

# The JEWISH VOICE

PUBLISHED BY THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF DELAWARE 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, Delaware 19803

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Z Goldberg  
3315 Heather Court  
Wilmington, DE 19809

"You heard it in  
The Jewish Voice"

Vol. 23, No. 2

7 Tishrei 5750

6 October 1989

24 Pages

## A.M. Rosenthal: Palestinian State Would Mean Israeli Suicide



A. M. Rosenthal

By PAULA BERENGUT

The establishment of a Palestinian state in the West Bank would be suicidal for Israel, according to former *New York Times* editor and columnist A.M. Rosenthal. "And no country has the right to demand that of another country," he said. Rosenthal was the speaker at the third annual Ann B. and H. Albert Young Memorial Lecture at the Grand Opera House on September 24.

The columnist, who spent a part of last summer in Israel, said he is "startled that 41 years after Israel's founding — after 5 wars and four decades of struggle and achievement — Israel's survival is in question." Of the many countries established since the end of World War II, Israel's existence is the only one being challenged, he said. "Israel is now the only country in the world that is being asked to accept a solution that, in the end, could lead to its elimination as a nation."

To those who accuse Israel of not being willing to negotiate with its neighbors, Rosenthal said, "That is the biggest lie." He cited the Camp David Accord and the signing over of the Sinai to Egypt as examples of the Jewish state's willingness to negotiate. But, 11 years after Camp David, he noted, no other Arab nation has entered into negotiations with Is-

rael. Moreover, he said, they seethe with hatred for Israel.

"Israel can no longer pretend that the Palestinians do not exist," Rosenthal told the audience of 600. And this, he claimed, is a healthy result of the *intifada*. But, he cautioned, it is one thing to understand that Israel cannot rule in the West Bank and Gaza as it has tried to do — it is entirely another thing to say that Israel must put itself in jeopardy.

While against the concept of trading land for peace, Rosenthal supports Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's proposal for elections in the territories and gradual, monitored self-government for the Palestinians. Israel, he maintained, must recognize the "passion of the Palestinian people" even if it doesn't recognize the demands of their militant leaders.

If the Israelis and the Palestinians demand a solution that is clear-cut, regarding the establishment of a Palestinian state, they are bound to fail because the variables are too many, he said. And that is exactly why Shamir's recent election proposal might work, the journalist explained — "because all the T's aren't crossed."

Rosenthal called the *intifada* "one of the most successful political movements of the century," creating the image of Israel as op-

pressor and causing many of her supporters to pull away. Jews and gentiles alike are doing that, he noted, as is the United States government. "Israel-bashing is in," Rosenthal said.

He also cautioned against the U.S. putting too much pressure on Israel. A loss of support "need not happen if we keep our hearts and minds focused on one thing." He said that he believes that "the road to an independent Palestinian state would be the road to Israeli suicide. You could say we should take that risk. You have the right to say so. But one thing we cannot do is demand Israel's obedience." If obedience is the price Israel must pay for support, Rosenthal asserted, then that is "not pressure, it is blackmail."

"Blackmail is a sin," he added, "and suicide is an even greater sin."

## Bush To U.N.: Fight Terrorism

By ALLISON KAPLAN

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) — President Bush delivered a stinging denunciation of terrorism as he addressed the 44th U.N. General Assembly. He also warned that "regional conflict may well threaten world peace as never before."

In his speech, Bush made no specific reference to the Middle East peace process, mentioning neither Israeli nor Egyptian proposals currently being floated. But he said "the United States is determined to take an active role in settling regional conflicts."

Bush was emotional when addressing the issue of terrorism.

"Hostage-taking and the terror of random violence are methods that cannot win the world's approval," the president said. "Terrorism of any kind is repugnant to all values a civilized world holds in common."

He added emphatically, "And make no mistake: Terrorism is a means that no end — no matter how just that end — can sanctify."

To demonstrate its abhorrence of terrorism, Bush urged the General Assembly to condemn the murder of Lt. Col. William Higgins, the American Marine who died in the hands of Shiite kidnappers in Lebanon. Higgins was serving at the time with the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization in Lebanon. He called on "those responsible" for the murder to return Higgins' remains to his family.

The president also called on the Soviet Union to join the United States in helping eliminate the "scourge" of chemical weapons. He said the United States would be willing to cut its own stockpiles of chemical arms by 80 percent as a first step toward a worldwide ban.

Israel has been concerned about the proliferation of chemical weapons, particularly among such hard-line Arab states as Syria and Libya.

Asked for his reaction to the president's remarks, Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Arens said, "Great speech. I agree with it 100 percent."

Arens said terrorism is a subject on which the United States and Israel have had close contacts. Fighting it, he said, will take close cooperation between the countries that are opposed to it.

Among the other statesmen to address the General Assembly on Monday was Alois Mock, Austria's minister for foreign affairs.

He addressed the Middle East situation more directly, welcoming "the recent peace proposal put forward by President (Hosni) Mubarak

## Egypt Accepts Israeli Peace Initiative

By ALLISON KAPLAN

NEW YORK (JTA) — Egypt informed Israel last week that it accepts Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's proposal to hold Palestinian elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdel Meguid conveyed that message to his Israeli counterpart, Moshe Arens, during a 90-minute meeting the two men held with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel September 28.

Meguid also told Arens he would be willing to visit Israel in the near future.

But according to Arens, the Egyptian side stopped short of accepting the other elements of the Israeli peace initiative endorsed by the Cabinet on May 14.

"I did not hear agreement from the Egyptians that they accept it," the Israeli foreign minister told reporters. "It was not a meeting that led to an agreement," Arens explained. "It was a meeting for each to present his position."

Nevertheless, Baker appeared to be buoyed by the outcome of the trilateral session.

"I can say that maybe, and I would like to emphasize maybe, there was potential for progress," he told reporters afterward.

Officials from the three countries convened shortly after Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Israeli Vice Premier Shimon Peres concluded separate talks in the same hotel. Arens met with the Egyptian president the next day.

Mubarak reportedly told Peres that he visualizes a Jordanian-Palestinian confederation as being a possible end result of the peace process.

Peres, briefing reporters after the hour-long meeting, said Mubarak is prepared to accept a "more complex solution than a Palestinian state."

Peres, who heads the Labor Party, emerged from the meeting enthusiastic about his dialogue with Mubarak. He said that the Egyptian president expressed his desire to keep the peace process moving and seemed sensitive to Israel's concerns. He said Mubarak told him that it was "no coincidence" that his 10-point plan to advance the peace process makes no mention of Palestinian self-determination, a Palestinian state or the Palestine Liberation Organization.

He also said Mubarak made it clear that the PLO would not participate in preliminary talks the Egyptian leader has proposed to hold between Israel and a delegation of Palestinian leaders.

But Peres confirmed that he and the Egyptian president spoke of a delegation that would include "one or two" Palestinian representatives from outside the administered territories.

The issue of PLO representation also came up in Arens' talks with Baker and Meguid. The Israeli foreign minister said he made it clear that his government would not negotiate with any PLO representative.

When asked by reporters if Egypt was suggesting a PLO role, Arens, a Likud leader, replied, "I heard echoes to that effect." The PLO issue, he said, was "a focus of disagreement."

Another issue to come up during the round

of talks Thursday was Mubarak's perceived reluctance to meet with Shamir. During a meeting with American Jewish leaders early Thursday morning, Arens blamed a great deal of the strained relations between Egypt and Israel's Likud bloc on the Egyptian president's apparent refusal to discuss the peace initiative with the Israeli premier.

Mubarak's meeting in Cairo last month with Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Labor's No. 2 official, "highlights the fact that he won't meet with Shamir," Arens complained bitterly.

In the aftermath of the 1978 Camp David Accords, meetings between Israeli and Egyptian leaders should be "a routine thing," the foreign minister said. He added that Shamir "shouldn't have to make commitments" in order to persuade Mubarak to meet with him. "We don't have to go begging for a Mubarak-Shamir meeting," he said.

Peres told reporters later in the day that he pressed Mubarak on the subject. The vice premier said Mubarak told him he was "not boycotting" any meeting with Shamir, but merely wanted to avoid going into such a meeting unprepared. "Holding a meeting without assured positive results will cause great damage," the Egyptian president was said to have remarked.

Mubarak also reportedly stressed to Peres the importance of the Israeli people rallying around the current peace proposals. Nimrod Novik, an aide to the vice premier, quoted the Egyptian president as saying: "The opposition to the initiative in Israel feeds the extremists in the Palestinian camp who also oppose it. We have to make it clear to them that we have to put an end to the state of war. Even if it isn't love at first sight, there will be a new atmosphere, new relationships, a new Middle East."

Arens' morning meeting with the Jewish leaders was held under the auspices of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organization, which gave him a polite, if unenthusiastic, reception.

### Inside this issue...

- Jewish Law Students Form Association ..... 5
- Overcoming JAP Stereotypes ..... 6
- Soviet Jewry Update ..... 9
- Jews In Television ..... 16
- New Guide To Colleges ..... 21

Continued on 23

Continued on 23

# OPINION

## Editorial: The Soviet Jewry Resettlement Dilemma

In recent years the trickle of Soviet Jews emigrating from Russia became a steady stream and, in recent months has, thank God, become a flood. For years Jews in the West pleaded, marched, wrote letters and prayed so that this would one day become the reality.

Most emigrating Soviet Jews, until now, have followed the same steps: an Israeli visa was issued in Moscow and, after some time, arrangements were made to fly the emigrant to Vienna which was followed by a train ride to Rome where the Israeli visa was discarded in favor of an American one issued in Rome. Up until recently, it was then a matter of waiting to be granted automatic "refugee status."

In the last several months, however, the emigrating Soviet Jews have had to prove to the emigration board that they have been persecuted in order to receive the refugee status which entitles them to financial assistance.

And now, policy changes are taking place which affect all present and future emigrants. First, for the next several weeks, all emigrants in the Rome area, whose refugee status may previously have been in question, will see the rules for granting that coveted status relaxed, and most emigrants waiting in Italy will be admitted to the United States "either through approval of refugee status or through a liberalized parole program," according to HIAS, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society. This will create a giant wave of Soviet Jews arriving on our doorsteps. Another policy change also took effect recently — after October 1 no American visas will be issued in Italy. If a Soviet Jew leaves Moscow on an Israeli visa, then he or she will have no choice but to go to Israel.

A lot has been said in recent months — both pro and con — about the nearly 90 percent of Soviet Jews who choose emigration to the United States rather than to Israel.

The UJA "Passage to Freedom" campaign, while it was supported by most American communities, was criticized by many for encouraging Soviet Jews to come to the U.S. rather than go to Israel. Israel ardently wants as many of the emigrants as possible. It's a dilemma.

But the fact is that the movement to free Soviet Jewry was never meant to be an aliyah movement. Its purpose was solely to free Soviet Jews so that they could live wherever they chose, however they chose. Soviet Jews have been discriminated against in Russia for many years. Jewish life, for the most part, ceased there a couple of generations ago. In Russia, to be a Jew means that a stamp on your identity card identifies you as a target for discrimination and persecution. So, the fact that a Soviet Jew chooses Wilmington over Jerusalem doesn't make him any less a refugee.

The campaign to free Soviet Jewry has paid off. The flood gates have opened. And now it isn't marching that is required of us but, rather, welcoming them with open arms. We no longer have to write letters begging for their freedom but we do need to write checks to help settle them. And we must continue to pray that one day these Jews — who know little more about Judaism than that it can be the basis for persecution — will develop and enjoy rich Jewish lives and feel the desire and the need to become a part of the Jewish communities into which they have settled.

At its September board meeting, the Jewish Federation of Delaware, in addition to its previously allocated \$36,000, approved an additional appropriation of \$39,000 for resettlement of the projected 22 Soviet Jewish families expected in Delaware this year. (See article on page 9) The goal of this Jewish community is to give the Soviet Jews the opportunity to become Jewish. And other community Jewish organizations join forces in the effort.

Jewish Family Service has the responsibility of settling these families, which includes finding apartments, furnishing them, helping them to find jobs, etc. The Jewish Community Center offers free membership to the emigrants for one year. Albert Einstein Academy has a liberal scholarship program which would enable the children of emigrants to attend the Hebrew day school.

Who knows. If we do a good job, maybe the next generation of Russian Jews, whose parents opted to resettle in the United States because they felt no connection to Israel, will feel compelled to make *aliyah* themselves.

The Jewish Voice welcomes signed letters from its readers on subjects of interest to the Jewish Community. For verification purposes, include home address and phone number (day and evening). The more concise a letter is, the less likely it will need to be condensed. A name will be withheld upon request. Send letters typed double spaced, to The Jewish Voice, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803.

### CORRECTION

The editorial in the Rosh Hashanah issue of *The Jewish Voice* was missing a line. The three new rabbis in the state of Delaware are: Rabbi Moshe Goldblum of Congregation Beth Shalom of Dover, Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz of Congregation Beth Shalom and Rabbi Howard Matasar of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth. We apologize for the omission.

### DELIVERY PROBLEM

Due to a mailing problem at our printer's plant, the delivery of the September 22 Rosh Hashanah issue of *The Jewish Voice* was, in some cases, delayed. In other cases, more than one copy may have been received. We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the delay.

The next publication date is always printed in a box on this or the next page. Should you not receive a copy, please contact *The Jewish Voice* office immediately. Another copy will be sent to you and it will also alert us to potential problems with delivery.



## Letter to the Editor

### Another Wilmington Sukkah

While it was enjoyable reading Beth Panitz' account of sukkah builders in North Wilmington, it would have been even more uplifting to learn how a family could add its name to the list of sites to be visited or else how to join the tour for encouragement toward future participation in sukkah creation. If a contact were provided in the article, undoubtedly more than the nine sukkot indicated could be available for a tour.

During our ten years in the Wilmington area, we've been pleased to have had a sukkah the entire decade, except for one year when we changed residences and offered our assistance to another newly arrived Congregational family to start the year.

Enjoying an apartment in North Wilmington's Colony North since 1983, we've always received management consent to erect a sukkah outside our ground floor porch. Daily breakfast and supper meals, and sleeping bag overnights several evenings each year, have enriched our lives, appreciation of the holiday, and our closeness as a Jewish family. Sukkot has surpassed Pesach and Hanukkah in our household as the most joyous and visible 8-day

observance in the calendar each year. It's a toss-up as to which offers more delight; explaining the meaning to a non-Jew, or welcoming an unsuspecting and surprised passing *landtsman* to join us for a visit.

We always leave some salt, bread, fruit and a *benscher* outside, to permit the passerby to share a *seudat mitzvah* during the day or, should one find us home, to *bensch lulav* and *esrog* before starting off to work or school. With God's help, we shall offer that opportunity to our neighbors once again this year.

Jack E., Debra F. and Joshua L. Shattuck

(Editor's Note: The tour of North Wilmington sukkot described by Beth Panitz in her sukkah-building article is a private one, limited to members of a Havurah — members visit each other's structures on a Sunday afternoon. While it is a nice idea, it is unfortunately the only such tour of which we are aware.)



## The Jewish Voice

Published semimonthly, and monthly in July and August, by the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

Editorial opinions expressed in this newspaper are those of the newspaper and not those of any individual. Signed editorials do not represent the view of the newspaper but rather express the view of the writer.

### Editorial Committee:

Toni Young, Chairman

Robert Coonin, Terry Danemann, Cecell Ehrich, Rita Katz Farrell, Nisson Finkelstein, Marga Hirsch, Mike Lazarus, Barry Seidel

Paula Berengut, Editor

Amalia Snyderman, Advertising Manager  
Robert N. Kerbel, Executive Vice President

No material will be accepted by the Jewish Voice which is considered against the best interests of the Jewish community.

Jewish Federation of Delaware

101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803 (302) 478-6200

Subscription Price \$7.50

Circulation, 4,200

Member of the American Jewish Press Association

## On the other hand



N. Even Or

### Jewish Scholarship And Meir Leibush Ben Yechiel Michel

In wandering through the meadow of Jewish scholarship, one is quickly overcome by the copious bounty of its produce, flowing richly and alluringly in every direction. How does it interrelate, or does it do so at all? The question fell upon me when I was recently asked, apropos the new program at the University of Delaware, to define "Jewish studies."

The extent of our literature is a cornucopia of brilliant offerings, overwhelmingly impressive, if not downright discouraging, to those who would pierce their boundaries. First of all they extend in time over some 3000 years and, moreover, the writers were not known for the brevity of their output. It's not that they were verbose — indeed, most were quite terse — but that they were capable of prodigious output over their lifetimes. Today this output is housed in multi-volume studies of Torah and Talmud, all carefully annotated by the author with reference and credit to his many predecessors. And, indeed, many of these works have been honored by commentaries, commentaries on commentaries, down to marginal glosses (notes in the margins) of some.

While there is no lack of disagreement among our sages, oft strongly stated, there is one basic point in common: everything they say stems from a firm belief in the covenant between God and His people Israel, and the basic document of this covenant, the Torah, given by God to His people over 3000 years ago at Mt. Sinai. This, for me, is the only sound source, then, for

a definition of Jewish studies: Jewish studies are those which are rooted in the basic texts of our people, in Torah, in Talmud, in Midrash, in Responsa, and in the vast body of related literature. The qualifying test for a piece of subject matter is in whether or not it can be traced back to our fundamental source texts. The stronger the tie-in, the more important is the material as a part of Jewish studies. The more peripheral the relationship, the less important. There will almost certainly be a mixture of both in a balanced program, but we must take care to emphasize the fundamental over the peripheral.

Under such a definition, there is an almost endless supply of material, particularly in the area of Torah commentary, from the commentaries of Onkelos in Aramaic to those of Maimonides in Hebrew and Arabic; from Saadia Gaon to Isaac Aarama; from Rashi to Cassuto. As noted, they do not always agree with each other in the interpretative direction they take, but each presents a new insight and becomes a part of the living Torah given at Sinai, each usually reflecting the times and the conditions in which it was written. An interesting and vibrant example of such commentary of relatively known by the acronym Malbim, who lived and taught in the 19th century.

Born in Volhynia, Malbim was recognized as an "ilui," a genius, from his early teens, and at the age of 49 was inducted as chief Rabbi of Rumania in Bucharest. It was during this pe-

riod that the new Reform movement in Judaism was flourishing, and Malbim took an uncompromising stand against it, particularly against its approach to interpretation of text using the new theories of multiple literary sources usually identified as the Wellhausen school. Malbim wrote his commentaries on Torah based on the traditional approaches which treated Torah as a unified document given by God to His people Israel in establishing the covenantal relationship with them at Sinai. He rigorously attacked the Reform movement and its abandonment of *halakha* as a strict guide to daily life in all its aspects, and he did so sometimes with a minimum of tact. This brought him, of course, into sharp conflict with most of the Jewish community which he led, and his assimilationist enemies took their case to the Rumanian government, in effect accusing him of disloyalty by impeding close relationships between Jews and non-Jews in the state. The result of all this was that he was forced to leave Rumania in 1864, and the last 15 years of his life were spent in wandering under the pressure of false accusations from enemies among his own people.

Despite his many difficulties, Malbim's commentaries on the Bible were immensely popular from the beginning and earned him considerable fame. They are fascinating to us because they reflect a modern scientific outlook on such matters as creation. Living in the same age as British physicist James Clark

Maxwell, Malbim's concept of a balanced and harmonious universe seems to reflect the same views as those which led Maxwell to his unified electromagnetic field theory, and half a century later to Einstein's search for an overall unified field theory of nature.

We are fortunate, with respect to Malbim's work to have a recent translation (1982) by Dr. Zvi Faier, a theoretical physicist (Ph.D from Northwestern University) now residing in Jerusalem. According to the translation's introduction, "his current teaching and research activities are aimed at generating an integrated understanding of Torah, man and the scientific universe." The five volume set now available in translation, covering Malbim's commentaries on Genesis and Exodus, is enhanced by Faier's "notes and scientific perspectives." To give an idea of the extent of the commentary and notes, it takes 350 pages to cover the first portion, *B'raishit*.

I discuss Malbim's work only because it is a rich source of Bible commentary, giving brilliant insights into the meaning of text. It is an excellent example of the kind of material that should be covered in a program of Jewish studies, and it combines a traditional approach to exegesis with a world-view that is attuned in many ways to modern cosmology. But it is only one of many examples that might be given for the exciting adventures that lie ahead for those choosing to pursue a program of Jewish studies.

### What Ecumenism Means To A Jew: Reflections During The Days Of Awe

By RABBI ALFRED GOTTSCHALK

"How good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together." This is the fervent prayer of scripture that instructs us all to live together in peace and harmony. Its essence indicates the meaning of Ecumenism to a Jew.

The peaceful atmosphere of the Jewish High Holy Days, the Days of Awe or the ten days of repentance that extend from Rosh Hashanah, Jewish New Year, to Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, reminds me of the constant presence of God in our world and among all people. Each of us utters our own prayers, yet the bond we share as a community of worshippers warmly surrounds us. Perhaps that feeling of calm is the sense of self-actualization found in atonement, the "at-one-ment" that we, as individuals, feel when we engage our hearts and minds in prayer and that we, as

religious-minded people, seek when we join together in interfaith dialogue.

*Teshuvah*, the striving for atonement, relates to the human world and to the Divine realm. It also requires action. Wishing for atonement is not enough; one must work for atonement. According to Jewish liturgy, *Teshuvah*, the turning and returning to God, can only be achieved after one has turned and returned to one's fellow human beings.

The quest to achieve *Teshuvah* is encumbered with challenge. The phrase, "Jewish-Christian Relations," has become a glib component of our social vocabulary. There is no simple formula for achieving reality at such meetings, nor is there any guarantee that our attempts will always be successful.

Continued on 23

### An Imposed Idea: The PLO's Idea of Negotiations

Second in a six-part series.

By KENNETH JACOBSON

Ever since Yasir Arafat uttered the magical words — recognition of Israel, end of terrorism — in December 1988, there has been much analysis as to whether in fact the PLO is living up to the words. Mixed messages abound.

In one area, however, there is no mixed message. That is, the crucial one involving a commitment to real negotiations. Recall what it was about Anwar Sadat that said: here was truly a man with whom Israel could make peace. First, Sadat recognized Israel unequivocally. He came to Jerusalem, didn't play word games; some would say Arafat has done that, some still raise legitimate questions. But secondly, Sadat spoke to Israeli concerns — after all, he came forward after some 20 years of warfare — by accepting the fact that only through direct negotiations, without any certain conclusion, could peace arrive. This, as much as anything, indicated to Israelis that his initiative was not a sophisticated ploy to weaken the Jewish state. It bespoke an acceptance of Israel's legitimacy which mere words and speechmaking could not match.

Arafat is involved in a qualitatively different game, one that understandably reinforces in Israeli minds the notion that here is an individual looking for new ways to achieve old goals under changing circumstances. It is an approach which is diametrically opposed to real negotiations. It demands rather than discusses. It imposes rather than allowing for the parties to reach compromise. It closes options rather than opening new ones. It is static rather than dynamic. The PLO, in effect, is ready to "negotiate" with Israel, or allow others to do so, only if it knows in advance that these "negotiations" will produce their desired result. They must end in an independent PLO state. They must lead to full Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza. They must result in East Jerusalem becoming the capital of the PLO state. And they must guarantee the right of return to their homes for the Palestinians.

