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Governor Carper Receives Gift From Israeli Government

By MARVIN S. CYTRON

Special to The Jewish Voice

Commemorating "Shalom - Tourism 1995" and inaugurating the three thousand year anniversary of Jerusalem, the government of Israel recently presented a gift to Delaware Governor Thomas R. Carper. Uzi Gafni, Consul for Tourism Affairs Northeastern, United States, presented a sculpture depicting the old city of Jerusalem. The sculpture of silver and bronze is the work of a Jerusalem artist and represents the symbol of the celebration of "Jerusalem 3000" which begins with the coming year, 5756.

Governor Carper recalled his visit to Israel in 1983 when, as a member of the U.S. House of representatives, he participated in a fact finding trip to the Middle East. Most memorable of his Israel visit was Yad Vashem, near Jerusalem. In speaking of the Holocaust Memorial the Governor said "this is a place everyone should visit", he also fondly re-

called the many Israelis he met from the Prime Minister, to settlers on the northern frontier and especially the tour guide of his party.

"From the First City of the world to the First State of the United States" said Mr. Gafni as he presented the gift to Mr. Carper. Mr. Uzi is a native born Israeli, whose grandfather emigrated to Turkish governed then Palestine in 1888 from Russia. Citing a personal Delaware "connection", Mr. Uzi pointed out that he is a resident of Rehovot, Israel the source name for Rehoboth Beach Delaware.

Representing the Delaware Jewish Community at the ceremony, which was held at the Governor's Wilmington office, was Judy Wortman, Executive Vice President of JFD, Rabbi Marla Feldman, JCRC Director, Barbara Keil, Chairperson of *The Jewish Voice* Editorial Committee and John Elzufon, JCRC Chairperson.



From left to right: Rabbi Marla Feldman, Judy Wortman, Governor Thomas Carper, Consul Uzi Gafni, Barbara Keil and John Elzufon.



STEVIE WONDER, JERUSALEM -- Pop Star Stevie Wonder dons a traditional Arab headdress given to him by PLO adviser Ahmed Tibi on August 25. Wonder, who held concerts in Israel, had requested the meeting with Tibi. During a concert Wednesday night August 23, the singer condemned the suicide bomb attack in the city last week that killed five people and injured 107. During his stay Wonder also visited the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. His latest recording is titled "Conversation Peace."



"Rachel came with her Father's Sheep" (Genesis 29-9) by Yala Korwin.

Linocut Exhibit

As she read the Bible, Yala Korwin, the artist of the upcoming linocut exhibit at the JCC, focused on a select group of women who greatly influenced the fate of the Jewish people. Her twenty hand-colored linoleum-cut prints and matching laser prints, inspired by matriarchs of the Bible, will be available for sale in the JCC Art Gallery from September 11 through October 11, 1995. The exhibit is open on Sundays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Mondays through Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. There is no admission fee for the exhibit. For more information, contact Ella Zukoff at (302) 478-5660.

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ISRAEL PLO ACCORD SIGNING: CAIRO -- PLO negotiator Jamil Tarifi (R) and Israeli General Oren Shahour (L) shake hands after signing an accord Aug. 27 as Egyptian Foreign Ministry official Badr Hamam looks on. Israel and the PLO signed an agreement transferring a wide range of administrative powers to Palestinians in the West Bank.

LATE BITS

The following summaries relate to late breaking stories and other items of interest. Much of this news was not available at press time in a more substantial form. Other summaries reflect current developments. These are adapted from what has been provided to The Jewish Voice from the Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA).

WASHINGTON — L'Oreal agrees to pay the U.S. Commerce Department \$1.4 million to settle charges that the international cosmetics giant complied with the Arab boycott of Israel.

JERUSALEM — In another sign of Israeli-Palestinian security cooperation, Palestinian police, acting on Israeli intelligence information, arrest 30 Hamas activists in the Gaza Strip.

NEW YORK — A State Department warning to not use public buses in Israel is not deterring American students on programs in Israel from riding public transportation.

JERUSALEM — Israel's attorney general, citing statute of limitations, says there is no legal basis to press charges against those involved in the alleged killing of Egyptian prisoners of war during the 1956 and 1967 wars.

JERUSALEM — American-Chinese human rights activist Harry Wu criticizes Israel for selling arms to China.

JERUSALEM — Israeli police will investigate the heads of the "Zo Artzeinu" movement on suspicions of incitement.

BONN — A new initiative to regain Jewish funds deposited in Swiss banks during World War II is expected to emerge from a meeting of world Jewish leaders next month in Brussels.

WASHINGTON — Jewish organizations consider the possible effects of proposed legislation that would expand restrictions on political advocacy by charities.

Wu Criticizes Israel Ties to China

By NAOMI SEGAL
JERUSALEM (JTA) — Chinese American human rights activist Harry Wu criticized Israel's military ties to China, calling on the government of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to stop "dealing with evil."
Wu, expelled from China last week after he was sentenced to 15 years in prison on charges of espionage, told Israel Radio that Israeli military officials were working hand-in-hand with the Chinese.

"I know that Israeli military experts right now in China are working very hard with Chinese military," he said in the interview, broadcast in Israel on Sunday.
"This is a very bad decision," he added.
Wu said Israel should withhold its support for Beijing, which he likened to the fascist regime of Nazi Germany.
"If the Israeli people are really concerned about concentration camps,

concerned about the Nazi fascists, they have to apply the same principles to China," said Wu, who accused the Chinese government of applying concentration camp techniques to its dissidents.
"Of course, Israel has its own problem with Iran, Iraq and Syria," he said. "But if you are dealing with an evil, how can you need another evil to support you?"
An Israeli Foreign Ministry official

said Wu was overstating the extent of Israeli military assistance to Beijing.
"I am surprised at his attack," the official said. "It's not like the Chinese regime is depending on Israel and would crumble if it withdrew its support."
Israel and China established diplomatic relations in January 1992. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres visited there in May 1993, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin made a stop there during a Far East tour in October of that year.

Israel has repeatedly been charged with selling sensitive U.S. military technology to China.

Rabin vigorously denied the charge during a meeting with Defense Secretary William Perry when the allegation last surfaced in January.

In 1993, an extensive investigation conducted in Washington vindicated Israel of charges that it had sold Patriot missiles to China.

Wu, 58, was arrested in June while trying to enter China to document human rights abuses at prison labor camps.

It was his fifth trip to China since 1991. He spent 19 years in the labor camps before coming to the United States in 1985.



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Regrets

☆ In the last of The Jewish Voice, on page G7 of the insert titled "The Jewish Voice Guide To Jewish Life In Delaware," under the headline "Outreach To Interfaith Couples And Their Families," ran a story concerning G.A.S.P. (Group Against Smoking Pollution.) This article was printed on page 17 of the issue and was not intended for publication within the Guide. The item which follows was to have been printed below the aforementioned headline and it will be included in an errata sheet along with copies of the Guide distributed throughout 5756:

The Jewish Family Service is staffing and coordinating community wide services to interfaith and conversionary couples and their families. Programs include but are not limited to: Raising Children in Interfaith Homes; Interactions with Family and Friends; Religious Identity; Holiday Workshops; Discussion Groups; December Dilemma; Programs for Parents of Interfaith Couples; and Exploring and Negotiating Religious Differences. This project is one of

the initiatives funded by the UJA-Federation Campaign which is administered by the Jewish Federation of Delaware. For information about these services, call Myrna Ryder at Jewish Family Service, (302) 478-9411.

☆ In the last of The Jewish Voice, on page G17 of the insert titled, "The Jewish Voice Guide To Jewish Life In Delaware," under the section heading "Local Chapters of National Organizations," the following item was inadvertently left out and it will be included in an errata sheet along with copies of the Guide distributed throughout 5756.

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FORMER NAZI SS CAPTAIN: ARGENTINA -- Former Nazi SS Captain Erich Priebke poses with his wife Alicia at their home where he was under house arrest in the Alpine-style Andean ski resort of San Carlos de Bariloche in southern Argentina August 20. Priebke admitted a year ago having participated in the murder of 335 civilians in the Ardeatines Caves in Rome during World War II. On August 24 an Argentine court blocked his extradition to Italy, a ruling which surprised and angered Jews and Italians.

Nato Strikes Bosnian Serbs

Nato and U.N. air strikes this week against Bosnian Serb military and communication facilities were calculated to bring them into serious peace talks. (SOURCE: Associated Press Reports)

AT&T Believes The Israeli Market Is Ripe For Sales

AT&T is expanding its activity in Israel as it prepares to market telephones, cordless telephones, solar telephones and answering machines in the private sector beginning in 1996, YEDIOT AHARONOT reported.

A company spokesperson said it was the optimal time to enter the Israeli market because of the liberalization of government-imposed restrictions and the increasing sophistication of the Israeli consumer.

Source: *Israel Line prepared by the Consulate General of Israel in New York.*

Israel and Jordan Sign A Health Cooperation Agreement

Israel and Jordan last week signed an agreement on cooperation in the field of health. The two countries will collaborate in the licensing of doctors, information exchanges, and fighting diseases spread by animals, Israel Radio, KOL YISRAEL, reported.

YEDIOT AHARONOT reported that Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Jordan's King Hussein held a private meeting in Aqaba on Sunday.

King Hussein updated Peres on the latest developments in the defection of Saddam Hussein's sons-in-law to Jordan. The two leaders also discussed the face of a post-Saddam Hussein Middle East.

Source: *Israel Line prepared by the Consulate General of Israel in New York.*

Group Balks At Arafat's 'Jihad' Remarks

NEW YORK — The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations has condemned the latest suicide bus bombing in Jerusalem while calling on Yasser Arafat to repudiate in Arabic his recent calls for "jihad" — holy war. The Jewish leaders group says Arafat's statements can be construed as legitimizing "barbaric acts such as the attack on the bus."

Leon Levy, chairman, and Malcolm Hoenlein, executive vice chairman, of the umbrella organization of 50 national Jewish groups, issued the statement which read in part:

"We welcome Chairman Arafat's condemnation of this attack, but he must also make clear in speeches to his people and by his actions that these acts will not be tolerated. We reiterate our earlier call to him to repudiate in Arabic his recent addresses in which he repeatedly used unacceptable language, including calls to jihad (holy war), and to repudiate those clauses in the Palestinian Covenant that call for the destruction of Israel. Otherwise, these can be construed as giving legitimacy to barbaric acts such as the attack on the bus."

Israel Issues Order To Close Three Palestinian Agencies

By NAOMI SEGAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israeli Police Minister Moshe Shahal has issued an order to close down three Palestinian institutions in eastern Jerusalem believed to have illegal ties to the Palestinian Authority.

