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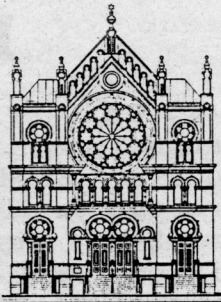
Jewish Roots Cultural Experience A Look Inside Israel

by Lauren Greenwald

"To preserve our past is to insure our future."

On Sunday, February 23 Hillel will sponsor a cultural exploration of the Lower East Side of New York City, which was once home to a huge population of Eastern European Jewish immigrants.

This unique program will combine a cultural program led by a professional tour guide with a community service project helping in the restoration of the landmark Eldridge Street Synagogue.



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On the weekend of January 31 - February 1, Dr. Fred A. Lazin, of Ben-Gurion University in Israel, will visit the Stony Brook campus. Dr. Lazin will be hosted by the Hillel Foundation and Chevre - the Israeli Student Association, and will speak at both Friday evening Shabbat dinner and again at the Shabbat Shmooz lunch on Saturday afternoon.



Dr. Fred A. Lazin

Dinner in Roth Quad Cafeteria, following services, which are at 4:45 pm. His topic will be "The Israeli Political System: the problem of democracy," which is of particular interest this year since new elections for Israel's Knesset (Parliament) will be held soon.

At the Shabbat Shmooz on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 pm, Dr. Lazin will speak on "Ethnicity and Ethnic Conflict Among Israeli Jews," which is also a topic of considerable interest due to Israel's ongoing absorption of Jews from dif-

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Dr. Lazin, who is Professor of Social Sciences, is also Director of the Overseas Students Program, and will be available to speak to students interested in studying at Ben-Gurion University. The University, in the large Israeli southern city of Beersheva, has many interesting academic and internship opportunities for American students, including financial aid.

On Friday evening January 31, Dr. Lazin will speak at Shabbat

Consul General of Israel to Visit

On Tuesday, March 3 Hillel will host a visit to Stony Brook by the Honorable Uriel Savir, Consul General of the State of Israel in New York. Mr. Savir's visit will be the first ever of an Israeli Consul General to Stony Brook, and will also be held in



Hon. Uriel Savir

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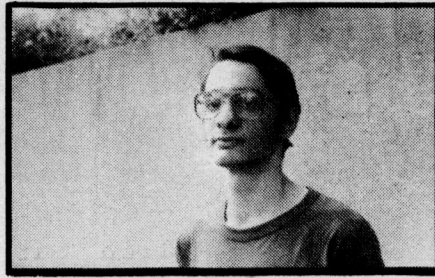


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From the Editor... A Double Standard?

by Jerry Katz

The following article appeared in New York Newsday on January 10, 1992 on page ob-scurity:



"Kuwait deported 319 men, women and children to Iraq in the past 10 days, the International Red Cross said yesterday. Jean-Philippe Lavoyer, head of the Red Cross regional headquarters in Kuwait, said 55 detainees and 104 of their dependents were taken by bus Tuesday to the border town of Abdali. A similar group of 100 detainees and 60 of their dependents--mainly Iraqis, Jordanians and Bedouin or stateless Arabs--left December 31, he said.

Kuwait is deporting or not renewing residence permits for thousands of people perceived to be a security threat following Iraq's seven-month occupation of the emirate."

Allow me to reword the article. Perhaps a better news story would result that would merit placement on page one.

"Israel deported 319 Palestinians to Jordan in the past 10 days, Amnesty International said yester-

day. Generic N. Ame head of Amnesty International headquarters in the West Bank, said 55 Palestinians and 104 of their dependents - mainly rock throwing children and PLO supporters from Israeli occupied West Bank - left December 31, he said. Israel is deporting or not renewing residence permits for thousands of people perceived to be terrorists following the Palestinian's four-year long Intifada."

is in which article would the country in question be condemned, make that "strongly condemned," by the UN? Which article would have the country in question be blamed for trying to disrupt the peace talks? Which article would have the country in question lose loans to house its citizens with US backing?

