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Background Report: Hart, Mondale, Glenn On Middle East Issues

By DAVID FRIEDMAN

WASHINGTON, (JTA) - Former vice president Walter Mondale, and Senators John Glenn of Ohio and Gary Hart of Colorado, all have emphasized the traditional U.S. friendship for Israel. They have accused the Reagan Administration of straying from the principles of the Camp David agreements, and castigated it for arguing in public with Israel.

All of the Democratic candidates maintain they are committed to Israel's security and survival. Mondale, the acknowledged frontrunner, has a long record of support for Israel and close ties to the Jewish community going back to his days as a Senator from Minnesota and as a protege of the late Hubert Humphrey.

However, some supporters of Israel have been put off by the fact that Mondale was President Carter's vice president. Moshe Dayan, in his memoirs, describes how Mondale was the Administration official selected to harshly criticize visiting Israelis. At the same time, Carter's National Security Advisor, Zbigniew Brzezinski, in his memoirs, criticizes Mondale for being opposed to pressure on Israel.

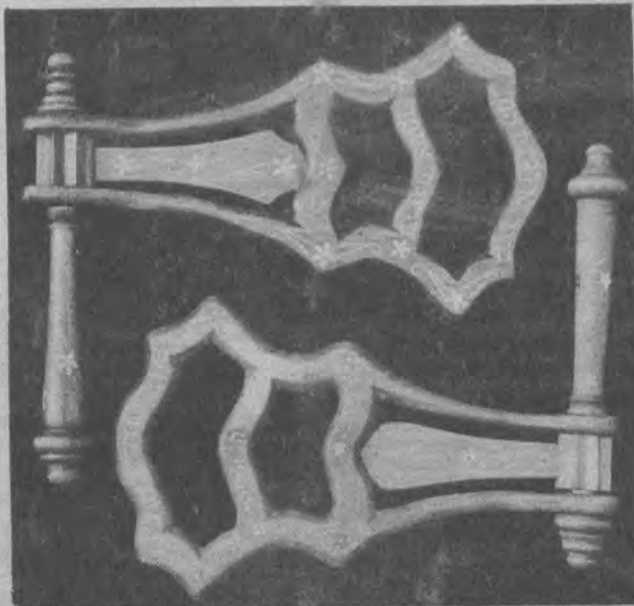
In the current campaign, Mondale has accused Reagan of undermining the Camp David peace process and failing to give the Middle East his personal attention.

He charges that the Reagan policy is built on "illusions" that Saudi Arabia can moderate the behavior of other Arab states, that King Hussein of Jordan would come to the negotiating table "if only we weakened our adherence to Camp David," and that the U.S. "could make new friends in the region by holding Israel at arms length."

Mondale said that "instead of backing away from strategic cooperation with Israel, as the Reagan Administration had done repeatedly, I would make it meaningful and permanent." He said he would also urge Egypt to "resume its promised normalization of relations with Israel."

Mondale criticized the Administration's support

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PURIM 1984

Contemporary hand crafted Purim graggers by Jerusalem artist Catriel Sugarman. WZPS photo by Richard Nowitz.

Personalized Purims

By DR. DAVID GEFFEN

The annual observance of Purim with all its festivities marks the escape from destruction of the Jewish community in Persia. The description of that event in the history of our people is well known to us through the annual recitation of The Book of Esther. Each of the personalities in that story plays a unique role, be it Esther, the Queen, Mordecai her relative, King Ahasuerus, or the evil Haman. Each year the entire Jewish people highlights Purim with feasting and celebration. However, our annual Purim is not the only Purim in the calendar. The Encyclopedia Judaica alone lists 110 special Purims - which are observed by communities and families at the appropriate time during the year. Why are these special Purims observed and how did they come into existence?

Mishloach Manot

The Book of Esther commands us to celebrate Purim as "days of feasting and gladness and sending gifts to one another and gifts to the poor."

We are obliged to send at least two kinds of food (usually something baked with some fruit or nuts or candy) to at least two friends. The person who receives the *shalach manot* gives a gift of food in return. In Europe it was the custom to send *shalach manot* with a child or poor person, who was given some money for his effort.

The sending of *shalach manot* is a beautiful custom, and it adds to the joy of the holiday. Let's revive it in our community!

Benediction

The Talmud indicates that it is appropriate to return to a place from which one was miraculously saved and offer a special benediction. While the prayer of thanksgiving was considered appropriate, it was felt that more should be done to mark such occasions. Hence, there developed on the part of communities and families the ritual of

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Campaign Round-Up '84

General Chairman David Singer has reported that the 1984 JFD Campaign is now moving into the second and most crucial phase of the drive.

He commented, "We have gotten off to a very encouraging start and the results to date augur well as we move toward our 1984 goal of \$1,250,000 for the Regular Campaign and \$250,000 for Project Renewal. I can only stress the critical importance at this time of every campaign associate contacting on a personal basis each of their prospects. At the same time, I would urge all contributors who have not pledged to date to warmly welcome the campaign volunteers when they call for an appointment and to respond generously to meet the critical needs both here at home and in Israel."

The annual Dinner of Commitment has been scheduled for Wednesday evening, April 11 at the Brandywine Country Club. Frank Chaiken will serve this year as dinner chairman and will be ably assisted by all members of the JFD Campaign Cabinet. This will be the culminating event of the 1984 campaign and a record breaking attendance is anticipated.

Mark Talisman, director of the Council of Jewish Federation's Action office in Washington, D.C. will keynote the meeting. Talisman has had an outstanding career in Jewish and public life. He was the youngest person ever appointed administrative assistant in the House of Representatives when he joined Congressman Charles A. Vanik's staff. He served in that position for 14 years. During his tenure on the Hill, he served as staff manager for numerous bills, including the Jackson-Vanik amendment to the Trade Reform Act of 1974. Talisman was the founder, and continues to be an instructor in the John F. Kennedy Institute of

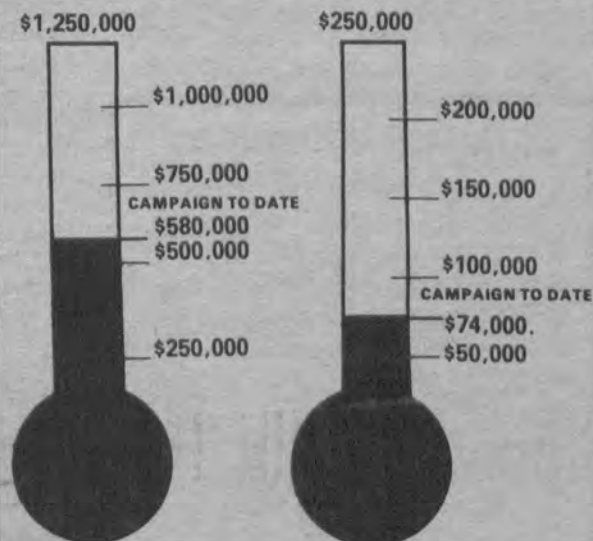
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1984 Jewish Federation Campaign Goal

Regular Campaign Project Renewal



Chaiken To Chair Dinner Of Commitment

David Singer, General Campaign chairman has announced the appointment of Frank Chaiken as chairman of the 1984 Dinner of Commitment.

Chaiken, who has served as Federation campaign chairman, Jewish Community Center president, and vice president of the Federation is a long-standing leader in our Jewish community. In August, 1983 Chaiken participated on a special UJA sponsored study mission to Israel and Poland.

"We are indeed fortunate," commented Singer, "to have a man of Sonny Chaiken's abilities chairing this important dinner."

The Dinner of Commitment will be held Wednesday, April 11, 1984 at the Brandywine Country Club, and will feature Mark Talisman as guest speaker.



Frank Chaiken

March 15 Declared International Day Of Concern For Soviet Jews

Irving S. Levitt, chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, will join the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ) in an International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews on March 15. According to Levitt, a variety of events will be held throughout the world, and across the nation, organized in cooperation with the NCSJ.

In connection with the day of concern, Irving Levitt issued the following statement:

"Events affecting the Jewish minority in the Soviet Union have taken a turn which demands the attention of people of good will throughout the world. That is why we have agreed to participate in an International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews, on March 15.

"On March 15, Anatoly Shcharansky will begin his eighth year of imprisonment. The enduring strength of this man has become a symbol to people in the Soviet Union and throughout the world: a Jew, imprisoned for wanting to live as a Jew in his homeland,

Israel. There are now 15 other Jewish Prisoners of Conscience. Thousands more are in limbo: denied their right to practice their religion, to study Hebrew, to pass their heritage on to their children, and yet refused the right to leave. Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union has been virtually halted, dropped to about 1,300 individuals for 1983, the lowest number since the late sixties.

"Just one year ago the Third World Conference on Soviet Jewry was held in Jerusalem. It was attended by thousands of people from 30 nations, and over 500 delegates from the United States. The event rekindled the spirit of each Jew imprisoned, of each family refused permission to leave from the Soviet Union. As we stand in solidarity with Jews in the Soviet Union, we are committed to carry that spirit forward, and to demonstrate our concern.

"Let us reaffirm our commitment to their freedom. In so doing, we also reaffirm our commitment to the value of human life."

Campaign Round-Up '84—

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Politics' Program for new congressmen, which instructs newly elected members of the House in the

operations of the House, office structure and issues. He also teaches seminars and courses in the Federal Legislative Process at Harvard.


Talisman was instrumental in negotiating with the Czechoslovak state authorities for the permission to select a major exhibition of Jewish art representing 1,000 years of Jewish life in central Europe. The exhibition, "The Precious Legacy" opened at the Smithsonian Institute in November and will travel for the next two years to six other major cities throughout the United States.

