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LEXINGTON SINGERS TO PERFORM IN HEBREW

BLOCH'S SACRED SERVICE TO BE SUNG AT WINTER CONCERT

On Sunday, December 5, the Lexington Singers will present Ernest Bloch's Sacred Service as part of their winter concert. The Sacred Service will be sung in Hebrew.

"It's very exciting," said Kathy Grossman, who, along with Deborah Sogin and Beth Shumacher are the only Jewish members of the Singers. "This is really a first in Lexington."

This is the first time any of us can think of that the Lexington Singers will present a Jewish piece at their winter concert," said Sogin. "It is typically more Christmas oriented."

Sogin, who has been with the Lexington Singers for six years, served as the Hebrew coach for the group and helped the members work on their pronunciations. "It was difficult for some at first, but everyone has worked very hard."

The Sacred Service (Avodath Hakodesh) was completed in 1933 and was the first choral-orchestral composition on a large scale written for Jewish worship. The work was commissioned to provide music for a Sabbath Morning Service, to words



(l to r) Beth Shumacher, Kathy Grossman, and Deborah Sogin are members of the Federation community who will perform with the Lexington Singers. Also pictured is Raleigh Kincaid who will sing the solo/cantorial part.

from the American Union Prayerbook for Jewish worship. It is notable for the alternation between solo singer (cantor) and chorus (congregation) which has precedence in the Jewish worship.

The group originally planned to perform the piece in English and began their rehearsals that way. "But when you listen to Hebrew recordings, you see that it really loses something in English," said Sogin.

The group overwhelmingly decided to sing it in Hebrew," added Grossman, "we were pleasantly surprised." They have been rehearsing in

Hebrew for the last month. "I just hope the Jewish community will come out to hear it," Grossman said. "There aren't many opportunities like this in Lexington."

James Ross Beane, who has conducted the Lexington Singers for eighteen years, was involved in a Hebrew performance of Avodath Hakodesh once before. "But that was twenty years ago," he said. "I was a little rusty with the Hebrew, but once we began rehearsing, it all started coming back." Beane is the Director of Choral Music at Morehead State University.

Raleigh Kincaid, who will sing the solo parts, has been working hard to ready himself for the performance. In preparation for his role as cantor, he has been reading about Judaism and has consulted with Rabbi Jon Adland. He wanted more of an understanding than he could get from just reading the music.

If the rehearsal is any

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CENTRAL KENTUCKY JEWISH FEDERATION FIRST ANNUAL CHAI AWARDS

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation has never recognized members of the Jewish community of Central Kentucky who have made significant contributions of their time and energy to the life of our community - both Jewish and general. This coming year we shall have the opportunity to correct this oversight.

Saturday, February 19th, from 8-11 p.m., we shall have our first annual Chai Awards evening. It will be a festive hors d'oeuvres and dessert event at one of our local hotels with a cash bar and dancing. At that time we will recognize two outstanding members of our Jewish community for their contributions. One award will be for someone who has contributed to Jewish life - local, national and/or international. The other award will be for a person who has contributed to the general community - local, national and/or international. The two honorees will be selected from nominations submitted to the Community

Relations Committee. Elsewhere in this issue, you will find a form for you to fill out with your nominations for the two honorees for this year.

Mark your calendar for February 19, 1994, for the Chai Awards Evening.

RULES FOR NOMINATIONS

Criteria for Nominations: The Chai Award recognition is intended to recognize members of the Jewish community of Central Kentucky who have made significant contributions of their time and energy to the life of our community - both Jewish and general.

Nominating Procedure: Nominations may be made by any member of the Jewish community for any other member of the Jewish community of Central Kentucky.

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100 YEAR OLD RUSSIAN MAN, FAMILY REUNITED IN LEXINGTON

It was a trip like no other for the 99 year old man. Moysey Orlov had travelled from Moscow to America via New York City, Birmingham and Nashville. Finally, at 12:07 am, August 25th, he arrived at Bluegrass Field in Lexington and was greeted by a throng of well wishers, including his granddaughter Zoya and her family.

Moysey left behind 99 years of life in Russia and

now begins a new life in Lexington. Moysey, his son Mark, his daughter-in-law Anna and his granddaughter Irina, welcomed all changes in their lives. They were astounded at the refrigerator filled with cooked foods and the stocked pantry they found upon arrival at their new apartment. All they kept saying was "spacebo"

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THE TORAH THIS MONTH

BY RABBI JON ADLAND

The readings for these two months cover an extensive amount of material beginning with the story of the sale of Joseph into slavery and concluding with the revelation of Torah on top of Mount Sinai. These Torah portions also cover some of the most well-known parts of the Torah: Joseph's story, slavery in Egypt, the birth of Moses, the theophany of the burning bush, Moses' return to Egypt from the wilderness, the ten plagues, the exodus from Egypt, the parting of the Reed Sea, the early stages of the wandering in the desert, reaching Mt. Sinai, and the revelation.

December 4/ 20 Kislev
SHABBAT VAYESHEV -
Genesis 37:1-40:23

This portion begins with Joseph at the age of 17

telling his brothers about two dreams that he had dreamt. Now his brothers didn't like him anyway especially after his father Jacob gave him the beautiful tunic. The dreams he dreams caused the resentment to push even deeper. Therefore, when Joseph went to check on his brothers who were tending flocks some distance away, the brothers decide to do away with Joseph. Instead of murdering Joseph, his brothers sell him into slavery introducing the next chapter in Joseph's life. His father thinks he is dead when the torn and bloodied (with animals blood unbeknownst to Jacob) tunic is shown him.

The next chapter, 38, contains a very interesting story. In Judaism, there is a law called *halitzah* which states that a woman who is childless and becomes a widow must bear a son by her brother-in-law so that her late husband's name will be maintained. When Er, Judah's son dies after being married to a woman named Tamar, Er's brother Onan is to cohabit with Tamar. "But Onan, knowing that the seed would not count as his, let it go to waste whenever he joined with his brother's wife, so as not to provide offspring for his brother. What he did was displeasing to the Lord and God took his life." (Genesis 38:9-10)

[These two verses help form the basis for part of Jewish law concerning birth control.] As a result of Onan's death, the next son in line is Shelah who is too young to marry Tamar so Tamar, not to her liking, is sent away to her father's house. Tamar plots revenge for this insult.

As a result of deception on Tamar's part by pretending to be a harlot and because of her anger at Judah sending her away instead of allowing her to find a husband and marry again, Judah unknowingly gets Tamar pregnant. When Judah discovers that it is Tamar who is pregnant and not some harlot, he saves her life and fulfills the commitment of seeing his late son's name maintained.

The rest of this portion returns to the Joseph narrative. Joseph becomes a slave in the house of Potiphar and rises through the ranks quickly to become in charge of the household. Potiphar's wife tries to seduce him, but Joseph refuses her advances and ends up in prison when he is accused of rape. It is in prison that Joseph gains fame as a dream interpreter when he correctly interprets the dreams of Pharaoh's chief cupbearer and baker.

December 11/ 27 Kislev
SHABBAT MIKETZ
Genesis 41:1-44:17

This Torah portion continues the story of Joseph

beginning with Pharaoh's dream of the seven healthy cows being eaten by the seven lean cows, and the seven healthy ears of grain being swallowed up by the thin ears of grain. When Pharaoh learns about the man Joseph who can correctly explain dreams he summons him to his court where Joseph explains that the dreams indicate seven healthy years followed by seven years of famine. Joseph encouraged Pharaoh to organize and prepare for the famine by storing grain today. Pharaoh was taken by Joseph's plan and appointed him in charge of the entire program.

Jacob, who was living in famine stricken Canaan, heard about the rations for sale in Egypt and decided to send 10 of his sons to inquire about procuring rations for themselves. Jacob thought Joseph was dead and therefore he had no idea of what was about to happen. All of the sons but Benjamin, Joseph's full brother, went down to Egypt.

When Joseph's brothers came before him in the court they didn't recognize him and Joseph didn't make himself known. Instead, he decides to test them and demands that they bring Benjamin to him despite the fact that their father would never let him go on the journey out of fear that something may happen to him as it did to Joseph.

Joseph toys with his brothers by keeping one brother behind, but he gives them plenty of grain for the journey and to live for a period of time in Canaan and returns their money to them. When Jacob learns that Simeon is held captive he is quite distressed thinking that he has lost another son.

The portion concludes when the brothers along with Benjamin return to Egypt to buy more food. Emotion almost overtakes Joseph who decides to inflict a little more distress in their lives by planting a stolen object in a saddlebag. As the brothers journey toward Canaan, they are overtaken by soldiers who find the stolen (planted) cup and return the brothers to face the wrath of this powerful man in Egypt.

December 18/ 4 Tevet
SHABBAT VAYIGASH
Genesis 44:18-47:27

In Vayigash, Joseph, in an emotional reunion, reveals his identity to his brothers and with this moment begins the reunification of the family. Joseph holds no grudges as he believes that everything that happened was a plan of God. Joseph, with Pharaoh's permission, settles his family in Goshen. We learn about the effects of the famine and, so it seems to many, the morally puzzling

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CAMPAIGN RECOGNITION

On Sunday, November 7, Central Kentucky Jewish Federation honored all volunteers who worked on the 1993 campaign. Special plaques were awarded to Judy Saxe, past president of CKJF; Gloria Katz, 1993 Campaign Chairperson; Leon Cooper, Men's Division; Marilyn Gall, Women's Division; Bobby Levine and Sara Charney Cohen, Peer Group; and Austin Cantor and Sue Ezrine, Super Sunday, for their leadership in the Campaign.

Nationally, United Jewish Appeal recognizes women who give \$1,500 or more to the annual campaign, making them eligible to wear the Pomegranate pin. This year, we honor the following

women in Central Kentucky who have given at this level:

- Janice Brock
- Liz Broudy
- Arlene Cohen
- Harriet Cooper
- Edie Frankel
- Ellie Goldman
- Susan Goldstein
- Sara Ann Levy
- Cheri Rose
- Simone Salomon
- Judy Saxe

Very special recognition is due to the women who have generously given at the Lion of Judah level, \$5,000 or more:

- Susan Caller
- Nancy Hoffman
- Penny Miller

Thank you again to all who worked so hard to make the 1993 Campaign a success. See you in '94!

