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Community Calendar

- March 26- Jewish Singles, 21-31. Happy hour at Cuisines Restaurant, 5:30-9 p.m.
- April 2- Fiddler on the Roof, sponsored by the Jewish community at the Grand Opera House, 8 p.m.
- April 4- Matt Haimovitz, 15-year-old cellist in concert at Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth, 8 p.m. For tickets call AKSE office, 762-2705.
- April 5- Heritage Trio, a trio of full-time cantors will perform at Beth Emeth, 7:30 p.m.
- April 27- SHOAH, part 1, 8-11 p.m., WHY TV12
- April 28- SHOAH, part 1, 8-10 p.m., WHY TV12
- April 29- SHOAH, part 3, 8-10:30 p.m., WHY TV12
- April 30 - SHOAH, part 4, 8-11 p.m., WHY TV12

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Noted Professional Soloists To Appear In 'Fiddler On The Roof'



Peg French



Steve Steiner



Bob Carroll

The community concert to be held on Thursday, April 2 at the Grand Opera House will feature professional soloists from the New York stage. The concert version of Fiddler on the Roof to be performed by the Delaware Symphony has been written and directed by Cleveland Morris, artistic director of the Delaware Theatre Company. Morris also narrates the production throughout the performance. The Delaware Symphony will be conducted by Stephen Gunzenhauser.

Bob Carroll will sing the roll of Tevye. Diversity, experience and talent are the key words to describe Bob Carroll's life as an actor and singer. His most recent success in the national tour of "La Cage Aux

Folles" is but another milestone in a career that includes such major productions as "Guys and Dolls," "Fiorello," "I Do, I Do," "Shenandoah," "Mornings At Seven," "Paint Your Wagon," "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," "1776" and others. In the concert world he has been baritone soloist with the New York Pops, The Los Angeles Philharmonic, The Florida Orchestra, The Detroit Symphony, The Miami Symphony, The Burbank Symphony, and the Nassau Symphony.

Golda will be portrayed by Peg French who played this role in National Touring companies. Some of the shows that she has performed are "The

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LIFE SENTENCE

WASHINGTON — Former civilian Navy intelligence analyst Jonathan Jay Pollard is driven from U.S. District Court March 4 after receiving a life sentence. Mr. Pollard was convicted of selling U.S. military secrets to Israel. Anne Henderson Pollard, Mr. Pollard's wife, received two concurrent five-year sentences for her role in the espionage conspiracy. RNS PHOTO/Wide World

Pollards Reportedly Getting Aid From Official Sources In Israel; Government Denies Any Involvement

By GIL SEDAN and HUGH ORGEL

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — A private fund established a week ago to raise money for Jonathan Pollard and his wife Anne Henderson-Pollard wound up its activities Monday following Israeli media reports that official sources in Israel were indirectly assisting the American couple convicted of spying for Israel.

The Voice of Israel reported Monday that official sources had paid out \$80,000 towards the Pollards' legal expenses which are estimated at about \$120,000 and have promised to cover the full amount if possible. There were no reports of where the money originated or how it was transferred to the Pollards. A government spokesman on Monday denied that the government was involved in any way with providing the Pollards with funds.

Jonathan Pollard, a former civilian intelligence analyst employed by the U.S. Navy, was sentenced to life imprisonment two weeks ago for his espionage activities on behalf of Israel. His wife received a five year sentence as an accessory.

The severity of the sentences rallied public sympathy in Israel for the Pollards. An opinion poll published in *Yediot Achronot* last Friday showed that 68 percent of the respondents favored government assistance to the Pollards, 22 percent prefer-

red public assistance, and only eight percent thought no assistance should be given.

The government's position from the outset has been that Pollard's spying was a "rogue" operation without the authorization or knowledge of the government. It has not deviated from that position. After Pollard was sentenced, Premier Yitzhak Shamir stated that his fate was of no concern to Israel since Israel neither hired him nor gave him espionage assignments.

Two Official Probes Are Under Say

Meanwhile, two official probes are under way into the government's involvement with Pollard and its handling of the affair. A two-man committee of inquiry established by the Inner Cabinet will begin reviewing documents Tuesday and will call its first witnesses Wednesday.

The committee is headed by Yehoshua Rotenstreich, a prominent Tel Aviv lawyer. Its other member is Gen. (Res.) Zvi Tsur, a former Chief of Staff. Rotenstreich took the assignment after it was rejected by retired Supreme Court Justice Moshe Landau because the committee has been given no statutory powers such as the right to

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Editorial

Israel: Sole Oasis

One party — or one family — rule. Press controlled by the government or the party. Police and military security forces exercising wide powers, regardless of written constitutional provisions. Rights of women often restricted by civil statutes based in Islamic law. Such, in general, is the description of most countries in the Middle East to be found in the newly-published State Department publication, *Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 1986*.

Of Iraq, for example, the report notes that "political and individual rights are sharply limited . . . Anti-regime activity is dealt with harshly, often by extralegal means employed by a large and feared internal security police force and the intelligence services."

In Syria, regardless of the forms of representative democracy, "President Hafez Assad wields virtually absolute power and this government remains a repressive dictatorship." When it perceives a challenge it resorts to "brutality and forcible repression to insure its survival."

Saudi Arabia permits "no elected assemblies or political parties. Nonreligious public assembly and demonstrations are not permitted. Non-Muslim public worship is banned . . . All Saudis must be Muslims." The judicial system, founded upon Islamic law, conducts closed trials without counsel. "Criticism of Islam and the ruling family is not permitted . . . Women do not enjoy equality with men."

Jordan is a hereditary monarchy with a constitution granting the King broad powers, "no political parties and martial law since 1967. But "recent trends remain favorable," including "the increased opportunities for women in all areas of life, the continued importance given to the rule of law and an independent judiciary, and the gradual evolution of the Parliament . . ."

Egypt, despite "increased security concerns resulting from its difficult economic situation and regional instability," appears to be about the best of the Arab states. "A republic in which the President and his . . . National Democratic Party are the major political forces," Egypt tolerates Islamic activists "pressing for political and social change" — largely through legitimate channels. It permits "opposition parties of the left and right" and their weekly newspapers. Nevertheless, "since Zaki Badr became Minister of Interior following the February police riots, the government has used its emergency powers against striking railroad conductors, Islamic militants, and a few Christian converts from Islam."

There remains one Middle Eastern oasis of human rights. "Israel is a parliamentary democracy which guarantees by law and respects in practice the civil, political, and religious rights of its citizens . . . Israeli society is characterized by its openness and by its wide-ranging and lively public debate of all issues of popular concern."

The State Department study devotes a separate section to "The Occupied Territories." The evidence shows that Palestinian Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, even while under Israeli military government, exercise a much broader range of civil liberties than do most Arab residents of Arab countries.

It may be more than a coincidence that the only Arab-Israeli peace settlement existing now is with Egypt, perhaps the most liberal of the Arab states. Maybe if conditions improve *within* Arab countries, chances for peace among themselves, and between them and Israel, will improve.

Reprinted from the Near East Report.

LETTERS to the Editor

Israeli Aliyah Bet Reunion

To The Editor:

On June 24, 1987, a reunion of all the volunteers and immigrants who participated in Aliyah Bet (illegal immigration) from 1945-1948 is being held in Israel. The program will take place in Haifa, Caesaria, Upper Galilee, Jerusalem, Bersheeba and Tel Aviv.

Those participants who are interested in joining the reunion or have knowledge of other members who are eligible, please call: Drora Katz, daytime (201)633-9898, evening (201)595-7533. Call or write Murray Aronoff (Exodus 47) (718)-297-5742, 12 Suzanne Lane, Bethpage, N.Y. 11714.

Behind the Headlines

Treaty Still Not Implemented

On Feb. 19, 1986 — after 37 years of struggle — The U.S. Senate approved ratification of the International Genocide Convention. However, the decision will not be final until Congress passes implementing legislation and the President signs it.

Whether another extended period of time and prolonged debate will take place before implementing legislation is acted upon is not certain.

On the eve of the Senate vote last year, then-Majority Leader Robert Dole (R-Kan.) declared: "We have waited long enough." Dole's declaration ought to guide Congressional action now. Technically, federal criminal laws must be amended by adding a new crime of genocide, with appropriate definitions and penalties consistent with the Constitution.

Last summer the Reagan Administration, through the Department of Justice, took the first step; it prepared draft legislation for Congress.

But neither the Senate nor the House judiciary committee scheduled hearings, let alone acted on the measure. Organizations including the American Bar Association and B'nai B'rith will focus attention on these two committees, chaired respectively by Sen. Joseph Biden (D-Del.) and Rep. Peter Rodino (D-N.J.).

Ratification will enable the United States to champion human rights more effectively. All too often, the Soviet Union has challenged

American credibility on the issue by citing Congress' failure to ratify the treaty. According to Sen. William Proxmire (D-Wis.) — who gave more than 3,000 speeches over 19 years on the Senate floor to urge ratification — the U.S. delay was "one of the most useful propaganda clubs the Soviet Union has ever had."

In addition, ratification would end the anomaly of placing official emphasis upon commemorating the Holocaust but not acting on the only treaty specifically making it an international crime to engage in mass murder.