No doubt the country is Kuwait. Sure it is (wink, wink).

Now. the question

"Are Jews Still Liberal?" Lecture Topic

On Thursday, February 27, Friends of Judaic Studies will present a lecture by Dr. Henry Feingold entitled "Are Jews Still Liberal?" The lecture will be held at 4:00 pm in the Poetry Center, which is in Humanities Building room 238. Dr. Feingold is Professor of Jewish History at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York and at Baruch College. He is a well known historian of the American Jewish experience, particularly during the Holocaust years, and is the author of the highly acclaimed The Politics of



Dr. Henry Feingold

Rescue: The Roosevelt Administration and the Holocaust, and of Zion in America: The Jewish Experience From Colonial Times to the Present. The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information call the Judaic Studies Program at 632-7460.

Grad & Professional Group Fireside

The Hillel Graduate and Professional Group will meet for a friendly and relaxing Fireside Wine and Cheese social at the Hillel Directors Residence on Wednesday, February 5 at 8:00 pm. All graduate, medical, den-

tal, HSC, and other professional students are cordially invited. The Residence is located at 75 Sheep Pasture Road, which is across Nicolls Road, directly opposite the North Entrance to campus.



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Words From the President

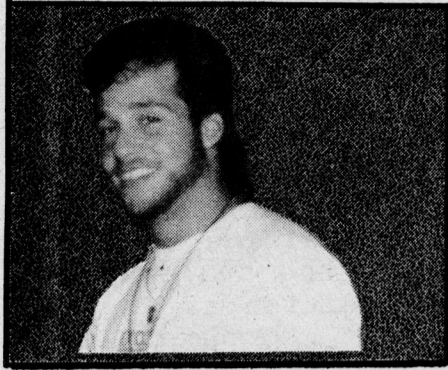
by Keith Babich

It's January 9 and I'm writing this column while waiting in the Los Angeles International Airport for my flight to Hawaii. You might ask what does Hawaii have to do with Hillel. The answer is not much (except for an "H" and an "i"). Then you may ask, why mention Hawaii in Stony Brook Shelanu, Hillel's newspaper. That answer is simple - because I'm going and you're not.

I just decided to take advantage of this time to write the President's column for the first issue of Shelanu for the spring 1992. I'm looking forward to Hawaii and wanted to practice saying "Aloha," but realizing my "Hillel commitment," I'm writing this article instead. A president's job is never done. I'm on my way to Hawaii as a missionary. We've decided to introduce Native Hawaiians to Judaism, and this month Hillel has launched the pilot project "Hawaii and Jew, perfect together."

OK - enough bad jokes. I'll say what I want to say before my plane leaves without me.

Welcome back to Stony Brook. Without students, Stony Brook is a sleeping cement and brick giant. With students, we are a university. At Hillel, without students it is just a small office, a director, an assistant director, part time outreach coordinator, an administrative assistant, and a part-ridge in a pear tree. But with students, we are a dynamic social, cultural, religious, multi-faceted student



organization that has a lot to offer.

Having had a three hour long meeting with "top Hillel brass," I can promise you that this will be an incredibly outrageously busy and exciting semester.

Explore this issue of the Shelanu to get the scoop on the open house, movie night, volunteer opportunities and talks with well known speakers.

The Open House at the Roth Cafeteria on Monday February 3, at 8:30 pm will provide interested students (new and old) with an opportunity to become involved immediately with Hillel as well discuss the semester and choose committees.

Coming later this semester is the Stony Brook Jewish celebration of the year, "Chai Week." Filled with speakers and social events, Chai Week's theme will be the 500th anniversary of the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, and will focus on the rich culture and history of this unique Jewish community: the Sephardim.

It is co-sponsored by the Program in Judaic Studies and will be the week of April 6. It is a week not to be missed!

I'd love to write more, but my plane is boarding - I'll see you later - and I'll have the tan.