The closure orders were served Monday on the Palestinian Broadcasting Authority, the Palestinian Health Council and the Palestinian Statistics Center.

Israel has been concerned that the Palestinian Authority has been attempting to establish in eastern Jerusalem the de facto capital of a future Palestinian state.

Under the terms of the self-rule accord, the Palestinian Authority must restrict its activities to those

areas under its control — currently the Gaza Strip and the West Bank city of Jericho.

Negotiations on the final status of Jerusalem are slated to begin in May 1996.

Yasser Arafat, head of the Palestinian Authority, denounced the closure orders as a violation of the peace accord.

"It's completely against the agreement," he told reporters in Gaza. "Especially that those three centers are very old centers, from even before our Palestinian Authority and our arrival here in Gaza."

Senior Palestine Liberation Organization official Faisal Husseini said a regional meeting on tourism being held in Cairo had been suspended because of the closure order.

Husseini said the peace process "cannot continue or be concluded under this atmosphere, which is imposed by Israel and which strengthens the Israeli right wing."

The Israeli closure order came in the wake of rising tensions over Palestinian activities at Orient House, the PLO's de facto headquarters in eastern Jerusalem.

Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert recently threatened to shut down Orient House, saying that it was zoned for a hotel and demanding that the owners apply for rezoning license.

The Palestinians have refused. Husseini has said any attempt to shut down Orient House would bring the peace process to a halt.

Palestinians Arrest Hamas Members In Gaza

By NAOMI SEGAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Palestinian police have arrested some 30 Hamas activists in the southern Gaza Strip, according to Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

Arafat announced the arrests after a meeting Tuesday with Israeli Tourism Minister Uzi Baram in Gaza.

Palestinian officials said one of those arrested in the overnight sweep was just hours away from leaving for a suicide bombing mission in Tel Aviv.

"He had explosives and had shaved his beard," PLO official Sufayn Abu Zaide told Israel Television, adding that the Hamas member had "arranged to travel to the central bus station in Tel Aviv."

"He planned to blow himself up there at 3 a.m." on Tuesday, Zaide added.

The arrests, which resulted in part from intelligence information provided by Israel, came as Palestinian security officials were searching for Yehiya Ayash, according to Israeli sources.

Ayash, known as "The Engineer" for his expertise with explosives, is a Hamas militant believed to be the mastermind behind several suicide

bombings in Israel perpetrated by Hamas.

Israel Radio quoted a Palestinian police source as saying the search for Ayash continues.

The announcement of the arrests by the Palestinian police came days after Israeli security officials disclosed that they had infiltrated Hamas cells in the West Bank and had arrested dozens of Hamas operatives there and in eastern Jerusalem.

The arrests were described by Israeli officials as dealing a severe blow to Hamas' terror operations against Israeli soldiers and civilians.

Meanwhile, Israel on Tuesday caused the closure it had imposed last week on the self-rule enclave of Jericho in the West Bank, allowing women, children and men older than 35 to leave.

The partial lifting of the closure came after hundreds of Jericho residents rioted Monday at an army roadblock at one of the entrances to the city.

Demonstrators burned an Israeli flag and hurled stones at Israeli border police, injuring three of them.

Israel sealed off Jericho from the rest of the West Bank on Aug. 23, after Palestinian officials arrested two members of the Islamic fundamen-

talist Hamas movement who had fled there. They were believed to have helped plan the Aug. 21 suicide bombing of a bus in Jerusalem.

Israeli security sources said Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin had imposed the closure to pressure the Palestinian Authority to hand over the two Hamas members, who were tried and sentenced to jail terms by a Palestinian military court in Gaza.

But by Sunday, some Cabinet members, including Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, conceded that the Palestinian Authority was not obligated to surrender them under the terms of the self-rule accord.

Relatedly, U.S. Middle East peace envoy Dennis Ross held separate talks Tuesday with Peres and Arafat in an effort to achieve progress in the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian negotiations for extending self-rule in the West Bank.

Both Ross and Peres predicted that the completed accord would be signed in Washington in mid-September.

Ross also said the Clinton administration is planning two major conferences to help raise \$100 million in aid for the Palestinian Authority, according to Israeli Radio.

Israel's Attorney General Rejects Query into POW Killings

By NAOMI SEGAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel's attorney general has determined that too much time has elapsed to allow for the prosecution of Israeli soldiers who may have been involved in the alleged execution of Egyptian prisoners of war.

Michael Ben-Yair, in a statement issued this week by the Justice Ministry, called the alleged killings of Egyptian POWs during the 1956 Sinai Campaign and the 1967 Six-Day War "unlawful and intolerable."

But Israel's 20-year statute of limitations for criminal acts had expired, the attorney general added.

"As a result, there is no legal possibility of bringing to trial anyone involved in incidents that took place almost 40 years ago, or 28 years ago," Ben-Yair said in the statement.

In a letter to Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, Ben-Yair said he had reached the decision after reviewing appeals he had received from public figures and citizens calling for an in-

vestigation into the incidents from both wars.

The controversy over the fate of Egyptian POWs surfaced earlier this month, when several Israeli veterans and historians came forward with claims that they had witnessed or participated in the killings during the 1956 and 1967 wars.

This week, an Israeli historian purported that some 200 Israeli POWs had been killed by Egyptian troops during the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

The disclosures regarding the 1956 and 1967 wars prompted Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to call on Israel to investigate and prosecute those soldiers responsible for killing Egyptian POWs.

Mubarak, interviewed on Israeli television, said the investigations could prevent a crisis between the two countries.

He also said he was ready to look into reports that Egyptian soldiers had killed Israeli POWs.

"I am prepared to investigate the reports about the murder of Israeli soldiers," he said.

AKSE Sisterhood Open House

The Sisterhood of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth will hold an Open House on Sunday, September 10 from 9-11:30 a.m. Parents of Religious School students, as well as other prospective members, are cordially invited to drop in for coffee and cake and to find out about Sisterhood's programs and activities.

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EDITORIAL

Who Are The Heros?

As students prepare to return to school from their Summer vacations it is an opportune time to examine the lessons that society provides regarding what constitutes success and who are today's role models. Some members of *The Jewish Voice* Editorial Committee remember when children would look up to and seek to emulate people like Dr. Jonas Salk. The suspicion is that in practice today's young people find role models drawn from the ranks of professional athletes, amoral business persons and popular entertainment personalities. Many of these would-be role models have values focused exclusively on their careers or self gratification without regard to community. All too frequently we learn some of these individuals are caught up in shameful, immoral situations, questionable business practices or illegal activity. In the 1990s many executives receive a huge bonus as many employees are downsized out of a job. How often do we praise those who achieve financial success and overlook those involved in volunteer activities or the pursuit of learning?

years a television commercial has aired featuring the often-brash, popular professional basketball player Charles Barkley stating, "I am not a role model, parents should be role models." He might be seen as avoiding responsibility for his own foibles but he makes a

good point that parents should set the first example. How often do we advise our children to go to Hebrew school yet we fail to pursue Jewish learning ourselves? What message would it send young people if we were to study Hebrew or read Talmud?

There are public figures from the worlds of business, entertainment and sports who make positive contributions to society. Steven Spielberg, the Bronfman family, Leslie Wexner, and Barbra Streisand come to mind. Spielberg established The Survivors of the Shoah Visual History Foundation and the Righteous Persons Foundation in the wake of the successful "Schindler's List." The Bronfman family has long been devoted to Jewish concerns. Leslie Wexner, owner of "The Limited," is subsidizing the education of the best and brightest rabbinical, cantorial, Jewish education, and Jewish communal service graduate students in North America. Streisand's charitable concerns have included Jewish causes, environmental groups, and inner city school music programs. Some professional sports organizations devote time and personnel to charitable concerns such as the Philadelphia Eagles Fly For Leukemia campaign. The Vermont based Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream company has established stores in Israel using Israeli milk; proceeds from their Harlem, New York store supports a homeless shelter and

their Rainforest Crunch flavor helps preserve portions of the dwindling Brazilian rain forest. Role models should provide an example of the values of *tzedekah* and *tikkun olam* rather than merely the unexamined quest for quarterly earnings, runs-batted-in or box office sales.

Today's heroes can be parents, teachers and volunteers. Our educators are often undervalued for their devotion to children. Parents are undervalued in a society where no limits are

placed on children and wise-cracking kids like Bart Simpson are portrayed as in charge in movies and television. What can we do? Some Hassidic communities now distribute printed Rebbe cards to substituted for the baseball trading cards kids collect. As parents, grandparents, educators and concerned members of the community we can provide examples, set rules and shape our children's perspectives both in and outside the classroom.

Meanwhile In Israel...

Speaking of role models, Joan Edelman Davenny, a teacher at a Connecticut Jewish day school, fell victim to a suicide bombing in Israel last week. Family and friends in the United States and Israel recalled an energetic woman who loved teaching, Judaism and the Jewish state. For the past decade, Davenny had taught language arts and social studies to sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders at Ezra Academy, a Conservative day school in Woodbridge, Conn., a suburb of New Haven. Among the students Joan Davenny influenced were Noah and Shoshana Wortman, children of Delaware's Judy and David Wortman. Four years ago, she began taking eighth-graders on a two-week trip to Israel. Fink said Davenny hoped that the trip would "sow seeds of love of Israel" in her students. The trip worked so well that it was later expanded to three weeks.

Betty Edelman said her daughter was "strongly in favor" of the peace process. "She felt it was the right way to go." Also a backer of the peace process, Edelman said she would not allow the tragedy to shake her views.

The tragic attacks against Jews seem to escalate whenever progress seems near in the peace process. While Arafat's condemnations of terrorist attacks are welcome he still has far to go in toning down his everyday rhetoric which may encourage violent assaults on Jewish civilians. The peace process remains the best route to diminished violence in the region but the need for its benefits to reach individuals in the region grows ever more urgent. We should look to the example of Joan Davenny in support of the peace process, travel to Israel and Jewish education.



Ben Cohen (right) and Jerry Greenfield promote *tikkun olam*.

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VOICE MAIL

Why Co-Sponsor Conference?

To the Editor,

It could be hard for some to fathom why the Federation co-sponsored a conference at which the featured speaker was a known Israel-basher and suspected anti-Semite. Yet in the Foreign Policy Town Meeting reported in the Voice (Aug. 11) that is what it did.

Strobe Talbott, the second-ranking official in the State Department is on record as calling Israel's strategic value to the U.S. a "delusion." He has long complained about the alleged problems that Israel causes for U.S. interests, and went so far as to compare Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait with Israel's occupation of the West Bank. He criticized the flow of Soviet Jews into Israel and opposed Jackson-Vannick. He has attacked what he calls Israel's interference in U.S. politics. Mr.

Talbott is also on record as opining that American Jews "wield influence beyond their number."