FAMILY-TO-FAMILY PROGRAM STARTING

BY JANET HODES

Join us in the grand reopening of our Family-to-Family program! Family-to-Family is a social club that links immigrating Jewish families with established Jewish American families. It's kind of like Pen Pals, only in person. Most of our "New Americans" are from the former Soviet Union. We've settled 13 families so far, and expect five new families to arrive in 1994. This program also welcomes families from other countries. Israel, Tibet, anywhere!

The point is to make an American connection, a Jewish connection, a warm connection. Changing one's life and accepting a new culture isn't easy, and a first-hand glimpse into the "real" life here is a tremendous help.

What's involved? Maybe sharing Shabbat dinner. Very few Soviet Jews have had the opportunity to light candles and say kiddush. I've seen tears of joy at this first experience and "my" new family sang along even though they didn't know the words nor tune. Perhaps once a month, or every other month could be your international Shabbat! Or, consider a latke party...let everyone help chop onions and shred potatoes.

Maybe you could share a trip to the supermarket to introduce all we take for granted: the thousand varieties of dried cereal; the health consciousness approach to shopping (reading labels, checking for low-fat, low sodium, perfume-free, etc.); store brands vs. name brands vs. generic; getting service at meat, fish, deli counters; and especially using coupons.

Maybe explaining "911" or the Yellow Pages or newspaper ads ("on sale" vs. "for sale") or the library or discount stores or video rentals. How about a "moon walk" at Raven Run? Maybe just an invitation for tea and cookies and a little English conversation.

Probably the most important role you can play is to help these newest members of our community overcome their biggest obstacle -- a new language. Talk, talk, talk! Our idiomatic English and variety of accents is very difficult for the immigrant.

Call if you'd like to be a welcoming hand to some newcomers. We'll try to match you with a "new" family of approximately the same age, with or without children, or by profession or interests, as best as we are able. Call Janet Hodes, 263-4746.

BY NANCY HOFFMAN and
MICHAEL L. ADES

The Campaign Committee has met several times to coordinate the finish of the 1993 Campaign and plan for the 1994 Campaign. Final pledges are being sought for the 1993 Campaign and a full report of the 1993 Campaign will be given in the next edition.

In 1994 Women's Division is being led by Joyce Mischner with Janice Brock as the Associate-chair. Plans are completed for the initial

meeting of solicitors, and the kickoff the Women's Division Board is scheduled for November 30.

The Men's Division is led by Avram Levine with Tomas Milch as the Associate-chair. Plans are underway to contact solicitors and begin the Men's Campaign in early 1994.

This year the Peer Group Campaign will be again be led by Sara Charney Cohen and Bobby Levine as Co-chairpersons. This group focuses on persons in the 18

39 year old age group. For those under 18, there will be a Children's Campaign.

In addition, our "Super Sunday" Campaign, scheduled for February 20, under the leadership of Evelyn Geller and Austin Cantor is actively underway.

The Campaign Committee has set giving categories as follows:

- \$1-\$99
- \$100-\$249
- \$250-\$499
- \$500-\$1,499
- \$1,500-\$4,999
- \$5,000-and up

Donations will periodically be published by gift category. While we urge all donors to be included, we respect and keep confidential the gifts of those who choose not to have their donations published.

With the support and hard work of our solicitors and the generosity of our entire community, the 1994 Campaign will reach its goal of \$400,000.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPS MEET WITH EDITORIAL LEADERSHIP OF HERALD LEADER

Sharyn Sharer, Simone Salomon and Bill Leffler met with seven members of the Lexington Herald Leader editorial staff on Thursday, November 18. A number of concerns regarding the policies of the newspaper were discussed.

The representatives of the CRC found it valuable and productive. The discussion focused on letters to the editor, the religious pages, op-ed columns and other concerns relevant to the Jewish Community.

One of the issues which became apparent at this meeting was the need for the Jewish Community to write letters to the editor expressing their opinions on

a wide variety of topics. If our Jewish community wishes to be heard on subjects of concern to us as Jews, we must be visible. Letters to the editor is an easy way of achieving this goal. It is a free public forum. The CRC will meet December 28th at 7:30 pm.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The CRC is planning some stimulating and interesting programs for the coming season.

The Committee is also planning a number of public discussions on the topic - What It Means to be Jewish in Central Kentucky. Among the areas on which these discussions will focus will be our schools, our children, the general community, our Jewish organizations and the University. Watch for further announcements.

For many years the Jewish community of Central Kentucky has not recognized any of its members who have contributed significantly to your community or to the community at large. We have permitted them to go unappreciated. It is time that we gave the *Kvod* they deserve. And so the CRC will hold a recognition evening in a few months to present two CHAI AWARDS - one in each category. We shall shortly be soliciting nominations for these recognitions. (See related story in this issue.)

The CRC is anxious to have every Jewish organization in our community represented at its meetings. We are therefore asking the president of each organization to appoint an official representative to keep his/her organization informed of our concerns and activities, as well as urge that the members of that organization take advantage of CRC programs.

CALLING ALL CAMPERS

Start planning now for your child's summer by coming to our second annual Jewish Camp Night, to be held on January 31 at 7:00 at Temple Adath Israel.

Representatives from various camps will be there to answer your questions and will be available to describe their programs. Video tapes from some camps will also be shown during the course of the evening.

Camps that will be represented are: Camp Shalom, Camp G.U.C.I., Camp Livingston, Camp Young Judea and Camp Barney.

It should be an exciting evening so try to attend. ALL POTENTIAL CAMPERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!



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indication, this performance by the Lexington Singers will certainly be worth attending. In addition to Bloch's Sacred Service, they will also be performing selected carols. Their winter concert will be Sunday, December 5, 3:00 pm at the Singletary Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for students and seniors.

For further information, contact either Deborah Sogin at 278-3118 or Kathy Grossman at 268-2596.

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aspects of Joseph's economic and political management.

December 25/11 Tevet SHABBAT VAYECHI Genesis 47:28-50:26

This last portion is divided into three sections. The first speaks of the blessing Jacob gives to Manasseh and Ephraim. He crosses his hands and blesses the younger one with the blessing usually reserved for the elder.

The second section is Jacob's final words to his

assembled sons. They are a combination of prayer, blessing, curse, warning, psychological assessment, parable, recollection, and hope. Jacob doesn't let any past sin go unnoticed and speaks highly of very few of his children.

The portion and book end with the deaths of Jacob and Joseph. Jacob is carried up to the land of Canaan and buried in the Cave of Machpelah where Abraham and Isaac are buried.

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead they feared that now Joseph would seek revenge, but Joseph reminded them that God intended everything that happened for good.

As Joseph is about to die he exacts an oath that someday too his bones will be buried in Mamre in the special cave. With that Joseph dies and Genesis concludes.

story of Moses from the house of Levi. We learn he is born, hidden in a basket among the reeds of the Nile, found by a member of the royal house, raised in the court by a Hebrew woman and grows up.

Later, when Moses is an adult, he sees a Hebrew being beaten by an Egyptian and kills him. When he learns that everyone knows about what he has done he is frightened. When Pharaoh hears what Moses has done he sends people to kill him and Moses flees to the wilderness. In the wilderness, Moses meets a Midianite priest named Jethro, marries his daughter Zipporah and has a son named Gershom. Chapter 2 ends with the plight of the Israelites getting worse.

The next section of this portion is very significant. It is here that

Moses is confronted by the mighty God who speaks to him out of the lowly thornbush. God tells Moses what he must do. Moses protests, but realizes that there isn't much he can do to resist the call. God reveals God's special name of *Ehyeh-asher-Ehyeh* which is ambiguous at best to understand or translate. One possibility is "I am who I will be."

Moses is concerned that he will not be taken seriously when he says that God has sent him, even if he tells them this name, so God shows him some of his power by turning Moses' staff into a serpent and his hand leprous. Moses asks for some help because he can't speak well and God says that Aaron his brother will do the talking for

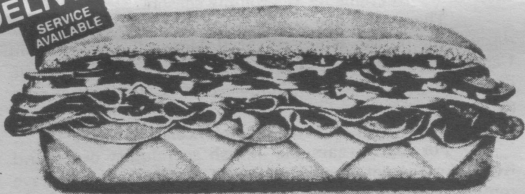
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January 1/ 18 Tevet SHABBAT SHEMOT Exodus 1:1-6:1

On this Shabbat we begin the second book of the Torah known in Hebrew as *Shemot* - Names and in English as *Exodus*. The book of *Exodus* begins with a recalling of the names of the sons of Jacob hence the Hebrew name of the book. We learn that Joseph and all his generation had died and that the Israelite people had greatly increased in number. But the favor that was shown to Joseph has disappeared as the new Pharaoh knows nothing about Joseph, enslaving the Israelite community. As slaves they built cities for Pharaoh and were treated quite harshly.

Pharaoh was afraid of an Israelite revolt against him by the numerous community and ordered the Hebrew midwives to kill all male children born to the Hebrew women. Two of the midwives Shiphrah and Puah feared God and risked their lives by telling Pharaoh that the Israelite women are strong and give birth before they can arrive. These two women are overlooked heroines of our past and should be so honored. Pharaoh then ordered his soldiers to find every new born male child and cast that child into the Nile.

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BY: IRIS ROMAN

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- (For 20 latkes)
2 lbs. potatoes
2 eggs
1 tsp. salt
2 tbsp. flour or matzo meal
1/4 tsp. baking powder

- 1 small onion
1 small apple
Oil for frying
Sour cream
Apple sauce

Method:

Peel and grate the potatoes on a coarse grater and drain. Peel and grate the onion and apple. Beat the eggs lightly in a medium bowl. Add the grated potatoes, onion and apple and blend well. Add salt, flour and baking powder. Mix thoroughly. Pour about 1 inch of oil into a large skillet and heat. Drop the latke mixture by tablespoons into the hot oil. Fry and brown on both sides. Serve the latkes hot. Accompany them with bowls of sour cream and apple sauce.