Show You Care

by Kevin Leopold

On campus we have a United Jewish Appeal (UJA) campaign, which raises funds for Jewish charities throughout Europe, Israel and America. In addition to supporting a countless number of health care and education programs, UJA-Federation has conducted emergency relief efforts such as Operations Solomon and Exodus. Operation Solomon was the one day airlift

This semester will be a continuation of last semester's successful campaign. We'll continue where we left off with the very successful and much talked about raffle. Events will range from a major party in the city on Saturday evening February 22, (co-sponsored with campaigns at NYU, Columbia, Queens, Brooklyn, Yeshiva University, Stern and others) to a letter writing cam-



rescue of 14,000 starving Jews from Ethiopia to Israel in May of this past year. Operation Exodus is the ongoing resettlement mission of a million Jews from the very politically unstable regions of Russia and the Ukraine to Israel.

We must save our fellow Jews and bring them home. They have been subjected to pogroms and starvation long enough. Money must not be allowed to play a factor in what has become an unprecedented mass exodus. Despite an incredible strain on the Israeli economy from this massive resettlement, Israel still welcomes the Olim (immigrants) with open arms. We too must do our part and not turn our face from cries of help from our brothers and sisters.

I would like to thank those students who helped last semester in the campaign. These students include: Mark Matiash, Orit Wolkowicki, Jessica Blumenfeld, Freda Dagan, Carol Michael, Tammy (Tamila) Mishiev, Ariel Geker and Daryl Spinner.

paign. This is intended to educate students against anti-Israel propaganda as well as to apply much needed political pressure to our representatives.

As student activist Freda Dagan, a freshman contemplating a future in law, firmly believes, "We are part of the Stony Brook community, but as Jews we all have a responsibility to the larger Jewish community of which we are a part." Carol Michael, a freshman and possible pre-med student, similarly feels, "All of us as Jews must live up to our responsibility of supporting and looking after each other because no one else will."

Indeed this is a responsibility that is shared by every Israeli, every Persian, every Russian and every apathetic American. Don't turn your back on your heritage and try and forget your Jewish identity. If you do I warn you, you're wasting your time because there will always be those to remind you of

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Jewish Roots...
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The trip includes round trip bus transportation from the Stony Brook campus, a professionally led tour of important Jewish sites on the Lower East Side, a tour of the Eldridge Street Synagogue, and participation in its "clean and shine" project. A limited

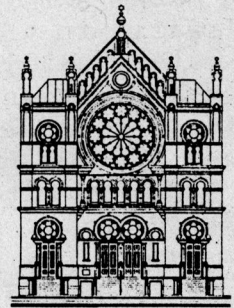
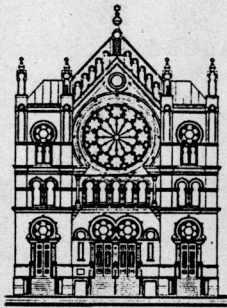
number of seats are available to students for only \$5 per person, and to faculty and staff for only \$10 per person.

The Eldridge Street Synagogue was built in 1887, and is the first house of worship in the area constructed by Jews from Eastern Europe. The synagogue has been in

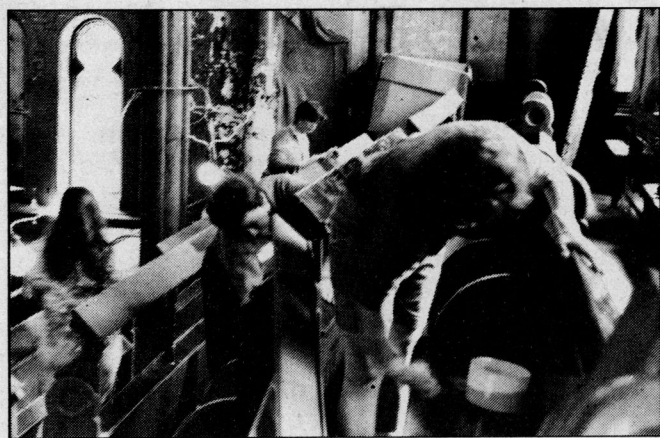
continuous use since its opening more than 100 year ago, but unfortunately the deterioration of the Jewish community in the area and limited financial resources brought the building to a state of disrepair. Recent fundraising efforts, and the building's recognition as an important landmark syna-

gogue, have resulted in an ambitious restoration project. Our trip will enable us to participate in this effort and help in the preservation of a vital piece of American Jewish history.