The PLO conducts its diplomacy to fit these suppositions. Its leadership takes actions which in effect foreclose real negotiations. They seek recognition by nations around the world of a unilaterally declared Palestinian state; many have already done so. They seek admission to the United Nations World Health Organization as a state. They reject Yitzhak Shamir's election proposal for the West Bank unless Israel first withdraws from the territory. All of these matters should be the essence of what negotiations are about, but the PLO wants "negotiations" merely to give the seal of approval to those matters already determined by pressure on Israel.

It is fascinating to contrast this approach with that of Israel's Prime Minister Shamir, who so often is labelled a hardliner. Yes, he believes that Israel has a right — historical and strategic — to hold on to the territories. But he never has said that he will talk to Arab leaders only if in advance they concede that point. To the contrary, he understands what real negotiations are about. He understands that the other parties must bring to the table their very different views of the problem and only through hard bargaining can the sides reach accommodation. The name-calling aside, there is an openness here, a willingness to let a dynamic be set in motion, which sets Shamir and Israel apart from the PLO, and indeed, from others in the Arab world.

Continued on 23

#### DEADLINE

The next issue of The Jewish Voice will be published FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20. The deadline for stories and photos is noon, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13. Material should be sent or brought to the Jewish Voice office at the Jewish Federation of Delaware, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, 19803. (302) 478-6200. All articles must be typed, double spaced.

#### THE JEWISH VOICE (USPS-704160)

Second class postage paid at Wilmington, De. Published semi-monthly, and monthly in July and August, by the Jewish Federation of Delaware, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, De., 19803. Subscription price \$7.50. Mailed to subscribers who are contributors to the Jewish Federation of Delaware. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to The Jewish Voice, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, De. 19803. (302) 478-6200.

#### Candle Lighting

OCTOBER

Shabbat

6th -- 6:20 PM

Shabbat/Sukkot

13 -- 6:09 PM

Sukkot

14th -- after 7:08 PM

Shabbat/Shemini Atzeret

20th -- 5:59 PM

Simchat Torah

21st -- after 6:58 PM

Shabbat

27th -- 5:49 PM

# CAMERA Conference To Focus On Media Bias

BOSTON, MA — Calling media coverage of the Middle East "shallow, often misleading, dangerously distorted, and generally falling far short of the standards of balance and objectivity professed by the media," the Boston Chapter of CAMERA (Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting) recently announced a national conference to be held in Boston on October 29.

The CAMERA conference, "The Media, the Message, and the Middle East," will feature in-depth audio-

visual documentaries analyzing the news and editorial policies of ABC, NBC, PBS, NPR, *The New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, and other major media outlets. Featured speakers include Ambassador Alan Keyes; Harvard Law Professor Alan Der-showitz; Norman Podhoretz, Editor of *Commentary* magazine; University of Massachusetts Professor David Wyman; Wellesley History Professor Jerold Auerbach; Professor Ruth Wisse of McGill University.

CAMERA does not embrace any

particular formula for a solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict," said Andrea Levin, a conference organizer. "Its supporters hold a wide range of views. But we are united in the belief that the gross failure of some in the media to offer objective coverage of the issues seriously compromise the search for viable solutions."

Levin said that "in our society an informed public is necessary for judicious policy-making. Media distortion and misinformation undermine

public understanding and ultimately compromise policy.

"We believe that no matter what one's views on Middle East issues, anyone concerned about the media's obligation to present balanced and objective reporting will be disturbed by these analyses which reveal not just isolated incidents of shoddy Middle East reporting but a pattern, extending to some of the nation's most important media figures and institutions, of out-of-context, dis-

torted, and inaccurate coverage. The consequences are more than academic."

"We have no overarching explanation that accounts for these failures to live up to minimal standards of competent coverage. But we believe that the public is being done a grave disservice, that it is being betrayed in its trust of the media and its right to expect accuracy, balance, and objectivity."

## Orthodox Group Shows Strength In U.S. Meetings

By **ANDREW SILOW CARROLL**  
WASHINGTON (JTA) — When some 200 members of Agudath Israel of America met with 20 congressional leaders and nine top administration officials recently seven out of 12 senators made pro-Israel statements; one spoke in support of Soviet Jewry; another called for the repeal of the U.N.'s "Zionism equals racism" resolution; and another called for limits on the U.S. dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

On the administration side, Vice President Dan Quayle asked for help on a national child care bill; the attorney general enlisted support for his pro-life agenda; the president's chief of staff promised his help on an asbestos clean up act; and first lady Barbara Bush saluted the group's adherence to "family values."

And on the purely "hamish" side, two officials spoke Yiddish; one senator blessed them in Hebrew; and one congressman wore a yarmulke as he announced his plans for a national kashrut bill.

In all, it was a day-long display that stunned Agudah leaders and observers alike, both in the range of topics covered and in the willingness of top officials to meet with a group repre-

senting a minority of American Jewry — its Orthodox branch. One administration official said she could think of few groups — Jewish or non-Jewish — that could command a similar turnout from Washington officials.

"For those of you under the age of 50, you may not appreciate what this type of occasion means," said Rabbi Moshe Sherer, president of Agudath Israel of America, before Quayle's address at the Old Executive Office Building near the White House.

## Sephardic Rabbis Demand AIDS Testing

By **ADAM DICKTER**  
NEW YORK (JTA) — The Rabbinical Council of the Syrian and Near Eastern Jewish Community will no longer perform any marriage without medical proof that both parties don't have AIDS. The Brooklyn-based council is the first rabbinical authority to impose such a regulation, but speculated that others would follow suit.

The regulation, which went into effect Sept. 1, requires a doctor's letter stating that the bride and groom have tested negative for Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome before Sephardic rabbis will consider

performing the ceremony. "Forty-six years ago, to get into this room — when the Orthodox had no power, no clout — to get the top people to talk to us would have been unthinkable," he said.

Agudath Israel's growing presence in Washington is the result of its own assertiveness and a political climate that favors many of its key legislative concerns. With its support of Israel and freedom for Soviet Jewry, it shares with other Jewish groups a bipartisan allegiance on Capitol Hill.

Unlike other non-Orthodox and spokesmen for the Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and Reconstructionist rabbinical organization told the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* that they have no such regulation, although some were aware of the ground-breaking policy.

Rabbi Joel Myers, executive director of the Conservative Rabbinical Assembly, said the Sephardic rabbis "are showing concern for the safety of their community" and called the regulation "an extreme measure to prevent people from unknowingly contracting AIDS." Myers said that, although he would personally not officiate at the wedding of an AIDS victim, the decision would be up to individual consciences among his colleagues.

He predicted that rabbinic policies would change on a large scale only if state marriage license laws change. Rabbi Hanania Elbaz, a board member of the Sephardic rabbis council, told JTA that the regulation was adopted as a preventive measure, and not a healing method. He

denied any significant outbreak of AIDS in the community. Elbaz said the council was prompted by rising statistics of AIDS cases, and projections that 2,000,000 Americans will have AIDS by the year 2000.

Sephardic rabbis are known to be particularly stringent. Elbaz says his community hasn't accepted any converts since 1935, when the rabbinic decree that the community may not marry them, permit them to join synagogues or bury them in Jewish cemeteries. This includes converts who underwent Orthodox procedures.

Rabbi Hersch Ginsberg, of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis, said "There are no laws in the Jewish religion that states such testing is necessary," and said there are no plans at this time to implement an AIDS policy. Rabbi Max Schreier, of the Orthodox Rabbinical Council of America, said his organization would "wait to see what the experience of (the) rabbis is" before discussing such a regulation and its propriety.

Agudah adherents, who represent the community's comparative right wing.

"There is a growing demographic trend that we are shifting toward the right," said David Zweibel, Agudath's director of government affairs and its general counsel. "The community is growing in size and sophistication, and as a result, in influence. We have a reputation as a professional group that deals responsibly with issues, and we feel comfortable in the American political process," he said.

Rabbi Abraham Hecht, executive vice president of the 16-member Sephardic Rabbinical Council, who is also president of the Rabbinical Council of America, said the regulation has the blessing of the Sephardic chief rabbi in Israel, Rabbi Mordechai Eliyahu. He said the measure, although unpleasant, was sanctioned under the halachic doctrine of "sakanas nefesh" or protection of life.

He also predicted that more Jews will react in this fashion "once (the AIDS crisis) starts to hit home. When push comes to shove, they'll all do it."

Elbaz maintains that the regulation will apply to everyone in the community, even rabbis and their kin. "It's a law for the king as well as the slave," he said.

According to the AIDS and Civil Liberties project of the American Civil Liberties Union, clergymen are allowed by law to refuse religious services to anyone for whatever reason they deem necessary.

## Rise In Jewish Singles Spells Trouble

By **ELENA NEUMAN**  
NEW YORK (JTA) — A dramatic increase in the number of American Jews remaining single will impact significantly on the future of the American Jewish family, according to a recent sociological study by a Brandeis University research associate.

After analyzing data from two dozen Jewish communities across the country, Sylvia Barack Fishman, a member of Brandeis' Cohen Center of Modern Jewish Studies, has determined that major sociological changes have taken place in the American Jewish family since 1970, when the last major study was performed.

"Only 20 years ago, the proportion of American Jewish singles — at 6 percent — lagged far behind the 16 percent of singles in the general American population," the study said. "Today, in many major metropolitan areas, between one-third and one-fifth of the adult Jewish population is single, exceeding the national aver-

age of 19 percent," says the study.

"It's not that there are more Jewish singles than non-Jewish singles," explained Fishman in an interview. "Rather, it's because highly educated Jews tend to congregate in urban areas, where the singles rate tends to be higher."

She cited New York, Boston, Washington, Los Angeles and Denver as areas with the highest concentration of Jewish singles.

The increased number of Jews remaining unmarried has implications for many aspects of Jewish family life, particularly childbearing. The study found that Jews are losing a generation every 30 years because couples are having fewer children due to late marriages, and because women who are marrying in their 30s often experience infertility. The fertility rate for Jewish women, the study found, is 1.5 children, as opposed to the average national rate of 2.2.

The increased rate of Jewish singles

coupled with the decrease in child-bearing is reflected in less Jewish affiliation and volunteerism.

Jewish singles often complain of feeling estranged from Jewish communal and synagogue life, which has traditionally been family-oriented. Thus, when they marry late, many of them never rejoin the organized Jewish community. Moreover, recent Jewish mothers, about two-thirds of whom are holding paying jobs with children under 6, are less likely to engage in Jewish volunteer work than Jewish mothers in the past.

"This is a major challenge that American Jewish organizations must face," said Fishman. "They must try to strengthen Jewish households today and bring estranged households back into the community." In her study, Fishman proposes new and innovative Jewish communal programming in the areas of day care, singles social events, activities for teenagers, and care for the elderly.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION		
Required by 39 U.S.C. 3685		
1. TITLE OF PUBLICATION	2. PUBLICATION NO.	3. DATE OF FILING
The Jewish Voice	704160	October 6, 1989
4. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE	5A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY	5B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE
Twice-monthly, once in July & August	22	\$7.50
6. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printer)		
101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803		
7. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OF GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printer)		
101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803		
8. FULL NAMES AND COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF PUBLISHER, EDITOR, AND MANAGING EDITOR (This item MUST NOT be blank)		
PUBLISHER (Name and Complete Mailing Address): Jewish Federation of Delaware, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803		
EDITOR (Name and Complete Mailing Address): Paula Berengut, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803		
MANAGING EDITOR (Name and Complete Mailing Address): Paula Berengut, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803		
9. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereunder the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given. If the publication is published by a nonprofit organization, its name and address must be stated. (Item must be completed.)		
FULL NAME: JEWISH FEDERATION OF DELAWARE COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS: 101 GARDEN OF EDEN ROAD, WILMINGTON, DE 19803		
10. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGEES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If none are held, so state)		
N/A		
11. FOR COMPLETION BY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AUTHORIZED TO MAIL AT SPECIAL RATES (Section 471.12 DMM only) The purpose, function, and nonprofit status of this organization and the exempt status for Federal income tax purposes (Check one)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HAS NOT CHANGED DURING PRECEDING 12 MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> HAS CHANGED DURING PRECEDING 12 MONTHS (If changed, publisher must submit explanation of change with this statement.)		
12. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION		13. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER, OR OWNER
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)	AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUE DURING PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES OF SINGLE ISSUE PUBLISHED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
3200	3200	4200
B. PAID CIRCULATION		
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales	N/A	N/A
2. Mail Subscriptions	2378	3677
C. TOTAL PAID CIRCULATION (Sum of B.1 and B.2)	2378	3677
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS (SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY, AND OTHER FREE COPIES)		
393	393	250
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C and D)		
2771	2771	3927
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED		
1. Office use, left overs, unsold copies, spoiled after printing	429	273
2. Return from News Agents	0	0
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F.1 and F.2—should equal net press run shown in A)		
3200	3200	4200
I certify that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.		

# Jewish Law Students Association Established At Widener

For the first time in the history of Widener University School of Law, a Jewish student organization has been established and recognized by the university administration and the Student Bar Association.

As new students at Widener University School of Law, Mitchell Bierman and Robin Golish were so surprised to find that there wasn't a Jewish student organization on campus that they set out on a personal mission to establish one. After approaching the Jewish Federation of Delaware in early September for assistance with the process and after recruiting Associate Professor of Law John D. Wladis to serve as a faculty advisor, a formal proposal was presented to the Widener University School of Law Student Bar Association for official recognition and funding.

The JLSA will follow a model established by various law schools offering students the opportunity to explore Judaism, the law, and related topics. The JLSA will host a lecture series with prominent members of the bar and bench, debates, and social activities which will enable an exchange of ideas, philosophy, cultural practices, and religious beliefs. Additionally, the JLSA will enable students at Widener to interact with both the greater Jewish community and the campus community.

In addition to working closely with the Jewish Federation of Delaware, the JLSA will also affiliate with The National Jewish Law Students Network (NJLSN) of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation. The NJLSN is comprised of more than 130 law schools, offering regional programs,

the *National Jewish Law Review* and opportunities for political and legal action.

According to Bierman, JLSA Chairman, "We've been thrilled with the response so far from fellow students at Widener. A Jewish organization on campus will certainly enhance students' Jewish experience in school while motivating graduates to pursue a career that will include active participation in Jewish communal life. For this, we are grateful to the Jewish community of Delaware for its strong support of our organizations."

For more information about the JLSA of Widener University School of Law, contact Seth M. Bloom, JFD Director of Community Development, 478-6200.



Reviewing the JLSA proposal submitted to the Widener University School of Law's Student Bar Association are, from left, John D. Wladis, Faculty advisor; Robin Sl Golish, JLSA Vice-chairman; and Mitchell S. Beirman, JLSA Chairman.

## Congregation Beth Shalom To Present Holocaust Course

On the fiftieth anniversary of the onset of World War II, Congregation Beth Shalom will offer a year-long course on the holocaust and the Jewish communities it affected throughout the world. The series is open to the entire community.

"The Holocaust: Roots, Development, and Major Issues" is the fall component of the course. On Sunday, November 5, the introductory lecture will be delivered by Dr. Willard Fletcher, recently retired Professor of History at the University of Delaware and former member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council. Fletcher will discuss the historical background leading to the rise of Nazism with emphasis on the relationship between Jews and Christians in Poland and Germany.

On November 12, Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz will discuss "The Role of Bureaucracy and Technology." Among the questions under discussion will be: Could the Nazi bureaucracy have been stopped? Can an early warning system prevent history from repeating itself?

"The Nazi Doctors: Should society use their medical data?" will be the subject of a lecture/discussion by

Yoskowitz on November 19.

How does one live with the memories? Why does one tell the story? A panel of survivors and children of survivors will discuss these questions on December 3.

The first four programs will be given at Congregation Beth Shalom on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m.

The fall course will conclude with the Doris and Irving Morris lecture by Dr. Lucy Dawidowicz, historian, author and teacher, at the Jewish Community Center on December 10. Dawidowicz, a former professor of social history at Yeshiva University, is a world renown authority in the field of holocaust studies.

The spring component of the course will examine the religious and cultural milieu of select Jewish communities throughout the world in 1939-40.

The fall registration fee of \$7.50 per person includes admission to the five lectures and a dessert reception after the opening lecture. Registration is by mail to Congregation Beth Shalom, Attn: Betty Diznoff, 18th and Baynard Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802 or in person, at 6:45 on Sunday, November 5.

## Kutz Ball A Success



The Kutz Home Auxiliary's annual Forget-Me-Not Ball was held on September 16 at the Hotel DuPont. Above left, Kutz Auxiliary President Shelly Mand chats with the Home's Executive Director, Dan Thurman, at the Ball. Above right, Kutz Home President Carolyn B. Silverman addressing the 240 community members in attendance. The Forget-Me-Not Program Book, published in conjunction with this annual event, was sponsored by over 500 individuals and businesses. Adele Ross, chairperson, has stated that the profits from the evening will enable the Auxiliary to help the Kutz Home defray the cost of some of its operating expenses and will help the Auxiliary continue its refurbishing plan at the Home.

## Dr. Isadore Slovin Memorial Concert Saturday, November 4, 1989 8:00 p.m.

*The First Annual FEATS (Foundation of Economic Aid to Strings) Concert, to be held in memory of the late Dr. Isadore Slovin, prominent Wilmington physician and music patron, will feature guest artist, Avner Arad.*



Avner Arad is a young Israeli pianist of national acclaim. He has studied at the Dunia Weizman Conservatory in Haifa, Israel, the Eastman School of Music and the Curtis Institute of Music. He was the winner of the 1989 Olga Koussevitsky Memorial Competition, as well as the recipient of the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra's Young Artists Solo Competition held in 1984. Mr. Arad's musical selection for the evening will include works from Mozart, Chopin, and Brahms.

Patrons (meet-the-artist reception & reserved seating)-\$25

Pre-sale tickets - \$9.00/Cost at Door - \$10.00

Senior Citizens & Children - \$8.00

Please plan to join the entire community for the First Annual Dr. Isadore Slovin Memorial Concert.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT DESK OF THE J.C.C. OR CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE MAIL

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ tickets for the FIRST ANNUAL DR. ISADORE SLOVIN MEMORIAL CONCERT on Saturday, Nov. 4 at 8:00 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center Auditorium.

NAME (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make checks payable to the "Jewish Community Center")  
101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington, DE 19803

TICKETS WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE NIGHT OF THE PERFORMANCE OR CAN BE PICKED UP AT THE FRONT DESK OF THE J.C.C.

# Women's Conference Deals With Overcoming JAP Stereotype

By RUTH ROVNER

Special to The Jewish Voice

Susan Weidman Schneider remembers well the cover design of the second issue of *Lilith* magazine. The cover showed a t-shirt which read

"Princess" being tossed into the trash. That was back in 1977, when Schneider, a founder of the national Jewish women's magazine, was sure that the stereotype of the Jewish American Princess would soon be a dead issue.

But she knows now how wrong she was. "Since the mid 1980s, bigotry against Jewish women has been increasing, and 'JAP' has become part of the language," said Schneider, who spoke recently at a Jewish women's conference in Philadelphia.

The author and editor-in-chief of *Lilith* spoke at a workshop titled "Overcoming Stereotypes of Jewish Women" which was part of a conference which brought together over 200 women. Entitled "The Empowerment of Jewish Women," the event covered a wide range of issues, from reproductive rights to Jewish women as voters. And the workshop on stereotypes drew a standing-room crowd of women—from grandmothers to college students, from rabbis to social workers — who listened attentively, and sometimes with shock, to Schneider's often graphic report as she detailed the nature and extent of the JAP stereotype.

When *Lilith* did a cover story 18 months ago about JAP-baiting on the campus, the editors found that the stereotype of Jewish women as demanding, self-centered, and materialistic was not only alive—but growing worse.

"The early stereotypes about Jewish women were almost kindly in comparison," said Schneider. "They



Susan Weidman Schneider

were like sitcom-style humor: kindly but disparaging."

But the more recent versions of the JAP stereotype are different, she said. "It embodies the most powerful aspects of anti-Semitism with those of misogyny," said Schneider.

*Lilith* editors found abundant—and disturbing—evidence of this when they researched the article. There were the co-eds at Syracuse University who attended football games only to be confronted with spectators shouting JAP! JAP! at them; there were anti-Semitic messages carved into library tables on campuses, messages such as "JAPs should have their tubes tied when they get their noses fixed."

"These things really happened, and we were horrified. By the time we finished the article, we were sure that the JAP stereotype was alive and well," said Schneider, who, since the article's publication, has become something of a media celebrity—she's appeared on the Phil Donahue and Oprah Winfrey talk shows, has been quoted in *Newsweek* and *The New York Times*, and has tirelessly spoken to numerous women's groups about the issue.

She has since discovered that the stereotype is still pervasive both on and off the campus—and, she says, "it's getting uglier." There are the t-shirts reading, "Slap a Jap" and "Jap buster"; there are the JAP jokes; there are even JAP coloring books and JAP greeting cards.

Schneider encountered one new line of cards when she was inno-

cently browsing for thank-you cards in an airport gift shop recently. "I want to show you this wonderful new line of cards," said the saleswoman, who directed Schneider to the "Bunny Bagelman" cards, featuring line drawings of the Bagelman family—especially Bunny Bagelman. One card showed Bunny Bagelman on the cover, saying, "Thanks for everything—I was so amazed by your kindness—" and then the on the next page her message continued—"that I almost dropped by nail file."

Another card, also with Bunny Bagelman on the cover, had the message "May God bless you and keep you—" and then the card is opened and the sentence ended, "Rich!"

Of course, Schneider didn't find this the least bit funny. "Jewish women have become a lightning rod for anti-Semitism," she said. "And the fallout from this is the damage done to our self-esteem. As long as this stereotype is around, we feel disempowered."

The fallout from the pervasive JAP image also affects relationships between Jewish women and men, she said. Intermarriage patterns (Schneider has written a book on the subject) show that Jewish men most frequently "marry out." Recent sociological studies of the mating attitudes of young Jewish males reveals a bias against Jewish women, she said.

She's heard Jewish men laugh when they tell jokes like, "What does a Jewish wife make for dinner?—Reservations" and she recently spoke

to a young Jewish man who had finally taken out a Jewish young woman, the first one in seven years. "And it'll be the last one, too," he said. "She was such a JAP—though I really liked her a lot."

"Quite clearly, Jewish women are being put down by men in their own group," said Schneider. "We don't have men on our side when it comes to misogyny."

The fallout also affects the attitudes non-Jewish women have about their Jewish counterparts, she said. "The stereotype walks in before we do," said Schneider. Recently, the organizers of a women's conference that included Jewish and non-Jewish women's groups admitted to Schneider that they were surprised that Jewish groups were supporting them.

"Several organizations were very surprised that a Jewish woman's organization would be concerned with issues of pay equity," she said.

With the stereotype so pervasive—and the fallout so extensive—the challenge becomes how to combat the stereotype. Schneider's suggestions included everything from political pressure to personal action. She advised the women participants at the conference to pressure their own organizations to pass resolutions and to insist that synagogue shops and Judaica gift shops stop carrying any JAP-related merchandise and to boycott any stores that do carry such items.