"Mark Talisman is one of the most articulate and dynamic spokesmen on the American Jewish scene, and we look forward to hearing his keynote speech to the leadership of the Delaware Jewish community," commented David Singer.

Do You Know Any Newcomers?

If you know of any newcomers to the community, please give us a call. We'd like to send them our "Shalom" brochure, and to welcome them to town. Drop us a note with the name(s) or give us a call. Thanks.

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STATE OF DELAWARE
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PIERRE S. DU PONT IV
GOVERNOR

STATEMENT
IN OBSERVANCE OF
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CONCERN FOR SOVIET JEWS

WHEREAS, Thursday, March 15, 1984, has been designated as International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews; and

WHEREAS, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (USA) has called upon all Americans to participate; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of free thought, religion and movement contained in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Helsinki Final Act are systematically abridged by the Soviet Union, which is a signatory to these international accords; and

WHEREAS, Soviet Jews who seek to be repatriated to their homeland, Israel, and be reunited with relatives abroad are consistently and arbitrarily denied those rights; and


WHEREAS, March 15 marks the beginning of the eighth year of imprisonment for Anatoly Shcharansky, as well as the continued deprivation of freedom for other Jewish Prisoners of Conscience; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Delaware have gathered on this International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews to express their resolve to press for Soviet compliance with international accords and the protection of basic human rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, PIERRE S. DU PONT, Governor, and MICHAEL N. CASTLE, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Delaware do hereby declare March 15, 1984, as:

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CONCERN FOR SOVIET JEWS

in the State of Delaware, and urge all citizens to support the aims, goals, and programs of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Delaware during this day and throughout the year.



Pierre S. du Pont
Governor

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Lieutenant Governor



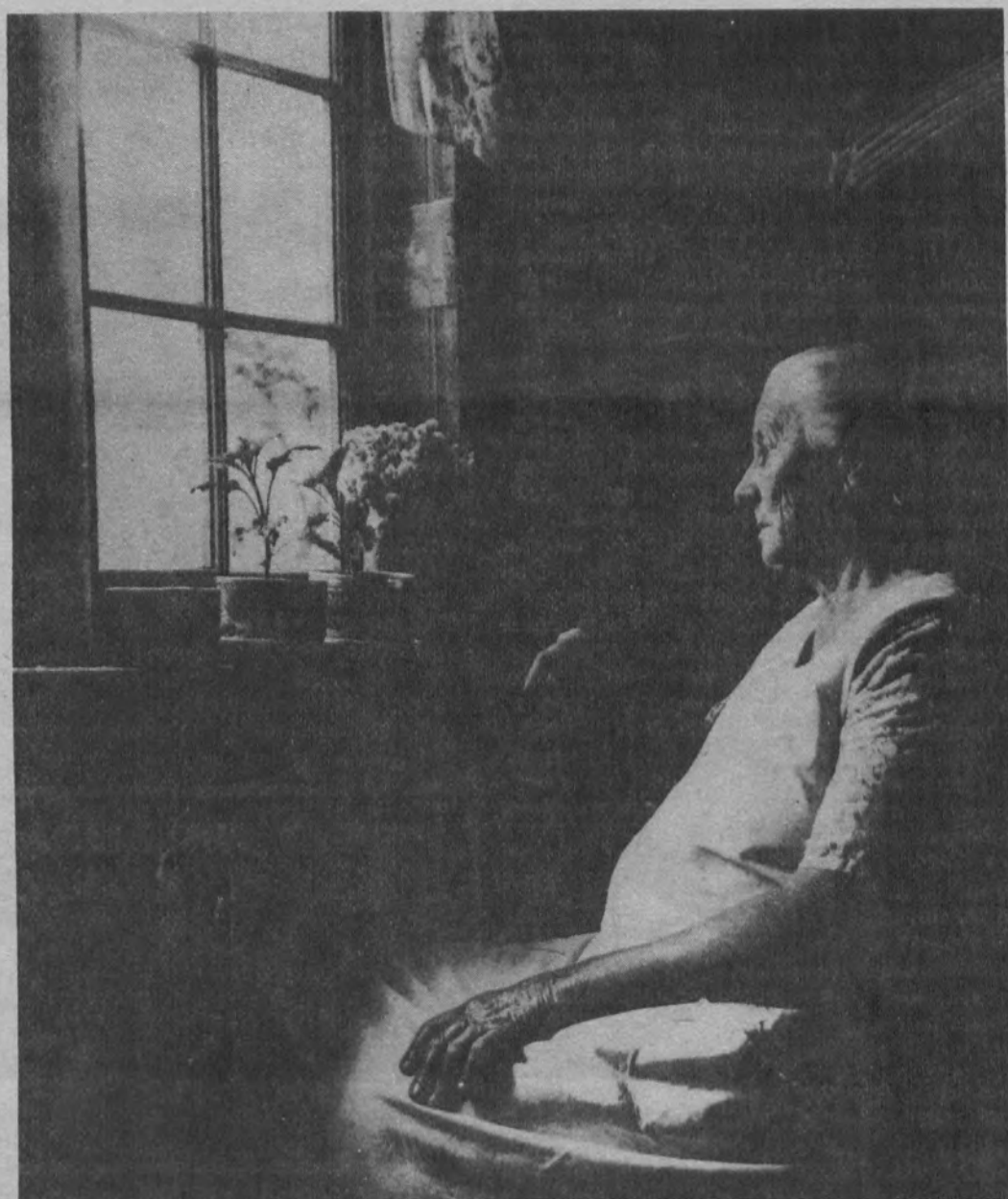
Signing of the Proclamation declaring March 15, 1984 as the International Day of Concern for Soviet Jews.

Seated L to R: Michael N. Castle, Lt. governor, State of Delaware; Leo Zetzel, president of Jewish Federation of Delaware.

Standing L to R: Francia Isakoff, president, Women's Division; Dennis Spivack, vice chairman, Jewish Community Relations Committee; and Evelyn Lobel, staff associate, Jewish Federation of Delaware.

**The Board of Directors
and Staff
of the Jewish Federation of Delaware
Express Condolences
to Robert Kerbel, JFD Asst. Executive Director
on the passing of his father
Jules Kerbel**

Not every Jewish grandmother spends the Winter in Florida.



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Editorial

German Arms To Saudis Opposed

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations today called on President Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz "to bring their influence to bear" against the proposed sale of military hardware to Saudi Arabia by West Germany.

"A generation after Hitler, German arms again imperil Jewish lives," the Conference said in a statement. "To the Jewish people, Germany carries a special responsibility, a legacy of the Nazi era. Selling military hardware to Saudi Arabia, which participated actively in all of the Arab wars against Israel would make a mockery of Germany's obligations." The statement added: "Jews must never again be the targets of German weapons."

The call came as Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany met President Reagan and Shultz at the White House. Kohl stated recently on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press" that his government has not decided whether to sell arms to Saudi Arabia, but ruled out selling the Saudis the Leopard II tanks. He stressed that although Germany has a "special historical responsibility" to Israel, it also has a "tradition" of friendly ties with Arab states.

The Presidents Conference, in its statement, disputed the view that Saudi Arabia is a "moderate" Arab state. "Each year it gives tens of millions of dollars to the PLO," the statement said. "It paid for Syria's huge build-up of Soviet arms. It is the world center of anti-Semitic propaganda. Its king threatens holy war against the Jewish State."

Representatives Oppose Sale

Sixty-nine Representatives have publicly opposed the proposed sale of West German weapons to Saudi Arabia. A letter sent Feb. 3 to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, initiated by Representatives Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) and John Porter (R-Ill.), urged Bonn not to become "a merchant of arms and destruction" in the Middle East. The letter cited Germany's "past painful association with the Jewish people" and "special obligations" to Israel.

Israel opposes the sale, which is reported to include Roland anti-aircraft missiles and Gepard anti-aircraft tanks for the Saudi armed forces. The West German government reports that it has not yet reached a decision.

Can Israel Leave Lebanon?

By **BENNY MORRIS**
Reprinted from *B'nai B'rith International Jewish Monthly*

Before the start of Operation Peace for Galilee in June 1982, Israeli cabinet ministers expected the Israel Defense Forces to remain in Lebanon for a few weeks. Army brass predicted that there would be no more than 200 Israeli dead.

Now, 21 months later, with over 580 dead, the Israeli government desperately wants out. The cost of the occupation of southern Lebanon is continuous Israeli casualties from guerrilla bombings and ambushes, and \$1 million a day. Many Israelis must now serve two months of reserve duty annually instead of the usual one month. And the nation is politically split as never before over the issue of whether Israel should have started the war in Lebanon in the first place.

But is withdrawal possible, and what would be the consequences?

"But I know that these security arrangements will be inadequate and possibly ineffective and that the situation along Israel's northern border will be worse than before we went in (in June 1982)," he noted in an interview.

By security arrangements, Porath and most Israelis mean a local militia, led by Christian inhabitants of southern Lebanon and including Shi'ite Moslems, that would keep out PLO terrorists. But with the Christians and the Moslems historically at each other's throats, it is unlikely that a unified security force will emerge. Porath seems to imply that all talk of "security arrangements" is lip service to an impracticable precondition for withdrawal.

Then why leave? "Because the pain and cost of staying are far greater than any advantage to be gained," he said.

Staying, Porath explained, means suffering continuous casualties; in-



Israeli Cabinet Secretary Dan Meridor, whom I interviewed in December 1983, said, "Having achieved two main things — peace for Galilee, meaning no Ketusha rocket and infiltrator attacks on Israeli settlements; and the destruction to a large extent of the PLO's infrastructure, power and influence — what we want now is to withdraw our army while leaving the achievements intact."