This sounds alarmingly like a striped-pants version of Louis Farrakhan whom the Federation obviously would not have patronized. But since Talbott is a Clinton administration official whom the Voice, and doubtless the Federation, favor his visit here was kosherized.

Perhaps this was even done out of ignorance. If that is the case, doesn't it call for some self-scrutiny by the Voice and Federation?

Sincerely
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OPINION

Back To School Segregation?

By CONNIE KRESHTOOL
Member of The Jewish Voice Editorial Committee

I do not know whether I welcome or decry the lifting of the desegregation court order that was in place for seventeen years on New Castle County schools. I must confess that I haven't kept up with the state of public education in Delaware as much as perhaps I should.

I think back to the early sixties when my children entered school. We lived in that part of Wilmington where Harlan School and PS DuPont High School were the schools of choice for those who wanted the best education for their children.

However it was not too long after the Su-

preme Court outlawed "separate but equal" schools for America's children that Wilmington's schools were desegregated and black children entered Harlan and PS duPont schools. What was once a cohesive neighborhood of middle class Jewish families turned almost overnight. Families fled to the suburbs where the "schools were safer and the education was better."

While our boys remained in the public schools far longer than many of our neighbors' I do confess that eventually we transferred them to a private school. This was an agonizing decision for our family because like many second generation Jews we saw public education as the great equalizer and the foundation of our Democracy.

Wilmington Board of Education began to put more and more funds into remedial classes while reducing the budget for the enrichment classes we knew that we could no longer short-change our children's education for our own principles.

I really believed, perhaps naively, that integrating the schools would offer black students a better learning experience and would eventually lead to a more tolerant society. While it appears according to the Court that the desegregation order has succeeded in integrating the schools it has failed in educating many black students.

The Coalition to Save Our Children believes that the racist attitudes of teachers and administrators are the reason why black students are so ill-prepared for success when they leave school. Others believe that poverty, violence and lack of family structure are the factors contributing to failure in school.

While educators are grappling with the problems and the search for solutions the Court order has given some politicians, parents and others the opportunity to call for less busing



and more neighborhood schools. This could bring us right back to where we started some thirty-five years ago...a segregated school system!

Which solutions will the Jewish community support? (Connie Kreshtool, a frequent contributor to this page, Chairs the Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee, she is a member of The Jewish Voice Editorial Committee, and she has for many years served the local and national Jewish communities in a variety of roles.)

College Students: Choices About Religion

By KAREN ROHRBACHER
Special to The Jewish Voice

The High Holy Days are often one of the first times college students have to make religious decisions on their own. Beyond the reach of their parents, many students pass up Friday night services for a night out with friends, and the main Saturday morning activity for most students involves sleeping in.

But the High Holy Days are different. Even the most non-observant families put special significance on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. For some, it was the primary focus of their service attendance as children. Now, as adults, and without parents around to force a decision, college students for the first time must weigh factors and make choices about religion in their lives.

Some universities and colleges will hold religious services on campus, either in the Hillel building or other facility on campus. The Jewish student groups usually advertise in the student papers and around campus as to the times and locations of services. Schools with large Jewish

populations may offer more than one kind of service, although students may find that the only service offered is in a different religious tradition than they are used to. Students should also look into synagogues in the surrounding neighborhoods and towns. Many congregations near colleges offer free membership to students during the holidays, waive ticket requirements or otherwise provide a Jewish community for students away from home.

A decision on whether to come home during the holidays needs to be based on a number of factors, including costs, schedule, and distance. While many universities excuse absences on the days of the holiday, they may not permit them on during other times, such as the Days of Awe. Students considering coming home should take a good look at their schedules and talk to their professors before making a decision.



Most colleges and universities do not close on any religious holidays, and classes are usually held. Colleges with significant Jewish minorities try to make professors aware of the holidays and encourage them to allow students flexibility if they miss class. However, as in many things in college, the burden is on the student to fit religious and educational lives together.

At the George Washington University in Washington, D.C., where Jews make up almost a third of the undergraduate student body, the Hillel Center recommends that students planning on missing one or more classes for the religious holidays tell their professors beforehand and set up appointments during office hours to ask questions about the material they missed. It also recom-

mends students find somebody in each class to take notes for them, and set up a time after the High Holy Days when they can get a copy of them.

If an exam or presentation is scheduled during a time the student will miss because of the holidays, it is usually relatively easy to reschedule after talking to the professor. Many professors will allow students to take exams early to accommodate them. Students should also be aware that they may need extensions on projects; because they are in service, they may not have enough time to work on them.

Flexibility is the key. Students I went to school would sometimes attend services in between their classes, or breakfast a few hours earlier so they could make a night class. Of course, the amount of flexibility you are able to build into the High Holy Days will depend on a number of factors, including the ease of access to services, your personal level of comfort at bending religious rules, and the flexibility of your school and professors. But planning ahead can make a big difference.

Planning ahead can begin even before you get accepted into a college. If Judaism is important to you, you may want to pick a school with

a large Jewish population which will be more understanding and supportive of you. On the other hand, a large Jewish population makes it very easy to blend into the background. When there is nothing unique about being Jewish, the need to assert the fact is reduced, and so is the drive for community.

If you pick a school with a large Jewish population, don't expect that everybody will be active; at George Washington University, with its 3,000 Jews were only 400 registered Hillel members, and Shabbat services were attended by only a few dozen. On the other hand, University of Maryland, a large state school of about 20,000 has a smaller percentage of Jews, but they are significantly more active. The U of M Jewish Student Union was instrumental in creating a Hebrew-language floor and sponsors numerous social events for its members; many Jewish students from other universities come to the University of Maryland for their community.

(Karen Rohrbacher is a Delaware native, a recent college graduate, and she has enrolled in journalism school for the upcoming year. She previously served as an intern with television's "The McLaughlin Group.")

The Rabbi Writes: Jewish Education Is The Key To Jewish Survival

By Rabbi LAURENCE P. MALINDER
Assistant Rabbi and Education Director at Beth Emeth

Next week, our children will return to school once again. There, we hope, they will learn, be challenged, and be given the opportunity to grow. Soon thereafter, all of our synagogues will begin their Religious School and Hebrew School programs. Unfortunately, for too many students, they will not get the same support from parents as they do for their secular education. There is one thing we, as Jews, must never surrender: our high standards of education. None of us can rest content with one's intellectual, moral or spiritual state of living. What is true about our stance toward education and culture, in general, is glaringly the case with regard to Jewish education. On Yom Kippur, we ask forgiveness for our sin of giving meager support to our houses of study and neglecting our heritage of learning. Too many

of us take this plea too lightly.

Some time ago, a college gave me an article about a young Jewish mother speaking to a group discussing the raising of American Jewish children. She said: "We send our children to a religious school. However, they know that if they have any problems with their Hebrew homework, they are not to ask us, because we don't know any Hebrew." She then added freely, "And what is more, we don't want to know any."

"We don't want to know any" reflects a deadly attitude that has spread throughout the American Jewish community. Jewish knowledge is regarded as peripheral and insignificant. At one time, lay leaders of synagogues and Jewish communal organizations were chosen on the basis of their Jewish scholarship.

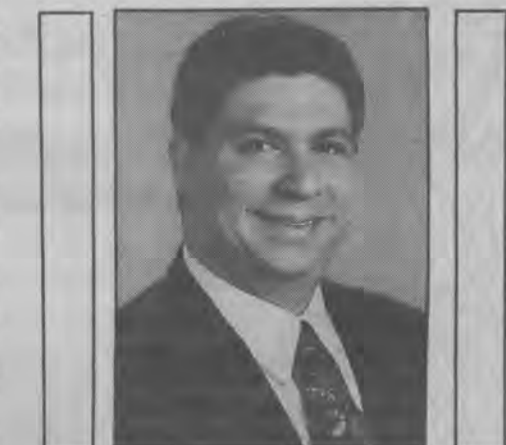
Today, all too often, Jewish lay leaders can be woefully ignorant of even the most elementary facts of Judaism, and it matters not. According to many of my senior colleagues, years ago, rabbis were not chosen for congregations unless they could demonstrate a proficiency in Talmud. Today, a rabbi is selected largely on the basis of charisma and personal warmth. It seems that mastery of Jewish literature counts for little or nothing. To the best of my knowledge, no rabbi has ever been dismissed from a congregation because of a lack of Jewish scholarship.

How far we have gone astray from the historic value system of our people! Learning was so central to the lives of the Jewish people that the rabbis ordered that one can sell a synagogue to buy a school, but not a school to buy a synagogue. We further learned that when a synagogue is on fire, and nothing else can be salvaged, one has to rescue the Torah scrolls, the symbols of learning and education.

In the past, Jewish scholars were considered the guardians of the city, the luminaries of the community, the most eligible marriage

partners, and the role models which every Jewish parent wanted his or her child to emulate. There are many reasons why Talmud

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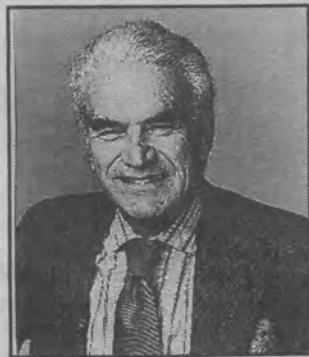
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Adult Institute Of Jewish Studies Offers Broad Variety of Classes

By ADAM SEIDEL
The Jewish Voice Intern

A characteristic of the Jewish people for the duration of our existence has been that we are a people of the book. The love of learning and obtaining knowledge has propelled the Jewish people to heights of fulfillment. Education is something that is necessary for youths as well as adults. October marks the beginning of another year of study at the Adult Institute of Jewish Studies, a chance for continuing self growth.

On Wednesday evenings from October 25 through December 13 the Institute will convene at the Jewish Community Center, 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington Delaware. Classes are scheduled from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., and 8:45 to 9:45 p.m.

A variety of classes take place in each of the two time slots, some classes are available in both time periods. The tuition stands at ten dollars per person for two classes.

The Adult Institute of Jewish Studies is sponsored by Albert Einstein Academy, Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation, Chabad-Lubavitch of Delaware, Congregation Beth Emeth, Congregation Beth Shalom, Gratz Hebrew High School, Temple Beth El, the Jewish Federation of Delaware, and the Jewish Community Center. The general chairperson is Arnold C. Harris.

The range of topics for the classes is quite broad. Hebrew language programs are available for the beginner and intermediate skilled student in this subject. Also available is the in-

struction on the chanting and understanding of the Shabbat Musaf service. Yiddish instruction is also available. Arlene Davis, who teaches "Beginning Hebrew", explains "Hebrew is the holy language. That's what our torah is written in, it behooves us to learn the language of our people. It's important to read the prayers and understand what they are about, it gives the service more meaning."

