Capital

Campaign and the Garden of Eden Road Campus renovations, please call Ruth Rosenberg at 302-427-2100 or email her at ruth.rosenberg@shalomdel.org.



MAKE THE DIFFERENCE YOUR HELP NEEDED IN FINAL PUSH TO PASS PRIMARY DAY BILL

Our efforts have resulted in broad support in the legislature for changing Delaware's primary day to the second Tuesday in September. Nevertheless, passage has been held up by a debate over whether schools should be required to be closed on that day. Election officials want the schools to be closed; some school districts do not.

Senate Democrats have decided to ask for a new bill, House Bill 239, that would move the primary to the second Tuesday in September but require the schools to be closed. Since it is different from the original bill passed in the House, the House must also pass it.

The condition that schools be closed has significantly softened support in the House. We need your help now to call your Representatives in the House to ask them to support HB 239 WITHOUT

ANY CHANGES. Point out that it is not unreasonable to ask the schools to close one day every two years. All schools require teacher in-service days; this primary day would be a good time to schedule one. And moving the primary day from a Saturday is too important to allow it to be held back by this detail.

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE TO REQUEST SUPPORT FOR THE PRIMARY DAY BILL, HB 239. If you are unsure who your representative is, call 577-3464 to find out (Dover phone # 739-4498). Then call 577-8723 to get your representative's phone number (Dover phone # 744-4171). Or find contact information online at <http://www.legis.state.de.us/>

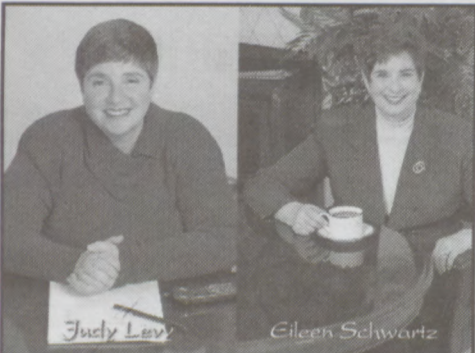
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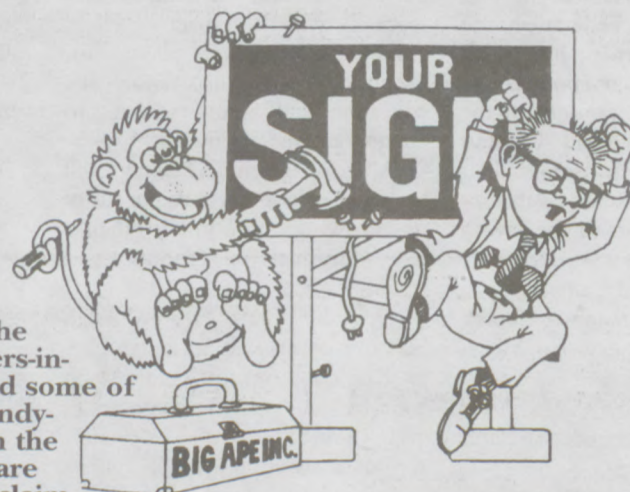
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Celebrating our community's leaders

"Where there is no Vision, the people perish." Proverbs 29:18

The men and women who established the Jewish Federation of Delaware some seven decades ago had a vision of one central organization that would raise funds for health, education, recreation and social services and allocate those funds to agencies that enhance the quality of Jewish life here in Delaware, in Israel and around the world. They laid the groundwork for a vital, vibrant organization that today helps support six beneficiary agencies through the proceeds of an aggressive Annual Campaign, provides financial and moral assistance to the State of Israel and builds for generations to come through the Community Capital Campaign and the Federation Fund for the Future.

Throughout the years the names and faces of our Federation leadership have changed. However, they continue to be inspired by the vision of our founders. Their hopes and dreams for our Delaware Jewish community are reflected in the sweet voices of Albert Einstein Academy students singing Hatikvah, in the giggles of toddlers in JCC child care, in the shining eyes of a Delaware Gratz high schooler studying Talmud, in the savory smells of Seder dinner at the Kutz Home, in the joyful prayers of college students celebrat-

ing High Holidays at Hillel and in the gentle hugs of comfort exchanged by participants in a JFS Bereavement Group.

This coming Thursday, June 19th at 7 p.m. the Wilmington Jewish Community Center will host the 69th Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Delaware and groundbreaking ceremony for the Garden of Eden Road Campus renovation and expansion. Join us as we honor Bernie Siegel with the well-deserved Irving S. Shapiro Community Builder Award. Bernie's commitment to this community has spanned many decades. He and his wife, Ruth, have devoted considerable time, talent and resources to make this community a vibrant center of Jewish life. Pay tribute to Bernie, honor our Federation and agency leadership and be inspired by special guest speaker Avraham Infeld, interim president of Hillel International.

A festive dessert reception will follow this dynamic program. Please RSVP to Amalia Snyderman at 302-427-2100, ext. 30 or email her at amalia.snyderman@shalomdel.org. Shabbat Shalom

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Rabbi Leonard B. Gewirtz -

A reader's remembrance

Dear Rabbi v'yedidi,

For close to three decades, studying together almost every week, I had the privilege of getting close to you. I revered your intelligence, your character, your inner beauty, and your warm Jewish heart. From Mesachta studies of the Talmud to articles in the New York Times, from Halachah to Einstein's theory of relativity, the cosmos, or hunger in Rwanda-whatever the subject, your conclusions were always precise, scholarly, and oh so logical. When we discussed complicated issues you always came back with the right explanations that were based on documented resources. Many times when I was sitting through our study lessons I wondered how the Almighty gave so much talent and knowledge to one individual. There is not enough paper and ink to describe the resourcefulness that radiated from you.

Many times we discussed different aspects of *T'chat Hamaytim* (Resurrection). We discussed what happens in the after life. You,

Rabbi, used to say "My G-d is good, my G-d understands me." Rabbi, I am sure that he will take care of you.

I remember that you expressed hope that "when I pass the great threshold of Heaven I will have the privilege of sitting and studying with the great Rabbi's in G-d's kingdom." Rabbi, I am sure of your rightful place among the scholars.

