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# Chai Week Slated March 2 - 10

by Danielle Schwager

I hope that you are enjoying your day. My day has been fine, except that I'm having a bit of difficulty with an article that I have to write. The topic of the article is CHAI WEEK. I have to relay in this article the fun, excitement, enthusiasm, and opportunities taking place during the week of March 2 - 10. I mean this is an incredibvle week. There are going to be shmoozes, discussions on relevant political affairs, an Israel Fair, a moving and

inspiring film, con-troversial issues, an arts and crafts exhibition, opportunities to learn more about Judaism, and an entire evening of Jewish humor and music, and to top the whole week off, a BIG DJ PURIM PARTY.

Now, how do I convey all this excitement and activity to people? Wait a minute, I just did. Hey, thanks a lot for listening and helping me out. Now how about helping yourself to the best week of your life: March 2 -10. Come on, you deserve it!!

# Hillel Social Events

Trip to ...



transportation.

around 11:00 pm.

Will there be a

YANKEES/METS game on April 1???

If they play we will be there!! We have a limited number of tickets to the

**Comedy Shop** Yankees/Mets exhibition game at Yankee Stadium on April 1st. For \$15 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st you get a Tier Level \$12 gets you admission, all the non-alcoholic Box seat plus round drinks you want and trip transportation to the Stadium. We will leave Stony Brook You can purchase these tickets beginning March at 7:00 pm and return 19th at the Hillel Office, Humanities 165. Purchase tickets at the Hillel Office, Humani-COME TO THE GAME THAT NEW YORK CANNOT LOSE !!

# The Event to End All Events

We give

all the help

you can give

## by Nadine Goldberg

Where were you Tuesday, February 20th at 8:00 pm?? If you were looking for a classy, enjoyable evening you were amongst 35 Stony

the Jewish people at home and abroad. The organization

has generated a great amount of enthusiasm and much needed funds since its birth on Stony Brook's campus.

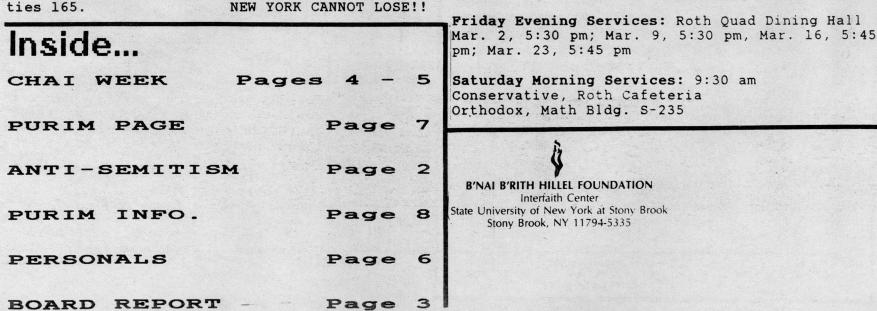
UJA-Federation will **UJA-FEDERATION** b e holdi n g their

annual Solicitation Training on Tuesday, Februa r y 27th

The event Nadine Goldberg and David Vilkas. was held at the University Club, with the organization providing hot and cold hors providing wonderful cocktail music, and Dr. Jane Yahil, Senior As-sistant to the President of the University, providing inspiring words about the importance of UJA-Federation and how essential it is for Stony Brook students to get involved in the organization to insure the survival of

t 8:00 pm in Humanities Bldg. room 319. We urge and encourage all to attend and become a d'oeuvres, Steven Cahn part of this growing of the Music Department social service organization at Stony Brook. If you have any questions, feel free to get in touch with the Co-chairs, David Vilkas at 632-2719 or Nadine Goldberg at 632-2774. They look forward to hearing from you and for your continued support of the UJA-Federation Campus Campaign.

#### SHABBAT ON CAMPUS



# From the Editor

#### by Brian Mandel

Just when you finally finished reading the last issue of Stony Brook Shelanu, here comes the next one. Welcome to the exciting and informative March issue. There are tons of events taking place this month and Stony Brook Shelanu is here to tell you all about This way, you them. will be able to go to them. So wherever you may be, sit back, relax, and get informed.