Another area of study are courses focusing on biblical history, and Tal-

udic teachings. A new twist is placed on the roles of the matriarchs, Adam and Eve, Noah, Moses, and others of which the student may never have encountered. Students can strive for answers to all their questions about Judaism in Rabbi Eliezer Sneiderman's class "The Big Questions in Life." "People have questions in life, is there heaven, is there hell? [Questions] about Jewish law, questions sometimes glanced over because there just too big to deal with. There is three thousand years of Jewish tradition, bible, prophets, Talmud; there are answers it's just a matter of finding them."

Issues and events of current day

interest are explored in offered classes from the Institute. Subject matters deal with prejudice, and hate groups, impacts of the holocaust, and opinions of Jews throughout history. There is a subject focusing on a comparative study between Jewish and American law. Interfaith couples can take part in a course taught by Myrna Ryder, Director of Family Life Education for Jewish Family Service. The class is explained by Ms. Ryder as a chance for "interfaith couples to address issues, and explore expectations, religious differences, and raising children in interfaith homes."

Again, The Adult Institute of Jewish Studies begins meeting on Octo-

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The JEWISH VOICE LOCAL

Delaware Teachers Visit U.S. Holocaust Museum

By SYLVIA G. LEVEN
Special To The Jewish Voice

A week before the start of the new school year, fifty public and parochial school teachers from throughout Delaware participated in an all day In-Service Course highlighted by a visit to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. Two busloads of educators were accompanied by Connie Kreshtool and Joel Glazier of the Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee, sponsors of the course. En route to Washington the Delaware educators heard personal testimony by Holocaust survivor Terry Dannemann of Dover and viewed two videos from the Holocaust Education Resource Center which is housed at the JCC.

"Providing instructional time while traveling allowed teachers to fulfill in-service education requirements," commented Glazier, who is also a public school teacher. Nearly five hours was allotted at the Museum, whose Education Department provided the teachers a special orientation to the permanent collection as well as providing each teacher with a packet of educational materials for classroom use.

Evaluations submitted to the Delaware Teacher Center, which processed the in-service credits, included such comments as "Superb planning," "My classes will benefit from my visit today," "After 23 years of teaching, I now feel more confident in presenting lessons of the Holocaust," and "Please offer more

courses in the future."

"The Preston Holocaust Committee is always gratified when programs are received so positively," commented Kreshtool who had accompanied two bus loads of Delaware teachers to the museum last summer.

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is the national institution for the documentation, study, and interpretation of Holocaust history, and serves as this country's memorial to the millions of people murdered during the Holocaust. The Museum's mission is to inform Americans about this unprecedented tragedy, to commemorate those who suffered, and to inspire visitors to contemplate the moral implications of their civic responsibilities. About three quarters of the Delaware teachers had never been to the Museum before, but said they would like to arrange to bring their classes.

To help students learn more about the history of the Holocaust, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is now on line on the Internet, so if you have a personal computer, a modem, and the desire to learn more about this part of Jewish History, you can connect with the Museum by the following number (HTTP: \WWW.USHMM.ORG\). All of the books, data, material, and the rest of the U.S. Holocaust Museum are available at this web site.

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee carries on the work begun by Halina Wind Preston and Dorothy Finger, both of

whom survived the Nazi invasion of their native Poland.

The Committee provides the community with programs and resources for the study of the Holocaust. Through programs, activities and the personal testimonies of witnesses, the Holocaust Education Center educates the community about the lessons of the Holocaust - that anti-Semitism, racism, hatred and bigotry can lead the genocide - and seeks to create an awareness that it must never happen again.

In November, the Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee is planning an educational seminar for teachers in conjunction with the Holocaust exhibit, "Engrained Forever" at the JCC. For more information about the upcoming seminar or other activities of the Preston Holocaust Education Committee, please contact:

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Women In The Bible Forum

Women In The Bible is the focus of a panel forum scheduled for the evening of September 21, 1995. Rabbi Marla Feldman, Dr. Harriet Ainbinder and Yvette Rudnitsky are the panelists scheduled to lead a program devoted to the place of the women of the Bible in Jewish history and their relevance to Jewish women today. The following organizations are co-sponsors of the evening: AKSE Sisterhood; Beth Emeth Sisterhood; Beth Shalom Sisterhood; B'nai B'rith Women; Hadassah-Newark; Hadassah-Wilmington; JCC Cultural Arts; Judaism/Feminism of JFS; National Council of Jewish Women; Temple Beth El Sisterhood and ORT. The evening begins with a buffet dairy dinner at 6:00 p.m. prepared and underwritten by Traditions Kosher Catering division of Caterkart Cuisines. The panel, which begins at 7:00 p.m., will be followed by small group sessions led by facilitators to explore and discuss the issues raised. The event will be held at the JCC in conjunction with the linocut exhibit, "Women of the Bible," on display September 11-October 11 also at the JCC. There is no charge for the event but there will be a \$6.00 charge to attend the buffet dinner. For more information call (302) 478-5660.

AKSE Open House For New And Prospective Members

An Open House for new and prospective members of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth will be held on Sunday, September 10th from 2-4 p.m. at the home of Vivian Goldberg, 2527 Justin Lane.

Officers of the congregation and the clergy will be present to provide information and to answer questions about the synagogue.

Please call Vivian Goldberg, Membership V.P. (478-7250) or the Synagogue office, 762-2705, for further details.



Terry Dannemann, at right, talks to Delaware teachers outside the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Pinemere Camp To Hold Fall Reunion Oct. 8

Robert Coonin, Vice President of the Pinemere Alumni Committee announced that Pinemere Camp will hold an Alumni and Camper Reunion on Sunday, October 8th. The Reunion will be on the camp's grounds in Stroudsburg and will run from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Coonin is also president of the Jewish Community Center.

The camp is seeking volunteers to locate other alumni. The Reunion is open to all alumni and their families with a \$25.00 payment of the 1995 dues. Call Mr. Coonin at 652-3155

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JNF Dinner To Honor Poole and Grumbacher

By DAN WEINTRAUB
Editor Of The Jewish Voice

Rabbi Peter Grumbacher of Beth Emeth Congregation and Elisabeth S. Poole, will be honored at the 1995 Tree of Life Award Dinner, sponsored by the Delaware Region, Jewish National Fund, at Winterthur on Thursday, September 14, 1995. Bernard Kalb, CNN Media Moderator will be the featured speaker. William Topkis is the Dinner Chairperson. Proceeds from the Testimonial Dinner will support the work of the Jewish National Fund in the State of Israel. The JNF, established in 1901, amongst its noteworthy projects, rehabilitates barren soil and develops desert land for agriculture and afforestation. The JNF is still the sole land development agency for the State of Israel. Today, JNF's water conservation efforts continue to promote a bridge toward peace between Israel and its neighbors.

Elisabeth Poole is the first woman to chair the United Way of Delaware. She started her 10 year United Way career as the first chair of Leadership Delaware (a United Way leadership development program.) She was also the first woman to chair the Greenville Country Club and the Delaware Community Foundation. She is the co-founder of READ-

ALoud Delaware, serving as both its President and a member of the advisory committee. Mrs. Poole was President and a Chair of the Grand Lectures committee of the Junior League of Wilmington, Inc. and a member of Area II Council of the Association of Junior Leagues. Currently Mrs. Poole is the President of the Board of Directors of the Concord Pike Regional Library Foundation, having served as President and Secretary. She is a member of the Boards of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Planned Parenthood of Delaware, the Fund for Women at The Delaware Community Foundation and WHY, Inc. She co-chairs "Celebration 75," a year-long celebration of the 75th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage.

Among her many awards, Mrs. Poole has received the Annual Dinner Award from the Delaware Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Alexis de Tocqueville Award from the Chesapeake Bay Girl Scout Council and both the Mayor's and the Governor's Volunteer Awards.

Mrs. Poole graduated from the Friends School, Wilmington and earned a B.A. in political science from Wellesley College. She received an honorary doctorate of Humane

Letters from Goldey Beacom College. She is married to Richard E. Poole, is the mother of three and the grandmother of two.

Rabbi Grumbacher was born and raised in New York City and graduated from Hunter College in 1967. He is a graduate of Hunter College and received his Master of Arts in Hebrew Letters from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1972. He obtained a Pastoral Counseling Certificate at the Postgraduate Center for Mental Health, New York in 1979. In 1991 he was awarded a Master of Social Work degree from Yeshiva University.

Since 1982 Rabbi Grumbacher has been the Senior Rabbi at Congregation Beth Emeth in Wilmington. Upon ordination in 1972, Rabbi Grumbacher became Assistant Rabbi at Congregation Beth Emeth. In 1976 he was asked to be Associate Rabbi. Grumbacher is a member of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the Rabbinical Association of Delaware, and the Board of Rabbis of Greater Philadelphia. He has served as President of the Mid-Atlantic Region-Central Conference of American Rabbis from 1982-1984. Currently he serves on the National Commission on Rabbinical-Congregational Relations.

He has been involved in many civic activities in Delaware including service as chairperson of the Delaware Interfaith Coalition on Aging; chair

of the State Human Relations Commission; and co-chair of the Delaware Region-National Conference of Christians, Jews, as well as its Clergy Dialogue. His writings have been featured in the pages of *The Jewish Voice*. He is married to the former Suzanne Wilner, and they are the parents of three children - David, Alexander and Elana.

