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David's citadel and part of the Old City walls behind barbed wire, prior to the 1967 Six-Day War. WZPS photo.

Peres, Hussein Agree To Territorial Accommodation Formula In West Bank

By YITZHAK RABI

NEW YORK, (JTA) — A leading American expert on the Middle East, with close ties to Washington, Jerusalem and the major Arab capitals, said that Jordan's King Hussein and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres have agreed to a formula "on mutual territorial accommodation in the West Bank."

Prof. Howard Sachar, author of the just-published *A History of Israel, Volume II* (Oxford University Press, \$19.95), said in a special interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here that he learned of the agreement from "well placed officials" in Washington.

Sachar's report was similar to recent Israeli press accounts of a secret accord under which Israel and Jordan would exercise joint control in the West Bank and Gaza Strip pending a final peace settlement.

"I believe there is a good chance to reach a peace agreement between Israel and Jordan," said Sachar, the author of nine books about the Mideast and Israel and a history professor at George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

"Significant contacts between Israeli Labor (Party) leaders and Jordan have been established in the last two years. There have been general meetings of the minds in the course of these contacts," Sachar said. Hussein, Sachar maintained, has consented to de facto bilateral negotiations with Israel "under the nominal framework of an international conference."

Hussein also agreed, Sachar said, not to include "identified members of the Palestine Liberation Organization" in his delegation to the international conference.

JCC Annual Meeting June 7 To Feature Groundbreaking For Jewish Family Campus

WILMINGTON, Del. — The long awaited moment has arrived. On Sunday, June 7, the Jewish Federation of Delaware and the Jewish Community Center will break ground on the site of the soon to be constructed Jewish Family Campus. Over the past decade, the two agencies have collaborated on this extensive plan which will replace the Sellars Estate with a modern and more usable camp and outdoor recreational facility.

The ground breaking ceremony will take place as the culmination of a series of events that day beginning with a JCC leadership breakfast at 10 a.m. The annual meeting of the Jewish Community Center will follow at 10:45 a.m., with the ground breaking ceremony scheduled for approximately 11:30 a.m.

The ground breaking ceremony, chaired by Doris and Irv Morris, chairpersons of the Family Campus Campaign, will involve a number of dignitaries and

members of the Jewish Community who have contributed to the planning and development of the Family Campus. A silver shovel used in the ground breaking for the main JCC building in 1969 and the Yetta and Harry Cohen wing in 1978, will be used to break ground for the Family Campus. The ground breaking precedes by only a few weeks the starting date for the actual construction of the Campus. Currently, construction companies are bidding on a plan developed by Tetra-Tech Richardson, architects for the Campus.

The plan for the Campus includes a major pool facility, recreational areas with picnic grounds and ballfields, and outdoor amphitheatre and wooded sites with pavillions for groups of campers. New parking facilities, playgrounds and an area designated for seniors are all part of the overall design.



This plan of the Jewish Family Campus prepared by the Tetra Tech Richardson Firm, represents the various facilities and areas being planned for the campus.

Community Calendar

- May 20- "History's Nightmare - Can It Happen Again?" Panel discussion showcasing testimonies of Delawareans, JCC, 7:30 p.m.
- May 31- Trivial Pursuit evening, Jewish Singles, 21-31, 7 p.m.
- June 7- JCC Annual Meeting and Groundbreaking, JCC, 10 a.m.

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Outgoing JFD President
Martin G. Mand

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STEIN BEATIFIED

COLOGNE — Pope John Paul II beatified a Jewish-born Carmelite nun killed in Auschwitz on May 1. Beatification is the last step taken before sainthood. Stein, also known as Sister Teresia Benedicta a Cruce, is the first Jewish-born person to receive the honor. Criticism came from some Jews who felt that she was murdered by the Nazis not for her Christian faith, the grounds for martyrdom, but for her Jewish origins. RNS PHOTO/Wide World.

Guest Editorial

Beatified Edith Stein Died As A Jew

By Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum
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Edith Stein may have been a willing convert, but she was not a willing victim. She did not die because she was a Christian, a Catholic or a Carmelite. She died because she was born a Jew.

That is the clear conclusion of an expert on Catholic-Jewish relations, Judith Banki, in a paper she has just written for the American Jewish Committee. It is a conviction that biographers of Stein, such as James Baaden, and I share.

There are essentially two key issues in the controversy over the beatification May 1 of this Jewish-born Catholic nun. The first centers on her attitudes toward her fellow Jews and Judaism. The second focuses on the major reason advanced by some Vatican spokesmen for her beatification.

On the claim that "she offered her life for the conversion of Jews to the Catholic Church," all objective evidence repudiates that assertion. Stein, Baaden documents, rejected missionary efforts aimed at Jews, and she wrote that her mother had attained salvation by her faithfulness to Judaism.

As for the claim of the Vatican's Father Ambrose Eszer that Stein died a martyr to the Christian faith, Jewish scholars make a convincing case that she was murdered by the Nazis for one reason only — because she was a Jew.

An English Catholic journal, *The Tablet*, honestly declared that "the significance of Edith Stein's life and death is being forced into a mold which will not hold it. If she is a martyr, then so are the millions of other Jews who died in Auschwitz."

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum is director of international relations for the American Jewish Committee.

Barbie Trial Begins

By Edwin Eytan

LYON, (JTA) — A temporary museum of the Holocaust was formally opened here Monday May 11 to stand for the duration of the trial of Klaus Barbie as a reminder of the horrors of Auschwitz, Treblinka and other death camps where French Jews were deported 45 years ago on the orders of the then Gestapo chief

known as the "butcher of Lyon".

The inauguration was by 44 Jewish school children representing symbolically the 44 Jewish children from an orphanage in the village of Izieu, southeast of Lyon, arrested by Barbie's Gestapo agents and deported to Auschwitz. The ceremony was attended by Mayor Michel Colomb of Lyon,

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BARBIE TRIAL

The three principals in the upcoming trial of Klaus Barbie, the Gestapo chief in Nazi-occupied Lyon, France, during the second World War, are, from left, state prosecutor Pierre Truche, 57, Klaus Barbie, 64, and defense attorney, Jacques Vergès, 62. Mr. Barbie said in an interview published May 3 that he is innocent of any war crimes, but fears he can't get a fair trial. The proceedings are scheduled to begin on May 11 in Lyon. RNS PHOTO/Wide World

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Rabbinical Council Opposes AMA Position

The American Medical Association has issued new guidelines which declare that it is ethical for doctors to withhold "all means of life prolonging medical treatment" including food and water from patients in irreversible coma, even if death is not imminent.

The Rabbinical Council of America's Bio-Medical Ethics Committee, under the chairmanship of Rabbi Moshe D. Tendler, evaluated these new guidelines and finds them to be at variance

with accepted standards of "biblical and Jewish ethics." To deprive a patient of food and water cannot be viewed as passive withholding of treatment but rather as active intervention to shorten the life of a patient without any benefit to that patient. A patient in tractable pain, who requests that no further treatment be given him indeed has the right to that decision, but a patient in coma whose sole impact on society is his failure to be a contributory member of this society must

be afforded all the care and concern due any other human, according to Tendler.