Chai Week, Hillel's biggest event for semester, will this take place from March 2nd to March 10th. This weeklong event will explore such issues as Jewish idenanti-Semitism, tity, Israel, immigration, Jewish culture, and the various branches of Judaism. Every day has a special theme to it.

In addition to all of educational the events, Chai Week offers a lot of partying and mbuki-mvuking (shame on all of you who don't know what this word means. Go back to page 6 of the January/February issue to get that puzzled, embarrassed look off.

> Stony Brook SHELANU

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your face). The festival of Purim begins on the eve of March 10th this year. Hillel will be having a Megillah reading and a huge bash that evening.

Pages 4 and 5 of this issue have been devoted to Chai Week and Purim. On Page 6 you will find a Purim guiz. Find out how much you really know about Mordechai, Esther, King Ahasueras, and Haman, (cursed be his name). In addition, you can find several Purim songs that have been favorites of many people for a long time.

As in the past, Brook Shelanu Stony also has the latest update on the activities of UJA, Chevre, and the new Stony Brook Israel Alliance. There is just too much going on in all of these groups for you to just sit on the side. Pick yourself up and get involved! Everyone's input counts. This goes as well for Stony Brook Shelanu. Come down and help us improve the paper.

Inside you will find a questionnaire asking for your opinion on what the new name

State University of New York at Stony Brook

(Freshman, Studies, Staten Island)

"Stony Brook is a large campus with a very di-

> gest advantages of having SO many people from different backgrounds

and cultures is that the number of anti-Semitic incidents have been relatively few.'

Robin Macklin (Junior, Psychology, New York City)

"The problem that I contronted have at

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But seriously, send in or bring the form below to the Hillel Office, which is in Humanities 165. A special prize will be awarded to the person whose suggestion the Shelanu staff decides is the best. The new name of the paper, as well as the winner's name, will be announced in the April/May issue.

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Is There Anti-Semitism at Stony Brook?

Anti-Semitism exists on all college campuses, although its degree of visibility differs. With recent increases in anti-Semitic and racist incidents on college campuses, several Stony Brook Jewish students were asked how they perceive the situation here on our campus. These were their responses:

General

for Stony Brook Shelanu

will all take the time

to give us your opin-

reading Stony Brook

find everything in it

to your satisfaction.

New Name

Shelanu is changing its

Shelanu (which, by the

way, means "ours" in

Hebrew) can't exactly

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Veronica Lynn Psychology, (Junior, Commack)

"One day recently, I saw an anti-Semitic remark written on a wall in Central Hall.

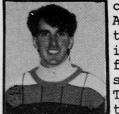
When asked another Jewish student why this was not cleaned up, she said it had



been there for years. I feel if we allow these things to stay in sight, then we are almost as much at fault as other people."

Howard Cutler (Junior, Psychology, Edison, NJ)

"I think that if anti-Semitism does exist here, it's a lot milder than on other college



campuses. Anti-Semitism here is in the form of separatism. The population at

Stony Brook is very heterogenous, comprised students from of many different cultures and backgrounds. The student groups don't mix or interact with other groups, but rather tend to stay alone. There may also be fewer incidents of anti-Semitism at Stony Brook because the Jewish community is not as strong, vocal, active, or visible as on other campuses, such as Rutgers University.

Robert Azel Assistant Director

Abby Friedland Administrative Assistant

Dr. Robert Goldenberg President, Friends of Hillel verse poopulation. One of the big-

Kevin Leopold

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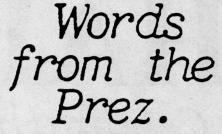
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Stony Brook is not one



dice, but of indifference and apathy. There are a large number of Jews

on this campus, and the whole of Jewish action is carried upon the backs of a few. If people are not edu-cated, they may form misconceptions which can lead to anti-Semitism."



