'The Jewish Star' Makes its Debut in Edmonton

Special to The Jewish Star

CALGARY and EDMONTON—
This premier issue of The Jewish Star(Edmonton) marks the beginning of the paper's monthly service for the Edmonton Jewish community. It will be a separate monthly edition of The Jewish Star(Calgary) and will be the only frequently appearing Jewish newspaper in Edmonton. It will supersede Your Community News, which was published by the Edmonton Jewish Community Council (EJCC).

The initiative behind the entry of The Jewish Star into Edmonton came from the EJCC. During the past few years, Your Community News had appeared infrequently and irregularly, and no issue had been published for several months.

Discussions over a one month period between The Jewish Star Newspaper, Ltd., and the officials of the EJCC, their Executive and Board of Directors, resulted in an agreement being reached to publish the newspaper.

Statements from Community Leaders and 'The Jewish Star'

"We saw the job which The-Jewish Star was doing in Calgary," David Grossman, the President of the EJCC stated, "and I am more than delighted to have it in Edmonton. The Edmonton Jewish Community Council heartily and unanimously endorsed the entry of The Jewish Star into Edmonton, and I hope that the Edmonton Jewish community and its friends will support the newspapter in every possible way."

Hillel Boroditsky, the Executive Director of the EJCC, and Executive Director of the United Jewish Appeal, Edmonton, expressed similar pleasure with the arrangement. "We have sorely missed having a paper in the community, which is the most effective means of inter-communication," he noted. "I look forward to and welcome, the ap-

pearance of The Jewish Star, and intend to make full use of its facilities in communicating with the Jewish community, in discussing problems, and in sharing successes and achievements."

In Calgary, Douglas Wertheimer, the Editor of The Jewish Star, and President of The Jewish Star Newspaper Ltd., was enthusiastic about the privilege of now being able to serve two of the West's major Jewish communities.

"I am impressed with the foresight of the leaders of the Edmonton community, and with their keen desire to gain a Jewish newspaper for the community," Mr Wertheimer remarked. "The Jewish Star will be an independent, commercial publication, in Edmonton as in Calgary. And the purpose of both editions will be the same: to publish a newspaper of high journalistic standards and of high production quality in order to advance the total interests of the Calgary and Edmonton Jewish communities.

Previous Edmonton Papers

In publishing a newspaper for the Edmonton community, The Jewish Star will become as far as can be ascertained, the third such venture in that city's history. Your Community News, which first appeared as Our Community News in Sept. 1958, was the organ of the EJCC, and normally appeared on a monthly basis. While its size and format underwent changes over the years—at one time, it accepted commercial advertising-it never subscribed to international news services, and thus concentrated on recording local community projects and activities.

The Alberta Jewish Chronicle, apparently founded around 1961 as an independent commercial newspaper, has been published on

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ZIM BROTHERS BRING A MESSAGE WITH THEIR MUSIC

Special to The Jewish Star

"Jewish music will be dead in 10 to 15 years if it is not rejuvenated with Chassidic soul-music. This is the oxygen of the Jew." Sol Zim of the Brothers Zim, in an exclusive interview with The Jewish Star, spoke animatedly and with great feeling of his committment to Jewish music. His philosophy is, in a word, involvement. His concerts are, he said, a sort of Jewish revival, in which the old chazzanut is fused with the new music in an attempt to involve the audience and bring them closer to Yiddish-

The Brothers Zim are an emotional experience; they tug at the heartstrings and appeal unabashedly to that Jewish spark in us all. Over 250 people in Edmonton and about 200 in Calgary recently braved snow and cold to attend their performance in each city. In both cities they played to enthusiastic audiences, who swayed, clapped, laughed and cried to their music. The patter that accompanied their songs was polished, predictable, and, of cour-

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Report Issued on Seniors' Housing and Social Needs

In June 1979, the Jewish Senior Citizens' Centre, responding to the concern of its members for a Jewish residential facility and expanded drop-in centre in our community, convened a meeting to discuss this matter.

Out of this meeting, the Edmonton Jewish Community Council struck a Special Committee, under the chairmanship of Florence Singer, (Past President of Community Council), and co-chairman, Alice Abells (President of the Jewish Senior Citizens' Centre), to explore the needs of Jewish Seniors. The committee was composed of representatives from the Jewish Senior Citizens' Centre. Jewish Family Services, EJCC, United Jewish Appeal, B'nai B'rith, National Council of Jewish Women, Jewish Community Cenand Rabbis of both synagogues. The work of the committee embraced two major areas: a survey of the housing and social needs of the members of our community, 65 years and over, and an investigation of existing senior citizens' facilities in the city.

The committee was fortunate in enlisting 40 dedicated volunteers to conduct personal interviews with seniors 65 years of age and over. The Committee interviewed 271 (151 female, 120 male) of the approximately 365 persons in this category.

While not all persons answered all of the questions posed, the following responses were given:

132 were between 65 to 72 years of age, 128 were 73 or over;
113 were living in their own

home, 142 were renting;
• 166 were living with a spouse,

78 were living alone, 13 were living with children.

The problems which our Senior Citizens now have and which a Jewish residence would seek to ameliorate were briefly explored: 64 have problems with housekeeping and maintenance; 76

are lonely; 61 want more security; 83 mentioned health reasons; 39 have difficulty getting to shopping or medical facilities; 48 find their rent to be too high; 49 desire Jewish companionship; 4 have accomodations needing major repair.

121 persons stated that they would be interested in a senior citizens' apartment, 40 were not sure or would leave it to future necessity, and 90 said they were not interested.

46 persons stated that they would be interested in a senior citizens' lodge, 45 were not sure or would consider it when the need arose, and 91 said they were not interested.

As for the preferred location for a Jewish Senior Residence Complex, 140 persons said they would like to have it near the city centre, 39 indicated the west end, and 23 stated that it should be near synagogues.

In the investigations there were many exploratory discussions with different levels of government — municipal, provincial and federal. Several senior citizen complexes were also viewed — self-contained apartments; lodges (which offer hotel-like accomodations with meals included); and self-contained apartments serving one hot meal a day.

At the November board meeting of the Beth Shalom Synagogues, a proposal was presented requesting that the synagogue consider selling a piece of their property, the 119th St. frontage, at market value, for a small Jewish Senior Residence of approximately 50 suites, combined with an expanded drop-in centre.

The possibility of utilizing the present location of the Senior Citizens' Centre was explored.

As the survey results indicate, the response to the need for a Jewish residence was very

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Weislers to lead Western Couples Mission to Israel

"Mission '81", a two-week mission to Israel sponsored by the Western Regional Office of the United Israel Appeal, are now underway, according to Larry Rollingher, Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal (UJA), Edmonton.

The Mission, which will depart Edmonton on Mon., March 2, and return on Mon., March 16, is



Donna Weisler

restricted to 20 couples from all Western Canadian Jewish communities. It is designed for people who have either never before visited Israel, or have not previously done so on a Mission.

"Mission '81" is being led by Donna and Marvin Weisler, of Edmonton. Mrs. Weisler is Past Chairman, Women's Division, UJA (Edmonton), and Dr. Weisler is the 1981 UJA Campaign Chairman for that city.

The itinerary includes 13 nights in 5 star hotels, with 2 meals daily, and all ground transportation. Areas of interest to be covered during the Mission are: Absorption and Immigration to Israel; Defense and the Military; Industry and Agriculture; Education and Culture; Project Renewal; and "Peace, Politics, and People".

Further information may be obtained by contacting Hillel Boroditsky, Executive Director, UJA (Edmonton) at 487-5120, or by writing to him at 7200 - 156 St., Edmonton, T5R 1X3, by Jan. 15.

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Premier Issue

New Directors in Community Office

H. Boroditsky becomes Executive Director

On August 1, Hillel Boroditsky assumed the position of Executive Director of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council. His responsibilities also include acting as Executive Director of the United Jewish Appeal, and overseeing Canadian Jewish Congress programs in Edmonton.

Mr. Boroditsky was formerly involved in fund-raising and community organization in Montreal, having been with the Allied Jewish Community Services from 1973. He was born in Winnipeg and educated there and in Toronto. For several years he worked in Ontario in research and development for Imperial Qil and Gulf Canada, and later was a partner in a Toronto firm specialising in fund-raising and development.

Although in Edmonton for only several months, Mr. Boroditsky noted that he is impressed with the general level of involvement in community affairs, particularly among the young people. He is pleased that Mark Silverberg has joined him as Assistant Director.

Mr. Boroditsky is married to the former Friema Guberman of Winnipeg, and they have three sons.



Hillel Boroditsky



Mark Silverberg

M. Silverberg is Asst. Executive Director

In September, Mark Silverberg assumed the new position of Assistant Director of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council. Until that time, Mr Silverberg, a lawyer by profession, had practised with an Edmonton law firm. He holds a B.A. (Honours) from the University of Manitoba and a Law Degree from the same institution. He was Director for Legal Aid Services at the University of Manitoba and has published articles in various international legal journals.

Mr Silverberg has been active in B'nai B'rith, co-ordinated Anti-Defamation League activities in Alberta and Saskatchewan, and, and has published numerous articles, and lectured on, Israel.

As the Assistant Director of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council, Mr. Silverberg has put forward a blueprint for the development of the Edmonton Jewish community over the next decade — an objective towards which he will endeavour to move the community.

He is married to the former Sheryl Shore of Winnipeg, and they have two children.

Convention

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Brothers Zim

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se, emotional, and the audiences loved it. Singing in Yiddish favourites such as "My Yiddishe Adler; David and Evelyn Kline; "Halleluya," Israel's winner in the Eurovision Song Contest, and Sol composition on Zim's own

Jerusalem. Sol Zim and Bernie Dienstag, who are not actually brothers (they call themselves soul brothers) have been together for 3 years. They have performed throughout Canada and the U.S., in Australia. in Europe and in Israel. Two years three times a year where they have panionship the distinction of being the first loneliness. ber one in the country.

mers is chazzanut, and they still overdue. The centre this year is more than 480,000 making its function as cantors in New York. celebrated its 10th anniversary; overall, and Jewish populations, cantor, trained with the great Can-successful celebration. York. As a cantor, he felt that Jewish Senior Citizens' Centre of more involvement was needed by Edmonton: the congregants, and to broaden Her vision for something more exhis base and reach more people, he tensive and all-embracing for the began to concertize. Mr. Zim also "aged" may yet, in the not too writes much of the music he and Mr. distant future be accomplished. Dienstag perform, and he has This which she founded is just the recorded 14 solo albums. He has first step to the fulfillment of a also written many books of music. dream.

The Brothers Zim performed in Calgary as part of the Cultural report has been condensed. Community Centre.

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The founders of the Edmonton Chair are: Dr. Eli and Phyllis "Sim Shalom." "Od Bory Margolus; Jack and Betty Mayer; Saul and Toby Reichert; Larry and Tulane Rollingher: Sam and Rae Shapiro; Kayla Shoctor> and Milton and Mamie Sorokin.

> The evening was hosted by Bory ' Margolus, a National President of Canadian Friends.

Seniors' Survey

(continued from page 1) ago in Israel, they performed at positive. The drop-in centre has the swearing-in ceremony for the become an indispensable service paratroopers. They visit Israel to its members in providing comhas reached Americans to write a song — "Kad- saturation point in accommodating shay-Nu" — which became num- ever-increasing numbers, and the need for larger quarters and ex-The background of both perfor- panded programming is now long The total population of Edmonton Mr. Zim, whose father was also a over 200 people attended a very somewhat smaller than that of

In closing, we quote in part from the Dedication Scroll in memory of in New Scda Margolis, the founder of the

Due to limited space, the survey Series of the Calgary Jewish Cen- complete report on the survey and tre and in Edmonton at the Jewish investigations is available at the Jewish Community Council office.

a semi-annual, and quarterly basis. It has not given extensive coverage to community events.

With the publication of Calgary: Edmonton editions, The Jewish Star Newspaper Ltd., will also become one of the three Anglopublishers in North America issuing a newspaper for more than one city. The Canadian Jewish News publishes weekly Toronto and Montreal editions, and Press of Los Angeles prints editions for four southern California areas, on a monthly and weekly

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figures, the community numbered approximately 1750 people in 1951. Subsequent demographic surveys (undertaken by the EJCC, and reported in Your Community News), found that there was a growth rate of only 6 per cent between 1971-76, but current projections would indicate an increase of approximately 30 per cent in the last 5 years, or 3500 to 4000 people. Calgary (6-7,000 Jewish people within a city of about 570,000

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court fees, it soon became ap- thwhile, and will become a regular

culture through the Centre. The Board and vice-versa.

Canadian B'nai B'rith president. speaker for two Edmonton B'nai B'rith lodge on Nov. 25,

Mr. Greenfield's visit was due in

ternational status, by which the the event held at the Edmonton recognized as independent from and national confederation of Canadian Jewry's oldest and wherever a need may arise.

On Sunday, November 9, the

Jewish Community Centre invited

its members to a "Beefs and

Bouquets" meeting in the Colonial

President of the Jewish Com-

presented a brief history of the

along with Centre Treasurer Leon

Miller and Executive Director Dr.