Dear Rabbi, be our *Malitz Yosher* (advocate).

In the course of our studies you were often bombarded with questions-your favorite answer was "we study and we go by the text." So be for us an advocate and He Who Watches Over Us will let us live as per the written text, the way you taught us-The way of Torah, understanding and compassion.

Dear Rabbi, rest in peace for you are resting in our Holy Land, in the land of our forefathers. You and the land will always be holy to me.

With respect and love, your Talmid

Ahron Ben Eliahu Augenbraun

PARSHA PLACE

Week of June 14

Parsha Naso

Numbers 4:21-7:89

"HONOR HUMANITY AND HONOR THE HOLY ONE"

Lane Steinger

"To love God truly, one must first love people. And if anyone tells you that he loves God and does not love his fellow humans, you will know that he is lying." *Ten Rungs: Hasidic Sayings*, p. 82; quoted in *Gates of Prayer*, p. 9

This week's parsha, Naso, makes the same point. It starts with a continuation of the enumeration of the Levites and their duties which began in Bamidbar. Naso then discusses specific cases of ritual impurity and the punishment for suspected marital infidelity. Next God speaks about the nazirite, i.e., one who has undertaken a special vow of piety, abstinence, and sanctity. Immediately thereafter we are introduced to the Priestly Benediction or Three-Fold Blessing before concluding with an account of the completion of the construction of the Tabernacle and the accompanying dedicatory offerings.

At the beginning of the parsha, the text states: "The Eternal spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to the Israelites: When a man or woman commits any wrong toward a fellow man [*limeol ma'al ba'Adonai*] thus breaking faith with the Eternal, and that person realizes his guilt, he shall confess the wrong that he has done. He shall make restitution in the principal amount and add one-fifth to it, giving it to him whom he has wronged." (Numbers 5:5-7)

The Torah is unequivocal: To wrong another person is also to wrong God. When one individual abuses, cheats, or defrauds another, the offender must make restitution to the person who was offended and must also make amends to the Holy One (in both above quoted biblical cases, by bringing a sacrifice). Note that in parashat Naso, there is the added element of confession-the acknowledgement of the offense and of responsibility for it.

Our sages also recognized the principle that a wrong done to another human being is a wrong against the Eternal. The rabbis went further by insisting that to wrong a person is even worse than to sin solely against God. For example in the midrash on Naso (Numbers Rabbah 8:4), we read, "One sins more gravely against an ordinary human being than against the Most High."

Simply stated, and in positive terms, Judaism teaches that to honor other human beings is to honor the Holy One. Or, as Martin Buber has reminded us, "To love God truly, one must first love people."

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FEDERATION FOCUS

I think it's summer ...



Samuel H. Asher
Executive Vice President

If it would stop raining long enough for me to poke my head outside, I might notice that spring is turning to summer. It is obvious from the piles of clothes being readied for the suitcases that both of my sons will be leaving for summer camp in a matter of days.

We are all looking forward to some decent weather and a chance to kick back and relax. Many of my

friends are talking about going to the beach, playing more golf, and getting a chance to let the pressing matters take a back seat to summer fun.

However, while many Jews in our community go on vacation during the summer, our Jewish community and our agencies do not break from meeting important human needs.

We are all aware of our Wilmington JCC's excellent summer camp program. However, some readers might not realize that the Newark JCC is also hosting a summer camp program using the air-conditioned facility of the Perkins Center on the University of Delaware campus. Many have already signed up for traditional and specialty camp programs. We are hoping for a full house!

The JCC's camp program will host 2 youth counselors from Israel this year who will be housed by seven community families. They will bring an exciting level of programming to the camp's children.

Speaking of summer camp, the

Jewish Agency for Israel and the Joint Distribution Committee run day camps throughout Israel during these difficult times. These camps provide a safe haven for young people whose lives are impacted by the steady stream of violence and offer employment to thousands of unemployed teens and young adults who would otherwise work in the tourism industry – if there were a tourism industry in Israel today.

Last week, the national Jewish Federation movement authorized over \$20,000,000 of Israel emergency funds to be distributed to these camps over the summer.

In the Former Soviet Union, the heat rises during the summer. Without air conditioning and many modern services, the environment is almost unbearable. But our agencies don't stop working. Special food boxes are delivered even during the summer heat to help supplement food and enable people to continue to survive.

The Jewish Agency and Joint Distribution Committee also run summer camps that either prepare

young people to make aliyah or at least give them more of a Jewish background and provide Jewish culture.

The summer is also the time when planning begins in most of our agencies. The schools get ready for the next year, Hillel remains in contact with many students and begins to plan a myriad of programs which commence in September. The Federation staff is busy finishing one campaign and planning the next. Planning is also under way for our next fabulous community mission to Israel, which is scheduled to take place in November of 2003 – you can read all about it in the upcoming issues of The Jewish Voice.

Finally, the Federation Annual Meeting will take place on June 19, 2003. We want to wish Bernie Siegel *Mazel Tov*. He is the first recipient of the Irving S. Shapiro Community Builders Award and want to thank Avraham Infeld for joining us at the annual meeting as our keynote speaker. To all of our wonderful campaigners and volun-

teers, I say thank you for helping us conduct an incredibly successful campaign and having a wonderful year. In particular, I would like to thank Dr. Barry Kayne for the innumerable hours he has spent as President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware. I would also like to thank Don Parsons and Carol Rothschild and all of their volunteers for running the best campaign in the history of the Jewish Federation of Delaware. Todah Rabah to Suzanne Grant and Eileen Conner and their Allocations Committee for analyzing the budget requests and helping to meet community needs in an efficient and effective manner.

I hope you all have a great summer. While I hope to find some "downtime" to relax, I do so confident that our Jewish community and its beneficiary agencies are doing what needs to be done to enhance Jewish life in Delaware and around the world.

While we take vacations, we never take a vacation from this responsibility.