Meridor's remarks, at least concerning future goals, command popular support. The opposition Labor Party virtually echoes the Likud government. But there is an underlying problem: If and when Israel withdraws from Lebanon, how can it secure the areas that it leaves against the return of anti-Israeli guerrillas and Syrian forces, who might again stage terrorist attacks on the Galilee? In short, how long after withdrawal would the war's "achievements" endure?

Most Israeli military and Middle East experts, familiar with the complexity of Lebanon, are far from sanguine about the prospects.

Professor Yehoshua Porath of the Hebrew University, a leading Arabist, believes that Israel should quit Lebanon "as quickly as possible," leaving behind some "security arrangements."

curring the growing hostility of the local southern Lebanese population (750,000 to one million Lebanese and Palestinians, mostly Shi'ite Moslems); becoming increasingly repressive in the occupation of Lebanon; risking the loss of the IDF soldier's resolve to fight ("which will be important if we have to face the Syrians again"); dividing Israeli society, and depleting Israel's treasury.

"We must recognize the limits of our power," said Porath, echoing a phrase used by U.S. critics of the Vietnam imbroglio in the late 1960s.

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LETTERS to the Editor

To the Editor of the Jewish Voice

Dear Madam:

Does Mr. Simon Steinberg, "Simon Says," know any Hebrew words that deal with subjects other than food and eating??

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Dateline

Israel's Top Priority Is Reduction Of Foreign Trade Deficit

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Moshe Mandelbaum, governor of the Bank of Israel, said today that Israel's top economic priority was to reduce its foreign trade deficit. The fight against inflation also must not be neglected, he told a delegation of the International Monetary Fund.

The IMF delegation is on its regular annual visit to prepare a report on Israel's economy. Mandelbaum said that reduced public demand and the general slowdown of the economy stemmed from the fact that the public has lost about 30 percent of its monetary assets in recent months. It is time for the government to implement its planned budget cuts, he said.

Hussein-Arafat Talks Prove Futile

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Israeli officials today characterized the five days of talks between King Hussein of Jordan and Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasir Arafat as an exercise in futility, punctuated by "the empty phrases" of the joint communique they issued in Amman at the end of last week.

The officials said the communique holding out the prospects of further talks in the months ahead was "a smokescreen" to cover the failure of Hussein and Arafat to reach agreement on any basic issues and predicted "months and months" of further dialogue between the two would not guarantee success.

Nevertheless, Premier Yitzhak Shamir was reportedly involved in high level consultations on reaction to the Amman talks. Government sources said the "issue was under examination." Only last week, Shamir reiterated his invitation to Hussein to enter into peace talks with Israel and reminded him that the "address" was Israel, not Arafat.

Chief Rabbis Propose Solution

TEL AVIV, (JTA) — Israel's two chief rabbis have proposed a solution for the nation's problems. In advertisements published in the daily press yesterday, they appealed for special prayers to end drought, road accidents and disease.

Borrowing from the Yom Kippur liturgy — "Repentance, Prayer and Charity can avert the evil decree" — the chief rabbis declared: "In the wake of events recently witnessed in our country, we now suffer drought, the scourge of road accidents, an increase in serious disease unseen in generations, senseless hatred, dissension and outrageous desecration of the Sabbath." They urged that the special prayers be recited before the start of the new Hebrew calendar month.

Congress And Administration Headed For Battle Over Jordanian Missile Sale

By David Friedman

WASHINGTON, (JTA) — The Reagan Administration is expected to get into another confrontation with Congress over the Pentagon's announcement that the United States will sell 1,600 shoulder-fired heat-seeking Stinger anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan. The Stingers would replace the Redeye missiles now in Jordan and would be delivered over a six-year period.

The \$133 million transaction, announced by the Pentagon late last week, followed the Pentagon's announcement earlier in the week that it plans to sell to Saudi Arabia 1,200 Stinger missiles along with spare parts. The price tag for that weapons system is \$141 million.

Only hours before the Pentagon notified Congress of its sale to Jordan, Sen. Robert Kasten (R. Wisc.), chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee's subcommittee on foreign relations, told Secretary of State George Shultz he believed the Stinger "is an ideal terrorist weapon" and "will simply add to the problem of Israel's defending itself."

Shultz, who was testifying before the subcommittee, said Jordan would not use the weapons against Israel. He stressed that King Hussein was seeking ways to form a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation to negotiate with Israel and if he were successful, Jordan would come under pressure from Syria. But Kasten and nearly all of senators present at the subcommittee hearing reportedly said they would fight the sale.

Last Monday, the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East adopted an amendment by a vote of 7-2 that would forbid such sales unless the president "has certified to the Congress that Jordan is publicly committed to the recognition of Israel and to prompt entry into direct peace negotiations with Israel."

Congress has 30 days in which it can reject the sale, by majority vote of both Houses. For the last year, there has been a strong feeling in Congress against any arms for Jordan unless it joins the Mideast peace talks.

Appeal To Lebanese Druze

JERUSALEM, (JTA) — Sheikh Amin Tarif, spiritual leader of Israeli Druze, urged the Druze community in Lebanon today not to permit the infiltration of anti-Israel elements into their ranks or into the territory they control in Lebanon. Addressing visitors to his home village of Julis in Galilee, Tarif said Israeli Druze regard themselves as an integral part of Israeli society and any harm done to Israel would be regarded as harming the Druze community.

FRANKLY SPEAKING Zev Amiti



The Silence Is Deafening

All right, my friends, let's start an argument. Or, should we better say, "Let's start a discussion."

I am not as concerned about or as upset by the so-called anti-Jewish remarks by the Rev. Jesse Jackson as some people became.

You ask, "Why not?"

Well, Jesse Jackson will never become president or even vice president of the United States.

Next, even when he made his so-called apology, I'm sure he did not convince thousands of anti-Semites that he was giving a sincere apology. At least, he didn't convince me.

If he had intentionally made his sneering remark in the first place to hurt Jews, he knew he had already made his point.

And I am convinced his alliance with the top officials of Syria has had far more damaging effects than any remarks he may have made in a speech in the U.S.

Keeping alive Jackson's remarks in the public arena, does not serve any good purpose and for once, I am in favor of the shah-shah tactics of Jews.

I also think it does not serve the Jewish cause much good if the militant Jews Against Jackson continue their vows to denounce him.

On the other hand, the 75th anniversary of the formation of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), should be reminded over and over that Jews were active in the formation of this very important agency for blacks.

I attended the recent 75th anniversary dinner of the Delaware chapter of the NAACP and I figure I must have been the only Jew in attendance among 400. Where were the other Jews of the community?

Now that I hope I have stirred you to some form of anger, what about it?

What are you going to do with your anger?

My over-all point is that the *Jewish Voice* doesn't seem to generate much discussion from among the Jewish community of Delaware. Why not?

This is what puzzles me. Once in a great while, we get an angry letter but not very often. In fact, very seldom.

And yet they tell me if you have four Jews in a room, you will hear seven or even eight opinions.

I'm not even suggesting arguments. We don't get letters or views that merely comment on situations calmly.

I think we can even discuss what Reb Nisson Finkelstein writes about, like his recent discussion of playing tennis on the Sabbath. Is it kosher to play tennis today in 1984 on the Sabbath? What do the rabbis say?

Is it kosher to jog on Sabbath?

I remember when I was a kid in a very kosher home, I was not allowed to play checkers on the Sabbath but I could play chess! Now, how do you figure that?

What about other views that pop up in the community? What about views of Israel and Israel's relationship with the U.S.? The silence from the general Jewish community in Delaware is overwhelming.

Come on, folks. Let's have it. What do you like and what don't you like?

There are, of course, some things with which we all can agree, like the existence of Israel, the importance of fighting Arafat, the total existence of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, the total impartial enforcement of the law in the West Bank and the existence of the Jewish Federation of Delaware as the viable central agency in Delaware.

Finally, please: RSVP.

Let's have some discussion.

Background Report —

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of the meeting in Cairo in December between Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasir Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Glenn has not had Mondale's close ties to the Jewish community. While opposing the sale of AWACS to Saudi Arabia in 1981 he had approved the sale of F-15s to the Saudis in 1978. He had strongly criticized Israel's bombing of the nuclear reactor in Iraq and had supported a "moratorium" on settlements.

Glenn has also come under criticism for saying at various times that the U.S. should have contacts with the PLO. But in a speech to the Foreign Policy Association in New

York in September he said the U.S. should "neither recognize nor negotiate" with the PLO until it abandons terrorism and renounces its pledge to destroy Israel.

In the same speech, Glenn opposed any concessions to the Arab states "that would endanger Israeli security." He said that the U.S. may well limit the arms to Arab countries "so long as they remain outside the peace process." He, too, has accused the Administration of retreating from Camp David and of a policy during its first 16 months of keeping Israel publicly at arms length. He has also faulted the Administration for making a public issue of its differences with Israel.

Hart, a member of the Senate Arm-

ON THE OTHER HAND N. Even-Or



The Perils Of Projection

It appears to me that many of the problems we Americans encounter in our dealings with the rest of the world derive from our propensity for projection. Projection of our hopes, our fears, our values, our total view of life, on others in the world, where such projection is invalid.

Our Jewish tradition and the Christian tradition derived from it are in large part based on Hillel's "Do not unto others that which you would not have them do unto you." Despite our frequent breaches of this teaching, it is a value to which our society and its members aspire. It is not a fundamental belief of all cultures.

Lincoln said, "As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master." For over 100 years the laws of our nation have been molded on this principle. But slavery still exists, and without any moral compunction, in Africa and Saudi Arabia.

We Americans like to think that men and women throughout the world share our values. As a pious hope this may be no more than naive. But as a basis for national policy it is downright pernicious.

