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# Hamas Suicide Bomber's Blast Kills At Least 22

By DAN WEINTRAUB

Editor of The Jewish Voice

On Wednesday morning in Tel Aviv, a suicide bomber on a bus triggered an explosion which killed at least 22 people and at least 46 were injured. The bombing was quickly condemned by the PLO. The Gaza strip was sealed by the Israeli government. Peace talks with the Palestinian Authority have not been broken off despite this latest addition to Israeli tragedies of recent weeks.

According to The New York Times an estimated 20 to 40 pounds of explosives were used. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin vowed to crack down on Hamas and "wage a battle to the bitter end."

"I am horrified and enraged by this murderous attack in the heart of Tel Aviv," said Eviatar Manor, the Consul-General of Israel in Phila-

These Islamic extremists have put themselves and their organization, the Hamas, beyond the pale of humanity. They should not be allowed to spread their venom in our streets," Manor continued.

"The war on terrorism must go on. We will track these extremists with all of the means at our disposal so that Israelis will have security. The objective of these extremists is to kill the peace process but they will not succeed," insisted the Consul-General.

The Palestinian people and their political leadership must spew out these fanatics from within their midst. As for ourselves, we have to be strong, patient and steadfast both in our war against terrorism and in our efforts to bring peace to the region," Manor said.

In the aftermath of the bloody terrorist attack in Tel Aviv perpetrated by the Islamic extremist group Hamas, Toni Young, President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware (JFD), issued this statement:

"The Jewish community of Delaware is horrified by the wanton violence perpetrated against innocent civilians in Israel by Islamic extremists. No political ambition can justify such callous disregard for human life; no legitimate religious philosophy condones murder and terrorism.

For the third time in two weeks, Hamas has attempted to derail the peace process through an act of terror. We call upon world leaders to condemn this act and unequivocally assert that such acts will no longer be tolerated in a world striving for peaceful resolution to conflict."

The statement continued, "Yasir Arafat appropriately condemned the attack; now the PLO must join with Israel to swiftly and surely arrest and prosecute those responsible and neutralize terrorists operating within the Palestinian Administration. The peace process will succeed only when all people in the region disavow terrorism and disassociate themselves from Hamas and other extremist groups who would use murder and violence to prevent peace." The JFD statement concluded "The Delaware Jewish community joins with other Jews and people of good will around the world in extending condolences to the families and friends of the victims of this brutal and senseless attack. We share the pain of our Israeli brothers and sisters and assure our solidarity with them as they continue to risk their lives for the sake of peace."

(This article is based on NBC News reports and the statements of the Israeli Consulate.)

# Israeli Peace Treaty With **Jordan Set For Signatures**

By NAOMI SEGAL JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israelis across the political spectrum hailed the news Monday that Israel and Jordan had signed the draft of a full-fledged peace treaty.

Within hours of the signing, the Israeli Cabinet unanimously approved the treaty, which still has to be ratified by the Israeli and Jordanian Parliaments.

At a ceremony at Hashemiyeh palace near Amman, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and his Jordanian counterpart, Abdul Salam al-Majali, initialed the document in the presence of King Hussein, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Crown Prince Hassan.

Agreement was reached on the draft treaty after the two sides reached compromises on long-standing differences on issues related to border disputes and the allocation of scant regional water supplies.

A formal signing ceremony is expected to take place next week in the Arava desert on the Israeli-Jordanian border. Israel and Jordan are expected to exchange ambassadors a month after signing a peace agreement.

Jordan will become the second Arab country to make peace with Israel. Egypt and Israel signed a peace treaty in 1979.

Speaking at the initialing ceremony, Hussein said the treaty heralded a new era.

"I pray this is something we leave behind for all the generations to come," Hussein said. Peace, human dignity, warmth, a chance to live and to achieve what we deserve.

"I would like to say to the people of Israel we are very, very happy," the king said. Rabin praised Hussein's courage for pursu-

ing peace with Israel, saying it was a "unique moment" for both countries.

Calling the treaty "a peace of dignity and honor," Rabin said it will "serve as a cornerstone for a new Middle East in which peace, development, and cooperation, will replace animosity, hatred, violence and wars."

"No one lost, no one won, we all won," said Rabin.

Speaking before boarding Air Force One in Washington on Monday, President Clinton called the draft agreement "an extraordinary achievement."

"At a time when hatred and extremism and threatening behavior still stalk the Middle East, this agreement reminds us that moderation and reason are prevailing, that nations can put conflict behind them, that courageous statesmen can lead their people to peace," said

According to U.S. officials, Clinton will at-

tend next week's formal signing ceremony.

Monday's agreement comes nearly three months after the July 25 signing of the Washington Declaration at a White House ceremony where Hussein and Rabin formally agreed to end the 46-year state of belligerency between their countries.

The breakthrough to this week's signing came after Rabin and Peres flew to Jordan on Sunday night for intense negotiations that lasted up until the signing ceremony Monday. It was the Israeli leaders' second visit to Amman in as many weeks.

The compromise on water was based on developing new water resources, rather than dividing up existing ones, according to reports.

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Myrna Ryder, of Jewish Family Services gives introductory remarks at The Breast Cancer Awareness Program. See story at right. Ryder was one of several speakers with substantial remarks.



Pat Ciarrocchi, a newscaster at KYW TV 3 often reports on health issues. She spoke at The Breast Cancer Awareness Program at the J.C.C.

### JFS and Zeneca Detail Breast Cancer Risk At JCC Forum

### PRACTICAL ADVICE GIVEN FOR EARLY DETECTION

By DAN WEINTRAUB

Editor of The Jewish Voice As National Breast Cancer Awareness Month unfolded, Delawareans learned more about this significant concern as the Jewish Family Service (JFS), the Jewish Community Center (JCC) and Zeneca presented information at a forum at the JCC. Among the speakers were Myrna Ryder of JFS and Pat Ciarrocchi, a newscaster with the NBC affiliate KYW Channel 3. Dr. Emily Penman, Breast Surgeon and Misao Walck, R.N., Occupational Health Nurse for Zeneca also spoke.

Myrna Ryder of JFS told The Jewish Voice "The Breast Cancer Awareness program met several goals. First we were able to attract nearly 200 women and men to this important program. Second we were able to make people aware of the new guidelines regarding mammography. Third, women were instructed in the method of breast self-examination." Ryder said that "breast cancer is a significant concern for women. Programs such as these allow women to become more responsible for their health through education and sharing experiences.'

Speaking to those in attendance at the program, Ryder noted that breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer death among women Ages 35-54. She said that in the past twenty years breast cancer has claimed more American lives than both World Wars, the Korean War and the Vietnam War together.

There is a higher incidence of breast cancer among Jewish women than the general population. Rtder said that factors which may affect this include genetics, first pregnancies at

a later age, fewer children, and a diet higher in fat, just to name a few.

Literature distributed at the forum stressed the importance of early detection, scheduling mammograms regularly, clinical breast examination and breast self-examination. More information is available from JFS by calling (302)

Joel Tau, the Manager of Media and Association Relations for Zeneca, joined Ciarrocchi and Ryder in addressing those in attendance at the JCC forum. The program was supported by a grant from the Zeneca Healthcare Foundation. The JCC was represented by Eileen Wallach, Recreational Services Director of the JCC. The JCC and JFS are both beneficiaries of the 'Live Jewish' Community Campaign which is administered by the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

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# FEATURE

# Jewish Farmers In Delaware

(First in an occasional series)

By JORDAN SOPINSKY

Jewish Voice Intern

Although the idea of working and living on one's own farm may seem entirely foreign to many of us, there was a time when many Jews, either because they were escaping persecution in Europe or else fleeing America's inner city problems, decided that farm life was for them.

Delaware's first Jewish farmer, Isaac Benioff, was born in Russia in 1849, where he worked as a furrier until the pogroms in his area, along with the threat of being forced into the army, made him decide to head for the New World. He came to New York in 1886. Along with his oldest sons, he established himself in the fur business until an illness of his daughter, Sarah, forced the family to relocate to what a doctor considered a good place for Sarah to recuperate: a rural area. The Hebrew Immigration Aid society helped them find a farm in Delaware in 1897. Although Sarah died shortly thereafter, the Benioffs remained on their 89acre farm, located west of Viola.

By 1915, there were enough Jewish farmers in Delaware to formally affiliate with the national Jewish Agricultural Society. It was a clear indication that the Society's "back to the soil" program, one of loans and the education of responsibility and commitment to the land was succeeding after its inception in 1900. The nine-member First Jewish Farmers Association of Delaware was formed with Isaac Benioff as their treasurer. The president, Israel Mechanic, was Mr. Benioff's brother-inlaw. Mr. Harkavy, a recent settler of the area west of Dover, served as the secretary. Little is known about the other six members.

The Benioffs did not keep kosher on the farm. They didn't have a seder, but they did eat matzos on Passover. Services were held at their house for the High Holidays. They brought someone in to conduct the services. Abe Benioff, a son of Isaac's, once entered a Berkshire hog he had raised in the state fair in Wilmington and won first prize!

Mr. Mechanic, and his wife Sophia, were from Kiev, Russia. They had originally settled in New York. After having three children, they purchased a farm not farm from the Benioff's for \$300. This was probably the result of JAS's attempt to respond to the social problems associated with ghetto congestion, which was mostly in New York City. Unfortunately, the land was poor. But over time, they were able to purchase additional and better farm land and quickly gained success. They grew wheat, corn, strawberries, and tomatoes. They had a few cows and kept horses for tilling.

in 1918, a Harry Greenberg purchased a 50-acre farm between Felton and Willow Grove for \$800. What is interesting about Mr. Greenberg is that there's actually no evidence that he lived on the farm, or the others he was to buy in future years. Instead, he preferred to be a farm and rural-home landlord in the county. At one point, he owned 39 separate properties.

For certain, native Delaware farmers found their new neighbors to be very foreign. Their dress, speech, dietary habits, and religious customs were entirely different. In addition, few of them knew how to farm. Luckily, the JAS published a Yiddish/English journal called the Jewish Farmer, which they found to be helpful and they also sent trained field agents to each new farm and spoke with them in Yiddish until the vernacular was learned.

Jews on the farm maintained close connections in the cities. Some returned every year for months at a time in order to make the money needed to keep the farm. They also kept in touch with friends and family in the "old country."

