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AN OPEN LETTER TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH JEWISH COMMUNITY

Dear Friends:

In previous years, you probably received a personal letter announcing the start of the annual United Jewish Appeal and underlying the vital importance of your support.

Campaign costs such as stationery and postage detract funds available for the cause. Therefore, the United Jewish Appeal Campaign Committee decided this year to cut those costs as severely as possible—hence this open letter to one and all.

The Halifax/Dartmouth 1983 United Jewish Appeal begins officially on Sunday, April 24, and we plan to complete the campaign by May 24. We need your enthusiastic co-operation to achieve both our temporal and financial objectives.

Many members of this community know why their generous support is critical to Israel's survival. It is unfortunately a matter of record that we in Halifax/Dartmouth contributed, less per capita than most comparable Canadian communities. This year, we want to demonstrate that we are full partners in Canadian support for Israel.

The United Jewish Appeal is the major tangible symbol of the partnership between our community and the people of Israel. Our gifts are essential to aid settlements of immigrants from distressed countries; to educate Israel's young citizens; to provide services to the elderly; to ensure adequate health services; and to improve living conditions for the more disadvantaged among the Israeli community.

Please accept your personal share in supporting this campaign eagerly and generously when your canvasser calls.

It's one way we can show our appreciation for our own good fortune and our inescapable responsibilities to our Sisters and Brothers in Israel.

With much appreciation

Ruth M. Goldbloom
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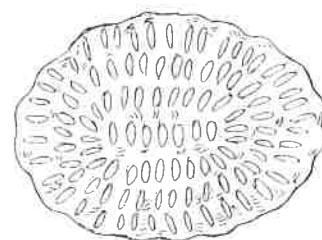
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EDITORIAL



At the beginning of January, my daughter, **Janice**, presented me with a gift of the 1983 Working Women's Calendar. It has a sub-title "how to be everything to everyone".

The clever calendar designers, who dreamed up that sub-title, must have had myself as their role model. More than that, they probably had heard of the diverse roles that the Atlantic Jewish Council plays. As the regional office for most of the major Jewish organizations, the Atlantic Jewish Council is, "everything to everybody."

In the run of a day, we could be programming and arranging cultural and educational events for all the centres, preparing the intricate details for upcoming campaigns for United Jewish Appeal, designing, printing, stuffing 1,500 flyers sometimes 4 or 5, into one envelope and getting them into the mail, preparing and reading all the materials for **Shalom Magazine**, layout and proofing. Even contacting prospective advertisers! Then there are Camp Kadimah plans, rallies, registration and all those packages of material you receive along with committee meetings and discussions. Our telephone rings constantly with inquiries, news and urgent requests. These are just a *few* of the matters to which we attend.

Some of our priorities at the moment, are the Halifax/Dartmouth United Jewish Appeal Campaign, Camp Kadimah 1983, Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary and of course the move to our new premises.

If you are dizzy, just reading about a day in the life of the Atlantic Jewish Council, you might like to ponder upon all the committee meetings, board meet-

ings and conferences that take place. Our volunteers are busy too, coming and going out of the office. We see the youth, we see the seniors and all those in between. We talk and write to all those non-Halifax volunteers who help to arrange the functions held in the various centres, for without them, our work would be impossible!

As for my being the quintessential "working woman", the calendar's authors hit the nail squarely on the head when they honour "Mother's Day" by saying "The most well-deserved holiday of the year" and that August 23 is known as "Fast Food Restaurant Day" for without them, working women may never eat! My thanks go to the authors, Barbara and Jim Dale-apparently Barbara must be a working woman!

Shalom from Shalom

Shirlee Top



Dear Shirlee:

Now that the second term in the **Atlantic Institute of Jewish Studies** is coming to an end, I thought you might like a student's perspective on how the program is working. I took two courses conducted by **Rabbi Pritzker** here in Halifax. The fall course was titled "Great Controversies in Jewish History" and the spring course was "Modern Problems in Practical Judaism." I thought both courses were first rate. Rabbi Pritzker managed to organize and present in a scholarly, but never tedious fashion an enormous amount of information on History, Philosophy, Theology and Law.

The courses were attended by people whose background ranged from traditional orthodoxy to no Jewish background at all. I believe everybody got something out of the courses no matter what background they had. The diverse backgrounds of the student participants helped make the discussion parts of the courses particularly interesting.

I hope that the Atlantic Jewish Council will continue to sponsor such courses in the future.

Richard Wassersug
Halifax

To The Atlantic Jewish Council:

Our celebration commemorating St. Joseph's Children's Centre's 15th birthday was a wonderful success. Our theme of multiculturalism was enhanced immensely by your generous contribution of informative literature and beautiful posters on Israel.

I would like to express my appreciation and thanks for the generosity and kindness shown by those in the office of the Atlantic Jewish Council, whose promptness in delivering the information to me was particularly appreciated. I am sure a better understanding of the various cultures was shared by all.

Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Marie Winspear
St. Joseph's Children's Centre
Halifax



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A RESPONSE TO DECORUM IN THE SYNAGOGUE

Dear Madam Editor:

The article in the *Shalom* on "Decorum in the Synagogue" by J.L. Dubinsky requires comment.

The following remarks are intended as a serious response to Justice Dubinsky's article and his expressed views.

Justice Dubinsky stated "I recall that when I first became a member there (at the Beth Israel) 15 years ago, it was not uncommon to see a newspaper being perused during the service". On the contrary, as a regular attender for 20 years at the Beth Israel, I have never once witnessed such an incident.

Justice Dubinsky's narrative of the events concerning the Torah reading at the Beth Israel Synagogue is entirely out of context. One major cause of the decline in participation in services has been the destructive tampering with historic synagogue interior architecture. I refer spe-

cifically to the tragic elimination of the center bimah which traces its origins to the Holy Temple. With a center bimah, the service is in the midst of the congregation allowing a closer and thus more meaningful relationship between cantor and worshippers. Without the center bimah, Cantor and worshipper are remote from each other. The sad result is that people have become an audience in the synagogue rather than participating in personal worship.

The present manner whereby the Torah is read facing the congregation with the reader's back to the Aron Kodesh (Holy Ark) is in violation of two thousand years of Jewish custom and contrary to the accepted practice of Orthodox synagogues throughout the world. Those who cannot follow the Hebrew can follow the English translation. It does not necessarily follow that to those who can't read the Hebrew should instead be able to see the reader's face. Would you then have the Cantor face the congregation for the same

reason? Of course not. Perhaps the Ritual Affairs Committee could concentrate on restoring these authentic Orthodox rituals which have been abandoned.

As for the subject of decorum, of course it is required by Jewish law during worship. The rule in Synagogue worship is "Know before whom thou standest". In fact, these words in Hebrew are inscribed over the Aron Kodesh (Holy Ark) of the Beth Israel Synagogue and have been there as long as I can remember.

However, even a noble principle like Synagogue decorum can suffer if taken to extremes. Unfortunately, such is the case now in the Beth Israel. The pretext of Decorum has too often been used to publicly chastise worshippers. Unfortunately it has caused discomfort in a Holy place where only comfort belongs.

Taken too far it violates the true spirit of living Judaism and as such serves neither the Almighty nor His Synagogue.

**Harold Medjuck,
Toronto, Ont.**

Greetings From Atlantic Jewish Council President

Shalom, Greetings From Israel:

On my recent return from my third visit to Israel this year, I can only bring you the most positive feelings of pride and accomplishment of our homeland. To see what this tiny giant among nations has done in the past thirty-five years is beyond any imagination: a country that has been torn by wars and strife during its short existence and has accomplished so much, with the help of Diaspora Jewry and friendly nations of the world.

My message to all Atlantic Jewry is to visit Israel this year, to see what your generous contributions to United Jewish Appeal, State of Israel Bonds, Project Renewal and other projects are doing for Israel, to go to Or Yehuda and see actual physical changes and learn of the programs initiated to improve the Jewish way of life for new immigrants, sabras - the social and economic progress which is being made. We must never undermine the importance of Diaspora Jewry to the State of Israel, both financially and morally. The past year has seen much criticism of Israel by the media, foreign governments and even within. Let us not be fooled or fall into the trap of divisiveness set up by our enemies. We must remain



Prime Minister Menachem Begin is shown greeting Martin Chernin, President, Atlantic Jewish Council, during Mr. Chernin's most recent trip to Israel. Mr. Chernin led the Atlantic Region's participants during the New Generation Leadership Mission.

strong and firm in our solidarity. Let us not forget history and remain even more committed to the safety, independence and freedom of the State of Israel.

As Regional Chairman of United Jewish Appeal, I would ask each and everyone of you to help your local United Jewish Appeal Chairperson to make this year,

Israel's 35th Anniversary, a year of your greatest support, "To Life".

Martin Chernin

Martin Chernin
President
Atlantic Jewish Council

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1983



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United Israel Appeal of Canada Inc.

Israel's 35th Year of Independence



By Morton Brownstein
National President
United Israel Appeal
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Israel's thirty-fifth year of independence. Ponder, if only for a moment, on the significance of that statement. For those of us who knew of a world when no anniversary of the state of Israel was celebrated, can be forgiven for saying that our joy has an added dimension. It was we who after all, experienced in our lifetime the passing of night to day, of holocaust to redemption, of dispersion to ingathering, of exile to return. And yet, when we witness the astonishing vitality of our youth in the upbuilding of the state, it is not abundantly clear that they too, are a generation transformed, as though they have too emerged from the shadows of our past into the light of independence.

As unprecedented lust for life and ability to build have characterised the past thirty five years. To see settlements established in the inferno of the Arava, atop hills on lone mitzpim in the Galilee, to be made aware of the amazing network of charitable and philanthropic organiza-

tions which interlace the social fabric of the state, to be present in the company of cool innovative minds breaking new ground in high technology, all taking place in a vast arena of social intergration, is eloquent testimony of a people reborn, of our renaissance.

The United Israel Appeal of Canada has played a splendid role throughout this history. Each year has been a rededication of our resources to the human needs of Israel. I would suggest that this assistance has had as profound an impact on our community as it has had on Israel. By giving we have received, by building we have been rebuilt.

In extending greetings to the Atlantic Jewish Council on Israel's anniversary, we of the United Israel Appeal of Canada know that we have a tried and trusted partner in our mutual endeavours to continue to meet the challenges of our generation.

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In Halifax — Twenty Years In Review

Our 20th birthday has arrived!
We are the women of ORT.
We want to thank you one and all.
For your encouragement and support.

By Cathy Jacobson

Twenty years might seem like a long time to you and me but to an organization such as Halifax Women's ORT it is but a blink of an eye. It's ORT's 20th birthday. It is February 1963 and **Helen Webber** called and invited a group of women to form a local chapter of a world-wide organization that was just developing in Canada.

Twenty-three enthusiastic women converged on **Barbara Paton's** home and joined together to form Halifax Women's ORT with **Helen Webber** as president. **Helen Webber, Florie Fineberg, Sally Maser, Vivian Gordon, Rona Garson, Betty Arron, Shirley Arron, Carol Ann Silverman, Helen Offman, Barbara Paton, Fanny Paton, Beryl Rutenberf, Margo Avramovitch, Betty Levick, Deborah Conter, Shanna Jacobson, Sharon Harris, Sadie Fineberg, Becky Arron, Sue Rappaport, Helene Rosen, Janice Ruth and Shirley Sherman** were those twenty-three ladies whose determination and hard work brought us from the beginning in 1963. It wasn't until 1965 that Halifax Women's ORT became known as the **Ada Zebberman** Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT in memory of the late **Ada Zebberman** who was a life member and dedicated worker of ORT. So much has and is happening, so many dollars have been raised and so many women have served. Our projects have been varied and numerous, raising over \$100,000. We would like to salute all the women over the years who took this chapter from the days of 23 members to a membership of 135 strong today. These ladies have kept pace with the rapidly changing needs of ORT students while keeping pace with the needs of our members. Their task was not always an easy one but because they were committed, they have guided us and helped us understand the importance of our task; as ORT members. To our presidents

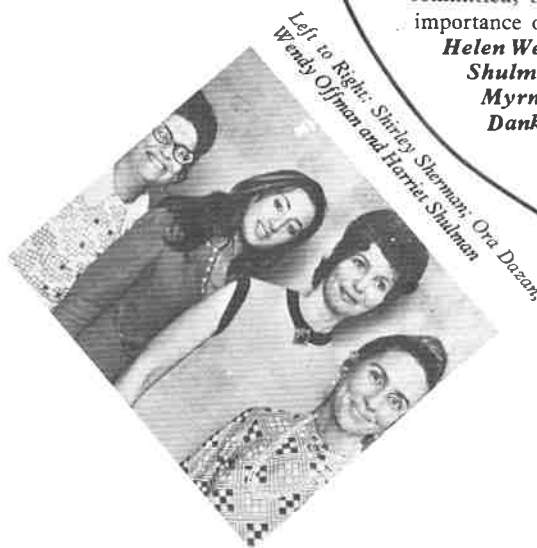
Helen Webber, Helene Rosen, Rona Garson, Harriet Shulman, Shirley Sherman, Barbara Alberstat, Myrna Blumenthal, Cathy Jacobson, Renee Danker and Linda Raskin, ORT thanks you.



Left to Right: Shanna Jacobson; Helen Rosen, past president, Halifax Women's ORT; Shirley Arron; Florie Fineberg & Margo Avramovitch.



