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Survivors of the Holocaust

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# 30TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET



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# Program

### In Charge

Esther Frank Eva Wieder Mike Frum Henry Miller

Greetings — Kol Israel President Bob Birnbaum
Remarks — Kol Israel Sisterhood, President Betty Berliner
Remarks — Second Generation President Morris Zryl
Recognition Of Committees Jack Wieder
Simon Fixler
Dr. Zev Harel
Remarks — Ohio State Senator Lee I. Fisher
Hamotzi — Green Road Synagogue, President Joe Pearl

#### **Dinner Served**

### **Honorees**

Cynthia Dettelbach - Editor, Cleveland Jewish News
Harvey Friedman- Honorable Mayor of Beachwood
Max Friedman- President, Jewish Community Federation
Dr. Leatrice Rabinsky- Holocaust Educator
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### **Grace After Meal**

This Souvenir Journal has been designed and compiled by Jacob Hennenberg



PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE SIX MILLION JEWISH MARTYRS



OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST

# President's Message





As the President of the Kol Israel Foundation, the Association of Holocaust Survivors in Cleveland, I am deeply honored to represent the survivor community on this special occasion—the celebration of the 30-th Anniversary of our beloved organization.

The Kol Israel Foundation was established for the purposes of: a)

commemoration of the Holocaust and the development of a Holocaust legacy;

b) support for Jewish life and culture in the U.S. and around the world;

and c) unconditional support for the State of Isreal.

We are extremely appreciative of the dedication and commitment of the charter members, past and present officers, and all members of our organization who developed, refined and supported the accomplishment of the goals of our organization.

We can take pride in what we have accomplished to date. However, in light of the challenges which Jews and the State of Israel face from old and new enemies, we need to rededicate ourselves and continue to work for and support the causes of our organization.

May God give years and strength for all of us here today to be present at the celebration of our next anniversary.



## Sisterbood of the Kol Israel Foundation

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE





It is my privilege to serve as the Kol Israel Sisterhood President, and carry on the work of my predecessors.

The efforts of all of Kol Israel serve as tributes to the millions of parents, siblings, family, teachers and friends whose lights were extinguished at the hands of our modern day Amalek.

We must remember, but our memory is not enough. As survivors, we must recreate the light of those we lost for our children and grandchildren, so that they can bear witness and take responsibility for gathering the sparks in their own generation.

Our legacy is clear: We can survive only if we stand together, and thrive only if we make Judaism and Jewish communal life our first priority!

Betty Berliner



OFFICERS OF THE SECOND GENERATION KOL ISRAEL





# Second Generation Kol Israel President's Message

KOL ISRAEL, S 2ND GENERATION WHICH HAS BEEN IN EXISTANCE FOR OVER 10 YEARS REDEDICATES ITSELF TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE "LEGACY". OUR ORGANINIZATION IS NOW 240 MEMBERS STRONG AND HAS "NEW BLOOD" IN ITS BOARD. THIS GUARANTEES A STRONG ORGANIZATION OF CONTINUAL WORK BY YOUR CHILDREN IN REMEMBERING YOUR DAYS OF TRAGEDY. WE PLEDGE TO MAKE OTHERS AWARE OF THE HORRORS YOU ENDURED. WE PLEDGE TO EDUCATE OTHER SO YOUR CHILDREN & THEIR CHILDREN WILL NEVER HAVE TO SUFFER BECAUSE THEY WERE BORN JEWISH. YOUR CHILDREN PROMISE NOT TO FORGET THAT MOST OF US NEVER GOT TO KNOW OUR GRANDPARENTS OR AUNTS, UNCLES, COUSINS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILIES THAT OTHER PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD ACCEPT AS ALWAYS BEING APART OF THEIR LIVES.

2ND GENERTATION KOL ISRAEL CONGADULATES OUR PARENTS THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON ITS 30TH ANNIVERSRY OF EXISTANCE AND SHARE WITH YOU THE NACHES OF BEING YOUR CHILDREN. YOUR CONTINUING STRUGGEL TO SURVIVE GAVE US LIFE AND FOR THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE YOUR VOICES OF THE FURURE.

MORRIC ZRVI

PRESIDENT 2ND/GENERATION KOL ISRAEL





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Abbie Akst

Elias Cala

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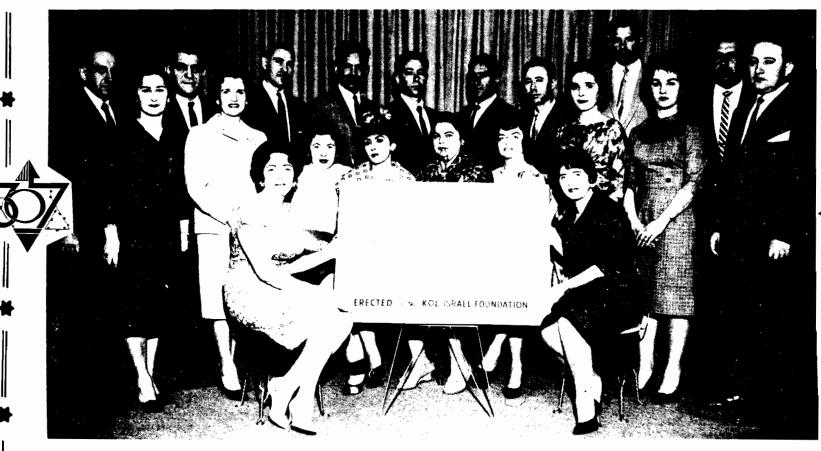
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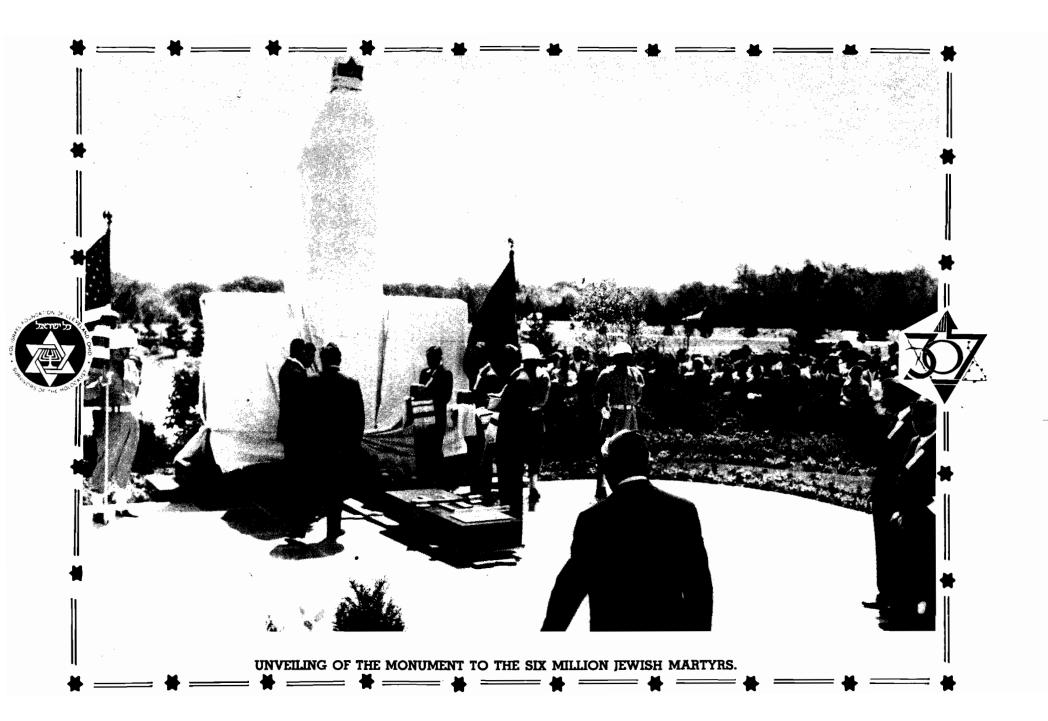
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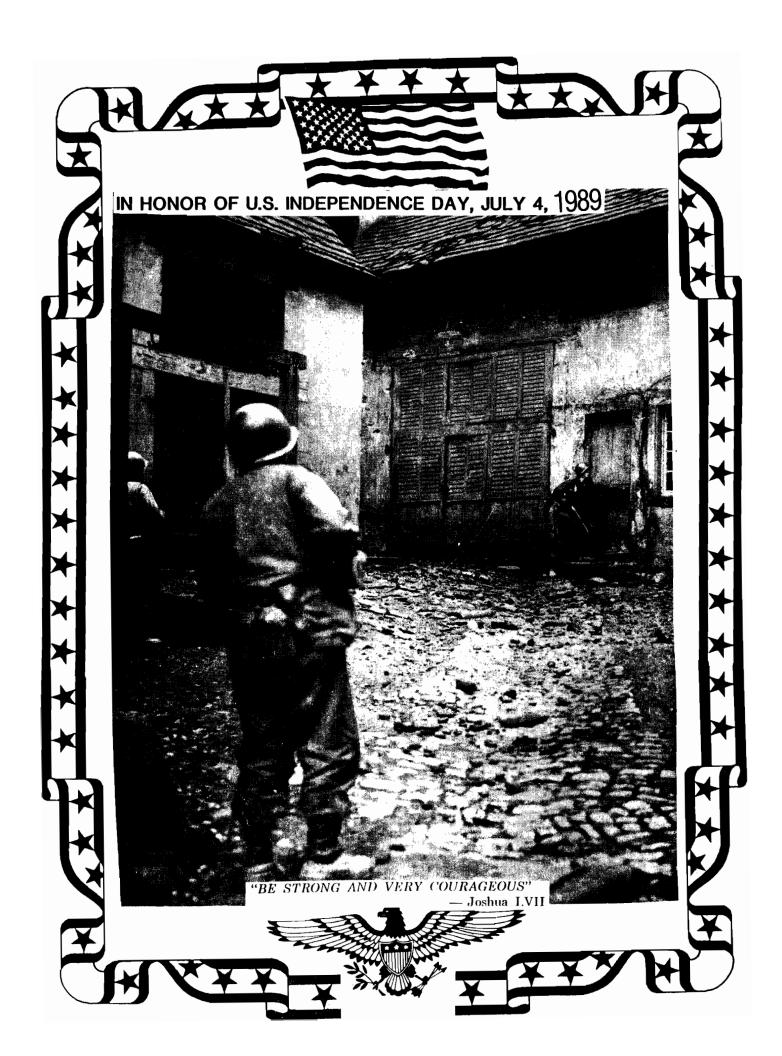
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### FOUNDERS OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION











Best Wishes to the State of Israel





# A History of the Kol Israel Foundation

#### BY JACOB HENNENBERG

As we know only too well, Jews have not been strangers to persecution in their long history both in their ancient homeland and in the Diaspora. But never before have they been subjected to the fury and scope of the systematic destruction unleashed by Hitler, first in Germany and then in the countries of Europe that came under the Nazi heel. Wherever the Nazi armies entered, the Jews were immediately singled out for annihilation.

On September 1, 1939 the Nazi armies attacked Poland. A few weeks later almost all of Europe was under the Nazi yoke. The Warsaw Ghetto uprising was a remarkable example of heroic resistance against insurmountable odds.

By the war's end about six million Jews had been murdered. In most of the cities and towns of occupied Europe the Jewish population was reduced to small remnants of survivors. It was the end of European Jewry and a way of life.

When the victorious Allied armies entered the concentration camps, it was difficult for them to grasp the unspeakable brutalities, the inhuman treatment, and the horrors that had been perpetrated behind the barbed wire fences. In all of the concentration camps of Europe only 500,000 Jews were found alive.

Tiny remnants of a once flourishing Jewish community made their way to Israel, the United States, Canada, and other countries.

About 92,000 came to the United States. Here they had to find a new life for themselves and make enormous adjustments. Many of them were now the sole surviving members of their families. Many of them had seen their wives or husbands and their children killed in the concentration camps and now had to find someone to marry and perhaps start a new family. All of them had to find a way to recover their integrity as human beings. All of them had to learn to live with the painful memories of the horrors inflicted upon them because they were Jews, and yet all of them wanted to survive as Jews. The extraordinary thing is that so many of them succeeded.

Those who came to Cleveland were helped by friends, relatives, the Jewish Family Service, and later the earlier emigres helped the newcomers. In a relatively short time they quickly learned a new language, entered into every occupational field available to them, adapted themselves to the American Jewish way of life, and achieved financial independence.

On Sunday, February 15, 1959 a small group of the Cleveland survivors met at Mike Frum's house with the purpose of forming an organization to represent the holocaust survivors in this area. The organization was given the name "Kol Israel" which means "all of Israel". A temporary committee was appointed to make all the necessary arrangements to get the organization established. The temporary committee consisted of:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aizen Mr. and Mrs. Max Kuricki

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lavon Mr. and Mrs. Morry Malemacher

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fixler Mr. and Mrs. William Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Frum Mr. and Mrs. Perec Slivka

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Herschkowitz Mr. and Mrs. Berl Yeger

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ickowicz



After a month passed, the temporary committee became permanent. The enthusiasm and spirit were high, and everybody was eager to work for the cause.

In February 1960 elections were held, and the following persons were elected as the first officers of the Kol Israel Foundation:

President	William Miller
Vice President	. Simon Fixler
Secretary	
Treasurer Mor	rry Malcmacher
Chairman	. Max Kuricki

#### Committee Members:

Harry Aizen	Joseph Ickowicz	Gary Lavon
Mike Frum	Paul Kuper	Mario Soria
Jack Herschkowitz	Chaim Kuricki	Berl Yeger

Under the leadership of William Miller and Simon Fixler, the Kol Israel Foundation became chartered by the State of Ohio, and the constitution was written in the house of Simon Fixler. The aims of the Foundation as filed in the office of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio under Articles of Incorporation, File #B-142-973, are as follows:

"The purpose or purposes are: To secure special education, guidance and vocational training, economic and social adjustment of people from foreign lands settling in Greater Cleveland.

"Purposes applying to charity: The Kol Israel Foundation shall also help the State of Israel through the various charitable organizations of Greater Cleveland."

The original signers of the constitution were:

Signed by the Kol Israel Foundation founders and organizers on the.....day of the month of...... of 1961.

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But the purposes of the Kol Israel Foundation were more comprehensive than that stated in the formal language of the Articles of Incorporation. To those who had suffered in concentration camps Kol Israel meetings became a refuge where they could get together with others who had a similar past and who now faced similar problems in the present. They knew that their experiences had made them unique and that for a long time they could feel comfortable and at ease only with people like themselves. The Foundation provided the warmth and sympathy and understanding of a close-knit family to its founders and members. Kol Israel also extended a helping hand to newcomers who arrived after the organization was established. It quietly gave financial assistance to those in need and helped find housing and jobs to those who had no relatives, friends, or agency to assist them. And to boththe early arrivals who had made their adjustment to the new country and had become financially independent and to the later arrivals—Kol Israel gave the muchneeded emotional and psychological support they lacked. The meetings and special events provided social opportunities without which many would have felt isolated and lonely.

In June 1960, acting on the suggestion of Morry Malcmacher, the leaders of Kol Israel decided it would be appropriate to build a monument in memory of the six million victims of the holocaust.

On May 28, 1961 in Zion Memorial Park the monument in memory of the six million Jewish martyrs was unveiled. To give the monument additional meaning, through the untiring efforts of Jack Herschkowitz and Herta Kuricki, the Kol Israel Foundation was able to obtain from three concentration camps the ashes of victims. These ashes were buried with honor under the monument.

Many leaders from the community attended the ceremony including many rabbis of the surrounding area. The notables included Anthony J. Celebreze, mayor of Cleveland; Robert Villeford, Mayor of Bedford Heights; Zvi Kolitz, Israeli film producer, and representatives from the Jewish Community.

We gratefully thank the following friends for their whole-hearted support and cooperation in making this project possible.

Albert B. Bramson
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Cantor Isaac Goodfriend
Joe Greenspun
Albert A. Levin

Samuel H. Miller Julius Paris Harry Ratner Abe Robbins Sidney Simon Israel Taslitt George Voinovich

In 1962 under the leadership of William Miller and Jack Beigelman local needy people were helped and funds were sent to Israel.

In 1963-64 with Morry Malcmacher and Mike Frum in charge, we sent a contribution to the Emergency Fund.

In 1965-66 under the guidance of Simon Fixler and Leon Bergrin, we again sent a donation to the Emergency Fund.

In 1967 our thoughts and hearts were turned to the national crisis in Israel. The following is an excerpt from the Order of the Day issued by the Commander of the Israeli Air Force on the morning of June 5, 1967:

"Fighters of the Air Force—
the Egyptian Army has lifted its hands against
us to destroy us! The clenched fist of the IDF
has given us the signal—WE ARE TAKING OFF FOR BATTLE!"



The third stage had started on our way to national independence in our historic homeland. The Kol Israel Foundation heard the call and responded. Under the leadership of Simon Fixler and Leon Bergrin an emergency meeting was held, and at the meeting that evening the members donated \$33,000 to the State of Israel. Also a memorial light to the six million Jewish victims was installed in the Taylor Road Synagogue.

In 1968 the Kol Israel Foundation purchased a forest in Israel through the Jewish National Fund.

On March 15, 1969 Kol Israel held its tenth anniversary banquet at the Academy Restaurant. Jack Herschkowitz and Henry Miller were in charge.

In 1969-70 under the guidance of Morry Malcmacher and Marc Moss Kol Israel donated two rooms at a hospital for veterans in Israel, and an ambulance was purchased and shipped to the Magen David Adom. Also \$1,800 in bonds were donated to the State of Israel.

In 1971-72 Kol Israel was led by Jack York and Mike Frum in raising \$5,000 in bonds which were donated to the State of Israel.

In 1973 the Magen David Adom of Israel was again the beneficiary of a donation by Kol Israel. Morry Malcmacher and Sam Taub managed the fund-raising campaign which netted \$1,500 for this purpose. Also in that year the names of the holocaust victims who have relatives living in the Cleveland area were inscribed on the monument in Zion Memorial Park.

#### Dear Friends:

At the recent service, you heard Mr. Fixler make an announcement concerning the names to be inscribed forever into the monument. The cost to inscribe a name is \$30.00 for paid-up members. Non-paid-up members or non-members please add \$50.00 to each name. Any member who paid for the names in the existing book, will be entitled to a \$3.00 credit. Anyone wishing to perform this holy task of memorializing the dear ones of his family, mail the exact copy that you wish to appear in printed letters with the check, made out to Kol Israel Foundation to Jacob Hennenberg at 1939 Green Rd., Cleveland, Ohio, 44121.

Expiration date is November 5, 1973. So please do not miss this opportunity to remember your dear ones, and do the "mitzvah" we should have done a long time ago.

When you mail your request, please include check only, no cash please. If you wish to pay cash please see our President, Mr. Morry Malchmacher, 2174 S. Taylor Road. Again I urge you not to delay.

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Jacob Hennenberg

Memorial Chairman

October 8, 1973

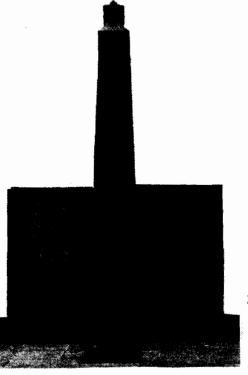


At the shocking news of the surprise attack on Israel by Egypt and Syria on Yom Kippur in October 1973, Kol Israel again demonstrated its quick response to an emergency. A meeting was quickly arranged, and in one evening \$35,000 was raised and sent to the State of Israel.

In 1974 the Kol Israel Foundation and its Sisterhood, with the cooperation of the David Mark Berger Chapter of the American Red Magen David, donated a fully equipped ambulance to the Magen David Adom in Israel.

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Dear Friends:

As you see on these illustrations, Phase #1 of the inscriptions of the names of our dear ones is completed. Now we are starting Phase #2, in which we have space for a limited number, and we will honor the ones dated first. The cost of each inscription is \$30.00 for paid-up members. The amount for non-members will be \$80.00. Anyone wishing to perform this holy task of memorial-izing their dear ones, mail the exact copy that you wish to appear in printed letters with check made out to Kol-Israel Foundation to Jacob Hennenberg, 1939 Green Rd., Cleveland, Ohio-44121.

Your request should not be post-marked later than March, 1, 1974. So please do not miss this opportunity to perform this "Mitzvah".

Jacob Hennenberg

Memorial Chairman



In 1975 under the leadership of Art Gelbart and Mike Frum, the Kol Israel Foundation donated an Israel bond to the State of Israel in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Under the leadership of Jack Beigelman and Simon Fixler, the Kol Israel Foundation on March 27, 1977, celebrated its 18th Anniversary with a banquet. The main speaker was Sam Miller.

On May 1, 1977, an amendment was made to the Constitution of the Kol Israel Foundation to the effect that \$1,000 per year should be set aside for the upkeep and expansion of the monument to the six million Holocaust martyrs.

Another ambulance was donated to the people of Israel through the American Red Magen David.

The New Year's Eve Dance that year was held in the Taylor Road Synagogue.

At the meeting on March 5, 1978 another amendment to the Constitution was approved. This amendment states that the membership should vote for and elect only four members to the Executive Committee, and in turn the Executive Committee will select the rest of the committee. Also at this meeting, elections were held, and the following officers were electd:





President Jack Beigelman
Vice President Leon Bergrin
Treasurer Abbie Akst
Secretary Jacob Hennenberg

On March 19, 1978 a Second Generation Kol Israel was founded by a group of young people, under the Kol Israel Foundation charter, dedicated to the continuance of the memory of the Holocaust victims.

On April 30, 1978 the Committee of the Kol Israel Foundation approved the new seal for the organization. It was designed by Jacob Hennenberg, and the wording "Survivors of the Holocaust" included on the seal was suggested by Leon Bergrin.

Sunday, May 7, 1978—Kol Israel participated in the Warsaw Uprising Memorial Service. Chairman of the event was Jack Beigelman.

June 1978—Kol Israel organized a bus trip to Skokie, Illinois, to participate in the march against the Nazi organization in the U.S.

On July 2, 1978, the date of our annual picnic, it rained all day, but we went along with our plans and held the picnic anyway. It was very heart-warming to welcome the members of our organization despite the bad weather.

On October 8, 1978 memorial services for the six million Jewish martyrs were held at Zion Memorial Park in front of the monument to the victims of the Holocaust. Mr. Bennet Kleinman delivered the main address. Also participating in the ceremony were Jack Beigelman, president of Kol Israel, the Jewish War Veterans, Rev. Joseph Frankel, and Chazzan Elliot G. Portner. Memorial Committee members were Simon Fixler, Mike From, Robert Birnbaum, and chairman of the day was Jack York.

December 31, 1978—Our annual New Year's Eve party was held at Park Synagogue. It was a great success with 460 people in attendance. Henry Miller was chairman and his co-chairmen were Sam Beder and Philip Green.

April 22, 1979—Kol Israel again participated in the Warsaw Ghetto Memorial. Jack Beigelman was chairman of the event.

July 15, 1979 was the annual Kol Israel picnic which also included the dedication of another ambulance for the People of Israel. Chairman Henry Miller served with Sam Beder and Philip Green. The picnic, held at Anisfield Camp Grounds, was a great success.