It is not coincidental that rural communities like these sprang up in the United States (mostly on the East Coast) at a time of increased persecution and pogroms in Russia. Jewish immigration from Eastern Europe had begun to rise dramatically beginning in 1881. By 1889, a wealthy German landowner, banker, and entrepreneur had become concerned with the plight of his fellow Jews. Baron Maurice de Hirsch endowed a fund which came to the aid of Russian Jewish emigrants seeking to re-settle in the New World. In 1891, de Hirsch gave a vast sum of money to create a trust for the benefit of Russian-Jewish immigrants in the United States. An agricultural school was established at Woodbine and numerous scholarships were awarded. He believed that "the Jew, so long denied the privilege of owning land, could win for himself peace and independence, love for the land he tills, and for freedom." This philosophy was put into action in 1900 with the creation of the Jewish Agricultural and Industrial Society, funded solely by the Baron de Hirsch Fund, now known simply as the Jewish Agricultural Society.

It is fortunate that we are now able to know the stories of Delaware's Jewish farmers. In an upcoming issue, the Jewish Voice will feature an article about Freda and Marvin Mesibov, who were in the chicken farming business. The Jewish Voice would also like to thank Charles Salkin, director of the Division of Parks and Recreation at the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control for providing us with all of the information he has been researching about Delaware's Jewish farmers.

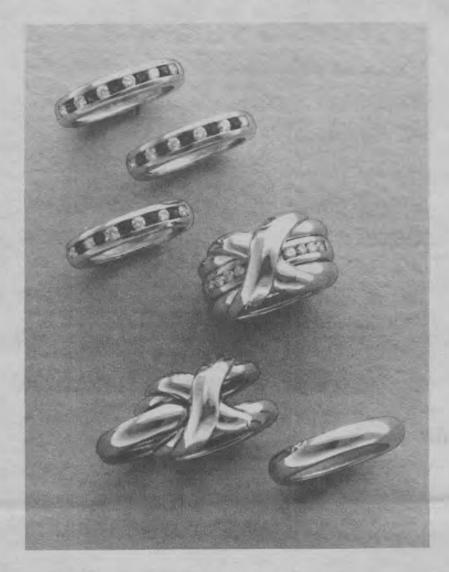
The Delaware Agricultural Museum exhibit "Coming To Delaware: The Amish, Jewish and Halian Farm Communities" continues through June 31, 1995. Call 734-1618 for information.

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JERUSALEM — Esther Waxman, mother of Nahshon Waxman, is comforted by a female Israell soldier as Nahshon's body is lowered into the ground during a military funeral on Mount Herzl Oct. 15. Nahshon Waxman was kidnapped Oct. 9 by members of the fundamentalist Palestinian Hamas movement and was shot by his captors when Israeli troops stormed the hideout. Credit: RNS Photo/Reuters (Reproduction rights not transferrable)

### **Bill Introduced To Ensure** Religious Rights In The Workplace

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Observant Jews could have an easier time striking the balance between religious and work obligations if Congress acts on a bill introduced earlier this month by Rep. Jerrold Nadler (D-N.Y.).

The Workplace Religious Freedom Act would increase employers' obligations to accommodate their employees' religious beliefs as long as this does not cause undue hardship, those who worked on the bill said

Employers should not be unduly burdened, but they should take reasonable steps to allow people of all faiths to earn a living." Nadler said in a speech introducing the bill just before Congress adjourned Oct. 8 for the November elections.

Although the bill had no chance of passing during this past session, advocates hope to gain support for it during the congressional recess.

### Israel And PLO Resume Negotiations

JERUSALEM (JTA) - Suspended last week after the kidnapping of Israeli soldier Nachshon Waxman, talks between Israeli and Palestinian negotiators resumed Tuesday in Cairo on issues related to Palestinian elections.

A source close to the negotiations said the talks went well, and that the Palestinians raised new proposals regarding Israel's concern over the election of Hamas members to a new Palestinian governing council.

Israel has sought to prevent any groups opposed to the accord between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization from voting for or being elected to the council.

In a conciliatory gesture, the Palestinians agreed to Israel's participation in a team of international election observers. But Palestinian representatives opposed setting up a joint Israel-Palestinian body to supervise the elec-

Maj. Gen. Danny Rothschild, the leader of the Israeli negotiating team, and his Palestinian counterpart, Saeb Erekat, discussed the makeup and powers of the new council.

### Israel Reflects On Service Rules

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The death of Capt. Nir Poraz, who was killed last Friday in a failed attempt to rescue abducted soldier Nachshon Waxman, has prompted a campaign to re-evaluate Israel Defense Force procedures for accepting into combat or elite units the children of those who have died in the line of duty

Poraz, 23, of Ramat Hasharon, was the only son of Maoz Poraz, a pilot who was shot down during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Nir Poraz was two years old at the time of his father's death. His mother, Mati, raised him and his two sisters alone.

The elder Poraz, an El Al pilot, also was the first officer on an El Al flight hijacked to Algeria in 1968. He was wounded by his captors, and held 40 days before he was released.

# National • International

# Israel Mourns Waxman **After Rescue Attempt**

By NAOMI SEGAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) - Tens of thousands of Israelis attended the funeral of Israeli soldier Cpl. Nachshon Waxman, who was killed by his Hamas captors during a commando raid launched by the Israel Defense Force October 14.

The funeral marked the end to a weeklong ordeal that began with Waxman's kidnapping Oct. 9 and had gripped the entire nation.

The streets leading up to Jerusalem's Mount Herzl Military Cemetery flowed with people from all segments of society — secular, religious and Waxman's fellow soldiers — who came to pay their last

Waxman, 19, had lived in Jerusalem's Ramot neighborhood. He was the third of five children of Yehuda and Esther Waxman, emigrants from the United States.

On Sunday, burial services were held in the military section of the Kiryat Shaul cemetery for Capt. Nir Poraz of Ramat Hasharon, Poraz was killed while leading the commando unit that tried to storm the West Bank safe house in which Waxman was being held.

Yehuda Waxman extended his condolences to Poraz's grieving fam-

"My heart is heavy knowing that Nir Poraz fell in the operation to save my son," he told Israel Radio. "This additional loss has shaken me terribly. I send my deepest condolences to his family. May they be strong."

With thousands attending the funeral, the 23-year-old Poraz was buried beside his father, Maoz, a pilot killed during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Poraz was due to complete

his military service in a few days, and had already enrolled in a university.

Twelve other soldiers were wounded, one moderately and the others lightly, in last Friday's rescue

In addition, three members of Hamas were killed in the commando raid. Two Hamas accomplices were

According to IDF Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Ehud Barak it was only last Friday morning that Rabin was informed by the Shin Bet security service that the Israeli soldier was in Bir Nabala, some two miles from Waxman's home in Jerusalem.

Armed with the information that the abducted soldier was being held in a West Bank area where the IDF could take military action to free him. the thrust of Israeli government consideration reportedly switched from the option of accepting the Hamas demand to swap Waxman for Palestinian prisoners held by Israel, to the planning of a military assault.

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### **Mixed Reaction To Decision** To Honor Arafat With Nobel Prize

By MATTHEW DORF and JENNIFER BATOG

WASHINGTON (JTA) - Still reeling from the terror that hit Israel last week, Jewish activists reacted with strong, and sometimes mixed, emotions to the news that Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat would share the Nobel Peace Price with Israel's Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

Although some in the organized Jewish community praised the awards, many said they were troubled by the Nobel committee's decision to honor Arafat.

Many Jewish leaders labeled it premature, while others felt Arafat simply did not deserve it. A minority of organizations praised the committee for its selection.

At the award ceremony Nobel Committee Chairman Francis Sejersted expressed concern over the kidnapping of Cpl. Nachshon Waxman. He said Arafat, Peres and Rabin received the award for their efforts to promote peace in the Middle East.

Immediately after the announcement, committee member Kare Kristiansen resigned in protest, as he had threatened to do.

Kristiansen, a conservative, pro-

minister, said he did not object to Rabin and Peres receiving the award. But he called Arafat a former terrorist who is "tainted by violence and

The three leaders will share the \$950,000 prize, which will be presented, along with gold medals and diplomas, at a Dec. 10 ceremony in

In a statement read by a spokesman, Rabin congratulated his co-winners. However, he warned Arafat that the PLO faced a key test and that violence against Israel has to

stop.
"If there will not be security, there
" Rabin said. will also not be peace," Rabin said. "Today the Palestinians face the moment of truth. If they do not defeat the enemies of peace, the enemies of peace will defeat them."

Foreign Minister Peres told reporters that fundamentalists had tried to "kidnap peace and destroy it."

'Pease has not yet been reached," Peres said, adding, "We have begun to put out some of the fires of hate, but much work remains before us."

Arafat, said, "The prize is not for me. It is for my people who suffered a lot, people who have been able to achieve the peace of the brave."

In the United States, Abraham Foxman, national director of the Israel former Norwegian government Anti-Defamation League, said Arafat

had "earned the award,"

The Nobel Peace Prize does not award sainthood, it awards an act or a series of acts," Foxman said.

This award does not wipe out the man's past, but recognizes a moment in time that deserves recognition,'

Noting that "we are seeing an award being delivered in the middle of the play, and not at the final curtain," Rubin said, "It is a legitimate recognition of three leaders who reversed 100 years of warfare between two peoples.'

Others were more outspoken in their opposition.

At the United Nations in New York, U.S. Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) joined representatives from the Simon Wiesenthal Center and Lisa Klinghoffer, whose father was killed aboard the Achille Lauro by PLO terrorists, to protest the award.

Schumer accused the Nobel committee of "jumping the gun,"

"The Nobel prize committee should have considered Arafat's past, present and future," Schumer said. "His past has been abhorrent, his present is at best incomplete, and his future is unknown. Therefore he fails

### Syrian Rabbi Arrives In Israel To Stay

By CYNTHIA MANN

Ben-Gurion Airport this week, marking the end of the dramatic and secret exodus of most of Syria's Jews.

On Tuesday, Rabbi Avraham Hamra descended the El Al airplane from New York onto the tarmac, where he was engulfed by public officials, dignitaries and relatives, while hordes of reporters were kept at bay by zealous airport security person-

"Only a week ago, I sat with the

rabbi for three hours (in New York) JERUSALEM (JTA) — Syrian and he told me his dream" to make said Uri Gordon, head of the Jewish Agency's department of immigration and absorption, as the airplane landed. "Now his dream has come true. It's a historic day.'

At a ceremony inside an airport hall, Hamra, who arrived with his wife, mother and six children, recited the Shehecheyanu blessing — which thanks God for "sustaining us and bringing us to this day" - and gave thanks in flawless Hebrew for the help given the Syrian Jewish community over the years.

He said he believed his arrival in Israel marked the start of a wave of "because this is our home.

Since 1948, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee helped sustain the Syrian Jewish community with more than \$10 million in grants raised by the United Jewish Appeal. The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee is a beneficiary of the 'Live Jewish' community Campaign which is administered by The Jewish Federation of Delaware.