But just as important, she said, Jewish women have to take a stand personally and condemn the stereotype wherever they encounter it—even though this can be difficult.

"We've been socialized to be good girls, so it's hard to say, in a social setting, 'Don't tell a joke, it offends me,' or 'Don't dare use that term in my presence.' But we have to be prepared to do this, to say emphatically, 'This is not funny, this is offensive to me.'" said Schneider, she's had her share of well-meaning people advise her to "lighten up" about JAP humor.

But she won't—not when the issue and its effects are so serious. And though it isn't easy to fight a stereotype, and to remain vigilant, the effort, she says, will be worth it. "If we can combat the stereotype," she predicted, "we'll make the world a safer and a better place for Jewish women and for Jewish men."

**Now, You Can Wear Bifocals Without Wearing Glasses.**

Let us open your eyes to the new world of bifocal contact lenses, where you can look and feel better about yourself.

They're now available in a design that makes successful lens wear a greater possibility than ever before. If you've tried bifocal lenses in the past and weren't satisfied with them, it may be time to try again.

Call us today for your introduction to bifocal vision without glasses.

**You'll see a clear difference!**

**DR. ALLAN TOCKER**  
Optometrist  
BRANDYWINE SQUARE  
2900 CONCORD PIKE  
WILMINGTON, DE 19803  
478-8930

**Our CUSTOMERS Are From Everywhere! Why Not you?**

**THE SMOKE SHOP**

CIGARS • GLOBES & MAPS • BOOKS  
GOURMET CANDIES • COFFEES

"BOOKS BY WIRE"  
WHOLESALE • RETAIL • MAIL ORDER  
DELAWARE Ave. at Du Pont St., Wilmington, Del.

(302) 655-2861 (215) 358-1324

HOURS  
6-30 AM TO 10 PM

**BOYD'S FLOWERS**

*Where artists bring beauty to bloom.*

**421-2900**  
2013 PENNA. AVE.  
824 MKT. ST. MALL  
2900 CONCORD PK.

## 19 New Gratz Students

Delaware Gratz Hebrew High School is pleased to announce that 19 new students have enrolled for the 1989-90 school year.

Six of these students have previously attended Albert Einstein Academy and will be continuing their Judaic education at Gratz in special Hebrew literature and Ulpan classes. They are: Tammy Goldbaum, Elissa Hall, Gabrielle Hall, Jennifer Labowitz, Jennifer Rosen and Pamela Weisberg. Sandra Cherrin and Alicia Pritzker come to Gratz from Beth Emeth and Dana Edell, Jessica Gleich and Mike Schneider from Beth Shalom. Students enrolled from Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth are Alexis Barth, Debra Gropper, Shira Kamm and Sylvie Shain. Jonathan Fox from Ohev Shalom in Wallingford completes the list of first year students.

Jeremy Yoskowitz from Minneapolis is new to the High School II class as is his brother, Marc Yoskowitz to the senior class. Debra Seider from Ohev Shalom in Wallingford

also joins the senior class.

"The student body, Board and faculty welcome these new students who will be taking many hours from their

## Elder Support Network Wins Shroder Award

The Elder Support Network, a service of the Association of Jewish Family and Children's Agencies has been named the recipient of the 1989 Council of Jewish Federations William J. Shroder Award. This award, granted in the National Agencies Category, recognizes the Elder Support Network as "a program that has made an outstanding contribution to the national or international Jewish community."

Locally, Jewish Family Service of Delaware is a participant in the network which links services for the elderly across the country. If a family finds that an elderly parent or family member in another city needs a serv-

ice or help, they can call a toll-free number and find the name of an agency and/or person in the elderly person's area to call for help.

The program, based in Kendall Park, New Jersey, is sponsored by a number of Jewish organizations, including the Milton and Hattie Kutz Foundation which is administered by the Jewish Federation of Delaware. The award will be presented at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations in Cincinnati, in November.

For more information on the Elder Support Network call Jewish Family Service at 478-9411.

# Agreement Reached On Lending/Borrowing Military Goods

By **JOSEPH POLAKOFF**  
Special to *The Jewish Voice*

WASHINGTON — Israel has become the first country to sign an agreement under the Department of Defense Authorization Act of 1989 that allows the secretary of defense to "lend or borrow" from major non-Nato allies materials, supplies and equipment for military research and development.

The agreement in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed September 8 by

Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Defense Secretary Richard Cheney but was not disclosed until Israeli press reports indicated the U.S. would preposition up to \$100 millions in U.S. military supplies in Israel.

Lieut. Col. Keith Schneider, a spokesman at the Pentagon, said the MOU has "absolutely nothing to do with any dollar value; nor does it address pre-positioning of any equipment or material. The MOU is basically an umbrella of understanding. It does not address any specific materi-

als, supplies or equipment. Rather it contains general procedures for such transfers for cooperative research and development purposes."

The authorization act, Schneider said, requires such understanding between the secretary of defense and the country concerned "before any individual transaction takes place." He emphasized that before transactions of any item "there must be another agreement involving specific equipment for research and development."

Beside Israel, the U.S. considers Egypt, Australia, Japan and South Korea as major non-Nato allies.

The Israeli Embassy hailed the MOU as "an additional step to strengthen U.S.-Israeli defense cooperation in general and in the field of research and development in particular." The U.S. and Israel already have an extensive network of cooperation in those fields, including the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) in which Israel has the largest contract of any foreign country.

An Israeli report regarding the

MOU said the Bush Administration had asked Israel to drop its opposition to a likely request to Congress for approval of the sale of 300 M-1A1 tanks to Saudi Arabia. A State Department official said Israel may have been asked to forego opposition. At the Israeli Embassy it was said that the projected tank sale and the MOU were separate subjects. An embassy official noted that the Israeli Government "was and still is opposed to arms sales to any Arab country that is still formerly at war with us."

## Five In Custody After Devastating Fire

By **HUGH ORGEL**

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Five suspects are being held in custody on suspicion of setting a fire that destroyed some 4,000 acres of woodlands, parks and nature preserves on Mount Carmel near Haifa on September 19.

Arson has been clearly determined as the cause of the blaze, probably related to the Palestinian uprising. A special commission appointed by the Interior Ministry to investigate the conflagration started work immediately.

The fire lasted 36 hours, but fire-fighting teams remained to guard the blackened area and to make sure still-glowing embers did not suddenly erupt into flames.

There is a debate among afforestation experts over how long it will take before the damage to the Carmel range is repaired. According to JNF, it will take another 50 years before the burnt trees are replaced by natu-

ral growth or plantings.

But other experts say that new saplings are already springing up

from natural growth in an area hit by an equally devastating fire six years ago.



## Weizman: Israel Should Talk To The PLO

By **EDWIN EYTAN**

PARIS (JTA) — An Israeli Cabinet minister said here that his country is already engaged in "indirect negotiations" with the Palestine Liberation Organization and thinks they should be "face to face."

Ezer Weizman, the minister of science and development, spoke to reporters late last month before flying back to Israel. He was here for four days at the invitation of the French minister for scientific affairs.

Weizman, an outspoken dove, said last month's visit to Cairo by his Labor Party colleague, Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, gave new impetus to the peace process and should be fully supported. Rabin and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak met on Sept. 18 to discuss Egypt's 10-point paper proposing terms and conditions for Palestinian elections in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Labor Party is prepared to consider the Egyptian points but their Likud coalition partners flatly reject them. The rift threatens a crisis that could topple the unity government. Weizman did not seem particularly disturbed by that prospect.

"Our problem is with the Arabs, not with the Likud. We should try to reach a solution with the Arabs instead of trying to workout arrangements with Likud," he said.

While it is Likud policy never to negotiate with the PLO under any circumstances, "we are engaged in indirect negotiations with the PLO through the Americans who meet with them in Tunis and through the Egyptians," the Cabinet minister said.

"It would be far more honorable if we were to meet with our enemies face to face to reach a solution to our problems," he declared.

Either way,  
**the odds are  
in your favor.**

**Four  
to One**

Robert Half was rated best by four to one over the next national specialist in financial, accounting and bookkeeping personnel. This was revealed in a national survey of personnel directors conducted by an independent research firm. So don't take chances. Call the specialist rated best by personnel experts.

**ROBERT HALF**  
of Wilmington, Inc.  
*The best of the best.*

**Five  
to One**

A national survey by an independent research firm showed Accountemps the clear winner by a five to one margin over the next national temporary specialist in accounting and bookkeeping personnel. So call us when you need a temporary specialist for a day, a week, a month or longer. You can count on the favorite.

**accountemps**  
Division of Robert Half of Wilmington, Inc.  
*Where second best is not good enough.*

**475-4500**

Brandywood Plaza • Foulk & Grubb Roads • Wilmington, DE 19810  
Abraham Bailis, Director



For just \$739 on an EL AL Milk & Honey Vacation, we'll take care of your airfare.

We'll take care of your hotel stay.

We'll take care of your Israeli breakfasts.

We'll take care of your car rental.

With another package, we'll take care of your tour of Jerusalem.

We'll take care of your journey to Masada.

We'll take care of your excursion to Galilee.

We'll take care of your visit to a kibbutz.

But before you leave home, keep one thing in mind.

There are some things you'll have to find someone else to take care of.

To find out more about all our Milk & Honey Vacations, see your travel agent or call 1-800-EL AL SUN.

For a free Milk & Honey Vacations brochure, write: EL AL Israel Airlines, P.O. Box 9031, East Setauket, NY 11733.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**EL AL**  
2007 The Airline of Israel.

Tickets valid 11/13/90 excluding 12/15-1/5/90. \$739 price from N.Y. Boston. Chicago only. Based on per person double occupancy. \$3 departure tax. \$10 custom and immigration fee. \$12. Israel departure tax not included. 14 day advance purchase required. Min. stay 6 days; max. 21 days. Fare subject to change without notice. Car rental does not include gas, mileage and insurance. Hotel for 5 nights/6 days. Other restrictions may apply.

# Unknown Vandals Destroy Carmelite Convent In Israel

By **CATHRINE GERSON**  
JERUSALEM (JTA) — Unknown vandals in Israel may have exacerbated tensions between Israel and the Catholic Church, particularly the Carmelite order. Israeli media reported that vandals had destroyed

the remains of the 13th-century Carmelite convent near Haifa.

According to reports, the vandalism was systematic, with the attackers smashing stone after stone at the site, which is being excavated by a group of Carmelite nuns. The vandalism was discovered two weeks ago by an inspector from the Department of Antiquities.

Israel Radio reported that the destruction of the site was discovered

soon after religious circles in Haifa had warned they would not allow the excavations to continue as long as a Carmelite convent remained on the site of the former Auschwitz death camp in Poland.

Sister Damien, a Carmelite sister from Salt Lake City, Utah, under whose direction the excavations have taken place for the last two years, said that she was shocked to see the destruction at the site. "The Carme-

lite order has never wanted the sisters at Auschwitz," she said, pointing out that the nuns who established the convent at Auschwitz had gone against explicit orders of the order. "Many, many times the Mother Superior has told them to come out, but they refused," she said.

Sister Damien said that those who had hurt the work in Israel "are hurting the people who are trying to get them out." She added, "It is a great

tragedy that this has happened."

The Carmelite order has come under considerable criticism for the nuns' refusal to leave the convent at Auschwitz. The controversy seemed to be on the path to resolution last week, when the Vatican, and then Poland's Cardinals Jozef Glemp and Franciszek Macharski, issued statements signaling their support for removal of the convent to an interfaith center away from the camp.

**SINGLE?**

*A Civilized Approach to Marriage*

Traditional values and lifestyles are once again in fashion. Many people of culture and attainment seek marriage and commitment. However, few can balance success and an active social life.

The Bella Group brings together Delaware and Philadelphia professional singles. A blend of executive search techniques, educated intuition, and frequent confidential consultation can help you find someone as special as you are.

*The Bella Group*  
Matchmaking Specialist  
**475-1129**

# Palestinians Murdering Fellow Arabs

By **GILL SEDAN**  
JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Palestine Liberation Organization's influence in the West Bank and Gaza Strip has been sagging lately, as Palestinians there virtually ignore specific PLO orders to stop executing fellow Arabs believed to be collaborating with Israeli authorities.

The focus of internal Palestinian terrorism has been the Gaza Strip town of Rafah, where two men were hacked to death with axes on September 24 by masked assailants. The killings brought to four the number of Rafah residents killed in one week.

The Unified Command of the Palestinian uprising reportedly is deeply troubled by this uncontrolled wave of politically inspired executions.

PLO leaders Yasir Arafat repeatedly has spoken out against the increased violence. A letter to that effect in his own handwriting has been distributed in the territories and the latest leaflet issued by the Unified Command repeated the call. But neither has been to any avail.

The killings indicate a growing rift inside the Palestinian community, particularly between the PLO and Hamas, the Islamic fundamentalist movement.

Ostensibly, the killings are perpetrated to punish those who collaborate with the Israeli authorities. But according to Israeli officials, many of the killings have had nothing to do with Israel and have simply been used to "settle accounts," sometimes with no political background at all.

According to the Israeli Embassy in Washington, 110 Palestinians were murdered by fellow Arabs in the territories from the beginning of the uprising in December 1987 through

September 13 of this year.

The number of killings has escalated sharply in recent weeks, averaging 16 per month during the first year of the uprising.

# Republic Of Italy Wins HIAS Award

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Republic of Italy was honored by the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society with its Liberty Award for its cooperation at Ladispoli, the seaside village 22 miles northwest of Rome that serves as the international way station for Soviet Jewish emigres.

"I express recognition to the Republic of Italy for the vital role it plays in the resettlement of Soviet Jewish emigres," said Ben Zion Leuchter, president of HIAS, at the dinner last week. "As we rejoice in the movement of Soviet Jews to lands of freedom, we are ever mindful of the friends whose help has smoothed the way."

# Peres Defends Deportation Policy

By **DAVID FRIEDMAN**  
WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israeli Vice Premier Shimon Peres last week defended Israel's policy of deporting Palestinian instigators of violence in the administered territories, saying the practice is a means of avoiding capital punishment.

"From deportations you can come back," said Peres. "From death we didn't see people returning, even if the government approves."

He noted that despite five wars

and the constant threat of terrorism during Israel's 40 years, the government has only executed one man: Adolph Eichmann, the notorious commander of the Nazi SS.

The vice premier spoke about the death penalty in response to a question posed during his appearance at the National Press Club. Peres, who is also finance minister, was in Washington to attend the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

He used his appearance at the

press club to thank the American news media for "fair reporting." He also expressed his appreciation to the Bush administration and the Congress for their "deep understanding" of Israel's problems.

He said that while there has not always been agreement between America and Israel, there is understanding that "here is the struggle of a small democracy to bring peace without losing freedom."

# Israeli Linked To Colombian Drug War

By **HUGH ORGEL**  
TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Israeli soldier of fortune implicated in training Colombian death squads is to testify before a Senate subcommittee investigating the Colombian drug cartels.

IDF reserve Lt. Col. Yair Klein, president of the Hod Hahanit (Spearhead) security consulting firm, has confirmed that he will make the trip

to Washington. He said he was not afraid of testifying, despite reports that Colombia is seeking an international warrant for his arrest and extradition.

"I will tell the Senate subcommittee exactly what I told police - that I trained farmers to defend themselves against guerrilla attacks. The Colombian police and army admit that I did nothing wrong," he asserted.

The Department of Administrative Security in Bogota has said that Klein was changed there with criminal conspiracy and is being sought for extradition along with another Israeli, Arik Acek, an associate of Klein's.

Klein was first named in connection with the bloody Colombian drug war in August, when he appeared in a film broadcast by NBC News that purportedly showed him training Colombian marksmen involved in the drug cartels. The trainers in the film spoke in Hebrew, and one of the marksmen interviewed said the Israeli trainers were excellent.

Police here have been investigating Klein and other Israelis for having engaged in business in Colombia without obtaining the requisite licenses from the Defense Ministry for exporting defense techniques and training.

Klein's passport, which was confiscated, was returned to him. He is presently free on \$15,000 bail.



Yair Klein

If Colombia obtains an international arrest warrant against him from Israel, which has no extradition agreement with Colombia.

Klein said he had sufficient trust in the United States to risk the possibility that Colombia would seek to extradite him while he was there.

475-5300                      475-9300

**EAT IN TAKE OUT**

**ALL THAT FOOD**

(Formerly Modern Kosher)

1708 Naamans Road

**\* OPENING SOON \***

Featuring: Variety in

Cooked Chicken, Great Deli,

Special Salads & Desserts

**Restaurant - Catering - Restaurant**

**It's Coming!**  
**JIFFY**  
**It's Coming!**

Independent **SAAB** Specialist

**SPORTS CAR SERVICE**

Parts • Service • Used Saabs

*Saab Specialists Since 1957*

3500 Governor Printz Blvd., Wilmington, DE 19802 764-SAAB



# Changes In U.S. Policy Affect Soviet Jewish Emigrants

By MIRIAM VIKTOR

Special to The Jewish Voice

From September 30, 1989, to September 30, 1989, more than 30,000 Soviet Jews with exit visas to Israel, were admitted to the United States with full refugee status. Another 1,500 settled in Canada and Australia. Yet another 14,000 currently sit in Ladispoli, Italy, a seaside resort area on the outskirts of Rome, waiting for their cases to be adjudicated. In the face of this human tidal wave, the Bush Administration has recently set a ceiling of 50,000 on the number of Soviet refugee to the United States to made at the American Embassy in Moscow beginning October 1, 1989.

The change in policy was necessitated, according to Robert Pear of the *New York Times*, by many humanitarian, financial, political and bureaucratic concerns. First, noted Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger, was the "intolerable and inhumane situations" facing Soviet emigres in Italy. Not only was the uncertainty of the wait a burden to those awaiting decisions, but it has been admitted that case-by-case decisions on the granting of refugee

status have not been consistent.

The cost of caring for the refugees in Italy, estimated to be \$34 million this year, was unacceptable to the State Department in view of the record world wide level of 14 million refugees. This outlay could be greatly reduced, claim administration officials by adding staff in Moscow to accept applications, and adding staff in Washington to review these applications. Thus exit visas would be issued specifically for resettlement in the United States with refugee (or limited parole) status.

Politically, the fact that Israel offers any Soviet Jew immediate citizenship eliminates the fear that Jewish refugees have "no where to go." Writing in the *Baltimore Jewish Times*, Robert Greenberger notes, however, that "the constant bombardment of official anti-Israel propaganda in the Soviet Union, plus the Palestinian uprising, has soured many Jews on Israel." And, says Greenberger, "Jewish" to those with no Jewish education is a word stamped on their Soviet passports under "Nationality" which has deprived them of top jobs and subjected them to discrimination. It is no surprise

that they would prefer the "American melting pot" to the "Jewish homeland."

In real terms, what does this policy shift mean? For the 14,000 residents of Ladispoli, this new policy means, according to the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) in a document sent to Jewish Federation and Jewish Family Service staff dated September 22, that the Immigration and Naturalization Service intends "to have all Soviet Jewish applicant for refugee status currently in Rome admitted to the United States, either as refugees, or through a liberalized parole program." To accomplish this goal, the INS will, during the next seven weeks, unilaterally review all previously denied refugee status cases, and complete processing on all remaining applicants.

For Soviet Jews applying for refugee status in the future, Congress, the State Department and the INS seem to be in agreement with the Bush Administration's belief that while all Soviet Jews may be refugee, the United States alone cannot receive all of them.

Specifically, the Morrison Bill in the House of Representatives would

assume that anyone applying for United States refugee status should be presumed to be the victim of political and/or religious persecution, unless the INS can prove otherwise, and be eligible for such an exit visa. In the Senate, the Lautenberg-Kennedy-Simpson Bill states that an applicant would no longer have to prove persecution, but only discrimination to be eligible for refugee status. According to Senator William V. Roth's press staff, this bill was re-submitted as the Lautenberg-Kennedy-Kasten Bill, and passed unanimously on September 20 as part of the Foreign Assistance Bill.

In the view of Delaware Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr., "based on historic anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union," every Soviet Jew should be eligible for refugee status. As the Senator pointed out in his July 27 letter to the *Jewish Voice* "... we assured Soviet Jews that if they left the Soviet Union, they would be welcome in the United States... history will no forgive us if we turn our back on this long-standing commitment."

This focus on "who qualifies for United States refugee status," ac-

ording to Jewish Federation of Delaware's Executive Vice President Robert N. Kerbel, may blind us to the blunt realities of the Soviet Jews' new situation. First, notes Kerbel, is the acceptance of applications at the American Embassy in Moscow only. "The reality of the situation," says Kerbel, "is that Soviet Jews cannot travel more than 30 miles from their home without official permission. Thus a Jew in Odessa or Leningrad or from any autonomous region has to be granted permission to even go to Moscow."

Once a Jew arrives in Moscow, he faces further uncertainty. What of the lines? Reliable witnesses claim that current lines number 4,000 a day. So, asks Kerbel, if Soviet Jews find the application process for visas to America impossible, and the prospect of going to Israel unacceptable, are they trapped in Russia despite the Soviet's liberalized immigration policy?

The marchers of December 1987 have seen the Soviet authorities "Let My People Go." In 1989, we confront the problem of "Go Where?"

## Jewish Family Service Soviet Resettlement Report

By MIRIAM VIKTOR

Special to The Jewish Voice

When Fredda Pennock, Jewish Family Service Russian Resettlement Chairman, asked the 14 people attending the October 3 committee meeting to introduce themselves and their commitment to the committee's work, most answered, "My name is - and I'm a friend of -!" The "resettlement network" envisioned by JFS Board President Leslie Newman and Roberta Burman, JFS Russian Resettlement Co-Ordinator, has become a reality.

The Wilmington community is organizing to receive 17 Soviet Jewish refugees in six families between now and January 1, 1990. "Under new policies, we will see more refugees within the next year than we have seen in the last 15 years," according to Burman. "We know of 22 families with over 70 people who have filed to relocate within the Wilmington area. Every one of those families has, as required by our JFS and Federation Board, relatives in our community."

And, adds Burman, we must remember that everyone of these families is re-establishing lives "from the ground up" when they come to the United States. It's not just knowing English, as one committee member pointed out, it's understanding American life and customs. A new family asked her, for example, what to do with the postcards with pictures of missing children which come in the mail? Should they save them? Throw them out? Just who are these children? What did it mean that they are "missing?"

As Newman says, "Host families are critical to our efforts. We need them to promote community assimilation by our families. First, we must help our host families understand the culture from which our refugees come, so they recognize the problems faced by our newcomers. We must also help our Soviet Jewish families develop their own commu-

nity, through which they can help one another solve problems and celebrate successes.

Among those present were three members of Soviet Jewish families who had settled in Wilmington in the 1970's. They were, they explained, "ready to do whatever was necessary" for the newcomers. Two high school students on the committee are working with an 8-year old Russian youngster as part of a Senior Community Service project. A downstate resident reminded the committee that "everyone downstate has a truck," and offered to help coordinate furniture moving.

Committee members completed a JFS volunteer form, listing their abilities, previous experience and availability. In response to a prepared committee task list, members were then asked to assign themselves to groups working on the collection of furniture and household goods; arranging for the pick-up and storage of these goods; setting up apartments (a basic foods list is being developed for bulk purchasing); shopping and preparing food for newcomers; transportation; helping newcomers find employment.