Left to Right: Sharon Harris; Sharron Ross; Wendy Offman.



Left to Right: Shirley Sherman; Ora Dazan; Wendy Offman and Harriet Shulman.



Left to Right: Maizie Block and Miriam Kohler.

CELEBRATION TIME COME ON!



Genya Intrator

Halifax Women's ORT is celebrating its great past and looking forward to the next 20 years. So ORT members, spouses and guests get ready to celebrate. Take note that on May 25, 1983, the Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT is having a birthday party! It will commence at 8:00 p.m. at the home of **Doreen Gordon** at 1720 Dunvegan Drive.

Barb Alberstat, Cathy Jacobson and Linda Raskin are planning an evening to commemorate this auspicious occasion. For a small fee of \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 a couple an evening of wine, desserts, coffee and tea, a birthday candle-lighting ceremony and entertainment are offered.

The evening's program will consist of musical entertainment by **Shifra Richman**, singing a selection of songs, accompanied by **Florie Fineberg**. Awards will be presented by **Linda Raskin**. **Genya Intrator**, National President and guest speaker, will install the new executive - **Doreen Gordon** - President; **Naomi Judah** - 1st vice-president; **Ardith Offman** - 2nd vice-president; **Vicki Lipkus** 3rd vice-president in charge of membership, **Miriam Kohler** - treasurer; **Judy Abraham** - financial secretary; **Karen Sadofsky** - corresponding secretary and meeting arrangements; and **Linda Raskin** - past president.

Genya Intrator served in the Israeli underground and in the Israeli army, having been a pioneer of Israel. Genya arrived in Canada in the early 50's. In the 70's, she was asked by **Women's Canadian ORT** to represent WCO on a committee of women's organizations to organize campaigns on behalf of Soviet Jewry. This committee eventually became the advocacy movement for Soviet Jews in Canada, later becoming the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry. Genya In-

trator is a woman of vision and determination. To her, the most important part of a task is not undertaking it, but seeing it through. She has been called the "Hotline to Soviet Jewry"; she has been profiled in newspapers across the country; she is credited by many young Jewish women for having provided the impetus for their affiliation with Jewish organizations; she is the recipient of the Toronto B'nai Brith Council "Women of the Year" Award; she has contributed her knowledge of Soviet Jewry to journals and magazines; she has been a member of WCO since her arrival in Canada. At Women's Canadian ORT's 16th Biennial Convention, Genya became the National President of WCO. On May 25, come out and hear what this dynamic person has to say.

Celebration time come on! See you at the celebration.

Happy Birthday Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT.

Scholar To Visit Shaar Shalom—Halifax

By Simon Gaum

Professor Seymour Siegel, a lecturer of world-wide renown, will be Scholar in Residence at Shaar Shalom Congregation, Halifax, May 6-8, 1983. That Shabbat weekend will commemorate the Congregation's 30th anniversary.

Professor Siegel is Professor of Ethics and Theology, Jewish Theological Seminary and Chairman of the Committee of Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly. He is a fellow of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics and Director of the United State Holocaust Memorial Council, in addition to serving on numerous other boards and commissions.

During the course of the weekend, Professor Siegel will address himself to the following topics:

1. Medical Ethics from the point of Jewish Law; Questions of Life and Death. (Friday evening).
2. The past, present and future of the Conservative Movement. (Saturday morning).
3. Jewish Law in the Eighties; Problems and Solutions. (Saturday evening).
4. Women in Judaism. This address will be given on Mother's Day, Sunday morning, May 8, at our 30th Anniversary Brunch.

There will be a question and answer session following each lecture. Shaar Shalom invites the entire community to attend and participate in this important weekend.

AN INVITATION

The Jewish Women's Discussion Group of Halifax has been meeting over the past three years. What we have in common is our Judaism; we differ with regard to practically everything else . . . This made for a spirited exchange of everything from recipes to our deepest thoughts.

We meet once a month, each taking turn as host and "leader". Everyone contributes ideas for topics. These have as broad a range as possible: Jewish history, folklore, customs, literature (George Eliot, Isaac Singer, Jewish Women Poets of the Twentieth Century), conversion within the Jewish community, Orthodoxy and Feminism, the Holocaust, Zionism, Israeli politics.

Our group is very informal; a mixture of study and shmooze. We've even arranged celebrations for the holidays so we could include our families from time to time. We're a group for joiners and non-joiners, those with a strong commitment to Judaism and those who aren't sure at all.

We do believe the more the merrier, so if you are interested or just want to find out more, please call Ann Eden (423-5121) or Olivia Hibel (422-1442).

PLEASE HELP US!

Every year out-of-town students in Halifax face the same problem, WHERE TO LIVE? And every year, it is harder and harder to find a room or apartment. The Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation/Hillel asks those of you who have a room or an apartment for rent or know of someone who has, to let us know. We will then pass the information on to our members.

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GREETINGS FROM PRIME MINISTER BEGIN ON THE OCCASION OF ISRAEL'S THIRTY-FIFTH INDEPENDENCE DAY



From Jerusalem, our eternal and indivisible capital, I send my heartfelt greetings to the Jewish communities throughout the diaspora on the occasion of the thirty fifth anniversary of Israeli's independence.

Yom Ha'atzmaut -the independence day of the Jewish state, is unique in the annals of mankind because it celebrates an unprecedented historical truth, namely the return and self liberation of an ancient exiled, scattered, persecuted and ultimately almost devastated people to the land of its birth after close to twenty centuries of homelessness, defenselessness and holocaust. This victory of life over death, justice over might, right over wrong, the few over the many, elevates Yom Ha'atzmaut into a universal Jewish festival for all generations to come.

In the year of freedom which this independence day heralds, we will together pay homage to all those who, in the blackness of the night, kindled the torch which illuminated our path to national liberty and who have defended that liberty ever since.

We recall the martyrs and the heroes, the partisans and the soldiers, who raised the flag of Jewish revolt against the Nazi exterminators, fighting them, often hopelessly, inside the death camps and Ghettos. We commemorate this year the fortieth anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising.

We shall remember the fighters for the liberation of our land from foreign rule, the members of Haganah, Irgun and Lehi. We shall pay tribute to all our sons and daughters who continued the heroic fight to sustain our independence against aggression. And we shall salute the Israel Defence Forces, the army of people of Israel, devoted and brave, dedicated to but one single purpose, the protection of

our country and people and the advancement of peace with security.

Between the last day of independence and this, the Israel Defence Forces were once again compelled to enter battle against a ruthless enemy of our nation, indeed of the Jewish people, who had built themselves an armed state within a state of Lebanon and who had turned into a centre of international terrorism. For seven bitter years the citizens of the Galilee had suffered horribly from the incursions, the atrocities and the shellings of the ever growing terrorist aggression of our Northern border, equipped with some of the best weapons, the Soviets and its satellites could provide, including long range artillery and Katyusha rockets, and financed by the petro-dollars of Arab states. The population of the Galilee, every town, townlet, kibbutz and moshav, had become hostage to the murderous and indiscriminate attacks of the so called PLO. Their strength had reached a point that Nahariya and Kiryat Shmonah faced the threat of physical destruction. And so, operation Peace for Galilee was launched. Israel did not "invade" Lebanon for we do not covet an inch of Lebanese territory. The Israel Defence Forces entered Lebanon for the single objective, to destroy those armed bands who, with the aid of Lebanon oppressed its people. The aggressors were ejected from Beirut and that capital city was returned to its owners. The blessings of a new life of peace, serenity and security have been given to the people of Galilee. And as at the outset so now, the one goal of policy of the government of Israel is to live in good peaceful relations with our northern neighbor, Lebanon, whose sovereignty and integrity we respect, and to ensure and guarantee that never again will the blood of the Galileans be shed.

To the roll of honor of the wars of Israel in which the best of our sons sacrificed their lives so that Israel might live in security, we add the names of those who fell in operation Peace for Galilee. The memory of them shall live on forever.

Despite the strains in the relations between Israel and Egypt, the treaty of peace between our two countries has withstood the test. We look forward to

strengthening those relations, as befits the spirit and letter of the treaty, through a progressive interchange of trade, culture and tourism between our two ancient peoples.

We live in a region in which convulsion and turmoil persist, erupting in inter Arab confrontation and even in attritional warfare, as between Iraq and Iran. It is in this context that Israel presses ahead in its quest for peace with its neighbors mindful always that without security no peace can ever prove lasting. This is the essence of the Camp David Accords. Had that not been its fundamental point of reference, Israel would not have signed them. Let the world note this truth and let it register that it was in the context of this truth that we signed the peace with Egypt. The sacrifices we made for the sake of that peace were great indeed, but we made them because, by the provisions of Camp David and by the stipulations of the peace treaty, Israel satisfied itself that its security remained intact.

Now we with the move ahead speedily to consummate the other part of the Camp David Accords, namely the negotiations on the full autonomy for Palestinian Arab inhabitants in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza district. We want those negotiations renewed. There are proposals, positions and plans, but there exists only one single document of an international character that is binding, and that is the Camp David agreement signed by Israel and Egypt and witnessed by the United States. Just as we remained true, to the date and the dot, to the one part of Camp David, the peace treaty with Egypt, so shall we remain true to the other at the heart of which lies the autonomy program. Its negotiation and realization is the key to the further advancement of the process of peace to which Israel is firmly committed.

Israel has remained faithful to its Declaration of Independence. We have built up the land and made it green. We have gained national vigor with each passing year. We have renewed our heritage in our ancient homeland. And we have brought home millions of our scattered sisters and brothers.

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This, above all, the great ingathering, the aliyah, remains the ultimate mission of our generation. Let all those in the free world who perceive the greatness of this challenge come and join us in the further upbuilding of our beautiful country and of our free and democratic society.

There are still vast numbers of our brethren who wish to join us, but are barred from doing so because of the hostile policies of their regimes, notably Syria, Ethiopia, Iran and the Soviet Union. There, in the Soviet Union, is the largest of all the Jewish communities which lives in a state of distress, after some years of emigration, the doors of the U.S.S.R. have again been slammed shut,

as elsewhere, with unbelievable courage, the prisoners of Zion, the Refusniks and the activists for aliyah keep alive this heroic Jewish movement to return to the historic homeland, Eretz Israel. Their voice is heard and the response of the free world was given dramatic and loud expression at the Jerusalem world conference on Soviet Jewry. That conference declared "Let my People Go". We, Israel, the whole Jewish people and men and women of goodwill everywhere, re-dedicate ourselves to the holy endeavour to bring home all of our fellow Jews who so wish from the Soviet Union and from every country where the torment persists. We shall succeed.

Israel, stable, strong and faithful ally of the free and democratic world, enters its thirty sixth year of freedom with the unflinching resolve to pursue its goals of peace, while remaining ever vigilant in protecting its national rights and its vital security in Eretz Israel. By standing together in the performance of the momentous task of our generations, the justice of our cause shall surely win the day.

Hag Sameah
Menachem Begin;

BETH ISRAEL YIZKOR BOOKLET

By Anita Dubinsky

The Sisterhood of Beth Israel Synagogue, Halifax, is now preparing a new booklet of prayers and meditative readings for use at Yizkor services. **Rabbi Marvin Pritzker** is actively involved in the composition and selection of appropriate passages for congregation participation and personal study. These booklets will be placed in the Synagogue, for service to congregants and visitors on the four occasions each year when Yizkor is recited.

An Inscription Page of this booklet will feature names of the departed and of donors wishing to memorialize dear family and friends no longer with us. This is an opportunity extended to all Jewish persons in the Atlantic region and elsewhere, particularly those who have ties with the Baron De Hirsch Congregation. Please submit names of departed and names of donors to Sisterhood of Beth Israel Synagogue, 1480 Oxford Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 3Y8, accompanied by your cheque for \$25.00 (for up to **three** "In Memory of" names) and \$5.00 for each additional name. All submissions must be received by **June 30** as the Committee hopes to have the Yizkor Booklet ready for the coming High Holidays.

Proceeds after printing costs will be applied to Sisterhood activities and programs in the Synagogue for the benefit of congregants, visitors and students. Your participation will be deeply appreciated.



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THE CANADA—

A booklet, entitled "The Search for Peace" - a compilation of historical documents that trace peace proposals and rejectionism in the Arab-Israeli conflict has been prepared by the Canada-Israel Committee. This useful educational and reference tool is available at a low charge

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Greetings On Israel's Thirty-fifth Anniversary



complex but encouraging negotiations with the Government of Lebanon designed to achieve our shared goals of independence and neighbourly relations.

The prospects for talks with the Government of Jordan and with representatives of the Palestinian Arabs are perhaps better now than they have ever been, which shows that Israel's repeated offers to discuss peace with its Arab neighbours have not been in vain.

Israel's scientific and cultural achievements are acknowledged throughout the world and Israel's old friends in Africa, Asia, and South America are renewing their ties, indicating that fears about Israel's growing isolation in the international community are more apparent than real.

The coming year however, will undoubtedly be one of renewed efforts, for we continue to face substantial challenges. Just as the Jewish communities outside of Israel have shared the struggles, disappointments and achievements of Israel's first thirty-five years, you must be aware of the work still to be done - work that we

hope you will continue to share with us.

Our enemies and our former enemies have come to accept us out of respect for our ability to defend and develop our state, and the effort required to do this has not diminished but has in fact increased with each passing year. As members of the vibrant but sometimes small and isolated Jewish communities in the Maritime provinces, I know that you can appreciate the effort required to sustain a flourishing Jewish presence.