Nobel Peace Prize winner Elie Wiesel put it succinctly: "I am not sure whether such treaties will prevent mass murder, but the absence of such treaties may give the enemies of mankind the wrong signal."

In fact, a dozen instances of genocide — including examples in Cambodia and East Timor, of the Christian Acholi tribe in Uganda and of Bengalis in what was East Pakistan — have occurred since the U.N. adopted the treaty in 1948. The inability to prevent specific instances of mass murder must not eliminate the determination to do so. Our moral posture must be, as Wiesel said, that "we cannot tolerate a world in which genocide is being perpetrated."

William Korey.

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Delaware State News Editor To Visit Israel



Lee Ann Walling

Lee Ann Walling, editorial page editor of the *Delaware State News*, leaves this month for Israel. She is the only Delawarean participating in the annual communications media tour of Israel sponsored by the American Zionist Federation.

Commenting on her forthcoming tour, Walling said, "It's something I'm very excited about. I had just

started seriously reading about Israel and Israeli-Arab relations when this opportunity came along. It's almost fate."

The tour offers participants meetings and briefings with some of Israel's top governmental personalities as well as with leaders of the Jewish Agency and the Zionist movement, and with experts in various facets of Israeli society. Meetings with Arab leaders are scheduled. Travel throughout Israel is planned and will include a look at the immigration story of Ethiopian and Soviet Jews.

Walling, born in Pittsburgh and a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, has been with the *State News* since October 1981. Walling started as a courts/police reporter, was promoted to city editor (in charge of reporters and photographers), before holding her present position.

As editorial page editor she is responsible for the wire and local content of the opinion pages and writes the bulk of the editorials. She also serves on the Editorial Board of the *State News*.

Prior to coming to Delaware, Walling worked for a chain of suburban Dallas newspapers and for a CBS affiliate in Odessa, Texas.

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subpoena witnesses and have them testify under oath.

It will report directly to the Cabinet. According to Rotenstreich, its work will be completed "no later than the end of April."

The second investigation is being conducted by the intelligence subcommittee of the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Security Committee which began hearings last Thursday. Its first witness was Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

The Knesset body meets in closed session and while it has subpoena powers it lacks the broad scope and prestige of an official commission of inquiry, such as, for example, the Kahan Commission which investigated the conduct of the Lebanon war in 1983.

The opinion poll published Friday, conducted by the Dahaf Institute, showed that 51 percent of Israelis

avored an investigation of the Pollard affair by an independent body with limited authority. Thirty-five percent was opposed. An investigation by a judicial commission with broad powers was opposed by a margin of 46-41 percent.

Rabin: Suspicions Are Erroneous

Rabin, addressing the diamond jubilee celebrations of Hadassah here Monday, charged that some official circles in the American Administration are deliberately keeping the Pollard affair alive in a mistaken effort to find other Israeli agents involved.

Their suspicions are erroneous, Rabin said. "Israel does not carry out any espionage activities in the U.S. There are no Americans or non-Americans who serve as spies for Israel against the United States. This should be clear to the American people and to everyone," the Defense Minister declared.

Vital Issues '87

Dan Krakow To Discuss Israel's Ethiopian Community

Two years have passed since the dramatic airlifts of Operation Moses brought thousands of Ethiopian Jews to Israel. On Thursday April 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center the first program in the 1987 Vital Issues Series will provide an opportunity to relive that moment and to explore how the Ethiopian Jews are adjusting to life in the modern State of Israel.

The program will feature the showing of the film "Operation Moses," followed by a commentary by Dan Krakow.

Krakow is originally from New York City. He attended the University of New York at Binghamton where he received a bachelor's degree in history and Hebrew, and a certificate in southwest Asian and North African Studies. Krakow made *Aliyah* to Israel in 1974. From 1979 to 1985 Krakow directed an absorption center for new immigrants in Arad, working primarily with immigrants from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia.

Krakow currently serves as regional director of the Israel Aliyah Center for Pennsylvania, Delaware and Southern New Jersey.

The program will also present first hand impressions of conditions for the 16,000 Ethiopian Jews now residing in Israel from a member of our own community recently returned from a mission to Israel.



Dan Krakow

Come and learn how Israel strives to successfully integrate the oldest Jewish community in the world into the fabric of Israeli life.

This program is jointly sponsored by the Social Action Committee of congregation Beth Emeth, the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Federation and the Jewish Community Center.

Spinoza's House Near Collapse

Het Spinoza, the society to preserve the house in Rijnsburg, near Leyden in Holland, where the Jewish philosopher Spinoza lived from 1670-1673 and where he is believed to have

written his "Ethica," is urgently soliciting funds to repair the structure, which is reported in a state of collapse. The group is seeking private donations.

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York. During a national tour of "Pirates of Penzance," he performed the role of The Pirate King to unanimous critical acclaim.

Other soloists will include Kate Kearney-Patch in the role of Chava, Kristine Miller in the role of Tzeitel, Lou George as Motel and Verna Pierce as Hodel.

Tickets at \$10 each can be purchased at the Jewish Community Center or by mailing a check to the Jewish Federation of Delaware. The Jewish organizations in Delaware have been invited to be sponsors of this community event. All tickets purchased through these organizations will financially benefit the particular organization. As of March 10 the following organizations were participating: Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Sisterhood; Albert Einstein Academy; Congregation Beth Emeth and the Sisterhood; B'nai B'rith Women and Men; Congregation Beth Shalom Men's Club and Sisterhood; Gratz Hebrew High School; Hadassah chapters, Shalom, Chai and Sabra; Jewish Community Center; Kutz Home Auxiliary.

Chairpersons Ellen Koniver and Shelly Mand are pleased with the sale of tickets and the response of patrons. As of March 10, additional patrons are:

Janice & Joel Antinoph
Julia Blumberg
Sandy & Howard Berg
Eileen & Michael Conner
Arlene & Bob Davis
Michelle & Lanny Edelsohn
Faith & Michael Goldman
Bell & Edwin Granite
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Mathilde & E.O. Raphael
Sandra & Alan Simkins
Judy & Bill Topkis
Joan & Mort Wachstein
Harriet & Herbert Wolfson
Sybil & Leo Zefitel

Additional patrons are still welcomed. Please send checks to the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

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Michal: Drama In 500 Words Or Less

It's impressive, in a way, to hear of people writing 20 or 30 books a year. They're the paperbacks you see in airports and drugstores, novels of mystery, adventure and sex, complete with violent and/or titillating art on their shiny covers. The volumetric output is overwhelming, but I look on it as literary fiber: high in bulk for elimination, completely lacking intellectual nutrient of any kind.

Far more impressive to me are the narratives of our Bible: tightly written, terse almost to a fault, often telling as much by what is not said as by what is said.

A good example is the story of Michal, daughter of Saul and wife of David. Her story is not told in a continuous line, but woven in and out of the larger story of David. She first appears on the biblical scene when her father, the king, has become jealous of David because of the young man's great popularity among the people. Saul offers Michal to David as a wife, when he learns that she loves the young hero, but he sets a rather special bridal price. David is told that, "the king desires no dowry, but a hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies."

This is not, of course, because King Saul has become interested in kinky collectibles, but rather that he sees this as a good way of ridding himself of David as a potential rival for the

throne, by having him die in battle with the Philistines. The plan fails, and David and his men slay the Philistines and bring back the required dowry.

A rather special part of this sequence, as pointed out by Robert Alter in his excellent book, *The Art of Biblical Narrative*, is that twice it is stated that Michal loved David; nowhere else in the Bible is it explicitly stated that a woman loved a man, although the reverse is often written. Clearly the text is telling us something important about the character of Michal.

Michal appears again shortly after the marriage, when Saul sends men to kill David in his bed. Michal learns of the plan, helps David to escape out the window, in clear defiance of her father, and sets up a dummy in the bed to deceive the murderous messengers. When confronted in fury by Saul ("Why hast thou deceived me thus and let my enemy go?") she gives the excuse that David threatened her.

Both of these episodes appear in the First Book of Samuel, and we hear no more of Michal until well into the Second Book of Samuel, except that Saul has given Michal in marriage to another man in David's absence. During this period Saul has relentlessly pursued David across the country, until Saul and his three sons die in battle

with the Philistines.

After years of battle between the house of David and the house of Saul, peace is finally negotiated between the two camps with one prime condition set by David: "Deliver me my wife Michal, whom I betrothed to me for a hundred foreskins of the Philistines." The deal is set and Michal is taken from her second husband and returned to David. The biblical text is silent on the reunion between David and Michal. Was it love that motivated David to seek the return of Michal or political pragmatism, the need to tie himself to the preceding royal family, or perhaps even possessiveness, that no one could take away what was his?

Michal appears again, much later, watching from the palace window as David brings the ark of the covenant into Jerusalem, dancing wildly before the ark as it is brought through the cheering crowds into the new capital city. The text tells us that "the daughter of Saul looked out at the window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart." When David comes into the palace, Michal greets him with these harsh words: "How did the king of Israel get him honour today, who uncovered himself today in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself!"

David replies in still harsher

words: "Before the Lord who chose me above thy father, and above all his house, to appoint me prince over the people of the Lord, over Israel, before the Lord will I make merry. And I will be yet more vile than thus, and will be base in my own sight; and with the handmaids whom thou has spoken of, with them will I get me honor."