Jewish Fund for the future awards leadership and community service grants



Jennifer Young
Endowment Director

The Gilbert J. Spiegel Memorial Fund of the Jewish Fund for the Future awarded \$400 to support Scott Kaplan's attendance at the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization's Chapter Leadership Training Conference. The conference develops the leadership abilities of BBYO members. This past year Scott served as the *Moreh* of the Newark Chapter BBYO, where he was responsible for recruiting and teaching new members. Next year as *Segan* (vice president), Scott will plan and lead programs for BBYO. The Gilbert J. Spiegel Memorial Fund was established at the Jewish Fund for the Future in 1991 to support leadership development. The Spiegel

Memorial Fund distributed over \$6,000 total during fiscal year 2002-2003. Grants included support for the Tri-State Institute for Jewish Communal Leadership and subsidizing University of Delaware Hillel students' attendance at the General Assembly in Philadelphia and the United Jewish Communities leadership seminar.

Christine E. Misogianes, a senior from Archmere Academy in Claymont, was selected as the 2003 Theodore H. Ashford Award recipient. The \$300 grant award acknowledges Christine's accomplishments to the community. Christine's advisors describe her as "devoted to helping the underprivileged."

Christine volunteers at St. Paul's parish in central Wilmington, teaching Hispanic immigrants English. She has helped the Spanish speaking adults improve their written and spoken command of the English language. Christine excels in the classroom and with her extracurricular activities. She volunteers at soup kitchens, elementary schools and children's hospitals. The Theodore H. Ashford Award Fund was established in 1984 to recognize an outstanding person in the area of community contribution. Bi-annually, public and private schools across Delaware are invited to nominate a high school senior for this award. Students with any religious back-



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ground may be nominated. If you would like more information about the Jewish Fund for the Future, the endowment arm of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, contact Jennifer S. Young, Endowment Director at 302-427-2100 ext 19.

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Todd Polikoff
Campaign Director

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- * Make and pay pledges on-line payment of pledges and payments to the Federation's annual campaign;

- * register for an event or program;

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opportunity to help us make a difference by submitting a pledge on line.

I realize that there are still many people who do not have access to the Internet. This website is designed to augment rather than replace our traditional community outreach and involvement. The JFD will maintain a strong presence at community meetings, gatherings and events.

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Jewish Federation of Delaware is providing for our community.

Our vision has always been to bring Jewish people together into a community coalition, grounded in Jewish teaching and heritage, to strengthen the State of Israel, the global Jewish family and local organizations in order to further the survival of the Jewish people. Through www.shalomdelaware.org you have the opportunity to share this vision.

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Jewish Community Center Annual Meeting To Include Election of Officers

The 69th Annual Meeting of the JCC will be held on Sunday, June 29, 2003
at 4:00 p.m. at the Family Campus on Garden of Eden Road.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Amy Leviton, has nominated the
following individuals for election to the JCC Board of Directors.

The following have been nominated for elected officers for a one year term:

President	David Bernstein
Vice-Presidents	Robert Cooper
	Caryl Marcus-Stape
	Jordon Rosen
	Connie Sugarman
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Secretary	Mark Delmerico
Assistant Secretary	Annette Aerenson

The following have been nominated for a new three year term:

Richard Crosby	Mark Kuller
Charles Goodman	Victor Santiago
Vicki Katz	David Smith

The following have been nominated for an additional three year term:

Nancy Crain	Stephen Miller
Benjamin Cohen	Bernard Siegel
Eric Fishman	Allan Tocker
Stacy Horowitz	Jordon Rosen

The following have been nominated for an additional two year term:

Mark Albom

The following have been nominated for an additional one year term:

Irv Becker
Robert Cooper
Mark Delmerico
Martin Lessner

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INSIDE DELAWARE

Spend a magical summer at Camp JCC in Newark

Need a fun, safe and challenging environment for your child this summer? Camp JCC in Newark has a program to suit almost every hobby and interest for children in grades K through 7. JCC Newark Site Director Chris Smith said that the traditional camp program, which runs from June 23rd through August 15th, is an ideal way for youngsters to "beat the heat and get into the swim of summer fun," explaining that the camp site at the Perkins Center on the University of Delaware campus is air-conditioned

and boasts a modern indoor pool.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, campers will enjoy such summer-time favorites as music, sports, arts and crafts, cooking, Judaics, Israeli culture and much more. Special weekly programs and field trips "will make this a magical summer for all of our boys and girls," added Smith.

Several specialty camps will also be offered. Drama Camp, for young persons entering grades 3 through 7, runs July 7th through July 18th. Campers will learn basic stage ter-

minology, perform theater exercises and games and present a show on the second Friday of the session for campers and parents. The cost is \$390 for two weeks.

Sports Camp, designed for campers entering grades 3-6, will offer daily instruction and competition in baseball, street hockey, water sports, tennis, golf and basketball. Campers will take weekly trips. The cost is \$195 per week and runs from June 23rd through August 15th.

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Chris Smith emphasized that all camps include a daily breakfast and several lunches each week. An optional pre-camp and post-camp session and a daily before care and after care program is available at an extra charge.

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50 years of friendship

By Helen Schutzman
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One evening in January, 1953, I attended a meeting of the newly-formed "Evening Chapter" of Wilmington Hadassah with my friend, Cora Carlis and our brood of infants and toddlers. Cora and I had a brainstorm. Why not form a "Couples Study Group" and meet monthly in each other's homes?

Seven couples formed the original "group" which is still going strong 50 years after its inception.

We debuted with a discussion of "Democracy's Hebrew Roots" followed by dessert and a mad dash home to take the babysitter home before curfew.

In the initial years, there was attrition due to company transfers and other life changes. Three of the original couples remained-my husband, Sonny and I, Bernice and Ralph Tomases, Roz and Herman Gordon. With each departure, a new couple was invited to join until the group was back to its original number. Our ranks included Naomi and Chuck Klein, Connie and Bernie Kreshtool, Nan and Lenny

Lipstein and Doris and Irv Morris.

