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## EDITORIAL



On behalf of the staff of the Atlantic Jewish Council, may I wish you all, SHALOM. May your New Year be bright with promise . . . warm with blessings.

Shirlee Fox  
Executive Director  
Atlantic Jewish Council



Dear Shirlee:

I would like to correct the news item in the "Saint John Happenings" that appeared in the May/June '83 issue of Shalom.

What actually happened was that **Bertha (Goldstein) Master** and not **Pauline Sarah Babineau** and I left Halifax for Amsterdam, Holland. We talked to **Jeffrey Lubin** who now lives in Antwerp but is a Saint John native. While visiting Greece, we enjoyed the hospitality of a Greek family formerly of Saint John. Spending time in Egypt, we then went to Ashdod and Jerusalem. Although our time in Israel was short, it was the "frosting on the cake" as far as our visit was concerned - an experience we shall never forget.

We did not see **Jon Everett** as planned as they arrived at the ship from Ashkelon five minutes too late. However, **Jon, Marie, Tammy** and **Samara** are enjoying their Aliyah.

To set the record straight **Bertha Master**, and I would appreciate it very much if you could print this letter in the next issue of *Shalom*.

Best wishes,

Rebecca Jacobson

Dear Shirlee:

### PROJECT RENEWAL

Shalom and b'vracha to you. I hope that this letter finds you well.

I have just received the latest copy of *Shalom Magazine*. As usual it is very well done.

I will be concluding my work at the Community Centre as of the end of July. I will sincerely miss working with you: — I think we accomplished quite a lot to strengthen the ties between our two communities. Project Centre to Centre will be under the direction of **Ricki Valgi**.

Sincerely,

Laura Kindler  
Furst & Perlman Centre, Israel

## PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE



As is the custom at this time, one reviews the past and looks to the future. The past year has been dominated by one word - Lebanon. Israel, it would appear,

has secured certain of its goals. Unfortunately, Lebanon itself, cannot come to terms with internal peace. One can only hope that apart from securing Israel's northern borders, the accord reached with Lebanon will also be positive.

What happens in Israel affects all of us as do events in other parts of the world. The year 5743 saw the continuance of terrorist activities in Europe, a rise in anti-semitism, and the decline in Russian immigration. It is fifty years since the rise to power of Hitler and the 40th Anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

For most of us living in this part of the world these events, past and present, have only vicariously touched us. Amongst us however, there are those who can personally attest to past tragedies and wonder as everyone, how the Canadian, Keegstra, could have been allowed to infect his students with his billious lies. The year 5743 was a momentous year.

In the year 5744, within the next few months, Atlantic Jewry will have to make important decisions involving its commitment to Israel and to itself. We will be discussing Federation, what is Federation, how Federated communities function, what are its benefits, etc. Our executive meetings in various communities will be open meetings at which we expect good attendance as it is very crucial to Atlantic Jewry and Israel. We can be confident of our future in the knowledge that we are working together - as one people.

The year 5744 will be a continuance of hopes and aspirations both here and in Israel. I hope that it will be a happy and prosperous one, a year of peace.

Shanah Tovah Um'Verekhet  
Martin Chernin, President,  
Atlantic Jewish Council

## GREETINGS FROM BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

Beth Israel Synagogue and Baron De Hirsch Hebrew Benevolent Society wish all their members and friends in the Atlantic Provinces a most happy New Year in 5744. We face the coming days of awe with expectation and trepidation as we contemplate the Jewish, the Israeli and the world scene. May our age-old prayers for peace be answered in a new scenario of peace for each of these scenes.

May our introspection during the High Holy Days prepare us for constructive Jewish living in the coming year, with traditional Torah practice a vital part of our lives, at home, at work, and in the house of prayer.

**Rabbi Marvin Pritzker, Rabbi; Jason Greenblatt, President; Jeno Mittelman, Cantor.**

# HALIFAX WOMEN'S O.R.T.

By Cathy Jacobson

ORT's 21st year in Halifax! As the Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT embarks on a new year, under the guidance and leadership of **Doreen Gordon**, we will strive to increase our membership, increase the community's awareness of the work of the ORT, educate our members through the great history of ORT, and to raise dollars for our ORT schools. These are some of Doreen's objectives as she leads us into the 1983-84 season.

You may well ask how Doreen intends to achieve this? Through the determination, commitment and experience of her executive and board. They have been busy this summer meeting and planning new and exciting projects and events.

## New Executive:

President - **Doreen Gordon**; Past President - **Linda Raskin**; Vice-President (fund-raising) - **Ardith Offman**; Vice-President (membership) - **Vicki Lipkus**; Vice-President (programming) - **Carol Ginsberg**; Treasurer - **Miriam Kohler**; Recording Secretary - **Miriam Zatzman**; Financial Secretary - **Judy Abraham**; Corresponding Secretary - **Karen Sadofsky**.

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We are pleased with the response to our Flower Project and thank the community

for supporting ORT by purchasing flowers. ORT offered a selection of mums, cut flowers and centerpieces. A very special thanks to **Maisie Block** and her callers for all their time and efforts to make this a success again this year.

**Marianne Ferguson**, our Gift Card chairperson, has a lovely assortment of new cards at \$3:00 and up. She also is offering a new card called The Social Assistance Card, which sells for \$25.00. It is a most elegant kelly green and white card. This \$25.00 gift card helps to provide dental care, uniforms, religious articles and hot lunches. What better way for us to show our students that they are indeed special - that we care - than to send Social Assistance cards for special occasions. So give Marianne a call for all your gift card needs.

Look for news of ORT's Little Jewish General in the next issue of *Shalom*.

## HALIFAX HADASSAH-WIZO A Year In Review

By Bette Ross, Immediate Past President,  
Hadassah Council

Halifax Hadassah-Wizo has just completed another good year. We opened in September with the launching of Hadassah-Wizo month in Canada. Right after that we hosted the three-day Atlantic Provinces Regional Conference, and throughout the year we kept up the pace with a used clothing sale, our annual Youth Aliyah campaign, a new project in the form of a Giant Bake Sale at a local craft fair, a quilt raffle, in cooperation

with the Atlantic Jewish Council, a Public Affairs evening with Harold Troper, our annual Medical Services Tea — the biggest and most successful yet, and finally the Dream Dinner. Also, the various chapters held functions. As always, the Barbara Goldberg Chapter held a very successful holiday gift-wrapping service in December, and in May they had a return visit from the dynamic duo Jim and Rosalie, to the special delight of Halifax youngsters. We congratulate **Mr. Sidney Warren**, the winner of our Youth Aliyah Quilt raffle. Now Sidney knows what is meant by the "warmth" of Hadasah-Wizo.

As I reach the end of my term of office as President of Council, I look back over the last two years with satisfaction. We had so many successful functions, due entirely to the unstinted efforts of the various project chairmen and their ever willing committee members. To list all of these worthy ladies would take a whole issue of *Shalom*. They know who they are, and they know how much we appreciate their efforts. However, I would like to thank the chapter Presidents who held office during the term, **Beatrice Zemel** and **Naomi Fishman**, of Orah Chapter; **Evette Bowman**, **Leona Freeman**, **Miriam Jacobson** and **Ella Morris** of Tikvah Chapter; **Dorothy Riteman** of Avivah Chapter, and **Gail Green** of Barbara Goldberg Chapter. These ladies did a splendid job in leadership and we are all so grateful for their efforts. However, an extra "thank you" is due to Gail Green, who was undoubtedly the driving force behind her chapter's constant successful fund-raising and we wish the chapter the strength to keep up the pace she has set.

To the new President of Council, **Leona Freeman**, and all the officers, I wish a hearty "mazeltov" and much success. I know you are in for an exciting time.

## ATTENTION! ALL TEENS 13 YEARS OF AGE & OVER

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# CANADA and ISRAEL: A Balanced Perspective



**Harold Buckwald, Q.C.**  
National Chairman  
Canada Israel Committee

The annual stocktaking incumbent on the advent of a new year finds Canada-Israel relations at September, 1983 "on hold". A relative calm - compared to one year ago - seems to prevail, as events in the Middle East have served to crystallize points of agreement and disagreement in the strong friendship between our two countries.

A quick-listening of the seven current fundamentals of Canada's Middle East policy, in which she seeks to present a posture of "even-handedness" between Israel and her Arab neighbors, is in order:

- (1) It is a fundamental cornerstone of Canadian foreign policy that Israel has the unqualified right to exist as a sovereign state, within secure and recognized borders, at peace with her neighbors, and that there be flourishing economic, cultural, social and personal relations between our two nations and their peoples.
- (2) The terms of any peace arrangements in the Middle East must be resolved by the parties to the conflict themselves, in direct negotiations.
- (3) Canada supports the Camp David Accords and the Regan Plan (to the extent it advances Camp David) as the only process which can lead to a meaningful peace in the region.
- (4) Just as the Israelis have rights, so, too, do the Palestinian residents of the West Bank and the Gaza strip, and these rights include a "homeland" within a defined territory (namely Gaza and the West Bank). Canada does not rule out a separate, new Palestinian state, if the parties agree (in this respect Canadian policy goes beyond the Reagan Plan).
- (5) Canada disagrees most strongly with the Israeli government's settlements policy in the West Bank (which it regards as illegal).

- (6) All foreign forces, including Israel, must pull out of Lebanon. Consequently, the recently concluded Lebanese-Israeli Treaty is applauded, and the refusal to withdraw by Syria and the PLO criticized.

- (7) Canada will not grant official recognition to the PLO as long as the PLO:

- (a) refuses to recognize Israel's right to exist; and
- (b) pursues terrorism as an instrument of policy.

Supporters of Israel should be aware that there is fundamental sympathy for the plight of the Palestinian people (as opposed to the PLO) amongst Canadians. This sentiment, motivated by Canadians' essentially decent approach to moral dilemmas, should not be construed as being advocated at the expense of Israel, but rather of concurrent support - in the context of the "autonomy" spoken of in the Camp David Accords.

Nor should we be unmindful of the unpopularity of certain Israeli policies including Trade with South Africa and the supplying of arms to "reactionary" regimes in Central America - which twig the consciences of liberals in this country and provoke sporadic critical outbursts.

The special lesson to be gleaned from the events of the immediate past year is that a balanced perspective must be maintained in assessing the Canada-Israel relationship: There are no disagreements on the fundamentals; the differences on limited, specific policies and actions are the differences of good friends who can agree to disagree without rupturing their friendship.

The thirty-five years of warm Canada-Israel friendship see escalating economic, cultural, academic and people-to-people exchanges. While there has been criticism and counter-advocacy on behalf of her enemies, a vigilant and informed constituency of supporters of Israel remains the strongest assurance of continuing good relations on an enduring basis between Canada and the Jewish state.

On behalf of the Canada-Israel Committee, its Board of Directors, Officers and professional associates, it is my pleasure to extend warmest best wishes for the coming year.

## SOVIET JEWRY

Mr. F.D. Medjuck  
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Dear Mr. Medjuck,

I wish to thank you for your most informative letter of April 27 regarding your recent visit to the Soviet Union and your observation on restricted emigration from that country.

We are all too familiar with the situation of persons who are being denied their right to leave the Soviet Union and are persecuted for having tried to exercise that right. Canada has taken a firm stand at the Madrid Meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe with respect to human rights and fundamental freedoms, and on the implementation by all participating states of the provisions of the Helsinki Final Act promoting the free movement of people. We have protested the increasing repression in the Soviet Union and the severe curtailment of emigration which have become apparent in recent years. Our representations have been made in bilateral contacts with Foreign Minister Gromyko and senior Soviet officials as well as in multilateral forums such as the Madrid Meeting. The most recent public protest concerning restricted emigration and related persecution was lodged by the Head of the Canadian Delegation to the CSCE. On April 28, I met personally with representatives of the Canadian Parliamentary Spouses Committee on Soviet Jewry and American Congressional Wives, to draw public attention to Canadian Government views on the plight of Jews in the Soviet Union.

Despite the difficulty of influencing Soviet positions on human rights and emigration matters, we have not abandoned hope of encouraging an evolution in official attitudes. However, the efforts by Canada and other Western Governments have not produced notable success in recent years. It would seem, in fact, that the Soviet authorities are not so sensitive to pressure applied by governments, either publicly or privately, as they are to strong expressions of public opinion in the West. We therefore consider it very important that individuals and organizations concerned with human

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Shalom, September/October, 1983

# HISTORY OF SOVIET JEWRY

## 1917 - 1930

### Editor's Note:

Due to a printing error, Gerry Mendleson's name was omitted as the author of an article on the Soviet Jewry Conference, Israel, which appeared in the May/June '83 issue of Shalom. We apologize to the author.

The following article was submitted by Gerry Mendleson, Soviet Jewry Chairman for the Atlantic Provinces.

It is an account taken from "The Record" a U.S. B'nai Brith Publication, describing in brief, events in Jewish History in the Soviet Union immediately following the Russian Revolution in 1917.