The tale of Michal ends with these words: "and Michal, the daughter of Saul, had no child until the day of her death." We are not told why. Was she punished with barrenness by God for having disparaged His anointed? Was she punished by David with forced celibacy? Or was she just barren by nature?

Michal disappears from the scene. Her story has been told in four short sequences in two books of the Bible, a total of 28 verses, a total of 468 Hebrew words. And yet in these few words a dramatic portrait has been painted of a proud and courageous woman who loved her husband enough to turn against her own father to save him, and then scorned him to his face when she thought he acted in less than kingly fashion, perhaps less than husbandly fashion. This and much more, all in 468 words!

So I hope that all the "fiber writers" who read this and look up the original text will feel embarrassed and contrite with the comparison. I bet they'll mope all the way to the bank.

U.S. Rabbi Meets With Top Kremlin Officials

By MARGIE OLSTER

NEW YORK, (JTA) — An American rabbi who met last month with top Soviet officials said last week that he believes significant internal changes underway there will improve Jewish emigration and religious freedom.

Rabbi Arthur Schneier of New York, the president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, was the only Jewish leader invited to address the religious portion of Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's Feb. 14-16 international forum "for a nuclear-free world."

Schneier told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he formulated his views at the conference and from private meetings with leading government and religious officials.

They included Konstantin Kharchev, the chairman of the Council on Religious Affairs; Anatoly Dobrynin, secretary of International Relations of the Central Committee; Georgi Arbatov of the USA Institute; and dissident scientist Andrei Sakharov,

who also attended the forum. Schneier added that he spoke briefly with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev at a reception.

"What is clear is there is presently a review of all refuseniks. This was told to me on the highest levels," Schneier said. The rabbi said officials also told him that the justification for refusal referred to as "state secrets" would now have to be substantiated by the local authorities. In the past, emigration officials did not have to prove possession of state secrets.

Schneier said he saw tangible evidence of the new *glasnost* (openness) during the visit. He received permission from the government to send in 5,000 bibles and 5,000 prayer books printed in Russian and Hebrew. The Soviet government also agreed to allow two young Jewish men to attend the rabbinical seminary in Budapest, Hungary, the only such institute in Eastern Europe.

Schneier was asked to deliver his address to the

religious section on Saturday mornings. But because he observes the Sabbath, Schneier sent a colleague to read his speech. Instead, the rabbi gave a sermon at the Moscow Choral Synagogue.

He said his forum address touched on the Chernobyl nuclear reactor accident, the threat of nuclear Holocaust and his own experience as a Holocaust survivor. But it also called on the Soviet leadership to live up to its international obligations on human rights and encouraged the *glasnost*.

No Such Speech Several Years Ago

"A few years ago, I could never have delivered this kind of address," Schneier said. "I did not sanitize my speech. A few years ago, I wouldn't have been invited to give that talk."

A possible sign that the speech was well-received came in the final communique on the whole conference. It included the concluding passage of Schneier's address.

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MISSION IN MOSCOW

Rabbi Arthur Schneier, president of the Appeal of Conscience Foundation, addresses a luncheon in Moscow given by Patriarch Pimen of the Russian Orthodox Church for religious leaders who served as delegates to the international "Conference on Human Survival" held there in February and addressed by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Seated is Patriarch Ilya of the Georgian Orthodox Church.

The Impact Of The Demjanjuk Trial

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Two 14-year-old school girls braved the Jerusalem winter and the wrath of their teacher last week to wait in line from six a.m. for seats at the Demjanjuk trial. As it turned out, their teacher was far from angry and used their experiences as a basis for the class discussion next day. She had already reserved seats for the class to attend the war crimes hearings in six weeks time.

The queues outside the Jerusalem concert-hall-turned-courtroom are so long each day that the authorities have opened an additional hall with simultaneous television transmission of the trial.

Some of the regular spectators are themselves Holocaust survivors — one bearded man, who does not fail to come to each session, lost his wife and two children at Auschwitz.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir attended an afternoon session and Gen. Yossi Peled, commander of the northern front, sat barely hiding his emotions, as he remembered the sound of the gestapo jackboots over the cellar in

Poland where he was hidden as a child of four.

Daily Heart-Rending Proceedings

The heart-rending proceedings of the trial of John Demjanjuk, accused of slaughtering tens of thousands of Jews at the Treblinka gas chambers, follow Israelis wherever they go.

Bus passengers sit silent as they listen to the radio transmission of the hearings over the bus loudspeaker. Every corner grocery store seems to have the radio tuned in to the trial, and drivers stare grimly ahead as they hear the gory details of the daily business of death at Treblinka. It is the minutiae of the running of the death camp that are being described — at exactly which window did the witness sit as he sorted the gold teeth he had to tear from the mouths of the corpses? What was the exact construction of the incinerator where the bodies were burned when the Nazis realized the burial pits were too full? Who was the SS man who identified Jews showing marks from beatings the previous day and then had

them shot?

One question of detail made the President of the court, Justice Dov Levin, show a rare flash of anger. "How can you ask where exactly the washing was hung in a place where 850,000 Jews were killed?" Levin pleaded. But when Demjanjuk's attorney, Mark O'Connor, insisted he needed that detail, the judge allowed the question to be asked.

Testing Witnesses' Memories

American Attorney O'Connor appears to be testing the memory of the witnesses. Sometimes he discovers inconsistencies between their evidence now and their testimony at the Eichmann trial in 1961, or in sworn statements to Yad Vashem Holocaust Center researchers.

O'Connor does not question the terrible experiences of these survivors of Treblinka, but he does challenge their ability to remember the face of their tormentor, known at Treblinka as "Ivan The Terrible."

The witnesses have all identified photos allegedly of Ivan, the then 25-year-old mechanic who operated the

equipment for the gas chamber, and who delighted in beating his victims before they went to their deaths.

Yehiel Meir Raichman, a survivor now living in Uruguay, recalled an occasion when Ivan, hearing the wails of a new transport of Jews arriving at the gas chambers, eagerly left the supply cart he was driving and ran to fetch his iron bar to join the guards beating the Jews.

The Main Document Presented

The main document presented so far by the prosecution is an SS identity card, received recently from Moscow, bearing Demjanjuk's name and picture. The defendant, who as a Ukrainian had served in the Red Army, claims to have been captured by the Germans and placed in a Prisoner of War camp during the period he is accused of being at Treblinka.

O'Connor says this document, which the prosecution obtained through the Israeli Foreign Ministry with the help of American-Jewish oil tycoon Armand Hammer, is a KGB forgery. He claims that the Russians want revenge

against Ukrainians who left the USSR and settled in the United States. The defense attorney says he has an expert who can prove the forgery chemically but that the prosecution fears he will destroy the evidence.

The defense also plans to bring seven witnesses, whom O'Connor refuses to identify, to testify on Demjanjuk's behalf.

Meanwhile, conversations the accused had in his Israeli prison with a Russian-speaking police officer disguised as a prison warden were reported to the court.

Chief Superintendent Arye Kaplan, who immigrated from the Soviet Union in 1973, related how Demjanjuk continually protested his innocence.

However, on several occasions the defendant challenged Kaplan with the statement: "When your commanding officer orders you to do something, you obey." (The prosecution claims Demjanjuk agreed to take the position at Treblinka in order to escape the rigors of the German POW camp.) And, when referring to Jews, Demjanjuk used the derogatory Russian term "Zhid."

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Refuseniks Permitted To Emigrate

NEW YORK, (JTA) — Permission has been granted to five, possibly six, refuseniks, in recent days. The list was provided by Lynn Singer, executive director of the Long Island Committee for Soviet Jewry, with biographical background added by Glenn Richter, national coordinator for the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry.

• Pavel Astrakhan, 33, of Leningrad. He is a mechanical engineer, married to Sophia, with a daughter, Lily, 3. They have been waiting since 1979 to leave.

• Alexander and Vladimir Belkin of Minsk, both listed as being born in 1959, and therefore presumed to be twins. They applied to

emigrate in 1984, and staged a hunger strike in 1985.

• Irina Rogovaya of Leningrad, a mechanical engineer. She is listed as having a sister in Canada, Lena Zaslavsky. She is a refusenik since 1978.

• Lev Sigalov of Leningradskaya Oblast, 31, an engineer, first refused in 1978. He is married to Ludmilla, and they have a son, David, 3. Sigalov has a brother in Israel.

• A name, Ujanik, of Talin, Estonia, appeared on the list provided by the Long Island Committee. Although they could not clarify who the person is, the SSSJ has a man named Boris Yudeikin of Talin listed as a refusenik, refused permission in 1986.

Israel Programs Scholarship Deadline Extended

Rabbi Peter H. Grumbacher, chairperson of the Kutz Foundation Israel Allocations Committee, announces the extension of the deadline for applications to April 30.

These young people participating in summer educa-

tional programs or high school or college semester/year-in-Israel experiences and desirous of obtaining scholarships up to \$1500 should contact Rabbi

Grumbacher (764-2393) as soon as possible.

Pentagon To Sell Uranium Shells In Mideast

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department plans to sell depleted uranium antitank shells to Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Bahrain.

The United States has not previously sold the ammunition to a foreign country. The shells, made from depleted uranium, a superhard substance that is not radioactive, are considered more advanced than the usual shaped-charge round for attacking armored vehicles or fortifications. The sales would be below the \$14 million level for which congressional approval is required, sources said, although the Pentagon notified Congress of the planned sales last week.

