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Anti-Semite Caught on Campus

by Nadine Goldberg

An act of anti-Semitic harassment on the Stony Brook campus has been successfully adjudicated, resulting in the identification and punishment of the perpetrator. The incident, in which a University staff member was the victim, was initially reported to Hillel Director Joseph Topek in the fall of 1989. A report was taken by Department of Public Safety investigators, as well as the University Judiciary. The victim had been confronted in the Stony Brook Gymnasium by a male individual who unleashed a diatribe of anti-Semitic insults upon discovering that he [the victim] was Jewish.

In the spring of 1990 the perpetrator

was identified and Public Safety officers alerted. Upon his apprehension, more accusatory racist and anti-Semitic remarks were uttered, and the individual was charged and brought before the University Judiciary for a hearing. According to Gary Mis, Associate Dean of Students and University Hearing Officer, the perpetrator had graduated from the University a few years ago, but was enrolled as a non-matriculating graduate student. He did not appear for the hearing, but was found guilty and suspended until January 1991. Following the hearing, the individual was again apprehended by Public Safety officers when he appeared at the Library making racist remarks

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Comedy Night Slated for Chanukah

Hillel's pre-Chanukah celebration will be held this year on Thursday, December 6. A special Chanukah dinner will be served, followed by an evening of comedy with Ellen Orchid.

By day Ellen Orchid, the stand-up comic and actress, is Dr. Ellen Weinberg, a board-certified psychiatrist with an M.D. and a Ph.D. Her comedy routine is full of jokes about her profession, however she never tells stories about her patients. Ms. Orchid, who has a unique understanding of people and life, has performed with Tom Hanks and on NBC's Saturday Night Live with Jon Lovitz, as featured guest on The David Letterman Show, the Phil Donahue Show, and The Playboy Channel.



"I can help more people by making them laugh. The more you learn about yourself through humor, the more you like yourself for who you are," says Orchid.

So come laugh with Ellen Orchid on December 6th. Dinner is served beginning at 6:00 pm, and the laughter starts at 7:00, all at Roth Cafeteria in the kosher dining room. Dinner is free with a kosher meal card, \$1.50 with a regular meal card, or \$6.50 without a meal card.

Join in Lighting of Giant Menorah



Each night of Chanukah
in front of SB Union

Dec. 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18 at 5:00 pm

Dec. 14 at 4:00 pm

Dec. 15 at 5:30 pm



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From the Editor

by Brian Mandel

This issue of Stony Brook Shelanu, which happens to be the last issue for the fall semester, is very special to me. Although some of you know why, others of you may be asking "Why is this issue different from all other issues?" I will tell you why. With the cooperation of all my professors, I will be graduating this semester. I am very excited, happy and proud to be graduating a semester early. Even if I weren't my parents are excited, happy and proud enough for everyone.

I thought long and hard about what to write for my last column. Of course, ideas that a person thinks are great always come to them when they can't write them down. Mine came in the shower. Fortunately (at least for me) I remember the bulk of what I wish to write. So get ready because here it comes.

Two of the most important things I learned at Stony Brook is that one person can make a difference and



that one's actions can have a huge impact on others. I have always been concerned about helping others, but it wasn't until I came here that I fully realized just how much people help and care about each other. Through my involvement with Hillel and its newspaper, I have been able to make a difference. One of my most treasured memories of my Hillel involvement will be of the evening of November 7th of this semester. That evening, I coordinated a program concerning Ethiopian Jewry. When the event was over, I really felt that I had helped people, even if it was just a little bit, who live thousands of miles away in Ethiopia and Israel.

It doesn't take much for a person to make a difference and affect others. A smile

or a frown; a word of praise or a word of ridicule; a helping hand or a turn of the back. All these things can affect another person's day. I have made many friends at Stony Brook and not just a few were involved with Hillel. They helped me grow and mature and live life and love life all at the same time. When I think back to my days spent at Stony Brook, it will be these friends that I will be thinking of first. They were always there with a smile, a word of praise, and a helping hand.

There are a number of students who helped make a difference by being involved with Stony Brook Shelanu. These people worked very hard writing articles, planning

events, laying out the paper, and distributing Shelanu all over campus. I would like to thank them for all their help: Keith Babich, Ruth Belasco, Nadine Goldberg, Rich Harris, Stacey Kaplan, Jerry Katz, Kevin Leopold, Lynne Metviner, Isaac Namdar, and David Vilkas. Finally, I would like to thank Hillel Director, Joe Topek, Assistant Director, Lauren Garlick, and Administrative Assistant, Abby Friedland for their help and their friendship.

I hope Stony Brook Shelanu has made a positive difference in your life. I know it has in mine. Much health, happiness, and success to you in the future. I'll miss you.