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In the evening, President Greentheir American counterparts. As a field spoke to members of the Edresult of this historic decision, monton Lodge at a special Lodge B'nai B'rith membership across meeting. The subject of Mr. Green-Canada, from the maritimes to field's address was "Canadian Alberta, will be united in a strong B'nai B'rith building the Canadian Jewish Mosaic". Dan Kaufman, lodges. Canadian B'nai B'rith, President of Edmonton Lodge, chaired the evening program. The service organization, Lodge membership took advanprovides a wide range of volunteer tage of this opportunity to meet inactivities and programs within formally with the national local communities to meet the president, and to become familiar needs of the aged, the young, the with the dynamics created by the sick, the handicapped — or amalgamation between eastern and western lodges.

policy of maintaining Kashruth in

the building and closing for Shab-

bat and all major Jewish holidays

was reinforced, as were the goals

of the Centre in providing a warm

everyone in Edmonton's Jewish

were given in recognition of the

countless hours spent by the Cen-

tre's Board members and volun-

teers in the realization of a long-

term dream. It was felt by all con-

cerned that the evening was wor-

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Centre, thus providing direct feed-

back from the membership to the

community. Along with

Bond Leaders Lauded

Among those from Edmonton joining leaders from across Canada at-

tending Pioneer Women Na'amat's National Leadership Seminar held in

Ottawa were, (left to right), Lynn Milner, guest Mrs. Y. Anug (wife of

Israel's Ambassador to Canada), Barbara Wiseman and Beryl Nahor.

leadership in this year's cam- to you. paign. Both chairpersons — with their own personal strong feelings of commitment to the State of Israel through many various eauses — have served as an inspiration to their co-chairmen and cabinet members to help bring the message of Israel Bonds to the community. Through their personal solicitation, the organization Synagogue Appeals, parlour meetings, small social functions, and a highly successful lades luncheon and fashion show, the community response was heartening.

With the phenomenal growth of this Jewish community, every effort was made to reach each and every family, old and new. I

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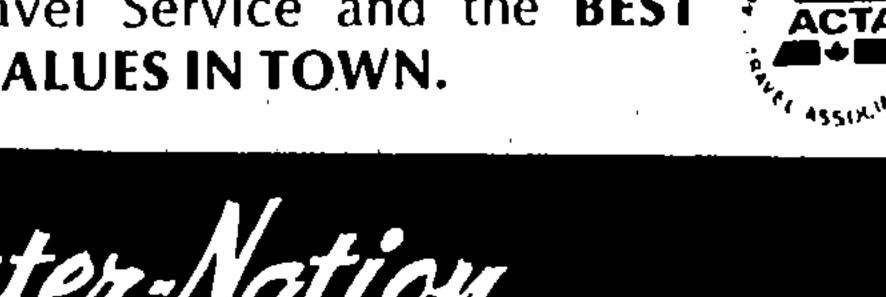
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'The Jewish Star'

It was just a short time ago that the Calgary edition of The Jewish Star was inaugurated, and now we have just issued our first Edmonton edition. This is a rare opportunity and a rare privilege, for both of which we hope to be worthy. It is, additionally, most gratifying to know that the Edmonton community leadership has chosen to put its faith in the continued integrity of The Jewish Star, as exemplified by the paper's record

The response to this new community paper — which is not a duplicate of the Calgary edition, but a separate edition responding to the needs of the Edmonton community — has been overwhelming. We would like to think that this powerful desire to have The Jewish Star in Edmonton is not due solely to the absence for nearly a year of any medium of intercommunication in the community. But however that may be, The Jewish Star's first product is now on the table. It can be viewed as a model of future issues, except that we anticipate providing full national and international news and feature coverage, as in the semi-weekly Calgary

The northward movement of The Jewish Star reveals other things about the Edmonton community and, we believe, about the future of the Alberta Jewish community.

It is a common feature of smaller Jewish communities that all of their needs are met within the confines of their local leadership structure. As such communities grow and mature, the configuration of communat leadership is modified to allow for an increased ability to treat an increasingly complex and diversified community situation. One leadershi. body may give way to two or three in its stead, with perhaps a new body added in tandem, the two groups then being united by a third umbrella one. As this happens, the generalist communal worker or leader will give way to specialists who can devote considerably more time, energy, and knowledge to local and national matters than the generalist could.

It seems that this transition, as exemplified by the community's invitation to The Jewish Star, is something which — consciously or unconsciously — the Edmonton leadership has grasped. For more than twenty years Your Community News has been the only voice within the community, published by the community for the community. Now, with the increased and swift growth of the Edmonton Jewish population, the demands placed on the leadership have been increasing proportionately. The task of issuing a regularly appearing newspaper from within the communal offices has become more and more difficult. And rather than seek yet another generalist from within the communal ranks to edit a newspaper, the Edmonton leadership has chosen to seek the services of a

qualified specialist, From one point of view, then, The Jewish Star's presence in Edmonton is a recognition of change in that city, and of leadership belief that such changed must be dealt with in a professional manner.

Perhaps more subtly, but no less important, is the fact that Edmonton's leaders have understood the value, and perceived the service, which a newspaper can provide.

A responsible Jewish newspaper attempts to do three things: educate and inform its readers about matters of local, national, and international Jewish interest; provide a medium of expression for its readers; and act as a voice for the community as a whole, one which can be its representative inside, and outside, of the city's boundaries.

One needs no end of illustrations of how ignorance breeds ignorance; of how the inability to air feelings results in disaffection and dissatisfaction; and of how the lack of a unifying forum ends in communal disarray, and lack of respect from outsiders.

It is clear that the Jewish communities of Edmonton and Calgary are gaining in strength and in sophistication. The two cities will also begin to share the lessons of this new situation and, in reflecting moods in Western Canada generally, feel compelled to make the presence of Alberta Jewry known within the context of Canadian Jewish life. The Jewish Star, in Edmonton and in Calgary, will provide a forum for doing so.

Writing at this moment of anticipation, The Jewish Star eagerly looks forward to a long and fruitful relationship with the Edmonton Jewish community, and to many years of service in which the two will grow and change together.



To the Editor:

The Alberta Regional Office of State of Israel Bonds joins with all organizations, community leadership and citizens in welcoming The Jewish Star to Edmonton. ' publication will fill a very useful and purposeful role in the area of Jewish local, national and international communications and relations, in mirroring the life of the community and the various

interesting component groups that

publication, and to the opportunity as well to become regular contributors of noteworthy news and information Best of luck!

Aron Eichler Alberta Regional Director, State of Israel Bonds Calgary & Edmonton, Nov. 24

FROM ISRAEL

By Ychiam Weitz

Menachem Begin and the Holocaust

The Holocaust is a central component of Prime Minister Begin's world view. "The terrorists are the West's submission to petro-dollars echoes its submission to Hitler!" public occasion today on which he fails to raise the Holocaust

natural and legitimate, for the Holocaust is a central event of the recent history of the Jewish people and, indeed, is one of the most decisive events in the history of generation after the destruction wrought during the Second World trauma can be comprehended its influence on the Jewish people in general and on Israel in par-Begin puts the Holocaust to con-

reduce it to the banal. The Nazi destruction of the Jews of Europe horrific Turkish massacre of the Armenians, or the Nazi slaughter of the Slavs and gypsies. The specific nature of the Holocaust can be blurred in two ways: crudely, by denying its very existence, or more subtly by comparing it to other horrors. It is this second way, perhaps because of its dangerous. And there stands the Prime Minister of Israel (himself a Holocaust survivor). finding some event with consistent frequency to compare with Hitler, the Nazis, the S.S. and the Munich betrayal. In

The Nazi destruction of the Jews of Europe is an event of special significance in our time and bears comparison

doing so, Mr. Begin is legitimising this lack of specificity. In effect he

Let it be stated unequivocall that comparison of the acts of at Nahariya and Misgav Am with Nazism misses the mark. Large umbers of political groups and national movements have resorted to the slaughter of the innocent to attain their objective, but a clear distinction must be made between these acts of terrorism and the brought about by a combination jective was murder for its own sake, killing as a sacred goal. Terrorist murders — shocking and revolting as they are — are & means to and end, not an end in

A Two-Edged Sword

the question of those within our own camp who have used murder as a means to an end. Let me say simply that our opponents. (real imaginary) should not be handed this as an instrument to blur the significance of the Holocaust. An additional point: constant use of so potent a weapon as the Holocaus is likely to boomerang into a twoedged sword. The comparison could well be turned against us, not

least because we ourselves have given approval to this comparison against us in our internal struggle taking a political stand of which we disapprove is criticized in the context of the Second World War. <u> Pomorrow, we ourselves may be</u> attacked in the same way — he who awakens the sleeping dragon cannot be certain of controlling it.

The inflationary use of the

Holocaust argument is not only dangerous — it is also ridiculous. Firstly, because too-frequent use of this serious and weighty comgrotesque, and secondly, because the Holocaust will gradually become an empty phrase that will follow others before it into inverted commas. In the Prime Minister's world there are but two comparisons, we are either victims of the Holocaust, or the descendants of the Maccabees. Any comparison that occupies a position midway between these two extremes is nonexistent for him. It is nevertheless possible to find some meeting point between these two extremes. They both have their origins in a pseudoheroic, pessimistic world without hope, alternatives or escape. What Mr. Begin is doing now is attempting to transform his private

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Star, we mark two milestones in our short career — the publication of our first Edmonton edition, and facility features a whirlpool, steam the first insertion of supplements room, sauna, shower, change into the newspaper (two for area, and lounge in a self-Calgary, one for Edmonton). Also, contained area all within the Cencommencing with this issue, we've tre building. decided to include in M.A.P. news of both Calgary and Edmonton. We were also tempted to include some of the exciting news of the Edmonton community in the Calgary paper, but more of that later.

Undertaking any new project is never easy, nor can major efforts be accomplished without assistance. The Edmonton edition of The Jewish Star is certainly such a venture, and M.A.P. would like to thank, on behalf of the paper, all of those organizational people for their assistance in helping t produce a paper with such interesting local content. Anita Sky has handled our advertising unthus added a further dimension. the readability of the finished looking for additional advertisin, — any one interested should contact the Calgary office (238-0010) or Hillel Boroditsky

Beth Israel Synagogue has just elected Hymie Sorokin as its Sisterhood are Beryl Nathan and Rita Milavsky . . . Dr Alfred Fisher has recently become a tenured professor in the Department Music at the University of Alberta.

smiling faces in the office of the Community רוי U.J.A., and M.A.P. would like ம் formally welcome them: Hillel Boroditsky, Executive Director (the EJCC and UJA (that's beginning to sound like alphabet soup) Silverberg, Assistant Director: and Laura Shapiro, the Office's Secretary. While the leadership is new, little plans already underway for a equally enjoyed during the Ed- multi-faceted program on the Hol caust, to include an exhibit, appearance. Hopefully oral taping sessions, essay contest, both cities will bring them back and Holocaust Memorial. An expanded Jewish education commit-On Nov. 9 the Centre invited all its members to come to a "beefs & - tee will be investigating four special areas of development, inprogramming and Jewish culture cluding a Judaica library, extenwere topics of utmost concern. The ded Hebrew and Judaica courses policy of maintaining kashrut in for public school credit, and the building, and of closing it for curriculum for Grades 1-12. The Thabbat and all major Jewish holidays was reinforced. This Canada Israel Committee and Joint Community Relations Comevening will now become an annual event in order to allow direct mittee are both very active. I feedback from membership to the takes many involved people to successfully carry on the day-to-day affairs of any community, and it is nice to see that so many people are

The development of the Holocaust curriculum in particular has had definite repercussions in both the Jewish and non-Jewish private citizens have expressed intfitted in costumes beautifully terest and have questioned the necessity of teaching a course of youth groups, with songs led by this type.

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The deadline for registration for (continued on page 9)

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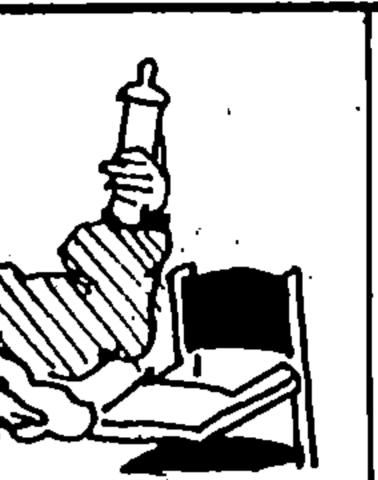
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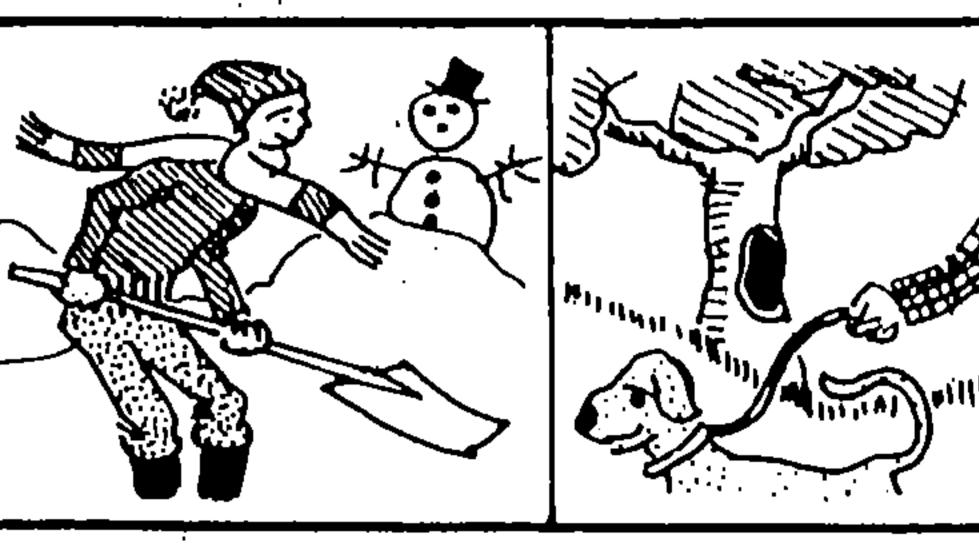
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ACTS OF LOVINGKINDNESS









One of the most important mitzvot (religious duties and good deeds) of Judaism is helping the poor and the needy. There is no Hebrew word for charity, so we call this mitzvah "tzedakah". The Hebrew word tzedakah really means righteousness (doing what is right) or justice (doing what is fair).