In a letter asking Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger to review the sales, Sen. Arlen Specter (R., Pa.) said he was "very concerned that introduction of this ammunition to that volatile area will destabilize the precarious military balance between Israel and these four nations."

Reprinted from the Washington Post.

Delaware Gratz Honor Students

At the completion of the first semester of the Delaware Branch of Gratz College Hebrew High School of Philadelphia, 17 students have earned the distinction of being named honor students.

The following students have been placed on the first honor roll for attaining grades of not less than all A's and one B: Alisa Ainbinder, Joseph D'Agostino, Rachel Deitch, Dana Ger, Daniel Gropper, Beth Panitz and Tahli Silber.

Second honors for receiving

all B's and above were awarded to Adam Bowman, Rachel Greenberg, Audrey Greenstein, Ilana Harad, Francine Jacobs, Rachelle Kahn, Aimee Peltz, Bruce Seltzer, Joel Simon and Donald Snyder.

Delaware Gratz is indeed proud of these students who worked diligently throughout the first half of the school year to earn special commendation for their efforts and accomplishments.

Shirman Dies After Leukemia Battle

TEL AVIV — Michael Shirman, the Soviet emigre with leukemia whose sister's departure from the Soviet Union to donate her bone marrow to him was delayed for a year, died last week in Kaplan Hospital in Rehovot.

Born near Minsk in 1954, he came to Israel with his mother in 1980. He was found to be suffering from leukemia 18 months ago, and it was established that his sister, Inessa Flerova of Moscow, was the only possible compatible donor of bone marrow. The marrow transplant perhaps could have saved him if per-

formed early enough.

But Soviet authorities rejected her and her husband's application for an exit permit for more than a year. She sometimes was told she could leave alone. Shirman declared he would not allow it.

Finally the Flerovs were allowed to leave together, and the transplant took place, successfully, two-and-a-half months ago. But doctors expressed concern even then that it might have been too late to cure him or cause a meaningful remission of the cancer of the blood.

U.S. Rabbi Meets —

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dress, quoted from Hillel: "If I am not for myself, who is for me? If I care only for myself, what am I? If not now, when?"

The forum ended in the Kremlin with Gorbachev addressing the entire plenum. "You can't help but sense more openness," Schneier said. "There is an open admission of mistakes."

Schneier said the open discussion of human rights is in itself a major advance. "There were days of total denial of the Jewish problem. Today, you can talk about refuseniks, you can talk about emigration," he said.

Sees Deep Changes

While skeptics claim the new openness is simply cosmetic, treating only the most high-profile cases of dissidents, Schneier said he believes the changes will penetrate deeper in time.

"There is a realization of stagnation, both ideological and economical. Unless there is a new approach, the Soviet Union is just going to fall far behind as we enter the 21st century. His approach is much more pragmatic than ideological," Schneier said.

The rabbi's accomplishments perhaps may be attributed as much to his relationship with top Soviet officials as to *glasnost*. He is one of the few private American citizens, like industrialist Armand Hammer, who have developed over many years a rapport with the Soviet leadership. He has visited the Soviet Union 19 times in 21 years.

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Jennie and Stephen (Buzzy) Teiser recently gave birth to a daughter, Sadye Walker Teiser. Grandparents are Stuart and Cecile Reeder.

Barbara and Joseph Rhoades are the new parents of a son, Daniel Phillip.

Mazel Tov

Fred Katz of Wilmington was recently appointed a research fellow at the DuPont Company.

Joel Tennenbaum of Greenville, an attorney, was

honored last month by Catholic Social Services and the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington for "distinguished legal services on behalf of children in our Delaware community." He has served

as child advocate for CSS for 15 years. The citation also credits Tennenbaum with "interpreting and shaping the law to ensure its operation to be truly in the best interest of the child."



Teaching Them About Electrical Safety Isn't Child's Play.

Read all about it in this month's "Energy News You Can Use."

Perhaps one of the reasons childhood often seems to be so carefree is that children are too young and inexperienced to recognize potential dangers. And one of the worries of being a parent is educating children about the possible hazards of electrical power lines and transformers without scaring them unnecessarily.

This month's Energy News You Can Use — the newsletter from Delmarva Power — has several helpful tips for parents on teaching their youngsters about electrical safety.

At Delmarva Power we know that when spring fever hits all of us tend to spend more time outdoors. Kids fly kites, play ball, and may forget to keep their distance from electrical

equipment. Grown ups too, should remember some important safety rules as they begin spring cleaning around the house and yard. That's why our March issue of Energy News features a whole series of household hints and safety tips — to help you and your family enjoy a safer spring.

Look for your copy of March's Energy News You Can Use in your energy bill or pick up one at your Delmarva Power office. You'll find that "Spring Fever Safety Tips" is only one of the many interesting articles in this issue. It's just one of the ways Delmarva Power is working to make your life a little better.



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The Older Worker Training Program has recently been directed at 55 and older persons of New Castle County who are able and desire to work and who have marketable skills.

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Young Cellist To Play At AKSE



Matt Haimovitz

Cellist Matt Haimovitz, at 15, has the unusual distinction of being the youngest artist ever to receive the 1986 Avery Fisher Career Grant Award. The Israeli-born artist began his cello studies at age 7 in Palo Alto, California. In 1983, at the advice of Itzhak Perlman, he moved to New York to study with the great artist and pedagogue Leonard Rose, who described the young cellist as "very extraordinary, in that he has a great instrumental talent, already highly developed, and a ravishingly beautiful sound." He went on to say "Most unusual is his sense of style and musical sensitivity."

The 1985/86 concert season was a banner year for Matt Haimovitz marked by debuts with the New York Philharmonic under Zubin Mehta, Houston Symphony with Sergiu Comissiona, Cleveland Orchestra under the direction of Charles Dutoit, St. Paul Chamber orchestra with Pinchas Zukerman, Toronto Symphony conducted by Andrew Davis, English Chamber Orchestra under

Daniel Barenboim, Israel Philharmonic with Zubin Mehta and the Philadelphia Orchestra with Simeon Bychkov. His recital schedule included Baltimore, Detroit, Miami and New York. During the summer of 1986 he was engaged by the Aspen Festival and La Jolla Chamber Music Festival and appeared on French national television with Yo-Yo Ma. In addition, he performed with Isaac Stern, Yo-Yo Ma, Cho-Liang Lin, Jaime Laredo and Michael Tree at Tanglewood. This special chamber music program will be repeated in Carnegie Hall on April 16.

Matt Haimovitz is a scholarship student at the Juilliard School where he studies with Channing Robbins. He is also a student of Yo-Yo Ma. In California, he studied with Gabor Rejto. He is a tenth grade student at the Collegiate School and lives with his parents and sister in Manhattan. His instrument is a Mateo Goffriller cello.

Young Haimovitz will be accompanied by the talented pianist, Sandra Rivers who was awarded first prize as

best accompanist in the international Tchaikovsky violin competition in Moscow in 1978. A scholarship student of Sascha Gorodnitzki, she earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Juilliard and has performed as soloist with the Juilliard Orchestra as winner of its concerto competition. She has also performed as a soloist with the Rochester Philharmonic, New Jersey State orchestra and the Bergen Philharmonic under Arthur Fiedler and has been heard in solo recital throughout the United States.

For the past four seasons, Rivers has been the Arco artist-in-resident at the SMU Summer Conservatory. She has worked with violinists Itzhak Perlman, Cho-Liang Lin, Kyung-Wha Chung, Elmar Oliveira and Nadia Salerno-Sonnenberg, and has also collaborated with cellist Nathaniel Rosen. She has recorded with Mr. Lin on CBS Masterworks an album entitled "Bravura."

She is currently on the faculties of the College-Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati and the Aspen Music Festival.

The sixth annual concert of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth will be on Saturday evening, April 4, at 8 p.m. in its auditorium, Washington Boulevard at 44th. General admission is \$14, advance sale, \$8 for children under 12. Patron tickets are \$20 and include a meet-the-artist reception. Tickets may be obtained by calling the ASKE office, 762-2705.

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Cooking In Delaware

By SYLVIA F. PANITZ

The winter of 1987 is now a part of history and the spring season is about to burst out. It was a cold, snowy winter. The Weather Bureau tells us that we had 37 inches of snow (the norm is usually around 21 inches) this winter and it all seemed to come on Mondays.

We haven't had that much snow in about four years. Spring officially begins at 10:52 p.m. on March 20 and it can't come too soon for me!

When I first came to Wilmington it seemed as if everyone I met was from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania or some other surrounding states. Of course it

appeared that everyone worked for Du Pont. There didn't seem to be any natives of Delaware. As the years have gone by, I've discovered that there are some natives. Actually my children were all born here and so that makes them natives of Wilmington. I've learned that there are other places to work besides

Du Pont!

Not only has Delaware become home to people from virtually every state but families from countries all over the world have settled here. These families have added much in culture and education to our community. Each family brings from its native country some special

recipes that they remember being used in their homes before coming to the States. I've asked several families to share some of their recipes with the *Jewish Voice*. The response was really great and I sincerely thank them and appreciate their help. More recipes will be printed in a future column.