#### by Isaac Namdar Hillel President

The latest trend in ethnic and religious pride is currently being experienced by Jewish college students who are exhibiting a renewed interest in their heritage. This new generation is actively seeking the values offered by Judaism, the same values which were often purposefully suppressed or politely neglected by their grandparents and parents. Student initiative and involvement is becoming the key factor in many Hillels. One of the fruits of this movement is a Jewish pride and education week, called CHAI WEEK. The idea for such a week was conceived Leader's during the Assembly of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations last summer. A group of motivated students gave birth to the idea of a week packed with activities focusing on different themes in Judaism, aimed at educating the campus communities, clarifying misconceptions, and interest generating When among others.

those students returned to their respective universities they inspired their peers, so that a collective effort resulted in the creation of CHAI WEEK. This year Stony Brook is one of nine universities celebrating this event on a pilot basis. Other participating schools are Yale, Northwestern, Harvard, California State-Northridge, Massachusetts Institute of Tech-

nology, University of Pennsylvania, Tufts, and the Commuter Colleges of Philadelphia. The CHAI WEEK Com-

mittee at Stony Brook has worked hard to organize this week. Much time was spent by a handful of people trying to include the many aspects of Judaism in a week's worth of activities. So now it is up to you to refer to the schedule of events the centerfold in (pages 4 and 5) of this issue, mark those programs which sound interesting to you, and attend. If you care enough to read this far into this article, you should also care enough to spread the word. Call on a friend or a hallmate and bring them with you. Together, let's make CHAI WEEK successful. By doing so you will put Stony Brook on the map as a trendsetter for the social and ethnic needs of tomorrow.

diversity of Jewish students.

Cont. from last column

Such proposals included greater visibility on campus, a Jewish faculty mentor program, and the continued provision of a wide and diversified range of Jewish options on campus. Use of academics as a vehicle for reaching more students is one area that was explored. Jewish faculty members can be excellent role models for students, and Hillel may be able to do much more in the way of enhancing studentfaculty interaction.

The various levels Jewish backgrounds of of those on the board also made an interesting point of discussion. While most Jewish student leaders have excellent Jewish backgrounds, and could be considered "super Jews" even by standards applied to the larger Jewish community, there is great diversity nonetheless. Among our own Hillel Board, many have attended Jewish elementary or secondary schools, but a large number have also attended public school. Most were active in Jewish youth groups, but some have become

much more active in Jewish life only in college. Some have taken Judaic Studies courses, and others have not. While not scientific in nature, this data certainly does demonstrate that those students at Stony Brook who are active in Jewish life on campus are far from stereotyp-The discussion ical. and interaction between these two Boards was very enlightening and will hopefully result in positive development for our community. According to Hillel Director Joseph Topek, at whose home the din-ner was held, "I thought they would eat and shmooze for a while and be gone by 7:15. At 9:00 pm they were just beginning to leave."

Personally, I know that many students associate organized Jewish life with the boredom, frustration, and hatred of Hebrew school (or some other tortuous form of Jewish education that they were subjected to). But many have rediscovered Judaism as adults and found it meaningful and fulfilling. I know because I chose Hillel.

(Heidi Warm prefers to be recognized as a secular Jew.)

# Letters to the Editor

#### To The Editor:

It is well understood that titles are considered part of the conventional means of associating with a belief or idea, however it can be taken to an extreme. As a case in point, I refer back to the cover page of Shelanu's most recent issue (Jan.-Feb., 1990). The purpose of the article, as I understand it, was noble in its intention. I am emphatically in favor of breaking down the barrier that has stereotyped Jews who are observant by nature with disregard to those who feel a strong bond o their Jewish heritage without the practice of such customs. However, presenting this issue to the public in the form of a scandal is doing a disservice to the Jewish community at large. The very word connotes a form of public disgrace, an image to which this paper is in opposition. The opinions as to who is or is not a Jew should not be termed as a scandal but

rather as a misunderstanding. Granted, the former possess a greater eye catching quality, but it is done at a greater risk of offending the reader. The topic is important, and worthy of front page status, nevertheless I implore your staff to consider the emotions of the reader to a greater extent when dealing with such a sensitive issue as this one is. You, otherwise have a excellent reputation and have shown that you have the capacity to handle sensitive issues with care. I look forward to reading more in the future.