EDITORIAL

# Tragedies Cast A Shadow On Peace Prize

The Hamas suicide bombing in Tel Aviv this week and the death of a young Israeli soldier at the hands of Hamas terrorists last week cast a shadow over the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to Yitzhak Rabin, Shimon Peres and Yasser Arafat. The killing of Waxman, who held dual American and Israeli citizenship, underscored the continuing threat to Israelis posed by extremists. Coming just days after a random shooting in Jerusalem by other Islamic extremists, the Waxman affair demonstrated how significant challenges still remain before Israel can enjoy peaceful relations with her neighbors. A Hamas suicide bombing in Tel Aviv this week demonstrated this painful lesson again a painfully short time thereafter.

The Israeli Government's Press Officer Uri Dromi spoke last week about two men who have taken pragmatic steps to meet these formidable challenges. Yitzhak Rabin he said has led an Israeli government which understands the need for a strong defense in the "bad neighborhood" we call the Middle East. A strong, well defended Israel insures her own safety in such an environment. Shimon Peres has pursued a pat of "urban renewal" or regional economic growth to build a safer region where extremism has less appeal. Together, according to Dromi, they are working toward a day when Israel can feel more secure in this neighborhood. For the bold steps they have taken for peace, for the resolve they have shown against extremism and for the care they have shown toward the Israeli people these men both deserve the prize.

Awarding the prize to Rabin, Peres and Yasser Arafat is in reality an award for the Arab-Israeli peace process and recognition that significant progress in the peace process also is a contribution to world peace. Yasser Arafat has almost in spite of himself become a far-from-perfect but not-wholly-inadequate partner in the road to peace. Chairman Arafat has demonstrated a commitment to peace by entering into agreements with Israel. However,

realizing the goal of peace will require more effective measures by the PLO to curb terrorism. This is especially true in light of the events of the past few weeks — the Hamas terrorist attack in Jerusalem, the kidnapping and execution of Israeli corporal Nahsohn Waxman, and the Hamas suicide bombing this week in Tel Aviv.

Last week Chairman Arafat's Palestinian police conducted a widespread investigation to find Waxman. Hundreds of Hamas members and sympathizers were arrested in the effort. Arafat seemed to cast his lot in with the moderates searching for coexistence. Too often he has to be prodded by Egypt, the United States or world opinion to do the right thing. At times he still seems as reluctant to pursue fair compromise as he is to appear out of uniform. Over the past year there were times when he spoke as though he does not sincerely want a peace with Israel. Nonetheless, the handshake with him has opened many doors. The peace treaty with Jordan, and negotiations with Syria, might not have advanced as well were it not for the steps Israel has taken with the Palestinians. The transformation of Israel's relations with her neighbors has much to do with the credibility she has gained in her fair dealings with the Palestinians. Arafat has spent almost all of his life as a terrorist with Israel as his enemy. While he has made changes there is much further to go. It hoped that the Nobel prize will inspire him to exert his leadership to thwart those in his community who seek to undermine the peace pro-

It is understandable how a member of the Nobel Prize committee would resign over Arafat being named a recipient. It is also conceivable how committee members would see fit to award him.

Israel and her supporters should not seek to praise him, nor to bury him, but to work with him toward a Middle East which fully exemplifies the prize of peace.



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Much is at stake for Delawareans including not cast away your political power.

those in the Jewish community. In earlier times in other lands we did not have the right to vote. This country's freedoms, including the practice of religion, come with the civic responsibility to vote. If you do not vote then critical determinations as to who will lead us into the future will be made without your input. Do not let that happen. You have an important contribution to make to the political process. Go out and vote. Cast a ballot, do not cast away your political power.

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### **Hecklers Not In Story**

To The Editor:

I would like to congratulate you on the excellent reporting of Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres' recent talk to the 2,000 attendees from the Delaware Valley communities of Philadelphia, Delaware and Southern New Jersey. You captured the essence and meaning of his message very clearly and I wish that all of the Delaware community could have been present to hear him. I will not repeat what he said, but it was a message for peace in the Middle East and showed the many problems that he and the leadership of Israel recognize must still be solved before a meaningful peace becomes a reality.

However, I feel it is necessary to comment on the fact that not everyone is enamored of the peace process, as we all know, and your article failed to mention that a very very small minority of those present vented their disagreements and emotions at the beginning of Peres' talk. Of the 2,000 people present, at least five members of the audience individually created a disturbance over a five minute period by

(Editor's note: Your comments are appreciated. Reasonable persons can differ as regards to what is newsworthy. It is true that the article did not mention a loud, rude, statistically insignificant number of protesters who were primarily from outside of the tri-state area. What is worse is that Channel 6 television's Action News focused nearly exclusively on this small group of Kahane Chai extremists. Too often news sources focus on sensationalism and controversy at the expense of substance. At The Jewish Voice, as a non-profit organization, our news judgments are not tarnished by the commercial enterprises' need to present entertain-

shouting epithets at the speaker. While shouting is all they did, and they were rapidly hustled out of the hall, the fact that they were there should have been reported in your article. I do not approve of nor condone their actions in any way, but a newspaper such as the Jewish Voice should report all of the news as it happens. You can downplay the actions of those who oppose the current peace process and minimize giving them a forum, but to leave them out of the article completely smacks of censorship and questions the credibility of any article which deals with Israel or local Jewish community affairs where there may be some controversy. Are we to read only what is favorable and non-controversial and who is to make these decisions?

I might also add that two other members of the audience commented on your article to me and were upset that no mention, however brief, was made of the disturbances.

> Shalom Leo Zettel Past President Jewish Federation

ing but less relevant information in order to attract ratings or readers.

No newspaper presents "all of the news as it happens." Even The New York Times only publishes the news it deems "fit to print." This article had nothing to do with censorship. Although we lack the anti-Israel bias that other news sources have been accused of displaying The Jewish Voice presents credible news on Israel and Jewish affairs. You can depend on The Jewish Voice to err toward providing our readers with meaningful content rather than tabloid sensationalism.)

### Libertarians Were Left Out

Dear Editor:

Without doubt, the JCRC and Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah perform many useful functions. However, as sponsors of the September 12 "major party" candidates' forum at the JCC, these organizations did a grave disservice to the community by excluding the Libertarian Party candidate for U.S. Rep., Dan Beaver, and for Senate, John Dierickx. This exclusion was contrary to the spirit of the First Amendment, to the American tradition of allowing candidates equal access to the electorate, and to fundamental principles of fairness.

In 1992, Libertarian Party candidates were, for the first time, invited to the forum. The explanation given for the "flip flop" in 1994 was the desire to shorten the program. Could excluding the two Libertarians have cut off more than 15 or 20 minutes? The more plausible explanations are either 1) a desire to perpetuate the monopoly of the Democrats and Republicans, and/or 2) a feeling that third party candidates are irrelevant, out of the mainstream of society or otherwise undeserving of attention. In fact, the Libertarian Party,

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By CAS ANOLICK Member of JFD Board of Directors

One of the strengths of our community is that we are not afraid to debate difficult issues. Instead of hiding our head, we debate Jewish Continuity, we debate our support of Israel, we debate the place of the Jewish Federation and the priorities our community must solve. True, too much debate kills action, but we do force ourselves to decide and to act. Of course we should not judge our society by our debating skills but by how we educate our youth and how we treat our less fortunate and our old or infirm.

Jewish Continuity, the subject of this column, will hinge on whether our youth want to be part of our community, or go a separate way. The chances of their joining is certainly increased if they feel a sense of pride. This can come from many things, including our traditions, our ancient history and even from seeing how Israel has built itself from the desert. They will see our local community, the strength of our agencies and Temples and they may say, "I am proud to be part of that." However, all this is shallow, unless they see a community which is truly ethical and living a set of morals that includes seeking peace and looking after the less fortunate.

So I come to one interesting debate that has been going on for years in our community, particularly during the procedure where we allocate funds. What is the correct level of support we should give to Israel, and to international relocation of Jews? Of course if we support Israel more, less will go to the local needs, so the debate is critical. As part of the allocation process, I have watched this particular debate most carefully and have noticed that it is the older generation that usually wants more support for Israel and resettlement, and the members with younger children that plead for more education, stronger schools, and larger camp sites.

One telling argument that the younger debaters repeat, is that even the Israelis say it is now more important to build a strong U.S. Jewish Community than to support Israel and international immigration with charitable contributions. The argument states that U.S. government aid is more important than private donations. But in fact it is only a few Israelis, notably Yossi Beilin, a deputy Foreign Minister, who have proposed this theory. Would our government send foreign aid if we ourselves did not contribute our share? At any rate I feel it is irrelevant what one or twenty Israeli politicians say. The issue is one of ethics and the question is "do we live in isolation, or do we do our share for Jews around the world who are less fortunate than us?" Every decade this century has seen at least one Jewish society trying to move from persecution or from political unrest and none can predict when this

Yes it is also important that we educate our children to the Traditions and Joys of Judaism, but we must not make them shallow. My mother reminiscing this very evening retold the story of her childhood. She had no formal schooling, until she was twelve, and never had any structured Jewish education. Yet she learned ethics from the way people in the shtetl supported each other, and when the life there became unbearable how they helped each other in a new country. She learned from their example, and we will teach that lesson only by example.

So how are we doing on the Support Each Other Quotient? There are many good examples. We have a caring Kutz Home and an effective Jewish Family Service, we give free access to the JCC to many who cannot afford the fees, and the growing new Hillel. But even these services are strapped for funds. Yet to me, the bellweather of our ethics is our support for international immigration. Where would we all be if we had not found a welcoming Jewish society when our forebears arrived here. International immigration, whether it is from Ethiopia or Bosnia or Russia, is the key moral question. Yet the Delaware Jewish society has each year cut its real allocation which supports this immigration to Israel. And then we lower our standards further by not doing our fair share of support for Russian immigration to the U.S.

Is the older generation more conscious of the need for international support because they are nearer to the generation that was in that position themselves? Do they better remember their fathers' stories about being bullied or stoned, or the details of the Holocaust? It would seem that the only way to build both a better Jewish society here and to support immigration abroad, is to raise more funds. Failing that, we must not be insular, since it puts a question to our ethics and our children will notice. That worries me more than what Yossi Beilin

# nat Price Peace?



By CONNIE KRESHTOOL Special to The Jewish Voice

I applaud the award of the Nobel Peace Prize made by Shas for joining the coalition. to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres for their leadership and courage in the undertaking initiatives with the Palestinians which have the promise of bringing a lasting peace to Israel and her neighbors. I support their efforts and those of our Congress and Administration to further this peace process.