Sephardic Cuisine

Mrs. Andree Nathan was kind enough to send in this recipe. She is from the Middle East.

Thursdays were considered meatless days, so as to rest the stomach before Sabbath feasting. One of my favorite dishes is the following, which incidentally would be considered as a complete, low cholesterol meal by present day dieticians. In the days of my grandmother, it was just tasty and good for you.

Meggadah

1 cup dry lentils
1 large onion, coarsely chopped
1 large onion, very thinly sliced
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. cumin seeds, crushed
2 cups water + more if needed
1 cup raw rice
1 Tbsp. oil

1 Tbsp. oil
½ tsp. pepper

In a quart saucepan heat oil, and stir fry coarsely chopped onion till translucent. Add spices and salt, add 2 cups water and lentils. Bring to a boil, then simmer until lentils are tender. Drain liquid into a measuring cup, adding, if necessary, enough water to make 1¾ cups. Pour back into lentils, bring to boil, and add rice. Stir, bring to boil, cover tightly and simmer.

Meanwhile, during cooking time of lentils, heat frying pan, add other 1 Tbsp. oil, and when hot, add thinly sliced onion. Stir occasionally until onion is browned, crunchy but not burnt. Remove from pan on paper napkin and set aside. If there is any oil in frying pan, add to lentil rice mixture.

Serves 4 generously with yogurt and salad.

Prepare Salad

1 cucumber, peeled,

quartered lengthwise, and chopped finely

1 large tomato, chopped
3-4 scallions, chopped
½ cup chopped green or black olives

Juice of ½ lemon

Salt, if desired

¼ tsp. chili powder

½ tsp. cumin powder

Mix everything together. Serve with Meggadah (above) and yogurt.

Huguette Piha grew up in Egypt and sends along the following two recipes. She and her husband have two sons.

Basboussa

Middle East
Mediterranean recipe

In a large mixing bowl place:
2 cups sour cream
2 cups quick cream of wheat
1¾ cups sugar
3 Tbsp. butter
1 egg
1 tsp. baking powder

Preheat oven to 350°. Mix all ingredients together until smooth consistency. Pour into buttered 9x15 Pyrex pan. Bake for 35 minutes. Remove from oven. With sharp knife make diagonal cuts through top of pastry to form about 2 inch diamonds. Press in each a half (lengthwise) blanched almond. Return to oven and continue baking for additional 15 minutes until top is golden. Let stand 5 minutes, then drizzle cold syrup over top. Let sit 30 minutes to cool.

Syrup:

Earlier in the day bring to

boil 1 cup sugar and 1 cup water, then add juice of one lemon, continue boiling for 2 minutes. Lower heat and simmer 20 minutes. Cool, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate. Yield 24 pieces.

Yogurt For Dip Or Dressing

2 fresh pickle cucumbers
1 cup low fat plain yogurt

2 Tbsp. chopped fresh mint
¼ tsp. salt.

Pare cucumber, quarter lengthwise. Cut each quarter crosswise into slices. In a medium bowl combine yogurt, cucumber, mint and salt; mix well. Refrigerate covered, for 1 hour, to blend flavors. Serve as a dip, over mixed salad greens or hot rice.

Belgian Specialties

Bette Shain and her husband Albert came to our city from Belgium. They have two daughters. The following three recipes are favorites of the Shain family.

Belgian Endive Au Gratin

For 4 servings:
1½ lbs. endive
1 tsp. salt
2 Tbsp. butter
3 Tbsp. flour
1 cup milk
2 Tbsp. grated parmesan cheese

Cut the endive into pieces. Wash and boil in salted water until tender. Drain well. Make a sauce of the butter, flour and milk (white sauce). Stir in half of the cheese. When this is melted, add the endive. Put in baking dish and sprinkle with the rest of the cheese. Bake in a hot oven (450°) for 15 minutes.

Skillet Belgian Endives

For 4 people:
8 heads of Belgian endives
parsley (optional)
salt
pepper
butter or margarine

Trim off the bottoms of endives and remove any wilted outer leaves. Cut the endives into four parts lengthwise.

Carefully scoop out the small core at the base. Separate the leaves and wash rapidly in a basin. Drain and wipe with paper towel. Ten minutes before serving, melt butter in large skillet. Put in the endives with salt and pepper to taste. The volume of leaves will rapidly diminish and it will be easy to turn them.

Cook over low heat for 10 minutes or until tender. Sprinkle with chopped parsley, if desired.

Husband's Favorite Salad

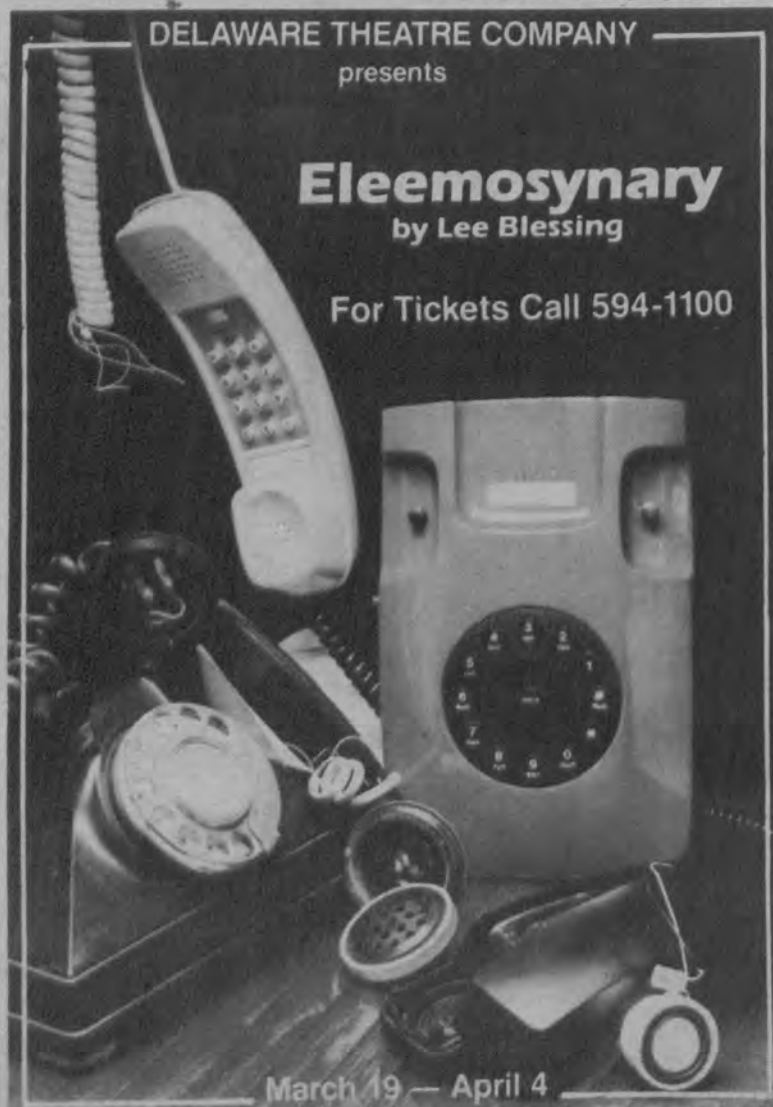
½ lb. Belgian endive, diagonally cut
2 tsp. lemon juice
1 clove garlic, crushed
¼ cup thinly sliced scallion greens
3 Tbsp. olive oil
½ tsp. salt

Trim off bottoms and scoop out small core at the base; wash and drain endive. In a serving bowl, toss the endive with the lemon juice until lightly moistened. Then add garlic, scallions, oil and salt.

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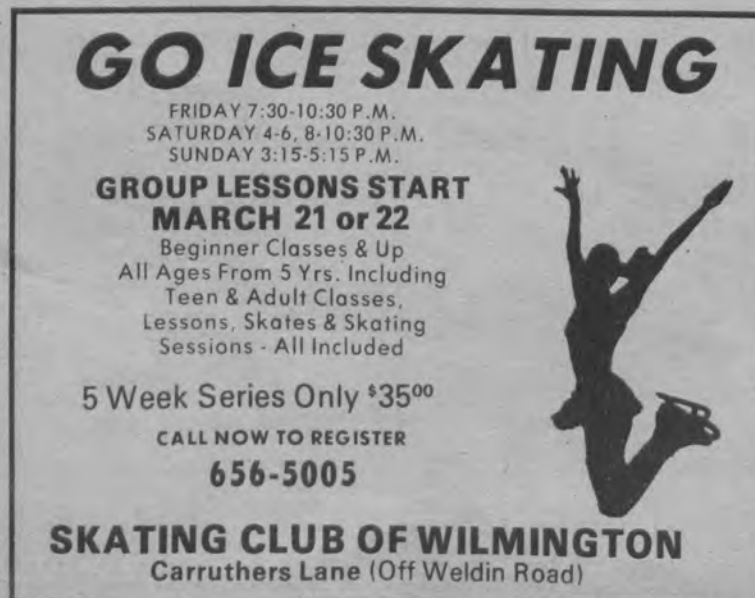
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The program includes a bagel brunch with all the trimmings, dessert and social hour following the presentation. For further information call (215) 545-4400, ext. 247.