"You will get more from helping these families than you give them," Pennock told committee members. "The bonds you build will be strong and enduring. Tell your friends. Make the network grow."

For more information on the resettlement network of volunteers or to donate furnishings, call Roberta Burman at 478-9411.



## Soviet Jewry From The Wilmington Perspective

By MIRIAM VIKTOR

Special to The Jewish Voice

The Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS), in a letter dated September 22, 1989, notified Wilmington staff of the Jewish Federation of Delaware and the Jewish Family Service, that as part of the Bush Administration's new refugee policy, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) intends to "have Soviet Jewish applicants for refugee that are now in Rome admitted to the United States," either as refugees or through a liberalized parole program.

According to Leslie Newman, President of the Jewish Family Service Board of Directors, the Wilmington community, which has already settled 21 Soviet Jewish refugees in 1988-89, could receive a total of 22 families (with approximately 70 people) from Ladispoli by January 1, 1990. In a report presented to the Federation's Board of Directors last month, Newman outlined the need for resettlement funds for these families.

In the past, according to Newman, HIAS and the Council of Jewish Federations contracted with the United States Government to resettle Soviet Jewish immigrants. Federation subcontracts the resettlement, on a community-by-community basis, to local Jewish Family Service branches, with Federation providing funds in the form of grants to JFS and the new families. In some communities, Federations voted to have separate capital campaigns to raise these resettlement monies. Our local Federation Board, in view of its commitment to the Kutz Home and the Jewish Community Center's Family Campus development, voted against such a campaign.

In her report, Newman asked the Federation Board to approve a separate budget line item for \$75,000 to resettle 75 Soviet Jewish refugees through June of 1990. The Board approved this request.

The Wilmington community, according to Newman, is currently able to resettle Soviet Jewish immigrants for \$1,000 each because of the "overwhelming generosity" of the local community. "Although 13 percent of Federation's resettlement costs are reimbursed by the United States government, we are never sure what portion of every \$1,000 we spend will be returned. The goods and services contributed by our community — from household items, clothing, and resume writing to taking people to classes, social service agencies and medical appointments — make it possible for us to work on this kind of budget."

Newman explained that every Soviet Jewish family resettled in Wilmington moves into a completely furnished apartment. Everything from furniture and appliances to dishes, kitchen gadgets, soap and paper goods is provided. Next, JFS works on helping newcomers find employment, register with social service agencies for food stamps, medical programs, and (for Senior Citizens) Social Security benefits; and master the "American Way of Life."

The problem, says Newman, is that we need to involve more people in the resettlement process. "I would identify three responses to Soviet Jewish refugees by the local community," Newman comments. "The first response is from those who worked, marched and fought for the Soviet Jews. Their response is, 'Let's do whatever is necessary to help.' The second response is from those who say 'Let them go to Israel!' The third response is from those who say 'No one ever did anything for me when I came.' We just haven't reached enough people who want to help."

To reach those people, Jewish Family Service hopes to form an alliance with the Federation's Jewish Community Relations Committee, headed by Lelaine Nemser, the JCC, and local synagogues. Our first priority, says Newman, is es-

tablishing a network to provide immediate help to new families.

Roberta Burman, Coordinator of Russian Resettlement for the JFS, identifies specific areas of need and looks forward to the establishment, on both a routine and emergency basis, of:

- A Medical and Dental Assistance Committee composed of local professionals in various medical/dental specialties.

- An Apartment Set-Up Committee which would seek contributions, maintain an inventory of available furnishings, pick up and deliver furnishings to new apartments, set up new apartments, and write acknowledgements thanking people for donations.

- An Employment Committee which would assist with the writing of resumes, coach people in interviewing skills (what to wear, what to say - what NOT to say!), helping locate sources of employment for newcomers.

- A Transportation Committee which would drive people to appointments - for jobs, social services, socialization, medical/dental services.

- A Drivers' Education Committee which would help people get drivers' licenses.

- An Education Committee which would help people enroll in language courses, or training courses.

- An Acculturation committee which would help newcomers join in our community's social, religious and cultural life.

We must remember, says Burman, that Soviet Jews didn't come from "Jewish communities" in Russia. They were isolated from other Jews as well as from their non-Jewish neighbors. Helping them become "good Jews" as well as "good citizens" is going to require dedication — and patience, she cautions.

Lelaine Nemser reports that JCRC has fostered an adoption

Continued on 23

## Young Leadership Meets With Congressman Carper

### Staff Report

The Jewish Federation of Delaware Young Leadership program kicked-off its official reestablishment with a group of more than 20 young adults joining the newly formed Young Leadership Cabinet and Delaware Congressman Tom Carper, who addressed the group at a lunch meeting held September 24 at the new Wilmington Marriott.

The congressman openly discussed various sensitive issues facing the American Jewish community, such as Soviet Jewish emigration, U.S./

Israel relations, and Arafat's proposed visit to the United Nations.

Susan Paikin, Young Leadership Cabinet Chairman introduced Carper "as a peer member of the young adult generation and certainly a role model young leader in many ways. At the age of 29, he began what has become a very active political career. Serving a third term as Delaware's only congressman, this year marks Tom's 'bar-mitzvah' year in politics.

Following remarks from JFD President William M. Topkis, the objective for the Young Leadership Cabinet were discussed. The Cabinet will concentrate on developing general programs for the entire young adult community of Delaware as well as exclusive programs for Cabinet participants. The Young Leadership Cabinet has also adopted leadership responsibility for the annual Super Sunday event which will be held Sunday, January 21, 1990. Finally, the JFD Young Leadership Cabinet will also participate with the seventh annual National UJA Young Leadership Conference in Washington D.C., March 11 through 13, 1990. The UJA National Young Leadership Cabinet, which coordinates this conference that attracts more than 2500 young adults from around the country, is co-chaired by Delawarean Marjory Stone.

### 'December In September' Campaign Complete

More than \$26,000 was raised through the recent JFD December in September Campaign "thanks to the



Dan Halbert discusses an issue with Congressman Tom Carper after the YSL Cabinet meeting.

"Our kick-off was very exciting. The Cabinet is already an impressive group with much enthusiasm and terrific ideas for our Young Leadership program," commented Norman Pernick, Young Leadership Cabinet Chairman.

The programming committee of the Young Leadership Cabinet will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, October 18 to organize the programs to be offered to Delaware's young adults. The Cabinet is open to all interested individuals. To participate in the Young Leadership Cabinet, or for more information about the Young Leadership program, contact Seth M. Bloom, JFD Director of Community Development, at 478-6200.

efforts of volunteers and generous contributors determined to complete the Federation campaign earlier and with a record setting total to benefit the Jewish community of Delaware, Israel, and the world," announced December in September and 1989 Super Sunday Chairman Steve Bernhardt.

The volunteers who participated in this completion campaign effort were, Steve Bernhardt, Rebecca Blank, Larry Isakoff, Steve Jonas, Nancy Kauffman (President, Women's Division), Ellen Koniver, Rhea Levy, Alan Paikin, David Sorkin, Judy Topkis, and Ruth Weinsten.

The Jewish Federation of Delaware Annual Campaign supports more than 30 local, national, and international social service, humanitarian, cultural, and education agencies and organizations enhancing the quality of Jewish life in Delaware, Israel, and throughout the world.

For more information about the Jewish Federation of Delaware Campaign, contact Seth M. Bloom, Director, Community Development, 478-6200.

## Dvar Torah

Parashat Ha'azinu -- October 7

## HaShirah As Epic Ballad

By RAE D. LEVINE

Special to The Jewish Voice

Both "poem" and "song" are used to translate the Hebrew *haShirah* which describes the first 43 verses of this Parsha. While both are accurate, they also are inadequate in conveying the drama and power contained within Moses' words. "Epic Ballad" might be a better descriptive.

Certainly the modern English renderings show the majestic oratorical force of this poetic elegy. It is even more dramatic when first encountered on the Torah page — four stark columns with top bars — like a type of *I Ching* hexagram or a highly-stylized, mirror-imaged *Hay*, with a small piece missing!

The challenge, our sages tell us, in finding something new each year in the weekly Torah portion, is to study it differently. This year, I looked and found a magnificent and powerful Hebrew code. Instead of chanting the traditional Torah *nusach*, I declaimed the verses as if I were on stage — with all the vocal drama I could muster. The result was electrifying, equally so when I repeated the passage in English. This is a Biblical chapter which cries out for the skills of a Laurence Olivier or a Martin Luther King. It would flow eloquently from the lips of Winston Churchill or Williams Jennings Bryan. Alas, by his own admission, Moses was "slow of speech and of a slow tongue"; Aaron had to do most of the talking. Did Moses actually deliver these stirring words, or did he write and Joshua orate? Certainly there is a power contained within the Hebrew that breaks forth when given a dramatic rendition. And the older English translations evoke images of Shakespeare and Milton!

Moses' parting words are a beautiful example of Hebrew poetry. It should be treated as such. In fact, there is much throughout the Torah which would probably elicit deeper responses if presented as drama first.

Too often we tend not to hear the weekly Torah reading because our ears are accustomed to the monotonous melody which tradition tells us has always accompanied the Torah. Therefore, this comes as a modest proposal to any congregation which would like to be daring and innovative. Don't chant, orate! Let the beauty of the words shine forth through a strong verbal downpour instead of the gentle singsong droplets so closely associated with our weekly readings. Give full rein to those congregants who are closet Thespians and substitute a dramatic playlet for the usual chant. The initial awkwardness will soon pass, and you also will discover there are several Parshas which would benefit from — and convey more meaning — if done in this mode.

The epic ballad was written for public performance. Students of English literature surely recall the scenes evoked by "Beowulf" as the storytellers and minstrels gathered in the smokey halls to entertain and instruct their listeners. So it is with the Torah. To fully honor the oral traditions out of which the written word came forth, we should explore the methods first used when the material was publicly presented. The Torah itself tells us that Moses "spoke" the words of this song, and that Joshua joined him. Was theirs a dramatic performance? On this, the Torah stays silent — as if to tell us that we must create our own form for encountering the words' inherent might.

It cannot be merely a coincidence of the Jewish calendar that for three out of four years, since 1968, Parsha Ha'azinu has fallen on Shabbat Shuvah. Just as the theme for this Sabbath day is return and repentance, so the central theme of this Parsha is the dire consequences awaiting the Children of Israel when they turn away from the path outlined by Moses under God's tutelage. Since the rabbis never tired of teaching moral lessons, it is probable that behind the obvious calendar quirk lies quiet calculations destined to produce the conjunction of the two. The triumphant vindication of the people during its final deliverance by God's hand is echoed by the Children of Israel who during these Days of Awe ask for redemption from the consequences of the previous years' actions. And while the final verses of Moses' song will be paralleled during Monday's *Ne'ilah* service, it is his final statement which speaks to us so clearly today. "For this (Torah) is not a trifling thing for you: it is your very life; through it you shall long endure."

Judaism and the Jewish people have endured throughout the millenia by holding to the teachings of Torah, and adapting their interpretations to meet changing circumstances. The challenges facing us today are as great and far-reaching in their consequences as those which our ancestors faced at the time this incident took place. We have inherited their responses; now we are the custodians. Will we leave our descendants 3500 years hence a similar legacy? (Rae D. Levine is a writer, teacher and teller of Jewish stories.)

©1989, National Havurah Committee

GROUP  
HEALTH  
INSURANCE

**MR. EMPLOYER:**

**ARE YOU TIRED  
OF PAYING HIGH  
PREMIUMS?**

We can offer a husband & wife who are aged 29 or younger a \$250 deductible plan + \$10,000 Life Insurance on husband's life for \$99.50 a month.

Call us for quotes  
**475-7066**  
**HARRIS AGENCY**

Little Learners, inc.

Day Care Center

AGES 6 WEEKS - 5 YEARS

- Developmentally appropriate curriculum
- Meals & snacks provided
- Pediatric physician consultant readily available
- Parent Education Seminars • Open Door Policy
- On-going Staff development
- Large rooms with natural lighting • 5,000 Sq. ft. fenced play yard

HOURS 6:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

SILVERSIDE CARR EXECUTIVE CENTER

501 Silverside Rd. - Suite 128  
Wilmington, DE 19809

(302) 798-5570



**BERGER  
BROS. INC**

Office experts since 1919

3rd & Market Streets  
Wilmington, Delaware  
(302) 655-7166

### FOKAS CONSTRUCTION HOME IMPROVEMENT

Remodeling & Renovations • Additions • Kitchens  
Baths • Decks • Porches • Roofing • Siding • Carpentry

**CALL (302) 994-7038**

### HODAS & OKEN INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

Managed portfolios of NYSE securities.

Small accounts welcome.

Ask us for our record!

Since 1979

**655-5010**

To  
Advertise  
In  
The  
Jewish  
Voice  
CALL  
478-6200

# Peres To Visit Soviet Union At Invitation Of Trade Officials

**By ALLISON KAPLAN**  
NEW YORK (JTA) — Israeli Vice Premier Shimon Peres has accepted an invitation to travel to the Soviet Union.

The offer was extended by Genrikh Borovikh, president of the Soviet Peace Committee and a member of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Relations of the Supreme Soviet. He led a Soviet trade delegation that met with Peres last month.

Peres, who is also Israel's minister of finance, would be the highest-ranking Israeli official to travel to the Soviet Union since 1967, when the Soviets cut ties to the Jewish state. "I

think this is an opening for economic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union," he told Israel Radio.

No timetable has yet been set for the meeting, and Peres would have to apply for a Soviet visa before he could travel there. Borovikh, whose peace group is not an official government entity, told the *Jerusalem Post* that he would urge the government to issue an official invitation to Peres.

At the meeting, the Soviet officials discussed with Peres ways to enhance trade between the Soviet Union and Israel. Economic cooperation between the two countries has blossomed over the past year.

Besides Borovikh, the Soviet delegation included Yuri Znamensky, deputy chairman of the Foreign Economic Commission; Yuri Olkhovikov, deputy chairman for state planning; and Valeri Pekshev, deputy chairman of the state bank.

Their trip to the United States was sponsored and financed by Swiss Jewish businessman Nessim Gaon, who is president of the World Sephardi Foundation. In addition to Peres, the delegation met with members of Congress in Washington, as well as prominent business leaders from the United States and

Canada.

In Los Angeles, another visiting Soviet trade delegation met with Orthodox Jewish businessmen, as part of an effort to enlist Jewish support for investments in the Soviet Union. This delegation included the head of the Soviet Chamber of Commerce and the chief of the foreign economic section of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. The six-member mission met with representatives from L.A. Gear, a firm specializing in jogging and tennis shoes.

"There's a great demand for ath-

letic footwear and apparel in the Soviet Union, and I think this is a tremendous opportunity," said Elliot Horowitz, the firm's executive vice president for finance. Also talking business with the men from Moscow were aides to industrialist Armand Hammer, chairman of Occidental Petroleum.

The sponsor of these talks was New York City Councilman Noach Dear, who said that a good way to help ensure the success of President Mikhail Gorbachev's reforms would be to help bolster his country's economy through investment.

## 'Days Of Rage' Shown In Jerusalem Cinema

JERUSALEM, ISRAEL — An overflow crowd flocked to the Jerusalem Cinematheque last month to view the controversial film "Days of Rage" as the B'nai B'rith World Center sponsored the first Israeli screening of the entire PBS program "Intifada: The Palestinians and Israel." The showing was followed by a lively panel discussion which debated such issues as press responsibility and Israeli vulnerability in the media battlefield. Featured panelists were NBC-TV correspondent Ike Semans; IDF Spokesman Col. Raanan Gissin; *Haaretz* commentator Dan Margalit; Israel Television producer Michael Karpin; and Alan Rosenthal, director of a segment of the PBS wraparound program. Eugene Gold, World Center Vice-Chairman, moderated the discussion.

Guests at the event included Supreme Court justices, senior Foreign Ministry and other government officials and senior American Embassy and Consulate staff.

World Center Director Alan Schneider noted that the large turnout and substantial coverage of the event proves that Israel's leadership and general public has an enormous interest in understanding how Israel is perceived in foreign, and particularly American, eyes. "The panel discussion which followed the screening provided important new insights into the propaganda value of the film, its distance from even the most minimal standard of media decency and on the propriety of this type of film being broadcast on any publicly funded station," said Schneider.

## Poles To Study Shoah, Glemp Says

**By JOSEPH POLAKOFF**

*Special to the Jewish Voice*

WASHINGTON — Josef Cardinal Glemp plans to sponsor a symposium in Poland about the Holocaust because neither he nor the Polish Catholic Church he leads had adequately understood the significant of Auschwitz as a symbol for Jewish people.]

In an interview with *The Washington Post* in Warsaw, Glemp said the Carmelite nuns had settled at Auschwitz in 1984 "with good intentions" and that it was not easy for Polish Catholics to understand why the convent's presence is offensive to Jews.

Glemp said work would be required in every Catholic parish to explain the Jewish view that, the *Post* reported, the only fitting memorial at a site where so many Jews were gassed and burned is emptiness and silence.

"That's why I would like to get a better understanding of Shoah," the cardinal was quoted. He also was quoted: "Yes, there were some mistakes committed by the church. We actually were not aware that there would be such deep feelings on the part of Jews toward this place. We actually did not understand the Shoah (Holocaust) doctrine."

Resistance by Glemp in August against relocating the convent put Polish Catholic-Jewish relations at a crisis point. In the interview Sept. 24, Glemp confirmed he now favors moving the convent and reaffirmed the validity of the 1987 agreement between the Catholic Church and Jewish organizations to relocate the convent.

Glemp was reported saying he changed his mind about opposing relocation during his mid-September visit to London where he met several prominent British Jews, including

Sigmund Sternberg, a philanthropist who heads the International Council of Christians and Jews.

In a reference to the "unpleasant" behavior of a small group of American Jews who had climbed over the Auschwitz convent walls in July, Glemp said, "The Jews in London were really very polite and nice and we reached some understanding." He added "I presented our point of view, which is that we would like to accommodate the Jewish wish, but in a situation where there would be respect toward us."

The *Post* reported the cardinal did not apologize for remarks that helped bring the relationship with Jews to their low ebb.

**JIFFY? NU?**  
**Watch For Details**

- INSTALLATION
- REPAIRS
- SERVICE
- REMODELING  
(BATH & KITCHEN)



**478-4265**

**PLUMBING • HEATING • AIR CONDITIONING**

*Serving All Of New Castle County's Plumbing, Heating and Cooling Needs For The Past 18 Years*

### PRE-SEASON HEATING SYSTEM CLEANING & CHECK UP

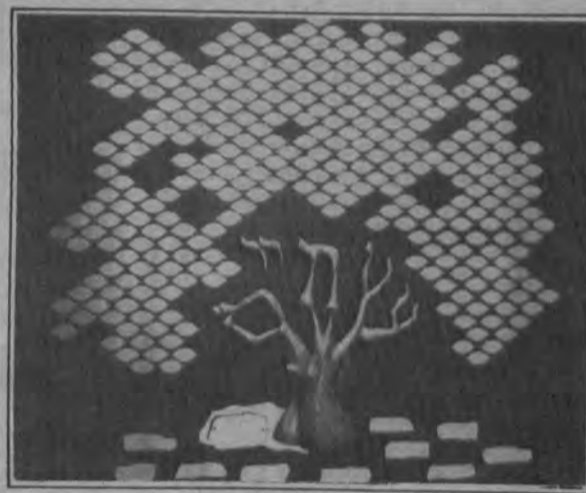
- Gas Furnaces & Heat Pumps \$50.00 + parts
- Oil Furnaces \$100.00 + parts
- Gas Boilers \$80.00 + parts
- Oil Boilers \$120.00 + parts
- We service all brands of furnaces and boilers.**

**24-HOUR ON-CALL EMERGENCY SERVICE**

Residential • Commercial • Industrial

**200 A DELAWARE AVENUE  
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19803**

**478-4265**



The Kutz Home Tree of Love

**"A Tree which leaves the richness of its fruit forever"**

—The Talmud—

A beautiful bronze and brass Tree of Love, donated by the Auxiliary of The Milton & Hattie Kutz Home Inc., now enhances our lobby.

You can honor the memory of a loved one or commemorate a special occasion by purchasing a branch, rock or leaf on our Tree of Love. Those honored by your gift will receive a certificate informing them of your tribute.

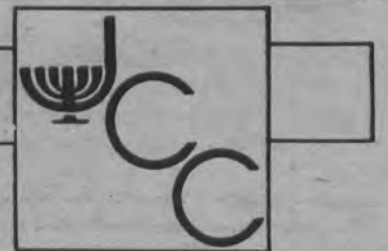
Leaf	\$100
Base Rock	500
Individual Branch	1,500
Tree Trunk	5,000
Dedication of Tree	10,000

For more information, please call the Home office at 764-7000.



**THE MILTON & HATTIE KUTZ HOME, INC.**

# Jewish Community Center



## 'Introduction To Jewish Thought'

Rabbi Emeritus of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth, Rabbi Leonard Gewirtz, will be leading a thought provoking course on Jewish Thought. The six sessions will include: 1) Basic Ideas in Tanakh (Bible) and Talmudic Thought; 2) Rationalism - Reb Saadya Gaon and Reb Moshe Ben Maimon; 3) Rationalism - Solomon Ibn Gabirol and Judah Halevi; 4) Hassidism - the Tanya, Reb Shneer Zalman; 5) Baal Teshuva - Franz Rosenweig and The Star; 6) Zionism - Ray Koof and A.D. Gordon.

The Introduction to History of Jewish Thought sessions are scheduled for November 16 through November 21. Sessions will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Gewirtz, author, educator and Jewish academician, is listed in *Who's Who in Religion* and has authored



Rabbi Leonard B. Gewirtz

"Authentic Jew", 1962, and "Jewish Spirituality", 1977, as well as numerous articles and professional assignments.

## New Year Message From JCC President

### YOUR TIME...OUR RESOURCE

As the New Year begins, we reflect on our lives and we set goals and plans for the coming year. We all want to be better people and set an example for our children to be assets to their community. It is so important to share your time, knowledge and expertise with those who can so richly benefit from it. If you have some spare time and you would like to make a difference in the lives of others, the JCC is the place for you.

There is a tremendous volunteer network here at the JCC. Whether you want to volunteer in our pre-school and share a hug with a toddler, help senior adults, chaperon teens, stuff envelopes, answer phones, coach a team, facilitate special events, help others get fit, share your expertise or share a unique idea for a program, then join a committee and help share the direction of our JCC.

The JCC has a loyal, dedicated and talented staff who can accomplish many things. But, with the help of a strong lay community, they can move mountains. Here is the listing of JCC Committees: Program Steering, Parents and Teachers Association, Early Childhood Services, Children's Services, Day Camp, Teen Services, Adult Services, Young Jewish Adult of Delaware (Singles), Senior Center Site Council, Art Gallery, Special Events, Recreational Services, Family Campus, Day Care Scholarship, Jewish Book Month, Sock-Hop, Budget and Finance, Audit, Personnel and Benefits, Office Systems and Computerization, Board and Committee Leadership Development, Building and Grounds, Legal Advisory and Medical Advisory. The backbone of any organization is its membership and the committee structure. Committees provide the grass-roots level of activity that keeps the Center moving, motivating its membership, planning viable and exciting programs and recommending policies to the Board of Directors. We are very fortunate to have a creative and dedicated board, but we want to build the committee process. Each person's input is a valuable resource to us. We can't stress enough the importance of becoming involved enough.