SUFGANIOT

(Yeast-Raised Doughnuts)

Ingredients:

- 2 pkgs. active dry yeast
4 1/2 to 4 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
6 tbsp. margarine, softened
1 tsp. vanilla
jam or jelly
sifted powdered sugar

- 1 cup warm water
3/4 cup granulated sugar
2 eggs
vegetable shortening for deep-fat frying

Method:

Dissolve yeast in warm water (110 to 115 F); add 1 1/2 cups of the flour to form a sponge. Cover; let rise till bubbly, about 45 minutes. Cream granulated sugar, margarine, eggs and vanilla until fluffy and thick. Stir in yeast sponge and enough remaining flour to make a moderately stiff dough. Turn out onto lightly floured surface. Knead until smooth, 5 to 8 minutes. Roll to 1/2 inch thickness; cut with floured 2 1/2 inch biscuit cutter. Cover; let rise till almost double, about one hour. Heat shortening in deep-fat fryer to 375 degrees. Fry doughnuts a few at a time, about three minutes, turning once. Drain on paper toweling. Fill doughnuts with jam or jelly using pastry tube. Just with sifted powdered sugar or while still warm dip in oney. Makes 2 dozen doughnuts.

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NEW YORK---A recent study on the effects of test preparation by Price Waterhouse revealed that students who participate fully in SAT prep courses at Kaplan Educational Centers show an average score increase of 115 points. The study, the most up-to-date of its kind, consisted of the largest and most representative national sample of coached students of any study in the past decade.

Price Waterhouse surveyed 1,710 Kaplan students across the U.S., with a response rate of 77%, yielding a sample size of 1,316. The study compared students' PSAT scores from the Fall of 1992 to their SAT scores from March or May 1993.

The study was commissioned by Kaplan and

independently designed, executed and tabulated by Price Waterhouse. It is notable because of its large sample size, high response rate and use of a representative sample of coached students.

Highlights of the findings include the following:

*Students who participated fully in Kaplan's SAT course (attended 90% of classes and took the four computer-analyzed diagnostic tests) increased an average of 115 points.

*Over 18% of these students showed increases ranging from 200 to 380 points.

*Students who worked harder showed larger gains. A subgroup of students who participated

fully in Kaplan classes and completed three hours of weekly homework showed and average score increase of 128 points.

*Students with higher grade point averages (GPAs) showed only slightly higher score increases than those with lower GPAs.

*Score increases were comparable for male and female students.

*Students whose parents had college and/or graduate degrees showed greater improvement than those whose parents did not.

Kaplan is the nation's largest test preparation organization and one of the largest private education companies in the country. With 155 permanent centers and 600 satellite classroom locations in the U.S. and abroad, the company serves over 150,000 students annually for college and graduate admissions exams such as the SAT, ACT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, and MCAT; professional licensing exams for medicine, nursing, dentistry and accounting; and specialized exams for foreign students and professionals. Kaplan is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Washington Post Company, which also owns Newsweek magazine.

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Israel Radio reported November 16, 1993, on a first practical breakthrough in the multilateral talks on the environment, currently meeting in Cairo. A joint system common to Israel and Jordan was established to handle sea pollution in the Gulf of Akaba/Eilat and to preserve the coral reefs in the area. Other delegations to the talks, including one from the World Bank, agreed to assist in funding the new joint system.

FIRST KOSHER CAFE IN MOSCOW PROVES TO BE BIG SUCCESS

BY KENNETH DANCYGER

NEW YORK(JTA)--In the two years since the fall of Communism, many dramatic changes have taken place in Moscow, so it was perhaps inevitable that the Russian capital would finally have its first kosher restaurant.

In the past, Russian Jews who wanted to keep kosher had to eat at home and because there were no kosher butchers, restrict themselves largely to a vegetarian diet.

But this summer, Moscow businessman Igor Bukharov transformed Vege Burger, a 4-year-old restaurant, into a kosher eatery.

The restaurant, which serves some 800 people each day, has 16 indoor tables watched over by a larger-than-life mural of New York City. For those preferring al fresco dining, there are eight tables under striped umbrellas outside the restaurant.

McDONALD'S RAISES ITS ARCHES IN ISRAEL

Tel Aviv (JTA)--"Big Mac" arrived in Israel when the first of what is planned to be a major chain of McDonald's fast food outlets opened its doors under the famous golden arches.

The restaurant opened with great fanfare when William Brown, the U.S. ambassador to Israel, and Ramat Gan Mayor Zvi Bar met with Amri Padan, McDonald's Israel concessionaire, to relish the first burger served at the new restaurant, in the Canion Ayalon shopping mall in Ramat Gan.

The \$2 million restaurant, which seats 450, is the first of five Padan plans to open.

The restaurant does not have a kosher certification, as it serves cheeseburgers and is open on the Sabbath.

All the meat served, however, is kosher, as research has shown that Israelis prefer kosher meat, Padan said.

Other branches will not serve cheeseburgers and will have kashrut certificates.

Mc Donald's executive Jim Skinner, who is in charge of the Middle East region for the Chicago-based chain, said the Ramat Gan outlet is the first in the Middle East, but not for long.

A branch is open in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, within the month, with others to follow in the Saudi city of Jidda, as well as Bahrain and Egypt.

RUSSIAN MAN, FAMILY REUNITED IN LEXINGTON



Moysey Orlov (center) shown at his arrival at Bluegrass Airport, along with (from l. to r.) his granddaughter Irina, daughter-in-law Anna, great grandson Lev, great grandson Victor, and son Mark.

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which means "thank you" in Russian.

Zoya Orlov and her family were the first of our recently resettled Russian families. She and her family came to Lexington in April 1991. Zoya had not seen her parents, grandfather and sister in over two years. Their reunion was both joyous and tearful.

Moysey, who turned 100 years old on Sept. 8, celebrated his birthday with his newly reunited family. Irina has recently started work at St. Joseph's Hospital in the housekeeping department.

The Russian Resettlement Project is alive and well in Lexington, but it needs your help. The key positions available are Volunteer Coordinator and Employment Job Developer.

We are also in need of individuals to provide transportation to job interviews. If any of these sound appealing to you, please call Evelyn Geller, Russian Resettlement Chairperson, or Sharyn Sharer

BY SHARYN SHARER, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

During the month of December two new American families will be arriving. We are expecting the first family to arrive December 6 or 7 and the second family the week after. Going to the airport is always a wonderful experience. If you would like to join us at and be part of this joyous occasion, please contact the CKJF office (268-0672).

What an exciting time to be coming to the United States--during Chanukah. While we are lighting the candles to commemorate the Festival of Lights and freedom, let us remember to include in our celebrations the newest members of our Lexington Jewish Community--the new Americans.

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TWO FAMILIES TO RESETTLE

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our celebrations.

We are still in need of household furnishings to set up apartments. If you have any household items you wish to donate, please contact the CKJF office, 268-0672.

Happy Chanukah to all!

FIRST ANNUAL CHAI AWARDS

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Judging: Nominations will be judged by the Community Relations Committee of CKJF prior to the middle of January. The Honorees chosen by the committee will be announced in the February edition of the federation newspaper.

Deadline: All nominations must be received by the CKJF office, no later than January 2, 1994.

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THE NEWEST "KID" ON THE U.S. SUPREME COURT BLOCK

BY SAMUEL RABINOVE

(AJC) More often than not, new appointees to the U.S. Supreme Court bench are inclined to be somewhat subdued at the beginning of their first term. Last October 4, however, on her first day on the bench, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg, who was appointed to succeed retired Justice Byron R. White, showed none of the conventional reticence often displayed by junior Justices. Quite the contrary. She questioned opposing counsel aggressively, challenged their arguments vigorously, demanded evidence for their assertions, and grilled them on the applicable statutes. No shrinking violet, she.

Nine days later, during the argument in the sexual harassment case of *Harris v. Forklift Systems, Inc.*, Justice Ginsberg cut through the "legalese" of the opposing counsel. She inquired, for example, why sexual harassment should not be defined simply as conduct that makes it harder for one person to perform a job than another because of gender. At one point she remarked that sexual harassment could be found "if one sex has to put up with something that the other sex doesn't have to put up with." She provided a breath of fresh air in the sometimes stuffy atmosphere of the Court.

Who is Ruth Bader

Ginsberg? Among other things, she was the first female tenured professor at Columbia Law School. She is the second woman and the sixth Jew to sit on the Supreme Court, and the first appointee by a Democratic president since Lyndon B. Johnson chose Thurgood Marshall in 1967. She is the first Jewish Justice since Abe Fortas resigned in disgrace in 1969. A brilliant trial lawyer, she was a trail blazer in the emerging struggle for equality under the law for women.

She served as general counsel to the ACLU's women's rights project, winning five of the six cases she argued before the Supreme Court. Even though Ruth Bader Ginsberg tied for first place in Columbia Law School's Class of 1959, Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter declined to hire her as a clerk because she was a woman, nor was she able to obtain a job at any major law firm. As she once put it: "To be a woman, a Jew and a mother to boot, that combination was a bit much." In 1980, however, she was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. In 1988, Judge Ginsberg was awarded an honorary degree by Hebrew Union College.

Last August, Judge Ginsberg won confirmation by the Senate in a vote of 96-3. Although the American Bar Association had given her its highest rating, three Republican Senators - Jesse Helms of North Carolina, Don Nickels of Oklahoma and Robert C. Smith of New Hampshire - voted against her, primarily because of her record of impassioned support for women's reproductive rights. Her nomination sailed through the Senate in spite of an effort by elements of the Religious Right to defeat it. Phyllis Schlafly, National Chairwoman of the Republican National Coalition for Life, characterized Ginsberg as perhaps the "most radical ideologue ever nominated to the Supreme Court."

Where does Justice Ginsberg stand on issues of prime concern to American

Jews, such as religious freedom and separation of church and state? During the confirmation hearings, she was asked a number of questions concerning her views on these matters. She was asked, for example, how she feels about the test set forth by the Supreme Court in *Lemon v. Kurtzman* in 1971 to determine what constitutes a violation of the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment. Under this standard, a government action breaches the "wall of separation" if it does not have a secular purpose, if its primary effect is to advance or inhibit religion, or if it fosters excessive entanglement between religion and government. The *Lemon* test is widely viewed as a critical safeguard for the principle of church/state separation.