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HSC Hillel Presents...
**A Chanukah
Celebration**
for all HSC students, faculty,
& staff

**Mon. Dec. 10
4:30 - 6:00 pm
HSC, L2 Lobby**
Adjacent to bookstore

Chanukah foods & music!
Free!

Upcoming Hillel Board meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 20, and Tuesday, December 4 at 8:00 pm in Humanities 315. All are invited.

Those who wish to be involved in the planning committee for CHAI WEEK 1991 should contact the Hillel office (2-6565) or David Vilkas (2-2779).

Anti-Semite
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to members of the staff. He was subsequently declared persona non grata by then Acting President Tilden Edelstein, which means permanent expulsion from Stony Brook.

The press has reported a dramatic rise in these types of incidents at universities across the country. According to Stony Brook Hillel Director Joseph Topek, there have been at least five anti-Semitic incidents on this campus since

the fall of 1989, including this one. The remaining four are still under investigation. Bias-related incidents are criminal offenses and should be dealt with accordingly. "Bias-related cases are very serious and it is important to file complaints when these incidents do occur," said Mis. He encourages those victims to contact either himself at 632-6705, Public Safety at 333, your Residence Hall Director, or a Hillel staff professional.

Words From the Pres.

by David Vilkas



What would you say if I told you that there are approximately 3,000 Jewish students at the State University of New York at Stony Brook? Many of you might be surprised by this high number, but the fact of the matter is that in B'nai B'rith Hillel's most recent census of universities, that is the number of Jewish students reported. Imagine, three thousand of the people you see around you every day are Jewish. Within this population, there are representatives from all corners of the earth. We, as Jewish students, make up one of the most diverse groups in the university. We speak many different languages, and come from different cultures, but we all have one thing in common that unifies us. We are all Jewish. We have a heritage that is thousands of years

old. A heritage that we should be proud of.

Over the next couple of months, Hillel is going to be planning a week packed full of exciting activities and events to celebrate our heritage. During this week, **CHAI WEEK**, we, the Jewish students of Stony Brook will be exhibiting and exploring our Jewish identity, while strengthening the bond that unifies us.

Many of you remember Chai Week from last year. You can attest to the excitement that surrounded it and the enjoyment that was experienced. This year's Chai Week promises to match and surpass that of last year's.

Shmooz on Kibbutz Life

The next Shabbat Shmooz will be held on **Saturday, December 8 at 1:00 pm.** The guest shmoozer will be Dr. Jonathan Garlick of the School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Garlick will speak on "Kibbutz Heroes: A personal perspective of kibbutz life."

Dr. Garlick, who lived in Israel for many years, is an oral

pathologist and research scientist in the School's Department of Oral Biology and Pathology.

The Shmooz will be held at the **Hillel Directors Residence, 75 Sheep Pasture Road (directly across Nicolls Road from the North Entrance to campus),** and lunch will be served. Everyone is cordially invited.

OP-ED COLUMNS

The Never-Ending Story

by Ariel Benary

There were three dates that affected me in the last few months.

I was having breakfast overlooking the Tel Aviv beachfront on August 2nd when I first heard the news of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. My immediate vision was that of another Hitler building up strength and expanding his influence. As time passed it became clearer to me that I'd jumped the gun with my conclusion. I was sure that a full scale war was imminent but even though this wasn't so, Hussein succeeded in shaking the international community. He made his gravest mistake when he thought that the world would let him get away with a fifth of the world's oil reserves.

From Israel's point of view, the Palestinian issue was not being focused on by the media due to the invasion. This was so until October 8th, the day of the Temple Mount incident. The police,

despite their information were ill-prepared and as a result of their attempts at self-defense, a number of Palestinians were killed.

It's hard for me now to express my mixed emotions on hearing about this while being back in the U.S.A. Looking at it from a distance gave me a perspective that I'd never experienced before. An event that would usually evoke nationalistic emotions while living in Israel, was seen in a different light. I couldn't help feeling ashamed, and interestingly enough, Samuel Segev, a top Israeli journalist, who recently visited the Stony Brook campus, shared my feelings.

But things change quickly in the Middle East and so did my feelings when on October 22nd a wave of Arab terror hit a Jewish suburb of Jerusalem leaving three Israelis dead....Once again I felt an intense anger

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SASU Israel Resolution Off-Base

by Jerry Katz

The deaths at the Temple Mount is a tragic event without an easy resolution. The Israeli soldiers were wrong for not using more constraint in controlling the mob. The Palestinians were wrong for throwing rocks, which can kill, at Jewish worshippers and announcing "jihad" over the loudspeakers. It's bad enough that the deaths occurred, but to have a holy place to both Moslems and Jews desecrated that way causes more grief. Who knows when there will be peace. We must pray that the sons of Abraham will forget their differences, forgive each other, and live in peace.