Bernard Kalb, now CNN's media

moderator, has traveled the globe for more than three decades as a correspondent covering world affairs for CBS News, NBC News and The New York Times. Beyond his journalism, he has also had the unique advantage of seeing the world from "the other side of the podium." He served as Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs 1985-1986, until his resignation to protest a

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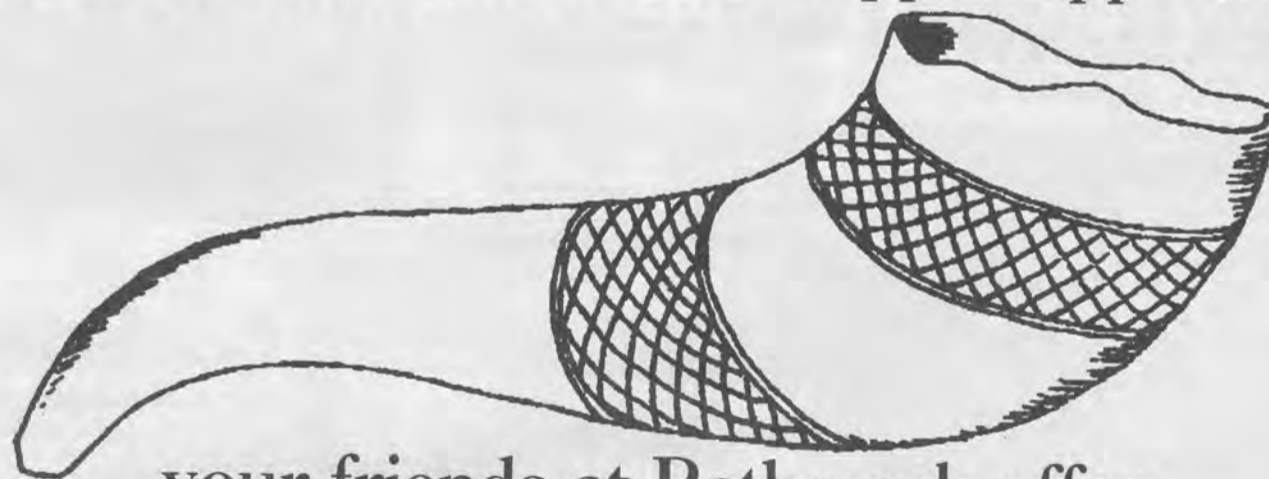
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Tradition, Tradition! The annual Forget-Me-Not Ball of the Auxiliary of the Milton & Hattie Kutz Home has become a well established social event and fundraiser of the Auxiliary. In the past proceeds have provided significant revenue to the Auxiliary for the benefit of the residents of the Home. In light of the exciting capital campaign at the Home to provide much needed renovation and expansion of the Home's facilities, the Board has recommended to cancel the event this year. "The Executive Committee conducted a lengthy discussion and seriously considered deeply held opinions from many members. They reached a consensus that it is in the best interest of the Auxiliary to cancel the event this year," said Auxiliary President Eilen Levin. "I appreciate that this was a difficult decision but I know in this way the Auxiliary will continue to demonstrate its long term support of the Home," said board member Barbara Garland. After the meeting Ethel Parsons, co-chair of the Campaign said, "I am grateful that the Auxiliary reached this decision which will help us to maximize our resources." To that end the Auxiliary

hopes its members will express their support and demonstrate their commitment to the Home by supporting the capital campaign of the Home.

The Auxiliary is supporting the renovation and expansion of the Milton & Hattie Kutz Home guaranteeing the continuation of the life of the Home. That's Tradition!

Jewish Heritage Video Program

The National Museum of American Jewish History recently announced that it will offer a series of courses on Jewish history, culture and identity using its newest resource, The Jewish Heritage Video Collection. This collection, features over 200 films and television shows, which will serve as a conduit to promote discussion and insight into modern Jewish life.

The first course, "The American Jewish Women: Her Evolution on Film", will be offered at the Jewish Community Center beginning Thursday, September 14 at 1:30 p.m. and will run for four consecutive weeks. Ruth Goodman, who serves as docent to the museum, will lead the course which will look at the transformation of women from shtetl life to the new immigrant to modern times.

Margo Bloom, The National Museum of American Jewish History Director, stated, "We are eager to offer this invaluable approach to Jew-

ish education through media. It will enhance our program offerings and outreach, enabling us to positively affect an even larger segment of the community than we already do".

The collection, now part of the museum's Ralph Lopatin Memorial Film Library, was compiled by the Charles H. Revson Foundation to explore the heritage of American Jews through the unique resources of film and television. Future course offerings will include American Jewish Comedy, Yiddish Culture, American Jewish Directors and the Encounter Between American and Jewish Values in Film and Literature.

The American Jewish Women: Her Evolution on Film course fees are \$7.50 for JCC members and \$10. for non-members. For more information, contact Ella Zukoff at (302) 478-5660.

NJCRAC Exec To Present Briefing

The Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Delaware invites you to a special dinner and briefing featuring Dr. Lawrence Rubin, the Executive Vice Chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council.

His topic is "Challenges for the 90's: Jewish Community Relations

and the Political Process."

The event will be held on Thursday, September 7, 1995 at 5:30 p.m. A dairy dinner will be from 6:00-7:30 p.m. The briefing is at the Jewish Community Center. Cost is \$7.50.

Dr. Lawrence Rubin is the Executive Vice Chairman of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council (NJCRAC).

Before joining the staff of NJCRAC, Dr. Rubin was the Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia for ten years. During that time, Dr. Rubin served on the Domestic and Israel Task Forces of NJRAC.

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"Engrained Forever" Exhibit

Artist Mimi Schiff has created an exhibit that touches the consciousness of all who view it. Engrained Forever is an art exhibit featuring a series of full-size plywood panels, in which grain patterns are used, generally supplemented only with black acrylic, to prepare a series of Holocaust motifs that have proven to be very moving.

Schiff captures the essence of the most tragic period of man's inhumanity to man. The panels are titled, "They Shall Share the Burden", "Kristallnacht - Night of Broken Glass", "Branded on the Sinew and the Bone", and "A Story of Callous Brutality", just to name a few. Each panel depicts an event of the Holocaust in its own special way. The exhibit is further enhanced by poetry, a docent script, and the artist's com-

ments about the creation of the panels.

The exhibit represents years of in-depth research and study from authentic texts and photo albums, interviews with survivors, as well as critiques from rabbis. Study of the panels reveals reproduction of some familiar photos, as well as suggestive imagery that simply appeared from paint and textures in the wood forming multiple impressions.

The exhibit will be on display at the Jewish Community Center from October 31 through November 30, 1995. The exhibit hours are Sunday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

An opening of the exhibit will be held on Sunday, November 5 at 3 p.m. The artist, Mimi Schiff, will discuss the exhibit from an artist's point

of view. Schiff re-creates all the horror and tragedy of the Holocaust as well as the eventual triumph over evil. A local survivor will also discuss his/her response to the exhibit.

Engrained Forever is being co-sponsored by Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation, Beth Emeth Congregation, Beth Shalom Congregation, Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee, Jewish Family Service, National Conference of Christians and Jews, National Council of Jewish Women - Wilmington Section and Temple Beth El. The exhibit is being coordinated by the Jewish Community Center of Delaware.

For additional information on Engrained Forever or to schedule a group tour, contact Artie Allen, Assistant Executive Director, at (302) 478-5660.

Men's Health Survey Conducted By JCC

The Jewish Community Center's Fitness Center recently conducted a "For Men Only" health survey. Participants ranged in age from 20 to over 70. The survey featured a variety of questions relating to health habits and exercise.

Over 80% of the men who responded reported that they exercised at least 3 days per week. The American College of Sports Medicine recommends that people participate in aerobic activity 3 to 5 times a week for 20 to 60 minutes. Men between the ages of 20 and 39 reported that they enjoyed all types of high and low impact exercises. Men in older age categories reported that they tended to participate in exercises that are aerobic and lower impact such as walking and swimming.

In response to the questions relating to health care, over 50% of the men between the ages of 30 and 50

reported that they had their cholesterol and blood pressure checked in the past year. Some men under the age of 30 reported that they had not had their blood pressure and cholesterol checked at all in the past year. All men over the age of 50, who answered the survey questions, reported that they have had both their blood pressure and cholesterol checked in the past year.

Over 50% of the men between the ages of 30 and 50 reported that they have been screened for prostate cancer. Men reported either having had digital rectal exam or PSA (prostate specific antigen) blood test. Over 90% of the men age 50 and over reported having received prostate cancer screening. The American Cancer Society recommends that all men over the age of 40 should have had digital rectal exam or a PSA done

annually, unless they are in a high risk category.

In an effort to keep the community informed and educated about important health concerns and issues, a prostate cancer awareness breakfast will be held at the JCC on Monday, September 11, 1995. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. and will be followed by a prostate cancer program. Mike Sigman, Program Director at TCI Cablevision, will serve as the program moderator. Panelists will include Senator William V. Roth, Dr. Andrew Glick and prostate cancer survivors.

The breakfast program is free of charge and open to the entire community. Reservations can be made by calling (302) 478-9411 by September 7. The program is being co-sponsored by Zeneca Pharmaceuticals, American Cancer Society, Jewish Family Service and the JCC.

New Class Registration Process At The JCC

The Jewish Community Center announces a new class registration process to begin Fall 1995. A one-day mass registration session will be held on Sunday, September 10 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the JCC lobby. This special day will provide community members with an opportunity to register for Fall classes and programs.

"By attending the mass registration day, you can find out right away if your registration has been accepted and you can also enter our 25th Building Anniversary drawing for a \$250 membership gift certificate", stated Artie Allen, Assistant Executive Director. "All mass registration day walk-ins will receive priority class registration", he added.

If you are unable to attend the mass registration day, the JCC is offering two additional days in which you can register for Fall classes, Monday, September 11 and Tuesday, September 12. Staff members will be available in the lobby from 9 to 11 a.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. to assist you with the new registration process and to answer any questions

you may have.

All classes and programs at the JCC are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Class sizes are limited, to allow each participant to benefit fully from the program. Registration will close when maximum limits are reached; available spots will then be filled from a waiting list. Class fees must be paid in full at time of registration. A \$5.00 late fee will be assessed to individuals registering after the class registration period. Please refer to the JCC Fall Program Guide for more information on this new process or contact Artie Allen at (302) 478-5660.



Training Wheels To Start Rolling

The wheels have started rolling on Hadassah's new and exciting Family Education Program, **TRAINING WHEELS (AL GALGALIM)**.

It is a program designed for parents and children ages 2-5 who together learn about Shabbat and the Jewish holidays through fun filled sessions including songs and crafts as well as parenting segments discussing issues such as Jewish values and the father's role in the raising of children. It was developed and designed to meet the needs and lifestyles of today's families.

A parent orientation meeting is being held at the home of Ruth Goodman on Monday, September 11 at 7:30. If you are interested in being a participant or facilitator in strengthening Jewish family life, enriching your knowledge of Jewish traditions, and sharpening your parenting skills, contact Ruth Goodman, 478-2893.

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JCRC Begins Israel Task Force

The Jewish Community Relations Committee (JCRC) is creating a new Israel Task Force in the coming year. Chaired by Ruth Weinstein, the Task Force will coordinate community programs and educational briefings about Israel and the Middle East peace process. According to JCRC Director, Rabbi Marla Feldman, "The Israel Task Force was very active in the past. We hope that by revitalizing this task force we can conduct more educational programs about Israel and more effectively monitor

events in the Middle East and how they are reported locally." Upcoming events include a forum on the peace process in conjunction with members of the Islamic community and celebrations in honor of Jerusalem 3000. Membership in the Task Force is open. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, September 20 at 12:00, noon (location TBA). For more information or to join the Israel Task Force, call Rabbi Feldman at (302) 427-2100.

Sea Shell Creations At The Kutz Home

Arthur Gonzer, a resident of the Kutz Home, has been creating beautiful wreaths, flower pots and other decorative items covered with Atlantic Coast sea shells. His creations demonstrate an artistic ability to coordinate a variety of hues and shapes into very pleasing combinations.