Recently Prime Minister Rabin has undertaken discussions with the Shas Party to bring them back into his coalition government. He is seeking a clear majority in the Knesset as

he begins the difficult negotiations with Syria on the withdrawal from the Golan. However I am deeply troubled by the demands being

Shas is demanding that Labor make a pledge to pass a law nullifying any Supreme Court ruling that challenges the "status quo" on religious affairs. The "status quo" refers to the religious laws and regulations to which the Ben Gurion government acceded in order to gain the support of the Orthodox parties at the time of the establishment of the State. It gives the Orthodox establishment a monopoly on all religious affairs in Israel.

The Shas position is aimed at preventing the Supreme Court from overturning decisions by Israeli rabbinical courts and religious laws passed by the Knesset. Shas has strenuously objected to recent actions by the Court which have promoted democratic principles and religious pluralism and given greater recognition to non-Orthodox religious movement within

It is vital for the unity of the Jewish People that the Prime Minister stand firm against this blackmail attempt by Shas. It just may be too high a price to pay for peace.

(Connie Kreshtool is a member of the Jewish Voice Editorial Committee).

# FLIRTATION

By DOUGLAS M. BLOOMFIELD

Washington Columnist

Saddam Hussein's latest adventure in brinkmanship should put to rest any Israeli thoughts of making a separate rapprochement with Iraq. It is not clear how far things got it may have been a mere flirtation, a courtship or just someone's fantasy — but one thing is for sure: it was a dumb idea.

The Sunday Times of London has quoted British intelligence sources as saying Israeli and Iraqi officials met secretly in Rabat, Morocco during September. According to the newspaper, Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz said if Israel could persuade the United States to lift the sanctions, Iraq might recognize Kuwaiti sovereignty and borders.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry and the two Iraqi-born government ministers reportedly involved have publicly and privately denied the contacts, but that was greeted with some skepticism in a country where freelance diplomacy by cabinet members is a popular pastime.

Both ministers, Binyamin Ben Eliezer of housing and Moshe Shahal of police, deny any meeting with Aziz ever took place. But Ben

Eliezer makes no secret that he thinks a deal with Iraq would be a good idea as a hedge against Iran, which he considers a far greater threat because of its promotion of fundamentalist extremism. However, a spokeswoman said he has had no meetings with Iraqis and would not do anything without the approval of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

In fact, during the 1980s Israel briefly flirted with the idea of rapprochement with Iraq, probably after discovering there really weren't any moderates in Iran. Saddam was then peddling himself as a pragmatic moderate willing to stand up to the evil forces of militant Islamic fundamentalism being spread by Iran. It didn't take very many Scud missiles to disabuse any lingering faith in Iraqi moderation.

An Israeli diplomat who specializes in watching the Arab world said he tried to track down the recent meeting reports within his own government and could find no evidence they took place. Such contacts would be "a grave mistake," he said. It would be "playing with fire" and Israel "is sure to get burned." Israel should totally back U.S. efforts to keep Saddam isolated, not "stab a knife into the backs of

the Americans," he said.

So where did the rumors come from? The Sunday Times says it got the information from "British intelligence sources," but where did M16 get it? There is speculation in Washington and Jerusalem that the stories may have started with the Iraqis themselves.

There was apparently one contact between the two enemies this summer in New York. An Iraqi official reportedly approached Gad Yaacobi, Israeli's ambassador to the United Nations, for information about the peace process, but Israeli sources say Rabin personally prohibited any response or further contacts out of deference to the United States.

Irag's intention could be both to create tension between the United States and Israel as well as to suggest that if Israel can have a dialogue with the Iraqis, so can others, particularly its American friends.

There may be some freelancers outside of government in either or both countries. After all, that's how the Israeli-PLO rapprochement got started.

Another possible source is Kuwait, which might believe Israel would be interested in talking to Saddam, and Kuwait would thus want to head that off before Israel would try to convince the United States to do the same thing. Pro-Arab elements in the U.S. government

who might want to show there is nothing wrong with talking to Saddam could also be putting out the stories.

Whatever the source and the motives, the idea was dealt a fatal blow by Saddam's recent foray and it deserves to be buried.

Israeli rapprochement with Iraq is a dumb idea so long as Saddam is in power. He has nothing to offer that could overcome the ensuing harm to US-Israeli relations or to Israel's opportunities to make friends among Iraq's nervous neighbors.

Moreover, the Gulf Arab states fear and distrust Saddam for very good reason. They have no great affection for Israel either, but they are taking their first tentative steps toward normalizing relations with the Jewish state. Nothing could do more to damage that opening than the appearance of a secret alliance between Jerusalem and Baghdad. The Gulfies were impressed by Israeli restraint during the Gulf War and are beginning to appreciate Israel as a fellow foe of radicalism and fundamentalism. This is no time to blow that op-

The United States is fighting an uphill battle with most of its allies to keep the sanctions in place. The last thing Bill Clinton needs is for Israel to undermine that by freelancing. "It is

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# Delaware's Candidates For U.S. Senate Respond To The Jewish Voice Survey Based On Forum Sponsored By JCRC of JFD and Hadassah



### Responses of William V. Roth Jr.

1. The current foreign aid budget is less than 1% of the overall federal budget. Many people feel that foreign aid should be used to promote humanitarian, democratic, and economic values abroad. Would you support decreasing or increasing the amount of foreign aid for Israel (Which is a democracy and long-standing ally)?

In general, I have not supported the total foreign aid appropriation bill because as bipartisan reports have demonstrated, aid has not been effective in many nations around the world. A key exception to this is the State of Israel. It seems to me that aid is even more important as Israel moves through the monumental peace process currently taking place in the Middle East. Accordingly, I would not support reducing U.S. assistance to Israel. As the peace process continues, we may need to consider further military aid to Israel to protect its security interests along the Golan Heights. Israel is one of our strongest allies. As one who has visited Israel, and as a member of the National Committee for Jerusalem

3000, I am committed to Israel and her national security.

2. What specific programs, or program cuts, can you recommend to cut waste in government?

I would eliminate agriculture subsidies and save tax dollars through welfare reform. In 1993, I released a plan to cut federal spending as an alternative to the President's tax increases. My plan eliminated the Superconducting Super Collider, highway demonstration projects, the agriculture market promotion program, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and reduced the federal bureaucracy by 20% through attrition. I will continue to fight for those cuts that were not initially achieved. In addition, legislation I authored to determine whether programs are performing effectively is now the law of the land. As this law is implemented, I will strive to eliminate those programs which are wasting your hard earned money.

3. What do you think are the basic requirements that must be included in a health care reform bill? How do you propose funding health care reform?

I favor extending affordable health insurance to more Americans without new taxes, a new government bureaucracy, or mandates on business. To achieve this goal, I introduced legislation to open the federal employee health benefits program to non-federal employees. This program is already in place throughout the entire country and is the same program that serves the President, the Cabinet, and members of Congress. My legislation would: (1) make affordable health insurance available to millions of individuals who work in small business or are self-employed, (2) prevent discrimination based on preexisting medical conditions, and (3) insure portability when an individual changes jobs. This legislation is the type of incremental, first step we should enact to reform the health care system. No additional funds are necessary to implement this legislation. In addition, I have introduced legislation to establish tax free Medical Savings Accounts and have cosponsored legislation to allow a tax deduction for health insurance purchased by self-employed individuals. 4. There have been attempts to weaken the constitutional separation of church and state by allowing prayer in public schools. What is your opinion in general on prayer in school?

While I recognize that the issue of prayer in our public schools is a sensitive one for many in the community, I am one who believes that the constitutional separation of church and state is not threatened by prayer in the public schools. I have, therefore, voted to allow voluntary school prayer in our schools. We are a nation of diversity. It seems to me that on a voluntary basis a prayer can bring understanding and knowledge.



### Responses Of Charles M. Oberly III

1. The current foreign aid budget is less than 1% of the overall federal budget. Many people feel that foreign aid should be used to promote humanitarian, democratic, and economic values abroad. Would you support decreasing or increasing the amount of foreign aid for Israel (Which is a democracy and long-standing ally)?

I support the current levels of aid for Israel and would oppose any efforts to reduce it. Increased foreign aid to Israel would be viewed favorably if it helps to maintain peace in this volatile part of the world. In 1983, I visited Israel and I saw a vibrant country in what used to be a desert. Israel has been one of our strongest allies in the world and, as a U.S. Senator, I will work to ensure that this strong relationship continues. By comparison, my opponent is currently running television and radio ads touting the fact that he has voted against Foreign Aid bills for the last twelve years.

2. What specific programs, or program cuts, can you recommend to cut waste in government?

As a United States Senator, I will make fiscal responsibility and reduction of the federal deficit a priority when considering all legislative initiatives. Unlike many Democrats, I support the line-item veto, which will grant the President the power to strike pork from spending bills. Cosmetic spending cuts are not enough. If we are going to significantly cut into the national debt, we are going to have to be brave enough to reform entitlement programs. There are going to have to be some very tough decisions and I am not going to shy away from heat.

3. What do you think are the basic requirements that must be included in a health care reform bill? How do you propose funding health care

Congress needs to begin to address areas of consensus before turning to reform of the entire health care industry: pre-existing conditions so that no one is denied health care coverage, regardless of their medical condition; portability so that coverage is maintained regardless of an individual's place of employment or change of residence; a national emphasis on preventive care, both for the young and the elderly; and catastrophic coverage so that families are not left bankrupt by hospital bills.

Health care coverage must be provided without unreasonable costs or burdens to small business. Many of the current expenses of providing health coverage can be eliminated by ending the cost-sifting that exists today when taxpayers are forced to pay exorbitant prices to provide catastrophic health care for the uninsured, emphasizing personal responsibility and preventive care, advocating the use of living wills and prosecuting health care fraud and abuse. 4. What is your opinion in general on prayer in school?

I do not believe in a national school prayer nor do I support forcing children to hear various chosen prayers. The values that we teach our children will be strengthened by teaching respect for religious diversity. I have, however, supported a moment of silence, which is simply a time for children to reflect in any manner they

(Note: On September 12 The JCRC of JFD and Hadassah sponsored a candidates forum. These questions from that forum were resubmitted to these candidates for written responses as printed above for our readers).