However, it does not appear that such a state will come about in the near future. Speaking as a descendant of Isaac, I see the world ready to condemn our faults, but quick to overlook those of others, not just the Arabs. I'm not talking

about the UN condemnation of Israel. I'm talking about our good old SASU's condemnation. What? You never heard about it? Neither had I until November 12, and it was passed during the summer, long before the Temple Mount tragedy. It was not in any campus newspaper. There was no Polity statement about it, or at least, not a very vocal one. Why? What were you afraid of? Is New York too Jewish for you, or are you afraid that your hypocrisy will embarrass you? (For the record, Dan Slepian voted against the condemnation.)

What actually happened is that SASU is demanding that SUNY divest, i.e. boycott, Israel for it's so-called racist policies. Let's examine them one by one, shall we? First, the SASU resolution complains that Israel won't comply with UN resolutions 242 and 238, to leave the

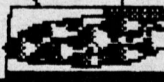
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Join us for
Shabbat Services & Dinner
Friday Evenings
Roth Cafe.



Services,
5:00 pm

המוזיאון לחם
בן דאָרף



Jewish - Muslim Dialogue

As part of Diversity of Religions Month, Hillel and the Muslim Student Association (MSA) will co-sponsor a "Jewish-Muslim Dialogue." This important program will be held **Thursday, December 13 at 8:00 pm** in

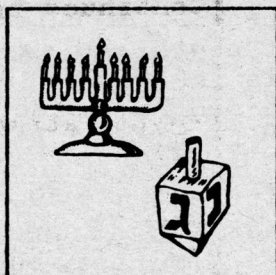
Roth Cafeteria, lower level. A presentation of the development and commonalities of Judaism and Islam will be given by Dr. William Chittick, Professor of Comparative Studies, and will be followed by a discussion.

CHANUKAH

WHAT IS HANUKAH?

Antiochus IV, who assumed the Seleucid throne in 175 BCE (Before the Common Era), dedicated himself to the total Hellenization of all peoples under his rule. Of those peoples, the Jews alone refused to be Hellenized. When he decided to force Hellenization upon them, he banned the Torah (the Five Books of Moses) and sacked the Holy Temple, erecting there a statue of Zeus and inaugurating the sacrifice of pigs. The death penalty was imposed for all Jews who refused to worship Hellenic idols and remained loyal to the Torah.

The Jewish revolt against this oppressive regime began in 168 BCE, when Mattathias the Hasmonean, a priest who had settled in Modein, refused to permit idolatrous worship there. When a Jew began to sacrifice to an idol, Mattathias killed both him and a royal officer who was present. Then, Mattathias and his sons and followers fled to the hills and organized to wage a guerilla war, led by Judah the Maccabee. A miraculous victory resulted after three years.



The eight days of Hanukah, however, do not directly commemorate the spectacular victory of a tiny people over an imperialist ogre. Rather, they commemorate the purification of the Beit HaMikdash, the Holy Temple, and the rededication of the altar. The word hanukah means "dedicate." Thus, to the question "What is Hanukah?" the rabbis answered:

When the Greeks entered the Beit HaMikdash, they defiled all the oils in the sanctuary. When the Hasmoneans prevailed and conquered them, they conducted a search and found but one tin of oil, which lay with the seal of the High Priest, and there was in it an amount sufficient for kindling only one day. But a miracle was wrought concerning it, and they were able to kindle with it for eight days, until they could crush olives and produce pure oil. (Shabbat 21b; Maimonides, Hilch. Han. 3:2)

The miracle of Hanukah is the miracle of Jewish history. Despite the cruelest persecutions of imperialist powers and evil rulers, and despite the temptations of collaboration and assimilation, the light of the Torah and mitzvot (good deeds) has never been extinguished. Even during the bleakest moments of Jewish history, when there was little cause for hope, the light did not go out! It continued to burn until we could regroup and generate new strength.

The true miracle of Hanukah - the Festival of Lights - was not military, but spiritual. Thus, the words of the haftarah of the Shabbat of Hanukah from the book of Zecharia (4:6) are:

Not by might and not by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord.