Differences exist even within our own society. I suggest that the heavy emphasis on *pekuach nefesh* in Jewish tradition, the saving and preservation of life, allowing the transgression of virtually all other laws, leads to a difference between Jewish and Christian points of view on many issues.

But the perils of projecting our values on others is nowhere greater than in our relations with the countries and peoples of the Middle East.

I was again struck by this in reading a recent feature article in the *New York Times* on Iran. The *Times* reporter told of teenage Iranian boys being sent to walk in lines over a mined field to clear the mines, clear them by being blown up. The boys were not forced to do this. They volunteered. Death in this task assured a place of comfort and honor in the next world. As for an Iranian officer questioned on the practice by the horrified reporter, his unembarrassed answer

ed Services Committee, has called Israel a "strategic" asset and a "dependable ally." Support for Israel is morally right," he said in a Chicago speech. "It was right in 1948. It is right today. And it will always be right." He has opposed arms to Arab states who refuse to deal diplomatically with Israel. He has also warned that dependence on Arab oil is a threat not only to Israel's security but to that of the U.S. itself.

Hart has also denounced calls for concessions by Israel until the Arab states agree to negotiate with Jerusalem. He has urged the Administration to stop "public statements that play into the hands of those who seek to deligitimize the very existence of Israel."

was that Iran was short on tanks and couldn't risk their being destroyed in crossing such mine fields. It was not just that this was done, but that it was done without feeling of wrongness about the action.

We all read with disgust recently of the official Syrian television news film showing the vigor of their young military people by shots of girls killing snakes by biting and tearing them apart, and young men killing puppy dogs and drinking their blood. Again, it is not just that these things are done, but that they are deemed suitable and desirable for filming to strengthen the resolve of others.

And the recently released information on tortures used by the Syrian governments on their victims makes even more difficult reading. There are, of course, instances of police brutality in this country, but they dim to nothing by comparison with what was reported in the *Wall Street Journal* article last month on Syrian prisons and police and army practices. The practices are widespread and officially condoned for use against Syrian nationals as well as prisoners. Apparently Jesse Jackson never got to see this side of the "humanitarian" President Assad and his government of goons and thugs.

Jack Anderson, in his Feb. 1 column in the *Washington Post*, claims that one of Syria's reasons for holding on to the Bekaa is to protect a multi-billion dollar business in hashish and heroin brought out of Lebanon through Syria to Europe and other western drug markets. There is drug traffic in the United States too, but it doesn't involve our top ranking military and civilian officers as it does in the case of Syria. According to Anderson the traffic is controlled by the head of the Syrian secret service, Rifaat Assad, President Assad's younger brother. (And to think that we got upset about the pranks of Billy Carter.) Also implicated in Syria's defense minister, Mustafa Talas, and Army chief Hikmat Al-Shshaby.

In sum, not everyone marches to the same drum. The music is different and so are the instruments. Our State Department people seem to have a very difficult time understanding this, particularly in their diplomacy with the Arab nations. Perhaps that's one of the reasons we have been so strikingly unsuccessful in carrying out our policies in that part of the world. I suspect that the Syrians, the Saudis and others find it all very amusing.

The remedy, of course, is to abandon the assumption that we are all alike, and to become knowledgeable about the differences. Considering the high level of *chutzpah* characteristic of the diplomatic corp, it is unlikely that something as unconvoluted as this will be tried.

In the meantime, there is a difference, and "vive la difference!"

Why I Gave Up Competitive Skating

By SHARON LYNN COHEN

Watching ice skaters on television is always fun: Doll-like girls in glittery costumes glide across the ice and bow to applauding crowds. But the TV camera can't capture the years of painstaking work and sacrifice that preceded those few brief moments of glory.

As a former competitive figure skater, I look back on my childhood with satisfaction, appreciation—and a little bitterness.

By focusing on figure skating at a young age, I grew up very fast in some ways, yet very slowly in others. Participating in competitive sports requires much individual dedication and discipline. In my case, this meant getting up at 5:15 a.m. every weekday, skating for two hours before school, attending a full day of classes, going back to the rink for another three hours of practice, arriving home after my family had finished dinner, and finally tackling my homework.

It all began quite innocently: My father took me ice-skating one rainy day in February when I was seven, and I loved it. I started out with one half-hour, \$5 lesson a week. When I reached my prime, however, the number of lessons had jumped to 10 a

week, including ballet, choreography, and conditioning lessons—a total weekly outlay of \$150.

By that time, I had met and practiced with such skating greats as Robin Cousins, Tai Babalonia and Randy Gardner, Scott Hamilton, Linda Fratianne, Elaine Zayak, and Kitty and Peter Carruthers; I was also fortunate enough to skate in a few shows with Dorothy Hamill and Peggy Fleming. They are the ones who set the standard for today's skaters and in whose footsteps I'd hoped to follow.

While pursuing what I loved most—gliding across the ice and earning applause from the audience—I ran into roadblocks. I found that just loving skating wasn't enough to assure an Olympic gold medal. Sacrifices were not a choice but a necessity.

At the time, I didn't appreciate the unusual benefits skating gave me, such as travel. I seemed to dwell on the drawbacks, including strained relationships with my friends because I had to devote so much of my time to skating. I also had to sacrifice my vacations: I spent my summers practicing skating six or seven hours each day.

Having to deal with fellow competitors was another drawback. Surprisingly, yet sadly, some kids resort to



Sharon Lynn Cohen

cruel methods of unfair play. Some are subtle, saying, "I heard you're having trouble with your jumps. Mine are great." Others might actually tamper with a competitor's skates.

Throughout my skating career, however, I was extremely fortunate to have an honest and supportive relationship with my family. Unfortunately, I have seen some fellow skaters nearly break down because they were pushed and nagged by their parents.

By the summer of 1982, I had become a "double gold

medalist," after passing the highest-level skating test administered by the U.S. Figure Skating Association. But I found myself torn between skating and academics. When I was younger, I was able to juggle both sides of my life and manage to do well in each. At 16, though, it became mentally and physically impossible for me to skate competitively and maintain my grades without approaching the breaking point. Many athletes have had to face the choice between education and their sport, and many have opted to leave school. I chose

to take the other route—even if it was the most agonizing decision I've ever had to make.

It's been over a year now since I decided to skate just for fun and to branch out in new directions. I'm happy with my choice. I've discovered there is a life beyond ice-skating that's just as fulfilling.

It may sound as if I have no regrets at all, but don't let me fool you. Recently, I turned on the TV to watch the World Figure Skating Championships. As my eyes filled with tears, I wondered, "Could I have made it?"

Sharon Lynn Cohen, the 18-year-old daughter of Herman and Mildred Cohen of Wilmington, left skating in the fall of 1982 after receiving a double gold medal. Since then she has become national co-coordinator of Students for Peace in the State of Delaware. She is on the staff of The Eye magazine, and is international editor of her school newspaper, Whittier Miscellany.

She will spend a one-month internship this spring working for Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr. in Washington, D.C.

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The Kinderlech - Such frailechkeit!

Glenna & Dr. Michael Gibbons had a daughter Goldie Lynne. And Linda & Steve Nahm begot a daughter Amanda Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kursh begot daughter Elspeth Miriam and the joyous grandparents are Louise and Irv Kursh. Finally a boy! Kenneth and Marga Kamm begot son Benjamin Tzvi. The *shadchan* asks, "Please beget more *kaddishel* so I can make a few *shiduchim*." *Lang leben zolt ir!* Long may you live!

A special Happy Birthday to Martin Appelbaum, a leap year baby, who just celebrated his 17th birthday. And he doesn't look 68 years young.

The Chossen-Kalleh. Such nachas! We should all know from it.

Marcia and Marty Sloan's daughter, Michelle Eileen will be wed to Leo Jeffrey Jacobson on April 1, at the

Hotel du Pont.

Gilbert August, son of Sam and Anita August, plans to marry shortly. And some more. Anita and Dr. Leonard Hershon announced the engagement of their daughter Andrea Keil to Scott Feineman of Philadelphia. Howard Fertig, son of Mildred and Seymour Fertig just married Mary Mewman. Donald E. Balick, son of Herbert and Charlotte Balick, married the former Jean M. Mattie of New Jersey at the Barclay Hotel in Philadelphia. They reside in Wilmington. *Braiter vi lainger!* He's so happy! (and so is she.)

Did you know that Rabbi and Gladys Gewirtz celebrated their 35th anniversary in November? Helen and Mendel Gordon just celebrated their 30th; Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Silverman their 40th; Benjamin and Clara Blume their 50th, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Liebman their

55th. And they said it wouldn't last.

At the Kutz Home, Bill and Jeanne Simon just celebrated their 63rd anniversary. Now that's alot of years together. They are the parents of Clara Matas.

An interesting tidbit. Sylvia and Isadore Silverman were married June 10, 1934. They will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at their grandson; Mark Keil's, wedding on June 10, 1984 at the Hotel du Pont.

You should only know *nachas* from your children.

Jacqueline Newstadt, daughter of Zoby and Col. Barry Newstadt was named a Commended Student at Mt. Pleasant High School. Joseph Gewirtz, son of Rabbi and Gladys Gewirtz, was recently commissioned as a Captain in the I.D.F.

Our Yentas are everywhere.

Len Lipstein was heard singing in the shower at the Brandywine Racquet Club at

the top of his lungs, about the Jewish Federation's 50th anniversary celebration. Isn't any place sacred?

Bea and Charlie Twer ran into Connie and Bernie Kreshtool while out bike riding in Florida. Connie has since been to Israel and Connie and Bernie both went to Brazil. Esther McDonald, another world traveller, is on an Indian safari.