Tickets for the trip are available from the Hillel office, Humanities Building 165, or call 632-6565.



Join us for a
**Jewish Roots
Exploration**
of New York's Lower East Side



Trip includes:
Round trip bus from Stony Brook
Professionally guided tour of
Jewish sites
Tour of the landmark
Eldridge Street Synagogue
Community service project helping
in the restoration of the
Eldridge Street Synagogue

Sunday, Feb. 23

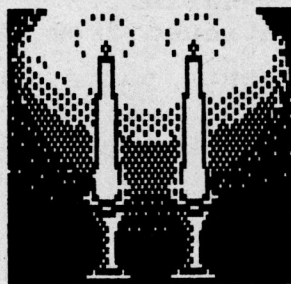
Bus leaves at 9:30 am
Returns late afternoon/
early evening.

Tickets: Students, \$5;
faculty/staff, \$10

Available from the Hillel office
Humanities 165 * 632-6565



Shabbat on Campus



Friday Evenings: Services are held according to the time of sundown in the Roth Quad Dining Hall, first floor, and are followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner with the traditional extras, such as wine and challah. A nice way to end a week with a relaxed evening of singing, good food, and friends.

Those not on the Kosher Meal Plan should obtain a ticket in advance at the Hillel Office.

Services times for the Spring Semester are:

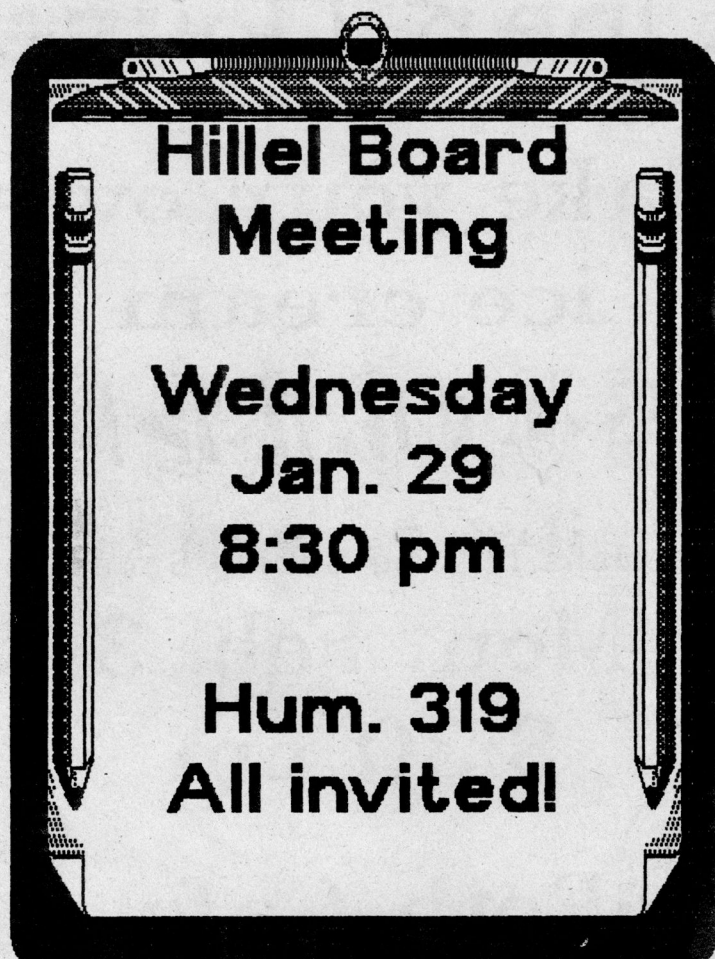
Jan. 31....4:45 pm	Feb. 28....5:15 pm
Feb. 7.... 5:00 pm	Mar. 6.....5:30 pm
Feb. 14... 5:00 pm	Mar. 13....5:30 pm
Feb. 21... 5:15 pm	

Saturday Mornings: Two services meet regularly on campus, both at **9:30 am in Roth Quad Cafeteria:**

Stony Brook Havurah - A Conservative service that counts men and women equally. Held on second floor in kosher dining room.