## OVERVIEW

The period right after the first Russian Revolution in March, 1917, was one of great expectation. The Jews greeted the downfall of the Tsar with joy and hope in the promise it held for the dawning of a new period in Russian history. The Provisional Government, led by the socialist Alexander Kerensky, seemed to justify this trust. On April 2, it issued a decree abolishing all previous restrictions on national and religious groups, including the Jews. Although the decree was vague, its effect on the Jewish community was electrifying. In the spring of the Revolution, Jewish political and cultural life flourished as never before. Political groups were formed. Schools and theaters were reorganized. Hebrew and Yiddish publications, forced to discontinue after 1915, were renewed. For example, in 1916 there was only one Jewish newspaper printed in Russia; in 1917 there were 48.

In October, 1917, the Bolsheviks, led by Lenin, staged a second revolution which overthrew the moderate Kerensky government. The Bolsheviks were more equivocal about Jewish rights. According to communist ideology, Jews were not a "proper" nationality because they were scattered throughout the world. Nevertheless, Lenin issued statements condemning anti-Semitism and set up special "Jewish sections" in the government.

There were many Russians who did not accept Lenin's government. From the end of 1917 through 1921 a fierce civil war raged in Russia. The Jews were caught in the middle of

the conflict. It has been estimated that close to 150,000 or 10% of the entire Jewish population of the Ukraine perished in those years.

When the Civil War was over, the Jews of Russia faced new problems. Under the Tsars, Jews had been barred by law from heavy industry and agriculture. The majority therefore became small shopowners, tradesmen, and self-employed artisans. As such, in spite of their impoverished state, they were officially classified by the communist government as "bourgeois." This label made it difficult for them to get housing, food rations, and jobs. The communist government also dealt a severe blow to the newly-blossoming Jewish culture: Zionism was outlawed and the use of the Hebrew language was banned. Finally, the Jewish community was one of the prime targets of the virulent anti-religious campaign that the new, atheistic Russian rulers began in the 1920's.

By the end of this period, the Russian-Jewish community was in desperate straits. Some attempts to improve their condition were made by setting up Jewish agricultural settlements in Crimea and the Ukraine. These projects were often financed by Jewish charitable organizations outside Russia. In 1928, the Russian government announced a new such attempt: it planned to set aside a remote region of eastern Siberia, Birobidzhan, as an autonomous Jewish area. The plan was not only to find some place for the starving Jewish masses; it also aimed to divert attention from settlement in Palestine, to elicit world sympathy for the new Russian government, and to secure, with Jewish labor and colonization, the eastern border of the Soviet Union which was threatened by the Japanese.

## CHRONOLOGY

**1917** Revolutions in February and October: the first leads to the abdication of Nicholas II and the end of 300 years of Romanov rule; a Provisional Government, headed by Alexander Kerensky, proclaims Russia a republic and removes all restrictions affecting Jews and other minorities; the U.S. immediately recognizes the new regime; the October coup, led by Lenin and Trotsky, overthrows the Kerensky government and establishes Bolshevik control of Russia.

**1918** In signing the Brest-Litovsk treaty with Germany, Russia unilaterally withdraws from World War I.

**1918-21** Years of Civil War; the Allies, horrified at the new regime's actions, briefly intervene in Russia in an attempt to overthrow the Bolsheviks; 200,000 Jews are killed in pogroms during the Civil War.

**1918** The first Soviet Constitution creates a federation of Soviet National Republics; a Commissariat for Nationalities, containing a Jewish section, is established under the leadership of Joseph Stalin.

**1919** The *kehillah*, the traditional Jewish communal organization, is abolished and its property is confiscated; Zionism is outlawed and the use of the Hebrew language is banned.

**1920** Yiddish is given the status of an official language of the Soviet Union; the communist government begins a savage campaign against religious groups in the country; religious education of children is forbidden, churches and synagogues are

seized and converted into clubs, workshops and warehouses; Jewish schools of elementary and higher learning are closed.

**1920-22** Famine

**1921** The New Economic Policy: with Russia on the brink of economic collapse, Lenin retreats from communist practices; Jews, stripped of their means of livelihood, are urged to resettle on agricultural enterprises in Crimea and the Ukraine; a group of Hebrew writers, led by the poet laureate Hayyim Nachman Blalik, leaves Russia for Palestine.

**1922** Russia is officially designated as the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Joseph Stalin becomes secretary-general of the Communist Party, beginning his rise to power.

**1924** Lenin dies.

**1926** 51% of Jewish children are educated in Yiddish-language schools run by the government; colonization efforts are at their peak with some 35,000 Jews on agricultural settlements.

**1927** More than a million copies of Yiddish newspapers are printed in the Soviet Union; Rabbi Schneersohn, leader of Habad Hassidism is imprisoned and later expelled from Russia.

**1928** Stalin begins the Five Year Plan to expand Russia's economy and make her self-sufficient; Birobidzhan region in far eastern Siberia is designated as an area for Jewish settlement.

**1929** Trotsky is exiled from Russia.

**1930** Millions of *kulaks*, more prosperous peasants, are liquidated; the Jewish section in the Commissariat of Nationalities is abolished.



In 1928, Birobidzhan was heralded as a "Russian Zion." These postmarks, on letters from Birobidzhan, testify to the failure of that dream. The first, dated August 9, 1935, bears the name of the region in Cyrillic and Hebrew characters, with the initials of the Jewish Autonomous Region on the side. The second, December 3, 1947, has USSR on the top, the word Birobidzhan in Russian and Yiddish, and the initials as before. The last, issued in 1955, has no Hebrew lettering, and makes no mention of the Jewish region.



# BROTT GIVES CONCERT IN HALIFAX

By Lorne Rozovsky

The internationally known Canadian conductor **Boris Brott** made a sold out appearance in June at the Shaar Shalom Synagogue. In an attempt to revitalize Jewish cultural life in the community, the 150 family congregation sponsored a concert of music on a Jewish theme with a professional orchestra of symphony musicians under the direction of Maestro Brott who is the resident conductor of the Hamilton Philharmonic.

Two soloists were featured on the program. **Mikhail Brat**, violinist, formerly of the Soviet Union and now with the Hamilton Philharmonic, played the Invocation and Chassidic Dance by the conductor's father, **Alexander Brott**. Brott, Sr. is conducted of the McGill Chamber Orchestra and the Kingston Symphony. He is also a well-known Canadian conductor, teacher and composer.

Kol Nidrei by Max Bruch was played by cellist **Shimon Walt** of the now defunct Atlantic Symphony Orchestra.

The program also included selections from "Fiddler on the Roof", Baal Shem by Bloch and Overture on Hebrew Themes by Prokofieff. The evening was greeted by a standing ovation of the Jewish and non-Jewish audience following the playing of Hatikvah.



The concert was made possible through special donations to the Symphony Musicians Trust Fund by the Eaton Foundation, Zeller's and the Birks Family Foundation.

A reception was held by the Congregation for the entire orchestra and the audience following the concert.

The concert was a highlight of the Halifax cultural season and helped to fill the void left by the collapse of the Atlantic Symphony Orchestra last year. However, it was not only unusual in that it featured music on a Jewish theme but included witty explanations before each piece in English and Yiddish by the conductor.

years, people have been talking about the idea of a Jewish summer day camp. Through the Lubavitch Youth Organization, we were able to receive a government grant. That impetus ended the talk.

In Halifax this summer, our very own Jewish day camp premiered. The attractions? A home base at the Beth Israel Synagogue, kosher cuisine, weekly outings (to Shubenacadie Wildlife Park and Camp Kadimah, for example), daily swimming lessons and a lot of fun. The schedule highlighted a miscellany of programs: Deaf Gypsy Mime, "Kids Express" and "Kids on the Block" puppet shows, encounters with clowns, visits from musicians, trips to museums, picnics in the park and, most importantly, Jewish children being together.

The staff, who have had previous experience as counsellors at Camp Kadimah and other Young Judaeon youth camps, consisted of **Marc Garson**, **Mike Collins**, **Miriam Alberstat** and myself, as administrator/program director. Our resident advisor was **Frank Medjuck**, the person responsible for initiating this project. With the introduction of a Jewish day camp, the children's vicarious exposure to camp life has become a reality. The program, although still in its pioneering stage, has achieved its objectives. Now the groundwork has been laid for the future. Through time and experience, this program can continue to grow. Maybe next summer, other centers in the region will follow suit.

In the planning stages of this project, we realized the uncertainty with which we were faced. To us, the threat of competition from other non-Jewish day camps, summer cottages and family vacations was secondary. Foremost in our minds was: Given the opportunity, the facilities, the proper preparation and experienced staff, would the idea elicit any reaction? It was a risk, a chance of a loss or a gain . . . with a little to be lost and so much to be gained.

In retrospect, the day camp ran during the months of July and August, with the enrollment of five-to-seven year olds passing the twenty-camper mark. Looking back on those weeks, the results speak for themselves. Children's laughing voices were heard in the background. It was either Marc teaching them the words to the "Men at Work" album, or Mike leading some crazy game of "duck, duck, goose," or Miriam tracing their bodies for self-portraits in arts and crafts. Now the stage has been set. For "as our fathers planted for us, so do we plant for our children." (The Talmud)

## FIRSTS

By Ann David

Blue and white license plates neatly tacked to cars travelling through the streets of Halifax don the motto "Nova Scotia . . . Canada's Ocean Playground". To many, Halifax is a city that attracts thousands of tourists each year during the summertime. To us, however, Halifax is home. Tourists come here to vacation, to sightsee, and to enjoy the relaxed ambience. Have you ever wondered, though, where the residents go? More specifically, have you ever wondered what happens in the Jewish community during these months?

Throughout the course of the year, the Atlantic Jewish Council (AJC) has an extensive calendar of events. In the summer months, it features the added dimension of Camp Kadimah. Under the auspices of the AJC, Camp Kadimah — the only Jewish camp in the Atlantic Region is opened each year for the summer.

Every year, for over forty years, Jewish children from all of the Atlantic provinces have flocked to Camp Kadimah to stay at their summer "home". During the six-week session, the campers are exposed to a variety of activities, which blend the fundamentals of any summer camp (sports, arts and crafts, drama, singing and dancing), with Zionist and Jewish content. For us, exposure to these elements is essential in order to develop an understanding and appreciation of being Jewish. In a conducive atmosphere, with a mixture of the proper ingredients, Camp Kadimah has attained a reputation as one of the finest Jewish camps nationwide.

Back in the city, however, the younger Jewish children only hear their older brothers and sisters telling camp stories, and anticipate the day when they too, can go and taste camp life for themselves. For



## AN OLD LANGUAGE AT NEW YEAR

It is almost a cliché that over the past century Yiddish has been buried repeatedly but refuses to die.

I saw that absurdity mirrored in May, 1982, in Montreal, when, through the *Atlantic Jewish Council* I attended three days of the six-day conference — the previous one having been held in Jerusalem in 1976 — of the World Council on Yiddish.

How odd, it seemed to me, that the gathering had gone through two days of sessions before the official opening session was held. Equally surprised were other delegates that Atlantic Canada could generate enough interest in the language to send a delegate.

No matter. If the achievement of a clear order of business remains in doubt, there is no question that we all gained a great deal of moral support from meeting one another and from hearing of one another's work.

Those present included, the originally non-Yiddish speaking family from Winnipeg, raising their children completely in Yiddish; the young Yiddish-speaking costume and makeup woman from Hollywood who wants to work in Yiddish theatre; the aged Brazilian who had headed Yiddish schools in Poland before World War II; his student, who now heads the Jewish State Theatre in Warsaw.

Yiddish in Halifax? There have been a number of interested students, as well as for Hebrew, and classes have been offered for both languages over the past two years. Right now there seem to be too few committed students to warrant the Jewish community's offering adult classes for either language. At the same time, the committed individuals have shown that instruction has been fruitful. They should be able to pursue their work as they did last year through the Atlantic Institute of Jewish Studies.

Those interested in home-study with coaching, in either Yiddish or Hebrew, may call me at Shaar Shalom, 422-2580, Sunday - Friday mornings.

I pray that we Jews of Atlantic Canada join our People everywhere in celebrating



**Rabbi Gershon Freidlin**  
**Shaar Shalom Synagogue, Halifax**

5744, a year wherein the old tastes new and the new has taste.



The **Halifax Dartmouth State of Israel Bonds** will honour **Mr. Samuel Jacobson** at a dinner celebrating Israel's 35th Anniversary on Sunday, October 16, 1983 at Shaar Shalom Synagogue at 6:30 p.m.

The 35th Anniversary Award will be presented to Mr. Jacobson at the dinner in recognition of his long and distinguished service in strengthening Israel's economy.



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# NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM CANADIAN ZIONIST FEDERATION

By Philip Gibbins - President

Rosh Hashanah comes early this year, but not too early for me. With the way things have been going, they could have cancelled out last year altogether and I wouldn't have missed it at all. Mind you, personally, I can't complain. A couple of good things that I have been looking forward to all my life happened, both in the same week. I now know what it feels like to be married to a grandmother, thanks to my daughter, and my son graduated from college. Neither my son nor my grandson have a steady job yet, but both have well-to-do fathers, so why worry? The future will look after itself.

But, for the rest of all of us, it has been a forgettable year — that is if we could be allowed to forget. The impasse in Lebanon grinds on inexorable. Sabra and Shatilla have feared and scarred a generation. Some are more penitent than others, still others feel no penance is necessary. The media have had a "Field Day" at our expense and latent as well as patent animosities have squirted to the surface like pus from a festering boil.