Leben ahf dein kop! Well Done.

Gov. du Pont announced the reappointment of David J. Krigstein to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council until Dec. 31, 1986. Ze'ev Golin (Bill Golin), son of Ed and Maura Golin has recently had articles published in the *Jersalem Post*. Mitchell Guttenplan recently became executive director of Congregation Ohev Shalom of Wallingford, Pa. Aren't we lucky the Guttenplans do not have to move?

Ruth Kerbel has just

received her masters in Social Work. Shows you are never too old or young to learn. Ruth is the wife of Bob Kerbel the ass't director of the Jewish Federation. Ruth and their daughter, Debbie will be moving to Delaware in April. Those who have met Ruth can't wait for her to move here—she's a terrific lady.

Joan Wachstein has been reappointed National Circle of Service chairwoman by the board and officers of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods. Margaret May was elected to the National Board of the National Council of Jewish Women's NACS and Women's Issues.

So call me sometime I'd like to hear from you. Tell me all about the *nachas* and *simchas* around Delaware and if you have to go into Pennsylvania that's okay too. Call me at 478-6200 and ask for the Simcha Lady.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MARCH						10 Beth Shalom Men's Club Fundraiser St. Patrick's Day Parade, Noon, Downtown Wilmington.
11 JCC Family Purim Party 2-5 p.m. AKSE Purim Party 11 a.m.-2 p.m.	12 JWV Mtg. Hadassah/Chi Gr. Mtg. 9:15 a.m. 3-19	13 Hadassah Gr. Mtgs. 9:15 a.m. Chai; 12 noon Sabra; 8 p.m. Shalom Beth Emeth Congr. Bd. of Trustees 8 p.m. Beth Emeth Sisthd Gen. Mtg. 12 noon. Beth Shalom Cong. Bd. Mtg.	14 BBW Mtg. 8 p.m. NCJW Bd. Mtg. 9:15 a.m. Pioneer Women Reg. Mtg. 12 noon.	15 JFD Bd. Mtg. 8 p.m. BBW Bowling 9:15 a.m.	16	17 PURIM EVE Megillah Reading ends 9 p.m.
18 AKSE Men's Club Carnival 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Beth Shalom Cong. Purim Carnival 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. BBW Adult Jewish Education Dinner & Discussion 6 p.m.	19 AEA Bd. Mtg.	20 Beth Emeth Sisthd Eve. Gr. 7:30 p.m. Haddassah Ch. Bd. Mtg. 8 p.m.	21 Hadassah/Newark Ch. Bd. Mtg. ORT Mt. p.m.	22 BBW Bowling 9:15 a.m. Hadassah/Newark Ch. Study Gr.	23	24 Beth Emeth Couples Club Hadassah/Newark Ch. Fun & Fund Raiser Post Purim Adult Social Program JCC 8 p.m.



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A Comedy Tonight

Share a enjoyable and affordable evening with your friends on Saturday, March 24 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Featured will be two comedians, Jeff De Hart and Paul Solari, as well as musical entertainment.

Comedian Jeff De Hart has performed on the Merv Griffin Show, at the "Comedy Store" in Los Angeles, at Carnegie Hall, and at numerous nightclubs across the country. You are sure to enjoy his stand-up comedy, and unusual character impressions.

Paul Solari mixes comedy, music and impressions and comes up with a performance that has entertained crowds throughout Philadelphia and New York.

The cost for the evening is \$18 per couple, and \$9 per person. Singles are welcome. Appetizers, special fun *noshes*, yummy desserts, and beverages are included. In addition, there will be a cash bar.

A Comedy Tonight is organized by the Center Couples' Social Group and is the first of many regularly scheduled entertainment events. It is open to both members and non-members of the Center.



Snowball Run A Smashing Success

The five mile Snowball Run sponsored by the Jewish Community Center in cooperation with Marathon Sports and the Delaware Sports Club attracted over three hundred runners on Sunday, Feb. 12.

The overall winner was Steve White who crossed the finish line in 26 minutes, three seconds.

The fine efforts of volunteers from the board of directors, the Physical Education/Health and Fitness Committee and the staff in addition to the superb weather conditions made this run a memorable event for all.

Passover Workshop

There will be something for everyone at this workshop for families with young children on Sunday, March 25 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Parents will be given a brief history of Passover and explanations of the Haggadah, while children will participate in gym games. Following this, the family will work together to create a craft project, and then will prepare a sample of Passover foods for a snack.

The cost is \$5 per Center member family, and paid registration is required by Friday, March 16. Call the Early Childhood Department to register. The workshop is sponsored by the Early Childhood Committee.

Vagabond Stars Light Up The Center Stage

The Temple University Hillel Theatre Project will perform the 1981-82 Off-Broadway hit revue "Vagabond Stars" at the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, April 1, at 3 p.m. Richard Shepard, of the *New York Times*, said, "It's impossible not to be charmed by Vagabond Stars, so why try?"

The general audience is sure to be charmed by this English adaptation of the Yiddish Theatre (circa 1900), which tells the story of the turn-of-the-century Jewish immigrant through the songs and skits of the day.

Vagabond Stars is a heart warming musical revue - a stroll down memory lane, or an introduction to a time long ago, but not forgotten.

Tickets are available at the Center: \$3 for Adults, and \$1.50 for Senior Citizens, Students and Children. Call 478-5660 to reserve your tickets now!

The Jew In The Non-Jewish World: Lecture And Film Series

The "Jew in the Non-Jewish World" series will begin on Wednesday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Partly funded by a grant from the Delaware Humanities Forum, the 10 week program will introduce both Jew and non-Jew to the important need for heightened communication and education.

In the first session, guest lecturer Irene G. Shur will provide an overview of the early history of Jews from biblical times the 18th century, showing why Jews were different from the peoples around them.

The second session will take place Wednesday, March 28 and will deal with the conditions of 19th century Western European Jews and the impact of the new freedoms resulting from Napoleon's conquests. Slides will be used to illustrate the lecture.

The Jewish culture and religion of 19th century Eastern Europe, the lack of acceptance of the Jews into Czarist society and the resulting persecutions will be examined on Wednesday, April 4. The film "Fiddler on the Roof" will be shown.

All programs are free and open to the public. Dr. Shur will welcome questions and comments following each lecture.

Street-Proofing Your Child

"Street-Proofing Your Child," on Sunday, April 1 from 1-3 p.m., is a program designed to make people aware of the abuse to children that exists both in the home and on the street, and of the services available to help the parent protect the child.

Bill Montgomery of the Child Protective Services of Delaware will give an introduction, after which a film will be shown entitled, "Not in My Family." Following this will be a panel discussion. Panelists will be Susan Radecki, superintendent of the New Castle County Sexual Abuse Unit, Joann Kassees, program coordinator of the parent's Anonymous, and a representative of the Police Department.

Among the issues to be discussed are methods to protect the child from the time of infancy in the home, and developing means of training the older child to deal with the "Stranger-Danger" situation.

The Early Childhood Department and the Children and Youth Services Department are co-sponsoring the program. The panelists and speakers will be open to questions and discussion. The program is free and is open to the public.

Divorce Discussion Group

As part of the Jewish Community Center's Jewish Family Life Education series, the Divorce Discussion Group will examine, through film and discussion, the varying aspects and effects of divorce on the Jewish family.

• **Thursday, March 22, 7:30 p.m.**
The group will discuss the six psychological tasks of children going through divorce.

• **Thursday, March 29, 7:30 p.m.**
The film, "Yours Truly, Andrea G. Stern," portrays Andrea's mother caught in the difficult bind of attempting to meet the needs of the two people she loves while satisfying her own needs. Discussion will focus on the rights of the single parent.

• **Thursday, April 5, 7:30 p.m.**
The film, "The Empty Chair," convincingly and sensitively deals with the conflicts faced by a single parent family about to celebrate Passover without a father. Discussion will follow.

The series is being sponsored by the Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Family Service. There is no fee for the three sessions, and the public is invited to attend.

Registration is limited, so call the Center now at 478-5660 to register by March 14.



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Gerard and Ger van Raan receive commemorative plaque from Dorothy Finger at Garden of the Righteous dedication.

Letter Of Gratitude

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee recently received the following letter from Gerard and Ger van Raan, honored as Righteous Gentiles in the Dedication ceremony on Dec. 11, 1983. The committee would like to share the thoughts of the van Raan's with the community:

Dear Members:

With this we want to express our gratitude for the honor bestowed upon us during the dedication ceremony on Dec. 11, 1983, and for the beautiful scroll presented to us. It was a very moving event for everyone involved.

We were thinking about our friends and the many people in the Dutch Underground and the many of them who paid for this with their lives. We felt we were representing them and were proud doing this. The Ceremony will stay in our thoughts for the rest of our lives and for this we thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Gerard and Ger van Raan

Art On Center

Currently on display at the JCC are watercolors by Louise Korber, local artist. Her work has been exhibited in a number of galleries and is represented in the private collections of Prudential Savings Bank, Philadelphia, and in other private collections both in this country and abroad. Her work will be available for viewing and purchase through March 30.

We invite you to meet Guillaume Azoulay, international artist, on Sunday, April 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. His etchings are represented in the Louvre, and in the private collections of President Reagan, King Hassan II of Morocco, President Mitterrand of France, the late President Sadat of Egypt, and others.

Azoulay's prints will be available at pre-publisher prices, and specially designed posters will be available for \$50. The artist will sign the posters if desired. His work will be on exhibit through April 27.

Personal Purim —

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making the communal date of the escape a time of reciting special prayers, having a communal meal and retelling

the story of the event. Thus the celebration took on a Purim like atmosphere and the personal closeness to the situation made it a unique event in one's calendar. While

some of these Purims are no longer observed, they are still recalled because they mark events of rescue in the history of our people.