Becoming a volunteer can be a rewarding experience. Whether you are a hands on volunteer, actually working with members, or on a committee that is shaping the direction of the Center, being a part of a successful program can be extremely gratifying experience.

If you have a special interest, professional expertise or enjoy an avocation, come and share your creativity, your knowledge, your time and your heart here at the JCC. In addition to being personally rewarding, you will see changes evolve and programs develop. If you are a hands-on volunteer, you will truly see, first hand, how you can make a difference in the lives of others. So, as the New Year begins, come and join us at the JCC. Get involved today. It is so easy to fall into the routine of the demands of your daily life. But if you can make it a priority to find some time, come and share a part of your life with the JCC. It's a partnership that yields many rewards. For more information on getting involved at the JCC, please call us at 478-5660.

Martin Lubaroff  
President, JCC

## Jewish Great Books Discussion Group

Tuesday, October 17  
7 p.m.

Reading Selection: Holy Days by Liz Harris  
Jewish Community Center

## Teen Connection Info Night

The Jewish Community Center is forming a Youth Group for teenagers in grades 7 and 8 in the Wilmington community. Hope Horowitz, Regional Director of Central Region East will be at the JCC on Wednesday, October 18, to discuss this branch of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization.

The group will offer leadership skills as well as social programming which will include getting together with teens in other communities.

This evening will provide parents

with an opportunity to ask questions about the Teen Connection Program. For more information, call Shelley Gitomer at 478-5660.

## 'Grand' Update

David Fleming, Executive Director of the Grand Opera House, will be at the Jewish Community Center on Monday, October 23, at 1 p.m. to address the Senior Center on upcoming events scheduled for "The Grand". Under Fleming's leadership, The Opera House has developed a varied and highly regarded program of entertainment. Fleming also presents a class at the Academy of Lifelong Learning entitled, "The Grand of Tomorrow." This program is open to the entire community, free of charge. For more information, contact Ray Freshman at the JCC.

## Sukkot Program

Rabbi Herbert Yoskowitz from Congregation Beth Shalom will join members of the JCC Senior Center for a traditional Friday lunch on October 13 at noon.

Rabbi Yoskowitz will present a special program on the holiday of Sukkot at 1 p.m. This presentation is open to the community by reservations only. Members of the Senior Center are asked to attend and welcome Rabbi Yoskowitz to Wilmington.

## 'Songs Of Paradise'

The Senior Center is planning a trip to the Gershman YM-YWHA on Broad and Pine Streets in Philadelphia to see "Songs of Paradise" on Thursday, October 26, at 2 p.m. This Joseph Papp Yiddish Theater Production, straight from a successful run in New York, recounts the story of Genesis and is witty, tuneful, contemporary and tradition. It is performed in both English and Yiddish.

The cost for transportation and admission is \$25. per person. For more information on the "Songs of Paradise," contact the JCC Senior Center at 478-5660.

## Senior Center Anniversary

The JCC Senior Center will celebrate its 14th anniversary on Thursday, November 2, with a musical program featuring Jackie Pack. Pack will entertain with a variety of show tunes, Yiddish and Jewish music as well as a sing-a-long.

The Senior Center will open at 4 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. Pack's musical performance is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. All past and present members of the JCC Senior Center are welcome to attend this special anniversary celebration. Reservations are required by calling Ray Freshman or Sara Berman at 478-5660. A holiday donation is requested.

## Winter In The Catskills Planned For Teens

The Teen Services Department of the Jewish Community Center is offering a three day trip to the Catskill Mountains. The trip will include teens from JCC's in South Jersey, Central Jersey, New York and Philadelphia.

The bus will depart from the JCC at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, December 27, and will return to the JCC at 6 p.m. on Friday, December 29. The cost for this trip is \$200. for JCC members and \$235. for non-members. Cost includes skiing at Big

Vanilla, a beach party, ice skating, tobogganing, snow mobiling, indoor swimming and jacuzzi, night club show, transportation, meals and lodging.

A \$25. deposit for members and a \$50. deposit for non-members is due at the JCC no later than October 13. Full payment must be made by November 13.

For more information on "Winter in the Catskills", contact Shelley Gitomer, Teen Program Coordinator at the JCC.



Always the Freshest and Finest Seafood

FISH • SHRIMP  
CRABMEAT  
SCALLOPS  
LOBSTERS • CLAMS

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT  
Fresh & Frozen Seafood  
Homemade Platters,  
Sandwiches

BRANMAR PLAZA  
Marsh & Silverside Roads  
(5 doors to the right of theatre)  
475-FISH 475-7000



TEMPORARY SERVICES  
WE KNOW HOW TO HELP

WILMINGTON .....	575-1700
NEWARK .....	738-3500
CONCORD PLAZA .....	478-6110
DOVER .....	1-734-5379
Gilbert J. Spiegel	Pat Spiegel Chalphin
Founder	President

## 50's-60's Era To Be Celebrated At JCC Sock Hop

A 50's-60's style sock hop is scheduled for Saturday, November 11, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Jewish Community Center in Wilmington. The event will feature guest D.J., Jerry Blavat, and dress up is optional. Tickets are \$15 and are on sale at the JCC. For more information, call Shelley Gitomer at 478-5660.

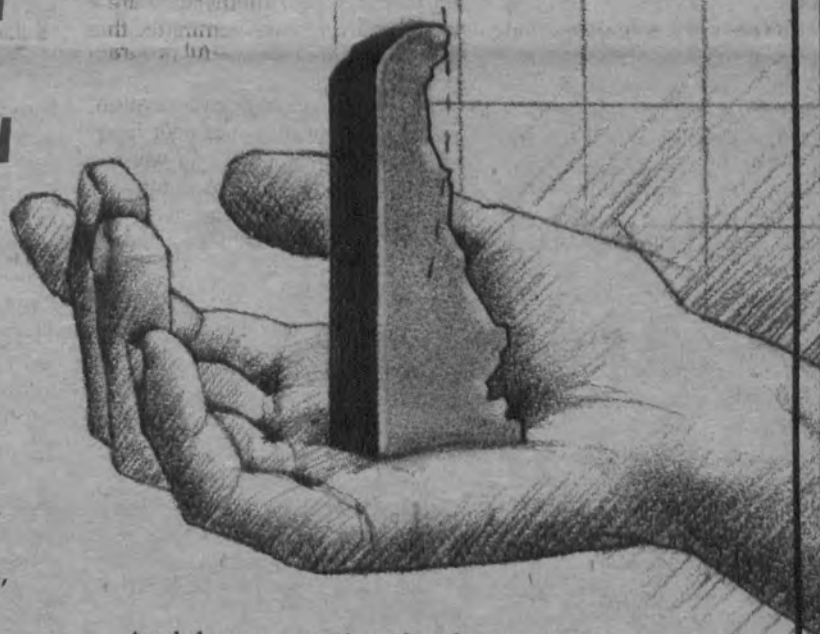
# JIFFY

## It's Coming!



# BLUEPRINTS FOR THE 90's

**More than ever, you need a health care plan that's national in scope, but local in design.**



For today's Americans, life is seldom at a standstill. We always seem to be on the move: leaving town on business, for vacation, or in search of new adventures or opportunities.

Whether you travel around the world or just around town, you need a health care plan that will cover you — where you live and wherever life takes you.

And that's what Blue Cross Blue Shield does best.

Because we're part of the national Blue Cross Blue Shield system, you know you'll get the coverage you need, wherever you go.

And, because we're a local company, our people live and work here. We understand the unique needs that Delawareans have, so we design our health care plans especially to meet them. And we give you the kind of hometown service only a long-time neighbor can give.

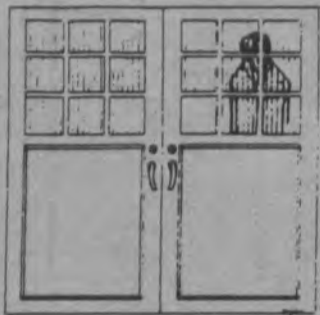
Isn't it nice to know that the health care plan that stretches clear across America starts right here in your back yard?



*We're designing tomorrow's health care plans today.*

# Announcements/Events

## NCJW To Present Program On Problem Of Battered Women



Behind Closed Doors:  
Portrait of a  
Battered Woman

The Wilmington Section of the National Council of Jewish Women, as part of its year-long programming emphasis on domestic violence, will present a program this fall about battered women. The highlight will be titled "Behind Closed Doors: Portrait of a Battered Woman." The program will include the mock trial of fictitious "Myra R. Phillips," who has murdered her husband after years of abuse.

The trial of Phillips will take place on Wednesday, October 11, at 9 a.m. in Superior Court, Public Building, Wilmington, Delaware. The Honorable Vincent J. Poppiti will

preside; Steven Wood, Esq. of the Attorney General's Office will prosecute; and Sidney Balick, Esq. will defend Phillips.

Following the mock trial, NCJW's annual fundraising Public Affairs Luncheon will be held in the duBarry room of the Hotel duPont beginning at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon program will feature the charge to the jurors and their deliberations and verdict and the judge's sentence.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$25 for nonmembers and \$35 minimum for members. For further information about the mock trial and luncheon call Ethel Parsons at 762-6407 or Jean Blumenfeld at 478-3835.

## Family Court Seeks Child Advocates

The Family Court of the State of Delaware is offering an opportunity for people to make a difference in the life of an abused, neglected, and dependent child. In an expansion of the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program, the Court is presently seeking qualified adults to serve as CASA volunteers.

Court Appointed Special Advocates are trained volunteers assigned to Family Court judges to represent the best interests of abused, neglected, or dependent children who are the subject of Court proceedings. The volunteer conducts an independent investigation into the child's life and presents facts to the Judge in the

form of a written report and verbal testimony. As an official of the Court, the CASA advocates for the best interests of the child through investigating and monitoring a case until the child is provided with a stable and permanent home.

CASAs are selected, trained, supervised, and evaluated by full time Program Coordinators from the Family Court Staff. A program attorney provides legal representation for the CASA and legal advice for the program. The Delaware CASA program was begun in 1981 with the support of the Wilmington Chapter of the National Council of Jewish Women and the Junior League of

Wilmington. NCJW Chapters have continuously supported CASA programs throughout the United States. The Delaware CASA program has 80 volunteers and in fiscal year 1989 served over 200 abused, neglected and dependent children.

The Delaware CASA program received the Governors Outstanding Volunteer Program award in April 1989. In addition, The American Bar Association officially endorsed the CASA program in August 1989.

Volunteer training is scheduled in the New Castle County Family Court on November 28, 30 and December 4, 5 and 7, 1989. To volunteer call the CASA office at 571-2240.

## Humanities Forum Seeking Nominations

Nominations for membership on the Delaware Humanities Council, the governing body of the Delaware Humanities Forum, are now being accepted, announced Dennis N. Forney, Council chair.

The Delaware Humanities Forum is an independent agency supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities and by corporate and private contributions. Meeting several times each year, membership on the Council involves eight to ten days of time annually. Council members review grant proposals, select proj-

ects to be funded, establish policy, oversee program administration, visit projects, and assist in fund raising.

The Council comprises 27 members, representing Delaware's three counties. Twenty-one members are elected from nominations recommended by the public and six are appointed by the governor. Nominees must be residents of Delaware willing to have their names submitted for consideration to serve a three-year term.

To nominate a candidate, obtain his or her approval, and send a letter

of nomination along with the candidate's resume to Henry H. Hirschbiel, Executive Director, Delaware Humanities Forum, 2600 Pennsylvania Ave., Wilmington, DE 19806. The letter of nomination should include a statement about why the candidate would be a valuable addition to the Council. *Deadline for nominations is November 1, 1989.*

For further information call Henry Hirschbiel, at 573-4410 or (toll-free) 1-800-752-2060.

## AKSE 'Paid Up' Meeting

The Sisterhood of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth will hold its Paid-Up Membership Dessert on Monday evening, October 16, at 7 p.m. in the Synagogue Sukkah. All Sisterhood members who have paid their annual dues of \$15. are cordially invited to

attend. Rabbi Howard Matasar will address the group.

Reservations are required by October 10 by calling Nedda Barth (654-7674) or Sharon Berry (475-3004).

## ORT Meeting Planned

There will be an ORT meeting on Wednesday, November 8, at 7:30 p.m., for all members of the community interested in learning about or joining ORT. For more information,

call Michelle (475-7418) or Sandy (475-6302). ORT (organization for Rehabilitation Through Training) is the largest non-governmental technical education program in the world.

## Martins Run Celebrating Sukkot

Martins Runs, the only Jewish-oriented life care retirement community in the United States, will celebrate Sukkot from October 13 through October 22. Sukkot, a harvest festival of thanksgiving, is a most joyous holiday in the Jewish religious year marking the end of the harvest season in Israel as it was observed in Biblical times.

A *sukkah*, a temporary frame covered with branches and leaves and decorated with fruit, vegetables and gourds, is built in honor of Sukkot. Martins Run residents will complete the decoration of the Martins Run

*sukkah* in time for a Sukkot celebration which will be held in the *sukkah* on Friday, October 13.

The nine-day celebration ends with a Simchat Torah service which traditionally involves a joyous march around the sanctuary with Torah Scrolls. Special services will be held in the Martins Run chapel and in the medical center to mark the beginning and the end of the Sukkot holiday.

Martins Run, celebrated its ninth anniversary on September 15 and 16.

## Naches

### Tocker

Dr. Allan Tocker, Wilmington optometrist, was appointed affiliate staff member to the Medical Center of Delaware Eye Clinic at Wilmington Hospital. This is the first time an optometrist has been granted such a position.

### Seidel

Tom and Ruth Seidel, of Claymont, have announced the birth of a grandson, Ron Moishe, on September 9. The parents are Arza and Morry Seidel of Kibbutz Matzuba near Nahariya in Israel. They have a 5-year-old daughter, Maya Esther.

### Finkelstein

Loren Finkelstein, son of Drs. Rona and Nisson Finkelstein of Wilmington, has been named executive director of the Southeast Regional Office of the Anti-Defamation League. He previously served as director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Northern New Jersey.



Dr. Allan Tocker

Share Your Good News  
in the Naches column

## Beth Emeth Sisterhood Plans Educational Program

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Emeth will present an educational program at its next meeting, to be held in the Synagogue auditorium, on Tuesday evening, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. Maria LaSala, Educator of Planned Parenthood of Delaware, will discuss the significance of the July Supreme Court Decision on abortion, with a focus on its climate in the State of Delaware.

LaSala has a Masters of Divinity Degree from The Union Theological Seminary and was formerly Chaplain of the Emma Willard School in Albany, N.Y.

Sisterhood members and members of all Sisterhoods of the Delaware community are invited to attend. For reservations, call Mrs. Carole Bernstein at 475-6259.

## Kutz Auxiliary Meeting

The opening meeting of the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home Auxiliary will take place on Thursday, October 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the Home. This is one of the two times this year that the Auxiliary will hold an evening meeting.

At this meeting the new Director of Nursing, Doris Redmond, will be introduced to the membership. Glo-

ria Garber, the Home's Executive Secretary, and Ruth Seidel, the Home's Dietician, both of whom have recently retired, will be honored.

Plans will also be presented for the refurbishing of four day rooms at the Home. All Auxiliary and community members are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Who Ya Gonna Call? JIFFY! (Watch For Details)

# Higgins Dead For Year According To French Magazine

By EDWIN EYTAN

PARIS (JTA) — A French magazine is offering purported testimony that Lt. Col. William Higgins, the American marine who was kidnapped by Hezbollah, was killed more than a year before Israel abducted the Lebanese Hezbollah leader Sheikh Abdul Karim Obeid.

The magazine also hints that British Anglican Church representative Terry Waite, who was himself kidnapped in January 1987, and another unnamed American might have been executed together with Higgins.

Last week, *Paris Match*, the popular French news and entertainment magazine, printed what it says is a photostat copy of a handwritten letter, dated July 8, 1988, from then Iranian Premier Mir Hussein Mussavi to the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, informing him of Higgins' execution

by "our Hezbollah brothers in South Lebanon."

Obeid, whom Israel charges led Hezbollah activities in Lebanon and masterminded terrorist acts, was abducted July 28 and brought to Israel. Following that act, Hezbollah claimed it executed Higgins in retaliation for Obeid's abduction.

The copy of the letter that appears in *Paris Match* is marked "confidential and urgent" and says Higgins was

executed in reprisal for the shooting down of an Iranian airbus in July 1988 by the U.S. Naval ship Vincennes in the Persian Gulf.

The magazine said the Lebanese Hezbollah keep the killing of the American officer secret, intending to use the information at a later date.

Higgins' abduction in February 1988 was claimed by a group calling itself the Organization of the Oppressed on Earth.

Following the reported hanging of Higgins, which was shown on a videotape, an American security team conducted an investigative report that concluded that Higgins had been killed a year before.

The American report was based on a point-by-point analysis of the videotape, and included the facts that Higgins appeared to be the same weight as when he was kidnapped, beardless as he was then and wearing his U.M. uniform.

Other kidnap victims have lost considerable weight in captivity, grown cards and worn jogging suits issued by their captors.

The American report also was of the belief that Higgins was not dead from hanging. Based on the position of Higgins' feet in the videotape, they said that he had been hung following being killed some other way.

Higgins' body has never been returned or even reported seen.

## Quake Shakes Israel

By CATHRINE GERSON

JERUSALEM, Oct. 2 (JTA) — Two earthquakes shook northern Israel on Monday but caused no casualties or damage.

The first of the minor tremors, reached 4.2 on the Richter Scale,

according to the Israel Geophysical Institute. The second was weaker.

The epicenter was the sea bottom off the Lebanon coast facing Sidon and Tyre. The quakes were felt in Haifa, Afula and northern Galilee.

???                      ???                      ???

— JIFFY —

**It's Coming!**

## David Duke Hopes For Son In White House

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

Special to The Jewish Voice

WASHINGTON—Louisiana state representative David Duke, the 39-year-old former Grand Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, has set his sights not only on becoming a U.S. Senator himself next year but in having a son become America's president.

"I'd like to get married again someday," the father of two daughters told *The Washington Times* in an interview in New Orleans. "I'd like to have a son. Wouldn't it be something to have a son in the White House?"

Hugh Aynesworth, reporting the interview published September 25, said Duke's scenario is to finish second to Democratic Senator J. Bennett Johnston next year in a wider field and beating him in the runoff. Johnston, Duke was quoted, "is in trouble if he can't win a majority."

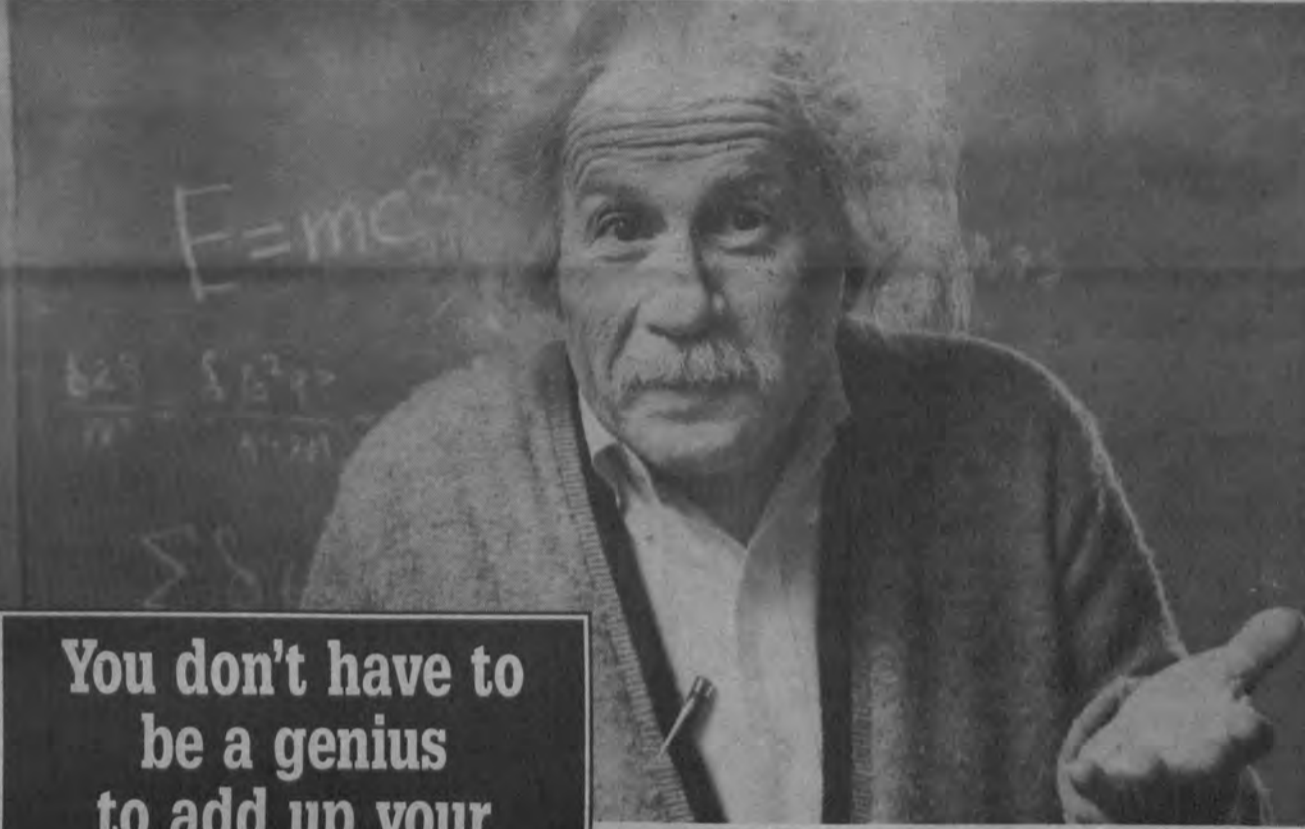
Fox McKeithen, a popular secretary of state of Louisiana who switched parties to oppose Johnston, "may not run because I'm in the race," Duke said. "Money? No problem. 'I'm sure I could raise \$3 million to \$4 million to run (against Johnston)."

Duke, who says he wants to save America from "oblivion," was elected as a Republican to the legislature despite the opposition of much of the Louisiana media, including the *New Orleans Times Picayune*, the Republican National Committee, President Bush, former President Reagan and virtually every lobby. But Duke, with far less money and apparently no credibility, *The Washington Times* noted, defeated his opponent, John Treen, brother of former Governor David Treen.

Aynesworth reported Duke appears popular in his home district around Metairie, east of New Orleans International Airport. In a recent canvass of Republican campaign donors more than 45 percent wrote in Duke's name when asked who their choice was to run against Johnston, several state Republicans.

Leslie Goodman, press secretary to Republican National Chairman Lee Atwater, said that the RNC's resolution condemning Duke "still holds, absolutely" and has not been changed since its adoption last February 24. Atwater himself reiterated his condemnation recently when queried about Duke.