September 16, 1979 was the annual memorial service in memory of the six million Jewish martyrs of the Holocaust. Sam Miller delivered the main address. Participating in the ceremony were: Cantor Martin Leubitz, Jack Beigelman, Helene Herman, Philip Hersch, Rev. Joseph Frankel, and members of the Jewish War Veterans. Committee members were Simon Fixler, Mike From and Robert Birnbaum who was chairman of the day.

December 31, 1979—Our annual New Year's party was a huge success. The 440 people who attended danced to the music of the Cifani Orchestra and had a wonderful time thanks to the work done by Chairman Henry Miller and his associates Sam Beder and Philip Green.



On January 27, 1980 election of officers was held in the hall of the Green Road Synagogue, and the following officers were re-elected to serve another year:

Jack Beigelman	President
Leon Bergrin	Vice-President
Abbie Akst	Treasurer
Jacob Hennenberg	Secretary

After the election a pleasant social hour was enjoyed by all.

February 3, 1980—The first meeting of the new administration took place. The 21st Anniversary Banquet was discussed and approved. Also a resolution was passed to hold a general meeting every three months.

May 17, 1980—Installation of new officers was held:

President		Jack Beigelman
Vice-President		Leon Bergrin
Historian and	Secretary	Jacob Hennenberg
Treasurer		Abbie Akst
Chairman		Jack York

Committee Members: Martha Bauer, Alex Bauer, Robert Birnbaum, Marcel Friedman, Simon Fixler, Rev. Joseph Frankel, Philip Green, Philip Hersh, Henry Miller, Leo Rzepka, Jack Wieder.

The 21st Anniversary Banquet held on October 5, 1980, was a resounding huge success. About 250 people attended the affair which emphasized the Holocaust survivors gathering to be held the following June in Israel. Guest speaker was Mr. Ernest Michel of New York City, chairman of the steering committee for the World Gathering. Past presidents and vice-presidents were honored at the anniversary banquet as well as the 1980-81 committee members. The banquet was chaired by Jack York, co-chaired by Jacob Hennenberg, and under the watchful eye of Henry Miller and Leo Rzepka everything went smooth. Treasurer Abbie Akst saw to it that the finances were in order. Ticketing was chaired by Philip Green and Leon Bergrin took care of everything else.

The final event of 1980 was the New Year's Eve party which took place as planned.

On May 3, 1981, the Annual Warsaw Uprising Commemoration took place chaired by Jack Beigelman. That same day, the Kol Israel Foundation dedicated its fifth ambulance to be given to the people of Israel. This event took place in the May Company parking lot chaired by Jacob Hennenberg and co-chaired by Abbie Akst.

The following month in mid-June, found a substantial number of people attending the World Gathering for Jewish Holocaust Survivors in Israel. Here, the same ambulance that was dedicated earlier in Cleveland was now dedicated at the Western Wall in Jerusalem by Kol Israel members. Through the support of the Cleveland Jewish Federation, the executive committee of Kol Israel also presented a book entitled, "Ayduth Lechaim" which contained various accounts of Cleveland Holocaust survivors and their experiences during World War II. This was ceremoniously presented to Yad Vashem.

The annual picnic on August 2 was a huge success thanks to the great work of chairmen Mike From and Henry Miller.



DEDICATION OF THE AMBULANCE MAY 3rd, 1981, CLEVELAND, OHIO





On September 5, Jacob Hennenberg presented a report at the general meeting of the Kol Israel foundation on the events in Israel.

#### JACOB HENNENBERG

"WITNESS TO LIFE"

I would like to give you a summary of my feelings of the recently completed World Gathering of Jewish holocaust survivors, that took place in Israel between June 14-18.

I was able to participate with over 10,000 survivors and their children, in this once in a lifetime event. There was not an overriding feeling of sadness, but rather a feeling of unity with each other.

On June 18 at the closing ceremony at the Western Wall after singing the partisan song "Zug Nicht Keinmul Az Du Gehst De Letzten Weg" and the Hatikvah, 10.000 people embraced as to say we are one and we are here, in the survivors village in one huge hall, people attached messages on the Wall. One particular message stands out in my mind. Attached was a picture of a little girl, and it read:

"My name is Rachel. I was born in Warsaw in the year of 1943. Does anybody know my parents?"

Personally, I was reunited with a number of friends. I was walking in the hall of the survivors village, and I came across a man that I recognized as Warshawski, with whom I worked together in a forced labor camp, on the so-called "Autobahn." At that time I persuaded the guard to take a picture while we were working. For this I gave him my blanket that I brought with me from home. I have had this picture for 36 years and I really did not know what happened to Warshawski, until I met him in Jerusalem, and later in Ramat Gan.

I shared with him the picture showing the two of us plus other friends working on the snow covered Autobahn that went from Breslaw to Berlin.

There is a proud Cleveland note - - -

The Cleveland delegation was the only one in the world that brought to the Gathering a fully equipped ambulance that was dedicated by the Western Wall by the Kol Israel Foundation Sisterhood and Second Generation and the "Eydut L'Chaim" Witness to Life Book sponsored through the Jewish Community Federation's committee on holocaust commemoration and education. One of our members was Bar Mitzva at the Western Wall. Though 40 years later, it was a memorable experience. Twenty-six of the 100 Clevelanders who attended the Gathering would have missed the opportunity of being there, if it would not have been for the help from the Endowment Fund of the Cleveland Jewish Federation. All of us who attended that historic event agree it was the most memorable time of our lives.

One aspect of the World Gathering was having the opportunity of sharing this experience with my son, Michael. An important part of the Gathering was the passing of the legacy of the holocaust to the second generation. The passing of the legacy meant a great deal to me, because now I am assured when after we, the survivors, are here no more, someone will continue our work of not letting the world forget. I view this as my second liberation, the first one May 1945, the second June 18, 1981.

There is an episode in the Bible where Abraham and his son Isaak were to go to Mt. Moriah to perform a very difficult task. And the Torah describes it. They went together "Yachdov" Rashi comments not only physically but also together spiritually.

I draw this comparison.

My son, Michael, and I also went to Mt. Moriah to perform a difficult task handing over the legacy of the Holocaust to the second generation.

We also went "yachtov" in body and in spirit.



December 6, 1981. A general meeting took place. One item on the agenda was an amendment to the constitution of the Kol Israel Foundation. The amendment was approved by the membership.

December 5, 1981. The Kol Israel Foundation sponsored an Israel Bond Dessert, with the main speaker, world known reporter, David Schonbrunn. It was a huge success. The Kol Israel Foundation donated a \$1,000.00 bond to the State of Israel.

Elections were held on December 6, 1981, the following people were elected:

President—Leon Bergrin, Vice President—Simon Fixler, Treasurer—Abby Akst. Secretary—Jack Beigelman, Chairman—Jack York, Social Chairman—Henry Miller, Historian—Jacob Hennenberg. The committee: Robert Birnbaum, Marcel Friedman. Mike Frum, Philip Green, Phillip Hersh, Henry Lothenberg, George Schoenberg, Jack Wieder.

Thursday, December 31, 1981. Annual gala New Year's Party at the Academy Restaurant. Chairmen of the event—Philip Green, Mike Frum and Henry Miller.

The Kol Israel Foundation members participated in the Yom Hashoa and Warsaw Ghetto Uprising Commemoration on April 18 at the Taylor Road Synagogue, April 19, Euclid, Ohio.

April 20. Ohio State House in Columbus, Ohio. Chaired by Representative of the State of Ohio Lee Fisher.

April 21-22. Kol Israel members participated in an academic conference on the holocaust at Kent State University, Trumbull Campus, Warren, Ohio.

On Sunday, May 30, Installation of Officers took place at the Workmen's Circle Hall.

July 4, 1982. Annual Kol Israel Picnic at the Anisfield Day Camp Grounds. It was very successful because of the cooperation and help of all concerned, in particular Henry Miller, Abby Akst, Mike Frum, Leon Bergrin. Jack York and many others. The Kol Israel Foundation donated \$10,000.00 to the Federation's sponsored drive for the Emergency Fund for the People of Israel.

Sunday, Sertember 12, 1982. A Memorial Service for the 6 million Jewish martyrs was held at Zion Memorial Park. Chairman of the day George Schoenberg. Chairman Robert Birnbaum, Tehilim, Abe Akst. Main address, Rabbi Isidor Pickholtz. Kadish Leonard Fuchs.

October 23, 1982. A general meeting was held at the Green Road Synagogue that was followed with a social evening.

November, 1982. Vice President Simon Fixler was honored as Man of the Year by Taylor Road Synagogue.

December 6, 1982. The Hennenberg Family was given the New Life Award by Israel Bonds, also sponsored by the Kol Israel Foundation. \$80,000.00 in bonds was raised.

January 1, 1983. Annual New Year's Eve Party was a success.

April 11-14, 1983. American gathering of Holocaust survivors in Washington. D. C. Kol Israel and second generation Kol Israel sent a contingent of 150 persons to the gathering. The "Byduth Lechaim" book was presented to the National Holocaust Committee. Mr. Marc Talisman received the book for the N. H. C. Rose Kaplovitz gave a report of the gathering to the Executive Committee of the Cleveland Federation.

The Annual Picnic on the 4th of July, 1983, took place and it was a huge success under the leadership of Henry Miller and Mike Frum, and of course the help of the Sisterhood, the Committee and Second Generation Kol Israel.



October 22, 1983. General meeting and elections were held. Social evening followed. The following people were elected: Jack Wieder—President, Jack York-Vice President, Treasurer—Abbie Akst, Secretary and Historian—Jacob Hennenberg. Chairman—Bob Birnbaum, Social Chairman—Henry Miller. Also at that meeting a plaque was presented to attorney Michael C. Hennenberg for his legal services to the organization.

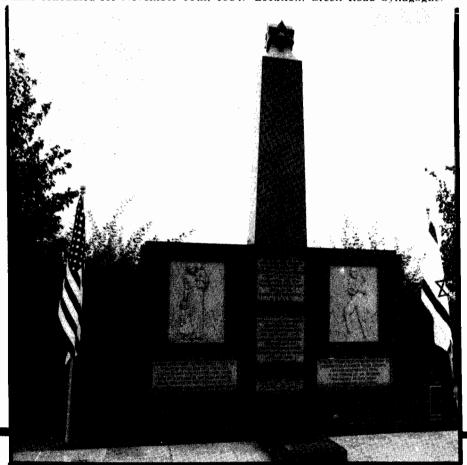
Board Members: Jack Beigelman—Memorial Chairman. Leon Bergrin—Membership Chairman, Elias Cala — Membership Chairman, Simon Fixler — Memorial Chairman, Herman Frank—Financial Advisor and Fund Raising Chairman, Mike Frum—Social Chairman, Marcel Friedman—Publicity Chairman, Philip Green—Membership Chairman, Dr. Zev Harell—Corresponding Secretary, Phillip Hersch—Sunshine Chairman, Chaim Kuricki—Social Chairman, Henry Lothenberg—Sunshine Chairman, George Schoenberg—Publicity Chairman, Julian Solonitz—Advertising and Public Relations.

October 27, 1983. First meeting of newly elected officers and board members.

Sunday, November 27, 1983. The Installation of Officers took place in the Academy Party Center. Dr. Zev Harell did the Installation.

January, 1984. New Year's Party a great success, everybody had a good time and enjoyed themselves. Two hundred and fifty attended the affair, chairmen Mike Frum and Henry Miller.

March 11, 1984. The new Constitution was adopted during a general meeting at the Green Road Synagogue. Plans are proceeding for the 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance scheduled for November 10th, 1984. Location, Green Road Synagogue.



ERECTED BY THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST



The 25-th Anniversary Banquet, honoring 25 years of history in the life of the Kol Israel Foundation was held at Green Road Synagogue on November 10, 1984.

The Planning Committee included Mr. Herman Frank, Mr. Mike Frum, Mr. Jacob Hennenberg, Mrs. Eva Wieder, Mr. Jack Wieder and the late Jack York who also served as master of ceremonies at the banquet.

Survivors celebrating this important event in the life of their beloved organization certainly had many memories to reflect on. They remembered where they originated from, the traumas which they endured during the Holocaust, and the adjustment challenges which they faced in establishing themselves as productive members of their new communities in the U.S. and Israel. These memories shaped over the years the purposes of the Kol Israel Foundation which include the unconditional support for the State of Israel, the establishment of a Holocaust legacy, and support for Jewish life and culture in the U.S. and around the world.

At the banquet on November 10, 1984, 360 members of the Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood and Second Generation and their friends were gathered to mark this important event in the life of the survivor community. The spirited celebration was held at the Green Road Synagogue.



The main speaker was Mr. Albert Ratner. He adressed in his keynote speech three major points. First, he said that in order to clearly know where one was headed, it was important to look back and to remember where one was coming from. Second, he recognized the hardships experienced by survivors and underscored the important contributions which survivors made to Jewish life and culture in the U.S. and to the establishment of the State of Israel. Third, he praised the decency, integrity and respect for cultural traditions that survivors and people like his own father imprinted on Jewish institutions in Cleveland. He also Praised the ways in which Jewish individuals and organizations got involved and adjusted to the economic, social and cultural institutions of Cleveland and the U.S., while safeguarding their Jewish heritage and traditions.

Mr. Jack Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Foundation, addressed the need for a Holocaust Education and Commemoration Center.

There was a solemn candlelighting ceremony organized by Mr. Herman Frank, Mrs. Eva Wieder, Mrs. Rose Kaplowitz and the late Leon Bergrin.

There was a nostalgic recgnition of 15 couples who were among the founders and charter members of the Kol Israel Foundation.



Brief congratulatory remarks for the occasion were offered by the Hon. Harvey Friedman, Mayor of the City of Beachwood, and by State Senator Lee Fisher.

Mr. Michael Hennenberg, of the Kol Israel Second

Generation, offered a moving toast that brought the audience
to tears.

A special medal, designed by Mr. Jack Hennenberg, was awarded to over 100 individuals who served over the years as officers of the Kol Israel Foundation. The medal was 1.5 inches in diameter, and had the 25-th Anniversary symbol engraved on one side and a memorial to the six million Jewish martyrs, located at Zion cemetery, on the other side.

A commemorative journal was distributed to all those in attendance. The journal was designed and compiled by Mr. Jacob Hennenberg, historian of the Kol Israel Foundation. The journal included historical essays, personal statements, and congratulatory messages. The journal reflected a dignified affirmation that the membership of the Kol Israel Foundation wants to keep the memory of those who perished during the Holocaust alive in the minds and hearts of all of us.

The spirited celebration continued well past midnight, and all those in attendance went home enriched with renewed dedication to the goals of the Kol Israel Foundation.



The Kol Israel Foundation held a New Year's Eve party at the Green Road Synagogue. Over 300 persons were in attendance. Co-Chairs of this important event were Mr. Mike Frum, the late Chaim Kuricki, Mr. Henry Miller and the late Jack York. Excellent food, good music and spirited friendship marked this joyous event.

General Meeting -- Sunday, January 25, 1985

A general meeting of the Kol Israel Foundation membership was held at the Academy Party Center. The agenda included reports from committee chairs and a review of annual activities by Mr. Jack Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Foundation.

Bitburg Protest -- Sunday, May 5, 1985

The Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood and Second

Generation held a demostration program at the Zion Memorial

Park. The demonstartion was titled "A Cry of Anguish to our

President," and was called to protest President Reagan's

visit to the Bitburg cemetery, the burial site of Nazi SS

officers—the murderers of Jews. Over 250 persons attended

this powerful program in which signs of protest were

carried, candles were lit, and speakers denounced President

Reagan's insensitivity towards survivors of the Nazi

atrocities.



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# Reagan to salute Nazi dead

It should not be left only to Jewish groups to oppose President Reagan's wreath-laying visit to a Nazi war cemetery next month. Even allowing for the president's previously expressed desire for reconciliation between old enemies, such recognition for the dead of Hitler's army is ill advised and for many, almost obseene.

The cemetery is near the Luxembourg border, on the site of a German staging area for the Battle of the Bulge. In that engagement, the Wehrmacht, fighting as if the war was still winnable, came close to dealing the Allied invaders a major setback.

It was a battle of the forces of liberation against the legions of totalitarianism. Fortunately, the latter were not quite good enough.

It is to the credit of the United States—and its French and British allies—that the work of rebuilding Germany, exorcizing Naziism and establishing democracy, at least in the Allied zone, was pursued vigorously to the point where, a mere 40 years after Hitler's downfall, West Germany and its former enemies are political and military allies and trading partners.

But to accomplish that, the men who fought for Hitler had to be beaten, and in such a manner that the world would recognize the total evil of the Nazi cause. Germans certainly may mourn their war dead, but the president of the United States has no business recognizing sacrifices made in a final effort to save Hitler's cruel Reich.

As bad as all this is, what can be made of Reagan's decision to go to a military cemetery when he already has rejected a proposal that, on the same trip, he visit a former concentration camp? To formally visit such a place would be offensive to our new allies, he reckons. Instead, he has agreed to a gesture that not only wounds and insults Jewish and other Nazi death camp victims, but must outrage veterans of World War II and the relatives of the 19,000 Americans killed in the Battle of the Bulge.

It is not too late for Reagan to pay homage to the innocent victims of Hitler's lust for world domination. It also is not too late for him to cancel his visit to a German military cemetery.



MEMBERS OF THE KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD DEMONSTRATING IN CLEVELAND, OHIO.

PROTESTING PRESIDENT REAGAN'S UPCOMING TRIP TO BITTBURG.

"That place, Mr. President, is not your place. Your place is with the victims . . ."

ELIE WIESEL



The Annual Picnic was held on July 14, 1985 at the Annisfield Camp site. Even though it was a rainy day, a significant number of our loyal member were present for this annual event. A trip to Israel was given as first prize.

Annual Memorial Service -- September 22, 1985
The Annual Memorial Service which hoonors the memory of
the six million Jewish martyrs who died during the Holocaust
was held at the Zion Memorial Park. Mr. Jack Beigelman and
Mr. Simon Fixler co-chaired the memorial service. Rabbi
Abraham Ben Soussan of Yabi synagogue was the main speaker.
Presentations were also made by Mr. Jack Wieder, President
of the Kol Israel Foundation, Mrs. Eva Wieder, President of
the Kol Israel Sisterhood and Mr. Morry Zryl, President of
the Kol Israel Second Generation. Cantor Isador Jacobs
chanted the "El Molei Rachamim" and the "Kadish".

A general meeting of the Kol Israel membership, including election of officers, was held at the Green Road Synagogue on November 24, 1985

### Elected Officers:

President- Jack Wieder

Vice President- Jack York

Treasurer- Abbie Akst

Chairman- Robert Birnbaum

Social Chairman-Henry Miller

Secretary- Julian Solonitz



On Tuesday--December 31, 1985, an Annual Gala New Year's Eve Party was held at the Green Road Synagogue. Over 350 persons attended this joyous party, and everyone had a very good time. Co-Chairman of this party were Mr. Mike Frum and Mr. Henry Miller.

On Sunday, April 6, 1986, the instalation of officers for 1986-8 took place at the Academy Party Room. The officers included: President- Mr. Jack Wieder; Vice President- Mr. Jack York; Treasurer, Mr. Abbie Akst; Chairman- Mr. Bob Birnbaum; Social Chairman- Mr. Henry Miller; Historian-Mr. Jack Hennenberg; Recording Secretary- Mr. Julian Solonitz. Board members included: Mr. Leon Bergrin, Mr. Elias Cala, Mr. Herman Frank, Mr. Simon Fixler, Mr. Marcel Friedman, Mr. Mike Frum, Mr. Philip Green, Dr. Zev Harel, Mr. Philip Hersh, Mr. Henry Lothenberg and Mr. George Schoenberg.

Jack York: A driving force among Cleveland surviviors

Members of the Cleveland community of Holocaust survivors were saddened by the untimely death of one of their respected leaders, Mr. Jack York. After enduring and surviving the war attrocities in the Lodz ghetto, the city where he was born and spent his formative years, and in several concentration camps; Mr. York dedicated himself to helping his fellow survivors. He spent several years after liberation working for the Red Cross in Germany, helping survivors in displaced persons (D.P.) camps. Eventually, he and his life partner Rita arrived in the U.S. and settled in Cleveland.



Here in Cleveland, along with fellow survivors, he went about working on the establishment of the local survivor organization— the Kol Israel Foundation and helping the development of a Holocaust legacy. Over the years, he was not only a dedicated member of the Kol Israel Foundation, he was its leader; served in various offices, including as its President; and at the time of his death, as its Vice President.

Mr. York helped shape the goals and structure of the Kol Israel Foundation, the organization of Holocaust survivors dedicated to the commemoration of the Holocaust, the unconditional support of the State of Israel, and the perpetuation of Jewish life and culture in the U.S. and worlwide.

The Kol Israel Foundation established a monument at the Zion cemetery, in memory of the 6,000,000 who lost their lives at the hands of the Nazis. Under his leadership, the Kol Israel Foundation, the Kol Israel Sisterhood and the Kol Israel Second Generation, assumed active involvement in the planning and implementation of the annual community-wide commemoration of the Holocaust-the Yom Hashoah Vehagevurah Program.

He was a consistent driving force in the vibrant organizational life of the Kol Israel Foundation. He worked hard all his life to assure the security of his family, but always found time and energy to support and work for the causes and activities of the Kol Israel Foundation. He loved and enjoyed his family and his fellow



survivors. In the views of his fellow survivors, he was not just an ordinary man. He was a friend and a leader who helped shape the development of the Kol Israel Foundation and contributed extensively to the evolution of a Holocaust legacy here in Cleveland. For these, he commanded the love and respect of his family and friends, his fellow survivors and children of survivors, who will continue the legacy and traditions which he helped establish.

MARCEL FRIEDMAN DIES, 66: SURVIVED 'PENTCHO VOYAGE

Marcel Friedman, who died on May 24 at the age of 66, was a survivor of the Holocaust. He was among the fugitives on an ill-fated paddlesteamer named the "Pentcho" which attempted to escape to then-Palestine during World War II.

In 1940, the overcrowded, ill-equipped paddlesteamer floundered enroute to its destination. The group was rescued by the Italian Navy and was interned on the island of Rhodes. In 1942, through the intervention of Pope Pius XIII, the group was transferred to Italy and was eventually liberated by British troops.

Marcel Friedman assisted author John Bierman in writing a book on the voyage of the Pentcho, called Odissey. Mr. Friedman was also the subject of a number of articles in the CJN relating to the Pentcho and to his efforts at keeping in touch with other Pentcho survivors worldwide, including its captain.



Mr. Friedman eventually was sent to Czechoslowakia, where he worked with his brother and sister on a farm before the Communists came in 1948. Mr. Friedman fled to Israel, where he lived until coming to Cleveland in 1953.

He joined Groger Travel in 1957 as a travel agent and became a partner in 1964.

Since coming here, Mr. Friedman took 20 trips to Europe and Israel. He made his last tour in January 1985, with the 50 fugitives of the Pentcho, retracting their odyssey.