"The world rests on Torah, Prayer, and Tzedakah," said the rabbis. They taught that giving tzedakah is as important as all of the other commandments put together.

Everyone past the age of Bar

or Bat Mitzvah is required to give charity, but it's never too early to start! Even someone who receives charity is commanded to give to others who have less. We believe there is no shame in receiving charity. Everything we have are gifts from God anyway, so we are required to share our gifts with all of God's children.

Jews have always given tzedakah to our people, as well as to non-Jews. Our rabbis taught us that "charity begins at home" We should help a poor relative before a stranger. That also means that we are responsible to help our larger family, the Jewish people.

Throughout the ages, different Jewish charity groups helped the poor and the needy. Today most tzedakah is given to one organization which then divides the money among many Jewish service groups. This charity is called the United Jewish Appeal

UJA workers collect tzedakah from Jews all over America. A large portion of the money goes to different agencies in Israel. UJA money also helps settle new Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union.

This charity is also given to family and children's services, education, homes for the aged, hospitals, Jewish Community Centers, Jewish camps, and special programs which help the elderly, sick, and youth.

NOT JUST GIVING MONEY

Tzedakah is not only giving money. It is also giving of yourself. In fact, another Hebrew word for charity is "chesed", which means lovingkindness. What are acts of lovingkindness?

- Chesed is helping the elderly. For example you could do yardwork or run errands. Just visiting is a mitzvah!

- Chesed is also visiting the sick. Your class or friends could put on a show to entertain people in hospitals or homes for the aged. Make homemade flowers or get well cards to brighten hospital rooms.

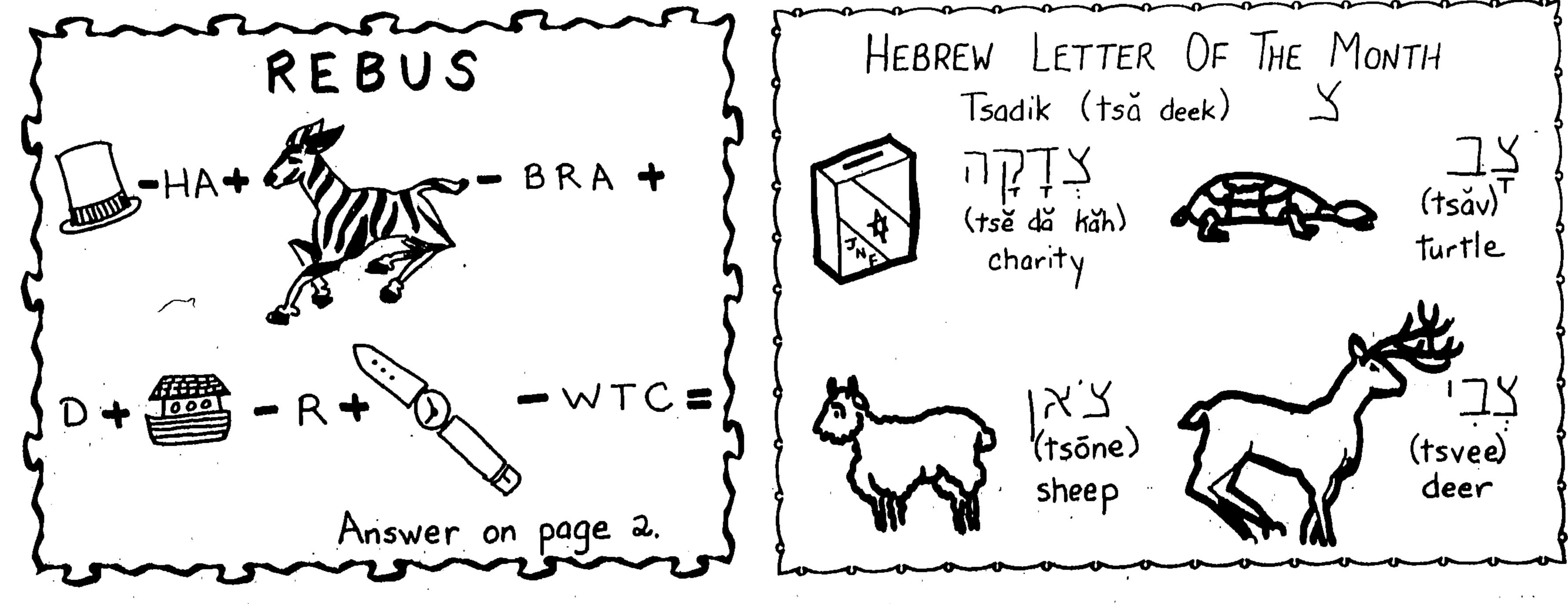
- Does your synagogue need attention? Are the grounds littered? Have a "clean-up Sunday". Volunteer to polish the silver ornaments on the Torah scrolls, especially before the High Holidays.

- Are there newcomers in your school? Introduce them to your friends and help them feel welcome. If they are from another country, help them with their

-Tutor a classmate who is having difficulty in school. Bring homework to a sick classmate who has missed school.

The cartoon panel on this page shows you some ways you could earn money to donate to the UJA this year, as well as some "acts of lovingkindness". Do you have any more ideas? Share them with other NOAH'S ARK readers. Send your ideas to: NOAH'S ARK, 10019 Villa Lea, Houston, Texas 77071.





STEPS OF GIVING

Our great Rabbi Maimonides taught that there are eight steps to giving charity. Go **up** the eight steps and use them as your guide when you give charity.

Number eight is, of course the best way. Some ways to "help the poor help themselves" include lending them money or giving them jobs so that they won't need charity.

You help the poor help themselves.

You don't know who will receive your charity and that person does not know who gave it.

You know who will receive your charity but that person does not know that it came from you.

You give without knowing who will receive your charity but the person knows that it came from you.

You give before being asked. You know who will receive it and that person knows it came from you.

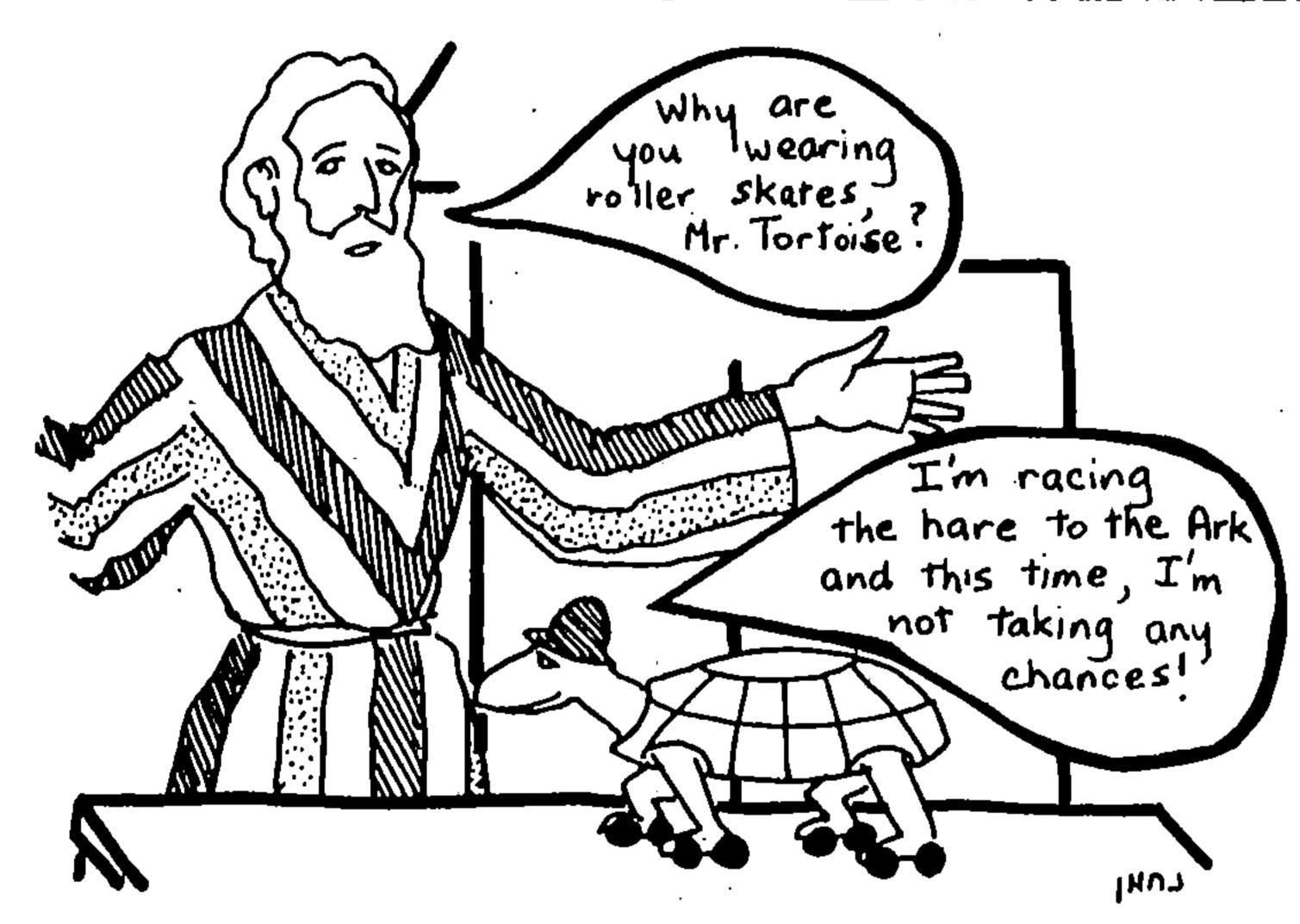
You give charity but only because someone asked you to give.

You give less than you should, but you act nice about it.

You give charity but you act like you don't really want to give.

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NOAH AND TURTLE CONTEST WINNER



The first place winner in the Noah and Turtle Cartoon Contest is **DAYNA ELFONT**, 8 years old, from Huntington Woods, Michigan. Dayna will receive a NOAH'S ARK T-Shirt for her grand prize.

Runner up is **Harlan Heiber** from Columbus, Ohio. Here is Harlan's joke:

NOAH: Why are you wearing roller skates?

TURTLE: So when the ark rocks, I'll roll!

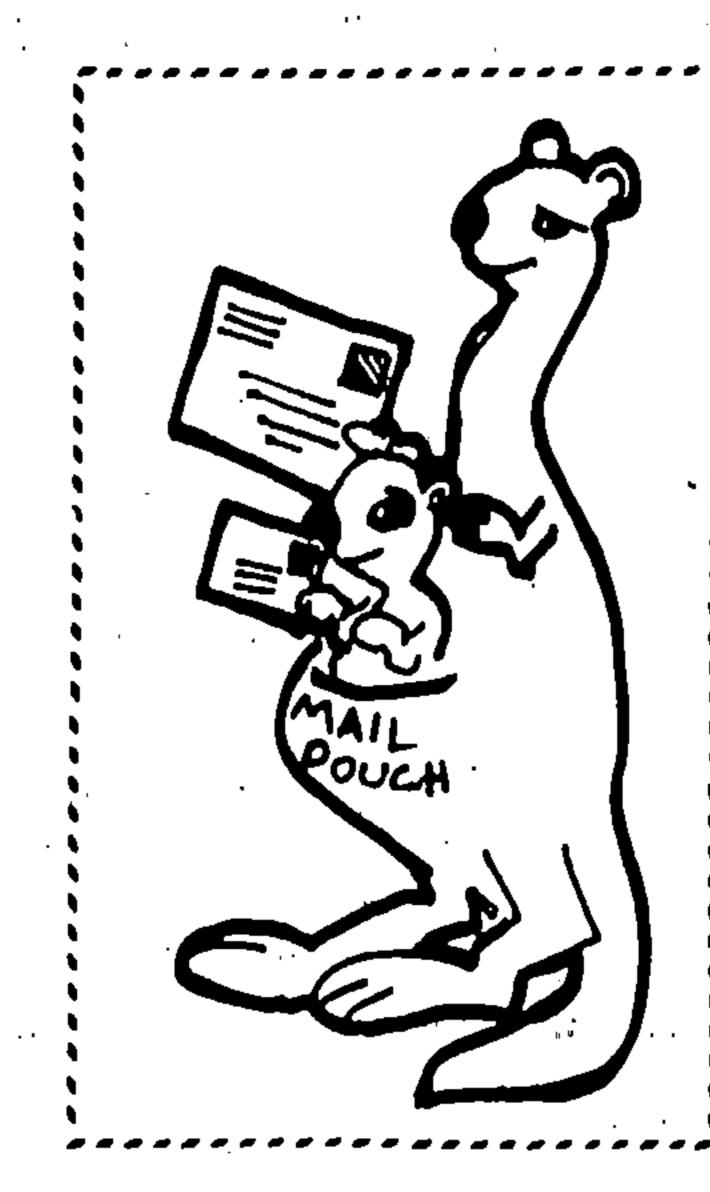
"Honorable mention" goes to a reader who is a little too old to enter the contest but sent in a great riddle anyway! His name is Hersh Goldman and he is a popular author and illustrator of books for Jewish children. His latest book, hot off the press, is A Silly Shimmy Chanukah, which is filled with Chanukah riddles. It is published by KTAV Publishers. Here is Hersh's joke:

NOAH: Oh! There you are! I thought you fell overboard!