Israel is entering its thirty-sixth year of renewed independence with a sense of pride in its achievements and a feeling of confidence and optimism about the future. In celebrating this Yom Ha'atzmaut together, we should be justifiably proud of what Israel has achieved, sometimes at an incalculable cost, and we should commit ourselves to renewed efforts designed to assist Israel in achieving the security and the peace it has sought throughout its history.

Yeshayahu Anug
Ambassador

Dear Friends,

The past year has been one of exciting change, fierce struggle and dramatic accomplishment for Israel. Our efforts and sacrifices to achieve peace with Egypt have come to fruition, and while there continue to be differences between us, we are both committed to resolving them at the conference table rather than on the battlefield, as in the past.

For the first time in many years, Israel's northern border is secure, and a generation which had suffered repeated terrorist attacks now faces the future with that threat removed. We are engaged in

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Left to Right: Josh Sitwell, Shane Sitwell, Zelaina Strug, Jonathan Strug, Brian Indig, Steven Indig, William Strug. In Back; Victor Indig.

CHANUKAH

A gathering of the Yarmouth Community, along with outside friends and relatives, met at our synagogue to celebrate Chanukah and at the same time, to celebrate our Hadassah-Wizo Anniversary.

For Chanukah each child recited their own poem, sang songs, prayers and lit a

candle on the Menorah. Our special guest was **Guillermo Levinton**, who showed slides of Israel.

To acknowledge our Hadassah-Wizo, a candle lighting ceremony was held. A delicious brunch followed, which was prepared in a joint effort by the members of Hadassah-Wizo.

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PURIM

The community members gathered once again at our shul to celebrate Purim. The children recited poems, followed by a bake sale, Bingo and delicious desserts.

NEW LIFE MEMBER

At this event, **Rosalie Indig**, in honor of her birthday, was made a Life Member of Hadassah-Wizo by her mother, **Gert Star**.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATIONS AND YOUTH ALIYAH

Israeli singer, **Yitzhak Argaman**, will entertain during festivities. Mr. Argaman is coming to Yarmouth under the auspices of the Atlantic Jewish Council and the Canadian Zionist Federation - Atlantic Region. This celebration will be held on April 14.

CAPE BRETON NEWS

By Sophie K. Sherman

50th Wedding Anniversary

The outstanding contribution to our community by **Jean and Bennie David** warranted a special kiddush held in their honor on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

This was held following regular Shabbat Services in the Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney, N.S. on February 26, 1983, with **Rabbi Lagnado** officiating. A prayer for the David's was given during the services, as well as a presentation made by **Mr. A. Druker**, President of the Congregation, of a bible and two prayer books.

A reception then followed in the auditorium which was beautifully decorated with "50th Wedding Anniversary" as the theme. The centerpiece of the head table depicted a colourful wedding ceremony, with a Rabbi at the altar, an orchestra providing music, as the bride walked up the aisle - all done in miniatures. Refreshments were provided by the members of the Sisterhood.

Sincerely, quietly and modestly, Jean and Bennie David have demonstrated their co-operation by giving lavishly of their talents, time and efforts throughout the years. The warmth of feeling and pride shown by the congregation testified to their appreciation.

The kiddush concluded with the members wishing the David's good health for many years to come, and the continuation of their services.

Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation/ Hillel Reports On Year's Activities

By Jeff Wolman
President

It will soon be the end of the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation/Hillel's third year of existence. Every year the movement has grown stronger, with this season being the most successful. Attendance at almost every event has been very good, averaging about 30 - 35 per program. Political speakers on campus such as **Aharon Khorzen**, Eastern Shaliach, Canadian Zionist Federation, social events including a broomball game or a weekend ski trip and religious meetings centered around a Jewish holiday represent some of the APJSF's diverse activities. In addition, we staged a Kosher Deli Night which was a huge success. It required much effort and organization for those involved. This is especially true

of the convenors, **Ronnie Cuperfain** and **David Kornhauser**. Well over 200 members of the Halifax community ate to their hearts' content and enjoyed the singing of **Ilan Mamber**.

Much of our activity has focused on educating the public on current Middle East problems. In November, APJSF and Network held a screening of the movie "Exodus" for the public at large; about 550 people enjoyed the show at the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. There has also been a monthly newsletter circulated around the three Halifax university campuses. This information sheet consisted of clippings from various newspapers. Some campuses met these "Middle East Perspectives", which has a printing of 800 - 1000, with a mild response while others benefited from its educational, informative content.

APJSF/Hillel has also broadened its scope by becoming much more involved with the youth and Young Judaeans. Under the leadership of **Guillermo Levinton**, Shaliach, several people from the membership have lent a helping hand in Halifax. In December, two members of the executive, **James Morton** and **Miriam Alberstat**, travelled to Moncton for a highly successful Young Judaeans weekend.

A cocktail party at the Dalhousie Arts Centre, a day of painting cabins at Camp Kadimah and the sending of a contingent of delegates to the Canadian Jewish Congress Tri-Annual Plenary in Montreal will end a most successful year.

The outgoing executive is confident that the incoming President, **Lawrence Chippin**, and his group of APJSF officers will continue to build the organization by enhancing the membership and providing more of these very well received and thoroughly enjoyed programs for the community and the public at large.

News from Moncton

By Rabbi M. Wolff

February was a beautiful month for Moncton, snowfall notwithstanding. We had a terrific Purim celebration: coffee and hamentachen for the adults on Purim night, and a carnival for the children Sunday afternoon. The Pre-school and Cheder classes gave a Purim concert also on Sunday to rave reviews.

Atlantic Jewish Council & Canadian Zionist Federation - Atlantic Region Programs

Two guest speakers sampled Monctonian hospitality in February. **Allan Gould**, the humorist, spoke on Sunday, February 13 to an elite gathering. On February 17th, **Aharon Khorzen**, the CZF Shaliach came and spoke about the Jewish settlements of the West Bank. He also met privately with individuals.

Synagogue Elections

Congregation Tiferes Israel has elected a new board of directors. **Irwin Lampert** again will be at the helm as President. **Sam Gorber** - Vice-President; **Peter Ruch** - Treasurer; **Ann Jochelman** - Secretary; Directors - **Louis Attis**; **Harry Lampert**; **Dr. David Rubin**; **Dr. Francis Weil**. Gabbi - **Joe Kohn** and Chevrei Kaddisha - **David Attis**. The synagogue extends hearty congratulations to all the new and re-elected board members. The congregation is also in the process of hiring a teacher to assist in running the Cheder and Pre-School programs. People interested in applying for the

position should contact **Dr. Sheldon Rubin**, 33 Laird Avenue, Moncton, N.B. **Sisterhood News**

The Sisterhood continues to have a successful year. The Sisterhood Bake Sale in February, convened by **Lorna Gorber** along with many helpers, was a tasty and prosperous enterprise. Sisterhood would also like to thank those who are making the kitchen program and home visiting program successful.

Sisterhood is once again sponsoring a children's concert. This year they are having **Jim & Rosalie** and they hope to have as much success as they did last year with **Sharon, Lois & Bram**. With everyone's help, they can't go wrong. Please contact **Gail Zuckerman** for information 382-8791.

On March 1, the Champlain Library of the University of Moncton inaugurated an exhibition of the **Jacob M. Lowry** collection of old manuscripts and incunabula. The entire Jewish community was invited to the opening of the exhibition. Kosher wine and pastry was served by the University. People said that the exhibition of Jewish Literature was extremely interesting. The display will be in Moncton until March 15 after which it travels on to Fredericton and Halifax. **The Atlantic Jewish Council** made available to The Champlain Library an assortment of books, magazines and resource material.

The entire Moncton community wishes the Atlantic Provinces a "Chag Pesach Kosher ViSameach".

THE PARATROOPERS CRY

THE PARATROOPERS CRY

This wall has heard many prayers
This wall has seen the fall of many other walls
This wall has felt the touch of mourning women
This wall has felt petitions lodged between its stones
This wall saw Rabbi Yehuda Halevi trampled before it
This wall has seen Caesars rise and fall
But this wall had never seen paratroopers cry.

This wall saw them tired and wrung out
This wall saw them wounded and mutilated
Running to it with excitement, cries, and silence.
And creeping as torn creatures in the alleys of the old city.

And they are covered with dust and their lips are parched
And they whisper "If I forget thee, if I forget thee Jerusalem"
They are swift as eagles and strong as lions
And their tanks - the fiery chariot of Elijah...
They pass by like thunder
They pass by with anger
They remember the 2000 awful years
In which we had not even a wall to place our tears before.

And here they stand before it and breathe in dust
Here they look at it with sweet pain
And tears run down and they look at one another perplexed
How does it happen that paratroopers cry?
How does it happen that they touch this wall with great emotion?
How does it happen that their weeping changed to song?
Perhaps because these boys of 19, born at the same time as the state,
Perhaps because these boys of 19 - carry on their shoulder 2000 years.

Written in 1967 by Hayim Hefer

Saint John Happenings

By Anne Elman

MAZEL TOV

We offer Mazeltov to the following: **Kay and Simon Levine** on the marriage in January of their granddaughter **Heidi Beth**, daughter of **Lorraine** and **Milton Zides**, of Ottawa.

To **Debbie** and **Bernie Bloom** on the marriage of their son, **Philip in December**. **Philip and Diane** are residing in Saint John.

To **Bess Paikowsky** on the marriage of her daughter **Sandra**, in Venice Italy, to **John Fox**, prominent Canadian artist and lecturer at Concordia University, Montreal.

To **Tammy Ross Fallon** and **John Fallon**, on the birth of their daughter, **Robin**, a sister for **Kevin**.

To **Goldie** and **Abe Davis**, who celebrated their 41st anniversary in February. Their happiness was shared by sons and daughters who journeyed from Ottawa, Halifax and Montreal to celebrate with them.

To **Ruth** and **Nathan Levine** on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary during February.

Good wishes to our February invalids: **Ronald Levine** and **Lawrence Isaacs**, both are now recovered and we are all thankful to see them out and around again.

HADDASAH-WIZO NEWS:

Esther Bentley in newly appointed President of the Henrietta Szold Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo following the resignation of **Miriam Pavey**. Miriam served with enthusiasm and dedication and Haddasah members in Saint John salute her. Esther Bentley will serve as President for the remainder of the year and we look forward to working with her. Esther's warm personality, wisdom and charm will be a real asset to Hadassah. Hadassah-Wizo is planning a Youth Aliyah dinner and special programme early in May. **Etta Freedman** is Chairperson. **Mirial Small** will be special guest speaker.

Adult Education classes are conducted by **Rabbi Roger Pavey** every Monday evening. A devoted following of interested members attend regularly. Rabbi Pavey is also featured weekly on our local TV Channel 6. His programme entitled "Heavens Above" is scholarly, informative, thought provoking and not without humour.

A Model Seder is planned for Sunday, March 13th, in the vestry of the Synagogue. The children of the Hebrew School will participate in the programme which will be conducted by Rabbi Pavey. Mothers of the Hebrew School are busy preparing a delicious luncheon for the children and guests.

Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Day) will be observed in the Synagogue on Saturday Evening, April 9th. This is a special service to which all members of the congregation and their friends - Jewish and non-Jewish - are invited.

Nostalgia



(Picture Courtesy of Mitchell Glube)

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SPECIAL NOTICE

The plans for a "KOOM AHAIM" during the first weekend of July, 1983, have been moved ahead to **JULY, 1984**, due to lack of suitable accommodations during 1983. So please keep thinking of "KOOM AHAIM" and remember, everyone has more time to think of relatives and friends who were born in Saint John and have scattered all over the world. Please send names and **up-dated** addresses to:

Dan Elman
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506-627-8939

The KOOM AHAIM committee is waiting to hear from YOU. "KOOM AHAIM" in July, 1984! (July 6-7-8, 1984)

PURIM

The community enjoyed an afternoon with **Allan Gould** late in February. Mr. Gould charmed his audience with his quick wit, intelligence and warmth. The children adored him and the older members of the audience laughed heartily at his stories. We were pleased that Mr. Gould was able to visit Saint John during his Maritime tour. Thanks to Allan Gould and the Atlantic Jewish Council for a pleasant afternoon.



Canadian Zionist Federation

Recently, in a former railway station in Ottawa, there was a brief but significant exchange between two wily politicians that I watched on national TV.

At the end of the long table in the conference centre, was Prime Minister Trudeau, in the familiar chair where he has chaired dozens of these First Ministers' Conferences before. Way at the other end, for the first time ever, past all the Premiers and their high-priced helpers was James Gosnell, the veteran head of the Nishga Tribal Council from the Nass River Valley in northwest B.C.

Their debate hung on the difference between the Indian view of what land ownership means and the legal view that Trudeau indicated was the only thing he could understand.

"What is it you are talking about?" asked Trudeau, who was born in Montreal. "Is it the deer that are roaming, or the gold under the ground? What is it you want in a nutshell?" "We are talking about everything that is in the land", replied Gosnell, who was born and still lives in a small Indian village. We are talking about the air and the sea and the creatures who live in them. We are talking about the mountain and what is in the mountain, and we are talking about sub-surface rights. In a nutshell, we are the true owners of the land, lock, stock and barrel. We own it all. God gave it to us."