# FAMOUS TIPS



You don't have to be a genius to add up your energy savings.

Air conditioner (room)	\$21.50
Clothes dryer	8.30
Dishwasher	1.40
Electric blanket	2.20
Fan (window)	4.30
Humidifier	2.00
Microwave oven	.80
Portable space heater	7.20
Range (with oven)	5.00
Refrigerator/Freezer	13.30
Television (color)	2.70
Video cassette recorder	.50
Washing machine	.90
Water heater	35.20

One smart way to save money and energy is to determine how much your household appliances cost you to run, so you can control your use.

You can compare costs on new appliances when you shop by checking their yellow ENERGYGUIDE labels, which provide annual energy costs.

Although many energy-efficient appliances may be more expensive, they cost less to operate, saving you more money long term.

Here is a list of some major appliances and their average energy costs per month:

Delmarva  
Power

Energy at your service, today and tomorrow.

©1989, Delmarva Power

# Jews In Television: Breaking New Ground

By ALAN D. ABBEY

LOS ANGELES — Television has provided a home to creative and talented Jews since the day it started beaming into American homes 40 years ago, but despite a few notable instances, the vast majority of Jews have been behind the scenes, not before the cameras.

Television actors, producers and writers say that many in the tight knit Hollywood community are unwilling to portray Jews on the small screen because they are inhibited by a complex series of fears.

Chief among the concerns is one that has existed in Hollywood since the days of the Jewish movie moguls. Many fear criticism that their industry is run by Jews.

"People here are very defensive about charges that Jews run the entertainment business," said writer Shimop Wincelberg. "They can't control the names in the credits, but there is a strict rationing on the number of Jewish characters."

Wincelberg, who is Orthodox, has



Lynn Redgrave plays a Catholic social worker who gets involved with her Jewish next door neighbor, Jackie Mason in ABC's "Chicken Soup." Mason, who lives with his Orthodox mother who disapproves of the relationship.

written for television since the late 1950s and is proud to have created a Chasidic character on the old television Western "Have Gun Will Travel." But that character was one of the few Jews Wincelberg was able

to create for television.

Others knowledgeable about TV suggest American demographics provide the reason why Jews are rarely portrayed on the small screen.

Gene Secunda, a former executive at several major advertising agencies, said advertisers are reluctant to support programs featuring minorities of any type for fear of losing the mass audience.

Secunda, now a professor of marketing at Baruch College in New York, said advertisers control television and they care more for statistical and demographic analysis than for creative ideas.

But several well-known Hollywood figures said demographics play a secondary role. "Deep down inside people think it will hurt their careers to be identified as Jewish," said Charles Powell, a longtime studio executive who helped found the Synagogue for the Performing Arts in Hollywood.

Harvy Schechter, director of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League in southern California, agreed, noting it has always been difficult to round up Hollywood actors or executives for Jewish charitable causes.

"Where do their charitable hours go?" Schechter asked of Hollywood's Jews. He said a few Hollywood personages have always been active in Jewish causes, mentioning television personality Monty Hall, studio chief Sherry Lansing and director Arthur Hiller as standouts.

But, on the whole, he said, "It's easier for someone to be active for the homeless than for Ethiopian Jews or Soviet Jews."

Despite those bleak assessments, Jews and Jewish characters have been featured in numerous television programs over the years.

One of the earliest on television

was "The Goldbergs," a carryover of a 1940s radio series that depicted the tension between the second generation of American-born Jews and their parents. Other early shows where Jews were featured included the long-running 1950s comedy "Car 54," which depicted a Jewish police officer named Leo Schnauser.

Such talents as Mel Brooks, Woody Allen and Sid Caesar played important roles in television in the 1950s and 1960s on "Your Show of Shows." And, in the 1970s, television tried for a breakthrough with "Bridget Loves Bernie," in which a Jewish man and his Catholic wife were featured players. The show, however, lasted only one season.

Such serious-minded television films as "Holocaust," "A Woman Called Golda," and "War and Remembrance" have explored Jewish themes and issues in recent years.

But some point out that Jews are more often seen on television as victims rather than as heroes. "What Hollywood and TV does is portray Jews as weak and perpetuates the image of the Jew as someone who needs a non-Jew to go to battle for him," said the ADL's Schechter. The exception to that rule, he said, is Israelis, who are uniformly portrayed as fighters.

Another complaint heard often in Hollywood is that Jewish actors are

a relationship with a non-Jewish woman played by Jamie Lee Curtis. Robert Myman, the show's co-producer, said "Anything But Love" will not explore any Jewish-gentile romantic conflicts this season.

Next season, if the show lasts, may be different. "I want to see a set designer build a chuppa," joked Lewis, who works on some of the show's scripts. "I might have to build my own."

The newest example of a Jewish-gentile romance takes place in this fall's ABC sitcom, "Chicken Soup," starring comedian Jackie Mason. Mason plays a Jewish bachelor who works at a community center and develops a relationship with an Irish Catholic widow with several children played by Lynn Redgrave.

A more serious review of the issues that develop between Jews and gentiles in relationships or marriages has taken place in recent years on "L.A. Law," NBC's Emmy-winning drama.

On the show, Jewish attorney Stuart Markowitz fell in love with and ended up marrying Protestant lawyer Ann Kelsey. Markowitz is played by Michael Tucker, a short Teddy bear of a man, while Kelsey is played by Tucker's real life wife, the elegant Jill Eikenberry.

Finkelstein said he believes television will someday portray a Jewish



Mel Harris and Ken Olin play Hop and Michael, an intermarried couple on ABC's "thirtysomething."



Kevin (series star Fred Savage) congratulates his best friend Paul (Josh Saviano) on the occasion of his bar mitzvah on ABC's "The Wonder Years."

not permitted to play Jewish characters. "TV takes Jewish actors and gives them non-Jewish names," Schechter said. "Jack Klugman becomes Quincy. Peter Falk is Colombo. What would be wrong with him being Weinstein or Cohen?"

But things are changing in the world of television. The 1989-90 television shows will feature as many Jewish characters as any in recent years. William Finkelstein, a supervising producer and writer at "L.A. Law," said television has become less homogenous in its approach.

"Part of that is that TV is maturing," he said. "People are tired of doing shows where they saw only a perfect, composite American life."

Comedian and actor Richard Lewis, who plays Jewish magazine writer Marty Gold in the ABC sitcom "Anything But Love," put it in another way. "People will now let a Jew into their living rooms," he said.

In a theme that runs through the lives of all the Jewish characters on television today, Marty Gold develops

couple's trials and tribulations, but he argued that the mixed marriages and relationships on TV reflect life outside the TV tube.

Even though Finkelstein has faced criticism for portraying a world in which Jewish men seem to fall in love only with non-Jewish women, he said his Jewish identity gives him a perspective on life.

"Jewish identity is a stronger force than something that can be challenged or hurt by people falling in love with non-Jews," he said.

Marshall Herskovitz, a co-creator with Edward Zwick of ABC's Emmy-award winning "thirtysomething," offered observations similar to Finkelstein's. "Hollywood was basically created by Jews and movies for 75 years have been about Jews without Jewish names," he said. With that view, he said he and his partner had no doubts in creating Michael Steadman, the Jewish advertising copywriter who is the central charac-

Continued on 23

TELEPHONE  
DEL. (302) 478-3727  
PA. (215) 724-5772

**GUS REISSMAN & BRO. CO.**  
*Insurance*

4 THE COMMONS  
3510 SILVERSIDE ROAD  
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19810

ASHER RUBIN



**DON'T RUN OUT  
OF PRODUCTS!  
CALL US FIRST!**

**RUD Distributors Ltd., Inc.**  
WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS OF CIGARS  
TOBACCOS, CANDY, MAPS & BOOKS  
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19806  
**(302) 428-1-RUD**  
**(302) 428-1783 & (215) 358-1324**



**New  
Castle  
Farmers  
Market**

*Come out for a day of family  
fun and shopping bargains*

**DON'T MISS DELAWARE'S  
BIGGEST & BEST FLEA MARKET**

FRI. & SAT. 10 A.M.-10 P.M.  
SUNDAY 10 A.M.-6 P.M.

**RT. 13 (Across From  
Wilmington Airport)  
New Castle, DE 328-4101**



# New Reconstructionist Siddur 'For New Generation'

A new prayer book, designed "for a new generation of Jews," was published last month by the Reconstructionist movement.

"The new prayer book — called 'Kol Haneshamah — The Voice of the Soul' — reflects the remarkable changes that have taken place in the North American Jewish community since 1945, when the first Reconstructionist siddur was published," Rabbi Teutsch said.

"In the generation that has passed since the end of World War II," he noted, "the founding of the State of Israel, the horror of the Holocaust and the threat of nuclear destruction have altered Jewish consciousness. The new siddur takes these developments into account in prayers, readings and commentaries.

"At the same time, vast changes have taken place among American Jews," Rabbi Teutsch added. "When our first siddur was published nearly half a century ago, Jews were struggling to assimilate into North American society. Today a great ethnic awakening among Jews has taken place, and many Jews are trying to find their way into Judaism. This prayer book is for them."

According to Rabbi Arthur Green, president of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Wyncote, Pa. and a member of the editorial committee, "the new siddur seeks to reflect Jewish history of the past half-century while remaining faithful to the principles of Reconstructionism as a movement within Judaism."

Among these principles are abandonment of prayers for the reinsti-

tion of sacrifices and abolition of references to individual reward and punishment and to bodily resurrection.

## Orthodox Group Threatens To Burn New Siddur

By ADAM DICKTER

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Union of Orthodox Rabbis, which burned a progressive prayer book 44 years ago, says it is "very possible" they may burn the new, reprinted version that has just been published. The first Reconstructionist siddur, or prayer book, which modified some traditional prayers and deleted others, was burned in New York by the Agudas Harabonim in 1945.

The latest version of the Reconstructionist siddur, called "Kol Haneshamah — The Voice of the Soul," is even more liberal than its predecessor. The book abandons prayers for the reinstatement of sacrificial offerings and abolishes references to resurrection of the dead and individual reward and punishment.

"Kol Haneshamah," geared toward Jews who are "trying to find their way into Judaism," according to publisher Mordechai Liebling, was produced by an equal number of rabbis and lay people, both men and women.

"It's the model of a user-friendly prayer book," says Rabbi David Teutsch, its editor in chief. "We wanted to meet a very broad range of needs, skill levels and interests. Some of the people who use the book are trying to find a way back to Judaism."

But Rabbi Hersh Ginsberg, director of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis, or Agudas Harabonim, said the book was written by "apikorsim," or disbelievers, and said there was a strong possibility his organization would react as they did in 1945 and burn the new book. Ginsberg, who says he wasn't in this country when the first book was burned, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency he doesn't recognize Reconstructionist rabbis, and only "great people" recognized by the Orthodox could make changes in the liturgy.

Rabbi Irwin Kula of the left-of-center Orthodox National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, or CLAL, said burning the siddur is "a chillul hashem. According to Jewish law, this is an unforgivable sin."

"We are appalled by (Ginsberg's) attempt to further fracture the Jewish people," said Liebling, who is executive director of the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot. "All efforts to enable Jews with a variety of beliefs to have meaningful experiences with prayer should be respected."

Liebling likened the threat to burn the book to the refusal by "the Orthodox" to allow women to pray at the Wall and condemned the refusal to allow pluralism in Jewish religious practice.

Both the first Reconstructionist prayer book and the latest also assume that not every word of Scripture is factual and divinely ordained, Rabbi Green said.

## Breaking New Ground

"Kol Haneshamah" breaks new ground, according to members of the editorial committee, in several ways. For example, it is the most gender-neutral Jewish prayer book yet published by one of the four major Jewish movements. God is never referred to as "He," "Lord" or "king" but, for example, as "sovereign." Also, the siddur adds the Jewish matriarchs — Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah — to the names of the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob traditionally listed in the Amidah, the central silent meditative prayer of Jewish worship. The all-new translation from the Hebrew is by Professor Joel Rosenberg of Tufts University, a noted poet.

The new prayer book also has a special timeliness in terms of its concern with ecology. Rabbi Mordechai Liebling, executive director of the Federation of Reconstructionist Congregations and Havurot, an editor of the new siddur, pointed out that the second paragraph of the traditional Shema — the proclamation of the oneness of God — has been restored in "Kol Haneshamah" after having been removed in the 1945 prayer book because it portrays a God who can in anger "seal the heavens so no rain will fall."

Rabbi Liebling commented: "These lines are a warning to humanity. They caution us that if we continue to

pollute the environment and thus display contempt for the integrity of God's creation, pure rain will cease to fall and the ground will cease to give forth its produce."

For what is believed to be the first time in Jewish history, the editorial committee for the prayer book was composed of roughly equal numbers of men and women, lay people and rabbis.

For those who cannot read Hebrew, many prayers and all parts of the service that are sung have been transliterated into the English alphabet. To encourage the sense of belonging and active participation in public worship that singing provides, a wide choice of songs with musical notation is included in the new siddur.

## BARBA SHOE REPAIR

1709 MARSH ROAD 478-1003  
(Next to Buggy Tavern - Across from The Graylyn Shopping Center facing the Bank of Delaware)  
Mon.-Fri. 9:30 am-6 pm; Sat. 9 am-4 pm  
"OUR PRICES CAN'T BE BEAT"

### COUPON

**Men's Heel & 1/2 Soles**  
Dress Shoes Only  
**\$19.99**  
Reg. \$22.99  
Coupon good with incoming order only. Good anytime! Unlimited Quantity.  
Larger Sizes \$1.00 More EXP. 12/31/89

<p><b>Women's All-Size Heels</b> High Heels Only <b>\$2.95</b> Boots, Loafers &amp; Flats \$1 more Coupon good with incoming order only Good anytime! Unlimited Quantity EXP. 12/31/89</p>	<p><b>Men's Full Sole &amp; Heel</b> Dress Shoes Only <b>\$24.99</b> Reg. \$39.99 Leather or Rubber Coupon good with incoming order only Good anytime! Unlimited Quantity Larger Sizes \$1.00 More EXP. 12/31/89</p>
--	--

In Before 11 a.m. Same Day Service Out By 5



# Unaffiliated Jews Focus Of Outreach Project

A new national outreach project by the New York-based Priority-1 has given over 1,000 rabbis and their congregations the tools they need to start a wide range of outreach programs.

"There are millions of Jews in this country who know little or nothing about their heritage and what the committed community has to offer," said Rabbi Shaya Cohen, executive

vice president of Priority-1.

"Our goal is to foster an atmosphere where the more learned in our national Jewish community can teach the less learned," Rabbi Cohen explained.

Priority-1 "Outreach Starter Kits" were mailed to rabbis of leading congregations in the U.S. in mid-September. The kits contain study guides, program plans and promo-

tional material which Jewish communities might use to start a wide variety of different outreach programs.

"We don't expect every synagogue to make use of all the options in our starter kit," said Rabbi Cohen. "One group might use our plan to set up a 'Chavrusa' program pairing members of their congregation with newcomers to study Torah. Another might take the 'Community Mobilization Manual' and organize a council of leaders who can work together on outreach programs."

"Some will probably just keep our toll-free hotline number, 1-800-33FOREVER, on file for future reference. And still other communities

will probably integrate our study guides, such as the open letter from the Chofetz Chaim, into the training sessions for their existing outreach programs," he said.

Also included in the kit is a Yom Kippur poster asking committed communities to "Not be selfish about our Judaism."

"Our goal with this starter kit is to let the Jewish community know that we are prepared to act as a national resource center for anyone who wants to do outreach," said Cohen.

Priority-1 is a national Jewish outreach mobilization movement dedicated to facilitating the establishment and expansion of outreach to unaffiliated Jews throughout the United States.

# Jewish Groups Won't Dispute Appointment

WASHINGTON (JTA) - The same Jewish groups who urged last year that Frederick Malek resign as deputy director of the Republican National Committee are not opposing President Bush's intention of naming him to a White House post.

Last summer, several Jewish groups urged Malek's resignation after revelations that he obeyed President Nixon's 1971 order to compile data on the number of Jews in the upper echelons of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Nixon reportedly ordered Malek to do so out of concern that he was being hurt politically by a "Jewish cabal" that was exaggerating the country's economic woes.

The New York Times reported recently that Malek's new job will be to plan the 1990 economic summit of Western nations.

Most Jewish groups, with the exception of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, urged Malek's resignation last year.

After his resignation, Malek met with several Jewish groups and "atoned" for his action, according to Ira Silverman, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee. He served in May as co-chair of a Jewish National Fund dinner in Washington.

**JIFFY!** Curious? Watch For Details.

## Thriftway

Graylyn Crest Center  
1718 MARSH ROAD  
WILMINGTON, DEL. 19803  
STORE HOURS: Sunday 8 AM-6 PM  
Mon.-Sat. 8 AM-9 PM

5%  
**SR. CITIZEN DISCOUNT**  
EVERY TUESDAY ONLY  
SEE COURTESY DESK FOR DETAILS

SAVE YOUR TAPES  
Synagogues, Churches & organizations receive 1% of register tapes. See courtesy desk for details.

## Film Printing & Developing

Kodak Film AT LOWEST SUPERMARKET PRICES			
110-12 EXP	\$2.39	126-24 EXP	\$3.69
110-24 EXP	\$3.29	135-100-24 EXP	\$3.39
Disc Film-15 EXP	\$2.99	135-200-24 EXP	\$3.89
Disc Film-30 EXP	\$5.69	135-400-24 EXP	\$4.49

Single Prints!		2 Prints of Every Picture!	
12 EXPOSURES	\$1.69	12 EXPOSURES	\$2.69
15 EXPOSURES	\$2.19	15 EXPOSURES	\$3.19
24 EXPOSURES	\$3.29	24 EXPOSURES	\$4.99
36 EXPOSURES	\$4.89	36 EXPOSURES	\$7.39

C110, 135 DISC, C-41 PROCESS  
\*OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE  
ASK FOR INFORMATION  
Guaranteed Color Print Developing

24 HOUR SERVICE... 7 DAYS A WEEK... SEE STORE FOR DETAILS

## JEWISH INTRODUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL

Delaware's local, innovative & personalized Jewish Introductions Service.

Ages 21-101

Let us find That Special Someone

In Delaware Call

1-800-442-9050

102 Centers to Serve You Across North America



# New Year Messages From U.S. And Israeli Leaders Have World Powers Learned That Appeasement Never Succeeds?

This Rosh Hashanah our thoughts go back half a century, when our people observed the festival for the first time in the midst of World War II. In those dark days all civilized nations viewed the future with anxiety and uncertainty. But the very existence of the Jewish people was threatened by the gathering storm clouds. Millions of our people were trapped in Europe and, in the subsequent five years, they became the principal victims of an extended period of brutality and inhumanity. Throughout the Shoah they hoped desperately that the terrible war might be over quickly, and they would be spared and rescued. But it was not to be. Five more excruciating years were to pass before the forces of evil were destroyed.

World War II was initiated by reckless leaders filled with territorial ambition and delusions of power. On the other hand, people whose task it was to see reality as it was, and not to indulge in wishful thinking, succumbed to violent dictates and embarked on a policy of appeasement, which proved futile, dangerous and fatal. We would like to believe that the world's leaders have learned that such policies are a formula for war, even if one's goal is to avoid it.

In recalling the travail of our people in the Holocaust, their despair, their

anguish, we must never forget their heroism in the face of massed power and destruction. We pay tribute to the valiant partisans and the 1,400,000 Jewish soldiers from many nations who served in the allied armies that ultimately crushed the aggressors and oppressors who had perpetrated the worst inhumanity to man in recorded history.

We can also not forget that our people who succeeded in fleeing the slaughterhouse of Europe were denied entry by most countries and that, in Eretz Israel, the gates were shut by the White Paper Policy of 1939.

While contemplating the dark past, we rejoice at the changed fortune of the Jewish people since 1948, when the keys to our country are in our own hands and we are the master of our own destiny here in Eretz Israel. It was difficult to create our state, and it is not easy to maintain it. But it is the unique privilege of our generation — and those who will succeed us — to build, to develop, to provide security for all the future generations of the Jewish people.

Against the background of the developments in the Middle East, the growing violence, and the genocide directed against the Christian community of Lebanon, our northern

neighbor, we take pride in the fact that, in this sea of turbulence, we stand out as an island of stability and democracy.

In the outgoing year, two elections were held in Israel — for the Knesset and the local councils — which were great manifestations of our democracy in action. It is a tribute to the political maturity of the electorate and the nation's leaders that, despite ongoing political differences, we were able to achieve sufficient agreement to make possible the creation of the second government of National Unity. This government gives us the capacity to deal with increasing effectiveness, with internal unity and with the other challenges that face us.

We hope that in the new year we shall advance our peace initiative in cooperation with leaders of Arab countries who must realize that it is futile to continue their forty-one year state of war against Israel; that the objectives of the PLO cannot be achieved but at the expense of Israel's existence. We hope, too, that in the new year, leaders will emerge among the Arab population in our country with whom we shall be able to negotiate an agreement based upon the principles enunciated in our peace initiative.

We approach the new year with



trepidation and expectation that the trickle of aliyah from the Soviet Union may turn into a blessed flow of many thousands of our brethren coming

home. It is the obligation of the people of Israel and of the Jewish communities of the Diaspora to leave no stone unturned to ensure that the majority of Jews leaving the Soviet Union will choose Israel as their future home and that they will be successfully integrated into our economy and society. To ensure that, we must be in a position to provide suitable housing and jobs for all of them. We dare not, we must not permit this historic opportunity to be lost through default on our part.

5750 has been designated the "Year of Ivrit" to celebrate 100 years since the revival of the Hebrew language. Let us resolve to make it a year of intensive study and Jewish education throughout the world. If Ivrit were to become the second language in every Jewish home, it would be a binding, unifying factor that would enhance the strength of Am Israel and Eretz Israel.

From Yerushalaim, the nation's capital, I send greetings and heartfelt wishes to the whole house of Israel that the new year 5750 will bring us peace, security, a great aliyah and economic progress.

Shanah Tova.

Yitzhak Shamir

## We Can Affect Our Personal And Communal Destinies

As Jews in this country and around the world observe Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, a sense of introspection prevails. These ten days are a time to take stock of past actions and to make resolutions for the year to come.

The liturgy of these High Holy Days recognizes the weaknesses inherent in every human being. Jewish tradition holds that, at this time, each shall be judged by the Creator: "who shall live and who shall die ... who shall be at ease and who shall wander about ... who shall be lowered and who shall be raised." Were strict standards of justice to

apply, we know that few of us could withstand examination, but those who observe the "Days of Awe" are reminded that neither as individuals nor as communities are we locked into our fates. What one does, what he or she gives to life, does make a difference.

The universal message of the High Holy Days is that each of us can affect both our personal fate and our fate as a community. These Days remind us of the redemptive value of humility and repentance. The Almighty, who judges both those who heed His commandments and those who do not, is also kind and merciful. This message has important meaning for Americans of all faiths.

Barbara joins me in extending best wishes to Jews everywhere as you mark the High Holy Days. May the year 5750 bring us all closer to that day when all the world shares a profound understanding of the Hebrew word of peace. "Shalom" means more than simply the absence of strife; it conveys a sense of wholeness or completeness. Only then will we truly be able to "beat our swords



into plowshares." L'Shanah Tova — may you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a good year.