TURTLE: That would have been a turtle loss! (Get it? Total loss!)

Special thanks to the students from the Community Reform Temple, Westbury, Long Island, New York and the students from Memphis, Tennessee, for all of their entries.

FROM THE MAIL POUCH



Would you like a pen pal? Here are some kids who would like to hear from you! Or write to NOAH'S ARK, 10019 Villa Lea, Houston, Texas 77071. Tell our readers about yourself!

Dear Kanga:

I'm 8 years old and go to Beth Yeshurun Day School. I would like a girl penpal. My hobbies are drawing, latch hook rug making, and all kinds of art projects.

- Elyssa Wagman 5347 Rutherglen Houston, Texas 77096

Dear Kanga:

I'm a girl in sixth grade. I like to swim and play soccer. I read a lot, too. I would like a boy or girl penpal around my age.

- Yapha Nussbaum 2835 Salem Ave. Minneapolis, Minnesota 55416

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CRAFT CONTEST PRIZES **** PRIZES

Create a musical noisemaker for Purim! Be sure to include what you need and complete instructions. Don't limit yourself to groggers - although unusual grogger ideas are welcome! Any kind of noisemaker can be entered!

Entries will not be considered unless you include your name, address and age.

Send your entry to: NOAH'S ARK, 10019 Villa Lea, Houston, Texas 77071.

DEADLINE: January 10, 1981.

A NOAH'S ARK T-shirt will be sent to the best entry - which will appear in the March issue of NOAH'S ARK.

Dear Kanga:

I am 11 years old. I like swimming, baseball, and art. I have

- Carol Stein 20 Lawrence Road Wayne, New Jersey 07470

one dog. I want a girl penpal.

Dear Kanga:

I would like a penpal. I am 10 years old and in the fifth grade. My hobby is swimming. I have a cat and I love cats.

- Elaine Hirschfield 6838 Cypress St. Portage, Michigan 49002

Dear Kanga:

I am in third grade. I am 8 years old. I don't care if my penpal is a boy or girl. My hobbies are swimming, collecting stickers, and posters. I have a cat. Please send me a penpal soon.

- Marian Zimmerman 12711 Country Ridge San Antonio, Texas 78216

Dear Marian and Readers:

Your letters are published in this column and other readers will write to you. So, there are two ways to get a penpal. You can write to NOAH'S ARK, or you can write to anyone you read about in this column. Keep those letters coming and going!

- KANGA

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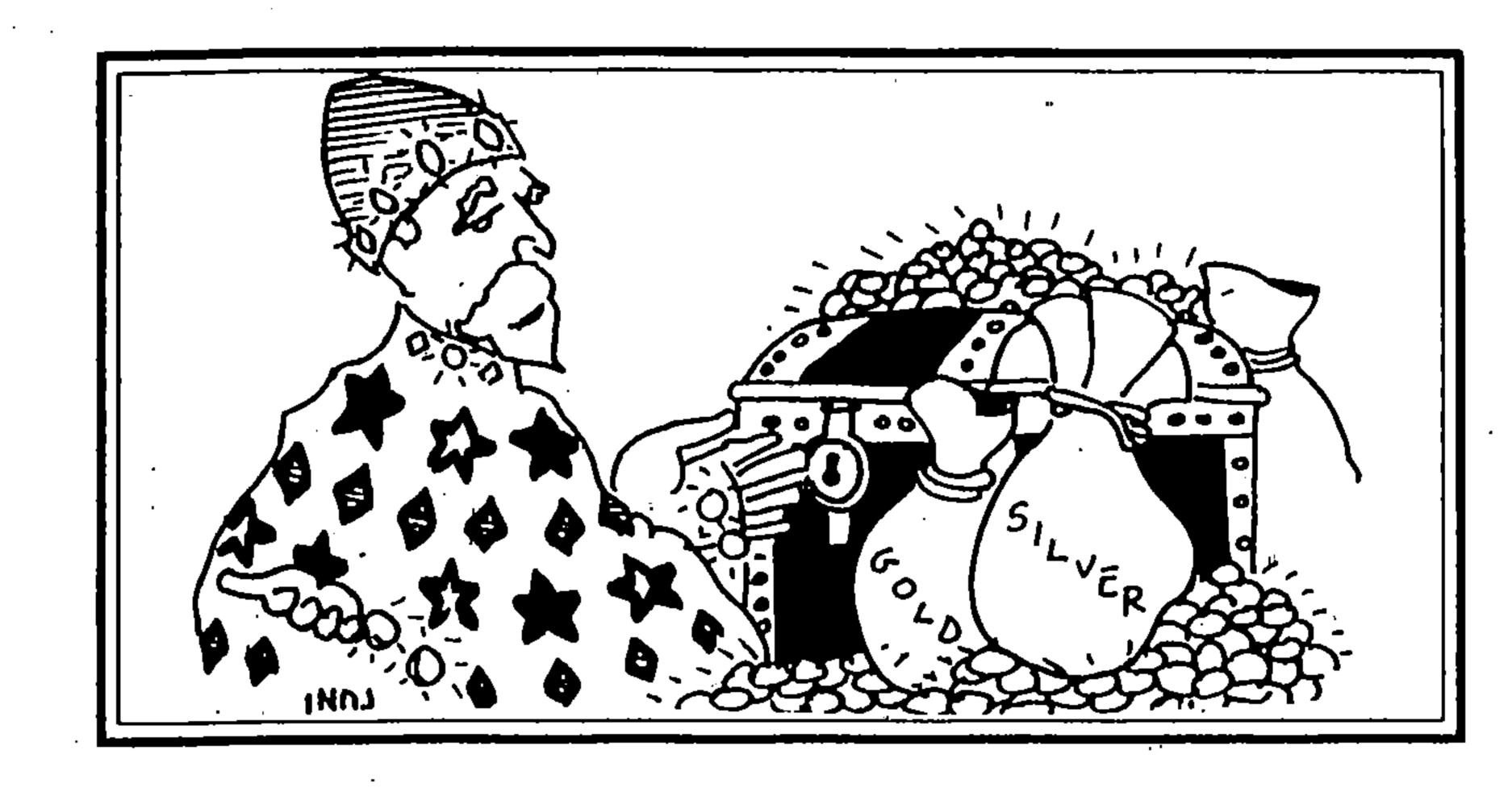
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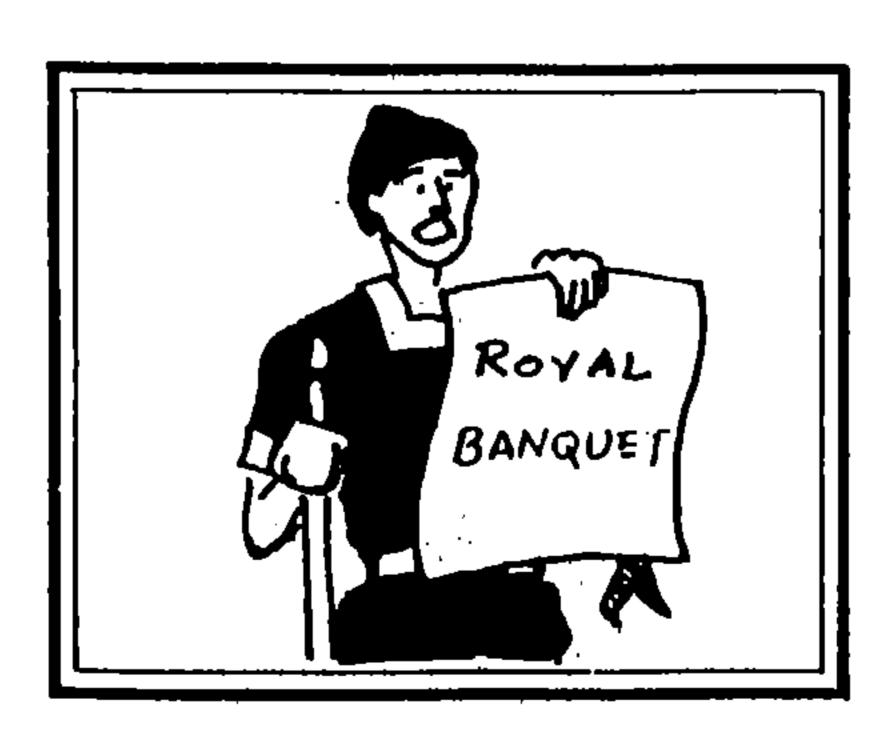
Once upon a time, in the days of the Bible, Amos the Stingy One lived in Jerusalem. Amos, though rich, was the most selfish man in all of the land. He had more money than any person could ever use, but Amos never shared any of it with those in need.

People in Jerusalem talked about Amos the Stingy One. Whenever a villager acted selfishly, the people would say, "He's as stingy as Amos." If a neighbor was mean or unkind, the people would say, "He's as mean as Amos."

One year, hard times came to the land. There was not enough food for all of the people. Those who were wealthy gave food freely to anyone in need.

But not Amos! He locked the doors to protect his extra food and gave none to the hungry. In fact, he began to sell his stored grains for higher prices. Amos became even richer while others were starving.

The wise King Solomon heard about this stingy rich man. The king was very angry. "What can I do to teach this scoundrel a lesson?" he wondered. Then King Solomon thought of a plan.



The king sent a messenger to the Stingy One's home. "The great King Solomon invites you to dine at the palace ton orrow," the messenger annour. d.

Amos was very proud of himself! "I must be very famous if the great king wants to dine with me!" he thought. "The people will be so jealous when they hear of my good fortune!"

The next day, Amos did not eat breakfast or lunch. He wanted to be very hungry when he dined at the king's table. Surely the king will serve a great feast! Amos wanted to be able to eat every morsel!

When Amos arrived at the Royal Palace, an officer of the court took him into the waiting room.

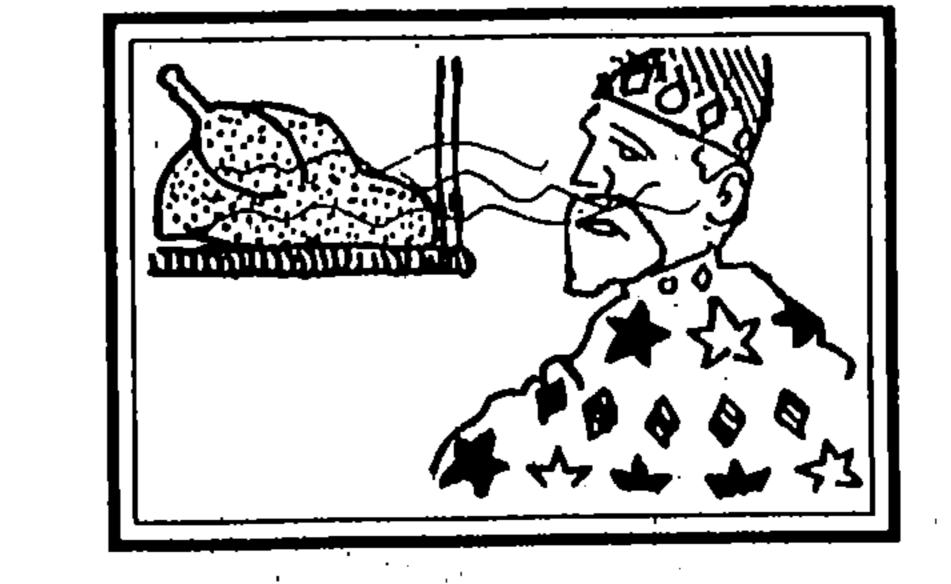
"You are the king's only guest this evening," said the officer. "Now there are certain rules you must follow when you dine with the great King Solomon. You must do exactly what I tell you or you will make the king very angry!"

Amos knew better than to anger a king, so he said, "Of course! I will do exactly as you say."

"First of all," said the officer,
"when you dine with the king,
you must not ask anyone for anything. Secondly, you may ask no
questions. Even if you do not
understand what is happening,
ask nothing. And do not complain. Finally, when the king
asks you if you are enjoying your
meal, you must praise the king.
Even if you are not pleased,
compliment the king! I warn you,
remember these rules!"

"I promise to obey every rule," said Amos.