I held my breath as Trudeau stormed back "I don't subscribe to that philosophy at all that God gave it to you and you alone." I was afraid that any minute he would say "don't give me that line. I have already heard that from Menachem Begin about Judaea and Samaria." I was relieved he did not.

Why do I recount this incident? I think it is relevant, because I have preached for years that when we approach leaders of the Canadian Government, with regard to matters pertaining to Israel, we should not talk to them like Shadlonim, obsequiously, seeking favors for ourselves as Jews but that our approach must be as Canadians seeking what is in the best interest of Canada and its people, as well as Israel. Furthermore, any representations we make must be Canadianized and couched within the context of Canadian terminology and within the Canadian idiom so that the vast majority of M.P.'s

and Cabinet Ministers who have few or no Jewish constituents and ordinarily give our problems very little thought, will at least have some concept of what we are talking about.

So, here we have a Canadian Indian Chief and an Israeli Premier talking the same language and whether Trudeau likes it or not, the problems of the native peoples of Canada like the peoples of Judaea and Samaria are not going to be puffed away like peace-pipe smoke but are going to have to be agonizingly resolved by the Canadian people, slowly, patiently and painfully. Nobody is going to tell the Canadian Indians and Eskimos to go back to where they came from or that they are an alien intrusion into the area, any more than they can say that to the Israelis.

The irony is that so many Indians like so many French Canadians empathize with the PLO rather than with the Israelis. But this isn't the first time that deprived and oppressed minority groups have made that fateful error, much to their disadvantage.

As we hail the 35th birthday of the State of Israel, I am sure most of us are breathing a sigh of relief. The Lebanese melody lingers on and whether peace and stability can ever so completely be restored that all Israeli troupes will be permanently withdrawn is probably questionable. What is not questionable is that concrete military and political results were achieved at a price which will be debated for years. The exercise of the Kahan Commission, its conduct and its findings and recommendations have been hailed by fair-minded people all over the world as an example of Israeli democracy in its finest hour. Only its enemies and detractors still carp and cavil as to the outcome, but the catharsis need leave no guilt complex, the evil tyranny of the media notwithstanding.

As a further birthday present, we cannot be more delighted at the unfolding daily scenario in the media, of OPEC in total disarray and disintegration, with the Saudis crumbling at its base. Who can ever forget how this band of cutthroat extortionists held up the world to ransom during and after Yom Kippur war and jacked up the price of oil from \$2.00 to \$42.00 a barrel almost overnight. The world cringed at Yamani's feet and



By Judge Philip Givens
National President
Canadian Zionist Federation

blamed the Jews. The Saudis were the moderates, said the American Administration. Give them AWAC's, F 16's, anything, let them even boycott American companies who have a Jewish Director on their Board, anything -- we must not antagonize them. Now, the Emperor has no clothes, hardly even a threadbare kafia to wear at a public function. The American oil companies, the Seven Sisters, their big banks and ours, the multinational companies who were in cahoots with them are in a panic that the economy of the world will collapse. I hope theirs do.

We read in the world press that in Riyadh, European airlines offices are amazed that many former first class customers are now flying economy. Many more are not vacationing abroad during the school holidays but are taking camping vacations to Abha, the Saudi southwest.

The legendary symbol of Saudi extravagance, the car "cemetery" where cars with even the smallest problem were dumped has all but vanished. Instead, maintenance shops are booming as they are holding onto their old cars.

If this price collapse continues, and it will, they will be changing their Rolls Royces into Rabbits and their Cadillacs into camels.

To all of which, I say "Ashaina Raina Kaporah". "Chad Sameach, Israeli and a Happy 35th!"



CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS CONGRES JUIF CANADIEN



Yom Ha'Atzmaut Greetings

By Alan Rose
Executive Vice-President
Canadian Jewish Congress

It gives me great pleasure to extend, on behalf of the Canadian Jewish Congress,

greetings to the Atlantic Jewish Council and *Shalom* magazine on the occasion of the 35th Year of Independence of the State of Israel. Notwithstanding the difficulties of the past year, Yom Ha'atzmaut should be a cause of celebration and joy for the entire Jewish world for Israel is stronger today than in any time of its history. Despite the enormous burden of defence, social, cultural and political life blossoms in the Jewish state. There is no field of human endeavour which has not been pursued with success and dynamism. Such fields of endeavour are not only for Jews but in the world of science and technology for all mankind.

The spectre of antisemitism which has haunted Europe since the Holocaust, whilst not dead, does not manifest itself amongst the general population. Indeed it is paradoxical that whilst terrorist acts against Jews have increased, overt antisemitism has decreased in Western

Europe. Terrorists remain the number one enemy of the diaspora; terrorists of the right and left, animated by the PLO philosophy, which not only calls for the end of the Jewish state, but for the destruction of the Jewish people.

In Canada, the Canadian Jewish Congress continues to play the leading role in the Jewish community. On a plethora of issues, including Canada Jewish unity, support for Israel, the campaign for Soviet Jewry, the fight for equality of all citizens in Canada together with Jewish education, holocaust remembrance; indeed, we are the Parliament of the Jewish people. We are proud to have the Atlantic Jewish Council as an important constituent of our endeavours and join with you in sending our warmest wishes to the splendid Jewish communities of Atlantic Canada which have given leadership and devotion without equal to Canadian Jewry and Klal Yisroael.

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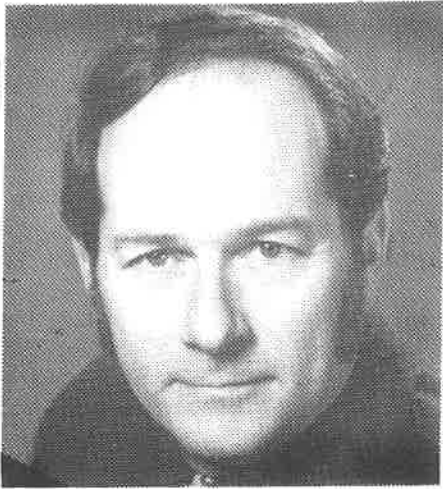
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GAVRIEL STRASMAN VISITS NEW BRUNSWICK



GAVRIEL STRASMAN, Assistant Editor-in-Chief of *Maariv*, Israel's largest circulation newspaper; member of the Israel Bar Association; widely-travelled foreign correspondent visited the New Brunswick community during the month of April. In Saint John, the Henrietta Szold Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo in conjunction with the *Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Zionist Federation-Atlantic Region* sponsored this lecture. Special appreciation goes to Mrs. Erminie Cohen who arranged media interviews for Mr. Strassman during his visit. In Moncton, special thanks is extended to Rabbi Michael Wolff who assisted the office by arranging media interviews for Mr. Strassman.



Solicitor General **Robert Kaplan** and the Honorable **Herb Gray**, Director of the Treasury Board, visited Halifax during the month of March.

Herman Newman, Chairman of the Atlantic Jewish Council Holocaust Remembrance Committee, addressed the students at **Riverview High School**, Riverview, New Brunswick during April. At the invitation of **Sister Ellen Donovan** of Port Hawkesbury, Mr. Newman spoke in the Strait Area Recreational Centre and at St. Joseph's Parish Church during his visit to this area.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE REGION

Sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council and the Canadian Zionist Federation

Yitzhak Argaman and Shaby Katzir

Israeli entertainers were a part of the 35th Anniversary celebrations during April, 1983. Yitzhak appeared in: Yarmouth, Halifax and Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Shaby performed in Moncton and Saint John, New Brunswick.

The Fredericton community was treated to Yiddish Theatre performed by its own "Yiddish Players" under the direction of **Rabbi D. Spiro**. A festival party to honor Israel's 35 years of Statehood followed the performance.

YOM HOSHOA COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES HALIFAX

Commemorative services devoted to the memory of the martyrdom of European Jewry during the bitter years of World War II, were held in Halifax on April 10, 1983 at the Shaar Shalom Synagogue. It provided a special opportunity for the Halifax community to be aware of the tragedy and to remember the lessons of the Holocaust.

Under the auspices of the Atlantic Jewish Council, Halifax Citadel Lodge of B'nai Brith and Canadian Jewish Congress - Atlantic Region a special presentation entitled "The Art of the Holocaust" was given by **Maxine Blendis**, National Director, Soviet Jewry Committee, B'nai Brith Canada. As well Ms. Blendis was the special guest of the communities of Moncton and Fredericton.



Alan Rose, Executive Vice President of Canadian Jewish Congress, addressed the Community of Halifax during the Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations.



Israeli high school students Kitty Bruner and Sivan Toledo visit the Maritimes.

Recent Appointment



Seen here is part of this year's Canadian contingent at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Rothberg School for Overseas Students. Over 150 Canadians are studying at the Hebrew University this year. The university has offered special courses for overseas students since 1955.

Joel Superfain, Halifax, is shown smiling, standing directly below the tree at the far right, second row.



Canadian Jewish Congress is pleased to announce the appointment of **Mr. Samuel Miller** as National Director of Community Services.

Mr. Miller holds a Bachelors Degree in Psychology from McGill University and is continuing his studies in Educational Psychology. He brings to the position

extensive programmatic background in Judaica. His previous affiliations include working for a Montreal synagogue and with Jewish Family Services of Montreal.

The Community Services committee is presently involved in many exciting and educational projects. A national newsletter has been developed and sent across the country to small community liaisons. The newsletter, a first for small communities, contains information on the following pertinent issues/concerns:

- i) News from communities;
- ii) International issues; e.g. Soviet Jewry, Penpal Club
- iii) Educational ideas for community.

A priority for Mr. Miller at the present time is the upcoming Small Communities Plenary and workshops, to take place at the CJC Plenary Assembly May 12-15, 1983 in Montreal. Efforts are being made to have many delegates from small communities across Canada in order that they be a viable part of the decision-making process.



United Jewish Appeal

1983 U.J.A. CHAIRMEN AROUND THE REGION

Mr. Martin Chernin, Atlantic Regional Chairman, United Jewish Appeal, is pleased to announce the following campaign chairman who will be serving in this capacity for the 1983 campaigns.

Mr. Martin Karrell, Sydney, Nova Scotia (picture not available)

Mr. Lloyd Goldsmith, Saint John, N.B. (picture not available)

Mr. Irving Pink, Q.C., Yarmouth, N.S. (picture not available)



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United Jewish Appeal New Generation Leadership Mission To Israel

Ten days of excitement, learning, understanding, pride and a sense of belonging were experienced by the eight Atlantic Region residents who participated in the New Generation Leadership Mission of March 1983.

Martin Chernin, Sydney; Curdis Karrell, Sydney; Hedda Medjuck, Halifax; Lee Cohen, Halifax; Leon Zeilikovitz, Halifax; Steve Jacobson, Moncton; Irwin Lampert, Moncton; and Norman Hamburg, Saint John were part of a group of

forty people from across Canada who returned home with a deeper commitment to the State of Israel and who are impatient to return there once again!



AROUND THE TABLE DISCUSSION WITH MENACHEM BEGIN, PRIME MINISTER OF ISRAEL



DELEGATES WELCOMED BY PRIME MINISTER MENACHEM BEGIN



Left to Right: Orin Krivel, Toronto; Larry Kay, Kingston; Martin Chernin, Norman Hamburg, Irwin Lampert, Lee Cohen, Leon Zeilikovitz, Curdis Karrell, Steve Jacobson. Foreground: Hedda Medjuck, Lt. Col. Meir Rottem, Israel Emissary to Canada.



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Forthcoming Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary To Address Canadian Community Relations

It is generally accepted that the body of public sympathy acquired and accumulated through the tragic events of the European Hitler-made Holocaust - this reservoir of positive feeling - has been severely diminished. The world seems to be reverting to the "normalcy" that existed prior to 1939 when antisemitism had not yet acquired the stigma which mass murder placed on it "after Auschwitz". The bigots have come out from under the rocks where they had lain dormant since 1945. The events of the summer of 1982 - the war in Lebanon - has given them a particularly strong boost without hesitation, our enemies now indulge in open or veiled antisemitism under the cloak of anti-Israel critique or the vilification of Zionist or Israeli leaders.

This "new" antisemitism has been strengthened by the United Nations resolutions and the motions and resolutions of other organizations formerly held to be friendly. Public sympathy is extended to the "new underdog" - an image orchestrated skillfully and successfully by the PLO.

The Jewish community now looks with far less assurance than it did in the past to the left, whether the New or Old. The Far Left, the more mindless and more dogmatic, broadcasts hostility not merely to Israel, but to the whole idea concept of Jewish peoplehood and to the right of the Jewish people to a soil and a place of its own. Socialists and labour bodies, formerly sympathetic, are being manipulated by Maoist and Trotskyist factions and pressed toward formal resolutions hostile to Israel.

Twenty eight years after Hitler's defeat, the "No Holocaust" school of propaganda is having considerable success, infiltrating the world of academia as well as the media. In an interview in Esquire actor Robert Mitchum who earned over a million dollars for his role in a television series based on Herman Wouk's "Winds of War" revealed a cynical and callous skepticism about the Holocaust that stands in stark contrast to honest images the series portrayed.

The increased desensitization was made painfully clear here in Canada when an

Ottawa Postal Board of Review summarizing the hearing of a propagandist whose stock in trade is denying the Holocaust, expressed itself in these words: "The Board believes that what is before it is a much larger problem or struggle between two peoples i.e. the Germans and the Jews...", a shocking put-down of the events of 1939-1945 as merely a quarrel between Germans and Jews and not really, therefore, the business or concern of anyone else, least of all the business of a judicial body protecting the integrity and decency of Canada's mail service! The recommendation also impugned the integrity of an expert witness since he was paid by the complainant and came to the unsupportable conclusion that the propaganda only reached a "restricted" audience as it was sent to a "mailing list". (The "list included every newspaper editor, every radio and TV station, every MP, MPP, and MLA in Canada, and every school board and library in the country!")