Mr. Friedman was a member of the Taylor Road Synagogue. For a number of years, he was secretary of Kol Israel Foundation and from 1984 to 1986, served as publicity chairman for the organization. He was a member of SKAL, the Travel Agency Society, the Hungarian Businessmen Association and the Cleveland Magyar Club. His wife Edith died in 1980.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ella Kieselstein, daughters, Marsha Sternstein of East Chester, N.Y. and Sharon, a grandson and a sister. The family is at the residence, 1195 Chillicothe Rd., Chesterland,

# For the Dead <u>and</u> the Living, We Must Bear Witness



The Annual Picnic was held on July 6, 1986 at the Annisfield Camp site. The planning committee included Mr. Elias Cala, Mr. Mike Frum, Mr. Henry Miller and Mr. Jack Wieder. Members of the Kol Israel Foundation and the Kol Israel Second Generation worked hard to make this a successful event. A trip to Israel was, again, the first prize. Survivor families and friends of the Kol Israel Foundation enjoyed the nature, the swimming pool, the good food and the good friendship which have become a tradition at this annual event.

A TRIBUTE TO CHAIM KURICKI: HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR

Chaim Kuricki is no longer with us. He was a Holocaust survivor, a man without modern sophistication, but with a great heart to his fellow man.

Chaim was born in a small Lituanian town, one of 12 children in a family that always struggled to provide the food for the next meal.

His own life contained many struggles. The Holocaust swallowed his family, leaving only him and his brother to find new life in Cleveland.

He was one of the original organizers of the Kol Israel Foundation and its untiring stalwart.

He was the living image of the vanished "stetl" a man with a passion for hard work, the unspoiled will to help others, and the readiness to promote the memory of the six million of his brethern.



After all of those trying years as a youngster in his impoverished family, and later the constant fight for survival in hiding, or in hard labor camp in Vilna, one would hope that his fate would in some way compensate Chaim for his past sufferings. But no... his fight for life during the last few months was exceptionally tragic. For his family and friends it was a crushing sight—and how ironic this may sound—his passing removed part of everybody's pain. Chaim is not suffering any more.

His devoted wife and family, and his beloved Kol Israel
Foundation will miss him greatly. With him we're saying goodbye to
another most dedicated survivor.

This earth wasn't too forthcoming for Chaim Kuricki. Maybe the heavens will have a smile for this proud Jew.

Julian Solonitz, Secretary Kol Israel Foundation ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE -- SEPTEMBER 1986

The annual memorial service in memory of the six million martyrs of the Holocaust was held by the Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood and Second Generation on Sunday, September 28, 1986 at 2 p.m. at Zion Memorial Park at the monument for the Six Million.

Main speaker was Rabbi Armond E. Cohen of Park Synagogue. Hazzan Alberto Mizrachi chanted the El Mole Rachamim. Speakers included Mr. Jack Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Foundation, Ms. Eva Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Sisterhood and Mr. Morry Zryl, President of the Kol Israel Second Generation. Colors were presented by the Jewish War Veterans of Cuyahoga County.



Mr. Herman Frank, Memorial Chairman of the Kol Israel Foundation presided over the memorial services, including the traditional lighting of six candles by survivors of the Hololcaust in memory of the Six million martyrs.

LEON BERGRIN DIES AT 71: A SURVIVOR OF THE HOLOCAUST

Leon Bergrin, a survivor of the Holocaust, died here on October 20, 1986 at the age of 71. Mr. Bergrin, a resident of University Heights, came to Cleveland in 1949. He started a drapery business in Cleveland Heights, Leon Draperies Inc., which he ran for 35 years.

He was extremely active in the Kol Israel Foundation, having served as President, Secretary and Treasurer for many years. He also belonged to B'nai B'rith, American Red Magen David Adom for Israel, the Yidish Cultural Committee, and Taylor Road Synagogue.

Survivors include his wife Sally, daughters Ruth Gordon and Marlene Wolf, son Irving, and six grandchildren.

STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS DINNER -- OCTOBER 28, 1986

A State of Israel Bonds New Life Dinner was held on October 28, 1986 at the Green Road Synagogue. Five survivors, including two officers of the Kol Israel Foundation, Mr. Abbie Akst and Mr. Simon



Fixler, were honored on this occasion. The Kol Israel Foundation purchased bonds in the amount of \$4,000 in support of its honorees and the State of Israel. Over 200 persons were in attendance, including over 100 survivors and children of survivors.

GENERAL MEETING -- NOVEMBER 1986

A general meeting of the Kol Israel Foundation membership was held at the Academy Party Center on November 30, 1986. Almost 200 members were in attendance.

The agenda included, in addition to committee reports, the erection of two walls by the monument at Zion Memorial Park for the inscription of names and the design of a commemorative grave marker.

There was a presentation by Mr. Jack Wieder and Mr. Herman Frank of plans for the inscription of names of lost loved ones who died during the Holocaust on two walls which would to be erected near the Monument for the Six Million martyrs at the Zion Memorial Park. Mr. Hennenberg, historian of the Kol Israel Foundation, explained to the audience that a a grave marker which he designed was in production, and will be available for purchase by survivor families for use on existing and new grave stones indicating the resting place of a Holocaust survivor. Following a motion made by Mr. Joe Matlow and seconded by Mr. Richard Widmar, both projects were approved by the membership.



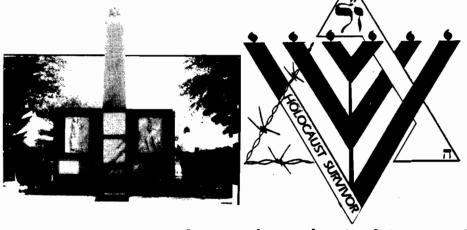
The Kol Israel Foundation, an association of Holocaust survivors announces the availability of a commemorative grave marker which can be secured to toombstones to denote the final resting place of a survivor of the Holocaust.

Forty years have passed since the liberation from the Nazi oppression and horrors, and survivors still remember very vividly their own experiences during the World War II years, and those whom they lost - the martyrs who died on "Kidush Hashem" at the hands of the Nazis and their willing collaborators. Over this long period of time, many survivors died and their graves were not distinguishable from those of other deceased. Many survivors wanted to have a symbol to be applied to their graves so that people would be reminded of the Holocaust. There were suggestions made by the survivor community over the years that a commemorative symbol be produced which could be secured to the grave marker of a deceased survivor. This symbol would serve to identify the grave of a Holocaust survivor for future generations.

The Kol Israel Foundation, an association of Holocaust survivors in Cleveland, has decided to undertake the production of such a commemorative grave marker symbol. Jacob Hennenberg, an Officer and Historian of Kol Israel Foundation, designed the commemorative marker. The design symbolizes the suffering as well as the resistance and heroism of survivors. The basic element in the design is a stylized "Magen David". The two triangles in the design form part of a "Magen David" that the Jewish people were forced to wear for identification during the Holocaust period. The barbed wire in the design represents the internment and concentration camps. There are six candles in the commemorative marker which represent the six million Jewish martyrs. The letters Z and L (in Hebrew) mean "zichrono lebracha", may his or her memory be blessed. The V's in the design represent the small victories during war years and the ultimate victory over the Nazi oppressors.

The commemorative marker is three and one-half inches in diameter 3/16 of an inch thick, made of bronze, with a solid pin in the back for securing it into a grave marker. It can be secured to an existing grave marker or fastened by the stone company to a new one. These commemorative markers may be obtained from the Kol Israel Foundation. For further information, contact

Jack Wieder, President, Bob Birnbaum, Vice President, Herman Frank, Memorial Chairman, Mike Frum, Co-Chairman Kol Israel Foundation, P. O. Box 21146 Cleveland, Ohio 44121.



Death is only a Physical Separation

But love and remembrance are a Spiritual union.— 🗢



#### CLEVELAND HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION -- 1987

The Kol Israel Foundation took part in the first Annual Holocaust Commemoration of the City of Cleveland. The event took place on the rotunda near the City Hall. Mr. Jack Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Foundation, addressed the audience on behalf of the Kol Israel Foundation and Holocaust survivors in the Cleveland area.

#### ANNUAL PICNIC -- 1987

The Annual Picnic was held on July 26, 1987 at the Annisfield Camp site. It was a beautiful day, and a large number of survivor families, including second and third generation survivors, were present for this annual event. A trip to Israel was given as first prize. The social Co-Chairman, Mr. Mike Frum, Mr. Henry Miller, and Mr. Jack Wieder and Mr. Elias Cala were responsible for the successful organization of this event which was co-sponsored by the Kol Israel Foundation and the Kol Israel Second Generation.

### ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE -- SEPTEMBER 1987

The annual memorial service in memory of the six million martyrs of the Holocaust was held by the Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood and Second Generation on Sunday, September 27, 1987 at the Zion Memorial Park where the monument for the Six Million martyrs stands.



Main speaker was State Senator Lee Fisher. Other speakers included Rabbi Dov Peretz Elkins of Park Synagogue, Mr. Milton Wolf, President of the Jewish Federation, Mr. Jack Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Foundation, Ms. Eva Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Sisterhood and Mr. Morry Zryl, President of the Kol Israel Second Generation. A chapter Tehilim was read by Mr. Cala.

Cantor Alberto Mizrachi chanted the El Mole Rachamim. Candles were lit by: Mr. Cyncinatus, Mr. Kan, Mrs. Kirsch, Mrs. Lewan, Mrs. Polack and Mr. Reis. Colors were presented by the Jewish War Veterans of Cuyahoga County. Mr. Herman Frank Memorial Chairman presided over the memorial service.

### GENERAL MEETING -- OCTOBER 1987

A general meeting of the Kol Israel Foundation membership was held at the Green Road Synagogue on October 10, 1987. The membership unanimously approved the building of two memorial wals in the back of the monument at Zion Memorial Park. The walls will serve to inscribe the names of loved ones who died during the Holocaust. Also an announcement was made by Mr. Herman Frank, Memorial Chairman, that the bronze grave markers, designed by Mr. Jack Hennenberg, were available for purchase.



There was an announcement and discussion of an intended change in the Kol Israel Foundation bylaws which at present restricts the office of the President to two consecutive terms of two years each. A social hour followed the general meeting.

KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD--25-TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Over two hundred fifty members, spouses, and friends of the Kol

Israel Sisterhood joined together on October 31, 1987 at the Green

Road Synagogue to celebrate the 25-th Anniversary of the Kol Israel

Sisterhood.

The celebration was chaired by Mrs. Rose Kaplowitz and Mrs. Ester Frank and included presentations by Mrs. Eva Wieder, President of the Kol Israel Sisterhood, Mr. Jack Wieder, President of Kol Israel Foundation and Mr Morrie Zryl, President of Kol Israel Second Generation. Guest speaker was radio personality Mr. Merle Pollis.

Past presdients and active officers were recognized and given awards for their services to the organization. The food was excellent, there was an open bar and good music. A special feeling of loving friendship made the attainment of this milestone so meaningful and enjoyable.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS -- DECEMBER 1987

A general meeting of the Kol Israel membership, including election of officers, was held at the Green Road Synagogue on December 5, 1987.



### Elected Officers:

President- Robert Birnbaum

Vice President- Abbie Akst

Treasurer- Elias Cala

Chairman- Simon Fixler

Social Chairman- Henry Miller

Secretary- Julian Solonitz

Historian- Jack Hennenberg

#### NEW YEAR 1988

The Kol Israel Foundation held a New Year's Eve Gala party at the Green Road Synagogue. Over 200 members and friends of the Kol Israel Foundation, attended what turned out to be a great party. Co-Chairs of this splashy event were Mr. Mike Frum and Mr. Elias Cala. Excellent food, good music, much friendship and spirited conversations helped usher in the New Year.

KOL ISRAEL SECOND GENERATION -- 10-TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Over two hundred members of the Kol Israel Second Generation, Kol Israel Foundation and Kol Israel Sisterhood joined together at the Green Road Synagogue, on February 18, 1988 to celebrate the 10-th Anniversary of the Kol Israel Second Generation. The celebration of the 40-th Anniversary of the State of Israel added symbolic meaning



to this important event in the life of the Cleveland survivor community.

The celebration included, in addition to excellent food, open bar, and good music, presentations by Mr. Morry Zryl, President of the Kol Israel Second Generation and Mr. Abbie Akst, Vice-President of the Kol Israel Foundation. Past and present officers were recognized and supporters of the organization were awarded life membership.

#### ANNUAL PICNIC-JULY 1988

HOLOCAUST GENERATIONS TOGETHER--BUT NOT IN DESPAIR

Four generations of the Holocaust enjoyed the beauty of the day before America's traditional celebration of its freedom.

A meadow at Anisfield Camp near Burton was the locale for the annual picnic of Kol Israel, the organization of Holocaust survivors in Cleveland. Survivors, their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren enjoyed the pleasures of nature, good kosher food, comradeship, and most importantly, each other.

Everything about this day was in stark contrast to the experiences of that black period of not so many years ago. Birds singing where once none were heard. Green trees and flowers where once only dirt and rocks existed. The laughter of children, abundant food and family. Generations together.



"Mother," "father," "grandmother" and "grandfather"-"Zayde,"
Ema," "Mama," "Dad," called out in English, Hebrew, Yidish and
languages foreign. But this time it was not in despair.

Yet, many a memory and fleeting thought of generations unable to feel, to know, to experience. Not forgotten... and yet, "to life!"

Manfred Adler, Ph.D.

Kol Israel Second Generation

DONATION TO DR. KORCHAK SCHOOL IN PETACH TIKVAH-AUGUST 1988

The Kol Israel Foundation donated \$2,000 to a school for retarded children, named after Dr. Janus Korczak, in Petach Tikvah, Israel.

Dr. Korczak (Goldsmidt) refused to safe himself from the Nazis in Ghetto Warsaw. Instead, he went to his death with the children that were entrusted to his care in the Warsaw Ghetto.

### GENERAL MEETING -- SEPTEMBER, 1988

A general meeting of the Kol Israel Foundation for paid up members was held at the Davis Party Center on September 4, 1988. The elected officers and appointed members of the Executive Committee were introduced by President Bob Birnbaum.

The officers included:

President- Mr. Bob Birnbaum Vice President- Mr. Abbie Akst



Treasurer- Mr. Elias Cala

Chairman- Mr. Simon Fixler

Secretary-

Mr. Julian Solonitz

Social Chairman- Mr. Henry Miller

Historian-

Mr. Jack Hennenberg

Board members included: Mr. William Burstyn, Mr. Nathan
Burzinski, Mr. Herman Frank, Mr. Mike Frum, Mr. Philip Green, Dr.
Zev Harel, Mr. Philip Hersh, Mr. Henry Lothenberg, Mr. Morry
Malcmacher, Mr. George Schoenberg and Mr. Morrie Zryl. A free full
course dinner was served. A social hour followed the meeting.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE -- SEPTEMBER 1988

The annual memorial service in memory of the six million martyrs of the Holocaust was held by the Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood and Second Generation on September 18, 1988 at the Zion Memorial Park.

Main speaker was Rabbi Melvin Granatstein of Green Road

Synagogue. Guest speakers included the Honorable Lee I. Fiser, State

Senator; the Honorable Milton Wolf, President of the Jewish

Federation; Mr. Bob Birnbaum, President of Kol Israel Foundation;

and Mr. Morry Zryl, President of Kol Israel Second Generation.

Cantor Avram Rubin chanted the El Mole Rachamim. Candles were lit by six Holocaust survivors and the colors were presented by the Jewish War Veterans of Cuyahoga County. Mr. Herman Frank, Memorial Chairman, presided over the memorial service.



MARK MOSS: HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR

Mark Moss, a former vice president of the Kol Israel Foundation, left us last week in a most sudden and quiet way.

Moss wasn't a simple man. Beneath his quiet and simple personality, he was a man with great artistic talent, proven devotion to his Jewish heritage, and a fighting spirit which he contributed as a warrior against the Nazis and as a fighter for Israel's independence.

After the known tribulations of our most tragic years, during which he lost many members of his closest family and personally suffered immensely, he had found the strength and compulsion to join the Polish Army to fight the Nazi murderers.

Proud and able, Moss was soon given the rank of lieutenant. After the war he decided to offer his military prowess to Israel's fight for survival against the Arabs.

In 1956 he arrived in Cleveland and talented as he was, he was able to find employment as an artist and illustrator with American Greeting Co. Beside a rich collection of art-graphics that he produced in his free time for the benefit of the Kol israel Foundation, and other organizations here and in Israel, he is leaving behind a memory of proud and devoted Jew, a member of our organization who will be impossible to replace. At the time of his



death, he was working on a brochure to commemorate the 50-th Anniversary of Kristallnacht.

We grief deeply the untimely departure of this devoted member of ours.

Julian Solonitz, Secretary

Kol Israel Foundation

April 15, 1989

On behalf of the Kol Israel Foundation Executive Board, I am pleased to inform you that in November 1989 we will be celebrating our 30-th Anniversary.

As part of the celebrations, a banquet will be held on Saturday night, November 11, 1989 at the Green Road Synagogue.

Also, as part of this important milestone in the history of our organization, a book will be published. The book will include, in addition to historical pages, commemorative pages and congratulatory messages.

Commemorative pages may include messages honoring departed family members, friends and victims of the Holocaust years.

Congratulatory messages may include adds honoring the Kol Israel Foundation, Sisterhood, Second Generation, the survivor community or the general Jewish community.

The cost of a full page is \$1000 and a half page \$50. The cost of special silver page is \$200 and a gold page \$300 and up. Contributors to the book will receive a complimentary copy. Contributions are tax deductible.

For information concerning our 30-th Anniversary, please call Co-Chairman of the Planning Committee: Mr. Simon Fixler (473-5373); Dr. Zev Harel (371-2536) or Mr. Jack Hennenberg.

Sincerely.

Robert Birnbaum, President





### KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

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JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE



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Mary Chaitoff Journey Assistant Leader Dear Colleague:

We are privileged to organize a unique lifetime pilgrimage, a Journey of Conscience, Tuesday, June 27 to Tuesday, July 18, 1989. This journey will return to our members' birthplaces as well as to sites of their Holocaust experiences and then to Israel, Land of Rebirth. For many of our members, this will be an opportunity for Kever Ayos, to say Kaddish where loved ones saw their last days. For many members the triumph of this visit is the acknowledgement that "Mir Zinen Doh" - "We are here." For all of us, the visit to our homeland, Israel, is the ultimate expression of Jewish renewal. We will demonstrate our love and concern for Israel.

Our itinerary includes Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Israel. Enclosed is a tentative itinerary. It is important, however for us to know your birthplace and the special visits you want to make in the above countries. Groger Travel is arranging our itinerary. We will try to accommodate the wishes of all participants. The Journey of Conscience will be limited to thirty-six people. Cost of the Journey which includes, air and land arrangements, hotel and breakfast, is \$3,200.00.

Early registration will insure maximum consideration. To reserve your place on this Journey of Conscience, please send a deposit check for \$350.00 by February 15, 1989 to:

> Kol Israel Journey of Conscience Groger Travel 251 Old Arcade Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Please make checks payable to Groger Travel. Fill in the enclosed card and return it with your remittance.

The importance of the Journey of Conscience is what we are doing for ourselves and for future generations, "to free mankind from ignorance, to remind the world of the oppressor's brutality which enslaved us and still threatens mankind, but to come face to face with hope and renewal which was sown by the victims of oppression and which may yet save the new generations from another Holocaust."

Robert Birnbaum, President Kol Israel Foundation

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Mary Chaitoff Assistant Leader With warm good wishes,

Leatrice B. Rabinsky, Ph.D. /

Journey Leader



# Martyrs commemorated at Yom Hashoa program

Friday, May 12, 1989

CLEVELAND JEWISH NEWS

In a moving ceremony, six Holocaust survivors -- each accompanied by an adult child -- lit a memorial candle. As each pair walked across the stage, Herman Frank, Memorial Chairman of the Kol Israel Foundation (association of Holocaust survivors) read the names of the ghettos and concentration camps that the individual had survived. The adult child then recited a poem or prose passage about the Holocaust, ending with the refrain, "For those who did not survive, we light this candle."

Other highlights of the evening included a "Presentation of the Colors" by the Jewish War Veterans Cuyahoga County Council; a poetry reading by winners of a student Yom Hashoa Creative Arts Contest, and a performance by the Park Synagogue Junior Choir, directed by Katia Galian.

Morrie Zryl, President of Second

In a moving ceremony, six Holocaust survivors -each accompanied by an adult child -- lit a memorial candle.

Generation Kol Israel, discussed the antisemitism that is still rampant in the world -- on college campuses, in Germany, where there is a renewed interest in Nazism, and especially among young Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza.

"Let us not be fooled, " he said. "Those who call themselves anti-Zionists are antisemites. There is no difference."

In a booming voice, Robert Birnbaum, president of the Kol Israel Foundation, asserted his dedication to the "embattled people of Israel." He expressed his anger that, "vicious minds dare to compare the State of Israel to Nazi Germany." He said that Holocaust survivors who "came back to life from the pit of hell . . . wonder how different it would have been had there been a State of Israel. We were isolated and abandoned."

He termed the fighters of the Warsaw Ghetto "the loneliest heroes." Those who died in the concentration camps "were the loneliest yictims."





## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק... זכרוג ם לברכה



THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED

TO ALL MEMBERS

OF THE

KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

WHO PASSED AWAY

SINCE THE INCEPTION

OF THE ORGANIZATION

May They Rest in Peace

If you do not respect your parents, your children will not respect you. (Maimonides)



I believe in the sun even when it is not shining

I believe in love when feeling it not

I believe in God even when He is silent.

Inscription on the walls of a cellar in Cologne, Germany, where Jews hid from Nazis



# אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...





OUR GREATEST GLORY CONSISTS
NOT IN NEVER FALLING, BUT
IN RISING EVERY TIME WE FALL.



### WHAT HAPPENED TO THE JEWS OF LODZ?

By JACOB HENNENBERG

Located in central Poland 75 miles southwest of Warsaw, the city of Lodz has been in existence since the 14th century. From a tiny village Lodz gradually increased in size and importance until it became the second largest city in Poland and one of the world's largest textile centers in which the Jews played a prominent part.

In 1793 there were only 11 Jews in Lodz; when it came under Prussian rule as result of the Partition of Poland of 1795 a few more Jews ventured in until there were 98 Jews by 1809. It was when Lodz came under the domination of Russia about 18 years later that it rapidly became an industrial center with a greatly increased population. Jews flocked to the city because there were jobs to be had and also because some of the anti-Jewish restrictions were abolished. By 1910 Jews comprised over 40% of the population. Most of them were employed in textile industries, and a number of Jews rose to wealth and prominence in this field. At the outbreak of World War I Jews owned 150 textile mills as well as almost 19,000 small workshops.

At the beginning of World War II Jews comprised one-third, or 233,000, of the population. Those who could still afford it fled to Warsaw, to other towns, or to the USSR. On September 8, 1939, the German army entered Lodz and began the systematic destruction of the Jewish community. They annexed Lodz to the Reich and renamed it "Litzmannstadt." deported 31 Jewish leaders to a nearby concentration camp, burned the large synagogue, evicted many Jews living along central streets to make room for German settlers, and deported several thousand Jews to the general government.