Stony Brook Hebrew Congregation - An Orthodox service with separation of men and women. Held on first floor in meeting rooms.

Shabbat Shmooz/Scholar-in-Residence Program: Periodic talks by Jewish faculty members on various topics over Shabbat afternoon lunch. Also occasionally there is a scholar-in-residence for Shabbat who usually speaks Friday evening and Saturday afternoon. This month Dr. Fred Lazin of Ben Gurion University in Israel will be our guest January 31 - February 1 (see page 1).



Popular Free Judaica Courses Offered

Discover Judaism

The comprehensive course on Jewish religion, history, philosophy, customs, and observances. This course is great if you never went to Hebrew School, or if you went and hated it. We teach about Judaism in a non-judgmental, non-denominational (neither Reform, Conservative, Orthodox, Reconstructionist, etc.) way that treats you as an adult who is able to make independent decisions. Small fee for text book.

Thursdays (begins Feb. 13)
Instructor: Joseph Topek

7:00 pm

Hebrew Reading Crash Course

Learn to read Hebrew in five weeks! This course is designed primarily to introduce you to the Hebrew language and give you the basic tools necessary to read Hebrew and/or follow a service.

Mondays, Feb. 24; Mar. 2, 9, 16, 30. 8:00 pm

To register for either course please contact the Hillel office, Humanities Bldg. 165, 632-6565.

Care Enough to Make a Difference

WHAT: Come join us in raising much needed funds for the United Jewish Appeal. We need volunteers who want to make a difference for Jews worldwide. We need people for telephoning or for clerical work.

WHEN: Sunday, February 9, 1992

TIME: 7:00 - 10:00 pm

WHERE: The Suffolk YM-YWHA - transportation provided

GOAL: To raise Jewish consciousness, build and strengthen the Jewish community locally, in Israel, and around the world.

Food will be served to all volunteers, and training will be provided. The only prerequisite is a desire to help fellow Jews in need and to be involved in tzedakah.

CONTACT: Stony Brook UJA Campaign Chairman Kevin Leopold, 2-3237 or the Hillel office, 2-6565.

Chevre Israeli Student Assoc.

The first Chevre meeting of the Spring semester will take place on Tuesday, February 11 at 8:00 pm in room 214 of the Stony Brook Union. Let's start the new semester together. All Hebrew speakers are invited to

join Chevre. Chevre will also be co-sponsoring the visit to campus of Dr. Fred Lazin of Ben Gurion University on January 31 and February 1. See the article on page 1 for more details.

Haven't Been to Hillel Lately? Hillel is Coming to You!

Residential students! Keep an eye out for when Hillel comes to your quad! This semester we're not waiting for you to come to us - we're coming to you with a Hillel event in your quad. This will provide all Jewish students who live on campus the chance to meet in a relaxed, casual atmosphere. Hillel will provide the entertainment and food - you just have to show up. If you're on the mailing list you will receive an invitation

to the meeting in your quad. If you're not on the mailing list, call the Hillel office at 2-6565.

If you would like to volunteer to host a dorm meeting, or share our ideas on this concept, contact Lauren Greenwald at the Hillel office.

February's dorm events are:
G Quad, Feb. 17
H Quad, Feb. 25
Both are at 8 pm.
Please join us at the Hillel meeting in your quad!