Turning for a moment to Israel itself there are two famous Purims which have been chronicled. In 1741 the plight of the Jews in Hebron was dire. The small community was constantly under attack from bandits and other renegades who were given full rein by the Ottoman authorities. One of the noted figures in Hebron at this period was Rabbi Haim Yitzhak Carigal who regularly traveled out of the country to raise funds for the poor Jews of the town.

In early January 1741 the local authorities ruled that the Jews in Hebron had to pay a special tax by the 14th of Tevet or else they would be

executed. The rabbis were besides themselves - members of the community could not raise the sum required - it was just too large. All appeared lost. The night before the edict was to come into effect the entire Jewish community gathered together for prayers in which they poured out their hearts. According to the tradition - as the light of dawn broke the next day, the morning of the 14th of Tevet - a young boy saw a bag on the windowsill of the synagogue - picked it up and found it filled with enough money to rescue the Jews of Hebron. From then on the Jews of Hebron annually celebrated what they called Purim Tabka - "window Purim."

Gunpowder Purim

Another fascinating rescue is one which has come to be known as Gunpowder Purim. It is linked to the Danzig family of Vilna. One of the better known codifications of Jewish law which is still used extensively is known as the Hayyei Adam and was written by Abraham Danzig. In December 1804, the 15th of Kislev, the city of Vilna was rocked by tremendous explosions when the magnesium at the gunpowder factories was accidentally ignited. There was tremendous loss of life in particular among the Jewish community located near the gunpowder factories. Miraculously the members of the Danzig family were saved from death. Ever since, their descendants have observed on the 15th of Kislev, their own Gunpowder Purim - highlighted by prayers of thanksgiving and the lighting of fireworks.

Tunis And Washington

An annual Purim marked in Tunisia has its roots in the natural elements. In January 1891 a blinding snowstorm was raging in Tunis and many died from the cold and other lack of facilities because of the weather. One of the synagogues in the city became a distribution center for food and for providing shelter for those whose homes had been destroyed. With each passing day the weather got worse and then finally the snow ceased. The people began to return to their homes. The night after the synagogue was cleared - the roof fell in from all the snow but fortunately no one was hurt. The Jews of Tunis annually observe on the 24th of Tevet a Purim Sheleg, a Snow Purim, to mark their rescue.

A recent Purim was instituted by the Frimer family in the United States. Some years ago the B'nai B'rith building in Washington D.C. was taken over by a radical group and for several days many of the people working in the building were under seige by the gunmen. One of those caught in the building was Rabbi Norman Frimer, the then national director of Hillel. When, after several harrowing days, he was finally released unharmed by his captors, he decided to mark the event by a special Purim for his family. Ever since the Frimer family annually gets together to mark Rabbi Frimer's deliverance.

Tens of other 'special Purims' are recorded in the annals of our people. They indicate how the Purim festival is deeply rooted in the historical consciousness of communities widely separated in place and time, but united in their sense of historical appreciation.



PURIM 1984

An early 19th century Chinese Megilla made from the survivors of the "lost" community of Kai-Feng-Fu. The archer, who represents the executioner, is flanked by a list of Haman's sons. WZPS photo by David Harris, Jerusalem, courtesy Encyclopedia Judaica.

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Zurkow Honored By Academy Of Medicine

George A. Zurkow of Wilmington recently received the Delaware Academy of Medicine's Distinguished Service Award for outstanding service to the community in medicine.

Zurkow, who has been practicing endodontics since 1946, was the first dentist elected president of the Delaware Academy of Medicine (1960-62).

He has held academic appointments at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine and the Delaware Technical and Community College. In 1983 was appointed clinical professor of endodontics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine where he teaches one day a week.

Zurkow founded and developed the dental clinic at the Wilmington Medical Center as well as the model cities program for dental



Dr. George Zurkow

care connected with Delaware Technical and Community College. From 1972 to the present, he has served as chairman of the very active Student Financial Aid Committee, responsible for granting scholarships to dental and medical students.

A member of Congregation Beth Emeth, Zurkow currently co-chairs the Dental Division of the 1984 Federation campaign.

People In The News

Builders Honor Gilman

Marvin S. Gilman of Westwood, north of Wilmington, was elected to the Housing Hall of Fame at the annual convention of the National Association of Home Builders in Houston last month.

When Gilman, 62, is inducted into the Hall of Fame at a formal ceremony in Washington, D.C., in May, he will be the second Delawarean with the honor. Leon Weiner was the first.

The trade association, which has 119,000 members, created the Hall of Fame in 1976 to recognize people who have made significant and lasting contributions to housing. Nominees come from the housing industry, government and businesses related to housing, such as mortgage companies and architectural firms.

Gilman shares the honor with 135 other people, including the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and James Wilson Rouse, the designer of "festival marketplaces" such as Faneuil Hall in Boston and Harborplace in Baltimore.

Gilman was executive vice president of Leon Weiner & Associates Inc. for 18 years, until 1983, when he reactivated Metropolitan Executive Corp., a firm specializing in real estate development, financing and consulting.

During his 32 years in real estate Gilman has worked on providing housing for low- and moderate-income families. He was a director of the Federal National Mortgage Association.

"Marvin has been contributing to this industry since the 1950s," said Mildred M. Druckery, assistant staff vice president of the home builders association. Gilman is an associate professor at the College of Urban Affairs and Public Policy at the University of Delaware.

Carolyn Berger Is First Woman Appointed To Del. Constitutional Court

Carolyn Berger of Wilmington was appointed earlier this month by Gov. Pierre S. Dupont IV to serve on the Court of Chancery in Delaware. Once the appointment is confirmed by the Senate, she will hold the position of vice chancellor. This marks the first time a woman has been appointed to one of the three constitutional courts in Delaware. The other constitutional courts, which are still all-male, are the Superior and Supreme Courts.

Berger has been associated with the firm of Skadden,

Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom since the firm opened its Wilmington office in the summer of 1979. Before then she was deputy attorney general at the State Department of Justice. She received her law degree in 1976 from Boston University Law School.

Carolyn Berger is a board member of the Kutz Home. Her professional activities have included associate membership on the Board of Bar Examiners. She is also a member of both the American and Delaware Bar Associations.

Siegel Re-Elected To Hias Board

Bernard L. Siegel of Brandywine Hills was re-elected to the HIAS board of directors earlier this month, and will serve a two-year term. HIAS - the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society - is a worldwide Jewish migration agency concerned with rescue, reunion and resettlement.

Siegel, a past Federation president, and campaign chairman, has been a member of HIAS for eight years. He has worked on behalf of Soviet Jewry and was previously a member of the Overseas Operation Committee.

He had also played an active role in the Council of Jewish Federation of which he is a national board member.

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United Jewish Appeal regional board, Siegel has been an active member of the Project Renewal program from its inception.

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On Saturday evening, April 7, the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation will present its third annual concert featuring the internationally acclaimed pianist, Jerome Lowenthal.

Jerome Lowenthal was born in Philadelphia and began his piano studies at the age of 4 at the Settlement Music School. He made his debut at the age of 13 with the Philadelphia Orchestra. While still a youngster he was taken as a pupil by William Kapell, with whom he studied until Kapell's untimely death. Lowenthal was graduated from the Juilliard School in 1957 with a M.S. Degree and a Fulbright Grant for further study. During a four-year stay in Europe, he worked with Alfred Cortot in Paris and was a prize-winner in competitions in Brussels, Bolzano and Darmstadt. He later moved to Jerusalem where he was concert-lecturer at the Jerusalem Academy of Music and a regular performer with the Israel Philharmonic.

In 1961 he returned to the United States, performing the Bartok Piano Concerto No. 2 under the direction of Josef Krips with the New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra and San Francisco Symphony.

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Jerome Lowenthal

appeared with nearly every major orchestra in the United States including the Chicago Symphony, the Boston Symphony, the Philadelphia Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the National Symphony, the Baltimore Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Saint Louis Symphony, the Minnesota Orchestra and many, many others. He has performed under some of the most distinguished conductors of our time including Ormandy, Comissiona, Dorati, Bernstein, Ozawa, Stokowski, Mehta, Barenboim, Giulini, Monteaux, Krips, Tennstedt, and Steinberg.

Jerome Lowenthal's voluminous repertoire includes 51 concerti, among them the complete concerti of Beethoven, Bartok, Rachmaninoff, Prokofiev and

Tchaikovsky, and comprises works by many living composers, including several composed expressly for him by such composers as Ned Rorem and George Rochberg.

Highlighting Mr. Lowenthal's 1983-84 season will be two New York appearances at Alice Tully Hall with the American Composers Orchestra in works of Rorem and Bernstein, tours of Holland and Italy and performances with the Baltimore Symphony (Chopin), Orchestra London Canada and Phoenix Symphony.

Lowenthal is a regular participant in the Sitka, Alaska Music Festival, and in the Festival of the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, where he spends his summers. His permanent residence is in Manhattan with his wife and their two daughters.

Sarah Goldstein has been program chairman and vice-president in charge of ways and means. Bertha Tanzer is chairman of this concert. The committee consists of Ann Slovin, Harriet Michlin, Harriet Jacobs, Ella Zukoff, Sara Cohen, Ilene Sivakoff and Charlotte Levin.

Tickets may be obtained by calling the AKSE office, 762-2705. The advance sale prices are \$12.50 and \$9. At the door, admission will be \$13.50 and \$10. Patrons tickets are \$20 each with a meet-the-artist reception after the concert.

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JCC Seniors Support Nuclear Freeze

By MANUEL FINE

The seniors of the Jewish Community Center at their February meeting voted to support the passage of the Nuclear Freeze resolution now pending in the senate.