They marked off a section of less than two square miles for use as a ghetto, and on March 1, 1940 ("bloody Thursday") they drove all the Jews of Lodz into the ghetto without even permitting them to take any property with them. Many were beaten and murdered on the way. When the ghetto was closed off two months later, this small area contained the 164,000 Jews left in Lodz. Chaim Rumkowski assumed leadership and did what he could to organize the ghetto so that vital services such as medical care, schools, and relief could be maintained, but the overcrowding, overwork, bad hygiene, starvation, and epidemics sent the death rate to 7.23 per 1000 every month. For two years the ghetto was allowed relative autonomy, and then came the final "solution." A period of mass murders and deportations to concentration camps reduced the population by half. Then the ghetto was transformed into a labor camp with the Nazi's in control; they eliminated the Jewish institutions and increased the number of factories. The final liquidation occurred between June and August 1944 when the remainder of the population, 76,701, were deported to Auschwitz.

When the Russian Army arrived on January 19, 1945, they found 870 Jews in the city—the 800 "Aufraumungs" Jews left behind in the ghetto plus 70 Jews who had been hiding in the area and who came back to the former ghetto when the





אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ...

די גיבורים און קדו<u>שים פון אונדזער פ</u>

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY

**PARENTS** 

### ITCHAK AND MINDLE FRANK

1. A Psalm to David, Adonov is my shepherd, I shall lack nothing. 2. In lush pastures He makes me lie, beside tranquil waters. He leads me. 3. My soul, He restores, He directs me in paths of righteousness for the sake of His Name. 4. Though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for You are with me, Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. 5. You prepare a table for me in the full presence of my enemies, You annointed my head with oil: 6. [Mayl only good and kindness pursue me and I shall dwell in the House of Adonoy

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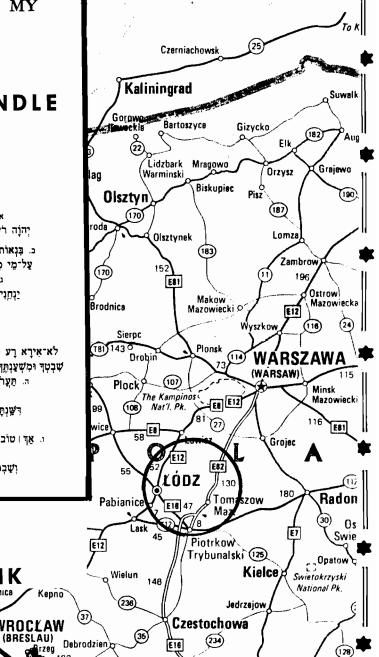
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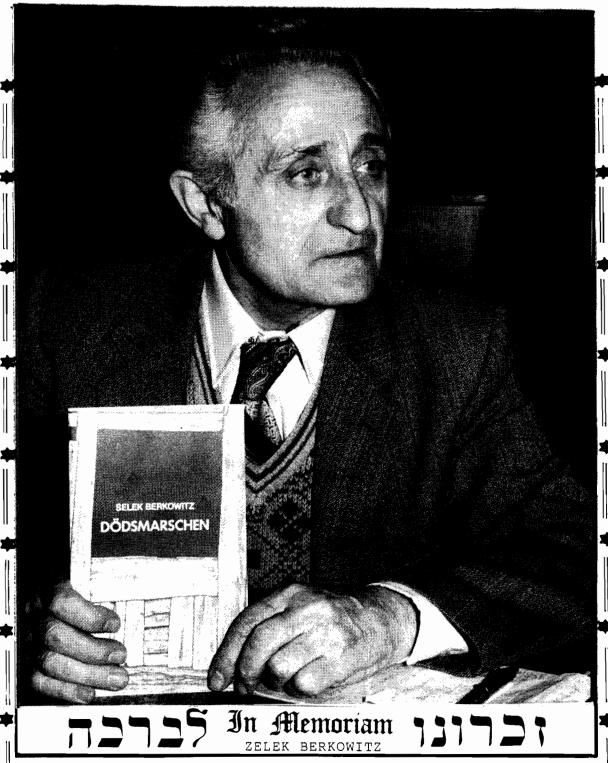
WROCŁAW

"HE WHO SUSTAINS GOD'S CREATURES IS AS THOUGH HE HAD CREATED THEM." WICE

- Tanhuma, Noah 16a aska



KRAKOW



BORN MARCH 27, 1912 IN KLOBUCK, POLAND. DIED MAY 1, 1989 IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. WAS VERY ACTIVE IN HOLOCAUST STUDIES AND JEWISH AFFAIRS. PUBLISHED BOOKS ON THE HOLOCAUST. HE WILL BE MISSED AND REMEMBERED BY HIS FAMILY. HE WILL STAY IN OUR MEMORY.

ANN CYNCYNATUS ESTHER FRANK

ARTHUR GELBART

FRANCES NEUMAN







Let us remember, let us remember.

Let us remember what was done to the Jewish people in those times of ultimate oppression and evil. Its death had been planned, its agony systematized scientifically engineered and philosophically justified. Hundreds of communities were uprooted, thousands of family lives destroyed, millions of human beings reduced to cinders. And the world was silent.

Let us remember the calculated cruelty of the killer, the heartbreaking weakness of the victims. And the gallant, courageous ghetto-fighters.

Warsaw. Passover eve 1943. More than half a million Jews had already been exterminated in nearby Treblinka. A few remained inside the walls. When their turn came, they rose to do battle against what was then the mightiest legion in Europe.

Remember how young they were. Remember how few they were. Remember how alone they were. They were the loneliest heroes, just as their brethren were the loneliest victims of the most inhuman of wars.

And yet, when the nightmare lifted, there was no hate, no violence in those who survived. Only sadness. And an irresistible need for hope. In an age tainted by violence, we proclaimed the absurdity of violence. In a society shattered by hate, we pointed at the ugliness of hate.

Little did we know that in our own life-time, pseudo-scholars would write books to deny that the greatest of Jewish tragedies ever took place. And that the Jewishness of the Jewish victims would be watered down and cheapened. And that the uniqueness of the Holocaust would be questioned. And that anti-Semitism would be clothed in anti-Zionism. And that vicious minds would dare to compare the State of Israel to Nazi Germany.

That is why we are called upon to remember. To be with Israel when Israel is assaulted and alone. To bear witness for the dead and the living. To justify our faith in history, in humankind and in our people.

And so, as we sit down tonight at the Seder, let us remember all those who, 46 years ago, were summoned to a different Seder.

To forget them is to leave our memory itself in bondage.

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וכרונו לברכה



SALA KOSZEROWSKI



Born October 12, 1929 in Lodz, Poland

Died February 18, 1989 in Providence, Rhode Island

You were taken from our midst,

but you will always remain in our hearts.

FAMILY KOSZEROWSKI FAMILY GOLDSTEIN FAMILY FRANK



### לברבה זכרונו

#### SAM CYNCYNATUS **BROTHER**

1. A Psalm to David, Adonov is my shepherd, I shall lack nothing.

2. In lush pastures He makes me lie, beside tranquil waters, He leads me. צל־מֵי מְנָחוֹת יְנְדָּלֵנִי: 3. My soul, He restores, ב. וְפְשִׁי יְשׁוֹבֶב

He directs me in paths of righteousness יְחַנֵּי בְּסְעָּבֶּי־צָּדֶק for the sake of His Name. :ימצן שמוי 4. Though I walk

in the valley of the shadow of death, בְּנֵיא צֵלְמֶנֶת I will lear no evil for You are with me, Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. 5. You prepare a table for me in the full presence of my enemies,

You annointed my head with oil: my cup overflows. b. [May] only good and kindness pursue me

and I shall dwell in the House of Adonoy for long days. לְאָרֶדְּ יָמִים:

all the days of my life.

א. מִזְמוֹר לְדָּוִד יְהֹנָה רֹעִי לֹא אֶחְסָר:

ב. בָּנְאוֹת דֶשֶׁא יַרְבִּיצֵנִי

ד. גַּם כִּי־אֵלֵךְ

לא־אִירָא רָע כִּי־אַתָּה עָמָּדִי שָׁבְּטְךּ וּמִשְׁצַנְתָּךְ הַמָּה יְנַחֲכֻּנִי:

ה. תַּצְרֹדְ לְפָנֵי וּ שֻׁלְחָן נָגֶד צֹרְרָי

רַשְּנָהָ בָשֵּׁמֵן רֹאשִׁי כּוֹסִי רְנָיָה:

ו. אַר ו טוב נָחֶמֶד יִרְדְּפִּוּנִי

בָּל־יָמֵי חַיַּי וְשֶׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית־יְהֹוָה

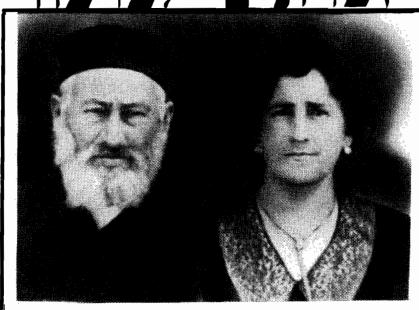


BORN OCTOBER 1908 IN BRZEZNICA, POLAND DIED APRIL 1978 CLEVELAND, OHIO

SISTER FEIGEL RAJNDORF BROTHERS PAUL AND MORRIS CYNCYNATUS



# זכרוג ם לברכה



MOTHER . . . MIRL

FATHER . . . YEHUDA

SISTER . . . SARA SPERLING

AARON SPERLING

DAUGTERS Pesa and Fradle

SISTER . . . PERL MAKOWSKI

Shima MAKOWSKI

CHILDREN Pesa and Mayer

ESTHER AND SON FELEK
MAY THEIR MEMORY BE A BLESSING

FAMILIES of PAUL AND MORRIS CYNCYNATUS
Children and Grandchildren



I am one more voice asking the world to NEVER FORGET... so that there may never be another... to remember!

BEST WISHES TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON THEIR30th ANNIVERSARY

### MARTIN NEWMAN AND FAMILY



AND THEY SHALL SAY: THIS LAND THAT WAS DESOLATE IS BECOME LIKE THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

Ezekiel 36:35



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

In Reverent Memory of

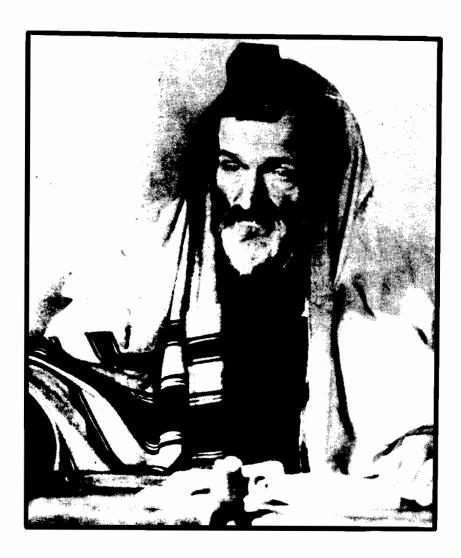
Our Dear Parents

Abe Eliezer and Taubcia Hennenberg



DAUGHTER ZITA PLAUT AND SON MAX HENNENBERG





It was the custom of the SHAMASH in the ghetto to ascend the BIMAH and shout first with pride, and then with anger: "I have come to inform you, Master of the Universe, that we are here."

After the last massacre, he found himself all alone. He climbed the BIMAH one last time, stared at the Ark and whispered with infinite gentleness: "You see? I am still here."

He stopped briefly before continuing in his sad, almost toneless voice: "But where are You?"

Elie Wiesel, "One Generation After"



# **פברבה**

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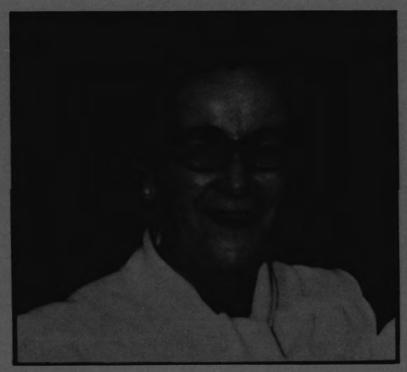
IN MEMORY OF

OUR BELOVED MOTHER

AND GRANDMOTHER

### ROSA SWIER

Nee Bursztyn



FROM HER CHILDREN

IRENE BLOCK (WOHLFEILER)
SYLVIA WELSH (SWIER)
DR. ARTHUR WOHLFEILER

FROM HER GRANDCHILDREN

SAMANTHA BLOCK
JENNIFER BLOCK
MICHELLE WOHLFEILER
ROSS WOHLFEILER
REBECCA WELSH

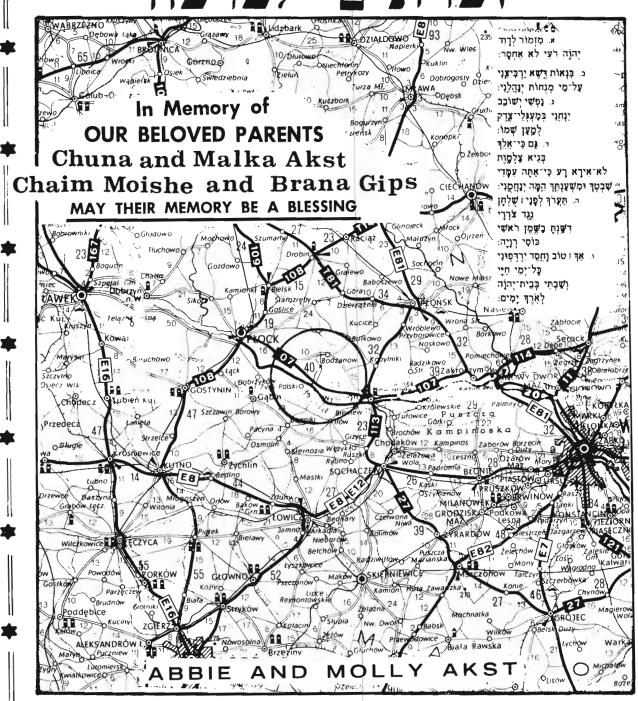
MAY SHE ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR THE LOVE SHE GAVE US.

House and wealth are inherited from our fathers: but a sensible wife is a gift from the Lord.

(Proverbs 19:14)



# זכרוג ם לברכה







IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAR FRIEND BETTY HOLDEN

YOURS WERE THE LOFTY ATTRIBUTES OF LOYALTY TO FRIENDS, DEVOTION TO FAMILY AND GIVING OF SELF TO ALL. YOU HAD A SPECIAL LOVE AND UNDER—STANDING FOR YOUR CHILDREN AND DEEP AFFECTION FOR CHILDREN OF OTHERS. YOUR PASSING HAS LEFT A VOID IN OUR HEARTS. "WE MISS YOU, BETTY"!

ANN CYNCYNATUS, ESTHER FRANK, TOLA GILBERT, HELEN GREENSPUN, ROSE KAPLOVITZ, ITA MAJZNER, RUTH NEBEL, FRANCES NEUMAN, HELEN POTASH, INGE WEISS, MIRIAM WEXBERG.

### **KOL HAOLOM KULO**

בֶּל הָעוֹלֶם בָּלוֹ גָשֶׁר צֵר מְאֹד The entire world is a narrow bridge יְהָעִיקָר לֹא לְפַחֵד בְּלָל But the main thing is not to fear.

(Likutey Moharan 2:28)



### THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

May 2, 1989

Greetings to everyone gathered at the Capitol for the 1989 Days of Remembrance Ceremony.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of one of the greatest tragedies of modern history. Beginning with the invasion of Poland in 1939, Europe fell under a reign of terror which lasted until the end of the Second World War in 1945. Earlier that year, Adolf Hitler had predicted to the Reichstag "the annihilation of the Jewish race" in case of war. The result of the world's failure to heed that public warning was the horror of Auschwitz, Buchenwald, Treblinka, and the other death camps.

It is fitting that we take this opportunity to remember the millions imprisoned and murdered during the Holocaust. Their memory will never let us forget the evils men can inflict on one another.

commend the United States Holocaust Memorial Council for its efforts to build a museum to teach future generations what can happen if we allow the violation of human rights anywhere. This building will testify more powerfully than any words to the importance of protecting freedom and dignity for all people.

Barbara and I join you in remembering the victims of the Nazi atrocities and in dedicating ourselves to ensuring their crimes are never repeated.

Cy Buch



This dedication is made in memory of our parents: Mendel and Anna Haber-Silbiger, sisters: Helga, Ruth, Lottie and brother: Zev Zvi.

Father was a grain dealer and president of the main synagogue of the Town of Auschwitz. Lother was a school teacher and a writer. We lived on the outskirts of the town, about 1 mile across from the Polish military barracks, which the Nazis later converted into the infamous Auschwitz extermination camp.

In the spring of 1941, we were forcefully evacuated from our home into the whetto Soshowitz, about 50 miles away. All we were allowed to take along were personal belongings. There, ( with the exception of our mother and little brother ) we were employed in industries essential to the Nazi war machine. In return, we were promised to be spared from resettlement, from where no one returned. However, this Nazi promise was soon broken. One early morning, we were rounded up and driven like cattle into a soccer stadium surrounded by SS guards. There we had to pass through a SS tribunal. The anxiety and fear of going through the SS commission was more awe inspiring than Jugement Day on the Day Of Atonement. Unfortunatly, our familys' fate was decided by a few Nazi SS officers. Only my sister and I were sent to the right, which meant slave labor camp. The rest of the family was not so lucky. They were shipped to Auschwitz, where they perished. This was the last time we have seen our family.

Why our lives were spared we do not know, and we do not question God's mysterious ways of work. Perhaps, the reason we survived was so that we should be able to tell the story of the greatest human disaster in history, and warn others of what can happen to a civilization, if bigotry, hatred and indifference reign.

Alfred Haber and Lilli Silbiger





#### Data use unforgivable insult

A wrong does not make a right. Jeffrey P. Feinstein's letter ("Community Forum," CJN, May 19) tries to rationalize the use of Nazi data obtained from their medical experiments as good for mankind. He tries to justify the use of information obtained from barbaric experiments as dignifying Holocaust martyrs. There is nothing good that can be obtained from the torture and murder of men, women and children whose only crime was being born Jewish.

Imagine that a decade from now the usage of this Nazi data is commonplace and universally accepted. Mengele and other physicians who became butchers of the Holocaust would be looked upon as legitimate members of their profession. There would be no rest for those who suffered and there would be no dignity for the six million.

We, the Second Generation Kol Israel, the children of Holocaust survivors, denounce the use of Nazi data by anyone who considers himself a part of the human race.

It is an unforgivable insult to the remembrance of the Holocaust if this Nazi data is used. Those who support the usage, therefore, become a part of that insult.

SECOND GENERATION KOL ISRAEL
MORRIS ZRYL, President
ANNE L. LUKAS, Vice President
Cindy Feuer, Gabriel Tannenbaum,





# In Memoriam Marcel Friedman



PREVÚCA
SLOVENSKO

SION STRIBUTION TOVORNÍ MONOSTE

REVÚCA
SLOVENSKO

SION STRIBUTION TOVORNÍ MONOSTE

CONTROL STRIBUTION TOVORNÍ MONOSTE

SURVIVOR OF THE SHIP-WRECKED S.S. PENTCHO, INTERNMENT CAMP STADIUM (RHODES), AND CONCENTRATION CAMP FERRAMONTI (ITALY)....IN MEMORIUM FROM A FRIEND.



איך בין אזוי דערשלאגען געווארן אז ס'אויף מיר געפאלן א מרת-שחורה אז:בלי ספק האב איך געפיעלט וואו יצחק

צו דער עקדה...
איך האב געזעהן פאר טייבע אויגן אברהם-אבינו האלטענדיג
מיך ביי דער האנד, און איך יצחק טראגענדיג דעם גרויסן
טלית-זאק וואט איז פארוואנדעלד געווארן אין א שייטל
האלצ אויף מייבע אקסלען, און סיר גייען צוזאמען...
אזרי זיינען מיר אנגעקומען צום פעטער הערשעט בית-המדרש'ל...
פון מארענט צו דער גאט איז געשטאנען א שיין גרוים הויז,
מיט 4 הויכע פענטער. נאנץ הונשן אין הויף איז געשטאנען

מיש 4 הויכע פענסטער, גאנץ הונטן אין הויף איז געשטאנען דאס בית-המדרש'ל, אינעווייגיק אויסער די 4 ספר-תורות זיינען געשטאנען 2 לאנגע טישן מיש עטליכע בענק און א שאפע מיט ספרים, אויף די טישן אנגעוורפן מיט סידורים און פדרלאטעטע געלע שליתים.

קיין קינדער האבן זיי נישט געהאט, דערפאר איז ערגעווען א גרויסער בעל-צרקה, א כ'כבודיקער נגיד געווען אין שטאט, א גרויסער האלץ טוחר געווען, גאנצע וועלדער האט ער געקויפט און פארקויפט, גרויס פארגעניגן האט איהם פארשאפט צוקוקענדיג וואו די מאסן ארעמע יידן קבצנים פון אלערליי סארטן, וואס זיינען פארבליבן אויף שבת מחמת זיי האבן פארשפעטיגט צו כאפן דעם לעצטן וואגן וואס איז געפארן

אין זייער דארף אריין. אין דעם שטיבל האבן זיי געפונען זייער מקום-מנוחה. די מומע מיין שאטעם א שוועסטער, א הויכע דארע יידענע מיט א פולן בוזעם איז אלעמאל געווען פארנומען מיט די 2 דיענסטן וואס האבן געקאכט און געבאקן אויף שבת ב'כדי צו שטילן דעם הונגער פון די ארעמע יידן וואס האבן זיך געוואלגערט שלאפנדיג אויף די בענק און טישן ווארטענדיג אויף מוצאי שבת.

אריינקומענדיג האם מיר דער אטעם פארכאפט פון שלעכטן רוח וראס האט געשלאגן צו דער נאז, די יידן קוקענדיג אויף מיין שאשע וואס האט געשראגען דאס פאפירן זעקל מיש די קיכל און בראנפן, און איך דעם גרויסן שלית-זאק האבן באלד פארשטאנען אז דא וועט זיין א בר' מצוה. מיין טאטע האט זיך געשטעלט פארן עמד שנעל אבגעדאווענד שחרית, באלד זיך גענומען צום ליינען די תורה, די מינוט \*יז געקומען, אבער איך בין נישט געווען גרייט... די טרערן האבן פיך געשטיקט אין האלז, אן חשק האב איך שבעל געזאגט די הפתורה מיט די ברחות בין ארויסגעלאפן צר די מומע אין הויז וואו מיין מאמע האט געווארט. זי האט מיך ארומגענומען קושענדיג, די מומע האט מיך געשרייסש; גו גו זלמן קע מערטשישעם ווען דו וועסט א חתן ווערן וועסטי עולה זיין אין דער גרויסער שול... "עפילאג" מיין שאשע מאמע האבן נישט דערלעבט צו זען ווען איך בין א חתן געווארן, זיי זיינען אומגקומען על קידוש-השם פון די רוצחישע הענד ביי די נאצים ימה-שמו, צוזאמען מיט מיינע ברודער און שוועסטער, פארברענד האט מען זיי צוזאמען מיט די יידן פון פעטער הערשים בית-המדרשיל, וואו אייך די יידן צוואפען מיט דער גרויסער שול...

תהיינה נפשותיהם צרורות בצרור החיים... גשריכן פון זלמן פייערווערקער פון סיגעט 1989



איך מאב זיך געפיעלש גרוים, דער עלסשער פון אלע קינדער, א גאנצער תקיף, איך האב פארשטאנען אז פיין טאטע האט אים אוודאי געגעבן דעם הינדערטער.