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First candle: Tuesday, December 11
First day: Wednesday, December 12

Shabbat Hanukah:

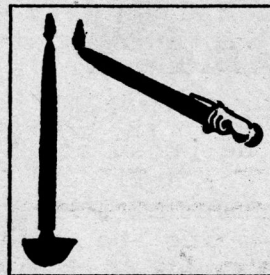
Light fourth candle Friday, December 14 before 4:09 pm
Weekly Torah portion, Miketz, (Genesis 41:1 - 44:17)
Maftir, Numbers 7:1-17,
Haftarah, Zachariah 2:14 - 4:7
Light fifth candle Saturday, December 15 after 5:18 pm

Eighth candle: Tuesday, December 18
Eighth day: Wednesday, December 19

חנכה

LIGHTING THE HANUKAH LIGHTS

Traditionally a menorah (also called a chanukiah), or nine-branch candelabrum is used to kindle the candles used for Hanukah. A separate candle, called the shamash, is used to light the others. Each night another candle is added to the menorah until on the last night all eight (plus the shamash) are lit. The time to light the menorah is as soon as it is dark, but it may be done anytime before retiring. On Shabbat, the menorah is lighted just before the Shabbat candles (before dark), and just after havdalah when Shabbat ends. The candles are placed in the menorah beginning on the right, but are lighted from the left, so that each night we add one new candle and light it first. We light the shamash candle first and then use its flame to light the other candles.



BLESSINGS FOR LIGHTING HANUKAH CANDLES:

Before kindling the lights, say these blessings:

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו להדליק נר של חנכה.

Baruch Ata Hashem, Elokeynu Melech Ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel hanukah.

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, Who has sanctified us with His commandments, and has commanded us to kindle the Hanukah light.

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם, שעשה נסים לאבותינו בימים בהם בזמן הזה.

Baruch Ata Hashem, Elokeynu Melech Ha-olam, sh'assa nissim la-avoteynu ba-yamim ha-hem baz'man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, Who has wrought miracles for our forefathers, in those days at this season.

On the first night only, add this blessing:

ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.

Baruch Ata Hashem, Elokeynu Melech Ha-olam, she-hecheyanu ve-kee-y'manu v'hee-gi-yanu la-z'man hazeh.

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, Who has kept us alive and sustained us and brought us to this season.

MA'OZ TZUR

מעוז צור ישועתי לה נאה לשבת, תכון בית תפילתי ושמח חודי נזבח לעת תכין משבח מצר המנבח או אנמר בשיר מזמור וזכת המזבח.

Ma'oz tzur y'shu-a-ti. L'cha na-eh l'sha-bay-ach. Ti-kon beit t'filati, v'sham todah n'za-bay-ach. L'et ta-cheen mat-bay-ach. Mitzar ham-na-bay-ach. Az egmor b'shir mizmor, hanukat ha-miz-bay-ach.

MI YIMALLEL

מי ימלל ובורח ישראל, איתן מי ימנה? הן בקל דור יקום הגבור גואל העם. שמעו! בנימים ההם, בזמן הזה, מכבי מושיע ופורח - ובקיימנו כל עם ישראל וימנה, יקום ויגאל.

Mi y'mallel g'vurot yisrael, o'tan me yim-neh? Hen b'chol dor ya-koom ha-gibor go-el ha-am. Sh'ma! Ba-ya-mim ha-hem ba-z'man ha-zeh. Macabee mo-shee-a u-fo-deh -- uv'ya-meynu kol am yisrael. Yit-ached ya-koom v'yiga-el.

Op-Ed Columns, Continued

Never-Ending Story

Continued from Page 3 which can't even compare with the feelings of people in Israel who live under unimaginable and constant political, religious and economic pressures. Add to this the Iraqi threat and Rabbi Meir Kahane's murder with the potential it carries for

more violence and we get a picture of a society under great strain. With all its problems, Israel is a society that has almost reached its saturation point, and God forbid the day this point is reached.

My thoughts today are of a different

world, a world of U.S.-Soviet alliance; a world filled with the broken bricks of the Berlin Wall; and under the ashes and dust of that wall Communism is buried, but from it like a ghastly creature from the not-so-distant past, one Germany, large and unified,