All over the world, the tocsin bells of anti-Semitism have been unlimbered and they have been tolling, even for those of us in Canada, who thought we were safe, safe, safe.

There has been a scientific survey conducted and, based on a random sample, purports to prove conclusively that what has happened in Israel does not cause anti-Semitism, that Israel can be totally ruled out as a causa causans of anti-Semitism anywhere in the Western World. On the other hand, as the top civilian police official in Metropolitan Toronto, I have in my hand, reports from police officers in the field that advises me that there is a direct co-relation between the level of anti-Jewish hysteria in the media and the number of incidents that are triggered against persons and property that are brought to their attention after such news items are sensationally billboarded in the media.

1982 saw a very sharp increase of such ingredients, the numbers for 1983 are not all in yet, but they have moderated.

All of this is really nothing compared to the casualties that poor little Israel has suffered in dead and wounded. How do



you moderate that? And how does it help when you watch the country torn apart by recriminations and counter recriminations? Criticism and advice is the greatest commodity Israel has for export today. If they could put a tax on it together with what we send them, they could put an end to their inflation overnight.

The prognosis for the coming year can only be positive. The victory in Lebanon and it was a victory — was nevertheless a Pyrrhic victory. The Bekaa quagmire can hardly be characterized as anything else. The cost was enormous and continues to be paid. Yet the disarray, upheaval, pandemonium, total confusion and convulsions of the PLO can only have come as a result of this past year's events. This disarray and disorder is greatly beneficial to Israel and is certainly an object lesson to the pundits and critics, but, for our people, there never was an easy way.

In spite of everything, if we all pull together, everywhere, we can make it a great year. In the words of the 23rd Psalm, I truly believe that "yea" though we walk through the (Bekaa) Valley of the shadow of death, we need fear no evil for God is with us."

L'Shanah Tova to you and yours for 5744.

## ROSH HASHANA MESSAGE

By Thomas O. Hecht

It affords me great pleasure to extend Rosh Hashana greetings from the State of Israel Bond Organization to *Shalom* and the distinguished Jewish communities of Atlantic Canada.

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Today, the proud and buoyant State of Israel, through State of Israel Bonds, actively develops hydro-electric power; energetically explores new sources of energy; creatively introduces new concepts of computerized deep irrigation; dynamically invests in sophisticated high technology industries; and with great skill builds ports, harbour facilities and new roads.

As such, Israel Bonds continue to represent the muscle and the sinew of this vigorous young nation by providing the necessary resources for the people of Israel to take a major step towards economic self sufficiency.

Since the Rosh Hashana is a time of reflection and rededication in the traditions of our people, I invite the Jewish communities of Atlantic Canada to renew and reaffirm their links with Israel.



Thomas O. Hecht  
National President  
State of Israel Bonds

## REMINDER

Please try to join us at the **Weizmann Institute Dinner** - October 30, 1983 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, (Dietary Laws Observed).

**Murray Koffler** will be guest speaker. For reservations contact: Reservations, Weizmann Institute Dinner, Suite 304, 1515 South Park Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 2L2, (902) 422-7491.





# CAPE BRETON NEWS

By Fanny Cohen

## Annual Meeting of Cape Breton Hadassah-Wizo

Cape Breton Hadassah-Wizo assembled at the Talmud Torah, Glace Bay, for the annual meeting on June 15, 1983. President **Ruth Simon**, welcomed members and guests.

Various reports were presented by the many chairpersons covering the activities of the past year. **Fannie Rosenblum**, whose opening remarks, "The Best Ever", brought a thunderous applause with those heartening words, strengthening the resolve to further efforts.

## Reports on Trip

National Vice-President, **Shirley Dubinsky**, spoke on her visit to St. John's, Nfld. where she addressed members on Youth Aliyah and the upcoming 30th Biennial Convention to be held at the Toronto Hilton, Harbour Castle Hotel November 20-23. **Sophie Sherman**, is the Chairperson of Cape Breton delegates.

Pins were presented for: New Ima — **Fannie Rosenblum**, **Ellie Friedman**; to **Judy Schneiderman** for her two-year term as Youth Aliyah Chairperson; to **Joan Elman** for her two-year stint with Bazaar.

## New Business

On July 20, 1983, Hadassah-Wizo's summer project a Dessert Luncheon was held at the summer home of **Fruma and Izzie Shore**. Proceeds for Medical Services, with **Sylvia Chernin**, Convenor Dinnerless Dinner, a new project to help further the important work of **Dr. Feuerstein** in the building of a residential center for his work with children in their social and cognitive development. Dates for this dinner project - June 15 to June 31. **Sylvia Epstein** was over-all convenor with **Shirley Chernin** for Glace Bay, and **Edith Nathanson** for New Waterford.

## Presentations

Gifts presented for selling over 100 Bazaara Books were received by **Lena Gaum**, **Freda Wetston** - Sydney; **Esther Mendleson**, **Sarah Sable** - Glace Bay; **Celia Claener**, **Freda Columbus** New Waterford. A raffle of a baby quilt was won by **Sophie Sherman**. **Nina Cohen**, summering in Cape Breton, spoke on matters pertinent to social welfare conditions in Israel.

The President, **Ruth Simon**, thanked the convenors of the Annual Meeting who were: **Shirley Chernin**, **Nettie**

**Simon**, **Jen Cherun**, **Fanny Cohen Fruma Shore**. In her closing remarks she wished everyone a most enjoyable summer and expressed her appreciation to all those present for making her first year as Cape Breton Hadassah-Wizo Council President, such a successful and cooperative one.

## Summer Wedding

On July 24, 1983, a beautiful wedding took place at the Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney, N.S. between **Glenna Goldie Mendleson**, daughter of **Esther** and **Daniel Mendleson**, Glace Bay, and **Michael David Kay**, Winnipeg, Man., son of **Mrs. Polly Kay**, Wyndham, Sydney Australia, and **Mr. Harold Kay** of Winnipeg, Manitoba. **Rabbi Eli Lagnado** officiated at the ceremony.

The Maid of Honour was **Judy Schacter** of Glace Bay. Bridesmaids were **Mary Moran**, Truro, **Sheila Bannon**, Halifax, and **Mrs. Ellen Baldin**, Dartmouth, the Best Man was **Paul Koltek**, Winnipeg, close friend of the groom. The ushers were **Johnathan Kay** and Robert Kay, Toronto, brothers of the groom, as well as **Howard Tennehouse**, Winnipeg, close friend of the groom. The Page Boy was **Bradley Garonce**, of Montreal, cousin of the bride.

Following the ceremony, the dinner and reception were held at the College of Cape Breton, Sydney, N.S.

The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in New York City and at the Nevelle Hotel, Ellenville, N.Y., and have since taken up residence in Winnipeg.

The bride has been active in Jewish Community affairs and attended Camp Kadimah as a camper and a councillor. She was also a leader in Young Judaea.

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## Rosh Hashana 5744

By Rabbi Eli Lagnado  
Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney

I am privileged to send brotherly greetings for the New Year of 5744 to all of you.

I pray that the coming year will find us strong in faith in our Father in Heaven and with an abiding trust in His justice and compassion. Our faith and trust are shown by the way we pray, by the deeds we perform by the knowledge we acquire and by the quality of our daily work. These tasks together include our duties to G-d and our duties to our fellowmen. In all things big and small, we must rely on Divine will. It is that which gives us the steadfastness and hope which will neither falter nor weaken, no matter the circumstances.

Man's life is frail, exposed to the accidents of chance and moral ills, for everything is vain and fleeting. The Law of G-d must be implanted in our hearts and must be our guide in the variety of everyday life. As we look around the world today, faced as it is with so many difficulties and uncertainties, Judaism teaches of G-d given powers of faith, of hope and courage to master difficulties, to overcome sin, to walk in uprightness and humility before G-d.

As we pray to the Almighty during this solemn period of the Jewish Calendar, may the wishes of our hearts be fulfilled for good. In our prayers we pray for the sounding of a clarion call heralding the recognition of the Divine Sovereignty by a united humanity. May the dawn of this glorious promise be witnessed by us in our time.

My wife **Liebe**, and children **Michelle** and **Isaac** join me in wishing you and your family a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year and pray that the New Year will bring lasting Peace to Israel and indeed throughout the world.

Shalom, September/October, 1983

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## NEWS FROM MONCTON

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by Rabbi Michael Wolff

### Community Picnic

Shediac Yacht Club was the site for the Moncton Community Picnic held at the end of June. Over fifty people enjoyed the successful Sunday afternoon. **Anne Jochelman** and **Steven Rinzler** organizers of the event deserve a special "thank you" as do the **Rinzlers**, **Reuben Maklin** and **Charles Gorber** who helped with the food preparation.

### Mazel Tov

**Morris Gorber** who celebrated his 80th birthday in July. Many Happy Returns!

### New Sisterhood Executive

At the year end meeting of the Congregation Tiferes Israel Synagogue Sisterhood, the incoming Executive was announced. **Mrs. Reuben Cohen** hosted the meeting at her home. The new slate is as follows: President: **Terri Cohen**; 1st Vice-President: **Margie Attis**; 2nd Vice-President: **Diane Wanderer**; Treasurer: **Gail Rinzler**; Recording Secretary: **Sarah Gorber**; Corresponding Secretary: **Ann Selick**.

**Audrey Lampert**, outgoing President and her executive were thanked for the excellent work during the past year. Good wishes were extended to the incoming officers.

### Brownie Troop

Rabbi Wolff and four or five members of the Synagogue met recently to organize a Brownie Troop. Activities will begin in October.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ST. JOHN'S?

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In mid-July **Mrs. Helen Nathanson** hosted a tea for the ladies of the St. John's Jewish Community and their visitors.

### Condolences To

**Larry** and **Nardy Nathanson** upon the passing of their mother in Glace Bay. She was 85 years old. May G-d comfort them among the mourners of Zion and Israel.

### Congratulations To

**Esther Tock** upon her acceptance to Western University in London, Ontario. We wish her much success.

### Farwell To

**Barbara, Adrian, Paul** and **Michelle Fine** who left in August for Winnipeg, where Dr. Fine has obtained a position at St. Boniface Hospital. We hope that they will be very happy in their new home and hope they will visit us.

We were pleased to see **Genevieve Lipkus** and **Heidi** and **Jason** as well as **Eleanore** and **Alan Lopato** (daughter and son-in-law to the Skolls) who were in St. John's visiting their families and friends. It is always good to see friends.

The community was also pleased to welcome back **Fanny** and **Otto Sidel** from their visit to their children in Montreal.

The community was also pleased to welcome the daughter of **Mrs. Ruth Wilansky** and her family.

We were also pleased to see **Rosalie Floman** and her sister. Although they were not here on a pleasure trip, it was nevertheless good to see them.

We are happy to welcome back **Rose Toytman** and her children, **Paula** and **Sammy** from a visit to our homeland of Israel.

We were happy to welcome **Leah Belson**, daughter of **Grunia** and **Lewis Ferman**, and her children who were visiting in St. John's this summer. We hope they had a pleasant trip and we hope they will not stay away for so long before their next visit.

The Royal visit of **Prince Charles** and **Princess Diana** provided a large measure of excitement for the St. John's community. Although the Jewish community was not directly involved, several members of the community, including the Rabbi and his wife, attended functions which were attended by the Royal Couple.

### Hadassah-Wizo

The Executive officers of the Esther Wilansky Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo, **Ruth Noel**, **Naomi Skoll**, **Rose Toytman** and **Linda Berman**, hosted a Nahalal Dinner in July co-inciding with the last meeting of the year. The gracious dinner was held at the home of **Ruth** and **John Noel**. The evening was enhanced by the attendance of guests, **Mrs. Anna Berman**, (the Rabbi's mother) and **Genevieve Lipkus**.

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## NATURAL BEAUTY AND THE TORAH

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Rabbi Zvi Berman  
Beth El Synagogue  
St. John's, Nfld.

For our holidays this year, we purchased a hardtop trailer and set out to explore the west coast of Newfoundland. Much to the surprise, or more correctly amazement, of many people that we know, we travelled across the Island, stopping at several Provincial Parks along the way, eventually arriving at Gras Morne National Park, the place from which this article is being written.

Travelling across this Island and camping here with my family has verified two of my beliefs of which I will write. The first one is that not only is it possible, but practical as well, to strictly observe the laws of Kashrut while on a camping trip. While we, of course, had to bring our own meat along - an ice chest coming in very handy - and could of course not frequent the local restaurants, it was quite possible to purchase all of the provisions that we required - especially since we tried to be somewhat flexible. Camping, we have found, is not insurmountable for the kosher or even Shomer Shabbos camper.

The second point, and the one which is a little more pertinent as we approach the High Holidays, is that of the origin of the natural world. While scientists, in the main, and all those taken in by their propaganda, accept the notion that the world was formed by a series of accidents and random selection, after viewing some of the sights available at Gros Morne, my belief that the world must have had a Creator, has been verified - again. Artists spend their entire lives attempting to create a beautiful picture or sculpture. Yet, the best efforts of the most creative artist are dwarfed when compared to a view of Berry Head Pond at dusk, or a view of the fjords from Western Brook Pond. And yet, while one would have much difficulty attempting to find an intelligent person who will believe that a painting such as the Mona Lisa was created by random selection, there are ostensibly intelligent people who will say that the beauty and magnificence of the fjords on Berry Head Pond were formed by accident.