The ethical stance of a society can be evaluated by analyzing the degree of concern expressed for the least fortunate and for the most helpless. It is the position of the Rabbinical Council of America that the new American Medical Association's guidelines weaken the basic foundation of biblical ethics upon which Western civilization is founded.

History's Nightmare - Can It Happen Again?

WILMINGTON, Del. — The Jewish Historical Society of Delaware will present a panel discussion at the Jewish Community Center, May 20, 7:30 p.m., focused on the words "Never Again."

Panel members giving testimony about their experiences during World War II include Delawareans

Dorothy Finger and Ann Jaffe, survivors of concentration camps; Ursula and Ben Shaw, members of the British Armed Forces; and Ralph Tomases, prisoner of war in Europe. They will relate the reality of their knowledge of the conditions that existed from the perspectives of their experiences during World War II compared to what we

in Delaware actually knew.

Robert N. Kerbel, executive vice president of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, will discuss the possibility of this happening again. He will focus on what signs American Jews should be aware of and what American Jews should be doing to prevent a reoccurrence of this horrible period in history.

The Jewish Historical Society is issuing a challenge to those born in the 1940s, 50s, 60s and 70s — parents and young adults — to attend this program to learn what must be done to back up the brave words "Never Again."

Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

Jewish Singles 21-31

Despite overcast skies, more than 50 Jewish singles recently enjoyed an exciting game of softball, sandwiches, a few matches of tennis, cold beer, and of course wonderful company. The next event for Jewish singles 21-31 is a mini-film festival, at the Jewish Community Center.

Thursday, May 21, the group is featuring Rob Reiner's rare and special film

about friendship and the indelible experiences of growing up, "Stand By Me." The second show, "The Frisco Kid," perhaps Gene Wilder's most hilarious hit, is Monday, June 1. Showtime for both shows is 7:30 p.m.

Robin Kauffman is the chairperson for this exciting singles group. For more information, please call Seth Bloom, at the Jewish Federation, 478-6200.

Barbie Trial

(Continued from Page 2) former Premier Raymond Berre and members of the Jewish community, and about a half dozen government ministers,

The steel and canvas structure, standing opposite the city hall, contains hundreds of drawings of scenes from Auschwitz and other death camps. It was built at the initiative of the French Jewish writer, Mark Halter, author of the international best-seller "The Book of Abraham", and by local Jewish community leaders.

The inauguration was timed to coincide with Barbie's departure from his cell in St. Joseph Prison for the Palais de la Justice where his trial for "crimes against humanity" opened Monday morning.

Security Is Tight And Visible

The 73-year-old Nazi is transported to and from the court in a convoy of armored cars. Security is strict and highly visible in Lyon in view of mounting threats by neo-Nazi and rightwing ex-

tremists against prosecution lawyers and witnesses. Reporters from the Israeli media and Jewish correspondents have been given special protection. Plainclothes detectives are on 24-hour duty outside their hotels.

An additional 300 police were rushed to Lyon Sunday and several hundred more were due Monday as a precaution against street violence when the trial gets under way.

Neo-Nazis demonstrated here Saturday and Sunday. A group of black-shirted youths marched past the Joan of Arc monument shouting slogans demanding Barbie's release. They passed out leaflets claiming the Holocaust never occurred.

Police Chief Goerge Bastelica is concerned. "Two weeks ago I was not worried byt now I am. I am afraid of extremism," he said.

Jewish community leaders have asked the Jewish citizens of Lyon to maintain a dignified presence and give no provocation.

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UNs' Secret Archive Of Nazi War Criminals

Reprinted from the New York Times

There are news stories that simply will not go away. The press can forget about them, bureaucrats can try to hide them, governments can try to wipe them from national memories. Every now and then somebody insists they be remembered. Suddenly they

are alive again, demanding attention again.

This is about the case of the United Nation's vast secret archive of Nazi war criminals. Officials of the United Nations have kept the files hidden from historians, journalists and other interested members of the public for nearly 40 years.

And the countries that

could demand that they be opened keep refusing — including the United States. It is a story that shows a deep reluctance in both Western and Communist countries to take a real look at the whole war crime era. "Pandora's box," U.N. diplomats call the archives; a revealing cliché.

The story begins in 1948 when the Allied War Crimes Commission, going out of business, handed over about 38,000 files dealing with war criminals to the three-year-old United Nations. The commission, 17 nations, did not expect them to be put away and locked up.

About 25,000 names were on a special "A" list of people about whom the commission felt there was sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution. And the commission itself had decided in 1946 to remove the lists from the "secret" category. Quite logical: how could war criminals be prosecuted when the names and charges were secret? The commission also said the archives were a valuable record for historians. Historians do not write secret books.

But about a year after they were entrusted to the United Nations its officials decided that it would be best to lock them away from the public, and open them only to governments who discovered the names, and on a confidential basis.

No nation was interested until 1986 when the World Jewish Congress disclosed that the commission had concluded in 1948 that there was sufficient evidence to prosecute Kurt Waldheim for the murder of Yugoslav partisans in World War II. Mr. Waldheim, reluctantly stepping out after 10 years as Secretary General of the United Nations, was running

for president of Austria when the disclosure came. He won.

Then about nine months ago the pesky Israelis demanded and got confidential access to 300 files.

They also asked Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to open the files so historians, scholars and journalists could examine them. Veteran U.N. specialists agree with Israel that it is plainly within the power of the Secretary General to open archives the U.N. staff itself had closed.

But the Secretary General said he had to ask former member states of the long-dead war crimes commission — the Western allies and Eastern European governments that had offices in London during the war.

"Studying the matter," a United States representative told Elaine Sciolino of The Times in June 1986. "Very sensitive subject," confided the Belgians. The files remained locked.

Now the Israelis have asked for 2,000 more files but insist that the issue in any case is public access. Israel's Ambassador, Benjamin Netanyahu, again asked the Secretary General to open the archives. No, said the Secretary General, the former members of the commission objected.

The Israeli position, which makes sense, is that the secrecy issue was created by the U.N. staff, and runs counter to the original intent of the commission. They point out that a master list of names and summaries of charges found its way to a public American archive in Maryland. Any "protection of the innocent" argument is moot.

The material Israelis have already examined under confidentiality demands the at-

tention not simply of prosecutors but of scholars and historians. It includes important material about who knew what in the West during the Holocaust, Gestapo actions in Poland, what German courts did in occupied lands, new details on Nazi medical experiments. It is not "secrets" that are locked up at the U.N. but a heartbreaking, invaluable record of organized murder, which belongs to history, not the U.N.

Exactly one commission member said open the files. Thus Australia burnished her name.