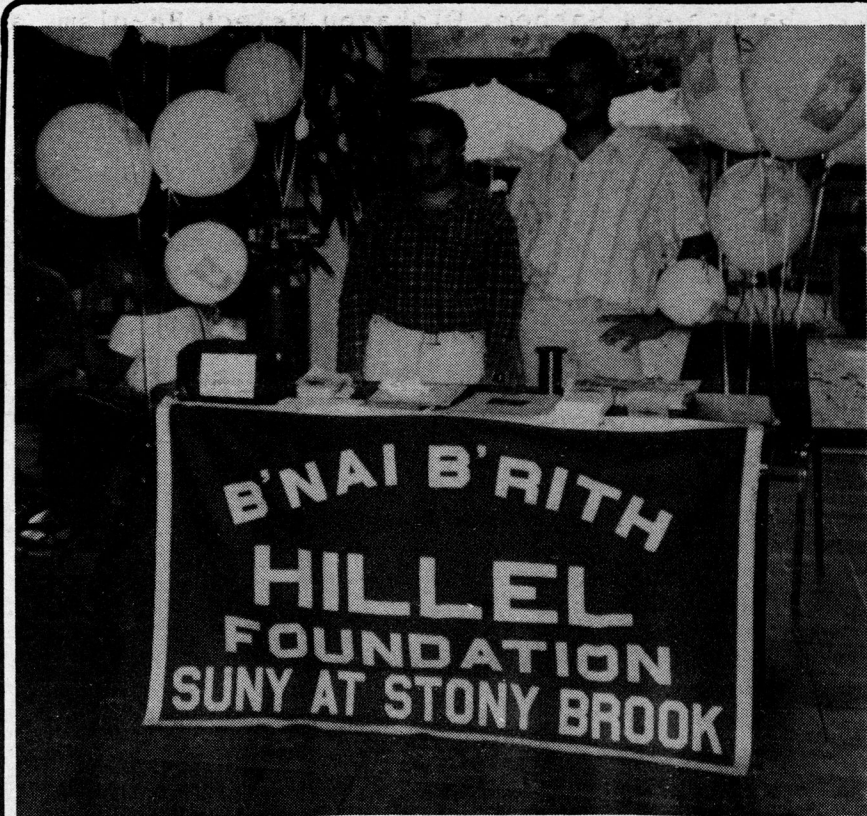
emerges. A world that in spite of all its differences won't accept Hussein's aggression. Who knows what's going to happen? Anyhow, in all this chaos, my small but powerful nation waits to see what the future holds and inside that nation, uncertainty reigns.

Chanukah Candles & Menorahs



are available from Hillel Menorah, \$1.50 - Candles, .50/box

Available at Hillel Office, Hum. 165 or look for our table in the Union.



Come visit the Hillel literature table in the Union lobby. We're there on Mondays from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. Stop by!

Interfaith Programs Feature Fundamentalism & Theology

The Stony Brook Interfaith Center has two exciting programs planned for November and December.

On Wednesday, November 28 at 7:30 pm in Union 236, the Center will present "Hardsell Religion: A Corner on the Truth?" This program, which will explore the problems experienced by individuals who are victimized by manipulative religious groups or cults, will feature May Dooley, of the Long Island Support Group

for Ex-Fundamentalists.

On Wednesday, December 5 at 7:30 pm in Union 236, the Center will present the first in a four-part series entitled "Theological Topics: Perspectives From Various Faiths." The December 5th program will focus on the topic of "What Does My Tradition Teach About the Nature of Sin and Punishment?" It will feature presentations from several chaplains of different denominations, followed by discussion.

SASU Off-Base

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'occupied' territories. Hmm. In 1967, Syria and Egypt attacked Israel offensively. The Israeli government begged Jordan to stay out. Jordan didn't. Fighting a three front war, Israel miraculously managed to win, and win big! The invaders were overwhelmed and lost a lot of territory. Now, all through history, whenever there were wars, the victors decided what to do with captured territory. For example, they split up Germany, demolished Austria-Hungary, and annexed large parts of the western U.S. when Mexico lost the war. Therefore, why can't Israel control the territory it captured while fighting a DEFENSIVE war. No, Israel is an "arrogant, evil" country because it successfully defended itself.

Next, the SASU resolution criticizes "Israel's colonial activities in the occupied territories." What activities? They are not specified. Why don't we boycott Syria, which has massacred thousands of Lebanese? Why don't we boycott Ethiopia for it's racist policies toward the Ethiopian Jews, as they fear their neighbors because of their religion? Why don't we boycott the U.S. because we're still in Puerto Rico? No, only Israel is the "evil imperialist."

The resolution complains about the daily slaughter of Palestinians. Sure, ignore the fact that Palestinians are killing Jews by throwing rocks, planting bombs, and driving buses off roads. Ignore Palestinians hijacking and blowing up airplanes and killing wheelchair-bound people on cruise ships.

Of course, the

inevitable South African connection is there. Ignore the fact that 100% of South Africa's oil comes from the Persian Gulf. Ignore the fact that Germany and the Netherlands cooperate with South Africa in the nuclear field. Ignore the fact that 46 Black African nations trade with South Africa. Surely they must all be "fronts" for the Israeli government. No other country could ever be that racist.

Now I don't deny Israel has it's faults. It's a shame that it trades with South Africa. It's a shame that Palestinians and Israelis are dying daily. However, do not make Israel the scapegoat for all the world's problems. If we are going to condemn Israel, then we must condemn everyone. Boycott those Black African nations that trade with South Africa. Condemn the Palestinians for murdering innocent people like Leon Klinghoffer and the passengers of the Pan Am flight that was blown up over Lockerbie, Scotland. Acknowledge that there is anti-Semitism in Ethiopia and Eastern Europe. Once we accept the fact that everyone has faults, not just one particular group, then perhaps we can talk about peace. Perhaps we can have a Palestinian homeland that will cooperate with Israel. Perhaps a free democratic South Africa will be a welcomed competitor in the Olympics. Perhaps we won't need to send troops into other countries, whatever the reason. Perhaps religious shrines will remain blood-free. Perhaps the Messiah, in whatever form your religion specifies, will come speedily in our day. Perhaps we'll have peace.