ווען יעדער איז א היים פון חדר, בין איך געבליבען אליין הזרן זיך די הפתורה פישן פששל, ריצעשירט פסוקים פון דער סדרה, פיט כבוד געדאנקט פיינע עלשערן פאר די ערציאנג וואס זיי האבן פיר געגעבן, צוזאגענדיג זיי צו זיין א גוטער ייד ערליך האלטן טאטע פאפע...

די צייש איז אנטלאפן פיט די יום-שובים צוזאפען פיט די אסיע-נדיקע רעגענס, די פרעסט האבן זיך אנגעהויבן ברינגענדיק פיט זיך דעם שניי.

איך דער מאן זיך אלצ א קינד, האב איך געפרעגט מיין מאמע ווען בין איך געבויערן? מיט א זיפף האט זי געשמייעכלט מיר אנגעוויזן אויפן בעד, אט א דא בין איך געלעגן, און אין קעך האט דער טאטע געבענטשט דאס פערטע הנוכה ליכטל און ט': אנגעפאלען א שניי ביז צום פופיק...

והי חיום דער שאג איז געקומען, איך האב נישט געקענט איינשלאפן טראכטענדיק די גאנצע נאכט פון די הפתורה מישן פשטל. איך בין אויפגעשטאנען גאנק פרי ווען יעדער האט געשלאפן האב איך מיר שטילערהייט דאס פנים געוואשן, מיר אנגעטון דעם שבתדיקן מלכיש, מיט די אויסגעפוצטע שיך כ' האב זיך אוועק געזעצט צוגעמאכט די אויגען טראכטענדיק פון מיין

בר'מצוה... פלוצלינג האט זיך מיר אויסגעוויזן די גרויסע שול וואו מיר האבן געדאווענד, געפאקט מיט יידן, דורעך די גרויסע פענסטער שתיועלת זור די זון מיש דסת ורדימטן פרישמאלטוטת הטו-ליירמטר

שפיגעלט זיך די זון מיט דעם גרויסען קרישטאלענעם העג-לייכטער ווארפענדיג מיט גאלדענע און בריליאנטענע שטראלן. די מינוט דערנענטערט זיך, אויפן באלעמער שטייט מיכל

די טינוס וער בעצטערט זין, אויפן באיעטער שטייט טיכי דער שמש, קלאפט דריי מאל איבערן טיש שאה! שאאאה! ס'ווערט שטיל מ'קאן הערן א פליג דורך פליען, מיט זיין באריטאן שטימע רופט ער אויס, יעמוד! ה'בר" מצוה בחור שלומה-זלמן בן אשר-אנשל מפטיר!!!

א גוט שבת! האב איך זיך אויפגעכאפט פון מיין דרימל, דערזעענדיג מיין טאטע מאמע נעבן מיר, נא? זאל זיין אין א גוטער שעה...

אין דרויםן איז אנגעפאלן א שניי, איך האב זיך צוגעקוקט
מיין מאמע האט זיך אנגעטון דאס שייטל מיט דעם זיידענעם
שטערן-טוכעל, זיך ארומגעוויקעלט מיט דער גרויסער וואלענער
שאל, גקושט די מזוזה פארמאכענדיק די טיר אהינטער זיך.
דער שניי האט געסקריפעט אונטער די פוס, מיין טאטע האלשענדיג
מיך ביי דער האנד האבן מיר געשפאנט צו דער גרויסער שול,
איך טראגענדיק מיין טאטענס גרויסען טלית-זאק, און ער א
איך האב געפיעלט אז עפיס טויג נישט, נאך וואט דער
ברוינפן מיט די קיכעל? מען גיבט דאך קדוש אין שול,
האב איך געפרעגט מיין טאטען, ס'טוט מיר לייד מייןקינד
האט ער מיר א טרוירעגער געענפערטג מיר גייען צום פעטערהאט ער מיר א טרוירעגער געענפערטג מיר גייען צום פעטער-

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מיין בר'מצוה סיגעט 1931...פון טאל פייער...
דעם שבת האט מען געבענטשט ראש-חדש אלול, ב'כלל איז ביי יעדן
ייד דער חדש אן אויסנאהם, מער אויסנאהם וואו אלע חדשים פון
יאר, מען פיעל דאט אין הארצן, די זון פארגעטט אמאל ארויס
צי קומען אונק באגרוסן מיט א גוט-מארגען, די פייגעלעך הערן
אויף צו זונגען, די טונקעלע כמארעט ברינגען מיט זיך דעם
קאלטן רעגן, די ביימער פארלירען דעם ווילן פון לעבן, די
בלעטער פארלירען דעם קוליראון שטארבן פאלענדיג צו דער ערד
בלעטער פארלירען דעם קוליראון שטארבן און עס ווערט טרוירעג

די פייגעלער וואס האבן דעם גאנצן זומער זיך געשפיעלט און געזונגען: ארים בוים זיינען שוין לאנג אוועק געפלויגן אין די ווארעמע לענדער פארלאזענדיג זייערע נעסטן, דאס איינציגע לעבן ביים בוים זיינען די וועוועריקעס שפרינגען פון איין לעבן ביים בוים זיינען די וועוועריקעס שפרינגען פון איין צווייג צו דער אנדערער קלייבן צוזאמען די ווילדע ניס באהאלטן זיי אין די לעכער פארן ווינטער...

פאר מרה-שחורהדיג ווערט דער בוים נאך די רעגענט, גרויטע שראפענס פאלן פון די צווייגן וואו קאלטע טרערן וואס באוויינען דעם פארגאגענעם זומער...

אויף די נשמה פיעלט מען דעם חדש אלול, דער שופר דערמאנט אונץ צו נעמען חשבון-הנפש פון זיך אליין, עם פאלט א פחד טראכטענדיג פון די הייליגע טעג וואס נענטערן זיך צו אונץ, און בעיטן דעם רבונו של עולם צום נייעם יאר זאל ער אונץ פארשרייבן אין ספר ה'חיים...

ביי מיר גפתה איז דער חדש אלול איינגעקריצט אין מיין זכרון
בשעת מיינע קינדער יארן, איך האב זיך געגרייט צו מיין בר-מצוה,
איך געדענק מיין טאטע-מאמע פארזארגטע האבן זיך געשושקעט מען
דארף צוגרייטן דאס קינד צו דער בר-מצוה און קיין געלט איז
נישט דא דאס וועט קאטטען א גאנצער הינדערטער, נא נישט
געזארגט האט זיך מיין טאטע געטרייסט, דער אויבערשטער וועט
העלפן. אויף מיר איז אנגעפאלן א פחד, איך דארף זיך לערנען
די סדרה פון דער וואך מיט א בלאט גמרה, דערצו מוז איך לערנען
די ברחות מיט די הפתורה מיטן טראפ, א שיינע שטימע האב איך
געהאט, מיין טאטע האט שטאלציערט מיט מיר ווען ער האט מיך
געהאט, מיין טאטע האט שטאלציערט מיט מיר ווען ער האט מיך
מיטגענומען אויף די שמחות און איך פלעג זונגען פארן עולם
אסאך נחת רב' אנשל, א פיין מעזונעקל רב' אנשל; און דער עולם
האט געקוואלן מיר געגעבן א קניפ אין בעקל...
די צייט האט זיך צוגעריקט, דער רבי איז געווארן ווייעכער

די צייט האט זיך צוגעריקט, דער רבי איז געווארן ווייעכער צו מיר,נישט גענוצט דעם קאנטטיק אזוי אפטען, אפילו איך האב אבגעטון עפיס א נארישקייט, אדער איך האב נישט געוואוסט וואס רשי' זאגט אויף דעם פסוק, אדער אין די גמרה ווער ס'גערעכט בית-שטי אדער בית-הילל, דער רבי פלעג דאס באמערקן און האט נישט געזאגט...

דער איגלער רבי! אזוי האט מען אים גערופן, מחמת ער קומט פון
דעם דארף איגלע, א קליין דאר יידל מיט א אויסגעקראכן ציגען
בערדל,ווען ער האט זיך פארטראכט פלעג ער זיך גלעטן דאס בערדל
מיט צוויי פינגער פרובירען דאס ברינגען צו די ליפן, קיין "
גרויטער תלמוד-חכם איז ער נישט געווען, אויב א תלמוד האט
אים עפיט א הארבע קשיא געפרעגט און האט אים באלד נישט
געענפערט, און פארלעגענהייט פלעג ער א כאפטון דאם בערדל
צו די ליפן...



In Memoriam

## זכרוג ם לברכה

HONORING THE MEMORY OF OUR PARENTS

#### JOSEF AND BERTA HERSKOVITS

**OUR GRANDPARENTS** 

MR. AND MRS. MORRIS HERSKOVITS and MR. AND MRS. MOSHE GROSFELD,

and Other Members of the

#### HERSKOVITS AND GROSSFELD FAMILIES

Who were killed by the Nazis and their collaborators

## AND RECENTLY DEPARTED UNCLE AND BROTHER MORRIS HERSKOVITS

BERNICE AND ZEV HAREL
(Herskovits)

AND DAUGHTERS, HADASS AND NAOMI

"ליבי במזרח - ואני בסוף מערב"
"My heart is in the east - yet I find myself in the far west."



Jewish and Arab populations are exploited, disadvantaged and hurt. The orchestrated unrest in the State of Israel, along with other hostile acts against Jews around the world serve as constant reminders to survivors that the security and freedom of Jewish life and the State of Israel are constantly threatened by old and new enemies.

For these reasons, survivors and children of survivors need to expand the scope of their community involvement and communication. They need to assume more active roles in the planning of Holocaust education and commemoration events. First and second generation survivors must interact more meaningfully with interested segments of the Jewish community in efforts to: a) develop and perpetuate a Holocaust legacy; b) to assure the continuation of Jewish life and culture, c) to assure the survival and security of the State of Israel, and d) to thwart malevolent and destructive efforts by antisemits and enemies of the Jews.

There is a need for a united and concerted effort by survivors, children of survivors and the general Jewish community not only to develop annual dignified commemorations of the Holocaust but to establish a Holocaust Education and Commemoration Center and to bring about a viable and strong Holocaust legacy. The depth of the Holocaust tragedy serves as a reminder to all Jews that assuring a better and stronger Jewish life and a strong State of Israel requires respect for our past; recognition of general Jewish values and specific concerns of survivors; and vision, commitment, cooperation and dedication to a brighter Jewish future.



of those who suffered, resisted, and fought against the Nazis and their collaborators during the World War II years.

Survivors are also concerned that the media and pseudoscholars in the U.S. and around the world are generating distorted perceptions about the Holocaust, Holocaust survivors, Jews and the State of Israel. These distortions are motivated by antisemitic sentiments and hatred of Jews. Significant segments of the general media have contributed to the development and perpetuation of misguided distortions about the Holocaust and malevolent assertions that the Holocaust never happened.

It is horrifying that 45 years after the end of WWII, antisemitism and racism still flourish around the world. Synagogues are vandalized, bombed and looted. Jewish tourists are singled out by terorists and murdered. Jewish property is vandalized and antisemitism prospers in many corners of the world. Arab heads of state openly preach and lead destructive efforts against the State of Israel and deny freedom to Jewish individuals and families in their countries. To this day Jews are not allowed to live in freedom, to practice their Jewish religeon and heritage openly, and are being held hostage in Iran, Syria and other Arab countries. Jews in Soviet Russia are stil denied religeous freedom and the freedom of choice as to where to live.

Contrary to assertions in the general media, the unrest in Israel is orchestrated, financed, and enforced on the local population by outside Arab forces. In the process of the "staged uprising" both



comprehend and relate to them.

Survivors carry personal memories from those years. The loss of parents, brothers sisters and friends can never be forgotten. The pain is a constant reminder of those years. Survivors remember how alone they were then, how they suffered and struggled every day just to get through and survive another day. Survivors remember being hurt not only by the Nazis, but also by the general population in their countries of origin. Jews were openly atacked in many countries, unwanted in others and, at best, tolerated in others. Jews were murdered, Jewish proprty was confiscated and Jewish culture was destroyed because the leaders of Nazi Germany knew that they could count on willing help from individuals and groups inside and outside Germany. And they also knew that governments around the world will stand idly by and do nothing to interfere with their horrendous crimes. By their silence, leaders of the world -- including the Jewish leadership, gave the Nazis the stamp of approval.

Survivors not only remember and reflect on those days, but also continue to relive what happened to them personally during the terrible Holocaust years. They cannot let the memories of their losses and suffering be diluted. In their view, any departure from a recollection of the painful collective Jewish experiences and personal observations by survivors from those years would constitute acts of trivialization. In their view, commemorations should give primacy to: the honoring of the memory of those who were murdered by the Nazis; the review of historical accounts of the destruction of Jewish life, property and culture by the Nazis; and to the remembering and honoring



avoided the recognition and meaningful discussion of painful, historical events. The Jewish community is more interested in what is perceived to be attractive and salient to fund raising. The Holocaust and the role of organized Jewry during the Holocaust are of limited marketable value, and therefore, many Jewish leaders think that the less said or done about it the better.

Because of the limited interest demonstrated by Jewish leaders and the general Jewish community in the Holocaust, the budgetary priorities of professionals making allocation decisions, and the limited involvement that survivors have in the organized Jewish community, many survivors fear that community interest in the commemoration of the Holocaust will gradually diminish and eventually be forgotten. Poor communication between the leadership of survivor organizations and the Jewish Community Federations contributes to a fear among survivors that the commemoration of the Holocaust will become, again, the exclusive concern of survivors, survivor organizations, and a small number of conscientious and interested members of the community.

The fear of trivialization of the Holocaust is also real. Survivors relate to their Holocaust memories in ways which are different from those who did not experience the Nazi attrocities. As stated by K.Z.-tnik, a writer of the Holocaust, in his testimony during the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem, survivors feel that their Holocaust experiences occured on another planet. They, therefore, tend to think that those who did not share these experiences are unable to



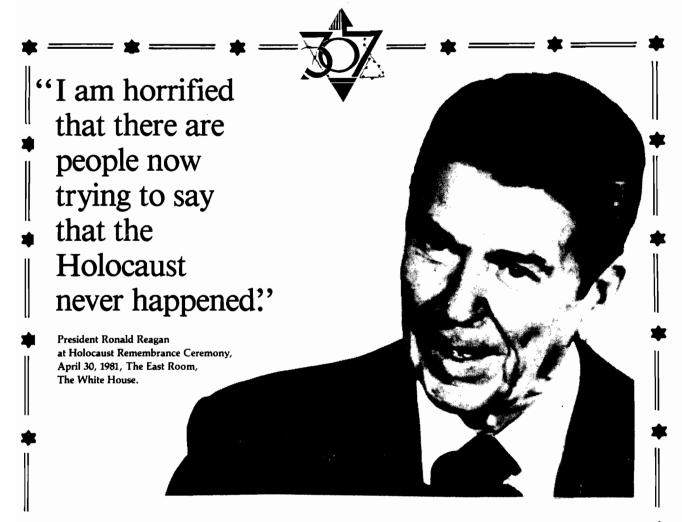
SURVIVORS AND THE HOLOCAUST: FORTY FIVE YEARS LATER

Zev Harel, Ph.D.

There are three general concerns that survivors share regarding the Holocaust and its aftermath. First, they fear that the memory of the Holocaust will be forgotten. Second, they fear that the memory of the Holocaust will be trivialized by the orientaion that characterizes contemporary Jewish life and culture in the United States. Third, survivors fear an increase in distortions about survivors and the Holocaust and a rise in antisemitism and hostilities against Jewish life and the State of Israel.

The fear that the Holocaust will be forgotten is not unfounded. Many survivors share the feeling that the organized Jewish community has uncomfortable feelings regarding its role and inactions during the World War II years. According to objective historical accounts, the organized Jewish community did not demonstrate an active interest during the war years in what was occurring in Hitler's Europe, and did not engage in strong actions to thwart the destructive efforts of Nazi Germany.

In the post war years, the organized Jewish community has demonstrated only a limited interest in the commemoration of the Holocaust. This may be in part because contemporary U.S. society, Jewish as well as general, has very consciously and deliberately



#### Eyewitness

"The things I saw beggar description...The visual evidence and the verbal testimony of starvation, cruelty, and bestiality were so overpowering as to leave me a bit sick. In one room, where there were piled up twenty or thirty naked men killed by starvation, George Patton would not even enter. He said he would get sick if he did so. I made the visit deliberately, in order to be in a position to give first-hand evidence of these things if ever, in the future, there develops a tendency to charge these allegations merely to 'propaganda'."

General Dwight D. Eisenhower Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in Europe from a letter to Chief of Staff George Marshall April 12, 1945



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### In Memoriam

#### A Single Hair

By HERMAN TAUBE

Sir, excuse me. You sir, With the camera on your shoulder. You are a tourist, aren't you?

Here! Please, look here!

I know it's hard for you to see me With your naked eye Me. among a mountain of hair Especially when all of us look So frighteningly the same: Ash gray.

Actually we all were Of different shapes and colors: Blond, brown, red, black. The "Zvklon B" gas discolored us all.

For eighteen years I lived On a girl's scalp Among braided hair, Pitch black, like yours, Matter of fact.

This is why I have decided
To talk to you
People come here daily.
Like a zoo,
Take pictures, eat ice cream,
Listen to guides, tapes
They never, but never, notice me.

For thirty-two years now I have stuck to the glass With the hope That someone will pay attention To me. an individual hair. After all. I had a life of my own.

You know sir.
I was such a silky.
Soft, glossy hair
Often combed by a mother's tender hands.
Caressed by a boyfriend of the girl
Whose head I adored.
Even so, I was only a strand of many thousands
He found me among her braids,
Played with me.
Affectionately rolling me on his finger.

Together we had so many dreams,
Hopes, visions, aspirations
The girl whose head I adorned.
Her mother, the man who loved us
And me.
Were all taken to this place.
We were sorted, separated by selections
Maybe you will see parts of us
In other displays:
Ashes for fertilizer show window.
The glass case of soap
Called R.I.F.
I survived, managed to stay out of a hair mattress
I was selected for.

Oh. how much I'd like to get on the outside. Be warmed by the sun. I dream of wind, thunder This glass display will crack, Break into pieces.
The wind will pick us up. Carry us, scatter us, To all corners of the globe. Disperse, hair by hair. To all capitals. Blow us into the eyes Of the world's leaders Just to irritate them, disturb their vision Enough to make them feel A little sting, burn, hurt Draw a few tears Out of them For me, For all the millions of hair, Blond, red, brown, black, Who turned ash gray Because of "Zyklon B" gas You know? No one cried for me With real tears.

Sir, I see a glossy look in vour eyes. I hope you can spare one for me Sorry, if I did upset you It is so lonely here. Among this mountain of hair. I wanted so much to live. To grow, to form new hair. On an eighteen-year young girl's scalp.

Forgive me for being personal, sir. Have you someone dear Who has long hair?

Please, when you see them Touch them, Think of me, remember me, A little hair In the corner







THIS PHOTO WAS TAKEN ON THE AUTOBAHN THAT RUNS BETWEEN BRESLAU AND BERLIN. IT DEPICTS JEWISH PRISONERS FROM THE FORCED LABOR CAMP IN KLETTENDORF.

IN THE FOREGROUND IS JACOB HENNENBERG, BORN IN OSWIECIM, ARTHUR KICHLER, BORN IN ANDRICHOW AND ELIKIM WARSCHAWSKI, BORN IN CZESTOCHOWA.

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SAMUEL AND RINA FRANKEL



#### WHY?

by Molly Akst

Why did it ever have to happen? Why did six million die then? No one will ever know for sure Yet some did survive and endure.

I am one of those lucky few A gift from God, a life anew. Robbed of my youth and teenage years Growing up with days of terrors and fears.

I was the oldest in my family for care Responsibilities of a mother were mine to bear. Two brothers and a sister also did survive Each of us together, glad to be alive.

Now we gather to remember those days So that the world can know the Nazi craze. This is perhaps why we were spared Living witnesses for all that cared.

Our generation must pass its legacy of the Holocaust So that memories we have will never be lost. No answers have been given to our question, Why? Tears of sadness and tears of joy we now cry.

#### SURVIVAL

by Abraham Akst

The Holocaust was intended to destroy the Jews The world did not care, despite this news. My family was large, full of joy, life, and glory Now I am all that is left, to tell the story.

Memories still haunt me, mostly when I sleep Frostbite, I still have pain in the toes on my feet. For years I was silent about those dreaded days But now I must speak to avoid a repeat of Hitler's ways.

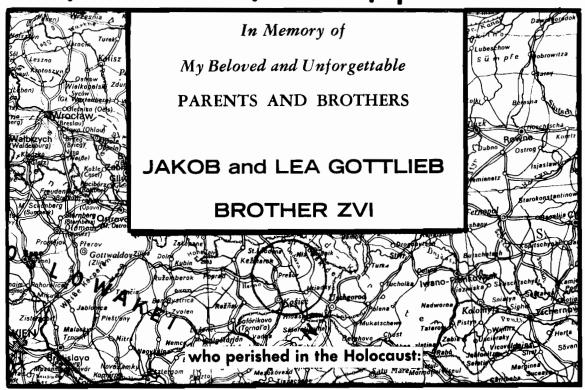
I must survive to tell what was done We must stand together, united as one Memorials must be erected to those who died So our children and others can know why we cried.

I now take pride in my present life Also in my children, grandchildren, and my wife. However, I can never forget my humble beginning Hope my family in heaven can see I am winning.

My survival must have been God's way Of letting me have this say So that we may never forget That has been my goal's set.



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



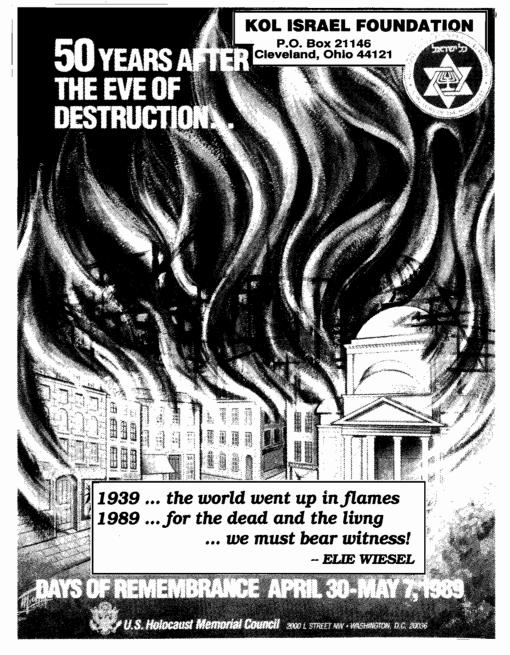


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no less after the Holocaust of the 1940's. Our watchword must not only read, 'remember.' It must read, 'remember and rebuild."

The sages who eulogized the "Mishnah" masters were wrong. Wisdom did not end, the glory of the Torah lives on. Honor abounds, men of good deeds still fill our country. An eternal people, "Am Olam," can never be an ever-dying people. An eternal people is a planting people. Seed at present, carefully nurtured, to assure tommorrow's blossoms.