One of the prayers that we recite on Rosh Hashanah is the Tashlich Prayer. It is a prayer for which an origin cannot be

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found in either the Bible or Talmud, but is nevertheless found in High Holiday liturgy of all communities of Jews - Sephardic, Ashkenazi, Misnagid and Hasidic. It is a prayer traditionally recited near a body of flowing water and one reason advanced for the inclusion of this prayer is that it recalls an ancient custom of the enthroning of kings near bodies of water. Since it is on Rosh Hashanah that we emphasize God's role as Creator and ruler of the universe, it is most appropriate that this prayer be recited during this period, since we, too, enthrone God at this time, as it were.

While G-d's majesty and dominion over the entire world is a basic belief of Judaism for which no additional proof should be required, my visit to Gros Morne National Park this summer has only served to verify and enhance this belief. Viewing the beauty and magnificence of the natural wonders of the park and surrounding areas, it seems impossible to me that any person could come to any other conclusion, except that there must be a designer and creator - i.e. G-d. This proof of the existence of G-d is, at least for me and my family, as clear and true now as it was when it was advanced by Maimonides in the Moreh Hevuchim some eight hundred years ago.

My wife, my daughter and myself would like to wish all Jews in Atlantic Canada a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

## A New Year Is Beginning



**Mirial Small**  
National President  
Hadassah-WIZO Organization of  
Canada

A New Year is beginning. This past year, repercussions of the Arab-Israel

conflict affected all Jews everywhere. Jews, far from the battlefield, were shocked at the strong condemnatory reaction of their non-Jewish neighbours who accepted as presented, the massive, distorted media onslaught on Israel. Open criticism of Israel's policies, and vehement denunciation of Israel's democratically elected Prime Minister became fashionable. How few were the accolades to Israel for having destroyed the military infrastructure of the PLO terrorists.

Terrorists activity during the past year continued to show that in the eyes of the perpetrators of terror, no distinction is to be drawn between Israelis and Jews in other countries. The bomb that was set off at the entrance to the famous Rome Synagogue on Shemini Atzeret which killed a child and wounded many worshippers, the synagogue attack in Brussels on Rosh Hashana, the virulent, vicious anti-Zionism emanating from the United Nations, the denial of the Holocaust that was being taught by Jim Keegstra, the mayor of Eckville, Alberta—are but a few of the recent attacks on Jews, and on the moral values that Jews hold dear.

Jews are small in number. Only in unity, in affirming our heritage and in working together in support of Jews everywhere, especially in support of Israel, can we strengthen our people.

This year Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has been celebrating its 65th Anniversary - 65 years of tangible acts proving our commitment to improving the lives of our brethren and strengthening the State of Israel. Through our 7 schools, our 14 day care centres, our youth clubs, women's clubs, Medical Services at Asaf Harofe Hospital, our services through Youth Aliyah, and the miraculous achievements at our Research Institute, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO members have a very positive impact on the maintenance of a strong Israel. Through our Public Affairs Department, we provide in-depth information so that our members understand the issues that affect Israel's survival, that they may correct misinformation, interpret Israel's actions against a background of intolerable provocation and hostility, and affirm unwavering Jewish support for Israel with an undivided Jerusalem as its eternal capital.

We look forward to the year 5744 with the hope that, whatever the challenges, a united Jewish people will respond with the courage and determination that have sustained us through millennia of tragedy and triumph. May 5744 be a year of peace. May each of you be inscribed for a *Shana Tova*, a good and blessed year.

## JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM WITH CANADIAN HADASSAH-WIZO

**In November 1982, Reva and Sam Lipton joined Canadian Hadassah-Wizo's 65 anniversary tour to Israel. Mrs. Lipton and her husband were the only two Atlantic Region representatives. The following is a synopsis of their journey.**

Journey to Jerusalem encompassed twelve glorious days of touring the young, exciting and fascinating country of Israel. Meeting the ninety-seven other participants from across Canada at Mirabel Airport was the start of a spirited journey.

Highlighting the trip was the dedication of the Menachem and Aliza Begin Day Care Centre with *Raya Jaglin*, President of World Wizo in attendance.

Everywhere they went, they were overcome with emotion seeing children of all ages receiving the best of care, education and love provided at the Canadian Hadassah-Wizo's projects. Beginning at Magdiel, a Youth Aliyah Village, they continued on to Hadassim, then on to Nahalal, which was established fifty-five years ago as a girls' agricultural school. It is now co-educational and among its most famous graduates is the late general, Moshe Dayan, Z.L.

Visiting Asaf Harofe Hospital provided Reva and Sam a first handed opportunity to see the hospital's modern and sophisticated equipment, which in part has been provided by Hadassah-Wizo. The third largest hospital of its kind in Israel, it serves both Jew and Arab alike.

Their first Sabbath in Israel was celebrated at Wizo House where an attractive young blond girl, Avivah Marks, captured hearts and souls with her personal presentation of "Coming to our Homeland Through the Ages".

An exciting Saturday evening was spent at the home of Mordechai and Rachel Limon. Rachel is head of World Wizo; her husband, Mordechai, is a retired Admiral of the Israeli navy. Mordechai Limon helped thousands of illegal immigrants to enter Israel.

South to Yevul, a new settlement which replaces Yamit. This visit is remembered for the joy expressed by young girls receiving a gift of a piano. Thirty families are pioneering this new settlement.

Shalom, September/October, 1983





*Bank Hapoalim hosts cocktail party for members of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo 65th Anniversary Tour "Journey to Jerusalem". A special guest Mr. Verne Turner, Canadian Ambassador to Israel is shown with Neri Bloomfield, Honourary Past President, Canadian Hadassah-Wizo and Reva Lipton.*

Following the visit to the Neri Bloomfield Hafa College, which is marking its 10th anniversary, the tour went on to the Youth Aliyah Residential School, Afim Acco. There, 400 children receive special general studies and vocational training. The programs are structured for slow learners or for those who may have other learning disabilities.

In the hills of the Galilee, while visiting Zurit (Rock), a newly established Mitspe (lookout), the travellers attended the dedication of a family club. Seventeen couples and their children are dedicated to redeem and settle this project which is of great strategic and security value.

Jerusalem, the capital of Israel, cradle of three great religions, evoked profound feelings. When approaching Mount Zion, they could almost hear the echoes of the great prophets preaching their prophecies, many of which have been fulfilled in our time.

Memorial services were attended at the Military Cemetery honouring Israel's fallen soldiers, with Kaddush recited by a member of the tour, Mr. David Peters. In attending special memorial services at Yad Vashem, hearts beating with grief, spellbound at the sight of the living memorial to the 6 million who perished during the Holocaust. "Never again will we allow such a tragedy to happen to our people" (Menachem Begin).

Part of the itinerary included a welcome by Eliyahu Ben Eliassar, Chairman of Foreign Affairs Committee and first ambassador to Egypt during a tour of the Knesset; a luncheon hosted by Hebrew University president Abraham Harmon on the Mount Scopus campus.

As guests of the then president Itzhak, Navon and his wife, Ophira, at a reception for the Canadian Hadassah-Wizo group, many words of praise were heard and the hope that the organization will continue to work on behalf of Aliyah.

On a more personal note, Sam and Reva left early on Friday morning to visit Reva's late parents Z.L. at the cemetery on the Mount of Olives. With the aid of a few members of the Chevrai-Kadisha, their graves were found and prayers and the reciting of the Kaddush took place. An emotional experience for Reva, it was also very heart-warming. Finding it hard to say farewell, this first visit to her parents' graves was a highlight of her visit. Wonderful memories flashed across her mind. Her parents had come to Palestine while children—their parents were Rabbis who had come to study and teach Torah. Working hard to help build and redeem the land, they had raised their children in Jewish tradition and love for Zion. Known as Zadikim, righteous people, their home was open to everyone, and they are remembered in the Israeli Ency-

clopedia as being among the early pioneers who came to Palestine.

Friday evening, the Sabbath, was welcomed at the Western Wall, where messages and requests were placed in the crevices of the Holy Wall with the hope that all will be fulfilled.

Saturday evening a gala farewell banquet was bringing to a close a marvellous trip. Mayor Teddy Kollek, of Jerusalem, was the special guest. Special programs by members of the group, and the cutting of the 65th anniversary cake, were all part of the exciting evening.

One last event, a cocktail party hosted on Sunday by Bank Hapoalim was made even more memorable as special guests were the then newly appointed Canadian Ambassador to Israel, Vern Turner and his wife.

Leaving Israel is always hard, but the mission participants were all intoxicated not with wine - but with the nachus (happiness) they had all derived from seeing with their own eyes, the achievements, accomplishments and progress during the last 35 years: years when Israel was forced to fight four wars, and in 1982, to launch "Operation Peace for Galilee" to stop once and for all the brutal attacks and killings of innocent Jewish settlers. Accomplishing this, Israel paid the supreme price with the lives of dear sons.

Israel carries a heavy burden, facing serious problems in her economy. Israel, which has taken in the highest number of refugees per capita in the world, experiencing the highest rate of inflation in the world, is forced to spend a huge slice of her income on security. Israel is a modern day miracle.

Along with the ninety-seven participants, Reva and Sam expressed how fortunate they were to be able to celebrate the 65th anniversary of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo in Israel and to be able to actually see the fruits of their efforts. For forty years, Reva Lipton had the great honour to serve the Queen Esther Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo in Sydney, N.S. Forty consecutive years helping Israel and her people. Forty happy years which she dearly treasures.

As they boarded the plane to return home, emotions ran high and all expressed the hope of returning shortly.

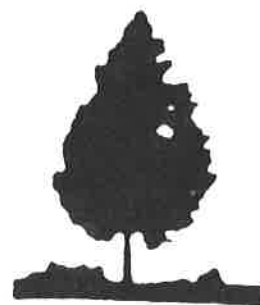
Shalom Israel Vlehitraot — see you again—on the next Journey to Jerusalem.



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## Atlantic Vice-President Elected



**Irwin Lampert**

**Alexander Bobby Mayers**, President of Jewish National Fund of Canada is pleased to announce that at the last annual meeting **Irwin Lampert** was nominated and elected as Vice-President for the Atlantic Region of Jewish National Fund. Irwin Lampert, in addition, will continue to serve as Chairman for the Moncton Region for Jewish National Fund, where he has shown outstanding dedication for the past three years.

## GREETINGS FROM JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

Through the efforts of Canadian Jewry, as well as those of world Jewry, Jewish National Fund is pleased to report that the year 5743 was a most rewarding one.

Keren Kayemeth Le'Israel was able to depend and broaden its work throughout Israel, from the Lebanese border in the north to the desert in the south, and from coast to coast. Canadian Jewry should be particularly proud of its involvement in Galil Canada, JNF's project for the 80's, which since its inception has generated \$21,000,000.00

Atlantic Canada has been very actively participating and has contributed greatly to the success of JNF, and we are sure that the devoted people of this region will continue to demonstrate their commitment to the Jewish State via the work undertaken by Jewish National Fund.

**Irwin Lampert**, Vice-President  
Atlantic Region

## Erol Araf Appointed as State of Israel Bonds Public Affairs Director



**Erol Araf**

**Mr. Thomas O. Hecht**, State of Israel Bonds National President, and **Mr. Julius Briskin, Q.C.**, Executive Vice-President & General Counsel, have jointly announced the appointment of **Erol Araf** as the National Public Affairs Director.

Mr. Araf will be responsible primarily for the development of an integrated National information system to highlight the contribution of the Bond Organization to the economic development of Israel. Mr. Araf will also be responsible for designing special educational programs, launching new initiatives in young leadership development projects, maintaining a constructive dialogue with the Jewish as well as non-Jewish media in Canada, and establishing an audio-visual department.

Mr. Araf will also participate in the Israel 35th Anniversary International Israel Bond Conference to be held in Israel.

## DAVID MATAS APPOINTED NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF LEAGUE OF HUMAN RIGHTS

**David Matas**, a Winnipeg lawyer, is the newly appointed national chairman of the League for Human Rights B'nai Brith Canada.

Mr. Matas has been a strong advocate of human rights in the Jewish and general communities in Canada. Since 1981, he has been the Midwest Chairman of the League for Human Rights. He was the chairman of the Constitutional and International Section of the Canadian Bar As-

sociation from 1979 - 80 and a member of the Canadian delegation to the United Nations General Assembly in 1980. From that year to 1982, he was a member of a Ministerial Task Force on Immigration.

At the present time, Mr. Matas is the co-ordinator of the English-speaking branch of Amnesty International in Canada and the chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress Legal Committee on War Crimes.

## New Year Greetings from Don Jubas, President of B'nai Brith Canada



**John Jubas**

As president of B'nai Brith Canada, I bring Rosh Hashana greetings for the new year 5744.

The challenges facing us as Jews and Canadians are many. B'nai Brith Canada, the country's largest Jewish service organization, and itself a charitable organization is working to meet those challenges through its programs which assist Canadians and Jews abroad. We have taken a leading role in the ongoing struggle on behalf of Soviet Jewry, Jews in foreign lands and Israel. The needs of our youth are addressed through B.B.Y.O. and Hillel Foundations on university campuses across Canada. Through our national agency, the League for Human Rights, B'nai Brith assumes a vigilant and active role in the fight against a growing anti-semitism.