The officer let Amos in the waiting room. The room was next to the royal kitchen. Amos could see the food being cooked. He smelled the wonderful roasts and desserts. Since he had nothing to eat all day, the sight and smell of the food made him even hungrier!

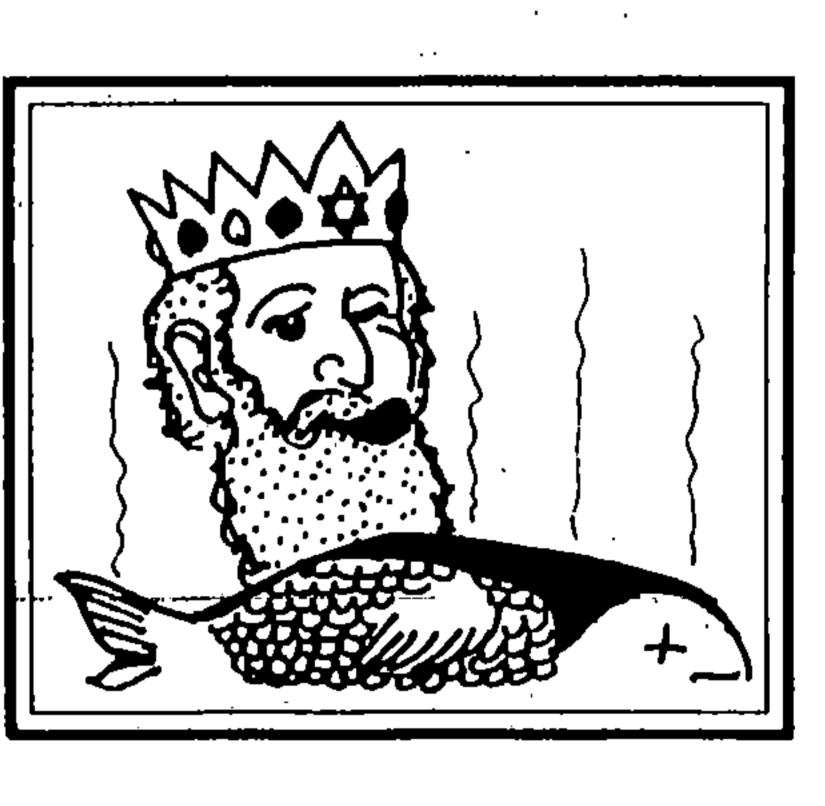


Finally after an hour or more, the officer returned and led Amos into the dining room where King Solomon was already seated.

"Thank you for joining me, my friend," said King Solomon. "My palace is your home. Eat to your heart's content."

A servant entered and placed a basket of fruit before the king. The king munched on each tidbit, saying, "How fresh! How tasty!"

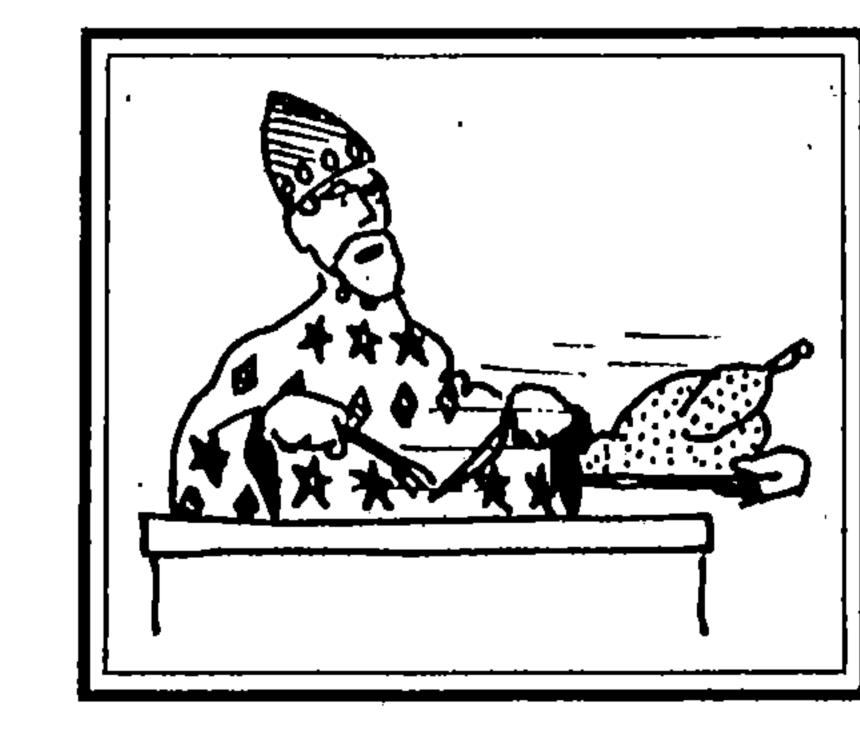
After the king finished his appetizer, the servant placed a bowl of fruit in front of Amos. Just as Amos started to eat, the servant snatched the food away.



Then a servant placed a large fish, baked to a golden brown, in front of the king. The king ate the fish noisily, smacking his lips after every savory bite.

When the king finished, the servant placed a fish in front of Amos. Just as Amos lifted his fork, the servant took the fish away.

And so it went throughout the meal. Amos had to watch the king eat every delicious bite. But every time he was served, the food was whisked away before he could even taste one bite.

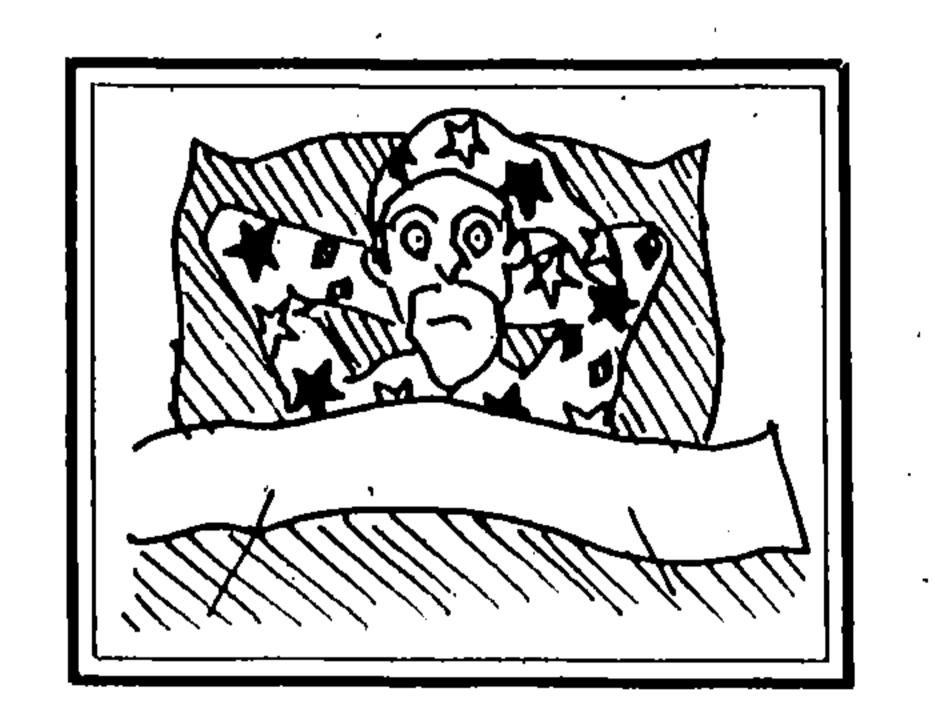


Amos was starving! He was so hungry he thought he would faint. But he remembered the rules that the officer had listed, and Amos kept silent.

"I hope you are enjoying your meal," said the king.

Remembering the words of the officer, Amos said, "Oh, yes, your majesty! I've never been to a dinner quite like this one before!" Finally the meal was over. Amos rose to leave, but the king invited him to spend the night in the palace. Amos wanted to go home, so that he could get something to eat! But the king insisted that Amos stay and so of course, he did!

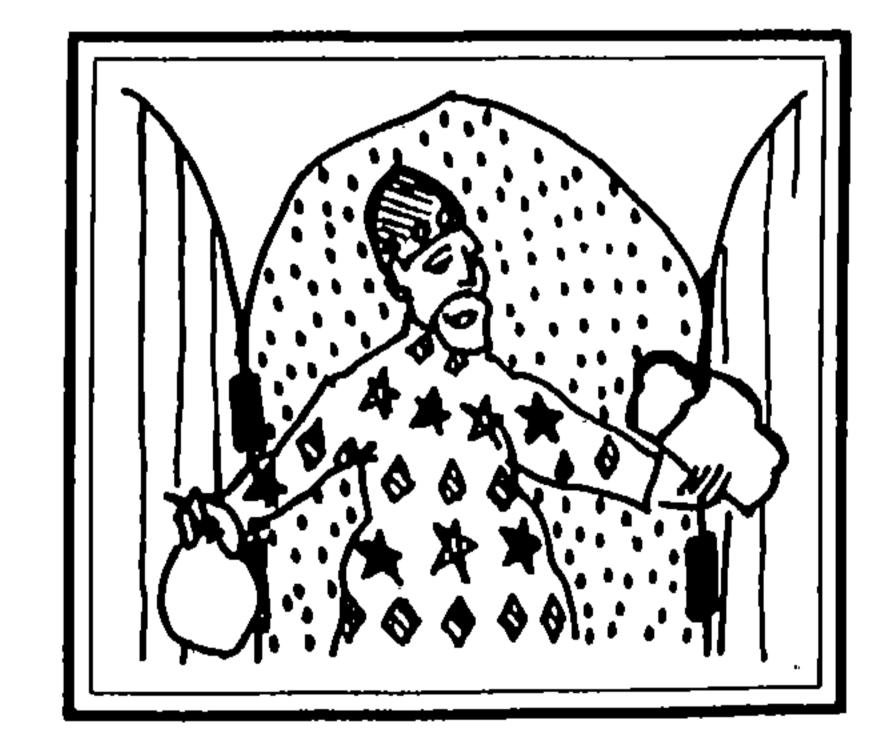
Amos went to bed but he could not sleep. He was too hungry! "Why did the king invite me to supper if I was not allowed to eat?" he wondered.



Suddenly Amos realized that King Solomon wanted to teach him how it feels to be hungry.

Finally Amos understood how the poor people felt when he, the wealthy one, would not share even one grain with them.

Amos vowed to change his selfish ways. The next day, Amos went home and opened his storehouse of food. "Let all who are hungry come and take some grain!" he announced.



At first no one believed him. But the people were so hungry that they came to see for themselves. They went to the storehouse and could not believe their eyes! There was Amos himself, passing out the grain!

Word reached King Solomon that his plan had worked. "From this day forward, let no one speak of Amos the Stingy One again!" ordered the king. "He will be known only as Amos the Generous One!"

And from that day on, whenever a villager did a good deed, the people would say, "He's as generous as Amos!"

- By Debbie Israel Dubin Copyright 1980 Adapted from the Midrash Illustrations by Nachman

IN THE COMMUNITY

Community Council Captions

MYSTERY LETTER GAME

In each line below, a letter has disappeared. Figure out the missing letters and write them on the blanks at the ends of the lines.

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In batch but not bath In stews but not sews

5. In paint but not pint

6. In pilot but not plot

In shell but not sell

Now unscramble the letters you found to make another word for tzedakah.

WHERE YOUR DOLLARS GO

Listed below are some of the places where your United Jewish Appeal money goes. Circle the words in bold print only in the Word Find. The words can go across or up and down - and some may be spelled backwards.

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Bob and Barb put on a great show. Karen asked where the money would go. "For people in need We did this good deed. Raising funds can be fun, you know!"

MYSTERY LETTER ANSWERS

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BIKING FOR BILLS

Any easy way to earn money to send to a charity is to start a bicycle delivery service. Advertising is the key to the success of this business.

Place posters around your neighborhood - in stores, laundramats and the library. Also pass out flyers door-to-door. Explain that you will run errands to the grocery store for a fee. Include your name, phone number, and the exact hours you can work. You can state that the cost for running an errand is 50¢ for short trips and 75¢ to \$1.00 for

longer trips.

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When you get called, you need to go to the caller's house to collect the money for the groceries. Have the customers write down the size and brand name of each item they want - and second choices of brands and sizes in case the store is out of the exact item(s) they ordered.

If possible, take care of several people's orders at one time.

Hope your biking brings big

FUN RAISER

To raise money for the United Jewish Appeal or your favorite charity, have a talent show!

- Get several of your friends to pre-Jinging, dancing, puppet shows, jokes, magic, playing an instrument -- anvthing goes!

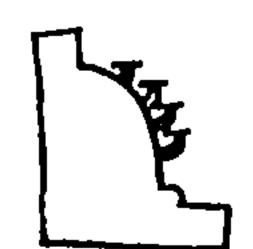


- Choose a date and a place when and where you'll have your show. Decide the time and how much you want to charge tor each ticket. Decide how many people you can seat and then make that number of tickets.

SAMPLE TICKET:

TALENT SHOW! SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14, 1981 C 5134 DOWNEY RD. 1:00 P.M. O ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TO THE TO UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

3RD - Have some friends help sell the tickets. Ask your schoolmates, neighbors, family! and friends. Your Hebrew school and Sunday school Teachers may let you tell your classes about the show.