Moscow, not a member, was not asked but could have influenced the Eastern European states.

These are the countries that said no to opening the archives: Belgium, Britain, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, France, Greece, India, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, the United States.

Strange alliance.

As a result of a strong lobbying effort by Jewish organizations world wide, the attitude of the remaining 16 commission members, including the United States, has begun to change. Some are now leaning toward opening the archives to historians, journalists and members of the interested public.

Our local Jewish Community Relations Committee participated in the effort to open the files. Jack Blumenfeld contacted the Delaware Congressional delegation and urged support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 41, calling for public access to the files of the National War Crimes Commission.

You may join this effort to open these critical files to the public by writing to Senators Biden and Roth; Congressman Carper and Secretary of the United Nations, Javier Perz de Cuellar. If you need assistance, contact Harriet Wolfson, JCRC staff, at 478-6200.

Rabbi Writes —

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Let us remember also that this process can occur only where there is an environment that lovingly and respectfully encourages freedom of thought and of speech within the Jewish community. And, let no one cause us to fear such vitality in our own community.

In *Pirke Avot*, we are taught, "Every controversy that is for the sake of heaven shall, in the end, lead to a lasting result." I believe that it will be a result well worth waiting for. *Chag Sameach!*



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Rabbi Sue Levy Addresses Delaware State

The following remarks were delivered April 29 before the Delaware State legislature on the Occasion of Yom Ha-Shoah, by Rabbi Sue E. Levy of Congregation Beth Shalom, Dover.

"Mr Speaker, distinguished members of the Legislature: "This week we observe Yom Ha Shoah — the memorial day for victims of the Holocaust. I am honored to have been invited to offer a

fitting memorial here, but I cannot do so — because it is an impossible task in the few minutes you have offered to me. It would be equally impossible if you had offered me an hour or a day or a week.

"Try to imagine the premeditated murder of 1/3 of the American people and the destruction of their communities. Try to imagine the death of 90% of America's scholars and the obliteration

of our institutions of learning — for this was the extent of our loss; and then try to imagine pouring out the pain of such a loss in an hour of a day or a week of memorial events.

"I would prefer to use our brief time together to speak about one of the lessons which the Shoah — the Holocaust — teaches us for our future.

"Because we are a democracy, we are accustomed to thinking that atrocities are committed only by dictatorships that have no regard for the public will. We feel at home in our self-righteous ivory tower. "Holier than thou," we think to ourselves and of ourselves when we contemplate the depravity that embraced Nazi Europe.

"But the uncomfortable truth is that Adolf Hitler was elected Chancellor and then both Chancellor and President in a free democratic republic. On a more arbitrary measure of judgement, Adolf Hitler might compare favorably with some of the presidents of our own country, for Adolf Hitler broke none of the laws of his land. But what he *did*, most effectively, was to transform Germany by rewriting Germany's legal codes, to so abuse and pervert the democratic process that — ultimately — it voted itself out of existence.

"And because you are legislators, you know that Hitler could not do this alone. Hitler could conceive the Nuremberg Laws but he needed a legislature to pass them.

"My friends, one of the things that died in the Holocaust was our absolute faith in democratic government, our illusion that having a democratic process is enough. For it is clear to us now — in the shadow of death — that democracy means nothing if it is not imbued with a sense of purpose. We need to observe not only the letter of our laws, but their spirit as well.

"Adolf Hitler faced a nation demoralized — having lost a great war and impoverished, in the midst of a great depression; and he took advantage of — the tragedy of the German people to win their support for a far greater human tragedy. The German people needed so desperately to believe that someone else was to blame for their poverty and national disgrace that when Hitler told them that the Jews were to blame, they were ready to believe him. They trusted him.

"And there are many people in America today who would like the easy way out. They would love for you to

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give them easy answers to difficult questions. They would dearly like to be able to abdicate their own responsibility by allowing you to make difficult decisions for them.

"So I ask you today — what kind of leaders you can be? To what nobility of leadership do you aspire? Hitler's legislators gave him the laws he wanted. You hold a sacred trust when you write the laws of our land, a trust not to write our sense of national purpose out of existence. And sometimes that kind of leadership is inconvenient or expensive or unpopular or — as in Hitler's Germany, even dangerous. So I ask you again, what kind of leader can you be? These six million dead cry out to you that you must aspire to more than your own re-election — that there is one God alone — that we dare not make idols of nation or of money or of prestige or power.

"Irving Greenberg, an American Jewish theologian has written that the Holocaust has so altered the cosmic balance of good and evil that the only hope of setting it right ever again lies in recreating and re-dignifying the image of God six million

times and more.

"It means that we may not set technical priorities above human needs. The Nazis tattooed numbers on people's arms. We put people's numbers into a computer. The computer knows our social security numbers does not know if our senior citizens have to choose between heating their homes and buying medicine. The machine doesn't care. *We must. You must.* When we turn people into numbers, we debase images of God. When you allow people to suffer malnutrition you deny images of God.

"You must be the elected representative the voice for those who have no voice — for the impoverished, for those whose handicaps make them unable to speak for themselves, for those with insufficient education to state their needs for minorities who hold dear their rights but who do not have the numbers or strength to win elections.

"And you must be the representatives of our national purpose — a noble and sometimes unpopular endeavor.

"Hitler used law to stifle free speech, to deny free inquiry, to make a mockery of freedom or worship.

"We must be a living witness that American stands for something different.

"In 1776, the United States of America became the first country in almost two-thousand years to allow Jews to become full and equal citizens in the land in which they lived. The Holocaust of our people in Europe deepens and renews our love of America, but if it teaches us also that we may not take it for granted. Our freedoms and our way of life must be guarded and nurtured and protected.

"This is the trust that we place in your hands — never to allow the spirit of democracy to lie among the dead whom we memorialize this week.

"I ask that you rise and join me in a moment of prayer:

MEDITATION

"The universe whispers that all things are intertwined. Yet at times we hear the loud cry of discord. To which voice shall we listen? Although we long for harmony, we cannot close our ears to the noise of war, the rasp of hate. How dare we speak of concord, when the fact and symbol of our age is Auschwitz?"

"The intelligent heart does not deny reality. We must not forget the grief of yesterday, nor ignore the pain of today. But yesterday is past. It cannot tell us what tomorrow will bring. If there is goodness at the heart of life, then its power, like the power of evil, is real. Which shall prevail? Moment by moment we choose between them. If we choose rightly, and often enough, the broken fragments of our world will be restored to wholeness.

"For this we need strength and help. We turn in hope, therefore, to a Power beyond



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us. He has many names, but He is One. He creates; He sustains; He loves; He inspires us with the hope that we can make ourselves one as He is One."