Ruth Belasco

Editor's note: Letters to the Editor on any subject of concern to Shelanu readers are very much welcome. If you would like to respond to an article or speak out on any issue, write to Shelanu c/o the Hillel Foundation office.

## someone who will listen, give us a try. Call for an appointment or just drop by. We're here for you. Two Hillel Boards Meet

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR ME LATELY ??

Hillel has a professional staff ready to serve

you in whatever way we can. If it's a religious

question, general advice, or if you just need

#### by Heidi Warm

On Thursday, February 15, leaders of the Hillel Student Board met for a joint dinner with members of the Board of Directors of Friends of Hillel at Stony Brook. Friends of Hillel is the community/faculty advisory board for Stony Brook's Jewish community.

Student Board members in attendance were Isaac Namdar, Heidi Warm, Nadine Goldberg, Daniel Khodadadian, Steve Kurlander, Kevin Leopold, Brian Mandel, and former board member Daniel Rothman. Advisory Board members in attendance included Dr. Robert Goldenberg, Dr. Leslie Hyman, Dr. Jane Yahil, Dr. Michael Kandel, and Julian Silverman. Staff members present were Joseph Topek, Robert Axel, and Lauren Garlick.

The main purpose of the meeting was for the two boards to get to know one another better and to under-stand the role that each one plays in Jewish life on campus Following dinner a lengthy conversation ensued that covered some crucial issues impacting on Jewish life at Stony Brook. Much of this centered on the nature of Jewish identity among Stony Brook students, and ways in which Hillel can be more sensitive to these subtleties and reach out more to the vast

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# SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE: PROF. ROBERT GOLDENBERG "JUDAISM AS MEMORY"

Friday & Saturday, March 2nd & 3rd

Shabbat services and dinner, followed by Professor Goldenberg's talk.

Friday, 5:30 PM. Roth Quad Dining Hall. Meal Card or \$5. Please call the Hillel office at 632-6565 for reservations if you are not on the Kosher meal plan.

## Shabbat services

Conservative: Roth Quad Dining Hall. Orthodox: Math S-235.

Saturday, 9:30 AM.

Shabbat Shmooz program with the second part of Professor Goldenberg's talk. Lunch is served, free.

Saturday, 1:00 PM. Hillel Director's residence, 75 Sheep Pasture Road, across from North Entrance to campus.

## JEWISH ISSUES: ANTI-SEMITISM AND JEWISH IMMIGRATION Monday, March 5th

Anti-Semitism and the New Russian Nationalism, with Steven Freeman, National Director of Legal Affairs, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Followed by a panel discussion with Jewish refugees from the Stony Brook community.

7:30 PM. Union 237A.

## **ISRAEL DAY** Tuesday, March 6th

**Israel Fair** 

Israel Opportunities: Representatives from universities, kibbutzim, and other organizations with programs for work, study, and travel in Israel. Israeli food and music.

Israeli products will be on sale.

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Union Fireside Lounge.

Film: Late Summer Blues. Best Picture - Israel Film Festival. 18-year olds confront the meaning of life and death during the summer before induction into the Israeli army.

8:00 PM. Union Auditorium.



From Late Summer Blues, to be screened March 6

## **JEWISH ISSUES: WOMEN IN CLERGY** Wednesday, March 7th

Clergywomen in the Church and Synagogue: Ministering in Paternalistic Structures. A panel of five women will discuss their ministerial roles, its positive aspects and the challenges faced. 5:30 PM dinner, 6:30 PM panel. Roth Quad Dining Hall, West Room.

For reservations call 632-6565 or 632-6560.