The members of B'nai Brith Canada are thus helping to shape the quality of Jewish life in this country. We take pride in the endeavours of our members, and we are assured that we will face the new year with the strength and energy needed to continue to grow and develop.

Many wishes to you and your families for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Shana Tova



# NEW YEAR GREETINGS

*To all our relatives and friends in the Atlantic Region*

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## ATLANTIC REGION WELCOMES EXCHANGE PROFESSOR

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The Jewish community welcomes **Professor Ahmos Rolider** and his wife, **Ora**, to the Atlantic Region. Their two children, **Adi**, ten years, and **Natalie**, five years, who are with them, will be attending school in Halifax. Professor Rolider came to this region under the auspices of the Canada-Israel Foundation for Academic Exchange and the Atlantic Jewish Council.

Born in Israel in 1947, he received his PhD from Ohio State University. Professor Rolider is Chairman of In-Service Department, School of Education, University of Haifa. While in Halifax, he will, together with **Professor Ron Van Houten** of Mount Saint University, and **Dean Louis Malenfant** of Universite de Moncton, collaborate on mutual driving and pedestrian safety cross-cultural research.

Growing up in Kfar Yehoshua (Moshav), he served in the Israeli Air Force from 1969 - 1972. In 1980, he transferred to the Army Psychology Division working with families who lost their sons while in service.

Professor Rolider will be visiting the Jewish communities of the Atlantic Region as well as addressing various non-Jewish groups. He will also act as a resource person for the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation and other youth groups. Ora, who is a professional teacher of dance, will be conducting work classes in the various centres. Both Professor & Mrs. Rolider will be in attendance at the Teen Jamboree to be held in Fredericton, October 21-23, 1983 where they will be full participants in the program.

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## ATLANTIC PROVINCES JEWISH STUDENT FEDERATION

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### Lawrence Chippin

Shalom. I would like to take this opportunity to thank **Jeffrey Wolman** and the outgoing executive for the superb way that APJSF activities were carried out during the 1982/83 season.

The new APJSF Executive for 1983/84 is: President - **Lawrence Chippin**; Vice-President - **Shayna David**; Secretary - **Sandra Wolman**; Treasurer - **Miriam Alberstat**; Network Liason - **Susan Marshall**; Social Director - **Anita Wolman**; Cultural Director - **Rachel Sadosky**; Young Judaea Representatives - **Morris Green** and **Debbie Bonjuk**.

This November will see the first and SPJSF Network conference, which is tentatively scheduled for the weekend of the 11th. We are proud to announce that **Judy Feld Carr** has graciously agreed to attend as our keynote speaker. She has been involved with the plight of Syrian Jewry since 1972, and has been influential in the Syrian release of Jews.

We would like to thank the Atlantic Jewish Council for its continuing support of our Federation and we look forward to another year of co-operation.

Our stated aim for this year is the strengthening of the Halifax area, and the establishment of APJSF Chapters in other Atlantic centers. We are pleased with the community support we have received thus far, and ask for continual support in the future.

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## INTERNATIONAL HEARING ON ANTI-SEMITISM

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**This hearing which was held in Oslo in June 1983 was under the Chairmanship of the well-known writer, Eli Wiesel.**

An age-old monster is again haunting the world. A monster many of us wanted to believe lied dead and buried under the ruins of the Second World War. Its name is antisemitism.

Meeting in Oslo in June 1983, at the Nansen Committee's hearing on antisemitism, we appeal to all people of goodwill and conscience to take heed of this warning, realizing the tragic price the Jews, and thereby all mankind, paid less than a generation ago when similar warnings against antisemitism were ignored and failed to move the world.

We find that, 38 years after the fall of the regime of Hitler, antisemitism expresses itself again, both in its old disguise and in new forms. Bombs are thrown at Jewish schools and old-age homes, at buses carrying Jewish school children on vacation and at synagogues. Jews as individuals are being threatened with their lives. Antisemitic writers and teachers are conducting campaigns to persuade a world, eager to forget and unable to cope with its recent past, that the mass murder of six million European Jews during the Second World War only is a product of Jewish propaganda - that it never happened.

The traditional, vulgar stereotypes of

antisemitism are now being applied to the Jewish state, which arose from the holocaust to provide a haven for survivors of antisemitism.

As were Jews in the past, Israel is today threatened by isolation in the international community of nations; it is being judged by standards not applied to any other nation.

In the past, antisemitism in its most virulent form strove to deprive the Jews of the very right to exist. To use a word from the old vocabulary, antisemitism tried to make the world *Judenfrei* (free of Jews). Today's antisemitism frequently denies Jews the right to a secure, national existence in their homeland, thereby following the traditional pattern, trying to establish a situation where the world again becomes *Jedenstaaterein* (free of a Jewish state).

Nobody should be denied the right fairly to criticize policies or actions committed by the government of any country, including the government of Israel. But when criticism turns into denial of the right of the Jewish state to exist on line with other independent nations; and when Jews are deprived of their right with the age-old monster of antisemitism conveniently camouflaged in a new disguise of an antizionism that denies the Jews fundamental freedoms and rights which other individuals and nations take for granted - then this equals discrimination against Jews as a group.

We find, furthermore, evidence that the contemporary hatred of Jews takes the form of a state-controlled antisemitism, as experienced in totalitarian countries.

We feel convinced that antisemitism in all its forms, direct or disguised, is dangerous not only to the Jews, but to all mankind which professes the values and ideas of humanism, democracy and freedom. Antisemitism in the past always threatened the Jews first, but it did not stop there. Its evil consequences spread to society in general, destroying it in the process. Antisemitism threatens you and us no less than the Jews in our midst. It is a Gentile problem of survival no less than a problem for the Jews.

We realize the fact and welcome the growth of a genuine revulsion against this plague. We demand that institutions of broad educational programmes, and textbooks for the young, fight prejudice against any group, in particular against Jews. We therefore call upon all free women and men everywhere to fight the rising new antisemitism and thereby help in protecting us all, non-Jews and Jews, from that virulent disease.

Shalom, September/October, 1983

# OPINION . . .



## NO CARROTS NO STICKS

By Samuel Jacobson

Mankind is motivated by the hope of reward or the fear of punishment.

The vast majority of successful people who were born poor and insecure, had a natural desire to make sure that they would avoid the insecurity of poverty. On the other hand, many who were born into the lap of luxury and security, lack the ambition to succeed. It appears that without the carrot-and-the-stick motivation people do not progress. The old adage, necessity is the mother of invention, proves true.

What has this to do with the situation in Israel? From my point of view it has everything to do with the situation in Israel. Israel has, in order to physically survive, developed the most astounding military defensive force because of the fear of being conquered and destroyed by the surrounding Arab nations. The result has been that Israel has successfully defeated every attempt at its destruction.

Let us examine the economy of Israel. Normally, the military prowess of any country is based on its economic strength. Military budgets are derived from revenues received from the taxation of the country's citizens. Fortunately Israel does not rely solely upon its own resources for a very substantial part of its own economy or its defence. This is not to say that outside help has been the major element at all in both its economic growth or its bravery in war. Ultimately the human element within a country is really the deciding factor. The efficiency and ambition of its citizens in peaceful occupation and the bravery and dedication of its armed forces, cannot be compared to outside help. For example, the few billion dollars, a year American partially loans and partially gives to Israel is a minute

fraction of about one percent of the \$150. billion it would cost America to replace the over one half million Israeli soldiers, with battle experience, the country can put in the field to prevent Moscow from controlling all the oil of the Persian Gulf.

It is very obvious that the principle of the carrot-and-the-stick certainly applies in reference to the defence and security of Israel. But does it also apply to the economy of Israel? It has been estimated that the productivity of the average worker is a fraction of the worker in almost every other free and industrialized country in the world. It has been admitted that Israel's productivity was about fifty percent of the average American worker and as low as one-quarter of the average Swiss worker in 1978.

In 1975 the then Minister of Finance stated that for every one percent increase in productivity, there would be an increase of one hundred million dollars in the gross national product. Properly motivated, Israel could increase its productivity and G.N.P. by many billions and become economically independent. You can't have chicken soup without chickens, and you can't have more by producing less.

Is it because there is a lack of the carrot-and-stick-principle for too many workers in Israel, that the productivity of the country is so low? Recently the new regime in Communist China has revised its thinking of giving unconditional job security for all workers and has replaced it with a system which provides motivation for greater productivity. It is even allowing private enterprise and profit motivation in business. This is a very revolutionary concept compared to the former philosophy, that stated everyone is entitled to work regardless of how much he produces and to equality of access to material rewards. From now on, each person in China will be rewarded by a standard of living dependent upon their productivity. Workers could even be dismissed from their job if they do not do their best. Evidently they believe in the slogan "Take pride in your work, the whole world is competing for your job!"

In Communist Russia, Mr. Andropov as soon as he succeeded Mr. Brezhnev, repeatedly emphasized the importance of **Productivity!** Many economists feel that productivity or more correctly, increased productivity, is at the root of a country's prosperity. Or to say it another way, lack of productivity is the root of the world's economic problems. That is to say if productivity increases, the unit cost

of what is produced goes down and this makes it possible to compete with imports, increase exports, thus reducing the trade deficit. Economic forces are as universal as the law of gravity. Human nature everywhere is motivated by the hope of reward and fear of punishment. By the stick or the carrot!

Does the productivity apply to the law of supply and demand? As the supply of goods increases from increased productivity, it is quite probable that the price of goods (providing the government does not print too much money) would go down; in other words, increased productivity has a direct influence upon inflation. And is not inflation the cause of high interest rates? In order to offset the reduced purchasing power of his money, upon repayment he must increase interest rates to bring both into balance.

It will reduce balance of payment deficits. It will stabilize the value of the currency, that is to say, increasing productivity is getting at the root of economic problems and not merely treating the symptoms.

In reference to Israel's economy, which in the final analysis will strengthen Israel's political independence, its military strength and its human resources, the productivity of the country must be increased or it will forever be dependent upon foreign influence.

How can this be done? The worker in Israel needs both the carrot and the stick. The carrot could be a government law offering a discount in income tax to any employer that installs a profit-sharing plan or increased profits, or a cost-reduction sharing plan on a voluntary basis, providing the plan is generous enough to provide a real incentive for increased wages and productivity and the plan is approved by the government.

The stick should be the right of any employer to dismiss any worker who does not do his best at the job and who is not as productive as he could be, who does not help his employer with ideas to make the enterprise more efficient and more profitable.

Even in the case of government employees, they should also be given a share of the reduced costs of operations. Work stoppages would decrease. Over staffing would gradually be eliminated. Even the ministers of the cabinet should get a share of the reduced costs of their department. Ultimately more of the population will be employed in the tax-paying sector and fewer would be living on tax revenue.

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## CONGRESS REORGANIZES Canadian Jewish Congress

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National Officers recently announced that a new and more efficient organizational structure is being implemented. Under the new structure, the positions of National Executive Director and Quebec Region Executive Director are to be combined. The new Executive Director will report directly to the National Officers who are, in turn, responsible to the CJC National Executive and CJC National Council.

The Executive Director is supported by an executive secretary and executive assistant and is seconded by the regional directors, project directors, program directors, director of communications, and controller, all of whom report back to the Executive Director. Accordingly, the executive directorship is an administrative position, with clearly established line responsibilities.

The Executive Director of CJC is responsible for the administration and overall performance of the national body as well as CJC operations in the Quebec Region.

Of considerable note is also the fact that the position of CJC Executive Vice-President is redefined: His portfolio will be given significant prominence within the organization. While the Executive Vice-President will report directly to the CJC National Officers, he will relate on a functional basis to the Executive Director with whom he will work in close consultation and cooperation.

Given the Executive Vice-President's proven expertise in the field of government relations, his sphere of activity will primarily encompass public and federal government affairs. He may also be asked to intervene at the provincial level should he be requested to make representations on specific political matters of interest to the welfare of the Jewish community.

The Executive Vice-President will also provide advice and counsel to all program directors and committee chairpersons in CJC's area of activity. The Executive Vice-President, more specifically, will concentrate on matters dealing with Soviet Jewry, oppressed Jewry, community relations, and international affairs.

The President, Chairman of the Executive, Executive Director, and Executive Vice-President will form an informal policy cabinet that will regularly advise the National Officers on all major policy decisions.

The new structural changes within Canadian Jewish Congress are designed to streamline the organization's operation and provide for enhanced accountability to CJC's constituencies so as to obtain optimum performance and greater impact on regional, national, and international areas under CJC's jurisdiction.

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## CALL TO GRANT RECOGNITION TO ISRAEL'S MAGEN DAVID ADOM SOCIETY

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Christian leaders of Catholic and Protestant denominations from various parts of the world have issued an urgent call to the International Committee of the Red Cross to grant immediate recognition to Israel's Magen David Adom Society, which is the equivalent to Red Cross groups in western countries. The announcement issued by Rabbi Rubin R. Dobin, National Chairman of Operation Recognition, thanked the following Church groups for adding their voice of protest against the rank bigotry and discrimination shown by the Geneva based Red Cross in keeping the Israeli volunteer humanitarian organization out of the Red Cross world family: The Presiding Bishops of the World Lutheran Federation, The Swiss Council of Bishops, The Quakers Friends Service Committee, The Churches of Christ African Council, The United States Council of Catholic Bishops, The National Council of Churches, and many others.