A Few Words From Miami

by Kevin Leopold

This year's annual United Jewish Appeal-Federation Conference was held in Miami, Florida from October 26 to 28. With Stony Brook represented by U.J.A. Campus Co-chairmen Keith Babich and myself, along with David Vilkas, over 100 students throughout North America (including Canada) gathered and discussed ideas about U.J.A. on campuses.

Along with people from California, Chicago, Texas, Seattle and St. Louis, I sat by the pool, shaded from the hot humid sun by palm trees, discussing Stony Brook's U.J.A. campaign. We stayed at the Sheraton and had insightful group discussions, brainstorming

sessions, speakers and workshops. We spent two days of good times and laughs with each other, and the time just flew by.

The conference included a cruise around Miami Beach and a visit to a recently completed Holocaust Memorial. Keith and I learned a lot and we had a great time. We met people from every major city in the U.S. with whom we will keep in contact and visit when we drive cross country during spring break.

In closing, Keith and I would like to thank Joseph (Joey) Orlandi for driving us to the airport in his red Subaru. We also want to thank Nadine Goldberg for picking us up. She is truly a friend and a scholar.



On October 18th, Stony Brook became the promised land. The Promised Land, just back from a successful tour of the Soviet Union, played in the Bleacher Club of the Stony Brook Union. The event, organized by the Stony Brook UJA Campus Campaign was held to raise awareness of Operation Exodus Campaign to rescue and resettle Soviet Jews.

Special thanks to the following for their donations to the UJA-Federation Campus Campaign Pool Tournament held on November 15th:

Century Billiard Table Corp., 2091 Jericho Turnpike, East Northport. Tel. 462-6655. for their donation of a magnificent two-piece cue stick and velvet case.

Ben's Kosher Restaurant, 135 Alexander Ave., Lake Grove. Tel. 979-8770. for a gift certificate.

Apel Garden, 1091 Route 25A, Stony Brook. Tel. 751-7576. for a gift certificate.

Phil's Place Kosher Restaurant, 61 Route 111, Smithtown. Tel. 360-8490. for the midget salami door prize.

Hillel 
632-6565

Jewish Ethnic Foods at Chevre

The next meeting of Chevre, the Israeli Student Association, will be on Monday, December 3 at 8:30 pm in Roth Cafeteria. A "Jewish Ethnic Food Evening" will be held

with fantastic Farsi, Syrian, and Ashkenasi cooking. If you would like to be involved, or just want to try the delicious food, contact Farshad at 2-2768 or Naveh at 2-2769.

The Important Things in Life

by Nadine Goldberg

"Oh I slept 4 hours last night, I'll never be ready for that exam!"

"The MCAT is 4 months away, how can I learn all that?!"

"I'm taking it again!!! (LSAT, GMAT, GRE)"

"My grades will never get me into a good Graduate Program!"

"If I don't do well in my Statistics class, I'll never graduate!!!"

After you're finished creating a monster within you, thinking all these thoughts, sit back and really think to yourself, do I really need all this????????!!!!!! What is really important in life? What do I really need to know?

I have come across a book that has given me great insight into what I really need to know.

So, sit back, relax, put your Princeton & Kaplan review books down. Set your rat lab aside, put away the calculators and the protractors and the typewriter and the graduate school applications and learn what you really need to know.

(Excerpted from All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten, by Robert Fulghun)

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Flush.

Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.

Live a balanced life - learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work everyday some.

Take a nap every afternoon.