- Before the people come to the make popcorn and sell it to them in Also, make lemonade parents before using the kitchen! Trom your retreshment sales will

The following is a resume of some of the activities in which the Edmonton Jewish Community Council has been involved.

Holocaust Relived

the exhibit and in the evening

School Board has recently ap-

proved a "Holocaust Essay Con-

test" for all Grade 12 students.

Prizes of \$100-300 will be awarded,

for the month of March at Edmon-

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Holocaust Memorial

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Jewish Education Expanded

The Edmonton Jewish Com-

munity Council, as part of its ex-

panded structure, has established

a Standing Committee for Jewish

Education to deal with formal and

under the Chairmanship of Dr

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The Holocaust Remembrance Committee, under the chairmanship of Al Rozenberg, is planning a large multi-faceted exhibit for Yom Hashoah in April 1981. The exhibit's theme — "The Evolution of a Holocaust" — will present an evolutionary picture of the Holocaust in five phases:

Deliber Phase I: The Origins of latent anti-semitism

present are designed, in total, to convey materials on the various aspects of the theme that our pluralistic. anti-semitism (e.g., the blood libel myth, "wandering Jew" concept, theory of race, etc.).

□Phase II: Post World War I Germany: Economic collapse, political

This section will analyse post World War I Germany, the Weimar Republic and the political rise of Nazism. Articles will be available for distribution books on the subject will be on

☐ Phase III: The Myth of Racial Superiority: The Scapegoat theory This section of the exhibit will deal with the origins of Nazi distribution and books will be Committee has also given apdisplayed with particular emphasis on the "fallacy of the race tion of a Holocaust Memorial on myth" and its relationship to Nazi the grounds of the Jewish doctrine and anti-semitism.

☐ Phase IV: The Holocaust Books, articles, and newspapers will be available in this section.

□Phase V: The Redemption —

Books, articles, and pamphlets for distribution will characterise this section. It will be designed to show the bond between the Jewish people and the State of Israel.

In addition to the evolutionary aspects of the Holocaust, the Holocaust Remembrance Committee (comprised primarily Holocaust survivors) is arranging the present Grade 6 level of oral taping sessions for those in- Talmud Torah. The Committee i dividuals who suffered most from Nazi atrocities. These tapes will be Maurice Blackman. The Commitrecorded in the privacy of the sur- tee has struck four sub-committees vivor's home and will preserve to investigate the need and anonymity; they will be kept for feasibility of: Edmonton's future Judaica

Finally, many films, slide shows and audio-cassette tapes on the

the Western Region U.J.A. Mission

is fast approaching. Marvin and

Donna Weisler, the leaders, have

formulated a new and exciting

concept for the Mission. Many

To round out a most active mon-

th, Hadassah-WIZO held its annual

Mayfield Inn. Chairman Betty

Mayer, co-chairman Debby

Ghermazian, and their committees

are to be commended for a suc-

Mrs Inger Sherman, a member of

the community, was acknowledged

for a very special involvement.

the auspices of Youth Aliyah, has

continued, as she is still in contact

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Edmonton, as part of an extended Talmud Torah; the preparation of a full curriculum (Grades 1-12) leading

public school system and/or

and media coverage will be sought. up to a teaching of the Holocaust The Holocaust Exhibit, accomthe high school level. panied by the Yad Vashem Pictorial Exhibit and the Holocaust All sub-committees have handed Art Exhibit (presently scheduled

in their preliminary reports and are carrying out further extended research in their respective areas.

J.C.R.C. Initiatives

The Joint Community Relations Committee of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council, under the Chairmanship of 'Romanovsky, has recommended that Council initiate overtures to other ethnic groups in Edmonton with the intention of establishing Council of Ethnic Presidents. The proposed Council will establish in ter-ethnic sub-committees to deal with human rights violations; the rights of the handicapped; creased old age pension; and the poor and elderly. The Council will share information on commo matters of security and welfare. with a view to increasing interethnic and inter-religious under standing. Several presidents of ethnic groups have been contacted and have expressed great interest in the matter, as have the heads of the Anglican and United Churches, and several multi-ethnic groups in Edmonton. A Dec. 11 meeting was arranged to discuss the matter fur-

The Committee is also actively involved in forming alliances opposition to the increasing influence and credibility of the Ku –Klux Klan in Alberta. It is dealing with the distribution of antiliterature, and works in close association with police intelligen-

informal Jewish education beyond Committee continually analyzes the press for disturbing articles, and has replied to several articles in The Edmonton Journal. resource people at the University have proven particularly helpful in

extended Hebrew or Jewish EJCC to those of our non-Jewish

community in various ways during Jewish Junior High School for the year. The cards wish each of them and their families the very best for the festive season and the year ahead on behalf of the Direc-

tors and Officers of the EJCC.

Cults continue to pose problems in Edmonton and several JCRC members are rapidly becoming specialists in the area. Monitoring such organizations' meetings form part of JCRC activities. Members of the Committee have spoken to several organizations already, and a number of seminars with ex-

perts have been held. In other matters, the Edmonton Sun was visited recently by the Directors of the EJCC in response to recent events in Paris. After this visit, Kaye Corbett, Executive Editor-in-Chief, published a lead editorial on this subject, and connected it with the Klan and racism which Mr Corbett has shown on the matter should not pass unnoticed

C.I.C. Active

Under the Chairmanship of David Seaberg, the C.I.C. has been active, behind the scenes, in Israelrelated matters. In August, the CIC was instrumental in arranging metting with Horst Schmid Minister of International Trade for Alberta. The meeting, attended by the national and local leadership of CIC, culminated in a mission to Israel by three Alberta M.L.A.'s The M.L.A.'s directed their attention to irrigation issues. The assistance of Joe Schoctor was apparent and much appreciated.

The CIC continues to monitor the press for erroneous articles on the Middle East and, in particular Israel. A recent article in The Edmonton Journal, reprinted from a case in point. The article, by Joseph Harsch, attempted to create the misleading impression systematically quash the Christians of East Jerusalem. Many callers felt that offensive in its innuendos. maintained fair and balanced Holocaust will be presented during history courses as options for the friends who have assisted our reporting on Israel related mat-present and of the future.

EJCC's new Heritage Day Committee, is presently contacting each organization to solicit volunteers for this event. Community Council has recommended that a Jewish pavillion be entered every year into the Heritage Day celebrations - Edmonton's Aug. Ethnic Festival. Anyone wishing to volunteer for the Committee is requested to contact Ms Friedman

ters, For this we are most gratefu'

Heritage Day

Rhoda Friedman, chairperson of

"Shalom Booklet" Published

EJCC has recently completed publication of a Shalom Booklet which is available to all newcomers free upon request. The Booklet has also been translated nto Russian to assist newly arrived Soviet Jews. It covers areas of communal, recreational, cultural, and religious services. organizations, kosher food outlets. and hotels with kosher kitchen facilities. The Booklet also carries a brief history of the Edmonton Jewish community, a Holy Day chart and a detailed map designating the Jewish institutions of Edmonton. Many thanks to Ram Romanovsky for his efforts with

Other News

The EJCC, on behalf of the Edmonton Jewish community, recently donated \$1,000 to the South Italian Earthquake Relief Fund, The cheque, presented by Hillel Boroditsky, EJCC Executive Director, to Fausta Magee, Chairperson of the local Italian Relief Fund, was given both as an expression of sympathy to those members of the Italian community who have lost family in southern Italy and as a contribution to the relief effort generally.

Many private donations from individual members of the community were made as well.

In January, the process of setting-up Edmonton's new Bequest begin. The legal documents have the article was, in certain respects, already been drafted, and the first Board of Governors and Legal, Inresponse was prepared by our surance, and Tax Committees will resource section and subsequently soon be established. The new appeared in the Journal. Over the charitable Foundation will serve Once again, goodwill greeting past year, it has become apparent as an alternate source of funding cards will be issued shortly by the that the Journal has generally for the Jewish educational and

Mostly About People

Royal Free Hospital, and has been

(continued from page 4)

Canada are planning to par- concert here (and in Edmonton) ticipate, and if you're at all in- recently, and the Shaarey Tzedec awarded Medical Research Counterested we urge you to book your Synagogue general meeting and cil and Alberta Heritage Visiting space — and sitters! — im- the Calgary Hebrew School Scientist awards. We extend to him Chanukah Dance were all held a hearty mazel tov, and wish the during the same week. Sadly, all family an exciting stay. three functions drew much smaller crowds than we would have expected. But cold weather does tend to defeat the desire to fight the Youth Aliyah Dinner at the

> A number of community members were recently acknowledged assistance 'beyond the call of duty'. Judy and Phil Parker, and their son, Rob, were cited by the Calgary Police Department for in their help during a recent fire at the Mayfair Nursing Home. Gary and Helen Sankoff, newcomers the community, were also awarded citations for similar brave actions.

> > Kol ha-kavod for helping to save

We bid farewell to Sheldon and

the lives of these seniors.

IN CALGARY ...

with many of them.

weather conditions of late (just a Karen (Ghitter) Roth and their nice way of saying 'Has it been children, who leave for London, cold!') really hampered the spirits England, for 6 months. Sheldon, of the Calgary community. The who will be on sabbatical, has been Brothers Zim gave a wonderful invited to do research at the

And nice to see the Maccabia Games featured in the news. ... For all golf fans, Lil Hector, Eric Kettner, and Sid Faider were recently listed as participants in the Molsons Hole-in-One Send a Child to Camp Program, May you all do as well in the coming year.

As many of our readers are aware, the Calgary Rabbinical Council is finding its schedule more and more hectic because o its involvement with kashrut Those who keep kosher are noticing that more products are now more readily available. City Bakery is no longer under Rabbinical supervision, but Byblos Bakery (pita) has been certified, as have been the products of Bio-Bread. Mr Schayer, of course, has a varied selection not only of meat and poultry but also of both North American and Israeli supervised

kosher food sections, while the catering services of the Tradewinds Hotel have been C.R.C. approved.

Calgary B'nai B'rith, which always has a successful Gentlemen's Dinner, added a new and meaningful touch this year. Many of those who were in attendance at the recent dinner made additional.

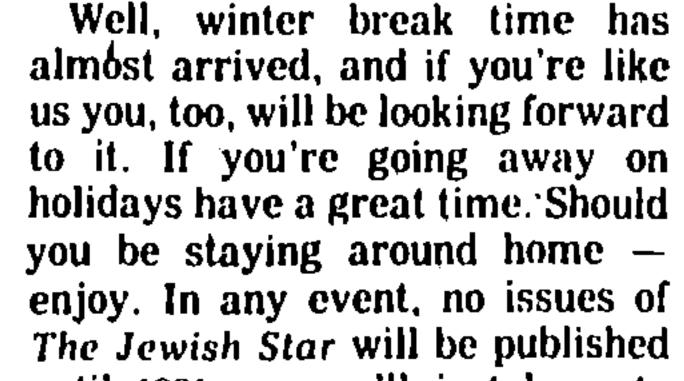
group who have for many years been the leaders in "good deeds".

been relocated.

As you will have noticed else-

where in the newspaper, the

Jewish National Fund office has



to it. If you're going away on holidays have a great time. Should you be staying around home spontaneous contributions to the enjoy. In any event, no issues of Italian Earthquake Fund, A most The Jewish Star will be published humanitarian gesture from a until 1981, so you'll just have to survive until then to see what we're up to next.



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Nig and Lottie Friedman on their

Jack and Betty Mayer, Rueben

and Donna Cipin, Rabbi Saul and

Essie Hyman on their forthcoming

Judy Gratzer and Ben Aaron

Talmud Torah

Mother's Auxiliary held a Car-

Course on November 19-20 at the

school, attended by 26 people.

Programs such as these will con-

Activities and Results

tinue throughout the year.

on their recent

Resuscitation

25th wedding anniversaries.

Glieberman

forthcoming 50th wedding an-

recent marriage of their daughter

welcome back to Edmonton:

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Risa to Lonnie Pascel.

synagogues that are still open, as

mostly kohanim (priests).

ASK THE RABBI

Capital Punishment

How can capital punishment be derer. accepted as part of the Torah if the When God gave Moses the Ten words added in brackets, such as "Thou shalt not kill, but in the case of so and so it is permissible."

the nature of great general principles, but they require further elaboration if they are to serve as they were intended — as guides

The second commandment, for example, forbids the making of a graven image, but the question arises as to the definition of this term. Would it include all sculpture or painting or photography?

The eighth commandment is "Thou shalt not steal," but what if the only way a man can regain something that is his is by our would-be murderers. "stealing" it from the one who had taken it from him? The fourth commandment enjoins us to keep the Sabbath, but how does one commandment forbids the killing "keep" it and which types of work of animals for food or that ar-sburg presenting an Adoption Cer-

embraces the whole range of existence, are acts of murder for- Fanny Wedro and children of Jewish teaching, in which deter- bidden by the sixth comman- Calgary. mined efforts are made by the dment. This is why Judaism has sages of Israel to provide a resisted the notion that all God detailed spelling out of the implications of the Ten Commandments and how these are to be applied. Seen in this way, the only way that makes sense is to turn not to the Ten Commandments when confronted with difficult choices, but to their expansion in Jewish life and thought — in a word, to the Torah.