Yom HaShoah Service At Beth Shalom, Dover

The Delaware Association of Christians and Jews sponsored a Yom Ha Shoah (Holocaust memorial) observance at Congregation Beth Shalom, Queen and Clara Streets on Sunday, April 26 at 6 p.m. The program for the evening included the presentation of Elie Wiesel's collected writings entitled *Against Silence* to six local libraries and the showing of a short film entitled "Joseph

Schultz" the story of a German soldier in World War II who finally said no and refused to accept the role of executioner. A panel discussion focusing on the role of the Righteous Gentile followed the film. The program concluded with Christian and Jewish clergy participating in the recitation of interfaith liturgy in commemoration of the Holocaust.

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Judaic workshop participants Robert Edelsohn, Ronnie Grass, Jamie Levin, Larry Seltzer, and Larry Zucker currently have their works displayed in Philadelphia City Hall in the

office of Mayor Wilson A. Goode. The opening reception for this exhibition was held on May 6 and awards were presented.

Models of winter in Wilmington contrasted with

models of spring in Israel brought the holiday of Tu b'Shevat into focus. Photographs of these Tu b'Shevat models were featured in a February, 1987 issue of the *Jewish Voice*.

The Judaic workshop recently began meeting an additional Sunday per month at the Mary Cambell Center and wishes to welcome Steven Slotkin and Sally Sugarman as new participants.

The Judaic workshop also hopes to reach a broader audience through travel one day per month.

The Judaic workshop follows the religious school calendar of congregation Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth. It is administered under the auspices of several local synagogues. Jewish persons who need "special" approaches to reinforce their Jewish identity through visual art, crafts, music and

movement, enthusiastically attend the Judaic workshop.

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Mary and William Garfinkel of Dover are the new parents of a baby girl, Cailah Elyse. Cailah was also welcomed by her brother, Brandon and sisters Erin and Marisa. Anita Garfinkel is the local grandmother.

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*Students at Wilmington-Gratz Hebrew High School

Gratz High School Class Visits Academies Of Jewish Learning

The following article was written by Gratz students: Jennifer Braverman, Rachel Deitch, Dana Ger, Aaron Handler, Rachele Kahn, Aimee Peltz, Debbie Saposnick, Bruce Seltzer, Joel Simon. Photos by Bruce Seltzer.

We were excited as we boarded the van in a drenching rain early on a Sunday morning in March. Our Gratz class in Mishnah was on its way with our teacher, Gladys Gewirtz, to New York City to visit Yeshiva University and the Jewish Theological Seminary. There were many conversations going on at once and our skilled driver, Jonathan Shapiro, was helpful to us throughout the day's travels.

The Bet-Midrash

We began our tour in the lobby of the Yeshiva University which is celebrating its centennial. Our guide, Judah Harris, welcomes us and took us into the Lampert Auditorium where we heard the history of Yeshiva University. Then we proceeded to the main bet-midrash, study hall. As we entered the long bet midrash where the college students were involved in Talmud study, most of the heads turned to look at us. But two young men close by were oblivious to our

presence. They were completely absorbed in their discussion and obviously disagreeing on what the text or the commentary meant. Most of the students were studying with each other audibly and these two were almost shouting. The rabbi-mashgiach in charge of this learning-center came over to greet us. His task is to be helpful to the students when they hit a snag in their learning, to check their attendance and their achievement. One of the *rashei yeshiva* gives the daily *shiur*, lesson, and the students must review or prepare for the next day with the *chavruta*, or learning partner. The *mashgiach* told us that the shelves lining the entire walls of the hall were volumes of Talmud, various commentaries and books of the *Tanach*. When we left the bet-midrash after about 15 minutes, the two students were still in hot discussion.

We returned to the auditorium where our guide, Judah Harris and members of the class, acted out a mishnah which we had studied previously.

The Museum

Judah Harris, who stayed with us the whole time, then escorted us to the library and museum building. After walking through a temperature and light controlled room

which houses rare books and incunabula, the museum guide (docent) brought the history of the "Jews of Ashkenaz" alive to us.

A short slide and sound show introduced us to many works of art of the Jews of Germany (Ashkenaz) most of which we would see again in the exhibit.

We entered the well planned exhibit through the "gates of the ghetto" and saw a vast collection of artifacts used in daily religious life and of historic significance. These served to present the life and culture of Ashkenazi (German-Jewish) culture from the 10th century up until the Holocaust.

We viewed hand crafted silver and brass Sabbath candleabra which were suspended from the ceilings of the dining rooms, menorot, etrog holders, hand-embroidered table cloths, clothing of the periods, room displays of the festivals and rituals of Jewish life. There were diaries, record-books, correspondence and portraits and photographs of Ashkenazi Jewish scholars.

A highlight of the visit was seeing the oldest handwritten Rashi manuscript, ornately decorated and illuminated in gold and blue, which was hand-written and beautifully bound by German Jews hundreds of years ago. It was smuggled out of Nazi Germany to the U.S. and is displayed under plexiglass in a controlled atmosphere.

Scattered throughout the exhibit were many scale models of famous synagogues from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Portugal and Holland. Our museum guide was very



(Class taking brief rest at Yeshiva University). L-R, back row: Craig Pell, Joel Simon, Debbie Saposnick, Jennifer Braverman, Rachele Kahn, Aimee Peltz, Dana Ger, Mrs. Gewirtz; front row: Aaron Handler, Judah Harris, Bruce Seltzer, Rachel Deitch, Audrey Greenstein.

knowledgeable about everything in the exhibit and the Jewish life in Germany through the centuries. She is a member of a distinguished Ashkenazi family (Pappenheim). Several times she mentioned sadly that despite the bigotry that the Jews in Germany endured until the mid 19th century (and again in the 20th), they were "patriotic Germans" whenever conditions eased just a bit. She pointed out many examples demonstrating this, including frequent inclusion of the emblem of the German eagle on ritual articles. She commented that the Jews' admiration of German culture and government was misplaced and made them more vulnerable to destruction.

The Gymnasium and Cafeteria

When we left the museum we were very hungry and went across the street to the building which houses the cafeteria and new "state of the art" gymnasium. We had lunch and recited the whole *Birkat-Hamazon*.

Jewish Theological Seminary

We boarded the van again, and Jonathan Shapiro drove us down Broadway from 187 Street to 122 Street to the Jewish Theological Seminary. There a young student, David Gutstin, spoke to us in the lovely synagogue which is modeled after the landmark synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island where his grandfather had served as rabbi! He told us about the seminary which will be celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. Classes were not in session, but we had a lovely tour of the new, beautifully equipped library building which has one of the best collections of Judaica in the world. We saw the new dining rooms and large sukkah.

Kosher Delight

We capped the day with a meal in a large Kosher fast-food restaurant on Broadway near 38th Street called "Kosher Delight." It was as good as its name. We liked seeing the place and its patrons in the midst of our Christian society. The restaurant is attractive, spacious and clean, but most important, the food was delicious and varied. Mrs. Gewirtz, our teacher, transported a requested hamburger "with everything" 130 miles to Wilmington.