Although there has been much criticism of the *Lemon* test by many, including several Justices now sitting on the bench, Ginsberg replied: "I must ask the question, what is the alternative? It's very easy to tear down, to deconstruct. It's not so easy to construct."

While serving on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Ginsberg wrote several opinions relating to the First Amendment Religion Clauses. In *Murray v. Buchanan* in 1983, for example, the practice of employing congressional chaplains was challenged. Judge Ginsberg opined that this practice does not violate the Establishment Clause because the Supreme Court's earlier ruling in *Marsh v. Chambers*, which upheld legislative chaplaincies on the state level, was dispositive.

She followed Supreme Court precedent.

In *Leahy v. District of Columbia* in 1987, Judge Ginsberg showed her support for freedom of conscience in writing that the District of Columbia had failed the "least restrictive means/compelling interest" requirement in insisting on a social security number for a driver's license from a person with sincere religious objections to using the number. In other words, she applied the Supreme Court's "compelling interest" test for determining whether a governmental action should be allowed to burden religious practice or belief and, in this case, found no such "compelling interest."

Very importantly, Judge Ginsberg dissented from a 1984 decision by the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals in the case of *Goldman v. Weinberger*, which let stand an Air Force regulation that banned the wearing of yarmulkes while on duty. She found that for a military commander to forbid the yarmulke that Captain Goldman had worn without incident through several years of military service reflected "callous indifference" to his religious faith and was counter to "the best of our traditions." (Subsequently the Supreme Court divided, 5-4, in rejecting Captain Goldman's claim, but Congress later enacted legislation which effectually overturned that decision.)

In a different case of concern to American Jews, in March 1992 a three-judge

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McCONNELL, LOWEY: KEY PLAYERS ON AID TO ISRAEL

BYAMY GOLDSTEIN, AIPAC LEGISLATIVE ANALYST

(NEAR EAST REPORT, 10/11/93) On September 30, Clinton signed into law the FY94 Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill, following final approval by the House and Senate. While many members of the House and Senate panels worked to include pro-Israel provisions in the final bill, two new members of those panels, REP. NITA LOWEY (D-NY) and SEN. MITCH McCONNELL (R-KY), played crucial roles in an often difficult endeavor.

The product of a six-month-long congressional process, the bill contains the core of U.S. support for Israel: \$3 billion in military and economic assistance; \$80 million in refugee assistance; and support for development programs involving Israel.

At the beginning of the year, the level of assistance to Israel was by no means assured. The budget approved by Congress called for a reduction in foreign aid, continuing a dramatic decline in such spending. Over the past two years, the foreign aid budget has dropped from \$16.25 billion to less than \$13 billion in budget authority, a reduction of almost 20 percent.

In the midst of budget cuts, Lowey and McConnell worked with their colleagues to ensure that aid to Israel was fully funded and protected by a legislative earmark. An earmark sets the exact spending levels for specific programs and is a guarantee, in law, that a program will be fully funded.

Opponents of earmarks argued strenuously this year that the new president should be given flexibility in setting foreign aid priorities. Since the Administration had indicated support for aid to Israel, they maintained, Congress should not dictate exact spending levels.

Throughout the process, the struggle over earmarks was one of the most fiercely contested issues. Facing strong opposition, Lowey and McConnell provided critical



Nita Lowey (D-NY)



Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

leadership at pivotal points, ultimately ensuring earmarks for aid to Israel.

During House consideration of the bill in May and June, Lowey took the lead. At key points in the process, she argued strenuously that Congress needed to signal continued support for Israel by earmarking its assistance. After extended negotiations, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations did not include any earmarks in its legislation. However, Lowey's efforts ensured that the question would be revisited when the House-Senate conference committee met to determine the final compromise bill.

In July and August, McConnell provided key leadership during the Senate's preparation of its bill. "I am committed to earmarked aid for Israel,"

McConnell said. "It demonstrates congressional support for Israel Security."

Initially, McConnell faced opposition from SEN. PATRICK LEAHY (D-VT), the chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, who sought to eliminate all earmarks from the legislation. McConnell's insistence on earmarks - and the support of his colleagues on the panel - paid off. When the subcommittee ultimately considered the legislation, the chairman's bill included the crucial earmarks for aid to Israel. SENS. FRANK LAUTENBERG (D-NJ) and DANIEL INOUE (D-HI) were instrumental in including other important pro-Israel provisions.

While the main debate focused on Israel's \$3 billion in military and economic aid, McConnell and Lowey were also champions

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The group then travels to Israel to celebrate YOM HA'ATZMAUT (Israel's Independence Day) in Jerusalem, and recognize the

importance of the State of Israel as Jews celebrate all over the world. Other important sites are visited in Israel as well as in Poland. The students are encouraged to keep diaries of the events and of their thoughts. Many speak of their experiences to community groups when they return.

Students currently in grades 11-12 are eligible to participate. The application process includes a personal interview and an essay, as well as letters of recommendation. Those chosen are expected to attend several educational seminars that will specially prepare them for the March.

All interested students are encouraged to begin the application process as early as possible. About 1500 teens from a variety of educational and religious backgrounds, from all over the United States, will participate. They will join teens from over forty countries. All together, about 5000 Jewish teens will participate in the March.

The cost of the program is \$2,850 plus air fare to New York. For more information about March of the Living, contact Howard Ross, Executive Director at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation at 268-0672. Brochures are available.

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The deadline for FEREP application is February 1st of the academic year for which you are applying. If you are interested in receiving an application, further information about FEREP or arranging an interview with your local Federation, write to Howard Ross, Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, KY 40502 or call 268-0672.

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than the Administration proposed.

While their efforts drew opposition from some advocates for other refugee programs, they sought the same funding level as was provided in the previous two years. The assistance is used to rescue refugees, and help absorb and resettle them once they reach Israel.

Both Lowey and McConnell pointed to this continuing need as they sought funding for the program. "In the past four years," Lowey said, "Israel has rescued almost half a million refugees. With the current upheavals in Russia and the other republics, Israel will continue to be a haven for Jews facing persecution." In fact, over fifty thousand refugees have arrived in Israel during the past nine months, and experts expect this trend to

continue. Like other provisions, refugee assistance was not earmarked in the House bill. An amendment by McConnell - who faced vocal opposition from Chairman Leahy, but had support among other members of the subcommittee - ensured that the full \$80 million was earmarked in the Senate bill. This set the stage for final negotiations between the House and Senate on the bills.

While REP. DAVID OBEY (D-WI), the Chairman of the parallel House panel, opposed all earmarks in the House version of the bill, he accepted four in the final version, including one protecting \$3 billion in assistance to Israel and another ensuring \$80 million in refugee aid in Israel. The dramatic reduction in earmarks represented a critical change from past years, with the number decreasing from 68 last year to four this year. Nevertheless, thanks to the efforts of Lowey, McConnell and other key supporters, two of the four included in the final bill were critically important to the pro-Israel cause.

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HADASSAH NEWS

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BY KATHY FEINBERG

As the winter months loom ahead there are bright spots to look forward to. The Lexington Chapter of Hadassah has exciting and interesting events planned. December will start off with our general meeting on Wednesday, December 1 with a pot-luck dinner followed by a workshop on "Multi Role Stress" conducted by Dr. Di Sobel. Come and have a glass of wine and enjoy the supper, then learn what we can do to cope with the many roles we play. The meeting is at Temple Adath Israel. Call Carol Hustedde at 276-5335 for more details.

The Women's Discussion Group will meet on December 16 to discuss "Interfaith Relationships" and will meet again on January 20 to wrestle with the topic, "Can You be Jewish Without God?" The Group meets monthly and is always at the very least interesting and is more often provocative and thought provoking. If you haven't been to one of these meetings, please make it a

point to attend one soon. Joan Flashman, Sara Charney Cohen, Di Sobel and Diana Clewett have put together a great series for us all to come and learn together.

Our annual Lox Box will be delivered on Sunday December 5. Judy Baumann made an extra effort to get the names of college students in the Central Kentucky area who would enjoy having a delicious Sunday brunch delivered to them (giving them extra time and energy to study for finals) as well as their parents. It is a fun promotion and our friends and families look forward to this annual treat. Dawn Vermey and Judy have done another outstanding job!

Our membership is growing and this is an exciting time for our chapter. We look ahead to 1994 with great enthusiasm. Our members are energetic and dedicated to Hadassah and our varied projects. We are fortunate to have such a diverse and interesting group of women in our chapter. I wish all of our members and the entire community a Happy Hanukkah filled with peace and happiness.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

We've gotten off to a terrific start this year! If you are a WDG regular, or would like to give our group a try, mark the following on your calendar and come enjoy an evening of lively discussion.

Thursday Dec. 16 - Inter-Faith Relationships

At this meeting we'll take a look at the various situations we encounter in our relationships with those of different faiths. How do we deal with the difficulties and conflicts that arise? What are some positive experiences we can share? Come and bring our concerns and your thoughts.

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Thursday Jan. 20 - Judaism: How We Identify with our Religion

What are your ties to your Judaism? Cultural? Religious? Zionist? Social? Plan to join us for this discussion.

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Judy Bauman's House
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Thursday, Feb. 17 - A Look at Jewish Humor

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3220 Blenheim Way - 40503

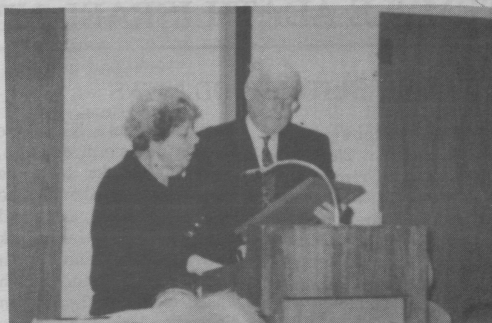
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HADASSAH MEDISCOPE WEEKEND

BY CAROL HUSTEDDE

Our chapter was fortunate to be able to host Marjorie Korenblit over the weekend of October 29th. Ms. Korenblit is responsible for recruiting nurse immigrants to work at the Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem and spent one month visiting Hadassah chapters across the country as a part of the Mediscope program.