It is becoming increasingly difficult to impress upon the Canadian leaderships that such matters are not merely the private concern of certain ethnic and religious grouping but are the pressing common concern of Canadians of every condition and rank.

To what degree can we look to the law for our remedies? Some 13 years ago, in 1970, Criminal Code amendments against racial and religious hate dissemination were made part of Canadian law. We had no illusions that these amendments were going to eliminate the evil of race hatred any more than the anti discrimination laws of the 1950's did away with bias in jobs or housing. We hoped the Anti Hate legislation would speak symbolically, and reflect public policy in a way which would inhibit the hate peddlers.

To a limited extent the law has lived up to its promise. The most rabid, the most extreme forms of Jew-baiting in print, have almost disappeared. By comparison, a look at some of the material circulating in the USA will picture the more virulent forms of propaganda circulating in a country with no deterrent law. The Canadian hatemongers do compose their material -- but with one eye on the letter

of the law.

The weakness of the law is best shown in the Attorney-General of Ontario's reluctance to lay a charge against a Toronto preacher because of the clause in the law which exempts an individual from persecution

"if, in good faith, he expressed or attempted to establish by argument an opinion upon a religious subject;"

or

"if on reasonable grounds he believed the statements to be true".

The preacher preached a viciously anti-Jewish taped sermon and then had the audacity to sell it in his congregation's "gift shop". In the sermon he dared his parishioners to give the tape to their "Jew boss" if they worked for a Jew. Although it contained probably the worst defamation and incitement to be heard recently in Canada, no action was taken. (Under the provisions of the law action can only be taken if agreed to by the Attorney-General). This was not because the AG was partial to the message. Far from it. Such is the weakness of the law that he feared that if the case were lost it would expand the permissible limit for hate-mongers which would then constitute a greater danger.

Clearly then, one of our priorities is the amendment of anti-hate legislation to give the law more than symbolic power.

On campus the situation is mixed. In a number of universities the student newspapers and councils are in the hands of individuals to whom the university tradition of mutual respect and the norms of decency still have meaning. In others sadly it is not so. Even at the faculty level blind and dogmatic Marxism is parroted by otherwise erudite and knowledgeable academics. The students in their pursuit of pseudo-potency are not far behind. The anti Israel venom has spilled over into Jew-baiting as is clear from the notorious Benjamin Franklin forgery resurrected in a "Syrian week" exhibit on the University of Ottawa campus. We have our work cut out for us.

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Chaim Herzog Elected Israel's 6th President

JERUSALEM - Chaim Herzog was elected Israel's sixth President in the Knesset March 22, 1983.

Herzog, who will be sworn into office on May 5, succeeding President Yitzhak Navon, pledged after his election that as President he would strive for greater unity in Israel and would devote himself totally to serving and representing the entire nation regardless of political affiliation. He also expressed his "hope" that "during my term we shall reach peace with our neighbours".

Herzog, 64, is a former Ambassador to the United Nations and a former chief of military intelligence. I recent years he has become one of Israel's leading military commentators.

During the 1967 and 1973 wars his informative, credible and compassionate radio and television commentaries provided Israelis with both facts and encouragement in dark hours. His personal popularity, like that of retiring President Navon, transcends party and political lines.

Chaim Herzog was educated at Cambridge University in England where he read law. Early in World War II, he transferred to Sandhurst, Britain's national military academy and was commissioned an officer in British army intelligence.

He served with distinction in France and Germany and was with the first Allied forces to cross the Rhine. Herzog participated personally in the capture of SS chief Heinrich Himmler. A war wound left him with a permanent hearing impairment in one.

On his return to Palestine after World

War II, Herzog joined Hagana, the pre-State Jewish defense force for which he undertook major assignments. He rose rapidly in the ranks of the newly formed army of the State of Israel and served as its chief of military intelligence from 1948-50.

He returned to that post 10 years later for another three year tour of duty. It was Herzog who laid down the patterns and practices of Israeli military intelligence which are operative today. He also served in senior command position on the central and southern fronts during the 1950's.

From 1975-1978 he was Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations where he earned an international reputation as an outstanding diplomat. His speeches during the bitter General Assembly debate over equating Zionism with racism became classic texts in modern Israeli history and are studied in Israeli schools and in Jewish schools abroad.

Herzog is a prolific author. He had published several books on Israel's wars which became world-wide best sellers and anthologies of his speeches.

As a politician, Herzog was a diligent Knesset member, striving to foster links between the electorate and their elected representatives in parliament. In his home district, Herzliya, he opened a "parliamentary bureau" where local residents could bring their complaints and problems.

Herzog's wife, Ora, is a sister of Suzy Eban, wife of former Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

The Herzogs have three sons and a daughter. Two sons are army officers. Their daughter attends school.

Jewish Radio Program Available Across Canada

For the first time, "Jewish Tapestry", a weekly half-hour radio program of music and current affairs, produced, directed and hosted by **Zelda Young**, is now available to every Jewish community across Canada, announced **Frank Dimant**, Executive Vice-President of B'nai Brith Canada.

To arrange for your community to enjoy "Jewish Tapestry", contact: **Canada, 15 Hove Street, Downsview, Ontario M3H 4Y8 or call (416) 633-6224.**



MORTON I. ROSENTHAL was unanimously re-elected National President of the **Canadian Red Magon David for Israel** at the organization's recent annual board of directors Meeting.

NEW BOOK PUBLISHED ON TERRITORIES ADMINISTERED BY ISRAEL 1967-80

Israel's military occupation of the territories it captured in the 1967 War (Judea, Samaria and the Gaza district) has been attacked by every international organization including the U.N. Yet few people are aware of the general benevolence of that occupation and of the fact that it has voluntarily placed itself under the legal scrutiny of Israel's Supreme Court.

A new book by the Deputy President of Israel's Supreme Court, Justice **Meir Shamgar**, published by the Hebrew University's Faculty of Law, titled **Military Government in the Territories Administered by Israel 1967-1980**,

discusses the fact that though under international law Israel's High Court does not have authority over the military government in Judea, Samaria and Gaza, the State of Israel has accepted the supervision of its actions by the High Court.

A former Supreme Court Justice, **Haim Cohn**, a well known human rights activist in Israel, recently wrote "it cannot be denied that in the history of military governments in administered territories throughout the world no instance exists of the maintenance of the rule of law in any clearer fashion than its maintenance by the State of Israel.

SHARE THE JOYS OF HOMEMAKING

By JoAnn Gardner

One afternoon about a week ago a friend and I made matza. Not your ordinary matza, although that's not easy to do, but Edda Servi Machlin's Italian matza, "Azzima Semplice" (Simple Matza). I admit that our first efforts were less than edible (we used them in soup), but with practice the finished product resembled the ones pictured in her cookbook, *The Classic Cuisine of the Italian Jews* (see Book Review). And, what is more important, making them, forming the dough into lace doilies as the women of Pitigliano did for centuries, was very satisfying.

The following directions are taken from Mrs. Machlin's cookbook with a few changes based on our experience. Making these matzot could be an excellent project for children - girls and boys - at any time of year, but especially at Passover.

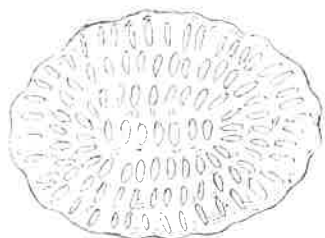
Azzima Semplice - Simple Matza.

7 cups of the finest flour (if possible, kosher for passover)

2½ cups cold water

In a large bowl, quickly mix the water with enough flour to form a very stiff dough. Spread the remaining flour on the board and knead the dough with force for about 3 minutes. During the first phase of kneading, make a few cuts in the dough with a sharp knife, which will enable you to work more flour into it. Continue to knead quickly until the dough is perfectly smooth.

Divide the dough into 12 equal portions and knead each piece until it is smooth and elastic. Roll each into ovals 9" x 5" or into disks 6½" in diameter. These measurements ensure that the matza will be the proper thickness.



Azzima Semplice



Loop equals two holes

¼" from the first row, make another row of loops. Make about 4 rows or as many as are needed to cover the dough. Your last row in the centre can be just a straight line of loops.

With a metal comb or a sharp-tined fork cover the dough with tiny holes, being sure to prick the dough with force so the holes can be easily seen. This helps to prevent swelling and blistering during baking.

Bake in 550° for 6-7 minutes, or until matzot are beginning to have a pale color. Note that to be kosher, the ovens should be from 600° to 800° and cooking time should not exceed 3 minutes to be acceptable by orthodox Jews.

I should point out that if you have several helpers, and I hope you do, everyone's matza will look a little different. That is part of their charm. I think you will agree when you have made enough to fill a small basket or wooden bowl and can see them all.

Once you have mastered the art of making oval matzot, try these fancier ones: same shape, different ingredients.

Azzime Dolci Al Vino - Sweet Wine Matzot

2½ cups passover flour

½ cup of sugar

½ cup olive oil

½ cup dry white wine

2 tsp anise seeds

1 tsp salt

Combine all the ingredients in a bowl and form a dough. Turn out over an oiled surface and knead until smooth. Roll into a cylinder; then cut the cylinder into 6 equal portions. Roll each slice into an oval or disk ¼" thick. Shape as for Simple Matza, prick with a fork and place them on a lightly oiled and well-floured baking sheet. Bake in 450° oven for 15 minutes.

Serve as a snack or breakfast food.

Please remember to send your comments, questions, suggestions, and ideas for this homemaking column, to *Shalom* or directly to me: **JoAnne Gardner, R.R.1, Orangedale, Nova Scotia.**

Does your family traditionally associate certain foods or dishes with Lag B'Omar or with Shabbot? Won't you share your recipes and homemaking ideas with us?

To shape: flute the edges all around as you would a pie crust. About ¼" from the edge pinch the dough with your thumb and index finger to make a small hole. Pinch the dough again making another hole right next to the first hole. This will make one elongated hole or loop (see diagram). Continue making these loops all around the inner edge of the dough.

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In the rapidly changing world of categories, we fit into several categories. Are we an ethnic or a religious denomination? As a religious group we are in Canada one among three or possibly four divisions, a status larger than our proportion of the population would support. But we as an ethnic group are one among some twenty or thirty more. But because Jews are a religion and more we do and should cultivate relations with other groups - Italian Canadians, Nisei, Blacks, Greeks. On our future agenda and in the exploratory stage are our relationships with ethnicities who stem from Central and East European regions who have struck roots in Canada and with whom we must learn how to live constructively and peacefully. Multiculturalism is a living and productive concept that we should cherish and promote.

Through Multicultural channels we are forming alliances for individual and group rights. We who have confronted vicious stereotyping have been able to assist the Canadian-Italian in his struggle against the "Mafioso" label. We who have known group discrimination, are determined to assist our Canadian-Japanese fellow citizens in their campaign for formal apology and restitution arising out of their viciously unfair treatment during World War II.

On each of these frontiers, the Joint Community Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and its affiliated organizations acts locally, regionally and nationally on behalf of the Jewish community and on behalf of all who share the vision of a Canada resistant to all forms of bigotry and racism.

OPINION . . .

Israel Unite!—Or You Perish

Immediately after the Second World War which, combined with the bloodletting of the First World War, exhausted the flower of youth of Europe, **Winston Churchill** published a book entitled **Europ Unite!** That book was written after the divisions in Europe had destroyed its leadership of the world, which it had controlled for over three centuries.

The recent amazing victory in destroying the Syrian Airforce and compelling the P.L.O. to withdraw from Lebanon, in spite of the sabotage by America, should have resulted in celebrations over a joyous victory. Instead Israel revealed itself as a nation divided.

General Sharon, the greatest military leader in the world today, could only be compared to **General Patton** of the American Army, who was idolized by his people. The Nazi **General Rommell**, "The Desert Fox", also a military genius, was admired even by his enemies.

Just what was the motivation of the 400,000 Israelis protesting against their national leaders who had secured them a great victory? Was it not General Sharon who, in 1973 by his great courage and ingenuity, crossed the Suez Canal, surrounded the Egyptian armies on both east and west sides of the Suez and brought **Sadat** to his knees begging for peace? Is that the kind of nation the Jews of the world are helping to build? Would the Duke of Wellington have been denounced after the victory over Napoleon after the Battle of Waterloo? Would Lord Nelson have been replaced after defeating the French Navy at Trafalgar? Was it really concern for the terrible massacre of 700 P.L.O. members in the refugee camps that motivated this obnoxious demonstration? While 95% of those killed were P.L.O. fighters, the T.V. and periodicals only showed the 5% of women and children killed. Or was it really the hatred of a non-Socialist regime? If those who demonstrated are interested in those responsible for the massacre instead of listening to the American campaign of lies, they should remember that it was the President of Lebanon who ordered the invasion by the Christian phalangists. Was he not perhaps justified in view of the fact that his brother, who had been President of Lebanon, had been killed by a bomb explosion by the P.L.O. just a few days prior to the massacre?