George Bush

**WE CAN DESIGN YOUR BUSINESS SOFTWARE EXACTLY THE WAY YOU WANT IT TO BE**

**Hoover Computer Services**

- Computer Programming and Consulting
- Complete Business Software
- Accounting Programs

SPECIALIZING IN MULTI-USER SYSTEMS

**LARRY HOOVER**  
**SUSAN HOOVER**  
(302) 764-7367

313 DAKOTA AVENUE  
WILMINGTON, DE 19803

**susan isaacs**

GALLERY

FINE ARTS

PICTURE • FRAMING

709 Tatnall St. Wilmington DE 19801 302 658-1948

**Get Your Message Across with Jewish Voice Advertising**

**478-6200**

It Gets Results Fast!

**DOLLAR RENT A CAR** THE LIVIN' IS EASY

When you rent an 8 or 15 Passenger Van with or without a driver, carry your Vacation Luggage and Golf Clubs and let the livin' be easy for you.

5 Convenient Locations

DAVID ROSENBLATT 655-7117

*Casual Elegance*

Overnight Accommodations

Conference/Banquet Facilities

Restaurant Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Sunday Brunch

656-9300 (800) 543-9106

Call for a tour or reservations

707 King Street Wilmington, DE 19801

Valet Parking

**CHRISTINA HOUSE** ALL SUITE HOTEL

*House of Watches*

EXPERT WATCH & JEWELRY REPAIRING

JEWELRY & WATCHES

SILVER, PEWTER, BRASS

DIAMONDS

R. J. BERMAN PHONE 654-7751 1330 WASHINGTON STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19801

G. A. BERMAN PHONE 478-3098 2505-B CONCORD PIKE WILMINGTON, DE 19803

**JIFFY IS COMING!**

# Jewish Family Service of Delaware

Jewish Family Service is a constituent agency of the Jewish Federation of Delaware and a member agency of the United Way of Delaware.



## Russian Resettlement Program Boosted By Volunteers



By **ROBERTA D. BURMAN**  
Coordinator  
Russian Resettlement

- Storing donated furniture for the Grinberg family
  - Loaning us a truck to move in the Golod family
  - Taking the Gayduk family to the dentist
  - Teaching the Mazin family to drive
  - Driving the Galperin family to synagogue
- On any given day, a Jewish Family Service volunteer is assisting with one of these activities. This is only a partial list of the many things that our volunteers do to help our new Russian families to settle into our community.

Since February of this year, over 30 volunteers and their families have become involved with five Russian families in an effort to ease the process of integrating into the American and Jewish way of life. These efforts are invaluable in the acculturation process, according to families who have come to Wilmington over the past 17 years.

We are very grateful to all of the volunteers who have unselfishly extended themselves to help. A special THANK YOU for help above and beyond to:

- Roger and Ruth Pernick, for long-term warehouse space
- Jerry Turnauer, for the trucks to move furniture to the apartments
- Ruth Balick, for constant help

with whatever is needed

- Gil Sloan and Efreim Lieber, for employment assistance and advice
- Loretta Whitely, who "adopted" a family and is teaching them English
- Paul Amer, for sending a Russian to the University of Delaware, plus loaning him a computer
- Deborah Resnick, for taking several people to Doctors Isaacs and Wachstein, who have donated countless hours of dental work

This is only a partial list of volunteers, and the kinds of generosity we have witnessed on behalf of our families. We are in need of more families with the desire to help with each small piece of this monumental task. Please call Roberta Burman for more information about volunteer opportunities, 478-9411.

### WELCOME TO WILMINGTON!

Meet the newest families from Russia that now call Wilmington "home." Invite them to join you in your home, your community, your synagogue.

Since February, they are:

- The Galperins - Elya, Tonya, Joseph, Larisa, and Dasha (1)
- The Grinbergs - Rita, Slava (18), and Polina (14)
- The Gayduks - Lia, Mark, Sofia, Masha (18), and Yulia (10)
- The Okuns - Isaak and Yanina
- The Mazins - Genrietta, Vladimir and Yekaterina Boltianskaya
- The Golods - Anatolya, Inna, and Margarita (8)

## Dear Rachel,

Dear Rachel

I suppose I should consider myself fortunate that I realized after nine painful years that my husband and I need to separate. Fortunate because I know several couples who have sentenced themselves to a miserable life rather than admit their mistake and start over. Our relationship is "friendly," and we have agreed to do our best to be good parents to our daughters. He is looking for an apartment.

My husband informed me that he invited all the usual relatives to our sukkah for lunch on Yontiff. (You can see why I need out.) I can put up with his dictatorial behavior one more time, but I don't want to paste a smile on my face and pretend for a crowd that I am a happy hostess and that the holidays are just the same as before. I am worried about myself, but I am most concerned for the girls. What do you think, Rachel?

Not Your Hostess With The Mostest

Dear Hostess,

If you want to know what your husband is really thinking, watch what he does, not what he says. He is having trouble believing in the separation. If he is having trouble, imagine how hard it is for your daughters to accept that their parents are breaking up. Every child in a divorced or separated family fantasizes about her parents getting back together. If you and your husband send mixed signals, you will delay their adjustment to the new realities.

Your new status as separated co-parents demands a new perspective on Sukkot celebrations. Deliver a straightforward message to your husband and children by telling him you plan to be elsewhere for lunch. If you and your husband want the girls to make a healthier adjustment, start acting separated. Let **him** host his family - including the girls. You can take up temporary residence in another sukkah for the afternoon.

Rachel

Send letters to "Rachel, c/o The Jewish Voice, 101 Garden of Eden, Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803." Names and details will be altered in published letters to protect your privacy.

## BREAST CANCER.

*Early detection  
is your best protection.*

*If you are a woman over 35, this is the  
most important ad you'll see this year.*

*1 out of 10 women will develop breast cancer.  
But a mammogram can detect it when  
it's most treatable.*

Brandywine Imaging Center provides low dose mammography with state of the art equipment in a comfortable private setting. Our female radiologists and staff will address your breast health questions honestly and respectfully.

Ask your doctor about making a mammogram part of your regular breast care program. For more information, an appointment or tour of our facility, please call our associates Dottie McGuigan or Carolyn Pace at 302 654-5300.

BRANDYWINE



IMAGING

CENTER, L.P.

A Diagnostic Imaging Center  
for Women

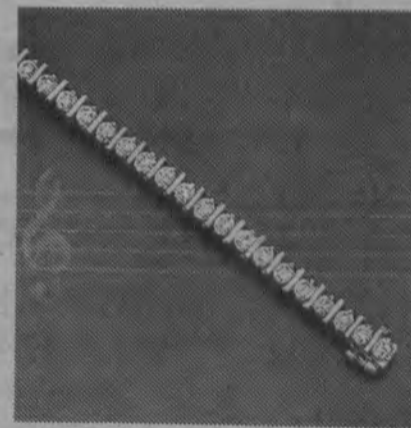
701 Foulk Road · Suite E-1 · Foulk Plaza · Wilmington, DE 19803



## A RING LEADER SPECIAL

*Diamond  
Symphonies*

2 3/4 ct. \$1,798<sup>00</sup>  
4 ct. \$2,398<sup>00</sup>



*To pick up the tempo  
of your duet,  
suggest diamonds.*

**Our 1 million Dollar Estate Sale Takes Place on  
October 23 from 5 'till 9 at our Branmar Store.**

**Sale will continue for 10 days.**

**Wine & cheese will be served on  
Monday, Oct. 23rd from 5-9 p.m.**

## HARRIS JEWELERS

309 Branmar Plaza  
1812 Marsh Road  
Wilmington, DE 19810  
Phone: 475-3101

4377 Kirkwood Hwy.  
Almart Plaza  
Wilmington, DE 19808  
Phone: 999-9901

Market Street Mall  
824 Market St.  
Wilmington, DE 19801  
Phone: 655-6253

# Obituaries

### Helen Knobloch

Helen Knobloch, 89, of Foulk Manor South, 407 Foulk Road, Wilmington, died September 21 of heart failure at the home.

Mrs. Knobloch was a keypunch operator at Aetna Insurance Co., New York, for about 15 years, retir-

ing in 1955.

She was a member of the Jewish Community Senior Center, Wilmington.

Her husband, David, died in 1980. She is survived by a daughter, Mildred L. Wolinsky of Wilmington; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to American Heart Association, Wilmington.

### Goldie Shaer

Goldie Shaer, 78, of New York City, died September 22 in St. John's Hospital, Belair, N.Y.

Mrs. Shaer was a homemaker. Her husband, Hyman, died in 1973. She is survived by a son, Sidney of Smithstown, N.Y.; a sister, Selma Schwartz of Wilmington, Del., and three grandchildren.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to The Kutz Home Inc., Wilmington.

### John Freeman

John Freeman, 90, of Millcroft Nursing Home, 255 Possum Park Road, Newark, died September 28 of cancer at the nursing home.

Mr. Freeman was a restaurant manager at Dewey's in Philadelphia for many years. He retired in 1971.

He was a British army veteran of World War I. He was a member of B'nai Chaim Social, a fraternal organization in Philadelphia.

His wife, Rebecca, died in 1981. He is survived by a son, Norman of Newark; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangement were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Temple Beth El, Newark.

### Thomas J. Burneson

Thomas J. Burneson, 78, of Rockford Park Condominiums, 2300 Riddle Ave., Wilmington, died September 29 of congestive heart failure in Wilmington Hospital.

Mr. Burneson was an insurance broker for 45 years. He was president and owner of Penn-Del-Mar Insurance Agency, Wilmington, for about 15 years and later became president and owner of First State Insurance Agency, Wilmington.

He was a member of Granite Lodge, 34, AF&AM, Wilmington, and Nur Temple Shrine, Wilmington. He was a World War II Army Medical Corps veteran and attended the University of Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his wife, Rose R. Cotler Burneson; a son, Thomas T. of West Chester, Pa.; a daughter, Sarah B. Freeman of Souderton, Pa.; and six grandchildren.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the American Heart Association, Wilmington.

### Anne Markowitz

Anne Markowitz, 69, of 3705 Society Drive, Claymont, died September 29 of cancer in Christiana Hospital.

Mrs. Markowitz and her husband,

George, owned and operated Dunkirk Liquors at 3731 Kirkwood Highway until their retirement in 1976.

Mrs. Markowitz was a member of Deborah Heart and Lung Foundation.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Martin A. of Northcrest; a sister, Miriam Goldstein of Vineland, N.J., and two grandsons.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the American Cancer Society, Wilmington.

### Milton Rosenthal

Milton Rosenthal, 65, of 3410 N. Rockfield Drive, Devonshire, Wilmington, died September 29 of an apparent heart attack in Milford Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Rosenthal was a field branch chief for the Internal Revenue Service for 22 years, retiring in 1984.

He was a member of the Senior Bowling League, Claymont, and Clover Leaf Standardbred Owners Association.

He is survived by his wife, Lillian; two sons, Curt J. of Silver Spring, Md., and Randy of Ocean Pines, Md.; a daughter, Jodi Gevurtz of Wilmington; a sister, Shirley Rosenberg of Bala Cynwyd, Pa.; and six grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to The Kutz Home, Wilmington.

### Mortimer B. Wachstein

Mortimer B. Wachstein, 54, of 3331 Silverside Road, Wilmington, a Delaware dentist for over 30 years, died September 30 after an apparent heart attack at home.

Dr. Wachstein had been practicing in Newark since 1970.

Originally from Philadelphia, he graduated from the Temple University School of Dentistry and moved to Delaware in 1962.

He was a member of the Beth Emeth and Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregations; the Delaware State Dental Society, and the Jewish Federation of Delaware. He was also a life member of The Kutz Home Auxiliary and was on the board of directors of the Jewish Community Center. He was listed in the 1972-73 edition of Who's Who in the East.

He is survived by his wife, Joan M.; two daughters, Lisa Beth Wachstein and E. Lynn Wachstein, both at home; his mother, Fannie of Philadelphia, and a sister, Roselyn Judith Blumberg of Dresher, Pa.

Arrangements were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to The Mortimer B. Wachstein Memorial Fund at The Kutz Home in Wilmington.

I wish to thank my relatives and friends for helping to make a minyan and for generous donations and contributions following my sister's recent death.

- Selma Schwartz

LOUIS S. ZARET  
8 COLONY BLVD. #304  
WILMINGTON, DE 19802  
302-762-1424

Authorized Dealer for



## B. Reibstein Monument Co. Art Monument Company

Manufacturer Since The Year 1895

121 CITY LINE AVE.  
BALA CYNWYD, PA 19004  
667-5800

8255 BUSTLETON AVE.  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19152  
725-2200

## Schoenberg Memorial Chapels



In the hallowed tradition of our faith....

a dignified setting with reverence for customs and observances in strict accord with family wishes.

519 Philadelphia Pike  
762-0334

## CALL US FIRST!

### HAPPY HARRY'S HOME HEALTH CARE CENTER



#### IN-HOME EQUIPMENT PROGRAMS

- RESPIRATORY
- REHABILITATION AIDS
- DIABETES MONITORING
- PAIN CONTROL DEVICES
- OSTOMY SUPPLIES
- ORTHOTICS • HOISERY

—PLUS—  
COMPLETE ENTERAL AND I.V. SYSTEMS WHICH INCLUDE CHEMO AND ANTIBIOTIC THERAPY

Phone (302) 654-3019

- FREE IN-HOME EVALUATION
- FREE DELIVERY AND SET-UP
- WE BILL MEDICARE AND ALL MAJOR INSURANCE COMPANIES



HOME HEALTH

EVERYTHING FOR YOUR

16-A TROLLEY SQUARE

ALSO AVAILABLE AT ALL HAPPY HARRY DISCOUNT DRUG STORES!



CARE SERVICE

FAMILY'S GOOD HEALTH

WILMINGTON, DE 19806

## Member of the Jewish Community

He was a quiet man; he waved no flags, he did not shout.

At gatherings, he was sometimes seen on the periphery of the group.

When he died, a thousand people came to his funeral.

Each one thought that he alone had reason to be a mourner.

—Aaron Oken

## ISRAEL BONDS

For sale, reinvestment and redemption information call:

658-9337

## Bob Weiner Jewish Folk Singer

With or Without Guitar

- Israeli • Yiddish
- Chassidic • American
- Folk Music

479-5088 • 658-8700

## SUBSCRIBE TO MOMENT

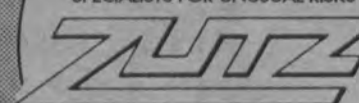
Colorful. Hard-hitting. Independent. Covers everything Jewish. Introductory 1-year subscription only \$18 (6 issues).

Send to: MOMENT  
3000 Connecticut Ave., N.W.,  
Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20008

Payment:  
 Check Enclosed  Bill me

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLETE INSURANCE COVERAGE UNDERWRITING FACILITIES FOR  
• FIRES • CASUALTY • AUTO  
• MARINE • SURETY BONDS  
SPECIALISTS FOR UNUSUAL RISKS



HARRY DAVID ZUTZ, INSURANCE  
300 DELAWARE AVENUE  
P.O. BOX 2287  
WILMINGTON, DE 19899  
658-8000

## Professional Liability Insurance, Inc.



COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE FOR ATTORNEYS, PHYSICIANS, DENTISTS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, REALTORS, NURSES, PHARMACISTS, AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES

# New Guide To Colleges Asks: Is It Good For The Jews?

By MICHAEL FARBOWITZ  
BALTIMORE (JTA)—When high-school students and their parents search for colleges, they almost always consult one of the many college guides on the market.

Barron's and Peterson's among others, provide all sorts of information on academic programs, housing and social life. But where do students and parents turn to find out about Jewish life on campus?

That's what Florida residents Lee and Lana Goldberg wondered when they accompanied their eldest daughter, Marissa, on a tour of colleges.

Lee, an endocrinologist, and Lana, a high school teacher, discovered that only when they asked college administrators about Jewish activities on their campuses did a treasure trove of information become available.

Because many people were unaware of the material available, the Goldbergs decided to share the knowledge they had gathered in "The Jewish Student's Guide to American



Colleges," just published by Shapolsky Publishers, New York.

"We thought of it as a service to the Jewish community," Lana says of the three years spent researching

and writing the 221-page soft-cover guide.

The guide includes information gathered from responses of religious leaders at 93 "selective, popular, secular colleges which have a reasonable percentage of Jews enrolled and to which Jewish students are likely to apply." This generally means a school with a Jewish population of at least 10 percent.

The Goldbergs also visited many campuses and spoke with students there. "Student comments give a feel for the place," Lana says.

Their guide includes information on the number of Jewish students on campus and the percentage of the total campus population, kosher dining programs, social and cultural opportunities for Jewish students, Judaic courses and information on religious services for different religious groups.

The schools are rated based on availability of social, cultural and educational opportunities on campus and availability of kosher dining and religious services, primarily for Orthodox students.

"We wanted to be sure that Orthodox students knew about services on campus," Lana says. But they also found that "Conservative and Reform parents were just as concerned about Jewish services."

The city or town in which a college is located was also taken into account when evaluating Jewish life at the school. The Goldbergs felt that the surrounding Jewish community acts as a "kind of support system" for the students. For example, George Washington University in Washington may not have Orthodox services on campus, but an Orthodox synagogue is within walking distance.

During the course of their research, the Goldbergs were surprised to learn that most kosher dining programs

did not cater exclusively to the student who chose to keep the dietary laws.

"Every student was most concerned with kosher dining, even Reform and Conservative students who didn't keep kosher," Lana said, explaining that a kosher dining program is a way for students to meet other Jews. "You know you have a nucleus where there's socializing and nourishing of the soul."

The Goldbergs were also surprised to find that a vibrant Jewish community exists on campuses that were once considered completely secular institutions.

For example, Princeton University and many of the Ivy League schools were once considered "not very Jewish," Lana says, but today, Princeton has a kosher kitchen and a daily Orthodox minyan.

At schools that were traditionally considered "Jewish," the Goldbergs found that the Jewish life was even more active than expected.

At Barnard College in New York, dorms have made provisions for students who prefer not to carry their room keys on the Sabbath, thus helping observe a law that forbids them from carrying anything on Shabbat.

Besides listing the services available, the Goldbergs offer their own thoroughly researched assessments on a campus' Jewish life.

Writing about the University of Maryland College Park, a school which received one of the more positive reviews in the guide, they note: "There is a clear-cut effort on the part of Jewish leadership here to get students actively involved in the campus activities program so that the many commuters don't just go to class and then go home."

(Michael Farbowitz is an editorial intern at the Baltimore Jewish Times.)

# U.S. Grants Funds For Teaching Holocaust

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF  
Special to The Jewish Voice

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Education in a reversal of position has approved financial support for a national history program that uses horrors of the Holocaust to teach teenagers about prejudice, ethics and citizenship.

The department has allocated a grant of \$59,367 for this year as the start of a four-year renewable assistance appropriation to the Facing History and Ourselves Foundation in Brookline, Mass., that requested the funds to expand its program into communities where local funding is unavailable.

"This award demonstrated a firm commitment by the federal government to the importance of the study of the Holocaust and the lessons we can learn from this watershed event in the history of mankind," the Rev. Robert Bullock, the foundation's chairman, said.

The foundation has been conducting the program for 13 years with the assistance of local schools, private gifts and corporations. For three consecutive years, the department had rejected its request. Margot Stern Strom, the foundation's executive director, charged the department had been influenced by Phyllis Schlafly, president of Eagle Forum, and other conservatives.

Rep. Ted Weiss (D NY), chairman

of the Government Operations Subcommittee on Human Resources and Intergovernmental Relations, had pointed out at a hearing last October that departmental reviews had criticized the Holocaust program as not providing the Nazi or Ku Klux Klan points of view in its curriculum.

While the department did not issue a statement regarding its reversal, a spokesman, Richard Elwell, said that "one program reviewer made those comments" about the Nazis and KKK. He confirmed Schlafly's opposition. Conservatives held the program was anti-war, leftist and offensive to fundamentalists.

Weiss said he is "very pleased that the Department of Education has corrected this injustice, not only against Facing History, but against the American students who would not have learned the lessons of the Holocaust as a result of the Department's past decisions. Perhaps most importantly, the Federal Government has renewed its conviction that the Holocaust must never be forgotten, so that it is never repeated."

Weiss had met last March with Secretary of Education Lauro Cavazos to urge reconsideration of the department's position. "Secretary Cavazos gave me his word that Facing History would be treated fairly this time, and I commend him for keeping his promise," Weiss said.

**漢** **宮**

RATED  
DELAWARE'S #1  
CHINESE RESTAURANT

**Imperial Inn**

THE FINEST CHINESE FOOD

*Only The Freshest Beef, Seafood, Poultry & Vegetables Used!*

**10% DISCOUNT ON ANY ORDER  
IN-HOUSE OR TAKE OUT WITH THIS AD**  
Not Good With Other Promotions • Expires 11/30/98

IN-HOUSE DINING OR TAKE OUT  
OPEN 7 DAYS: MON.-THURS. & SUN. 11:30-10; FRI. & SAT. TO 11  
4015 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE  
(Corner of Rt. 202 & Silverside Road)  
478-7600 • 478-9834

**PHILIP BERGER**  
Associate Broker

**Weichert<sup>®</sup>  
Realtors**



BRANDYWINE OFFICE  
OFF.: 302-478-3800  
RES.: 302-764-8384

Residential-Commercial

**When A  
Trusted  
Doctor  
Retires,  
Call For  
A Referral  
You Can  
Trust.**



**Call Health  
Hook-Up, the free  
physician referral  
service of St. Francis  
Hospital, which  
was recently rated as  
providing the highest  
level of patient sat-  
isfaction ever record-  
ed by a respected  
national research  
firm.**

For your free referral, call weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Health  
Hook-Up  
421-4180**

**ST FRANCIS  
HOSPITAL**  
Wilmington, Delaware

**JIFFY'S COMING!**  
(Watch For Details)

**Rhawnhurst**

**GLATT KOSHER MEAT MARKET**

8259-8261 Bustleton Avenue • Philadelphia, PA

*stands ready to supply the wants of the  
community of Wilmington, Delaware and  
surrounding communities with the finest of*

- PRIME BEEF • VEAL • LAMB • FRESH-SLAUGHTERED POULTRY
- KOSHER DELICATESSEN

**Please Contact Us For More Information**  
**(215) PI2-5287**  
(PLEASE ASK FOR BOB)

# Hurricane Hugo Hits Charleston's Jewish Community Hard

**By ELENA NEUMAN**  
 NEW YORK (JTA) — Hurricane Hugo may have hit Charleston, S.C., hard, but not hard enough to dampen the High Holy Days. With the help of neighboring Jewish communities as well as the Council of Jewish Federations and the Union of orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, a Rosh Hashanah yom tov amid disaster was nevertheless sweet.

"This has been a major, major disaster of the highest order," said Mike Wise, executive director of the Charleston Federation of the Jewish Center, who is organizing the relief

effort. "We raced to get ready for the High Holy Days."