A guarter of a century later, the American Jewish community is showing signs of population growth. Z.P.G. of the '60's and 70's had ended. New birth statistics indicate that we will have a shortage of classrooms to educate our children by the mid-nineties. We have fooled the prognosticators of peril around the corner. We refuse Our school rosters grows from year to year. If Look Magazine comes to life again, it will have to work on a new story, entitled, "The Growing Jewish Community." Israel too, is growing in population. Demographers worry that if the political situation is unresolved, the Arab population will outnumber the Jewish population by the year 2020. But other statisticians argue that it need not be so. In Jerusalem, Jewish births are ahead of Arab births. The modern Arab family is reducing the number of children. Many Jewish families are opting for 3 to 4 children. The ultra-orthodox community is opting for 6 to 8 children.

How will it work out 25 years from today? No one can be certain, but the population is upward not downward. We cannot overlook the influx of righteous converts to Judaism, now numbering from 10 to 12 thousand annually in this country.

Are we an ever dying people or are we the ever renewing people? History attests to the strong regenerative qualities of our people. The Crusaders decimated the small Jewish community in France and Germany. Within 30 years after the close of the Crusader period, Jewish life was rebuilt and restored. The same can be said of the Cossack, Chmielnicki massacres of 1648, Kishiniew pogrom of 1903, but we remain among the faithful that we can do



## Torah Mantle

(Tural) Covert

"Lamrot Hakol Yisrael Chai,"
"In spite of everything, Israel lives." These dramatic words embroidered on this Torah mantle tell the story of Israel and of this Torah. Salvaged from a European Synagogue destroyed in World War II, this Torah Scroll was restored and placed in a new Synagogue. The mantle is especially designed to show a cut down tree with a shoot growing from the trunk denoting hope and revival. This is symbolic of Israel and her growth and revival after being cut back so dramatically during the Holocaust. In spite of everything, Israel lives!



## Kristallnacht

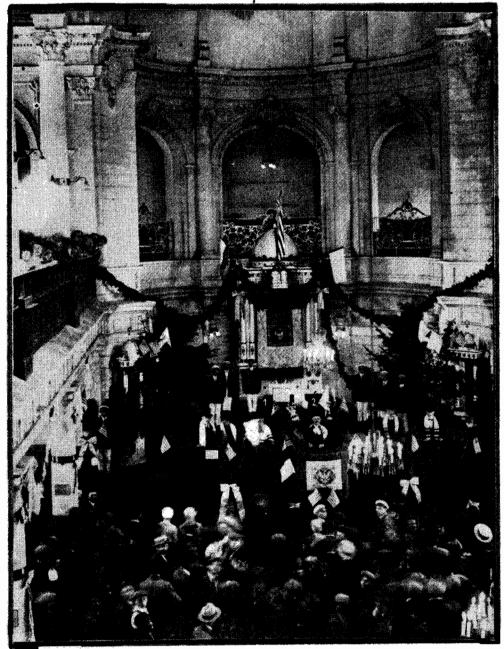
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## Remembering 50 Years Later

B'nai Jeshurun Congregation Congregation Shaarey Tikvah Cleveland, Ohio November 6, 1988







INSIDE OF THE GREAT SYNAGOGUE IN CZESTOCHOWA CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES 1776 - 1926

THE BUILDING WAS BOMBARDED AT THE OUTSET OF W.W.II. IN MARCH 1941 THE TRANSPORT FROM THE TOWN OF BODZANOW ARRIVED IN CHESTOCHOWA AND THEY WERE HOUSED IN THE DESTROYED BUILDING BY THE "JUDENRAT".



Ben Zomah's death was announced as the finale to great preaching. Rabbi Joshuah's death was declared to be the end of goodness in the world. The sentiment expressed at the loss of beloved community leaders strikes the note, that the brightest star has fallen, never to be replaced. We sense the weight of pessimism, the mood, which is all over. Now, all we have to do is wait and die, for there will never be any to match their gifts, qualities, and virtues. When the master of masters died it was stated, that Rabbi Akivah's death meant the end of "Torah" glory. His friend, Hanina was eulogized as the last man of great deeds. With each death, another virtue, another merit, another glory was announced as dead. The eulogies were shortsighted.

Soon new students and scholars emerged and built even greater edifices of learning and excellence, creativity, and innovation, which did not end with the death of the "Taanaim." The scholars of the Mishnaic period in fact, the succeding generations built even more impressive structures of religious thought, ethical guidance and religious practice. Wisdom did not end with Johanan Ben Zaccai's death, and the glory of the "Torah" did not die with Rabbi Akiva.

If history teaches us one thing about ourselves, it is that we are an ever living people. We draw from strength from our forbearers. We are not an ever dying people, we renew and invigorate ourselves with every succeeding generation. Twenty-five years ago, the then popular "Look" magazine published a piece, which the editors titled, "The Vanishing Jew." Statistics were brought forth. Population growth was analyzed. We would vanish into nothingness within 25 years. It was a prophecy of gloom and despair, but it was a false prophecy.



#### THE ETERNAL JEW

The First and Second century of the Common Era produced a large amount of talented Jewish teachers. These scholars introduced prayers and composed blessings. They debated religious questions of their time. They created ceremony and ritual. Their creative energy enabled the transition from the religion of the Bible to the religion of the Jewish people. They created Judaism.

We know a great deal about the Rabbis of the first two centuries, their names, life spans, and sayings weere preserved and recorded in a volume we call the "Mishnah."

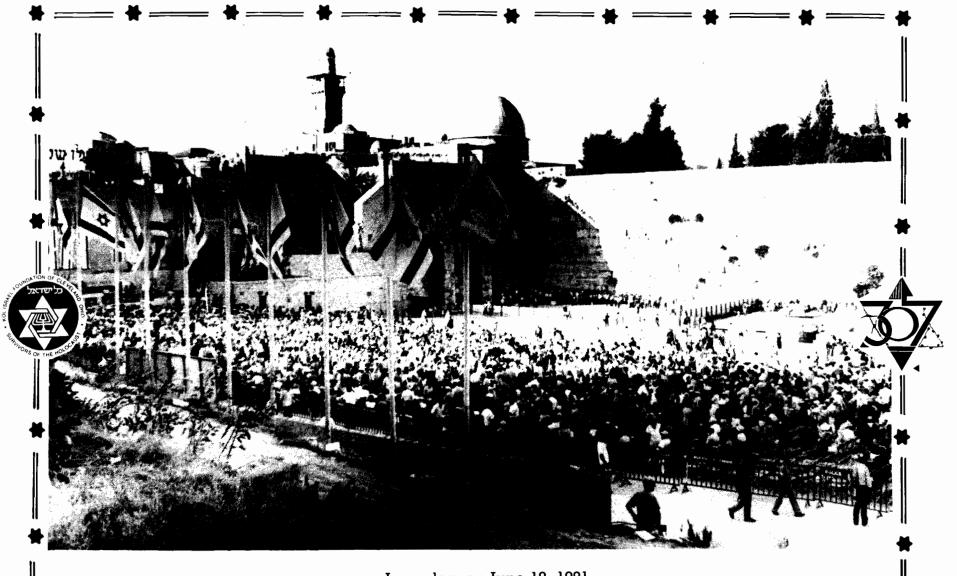
P. Judah the

Prince, edited the voluminous material that has been preserved. His editing of the "Mishnah" became known as Israel's second "Torah," the Torah "Shebal-Peh" Rabbi Judah's "Mishnah" is an anthology of Rabbinic thoughts and teachings.

History at times, however, does not stand still. The old masters died and a new generation of scholars emerged. But to our good fortune, the eulogies delivered at the funeral services of the early masters were preserved.

The tributes spoken about their talents and virtues and principles of life they lived by, were written down. When we read them today, we sense the keen loss felt by their disciples and contemporaries. We also sense the deep grief of the mourners when Rabbi Meir died, it was announced that the composer of parables was no more. When his colleague, Rabbi Ben Azzai died, he was eulogized as the end of industrious scholarship.

"WE HAVE PRESERVED THE BOOK AND THE BOOK HAS PRESERVED US."



Jerusalem on June 18, 1981, the Closing Ceremony of the World Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



#### ABBA KOVNER

Abba Kovner passed away after a long and painful illness on September 23, 1987.

He was a leader of the Hashomer Hatzair Zionist movement. In Wilno, Poland he became the leader of the Jewish Fighting Resistance Organization (F.P.O.) and the Commander of the United Partisan Organization.

After the war he was one of the leading organizers of the Bricha Movement, that brought the survivors from the Ghettos and Forests, partisan units and hiding places to Eretz Israel.

He settled with his wife Vitka in Kibutz Ein Hachoresh.

Kovner was a famous poet in Israel. His great achievement was the Beth Hatfutsoth, a museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv.

We, the survivors, mourn his passing.

#### At Number 6 Strashun Street

There, on the spot where our last barricade stood, in the yard of a ruin, among heaps of filth and scraps of paper, amid the rubble left behind by the life of the past—I actually found the manifesto.

After I had extracted the torn piece of paper from the pile and taken in the first faded, gray letters, I started trembling all over:

"Jews! Rise up in arms!

"The German and Lithuanian butchers have reached the gates of the Ghetto. They are going to murder us. Very soon they will lead us out through the gates in groups. So hundreds were led out on Yom Kippur. So they led people out in the days of the white, yellow, and pink Scheine. So they led out our brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers, our children. So tens of thousands were led out to death.

"But we will not go!

"We will not be led like sheep to the slaughter!

"Jews! Rise up in arms!

The righteous man is like a palm tree —

as the shade of a palm is cast far, so

the reward of the righteous will be

distant, in the world to come. (Numbers Rabba)



THE WARSAW-GHETTO WAS DESTROYED — IT DOES NOT EXIST ANY MORE! The Nazis exterminated its inhabitants, leveling it to the ground! For many years this area once was teeming with happy people—what was left—a vast field of rubble and junk, only a monument of GHETTO-FIGHTERS stood in the middle of DESOLATION!

Where is my Mother, where is my Father, where are my Sisters and Brothers, where are the little Children, too!

My heart keeps aching, I cannot find their stone? I see their faces so many times—how can I ever forget!

They did not want to die! I want the world—never to forget—those who managed to keep alive—only to be taken to the slaughterhouse! No graves, no tombstones, no markers!

You vanished in agony, smoke and flames, bereft and broken-hearteded!

In closing, a quote from a poem, written by Arnold L. Shay-

#### "TO MY PARENTS WITH ALL MY LOVE!"

The ones who families lost, paid the highest of a price! But even "men" of apathy, have given a slice! Because now all those "men" who still are alive, Have to live if they can, and with guilt to survive! Now as we all look at those years gone by. We shudder at the thought—we even sometimes do cry! Why is humanity so thoughtless without compassion? Is it always the other guy—when death takes possession! To the cruelty of power of a state of barbarians,—Where all meant so little—Jews and even Arians!

A well known and highly regarded personality—Mr. ADAM CZERNIAKOW, President of Warsaw-Ghetto "Judenrat," he was steady uninvited for conversations with HANS FRANK—Gov. General, asking and begging him; to stop transporting JEWS to death camps.

On July 22, 1942—SS-Sturmbannfuhrer, HERMAN HOFFLE called a meeting of the Judenrat Council informing them, all Jews regardless of age or sex, must resettle, there will be no appeal!

After failing his last effort to save the JEWS within Ghetto walls. They could suffer no more—five days later ADAM CZERNIAKOW committed suicide! MAY HE ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED AMONG US!!!

Dr. JANUSZ KORCZAK, one of the most inspiring leaders in Warsaw-Ghetto, a brilliant, compassionate person, devoted to the care of children and orphans, he could have escaped deportation, admirers on the other side of the wall were willing to shelter him, instead he chose to go to Treblinka with the children he loved so much! WE BOW OUR HEADS IN RESPECT OF HIS MEMORY, HIS UNSELFISHNESS—SHALL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN!!!

SOME OF THE CRIMINALS IN CHARGE OF A METICULOUS AND BRUTAL DESTRUCTION OF A PEOPLE OF THE BOOK—JEWS!

- 1. HANS FRANK, Governor-General of occupied Poland, was sentenced at Nuremberg trials to die, transferred to Polish Authority, executed on 24th of February, 1947, in Warsaw.
- 2. LUDWIG FISHER, City Governor of Warsaw, was sentenced to die by Polish Authority, executed on 24th of February, 1947, in Warsaw.
- JURGEN STROOP, Brig. General in charge of destruction Warsaw Ghetto, was sentenced to die by the American War Crimes Court at Dachau, on 22nd of March, 1947—he was handed over to Polish Authority for re-trial, sentenced and executed on the scene of his greatest crime in Warsaw, on 8th of September, 1951.
- HERMAN HOFFLE, SS-Sturmbannfuhrer—in charge of combing out hidings—was sentenced and executed in Warsaw, 1945.
- 5. FRIEDRICK KRUGER, SS-in charge of Police in Warsaw—despite his enormous courage of mutilating, crippling innocent Jewish victims—though not brave enough to face the Judge! He committed suicide on the 9th of May, 1945, in front of the Police Station in Warsaw!

REMEMBER, DO NOT FORGET "AMALEK"!!!!

"The greatest truths are the simplest; so are the greatest men."



## TRAGIC MEMORIES FROM WORLD WAR II—WARSAW GHETTO Written by Mark S. Moss

Since World War I, WARSAW had a spiritual, economic and political center for JEWS or EASTERN EUROPE.

The main nerve of Jewry. Zionists, Bundists, Socialists, plenty of Yeshivoths, a flourishing Jewish and Hebrew Press, nevertheless antisemitism and economic discrimination against the Jew--continued to be a way of life.

After conquering Poland in 1939, Warsaw was selected as their "kill-ing-ground" as a result, deadly-concentration-camps were built like: Auschwitz, Birkenau, Treblinka, Sobibor, Belzec, Majdanek, to exterminate Jews!

Next was cramming Jews into overcrowded Ghettos and starving them to death, Warsaw-Ghetto was used as a "Dumping-Place" for all European Jewry!

In October 1940, City-Governor LUDWIG FISCHER ordered a "Jewish Residential Area" into which all Jews must move or being shot! The Warsaw-Ghetto was sealed off by a 10-foot wall, 400,000 Jews were herded into the Ghetto, overcrowdings, few supplies, fatal epidemics, the death-rate was approaching 500 per month! The Nazis could wait no longer for the Jews to die naturally, they began transporting them into various camps to be gassed! Ninth of January 1943, Reichsfuhrer SS-HEINRICH HIMMLER visited the Ghetto in person, ordering further deportation to camps, he was expecting a bloodless triumph—he found himself embroiled against "Jewish Armed Resistance"—led by a 24-year-old: MORDECHAI ANIELEWICZ (Commander ZOB).

As soon as the SS moved in with heavy tanks—were thrown back and set on fire, retreating back to their units!

Brigadierfuhrer SS-JURGEN STROOP took control—preparing a battle of attricion! We're a passive-people, but witnessing the Horror how Jewish people are turned into soap and ashes to fertilize the soil, hair to be used for mattresses, forsaken babies shot in front of their mothers, fallen sons, widowed wives, that must come to an end . . . fight back and write Jewish History with our own blood! "CAIN, WHERE IS ABEL, THY BROTHERS? WHAT HAST THOU DONE?" (Gen. 4/8)

There comes a time, when your heart cries out—REVENGE—reminding the Biblical story of SAMSON, who took hold of the pillars of the Temple with all his strength, leaning against them—crying out, "LET ME DIE WITH THE PHILISTINES! Judges 16/30).

A nation is being destroyed! A generation has been liquidated! Nobody cares! A town is burning—nobody seems to save it!

We hoped for a miracle, a MOSES would show up to deliver us from torture and agony, or an EMILE ZOLA, who saved the life of Cpt. ALFRED DREIFUS, who was the center of its published pamphlet "J'ACCUSE" pointing out; DREIFUS innocence of treason, thus pin-pointing the real spy—it was Major Ferdinand Esterhazy in the French Army! Capt. Alfred Dreifus was reinstated as a Major in the French Army! His exoneration represented a major victory over Anti-Semitism!

During the Nazi barbaric and atrocious behavior toward Jews, the world stood by silently, while Jews were murdered systematically in crematoriums!

The uprising lasted 5 weeks, total of Jews killed was 56,000. Many were blown-up by perishing into flames!

MORDECHAI ANIELEWICZ died on the 8th of May, 1943—fighting SS-Nazis, surrounding and demolishing the Commands—Bunker of the Jewish-Command Organization, situated at 18th MILA STREET. May His Memory Never Be Forgotten! Many of his staff members committed suicide, rather than be captured alive!

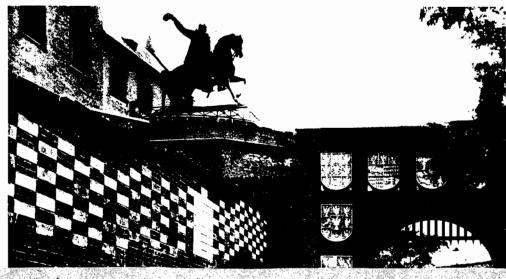


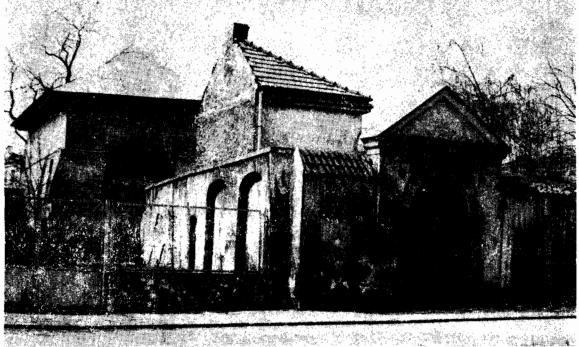
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# **WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING**









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		JEWISH POPULATION:	TOTAL POPULATION:	%
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,	1910	32,321	143,000	21
•	1921	45,229	164,000	27
	1931	<i>5</i> 5,800	219,000	26
	1938	60,000	237,532	25
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### C R A C O W KRAKOW by: WILLIAM BURSTYN

CITY IN SOUTHERN POLAND. UNTIL 1609 IT WAS THE CAPITAL OF POLAND. CRACOW WAS THE RESIDENCE OF THE LEADING POLISH PRINCES DURING THE 12TH CENTURY. IT WAS FOR MANY CENTURIES THE HOME OF ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT JEWISH COMMUNITIES.

IN 1335 KING CASIMIR FOUNDED THE CITY OF KAZIMIERZ ENCLOSED BY A WALL IN 1422 THE JEWS SETTLED THERE SOON AFTER ITS ESTABLISHMENT. IN THE 15TH CENTURY CRACOW JEWS ESTABLISHED COMMERCIAL TIES WITH BRESLAU-DANZIG, LEMBERG AND CONSTANTINOPOL.

AT THE END OF THE 14TH CENTURY CONSTRUCTIONS WAS BEGUN OF A MAGNIFICENT SYNAGOGUE IN THE GOTHIC STYLE KNOWN AS THE ALTE SCHUL. THE 16TH AND HALF OF THE 17TH CENTURY WAS A PERIOD OF CULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT IN CRACOW KAZIMIERZ COMMUNITY.

IN THE YEAR 1630 LARGE NUMBERS OF JEWS FLED GERMANY TO CRACOW DURING THE 30 YEAR WAR. AFTER THE POLISH PARTITION IN 1772 - 1776 KAZIMIERZ PASSED TO AUSTRIA. WHILE CRACOW REMAINED WITH POLAND. IN 1776 KAZIMIERZ WAS RETURNED TO POLAND. IN 1795 CRACOW AND ITS ENVIRONS WERE ANEXED BY AUSTRIA. IN 1809 CRACOW WAS INCORPORATED INTO THE GRAND DUCHY OF WARSAW.

ON AUGUST 26, 1813 FLOOD FROM THE RIVER WISLA CAUSED EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO THE JEWISH QUARTERS OF KAZIMIERZ. AT THE CONGRESS OF VIENNA THE CRACOW REPUBLIC 1815-1846 WAS ESTABLISHED, FROM 1832 THE RABBI OF CRACOW, DOV BERUSH MEISELS WAS THE MAIN INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY.

AFTER WORLD WAR I, THE JEWISH YOUTH OF CRACOW ORGANIZED, LED BY JACOB BILLIG AND Y. ALSTER AND WERE JOINED BY JEWISH SOLDIERS WHO RETURNED FROM THE FRONT. WHO AT THE END OF 1918 BEGINNING 1919 HAD A NUMBER OF CLASHES WITH THE RIOTERS.

HOLOCAUST PERIOD: THERE WERDE 60.000 JEWS LIVING IN CRACOW ON SEPTEMBER 17, 1939, MAREK BIBERSTEIN AND WILHELM GOLDBLATT BECAME CHAIRMEN OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. IN 1940 THE "JUDENRAT" WAS FORMED HEADED BY ARTHUR ROSENZWEIG.

MARCH 1943 THE GHETTO WAS LIQUIDATED AND TRANSFERRED TO THE NEARBY PLASZOW LABOR CAMP.
THE MAJORITY OF JEWS IN OTHER SECTIONS WERE EATHER KILLED ON THE SPOT OR SHIPPED TO AUSCHWITZ.

THE CRACOW JEWS BEGUN ORGANIZING RESISTENCE AT THE END OF 1940, "AKIVA" GROUP HEADED BY LABAN AND SZYMON DRAEGNER AND DOLEK LIEBESKIND. ANOTHER GROUP ORGANIZED BY

H. BAUMINGER AND BENJAMIN HALBREICH. EVENTUALY BOTH GROUPS MERGED INTO COUNTRY WIDE "ZOB".

ON DECEMBER 22, 1942 THEY ATTACKED A GROUP OF GERMAN OFFICERS AT THE "CYGANCRIA" CLUB. WHEN THE GHETTO WAS COMPLETELY LIQUIDATED SOME OF ITS MEMBERS CONTINUED ACTIVITIES IN PLASZOW.



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## Best Wishes From

Ruth Marmorstein 6815 Sunrise Drive Coral Gables, FL 33133

House and wealth are inherited from our fathers; but a sensible wife is a gift from the Lord. (Proverbs 19:14)



# FOR THE DEAD AND THE LIVING, WE MUST BEAR WITNESS

ELIE WIESEL

# DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE 1989 U.S. HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL COUNCIL



Even he who inherited a scroll should write one himself. (Rabba b. Nahmani)



#### Vilna, "Jerusalem of Lithuania," Died Also in the Holocaust . . .

By Julian Solonitz, 3755 Mayfield Road. Ceveland Heights, Ohio 44121

There were thousands of Jewish communities all over Europe before the war where our people planted their roots for many hundreds of years. Each one of them developed its own traditions and way of life.

But of the thousands of places scattered across the vast expanses of desolation and tragedy of Jewish Europe, only one city will stay alive in the memory as "Jerusalem of Lithuania." This is the city of Vilna, today the capital of Soviet Lithuania, Vilnius, the place of my birth and the place from where some 75 members of our families, the Solonojc', the Kulbis' and the Nemzers were forced to take their last route. . . .

This city was the "Princess" among the provinces of Jewish Europe for the past 600 years of our history.

The influence of Vilna shone down from the ascetic face of the famed Vilna Gaon. It was the seat of Jewish learning, of Talmud with its commentaries, of irreligious Haskala literature and various political shadings.

Here Bialik arriving from his Volynia, overshadowed with his talent other writers and poets. Here Theodor Herzl was given the Torah. Writers: A. Lebenson, Yehuda Leib Gordon, Zalman Reizin, Chaim Grade or Avrohom Suckever lived and created in Vilna.