As time went on, both the menu and the discussion time expanded. We enjoyed festive dinners and enlightening conversations about books of Jewish interest. The selections were far-ranging on such diverse themes as Zionism, history, philosophy, the Bible and more.

The group decided to collect \$10 each month for a day trip to New York. (The cost per couple at the time for a Broadway show, dinner and transportation was \$50.) It took a full five months of savings.

We expanded our fundraising efforts to finance a group trip to Israel. We embarked on an extraordinary 21-day trip just three weeks after the Six Day War in 1967 and covered the Jewish State from top to bottom, touring the Golan Heights, the West Bank, Hebron, Gaza, Sinai, Jerusalem's Old City-still full of rubble-and "The Wall".

As the years went by, we shared far more than our love of books. We celebrated many simchas-births, bar and bar mitzvahs, graduations and weddings-and mourned the loss of our dear

friends, Bernie Kreshtool, Roz Gordon and Lenny Lipstein. We were mispocha-a close and dear family.

Our monthly savings of \$50 has

continued to finance many additional group vacations to Israel, Europe, Canada and all throughout the United States.

In January, 2003 we celebrated

our golden anniversary with a champagne reception, a discussion of a topical book, and plans for the future.

L'Chaim!

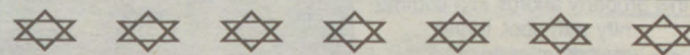


Front Row: left to right: Helen Schutzman, Connie Kreshtool, Nan Lipstein, Bernice Tomases; Back row: Sonny Schutzman, Doris Morris, Irv Morris, Naomi Klein, Charlie Klein, Ralph Tomases and Lenny Lipstein (deceased). Missing from the photo Roz and Herman Gordon.

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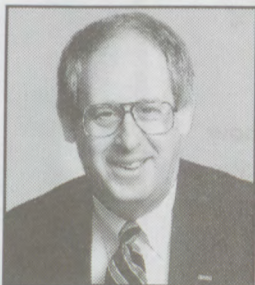
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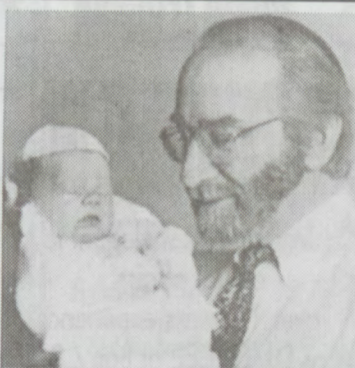
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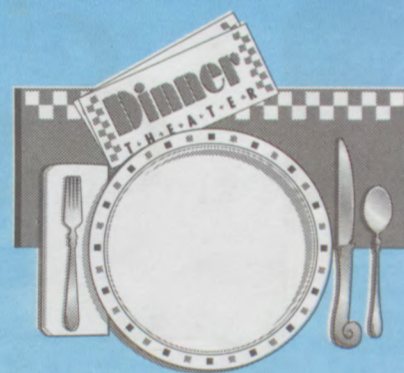
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Violence threatens road map to peace

By Naomi Segal

A fresh round of violence has threatened the diplomatic progress made at two Middle East summits last week, posing a challenge to the U.S.-backed "road map" peace plan.

The most deadly attack came Wednesday afternoon, when a Palestinian suicide bomber killed at least 16 people in a bus bombing in downtown Jerusalem.

The attack on Jaffa Road, near the Mahane Yehuda market, also wounded around 70 people.

Israel responded Wednesday with a helicopter strike in the Gaza Strip, reportedly killing at least four people.

The suicide bombing and Israel's retaliation were the just the latest incidents in a bloody week.

At least five Israelis were killed and five wounded in separate incidents in the Gaza Strip and West Bank on Sunday.

Israel responded to Sunday's incidents on Tuesday, when it launched a helicopter strike in Gaza City that killed two bystanders but only wounded its intended target, senior Hamas official Abdel Aziz Rantissi.

Later Tuesday, Israeli helicopters attacked a residential area in the Gaza Strip, killing at least three Palestinians who had just fired rockets at an Israeli town, and wounding at least 30.

Tuesday's attacks, which earned Israel a stiff rebuke from President Bush, came a day after Prime Minister Ariel Sharon began fulfilling Israel's obligations under the peace plan, removing some 10 illegal outposts in the West Bank, most of them unpopulated.

Though the United States defines Hamas as a terrorist group, President Bush criticized Israel's strike against Rantissi, saying it "does not contribute to the security of Israel."

Palestinian Authority officials also blasted the attack, but P.A. Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas — who called it terrorism — said it would

not halt progress on the road map.

Two dozen people were wounded in addition to Rantissi. Israeli government sources defended the attack, saying Israel would continue to fight terrorism as long as the Palestinian Authority fails to do so, Israel Radio reported.

Israel believes Rantissi played a vital role in organizing Sunday's attack in the Gaza Strip that killed four soldiers, and that he is serving as the head of Hamas' military wing.

Hamas vowed revenge for the assassination attempt — and on Wednesday, it claimed responsibility for the suicide bombing.

Earlier in the week, U.S. officials had urged Israel and the Palestinians not to let extremists set the diplomatic agenda, but this week's events showed the difficulties in following up on the steps taken at the summits in Egypt and Jordan.

In the Gaza Strip, four soldiers were killed and four were wounded when three gunmen dressed in Israeli army uniforms infiltrated an army position near the Erez Crossing. The gunmen were killed in the ensuing exchange of fire.

An inquiry showed that the three attackers had slipped into a line of Palestinian workers entering the Erez industrial zone. Under cover of heavy fog, they crossed a fence and wall separating the industrial zone from the nearby army position.

After reaching the entrance to the outpost, they opened fire and threw grenades at a soldier standing outside, killing him. They then shot and killed two soldiers on guard duty at the outpost gates.

The gunmen then entered the outpost and opened fire on the soldiers, killing one and wounding four.

Soldiers in the base opened fire, killing the three Palestinians. Duct tape and plastic handcuffs were found on the attackers' bodies, raising the possibility that they had intended to kidnap soldiers as bargaining chips for the release of Palestinian prison-



The charred remains of a bus blown up in a Palestinian suicide bombing in Jerusalem on Wednesday, June 11, 2003. At least 16 people were killed and dozens more injured in the attack claimed by Hamas. CREDIT: GPO/BP Images/JTA

ers, Army Radio reported.