Marjorie's weekend in Lexington was very full, and began with a presentation at the UK College of Nursing on Friday afternoon. There she shared her knowledge about the recruiting program at the Medical Center designed specifically to assist with the absorption of nurses primarily from Ethiopia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (the former Soviet Union). Friday evening Marjorie was hosted by Judy and Stanley Saxe for a Shabbat dinner. Saturday evening Merle and David Wekstein hosted a fundraising cocktail party at their home and Marjorie shared some poignant stories about the immigrants who have become employees of the Medical Center. This event was intended to provide funds for specific pieces of medical equipment at the Hadassah Medical Center. On Sunday, Marjorie was the guest of honor at the event for our chapter. Many of our members enjoyed a brunch at



Evelyn Geller presents Dr. Peter Basanworth with the Hadassah Medical Research Certificate, recognizing his work in helping to improve health care for the citizens of Kentucky.



Carolyn Williams, Dean of the UK College of Nursing, Marjorie Korenblit, R.N., and Dr. Stan Saxe at the reception sponsored by the UK College of Nursing.

the UK Faculty Club while Marjorie spoke about the significant challenges of recruiting nurses who are very diverse in terms of their professional training. Throughout the entire weekend, Marjorie exhibited true enthusiasm and commitment to her role in absorbing nurse immigrants in Israel.

The Mediscope weekend was a resounding success, thanks to all who devoted their time and energy to this effort. Special thanks are due to Kathy Feinberg, Evelyn Geller, Kathy Grossman, Shirley Bryan, Judy and Stanley Saxe, Vinnie Dubilier, Merle and David Wekstein, Marilyn Moosnick and Nancy Menard.

HADASSAH BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP STARTING

After a few years hiatus, Hadassah is pleased to announce the revival of the Book Discussion Group. The group, which will be chaired by Di Sobel and Sara Charney Cohen, will have its first meeting and discussion on January 30.

The theme this year is Feminism and Judaism. Four topical books will be discussed over the course of the year:

Deborah, Golda and Me: Being Female and Jewish in America
by Letty Cottin Pogrebin

The Telling
by E. M. Broner

A Breath of Life: Feminism in the American Jewish Community
by Sylvia Barack Fishman

On Being a Jewish Feminist: A Reader
by Susannah Heschel

All titles can be ordered through the Lexington Chapter of Hadassah. Newcomers are welcome.

Start reading now, and come join us for the first discussion!

Date: January 30, 1993
Time: 10:30-12:30 am
Place: Home of Sara Charney Cohen
720 Seattle Drive
Lexington, KY 40503

Topic/Book: *Deborah, Golda and Me: Being Female and Jewish in America*
by Letty Cottin Pogrebin

For more information, contact either Sara Charney Cohen at 276-4142 or Di Sobel at 245-2054.

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL NEWS

TAI SISTERHOOD NEWS

From October 21st through October 25th, our Sisterhood was represented by Marilyn Lieber, Ruth Baker and Sandy Adland at the 39th Annual National Federation of Temple Sisterhood's Biennial in San Francisco.

Our days were filled with workshops which offered helpful information on programming, fund raising, community service projects, gift shop ideas, women's rituals and studies and membership.

We are anxious to share this information with our Sisterhood members. Of particular note, is a revision in the name of our national organization which has been

changed from NFTS to Women of Reform Judaism, NFTS. Thanks to those sisterhood members who helped to prepare, serve and clean up for the Black Church Coalition 10th Anniversary dinner which was held at the Temple on November 11th. Also, many thanks to everyone who contributed their time and energy to our TAI/Sisterhood fund raiser. Your participation made it a tremendous success!

Our December program is dinner at Teaberry's followed by a white elephant auction on December 15th at 6:30 PM. Please join us.

SISTERHOOD'S DECEMBER & JANUARY PROGRAMS

On **December 15th**, TAI Sisterhood will meet at Teaberry's Buffet & Grill (formerly Sizzler) for dinner and a White Elephant Auction. Come at 6:30 and bring that item you no longer want or can use. RSVP to the Temple office by December 13th.

On **January 19th**, Sisterhood will meet at "Comedy on Broadway" at 7:30 PM for an evening of fun and laughter. RSVP to the Temple office January 17th.

TEMPLE BOOK CLUB

The Book Club is currently reading and will review **Denial of the Holocaust** by Deborah Lipstadt on January 11, 1994 at the home of Harriett Rose & Chuck Elton, 712 Beechmont Road at 7:30 PM.

BABY NAMING

The Temple congregation is cordially invited to attend the baby naming of Jamie Hanna, daughter of Kim and Rob Rosenstein will be on December 3, 1993 during Shabbat services.

Scholar-in-Residence Walter Zanger's Schedule Dec. 3-5

Dec. 3 - Friday evening (during the 8 PM worship service) - **The Peace Agreement; Who is Making a Treaty with Whom and About What?**

Dec. 4 - Saturday (following Torah Study and Worship) Pot Luck Lunch (dairy) beginning about 11:30 AM - **Jerusalem: The Center of the World!**

{Please RSVP to the Temple Office 269-2979 so we can set up the appropriate number of chairs}

Dec. 5 - Sunday morning at 10:15 AM - **The Dead Sea Scrolls**

CKJS (CENTRAL KENTUCKY JEWISH SINGLES)

If you wish to be added to the mailing list, please call the Temple office at 269-2979.

Saturday, December 11,

On the night we light the fourth candle for Hanukkah, we will have a quiet celebration at a place to be announced ater. Singles with kids are especially encouraged to come.

Please call the Temple office at 269-2979 if you are interested in attending this celebration.

BLOOD DONOR DRIVE "GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE"

December 12, 1993 - 9 AM to 12 noon

If you missed out last time, here's your chance.

NOTE: BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE HELD AT OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE

B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS (Beginning in January)

7:30 - 9 P.M. Wednesday Cost \$75

Adults who desire to experience a *Bar Bat Mitzvah* can accomplish this through *B'nai Mitzvah*. This course is presented in two parts: Hebrew and Judaica.



The Hebrew is for those who are familiar with the Alef-Bet. (Either completion of *Basic Hebrew* or prior knowledge of Hebrew is required.) The Hebrew will culminate with the members of the *B'nai Mitzvah* class leading an Erev Shabbat service and each participant reading from the Torah. The Judaica portion will concentrate on exposure to various Jewish texts and a greater depth in certain areas of Jewish knowledge.

Class dates are:

January 5, 12
February 2, 9, 16, 23
March 2, 9, 16, 22 (This is a Tues.)
April 6, 13, 20, 27
May 4

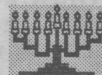
The date of the *B'nai Mitzvah* service will be determined by the class.

LEISURE CLUB

Wednesday, December 8 HANUKKAH PARTY

Lunch including Latkes

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DEC. 11, 1993
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RSVP to TAI 269-2979 by Dec. 8th

FROM THE GIFT SHOP

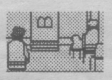
Hanukkah is early this year - December 8th - so check your bulletin for the special shopping days and times.

We are open every Friday evening 30 minutes prior to services and every Sunday from 10 AM to 12 noon when Religious School is in session. If you would like to shop at any other time, please call Marilyn Lieber at 266-1240.

Shabbat Worship on December 24th and 31st is a Kabbalat Shabbat Service beginning at 5:30 PM.

Please note this on your calendar.

SHABBAT SERVICES



Saturday, December 4th
Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Pot Luck Lunch 11:30 AM
RSVP to TAI
Scholar-in-Residence
Walter Zanger - Speaker

Friday, December 10th
Hanukkah Pot Luck 6:15 PM
Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
TAI Makhela will sing Story Sermon
December Birthday Blessings
Candle Blessor:
Chela Kaplan
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
Kaye & Al Kaplan
Andy Weiner
Chela & David Kaplan
No Child Care Available

Friday, December 17th
Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Vayigash
Genesis: 44:18-47:27

Candle Blessor: Faith Miller Cole
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
Marsha & Gary Matthews
Anita & Ira Mersack
Penny & Bob Miller
Child Care Available

Saturday, December 18th
Torah Study 9:30 AM
Aaron & Catherine Cole
B'not Mitzvah 10:30 AM

Friday, December 24th
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:30 PM
Torah Portion: Vayechi
Genesis: 47:28-50:26
Candle Blessor: Cheryl Jonas
NO Oneg
NO Child Care Available

Friday, December 31st
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:30 PM
Torah Portion: Shemot
Exodus: 1:1-16:1
NO Oneg
NO Child Care Available

Friday, January 7th
Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Va'era
Exodus: 6:2-9:35
Candle Blessor: Jo Belin
Kiddush: Amy Crystal
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
Martha & Del Pearson
Marcia Risk & Ken Freedman
Jo & Bob Belin
Child Care Available

Saturday, January 8th
Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

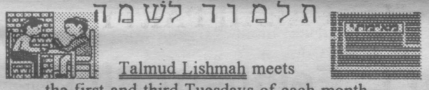
Friday, January 14th
Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Bo
Exodus: 10:1-13:16
Candle Blessor: Sheila Biel
Kiddush: Fred Milch
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
Linda Haggin
Betsy Wides
Bobbi & Lou Shain
Harold Weinberg
Child Care Available

January 21st
Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
TAI Makhela will sing
1st Grade Presentation
Story Sermon
January Birthday Blessings
Candle Blessor: Tonya Houglund
Kiddush: Kelli Newman
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
David Wachtel
Janice & Larry Newman
Audrey & Jim Rooney
Tonya Houglund
Child Care Available

January 28th
Tu B'Shevat Seder 6:15 PM
Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Yitro
Exodus: 18:1-20:23
Candle Blessor: Judy Miller
Kiddush: Lauren Higdon
Oneg Hostesses/Hosts:
Ruth & Neil Poley
Ruth & Ben Baker
Judy & David Miller
Child Care Available

NEXT SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 13, AT 7:30 PM

Talmud Lishmah



Talmud Lishmah meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 12 Noon. Bring a sack lunch and join with others in the study of **The Steinsaltz Talmud.**
(No experience needed.)
The next dates are: Dec. 7 - Jan. 4

TEMPLE HANUKKAH POT LUCK DINNER & FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE

December 10, 1993

6:15 PM Hanukkah Candle Lighting & Shabbat Blessings

6:30 PM Shabbat Dinner

7:30 PM Family Worship Service

TAI Makhela will sing
Rabbi Adland will tell a story
December birthday blessings

RSVP to TAI by Dec. 8th to reserve a place at the dinner. Bring your Hanukkah menorah and 4 candles. FOR DINNER BRING A MAIN COURSE, AND LATKES OR A VEGETABLE/SALAD.