Hillel Board to Hold Open House Feb. 3

Please come and meet new and old friends at our Spring Semester Open House to be held on Monday, February 3 at 8:30 pm in Roth Cafeteria, lower level. Hillel welcomes

you back to campus and gives you the opportunity to express yourself in creating your own ice cream sundaes, and best of all, it's free!



Hillel Movie Night
featuring
"City Slickers"
Tues. Feb. 18 8:00 pm
Roth Cafe. 1st floor

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ferent parts of the world. The Shmooz program includes Shabbat lunch, and is held at the Hillel Directors Residence, 75 Sheep Pasture Road, which is directly across Nicolls Road from the North Entrance to campus.

Dr. Lazin will be available at both pro-

grams to speak to those who are interested in study opportunities at Ben Gurion University. Those who do not have meal cards should purchase a ticket for Friday evening dinner from the Hillel office prior to Shabbat. The Shmooz program is free and open to the entire community.

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conjunction with Hillel's 25th Anniversary Year.

As part of his visit, Mr. Savir will deliver a public lecture on the evening of March 3 at 8:00 pm in the Stony Brook Union Ballroom which is open

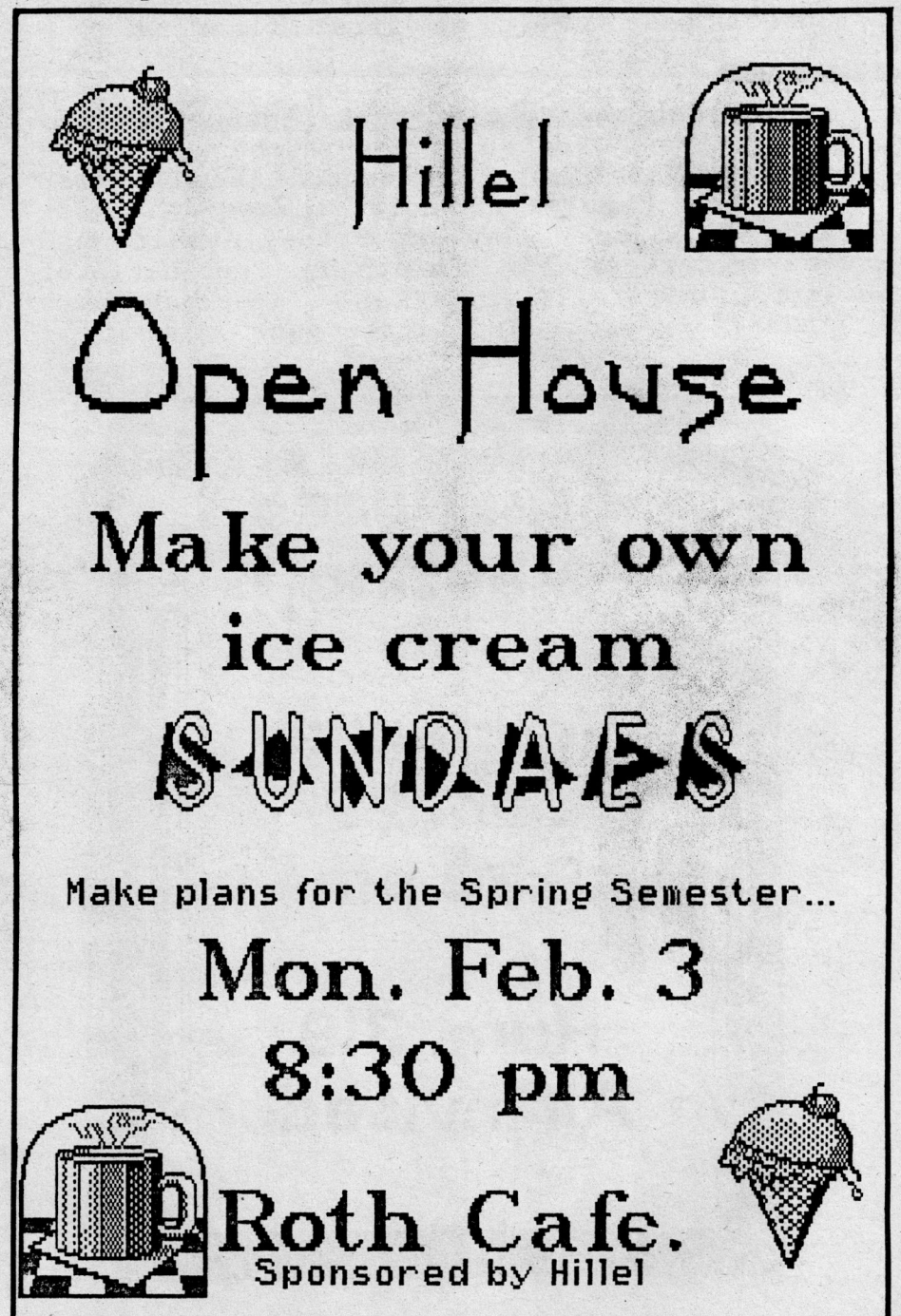
to the public. During Mr. Savir's visit, two exhibits will be shown in the Union commemorating the 25th anniversary of the reunification of the City of Jerusalem, as well as a 25-year retrospective of Israel and Zionist programming here at Stony Brook.