# ETTIERS

Libertarians-

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the third largest and fastest growing party in the U.S., brings a refreshing breath of air to an otherwise stifling political atmosphere. Both Democrats and Republicans promote the expansion of government, with ever increasing taxation, regulation, and intrusion into our personal lives. The differences between the two are little more than window dressing. (Interestingly, while Republicans often mouth the rhetoric of "less government," the size of government in-

creased at a far more rapid pace durng Reagan/Bush than during the Carter administration.) The Libertarian Party, on the other hand, seeks to promote individual liberty through a truly free market economy, defense of civil liberties as

guaranteed in the Bill of Rights, and elimination of excessive governmental taxation and regulation. In the tradition of Rabbi Hillel ("Do not do to others what you would not have done to you."), Libertarians believe that people should be permitted to live their lives without government interference so long as they respect the didates' forum, the JCRC and

rights of others to do the same.

A key area of contrast is in dealing with the problem of poverty in America. The approach of the "major parties" has been to plow hundreds of billions of tax dollars into government programs and accompanying bureaucracies. As Charles Murray has meticulously demonstrated in his landmark study of government welfare programs, Losing Ground, despite (and, in fact, partly because of) these massive expenditures, the plight of the poor, especially young blacks, has actually deteriorated since the late 1960's. In contrast, the Libertarian Party's approach follows the highest level of described Maimonides: individuals and private groups willingly helping the poor, achieve self-sufficiency. As we know from experience, the Jewish community's long tradition of private tzedakah has proven vastly superior to any government welfare program in enabling the poor to achieve selfreliance with dignity. Just think how much more could be accomplished if we were no longer taxed to death by the "major parties."

Regrettably, by restricting the can-

Hadassah encourage a stagnant political system where diverse points of view cannot be heard. For the sake of the Delaware Jewish community as well as all Delaware voters, Libertarian and other third party candidates should be invited to participate fully in any future forum.

Sincerely Richard Cohen

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### News From The Front Lines —

# **Bosnian Student In Delaware**

Special To The Jewish Voice

The war in Bosnia, predicts Ismir Tufekcic, 21, will end "in another 12 or 18 months. When they run out of money to pay the soldiers, the war will stop," he tells a recent Delaware Coalition for Bosnia meeting at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in a calm, steady voice.

It is then, says Tufekcic, that the country's problems must be solved "on the basis of law and justice," paraphrasing Roosevelt's "speak slowly and carry a big stick." That is, "any peace proposal must have muscle behind it.

Tufekcic became an authority on the Bosnia war by surviving it. In 1992, he remembers, his choices were simple: leave home or join the Serbian Army and take part in the "ethnic cleansing" of Bosnia - the murder of hundreds of thousands of his fellow Muslims. Ismir, his father and his brother, after standing in lines for 3 1/2 months for passports, fled to Zagreb in Croatia. His mother remained in Banja Luka with his grandmother, and both were turned out in the street by the Serbians; they left in March, 1993

A gymnasium graduate in mathematics who had qualified for national math competitions (though English marks were always poor, re-

Toronto in 1991), Ismir volunteered to be a computer operator and English translator in a refugee center in December of 1992. During the following months he worked as an in-terpreter for an English aid convoy (who took him to England for a month) and for foreign journalists. According to Reverend Lloyd Auchard (First Presbyterian Church of Newark), "his ability to pick up spoken English was the bridge over death which lead to the opportunities now awaiting him.

At the 1993 Human Rights Conference in Austria, Ismir met a British woman who offered to help him continue his education in the United

Today, Tufekcic is attending Goldey-Beacom College on a full 4year scholarship, studying business and computer science. As Tufekcic wrote to his prospective college, With the tragic experience of war... I have realized that I will be of much greater assistance in the long term if I complete my education in my chosen field." The scholarship, however, does not include funds for books, food or personal expenses, which are being raised by the Coalition, under the direction of R. Necat Tezcan.

In addition to Tufekcic, the Coalition has sponsored the resettlement

calls Ismir, he had visited relatives in of the Zlatarevic family in the Newark area. Esad is an electrical engineer educated in Russia and his wife Jasna is a former high school economics teacher. They have two children, Haris, 9, and Selma, 7.

The Coalition is actively seeking new members, as well as funds, to help it carry out an ambitious program which includes a Political Action Task Team, a Refugee Resettlement Team, a Refugee/Medical Assistance Team, and a Student Assistance Team. For more information, please contact Rabbi Marla Feldman at 478-6200



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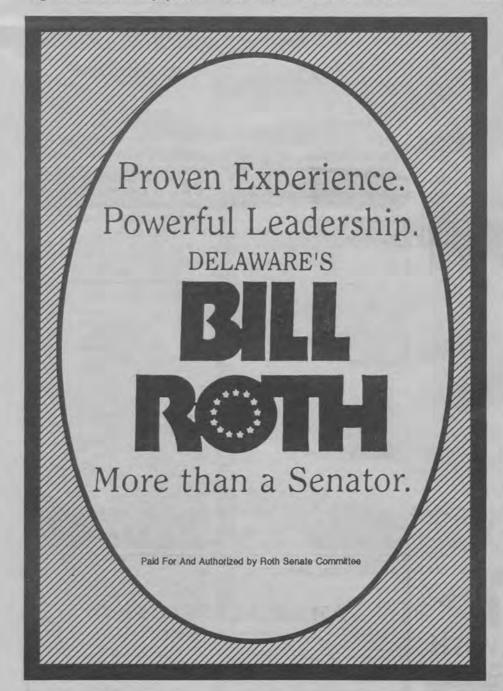
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Recently Harry A. Lebowitz, M.D. was one of fifteen individuals presented with the Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award at Washington Memorial Chapel in Valley forge, PA.

Dr. Lebowitz, who is associated with Delaware Ophthalmology Consultants, was honored for his many hours of community service both in the tri-state area as well as Third World Countries. He lectures extensively to community groups on various eye health care issues, provides eye care for Russian immigrants through the Jewish Community Cen-

ter of Delaware, is a volunteer ophthalmologist at the Wilmington Homeless Clinic and is a consultant at the Nemours Foundation which serves the elderly poor of Delaware. A committed volunteer in the fight against world blindness, he has donated his surgical services in El Salvador, Senegal, Mauritania and the Caribbean Islands.

The Chapel of the Four Chaplains is a national, non-profit organization dedicated to keeping alive the legacy of four Army chaplains — a rabbi, a priest and two ministers — who perished on February 3, 1943 during

World War II. They selflessly gave up their own life vests to four young soldiers.

Founded in 1948, the Chapel of Four Chaplains recognizes and encourages selfless service rendered by individuals from all walks of life through the Legion of Honor Award Program.

# Page Speaks Of Schindler At JNF Function

By DAN WEINTRAUB Editor of The Jewish Voice

Leopold (Pfefferberg) Page told Delawareans gathered at the recent Jewish National Fund (JNF) Tree Of Life Dinner about Oskar Schindler and the role Page played in bringing Schindler's story to the world. Page himself was on Schindler's list of concentration camp Jews who were spared to work in Schindler's factory. He prevailed upon author Thomas Keneally to write a book about Schindler saving so many Jews. This book was turned into the widely acclaimed and widely watched Steven Spielberg film "Schindler's List."

While remembering the six million Jews who perished in the Holocaust, Page noted that Nazis also killed five million non-Jews. This included two and one-half million Poles, one and a half million gypsies and one million other "undesirables." "We should be talking about love, compassion, respect, humanity, regardless of religion or nationality. That is the message of 'Schindler's List'," said

Page.
Page marveled at how many people have seen the film noting that the vast majority of people who have viewed it are Jewish. He related that in speeches around the country he has been touched by the compassionate reception given to him by church groups and other organizations.

Page recalled the man Oskar Schindler. Page knew there was something about him that was dif-

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### **NCCJ Honors Six Delawareans**

The Delaware Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Inc. has selected six dedicated volunteers to receive the organization's Community Builders' Award. The honor is bestowed annually upon noteworthy people who have made significant contributions toward promoting amity and equity among people of diverse cultural and religious backgrounds. Typical of honorees in the past, the 1994 Community Builders have gone about their work quietly. They have touched the lives of many but, have often not been formally recognized for their charity, caring and commitment to others — until now. Please join us in celebrating the good works

Raheemah Jabbar-Bey Robert A. Kasey, Jr. Robert J. Krapf, Esquire Henry Schenker, Ph.D. Margaret Wise and Helen Liang Tang-Yates.

A luncheon will be held in their honor on Friday, October 28, 1994 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, Downtown at Seventh and King Streets in Wilmington. Tickets are \$20 per person (\$12 for students). All are welcome to attend. For information and reservations, contact the NCCJ (655-0039).

Each of the Community Builders has made a positive impact and a unique contribution to the betterment of life in Delaware and beyond.

Henry H. Schenker, Ph.D has spent the past 15 years working to lessen prejudice, strengthen communities and promote self respect among all people. As an educator and role model, Henry has dedicated himself to helping show others the value of being sensitive to the difference and similarities shared by all. The Interfaith Resource Center and The Interfaith Lay Academy are both branches of the Christian Council of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore, formerly the Delmarva Ecumenical Agency. As a member of the Holocaust Education Communication and an indirect survivor of the Holo-



Henry H. Schencker, Ph.D.

caust, Henry regularly lectures groups of all ages and backgrounds on various aspects of Judaism to promote better understanding. In the past Henry has made presentations to churches, public and parochial schools, the University of Delaware and the Interfaith Academy. His topics included, "Anti-Semitism - The Longest Hatred"; "Judaism - Your Roots and Mine," a five-week course at Interfaith Lay Academy for ministers, priests, nuns, and Christian educators; and "Israel," a lecture at the University of Delaware which was followed by a debate with Palestinian students. Henry is the past president of the Beth Emeth congregation.

### Do You Have A Child In Israel?

The Parents Of North American Israelis (PNAI) is an organization that keeps you informed on subjects pertaining to children in Israel. Many topics include travel benefits, mailing information, time changes, taxes, laws and home buying. It is also a support group.

Delawareans belong to the Philadelphia chapter which has expanded resources and programs.

resources and programs.

Tom and Ruth Seidel have been members since their son, Morry, made aliyah in 1975. Morry and his family live at the Technion in Haifa.

For more information on PNAI contact Ruth Seidel at 798-1770.



Faith Brown is to be honored. See story on Page 18.







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### **PANIM**

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### **Pomegranate Guild Of Judaic Needlework**

The Delaware Valley chapter of the Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework will have an exhibition at the Jewish Community Center from Sunday, November 6, 1994 through Tuesday, December 6,

The Guild's purpose is to study and provide information on Judaic art, to conduct workshops, conferences and exhibits, to create courses of study and to compile written materi-



Phyllis Gramlich (NCJW), Dina Lipschultz (Hadassah) and Suzy Grumbacher (Beth Emeth & Hadassah) stand ready to meet and greet at the community newcomer's brunch.

als and photographic records of the Forget Me finished needlework.

will have two workshops, depending on the number of participants. The workshops will take place during a three hour session each at a cost of \$12.00 plus materials. The workshop will take place on Wednesday, November 30. The first will be from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and the second from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

The two workshops will be Afikoman Bag - Shadow Appliqué Techniques and Illuminated Decorated Name Metallic Gouaches.