M.S.T.Y.G. BOWLING & DQ

(Middle School Temple Youth Group)

December 5, 1993
Sack Lunch at Temple after Religious School (we'll provide drinks), 1 game of bowling at Eastland, Lansdowne DQ for an afternoon snack.

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RSVP to TAI by Dec. 2nd
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HAVURAH NEWS

HAVURAH CHANUKAH PARTY

The Lexington Havurah will be having its annual Chanukah party on Sunday, December 12, from 6:00 to 8:00. The party will be held at the Popkin's, 3423 Coldstream Court. This will be a potluck, BYOL (bring your own latkes and a salad). For information call Hannah Smith.

HAVURAH SERVICES SCHEDULE

The Havurah will be having Friday night services on January 7 and January 28. On the 28th, we will also be holding our Tu B'Shvat Seder, a unique, fun and interesting celebration of the "Birthday for the Trees."

Services are usually held at the Lexington Hearing and Speech Center. For further information, call Kathy Grossman at 268-2596 or Alex Charney Cohen at 276-4142.



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OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE NEWS

SOCIAL ACTION NEWS

The Ohavay Zion Social Action Committee is living up to its name these days. We got off to a great start with a tremendous response to Operation Isaiah by contributing more than 1500 pounds of food.

A group from the Synagogue volunteered to serve a meal at the HOPE Center in November. We are trying to schedule a time when we can help there once a month. Two programs are planned for this month (see below). A coat drive coming up will help warm those in need. We are joining the Temple to sponsor a Blood Drive.

Other long-term projects in the works are a Big Brother/Big Sister

program, and a Habitat for Humanity effort.

We have a very active and eager committee but there is always room for more. If you wish to be notified of the meetings, would like to be involved in any of the above projects or have any ideas of your own, please contact Lynn Cooper, Alan Kirschenbaum, Simone Salomon, Mike Ades, Aaron and Maralyn Milgrom, Jo Ellen Kaiser, Ellen Trachtenberg, Ricki Rosenberg, Bret Caller, Cindy Derer, Bev and Howard Ross or Alan and Kathy Stein.

BABY IT'S COLD OUT THERE

Many people in

Lexington will face the upcoming winter with only the bare necessities—they may not even have a coat to keep them warm.

If you have coats you no longer wear that are taking up room in your closets, please bring them to Ohavay Zion between the hours of 10 am and noon Sunday, December 5 and 12. We will deliver the coats to Hart's Laundry. They will clean and distribute them at no charge. Or, you can drop your coats off at any Hart's Laundry and Dry Cleaning branch.

If you have coats you would like to donate but cannot get by the Synagogue, please call Lynn Cooper at 253-0355 and we will arrange to have someone pick them up.

OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE YOUTH GROUP STARTED

The newly formed Synagogue Youth Group held its first meeting Sunday, November 14. The attendance at the meeting was very encouraging. Nineteen people arrived ranging from ages 12 to 17. After becoming acquainted, the goals of the youth group were discussed, and three subcommittees were formed. The committees that were formed are Community Service/Social Action Committee, the Planning Committee and the Social Committee. The youth group plans to become involved in community service and may even team up with the Social Action Committee at the Synagogue.

Officers were also elected by the group. The results are as follows:

President--Rebecca Broudy
Vice-President--Erica Cohen
Secretary--Jessica Flashman
Treasurer--Seth Salomon

The meeting ended with pizza and soft drinks courtesy of Arthur and Simone Salomon. Any youths who were not informed of the meeting or unable to attend and would like to be included, please contact Rebecca Broudy at 266-2770 for more information.

EDUCATION DOR L'DOR (Generation to Generation)

Congratulations Consecration Class as you begin your study of Torah! Daniel Archer, Tasha Sharer, Miranda Meyers, Rebecca Knight, Jenna Shapiro, Seth Slaton, Evan Slaton, Daniel Epstein and Joseph O'Dell.

Be on the lookout for COMEDY ON EDGEWATER!
Details to come.

Want to get involved? One easy way to get involved in teaching is to be a substitute. We need people to develop a substitution list for our teachers to have. Please call Janice Crane, 278-0119, if we can put your name on the list. You might really like it.

Please join the Religious School in prayer on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:00. It only takes fifteen minutes to understand what we are all about and be a part of something really special!

Teacher Retreats: On Sunday, November 21, the first of three teacher retreats took place. Our staff participated in the United Synagogue U-STEP program which is an exciting opportunity for teacher and potential teacher enrichment. If you missed this one, stay tuned for announcements of the next retreat date.

Religious School Handbook is in the works! In an ongoing effort to produce a Handbook for the Religious School, the Education Committee is working to establish a written set of guidelines for families of Hebrew School Students so parents and students will know what to expect from year to year.

Join us at Religious School Services Sundays at 9:45! Come and see what's happening this month December 5 and 12.

1994-5 Bar and Bat Mitzvah class parents meeting: An informal, short meeting for parents of students in the DALED class is planned for January 9, 1994 at 10:00 am (during Religious School) to discuss with Janice and the Rabbi guidelines for the coming year.

Tu B'Shavat Seder - January 23: The New Year for trees will be celebrated with a seder using fruits and nuts.

COME JOIN US FOR BLOOD AND BAGELS!!!

The Social Action Committees of Ohavay Zion Synagogue and Temple Adath Israel are combining forces to donate blood to the Kentucky Blood Center. The Temple has been doing this for several years now and we felt it was important for us to contribute in this way as well.

The folks from the Kentucky Blood Center will be at Ohavay Zion Synagogue on Sunday, December 12, from 9:00 am

through 12 noon. You can drop off the kids at Sunday School and perform a mitzvah at the same time! Bagels and juice will be provided.

If you are unable to give blood, come anyway and support those who are. You can help serve the bagels and juice. If you need a ride or additional information, please contact Lynn Cooper at 253-0355.

Operation Isaiah proved that OZS can pull together and help the community--let's keep up the momentum.

CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW

Rabbi Smith will be teaching an Adult Educational Class in Conversational Hebrew beginning in January, 1994. There will be a small charge for the class based on the number of people attending.

If interested, please call Dana at the Synagogue office, 266-8050.

Gift Shop News

Warning! Warning!
Hanukah is near!!

The gift shop will be open extra hours.
Monday, December 6th and
Tuesday, December 7th
4:30 pm - 7 pm

First candle - Wednesday, December 8th.

Family Hanukkah Dinner December 14, 6:30 pm

Menu includes:
Latkes/Sour Cream/Applesauce
Tuna Salad
Fruit
White Wine
Dessert

Cost: \$6.50 Adults
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KIM'S KIDS CORNER

by Kim Slaton



Hanukkah is Here

Candles burn,
Dreidels turn,
While latkes cook,
I read a Jewish book.
We light the menorah,
And dance the hora.
We open gifts,
Outside the snow drifts.
We gobble up gelt,
While the candles melt.
We sing Maoz Tzur,
It's a happy time for sure,
Cause Hanukkah is here!



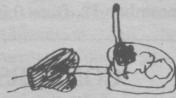
HANUKKAH

Mid winter holiday celebrating the Maccabees' victory over the Syrians and the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem.



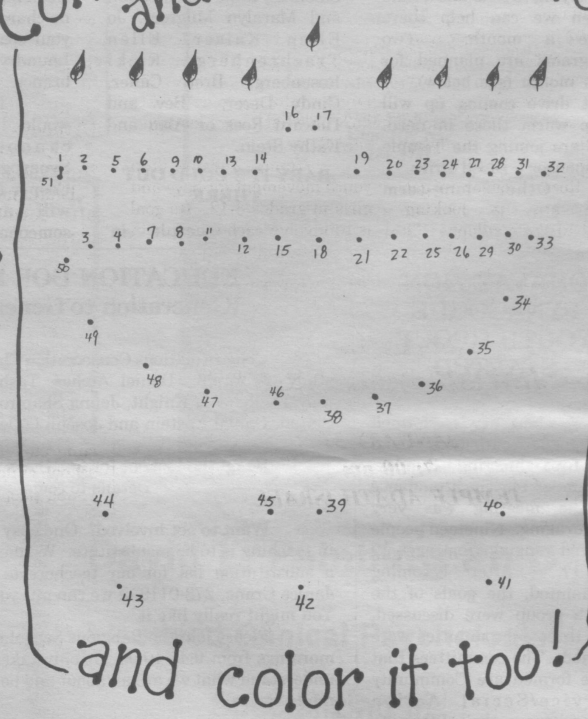
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WORD UP SUYGANIYOT

Suvvaniyot are special jelly-filled doughnuts which Jews make for Hanukkah.



Make a MENORAH SANDWICH

What You Need:

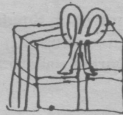
- 1 slice of bread
- 2 Tbsp. whipped cream cheese
- 8 small pretzel sticks
- 1 long thin slice of carrot or celery
- 9 raisins

What You Do:

1. Spread cream cheese on bread.
 2. Arrange pretzel stick "candles" and carrot stick "shamash" to make a Chanukah menorah.
 3. Use raisins to "light" your menorah.
- Serves 1



Plate
Vegetable peeler
Knife and cutting board



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LET'S PLAY DREIDEL

Here are the rules for playing dreidel:

Everyone starts with an equal number of pennies, nuts, raisins, or Chanukah gelt. Each player puts one of these in the middle. The first player spins the dreidel. If it lands on:

- ⌒ Nun—the player does nothing
- ⌒ Gimmel—the player takes everything in the middle
- ⌒ Hey—the player takes half
- ⌒ Shin—the player puts one in

Before the next player spins, everyone puts another piece in the middle.