Celebrating Jewish life in its many aspects

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# A PILOT PROGRAM TO CREATE A NATIONAL

# JEWISH WEEK ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

Other participating universities:

YALE, CALIFORNIA STATE - NORTHRIDGE, HARVARD, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, TUFTS, NORTHWESTERN, COMMUTER COLLEGES OF PHILADELPHIA

CHAI WEEK is organized by Hillel Student Club at Stony Brook, CHAI WEEK Committee for 1990, and Hillel Student Board. **Contributing Students:** 

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### \*Chairpersons

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Additional support provided by North American Jewish Students Appeal CHAI WEEK is made possible in part by a grant from the Limud Fund of B'nai B'rith Hillel/Jewish Association for College Youth.

Monday night's program is co-sponsored by Stony Brook UJA/Federation Campus Campaign. Israel Fair is co-sponsored by Chevre (Israeli Club). Tuesday night's program is co-sponsored by Stony Brook Israel Alliance. Thursday night's program is co-sponsored by Jewish Student Association. The second Shabbat Shmooz is co-sponsored by the Stony Brook Hebrew Congregation.



Stony Brook Shelanu



9:00 PM. Union Ballroom. \$1 with Stony Brook ID, \$3 without.

**JEWISH CULTURAL ARTS** Thursday, March 8th

Exhibition of Jewish arts and crafts. Jewish artisans and craftsmen will demonstrate and display their work. Videos of Jewish art will be on display. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Union Fireside Lounge.

JDS 390: "Zionism" 10:00-11:20 AM. Old Chemistry 225.

JDS 226: "Shaping Modern Judaism" 11:30 AM - 12:50 PM. Humanities 100. JDS 327: "Women in Judaism" 1:00-2:20 PM. Humanities 305.

Hebrew reading crash course. A preview of a four-session course in Hebrew reading to be offered on campus. Learn to read Hebrew by Passover.

Evening of Jewish humor and music. Musical group Bashert will perform a variety of Jewish and Israeli songs. Actress/Comedienne Judy Gold has appeared in many television shows. Her act incorporates her Jewish background into her humor. Dessert will be served, free. 3:00 PM. Amman College Fireside Lounge.



Judy Gold, performing March 8, Ammann Lounge

## **RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS** Friday, March 9th

Ritual items display and video. Representatives from Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform) and Kiruv (Orthodox) will be available to discuss the different religious movements within Judaism.

Shabbat services and dinner, followed by a talk on "Biomedical Ethics."

Meal Card or \$5. Please call the Hillel office at 632-6565 for reservations if you are not on the Kosher meal plan.

### **PURIM CELEBRATION** Saturday, March 10th

Conservative: Roth Quad Dining Hall. Orthodox: Math S-235. Shabbat Shmooz program on "Business Ethics." Purim Megillah reading. Reading of

the community. Bring a noise-maker! DJ Purim party featuring Flipside.

#### Stony Brook Shelanu

## Purim Quiz

#### Edited by Brian Mandel

- 1. When is Purim celebrated?
- Where did the story of Purim take place? 2.
- What was the name of King Ahasuerus' first 3.
- wife and why was she killed?
- 4. What was another name for Esther?
- Who was Esther's father? Who raised her 5. from the time of her birth?
- What are the names of the two guards who 6. wished to assassinate King Ahasuerus? How was he saved?
- Of what evil king had Haman been a descen 7. dant of?
- 8. What position aid Haman hold?
- What initially caused Haman to be angry with 9. Mordecai and the Jews?
- 10. How did Haman decide on the day to kill the Jews?
- 11. What is the name of Haman's wife?
- 12. How did King Ahasuerus reward Mordechai for saving his life?
- 13. How were the Jews saved?
- 14. How was Haman killed?
- 15. How many sons did Haman have and why are their names read in one breath during the Megillah reading?
- 16. On what day do Jews living in walled cities celebrate Purim?
- What are the three major deeds every Jew 17. should do during Purim?
- 18. How drunk should a person get on Purim?
- Who is not mentioned in the Megillah? 19.
- Who thinks I should stop asking questions? 20.