The world famous fiddler, Yasha Cheifetz. was a son of Vilna. So was the father of socialistic Bund, Arkadi Kremer.

The YIVO, the Jewish Scientific Institute in New York, was born in Vilna and in 1940 under the directorship of Dr. Max Weinreich transferred to the States, just in time to save it from Holocaust.

The city smelled with Jewishness. Its roughly 80 thousand Jews exhibited their Yiddishkeit in the highest degree. Yiddish was the main language of the masses. Businessmen, doctors, lawyers had often their shingles also in Yiddish.

The Hebrew Tarbut net embraced a teacher's college, two high schools, some 14 public schools, many kindergartens and evening schools.

The Yiddishists had also three high schools, a teacher's college, a high level Technicum and public schools and kindergartens. The city had the famous "Vilner Troupe" theater, the Vilbig Choir, the Trade School. Vilna was vibrating with Jewish life seven days a week, be it religious, cultural or political, with all sorts of political organizations and a rich sports activity.

The Strashun Library or Rom's Publishings House was known far away in the Jewish world. The children of the wealthy and educated were brought up in the same schools with the children of the poor. It created a composition of a knit, cultural community full of tradition and devotion to Judaism and one's fellow man. This was Vilna. . . .

Left are bitter memories of the past. The physical Vilna is dead. Along with other Jewish centers we can only mourn and cherish its memory. This piece of writing I dedicate to the blessed memory and glory to my home-town, Vilna.

—J. S.

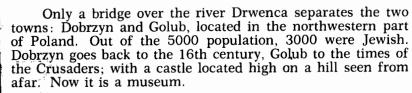
"GIVE TO THE WORLD THE BEST YOU HAVE AND THE BEST WILL COME BACK TO YOU."

— Talmud



### **DOBRZYN-GOLUB**

By ELIAS CALA



Until W.W. I, Dobrzyn and Golub belonged to Russia while Golub to Germany. When Poland became independent, Dobrzyn and Golub remained individual cities. The Jewish population of both cities, however, belonged to the same organizations and shared many Jewish institutions. Both cities were blessed with a large generation of young people, who were active in the Zionist movement and other organizations. Many of them left illegally for Palestine to help build a Jewish homeland. Their children and grandchildren continue building and defending the Jewish State today.

Dobrzyn was a viable Jewish business community, with a market place and a lot of Jewish stores. In addition to the big beautiful Shul, there was a "Bait Hamedrosh," Chasidic Shtiblech, a mikvah, Jewish libraries, etc. Life was nice and peaceful, because the Catholic priest was a friend of the Jews. After he died, everything changed. The new priest, Barshewsky, was the head of the biggest antisemitic organization in Poland, "ENDEKY." Every Sunday he preached hatred of Jews. Even the churchgoers were surprised at the change and confided in us.

A short time later, pickets appeared in front of Jewish businesses. Older Jewish people walking alone were attacked. We could not expect much help from the authorities, because the Polish government gave permission to boycott Jewish establishments. About that time, Jews expelled from neighboring Germany crossed over to Poland. We realized that uncertainties lay ahead.

As the world looked on, Germany prepared for war. On September 1st, 1939, Germany attacked Poland. I was at the front lines with the Polish artillery. After a few days, Dobrzyn and Golub, being close by the border, were overrun by the Germans. By the time the Nazis came, most of the Jewish men left town, only to return at a later date.

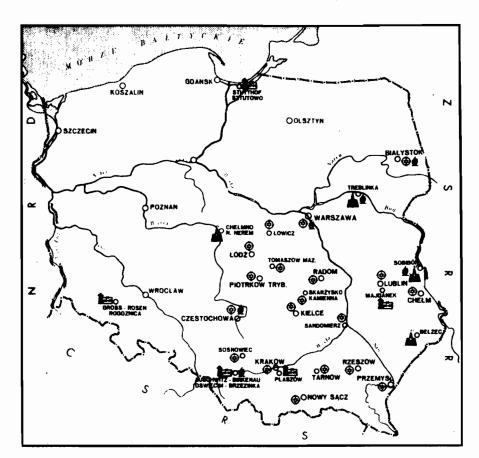
The first day of Rosh Hashana, two large trucks with German soldiers stopped at the big Shul, also at the Gerer Chasidim Stibl, pulled out 230 Jewish men dressed in their Yom-Tov clothes and prayer shawls, and put them on the trucks. Among them were Bar-Mitzvah boys, and some men in their eighties. None of the men were seen or heard of again.

On November 9th, 1939, the anniversary of the Crystal-Nacht, the Germans told the Jewish population of both towns to bring a lot of money and valuables for permission to stay in our homes. After they collected all of it, they went from house to house, telling everybody to leave. The whole area was being incorporated into the Third Reich, where Jews were not allowed to live anymore. We could take only what we were able to carry with us. We left our homes without any given place to go to. Soon after, the Germans burned the Synagogue, destroyed all Jewish properties and turned the Jewish cemetery into a pasture. Out of the 3000 Dobrzyn-Golub Jews, only 55 survived.



The greatest scenes of martyrdom and fighting of Jews on the Polish lands 1939—1945

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In the year 1930, for the 10th anniversary of the founding of the club, you could readily notice the popularity of the light-athletic activities among the jewish youth. Ferdinand Wulkan, who was one of the founders of Z.T.G.S. KADIMAH and the sport club CZARNY, was decorated for his work with the youth of Oswiecim. From the year 1930 to the year 1933, the group was battleing to get into Class "A". The cooperation between two sport clubs in Oswiecim was terrific. One helped the other. In the year 1931 Z.T.G.S. KADIMAH, like other sport clubs in the area, ran into trouble because of the ecomonic situation in Poland. The clubs folded because of the cost of upkeep and the major players went into the Polish Army. The following years brought, again, a revitalization of sport activities. This time their effort was PING PONG, and may times they won the championship.

Also, the sport of skiing was popular. Few of the members took part in the world MAKABI GAMES. The second World War and the occupation by the NAZIS brought an end to Z.T.G.S. "KADIMAH" and to most of their members.



"MONEY IS A GOOD SERVANT, BUT A DANGEROUS MASTER .



#### Z.T.G.S. "KADIMAH" in OSWIECIM

#### J. Hennenberg

10-10-1921 the Sport Club "KADIMAH" came into being. The founders of this

organization were two attorneys

E. Goldberg and Emil Reich.

Co-founders were:

Izydor Enoch M. Goldberg Max Leibler Jan Loew David Loeschner Moses Leib Hennenberg Dr. Julian Przeworski Dr. David Landhaus Ferinand Wulkan Icek Band Zyga Weinheber

Leon Schoenker (Artist)

Josef Schoenker (owner of the Chemical Factory AGROHEMIA)

On the Photo from left:

Victor Turner Amek Haas Haskel Jerut Pinkus Littner S. Katz Josek Silbiger L. Kornhauser Zvga Weinheber Szymon Barber Zvga Feiler Baiciu Jakubowicz S. Bergman J. Koenigsberger

These people had a great influence in the town and means to support a jewish Sport Club. The income to the club consisted on selling tickets to the games

and membership dues. I would like to mention that in those days the players did not get any pay, food or board. They simply played for the pleasure and pride. They took along a piece of bread or a roll to the games. Their uniform consisted of a six pointed

star on a white and blue shirt and black shorts. In the beginning nobody wanted to believe that this group of enthusiast will get anywhere, however later they had to admit they were wrong.

The main section of the club was soccer, they trained on the field that belonged to the native sport club "SOLA". The matches took place between the Jewish and Catholic sport clubs. These matches sometimes took twice as long, playing a whole evening, until dark, rather than 45 minutes.

The best players from the jewish club were:

M. Rubin Brothers Weiss Ari Frankel Adler Icek Band Koszycki

The first Games of "KADIMAH" drew large crowds of jewish onlookers. In a short period of time "KADIMAH" grew in popularity. They started to play in Group "C" and worked their way upwards.

In the year 1930, they became champions of class "B" for which they received a diploma first class for the Silesia Division.

In the year 1925, "KADIMAH" sent 2 players to BRNO/CSR for training. After returning to Oswiecim they immediately formed sections of Gymnastics for men, women and children. For the 5th anniversary of the club operation, a soccer match took place between 2.T.G.S. KADIMAH of Oswiecim and 2.K.S. MAKKABI KRAKOW. The game resulted in a score of 1 - 3.

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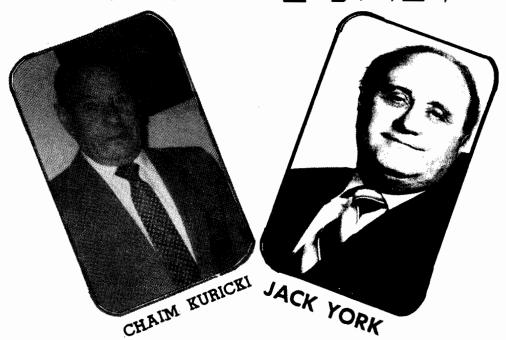


THE MAN WHO ROWS THE BOAT GENERALLY DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO ROCK IT.

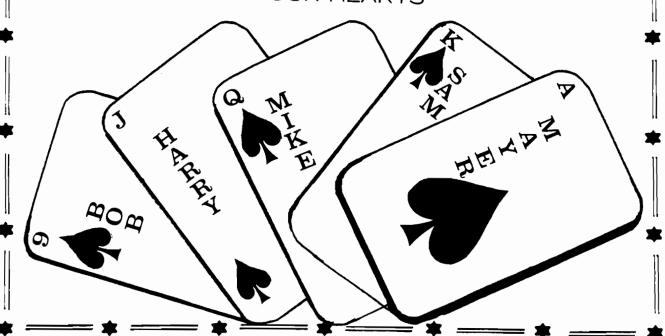


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# זכרונ ם לברכה



YOU WILL LIVE FOREVER
IN OUR HEARTS



"The essence is not the talking, but the action."
—Pirkey Avot



### History of Oswiecim - Auschwitz

By JACOB HENNENBERG

The first definite historic reference to Oswiecim is in the year 1177-78, when it was taken over by King Mieszek Platonogi.

Oswiecim is located in the fork of two rivers: the Sola and the Vistula, on the route between Malopolskia and Silesia. This location had great strategic value — it protected Poland's southern borders. It consisted of a castle, a fort encircled by a palisade and a dike. A settlement of people skilled in crafts needed to support and service the fort grew up in the surrounding area.

Duke Kasimir Opolski had a stone wall built around the fort in the second half of the 12th century; this put the settlement in the category of a township. The status of a town was achieved in the second half of the 13th century.

In 1296 the town received from Duke Mieszko Cieszynski the Rights of Magdeburg, which meant that the town could have its own court and the right to deal in salt and lead. It could also charge a tax for the use of the two bridges across the Sola River.

Due to these privileges Oswiecim became a center of commerce for salt traffic that ran from a mine at Wieliczka through Zator, Oswiecim, Kety, Cieszyn, Opava, Nysa and Wroclaw.

In the year 1317 Oswiecim became the capital of a separate dukedom. In 1457 it was annexed to Poland. Under the Polish kings it received additional privileges one of which was to hold three fairs annually. By this time it could boast of three mills, 100 craftsmen, a mint, a school and a hospital.

The real development of the town came when Jewish immigrants arrived to settle there. The dukes were not very friendly, even though they exacted heavy taxes from them. But after Oswiecim came under the jurisdiction of the Kingdom of Poland, the Jewish community grew rapidly. The Jews were active in commerce with salt, fish, wine and lead and engaged in the manufacture of alcoholic drinks. In later years the town was known as "Oswiecim Jerusalem" because of the large Jewish colony there.

With the Swedish occupation of the 17th century the town was almost ruined. It was not until the second half of the 18th century that it began to recover.

After the partition of Poland in 1772, Oswiecim came under Austrian jurisdiction. In 1805 the Sola River flooded, bringing extensive damage to the castle and vicinity. At this time the population was 2,118 and the town had 295 wooden houses. During the partition Oswiecim attained the status of a city and the right to hold 12 fairs annually.

In 1863 about one-third of the city was destroyed by fire, but with the construction of a railroad between Vienna, Prague and Lemberg the city started to revive again. Large railroad shops were built as well as a metal factory and a chemical plant.

By Nov. 11, 1918 Oswiecim was part of the new Polish Republic. In 1912 the population was 12,187, of which 4,950 were Jews, and by 1938 the population was about 13,000.

After the German occupation in September, 1939 Oswiecim was incorporated into the German Reich. On the other side of the Sola River the Nazi constructed the infamous Auschwitz concentration camp in which perhaps four million Jews and thousands of other nationality died of starvation, mistreatment or the gas chamber.

Since the German surrender in 1945 Oswiecim has again been a part of Poland.



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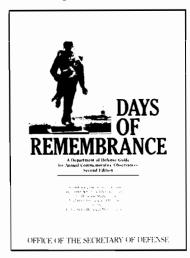
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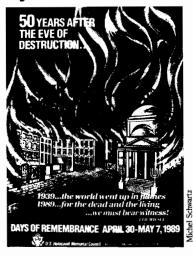
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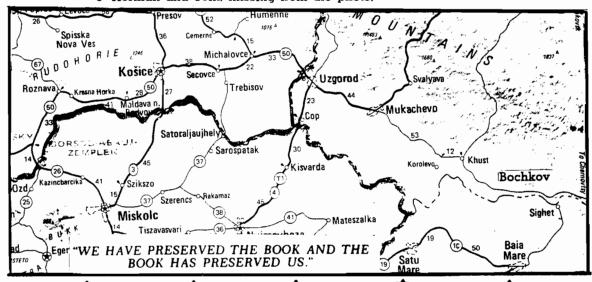


This photo was taken in Bochkov, Czechoslovakia, before World War II, of the Family Wieder.

Standing from left to right: Julia, Jack, Esther.

Second row: Father LEISER MORDECHAI, mother Lea and Feige.

Chinka, Meyer, Suri, **AVYUM** MENDEL, Josef, far right back, neighbor the Herman and Toni, missing from the photo,





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"WE HAVE PRESERVED THE BOOK AND THE BOOK HAS PRESERVED US."



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If you offer your compassion to the hungry
And satisfy the famished creature
Then shall your light shine in darkness
And your gloom shall be like noonday
Isaiah 58:10



their children and their children's children. Historians have told me that there is no single source of immigration to the United States in the post-war years as authoritative or as complete as ours, but this too cannot remain ours alone.

We will have to consider a method of sharing this archive with the Holocaust institutions, libraries and resource centers throughout the United States—local and national—so that the focus and the discussion of the Holocaust will not be on the dead alone, but on those who survived and rebuilt their lives with dignity.

We must complete this registry in our lifetime. There are still thousands of survivors who are not recorded. There are an equal number of survivors who died in the United States before we established the registry and there are so many others whose stories we still do not know.

Our principle must be simple. Survivors have developed documentation as their contribution to history. What we developed must be shared equitably and openly with all those who want to learn about the Holocaust. Surely no commercial use may be made of this material and privacy must be guaranteed—but history must be served.

I am concerned-more deeply concerned than ever-with the themes of remembrance. For years, we fought against the idea that Jews went like sheep to the slaughter. Who, if not the Jewish survivor, taught the world of resistance and of spiritual dignity? Without our testimony no one would have known of the magnitude of the uprising in Warsaw, the revolt in Treblinka, the escape from Sobibor, the bombing of the crematoria in Auschwitz, the struggle of the partisans and underground workers, the inner life of the ghettos. No one would have known what it was like to be a Jew posing as a Christian, and sometimes even wearing a German uniform. Without our acts of witness, no one would have learned of the inner quality of defiance, of the thousands of acts large and small that characterized the spiritual resistance of our people.

Now as teachers are spreading the knowledge of the Holocaust and as museums and memorials are being built, we must again set the tone. Surely we must speak of death, but not of death alone.

We have all seen the skeletal remains of a once vital people, but we must give flesh to the bones and see the people as they once lived. Survivors have an obligation to convey that message and tell that story.

And we must be on guard against commercialization and vulgarization not only by our enemies but by our friends who mean well but do not understand.

Today everybody raises funds on the back of the survivor, everybody sheds tears for our experience, but in the process, they often cheapen the magnitude of the event and dilute it of all meaning. We must put an end to that.

We realize that the institutions that are to be created with our help will not be built for survivors—they are being built for all Americans, Jews and non-Jews alike. But only we survivors can make sure that the Holocaust will be presented truthfully. The world must know what happened and how it happened. It must also know who were the real Holocaust victims. And we must make certain that the exhibitions we help shape today will be permanent and enduring so that they can not be changed by any political whim or any change of mood.

And on a personal note, may I say that we have an obligation to those survivors who have entered old age without the material resources to sustain themselves in dignity in their final years. We shall hear of important plans to allow survivors to help one another so that those who are without families and without support know that we truly mean that we are our brothers' keepers. We must help each other.

To conclude, I would like to make a radical proposal—that we survivors, together with those who understand our goals, create a National Endowment for Holocaust Education and Remembrance, a collective fund that will provide adequate resources for work in the remembrance of the Holocaust long after we have passed.

In our lifetimes, we must support the museums and the memorial centers—but once we are gone, we must insure that our collective work for all these many years will be sustained. Ninety percent we may choose to leave to our families and to the charities, the tzedakahs, we currently support—but let us take what we are—a remnant—a remnant of our funds and pool them into a collective fund, the National Endowment, to be dedicated for all eternity to the causes we hold dear.

Let us go through these days together and let us share and listen. We will hear of the many wonderful activities throughout the nation. Proud stories of real achievements in Detroit and Miami, in Washington and in New York.

Let us use our days together to take measure of where we have been and think at great length of where we must go and what there is left for us to do together. Let us think and act.

Thank you!





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AN ADDRESS BY BENJAMIN MEED

#### HON. BILL CREEN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 1989

Mr GREEN, Mr. Speaker, 2 weeks ago, Hotocaust teachers, survivors and members of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council met in Washington, DC, for the Second Annual National Alumni Conference and the National Executive Leadership Conference. Close to 300 people from 28 States were in attendence.

Benjamin Meed, president of the American Gathering/Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, spoke at the National Leadership Board Meeting to Holocaust survivors on February 19. I wanted to share his remarks with my colleagues:

#### AN ADDRESS BY BENJAMIN MEED

We are together again and as always when survivors get together, there is a spark which ignites our responsibility to remember the past and our destiny—in the words of Elie Wiesel for the dead and the living we must bear witness. No matter from where in the nation we come, we have the feeling of familiarity, bonds that were fused by suffering and by a common memory. We know each other deeply and we also know how difficult it is for others, even our best friends who did not share our experience, to understand us or to enter into our inner

I feel something rather special this afternoon for I see before me three different parts of my life, three ranges of activities that have consumed my time, my energy, my imagination, and my emotions for so many years and they have all come together in one weekend, in one occasion.

in one weekend, in one occasion.

First and foremost, there are the survivors—you and me. We have traveled a long journey together, far from the world of our parents, far from the world in which we began our lives, the world in which values were shared and endured from one generation to another.

Instantly, that world was shattered and we were thrown into a world of darkness. We are the fortunate, we survived, just bodies and souls, "no homes and no families, "We were displaced people. Then we came to America. At tirst we were isolated; and then we were joined by others. It took time and hard work, but finally we survivors have assumed our rightful place in Jewish life and in American society. We have been together at commemorations and at Gatherings, at events large and small, all on behalf of Jewish life and our beloved State of Israel. We all love America. America did a lot for us. But America has not changed us, however. By our collective testimony we have helped to change America and especially American Jewry.

It is for survivors and for our collective legacy that the American Gathering was born and it is to survivors and to our legacy that I have devoted every ounce of my energy.

Our second major activity is now our teachers program of Holocaust and Resist-

ance. As you heard from Vladka, who said it better that I ever could, the teachers are our connection to the future. They and others like them will carry part of our legacy to the American people, to an entire generation that was born after Auschwitz and Treblinka. You have seen them, our alumni, their devotion—and how much they want to learn from us the survivors. Here in America, these teachers recapture our memory and transmit it to the younger generation. You have seen their incredible quality as human beings and their enthusiasm to learn and to teach others.

In many European cities, every vestige of the Second World War and of Nazi tyranny has been erased. Cities have been rebuilt. The past has been covered over and the memory of Jews forgotten.

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So let me thank Vladka. After all, she created the program and she has worked on it so tirelessly for the past five years.

Another most important activity of my life is the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, located in the heart of our nation's capital—the national memorial that will transmit our experience to future generations of Americans. It is a Museum, but not only a Museum. I am personally grateful that Chairman Harvey Meyerhoff pointed this out in his remarks yesterday. It is an educational institution that will include archives and an International Center for Holocaust Studies, a Learning Center and educational programs for an anticipated one million American visitors each year.

Imagine if someone had suggested in 1946, the year we came to the shores of America, that this would be possible—we would have taken him for mad. Imagine if someone had told you in 1976 that a national memorial would be built under government auspices on the National Mall in Washington, we would have taken him for a lunatic. Maybe we were meshugge—because while others told us to forget, we insisted on remembering and we will reap the fruits of our collective commitment. A national memorial will be built in our lifetime—within three years—and it will convey the Jewish and human tragedy in a manner authentic to history.

So my friends, this weekend we meet as one: survivors, teachers and Museum builders. For it is our common task that brings us together. We stil must learn form one another. But above all, we must respect each other. We are interdependent—we need each other. Each one of these groups must appreciate what the other groups can give to our common task.

Yet at this hour, we survivors meet alone as we should, to take stock of the past and to ask some questions about the future. Where do we go as an organization? What is our task as survivors for the next several years? This question must concern us today. This should be our main agenda item.

Let us begin with an honest—and painful—assessment of our greatest enemy time. Within a quarter of a century, there will be no survivors left to bear witness. Each day our numbers diminish and each year our energy wanes. So first and foremost our concern must be to finish what we alone can inspire others to complete because we are the eyewitnesses—because we were there in the pit of hell. Not only in Washington, but also in New York, Los Angeles, Miami and other cities, they are building major memorials to the Holocaust. Survivors are involved with each of these important institutions as we should be. We have contributed to each of these institutions as we should be. We have contributed to each of these institutions as we should and we have served as a conscience for each of them, demanding that they tell a truthful story, that it be told with dignity and in a manner equal to the magnitude of the event.

We have additional contributions to make—not only monetary, but material as well. Many of us have artifacts— uniforms, photographs and documents—that have been stored away in our homes. These artifacts will be of interest to our children, but they may have a greater power to instruct the generations, to provide a compelling and enduring documentation of our experience. It is time to clean out our attics and basements, to contribute the physical remains of our memory so that the story that will be told in the museums can reflect our experience.

I was disturbed last fall—as I am sure you were—to read in the press that two letters written by Anne Frank were sold in a public auction for \$160,000. We now see that unless we take a stand, unless we protest, Holocaust artifacts will become a business and the material remains will be sold to the highest bidder. We cannot allow that to happen, and, frankly, if we permit this, then ultimately, it will be the enemy who profits—Nazis will sell their memorabilia, the Polish government will be sitting on a gold mine and the Czechs will make a fortune off the Precious Legacy. Only the moral voice of the survivor can put an end to this vui-

Secondly, we must individually tell our stories, record our memories for posterity. In many communities there are oral history programs designed to record the experiences of survivors. They are being conducted in a sensitive and considerate manner. We greatly appreciate their work. Oh yes, survivor testimony must be given, gathered, and conserved, but it must be shared by all reputable institutions.

one institutions.