The United States has about 30,000 nuclear warheads. The Soviet Union has about 20,000. This is enough to destroy each other again and again and again. Rather than increase our security, additional nuclear weapons only increase the likelihood of nuclear war.

This resolution is to be mutual and verifiable for both the United States and the Soviet Union.

More than 70% of the

American people support the Freeze, according to the polls. The House of Representatives voted in favor of the Freeze by a 2 to 1 margin.

The Freeze would take effect only when both the United States and the Soviet Union agree to it.

We want the world to be safe and peaceful for our children and grandchildren.

We urge our senators to work for the passage of the Freeze resolution and to help stop the Nuclear Arms Race. We should all force the Nuclear Freeze right now.

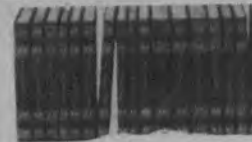
Beth Emeth School News

Beth Emeth will hold a Purim Party for pre-school children and their parents on Wednesday, March 14, from 1 to 2 p.m. The Purim program is open to all children ages 3 to 5. The children are invited to come in costume to add to

the fun.

Rabbi Grumbacher will conduct a discussion group for parents while the children participate in Purim activities.

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Volunteer Profile: Harry Wolpert

Harry Wolpert is the treasurer of Congregation Beth Emeth and also serves as the co-chairman of their Membership Committee. He is an active member of the Finance, Endowment, Tree of Life, and House Committees and spends a great deal of time working for the benefit of the Temple.

On numerous occasions one can find Harry Wolpert in the Beth Emeth kitchen with his famous apron. The wonderful thing about it is that he needs no extra push; he is always there to offer a hand when needed. No job is too "menial" and everything he does is accompanied by a smile!

Harry Wolpert donated beautiful Torah mantles and an improved sound system to the synagogue. They are currently looking for a new chuppah which he also is donating.

But Harry Wolpert's outreach is extended beyond the walls of the congregation.

He has tutored mathematics in our local public schools for the RSVP program, and is a voluntary engineering consultant at Riverside Hospital. He cares as well for those in need,



Harry Wolpert

visiting the sick, taking elderly people to their doctors' appointments, shopping for them as well as performing a host of other deeds of which they are not aware.

Wolpert is an active helper at the Kutz Home. He is a board member of the Auxiliary, directs bingo games, takes residents on trips, visits them in their rooms and, of course, is a popular kitchen helper.

A former president of Zallea Brothers in Wilmington, Harry Wolpert is "a man with a ready smile, willing hands, and a giving heart."

Gratz Israel Ulpan Open To Delaware Teenagers

Each summer Gratz College of Philadelphia sponsors a Youth Ulpan Tour of Israel. All area High School students between the ages of 15 and 17 are eligible to participate in this extremely well-organized and carefully supervised 45 day program that includes both travel and Hebrew language instruction.

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Youth Ulpan Tour and is one of the best methods for the development of foreign language skills," said Dr. Uziel Adini, tour director and principal of Gratz College High School of Philadelphia.

This trip is open to all teenagers and is subsidized by a special grant so that the overall cost is lower than it would normally be. Participants are scheduled to leave for Israel on June 25 and return Aug. 8. Registration is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Federation of Jewish Agencies scholarships are available through Gratz College to youth from families in financial need.

For more information, contact Elaine Friedberg at Delaware Gratz (478-5026) on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m.

Dear Rachel

Dear Rachel,

My mother is a wonderful old lady, a real character. She's seen it all, done it all, from here to Russia and back again. She raised all of us herself after my father left us, and has never asked anything of anybody.

It is her independence, so wonderful when we were younger, that is worrying me now. Mama is really getting on in years, and she still says she can do everything herself. Her house seems to be falling down around her - the brick steps are crumbling, locks and windows are frozen shut, the wooden porch is rotting, etc. She refuses to consider moving to a high rise; refuses money for the repairs; refuses to get a dog or a burglar alarm for security; she refuses every suggestion I make. I feel I can't live my life in peace because I spend so much time worrying over her. Do you have any ideas of what I can say to her because this is driving me crazy and I have my own life to live (I'm over 60 myself). Thank you in advance for your advice.

Devoted Daughter

Dear Devoted,

Is your mother in reasonable health for her age? Does she take her medication as prescribed? Does she keep herself and the house passably clean? Can she prepare her own meals? If the answer to these questions is "yes," if she is warm and safe and well fed and healthy, then my advice is to leave her alone. It's her life, not yours, so let her enjoy her independence. Allow her that, and you will find your relationship improving as well.

If the answer to those health and safety questions is "no," then you have cause for concern. Acknowledge her need for independence, and your pride in her independence, but lay out your concerns for her health and safety. Rather than push her out of her home, see if the two of you can devise measures that will maximize her independence and her safety. There are many qualified counselors who can link you up with existing community services designed to do just that. Stop worrying; start acting.

Rachel

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JFS To Provide Evening Counseling

By Arnold Lieberman,
Executive Director



Beginning April 3, the Jewish Family Service office will be open from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays. Hours will remain from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on all other days.

This move is designed to accommodate clients who are unable to schedule ongoing appointments during regular day-time hours. Much of our counseling concerns relationships between husbands and wives, parents and children, and total families. In such cases, it is necessary to involve more than one family member and even more difficult to arrange during the day. Individuals may also be seen at night, when they are unable to schedule ongoing day-time appointments.

Since the evening hours will be limited to ongoing counseling sessions, it will be necessary to schedule an initial daytime interview to

assess each situation. People may call 478-9411 to schedule an intake assessment interview, during which a treatment plan will be developed, which will include evening appointments when appropriate.

Since the evening hours will be limited and at a premium, please call the agency as soon as possible to schedule an intake appointment. Once the evening hours have been filled, a separate waiting list will be developed just for evening appointments.

The Jewish Family Service office is located in the Harry and Yetta Cohen wing of the Jewish Community Center at 101 Garden of Eden Road. The office is entered through a private entrance at the rear of the JCC. Fees for this counseling will be scaled based on family size and income.

JWB Commission To Study Center's Jewish Educational Programs

With the interest of stimulating Jewish Community Centers to take broader and increased responsibilities for Jewish educational programming in their communities, the JWB has instituted a National Study Commission that will be visiting the Wilmington community on March 21.

Nan Lipstein, vice president of the Center, was appointed by Marvin Shepard, president, to coordinate the series of meetings that will be held on March 21 to review current Jewish educational

programs in the community and at the JCC. Invited to the meetings with the JWB Commission are members of the JCC board, rabbis and synagogue educators, representatives of Albert Einstein Academy, Gratz High School and the Jewish Federation board and planning committees.

The Wilmington community is one of 30 Jewish communities being studied. Final recommendations of the JWB Commission will be made at the Jewish Welfare Board biennial meeting in Boston in April.

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Obituaries

Elmer Samuel Kaufman

Elmer Samuel Kaufman, 70, of 3005 N. Van Buren Street, died Feb. 20 of a heart attack in the Delaware Division.

Mr. Kaufman retired in 1982 after 10 years as a dispatcher for Airport Shuttle Service Inc. in Wilmington. Before that he was a driver for Standard Linen in Wilmington for many years.

He was a member of the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation, the Men's Club, the Jewish War Veterans Harry Fineman Post 525 and the Wilmington Chapter of Deborah.

His wife Minnie, died last month. Surviving are two daughters, Ruth Ann Goldstein of Wilmington and Wilma Estrecher of Atlanta, Ga.; a sister Edna Cohen of Wilmington; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held from the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

Interment was in the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth section of the Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to the Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Talmud Torah, Washington Street Extension and Torah Drive, Wilmington, Del. 19802, or to Deborah, care of Betty Abrahams, 2307 Society Drive, Claymont, Del. 19703.

Israel Noznesky

Israel Noznesky, 73, of 9270 Vista Delago, Boca Raton, Fla., formerly of Kennett Square, Pa. died Feb. 23 at home of Lou Gehrig's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

Mr. Noznesky owned and operated a plumbing supply business, Kennett Plumbing Supply, on North Walnut

Street in Kennett Square, until his retirement in 1972.

He is survived by his wife Rose; a son David H., also of Boca Raton; a brother, James and a sister, Sarah Noznesky both of Kennett Square; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday Feb. 26 from the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

Interment was in the Montefiore section of the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Road.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation, 1415 State Highway, Suite 305, Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034.

Isadore Rosen

Isadore Rosen, 59, of 2702 Grubb Road, died March 2 in the Delaware Division of complications of a heart ailment.

Born in Philadelphia, Mr. Rosen was the owner of Tobacco Village in the Concord Mall for the past 15 years. Prior to that, he owned and operated a grocery store at Lancaster Court. He was a member of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation. Congregation Beth Shalom, and the Harry Fineman Post of the Jewish War Veterans and B'nai B'rith Lodge 470. He was also a member of the American Association or Retired Persons.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Wexler Rosen; a son, Robert W. of Green Acres; a daughter, Betsy Lee Rosen of Pleasantville, N.J.; a brother, Mervine Rosen of Alexandria, Va.; and two grandchildren.

Services were held from the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to a favorite charity.

Lebanon —

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Porath is resigned to the fact that Israeli withdrawal means Syrian gain, "probably Syrian domination of Lebanon. Unlike Israel, Syria can afford to occupy Lebanon. Syrian President Hafez al-Assad has an enormous standing army and does not consider public opinion.

"So what? Why should we fear Syrian domination of Lebanon? The Syrians will have great difficulty absorbing the Christian Maronites; and the current Syrian-Druse and Syrian-Shi'ite alliances may fall apart once Israel quits the scene — no one likes occupiers, Syrian or Israeli."