Three of the soldiers killed in the attack were reservists: Sgt. Maj. Assaf Aberjil, 23, and Sgt. Maj. Udi Ayelet, 38, both of Eilat; and Sgt. Maj. Chen Engel, 31, of Ramat Gan. Also killed was Sgt. Maj. Boaz Emet, 23, from Beit She'an.

In other violence Sunday, an Israeli was killed when two gunmen opened fire near the Tomb of the Patriarchs in Hebron. Israeli troops killed at least one of the attackers. Earlier in the day, a border police officer was lightly wounded by a Palestinian gunman at a nearby checkpoint.

Three groups claimed joint responsibility for the Gaza attack — Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the Al-Aksa Brigade, which is linked to the Fatah movement of Abbas and P.A. President Yasser Arafat.

The attack was seen as a direct challenge to Abbas, who angered some groups by his conciliatory remarks at the summit with Bush and Sharon in Aqaba last week.

Accusing Abbas of conceding on

Palestinian demands, Hamas froze cease-fire contacts with the Palestinian Authority and renewed its vow to carry out terror attacks against Israelis.

Abbas told reporters in Ramallah that dialogue is the only way to achieve Palestinian interests. He also called on Palestinian opposition groups to renew contacts with the Palestinian Authority.

Israel, meanwhile, called on the Palestinians to immediately take steps to crack down on terrorism, saying a temporary cease-fire would not suffice.

Deputy Defense Minister Ze'ev Boim of the Likud told Israel Radio that the attacks prove that Palestinian terrorist groups are "not yet ready to accept this process," referring to the road map, drawn up by the "Quartet" of the United States, European Union, United Nations and Russia.

U.S. officials urged the sides not to let extremists undermine the opportunity for peace. Secretary of State Colin Powell and National

Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice said such actions by opponents of the process were expected, but the United States remained committed to advancing the road map.

"This is the time when both leaders have to do everything they can" to move forward on the road map, Powell told "Fox News Sunday."

Powell also said Sharon is expected to live up to his commitments and remove illegal settlements.

Sharon did just that on Monday, with the removal of the 10 outposts.

Some rabbis associated with settler leaders blasted the move.

"The decision to uproot Jews from their homes and land in outposts or settlements" is "a crime from a Jewish, national and moral standpoint," the Rabbinical Council of Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip, a body of rabbis living in settlements, said in a statement. "We call on the government to retract this wretched and contemptible decision and we will use all our ability to prevent it from going forward."

Israelis widely support Palestinian statehood for peace

Over 60% say Palestinian state to be established in next 5 years; nearly 60% agree all but largest settlements will be abandoned

TEL AVIV — Compared to a year ago, Israelis today are more optimistic about and supportive of the measures required to move the peace process forward, according to a new survey conducted by Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies. Nearly six in 10, 59 percent, now agree to the establishment of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza in a peace agreement, this compared to less than half the respondents only a year ago.

The number of those who believe that a Palestinian state will be established in the next five years increased to 61 percent, up from 54 percent in 2002.

The survey, conducted through face to face interviews with 1,103 Israelis between April 27 and May

23, 2003, maintains that nearly 60 percent of Israelis now agree to abandon all but the large settlement blocks as part of a peace agreement; and a majority of citizens, 56 percent, now support the idea of a unilateral withdrawal, even if it means abandoning settlements.

The number of those supporting the concession of Arab neighborhoods in Jerusalem in the framework of a peace agreement increased from 40 percent in 2002 to 43 percent in 2003.

Also significant is the heightened sense of security in 2003, far surpassing the low points recorded in the 2002 survey. In 2003, only 34 percent of respondents thought the chances were high or very high that war would break out in the next 3 years. This compared to 79 percent

of those surveyed in 2002.

Israelis are also more confident in peace now, with 43 percent of respondents predicting that peace between Israel and its neighbors will strengthen over the next three years, more than double the 21 percent who believed so last year.

In 2003, 38 percent stated that the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) had become stronger or much stronger in the last five years, 25 percent thought the army had essentially maintained its level of strength, and 37 percent said that the IDF had gotten weaker or much weaker. Comparable figures for 2002 were 11 percent stronger, 34 percent the same and 55 percent weaker.

Against the backdrop of the recent decision to dismantle illegal outposts, it is interesting to note that

73 percent of the respondents answered that a soldier may not refuse an order to evacuate settlers, compared to 27 percent who said that such an order could be disobeyed. A full three-quarters of the respondents opined that soldiers may not legitimately refuse to serve in the territories. Two out of three respondents answered that a soldier must obey orders in both situations.

A slight majority — 52 percent — thought that the end of the conflict would not be reached through the intervention of a third party, such as the United States, and that the parties themselves must work out the

details. Sixty-eight percent of the respondents opposed the idea of the United States imposing a solution on the parties (compared to 80 percent in 2002). This might explain why only 40 percent of Israeli Jews felt that the roadmap would end the Arab-Israeli conflict. Notwithstanding these positions, two-thirds thought that American security guarantees could be relied upon.

The survey was directed by Prof. Asher Arian, Director of the Project on Public Opinion and National Security at the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University.

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MATTER OF OPINION

Regarding the road map: No!

By: Ze'ev (William) Golin

Prime Minister Sharon, if you have any backbone left, tear up that road map! It's bad for Israel. It's bad for the Jewish people. It's bad for the free world.

President George W. Bush says it's time to share the Holy Land between the Palestinians and the Jews. Mr. Bush, the Holy Land is already shared. Almost 80% of it is a state called Jordan, most of whose population are Arabs who call themselves "Palestinians". Trouble is, they are ruled by a dictatorial non-Palestinian monarchy that happens to be a darling of the United States. So it's up to Israel to solve the dilemma.