We talked and sang all the way home. The entire expedition was a great experience which we could only have had going as a group. We had a glimpse of the Jewish presence in a large urban center like New York, and heard the *Kol Torah*, the "sound of Torah being studied."



Students "learning Talmud" in the Bet-Midrash of Yeshiva University.



(In the Museum in front of Rashi manuscript) L-R: Gladys Gewirtz, Aaron Handler, and museum guide.

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Unveilings (Monument Dedication)

By ALLAN SCHOENBERG

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The monument may be erected any time after the first 30 days following the burial. Most often it is more closely timed to the *yahrzeit* or anniversary of the death.

To arrange an unveiling first contact a monument company. You should select a company that has had experience in cutting Hebrew lettering on monuments. Ask the monument company how much they will need to prepare the monument you have selected for the unveiling. They will usually want to allow two months.

The company will contact the rabbi to arrange the correct Hebrew lettering if any is needed.

Next you should contact the rabbi to schedule the unveiling. As a courtesy you might want to tell the rabbi that the monument company will be contacting him or her for the Hebrew.

In the Jewish cemeteries in New Castle Council, the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel will provide a tent (weather requiring) carpeting, greens, and chairs as a courtesy to the families we serve. Therefore, once the service has been scheduled with the rabbi, contact us to inform us as to the date and time of the service. We will even arrange a newspaper announcement if you so desire.

The dedication service is concise. It serves to reaffirm faith in the almighty and continue the memory of the departed. Friends and relatives may be invited to attend this service. Since the

service includes the removal of a veil from the monument this service has become to be commonly called an "unveiling."

The inscription on the monument will usually include the family name and the individual name in both English and Hebrew. This is important so that the names are easily available to those visiting the grave and reciting the memorial prayer. The date of death (some may include the date of birth) will be inscribed. A small epitaph or prayer such as "may his soul be bound up in the bond of life" might be inscribed in Hebrew.

If you have any question regarding this or any related subject please submit them to Alan Schoenberg, Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, Delaware 19809.

Other Hand —

(Continued from Page 6) doesn't strike one as the place to find a strong, committed Jewish community. After all, the whole canton of Ticino has only about 600 Jews.

And yet, there, on Via Moderno, is a modest but well constructed synagogue with a *mikveh* in the basement and a *bet midrash* (study hall) on the first floor. The sanctuary looked as if it would hold about 200 men with about an equal number of women in the separated gallery above. Each of the men's positions had a little lectern with a closed storage area under it for prayer books and prayer shawls, in the traditional manner, and it all appeared to be in active use. Two boys around 10 years old, speaking only Italian and Hebrew, showed us the study hall, which had on its shelves several full sets of Talmud along with a goodly number of individual tractates, again all bearing the look of active use, even to an empty tea glass on one of the tables. The boys seemed delighted that we were visiting from America, and maybe surprised, too, that I spoke Hebrew.

In addition to this synagogue, with the Hebrew words "This is the gate to the Lord" inscribed over the main entrance, we found that there was a second congregation, Conservative, in Lugano. Not only that, but there is also a kosher grocery store a few streets from the Orthodox congregation, unfortunately open only a few hours a day so we couldn't go

inside to see the products carried.

To cap it all, Lugano has a kosher hotel, the Dan (no relation to the Israeli chain), complete with a little chapel and study area, again fairly well outfitted with Talmud and other scholarly books. We were late for lunch, but nonetheless were able to enjoy a delicious kosher bean and pea soup, while the hotel manager, *kipph* on head and fringes showing, studied at a table on the other side of the room, soon to be joined by another younger man,

similarly dressed. Clearly the study of Torah is active and well in Lugano, Ticino, Switzerland.

But what about the macaroons? Well, if you look on one of those cans of delicious Pesach macaroons you enjoyed on Passover, you'll see that the label reads: Bartons, New York-Lugano-Switzerland. We never did see a macaroon factory in Lugano, but they're made somewhere there. Maybe at the Dan Hotel on Via Fontana. I'm going to enjoy them even more now.

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Teenagers

By Arnold Lieberman,
Executive Director



I find it interesting that for some time we heard relatively little about adolescence and the problems that are inherent in that stage of life. Recently, with the tragic increase in teenage suicides, the increased incidence of AIDS, and surveys indicating widespread sex and drug usage by teenagers, this group of young people have now reappeared in the media headlines.

No one has ever said that it is easy to be a teenager or to be around them, unless you are another teenager yourself

(and even then there can be problems). Adolescence represents a period of changes, both physical and emotional, that often creates a turmoil within the individual as well as others.

However, the kind of generalizations that I have just made often undersell many individuals. Most teenagers survive these years without any major problems, and for every one who makes the headlines through negative behavior, there is probably another one or more doing very positive things

which often go unheralded.

Our experience of JFS has recently begun to dispel another myth about adolescents. It has been generally believed that teenagers almost always resist accepting that they have problems and refuse to participate in any therapy. It was assumed that parents had to drag them in and they would refuse to say a word.

We are beginning to see that it is often the parents who cannot accept that "my" child has a problem. This has to do with our guilt that it is always the parents' fault when something is wrong with a child. Due to this feeling, parents may refuse to seek help or present it in a way that is guaranteed to turn off the adolescent. Some adolescents seek help on their own when the parents cannot bring themselves to get involved in the process.

The answer to this problem is twofold: improved communication between parents and teenagers, and eliminating the need to place blame when a problem occurs. The problem must be dealt with as a family in which everyone is affected by whatever affects any one member.

There are enough pressures on adolescents and families without making things worse than they have to be. The earlier a situation can be dealt with, the less likely it is to become a serious problem. Families must develop an atmosphere in which problems can be admitted, faced, and dealt with.

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Dear Rachel

Dear Rachel,

I have an elderly maiden aunt who fulfilled everyone's worst expectations last year by falling and breaking her hip. Considering her age and sour disposition, she made a good recovery in the nursing home that was available at the time.

On each of my recent visits to her, she has complained about the food, the care and the activities at the home. Easter dinner was good for three weeks' worth of complaints. Christmas annoyed her for two months. Everyone's lack of interest in the Pollard affair irritated her. I can testify to the fact the care is, at best, mediocre.

In short, I think my aunt is in the wrong place. Although she has never kept kosher, ham and cheese were never on the menu either, if you know what I mean. She has always lived a cultural Jewish life. She read Jewish books, went to classes and museums, had many Jewish friends. I put together information on several facilities that might be better for her. When I told her about them, she absolutely refused to go see the homes. Personality problems aside, I really don't understand what is going on here. After all the kvetching, why won't she even consider moving?

Annoyed Niece

Dear Niece,

An intelligent, worldly woman with a sour disposition may find that kvetching is one of the most satisfying experiences of the day in a nursing home. It breaks up the routine, provides some excitement, and gives her an outlet for the anger she may feel about being dependent. You, her loyal niece, may also be offering her sympathy. This is not a bad payoff either. Patience and a sense of humor are what you require in this case.