Classes will have a maximum of 12 per class. If you are interested in the workshop contact Nathan Barnett at 478-5660.

The JCC is a beneficiary of the 'Live Jewish' Community Campaign administered by The Jewish Federation of Delaware.

### Newcomer's Brunch

The Community Newcomers Brunch held Sunday, October 9, was sponsored by all the Delaware Jewish organizations and coordinated by

If you are a newcomer and desire further information, please call Joan Wachstein, Chair of the Newcomers Committee, at 478-0728; or call the Jewish Federation of Delaware at

# The guild in addition to the exhibit Not Ball Will Be November 19th

The Forget-Me-Not-Ball on November 19 benefits the Auxiliary of The Milton & Hattie Kutz Home. The Auxiliary of the Milton & Hattie Kutz Home is entirely independent of the Home and the Home has no control over its funds. The president serves as an ex officio member of the Home's Board of Directors.

The Auxiliary's more than 800 members is now composed of both men and women. Five hundred Auxiliary members are Life Members. Many members volunteer at the

The Auxiliary's stated objective is to enhance the quality of life for the Home's residents. It raises funds each year mainly through its annual Forget-Me-Not-Ball in the fall and its Donor Luncheon in the spring — to provide "the extras" that the Home could not afford in its operating bud-

Last year's proceeds for the Gala and Donor Luncheon went towards purchasing a hot tray so that hot food may be brought to the residents room. In addition, the 500 wing lounge was renovated and redeco-

This is the 26th year for the Forget-Me-Not-Ball. The committee has been working very hard to make this

years Gala the best ever. It will take place on November 19th at the Brandywine Country Club. The evening begins at 7 p.m. Music this year will be provided by Dane Anthony and His Band who normally play in Atlantic City. A menu has been selected. There will also be a bracelet and stack ring set raffled off.

If you need more information, did not receive an invitation or the chance to purchase a raffle ticket please contact Joy Honig, chairman of the Gala at 478-9737

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Tourmarkine Family Education Center of the J.C.C. are collaborating to provide a program concerning ADD/ADHD on Wednesday, October 26, 1994 at 12:30 p.m. at the J.C.C. Meryl Brownstein, M.Ed., representing J.F.S. will present a one-hour seminar on this topic. Participants are encouraged to bring a dairy lunch. Drinks will be provided.

Child care is available for this program. The registration deadline is Monday, October 24. Registration can be done by calling the J.C.C. at 478-5660. For further information, contact Myrna Ryder at J.F.S., 478-



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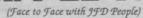






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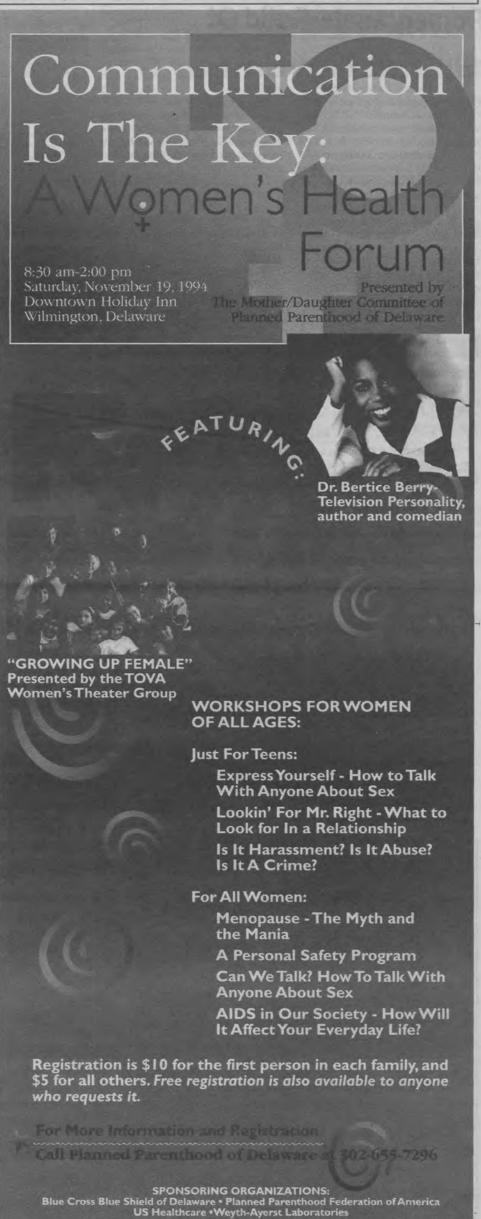
Thursday, October 27, 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center



Screen writer, journalist Stuart Schoffman is a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard University. He has worked as a reporter for many magazines and newspapers and a screen writer for several Hollywood Studios. He taught screen writing at Tel Aviv University and the Jerusalem School of Film and Television. In 1990 he was one of the founding editors of "The Jerusalem Report" an international bi-weekly magazine, where he now serves as cultural columnist and principal book critic. In 1993 he received an award from B'nai B'rith World Center for his articles in "The Jerusalem Report."

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# **Speak November 6**

If you enjoyed Neil Simon's works dent, but bloom he does. or Portnoy's Complaint, Elliot Rais's remarkable true story shouldn't be missed.

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Don't try to tell him he had a deprived childhood — he's convinced it was a privilege.

Mr. Rais will speak about his life and his book at the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, November 6 at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 each and may be purchased in advance at the Center or at the lecture on November 6.

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# Author Elliot Rais To Gratz Welcomes Twenty-Four New Students

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Shel Emeth are Tolly Aharony, Jennifer Berry, Jacob Cabelli, Nathan Cohen, Margarita Golod, Shifra Nerenberg, and Leba Tolpin. Those from Beth Emeth are Jacqueline Ames, Marna Lew, Nina Monzack, Wendy Nowakowski, Iris Oren, Anne Parsons, Elliot Parsons, and Maya Rich. New attendees from Beth Shalom are Joshua Berengut, Julia Freedman, Hannah Groosman, Anika Mamberg, Emily Pressman, Joshua Romirosky, and Andrea Weissman and from nearby Pennsylvania are David Teres and Adam Shames.

These new students are encouraged to take part in the many social extra-curricular and summer programs which the Jewish Community High School of Gratz College in



Gratz Faculty: Seated from left to right are Arlene Bowman, Anita Gurwitz, Jack Vinokur, Judy Goldbaum, Rivka Ini and Howard Hait. Standing are Kevin Weiss, Ann Jaffe and Elaine Friedberg. Missing

Philadelphia offers to them. Also according to the track they choose, these Jewish teens are eligible to earn a high school diploma, college credits, and a religious school teacher's certificate.

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# Esther M. Broner To Lecture At The JCC

The third author/lecture of the 1994-95 JCC's Cultural Arts Festival will be Esther M. Broner.

In her latest book, MORNINGS AND MOURNING: A KADDISH JOURNAL, award winning author Esther M. Broner weaves a compelling tale of one woman's journey through grief in search of connection and community within Jewish orthodox tradition.

After the death of her father, Broner sets out to say Kaddish the daily eleven-month-long ritual of mourning, normally performed by the eldest son. In innocence and ignorance she joins "the kaddish synagogue," hoping to find solace in prayer and strength in fellowship. Instead, she is greeted by other members with suspicion and fear.

As a woman seeking to fulfill a traditionally male task, Broner finds herself immersed in a world for which she is ill-prepared. Amidst a ragtag group of the faithful — including an occasional street person recruited to make up a minyan — she is forced to sit hidden behind a veil and urged to quiet "feminine" obedience.

Grief-stricken yet determined, Broner persists, finding relief and respite in the quiet period of schlosshim and strength in her daily battle to say the kaddish. Throughout her account are vivid remembrances of her gentle, scholarly, and fiercely liberal father; hilarious descriptions of her run-ins with defenders of ultra orthodoxy; and humorous accounts of the men in the synagogue who are at turns shocked, titillated, and paternally protective of her presence. What emerges is a power of tradition and the amazing capacity of the individual to alter those traditions that exclude, denigrate or silence.

Mornings and Mourning will be published in November 1994.

Tickets for the lecture on November 13, 1994 are \$2.00 each. The lecture will begin at 3:00 p.m. The JCC is a beneficiary of the 'Live Jewish' Community Campaign which is administered by The Jewish Federation of Delaware.



E.M. Broner, author of THE TELLING.

### JHSD Exhibit At The JCC

A new exhibit by the Jewish Historical Society of Delaware will be on display at the Jewish Community Center beginning October 7th and run through November 30th. The exhibit, which is titled "Delaware

Synagogue Architecture: Images From The Past," contains photographs, sketches, documents, and other interesting items from the JHSD archives. For further info. contact Julian H. Preisler at 655-0365.



In this picture we see Ben Zussman (3rd grade) helping Jared Goldstein (1st grade) follow along in the Hebrew prayer book as Jared is learning how to read Hebrew.



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Aviva graduated from Mt. Sinai Medical School in New York. She completed her residency in surgery at SUNY Buffalo and her fellowship in pediatric surgery at the University of Michigan. She completed her residency in surgery at SUNY Buffalo and her fellowship in pediatric surgery at the University of Michigan.

She is currently an assistant professor of surgery at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, PA and a staff pediatric surgeon at the A.I. duPont Institute in Wilmington, DE.

Daniel graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School, and is currently a second year resident in pediatrics at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

A June 1995 wedding is planned.

### Lubitz In Guide

Jeffrey Lubitz has been included in the 1995-1996 edition of "THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA."

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Jeff and April reside in Rhode Island with their three children. He is the son of Joan and Herb Lubitz of Wilmington.

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Entries for the Calendar of Events are due on the Copy Deadline, published in each edition of The Jewish Voice. Copy should be typed and double spaced. Please include day and date, time, place, brief description and contact

### **OCTOBER**

Sunday

Film "Magician of Lublin." J.C.C. 3:00 p.m. \$2 for film. Part of the J.C.C. Cultural Arts Program.

'Meet the People of Marshall Street," at The National Museum of American Jewish History. Elaine Krasnow Ellison and Elaine Mark Jaffe, authors of the recently published Voices from Marshall Street, will introduce four of the people whose stories they present in the book. Call (215) 923-5984 for info. YJAD (Young Jewish Adults of Delaware) Road Trip to Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Meet at the J.C.C. at 11:00 a.m. Call Michele at (302) 892-4255.