Beth Emeth Sisterhood Shabbat

A special Sabbath service is planned for Congregation on Beth Emeth by its Sisterhood on Friday evening, March 20 at 8 p.m. The sermon, regarding "Women and the Synagogue," will be presented by Rabbi Patrice Heller of Philadelphia, who received a masters degree in Hebrew Letters and was ordained as rabbi at Hebrew Union College/Jewish Institute of Religion. Rabbi

Heller has served the Hebrew Association of the Deaf in New York City and was assistant and associate rabbi of Congregation Rodeph Shalom in Philadelphia. At present, Rabbi Heller is in private practice for pastoral counseling, while pursuing a PhD in clinical developmental psychology at Bryn Mawr College. Sisterhood members will participate in this program, which will be conducted by Annette Goldberg, president of the Sisterhood. All in the community are welcome to attend this annual service and join in the festive Oneg Shabbat following.

Dover Sisterhood Publishes Cookbook

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Shalom in Dover has published a cookbook titled *Passover Plus*. Under the guidance of Vicki Boyd and Donna Talmud, approximately 200 recipes and numerous cooking hints were compiled to form this useful publication. There are recipes for Passover, Shabbat, other Jewish holidays, and every-

day meals and desserts. The Sisterhood would be glad to mail this lovely, spiral bound cookbook for \$6 and an additional charge of \$.50 to cover postage. Send checks for \$6.50 to Congregation Beth Shalom, PO Box 223, Dover, Delaware 19901.

Heritage Trio In Concert At Beth Emeth

Congregation Beth Emeth cordially invites the community to join in its continuing celebration of Jewish music. The Heritage Trio, three finely trained singers, all full-time cantors serving Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform congregations in Baltimore, including Sam Weiss, formerly of Adas Kodesh Shel Emeth in Wilmington, will perform Sunday evening, April 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Their repertoire is as entertaining as it is varied: English, Hebrew, Yiddish and Ladino - from the popular to the serious, from the sacred to the secular.

Joining Cantor Sam Weiss is Cantor Elias Roohvarg and Cantor Samuel Dov Berman. The latter sang with the Youth Choir of Beth Emeth at Shabbat evening services for

the Mid-Atlantic Council U A H C Biennial in Williamsburg, Va. last December.

The Heritage Trio's performance is free of charge to all. It is being funded through the auspices of the Benjamin and Bertha Ableman Memorial Fund of Congregation Beth Emeth.

Hadassah Shabbat At Beth Emeth

The Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah will sponsor a Hadassah Shabbat at Congregation Beth Emeth on Friday evening, March 27, at 8 p.m. Hadassah members, life members, and associates will be honored.

This special service and Oneg Shabbat will commemorate Hadassah's 75th Diamond Jubilee Year. Karen Venezky, regional president, will be the guest speaker.

For more information, please call Suzy Grumbacher at 764-8050 or Marcia Shepard at 478-3268.

Everyone is welcome to worship at this service.

Beth Sholom Community Seder

Congregation Beth Sholom will hold their second annual community seder April 14, 6:30 p.m., at the synagogue, Queen and Clara Streets, Dover.

Mincha Maariv services will begin at 5:40 p.m. that evening.

The cost is \$15 for adults, \$2.50 for children under 8. For reservations call Kim at the synagogue, 734-5578, or Bob and Betsy Crystal, 674-4709. A surcharge of \$2.50 per person will be added for reservations made after March 31.

Beth Emeth Congregational Seder

Beth Emeth's congregational seder will be held on Tuesday, April 14 at 6 p.m. Reservations will be available for members of the congregation and their families until March 23, and then to nonmembers on a first come, first serve basis through March 31. Tickets are \$12.50 for adults, \$6 for

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To Visit Wilmington**

Delaware will be hosting two Israeli high school students who are to visit this area from March 22 to March 29. The two teens, Ayelet Amrani and Avi Natan, are participating in an international youth mission organized by the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Ayelet and Avi will be staying with Martin and Sandra Lubaroff and their two children, Beth and Ricky, for the week. The teens will speak at area high schools, synagogues and with various groups.

Ayelet Amrani, 18, attends Yitzhak Ben-Tri High School. A 12th grader, Ayelet's favorite subject is biology. She is a member of The Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel, which hikes throughout the country. Ayelet would like to study philosophy and languages in college.

Avi Natan loves reading

books and listening to pop music. He is active in sports at Brenner High School where he is in the 11th grade. He plays basketball and football. His dream is to someday become a lawyer.

Ayelet and Avi are among 46 young people who will be meeting with their peers in dozens of American cities under the auspices of the program. Others will visit France, Belgium, Sweden, Holland, England, Ireland, Canada, and South America.

Carefully selected for the program on the basis of teachers' recommendations, a written examination, and a personal interview, the students represent a broad cross-section of Israeli youth, secular and religious, immigrants from East and West and native-born "sabras." They come from Israel's major cities, small development towns, farms

and *kibbutzim*. Their interests range from biology to sports to pop music.

Special seminars, as well as their experience as active members of their communities, have prepared the students to discuss the many challenges — political, economic, internal, and international — facing Israel today. The students will be available to meet with local community and media representatives. Perhaps most important, the young ambassadors will share experiences with others of their own age, discovering both their differences and what they have in common.

Before they return to Israel early in April, all 46 students will gather in Washington, D.C. to meet with senators and congressmen, tour the capital, and learn about the U.S. as well as teach others about Israel.



Participating in the recent annual meeting of the B'nai B'rith Youth Commission in Washington are, left to right: Steven Laver of Willow Grove, Pa.; Hyla Lipsky of Rydal, Pa.; Brian Hafter of Millbrae, Ca., international president of the Aleph Zadik Aleph (AZA), the boys division of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO); Harlan Tenenbaum of Greenville, De., AZA international vice president; Suri Duitch of Colorado Springs, Co., B'nai B'rith Girls (BBG) international president; Anne Goldstan of Reading, Pa.; Margaret Schwartz of Lower Burrell, Pa., BBG international spokesperson; Joan Diamond of Philadelphia; Richard Pollock of Huntingdon Valley, Pa.; and Dennis Glick of Huntingdon Valley, Pa., commission vice chairman. The commission convenes annually to coordinate and oversee the worldwide activities of BBYO. Also participating but not pictured are: Horace Stern of Elkins Park, Pa., honorary chairman of the commission; Leonard Cohen of Fairlawn, N.J.; and Mikki Glass of Livingston, N.J., BBG international vice president.

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AEA Students Study Tzedakah

For the past month, students in the Albert Einstein Academy have been studying a unit about *tzedakah*. A word which has its roots in the word "justice," *tzedakah* connotes many forms of charity.

According to the students, *tzedakah* can mean "helping others," "visiting the sick," "giving money to the poor," or "helping someone find a job so that he can give *tzedakah*."

The kindergarten class of Albert Einstein Academy has a Mitzvah Tree. Each time a child helps, does an act of kindness or performs a *mitzvah* at home, the teacher puts a leaf on the Mitzvah Tree.

The first and second grades have been performing *mitzvot* at home and at school. One grandparent wrote: "Adam realized (after helping take care of his baby sister) this is what is meant when we refer to a *mitzvah*... (It was) done with much love and understanding."

The third and fourth graders learned about Maimonides' different levels of *tzedakah* and came to realize how much more meaningful it is to teach someone skills in order for him/her to be self-sufficient than to give money to someone who is poor.

A poem written by one of the students captures her concept of *Tzedekah*:



Jewish Federation Executive Vice President Bob Kerbel, (right), accepts a check from AEA students, L-R: Ashley Lang, Pamela Weisberg, AEA Principal Roselee Redelheim, Adam Seidel and Sharon Keret.

*Tzedakah Helps...
Tzedakah helps schools such as AEA pay for things.
Tzedakah helps people pay for better education in school.
Tzedakah helps synagogues buy things.*

*Tzedakah helps the Jewish population by teaching to learn Hebrew.
Tzedakah helps Israel's forests grow.
I like to give to Tzedakah because it helps.*

Amy Weinberg (Age 9)
Daughter of
Sanford and Jane Weinberg

To culminate the study of *tzedakah*, Bob Kerbel, executive vice-president of the

Jewish Federation of Delaware, came to a Kabbalat Shabbat service and spoke to the children about Federation's role in helping Jews around the world. He explained that Federation not only aids Jewish agencies in Delaware but in Israel as well. The students then presented him with a check for JFD, representing money they had been collecting for the past month.

The act of giving is something that comes from the heart and has to be taught at a young age. The students at AEA are just beginning their acts of *tzedakah*.

16th Annual Young Musicians Winners Recital Held At JCC

Winners of the 16th Annual JCC Contest for young musicians performed in a winners recital at the center on Sunday evening, March 1. Winners of the contest were: **Piano Category** — Gary Gress (First Prize), Carmelina D'Arro and Susan Clelland (Tied for 2nd Prize), Carl Cranmer (Third Prize); **Instrumental Category** — Diane Waibel, flutist, (First Prize), Victoria Ann Wells, flutist, (Second Prize), Evan Wennerberg, Clarinetist, (Third Prize); **Vocal Category** — Kathleen Delaney (First Prize), Diana

Milburn (Second Prize), Thomas Hurley (Third Prize), Suzanne Spangler (Honorable Mention).

Winners received certificates and cash prizes at the awards ceremonies following the recital.