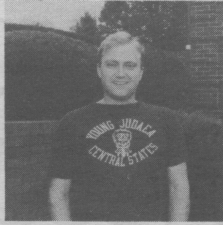


SOURCES: My Very Own Animated Jewish Holiday Activity Book, by Jacqueline Jacobson Fliskin.
Miracle Meals, by Madeline Wikler and Judyth Groner.
The Jewish Kids Catalog, by Chaya M. Burstein.

FIND THESE WORDS
IN THE LETTERS ABOVE

YOUNG JUDAEA HIRES CITY DIRECTOR

Young Judaea has chosen Ross Moosnick to serve as City Director for Lexington, Kentucky. Ross will oversee the formation and expansion of clubs in the Central Kentucky area. Kentucky is part of the Central States region of Young Judaea, which also includes Ohio, West Virginia and Michigan.



Ross Moosnick will serve as City Director for Lexington Young Judaea.

Moosnick, 29, and a native of Lexington, is well-qualified for the position. He has a BA in psychology from Boston University, and has experience as both a youth group counselor and a Hebrew school teacher. He is currently at U.K. studying for a Master of Social Work.

Ross is eager to get started and is looking forward to the challenge. "I grew up in Young Judaea.

The movement played a very important part in my life, and I am happy to be able to pass on what I have learned," said Ross.

Young Judaea is a youth movement for boys and girls in grades 3-12. Its goal is to involve each member in an informal educational

experience that develops and sharpens a sense of Jewish identity within a Zionist framework. Young Judaea offers Jewish children the opportunity to socialize, learn and share experiences with other Jewish children, in hope that the experience will give its graduates a strong sense of Jewish identity they will carry with them throughout their adult lives.

Young Judaea offers year-round clubs, regional conventions, summer camps and Israel programs. Young Judaea is designed to appeal to all religious affiliations--Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, etc. To this end, functions observe the Sabbath and Kashrut so that all Jewish youth may participate. Young Judaea, over eighty years old, is the oldest Zionist Jewish youth movement in the United States. It is sponsored by Hadassah.

Locally, Moosnick would like to see clubs offered on three levels--one for elementary school children, one for middle school children and one for young people in high school. He has two "veteran Judaeans" working on his staff, though ideally he'd like to find some high school students who are interested in learning how to work with the younger children.

"Peer leadership is an important part of Young Judaea. The members will learn leadership skills here that they can use for the rest of their lives," said Moosnick.

"We hope the community will welcome us as another resource for Jewish educational programs and social functions for kids. There's not as much available for Jewish kids here as there is in larger cities. Families really can take advantage of all that is available," said Ross.

The clubs will begin meeting in January. They are still in the planning stages, and Ross says he welcomes input from the community. For more information about Young Judaea, or to share your ideas, you can reach Ross Moosnick by telephone at 278-1352.

2nd ANNUAL JEWISH CAMP NIGHT

JANUARY 31
7: 00 pm
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GET INFORMATION ON:

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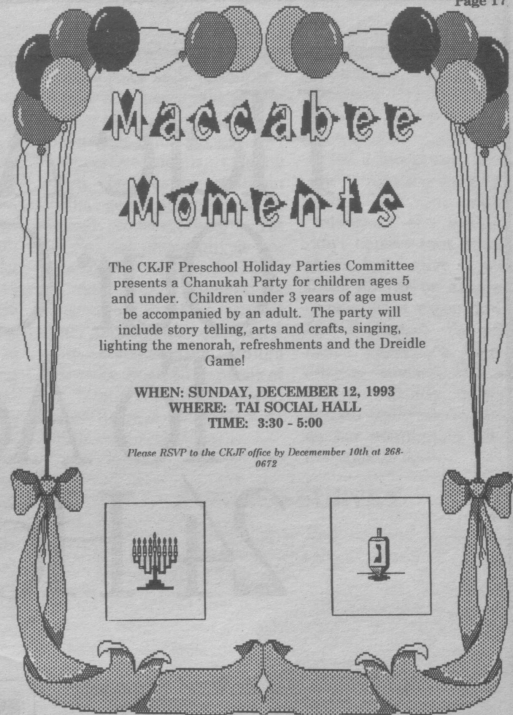
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The CKJF Preschool Holiday Parties Committee presents a Chanukah Party for children ages 5 and under. Children under 3 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. The party will include story telling, arts and crafts, singing, lighting the menorah, refreshments and the Dreidel Game!

WHEN: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1993
WHERE: TAI SOCIAL HALL
TIME: 3:30 - 5:00

Please RSVP to the CKJF office by December 10th at 268-0672

CKJF COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 1 Hadassah General Meeting - 7:30
- 2 CKJF Women's Division Board Meeting - Janice Brock's Home - 7:30
- 4 Danny Bowling Bar Mitzvah - OZS
- 5 Hadassah Lox Box - 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
- 6 Social Service Committee Meeting - 7:30
- 7 OZS Board Meeting
TAI Board Meeting
Chanukah Celebrations in Home - OZS - 7:30
- 8 CKJF Executive Committee Meeting - 7:30
Leisure Club Chanukah Party - 7:30 - TAI
- 11 Rachel Ezrine - Bat Mitzvah - OZS
- 12 CKJF Pre-School Chanukah Party - 3:30 - 5:00 - TAI
- 14 OZS Chanukah Dinner
Hadassah Board Meeting - 7:30
Chabad Party - 7:30
- 15 CKJF Board Meeting - 7:30
- 16 OZS Chanukah Dinner
Hadassah Women's Discussion Group - 7:30
- 18 Aaron & Catherine Cole Bat Mitzvah - 10:30 am - TAI
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panel of the D.C. Circuit of Appeals affirmed, 2-1, a lower court denial of the motion of Jonathan Pollard, imprisoned for spying on behalf of Israel, to withdraw his guilty plea. Two Jewish judges upheld Pollard's life sentence, rejecting his claim that the government had breached the plea agreement that could have resulted in a lesser sentence. One of the judges was Lawrence H. Silberman; the other was Ruth Bader Ginsberg.

The issue of abortion is also, in an important sense, a church/state issue in that certain churches are seeking to use the machinery of the state to impose their religious convictions on everyone. Judge Ginsberg had been targeted for criticism by some in the women's movement for saying that it would have been preferable had the Court in *Roe v. Wade* in 1973 grounded

its support for abortion rights in the Constitution's equal protection guarantee, rather than the right to privacy. Not that she rejected the privacy rationale, but she viewed the equal protection argument as a more convincing justification for abortion rights.

She had also said that the court's ruling in *Roe* was too sweeping, that it might better have limited itself to striking down the restrictive Texas statute in question, and then allowed the legislative process to proceed elsewhere in the country. She believed that in the early 1970s the trend in other states was favorable to liberalization of abortion rights, though others have questioned her assessment.

On issues of church/state separation and religious freedom, almost certainly Justice Ginsberg will prove to be a vast improvement over her predecessor, Justice White. Judging from his rulings in cases involving government aid to sectarian schools, it may be said that Justice White rarely met a plan to spend tax dollars for religious

schools that he would deem to be unconstitutional.

On the most crucial issue of religious freedom, Justice White provided a pivotal fifth vote in the Oregon case of *Employment Division v. Smith*, in 1990, which concerned the use of peyote in Native American religious observance. The Court majority in *Smith* virtually eviscerated the Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment. In contrast to previous rulings of long standing, the Court said that government need not prove a "compelling interest" before it can burden religious practice, that a neutral law of general applicability will be upheld as constitutional even if it does burden such practice, as long as the law does not single out religion for discriminatory treatment. In sum, the Court majority ruled that government need show only that the law is reasonable related to some legitimate government objective. Based on her prior rulings, it is almost inconceivable that Justice Ginsberg would have gone along with the majority in *Smith*.

Justice Ginsberg

frequently has been characterized as a "moderate." It has also been said of her that she has liberal credentials, centrist views and conservative friends. (Among whom is Justice Antonin Scalia, generally seen as a staunch conservative.) Yet her judicial philosophy is not easy to pigeonhole. In 1987, in cases that produced a division on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, she voted with conservative Judge Robert H. Bork 85 per cent of the time, and with liberal Judge Patricia M. Wald only 39 per cent of the time.

Shortly after her

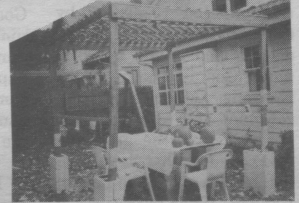
confirmation by the Senate, a reporter asked Judge Ginsberg: "You've been called a liberal, you've been called a conservative, you've been called a moderate. What are you?" Alluding to the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta "Iolanthe," she replied: "I don't believe that every child that's born alive is either a little liberal or else a little conservative, except in Gilbert and Sullivan." In parrying that reporter's question, Justice Ginsberg did as she did so adroitly during the Senate confirmation hearings on her nomination, she kept her options open.

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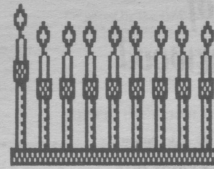
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him.

The portion concludes with Moses confronting Pharaoh saying that Pharaoh should let the people go three days into the wilderness to celebrate a festival for God. Pharaoh's response is to make life more difficult for the Hebrew by increasing their workload and decreasing their supplies. The people are angry with Moses and Moses is confused by their response and God's inability to intervene.

January 8/ 25 Tevet SHABBAT VA'ERA Exodus 6:2-9:35

The portion opens with another revelation by God to Moses and affirmation of who God is and by what name God is known. God reminds Moses of the covenant and tells him that he has heard the groaning. God promises that the people will be brought to the land of Canaan. When Moses passed this on the people wouldn't listen. God then tells Moses that God is going to harden Pharaoh's heart with marvels.

Beginning in the middle of chapter 7, we see the start of the plagues. The first six are blood, frogs, lice, insects, pestilence and

inflammation. The first three plagues are still a contest with the magicians of Pharaoh's court. It is only with the fourth plague that God begins to display power beyond Pharaoh's. Again and again Pharaoh is urged to let the people go. He says yes, but then recants and the plagues become worse. The portion ends with the seventh plague hail and thunder. Pharaoh's heart gets harder.