And the Jews can always be shaken down. No matter how little money, land, security and influence they have, it's always too much. Sometimes there's even too many of us. In the late nineteen-thirties, we represented a whopping six-tenths of one percent of the world's population. It was quite fashionable in those days to state that at that rate, the Jews would plunge the world into war and grab all of its wealth. Now we're only two-tenths of one percent of the population: still too

many but a more manageable figure.

Getting back to the road map: What does it say, in essence? It says that Arab Moslems can live in any part of what is not and never was their Holy Land. The Jews however, must remain huddled in a geographical ghetto whose boundaries are to be delineated by George W. and Arafat/Abu Mazen. The rest of the land granted by God to the people of Israel is to be forever, as the Nazis put it, "Judenrein" — cleansed of Jews. Re-dividing our holy capitol of Jerusalem and flooding what's left of our land with hundreds of thousands of anti-Semitic "refugees" are left open for discussion. In return, we get an empty promise of a respite from terror, which if we're lucky will last until the day when Arafat and Abu-Mazen decide to discuss the Jerusalem and "refugee" question — with suicide bombers, snipers and rockets.

The "Road Map" is the handiwork of George W. Bush, who has been convinced by his Saudi cronies that he can achieve his broader geopolitical goals by diminishing Israel's sovereignty, deterrent power and Jewish character.

The "Road Map" is handiwork of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, who in his dotage is an easy mark for pressure. He's terrified by the shadow of Belgium's farcical war crimes kangaroo court. He quakes at the finger wagging of the overbearing Texan-cum-President, who equates wealth and military might with moral superiority. And he fears the disapproval of his own country's powerful and leftist media-judicial-academic elite, which is almost completely devoid of Israeli patriotism and Jewish pride.

The "Road Map" is the handiwork of the master terrorist Yasser Arafat and his Holocaust-denying Prime Minister Abu Mazen, who see it as a big step in the direction of implementing their plan to destroy Israel in stages. The "Phased Plan", announced in 1974, is still part and parcel of the Palestine Liberation Organization's policy. It begins with the establishment of a Palestinian State in Judea, Samaria and Gaza and continues with the flooding of Israel itself with hundreds of thousands of hostile Palestinian Arabs. The by-then predominantly Arab Galilee and Negev will be detached from Israel and annexed to

Palestine. The plan concludes when a now truncated and desperate Israeli mini-state is forced into a hopeless war against the combined might of the Arab world.

At every stage, Israel will be moved further down the path to destruction by a combination of terror and international pressure.

As Ariel Sharon sets out on his incredibly risky path, I believe that the rest of the Jewish world should contemplate the implications of Israel's destruction. Think about 5,000,000 Israelis — about 36% of the world's Jewish population, left to the mercies of the Palestinian neo-Nazis or made homeless refugees in a world about as ready to absorb Jewish refugees as it was in 1939.

Think about how anti-Semitism — rampant in the Moslem world, well rooted in the European governing establishment and spreading rapidly in influential American intellectual circles — will flourish with the absence of the leading symbol of Jewish sovereignty and self-respect.

But it's not just the Jewish world that must ponder the implications of an Israel-free world. Graffiti in predominantly Moslem areas pro-

claims: "First the Saturday people and then the Sunday people." Islamic warfare against non-Islamic communities or regimes in India, Russia, Nigeria, China, Sudan, Ethiopia and the Philippines, among others, and the aggressive flooding of Europe with Moslem migrants, clearly indicates that the tide of Islamic terror will not recede with "the final solution to the Jewish problem in Palestine". Radical Islam makes no bones of its determination to dominate the world, although like the Nazis and Soviets before them, it accuses the Jews of having the same ambition.

This scenario must be frustrated. And it begins with the Jews of Delaware and other places. Be strong! Insist on nothing less than a strong, independent, proud and Jewish Israel within the borders it deserves and needs to assure its security and to fulfill its destiny.

Ze'ev Golin is the son of life-long Wilmington residents Mauna Golin and the late Edwin Golin, who was a former member of the Jewish Voice Editorial Committee. Ze'ev emigrated to Israel in 1980 and is employed by Bank Leumi in Tel Aviv. He and his wife, Rina and their three daughters live in Rehovot.

Zahal's code of behavior

By: Carl Alpert

A hostile press and foes of Israel frequently describe Israeli soldiers as cruel and bloodthirsty, who vent animosity on helpless Arab civilians. No mention is made, of course, of Palestinian suicide bombers who deliberately seek out the maximum number of Israeli civilians they can kill.

It is time that official Israel policy with regard to action by its men in uniform is made more widely known. A code of ethics is posted in military barracks, and by way of emphasis and reminder a special brochure has recently been distributed internally among all the members of the Israel Defence Forces, Zahal.

In a special section soldiers are reminded that their operations must be carried out with full regard for human values, as has always been Zahal's policy. In their relations with the Palestinians, they are told to bear in mind that every individual is entitled to respect, without any connection to his origin, religion, nationality or sex. Soldiers who serve in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip are reminded that they represent the State of Israel, and as such they bear the responsibility of behaving in manner befitting the spirit of Zahal and its values.

Specific guidelines are laid down for required behavior at all times. With respect to the dignity of the civilians, three points are made:

1. Contact with the local population shall be in the line of duty only.
2. Care should be taken to avoid any utterances or behavior that might cause offence to the local population. Consideration should be given to the

feelings and traditions of the inhabitants.

3. Wild behavior toward or humiliation of the population are to be strictly avoided. Special care should be taken to prevent harm to women, the aged, the ill and children.

It is true that scattered instances of violent behavior by Israeli soldiers have indeed been reported, but the press seldom follows up these reports with the news that such soldiers have been punished and some even sent to prison.

A spokesman for the army has observed that no one has ever seen Chechnyan children approach a Russian tank. They know they would be killed on the spot. Yet TV constantly shows Palestinian youth, unafraid, hurling rocks at Israeli tanks, under their very noses. They know the Israelis will not shoot them.