In addition, the Janet Cohen Memorial awards were presented to the two winners selected by the judges who showed the greatest promise as performers. The Janet Cohen Memorial Awards were established by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cohen in memory of their daughter Janet, an accomplished pianist, who died suddenly in 1966. This year's recipients were Gary Gress and Suzanne Spangler.

The winners recital, which coincided with Jewish Music Season (Feb. 4 through May 4), included selections by two Jewish composers, Aaron Copland and Jacques Offenbach. Copland, a prolific composer, wrote "Vitebsk," a trio for piano, violin and cello, based on a Jewish theme. Offenbach, the son of a Jewish cantor was a successful composer and the creator of French burlesque opera.

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It Takes Money

By Arnold Lieberman, Executive Director



Many people have recently received letters asking them to become "members" of Jewish Family Service. An ad in this issue of the *Voice* promotes a raffle which is obviously also a fund raising effort. Our agency has also been fortunate in that we receive generous allocations each year from the United Way and the Jewish Federation of Delaware. Yet these four sources are only part of the total complex process of funding an agency such as ours.

Since I spend time explaining our funding situation to individuals and small groups throughout the year, I feel it could be practical to attempt to explain it in this column.

JFS is surely a "community" agency regarding our services, which are provided to a

broad cross section of our Jewish community as well as members of the non-Jewish population.

Our funding comes from an equally broad cross section of the community. The United Way and the Jewish Federation of Delaware provide about 70% of our total budget; fees for our services provide another 15%; and we must raise the other 15% through various fund raising efforts.

A common question is, "Why do you charge fees and seek contributions when the United Way and the Federation give you money?" As I have stated above, these two sources can only provide 70% of our budget, and their allocations are made on the basis that we must raise the other 30% from other sources. In fact, both funding bodies

have been strongly urging us to reduce our dependency on them by striving to lower the 70% figure.

Fees for our services have doubled in the last few years and now represent a variety of sources. They include contracts to serve a specific group of clients, health insurance reimbursement for some of our services (individual psychotherapy), and direct payment by individuals or groups (any direct payment is figured on a sliding scale based on the client's ability to pay).

The above sources combined still leave us with about 15% of our budget to raise on our own. For 1987, this figure is about \$25,000. We receive direct donations without solicitation from various sources throughout the year (i.e., individuals, classes, synagogues, organizations, etc.). Our board of directors has conducted an annual "membership" campaign for the past several years and are now committed to additional efforts such as the current raffle.

Our agency is very carefully managed, and an excep-

tionally high percentage of our costs go into direct services. Another significant factor is that no one is denied service based on their inability to pay a fee. We provide a

good bit of free service during the year.

Anyone having a question about fiscal matters related to JFS is welcome to call me at 478-9411.

Dear Rachel

Dear Rachel,

"To everything there is a season." This is tax season, baseball season and the season for choosing a school for your children. So I'm writing to a newspaper for the first time in my life to see if you can explain my wife's stubbornness. She absolutely refuses to consider sending our five-year-old to the Jewish day school, even though she admits it has a good reputation. She won't even go look at it. She insists that what they teach doesn't mesh with our lifestyle, and she doesn't want him to grow up to be a rabbi. She says it is important for him to learn to get along with all kinds of people. We belong to a Temple, celebrate the major holidays, and get along with everyone from our Polish plumber to my WASP partner. This attitude seems to be pure obstinacy on her part.

She's usually a rational person, and will recognize herself when she reads your column. I'm looking for any insights you might have on this.

Puzzled and Out of Patience

Dear Puzzled,

Your wife is perfectly rational. She may be operating on the basis of outdated information, however. When our grandparents came to this country, the fastest way to get ahead, and to avoid anti-Semitism, was to become Americanized. To many people, that meant getting rid of anything that was different from "mainstream" Americans. Out went Yiddish, European clothes, sabbath observance, even "Jewish mothers." Being obviously Jewish was considered by many to be un-

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Dear Rachel—

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couth and unwise. Being universalistic was in.

In today's America, being "different" is no longer a terrible handicap. In many circles, it is even chic to be Jewish or ethnic. We American Jews are American, and we don't have to keep on struggling to "make it" socially or economically. We've arrived. Your wife's reaction to the idea of a day school education may be an internalized remnant of the old attitude.

Ask your wife for specifics: What parts of your lifestyle don't mesh with day school education? When she says she wants your son to get along with all kinds of people, what are her specific goals? The discussion between the two of you may be as educational for you as your son's kindergarten experience will be for him.

Remember that today's Jewish day schools teach children to feel as comfortable with their Jewish identity as they are with their American identity. The goal is for youngsters to grow up feeling equally at home presiding in the boardroom and over a family seder. It's as American as nouvelle cuisine, chicken soup and apple pie. Please let me know

how you resolve this very important, very common concern.

Rachel

Dear Rachel,

I AM SHOCKED! I have always enjoyed your sensitivity and ability to consider both sides of an issue. However I was greatly disappointed with your response to "She Deserves Better" (2/20/87), which seemed to lack sensitivity and was inappropriate.

First of all, the mother writes that "she is convinced her daughters' attraction to her fiance is physical, and that his attraction to her is financial." Perhaps I am most shocked that you didn't question the mother in this matter at all. How does the mother know her daughter's attraction is not LOVE? It seems a third party's initial response should be, "one can never know the motives of another individual," and that your concerns can often be just that: "your concerns."

Furthermore, I was shocked at your suggestion that the mother explain to the daughter the Jewish tradition that the husband is responsible to feed, clothe, house, and support his wife. Beside the fact that this statement is

stepping back 100 years, and I imagine annoying some equal rights believers, this response is inappropriate considering the nature of your column; your letters are not intended for "Dear Rabbi," and they do not deserve strictly a halachic interpretation.

Finally, I was curious why you didn't ask the distressed mother "if your future son-in-law was making more money than your daughter would you be so concerned?"

Signed,
Come On Rachel!

Dear Come On,

You're right on target when you suggest that "one can never know the motives of another individual." That's why I suggested that the mother of "She Deserves Better" go back to her daughter with questions. If the mother listens carefully to what her daughter answers, she may learn more about her daughter's motivations, and her love for this young man. If the daughter listens carefully to her mother's concerns, she may learn about the love of a parent for a child. Both types of love will serve the daughter well in marriage.

The beauty of halacha is

that it deals with human needs, and these have not changed much in 4,000 years.

Family members have always needed food, clothes and housing. The traditional Jewish marriage contract allocated some of these responsibilities by sex. Today's families may use other criteria for choosing who does what. Marriage partners may be liberated from sex stereotyping but not from the responsibility of caring for their families. The mother's responsibility is to raise important questions. Her daughter and fiance must


develop their own answers. As a result, their relationship will either founder or be strengthened. In fact, many couples in their 30's, very much in love, are choosing to write marriage contracts to address these very issues.

As the your final point: it is well taken. Are you listening out there, parents?!

Rachel

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Obituaries

Jennie Taub Mayer

Jennie Taub Mayer, 82, died Thursday March 5 in the Kutz Home, 704 River Road, her residence for about 10 years.

Mrs. Mayer was a homemaker. Born in Russia, she came to the United States in 1915. She was a former resident of Reading, Pa.

She was a member of Keshet Zion Synagogue in Reading, and of Hadassah.

Her first husband, Benjamin Taub, died in 1956. Her second husband, Morris Mayer, died in 1971. She is survived by two sons, Sylvan Taub of Wilmington and Dr. Stanley Taub of Sudbury, Mass.; and seven grandchildren.

Graveside services were in Keshet Zion Synagogue Cemetery, Reading.

In memoriam, the family suggests contributions to Kutz Home Inc., 704 River Road, Wilmington 19809.

Rose S. Sachs

Rose S. Sachs, 80, of 19 Terrace Court, Willingboro, N.J., died Saturday in Zurbrugg Memorial Hospital, Riverside.

Mrs. Sachs, formerly of New York and Wilmington, Del., lived for the past 12 years in Willingboro with her daughter and son-in-law, Cynthia and Sheldon Baylinson.

She was a former member of Congregation Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth, Wilmington.

Her husband, Samuel, died in 1975. In addition to her daughter, she is survived by a son, Bernard of Wilmington; three other daughters, Evelyn Winokur of Wilmington, Faye Shapson of Warminster, Pa., and Anne Burstein of Florida; a brother, Hyman R. Stein of Boca Raton, Fla.; 10 grandchildren, including Caren and Hugh Baylinson; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were at Goes Funeral Home, 212 Levitt Parkway, Willingboro. Interment was in Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road, Wilmington.

In memoriam, the family suggests contributions to Samaritan Hospice, 214 W. Second St., Moorestown 08057.

Gladys Leibowitz Engel

Gladys Leibowitz Engel, 72, of 1913 N. Franklin St., died Monday March 9 at home.

Mrs. Engel was a homemaker.

She is survived by two brothers, Dr. Bernard Lee of Jenkintown, Pa., and Leonard Lee of Huntingdon Valley, Pa.

Graveside services were in Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

Sylvia Hoffman

Sylvia Hoffman, 74, of 310 Shipley Road, Chateau

Orleans Apartments, died Friday March 13 in Christiana Hospital.