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- Want's to honor."
  13. Queen Esther finally tells Ahasuerus of her Jewish identity and petitions for her people's lives from Haman's evil plot. The King petitions for her people's lives from Haman's evil plot. The King allows the plot to be stopped and the Jews to defend themselves.
  14. He was hung on the gallows he had prepared hang Mordechai from.
  15. Haman had ten sons. They all died together.
  16. On the 15th day of Adar. This day is known as Shushan Purim.
  17. A. Hear the Megillah read, B. Send baskets of food to others, known as shushan had been a walled city.
  18. Enough to exclaim "Blessed Haman, Cursed Mordechai."
- He ordered Haman to dress Mordechai in a royal robe and crown and ride him around the city on a royal horse. Haman also had to cry out, "This is what is done for the man whom the King especially wants to honor." Zeresh.
  - He cast lots. The Hebrew word for Purim is "lots".
- Hadassah. Avichai was Esther's father. Mordechai, her uncle, raised her. Mordechai was Esther's father. Mordechai, her uncle, raised her. Fold (Queen) Esther who warned King Ahasuerus in Mordechai's name. Bigsan and Seresh were hung and the whole event recorded in the King's Book of Chronicles. Agag, King of Amalek. Mordechai refused to bow down before him. Haman decided to get revenge on all Jews. He was the King's prime minister. Mordechai refused to bow down before him. Haman decided to get revenge on all Jews.
- - .AszsbbeH
- Purim is celebrated on the Idth day in the Hebrew month of Adar. This year the festival begins on Saturday night, March 10th. In Shushan, the capital of Persia. Queen Vashti. She failed to come to a feast the King was having, making him appear to be a fool. Hadassh .2 ٠Τ

# Chevre Update

Chevre, the As-Israeli Student sociation meets every Wednesday alternate evening in the Union Room 223. At the second meeting this month award

Blues" voted Best Picture at the 1987 Israeli Film Festival.

Chevre meetings in March will take place on the 14th and 28th at 9:00 pm in Union 223. Chevre is badly in need winning movie of members willing to organize activities for future meetings. Please speak to Lauren (Humanities Room 159, phone 632-6565).

#### PURIM DAY

PURIM DAY, PURIM DAY GLADSOME, JOYOUS HOLIDAY HAPPY THRONGS, SINGING SONGS, MASKS AND DANCING GAY.

(CHORUS)

LET'S MAKE CLAMOR, RAH, RAH, RAH! LUSTY NOISES, GRAH, GRAH, GRAH! LOUDLY CRY AND SHOUT HURRAY! WITH YOUR GROGGERS PLAY!

PURIM DAY, PURIM DAY, PRESENT GIVING HOLIDAY. HAMENTASH GOOD TO EAT, CAKES AND CANDIES SWEET.

A WICKED MAN

OH, ONCE THERE WAS A WICKED, WICKED

- HE WOULD HAVE MURDERED ALL THE JEWS,
- THO THEY WERE NOT TO BLAME, SIR.

(CHORUS)

- OH, TODAY WE'LL MERRY, MERRY BE OH, TODAY WE'LL MERRY, MERRY BE
- TODAY WE'LL MERRY, MERRY BE OH,
- AND "NASH" SOME HAMENTASHEN.
- AND ESTHER WAS THE LOVELY QUEEN OF KING AHASUERUS.
- WHEN HAMAN SAID HE'D KILL US ALL OH, MY, HOW HE DID SCARE US.

(CHORUS)

BUT MORDECAI	HER COUSIN BOLD,
SAID "WHAT A	DREADFUL CHUTZPO,
IF GUNS WERE	BUT INVENTED NOW
THIS HAMAN I	WOULD SHOOT. SIR".

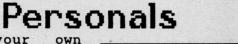
#### (CHORUS)

WHEN ESTHER SPEAKING TO THE KING OF HAMAN'S PLOT MADE MENTION, "HA, HA", SAID HE, "OH, NO HE WON'T! I'LL SPOIL HIS BAD INTENTION".