The code of ethics continues. No damage shall be caused to any property of the population in Judea, Samaria and Gaza unless operational activities require it. In such cases, care should be taken to keep the damage minimal. Pillage or theft of Palestinian property are forbidden, and constitute serious criminal offenses for which the offender will be given severe punishment. It must be noted here that the destruction of specific homes is part of a necessary policy to prevent the smuggling of arms and to serve as a deterrent to terrorist activity.

The regulations insist that examination of individuals must be conducted with regard to their dignity. Women shall be physically searched only by women soldiers. The basic principle is that the normal existence of the population shall not be inter-

rupted unnecessarily. Obviously, when the Palestinians declare war against Israel and take actions which require military response, they are, in effect, undermining their own normalcy.

The regulations provide that properly identified medical personnel and ambulances bearing patients in critical condition shall be permitted to pass check points without unnecessary delay. It is no secret that terrorists have sought to exploit this policy.

Journalists, the Israeli soldiers are warned, must be treated with respect

and patience, and permitted to fulfill their journalistic functions, except where areas have been proclaimed as off-limits for military reasons. Further, soldiers may not enter delicate installations like holy places, schools and hospitals, except where there is suspicion that they are being used for hostile purposes. Entrance to such places shall be only with polite and respectful behavior.

Other regulations deal with care and treatment of wounded civilians and prisoners. It is forbidden to utilize civilians as human shields.

Representatives of the Red Cross and the U.N. shall be permitted passage, except where there may be suspicion that these are being used as cover by hostile elements.

Israel soldiers are for the most part not professional men of war. They are the youth and the citizens of the country, decent men and women. The code of ethics is to remind them of how they must behave, even in times of stress.

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Carl Alpert is a syndicated columnist based in Haifa.

Myths and Facts about Israel

MYTH #102

"Israel's assassination attempt on a leader of Hamas was aimed at derailing the peace process laid out in the road map."

FACT

In just the first week after accepting the road map, Israel began to implement 75 percent of its obligations called for in the plan's first phase. Prime Minister Sharon made clear he was committed to implementing the agreement and matched his words with deeds by allowing Palestinian workers from the territories to enter Israel, withdrawing from cities in the Palestinian Authority where Palestinian security forces exert control, dismantling unauthorized outposts, releasing prisoners, lifting the general closure on the territories, and increasing the transfer of goods.

The most important obligation for the Palestinians in the first phase is to end violence, dismantle the terrorist infrastructure, and disarm the militants. Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas not only has made no effort to fulfill this prerequisite for peace, he explicitly said he would not take action against Hamas, which rejected the road map and said it would join with other Palestinian terrorist groups to continue their campaign to destroy Israel.²²

Hamas is the Palestinian equivalent of al-Qaida. Its covenant makes clear it will never accept the existence of a Jewish state in what it considers the Muslim heartland. The man Israel tried to kill, Abd al-Aziz Rantissi, is a senior leader of Hamas, someone who proudly claims "credit" for 72 suicide bombings that have killed 227 Israelis and wounded 1,393 just since September 2000.

Rather than ask why Israel attempted to kill an avowed terrorist, the pertinent question is: Why wasn't Rantissi in jail? Yasser Arafat pledged in the Oslo agreements to fight terror and yet he failed to take any steps against Hamas. Abbas promised a renewed commitment to stop violence, but he has done no more than Arafat, and has unsuccessfully tried to coopt Hamas rather than dismantle it.

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MILESTONES

In Memoriam

GUBIN

Marion Gubin (nee Silverstein) died June 8 at the age of 89. She was a retired bookkeeper for an importing company. Mrs. Gubin was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Daniel; and is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Illean and Alan Finkel

and Carol and Joseph Byer; her brother, Morton Silverstein; grandchildren, Michael and his wife, Doreen Byer, Ferne R. Byer, Andrew and his wife, Linda Byer, Susan Finkel and Jared Finkel; and a great grandson, Matthew S. Byer.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the Milton and

Hattie Kutz Home, 704 River Road, Wilmington, DE 19809.

Graveside services were held on June 10th at Shalom Memorial Park in Lower Moreland, PA

KRAFT

Jason M. Kraft, husband of Rita, father of Denise and brother of Phyllis, died May 28th. Private graveside services were held on May 29 in the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road. Arrangements were made by Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

WIROSLOFF

Louis Wirosloff, 75, of

Wilmington, died surrounded by his family on June 4th at his Florida home. Mr. Wirosloff was born and raised on a farm in Stephentown, NY and attended school at R.P.I. on a full scholarship. He made his career with the B&O Railroad, serving as an executive trainmaster in charge of freight operations from Philadelphia to Baltimore.

His many hobbies included volunteer work with youth, sports and travel.

He is survived by Lois, his loving wife of more than 52 years; his

sons, Michael, Scott and Jeffrey; his father-in-law, Irving Kreuger; his daughters-in-law, Malinda and Elizabeth; granddaughters, Meredith and Michelle; and grandson, Mitchell.

A memorial service was held on Monday, June 9th at Schoenberg Memorial Chapel. Interment was in the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road.

Contributions in his memory would be appreciated to the Congregation Beth Shalom School, 18th and Baynard Blvd, Wilmington, DE 19802.

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The officers and board members will be installed during the Federation Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 19th, 7 p.m. at the Delaware JCC, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington.

NACHAS Nook

Top honors for AEA students

Anna Moss, a 5th grader at Albert Einstein Academy, and Sarah Alexander, a 2002 Albert Einstein Academy graduate, both placed 1st in Verbal in their grade in a national talent search sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (CTY). Founded in 1979, CTY identifies America's top students in grades two through eight and provides programs, services and resources to help them make the most of their special abilities.

These very bright young people were invited to participate in CTY's Talent Search because they

scored at the 97th percentile or higher on school standardized tests. They then took additional above-grade-level exams, which yielded further information about the verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities of these bright learners.

Patricia Owen, Director of CTY's Talent Search, credits schools for helping to make families aware of Hopkins' programs. "School counselors, principals, and others who encourage participation clearly are advocates for academic excellence, and we join the children's families in expressing our thanks to them for expanding

the academic opportunities of Delaware's brightest youth," she said.