Jewish have been teachers who wished to abolish capital punishment entirely and it has, in fact, been abolished in the State of Israel. At the same time, a kind of commentary to them, but there are other Jewish teachers who have argued that to abolish capital punishment for murder is text cannot be understood without to encourage the would-be mur- commentary.

The point is that while there are following the sixth commandment. Those who favour capital punishthe exercise of capital punishment does deter murders, there are cases when the killing of the murderer is not only permitted, but is enjoined as part of the sixth com-

An obvious illustration that the sixth commandment cannot be applied in all circumstances is the matter of self-defence. Surely it would be an intolerable teaching. that we must allow ourselves to be slaughtered by evil men with designs on our lives if the only way we can save ourselves is by slaying

Even though there are no "brackets" to this effect, most of us would not hold that the sixth revealed to Moses was the

Decalogue. There is even the account of the Talmud that the rabbis refused to countenance the practice reciting the Ten Commandments daily together with the Shema because this might lead to the conclusion that only these were revealed by God.

The Ten Commandments are, indeed, the basis of Judaism, but they are not the whole of Judaism. The rest of Judaism can be seen as in a way the commentary is more important than the text, since a

meets first Mon. of each month in

the afternoon; general meetings

are held the second Tuesday of

Beth Israel

The community is cordially in-

vited to attend the Beth Israel In-

stitute for Continuing Education's

classes, which are held at the

evening: Conversational Hebrew.

taught by Nili Handman, 7 p.m.;

Basic Halachic Judiaism, taught

by Rabbi E. Polinsky, 8 p.m.; Lec-

ture Series: Dec. 16, The Ketubah;

Dec. 23, The Challenge to Jewish

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each month in the afternoon.

Mizrachi

Mizrachi Women's Organization of Edmonton invites all members and friends to join them for a convention and tour to Israel, February 18th to March 4th, 1981. Airfare from Edmonton to Montreal is \$125.00; from Montreal to Israel, \$785 Cdn.; accomodations extra. For further information. call Freda Slutsky (488-5537), or write: 707 - 10160 - 116 Street, Edmonton, T5K 1V9.

Dates for Mizrachi activities for 1981: M'oess Chittin Tea — March 8th; Yizkor appeal — starts August 2nd; Donor Dinner - Sunday. November 1st.

Mizrachi meetings: Executive



Light candles on Friday night:

Dec. 12, 3:54 p.m. Dec. 19, 3:55 p.m, Dec. 26, 3:59 p.m. Jan. 2, 4:06 p.m. Jan. 9, 4:16 p.m. Jan. 16, 4:27 p.m. Jan. 23, 4:40 p.m.

Jan. 30, 4:53 p.m.

Pioneer Women

Rebecca Hardin, Honorary Chairman of the 1980 Spiritual Adoption Campaign, extends her thanks for the generous contributions which support thousands of children in over 1500 day care ment argue, rightly or wrongly, centres and nurseries. If your campaign pledge is still outstaninjunction to stop murder, and if ding, please mail your cheque to



Shown above is Rabbi Lewis Ginare permitted and which forbidden? tificial methods of contraception, tificate to Mrs. R. Goorevitch, pur-This is why the term "Torah" by preventing life coming into chased in her honour by Leo and

> SPRINGTIME FOR MUSICAL PRODUCTIONS.

Look out for the new program brochure being sent out from the Community Centre this month. The Cultural program at the Centre has expanded to offer new courses and fun workshops, all in the Theatre Arts discipline. In expanding this program the Centre is hoping to encourage communit involvement and enrollment in the dancing, singing and acting activities. All community talent being sought, particularly for the presentation of two musical productions in the spring — both children's and an adult show.

Auditions for "Fiddler on the Roof" and the adaptation of "Alice in Wonderland" will be held in January for production in May. As this is the first time productions will be presented directly from the Centre, it is hoped that all amateur actors, singers, dancers and production enthusiasts will participate. For information on the courses and auditions please contact Gabrielle Levin at the Jewish Community Centre soon (487-

New Centre Staff Member Gabrielle Levin has recently joined the staff of the Centre as Cultural Director. She will be responsible for promoting the new Theatre program as well as producing the Musical Dramas. Mrs. Levin has lived in Edmonton for the past year and a half. Her theatrical training includes acting, teaching and directing all over Canada. She herself received training in Canadian universities theatre schools, English theatres, and Canada's own Stratford Featival Theatre: In addition to teaching and directing at the Community Centre she will also assist in organizing and promoting any incoming shows. Suggestions for these at the present include

production of Snow White, a dance

concert and a festival of Canadian

The Jewish Community Centre.

in conjunction with the YMCA of

Edmonton, present a Pre-school

Experience, a parent & tot gym

and swim program for the total

children. The program begins

January 13th, with pre-registration

required by December 23rd. The

program will run every Tuesday

for 8 weeks, and will be offered

from 1:30-2:30 p.m., for tots from

walking up to 2 years of age, and

from 2:00-3:00 p.m. for the 2 to 3

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The Spiritual Adoption Campaign was highlighted by a Yiddish folk concert presented by Clair Klein Osipov of Vancouver. Rabbi

Ginsburg was guest speaker. Ms. Osipov and her accom-Wendy Bross Stuart, presented an outstanding evening of Yiddish, Israeli and English language folk music much enjoyed. by the audience. Anyone wishing to order one of Ms. Osipov's records may contact Lynne Milner (483-

Special thanks to committee members Beryl Nahornick, Bernice Milner, Elaine Romanovsky, Goldie Mickelson, Anita Satanove, Naomi Amato, Martha Fialkow . and Lynn Milner.

Chanukah Parties & Other News Members of Esther Kramer Club, Edmonton's founder group, were entertained by Banot Shalom Club, Edmonton's youngest club, at "Bridging the Generations"

Chanukah Party on December 1st. Chanita Club held a successful Chanukah Card Party in support of their special Israeli project. Many thanks for the special efforts of Rose Weil, Martha Fialkow, and Seema Shore.

The Centre

PUPPET SHOW FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Lisi's Bubbatron performed at the Jewish Community Centre December 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. These delightful puppets and their creator, Lisi Moses, presented "Go Close The Door," charming and funny story about a stubborn husband and wife couple. The puppets are life size and when they are on stage it is hard to tell them from the real people.

Born in Israel, Lisi Moses immigrated to Canada in 1971. She

Jewish folk tales and festivals but presents them in English so that they may be enjoyed by children and adults everywhere. When not on stage Lisi's puppets live in her downtown Toronto apartment. The Bubbatron has recently received acclaim all over Eastern Canada. They delighted Edmonton for the first time with its performance. area, and lounge in a self-

Aviva Club is planning a Swim

Party in January. Unfortunately,

it will be held in Edmonton not

Tawaii but the hostess, Bev Root-

"Beersheba Nights" is this year's

theme for the Dinner-Dance held

annually in February. This year,

Edmonton members are honouring

their sister organization in Israel.

Food, decorations and entertain-

ment will have an Israeli touch.

(There will also be a belly dancer.)

If you will be in town in February,

watch for more specific infor-

mation and ring your calendar for

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J.C.C. HEALTH CLUB OPENS IN

Health Club will take place on Sunder to use the Health Club, Centre day, January 4, at 10:00 a.m. From members must have a current tre members will be allowed to use are available. For further inforthe Health Club at no charge as an mation, contact Bill Luke, introduction to the excellent Physical Education Director at the facilities available. The Health Club features a whirlpool, steam room, sauna, shower and change follows:

contained area within the Centre building. Beginning January 11, The long-awaited opening of the the fee for use of the Health Club Community Centre's will be purchased for \$40.00. In or-January 4 through January 9, Cen- "Phys. Ed." card. Guest passes

Health Club hours are as

	HEALTH CLUB HOURS	
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m2:00 p.m.	Men'
	2:30 p.m5:00 p.m.	Ladies
	5:30 p.m10:00 p.m.	Co-ed*
MONDAY	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	Ladies
	11:30 a.m1:30 p.m.	· Co-ec
	2:00 p.m4:00 p.m.	Ladies
· ·	4:30 p.m8:00 p.m.	Mer
	8:30 p.m10:00 p.m.	Co-ec
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	Ladie
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•	4:30 p.m10:00 p.m.	Mei
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	Ladie
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THURSDAY	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	Ladie
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	8:30 p.m10:00 p.m.	Ladie
FRIDAY	9:00 a.m11:00 a.m.	Ladie
	11:30 a.m2:00 p.m.	Mei

Club may be used on a day basis.

** During Co-ed times lower level locker rooms must be used by Health Club participants. Access can be gained from pool deck.

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IN THE COMMUNITY

National Council of Jewish Women

Hospitality Evenings

Baruch Habah! The National Council of Jewish Women extends a warm welcome to all newcomers to the Edmonton Jewish Community.

The Hospitality evenings provide an opportunity for newcomers feeling shy and strange, missing the companionship of good friends and in many cases family, to meet Edmontonians and realize that warm and friendly folk are living here and waiting to welcome them as part of the community.

So, all you new Edmontonians, contact Susan Halpert (483-8830) to find out the date of the next Hospitality meeting, to be held during the month of February 1981. Women's Health

'Women's Health' is a topic close to everyone's heart. Fran Noris and Jeanette Banan, of the Edmonton Women's Health and Action Network, will be speaking on this topic at the next general meeting of Council (Wednesday January 7th, 8 p.m., at the home of Marielle Wilten, (9012 - 141 st.)

Steering Committee The next meeting of the Steering Committee (which regularly W.I.N. house — a home for batmeets on the third Tuesday morning of every month) will be held and all those who helped by selling von December 16th at 9:30 a.m., at

The Jewish Family Services and

the home of Sandie Bornstein (9012 139 st.) All are welcome. For more information call Jean Oshry (487-1209) or Greta Adler (455

Bookclub

Our bookclub meetings provide a wonderful opportunity to relax and exchange the latest publications The next daytime meeting will be on January 12th. Call Sandie Bornstein (483-0714) for further details. Evening meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month and Beverly Immerman (487-6257) has all the details.

Good Neighbour Bazaar

Special thanks are due to Shirley Nerman and her committee for making the 'Good Neighbour Bazaar' (held at Meadowlark Shopping Centre) the great success that it was. Thank you to all members who baked, made crafts and helped at the stalls. Raffle Winner

'The House that Daryl Built' was the talk of Edmonton. beautiful doll house, made by Daryl Levine, was raffled at the Jewish Community Centre on November 30th. The winner was Michelle Cavette, Dr. Patricia Simonds, a member on the Board of WIN House, pulled out the winning ticket. The proceeds go towards furnishing a TV room for tered wives. Thankyou Mr. Levine raffle tickets.

Jewish Family Geriatric Care. He has gained a Services broad experience working with the

It's a Family Affair

the Jewish Community Centre co-families. sponsored a public forum on "Aging", on Nov. 18, at the Centre. J.F.S. Member Appointed A large number of seniors and adult children listened to panelists talk about "Community Resources for the Aged." Panelists included Dr. John Peto (Youville Memorial Hospital); Mrs. Norma Morrissey Washington, D.C. The Association (Central Placement); Mrs. Alice has a membership of over 100 Abells (Jewish Senior Citizens Drop-In Centre); Ms. Lisa McConnell (Edmonton Home Care); and Mrs. Clara Mintz (Jewish Family participants presented their respective services and talked about the philosophy behind each service. There was of Jewish Family Services. Clara ample opportunity to ask questions

and share in discussion. This forum was the first of a series of family life education services to be initiated by the Jewish Family Services. The agency believes that most adult children would like to help their aged parents, but lack the appropriate knowledge. A middle-aged child loves and cares for his older parent to the same extent as in his younger years. Yet the challenge facing a growing number of adult children is to channel this relationship into a helping one. The complexities of modern life, the immediate demands of job, children,

and spouse often blur the picture. Many adult children have found it both informative and reassuring to share their concerns with others facing the same issues. The discussions often give concrete assistance in a situation which initially seems hopeless.

The Jewish Family Services is planning such a group to be lead by a trained social worker. If you would like further information, please telephone Howard Kravitz

Staff Appointment Announced

The appointment of Howard Kravitz to the staff of Jewish Family Services has been announced. Mr. Kravitz graduated with a B.A. in Honours Sociology, Loyola College, Montreal, and received his MSW at the University of

He was formerly associated with the Y.M.-Y.W.H.A. in Montreal as a teen division head and family life worker with parents of nursery children. Prior to coming to Ed-

monton, Mr. Kravitz was on staff the Baycrest Centre for

aged and their families. Mr. Kravitz is presently working with a variety of groups as well as

Simen Fialkow was elected to the Board of Directors of the Association of Jewish Family and Children's Agencies, at the Annua Jewish Family Agencies in the United States and Canada. The Board of Directors is representative of a cross-section prominent communal leaders. Mr. Failkow is Past President

and an active member of the Board Mintz, Executive Director, also attended the Washington meeting.

Coping With Widowhood The Jewish Family Services is dating, financial concerns, will be generous contributions, so many of please telephone Howard Kravitz

Jewish Seniors **Drop-In Centre**

There will be a board meeting on Mon., Jan. 12, 1981 at 8:00 p.m. a the Drop-In Centre, 10052 - 117 St.