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your Jewishness.

We, as the future Jewish leadership, must bring to this endeavor energy and faith. The task ahead of us may be enormous, but let us now begin so that our

brother's and sister's children may grow up in Israel and not perish from our lack of action.

For information call the Hillel office at 2-6565 or Kevin at 2-3237.



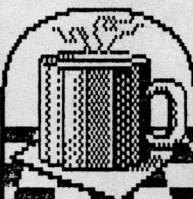

 Hillel 

Open House

Make your own ice cream SUNDAES

Make plans for the Spring Semester...

Mon. Feb. 3
8:30 pm

 **Roth Cafe.** 
Sponsored by Hillel

Stony Brook Hillel to Celebrate 25th Anniversary in 1992

Hillel Counselorship Started in 1967 Succeeded J.S.O. Begun in 1964

This year will mark the 25th anniversary of the founding of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Counselorship at Stony Brook, and we plan to celebrate with a number of very special events. The first of these is the visit to campus by the Consul General of the State of Israel, the Hon. Uriel Savir, on March 3 (see page 1).

In 1967 Stony Brook's Jewish population won the support of B'nai B'rith Hillel with the establishment of a part time Hillel Counselorship with Rabbi Elliot Spar of Temple Beth Sholom in

Smithtown serving as Counselor. A Jewish Student Organization had existed on campus since 1964. In the same year, Friends of Hillel at Stony Brook, founded by local members of B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women, purchased the house located at 75 Sheep Pasture Road. This property was initially used as a program facility and for worship services, which were not permitted on campus at that time. Rabbi Spar was later succeeded by Dr. David Sperling, who also taught in Stony Brook's fledgling Judaic

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at Stony Brook

cordially invites you to attend

The Dedication of its

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Sunday, February 12, 1967
at 10:30 a. m.

Faculty Dining Room on Campus

Brunch Will Be Served

Donation \$1.75

Invitation to dedication ceremony for Hillel Counselorship

Studies Program.

In 1974 the operation was upgraded to a full time Hillel Foundation, and Richard Siegel was appointed as Hillel Director. Soon afterward the Interfaith Center was established and Hillel moved permanently onto campus. Kosher food also became more widely available, and was served in many places until establishment of a more permanent kosher kitchen in Roth Quad Cafeteria in 1981.

Stony Brook Hillel

has continued to grow and flourish through the tenures of Directors Rabbi Alan Flam and Joseph Topek. Recently Stony Brook Hillel was awarded the Program of the Year Award in both 1989-90 and 1990-91 for outstanding programs among all Hillels in the New York area. The anniversary programs held during this year will feature highlights of the past 25 years of Jewish programming on the Stony Brook campus.