Elderly people such as your aunt have undergone many changes and losses in recent years. For some, another upheaval is more than they want to handle. Even if the new facility proves to be better, she may not want to bother adjusting. If this is the case, try to help her make the best of this home.

Above all, remember that you are your aunt's chief advocate and friend. Don't dismiss her complaints until you have evaluated them thoroughly.

Rachel

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Organizations in the News

1987 Leibowitz Lecture

Neil G. Gillman, associate professor of philosophy at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will be guest speaker at Congregation Beth Shalom's 1987 Leibowitz Lecture. The lecture will take place in the main sanctuary on Sunday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Gillman, a graduate of McGill University, the Seminary, and Columbia University, has served the seminary and the Conservative movement in many distinguished positions, including dean of the Rabbinical School and associate provost. He is regarded as one of the most creative thinkers on the contemporary American Jewish scene, and deservedly enjoys the reputation as a dynamic speaker and superb teacher.

His topic will be one of great pertinence to us all:

Delaware County Jewish Singles 40

A newly formed group, in association with the outreach department of the Delaware County United Jewish Appeal, is sponsoring a "Trivial Pursuit and other Fun Games" evening, Sunday May 31, 7 p.m. for Jewish singles 40 and older. Wine, cheese, and dessert will be served. The cost is \$4 in advance (by May 25), and \$5 at the door. For directions, reservations, more information, etc., please call Lorna Carroll, UJA Outreach coordinator, at (215) 874-4757.

Beth Emeth Annual Meeting

Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 W. Lea Blvd., will hold its annual meeting Sunday May 31. The evening will begin with a wine and cheese reception at 5:15 p.m. Dinner at \$10 per person will be served from 6-7 p.m., followed by dessert for everyone at 7-7:30 p.m. A brief business meeting will conclude the evening's activities.

Elections will be held for openings on the board of trustees. Henry Schenker will present the final report of his four years as president. Suzanne Paul will speak about the religious school, and Rabbi Grunbacher will also summarize the year.

Dinner reservations must be paid in advance by May 25. Make checks, at \$10 per person, payable to Congregation Beth Emeth and mail to: Lois Chalawsky 1013 Timberwyck Rd. Wilmington, DE 19810

"Dual Loyalties: Can we be good Americans and good Jews at the same time?" In the wake of the Pollard affair, the troubling question of dual allegiance of American Jews has been debated and discussed with renewed concern. So far, as Gillman maintains, we American Jews have been lucky; rarely do the interests of American and Israel conflict. Rarely do we find ourselves torn over our iden-

tity as Jews as opposed to Americans. But the conflicts are there, inherent in our unique situation. What will happen when these conflicts reoccur?

Gillman will open with his presentation, engage Rabbi Cohen in dialogue, and then open up the discussion for participation by the audience. The lecture is open to the public, free of charge.

Hadassah Interfaith Panel Discussion

The Newark Chapter of Hadassah will present a panel discussion on Interfaith Issues: Mutual Goals and concerns on Wednesday, May 20, 8 p.m. at Temple Beth El, Newark.

The panel, consisting of local clergy persons representing Catholicism, Protestantism, Judaism and Unitarianism, will be moderated by Evelyn Lobel, Delaware director, National conference of Christians and

Jews. The program will consist of a panel discussion on interfaith concerns on the following broad topics: biomedical ethics; unacknowledged prejudices; holiday celebrations in schools, public places and work places; the role of religion in our lives.

There will be an opportunity for attendees to discuss specific concerns regarding these issues.

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JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER 53RD ANNUAL MEETING AND GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE JEWISH FAMILY CAMPUS SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 1987 COMMUNITY INVITED

Judy Levy, President of the Jewish Community Center invites the entire community to the 53rd Annual Meeting which will be held on Sunday, June 7, 1987 at 10:45 a.m. in the Zallea Auditorium of the Center. The Annual Meeting will begin with a Board Leadership Breakfast, followed by nominations for election of Officers and Board of Directors. Nan Lipstein will receive the Harry Cohen Leadership Award that will be presented by Sadie Toumarkine, daughter of Harry Cohen and past president of the Center. Richard D. Levin will receive the Barbara Weiner Leadership Award.

The Annual Meeting will be followed immediately by the Ground Breaking Ceremony at 11:30 a.m. While the ground breaking for the Family Campus culminates many years of consideration and planning, it will initiate a series of events that is scheduled to complete the Family Campus by the late spring of 1988.

The following officers will be nominated for a one year term of office:

President, Judy Levy
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The following will be nominated for a three year term on the Board of Directors (1987-1990):

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Faith Goldman	Dave Margulis
Tina Heiman	Steve Medwin
Al Horowitz	Joan Rosenthal
Cindy Imber	Roberta Woloshin

For a two year term (1987-1889):

Leon Chambers
 Cindy Kramer

For a one year term (1987-1988):

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ARZA Slate No. 5 Includes Another Beth Emeth Member For 31st World Zionist Congress

Leonard Pevar Is Delegate Candidate

Leonard Pevar, president of the Delaware chapter of ARZA, Association of Reform Zionists of America, and one of ARZA's charter members is also a candidate for delegate to the 31st World Zionist Congress along with Connie Kreshtool, Joan Wachstein and Dian Pevar.

Pevar is a member of the Beth Emeth Board and of national Executive Committee of ARZA. He had previously served as a delegate to the 29th and 30th Congress.

As a member of the Reform Grant Steering Committee which negotiated with the national UJA and the Jewish Agency in Israel, he was deeply involved in bringing about a major policy change to start a more even-handed



Leonard Pevar

funding of Reform and Conservative programs in Israel.

He is a national trustee of the United Israel Appeal, a national board member of the American Zionist Federation and president of the Philadelphia area Zionist

Federation.

Some of Pevar's past involvements include: councilman for Kennett Square, State committeeman on the Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee, president of Kennett area Chamber of Congress and Chester County Chamber of Commerce.

Pevar is a professional engineer and has a BS in Civil Engineering. He is president of Leonard Pevar Co., Engineers and Contractors. He is a veteran of World War II. He and his wife Dian live in Kennett Square.

The Pevars' son, Marc, and daughter, Jan Susan, are products of the Beth Emeth school system and youth program. They have 5 grandsons.

Rabbi Stephen Shafer Named To Slate

Rabbi Stephen Schafer, a member of Congregation Beth Emeth, Wilmington, has been named as one of 200 distinguished leaders nationwide who will represent Reform Judaism on the ARZA slate, in the World Zionist Congress elections. Now living near Elkton, he retired last fall after 17 years as director of the Youth Division of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Under the leadership of Rabbi Schaefer as its first

director, the UAHC Youth Division experienced phenomenal growth, expanding its camps, Federation of Temple Youth, college offerings, and developing an international-education program, that is the most extensive for American Jewish youth today.