With an estimated tens of millions of dollars worth of damage to institutions and individual families in the Charleston Jewish Community, the Jewish Center has quite a task ahead of it. Left without electricity, without refrigeration and in some cases without running water, food supplies that had been gathered in preparation for Rosh Hashanah were completely destroyed.

Moreover, the Conservative Temple Emanuel has undergone extensive damage, with significant

water damage from heavy rainfalls following the hurricane, and over 30 fallen trees blocking the entrance to the sanctuary. Various relief efforts locally, regionally and nationally are now underway.

Locally, Reform Congregation Kahal Kadosh-Beth Elohim and Orthodox Brith Sholom Beth Israel Temple are welcomed members of Temple Emanuel to their services.

At the national level, both the Orthodox Union and the Council of Jewish federations have set up national fundraising appeals to raise money for Charleston disaster relief.

The Orthodox Union Emergency Charleston Fund, with its fundraising goal set at \$100,000, is geared specifically toward assisting the Charleston Orthodox community. The CJF's Charleston Jewish Disaster Fund is nondenominational, and aims to rebuild the Charleston Jewish community both institutionally and individually.

"There are hundreds of Jewish people in Charleston whose businesses and homes have been destroyed," said Barry Swartz, Southeast area consultant of the CJF

community services department. "CJF fundraising will provide economic relief to these families."

Slowly, Charleton is returning to normal. Main roads have been cleared, running water in most areas has been restored and families are returning to their roughly weathered homes. And just in the nick of time for Rosh Hashanah.

As Chase said, "we have survived earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados and even the war of Northern aggression, and we will survive Hugo."

## Three Jewish Groups Form Entity

**By ALLISON KAPLAN**  
 NEW YORK, (JTA) — Three national Jewish organizations announced their decision to create a new entity to further understanding and communication between the Jewish community and international Christian bodies of all denominations, including the Roman Catholic Church.

The joint cooperative effort was announced here last month by the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The new group appears to be an alternative to the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations, of IJCIC, the umbrella group that has been representing world Jewry to the Vatican.

Neither AJCongress or ADL is a member of IJCIC. AJCommittee, which did belong to the umbrella group, decided to pull out, a move that left IJCIC without a chairman.

Rabbi A. James Rudin,

AJCommittee's director of interreligious affairs, had been serving as IJCIC chairman. But the Synagogue Council of America, which serves as the umbrella group's American Secretariat, decided he should no longer represent IJCIC to the Vatican or any other body. Rudin is now the first of the rotating chairman of the new group.

AJCommittee's break with IJCIC and the formation of a new group with essentially the same purpose come at a time of severe strain in Jewish-Catholic relations over a number of issues, including the continuing presence of a Carmelite convent at the Auschwitz death camp in Poland. Rudin had been in the process of negotiating arrangements for a meeting to discuss these issues between top Vatican officials and an IJCIC delegation. He was scheduled to travel to Rome soon to complete the process.

Rudin said he would still travel to the Vatican, as originally planned. But instead of speaking for IJCIC

he will represent a new configuration of Jewish agencies. Rudin's visit to Rome marks the new group's first formal attempt to make contact with what Rudin terms "appropriate Vatican officials."

AJCommittee was urged to reconsider its decision to leave IJCIC by the group's other constituents, the Synagogue Council of America, the World Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith. "It is not good for the Jewish community to present a sense of disunity or competition among various agencies," said Rabbi Henry Michelman, executive vice president of SCA.

Michelman emphasized that IJCIC will continue to operate in its existing structure, despite AJCommittee's withdrawal. But the announcement by AJCommittee, AJCongress and ADL made clear that, whatever the reasons for the AJCommittee's withdrawal, there are no prospects for its return.

Formation of the new body was announced by Silverman, Henry Siegman, executive director of

AJCongress, and Abraham Foxman, national director of ADL.

The announcement said the three organizations have agreed to join in a cooperative effort to further understanding and communication between the Jewish community and international Christian bodies, including the Roman Catholic Church, and Protestant and Orthodox Christian bodies.

The statement released by the groups described Catholic-Jewish relations as being in "a state of deterioration." It said Jews and Catholics feel "their positions on several important issues have been treated with alack of sensitivity by the other side."

"Each side, we believe, must address these felt grievances, if we are to preserve the important gains that have been achieved in Catholic-Jewish understanding," the statement said.

Those serving in the Secretariat of the new group will be Rudin, Rabbi Leon Kelnick of ADL and Dr. Michael Wyschogrod of AJCongress.



Rabbi A. James Rudin

### CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads are available at \$1.00 per line (At least two lines, please). Send your ad, with check, to Classified Ads, The Jewish Voice, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803. (302) 478-6200.

### HOUSEKEEPING

DO YOU NEED A FULL-TIME COMPANION, NANNIE, HOUSEKEEPER, COOK? Live-in or Live-out. Bonded. References. 656-7222

### SERVICES OFFERED

PARTIES • WEDDINGS • TAVERNS, BAR & BAT MITZVAH. All occasion DJ - Old and New Sounds. Call Harry Crowley (302) 655-0955.

### FOR SALE

HEATHER GREEN CONDO, for sale or lease North. Located off Shipley Rd. 2/3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Underground parking. Enclosed patio. Call Realty Assoc. 478-5640

### HOMES FOR SALE

ATTENTION - GOVERNMENT HOMES from \$1 (U-Repair). Delinquent tax property. Repossessions. Call 1-602-838-8885. Ext. GH7711.

### CARS FOR SALE

ATTENTION - GOVERNMENT SEIZED VEHICLES from \$100. Fords, Mercedes, Corvettes, Chevys. Surplus buyers Guide. 1-602-838-8885 Ext. A7711.

### GARAGE SALE

OCTOBER 25 & 26, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Sisterhood Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 W. Lea Blvd., Wilm., DE 19802. Clothing for all the family, toys, books, games, records, furniture, household goods & appliances, costume jewelry, ect., ect. FREE ADMISSION; THE COMMUNITY IS WELCOME!

### HELP WANTED

"ATTENTION": EARN MONEY READING BOOKS! \$32,000/year income potential. Details: (1) 602-838-8885 Ext. Bk. 7711.

ATTENTION - HIRING! Government jobs - your area. \$17,840 - \$69,485. Call 1-602-838-8885. EXT R7711.

RABBI - Young professional, suburban congregation needs vibrant rabbinical leadership to enter 1990's. Consider America's most liveable and affordable city. A great place to raise a family. Reply to Dr. Michael I. Kramer, 1550 King Albert Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

**GILPIN**  
 REALTORS  
**Charen Schnetter, R.A.**  
 LICENSED IN DE & PA  
 OFFICE: (302) 575-0880  
 HOME: (302) 478-6911  
*\*Fundraising Program Available*

**ROBERT L GALLO**  
**Tree Service & Stump Removal**  
 • HEDGE TRIMMING • SHRUB REMOVAL • CALL FOR FREE ESTIMATES - NO JOB TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL • IF YOU HAVE BRUSH WE'LL CLIP IT.  
 • SNOW PLOWING • LOT CLEARING  
 CALL 24 HOURS A DAY 995-1767  
 18 Wordsworth Dr. Hyde Park 994-2725 Fully Insured

**Mrs. Spencer's Housekeepers**  
 COMPANIONS, HOUSEKEEPERS, NANNY LIVE IN OR OUT  
 Professional-Prompt-Pleasant  
**656-7222**  
**TEAM CLEANING**  
 TRAINED BONDED STAFF - REFERENCES  
**656-9984**

**FAIRFAX VALET**  
 PROFESSIONAL CLEANERS & LAUNDRIES  
**Suede & Leather Repairs & Alterations**  
 Fairfax Shopping Center Rt. 202 (Concord Pike) 652-6725

**\$WANTED\$ RARE COINS**  
 Gold & Silver  
 Since 1977 I have been buying and selling rare coins. As Wilmington's only national teletype dealer you are assured of accurate prices and instant market access. I am looking for nice collections, hoards, and estates. For outright purchase or appraisal service please call.  
 All transactions strictly confidential.  
**MALCOLM KURIN COINS**  
 Box 9537 Wilmington, DE 19809 475-0151

FOR SALE  
**DORSET APARTMENTS**  
 Two bedroom, two bath, parking space  
 Renovated in 1987  
 All the virtues...  
 Excellent Condition  
**\$95,000**  
 Call 764-5910, before 9 PM

**CONNIE'S CORNER**  
 • Full upholstery and repair service  
 • Guaranteed stain resistant treated fabrics available  
 • Antique furniture restored  
 • Appointments at your convenience  
 CALL CONNIE SPALDING (302) 995-2798

**creative cooking**  
 branmar plaza 475-0390  
 christiana mall 366-7484  
 powder mill square 654-9012

# What Ecumenism Means To A Jew

Continued from 9

The task of conveying knowledge of our respective beliefs can not be motivated by religious self-interest. That may not be easy, but it is vital to approach interfaith dialogue without allowing one's biases and childhood legends to cloud one's vision.

Interfaith dialogue begins with the premise that individuality thrives amid plurality. Acceptance of one another as fellow human beings struggling in a complex and changing world occurs when we recognize that people of different faiths have much to offer one another. Only when we are honest with ourselves, can we turn to one another in the process of atonement.

On Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish year, we can only seek forgiveness from God and from others after we are able to acknowledge our own wrongdoings and pledge

never to repeat them. We must acknowledge them and evaluate them so that we can change our attitudes and behavior in the present and for the future.

We have shared a painful history. The legendary element associated with all religions poses the most significant danger to the process of dialogue and atonement. Therefore, instead of sustaining acrimony, we must use the memory of these experiences to detect religious hatred with its attendant discrimination and to develop new avenues for reducing religious tension and misunderstanding.

As a young child growing up in the Rhineland town of Oberwesel, I recalled the blood accusation against Jews in our village. The origin of the blood libel occurred during the Middle Ages when a young Christian boy, Werner, was murdered and his death

was attributed to Jewish ritual practices. Centuries later, the Nazis exploited the legend and the past assumed devastating consequences for Jews. Suddenly, the death of Werner and the death of Jesus were linked. My childhood friends threatened me with the label, "Christ-Killer."

The relief sculpture depicting the legend of Saint Werner validated anti-Jewish sentiment until local Catholic authorities, in accord with the spirit of Vatican II, removed the sculpture in 1970, and sought reconciliation with the past.

Parables play an important role in enhancing spiritual feelings. Yet, just as there are allegories that highlight

the beauty of religious teaching and the importance of ethical behavior, there are also legends that destroy amity among people who do not share the same traditional folklore. In order to ease the tension of interfaith dialogue, it is essential that we direct a critical eye at legends that emerged from a former climate rooted in distrust.

The recent bitter controversy about the presence of a Carmelite Convent at the site of the Auschwitz death camp created an altercation in the Jewish-Christian dialogue. For Jews, Auschwitz constitutes sacred ground. The presence of a convent bearing Christian symbols on the soil where so many innocents were slaughtered shocked Jews and disheartened both

Jews and Poles who had hoped for improved relations.

Yet today, perhaps more than at any other period in history, interfaith dialogue is possible and in many places, in process.

If our interfaith dialogues are to accomplish our common goals, then we must discuss our perceptions and our misconceptions within the framework that we are a unified whole, that we are "at one" with each other even though we are not always "at one" in our religious beliefs. We must be vigilant in preventing adversarial attitudes in our discussions. Our encounters are no longer medieval disputations and the success of our meetings does not depend on a uniformity of beliefs. Intellectual honesty based on disparate theological premises can result in common interests. Thus, our concern for social justice reinforces our unity of thought and action.

By working together to achieve a more civil society, people of good faith will affirm their shared spirituality. By pooling or religious energy and mobilizing the strength of our religious convictions, we will reaffirm the bond of all people motivated by religious faith. The child of that union will mature into interreligious friendship, the parent of interreligious kinship, and through kinship we will discover what we have in common and respect our differences in faith, in good faith.

*(Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk is the President of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the nation's oldest institution of higher Jewish studies and the educational arm of the Reform Movement.)*

# Soviet Jewish

Continued from 9

process in many communities with Soviet Jewish refugees. Each new family has a "host family" who acts as their "contact point" with the community. Part of making the newcomers feel at home means including them in host family activities, from a Sunday cookout to Friday night synagogue services, or a Little League baseball game.

JCRC sees the need to help families learn how to work with the American system, says Nemser, as well as work within the system. In Russia, a Jew could expect that the government was his other personal enemy, and that the only ways to succeed were often illegal. This is not the experience of most American Jews. To address these concerns, says Nemser, the Baltimore community has established an outreach education program, bringing in Russian-American speakers to discuss immigrants problems. She believes such a program could be effective in Wilmington as well.

According to Nemser, the National JCRC Headquarters is urging local communities to continue writing to potential Soviet Jewish immigrants. Russian "refuseniks" still exist, warns Nemser, and it would be foolish for us to be lulled by the current period of glasnost she says. From the JCRC's posi-

tion, the Russian refugee situation is currently in flux, and they are monitoring American, Soviet and Israeli policies closely. Their advice to us, says Nemser, is to encourage the development of unique, innovative programs to integrate Soviet Jews into our community.

# Jews In Television

Continued from 16

ter of "thirtysomething."

But, the creation of Michael's wife was different. "Obviously, to us, Michael was going to be Jewish. The question of whether his wife was going to be Jewish was another matter," he said.

Herskovitz said he and Zwick, both of whom are married to non-Jews, drew on their own lives to decide. "Intermarriage is a big problem for Jews. We know we're contributing to

that," he said.

In addition, "thirtysomething" has gone one step further by breaking an unwritten quota and adding a second Jewish character to the show, Michael's cousin Melissa. Nonetheless, the show does not stress Jewish issues in every episode.

"The truth is, the instant it becomes a Jewish show about Jews, it will not be interesting," Herskovitz said. "We all have a tendency to be narcissistic and Jews are a small percentage of the people in the country. Concerns about Jewish life only go so far."

Despite recent advances, many in Hollywood would like to see more Jews on television. Powell said doing so is important because "what Hollywood shows is what the world thinks is the way it is. It is dangerous to try to hide reality of Jewish life. What makes the United States work is that we are different, not the same."

*(Alan D. Abbey is a reporter for the Morristown, N.J., Daily Record. This article was made possible by The Fund for Journalism on Jewish Life, a project of The CRB Foundation of Montreal, Canada. Any views expressed are solely those of the author.)*

# Egypt Accepts Initiative

Continued from 1

The American Jewish leaders pressed Arens repeatedly on Likud's rejection of Mubarak's 10-point plan and expressed concern about the current turmoil between Likud and Labor.

"There does not need to be a public shoe of unity, but surely there should not be a public shoe of disunity," commented Seymour Reich, chairman of the Conference of Presidents.

Arens acknowledged to the Americans that Israel has "the beginning of a coalition crisis" on its hand. He said

that while he hoped the crisis would be resolved, he could not say for certain that the government would not fall.

A showdown over the Egyptian plan is likely to occur Wednesday, when the Israeli Cabinet is scheduled to convene for a special session on the peace process.

Peres told reporters he hoped Israel would "not kill this chance" to take a step toward peace. "I don't want the issue to be whether or not there is a government," he said. "I want it to be whether or not there's a peace process."

# Negotiations

Continued from 3

As important as examining statements and actions by the PLO with regard to terrorism, the Covenant, the so-called phased solution, is to expose the fact that to date there is no interest on the PLO's part for real negotiations. The U.S. has done so, but it must do so more consistently and publicly. The U.S. must make it clear on a continuing basis, as it did when the PLO applied for admission as a state to WHO, that there can be no pre-cooked solution, that there must be truly open negotiations without guarantees that any side will get all it wants. The U.S. should make known time and again that PLO efforts to get world leaders to recognize its unilaterally declared state are counterproductive and even dangerous exercises, inasmuch as they signal Israel that what they are seeking is a ganging-up on Israel rather than dialogue. And the U.S. should continue to insist that the PLO not stand in the way of Palestinians' acceptance of Shamir's election proposal. For the PLO to reject the elections

would simply mean that they reject a process that could move toward peace, that the notion of building toward compromise is unacceptable.

If the U.S. approaches the PLO in this way, and the PLO persists in its current path, it then will be left to the residents of the territories to consider their options. Ever inhibited from stepping forward on their own because of PLO intimidation and assassination, the Palestinians have demonstrated a new independence in the Intifada. Whatever change has taken place with the PLO this year is a direct consequence of PLO fear of this independence. The idea that Palestinians in the territories, eager for change on the ground, might step forward, no longer seemed remote. Arafat could ignore their wishes at great peril and so he spoke at Algiers and Geneva.

As the PLO rejects a real negotiating process — in this instance by refusing to allow residents of the territories to participate in elections — the Palestinians in the West Bank

and Gaza will have to decide whether the time has come to take the great leap in the political sphere. Since only real negotiations can lead Israel to make the hard choices, the goal of American policy should be to encourage those who are capable of making that leap and give no credit to those who haven't. There is every reason to believe that the PLO will not be able to take the next big step so ways must be found to encourage the residents who would like to. *(Kenneth Jacobson is the Director of the International Affairs Division of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.)*

# Bush To U.N. Fight Terrorism

Continued from 1

of Egypt" but making no mention of the Israeli peace initiative.

Mock said the Israeli-Palestinian conflict should be resolved at an international peace conference, with the "Palestinian people represented by the PLO."

He also condemned the ongoing violence and "violation of human rights" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Israeli government opposes the international peace conference format and rejects any negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.



**JON PAUL BAKER**  
SALES ASSOCIATE  
Maryland & Delaware

**Weichert, Realtors®**

MIDWAY OFFICE  
4703 KIRKWOOD HIGHWAY  
WILMINGTON, DE 19808

OFF: 302-992-9500  
RES: 302-453-0385

# WOODSET®

Custom Residential Play Areas

(302) 658-2266



- Modular/Expandable
- 4x4 Construction
- All Pressure Treated Lumber
- No Age or Weight Limitation
- Delivery and Assembly Available

Serving Delaware, Pennsylvania & Maryland

WOOD'N FUN P.O. BOX 2775 WILMINGTON, DE 19805

...Because Corporate Climbers have to start somewhere...

To Advertise In The Jewish Voice  
Call 478-6200

# An Israeli Perspective



Carl Alpert

## A Review Of Israel's Major Problems

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA — With Rosh Hashanah behind us, we now look forward to the coming year, and survey with some trepidation the various problems that Israel will face in the next 12 months. In accordance with my annual custom, I present this list of major concerns, in order of critical importance as I see them at this stage.

1. *The Intifada.* About to enter its third year, the Arab uprising shows no sign of abatement. The cost is heavy, in terms of human life on the Arab side, tension and insecurity on the Israeli side, and blackening of Israel's name in world public opinion, which continues to get a distorted picture of what is happening. There is talk of a new Israeli approach in handling the riots.

2. *Internal political tensions.* The internal friction within the Likud party, and the tug of war between Likud and Labor seriously affect national stability, and call into question, in the eyes of the world, Israel's ability to proceed with an agreed-upon policy leading to peace. After two successive elections which resulted in almost a deadlock, would a third election show any decisive swing toward right or left?

3. *Unemployment.* The unsettled

economic situation has led to a business and industrial contraction, with consequent rise in unemployment. Development and border towns have been hardest hit, and social unrest is to be expected until a corner is turned. Present economic policies are under dispute, and only time will tell whether the government is doing the right thing.

4. *U.S. pressures.* The atmosphere in Washington is certainly far from hostile, but it is by now quite clear that the Bush Administration will be much more critical and much more demanding of Israel. The actual pressures can be both political and financial.

5. *Immigration.* There is still talk of a large wave of immigration expected from Eastern Europe as well as from Argentina and elsewhere. The question is whether Israel is organized to receive and absorb the new arrivals. The experience of the last half year is not encouraging.

6. *World Public Opinion.* Continuing critical press reports have placed Israel in an unfavorable light. Many countries which were once recorded as staunch friends, have now become critical of what they regard as Israel's heavy hand against the Arabs. The United States is automatically stacked against us in any

vote.

7. *The Labor front.* This year will witness a battle for control of the Histadrut, the national federation of labor, which has hitherto been under Socialist domination. Internal elections are to be held, and the Likud and right wing parties have served notice of their attempt to wrest the leadership from the left.

8. *Highway accidents.* Since establishment of the state, the number of deaths from car accidents has been twice the number of Israeli soldiers killed in all our wars. At the present rate, 2,000 more will be killed on the roads during the next four years — and all efforts at stemming the bloody tide have thus far been futile.

9. *Religious problems.* The "Who is a Jew" controversy created a great stir last year, and has not been forgotten. Orthodox groups are still determined to assert the primacy of religious law, and their opponents are equally determined to prevent this. Conflict can break out again on any of several fronts.

10. *Water.* Increase in population is not being matched by any increase in water resources, and a drought could bring about disaster. The long range danger is increased by the fact that much of Israel's water sources

are located in the area in which the Palestinians want to set up an independent state.

11. *Yerida.* Emigration out of Israel has not ceased. A weak economic situation and continuance of the *intifada* can result only in heightening the unhappiness of some Israelis, who prefer to seek wealth and security abroad.

12. *The health system.* Medical care and hospitalization are today

taken care of on three levels: by the Kupat Cholim of the Histadrut, by the government and by private practice. Insufficient funds and low salaries have created a degree of demoralization in the first two. The country still seeks a thorough reorganization of the whole system on a viable, just and efficient basis.

And next year, when we draw up a fresh list, will any of these be closer to solution?

## First School For Emigrants

By ELENA NEUMAN

NEW YORK (JTA) — Based on the volume of Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union last October, it was estimated that 6,000 children of school age would settle in the United States in 1989. To date, the actual figures have more than exceeded this estimate, leaving a serious question: how do we educate them all?

For the past 10 years, the Be'er Hagolah Institutes have been suggesting specialized secular and Jewish education solely for Russian Jewish immigrant children. But only now, with last year's unprecedented wave of Soviet Jewish immigration behind us, is their call being heeded.

With substantial funding pledged

by Jewish philanthropists Joseph Gruss and Albert Reichmann, the Be'er Hagolah Institutes, previously scattered in five different locations throughout Brooklyn, will now have its own headquarters and space for 600 more students, more than double its current enrollment.

The Carolyn Zelaznik Gruss Life Monument Jewish Educational Center will be the first and only school in the United States solely for Russian immigrant children. "This is a big breakthrough for us," said Pearl Kaufman, director of Be'er Hagolah. "If only we had done this earlier."

BHI teaches kindergarten through high school.

# SENIOR CLASS

We have been running a light-hearted series of ads to tell you about the Kutz Home. But we know that when a relative makes the decision to give up a life they've been used to and move into a protected environment, it's a big step . . . it's not a light-hearted decision.

At the Kutz Home we can't promise the world because everyone reacts differently to change. What we can promise is respect for every resident as an individual who has seen and met life on their own for many years. We try to treat every resident with the dignity our vital citizens deserve.

That's Kutz Class.

Call us for more information.



THE MILTON & HATTIE KUTZ HOME, INC.

704 River Road • Wilmington, Delaware • (302) 764-7000

# It's coming!



The Jewish Voice  
Annual Newcomer's Guide

will be published Nov. 3rd.

Reserve your advertising space by calling  
Amalia Snyderman 478-6200.