Thursday

JCRC Religion in Schools Taskforce meeting, 7:30 p.m. Call 478-6200 for info.

Young Leadership Cabinet Executive Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m. Call Sharon Mittelman or Marla Feldman at 478-6200 for more info.

Saturday

YJAD (Young Jewish Adults of Delaware) Haunted Hayride - Call Sandi at (609) 678-8190 (h) or (302)

886-4724 (w) for details. Sunday

A.K.S.E. Men's Club Brunch: Judy Mellen, Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union. 9:30 a.m. Topic: Separation of Church and State.

"A Family Dream Journal" by Zelda Leah Gatuskin, 3:00 p.m. at the J.C.C. Author to speak. \$2.00

### NOVEMBER

Friday

YJAD (Young Jewish Adults of Delaware) Synagogue Drop-In. Call Merrilee at (302) 655-0687.

Sunday

Elliot Rais lectures at the JCC on Young Leadership Cabinet pro-Stealing the Borders as part of the JCC's Cultural Arts Program. 3:00 p.m. at the J.C.C. Author to speak. \$2.00 for lecture.

Monday

AKSE Sisterhood, at 7:30 p.m., speaker Myrna Ryder of Jewish Family Services, will give a talk on the topic "Love and Sex in the 90's - A Jewish Perspective." For information call AKSE at 762-2705.

JCRC Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Temple Beth-El, Newark.

P\*H\*A\*S\*E 2 of Del Valley Singles (30s, 40s, 50s). Jazz Brunch at The Bourbon Street Cafe, Rte. 2 off 195, 11 a.m. Call Harriette at 302-654-3626.

Saturday

YJAD (Young Jewish Adults of Delaware) Swim and Gym Party. Indoor pool party and open gym, including volleyball. 7 p.m. to 12 p.m. Call Michele at (302) 892-4255 or David at (609) 678-8029 (h) or (302) 992-0400 (w).

Sunday

Beth Emeth Brotherhood Breakfast Programs, 9 a.m. at Beth Emeth. Speaker: Daniel Weintraub, Editor, The Jewish Voice. Topic: "The Role of Delaware's Jewish Community Newspaper." The cost for breakfast is \$3.00 per person.

Thursday

gram, 7:30 p.m. at the JCC P\*H\*A\*S\*E 2 of Del Valley Singles (30s, 40x, 50s). Restaurant Sampler at The Japanese Hibachi Restaurant, Rte. 202, 6:30 p.m. Call Artie at 302-478-5660.

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### Temple Beth El Sisterhood Plans For 1994-1995

Temple Beth El Sisterhood kicked off another year by participating in the September Newark Community Day celebration. "Our booth was a big hit," said Kathy Roth, one of the event's organizers. Many people in the community sampled and enjoyed kugel, apple cake, and rugelach made by the women in sisterhood. The President of Sisterhood, Helen Tanny, says that they should also look forward to the upcoming general sisterhood meetings. She mentioned that the general meetings, which cover a wide variety of topics from community concerns to women's concerns are usually held on the second Wednesday of every month.

In addition to the regular sisterhood meetings, Sisterhood's board plans to welcome its new woman members by sponsoring a Sunday brunch in their honor. The brunch, which is early in the month, will be followed by a traditional new member Shabbat, scheduled for October 14. Then on November 6, the Temple is planning its second visit to the Holocaust museum in Washington. Linda Oster wants everyone to know that tickets are still available at \$25 each. November includes the Temple's annual Chanuakah Bazaar. Lynda Bell says there will be food and fun for the whole family as well as one stop shopping for all your Chanuakah needs. All are welcome at any Temple Beth El function. For more information please contact the Temple office at 366-8330.

### Communication Is Key: A Women's **Health Forum**

Television personality, Bertice Berry, will open the second annual Planned Parenthood Women's Health Forum on Saturday, November 19, at the Downtown Holiday Inn. A native of Wilmington, Dr. Berry is an award-winning sociologist author, and comedienne with a

Honorary Chair and Emmy award newswoman, Ciarrocchi, of KYW News 3, will host the event, which is open to women ages 13 through maturity. The November 19 event is scheduled from

### Local NAACP Leader Talks Of Tolerance At AKSE

By DAN WEINTRAUB

Editor of The Jewish Voice

Mr. Keith Booker, President of the Wilmington Chapter NAACP and the Community Development Specialist for the City of Wilmington spoke to the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Men's Club last month. Booker detailed neighborhood based planning for the city of Wilmington, emphasizing community activism. He also spoke about Black/Jewish relations. In addressing a relationship which has seen some friction over the last year Mr. Booker emphasized the positive traditions of the NAACP locally and nationally. Mr. Booker spoke passionately about the African American, Jews and others who worked together to form the NAACP

and further the civil rights struggle. He seemed to acknowledge the detour the national organization took under the leadership of Benjamin Chavis who was recently forced to resign. Since Chavis seemed to embrace some anti-Jewish African Americans his departure was welcomed by many Jews. Mr. Booker told The Jewish Voice he saw this talk as an opportunity to begin a dialogue between Delaware's African-American community Delaware's Jewish community. From there it is hoped that a mutual agenda may be established to address specific social action concerns. Religious leaders, Mr. Booker said, could be at the forefront of Delaware Black/Jew-

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### **AKSE Sisterhood Meeting About Love And Sex**

The Sisterhood of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth invites everyone in the community to its next general meeting on Monday, November 7th at 7:30 p.m. Myrna Ryder of Jewish

Family Service will be present to speak about, "Love and Sex in the 90's - A Jewish Perspective." Refreshments will follow.



The balloons tell the story at Congregation Beth El's 40th Anniversary celebration in Newark on October 8. Temple Beth El serves the Newark Jewish Community. The congregation is affiliated with the Reconstructionist Movement.

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The registration fee is \$10 for the first person in a family, and \$5 for all other family members. A scholar-

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# Words & Music: Composers and Playwrights

By STEVEN COHEN

Special To The Jewish Voice Who were Pavel Haas and Viktor Ullman? If they had survived World

War 2, perhaps they would be known as famous composers. Or perhaps not. We'll never know. Both were executed in the gas chambers at Auschwitz.

The unanswerable mystery is whether or not they would have had major careers if they had lived. Thankfully, some of their compositions were rescued from the Holocaust; and, thanks to Wolfgang Sawallisch, two of them are being performed this season by the Phila-

delphia Orchestra.

Pavel Haas' Study for string orchestra was played at last weekend's concerts. The second work, Ullman's

Symphony No. 1, will receive its world premiere by Sawallisch and the Philadelphians on January 26, 27 and 31.

Haas and Ullman wrote their music while they were imprisoned at Terezin, or Theresienstadt, between 1942 and 1944. The Nazis set up this camp as a showplace, to demonstrate to the Red Cross and other observers that concentration camps were humane places where talented young people could paint and compose. Concerts were given and art exhibitions were held at Terezin.

On September 13, 1944, Haas's Study was premiered as part of a concert of Czech music. The Nazi propaganda film, The Fuhrer Gives the Jews a City, includes that performance of this composition. Right

DITIOS TORINA

after the concert, Ullman wrote about Haas's music: "Beautiful and inspiring...[its] stroking theme is easily remembered."

Yet within a month of that concert, Haas and most of the orchestra members, as well as Ullman, were transferred to Auschwitz and they were killed in the gas chambers on October 16, 1944.

Once Terezin had served its purpose for Hitler, it was closed down and almost all its prisoners were killed

Composer Charles Davidson, cantor at Congregation Adath Jeshurun in Elkins Park, PA, composed his beautiful I Never Saw Another Butterfly to the words of poems written by the Jewish children at Terezin.

Recently, scholars have worked to discover and revive the music composed by young Jewish prisoners during the war. Among those involved in this project are Mark Ludwig, Director of the Terezin Chamber Music Foundation, a violinist with the Boston Symphony Orchestra and a brother of Philadelphia Orchestra Associate Concertmaster Michael Ludwig.

Haas, who also wrote two string quartets, was a student of Janacek and had built a promising career in Czechoslovakia before he was sent to Terezin. Ullman, a student of Schoenberg, had a different background and different style from Haas, but they were friends. Ullman composed an opera, piano sonatas and two symphonies while he was a prisoner. He wrote in an essay: "We did not sit down by the waters of Babylon and weep; our artistic endeavors were commensurate with our will to live."

Ullman also quoted a poem by Karl Kraus:

"What will happen, I do not know. It will not last much longer, I begin to be afraid." Fittingly, in a way, Haas's piece was immediately followed last week by a performance of Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto by the 23-year-old Gil Shaham, who grew up in Israel. Shaham is of the age that Haas or Ullman's grandchildren would be—except for the fact that Haas and Ullman died before they ever had children.

The performances by Sawallisch, who was a 19-year-old draftee in the German army at time of the gas chambers, stands as a testament to Haas's and Ullman's tenacity in the face of impossible odds, and also as a tribute to a whole generation of human talent annihilated by the Nazis

Sawallisch says that performing this music has given him a way of "speaking to this issue in musical terms, which I know best. As I have reflected on this through the years, I wish that I had spoken out as a young man ... It is my sincere hope that, through this music, we can all be reminded of the horrors that occurred during this most terrible war to Jews..."

Also seen in Philadelphia last week was Naomi, a one-woman play about the life of Bedouin women, written and performed by the young Israeli Ruby Torat-Shoval. It was the first production of the season by Theatre Ariel, which is devoted to Jewish theater. Ariel's second production will be a play about the Lamed vuv, the 36 righteous men of Jewish legend. Oddly, it will be the second play this year about this rather obscure corner of Jewish tradition. Three months ago I reviewed a performance of Ben Siegler's play, Genuine Myth, on the same subject.

All in the Timing, a new play by David Ives, runs at the Philadelphia Theatre Company through Sunday, October 23. Try to see it. Ives has written fantastic short sketches about language and timing and relationships. The company has staged them cleverly, with uniformly excellent acting.

Ives says: "Too much in theater to me is literal and boring and unimaginative and untheatrical. I try to be different." He certainly is.

### Community-Wide Jewish Book Month Events

Mishna Study Group — The Mishna Study Group has been meeting weekly for eight years. Different Rabbis are invited to guide the discussions for 10 week periods. If you have not studied Mishna before and would like to be part of this group, call Rona Finkelstein at 478-7598.