Since 1948, Israel has periodically sought an alliance with Lebanon's Maronite Christians based on the common interests of two beleaguered "alien" communities in a hostile Moslem environment. Since the 1975-76 Lebanese Civil War, Israel has armed and trained the militia of the Phalange, the political party of the Maronites (The Phalange is the mainstream militant element in Lebanon's Maronite community, which constitutes 25 to 35 percent of Lebanon's population).

The grand design of the 1982 Israeli invasion besides breaking the back of the PLO, was to install in Beirut a Phalange-dominated regime that, with Israeli support, would restore Lebanese sovereignty, make peace with Israel and see to the exit of the Syrians and the PLO. The Phalange government would provide the "security arrangements" that would enable the IDF to withdraw.

The grand design collapsed during the summer of 1982, when the Phalange failed to aid the IDF during fighting in Beirut (because of the feeling that if the Israelis are willing

to fight in their behalf, why should the Phalange join in), massacred Palestinian civilians in the Sabra and Shatila camps, and refused to sign a formal peace treaty with Israel — out of fear that signing a treaty would isolate Lebanon in the Arab world.

Moreover, the Phalange-dominated Gemayel regime, installed in Beirut by Israeli bayonets, proved unable to control Lebanon. "Making a pact with the Phalange was like a sovereign state making an agreement with the Rechavia (a district in Jerusalem) local committee," laughed Yehoshafat Harkabi, a retired IDF major general who is a professor of international relations at the Hebrew University. "It was absurd. Former Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and former IDF Chief of Staff Raphael Eitan knew nothing about Lebanon. They were ignoramuses."

Just how absurd was the pact with the Phalange? Last September, with some Syrian artillery support, the Druse, who constitute less than 10 percent of Lebanon's population, routed the Phalange militia and the Lebanese Army. The Druse thus took control of the Shouf Mountain area, enabling them to dominate Beirut from the southeast.

Thus was dashed the initial Israeli expectation of an early withdrawal based on the Phalange government's securing the country, especially the south, against anti-Israeli forces.

Following the February 1983 resignation of Sharon, the architect of the 1982 invasion and the main proponent of the Israeli-Phalange alliance, Jerusalem abandoned sole reliance on this Israeli-Maronite connection.

"The Lebanese piano has many keys, Israel can play one, then another," said Uri Lubrani, a senior Defense Ministry official who coordinates Israeli operations in Lebanon, in a recent interview.

Since the spring of 1983, Lubrani has played different "keys" — promoting Israeli ties with both the Druse and Shi'ite communities of southern Lebanon while easing up on the Phalange connection and maintaining old,

friendly relations with Major Sa'ad Haddad's Christian-dominated militia along the northern border. (Haddad's militia is not Phalangist, and in fact has been antagonistic to the Phalange.)

Haddad's militia, set up with Israeli help in 1976 and expanded and reinforced in 1978, has provided a relatively secure "buffer strip" inside Lebanon, keeping anti-Israeli guerrillas away from Israel's northern border settlements (although the guerrillas later resorted to shelling from beyond Haddad's buffer zone).

After Israel's invasion of southern Lebanon, Sharon attempted to extend Haddad's area of control to the Awali River while overseeing recruitment of thousands of Shi'ites to Haddad's forces. But the Moslem Shi'ites abhorred the Christian Haddad. Sharon's idea was a non-starter.

(Haddad's death in January cast a shadow on the future of his militia.)

The problem that remains is how to provide "security arrangements" in the south to enable Israel to withdraw.

In recent months, the IDF has promoted local Shi'ite civil guard units: Shi'ite villagers armed against anti-Israeli guerrillas who may seek to reestablish themselves in the Shi'ite localities. But following a series of deadly attacks on Shi'ite civil guard commanders by unknown assailants, the fate of these units is unclear.

The Lubrani policy of striking the Druse "note" has been more successful, but the dividend for Israel has so far been small, and Israeli policy-makers fear that it may be short-lived.

Following the September 1983 clash with the Phalange and Lebanese government forces, the Druse more or less abided by their verbal commitment to Lubrani to keep the PLO off their Shouf Mountain home turf. But the Druse, who are embroiled in hostilities against the Phalange, the Lebanese Army and the multinational peace-keeping force around Beirut, remain beholden to Syria for logistic and artillery support.

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Women's American ORT is the largest of the volunteer groups in 40 nations supporting the global ORT program. Founded in 1927, Women's American ORT today numbers more than 145,000 members in over 1,250 chapters helping to strengthen Jewish life throughout the United States and around the world.

For more information, please call Ilene Sivakoff at 478-2098 or Alana Meiners at 652-3933.

SPRING VEGETABLE GARDENING

Brandywine Chapter of Womens American ORT is pleased to present Dr. Charles Dunham of the University of Delaware Plant Science Department. The community is invited to join ORT for this timely program on "Spring Vegetable Gardening," to be held March 21, 7:30 p.m. at 3315 Altamont Dr., Devonshire, Wilmington. For more information, please call Ilene Sivakoff at 478-2098 or Alana Meiners at 652-3933.

Recipe Guide, write to: Recipe Guide, P.O. Box 484A, Jersey City, N.J. 07303.

Beth Emeth Sisterhood

On March 13, at noon, Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth will present Margaret H. May, an educational psychological counselor, who will speak about emotional stress, mental health inventory, preventative attitudes and resources for care and therapy. Her speech will be entitled "How to Take Your Emotional Temperature." Please call Libby Prober 764-3898 for reservations for the petite luncheon and please remember that free baby-sitting is available at all Sisterhood meetings throughout the season.

The monthly evening of Sisterhood will feature Sue Springer, vice-president of Food Conservers, Inc., who will discuss the need for volunteer food programs through private donation, in her speech entitled "Feeding the Hungry in Delaware." The meeting will be held at Temple Beth Emeth, on March 20, at 7:30 p.m.

Organizations in the News

Local NCJW Women Receive Advocacy Training

Rischa Fishman, Goldie Klein and Helen Rubin of Wilmington recently returned from Washington, D.C., where, together with more than 700 National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) volunteers from across the country, they attended the organization's 1984 Joint Program Institute (JPI). The event, held from Jan. 30-Feb. 2, offered intensive advocacy training in the areas of social and economic policy.

During the four-day Institute, the local delegates, all members of the Wilmington Section of NCJW, received detailed legislative and federal agency briefings which focused on the impact of U.S. economic policies on NCJW's domestic priorities: women's issues, aging, and children and youth, as well as on American foreign policy toward Israel and the Middle East. Training included workshops on advocacy strategies and their application.

While in Washington, the volunteers had an opportunity to put advocacy into practice. On Tuesday, Jan. 31, together with other NCJW delegates, they held a vigil at the Soviet Embassy on behalf

NCJW Taste-In

Dine with royalty! On Saturday evening March 31, Wilmington Section of National Council of Jewish Women will hold its 14th annual taste-in at the Delaware Art Museum. Featured will be paintings from the Royal Academy "Two Centuries of British Art." Enjoy dinner and dancing at 8 p.m. Cost \$30 per person with senior citizen discount. RSVP to Faith Goldman at 478-2368.

of Soviet Jews who have been denied the rights to emigrate and to worship as they choose. On Wednesday Feb. 1, they met with Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Representative Thomas R. Carper to express concern on issues covered in the Institute.

The Joint Program Institute was sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women. America's oldest Jewish women's volunteer organization. NCJW has 100,000 members in some 200 Sections throughout the country. These volunteers support projects aimed at improving the quality of life for all ages, races, religions, and socio-economic levels in the U.S. and Israel.

YPG Events

Young Professionals Group is a group for young Jewish singles between the ages of 21-35. They are having a dance social on March 31 at Temple Beth Emeth at 8 p.m. The cost will be \$4. The band Bottomz-Up will be playing for the duration of the event. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the following: Sue, 475-0840; Rich, 358-2969; or Lynn, 475-3435.

Pioneer Women Annual Dance

Pioneer Women Na'amat, the women's Labor Zionist organization of America will hold their annual dance Sunday, March 25, 8 p.m. at the B'nai B'rith Building, Society Drive, Claymont.

Johanna Heimann is chairman. Her committee includes: Dorothy Bronstein, Esther McDonald Ann Arlick,

Selma Schwartz, Henrietta Hirsch, and Esther Shapiro.

Proceeds from this dance will be transmitted to our sister organization the Na'Amat in Israel who maintain 1,000 nurseries, as well as a network of educational and social services for women, youth, and children.

AKSE News

PURIM - EVENING CELEBRATION

Megillat Esther will be read, in full, at Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation on Saturday evening, March 17, beginning at 6:55 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in the festive spirit of the Purim celebration at AKSE. Reading the Megillah will be Cantor Morris Markowitz, Dr. Lex Vega, Scott Slomowitz, David Jaffe, Stewart Slomowitz and Jeremy Halberstadt.

The Purim costume parade will begin at 7:40 p.m. Everyone in costume will receive a special treat. An abridged reading of the Megillah will follow the parade. Graggers will be distributed so that the name of Haman will be barely heard. Hamantashen, baked by Sisterhood, will be distributed at the conclusion of the service.

PURIM DAY

The reading of Megillat Esther will take place March 18 at the morning minyan beginning at 8 a.m.

The Religious School will celebrate Purim by exchanging *mishloach manot* and performing the *mitzvah* of listening to the second reading of Megillat Esther. Faith Brown will lead the students in the singing of Purim songs.

SHABBATON

The AKSE Shabbaton (originally scheduled for March 2) has been rescheduled for March 16. If you would like to attend, please call the AKSE office at 762-2705.

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