Mrs. Hoffman owned Laub Furriers at 2 E. Eighth St. in Wilmington for 40 years.

She was a member of Congregation Beth Emeth and B'nai B'rith.

Her husband, Samuel, died in 1975.

Surviving are a daughter, Maxine Shear of Philadelphia; a brother, Harry Schecter of Hallandale, Fla.; and two sisters, Frances Bennett of Hallandale and Sadie Zinman of Philadelphia.

Interment was in Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 Lea Blvd., in Mount Sharon Cemetery, Springfield, Pa.

In memoriam, the family suggests contributions to Philadelphia Geriatric Center, 5301 Old York Road, Philadelphia 19141; or to B'nai B'rith Lodge 470, 8000 Society Drive, Claymont 19703.

Dora Moskowitz

Dora Moskowitz, 88 of B'nai B'rith House, 8101 Society Drive, Claymont, died Saturday March 14 in St. Francis Hospital.

Mrs. Moskowitz, who retired in 1964, worked at Maidenform Inc. for 20 years. She moved to Delaware from Bayonne, N.J., in 1968.

She was a member of Machzikey Hadas Congregation, the Pioneer Women, Mizrahi Women and Deborah.

Her husband, Bernard, died in 1939.

She is survived by two daughters, Beatrice Hirshout of Heather Green Commons and Phyllis Gordon of Baltimore; four sisters, Helen Aron of New Hyde Park, N.Y., Elsie Schwartz of Ozone Park, N.Y., Gizzella Wolff of Valley Stream, N.Y., and Rose Alter of Baldwin Harbor, N.Y.; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike. Interment was in the Workmen Circle-Montefiore section of the Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to Machzikey Hadas Congregation, 8000 Society Drive, Claymont 19703; or to Deborah, in care of Edith Steinberg, 614 W. 28th St., Wilmington 19802.

Albert Sklar

Albert Sklar, 66, of 307 W. 39th St., died Sunday March 15 in Christiana Hospital.

Mr. Sklar, a retail salesman, worked for Al's Sporting Goods for 25 years and then Sandrose Trophies in Chester, Pa., for 15 years. He retired in 1984.

He was a member and past

commander of the Jewish War Veterans Harry Fineman Post in Wilmington. He also was a member of the Jewish Community Center.

He is survived by his wife, Esther R.; two sons, Dr. Charles of New York and Terry of Wilmington; a daughter, Caryn Steakley of Vienna, Va.; and three grandchildren.

Graveside services were in the Montefiore-Farband section of the Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam, the family suggests contributions to charity.

Bertha Ritter

Bertha Ritter, 91, died Saturday March 14.

Mrs. Ritter was the wife of the late Joseph Ritter. She is survived by a daughter, Shirley R. Goldstein of Forest Hills Park, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Section of the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Rd.

Arrangements were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Israel Packer

Israel Packer, 88 of 3850 Atlantic Ave., Atlantic City, died Monday March 16 in Atlantic City Medical Center.

Mr. Packer worked at Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., in the Coatesville, Pa., and West Chester, Pa., areas for 42 years. At retirement, he was a district sales manager.

He was a member of Justice Lodge 285 F&AM, a former member of Congregation Beth Judah in Ventnor and a member of Lake Wales (Fla.) Elk Lodge 1974.

He was born in Russia and had lived in Pennsylvania for many years before moving to Atlantic City 15 years ago.

His wife, Sadye, died in 1982. He is survived by two daughters, Lillian Clauson of Atlantic City and Cynthia Matusoff of Wilmington, Del.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were private. In memoriam, the family suggests contributions to charity.

Seder—

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children ages 3 to 6, \$2 for children under 3. Persons with financial problems should contact Leon Chambers. Send reservations with checks to Marion Yaffee, 1004 Piper Rd., Wilmington, Del. 19803. Co-chairpersons are Roe and Stan Temple and Vern Schenker.

Death And Dying Death Certificates And Permits

By ALAN SCHOENBERG

The most important document relevant to a death is the death certificate. This document provides information for health and statistical analysis, identifies the deceased, and states final arrangements.

There are three basic sections to a death certificate: identification, medical certification, and disposition.

Identification

This is usually the first section of the certificate. It contains the following information: place of death, legal residence of the deceased, full legal name, aliases, professional name, maiden name, date of death, sex, race, marital status, social security number, occupation, citizenship, date of birth, age, father's name, mother's maiden name, name of spouse.

The person who provides this information is listed as the informant.

Medical Certification

The center section is the actual medical certification. The primary and contributing causes of death are given, and whether or not an autopsy has been performed. The physician states when he or she treated the deceased, when last seen alive, and the time of death. The physician's signature, name, and address are included and the date the certificate was signed.

Final Disposition

The last section will state whether the deceased is interred (buried), entombed (above ground mausoleum), or cremated. The date that it occurred, the name and location of the cemetery or crematory are provided. The

signature of the funeral director and address of the funeral home are given. Finally, the date received by the state office of vital statistics and the signature of the registrar are entered.

If a death occurs requiring the state medical examiner (ME) to take jurisdiction a medical examiner's certificate may be issued. The significant difference between the ME certificate and a standard one is the medical certification. The ME will probably not have the first hand knowledge of the individual's medical history. Therefore, an investigation will take place to determine the cause of death.

The death certificate will state that the ME held any one or combination of the following: autopsy, inspection, or inquiry. It will further state that death was due to either natural causes, homicide, suicide, or accident. The ME will state the specific cause of death and other relevant information.

The certificate will be signed by either the chief medical examiner, an assistant medical examiner, or a deputy medical examiner.

In some circumstances, the family of the deceased may desire privacy as to the cause of death. As a matter of public policy, the information must be as accurate as possible. However, the family may request that the cause of death be coded on the certificate.

The ME or physician may obtain a code number from the State Department of Health. Only the code number will appear in place of the cause of death on the certificate and certified copies. Only those persons or agencies with a legitimate need to know will be permitted to obtain the specifics as to the cause of death.

In Delaware the death certificate is a multiple copy packet. The first and second pages are death certificates. The first goes to the Office of Vital Statistics in Dover. The second goes to the local office in the county where death occurred.

The third page is the burial-transit permit which is the authority to inter, entomb, or

transfer the deceased to another jurisdiction. Instead of the cause of death, it has a cemetery certification for interment, or entombment and the location within the cemetery by block, section, and grave.

The fourth copy is an information copy that may be retained by the hospital, nursing home, or physician for their records.

When a family or an estate needs a copy of a death certificate for legal matters such as insurance claims, real estate, bank accounts, etc., a certified copy is usually required. Only the State Department of Health may issue certified copies. In Delaware the state charges \$5 for the first copy and \$3 for each additional copy of the same order. The cost varies from state to state.

Cremations

Cremations require an additional permit. The family or other authorized individual must sign a letter or form giving permission for the cremation. The death certificate and letter of permission along with the cremation permit are taken to the medical examiner's office, and the documents are reviewed. If all is in order, the medical examiner will sign the certificate thus certifying there is not a medical reason not to perform the cremation.

The documents are taken to the office of the state attorney general (AG). Again the papers are reviewed. If all is in order the AG or deputy AG will sign the permit thus certifying there is not a legal reason to prevent the cremation.

The cremation may then proceed.

The cremation permit is in triplicate. The first copy is given to the crematory. The second copy is filed with the death certificate at the office of vital statistics. The third copy is retained by the funeral director for his records.

If you have any questions about this or any related subject please contact Alan Schoenberg, Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, Delaware 19809.



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Brief Reviews

Film

An American Tail. Steven Spielberg's animated feature film, based on his grandfather's immigrant experiences, introduces the fetching new cartoon character Feivel Mousekewitz, a Jewish mouse. Starting with a pogrom in Russia, it pictures the Mousekewitz family's flight to America, "where there are no cats," and Feivel's terrifying and amusing adventures. A colorful film told with charm, beauty and whimsy and alive with song and dance, it

nonetheless may be frightening to small children. A paean to America and to the Jews' love of the land of the free, its chief problem is that it is neither an adult nor a children's film. The fabulous animation is by Don Bluth. A Universal picture.

Avanti Popolo. The plight of two Egyptian soldiers stranded in the Sinai Desert at the end of the Six-Day War is the subject of this film, one of the best of the new works seen at the Fourth Israeli Film Festival in New York and Los Angeles in November and December. An intelligent satire, told with wit, humor and compassion, it effectively points up the futility of war.

Theater

Broadway Bound. The third play in Neil Simon's autobiographical trilogy, now

in its Broadway run, is a drama of family relationships. It pictures a Jewish family — typical in its structure but not in its cultural life — without cliches or cheap comic stereotypes. The protagonist is the mother (Linda Lavin), who holds fast though she loses everything — her husband to another woman, her sons to their careers, her sister to the world of Park Avenue. Expertly done, with some of Simon's best writing, this is a very personal memoir, in which laughter covers passionate moments and painful ones. At the Broadhurst Theater.

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The results have been fascinating! Everyone has been introduced to Apple II and IBM computers and a wide range of educational software in the areas of reading, math and geography. Dr. Platt has been careful to choose programs that have a lot to teach, but also are based on "game" concept to keep the children's attention. This has worked well, and many times you'll find the kids having to "tutor" the grown-ups!

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The Center will be CLOSED on the following dates for Passover:

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