Jewish Cultural Arts Authors Series — Sundays, 3:00 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center, October 30: Zelda Leah Gatuskin, "A Family Dream Journal;" November 6: Elliot Rais, "Stealing the Borders;" November 13: Esther Bronner, "Mornings and Mourning"

JCC Children's Center Library Programs — Thursday, November 3, 9:30 a.m.: Miriam Wolod dressed as a bookworm; Friday, November 4, 9:30 a.m.: Frank Maule from the Fire Department; Tuesday, November 8, 9:30 a.m.: Ellie Alexander and Sara dressed as Madeline; Thursday, November 10, 11:00 a.m.: C.J. Reed; Thursday, November 17, 9:30 a.m.: Rebecca Fisher from Concord Library.

Rosenthal Book Month Lecture — Congregation Beth Emeth is hosting the Rosenthal Book Month Lecture during the weekend of November 11. The guest author will be Rabbi Steven Wylen from Temple Hesed in Scranton, Pennsylvania. His book is entitled, "Gossip, the Power of the Word." Come hear him speak on Friday evening, November 11 and Saturday morning, November 12. For more information, call Congregation Beth Emeth at 764-2393.

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### Waxman

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Conducting the raid on Friday the commando unit silently surrounded the hideaway house in Bir Nabala and established that the entry doors appeared to be bolted shut.

# Lipkin and Lipkin Recital

ELEANOR LIPKIN and her brother, SEYMOUR LIPKIN, will present a recital of Four-Hand Piano Music at 8 p.m., Friday, November 11 at the Wilmington Music School. They are both graduates of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, where Mr. LIPKIN is also on the Faculty. The program will include works of Mozart, Mendelssohn, Ravel and Brahms.

The only alternative appeared to be blasting the doors open, giving up the element of surprise.

Before blowing in the doors, the soldiers shouted to the Hamas guards in Arabic to surrender. They replied, in Hebrew, that Waxman was already dead and that they themselves were also prepared to die.

Responding to Israeli and American pressures last week to help locate Waxman, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat had arrested at least 200 Hamas members. Thousands of Hamas supporters demonstrated outside Gaza City's central jail on Saturday, demanding the release of the activists. And on Sunday, Several hundred university students demonstrated in support of Hamas near the Jewish settlement of Netzarim in the Gaza Strip.

(JTA correspondent Hugh Orgel in Tel Aviv contributed to this report.)



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# BITUARIES

### SILVERMAN UNVEILING

Sunday, November 6 at 10 a.m. is the time set for unveiling a monument for Sylvia Silverman. This will be in the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Cemetery on Foulk Road.

Mrs. Silverman is survived by her husband, Isadore and four daughters: Barbara S. Keil, Vivian S. Halberstadt; Sheila Freeman, and Lea E.S. Jaffee; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Friends are welcome to attend.

### **RAY GIBSTEIN**

Ray Gibstein, 94, of Wilmington, died October 9 at home.

Mrs. Gibstein had worked at Liebman's Furniture Store, Wilmington, for more than 30 years and retired in 1982

She was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom, its Sisterhood and

Her husband, Solomon Gibstein, died in 1963. She is survived by a daughter, Susan McKinney of Wilmington; and two brothers, Milton Liebman of Philadelphia and Nathan Liebman of Cherry Hill, N.H.

The family suggests contributions to Leukemia Society, Wilmington.

### **CHARLES KLEINBERG**

Charles Kleinberg, 78, who mas West House, Brandywine Hun- and three great-grandchildren. dred, died Sept. 5 of complications

Mr. Kleinberg, a longtime electri- Wilm., De. 19806.

cian in New York, was a member of Disabled American Veterans and Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. He enjoyed crossword puzzles and reading.

After retiring in 1972, he and his wife Anna Kleinberg, moved from Beekman, N.Y., to Florida and North Carolina before moving to the Thomas West House in the mid-1980s.

An Army infantry veteran of World War II, he fought in Italy and received a Purple Heart after his left arm was badly wounded in combat. He also received the Bronze Star Medal.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Judith Bronson of northern New Jersey, a brother, Irving of New York, a sister, Sylvia Gilbert of Dallas, four granddaughters and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests contributions to Disabled American Veterans, care of Ray Davis, Veterans Affairs Regional Office, Elsmere.

### **NETTIE G. YANOFF**

Nettie G. Yanoff, 92, of Philadelphia, died at Central Park Lodge nursing home, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Yanoff is survived by two daughters, Lois Shapiro of Wyndmoor and Barbara Tomases of Wilmington; a sister, Rose Schwartz moved to Bear in August from Tho- of Pennsylvania; four grandchildren

The family suggests contributions from Parkinson's disease at Arbors to the Multiple Sclerosis Society of at New Castle. Delaware, 2 Mill Road, Suite 106,

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### **Holocaust Education Seminar**

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Center with a grant from the Delaware Humanities Forum is sponsoring a Holocaust Education Seminar for Delaware teachers on Thursday, November 10, 1994, at Caesar Rodney High School in Camden-Wyoming, Dela-

The Seminar is to enable teachers in public, private and independent schools to incorporate the teachings of the Holocaust into existing curricula and classroom activities at all grade levels. The program will include workshops on innovative teaching techniques, historical background, survivor testimony and resources available to the classroom

### Faith Brown Receives Leadership Award

Faith Brown of the Wilmington Chapter of Hadassah was named recipient of the eighth annual Hadassah National Leadership Award at the National Convention in New York City this past July.

This award extols members whose leadership accomplishments within Hadassah and other civic, educational and cultural organizations reflect Hadassah's dedication to the principles of the volunteer ethic. Award recipients are selected by their peers and represent a wide range of achievements.

Faith is a Life Member of Hadassah and has served both her Chapter and Region in many different responsibilities. Among some of her board positions are Chapter President 1990-1992, Education Vice President of The Northern Sea-board Region 1991-1992 and Donor Chairman 1993 and 1994.

Faith was a Hebrew school teacher at Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth from 1962-1989, and presently is a teacher at both Gratz Hebrew High School and Beth Emeth. She is also the Director of the AKSE Choral and Dance Groups and has taught Jewish Enrichment at the J.C.C. for the past ten years and been on the Holocaust committee for the past six

Faith is married to Louis Brown and has two daughters, one son and four grandchildren.

Registration is at 3:30 p.m. and workshops begin at 4:15 p.m. The program concludes at 7:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Teachers will receive In-Service and/ or PIP credit.

University of Delaware Professor Willard Fletcher will speak on the historical background of the Holo-caust and Temple University Professor Laura Levitt will introduce the moral issues. Attendees will be able to select two of the following work-

Moral Responsibility: Learning from the Holocaust

Elementary Classroom: Introducing the Holocaust

### Fitness Center Anniversary Features Comedian And Ventriloquist

The Third Annual Fitness Center Anniversary Celebration will be held at the Jewish Community Center on Saturday, November 5 from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight.

The celebration will feature a live

Literature: Catalyst for Discussion Drama: Interpreting the Holocaust Film: Documentaries as a Spring-

board of Understanding New Dimensions Performance Tasks: Meeting Content Standards through Holocaust Study

To register for the Seminar please call the Delaware Teacher Center (Course #4585) at 1-800-282-8770 (Sussex and New Castle) or 736-6723 (Kent). For more information on the program call Rabbi Marla Feldman at 302-478-6200. The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Center is a beneficiary of the 'Live Jewish' Community Campaign administered by The Jewish Federation of Delaware.

comedy show with comedian Scott Bloom and comic-ventriloquist Mike Ziegfeld. Also included will be a food and beer/wine bar, music and dancing. Door prizes will be awarded.

The cost is \$20.00 per person and tickets can be purchased at the Fitness Center Control Desk. For more information, please contact A.J. Lipstein at 478-5660. The JCG is a beneficiary of the 'Live Jewish' Community Campaign administered by The Jewish Federation of Delaware.

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### Flirtation

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narrow, short-term and counter-productive," warned one American Mideast policy expert.

"I admire the U.S. for investing a tremendous effort in keeping together the sanctions and the coalition," said an Israeli diplomat. Pressure to lift the sanctions is coming from the French, Germans, Russians, Japanese, Turks and American businessmen anxious to do business with Iraq.

If Saddam is interested in Israel, it is only for one purpose, to reach Washington. Israel can't even test his intentions without damaging its relations with the United States. This is one opportunity - if it indeed even it became a best seller. Steven

exists — to let pass. Israel's interest is in a new regime that will find a place in the peace process and not threaten its neighbors.

### Page Speaks

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ferent than other Nazis. Schindler employed Jews and promised he would try to save their lives. He related how Schindler spent millions of marks to pay for food for the Jewish

Years later Page met writer Thomas Keneally and he told him the story of Oskar Schindler. Page had to convince the Australian Irish Catholic Keneally to write the book. Finally he prevailed upon Keneally. The book was published in 1982 and

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Spielberg purchased film rights and Page became a consultant for the film. Page called him monthly for ten years until Spielberg agreed to shoot the film on location in Krakow which Page insisted upon for authenticity. Page fulfilled a promise he made to make Schindler a household name.

After Page's talk, Sheldon Weinstein, Co-Chairperson of the Dinner, presented the JNF Tree-Of-Life Award to Bernie Siegel, calling him a mensch for his more than 40 years of community service. Siegel saluted the miracle of JNF. Henry Topel, of the Dinner Committee, presented the Tree-Of-Life Award to Richard Cecil. Cecil called a recent trip to Israel "the most memorable trip of his life.

### Jordan Treaty-

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Israel and Jordan agreed to start new projects that would increase the Jordanian water supply, including the building of a dam on the Yarmuk

The two sides plan to ask the World Bank to provide funds for the project, whose estimated cost is \$140 million.

Israeli officials said the two sides reached agreement on land disputes after making mutual concessions.

Jordan had demanded the return of some 150 square miles of desert and farmland that Israel had seized after the 1948 War of Independence.

Under the terms of the draft. Israel agreed to return to Jordan most of the land it demanded, with the understanding that it would be leased back to Israel.

Rabin said the international border would be determined on the basis of a boundary dating back to the period of the British Mandate, with what he called "minor modifica-

Rabin said no Jewish settlements along the Jordanian border would be uprooted, nor would Israeli farmers lose agricultural land crucial to their

The agreement's references to Jerusalem did not stray from a clause in the Washington Declaration that stated that when negotiations begin with the Palestinians on the issue of Jerusalem, Israel would place high priority to Jordan's historic connection to the holy sites in Jerusalem.

Unlike previous agreements with the Palestine Liberation Organization and negotiations with Syria, Israelis across the political spectrum have welcomed progress with Jordan.

Expressing general support for the agreement, Dan Meridor, a prominent member of the Likud opposition, said, "If the agreement has no surprises about Jerusalem, we will be able to support it."

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