#### (CHORUS)

THE GUEST OF HONOR HE SHALL BE, THIS CLEVER MR. SMARTY, AND HIGH ABOVE US HE SHALL SWING AT A LITTLE HANGING PARTY .

OF ALL HIS CRUEL AND UNKIND WAYS THIS LITTLE JOKE DID CURE HIM. AND DON'T FORGET WE OWE HIM THANKS FOR THIS JOLLY FEAST OF PURIM.

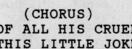


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Garden apartment for rent. (one 4 rooms bedroom) A/C, D/W, W/D, themselves pool, tennis, private 6







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AND HAMAN WAS HIS NAME, SIR.

Apartment for rent in Jerusalem (Baka'a) from August 1st. Phone Lauren at (516) 689-5306.

\$775 per from school. month including heat. References and security. 499-5150.

Nadine and David: The UJA Cocktail Party was a smash. Keep up the great work. Brian and

Gorgeous, one bedroom, 2 bth apt. for rent, Miami Beach underwater, water view, A/C, D/W, W/D, T/V, V/C/R, Floor, All inc. call Yitzy at 1-900-632-6565. What a bargain!

showed we une "Chamsin".

During "Chai Week" Chevre will sponsor Israel Day culminating in the screening of the "Late Summer movie

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# Ground Broken on New Hillel Facility

#### by Lou Sheker

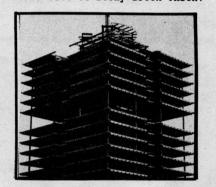
On February 1, 1990, construction began on the new Hillel House facility at SUNY at Stony Brook. The new building, scheduled for completion by September 1991, will be twelve stories high. Located on the site of the former Stony Brook Union, the Ward Melville Jewish Student Center will house a complete kosher dining facility that can handle both meat and dairy meals, a dining facility for non-kosher meals, seven synagogues, nine offices for the expanding Hillel staff, a complete Jewish library with fifty copies of each required reading for every Judaic Studies course, a Jewish student lounge on each floor, and a complete health club with indoor pool and shvitz.

Chief architect Amnon Fitzkatz, of the firm of Fitzgerald and Katznelson, A.I.A., stated that "this building will incorporate all of the features necessary to house a Jewish population as diverse as Stony Brook's." A donation of \$9 million was received from the estate of the late Ward and Dorothy Melville of Setauket for construction of the facility, which will be named in Mr. Melville's memory. The remainder of the total \$15 million construction cost plus a \$5 million endowment has been raised from faculty and administrators at the University, along with an outright capital grant of \$3.5 million from the Student Polity Association.

According to Hillel Director Joseph Topek, "the seven synagogues in the new building will encompass Reform, Conservative, Orthodox, Ultra-Orthodox, Reconstructionist, and Secular/ Humanist congregations, plus one synagogue for

those who wouldn't be caught dead in any of the other synagogues. If we still need more, certain of the other rooms have the flexibility to be used as additional synagogues." Remarking on the dining facilities in the new building Topek said, "We have a contract with Moshe Peking glatt kosher Chinese res-taurant in Manhattan to run the meat kitchen, and with Levy's Kosher Pizza and Falafel of Kew Gardens to run the dairy one." The nonkosher kitchen will be under contract to daka, Inc. All food at official Hillel functions will, of course, come from one of the kosher facilities.

New Ward Melville Jewish Student Center now under construction on former site of Stony Brook Union.



# Scientific Discovery Aids Kashrut

A Stony Brook's Department of Biophysical Engineering has developed a new device to detect whether or not food is kosher. Dr. Natan Bodek, professor and chairman of the department, explained that the device, called fluoroglattograph, a can detect non-kosher contaminants as small as a single molecule.

The device, which is already in use in the Kosher Kitchen in Roth Quad Cafeteria, will soon be available to other kosher pur-veyors. Even though a contaminant as small as a single molecule would not render something unkosher, since it would be less than 1/60th of the total volume (bitul b'shi-shim), the device is nonetheless valuable. At Stony Brook it has been used to detect small insects in green vegetables, which if ingested cause a person to violate sixteen halachot d'oraita (laws directly from the Torah).