When he retired many years ago, Arthur Gonzer developed this rewarding hobby. In addition to the many shells he has collected, his friends and neighbors always kept him well supplied. Kutz Home staff and volunteers continue this practice. Those lucky recipients of his shell creations also feel rewarded by his hobby. The Kutz Home activities staff encourages individuality and creativity among the Home's residents.



Arthur Gonzer

Elderhostel At The JCC

The Jewish Community Center will be hosting two more weeks of Elderhostel in the Fall. Elderhostel is an educational opportunity for people 55 years and older who want to continue expanding their intellectual horizons and develop new interests and enthusiasms.

The first session, October 23-29, will feature three classes: Jesus and His Jewishness, The Shtetl in America: Eastern European Immigration to America (1890-1930), and Jewish Responses to Modern

Anti-Semitism.

The second session, November 6-12, features Judaism, Sex and Sexuality, The Shtetl in America: Eastern European Immigration to America (1890-1930), and Jewish Responses to Modern Anti-Semitism.

The cost for local residents is \$175.00 and includes a Kosher lunch daily. If you are interested in Elderhostel, please contact Nathan Barnett, Elderhostel Coordinator, at (302) 478-5660.



Ellen Zaback lighting candles with (from left to right) Jacob Golden, Andrew Zaback, and Ryan Lloyd at last year's Training Wheels program.

SYNAGOGUE LIFE

Is There Life After Birth?

(The article which follows was written for the August 11 issue of The Jewish Voice. The Jewish Voice was unable to include it in that last edition and so it is instead presented here in its entirety.)

By Rabbi DAVID KAPLAN
Spiritual Leader of Temple Beth El

In the Torah portion for August 12, Va-etchanan, we have a review of the Ten Commandments. Most of us would probably say that we follow these rules. We may follow them, but we often do not obey them. I follow a few sports teams. I am interested in how they are doing, but I take no action which affects them nor does my interest in them really change my life.

The second commandment begins, "You shall have no other Gods beside Me." Yet, for many of us, we worship many things that are not God. If we were to make a list of the various activities in which we are involved, we would probably see that the amount of time spent in spiritual pursuits is a small percentage of our day. We have many other gods to whom we pay homage and who control our lives.

The fourth commandment begins, "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. For many people, Friday night is a time to unwind with a party or a nice dinner in a restaurant. Saturday, if one does not work, is a time to take children to sporting events, go shopping, and catch up on projects around the house. I am not suggesting how one should observe the Shabbat, but if we indeed keep the ten commandments, then it would seem that Shabbat should be different from the rest of the week. Our activities should reflect a spiritual outlook; we should live on a different level than the rest of the week.

The tenth commandment says that we should not covet anything that belongs to another person. Yet, much of life is based on what my neighbor has. When I watch television, I find that it becomes quite easy to be dissatisfied with what I have. After a few hours of TV, I realize that I do not drive the right car, wear the

proper clothes, eat the correct food or own the best lawn mower.

Most Jews think of themselves as being at least ethical Jews, if not observant. Yet, the Torah has many ethical injunctions which mean little to us. We are forbidden to participate in tale-bearing. We are not supposed to repeat or even listen to rumors, even if we think they are true. Yet, much of our conversation is based on the latest gossip. We joke about it, but it is not funny.

This Shabbat is the Shabbat Nachamu, the Sabbath after Tisha B'Av. We have just commemorated the destruction of the Temples in Jerusalem, as well as various other Jewish calamities. There are those who say that we should be more concerned with the destruction of today's Jewish society; they may be correct. They often point to intermarriage as that which is the root of this destruction, but this is camouflage. The truth is that for many Jews, Judaism has little meaning. I know of many people who are upset with the idea of intermarriage, yet they do little or nothing to observe Judaism. They follow Judaism as I follow certain sports teams.

The Torah portion also tells us that we are to "love the Eternal, our God, with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our might." As a Jew, my spiritual endeavors are to be full time: when I get up and when I go to sleep, when I am outside my house and inside. My entire life should be a prayer to God.

I am not going to pretend that my spiritual life is perfect. I am but a sojourner on the path called life. But, I do know the general direction in which I am heading. By aiming to be a spiritual person, by trying to make a place for God in my life, my life takes on a special meaning. My life becomes worthwhile, not because of what I own, but because of the moment in which I live.

This issue of the Jewish Voice focuses on Jewish life in Delaware. My prayer for all of us is that Jewish life in Delaware will focus on Judaism and the rich tradition which has been



Rabbi David Kaplan

handed to us. Regarding the value of Jewish observance, Psalms 84 suggests that the person who pursues spirituality, who tries to live a spiritual life, who has no other gods before the One Eternal God, this person will be happy. I believe this to be true. For me, as a Jew, this is one way to guarantee life after birth.

AKSE To Recognize Two With Special Honors

Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth is continuing the High Holiday tradition of recognizing "pillars" of the Congregation with special honors, endowed by contributions to AKSE. This year there are two honorees—Faith Brown and Sarah Goldstein. A short testimonial will precede the presentation of certificate of honor to each honoree.

Because of these two honorees, AKSE has earned a reputation as "the shul of the performing arts." Faith, with her husband Lou, instituted the popular Cafe Tamar concert more than 37 years ago at AKSE, and continues to produce, direct, and perform in it every year. The choral and dance groups which she leads have performed at many community events as well. Faith also taught in the AKSE Talmud Torah for many years. Sarah, with her Concert Committee, has presented an extraordinary series of musical talent at AKSE in the annual classical concert. Sarah is also a long time member of the Board and Ritual Committee and has served as V.P. of Ways and Means.

Anyone wishing to help recognize the honorees may make a contribution to "endow" each of their honors. A special leaflet to be distributed at Rosh Hoshanah services will list the contributors (\$18 minimum) for each honor. Please contact the AKSE office by Sept. 6 to ensure that your name is included in the special leaflet.

Seidel To Read Torah To Mark 50 Years Since His Bar Mitzvah

Dov Seidel is planning to leyn (read Torah) at Tifereth Israel synagogue in Washington, D.C. Shabbat Nitzavim, on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his Bar Mitzvah. His son, Ethan D. Seidel and A. Nathan Abramovitz are the synagogue's rabbis. Cantor Daniel Leeman has helped to prepare Dov in his leyning.

Beth Emeth Tashlikh

The Outreach Committee is planning a brief discussion and social postlude to the riverside Tashlikh Service on Rosh Hashanah. The service, which will occur at 4 pm, Mon., Sept. 25th, includes reference to the "casting of sins into the sea", as written in the Book of Micah (7:18-20). Light refreshments will precede a discussion of the origins, significance, and customs of Tashlikh, in the context of the Rosh Hashanah observance, led by Dr. Henry Schenker. Mary DeVries, Outreach Chair, will also review some of the traditional foods of Rosh Hashanah.

The service and program are open to unaffiliateds, as well as members

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I Hate Hamlet' At The Drama League

The Wilmington Drama League Community Theatre is starting off their 1995/96 season with the comedy *I Hate Hamlet* which opens Friday, Sept. 1.

The action takes place in New York where Andrew Rally (Bill Singleton), a television actor whose show's just been canceled, decides to accept the part of Hamlet in an upcoming production of the Shakespeare play with the encouragement of his agent Lillian Troy (Ruby Stanley).

The apartment his real estate agent Felicia Dantine (Julie Cauffman) finds him turns out to have been the residence of the late John Barrymore (John Barrett) which delights his enthusiastic girlfriend Deirdre McDavey (Beth Walker). She is excited at the prospect of her boyfriend playing Hamlet while his friend and television producer Gary Peter Lefkowitz (Steve Harad) is confused with the decision.

Felicia, who just happens to be clairvoyant, suggests they conduct a séance in order to get in touch with the spirit of John Barrymore and the action takes off from there.

It's not too late for you to subscribe to this year's season. Several sub-

scription packages are offered to you at the cost of \$60 for all six shows. Individual ticket prices are now \$15 a ticket, so you can save at least 30% by subscribing. To find out about their other subscription packages call (302) 655-4982.

The rest of the season includes a murder mystery called *Rehearsal For Murder* Oct. 6-21. *The Secret Garden*, a Tony award winning musical fantasy runs Nov. 10-Dec. 2. *The Sisters Rosensweig*, a comedy about sisters gathering for a reunion plays Jan. 19-Feb. 3.

Then a show about the judicial system *12 Angry Jurors* was March 8-23. *The Nerd* by Larry Shue wraps up the season playing May 17-June 1.

Being a subscriber also entitles you to other special bonuses such as a performance of *A Thurber Carnival* on Sept. 22 and 23. To thank you for subscribing they are asking only \$5 a ticket. Non-subscribers will pay \$10.

The Drama League is only minutes away from the I-95 Marsh Rd. exit at 10 West Lea Blvd. in Wilmington, DE.

Free Career Development Conference

"FYI: A Career & Personal Development Conference" will be held Saturday, September 23 at Arshat Hall, at the University of Delaware's Wilmington Campus on Route 52 in Wilmington. The event is sponsored by Network Personnel, and it is free. It is co-sponsored by the New Castle Business Ledger and Drumbeat Publishing.

The conference will include a variety of workshops to better assist in-

dividuals either looking for employment or seeking a career change. Topics include: resume writing, interviewing skills, computer know-how, dressing for success, child care options, stress reduction and starting your own business. Other workshops will be available as well.

For more information, or to pre-register call Events By George at (302) 798-8460.



HIAS POSTER CONTEST - Emigre children participated in the HIAS, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, "What America Means to Me" poster contest. The image of the Tree of Life (at left) moved the judges to deem 14-year-old Boris Rapoport of Rochester, N.Y., the grand prize winner. HIAS is the international migration agency of the organized American Jewish community. Since its founding in 1880, the agency has rescued more than four million Jewish and non-Jewish refugees and migrants, transplanting them from oppression and persecution, and delivering them to countries of safe haven.

Words & Music :

From Show Boat To Shabbat

By STEVE COHEN

Special To The Jewish Voice

On the Jewish Community Center's upcoming day trip to see *Show Boat* in New York, participants are in for a unique treat.

Because *Show Boat* has been playing for over a year on Broadway you might feel that it's not necessary to run up there to see it, because a road company will soon be coming around.

Forget that. There are no immediate plans to tour this show. And there's no way that any touring production can ever capture the spectacle of what's on stage at the Gershwin Theatre.

The Jerome Kern-Oscar Hammerstein musical from 1927 was staged by Hal Prince and produced by Garth Drabinsky and Myron Gottlieb in Toronto in 1993 and then in New York, where it won numerous Tony Awards. Prince has been lionized for his direction of *Phantom of the Opera*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Follies* and other spectacular successes, and this *Show Boat* is his masterpiece.