Rabbi Dobin explained that Israel fulfills nine of the ten criteria for admission more than adequately. The tenth requirement is one that all fair minded people agree Israel should not be expected to accept, i.e. establishing as its emblem either the Christian Red Cross or the Moslem Red Crescent. Israel feels that it should be allowed to use its own emblem, which is the Magen David Adom, The Red Shield of David.

Operation Recognition is a world-wide educational group with functioning committees in 53 countries. For free copies of the latest Operation Recognition Newsletter write to: Rabbi Rubin R. Dobin, Operation Recognition, P.O. Box 6194, Miami Beach, Florida, 33154.

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## ESTABLISHES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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**Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University** — If you have attended any of the courses and programs offered by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, or if

you knew someone who did, keep reading.

Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University has just announced the establishment of an alumni association, to bring together the hundreds of Canadians, many from the Maritimes, who have studied over the years at Hebrew U. This year alone there are 200 Canadians there, ready to swell the alumni ranks next year. A first mailing to prospective members will go out in September.

The new venture is initially being coordinated by Canadian Friends' national headquarters in Toronto. Once membership applications begin coming in, work will start on the association's first big project, National Hebrew University Day, a reunion early in 1984 to be held simultaneously by alumni groups in the Maritimes and across the country.

**Avvie Druker, president of the Cape Breton chapter of Canadian Friends**, said in a recent interview that he thinks the alumni association is "an interesting idea. It's always good to involve the youth with the university and it's especially important if it involves those who have firsthand knowledge and who have benefitted from Hebrew U., who also might feel a responsibility to help it."

Those who join will begin to receive Friends' mailings and invitations to lectures in their cities by Hebrew University professors and personnel.

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## INFORMATION FOR YOUR BOOKSHELF FROM THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF THE CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS

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**The Canadian Jewish Archives** series proposes to make available the documentary sources of the history of the community. Each issue deals with a specific chapter of this history: nos. 15-25 cover the periods 1760 - 1838, nos. 2-3 deal with the Montreal school question 1903-31; other numbers record early labour history, Sunday Observance, Jules Helbronner etc. *Clouds in the Thirties*, documents Canadian Anti-semitism in the 1930's. Publications may be ordered from the National Archives of CJC, 1590 Ave Dr. Penfield, Montreal, Quebec, H3G 1C5.

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rights continue to voice their views, both publicly and directly, to representatives of the Soviet Government. In this respect, I would encourage you to write to Dr. Yakovlev, the Soviet Ambassador in Ottawa.

For our part, I can assure you that we will continue to seek opportunities to make effective representations in the hope that our repeated efforts will lead to the release of persecuted individuals and an eventual improvement in Soviet attitudes and actions with respect to both emigration and human rights in general.

In your letter you expressed an interest in the results of the Parliamentary Mis-

sion which went to the Soviet Union last autumn. This was in fact a private visit undertaken by three Members of Parliament, the Honourable Flora MacDonald, David Smith and Ian Deans. I would suggest you contact them directly for an account of their visit.

Yours sincerely,

Allan J. MacEachern  
Deputy Prime Minister  
Secretary of State for  
External Affairs

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Without the above conditions it is no wonder that Israel's trade deficit is very high (and constantly increasing). Israel's balance of payment is very high as is the foreign debt on a per capita basis. No wonder its currency is always being devalued! No wonder its interest rate and inflation are very high? No wonder its underground economy is large!

Truly the carrot and the stick provide incentive and motivation. It makes life more interesting and Israel would become as effective in the economic field as it has proven itself on the field of battle. May that day come soon!

# SHARE THE JOYS OF HOMEMAKING

By Jo Ann Gardner

## Rosh Hashanah

We seldom give much thought to the holiday table. Not that we don't look forward to eating honey cake and the other sweets of Rosh Hashanah, but we hardly associate this humble fare with the more lofty aspect of the High Holidays: prayer, repentance, forgiveness, the Synagogue, the blowing of the shofar. Yet in the foods we eat, even in the very way we set our tables, we find the meaning of the holiest season of the Jewish year and we renew our ancient ties to the land of Israel.

Consider the eve of Rosh Hashanah table! **The white tablecloth.** Why a white tablecloth? Because white is associated with purity and simplicity. It is also associated with freshness, newness, and humility, a reminder of life and death, all very important aspects of the Days of Judgement and Atonement. Even the bouquet of white flowers — composites, the daisy shape, for simplicity — expresses the important themes of the holy season. In the synagogue these ideas are embodied in the white Torah covering, the white yarmulke, the white kittel, and the white curtains covering the ark.

White is also the color of the squill, a plant which blossoms all over Israel at the same time beginning in mid-August when the olives begin to ripen. This is when, in ancient times, single girls dressed in white and danced in the olive groves and single men looked for wives among them. The agricultural feast associated with this season was called Tu B'Av (or Olive Day). It was a strictly agricultural holiday which disappeared in the Diaspora once the ties to the land of Israel were broken. As Nogah Hareuveni points out in his wonderful book, **Nature is Our Biblical Heritage**, only those holidays which had a spiritual as well as an agricultural component survived the Exile.

Girls dressed in white danced in the olive groves not only on Tu B'Av, but, what seemed most shocking to us now, on Yom Kippur as well. Then, this holiday was associated with betrothals and rejoicing. The element of God's forgiveness for the people's initial rejection of the 10 Commandments assured the holiday's survival in the Diaspora when this theme was elaborated and became the central feature of Yom Kippur. Rosh Hashanah, which does not appear to be mentioned until the Second Century in the Mishnah, is elevated, too, from its earlier designation as an agricultural occasion: the first of Tishrei was a new year for planting. Rosh Hashanah, then, shares in the symbols of Yom Kippur because both holidays became a spiritual entity, the one dependent on the other. A whole nation, now without a land (before the establishment of modern Israel),

but still a whole people, wherever they lived shared in the joy of a new year of renewal and repentance.

We do not know if the use of white as a symbol for the holiday can be traced to the blossoming of the white squill or the wearing of white in the olive groves, but we do know that the wearing of white on the High Holidays goes back to the Yerushalmi talmud (via Leo Rosten's **Joys of Yiddish**): "... Jews should not appear depressed and in somber clothes, as suppliants before a human judge, but joyous, dressed in festive white, betokening a cheerful and confident spirit."

**The candles, wine and hallah.** These are the essential features of every major holiday table, including, of course, the Sabbath table. Why? Again the answer can be traced to the land of Israel before the destruction of the Temple when offerings of grain, oil, and wine, fruits of the people's labors, signified their faith that one Creator, and only one, was responsible for bringing the opposing forces of nature into balance and allowing the crops to prosper.

After the destruction of the Temple when offerings could no longer be brought to a central place of worship and when the scattered remnants of the tribes of Israel no longer tilled their land, each individual dwelling became a temple and the family table, the altar. On this was laid, on festive occasions, the hallah for grain, the glasses of wine as a libation, and the candles as a substitute for olive oil. Thus, the land of Israel is symbolically present on the Jewish table every Sabbath and on every major holiday. In this way, comments Nogah Hareuveni, "... the land of Israel has been preserved as an integral part of the structure of Judaism from generation to generation throughout the wanderings of the Jewish people."

Sephardic tradition puts more emphasis on the Rosh Hashanah meal as a Seder like the Passover meal with symbolic foods and other special features. Edda Servi Machlin, in **The Classic Cuisine of the Italian Jews**, describes the table centerpiece used by her family on Rosh Hashanah in the Italian Village of Pitigliano: "... about a week in advance ... the bottom of two fancy fruit dishes were loosely covered — one with grains of wheat, the other with corn kernels. Water was added to cover and then the dishes were left on top of the mantel-piece until the night of the Seder ... by the night of the Seder the wheat would be three to four inches and the corn two to three inches high ... During the ten days of the High Holy Days that culminate with Yom Kippur, the plants had grown approximately fifteen and ten inches tall and had to be tied

with ribbons so they would not bend or fall ... After Yom Kippur we would dispose of the plants, generally giving them to the neighbors who raised a few chickens ..."

Though she does not mention it, this custom closely resembles **kapparot**, the ancient custom of purging oneself of wrong doings by passing them to another living thing. It was not uncommon for parents in Eastern Europe, observing kapparot on Rosh Hashanah, to braid baskets for their children 15 days before Rosh Hashanah and fill them with soil sowed with wheat, barley, beans, and peas. "Each child took a basket on the eve of Rosh Hashanah, swung it over his head seven times, and said, 'This is instead of me, this is my exchange'. After the ceremony, the children threw the baskets into a stream." (**Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur**, Malka Drucker).

**The Food.** Jewish traditions vary according to country and culture and the Sephardic holiday table might differ from the Ashkenazi in the type of foods eaten at the meal or used to symbolize the essence of the holiday but both cultures emphasize the theme of hoped for sweetness in the year to come. Traditionally, both Sephardic and Ashkenazi Rosh Hashanah eve meals begin with apple pieces dipped in honey followed by the words, "May it be Your will, God and God of our fathers and mothers, to renew on us a good and sweet year." Good is symbolized by the apple, sweetness by the honey. In the context of Rosh Hashanah a good year is one in which a person has performed good deeds. According to custom nothing bitter or sour is served and sweet dishes appear in every course of the meal. Common to both cultures, as a final sweet, is teiglach, pieces of dough cooked in honey.

Hallah is both a symbol of the ancient grain offering and a fine combination to the holiday meal. On this special occasion, following the theme of sweetness in the year to come, it is often sweetened with extra sugar and raisins are added to the dough — white raisins, of course. Unlike the sabbath hallah, the Rosh Hashanah bread is shaped like a crown or pyramid to represent the head of the year. It may also be ladder-shaped to emphasize the hope that one's prayers are travelling heavenward. The same idea is embodied in the pre-Yom Kippur fast meal when the hallah may be shaped like wings to help one's prayers fly to heaven.

### Recipes

This hallah recipe comes from **Etta David** of Sydney who, like many good traditional Jewish cooks is the custodian of traditions which span the centuries and represent some of the many strands of Diasporan life. Etta and her sister **Rebecca (Mrs. Sam Jacobson)** of Halifax have both contributed to my recent research on the traditional Jewish dish, **rosol**, which will be discussed in a later column.

Etta says this hallah is "braided for Sabbath" in a round pyramid shape for Rosh Hashanah, and five times normal size for Purim when it is called **Keylitch**. "I have added raisins and extra sugar to the original recipe. However you spell it, the breads the same."

### Challa

Sabbath & Festival Bread

Cooking time 1 hour.

To make two loaves you will need:

½ cup sugar

1 ounce dry yeast dissolved in ½ cup warm water

2 cups warm water

2½ lbs. flour sifted, or more as needed

3 teaspoons salt

3 eggs lightly beaten

4 tablespoons oil

½ cup white raisins

### To Glaze:

1 egg yolk beaten lightly with

2 tablespoons water

Poppy or sesame seed for sprinkling.

Mix as usual for bread. Before baking brush with egg yolk diluted with water, sprinkle with seeds, and bake in a moderate oven until golden.



### To shape a crown:

Take a large piece of dough. Roll out in a long thick strip (about 18" long - 2" - 3" wide). One end should be slightly thicker than the other. Take the thicker end, place it in the

middle of a round pan, and wind the rest of the strip around it 2 - 3 times.

*Use a cookie sheet if you do not have a round pan.*

Another custodian of Jewish traditions embodies in the Diasporan cooking is my aunt **Rhoda Lang** of Silver Spring, Maryland. She, too serves the crown hallah, sweet and round, at Rosh Hashanah for a continuously happy new year. Many of her fine old recipes come from my grandmother (see *Grandma's Honey Cake*, Jan./Feb., 1983, *Shalom*). She not only makes Grandma's original honey cake, she makes Grandma's teiglah, one of the most unusual teiglachs I have ever seen — round balls coated with honey and rolled in coconut. Each one has a raisin or two as a surprise in the middle of the dough. From my grandmothers 'a little of this and a little of that' here is Grandma's teiglah, reconstructed by my Aunt Rhoda:

### Grandma's Teiglah

4 eggs

¼ cup oil

1 teaspoon baking powder

2 cups flour or more

1 tablespoon sugar

### Syrup

1-2 lb. jar honey (about 1½ cup)

2 cups sugar

Mix ingredients for dough well. Add more flour if necessary to make a dough you can handle. Make long strips of dough. Add a raisin or two to the end of the strip of dough and wind into small balls. Drop balls into **boiling** syrup and boil about 40 minutes. When slightly cool, roll the drained balls in coconut.

When I make these, I usually make 24 balls. It depends on the size you want them. As I recall, Grandma's teiglah were about the size of an unshelled walnut.

The Rosh Hashanah holiday table, like the table at other important Jewish occasions, is laden the history of a people from the time when girls dressed in white in the olive groves of ancient Israel to the time when after centuries of wandering, the ancient land again brings forth new fruit on the soil of modern Israel.