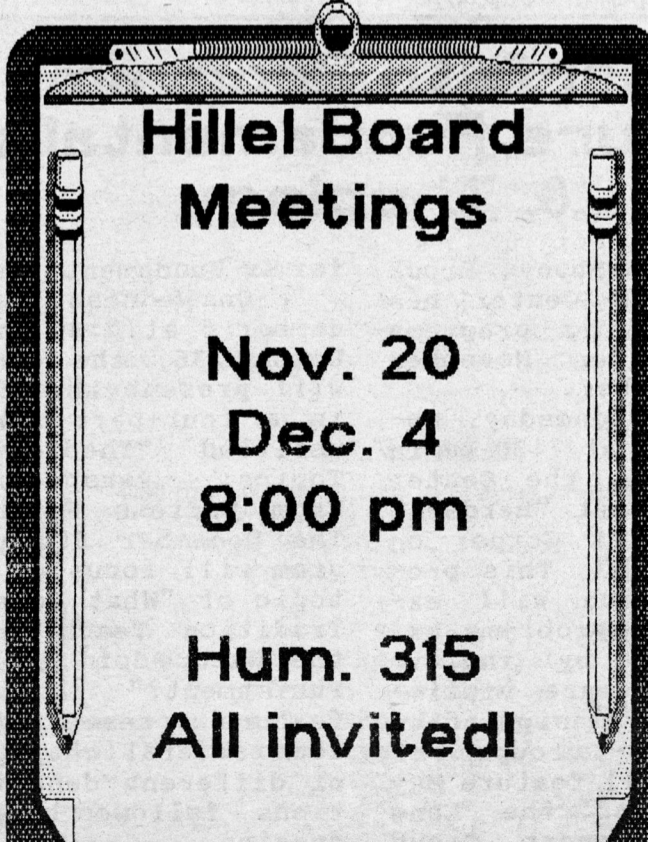
When you go out in the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands and stick together.

Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the styrofoam cup: The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the styrofoam cup - they all die. So do we.

And remember the Dick and Jane books and the first word you learned - the biggest word of all LOOK.

PS: I hope this gives you a lift as it does for me. So when you're stressed about your future and can no longer differentiate between night and day - sit back and remember the sand box at Sunday school and the 64 count boxes of crayola crayons and remember this little pep talk.



Hillel Board Meetings

Nov. 20
Dec. 4
8:00 pm

Hum. 315
All invited!

Inspiration to Act

by Stacey Kaplan

Washington, D.C.- The Spitzer Forum on Public Policy, October 28-30, was attended by student leaders representing many colleges and universities throughout the United States. During the three day spread, many discussions were held by political figures, the homeless, and community leaders to name only a few.

A great diversity of topics from student pro-activism on campus to homelessness in America, from combating anti-Semitism, to Ethiopian Jewry, were discussed, and solutions created and debated. During the conference, the student representatives would continuously be heard laughing hysterically as the students formed four groups (The United States, Israel, Soviet Union and Palestinian groups) and proceeded to create and post propaganda, newsletters, and posters referring to their position on the question of a Palestinian state. After posting the papers and posters of PLO flags, Israeli quotes, American newsletters, etc...one representative from each group delivered a speech pushing his or her group's position. Programs of understanding other nationalities and people did not stop here. A standing ovation from students, some with tears in their eyes, came as a result of a program called "Variety Pack - Homelessness in America." A group of homeless men stood before this group of students eloquently describing homelessness, painful stories of drug problems and families, and of life. While some homeless may be the stereotypic vagrants, others are family men whose luck had run out. One or two had even gone to college. These programs, and others like them, motivated forum participants to get involved in these issues.

Briefings with the United States State Department on United States - Israel relations and briefings in the Israeli Embassy on

recent events in the Middle East displayed another side of the Spitzer Forum on Public Policy.

Perspectives and solutions of the Soviet Jewry issue, especially immigration, housing and employment in Israel were discussed. In the past, students had been in the forefront of movements fighting for the Soviet Union to let the Jews out of the country. Now that Jews are emigrating from the Soviet Union to Israel and America, we now have another battle to fight - the freedom of Ethiopian Jewry.

Many Ethiopian Jews, especially children, have immigrated to Israel crossing deserts with little water, living with next to nothing, and many of them leaving family behind. The government of Ethiopia has closed the doors of emigration and the pathways for the children to be reunited with their families in Israel. This is the new battlefield and many of the past leaders involved in the Soviet Jewry movement are again fighting, but this time for Ethiopian Jewry.

Skill training sessions were held in areas such as grassroots organizing, public speaking, and media relations. Other programs were held to help Jewish student leaders focus on solutions to general and Jewish problems on campus. The hope is that they will bring the political and social programs and skills back to their campuses. The Spitzer Forum on Public Policy was funny, exciting at times, interesting, and intriguing.

Skills can only go so far without involvement. Involvement can take the form of being a leader and planning or suggesting programs, or by simply participating in an event or program. You can attend every program or event or simply attend once in a while. Whatever your interest may be, whether it be in the Jewish community, campus events, or academics - get involved and let it inspire you too.



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then this Shabbaton is for you
so save this date:

NOV. 30 - DEC. 1

It's up to you to make it work!