When any nonkosher substance is found in the food, an alarm sounds and the Hillel Office and the

scientist in Office of Environmental Health and Safety are notified electronically through the All-in-1 communication system. The Emergency Kashrut Preparedness Team (EKPT) is immediately dispatched. "There are still a few bugs to be worked out," said Chief Ashkenazic Rabbi Jonathan Sacks. "The first time the alarm sounded, two fire engines and a rescue truck .from Environmental Health and Safety showed up, and we had a hard time convincing Bill Shultz and his men that it was a false alarm." Dr. Bodek says that the hypersensitivity of the fluoroglattograph should be fine tuned within the next few days.



Dr. Natan Bodek demonstrating the fluoroglattograph in Stony Brook's Kosher Kitchen.

#### Exclusive Marburger: The Inside Story Report:

## by I. Ligen

NY. (Brooklyn, Feb. 26, 1990. SPECIAL **INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**)

A reporter for this paper, in the course of some routine geneological investigastartling discovery. University President John H. Marburger, III is <u>Jewish</u>! That's right, folks, Jewish.

Documents covered in Brooklyn City Hall show that Marburger was actually born Yaacov Yitzchak Marburgowitz, son of Menachem Mendel and Chaya Mushka Marburgowitz of the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn. The family, staunch followers of the

Lubavitcher Rebbe and Chabad Hassidim, belonged for many years to Beit Am Haratzim in Crown Heights. It was there that young Yaacov celebrated becoming a bar-mitzvah.

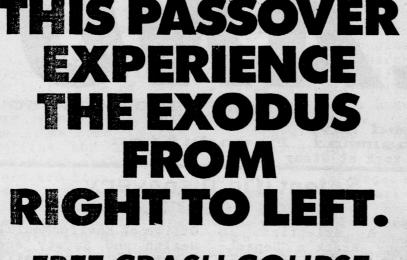
As a student at tion, has revealed a Yeshiva Ein Hochma, Yaacov demonstrated outstanding abilities in physics. With the consent of the Rebbe, shlita, Yaacov enrolled dis- in Princeton University, commuting daily from his home in Crown After his Heights. sophomore year, Yaacov insisted on leaving home to live on campus, against the will of his parents and the Rebbe. Soon, young Yaacov was calling himself "Jack,' and had traded his long

black coat and largebrimmed black hat for the preppy garb of a Princeton undergraduate.

To make a long story short, within a few years Yaacov had changed his name, earned a doctorate in physics, gotten married, and was on his way to an illustrious academic career. When contacted about these discoveries the President's Office responded with "no comment.



Rare photo of Marburgowitz's Bar-Mitzvah party in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn:



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# About Purim

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Purim is a day of gift-giving, feasting, and merriment. Indeed, our Rabbis taught that a man must drink so much on Purim that he no longer knows the difference between "cursed is Haman" and "blessed is Mordecai" (Megillah 7b).

#### PURIM OBSERVANCES

**Fast of Esther:** The day before Purim (13th day of Adar). This commemorates the fast proclaimed by Esther for all the Jews, prior to her plea to the King on behalf of her people.

Machazit Hashekel: Before the Reading of the Megillah, every adult contributes "machazit hashekel" - half the unit coin of the land - to charity, in remembrance of the Biblical tax of one-half shekel assigned towards the maintenance of the Sanctuary.

**Mishloach Manot:** The sending to a Jewish friend - through a messenger, and not to be delivered personally - of a gift of two different edibles.

**Reading of the Megillah:** On the Eve of Purim, the Megillah, the Biblical Book of Esther, is read in the synagogue after the ma'ariv (evening) service. The reading is repeated the morning of Purim.



Some of the many students who enjoyed UJA/Federation Campus Campaign's Cocktail Party Feb. 20th.

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