By the time you read this column the High Holidays will have come and gone. I hope, nevertheless, that you find something of interest here and that you will try these recipes. Sweetness is always in season. Please remember that your comments and suggestions are always appreciated. I am now collecting ideas for a children's holiday crafts column. Contributions for this or for any subject should be sent to:

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## FOR ALIYAH CANDIDATES

Israel offers new immigrants (Olim) excellent job opportunities, particularly in its high technology professions. However, the problem for potential Olim is pinpointing where these jobs exist amid ever-shifting labor market conditions.

The Aliyah Department is attempting to make this search easier by organizing special "fact-finding" trips for Aliyah candidates seeking high technology careers in Israel. Although the Department has been sponsoring pilot trips for some time, its current emphasis on high technology is based on recent labor market analysis showing a growing trend towards science based industries.

Such industries enjoy special status in Israel, and their access to large research and development grants ensures their continued expansion, according to Aryeh Chapman, Tour Va' Aleh's section for the Initiation of Aliyah Projects.

Among professions currently experiencing substantial growth include: electronics, agro-technology, computer graphics and software, medical, engineering, chemicals, energy and dentistry.

"Because Olim coming with science-based professions require little retraining they can begin work almost immediately which substantially eases their absorption," said Chapman. "And because Israel's high technology industries enjoys international recognition and respect, Olim are offered a standard of excellence comparable to their previous jobs," he explains.

According to Chapman, mission participants are recruited through advertisements in professional journals and newspapers abroad and from Aliyah office files containing such names of potential candidates.

The trips, which last two or three weeks, enable participants to discuss employment opportunities with prospective employers, Israeli colleagues, and experts in their particular fields. They also include visits to Absorption Centers, new housing areas and development towns.

Another advantage of high-technology trips, says Chapman is that "many of these participants are better suited to settle in Israel's development regions, which offer better employment possibilities.

We are also making a concerted effort to attract qualified dentists to Israel. More than 70% of the country's population suffers from inadequate dental care, Chapman points out, and the problem is

especially acute outside Israel's major urban areas.

Aside from organizing tours, Chapman's office is working with other organizations which bring Jewish dentists to Israel on short-term volunteer programs, such as the group in Ashkelon where British dentists, under Project Renewal, volunteer their services for a month. Thereby, taking advantage of all possibilities of promoting Israel's needs among specific professional groups in Israel's development areas, where job and housing opportunities are greater. The scenic regions in Israel's Western Galilee are becoming key areas for high technology production. Several major science-based companies have opened up branches and numerous moshavim (cooperatives) currently support industries manufacturing products ranging from computer software to sophisticated medical equipment.

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### DID YOU KNOW

#### FACTS ON "JEWISH" MEDICINE

**Dr. Simon Baruch** (1840-1921) was the first doctor in the world to diagnose appendicitis and to operate successfully on it. His removing the diseased appendix before it punctured was considered revolutionary. Amongst his numerous other contributions was his promotion of cleanliness in preventive medicine. His involvement in promoting washing and bathing

was instrumental in his opening of the first American public bath. He was called "the Apostle of Bathing". He was also notable as the father of Bernard Baruch, Presidential Advisor and Financier!

The founder of Pediatrics was **Dr. Abraham Jacobi** (1830 - 1919). By 1870, Pediatrics, especially the feeding of babies, was approached as a science, through his efforts and teachings.

**Dr. Jonas E. Salk** provided the world with the Salk vaccine for the prevention of Polio in 1955. Twenty years later, **Dr. Albert Sabin**, 1974 developed an oral Polio vaccine.

**The Talmud**, written nearly two thousand years ago, contains references to oral contraceptives and artificial insemination.

**Source:** The Jewish Connection

Shalom, September/October, 1983

## CZF ISRAEL BRIEFS (JNI JERUSALEM)

### RADIO WAVES DIAGNOSE TUMORS & DISEASE

Elscent Electronics is developing a device that uses radio waves to diagnose tumors and certain lung and liver diseases. A spokeswoman for the Friends of Rothchild Hospital revealed that a prototype is already being tested on animals and has produced positive results. Of the ten medical electronics firms still operating in the world, only three are in the red. Elscint, the second most profitable is also represented on the New York Stock Exchange.

### IMPROVED CANCER DETECTION

A Hebrew University team of scientists has developed a new, simple, and highly sensitive method for the early detection of cancer, a university spokesman announced recently. The procedure, now undergoing clinical testing at Hadassah Hospital, is based on the presence of chemical "markers" in the urine of cancer victims. The test consists of electrical analysis by means of a new instrument, much less expensive than an earlier U.S. model, which was also able to conduct only a limited number of costly tests per day. Once the reliability of the method is proved, the scientists hope to conduct tests among the broadest population for the early detection of cancer and, if possible, to monitor the effectiveness of drug therapy to permit optimal treatment without excessive use of radiation and chemotherapy.

### NEW VERSION

Many Russian Jews are reportedly reading the new version of the Encyclopedia Judaica, recently published in their native tongue and smuggled into the Soviet Union. The first two of the six-volume edition were completed by the Society for Research of Jewish Communities and the Hebrew University, with contributions from U.S. and European Jewry. The project is to be completed in less than four years.

### TORA CROWN RESTORED AND DEDICATED

Ra'anana, a recrafted replica of a tora crown was consecrated as a gift from Wuppertal, Germany, where the original crown was destroyed or stolen on Crystal Night in November 1938. Max Banker told the assembled congregation how, on Crystal Night, his late father had salvaged two tora scrolls from the ruins of Wuppertal's neighborhood synagogue and brought them with his family on Aliya to Palestine one year later.

## J.I.A.S. PROFESSIONAL STAFF CONFERENCE

The Annual Professional Staff Conference was held in Parry Sound, Ontario from June 5 to June 7, 1983. This conference, in large measure funded by the Ministry of Employment and Immigration, as well as the Secretary of State, Multiculturalism, had delegates from all sections of Canada represented.

An added feature of this conference, for the first time, was a group of representatives of newcomer Jews from the Soviet Union now residing in Canada, in communities situated from coast to coast. Workshops specially designed for them were arranged. These workshop topics included integration matters, both communal and Jewish, self-help groups and their importance, programming for such groups, fund-raising, membership, etc. **Shirlee Fox**, Executive Director of the Atlantic Jewish Council attended on behalf of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

## SEA OF GALILEE MARATHON SET FOR DECEMBER

Tiberias, Israel: - A thousand runners from Israel and around the world are expected to participate this December in the 17th International **Sea of Galilee Marathon**. The race is open to all ama-

teur athletes in possession of medical certification of their fitness to compete in a marathon.

The marathon follows a route around the shore of this legendary lake starting from Kibbutz in En Gev on the lake's eastern shore. En Gev's main industry is fishing and was founded in 1937 by immigrants from Europe, one of whom, Teddy Kollek, was to become Mayor of Jerusalem.

Five hundred athletes from around the world participated in the 1982 marathon the winner of which was Rafi Saltzman of Israel. Sally Strauss of the United States won the women's competition.

## THEME SONG SEARCH

M.A.N.S. is in search of a theme song. One which will express our aims and philosophy of the association. To this end, the association is holding a contest, and will be soliciting entries of original lyrics and music to be submitted between October 1 and December 31, 1983. Everyone in Nova Scotia is invited to take part in the contest . . . no age, occupational or status restrictions . . . just give it a try . . . for more information, write to: Song Contest, the Multicultural Association of Nova Scotia, 5516 Spring Garden Road, Suite 305, Halifax, N.S. B3J 1G6. Telephone (902) 423-6534. Get in the sing of things!

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## HAPPENINGS AND EVENTS

### REGIONAL APPOINTMENTS CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS



*David Attis, Moncton, Vice-President Atlantic Jewish Council has been appointed to the National Officers Committee.*



*Martin Chernin, Sydney, President Atlantic Jewish Council has been appointed, Vice-President, Atlantic Region.*



*Dr. Naomi Ross recently graduated from the University of Toronto Medical School. Naomi is the daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Barrie Ross, Halifax, Nova Scotia.*

### JEWISH LEADERSHIP MEETING HELD IN MONTREAL



*Martin Chernin, President, Atlantic Jewish Council and Ben Prossin, Deputy President, Canadian Zionist Federation are shown with Areyh Dulchin, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive and Chairman of the World Zionist Organization, at a recent meeting of Canadian Jewish Leadership in Montreal.*



*Martin Chernin, President, Atlantic Jewish Council and Ben Prossin, Deputy President, Canadian Zionist Federation are shown with David Azarili, Eastern Region Chairman, Canadian Zionist Federation, during recent discussions in Montreal.*



*Don Jubas, President of B'nai Brith Canada (left) speaking with Premier Hatfield of New Brunswick at the Progressive Conservative Leadership Convention in Ottawa June 1983. Mr. Jubas and Frank Dimant, Executive Vice-President of B'nai Brith Canada represented the organization as official observers.*

## CAMP KADIMAH VISITING DAY '83



*Camp souvenirs were sold by Leon Zelikovitz. Business was very brisk.*



*B'nai Brith—Halifax Citadel Lodge Pašt President Paul Lipkus presents a cheque to Jack Yablon. Ben Prossin, Sheldon Cohen and Brian Ross look on!*



*Israel Consul, Yitzhak Eldan, Montreal, was a special guest. He is shown with Sam Jacobson and Max Fox.*

## C.I.C. APPOINTMENTS



*Ben Prossin, Past Regional Chairman has been appointed National Vice-President of the Canada Israel Committee.*



*Lloyd Newman, Halifax has been appointed Atlantic Regional Chairman while Barbara Paton, Halifax has been appointed alternate.*



*Dedication of the Peter Stone "Mo'Adon" Multicultural Building. A short address was given by Ben Prossin, Chairman.*



## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Kadimah '83 is almost history, but the fond memories will live on. Our enrolment this year was the highest in several years. The spirit and fun caught fire very quickly and carried on throughout the summer. The season ran smoothly and everyone, I am sure, can recall many fun times.

Maccabia '83 was a great success and although a new concept of more preparation time with Visitor's Day as an official opening, it did not detract from the overall program. Marchpast was beautiful and all enjoyed the spirit and great for-

mation at opening ceremonies. Hityash-vut was the best in years. Many campers and Macharniks excelled in scouting abilities. More campers than ever got out on canoe trips and the trips to Keji were terrific. Machar Days, Israel Day and Tisha B'av were all very well organized and enjoyed by all. Carnival Day, Water-front Day and Counsellor hunts were a lot of fun. Picnics, hikes, and overnights, bonfires and field games enhanced the daily program.

I want at this time to congratulate all campers and staff on an excellent Iton. The staff this year was very friendly and worked hard to provide a safe and happy summer for their campers.



**CAMP MACHAR**



**HEAD STAFF**

## GOSHRIM SECTION SONGS

**Tune: Beat It**

Our parents told us kids that we better come here.  
We said you must be joking, camp's really queer  
But now that we've come, and learned this little cheer  
We're Goshrim . . . Yeah Goshrim.

Uhhh.

We found out that Kadimah isn't so bad  
With Tema and her team we are very glad.  
We're gonna show the camp that we don't miss mom and dad  
We're Goshrim. And we want to be here.

Yeah Goshrim . . . Goshrim  
No one dares to beat the Goshrim . . .  
We've got ruach and we've got might  
We're gonna scream this all through the night.

**YEAH GOSHRIM!**

## SONG WRITTEN FOR CAMP MACHAR '83

**By Lorne Brown, Jason Budovitch**

**Mitch Dankner, Adam Stern**

**Tune "IF"**

We came to camp remembering the days that had gone by.  
But now we realize, A new Machar's arrived  
We've experienced the good times and experienced the bad  
But now we understand there is no sense being sad.  
The love in our hearts has everlasting bounds  
We care for all as family  
We were brought together for a purpose, friendship is our goal  
We'll work together till it's found. There's no stopping now.  
We've experienced the good times and experienced the bad but now  
we understand, there is no sense being sad.  
If you will it, it's no dream.

## GIBORIM SECTION SONG

We've got Sandy  
Her staff is dandy.  
We're short, and small, but that's not all.  
We go boating,  
At swim we're floating  
We play, we dance, we sing all day.

We're the Gibs of '83

OK — OK  
GIBBIES — GIBBIES  
LET'S HAVE FUN!

**Tune: Blue Jays Song**

**Shalom, September/October, 1983**

**Winner of the 1983  
"Best Kadimah Song" Award  
KOCHOT SECTION SONG**

**Tune: Can't Hurry Love**

We need sun and fun, to keep us high  
We need good times and we'll get by  
And Lawrence says:  
Kochot 83, just watch us and see  
We're psyched for the season, and 45 kids are  
the reason  
With the great staff we have  
We sure can't be beat  
With Gib, Gosh and Machar, they'll see that  
they just can't compete.

How many summers did it take, for us  
to make it here, to participate  
The only thing that keeps us hangin on  
when we feel our strength,  
ooh it's never gone

CHORUS: . . .

## To a Very Special Camp Kadimah

**By Jason Budovitch**

Dear Camp Kadimah:

I really don't know where to start because there is so much I want to say, so please bare with me. I have been coming to this camp for nine years as a camper. I want to share my feelings about these past 9 summers with all of you. I owe an awful lot to this camp.

It has shown me what friendship and love are really all about. Not only what they are all about but how important they are for everyone to have. This camp does something for you, although I am not quite sure what magic there is in the air, but I know that it is something very warm and special. One thing is for sure, and that is that it is the people here that really make it so special. They give Kadimah that unique character that it has.