If the demonstrators are concerned about human beings in the area, why did they not protest when **King Hussein**

killed 10,000 Palestinians, men, women, and children, in Amman in 1970? Why did they not protest when just recently in the fall of 1982 the President of Syria killed 25,000 fellow Syrian Moslems in the city of Homs? - or when 100,000 Lebanese were massacred by the "peace keeping" Syrian forces from 1975 to 1978?

Why is it that when in 1973 Israel was found unprepared for the invasion by Syria and Egypt, when the country was almost cut in two, when the country ran out of ammunition in a week and had to be supplied by the generosity of **President Nixon**, both **General Dayan** and **President Golda Meir** were not treated in the same way as those who brought a great victory to Israel in 1982? It is true there was an investigation at that time and Golda Meir was replaced by **Rabin**, and Dayan was replaced as Minister of Defense. No one has been able to find out what the results of the investigation were because it was swept under the carpet. Was it because it was a socialist regime responsible at that time and a non-socialist regime is in power now?

Is that why this regime is being harassed and persecuted by those who do not realize how much help they are giving to the enemies of Israel, who would destroy them as well as the non-socialist citizens? Do they realize how much aid and comfort they have given to the enemies of Israel? Does Israel need in addition to the enemies outside the country, a fifth column that is helping the enemies of the state?

Do they realize the harm they are doing to the remaining friends of Israel among the non-Jewish community as well as the Jewish communities of the world? Or how they have confused and divided Jewish supporters, and have hurt the fund raising effort for Israel? Or how they hurt the purchase of Israel Bonds? Or how they have damaged the efforts for the sale of Israel exports and investments into Israel? Or how they have discouraged immigration into Israel and encouraged emigration from Israel?

As a result of their destroying the good name of Israel, **Arafat** is now demanding that Israeli military and political leaders who were indirectly responsible for only refusing to countermand the instructions of the President of Lebanon, that everyone from **Prime Minister Begin**, Sharon and others be hung like the Nazis who were guilty of killing six million Jews of Europe, equal to 90% of the whole Jewish population in full co-operation with five hundred million Europeans.

There is only one logical conclusion from these tragic events, which give re-

spectability to Israel's enemies and degrade all of Israel's genuine patriots.

It was ever thus with our people! Was it not the division within the Jews besieged by the Romans two thousand years ago that destroyed us then? Is it not true that we have always destroyed our intellectual leaders? **Herzl** died a young man at the age of 44 because of the division in our ranks. He was refused financial help by the great Jewish bankers of his time. The Sultan of Turkey would have turned over the whole area of Palestine in 1898 for a few million British pounds, while **Baron de Hirsch** and his widow gave away one million dollars settling Jews in Argentina and Canada. **Baron Rothchild** was somewhat more sympathetic but did not give Herzl full financial support.

Jabotinski, who organized the Jewish Legion in 1917 that helped destroy the Turkish army in Palestine, wanted to land five hundred thousand Jews in the country and immediately create a Jewish majority. He was opposed by the realists, by the Jewish establishment. In the late 1930's, he went through Europe exclaiming, "Jews evacuate Europe or Europe will evacuate you!" As a very young man I met **Jacob de Haas**, the North American representative of Theodore Herzl. He said, "Individually we Jews think we are smart. (Perhaps some of us are.) Collectively we are a bunch of damn fools."

Don't they realize that if Sharon had not defeated Sadat, Egypt would still be a satellite of Moscow? Israel would have been destroyed. Russia would control the Persian Gulf. America would have lost the oil supply that it needs for its economic survival, resulting in a war between these two great powers.

America should build a monument to Sharon. Egypt should also build a monument to him because it now can enjoy peace. Israel should treat him for the great national hero he is. He should win a Nobel Peace Prize.

It is possible that just as the Arabs cannot accept the fact that an independent nation of Jews has become a political sovereign entity in their midst, so equally the socialist element in Israel cannot stomach the idea that a non-socialist regime has been democratically elected in their country? Are they not as great a menace to the survival of Israel as the external enemies?

Social Democrats are supposed to be democratic! In all other nations after an election is held, the animosities of the campaign are forgotten and the people unite behind the democratically elected new government. Can we not follow this rule for our own security and survival?

By Samuel Jacobson

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Books of Interest

By JoAnn Gardner

The Classic Cuisine of the Italian Jews

Traditional Recipes and Menus and a Memoir of a Vanished Way of Life

Edda Servi Machlin, Everest House, 1981

BEYOND MATZA-BALL SOUP

Last year when my aunt's Catholic daughter-in-law decided to make a Seder dinner for 12, one of the first dishes she learned to make for the occasion was matza-ball soup. The Seder was judged a success, Mary's matza-ball soup was grand, everyone was impressed. I think it's fair to say that matza-ball soup is more than a dish, it is an institution, a symbol by which we measure and define our Jewish world. There's nothing wrong with that, of course, but recently we have begun to learn what Israelis have known for some time: that our Ashkenazi culture represents only one strand - a very strong one - of the whole colorful and rich fabric of Jewish life.

For the past several years, from a variety of sources, we have heard from other voices, sometimes strange and exotic ones, which tell us of customs and traditions which sometimes seem almost alien to us except that they all claim Jewishness, just as we do. Jews, it seems, are a mixed lot of people, black and white and every shade between, of Ashkenazi, Sephardic, or Oriental origin and every variant thereof, each community, each group with a different culture, even different religious practices. There are Jews, the Falashes of Ethiopia, who, knowing neither Hebrew nor the Talmud, cling as fervently to Judaism as the most devout Hasid. Ethnic and cultural diversity is no longer regarded as the exception.

Edda Servi Machlin's *The Classic Cuisine of the Italian Jews*, Traditional Recipes and Menus and a Memoir of a Vanished Way of Life reflects these divergent cultural, and, to some extent, religious strains, for as the subtitle suggests this is more than a cookbook. It is a tribute to a unique Jewish community of which the author was a member until the war when everything changed. Although she does not dwell on this part of her life as a teenager living with the partisans in the hills of Tuscany not far from her native village, we know the scars are there. But we learn that it was her childhood years

and her reverence for the life that sustained it that carried her through her wartime experiences and helped her maintain her Jewish identity in the New World.

From her memoir, illustrated with photographs, we learn about Pitigliano, an agricultural village built upon an enormous boat-shaped tufaceous rock, which sustained a Jewish community for at least 600 years, perhaps longer. The author's distinguished family, the Servis, trace their ancestors to the Ceasars, possibly, according to Cecil Roth, to 70 AD, the time of the destruction of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. During her father's lifetime, in the 1800's, Jews represented as much as 25-50% of the total population of Pitigliano but by the author's childhood the numbers were greatly reduced by the migration of the cities and assimilation. Nevertheless, the community continued to place great emphasis on learning, a fact which earned it the nickname of "Yerushlaem Sheni", Little Jerusalem. Two well-stocked libraries, two Yeshivot, a secular nursery, and an elementary and secondary school were maintained until the war. Hebrew was spoken, written and understood by all.

The Hebrew calendar year formed the basis of Jewish life in Pitigliano and through Mrs. Machlin's description of the way in which these holidays were celebrated we are reminded of their original ties with the land, the agricultural component of our religious heritage which has been largely ignored, through circumstances, in the Diaspora. At Rosh Hashana, for instance, the children were responsible for sprouting grains of wheat and corn kernels, the blades of which decorated the holiday table as a reminder of the theme of growth, prosperity, and sweetness for the year to come.

The collection of recipes which makes up the greater part of the book represent not only Jewish cuisine in Pitigliano - an area reknown for its pure Italian cuisine simplicity of style, and high standards in regard to fresh ingredients - but comes from all regions of Italy, wherever Jews have lived. All the recipes are kosher and all are described in careful detail but they are not for the inexperienced cook. Rather, they are for those people who are already skilled in preparing food and who appreciate cooking as a fine art.

In these pages you will find dishes whose ingredients characterize the best of Italian cooking: pastas of infinite variety, gnocchi of all descriptions, glorious vegetables, such as artichokes, olives, tomatoes, spinach, zucchini, eggplant, and fennel (these last two were intro-

duced into the Italian Cuisine by the Jews), herbs such as garlic, rosemary, and Italian parsley, beans, fish, tomato and meat sauces, soups thickened with bread, and desserts sweetened with honey. You will also find dishes here that you will not find elsewhere, at least not in books on Italian cooking, for these dishes are uniquely Jewish. They are, as Mrs. Machlin puts it, the jewels of her collection: Baccali sticks made from salt cod, the Roman-Jewish way of preparing artichokes (this also appears in Marcella Hazen's authoritative *The Classic Italian Cookbook*), veal cooked with Romain Lettuce, Saffron Rice, and Sukkot pastries. Traditional Ashkenazi dishes find their counterparts in Ministra Di Riso Per Pesach (Passover Chicken Soup with Rice), Cappelletti (Little Pasta Caps), Hammin Toscano (Tuscan Cholent), and Muggine in Bianco (Jellied Stiped Bass) which correspond to Matza-Ball soup, Kreplach, Cholent, and Gefilte Fish.

Taken as a whole, this book brings a vanished culture to life. We see the Pitigliano women forming their beautiful oval matzas in the underground ovens used only at Passover, we see the author as a young girl on a visit to an olive oil mill breathlessly waiting to mop her thickly sliced and toasted and garlic-flavoured bread in the first spurts of freshly-pressed oil, we see the children dressed in their Sabbath finery, recycled by the village seamstress from their parents' old clothes, and we see, as the author's brother perceived it, "...a society who lived its ethics in the reality of everyday life rather than in theories."

Edda Servi Machlin's ability to evoke Jewish Pitigliano in all its aspects is a tribute to her strongly religious upbringing. In the temple Sanctuary was a mural tablet ornately framed in gold leaf. Its message, "Imeshkachèch Yerushlaim, tishkach Yemini", (If I should forget you, oh Jerusalem, may my right arm wither") was one every Pitigliano Jew tried to live up to. It is evident that she herself succeeded even though, as she admits, she is not religious. "I express my religion culturally," she said in a *New York Times* article on her Italian Passover cooking. "It is very important to me to keep up traditions. If not, slowly you become assimilated and your children marry non-Jews and pretty soon it is all gone."

Even if you never make a single Italian-Jewish dish - although I think you will want to - *The Classic Cuisine of*

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the Italian Jews can be read and enjoyed by anyone interested in ethnic diversity. It is, moreover, a beautifully produced

and designed book with 3 indexes, obviously meant to be used. This book is also part of a current phenomenon of writing about divergent Jewish cultures, a trend which we should welcome. We need not

displace matza-ball soup, in any sense, in order to appreciate other groups of people whose customs and traditions enrich and broaden our concept of what it means to be a Jew.

THE MOTHERLESS CHASSID

"Il Cantore"

A short-short story
By Leon Sills

Part II

The Chassid was a scholar, a Yeshiva-bucher; there was absolutely no barrier in his mind to other types of scholarly learning and self-development. So, voice development became one major area of the Chassid's life. And, after the Chassid had done his homework well, what was to stop him from studying a little more, studying not only to be a Chazan, but also to be what the Italians call, *Il Cantore*, a singer, a minstrel? In Italy of the early 20th century, Chassidic Jews had caught the spirit of ageless music, now separated from religious motifs of the alien Church of the country of Garibaldi. So, Amadeo sang the Anvil Song from

Il Trovatore; he imagined himself to be the love of Tosca; and he sang organ-grinder melodies of the day as well.

And, there came into his life in a fated moment of coincidence a beautiful young Jewess, and her name was Fiora (short for Fioraia) Mendelssohn.

On a visit to LaScala in Milan, in the year 1926, in late fall, on a short vacation, Amadeo bought orchestra seat D12 and found himself next to Fiora Mendelssohn and her parents, in seats D14, D16, and D18.

And, as they listened to Verdi's *Aida*; and as all sat enraptured, a spark of friendship struck the two young and attractive musicians. And, even the parents felt some emotional bond with the Jewish youth from Rome. Amadeo was invited the next day to the home of the Mendelssohn family; and he visited their Synagogue, Congregation Sons of Israel on Via Milanese.

Fiora, a music teacher of piano and voice, played as Amadeo sang the role of the American Lieutenant in *Madama Butterfly*; and Fiora took the part of *Cho-Cho-San*, the ill-fated Japanese child-

bride of her unfaithful lover from America.

Everyone in the Mendelssohn family knew this was love; everyone in the Mendelssohn family knew this was a match made in heaven.

And, so, Amadeo of Rome and Fiora of Milan were married in the Synagogue, Congregation Sons of Israel on Via Milanese, on December 31, 1926.

They exchanged their vows of love in Hebrew and in Italian; and each said to the other; "*Io tu adoro!*"

And, Amadeo, the bucher became Amadeo the voice teacher with residence on the Via Di Bella Arti, in the home of his beautiful and talented wife and her family.

Amadeo took leave of his Chassidic friends in Rome, with a sense of sadness and a sense of new hope and joy, and with a strong musical note in his heart.

And, as he left Rome, he sang gaily: "*Addio, Addio! Goodbye! Goodbye! Arrivederci, Roma! Fino a altro Giorno! Until another day! Milano! Andiamo! Come on! Milan! Fiora! Fiora! Io sono Vostro devotissimo! I am yours faithfully!*"

THIS MIRACLE

By Herman Wouk

WZPS

Of all that has been written about Israel, I think it is safe to say that the oldest report on it remains the best: The Holy Bible. The most striking thing about Israel now probably is that it still looks like the setting of the stories of Genesis and the Book of Kings.