Believing that liberal Judaism in Israel required grounding in indigenous settlements, Rabbi Shafer was the driving force behind successful establishment of the

Reform kibbutzim Yahel and Lotan in Israel, and their support networks in the United States. He also led in founding Har Halud, the free-enterprise community in the Galilee also attracting many American young people.

Rabbi Schafer, who as a young man fought in Israel's War of Independence, also was instrumental in the planning and organization that led to the formation of the Association of Reform Zionists of America.

Jewish War Veterans Hold Elections

The Jewish War Veterans held election of officers at their last meeting and the following were elected.

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The Jewish War Veterans



Israel Weiner

will hold their annual convention at the Temple Beth Shalom on Sunday — May 31 at 9 a.m.

The program will begin with morning services followed by delicious breakfast with

all of the trimmings. Installation of officers by the national judge advocate, Mr. Jack Litz. He will be assisted by past national commander, Samuel Greenberg. Convention will conclude with memorial services at the Jewish Community Cemetery at 12 noon. Services will be conducted by our Chaplain Rabbi Jacob Kraft. Members And The Wives And The Ladies Auxiliary Are Invited To Attend. Families Of All Department Veterans Are Invited to Attend Memorial Services At The Cemetery.



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Obituaries

Benjamin Miller

Benjamin Miller, 86, of 8617 Society Drive, Claymont, died Wednesday April 29 in Hillside House.

Mr. Miller owned Ace-Delaware Lock Co., formerly on West Fourth Street, for 45 years. He retired in 1966.

He was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom, where he was a member of the men's club.

He was a 60-year member of B'nai B'rith Lodge 470, and Du Pont Lodge 29, AF&AM.

He was a founder of B'nai B'rith's Herzl Lodge in Hollywood, Fla., where he lived for 15 years after retiring. He was also the founder of the lodge's blood bank.

He was a volunteer in the pharmacies of Wilmington Medical Center.

His wife, Mae, died in 1979. Surviving are two daughters, Norma J. Sklut of Dartmouth Woods and Eileen R. Gluckman of Woodland Hills, Calif.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to Congregation Beth Shalom, 18th Street and Baynard Boulevard, Wilmington 19802; or to the American Kidney Foundation, 1-C Trolley Square, Wilmington 19806.

Fay Horner

Fay Horner, 77, of 5706 The Alameda, died Thursday

April 30 at home.

Mrs. Horner, a homemaker, was formerly of Wilmington. She lived in Wilmington in the 1950s, while her husband worked at Wilmington Dry Goods and managed a ladies apparel shop formerly on Market Street called The French Shop.

Her husband, Harry, died in 1965.

She is survived by two sons, Lester J. of Baltimore, and Dr. Stanley Rosenthal of Miami; three grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter.

Services were in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington.

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

Emanuel Handler

Emanuel Handler, 76, of Kutz Home, formerly of Villa Belmont Apartments, Newark, died Monday May 4 in Wilmington Hospital.

Mr. Handler was an accountant at Chrysler Corp. for many years, retiring in 1972.

His wife, Delores, died in 1983. He is survived by nieces and nephews.

Private graveside services were held in Lombardy Cemetery, 1812 Gilpin Ave.

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

Grace Paul

Grace Knopf Paul, 66, of 3330 N. Whitman St., Tacoma, Wash., died Wednesday, May 6.

She is survived by her husband, Sidney; two daughters, Judi Paul of Orlando and Sallie Kanofsky of Tacoma; and two grandchildren.

Graveside services were held in the Beth Shalom Section of the Jewish Community Cemetery on Foulk Rd.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to the American Cancer Society, 1708 Lovering Ave., Wilmington, Del., 19806.

Arrangements were made by the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel.

Ralph D. Berkman

Ralph D. Berkman, 76, of 103 E. Reading St., Middletown, died Friday May 8 at home.

Mr. Berkman owned Joseph Berkman's Variety Store at 8 E. Main St. His family had owned the Business since 1891.

He served on the Middletown Town Council in the late 1950s and early 1960s.

He was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom and its men's club in Wilmington, Union Lodge 5, AF&AM; the Delaware Consistory; Nur Temple Shrine; the Middletown Rotary Club; the Middletown Chamber of Commerce; the Parents of North American Israelis; and American Legion Post 10 of Newark. He was a life member of Volunteer Hose Company of Middletown.

He is survived by his wife, Ann S.; a son, Jay B. of Jerusalem; and two grandchildren.

Services were in Congregation Beth Shalom, 18th street and Baynard Boulevard, Wilmington. Interment was in Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Collingdale, Pa.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to Congregation Beth Shalom, Wilmington 19802; or to the American Cancer Society, 1708 Lovering Ave., Wilmington 19806.

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Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association Elects First Woman President

The Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association, meeting in Annual Convention at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel in Washington, D.C., recently became the first national rabbinical organization to elect a woman as its president.

Rabbi Joy Levitt, of Rosalyn, N.Y., was elected by acclamation as the seventh president of the RRA. Rabbi Levitt is the co-author of a recently published book, *The Guide to Everything Jewish in New York*. She and her husband, Rabbi Lee Friedlander, serve as co-rabbis of the Reconstructionist Synagogue of the North Shore.

Rabbi Sandy Eisenberg Sasso was elected first vice-president of the Association. Rabbi Eisenberg Sasso was the first woman ordained by the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in 1974. She and her husband, Rabbi Dennis C. Sasso (a past president of the RRA), are spiritual leaders of Beth-El Zedeck, Indianapolis, In., and made history in 1974 when they became the first rabbinical couple in Judaism.

Hanukkah In Israel

If you would like to join Rabbi Peter H. Grumbacher in Israel, please call him at 764-2393. The trip will depart Dec. 20 for 10-14 days.

In accepting the presidency of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association, Rabbi Levitt said: "I look forward to serving as president of this unique body of rabbis. We are spiritual leaders and teachers dedicated to understanding and transmitting the Jewish tradition in all its rich and variegated forms, using these expressions to make Jewish life in North America and

throughout the world exciting, challenging and a vehicle for *Tikkun Olam*, the repair of our personal and communal lives."

When asked about how she felt about being the first woman to preside over a national rabbinic body, Rabbi Levitt commented:

"The most wonderful thing about the Reconstructionist movement, thanks to those

who have preceded me, such as Rabbi Sandy Fisenberg Sasso, my first vice-president, and Rabbi Ira Fisenstein, our beloved teacher whom we honor at this convention on the occasion of his 80th birthday, is that the ideology of Reconstructionism has from its inception advocated the equality of men and women in Judaism. I truly feel that I

have become president of the RRA because of my qualifications and the trust that I enjoy among my colleagues, and not because of gender. Among Reconstructionists, equality is something that we can take for granted and affirm inherently."

Rabbi Ira Schiffer of Temple Beth El, Newark, Del., is outgoing President of the RRA.