Place: Queens College Caumsett Conference Center
Cost: \$55.00 (\$ 30.00 for first 40 people)

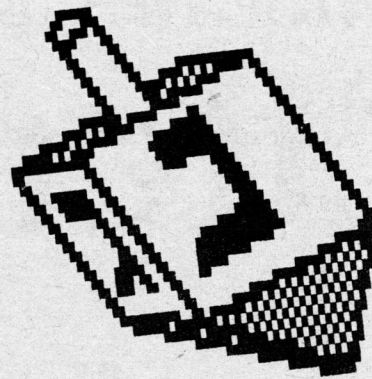
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Community Service Committee to Visit University Hospital

Hillel's Community and Hospital Jewish Service Committee is beginning a program of visiting patients at University Hospital. This effort is being coordinated with Hillel Director Joseph Topek

Chaplain Rabbi Paul Hiatt. Those students interested in participating should contact Hillel at 2-6565, or Kevin Leopold at 2-3237.

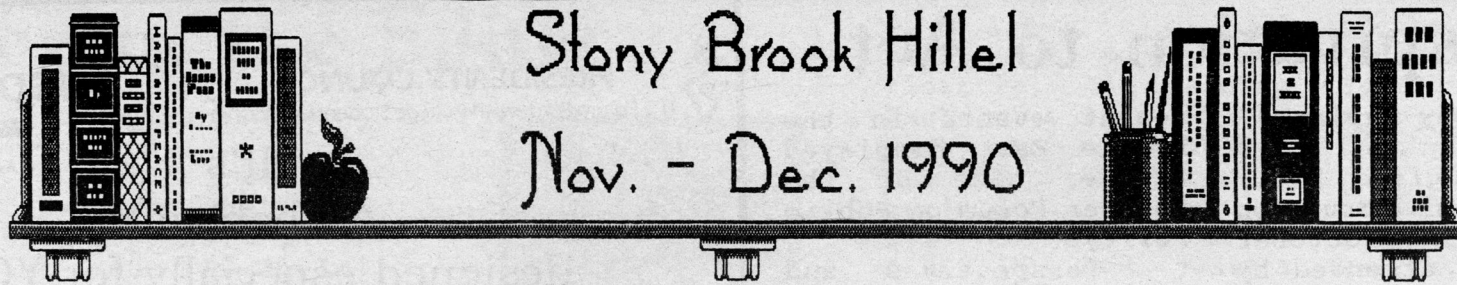


Dreidel

Jewish children spin the dreidel - the four sided top, in the light of the Hanukkah candles. It originated in Palestine over two thousand years ago. Pious Jews spun the dreidel in order to fool the Greco-Syrians into thinking they were merely playing a game when, in reality, the players were either studying or praying softly as the top spun. The dreidel has four Hebrew letters, one on each side, that represent words.

Nun stands for **Nes** - miracle; it means put no money into the pot
Gimel stands for **Gadol** - great; it means take all of the pot
Hey stands for **Hayah** - happened; it means take half from the pot
Shin stands for **Sham** - there; it means put into the pot

In Israel, the dreidel has a peh to replace shin. The peh stands for po, which means here, whereas we who live outside of Israel have the shin to refer to the miracle occurring there.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Hillel Office 632-6565	26 Y'ALL	27	28 Hardsell Religion: A Corner on the Truth? 7:30 pm Union 236	29 Plan to attend the Chanukah comedy night next Thurs.!	30 Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:00 pm Roth Cafe.	1 Shabbat Services 9:30 am Orthodox & Conservative Roth Cafe.
2 	3 Chevre Ethnic Foods Night 8:30 pm Roth Cafe.	4 Board Meeting 8:00 pm Hum. 315	5 Theological Topics: Sin & Punish- ment 7:30 pm Union 236	6 Chanukah Comedy Night 6:00 pm Roth Cafe.	7 Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:00 pm Roth Cafe.	8 Shabbat Services 9:30 am Shabbat Shmooz, 1 pm Dr. Jonathan Garlick
9 	10 HSC Hillel Chanukah Celebration 4:30 - 6 pm HSC L2	11 Light Menorah at Union 5:00 pm	12 Light Menorah at Union 5:00 pm	13 Light Menorah 5:00 pm Jewish-Muslim Dialogue 8:00 pm Roth	14 Light Menorah at Union 4:00 pm Shabbat Services and Dinner 5:00 pm Roth	15 Shabbat Services 9:30 am Orthodox & Conservative Roth Light Menorah at Union, 5:30
16 Light Menorah at Union 5:00 pm	17 Light Menorah at Union 5:00 pm	18 Light Menorah at Union 5:00 pm	19 Eighth day of Chanukah	20 Good luck on Final Exams!	21 End of fall semester.	22 Shabbat Services 9:30 am Orthodox Roth Cafe.

Join us for Hillel's pre-
Chanukah Celebration featuring...

Ellen Orchid

Comedienne & actress

Plus Chanukah dinner!

Thu. Dec. 6, Roth Cafe.

Dinner, 6 pm ---- Show, 7 pm

Dinner: free with kosher meal plan
\$1.50 with regular meal card
\$6.50 with no meal card

Join us at 7:00 pm for just the show - no admission - free dessert!