Of course, there is a thriving and boisterous young republic living its life in that setting now. But when you have driven a car a little way from the modern cities; when the night has fallen and the stars shine clear; when you step out of the car and smell the pure cool night air and hear the lowing of distant cattle ... at such time you are in the land of Canaan, The Land of Promise, The Land of Abraham. You do not read these emotions and these impressions into the landscape. They rise up to conquer and possess your soul. It is a moment of magic that leaves you never quite the same.

I am describing the romance of Israel, perhaps; although as a romancer I believe in the tough truth of such impressions. Drowning out the romance, or rather shutting in from sight as the blaze of the sun shuts up the view of the stars, there are the facts of the State.

There is the roughness and the excitement of pioneer life. There is the pride of accomplishment, of being up against raw trouble in many ways and of meeting it always with clear eyes and with hard muscles. There is the enchanting palimpsests of all the different kinds of world Jewry gathered in one place: the exotic Jews from the nearly forgotten enclaves in the hills and valleys of the Middle East, the Jews from Western lands, each with their peculiar note and cultural set: the blend is strange and heady.

There is the broad spectrum of religious observance, ranging from the otherworldly absolutism of the most rigid sects through the most sophisticated yet reverent modern Judaism of the Mizrahi workers, to the candid naturalism and humanism of the advance thinkers who remain deeply Jewish for all their modern-

Maybe the most striking fact about the people of Israel is that each individual seems so very important to the country. True, the people clash in factional disputes, as all people do; and true, their disagreements are often violent. But they are all essentially precious to each other. The young are prized and proud. The old are not discarded. Their usefulness lasts as long as their lives; and if fate makes them helpless, they are scrupulously and lovingly tended. The deep traditional humanity of the Jewish people flowers richly in Israel.

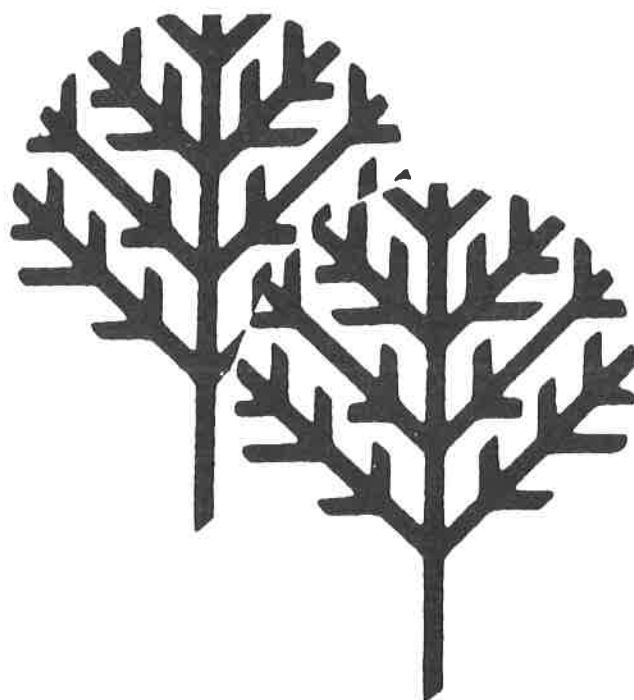
These broken impressions say so little, so very little. I have always ended by telling my American friends the same thing: go there yourself as soon as you can ... you cannot afford to miss this miracle of our century - the land of Israel real and alive again after a lapse of two thousand years.

Once this land was a dream. Now it is those two thousand years that seem to be the dream. You breathe in, with the air of the Holy Land, the deep sense that there always was, and always will be, an Israel.

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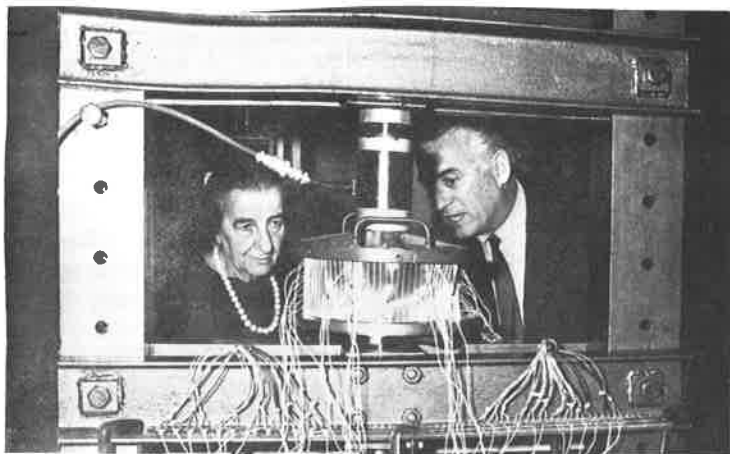
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Golda Meir, the late Prime Minister of Israel watches Professor Josef Singer, current President of the Technion - Israel Institute of Technology and former Dean of the Faculty of Aeronautical Engineering. He is demonstrating a compression test of a stiffened cylindrical shell simulating the "skin" of a rocket fuselage. Prof. Singer's twelve years of research, costing more than IL 1 million (\$280,000), and sponsored by the Office of Scientific Research of the U.S. Air Force, resulted in a method for analyzing the strength of stiffened cylindrical shells. This method was adopted by NASA and used in the Apollo and Skylab programs which launched astronauts to the moon and back into earth orbit.

Justic J.I. Dubinsky
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Dear Justice Dubinsky, Shalom!

It gives me great pleasure to advise you that the goal in commitments, of \$36,000 has been reached, for the establishment of the Nova Scotia Laboratory in the Canada Nuclear Engineering Institute.

This of course is due largely to your own special efforts and "hard pushing".

We are all very grateful to you and your committee, which includes Dr. Richard Goldbloom and Jack Rafuse, and all the help you have given on behalf of Technion.

Congratulations and best wishes to you and yours,

Sincerely,

Jaacov Erez

Project Renewal

NEWS FROM OR

YEHUDA

By Laura Kindler

EDITORS NOTE: *Laura Kindler* is coordinator at the Furst and Perlman Community Centre, Or Yehuda. The Atlantic Provinces, along with Ontario (excluding Toronto) are "twinned" with Or Yehuda.

"YOM HA ZOFAY" - THE SCOUTS DAY

On Saturday, January 29th, 1983, the Scouts Youth Movement of Or Yehuda celebrated a very special day. The Yom Ha Zofay was so successful and festive that it will not be quickly forgotten.

The young Scouts and their counselors were already hard at work preparing the site by seven in the morning. Luckily, it seemed practically like a summer day, enabling full participation; over five hundred scouts took part in this event.

The day was divided into two major

activities: construction of the various facilities during the day and the "promotion ceremony" in the evening. The children proved themselves through their hard work in building the obstacle course, tent camp, and the fire ceremony. The tents and other various facilities were each unique, displaying the personal character of each troop.

Troop D built a transit tent with a square gate, as well as an improvised closet for hanging their uniforms. These young Scouts proved themselves already in their first year to be very competent campers.

Troop E built a Beduin tent with a super revolving door.

Troop F also built a Beduin tent, a great rectangular gate and a field cot.

Troop G built a troop tent, as well as an obstacle course, which included a high wall for scaling, a balance beam, an improvised staircase for climbing and many more such barriers.

Troop H built a terrific Indian tent, and a grand square tower.

At the end of the day, Troop G won first prize for their ingenuity and hard work.

Seven o'clock in the evening, the fire-ceremony began as the concluding event of the day. At the beginning of this ritual

the Scouts of Troop D, called "The Fawns", recited the initiation oath of the Scouts tribe. The event was blessed by the Deputy Mayor, **Mr. Yehezkel Shavti** and Executive Director of the Community Center, **Mr. Benni Shalev**. During the course of the program, Troop E jumped through a hoop of fire (this jump is called "Nachson's Jump"). In doing so, the Scouts showed tremendous courage. The Scouts of Troops H were also very brave: jumping from a high tower into a fireman's net.

At the end of the ceremony the counselors and troop leaders presented the Scouts with their new ranks. The event was accompanied with many 'fire signs' and fireworks that were prepared by the Scouts who had participated in the counselors' training course, with particular thanks to **Avi** and **Rafi**.

The day was filled with good feelings, that there are such positive activities in Or Yehuda which are directed primarily by the young counselors themselves, with special praise for **Eli Romano**, the young leader of Or Yehuda Scouts.

We hope that next year you will be able to celebrate with us this special day, "Yom Ha Zofay". And as the motto of the Scouts says, "Be Strong and Be Brave".



Israel Briefs

[JNI—Jerusalem]

TEL AVIV *Ofra Haza*, a young singer from the Hatikva Quartet of Tel Aviv will represent Israel at the next Eurovision Song Contest in Munich (which Israel has won twice in the past). The prestigious annual contest brings together 15 European nations. Twenty-four year old Ofra is of Yemenite origin, the youngest in a family of nine children. The parents came to Eretz Israel from Yemen.

JERUSALEM The Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra flew to Japan for a three week tour there, the first in twenty-three years. Because of distance, cultural relations are not too highly developed between the two countries and this is the reason for the political, as well as cultural importance of this visit.

TEL AVIV Nine months of steadfast lobbying by loyal opera fans was not in vain. A new Israeli opera company is being established in cooperation with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and under the musical direction of **Zubin Mehta**, the municipality has announced.

Two productions are planned for this summer under the artistic direction of **Sara Caldwell** of the Boston Opera. And the first full season of three productions with the IPO is expected in 1984/85.

Last June, the Education Ministry's cut of funding to the 35-year-old Israel National Opera, forced closure of the Company, which had meager resources and had long been criticized on artistic and organizational grounds.

Renewed funding will be supplied by the city of Tel Aviv, the Education Ministry's Council for Cultural and Arts and individual contributions.

TEL AVIV Some 65 percent of Israel's adult population consider the mass news media detrimental to the national interest, according to a public opinion poll conducted for and reported in the latest **Monitin** Monthly. The total grew from a comparable 51 percent in a similar poll last year.

Israel Wronged Again!

London . . . A British pharmaceutical firm, complying with the Arab boycott of Israel, recently refused to send a shipment of much-needed drugs to Jerusalem's **Shaare Zedek Hospital**.

The hospital's British representative, Ken Bennett, informed Israel of the situation, adding that he was trying to make other arrangements. The hospital teleaxed an urgent appeal, insisting that "this is a matter of life and death. The drugs must be sent air freight immediately."

It took two days, but Bennett finally got the item from another supplier, at a greatly inflated cost.

Bennett was peeved by the actions of his fellow Englishmen who permitted themselves to allow patients to suffer because of a political situation and he was disturbed that the hospital had allowed its supplies to dwindle so drastically.

But his opinion of Shaare Zedek soon changed to admiration. The need for these supplies was unique. The total population of an Arab village had contracted blood lead poisoning and Shaare Zedek Hospital was called upon to treat them.

The "Hospital With a Heart" quickly used up its entire supply of drug and had to borrow from other hospitals. Yet, there still wasn't enough and the urgent call went out for more.

The perpetrators of the Arab boycott were therefore endangering the lives of their fellow Arabs by refusing to deal with Israel.

4 EX-SS OFFICERS FACE TRIAL

BONN, (JTA) -- Four former SS officers will go on trial here next fall on charges related to the deportation of 1,700 French Jews to the Auschwitz and Sobibor death camps during World War II. The accused are Walter Naehrich, Richard Freise, Modest Korff, all aged 74, and Rolf Bilharz, 73. The case against them is based on investigations conducted by Nazi hunter Serge Klarsfeld.

The ongoing trial of another former SS officer, Horst Czerwinski, 60 has been moved from Frankfurt to Celle in Lower Saxony where the accused lives. He is charged with murder and complicity in the murders of dozens of Auschwitz inmates. The trial has been interrupted three times because of Czerwinski's illness and was moved to Celle to relieve him of the need to travel to Frankfurt for each court session.

NOTICE

In the matter of Klaus Barbie, accused of crimes against humanity, the Coordinating Committee of Jewish communities in the name of all the victims, direct or indirect, of the Nazi regime in the region of Lyon.

The Committee will offer all material and legal assistance to persons who desire to testify and bring evidence in this case.

For this purpose an office has been opened at the following address, and persons who may have evidence or wish to testify should contact the office at 146 Grande de la Guillotiere - 69007 LYON, FRANCE Tel: (16-7) 872.88.23.

For additional information in Canada, contact B'nai Brith Canada, 15 Hove St., Ste. 200, Downsview, Ont. M3H 4Y8, Tel: (416) 633-6224.

THE HOLOCAUST

Six million Jews murdered, gassed, tortured, buried alive, stabbed, whipped to death.

By Helen David

Personal memories: 1931, Dresden.

Father tall and handsome, a physician, is studying at an orthopedic clinic. Mother, pretty and gifted, is the coloratura prima donna at the Dresden Staatsopera.

One morning, little sister and I, New York-born, 4 and 5 years of age, are taken to play in our favorite park.

We saw that some of the park benches had been decorated with a big yellow star. The paint was still wet, and we asked mother why the star had been painted on only some of the benches. Despite the maternal cocoon of love that cushioned the explanation, I knew whoever painted the star on the bench hated me.

Four months later, we returned to the safety of home in the U.S.A.

1933: Monticello, New Jersey.