Incidentally, all of the above have Jewish backgrounds: Kern, Gershwin, Prince, Drabinsky and Gottlieb were and are Jewish. Hammerstein had a Jewish family. And the play's concern about the workman man and about racial or religious persecution is quintessentially Jewish.

Prince has mounted the best production ever of this groundbreaking musical play that everyone always said they respected, but which directors always cut up. Even the original director, Hammerstein himself, cut out some of the most dramatic music. I've been seeing *Show Boats* for almost a half a century. I always loved

the first act but found the second to be tedious. Prince has solved the problem by stressing the growth of a family through three generations, and the timeless flow of the river.

He's done this by restoring parts of the script, reprising songs from the first act with new meanings and by the use of costume and scenery changes.

He's provided impressive sets for the previously dull Chicago scenes, and he and choreographer Susan Stroman from Wilmington beautifully depict the time changes. The scenes along the river are magnificently vast and complicated, yet they move effortlessly. The size and technology will never be duplicated when this production finally hits the road. So see it now.

Especially worth hearing are Mark Jacoby as Ravenal, Lonette McKee as Julie and Michel Bell as Joe. Elaine Stritch and John McMartin as the parents of the romantic heroine, are given much more to say, do and sing than in previous productions. They are wonderful.

The great singing, acting and staging sweep away a few quibbles I have about the music. The singers and orchestra are not always true to Kern's instructions, especially in "Ol' Man River" and "Bill," where notes and tempo are altered. For an exciting recording of all the music, performed as written, get the EMI Angel CD conducted by John McGlinn, whose family lives in our area. Singers Frederica Von Stade, Teresa Stratas and Jerry Hadley sing like Broadway veterans, but the biggest stars are the original notes that Kern wrote, and the conducting.

During our recent week in New Mexico the *shabbat haftorah* was about Elijah and his confrontation with believers in a false god. The rabbi at our congregation mentioned that this passage was quoted in the text of that night's opera in Santa Fe, and he recommended that we see it. So a group of congregants, led by the cantor, drove to Santa Fe.

The Santa Fe Opera is known for its exploration of the works of com-

poser Richard Strauss, and this summer's example is his *Salome*. The original setting was the court of King Herod in the hills of Judea. Here, unlike any other previous production I've seen, the hills of New Mexico could be seen through the open rear of the outdoor stage. The similarity is striking.

John Crosby, Santa Fe's founder and director, conducted. In this biblical setting, the scenes of dispute between the court Jews and the Nazarenes were especially interesting. There was a new emphasis on the religious and political reasons why King Herod wanted to keep John the Baptist alive. Unfortunately, Herod's obsession with Salome overcame his better intentions.

We also saw Puccini's *Girl of the Golden West*, a melodrama about gold miners and outlaws that's perfectly suited to this western setting. Mary Jane Johnson and Timothy Noble were vivid singing actors.

The season opened with a revival of the operetta *Countess Maritza*, written by the Hungarian Jewish composer Emmerich Kalman and the Austrian Jewish librettist Alfred Grunwald in 1924. It was a huge hit in Vienna for a few years, until the Nazis took over and both song writers fled for their lives to the United States. This production is a tribute to the eternal optimism of Viennese waltz music and to the memories of these victims of Nazism. It's apt that Crosby chose to stage *Countess Maritza* on this 50th anniversary of the fall of Hitler and his regime.

Adult Institute

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ber 25 and continues every Wednesday evening for seven weeks until December 13. For further information contact the JCC at (302) 478-5660. Take your seat in a classroom and your place in the tradition of the people of the book.

(Adam Seidel will begin the 11th grade at Mt. Pleasant High School this fall. He is interning this summer with *The Jewish Voice*)



U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL AND MRS. MARTIN INDYK HOST CHILDREN OF CHERNOBYL'S FIFTH ANNIVERSARY PARTY— Herzilyah, Israel: The U.S. Ambassador to Israel, Martin Indyk, and Mrs. Jill Indyk, opened their home on Wednesday August 16, to 31 children. The occasion was the fifth anniversary of a project to rescue Jewish children who had been contaminated by radiation from the Chernobyl nuclear disaster of April 26, 1986. The humanitarian medical relief program for Russian Jewish children is sponsored by Chabad. Ambassador Indyk surprised everyone when he took out his guitar and sang with the Chernobyl children. He and his wife, Jill, then personally served the children ice cream and cake.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Entries for the Calendar of Events are due on the Thursday deadline, published in *The Jewish Voice*. Copy should be typed and double spaced. Entries are preferred on 3 1/2" floppy disk or via E-mail. Please include day, date, time, place, brief description, and contact person.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 6

Candlelight Dinner Program and Broadway Show Tunes at JCC. 5:00 p.m. For more information, call Roberta Fishgold at (302) 478-5660.

Sunday 10

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware (YJAD) - Financial Planning Chavurah. 11 a.m. All are welcome for bagels and a financial planning seminar conducted by outside speakers. Please call David at (609) 678-8029 for information. **JCC Mass Class Registration Day.** 1:00 p.m. Join us on this to register for Fall classes and enter your name in our drawing to win a

\$250 membership gift certificate. For more information, call Artie Allen at (302) 478-5660.

Teen Council Meeting. 1:00 p.m. Visit an apple orchard and pick the sweetest apples for a happy New Year. For more information, call Etai Belinky at (302) 478-5660.

Monday 11

Prostate Cancer Awareness Breakfast. 7:30 a.m. Join us for this free program with moderator Mike Sigman and panelists Senator William V. Roth, Dr. Andrew Glick and prostate cancer survivors. For register, call Jewish Family Service at (302) 478-9411.

Tuesday 12

PHASE II Restaurant Sampler. 7:00 p.m. Join Jewish singles over 35 at Stanley's Bar and Grill on Foulk Road. For more information, call Artie Allen at (302) 478-5660.

Wednesday 13

ShowBoat at the Gershwin Theatre. 8:00 a.m. The JCC Cultural Caravan heads to New York. For more information, call Amalia Snyderman at (302) 478-5660.

Saturday 16

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware (YJAD) - Happy New Year Party @ Ethan's. 8 p.m. A return to Ethan's house for another party to bring in the New Year "in style." Drinks, noshes, and good times. Reservations required by September 13. Please call Ethan at (302) 792-9375 for reservations, directions, cost, etc.

Sunday 17

Shofar Factory. 2:00 p.m. Learn about the ancient art of shofar making and create your own family treasure. For more information, call Rabbi Chuni Vogel at (302) 478-4400.

Wednesday 20

Cholesterol Screening and Profile by MedLab. 8:00 a.m. Screenings will be held in the JCC Fitness Center. For more information, call Kathy Holveck at (302) 478-5660. **Candlelight Dinner and High Holiday Celebration at the JCC.** 5:00 p.m. For more information, call Roberta Fishgold at (302) 478-5660.

Thursday 21

A Taste of Torah: Women in the Bible. 6:00 p.m. A community-wide gathering of Jewish women. Buffet dairy dinner will be served. For more information, call Ella Zukoff at (302) 478-5660.

OCTOBER

Thursday 12

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware (YJAD) - Happy Hour Drop-In at O'Friel's. 6:30 p.m. "A great way to break-up the week." Please call Sandi at (302) 658-5297 for more information or just drop by O'Friel's.

Tuesday 17

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware (YJAD) - Simchat Torah Services. Join us for Simchat Torah services. Please call Merrily at (302) 477-1302 for place, time, etc.

Saturday 21

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware (YJAD) - Haunted Hayride. All are welcome for our second annual Hayride. RSVP by October 18 to Phil at (302) 652-6688.

Sunday 22

The Newark Chapter of Hadassah, has planned its Third Annual Craft Show, Sunday, October 22, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Aetna Fire Hall at Routes 4 and

273. Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided by the Aetna Fire Hall Ladies Auxiliary. Tables are available for \$25. For more information, please call Sydell Glassner at 738-9608 or Leslie Darden at 368-0974.

Ongoing

Young Jewish Adults of Delaware's (YJAD's) co-ed, non-competitive volleyball league continues every Wednesday night from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. It will move inside to the J.C.C. gym as of September 6, 1995.

Exhibit Highlights Henrietta Szold "Daughter of Zion: Henrietta Szold and American Jewish Womanhood," a new exhibition, will be open at the Jewish Historical Society of Maryland (JHSM), 15 Lloyd Street, Baltimore, from April 9 through December 10, 1995. "Daughter of Zion," will reveal and reinterpret the life and work of Henrietta Szold through artifacts, audiovisual materials, label text, documents and rare archival photographs. A native of Baltimore, Szold (1860-1945) is best known as the founder of Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization. For more information, call at The Jewish Historical Society of Maryland, (410) 732-6400.

L'Oreal To Pay \$1.4 Million For Complying With Arab Boycott

By MATTHEW DORF

WASHINGTON (JTA) — In a clear sign that the United States will continue to enforce laws banning compliance with the Arab boycott of Israel, the Commerce Department has levied the second largest fine since enforcement began more than 25 years ago.

American affiliates of L'Oreal agreed to pay \$1.4 million to settle an investigation of the international cosmetics giant. As is customary in such settlements, the firms did not admit complying with the boycott.

The investigation should remind the exporting community that the Arab boycott of Israel "is not yet consigned to history," said John Depres, assistant secretary of commerce for export enforcement.

Anti-boycott laws "will continue to be enforced vigorously until the boycott is completely ended and U.S. law has been changed accordingly," he said.

The Commerce Department had charged L'Oreal affiliates in the United States with supplying information about their commercial relations in Israel to L'Oreal's Paris headquarters in the late 1980s to assist the firm in dealing with Arab boycott authorities.

The settlement announced Tuesday was based on three documents containing 144 alleged violations.

According to the settlement, Parbel of Florida will pay \$1,387,000; Cosmair Inc. will pay \$9,000; and Bruce Mishkin, associate corporate counsel for Cosmair and the former vice president of Helena Rubinstein, will pay \$50,400. All are affiliates of L'Oreal.

The charges against L'Oreal and its affiliates were among the most significant ever made by the Commerce Department, Depres said.

"The allegations are very serious, extensive and numerous. The magnitude of the violation is reflected by the size of the payments being

made," Depres said.

Only Baxter International, which paid more than \$6 million in fines in 1993, has paid more to the Commerce Department.

L'Oreal's attorneys maintain that the company and its affiliates are innocent.

"This is a settlement of contested charges. We deny that there was any violation of the law," said Stanley Marcuss, an attorney representing L'Oreal.

Jewish organizations were quick to praise the Commerce Department.