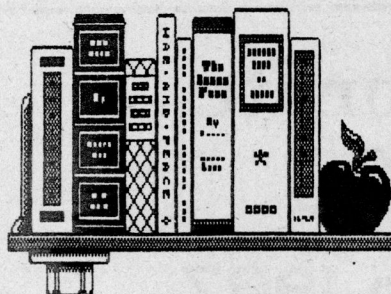
Calling All Alumni

All Jewish alumni are encouraged to contact the Hillel office with their names and addresses so that they will not miss out on

any of the 25th Anniversary events. Please send us your accurate information with year of graduation right away!

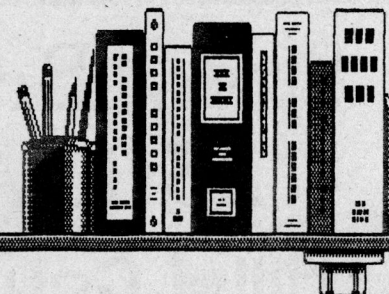
Saturday Dec. 14
AT 9:00 PM
Come mod to
The MOD MACABEES
Festival OF LIGHTS
Disco dancing (Psychedelic, of course)
Latkes
Folk guitar
refreshments
Israeli dancing
HILLEL
PRESIDENT - Mark Kaplan 7345
HANUKKAH - Tzvianna Shapiro 7566
PARTY



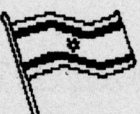









Chanukah Party flyer, 1968 advertised "Mod Macabees" party - psychedelic of course.



Stony Brook Hillel

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Volunteer for campus UJA campaign! Call Kevin 2-3237	27 Classes begin	28	29 Hillel Board 8:30 pm Hum. 319	30	31 Shabbat Services 4:45 pm Dr. Lazin on Israeli Politics at dinner Roth Cafe.	1 Shabbat Service 9:30 am Roth Cafe. Shmooz 1 pm Dr. Lazin on Ethnicity of Israeli Jews
2 Volunteer for UJA Super Sunday Feb. 9	3 Hillel Open House 8:30 pm Roth Make your own sundae!	4 Hillel Office: Humanities Bldg. 165 632-6565	5 Graduate & Professional Student Wine & Cheese Fireside 8:00 pm	6	7  Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:00 pm Roth Cafe.	8  Shabbat Services 9:30 am Roth Cafe. Orth & Cons.
9 UJA Super Sunday Call Hillel to volunteer 2-6565	10	11  Chevre meeting 8:00 pm Union 214	12 Regional Hillel Leadership Weekend Feb. 28 - 29 Huntington, LI Call for details	13  Discover Judaism class begins	14  Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:00 pm Roth Cafe.	15  Shabbat Services 9:30 am Roth Cafe. Orth & Cons.
16 Sign up for Cultural/Community Service Trip to Lower East Side	17 Dorm Program in G Quad 8:00 pm	18 Movie Night 8:00 pm Roth Cafe. "City Slickers"	19 Interfaith Dialogue program & potluck dinner	20  Discover Judaism Course	21  Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:15 pm Roth Cafe.	22  Shabbat Services 9:30 am Roth Cafe. Orth & Cons.
23 Trip to Lower East Side by reservation only!	24  Hebrew Crash Course Begins	25 Dorm Program in H Quad 8:00 pm	26 Plan to hear Israeli Consul General Uriel Savir March 3 8:00 pm Union Ballroom	27 Judaic Studies Lect. H. Feingold 4 pm Hum 238 Jewish Womens Group 8:00 pm	28  Shabbat Services & Dinner 5:15 pm Roth Cafe.	29  Shabbat Services 9:30 am Roth Cafe. Orth & Cons.

1967 - 1992

Celebrating 25 Years of Jewish Life at Stony Brook



Jewish Student Association officers, May 1964
 Judi Shapiro, Cindy Levine, Harriet Bregman, Joel Eichenholtz, Rabbi Bash - N. Shore JC, Peter Merles, Judy Brown, Dr. N. Leer - Faculty Advisor

Marching in the Salute to Israel Parade, 1985