Little sister and I were recuperating from measles, so father took us for a drive in the sunny countryside. We stopped once at a meadow, when Mother's sharp eye had glimpsed wild strawberries.

About a mile further, we saw a charming country inn. Father parked the Packard, and went inside to inquire about a dining room and lunch. He returned quickly.

"They don't serve Jews," he said, as he got into the car.

My little sister said, "Even here they hate us," and we both clutched our dolls very tightly.

The Holocaust: Six million Jews murdered; gasses, tortured, buried alive, stabbed, whipped to death.

A MOMENT OF HEBREW

רגע של עברית

UNIT III חלק ראשון

Shalom:

This issue we are celebrating our 35th Anniversary. There is a whole album of memories, history and culture that I would like to share with you for this event.

Let me introduce you to Israel and its people the unknown people who behind the scenes overcame the difficulties and who are working hard towards a strong and better Israel and to those who gave their lives for Israel and the Jewish people.

The Israeli Parliament declared Hazi-karon, Memorial Day, to immediately precede Israel's Independence Day.

This was done in the belief that the death of all soldiers of Zahal (Israel Defence Forces) and those who fell in Jewish brigades prior to the establishment of the State of Israel, prepared the ground, for the State and its independence. It is to remind us that nothing comes easy; a lot of grief precedes the joyful day.

I chose two popular Israeli songs, written by Naomi Shemer, "We Are From The Same Village" in memory of those who fell in battle, and "Machar" Tomorrow which tells of the hope for a lasting peace and a better future.

We are From The Same Village

We are both from the same village, the same height, the same forelock, the same clipped speech — what is there to say for we are from the same village.

We are from the same village, we walked through the high grass of the fields and in the evening returned to the village square — for we are from the same village.

Chorus: And on Friday evenings, when a soft breeze passes through the black tree tops I remember you.

In the orange groves and among the avenues of trees we always loved the same girls; but in the end we said — it doesn't matter — I'll stay in the village. We ran away to the same places. We went to the same wars. We crawled among the thorns and brambles but we returned together to the village.

I remember, in the battle that did not end, how I suddenly saw you were broken. And when the dawn rose among the hills I brought you back to the village. You see — we are here in the village — almost everything has remained almost the same. I pass through the green fields and you lie on the other side of the fence.

For we are both from the same village.

Anachnu Meoto Hakfar

Words and Music:

Naomi Shemer

Anachnu shneinu me'oto hakfar
Otah komah — otah blorit se'ar
Oto chituch dibur — ma yeish lomar
Hen anachnu me'oto hakfar

Anachnu shneinu me'oto hakfar
Sade yarok chatsinu ad tsavar
Ba'erev shavnu yachad lakikar
Ki anachnu me'oto hakfar

Uv'leiyot shishi
K'sheru'ach charishi
B'tsamarot shchorot over
Az ani otcha zocher

Tamid bapardism uvashderot
Ahavnu et otan hane'arot
Aval basof amarnu — ein davar
Ze hakol nishar b'toch hak'far.

Barachnu el otan ham'komot
Halachnu el otan hamichamot
Zachalnu al kotsim v'al dardar
Aval shavnu yachad el hakfar.

Uv'leiyot shishi ...

Ani zocher bakrav shelo nigmar
Pitom ra'iti eich ata nishbar
Uch'she'ala hashachar min hahar
Az otcha heveti el hakfar.

Ata ro'eh — anachnu kan bakfar
Kimat hakol nishar oto davar
B'toch sade yarok ani oveir
V'ata me'ever lagader.

Uv'leiyot shishi ...

Ki anachun shneinu me'oto hakfar
Anachnu shneinu me'oto hakfar
Anachnu
Shneinu
Me'oto hakfar.

אנחנו מאותו הכפר

כילים ולחן: נעמי שמר

אנחנו שנינו מאותו הכפר:
אותה קומה — אותה בלורית שער
אותו חיתוך דיבור — מה יש לומר
הן אנחנו מאותו הכפר.

אנחנו שנינו מאותו הכפר
שדה ירוק חצינו עד צואר
בערב שבנו יחד לככר
כי אנחנו מאותו הכפר.

ובלילות ששי
כשרוח חרישי
בצמורות שחורות עובר
אז אני אותך זוכר.

המיד בפרדסים ובשדרות
אהבנו את אותן הנערות
אבל בסוף אמרנו — אין דבר
זה הכל נשאר בתוך הכפר.

ברחנו אל אותם המקומות
הלכנו אל אותן המלחמות
זחלנו על קוצים ועל דרדר
אבל שבנו יחד אל הכפר

ובלילות ששי ...

אני זוכר בקרב שלא נגמר
פתאום ראיתי איך אתה נשבר
וכשעלה השחר מן ההר
אז אותך הבאתי אל הכפר.

אתה רואה — אנחנו כאן בכפר
כמעט הכל נשאר אותו דבר
בתוך שדה ירוק אני עובר
ואתה מעבר לגדר.

ובלילות ששי ...

כי אנחנו שנינו מאותו הכפר
אנחנו שנינו מאותו הכפר
אנחנו
שנינו
מאותו הכפר.



TOMORROW

Tomorrow perhaps we will set sail
From the shores of Eilat to the Ivory Coast
And on the old destroyers
Oranges will be loaded

*All this is not a yarn and not a dream
It is true as the light of noon
All this will come tomorrow; if not today
And if not tomorrow then the day after.*

Tomorrow a thousand buildings will rise
And a song will hover on the terraces
And a blaze of anemones and tulips
Will burst from amongst the ruins.

Tomorrow perhaps in all the paths
A lion will lead a flock of sheep
Tomorrow a thousand clappers will bleat
In the many bells of the holiday.

Tomorrow when soldiers put off uniforms
Alerted to other things
Then each man will use his own two hands
To build that of which he dreamed today.

MACHAR

Words and Music: Naomi Shemer

Machar ulai nafliga basfinot
Mechof Eilat ad chof Shenhav
W'al hamashchatot hay'shanot
Yatinu tapuchei zahav

*Kol ze eino mashal v'lo chalom
Ze machon ka'or batsohorayin
Kol ze yavo machar im lo hayom
V'im lo machar az mochrotayim*

Machar yakumu elef shikunim
V'shir ya'uf bamirpasot
Ushlal kalaniyot v'tsivonim
Ya'alu mitoch haharisot

*Kol ze eino mashal v'lo chalom
Machar ulai b'chol hamisholim
Ari b'eder tson yinhag
Machar yaku b'elef inbalim
Hamon pa'amonim shel chag*

Kol ze

Machar k'shehatsava yifshot madav
Libeinu ya'avov I'dom —
Achar kol ish yivneh bishtri yadav
Et ma shehu chalam hayom

*Kol ze eino mashal v'lo chalom
Ze machon ka'or batsohorayin
Kol ze yavo machar im lo hayom
V'im lo machar
V'im od lo machar
V'im od lo machar
Az
Mochrotayim.*

מחר

מלים ולחן: נעמי שמר

מחר אולי נפליגה בספינות
מחוף אילת עד חוף שנהב
ועל המשחתות הישנות
יטעינו תפוחי זהב

כל זה אינו משל ולא חלום
זה נכון כאור בצהרים
כל זה יבוא מחר אם לא היום
ואם לא מחר אז מחרתיים.

מחר יקומו אלף שכונים
ושיר יעוף במרפסות
ושלל כלניות וצבעונים
יעלו מתוך ההריסות

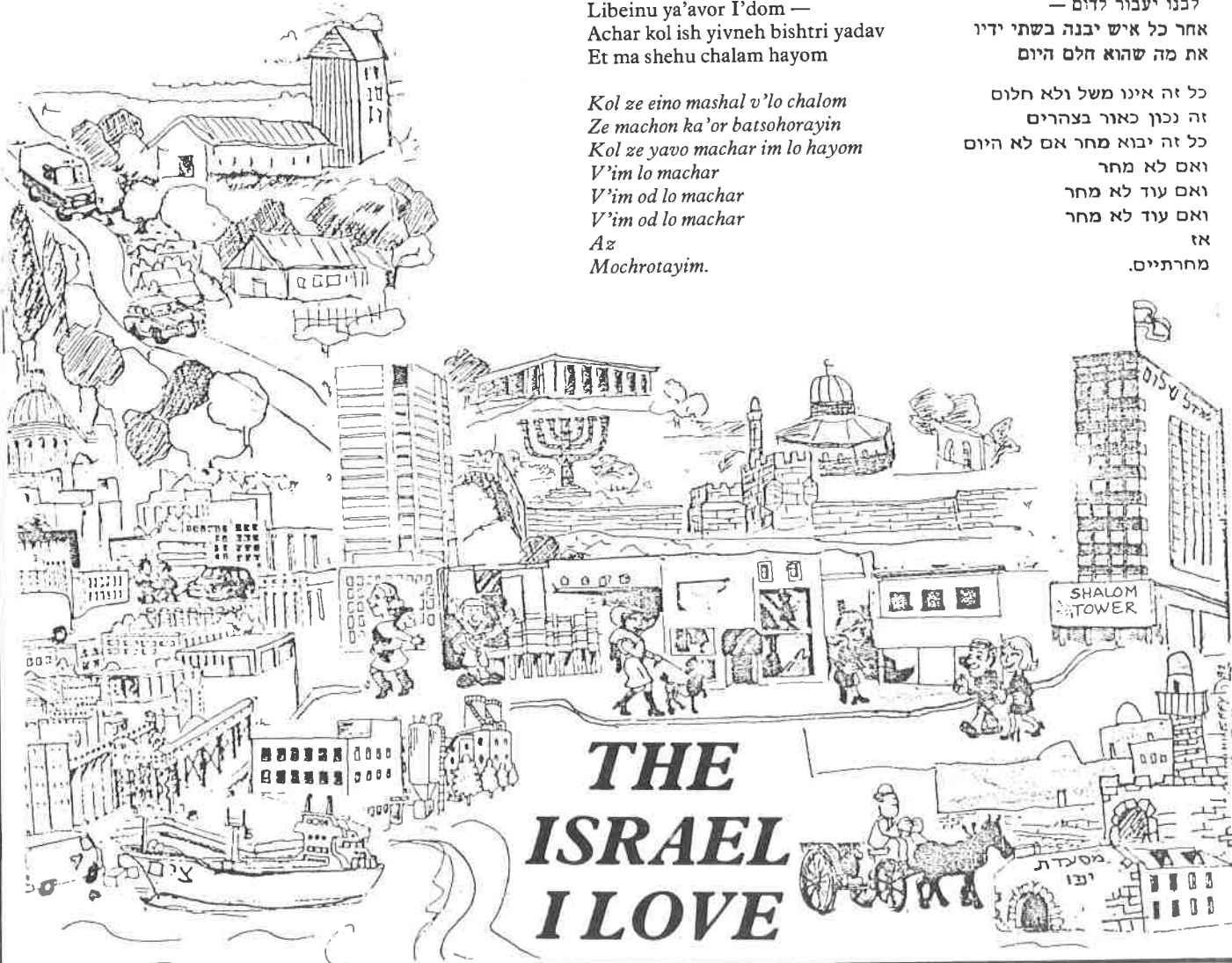
כל זה אינו משל ולא חלום

מחר אולי בכל המישולים
ארי בעדר צאן ינהג
מחר יכו באלף ענבלים
המון פעמונים של חג

כל זה אינו משל ולא חלום

מחר כשהצבא יפשוט מדיו
לבנו יעבור לדום —
אחר כל איש יבנה בשתי ידיו
את מה שהוא חלם היום

כל זה אינו משל ולא חלום
זה נכון כאור בצהרים
כל זה יבוא מחר אם לא היום
ואם לא מחר
ואם עוד לא מחר
ואם עוד לא מחר
אז
מחרתיים.





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TO THE LADIES OF HALIFAX/DARTMOUTH

Ladies, I feel privileged and excited that I am able to participate as your chairperson of the Halifax Women's Division of United Jewish Appeal.

I have recently returned from a study mission to Israel co-ordinated by United Israel Appeal. It was both informative and educational. The group was comprised of forty people, mostly from small communities across Canada, who share problems of a Jewish nature similar to ours. We visited areas to see where our money is spent. I now have a better understanding of Project Renewal. Or Yehuda is one of the communities included in Project Renewal which we help support. For me, the smiling, happy faces of the children renewed my purpose of our efforts. For others, it was the sight of improved living accommodations in the works; for some, it was advancement in technology and industry; and for others it was the development in agriculture, such as tomatoes and flowers being grown in greenhouses in the Negev Desert for export to European winter markets.

We listened to speeches of a political nature both pro and anti-governmental policy.

The best way to appreciate the situation in Israel is to go there and see for yourselves. One must take the time and opportunity to visit. In the meantime, Israel has social problems as have any developing countries and perhaps more, since there are so many different cultures which must be educated to live and work together.

An interesting fact I discovered is that our United Jewish Appeal dollars provide 25% of the Israeli budget for social and economic improvements. Israel needs our financial support today.

We must be thankful for whatever we have. For many of us, our financial contribution will not be missed at home and will not affect our lifestyles. We are fortunate to live in such a free and beautiful country as Canada. For this reason, we are able to participate and contribute each in our own way to the State of Israel.

I look forward to meeting with you and sharing my insights.

When your canvasser contacts you, please receive her with an open mind, taking into consideration what I have imparted to you. She is doing her share and participating in a worthy cause.

Sincerely,

Hedda Medjuck
Chairperson
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