Albert Einstein Academy is the Brandywine Valley's only Jewish Day School, serving students from Pre-Kindergarten through 6th grade in New Castle County, Delaware and Chester Counties, Pennsylvania. Albert Einstein Academy is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, and is a constituent of the Jewish Federation of Delaware. For more information, contact Rabbi Ellen Bernhardt, Head of School, at 302-478-5026.

Educator earns special honor

Stanley Levine, service learning coordinator for Howard High School of Technology in Wilmington, was inducted into West Chester University's Educator 500 network on May 15th. Educator 500, a program of

the University's Institute for Educational Excellence and Entrepreneurship, rewards entrepreneurial educators who incorporate collaborative solutions, business partnerships and parent and community involvement into their

teaching methods.

Levine started the One School/One Community program to bring together community organizations in the Wilmington Mural Arts Collaborative to promote public art and murals.

Pariser to be honored June 16

Rudy Pariser, a member of Congregation Beth Shalom, is being honored June 16 by the duPont Company for receiving the Lavoisier medal for outstanding scientific research and for manage-

ment contributions. The annual Lavoisier award is the highest award given by duPont to those whose

technical achievements are the most worthy of special recognition by the chemical community.

Myths and Facts

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The United States understands that Israel's fight against Hamas is part of the broader war on terror; after all, Hamas is on the U.S. list of terrorist organizations and has called for attacks on Americans. While U.S. officials may be upset by the timing of Israel's actions, they cannot object to the principle of targeting terrorist leaders, since they have pursued the same policy and, just a few months earlier, assassinated a group of al-Qaida operatives by firing a missile at their vehicle.

The road map offers a route to peace for Israel and the Palestinians, but Israel cannot be expected to give up its right to defend itself, and it certainly cannot stop its counterterror measures so long as the Palestinians fail to comply with their road map obligation to stop terror.

Source: *Myths & Facts Online — A Guide to the Arab-Israeli Conflict* by Mitchell G. Bard, <http://www.JewishVirtualLibrary.org>. This feature is presented as a public service by this newspaper and the Hasbara Committee of the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

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JCC HOSTS PROGRAM ON JUSTICE SELECTIONS

Hanging In the Balance: Our Federal Courts At Stake is the title of a June 23rd program presented by the Delaware Community Forum on Justice. The program, which is co-sponsored by a number of Jewish communal and social action organizations, begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Delaware JCC, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington. Featured pre-

senters are Marcia Kuntz, Judicial Selection Director for the Alliance for Justice in Washington, D.C.; Lynne Howard, Planned Parenthood of Delaware; David Bookbinder, Sierra Club Senior Attorney, Washington, D.C. and Charles Brittingham, President, Delaware NAACP. Please RSVP to 302-425-4920.

NCJW WILMINGTON SECTION'S ANNUAL FAMILY BARBECUE

The Wilmington Section of the National Council of Jewish Women invites the community to learn more about the organization during a family barbecue on Tuesday, July 29th, 5:30 p.m., at the JCC Picnic Grove. Enjoy a delicious meal and access to the JCC swimming pool. The cost is \$5 per adult, \$3.50 per child, free for children 2 and under, \$15 max. per family. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Donna Harlev (302) 475-1660 or Shelley Lerman (610) 388-8014. Rain Date: Wednesday, July 30th.

REGISTER FOR DELAWARE GRATZ

Course registration for Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School should be sent in by mail due to modified summer office hours. Register by June 30th to take advantage of the reduced registration fee. Call Marlene Milunsky, principal, for questions or more information, (302) 478-8100.

FLEA MARKETS AT THE JCC NEWARK

The Jewish Community Center in Newark will hold a Flea Market

on Sunday, June 22nd and the fourth Sunday of each consecutive month from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dealers are wanted for outdoor spaces. The cost to rent tables and spaces are just \$15 per space and \$5 per table. In case of rain, the Market will be closed and will re-open on the fourth Sunday of the following month. Contact Lynda Bell at 302-368-9173 to reserve a space or to receive more information. The JCC Newark is located off I-95 on Route 896 going north, at the intersection of West Park Place and South College Avenue. **Also at the JCC Newark ...** A series of monthly summer "Lunch Bunches" sponsored by the Newark Jewish

Community Center begins on Wednesday, June 18th, 12 Noon, at the Blue Crab Grill in Suburban Plaza. Also on tap is lunch at the Star of India restaurant on Elkton Road on July 23rd and August 27th at TGI Fridays on Rte. 896. Contact Lynda Bell at 302-368-9173 to reserve a seat.

Take a bus trip to Philadelphia's famed Italian Market on Wednesday, June 25th. The bus departs at 8:30 a.m. from the JCC Newark, located at the corner of West Park Place and South College Avenue, and returns at 5:30 p.m. Fantastic shopping and mouth-watering selections for lunch

and dinner. The cost for JCC members is \$23, \$27 for non-members. Call 302-368-9173 to reserve a seat.

ROSH CHODESH GROUP IS FORMING

Jewish Family Service has started a new Rosh Chodesh Group. The Rosh Chodesh Group is a monthly meeting of Jewish women, to explore spirituality, learn about Judaism from a women's perspective, and develop Jewish women friendships. The meetings will take place at JFS in Wilmington, the first Tuesday of the month at 12:30pm. There is no charge for attendance. To join this group, please contact: Karen Epstein Townsend, A.C.S.W. at 478-9411.

The Class of 2003 - Albert Einstein Academy



Mazel Tov to the Albert Einstein Academy Class of 2003. We wish them luck in their future school placements. Adam Bloom, Brett Carroll, Ben Goodman, Joshua Isaacs, Aryeh Kuller, Daniel Metz and Jeffrey Wagman will go to Hanby Middle School. Wilmington Friends School will welcome Mary Blumenfeld, Kenny Rosenberg and Talia Tiffany. Nicole Grant will attend Tower Hill School. Arielle Kahn reports to the Baldwin School and Rachel Bobman and Allison Saran head to Charles F. Patton Middle School.

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