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Cooking In Delaware

By SYLVIA F. PANITZ

It's that time of the year again. The invitations for the June weddings have been out for several and the last minute details are being taken care of for the "big" day. Another Mother's Day has come and gone and hopefully mothers will also be remembered throughout the entire year. The Bar and bat mitzvahs are becoming a weekly occasion at the synagogues. Colleges are finishing up the semester with their final exams. College graduations are being held — and parents are wondering where the four years went so quickly. It just seems that it wasn't that long ago when their children were taking the SAT's and filling out the college applications.

The end of the month brings the first long week-end of the summer season. Many of you are probably starting to count the weeks until vacation time. The teenagers that are being confirmed this year are in the midst of their rehearsals. In recent years it has become a custom to hold on the holiday of Shavuot, which come son the sixth and seventh of Sivan. The word Shavuot means weeks in Hebrew. Therefore, the holiday is sometimes called The Feast of Weeks. It comes seven weeks after Passover. This year the holiday will begin on Tuesday evening, June 2 and will continue through Wednesday, June 3 and Thursday, June 4. Yizkor is recited on June 4. On Shavuot it is traditional to decorate homes and synagogues with flowers and greens. It is also traditional to eat dairy dishes

as blintzes, cheesecake and kugels. According to folklore, the people were tired after their long wait to receive the Torah and went back to their tents and feasted on milk and went to their tents and feasted on milk cheese and other easy to make foods.

**Blueberry
Cheese Pie**

1 (8 ounce package and 1 (3 ounce) package cream cheese, softened
1/2 cup sugar
2 egg yolks
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla
1 (12 ounce) can Solo blueberry filling
1 baked 9 inch pie shell
Blend together cream cheese, sugar, egg yolks and vanilla. Beat until well blended and spoon into baked pie shell. Top with blueberry filling. Refrigerate several hours or overnight before serving.

**Onion Noodle
Pudding (Kugel)**

1 package dry Goodman's Onion Soup mix
1 cup water
1 lb. package Goodman's noodles, cooked and drained
6 eggs
4 TBSP margarine
oil for coating

Blend onion soup mix and water, heat to boiling and simmer until mixture thickens; cool. Add cooled onion mixture to beaten eggs and margarine. Blend into noodles. Generously coat a 9x13 inch baking pan with oil.

Preheat pan in oven at 325° for 15 minutes. Turn noodle mixture into baking pan.

Bake at 325° for 1 hour or until noodles are browned.

**Cream Cheese
Crumb Cake**

3 1/2 cups flour, divided
1 1/4 cups butter or margarine, softened, divided
3/4 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp. salt
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 tsp. grated orange peel
1 tsp. vanilla
1/4 cup milk

Grease and flour a 9 inch tube pan. Preheat oven to 350°. In small bowl combined 1 1/2 cup butter, brown sugar and cinnamon. With fork stir mixture until it resembles coarse crumbs. In a medium bowl combine remaining 2 cups flour, baking powder and cheese, remaining 3/4 cup butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, orange peel and vanilla. Alternately beat in flour mixture and milk, beating well after each addition. Spread half of the batter in pan. Sprinkle with 2 cups crumb mixture. Spread the remaining batter over crumbs. Sprinkle with remaining crumbs. Bake 1 hour or until center tested comes out clean.

Sweet Kugel

1 lb. package noodles, cooked and drained
6 eggs beaten
1 8ounce package cream cheese
1 1/2 lbs, cottage cheese
1 16 oz. jar applesauce
1 cup white raisins
1 1/2 cups sugar
nutmeg
cinnamon
1/2 cup butter, melted (1 stick)
Mix drained noodles with eggs, cream cheese, applesauce, raisins, sugar and spices. Melt butter in a 9 x 13 inch baking pan. Add noodle mixture. Cover and bake at 350° for 1 hour. Uncover and bake 30 minutes longer.

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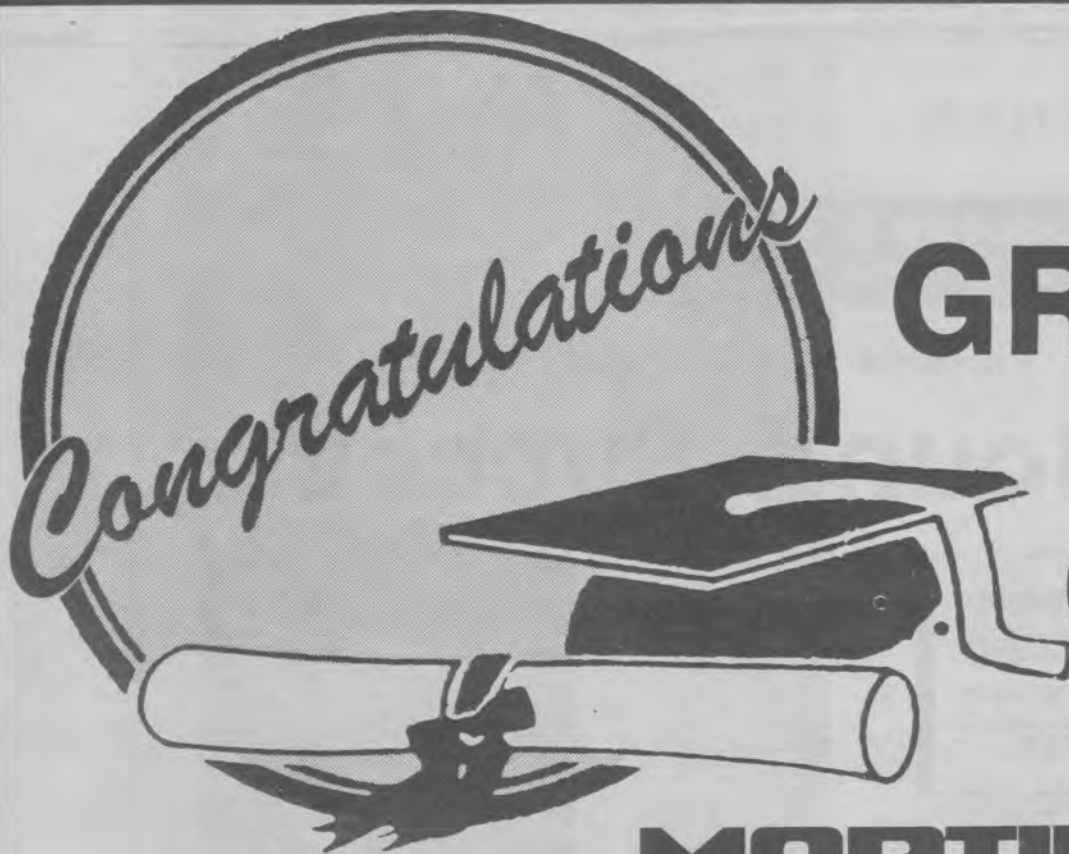
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