January 15/ 3 Shevat SHABBAT BO Exodus 10:1-13:16

The portion opens with God telling Moses to go to Pharaoh. His heart is hardened, but God will continue to display the signs. God brings the eighth and ninth plagues of locusts and darkness to the land. As had happened before, Pharaoh summons Moses and Aaron and pleads with them to stop the terrible happenings.

Finally, the Lord said to Moses that there will be one more plague upon Pharaoh and Egypt. At midnight God will go forth and every first-born will die.

Chapter 12 of Exodus seems to interrupt the text of the story and drama between God, Moses, and Pharaoh to tell us about Passover. We learn when and even some of how to celebrate the festival

of Matzah. We are told how to eat it and why and how long. At the end of the chapter, the first born are struck down and Pharaoh says "Go, worship the Lord as you said." 600,000 men on foot aside from the children leave from Raamses to Sukkot. They bake unleavened cakes of dough which we today call matzah. At the end of the 430th year that the Israelites lived in Egypt they depart in the dark of night.

The portion concludes with two additional notes: the eating of the sacrifice and the other relating the Exodus to the first-born.

January 22/ 10 Shevat SHABBAT BESHALLACH Exodus 13:17-17:16

The drama unfolds as the Israelites rush to flee from Egypt and Pharaoh sends his army to bring them back. God leads the people as a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night so that they travel continuously without stopping. When the Israelites see the Egyptians, they lose heart and complain to Moses that they could have died as easily in Egypt instead of in the wilderness. Moses tells the people to have faith and see what God will do.

Moses holds out his arm over the sea and the Lord drives in back with an east wind. The people cross

on dry ground between the walls of water. When the Egyptians follow them across, the waters crash down on their heads and they drown. "And when Israel saw the wondrous power which the Lord had wielded against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord: they had faith in the Lord and in God's servant Moses.

Chapter 16 begins the journey in the wilderness that will lead them to Mt. Sinai. The desert is Israel's proving ground, it is the place where God acquires a people. The Israelites face a shortage of water one time, food another time, but God provides. The story mixes realistic experiences with supernatural incursions: God causes bitter water to become sweet, provides food for the multitudes, and spoils it for the Shabbat-breakers. Manna becomes a symbol of the desert survival and God's presence.

The portion ends with the battle of Amalek and the Amalekites who attack from the rear. Finally, in a full scale battle the Israelites win as long as Moses keeps his hands up. When Moses' arms grew heavy, Aaron and Hur held them up and Joshua routed the Amalekites.

January 29/ 17 Shevat SHABBAT YITRO Exodus 18:1-20:23

The climax of the

Exodus from Egypt and the book of Exodus is found in this portion as Moses and the people receive the commandments from God. Chapter 18 has Moses dividing the responsibilities of leadership among the people on the advice of Jethro. Moses is also united with his two sons Gershom and Eliezer, and his wife Zipporah. Moses recounts everything that has happened since he left.

In chapter 19, the people prepare to receive the commandments. They people are told not to touch the mountain, boundaries are prepared, the people purified, and everything is made ready for the giving of the commandments in chapter 20.



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ISRAELI REFORM AND CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENTS CHALLENGE ORTHODOX CONTROL OF JEWISH MARRIAGES

BY CYNTHIA MANN

JERUSALEM(JTA)-- The Reform and Conservative movements are joining forces to challenge the monopoly of Israel's Orthodox rabbinate to perform marriages.

The movement's leaders announced last month that they will perform marriages that are outside the auspices of the Chief Rabbinate.

While they already do so in individual cases, the

announcement represents what the movements say is the first, "stopgap" measure in a stepped-up campaign to change Israel's matrimony laws.

They also acknowledge that the struggle against one of the state's legal underpinnings will be difficult.

"We certainly know there's going to be a long fight," said Pinhas Vardia, president of the Conservative movement in Israel. "But if we managed to sit down with

Yasser Arafat, then anything is possible."

The Orthodox monopoly perpetuates a denial of basic religious freedom, charged Rabbi Uri Regev, head of the Israel movement for progressive Judaism.

Israel's Interior Ministry does not recognize Jewish marriages performed in Israel unless they are conducted under the auspices of the Chief Rabbinate or of the fervently Orthodox.

Civil marriages, as well as non-Orthodox Jewish ones, are recognized only if they are performed abroad.

To marry, countless non-Orthodox couples, the majority of Israel's population, must adhere to certain Orthodox traditions and rituals. These include determining a wedding date based on the bride's menstrual cycle, classes on religious purity laws, a visit to the ritual bath and a traditional delineation of gender roles in the ceremony and marriage contract, the ketubah.

The Reform and Conservative movements said that in the last six months, they have had about 150 requests for their ceremonies.

Some couples are drawn to their alternatives, they said, because they are forbidden by the Orthodox to marry, such as a Kohen, a member of the priestly class, and a divorcee.

An Orthodox marriage is also off-limits to an increasing number of immigrants from the former Soviet Union, many of whom are not considered Jewish by the Orthodox.

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Theirs was a triumph, not only for religious freedom, but also for the very survival of the Jewish people.

Ever since, when the hours of darkness are longest, we celebrate Hanukkah—remembering the heroism of our ancestors.

This year, as we light our Menorah, we are grateful for the blessings which are ours: family, friends, community, and the opportunity to live as Jews in freedom.

We also pray for the emergence of a complete peace for Israel.

As the ingathering of the Jewish people continues in Israel, we know that the challenges of their absorption are complex.

On Hanukkah, each of us is a candle-lighter—with the ability to kindle new hopes and encouragement for Jews, wherever they may be in need.

Each of us has a responsibility to ensure that compassion and caring are always at the core of our actions.

May the lights of our Menorah shine forth with a bright glow for all our people.



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OPINION

AFTERTHOUGHTS: MUSLIMS, JEWS CONNECT IN AMERICA

By A. James Rudin
Special to Religious News Service

(Rabbi Rudin is national interreligious affairs director of the American Jewish Committee.)

DENVER(RNS)--One immediate result of the Sept. 13 Israel-Palestine Liberation Organization accord has been a new openness between Muslims and Jews in this country.

The new rapprochement was evident recently when the University of Denver and the American Jewish Committee co-sponsored the first ever national conference between these two groups. And the surprisingly relaxed atmosphere at the meeting reflected "The Spirit of the White House Lawn," the place where Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO leader Yassir Arafat signed the accord.

Their dramatic handshake at the signing ceremony has lowered some of the tensions that were always present whenever Muslims and Jews encountered one another in America. Before Sept. 13, meetings often floundered because of sharp differences over the Middle East conflict, but the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, fragile and uncertain as it may be, has changed the atmosphere. Now there is an opportunity for a real exchange between Muslims and Jews.

Scholars and community activists from around the country gathered for two days in the "Mile High City" to focus on the theme "Muslims and Jews in North America." They analyzed past relations between the two groups, current problems and future challenges. Lots of tough questions were raised, including theological and historical differences. But that always happens at interreligious meetings.

What was unexpected was the willingness of the conference participants to speak frankly about the problems within their own communities. I have attended many gatherings

where this simply did not happen. Religious groups like to present the best possible picture of themselves to those outside the fold. The pictures may be pretty, but they are usually incomplete, even false. Denver was different.

Professor Jane Gerber of the City University of New York described how

Jewish immigrants to the United States from Muslim countries during the early 20th century were often rebuffed by an established American Jewish community that sometimes didn't even recognize them as fellow Jews. Newcomers to a country are generally treated poorly by those who arrived first, and Jews behaved like all other groups. But such accounts of intra-group tensions are not usually shared with outsiders.

Dr. Ihsan Bagby of

the Islamic Resource Institute in California reported about the rapid increase in the number of mosques in America during the last 20 years. He estimates that current number at about 940. But that growth has created some serious tensions within the Islamic community between African Americans who were born in the United States and Muslims who have recently emigrated from Arab countries or the Indian subcontinent.

While all three groups may share a

commitment to Islam, their different backgrounds and histories have created some strains. They look at certain issues, even those directly relating to Islam, through different eyes. And the historians at the conference were quick to point out that internal discord has afflicted every religious, racial and ethnic group in American society. Muslims are no different.

Both groups agreed that Muslims and Jews

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It was gracious of you to allow me to aid in the bulk mailing of the invitations and newspaper. I feel an urge, as a Jew, to help the community, from going to youth group meetings to doing work such as that I did at CKJF. Sending off this paper seemed to fill a void in your manpower and assist in my learning more about how your organization works. Thank you for letting me help the Jewish community.

BEN AUERBACK

(editor's note: Ben Auerback is a student at Lafayette High School, who chose CKJF as his vehicle towards completing his community service assignment.)

MUSLIMS, JEWS CONNECT IN AMERICA

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should be actively involved in such important policy questions as the separation of church and state and fair immigration laws. And there were calls at the conference for the two communities to work together on many issues of mutual interest. The Israel-PLO accord has created new opportunities for Muslim-Jewish cooperation in the American public arena.

Muslims complained that American society often identifies all members of their community with acts of terrorism, while Jews expressed anxiety about the increasing number of hate crimes, many of them committed against Jews or Jewish institutions. Both groups felt themselves victims of caricatures, stereotypes and bigotry.

Salam Al-Marayati of the Los Angeles-based Muslim Public Affairs Council sounded a familiar

theme when he poignantly declared: "I know my young son will be an American, but I am not so sure he will be an American AND a Muslim." He was voicing a concern shared by many Jewish parents who struggle with a similar problem: How, as a member of a religious minority, to transmit a unique and precious tradition to the next generation in an American society that often discourages ethnic and religious diversity.

During the conference, Imam Karim Abdullah of Denver and I presented addresses. When we finished, we instinctively shook hands with one another, and the audience broke into applause. The ovation was much more than an appreciation of our speeches. Rather, it represented the hopes for closer contact in America and for peace in the Middle East. The Muslim-Jewish encounter is over 1,400 years old, but some new and exciting pages were added to that ancient history since late summer.

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