The Jewish Senior Citizens Drop-In Centre has begun a new season with a full complement of ontertaining and educational programs Mrs. Alice Abells (President) and Mrs. Vera Lipsett (co-ordinator) report the success of the opening luncheon, which kicked off the registration for the new program

On Tuesday afternoon, there is now an exercise and fitness program. Members do simple exercises to music, and then discuss the value of fitness in the later years. Also, approximately thirty members meet weekly for a social studies course. This is the Drop-In's first attempt at reaching education. The group members

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appeal to everyone in The Jewish Almanac. If it is lists you want, try world Jewish populations; Jewish members of the U.S. Congress from 1789-1980; Jewish genetic - diseases: National Jewish Book Awards from 1948-1980; the 613 mitzvot a Jew is commanded to do or not to do.

reality from the perspectives of 1980s America....It embraces the totality of Jewish experience from the most sacred to the most profane — without embarrassment

Perhaps your definitions of the As their guiding statement, the Torah, the Talmud, the Zohar, etc.,

legitimate. This view is not so of Independence. There is a Jewish travel guide,

Histadrut

The Histadrut Amal Scholarship Campaign will be celebrating 50 years in the field of Education in

The Jewish Star, December 1980

Richard Siegel seems to have

found the formula for success. He

-co-edited The Jewish Catalogue,

which has become a resource book

for the '60s generation, who now

have their own families to raise as

Jews, as well as for anyone seeking

Jewish way of life. Now he is back.

again as a co-editor, this time with

lists, a reference work, a mini en-

numerous photographs; in short, it

is several books in one. Its pur-

pose, in the words of the editors, is

"to rethink the contours of Jewish"

and without apologetics." (p. xv)

editors take the words of Franz

Rosenzweig: "Nothing Jewish is

The compilation is idiosyncratic.

and reflects the editors' view that

all forms of Jewish expression are

bland as to give equal weight to all

expressions of Jewish life; some

are clearly more significant than

others. But the editors are comfor-

monumental, and will

in Jewish pluralism.

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traditional, but alternative,

BOOK MARKS

Over 40 schools are located throughout Israel and are in three fields: technical and comprehen- the Amal Campaign, the Histadrut sive high schools; technical and will be building a Medical Centre, comprehensive high schools in a cultural centre, and other woragricultural settlements; and ap- thwhile projects. Should you desire prentice and industrial schools. to become a sponsor for any The Amal Campaign has enabled thousands of students whose Histadrut will match your conparents do not have the financial resources to pay to secure a can be obtained by writing or and high school contacting education. These young people are President, now earning a good living and Friends of Amal (1004, 10160 - 116 many have gone on to take a St.)

Edmonton's 1980 Youth Aliyah planning to sponsor a series of Campaign has once again been small group sessions, geared to most successful. A dinner dance those issues facing widows. Topics was held at the Mayfield Inn on such as career options, education, Sunday, Dec. 7, and due to the supsocial options, single parenting, port of the community and their covered. For further information our needy children in Israel have reaped the benefits. If you would still like to make a contribution to

> as Canadian government: Jewish Canadian life; Jewish holidays; and current events, especially those pertaining to Israel and the we hear that many of our members Middle East. Presentations are are on their way South as well. made through various media Don't forget about Bazaar when tions, films) and the discussion is would like a souvenir from both in Yiddish and English. Those wishing to register for this anything interesting and different program should contact Howard

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leading part in building the coun-

In addition, the Histadrut takes an active part in securing the support of the Canadian and American labor movement on issues that are directed against the State of Israel. Their leadership does not hesitate to make their support of Israel known to the Governments of Canada and the United States.

This coming year, in addition to project in your name, the tribution. Any further information Mickelson, Edmonton Canadian

Thursday, 1 p.m.-4 p.m.)

Hadassah - WIZO

Youth Aliyah

involve themselves with topics such shopping for souvenirs — we too Kravitz at 424-6346.

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Mothers now supervise the lunch program. If you wish to take part in this, call Joan Goldstein (483-9243). Your help would be much

News For You

You're not a member of Mother's Auxiliary unless you've joined us. Please come out to our next meeting, January 15th. Mr. Michaelson will be talking on school activities and new directions that the school is taking.

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On behalf of our respective organizations, we would like to extend a hearty mazel tov and congratulations on the inauguration of the Edmonton edition of The Jewish Star.

We are well aware of the intent to make The Jewish Star a medium for publicising organizational news and programs, as well as a source of information about issues and concerns of Jewish life both here and abroad.

We wish The Jewish Star well in this important undertaking.

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NEWSMAKERS OF 1980

taken" of Yight Allon" tleft), former Fraell Foreign Minister, as he chats in Ginossar, Israel. with Egyptian Defense Minister Kamal Hassan Aly, Mr Allon died on Feb. 29, CENTER: Two bulldozers are parked on a new Israeli settlement in the Jordan Valley, after land clearing work began in April. RIGHT: Rifle-bearing residents of Qiryat Arba pray at the grave of Eli Hazeev, in Hebron cemetary. Mr Hazeev was one of six Jews killed during a local terrorist at-

tack in May. MIDDLE ROW, FROM LEFT: Weary Israeli troops listen to Prime Minister Begin in August, after their return from a raid on Palestinian guerilla bases in Southern Lebanon; CENTER: Actress Vanessa Redgrave stars as Fania - Fenelon, a prisoner at Auschwitz, in a CBS-TV special, "Playing for Time". RIGHT: Thousands of angry demonstrators protest the bombing

BOTTOM ROW, FROM LEFT! Israell Ambassador to France Meir Rosen (right) helps

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carry the coffin of Mrs Alza Shagrir, of Tel Aviv. Mrs Shagrir was killed in the terrorist bomb attack on a synagogue. CENTER: Harold Covington, leader of the National Nazi Party, is flanked by Nazi guards, Mark Conway (left) and Roger Pierce, during a November press conference at the group's North Carolina headquarters, as he hailed an all-white jury decision acquitting four Ku Klux Klansmen and two Nazis of murder and riot charges stemming from the slaying of five Communists at a 1979 "Death to the Klan'' rally; RIGHT: Israeli Religious Affairs Minister Aharon Abuhatzeira (above) and Moshe Gabbi, a close aid, were indicted in Dec. on charges of allegedly taking payoffs in incidents involving grants to religious institutions.

Peres Named Leader of Labour Party

declared to thunderous applause. He placed great emphasis on unity "massive majority" in support of

The greater the majority, the smaller the danger of "factional

Shimon ism" in the party, he said "If we Peres won a resounding victory—are to ask the nation for a clear over Yitzhak Rabin at the Labour - majority (in the Knesset elections) Party convention here at the end of let us not smash the majority in



"Beersheba Nights" Theme of Pioneer-Women Dinner

the Convention Inn South! A performace by Nancy Olthius, known professionally as Samoura, will be one of the highlights of the evening.

Twenty-five years ago, several members of Pioneer Women met at the home of Molly Grabow to plan the very first Dinner-Dance sponorganization. Molly Grabow was the first convenor, Mrs. L. Superstein the first Financial Chairman The dance was named by Dorothy Tapper. The first Israeli Dinner-Dance was held in 1956 with the funds raised being forwarded Moezot Hapoalot in Israel to support orphanages.

From 1956 to 1967, the annual dinner was held in the Beth Israel Synagogue with food catered bymembers of the Esther Kramer

In 1968, the Dinner moved to the Edmonton Inn with a program honouring that Edmonton volun-

to Israel in the fall of 1967. The dinner moved to the Riviera Hotel in 1974 and in 1980 to the Jewish Community Centre. Due to the inability of the Centre to handle large functions of this type, the Dinner-Dance is back in a hotel on-

Over the years, the program and format of the dinner has ranged from head tables with numerous guest speakers to concert harpists and imported entertainers. The programs varied with themes that honoured the Silver Anniversary of the State of Israel, the Golden Jubilee of Pioneer Women, Canada's Centennial, and various Biblical themes In 1980, Edmonton Pioneer Women honoured their sister organization, Damas Pioneras De Mexico, with a Fiesta

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H. Sorokin Negev Dinner Honouree

Canada (Alberta-Saskatchewan his mother, two sisters and a Region), and the Edmonton Negev brother. Dinner Committee, announce that Hymie Sorokin will be the 1981 Eastern Europe, young Hymie Negev Dinner Honouree for Edmonton. The campaign, already underway, will raise many needed dollars for the Galil Canada Project of the J.N.F. The culmination of the campaign will be the Testimonial Negev Dinner "on Sunday, May 31, at the Edmonton Plaza Hotel, at which Mr. Sorokin will be honoured for his long, active life as a dedicated communal worker.

Background of Honouree

Hymie Sorokin, who was born in Russia in 1907, lived with his family on a farming colony with fifty other religious Jews. After his father was killed during the Russian Revolution, Mr. Sorokin

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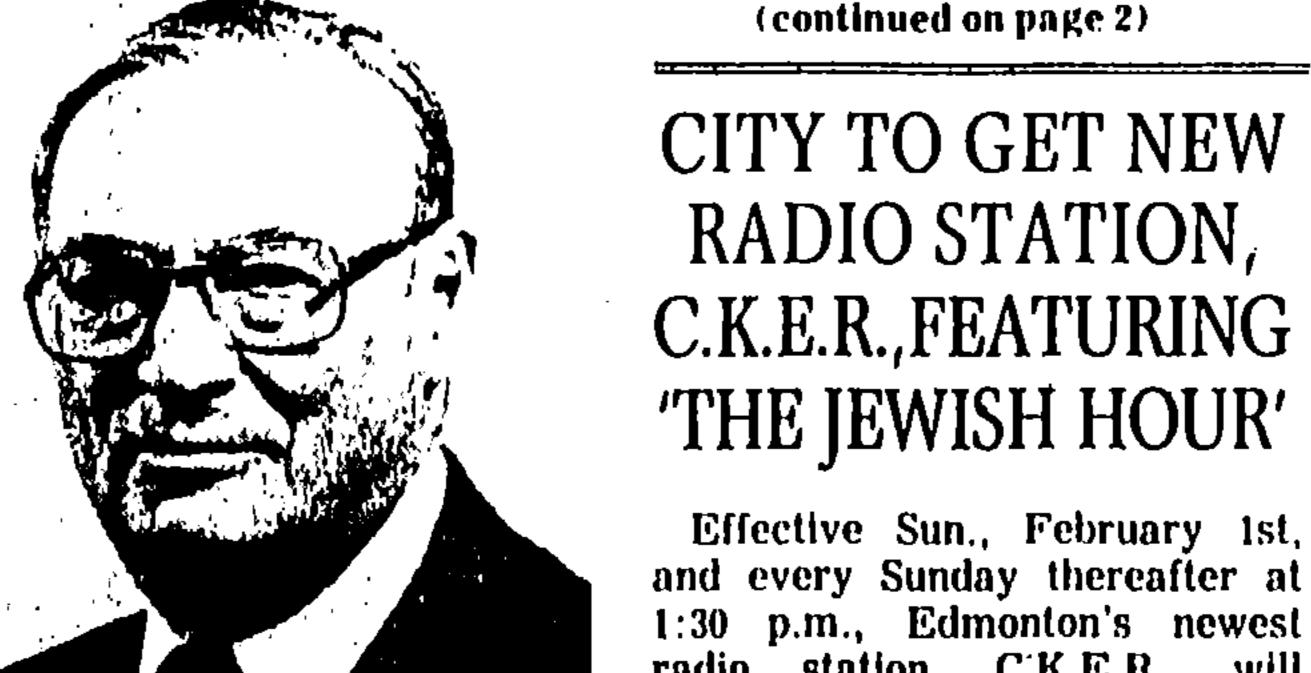
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Effective Sun., February 1st, every Sunday thereafter at station, C.K.E.R., feature "The Jewish Hour", language broadcast, produced under the auspices of the Edmonton Jewish Community Council with the assistance of The Jewish Community Center. The program will present something for all tastes: Israeli, Hassidic and folk festival music; Israeli pop festivals; Yiddish music

spent only six brief months at night

school before going out to work.

His first job was as a cord-wood

culter in rural Manitoba, at star-

vation wäges. He was, however,

ambitious and very anxious to bet-

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Banning of Newsmen said Damaging to Israeli Image

Israeli military government' decision to bar foreign correspon dents from covering West Bank disturbances has become a hot issue in the U.S. news media.

"Israel cracking down on foreign clashes," was the four-column heading in The New York Times on

Coming in the wake of the Ministerial Security Committee's decision to deport for a second a time the two former West Bank mayors, Halfoul's Mohammed Milhem and Hebron's Fahd Kawasma, the limitations on news coverage on the West Bank was seen in Washington as further damaging Israel's public relations image in the U.S.

The Washington Post in a lead editorial last week criticized the decision to re-deport the mayors. "If he (Begin) had wanted to encourage a peaceable dialogue,'

The have let the mayors stay. In expelling them, he invites, as was evident at once, the way of violence and confrontation." Israeli officials in Washington,

like their counterparts in Jerusalem, defended the recent crackdown, insisting that the presence of foreign journalists and especially television crews, incited - Israeli - military

In Israel, the Foreign Press Association protested against the arrest and detention of foreign newsmen by military authorities on the West Bank, and the confiscation of material the reporters

"Promises made by ministers of defence assuring the foreign press access to the scenes of news events in the West Bank . . . are being broken wholesale by the military government." the association

the newspaper said, "he would

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