I am going to miss this camp immensely and hopefully I will return someday on staff. I have developed many close friendships here which are a very big part of my life all through the year, and I thank Camp Kadimah for that. I get such an incredible feeling inside myself when I am at this camp that I hate to leave.

The time for leaving is drawing near and it is going to be very hard to say good-bye. I wish that the time didn't have to come at all-but it does.

This camp has given me things that I could not have found in any other place. It has made me grow and realize just how much a person can do. If you want something bad enough you can have it, no matter what the circumstances are. "If you will it, it is no dream".

Thank you Camp Kidimah for everything. I love you and will never forget.

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**C.I.T.**



**KOCHOT**



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Israel offers self-fulfillment for all Jews, and a place where one can live a full Jewish life - national, spiritual, religious and cultural - that cannot be realized anywhere else.

Making the decision to emigrate to Israel is never easy, and requires self-understanding and courage, but with a minor effort one can spend the High Holidays in Israel. Israel is a beautiful country and is undoubtedly the best place to be during the holidays - whether religious or secular, major or minor. There, one can really sense the meaning of a holiday in Jewish life.

The Hebrew month of Elul is the period of preparation - emotionally and psychologically - for introspection, a review of the year and the repentance which takes place during the High Holidays. It is customary during this period to wish each other "Le shana tova" and send special Rosh Hashanah cards.

With the beginning of the Selichot-Penitential Prayers which are recited the Saturday night before Rosh Hashanah for a minimum of four days - the tenor of the High Holidays intensifies.

Rosh Hashanah is on the one hand, the "day of judgement" - a solemn time of reconciliation and the confrontation of the past year; on the other hand, this Yom Hazikaron, Yom Harat Olam, the birthday of the world - a joyous remembrance of the creation.

When we change around the first word of the Torah, we have the First of Tishri, "G-d began to create the heaven and the earth."

Beginning with Rosh Hashanah and continuing throughout the following ten days ending on Yom Kippur, the whole atmosphere changes, people greet and bless each other with a "shana tova tika-tevu, le shana tova u-metuka" - "May you be inscribed for a good sweet year." This period marks a concentrated form of introspection and reconciliation.

During these ten days, it is customary to ask forgiveness of people whom we have slighted or hurt during the year while the atonement of Yom Kippur is between man and G-d alone.

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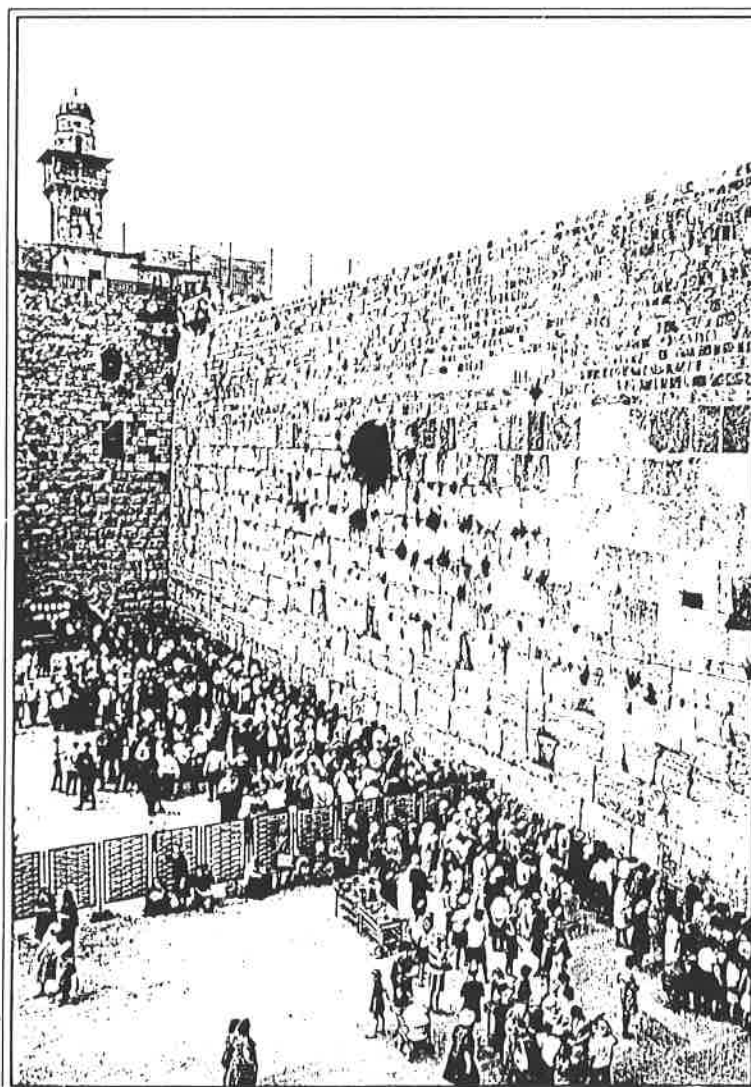
Yom Kippur itself is marked by physical abstinence because, by forgetting the body needs, man can concentrate on the spiritual, more intensely and gloriously.

The greeting used during this day is "Gemar Hatimah Tovah" May you be finally sealed for good" meaning in the Book of Life. The final element is the loud, long, piercing shofar blast which comes at the end of Neilah, closing service, which marks the final sealing of the heavenly gates.

Yom Kippur is the culmination of the entire High Holiday period. After this,

hopefully, the old year is ended and the new one begins with the closing prayer: "Be shanah Ha vah be Yerushalaim," "Next year in Jerusalem". And there is nothing more exciting than being present at this ceremony at the Kotel wailing wall and participating that same evening in the construction of the Sukkah as a reaffirmation of the continuity of the year and the people.

I wish you all "Shana Tova U-metukah" and a sincere "be shanah ha vah be Yerushalaim Ha Bnuyah".



*The Western Wall—Jerusalem*



## Vocabulary — אוצר מילים

### Shopping

When do the shops open/close?

קניות

Matay niftahot/nisgarot מחי נפתחות/נסגרות  
Hahanuyot? החנויות?

Can I try this ...?

Efshar limdod zot?

אפשר למדוד זאת?

I take size ... (in clothes)

ani lovesh mispar

אני לובש מספר ...

I take size ... (in shoes)

ani noel mispar ...

אני נועל מספר ...

How much is this?

kama ze olé?

כמה זה עולה?

Have you got something cheaper?

yesh mashe hu yotér zol?

יש משהו יותר זול?

Do you take checks?

yesh hanaha letayarim?

יש הנחה לתורים?

Is there a reduction for tourists?

efshar leshalém betshek?

אפשר לשלם בציק?

Where is the market/  
grocery/supermarket?

éifo hashuk/hanut  
hamakolét supérmarket?

איפה השוק? חנות  
המכולת? הסופרמרקט?

### General

Could you help me?

ata yohol la azor li,  
bevekasha?

אתה יכול לעזור לי,  
בבקשה?

What does it mean?

ma zot oméret?

מה זאת אומרת?

How do you say in  
Hebrew?

eih omrim bé ivit ...?

איך אומרים בעברית?

I do not understand  
Hebrew

ani lo mevin ivrit

אני לא מדבר עברית

Do you speak English/  
French/German?

ata medabér anglit/  
isorfatit/germanit?

אתה מדבר אנגלית/  
צרפתית/גרמנית?

Speak slowly, please

daber yoter lé at

דבר יותר לאט

I don't know/  
understand

ani lo yodé a/mevin

אני לא יודע/מבין

I have lost my ...

ibadeti et ...

אבדתי את ...

Just a minute, please

réga ehad bevakasha

רגע אחד בבקשה

May I use your phone?

efshar letalpén mikan?

אפשר לטלפן מכאן?

All is well

hakol beséder

הכול בסדר

What is written here?

ma katuv kan?

מה כתוב כאן?

What is this?

ma ze?

מה זה?

I would like a ...

efshar lekabél ...

אפשר לקבל ...?

### SHIRU LANU MISHIREL TZION

Words: Psalms 137: 3-4

Music: S. Kronberg

Shiru Mishirei Tzion!

Eich Nashir al Admat Neichar?

### SING US THE SONGS OF ZION

Sing us one of the songs of Zion!

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a  
foreign land?

שירו לנו משירי ציון  
מלים: תהלים קל"ז: ג-ד  
מנגינה: ש. קרונברג

שירו לנו משירי ציון!  
איך נשיר על אדמת נכר?

## ZION, MY BELOVED

Zion my fairest one, Zion my beloved

My soul longs for thee from afar:

May my right hand lose its cunning if I  
forget thee, my lovely,

Until the grave closes over me.

### TZION TAMATI

Words: M. Dolitzki

Music: Folktune

Tzion Tamati, Tzion Chemdati,

Lach Nafshi Merachok Homiah.

Tishkach Yemini, im Eshkachech Yafati,

Ad Te'etar Bor Kivri Alei Pia.

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עד תאטר בור קברי עלי פיה.

## IM ESHKACHEICH YERUSHALAYIM

Words: Psalms 137

Music: Folktune

Im eshkacheich Yerushalayim

Tishkach y'mini

Tidback l'shoni l'chiki

Im lo ezk'reichi

Im lo a'aleh et Yerushalayim

Al rosh simchati.

## IF I FORGET THEE O JERUSALEM

If I forget thee O Jerusalem

Let my right hand forget her cunning

Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my

mouth,

If I remember thee not,

If I set not Jerusalem,

Above my chiefest joys.

אם אשכחך ירושלים

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לחן: עממי

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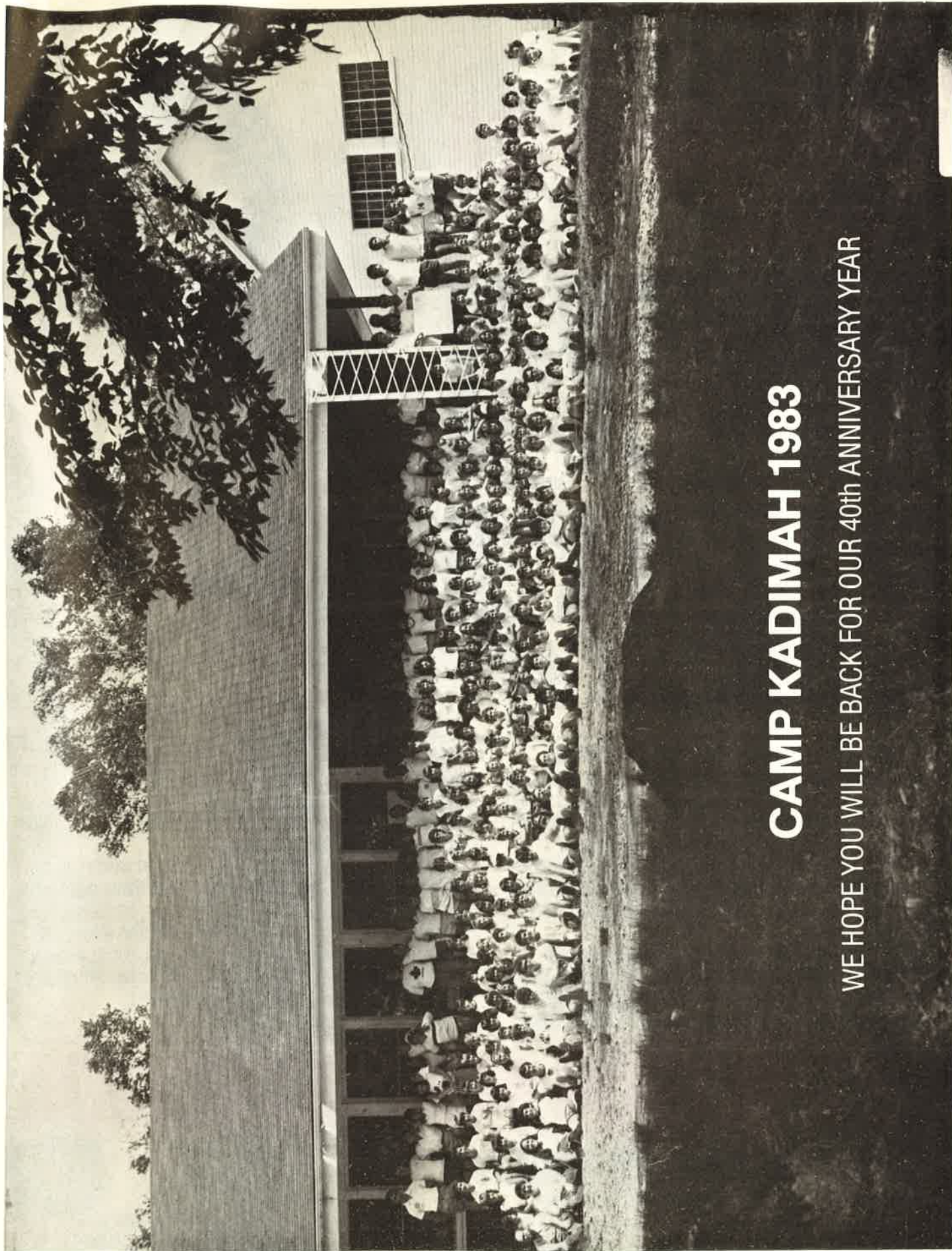
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