"Furnishing information is a serious allegation. The lifeblood of the boycott is built around information received," said Jess Hordes, Washington director of the Anti-Defamation League. "The Commerce Department did a good job in enforcing U.S. anti-boycott laws."

Although praising the Commerce Department for its investigation of the case, American Jewish Congress officials noted that L'Oreal has substantially increased its investments in Israel.

"L'Oreal has demonstrated within the past year a complete abandonment of its former policies by developing a very large economic program in Israel," said Will Maslow, former editor of the now defunct AJCongress newsletter, Boycott Report.

One member of Congress who has been outspoken on the boycott welcomed the settlement.

"The Arab economic boycott is not only illegal, it is immoral and any company that supports it must be brought to justice," said Rep. Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.), who chairs the Congressional Task Force to End the Boycott.

While L'Oreal officials maintain their affiliates did nothing wrong, company officials acknowledged that L'Oreal should not have sent letters in the late 1980s to the boycott office in Damascus, which detailed the

company's involvement with Israel.

In a letter to ADL National Director Abraham Foxman, L'Oreal's chairman apologized for its past relationship with the boycott office in Damascus.

"An international company like L'Oreal should have refused to place itself in such an unacceptable position and should not have replied to boycott inquiries," L'Oreal Chairman Lindsay Owen-Jones wrote. "I am sorry such correspondence was ever sent. I also want to inform you that I have taken measures to assure that such action will not happen again."

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OBITUARIES

LUISA COHEN

Luisa Cohen, a clothing merchant, died August 28. She was 76 years old and lived in Philadelphia, Pa. She was a resident of Havana before coming to the United States in the 1960's. She was a devoted wife, daughter, aunt and friend. She was aunt of Rosa Lerner of Stamford, CT, Elio Wasserstein of Bryn Mawr, PA, and Aida Wasserstein of Wilmington, DE. She leaves 5 great-grandnieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Monday, August 28, graveside at Har Jehuda Cemetery, Upper Darby, PA. Contributions in her memory may be made to: Congregation Beth Hamedrosh, 7606 Brookhaven Road, Phila., PA 19151.

ANNETTE K. GOLDBERG

Annette K. Goldberg, 82, of Philadelphia, died August 8, 1995.

Mrs. Goldberg's husband, Harry J., died in 1993. She is survived by a daughter, Celina G. Riebman and a son Carl B. Goldberg and five grandchildren, Edina Oestreicher, Faun Riebman, Denise Riebman, Michael Goldberg, Hugh Cross, and Jaime Friedman.

She was the Past Grand Matron of the Order of the Golden Chain and the Past Matron of Sylvania Link #41, a member of Hadassah and Suburban Jewish Community Center-B'nai Aaron.

The family suggests contributions to your favorite charity.

SOL GROSSMAN, 80, of Delray Beach, Fla., formerly of Baltimore, died Aug. 1 in Delray Hospice by the Sea, Boca Raton.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Levithan of Wilmington.

A service and burial were held Aug. 4 in Delray Beach.

The family suggests contributions to Hospice by the Sea, 1531 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton 33486.

JOSEPH KLEVAN, 87, who supplied generations of Wilmington civil air patrollers and police officers with uniforms from his lower Market Street army-navy shop, died August 13 in Bryn Mawr (Pa.) Hospital.

Joe's Streamline Army & Navy Store, 214 Market St., was a subject for local artist William Renzulli.

Raised in Philadelphia, Mr. Klevan opened the store and ran it for 44 years until 1984.

Mr. Klevan was a member of Wilmington's Congregation Beth Shalom and Jewish War Veterans Fineman post.

During World War II, he earned five Bronze Stars while serving as a chaplain's driver in Europe.

After the 1986 death of his wife, Rachel Klevan, he moved north of Media, Pa., from Wilmington.

Survivors include his daughter Lois Klevan of Pompano Beach, Fla., and two grandchildren.

The family suggests contributions to Avon Gynecological Fund, in care

of the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York.

ISABELLE SCHOENBERG

Isabelle Schoenberg, 72, died Tuesday of pneumonia in The Kutz Home, 704 River Road, Bellefonte, her residence for a year.

Mrs. Schoenberg, a cosmetician at various department stores in her native Philadelphia, retired in 1984. She lived in California for several years before moving to Bellefonte.

She is survived by a daughter, Fern Schoenberg Meierding of Elkton, Md.; a sister, Sylvetta Gritz of Boulder, Colo.; and a granddaughter.

A graveside service will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Montefiore Cemetery, Church Road, in the Fox Chase section of Philadelphia.

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

Beth Shalom Open House

Congregation Beth Shalom announced that its Annual Open House will be held on Wednesday, September 6 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. and on Sunday, September 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Synagogue, 18th Street and Baynard Boulevard. Rabbi David Wortman, Dr. Paul Imber, President of the Congregation, and members of the Board of Directors and Sisterhood will be on hand to meet current, new and prospective members. All congregants are invited to pick up their High Holiday membership cards and yearly synagogue information at this time. The event is open to any members of the community interested in finding out more about Beth Shalom. A representative from the Membership Committee will be available for a tour of the synagogue and to answer any questions. For more information, call Burt Shanker, Executive Director, at the synagogue office, 654-4462.

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JERUSALEM, ISRAEL -- Noah Wyle, star of NBC's mega-hit "ER" recently vacationed in Israel, visiting Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, as well as the Mediterranean waterfront of Tel Aviv, Israel's largest city. Although Wyle was often mobbed by enthusiastic Israeli fans of "ER," he was able to sneak a quiet moment atop the legendary mountain of Masada, in the Judean Desert overlooking the Dead Sea.



PALESTINIANS BURN ISRAELI FLAG: JERICHO -- Palestinians burn an Israeli flag on the Palestinian side of the border crossing into Israel during a demonstration August 28 protesting against the continued closure and sealing of the Jericho self-rule area. Israeli soldiers are in foreground as Palestinian police move in to stop hundreds of angry demonstrators from throwing stones.

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NACHES

Grant Birth

Jacob Alexander Grant was born to Stuart and Suzanne Grant on Sunday, August 13, 1995. Jake weighed in at 8 pounds 3 ounces and measured 21 inches. Mother and baby are doing well. The Grants had a bris at their Wilmington home on Sunday, August 20, 1995.

Balick-Bedrick

Howard Balick, the son of Barbara and Marvin Balick, was married on July 30, 1995 to Miffi Bedrick, the daughter of the late Harry and the late Sally Bedrick of Worcester, Massachusetts.

The wedding took place in Washington, D.C. They reside in Bethesda, Maryland.

Howard is a graduate of the University of Delaware. He works for the Food and Drug Administration, and also attends the American University Law School.

Miffi received her MEd in counseling from Boston University and presently works as an elementary school counselor in the Prince Georges County School System in Maryland.

Zwick Birth

Congratulations on the birth of Adam David Zwick, 6 lbs., 10 oz., born July 24, 1995 to Howard and Robin Zwick of Newark. Grandparents are Stephen and Susan Strasser of Wilmington and Philip and Esta Zwick of Parsippany, New Jersey.



Gobler-Cain

Gobler-Cain Engagement

Mona and Joel Cain of Great Falls, Virginia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa B. Cain to Aaron L. Gobler, son of Mina and Jack Gobler of Wynnewood, Pennsylvania.

Aaron, a graduate of Lower Merion High School and Hofstra University, is a software consultant for Progressive Software Computing Inc. in Philadelphia. He has served on the boards of the JCC and the JFD and is a past chairman of the YJAD (Young Jewish Adults of Delaware).

Lisa, who received a Bachelor's of Chemical Engineering and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Delaware, is a marketing doctoral student at the Wharton School of Business. She is a past

chairperson of the Young Leadership Cabinet of the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

A December 1995 wedding is planned in Philadelphia. The couple will continue to reside in Center City.

Tocker Birth

We celebrate the birth of our son Ryan Ellis Tocker, 8 lbs. 9 oz., born on June 14, 1995 at Christiana Hospital to Dr. & Mrs. Allan S. Tocker of Wilmington, Del. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Golder and Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Tocker, both of Wilmington. Ryan is named after his maternal great-grandmother, Rose Glass and paternal great-grandfather, Ellis Tocker.

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Jewish Education Key To Survival

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Torah, Jewish religious education, has lost its critical importance. The only education that we value in America is that which helps us advance in our careers and professions. We take courses, seminars, and workshops. We prepare for higher academic degrees. We do so not because learning is a joyful and mind-expanding experience. We study because this academic pursuit will assure us a promotion, or a raise, or prominence in our field.

Jewish learning has no direct vocational benefit. Studying Torah will not get us into law school or medical school. It won't even get us elected to office in the synagogue or Federation. However, Jewish learning has been valuable for other reasons. Its goal has never been to create an ivory tower scholar removed from the world. Jewish learning was thought to improve one's character. The Torah scholar was considered a better thinker and a nobler human being. The Torah teaches us ethics and morals. Historically, Jews have seen Torah education as a way of teaching us not how to make a better living, but how to live better.

But there is something even more critical. I am deeply concerned about our survival and the survival of our children as Jews. We want to pass down a Jewish heritage to them. Yet many of us cannot define the content or the meaning of that Jewish heritage. It is something too many people know little about. Many have warm and nostalgic feelings about this heritage, but have only the faintest notion of what it means. We have gotten away with this system of trans-

mitting ignorance garbed in pleasant emotions and family memories for these past few decades. The system will not work much longer.

Our young people today are different. They are much more inquisitive and analytical. To tell them they ought to be Jewish because Judaism is part of a proud family tradition, which we can't explain, will be rejected. Our young people are passionate seekers of truth. They scrutinize everything. They want informed answers to their questions. If we cannot provide them, because we don't know them, they may sense our apathy towards Jewish knowledge and conclude that they need not remain Jewish.

If they see that Jewish adults regard Jewish learning as irrelevant and inconsequential, they will abandon Judaism without a twinge of guilt. They will rightly ask someday: "Why should I put forth my efforts and my money to keep up a faith and tradition about which I know, or care to know, little or nothing?"

The great American Jewish lay leader Louis Marshall issued this warning years ago, a warning which we should heed: "It we, the Jewish people, ever come to the stage where we fail to respond to the call of Jewish education, we will have done what our enemies never succeeded in doing ... We will have destroyed ourselves. We will have written our own death warrant." Indeed, Jewish education for adults, as well as for children, is the secret of and the key to Jewish survival.

(Rabbi Malinger is the Assistant Rabbi and Director of Education at Congregation Beth Emeth).

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JNF Dinner

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"disinformation" program by the Reagan administration. "Bernard Kalb," wrote William Safire in the Times "rose above 'State Department spokesman' to become the spokesman for all Americans who respect and demand the truth."

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