My fellow survivors, it is time to tell what can be told so that none of us will leave this earth without sharing our tragic and heroic story. I know it is painful and difficult—but it is so necessary. And these oral testimonies cannot be the property of any one institution. We must insist that they be shared among Washington, New York, Detroit, Los Angeles and others at that all can leave.

Angeles and others, so that all can learn. Finally, for the past decade the American Gathering has been compiling a registry of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, the names and experiences and families of tens of thousands of survivors who came to the United States. We have the single most important archives on the survivors in the world. The American Gathering has the largest collection of information and data on the experiences of those who lived through the kingdom of night. The national registry can tell you the cities of their birth, the camps and time of their incarceration, the means of their survival, the places to which they moved after the war, the nature of their rebuilt lives in the United States and Canada.





Shirley Frum Lilian Yeger Ann Malamacher

#### WHAT KOL ISRAEL MEANS TO ME:

K inder (Children) everywhere.

O rganizing meetings, meetings, meetings.

L atkes at Picnics.

I ntense emotions.

S uffering STILL due to the Holocaust.

R aising the Monument at Mt. Zion Cemetery.

A mbulance for Israel.

E veryone united for one cause.

L ove of Judaism.

#### MS. LILLIAN YEAGER LICHTMAN

My early memories of the Kol Israel Foundation are still quite vivid. The first meeting held to form an organization of holocaust survivors was at my parent's house.

I remember the first Kol Israel picnics. I always had so much fun selling soda pop and raffle tickets. I can still taste the wonderful latkes and hot dogs. It was all so good!

I remember my parents dressing up for the annual Purim Party and the many dances held during the year.

I remember the building of the monument and how happy we all were at the dedication in 1961. This was something that all of you worked so hard to see built, and it is a loving tribute to the six million Jewish martyrs.

But most of all I remember the oneness, the comraderie among all of us. Everyone was working hard to insure the success of Kol Israel.

I am very happy to congratulate you on the 25th anniversary of the Kol Israel Foundation. I wish you all continued success.

#### SHIRLEY FRUM COHEN

When I was about fourteen years old, Lillian Yaeger, Shirley Frum and I were asked to think about the possibility of forming a second generation Kol Israel group. We were too young to form a group at that time but the seed was planted in our minds. The three of us were asked to speak at a Kol Israel dinner and I think it was then that we realized how important it was that we continue to perpetuate the memory of the holocaust. We wanted to make sure that our families as well as the world does not forget.

ANNE ADELMAN (MALCMACHER)



### In Memoriam

### זכרוג ם לברכה

In loving memory of the families akst and Geps who perished in the Holocaust. We know that they would have been as proud and incouraging of the achievements that the survivors abbie akst and Molly (Sups) akst have accomplished as all of us are.

with love,

Hymie, Barbara, Lei, Soth and Howard akot



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

THE WCLF AND PARNES FAMILIES
LIVED IN POBURZANY, NEAR BUSK, POLAND

FATHER SAMUEL WOLF

MOTHER BRANIA

SISTER ITA

EROTHER JOSEL

GRANDFATHER ICHOCK WOLF

GRANDMOTHER CHAJA

AUNT ETHEL

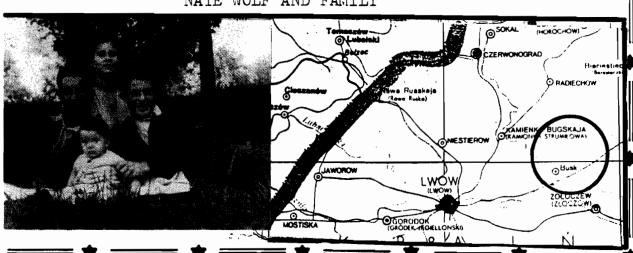


GRANDFATHER BENZION PARNES GRANDMOTHER NESCHIE

THEY ALL PERISHED IN THE HOLOCAUST

REMEMBERING THEM WITH LOVE

NATE WOLF AND FAMILY





אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ...



AND THE BEST WILL COME BACK TO YOU."

- Talmud





**ABOUT JEWS** 

If the statistics are right, the jews constitute but one quarter of one percent of the human race. It suggests a nebulous dim puff of stardust lost in the blaze of the milky way. Properly the jew ought hardly to be heard of, but he is heard of, has always been heard of. He is as prominent on the planet as any other people, and his importance is extravagantly out of proportion to the smallness of his bulk.

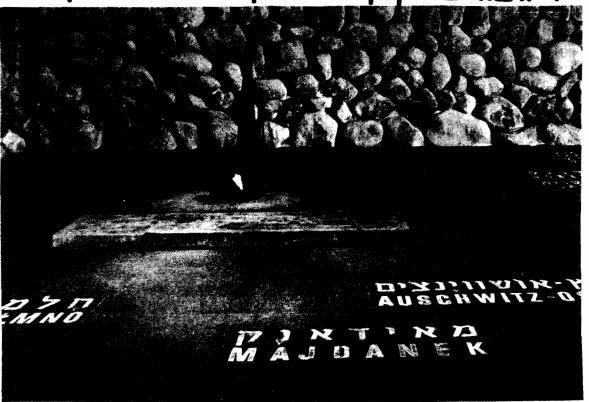
His contributions to the world's list of great names in literature, science, art, music, finance, medicine and abstruse learning are very out of proportion to the weakness of his numbers. He has made a marvelous fight in this world in all ages; and he has done it with his hands tied behind him. He could be vain of himself and be excused for it. The Egyptians, the Babylonians and the Persians rose, filled the planet with sound and splendour; then faded to dream-stuff and passed away. The Greeks and the Romans followed and made a vast noise, and they are gone; other peoples have sprung up and held their torch high for a time but it burned out, and they sit in twilight now, or have vanished.

The Jew saw them all, survived them all, and is now what he always was, exhibiting no decadence, no infirmities of age, no weakening of his parts, no slowing of his energies, no dulling of his alert and aggressive mind. All things are mortal but the Jew; all other forces pass, but he remains. What is the secret of his immortality?

Mark Twain in Harper's Magazine September 1897



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"Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a Place and a Name better than of sons and of daughters;

I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off."

A verse from the book of Isaiah. On the outskirts of Jerusalem the people of Israel have established a permanent memorial and museum of the Holocaust, known as 'Yad Vashem' – 'a Place and a Name'.



In Memoriam

### זכרונ ם לברכה

# Sarah and Freddy Wolf



יְתְנַדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֵה רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כָרְעוּחֵה. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתַה. בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲנָלָא וּבִוְמֵן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן: יָהָא שִׁמֵה רַבָּא מִבָרַךְ לָעַלָם וּלְעַלְמֵי עַלְמַיָּא:

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עשָׁה שָׁלֹום בִּמְרוֹמָיו הוּא יַצַשָּׁה שָׁלוֹם עָלַינוּ וְעַל-כָּל־ יִשְׂרָאֵל. וָאָמִרוּ אַמֵן:

"THE DIGNITY OF MAN, WHICH IS THE BASIS OF JEWISH ETHICS, IS EXPRESSED NOT ONLY IN HOW WE RELATE TO THOSE WHO ARE LIVING - BUT ALSO IN OUR TREATMENT OF THE DEAD."



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY

#### **PARENTS**

AVRAHAM LEIB HERSKOVITZ SARA LANA HERSKOVITZ AND BROTHERS VOLVI, KALMAN, HERSHY

BELOVED GRANDMOTHER RIZELL HERSKOVITZ AUNT RIVKA HOFFMAN

AUNT AND UNCLE FRIDA AND DUDIE DOVIDOVICH

FROM:
JACK HERSKOVITZ
AND FAMILY





### "אנו עם אחר, בלב אחד וגורל אחד"

We are one people, with one heart and one destiny.



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

IN LOVING MEMORY

GRANDFATHER: LEIB HERSKOVITZ

UNCLES:
RABBI DAVID HERSKOVITZ
KARL HERSKOVITZ
MAX HERSKOVITZ
MOSHE HOFFMAN

Dedicated by

MR. JACK HERSKOVITZ

AND FAMILY

I SAW A MOUNTAIN
HIGHER THAN MT. BLANC
AND MORE HOLY THAN THE MOUNTAIN OF SINAI . . .

TO KOL ISRAEL—THAT MOUNTAIN— WITH ADMIRATION

Bea and Ozzie Stadtler



For the Dead <u>and</u> the Living, We Must Bear Witness

Elie Wiesel





Father, Chaim Zvi Hennenberg Mother, Perl Hennenberg nee Bochner Sisters,

Sabina Hornung nee Hennenberg Hana Wassertheil nee Hennenberg Ita Korngold nee Hennenberg Karola Grubner-Maringer nee Hennenberg

#### JACOB HENNENBERG AND FAMILY

"I did not find the world desolate when I entered it.... And as my Fathers planted for me, so do I plant for my Children." Talmud T'Anit 23A



Jewish people continued their religious practices and delved into the study of Talmud and Caballah. They embraced Chasidism founded in Poland by Rabbi Bal Shemtov and followed by many rabbis like Rabbi Elimelech or Lezaisk and his brother Zusia. Poland was partitioned in 1772 and 1793 between Prussia, Russia and Austria. Under the reign of Maria Theresa. Jews were treated as social outcasts. Joseph II mounted the throne of Austria and on October 13, 1781. Joseph II issued the edict of toleration in which he extended privileges to the Jewish population. 1794 was the beginning of uprisings in Poland. Not since the revolt of Bar Kochba, did Jews realize that in order to gain freedom it was necessary to fight. Events that had shaken Europe were the triumphs of two revolutions, in the American colonies in 1776 and in France in 1789. Carriers of this exciting news of freedom and equality were Polish officers who fought in the American Revolution under the leadership of General Tadeus Kosciuszko. General Kosciuszko gave the authority to Colonel Berek Yoselowitz to form a Jewish legion. During 1814-1815, the Congress of Vienna under Prince Metternich robbed the Jews of Europe of most of the rights and privileges which they previously enjoyed.

In the revolt of 1830-1831 Joseph Yoselowicz, son of Berek Yoselowicz. formed a Jewish legion called the "beardlings." They distinguished themselves in battle by such outstanding acts of bravery that General Ostrowsky declared in a proclamation that the sacrifice of the Jewish militia men. made for Poland, should convince everyone "how much we have sinned against our Jewish Brethern."

The liberal revolution in 1848, part of the "Spring of Nations" in Europe, led to the establishment of a constitutional monarch by Frantz Joseph I. and in 1876 the Jewish emancipation became a permanent law.

In 1881 new waves of violence befell the Jewish population of Poland. Streams of pogroms against Jewish communities were recurrent in various parts of Poland and Russia from 1880 to 1914, when the first World War broke out. The Jews suffered from the outbreak of violence from the hands of Russians, Ukrainians and Poles. They had to flee their homes and run for their lives, facts which brought about the beginning of Jewish immigration to Western Europe, the United States, other parts of the world and Palestine.

The Po'ish Republic, on November 11. 1918, declared its formal establishment. Many Jews fought in General Joseph Pilsudsky's Po'ish legions of liberation. He seized power by a coup-de-etat in 1926. He formally abolished all anti-Jewish laws.

New waves of antisemitism erupted in Poland, following the end of World War I, most notably in professional circles and in Universities. A major factor in these agitations were the "endeks."

Jewish communal life in the larger cities of Poland, between the two world wars, had a great deal of progressive character. While the "Kahal" continued to be the major administrative organ in the Jewish community, a variety of Jewish political parties, educational institutions, and cultural organizations evolved during this period. Many Jewish communities, in addition to the traditional religious education, established their own elementary and secondary school systems. By 1939, when the Nazi assault on Jewish existence erupted in Europe, Poland had a Jewish population of 3,351,000.

—Jacob Hennenberg



### The Origins and Experiences of Jewish People in Poland

This essay reviews the origins of Jewish migration to and settlement in Poland. Jewish life evolved in Poland over a period of close to a thousand years, contributing to the development of modern Jewish traditions, culture and heritage. The Nazi regime and its collaborators brought to an end Jewish life all over Europe including Poland.

Even before the Polish King accepted Christianity, Jews with Spanish and German sounding names arrived in Poland.

King Mieszko I ruled Poland from 963 to 992. Christiandom split into east and west catholicism. The Russians chose Bizantium; Poland became Roman Catholic.

After the Tatar invasion in 1240 the Polish Kings encouraged immigration from Germany. The Jews brought with them the then spoken German language, that became the Jidish of eastern Europe. Boleslaw Chrobry issued his famous "privelegium Libertatis" also known as the statutes of Kalish in the year of 1264 in which the Jews were granted legal protection and unrestricted freedom. At that time, German settlers appeared in Poland and regarded the Jews as rivals. King Casimir the Great reigned in the years 1333 to 1370. King Casimir refined Bolelaw Chrobry's charter and improved on the privileges afforded to Jews. While elsewhere in Europe Jews lived in terror, in Poland they lived in relative prosperity and peace. The edict of King Zygmund August in the year of 1551 granted the Jews self government. Self government was exercised through the "Vaad Arba Arzot," which had the legitimation of both government and supreme court. In those days one could rarely find a Jew who was illiterate. This may be accounted for by the Talmud saying, "He who has knowledge has everything, he who lacks knowledge lacks everything."

In 1575 Stefan Batory gained the Polish throne, and reigned from 1575 to 1586. His regime was also bereficial for Jews in Poland. During the reign of King Zygmund III from 1587 to 1632, the Jewish community initiated and instituted meetings of rabbis and their students at special occasions (called fairs), where important religious issues were deliberated on and discussed.

The year of 1648 saw the end of the 30-year war, but a great ca'amity befe'l the Jewish population. Bogdan Chmielnitski, a Kozak leader, fought the Polish rule in the Ukraine. This uprising brought about the destruction of hnudreds of Jewish communities and the killing of 200,000 Jews.

In 1650, King Jan Kasimir started negotiations with Chmielnicki. At the same time Charles the Tenth of Sweden overran Poland and one year later he withdrew from Poland. Immediately after the withdrawal of Sweden, pogroms against the Jews were started by the Po'es, which resulted in the destruction of large numbers of the Jewish communities in Poland. Between 1648 and 1658, many Jewish communities were destroyed and a half million Jews were killed.





### IN HONOR OF

# JULIA ESTHER DEBBIE PERL HENNENBERG





PROUD PARENTS

### MICHAEL C. AND SUSAN

**HENNENBERG** 

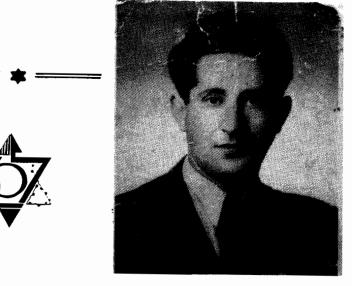
PROUD GRANDPARENTS

JACOB AND HILDEGARD HENNENBERG

BEACHWOOD, OHIO

HARRY AND ANNA SPITZ

PHOENIX, ARIZONA





IN MEMORY OF SAM BERRY BY BETTY BERRY

Sam Berry was born Schmuel Berlinski in Sendiczow, Poland, in 1910. He died in January, 1982, in Cleveland, Ohio. Sam and I were married in February of 1939 in Sosnowitz, Poland. That September the Nazi army invaded Poland, World War II began, and all our lives were forever changed.

For the next three years, our Jewish community in Sosnowitz was made to suffer more and worse outrages. We were crouded and over-crowded, and gradually forced from our homes into a ghetto. In 1941 a son was born to Sam and me. However, he was taken from our bunker hiding place by the Nazi SS along with other Jewish children in 1943, and we never saw our son again.

In 1944 the Germans closed the ghetto and took all the remaining Jews to Birkenau and to Auswitz. Sam and I were seperated at Auswitz. There life was really living hell. Even though we tried to get in touch with each other, we had no communication until after the war. Thinking back on it now, it seems impossible that people went through such terrible treatment and survived at all.

After the Liberation, Sam learned throu the Unra that I was back in Sosnowitz, Poland. He came back from Dachau, Germany, and we were happily reunited. That was one of the most joyous days of our lives. From Poland we moved to Regensberg, W. Germany in 1946, where we waited for immigration visas to the U.S.A. In Regensberg I was the Vice-President of the Jewish Gemeinde, and President of the Women's WIZO. Our Daughter was born in 1948, and in 1950 we immegrated to America and settled in Cleveland.

In the United States we began rebuilding our lives. Sam worked hard, went into business for himself and owned several restaurants. I became a Supervisor at the Montefiore Jewish Nursing Home. Some of the few relatives who survived the Holocost also moved to the Cleveland area. However, all our nearest family and most sides of our relatives were killed during the war. After the Liberation came, we hoped that some of us would remain to tell the world what the Nazis had done.

I hope that the suffering and sacrafice which the Jews in Europe endured during the war led to the creation of Isreal, and will lead to the prevention of such terrible deeds ever happening to anybody ever again.

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# IN REVERENT MEMORY OF OUR FATHER



### JOSEPH IZCHAK WARSHAWSKI

SIMON AND BENYAMIN
WARSHAWSKI

IF WE OF TODAY FORGET WHAT HAPPENED TO OTHERS YESTERDAY — IT COULD HAPPEN TO US TOMORROW



We Wish to Extend a Happy 30th Anniversary
Sincere Wishes for Health and Happiness for the
Next 30 Years to Come

Fondly

### SARAH AND MAX SLIVKA and Family



SARA AND MAX SLIVKA



#### **CZESTOCHOWA**

#### By Jacob Hennenberg

Located about 125 miles southwest of Warsaw, Czestochowa began as a small village in the 18th Century to become a sizeable town that became well known as a manufacturing center. From the early 19th Century Jews played an important role in the development of its industry and commerce. Jewish weavers and manufacturers were found in Czestochowa from the early decades of that century. In spite of certain restrictions, the Jewish population grew and thrived as the city grew in size and importance. Only 75 Jewish residents were recorded in the year 1765, but by 1808 the Jewish population had increased to 498.

When the Nazis began the invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939, the Jewish community of Czestochowa numbered 28,486. The Blitzkrieg launched by the German military machine brought Poland to her knees in a few days. On September 3rd the German army entered Czestochowa, and the very next day the systematic destruction of the Jewish community began. Known as "Bloody Monday" September 4, 1939 was the date of the first organized pogrom. Jews were terrorized, beaten, and several hundred were massacred. Day after day the Nazis maintained a relentless reign of terror which included the too-familiar historic humiliations and persecutions: forcing the Jews to wear a white arm band with the Star of David; arrests without cause; accusations; confiscation of property; raping of women; torture; compulsory labor; murder.

On December 25th a second pogrom was perpetrated, and the great synagogue which had been the cultural, educational, and religious center of their lives was set on fire.

In August 1940 about 1000 young men in the age group 18-25 were shipped to the forced labor camp in Cieszanow. Almost all perished. On April 9, 1941 a ghetto for the remaining Jews was established. When the Nazis sealed it off, the Jews suffered severely from hunger and from the epidemcis that broke out because of the overcrowding and unsanitary conditions.

On September 23, 1942, the day after Yom Kippur, the Nazis began a large scale action to settle the "Jewish problem" once and for all. By October 5th 39,000 people had been deported to the Treblinka extermination camp and about 2,000 people were executed on the spot. The ghetto's population (6,500) and borders were now so reduced that it was called "the small ghetto, but soon Jews fleeing from other places swelled the ranks.

"Why didn't they fight back?" it was often asked. Critics do not stop to think that from the first day of the Blitzkrieg the Polish army could not cope with the overwhelmingly superior German military machine. If a trained army was unable to defend its homeland against the might of an efficient, ruthless military force equipped with greater numbers and superior lethal weapons, how could it have been possible for a small number of untrained Jews, without weapons and singled out for immediate destruction, to offer any significant resistance?

However, to set the record straight – some groups did get together to form underground organizations even during the first months of the Naxi occupation and engaged in sabotage and mutual aid. By December 1942 the groups joined together into a Jewish Fighting Organization (ZOB) of about 300 fighters and established contact with the Warsaw Ghetto Fighting Organization. The first armed resistance occurred on January 4, 1943 under the command of Mendel Fiszlewicz; 25 fighters lost their lives and the others were deported to Radomsko. The next day the Nazis retaliated by shooting 250 children and old people.

On March 20, 1943 the Nazis executed 127 Jewish intellectuals.

The Jewish Fighting Organization continued its activities and dispatched two large groups into the forests of Zloty Potok and Koniecpol, but before they could even begin partisan activities they were murdered by Polish terrorists of the National Armed Forces. A few members of the ZOB succeeded in contacting the Polish left-wing People's Guard and joined their ranks in guerilla activities.

On June 26, 1943 the Nazis began liquidating the "small ghetto". The Jewish Fighting Organization tried its best to offer armed resistance but could not cope with the situation, and 1000 people were deported for extermination. The ghetto was closed down when the remaining 4000 Jews were sent to two forced labor camps at the city's "Hasag" factories. On July 20, 1943, 500 prisoners of these camps were executed on the Jewish cemetery. On January 17, 1945 before leaving the city, the Germans sent 6,000 from "Hasag" camps to concentration camps in Buchenwald, Gross Rosen, and Ravensbruck in Germany.

The prisoners who succeeded in hiding from the murdering rampages of the departing Nazis were liberated by the advancing Russian army.





### In Memoriam

### זכרונו לברכה

SAMUEL WOHLFEILER
1906 1949
KRAKOW MUNICH



CHILDREN:
DR. ARTHUR WOHLFEILER
IRENE BLOCK, NEE WOHLFEILER
GRANDCHILDREN:
SAMANTHA-JOY BLOCK
JENNIFER-REBECCA BLOCK
MICHELE-SUZANNE WOHLFEILER
ROSS-HOWARD WOHLFEILER



In Warsaw, the first military underground organization, SWIT, was formed in December 1939 by Jewish veterans of the Polish army. In 1942, a second fighting organization emerged, created by four Zionist groups Poaley Zion Hashomer Hatzair, the Zionist movement and the Sccialist movement. The Bund did not join the block but created its own fighting organization "Samo Obrona." The leaders of the underground movement appraised the situation. At their first meeting, they decided to create the Jewish fighting organization "Zydowska Organizacjon Bojowa" ZOB, and to take active steps to oppose further deportation. A few members of the underground managed to escape from Treb'inka. The second wave of deportation from Warsaw began on January 18, 1943. The underground organizations were ill-equipped and ill-prepared, nevertheless, they engaged in armed resistance, which turned into four days of fighting. This was the first case of armed resistance by Jews in occupied Poland. After this action, walking in the street was punishable by death. Mordechai Anielewicz now headed the Jewish fighting organization, ZOB. On April 19, 1943, a German force equipped with tanks and artillery, under the command of Col. Sammern-Frankennegg entered the ghetto. The Germans were repulsed from the ghetto. Sammern-Frankennegg was relieved of his command and General Juergen Stroop was appointed to take his place. The Jewish fighting group continued to fight the Nazis until May 8, 1943, when the ZOB headquarters was destroyed by the Nazi forces. More than one hundred Jewish fighters including Anielewicz died in this battle. Armed resistance lasted until June, 1943, with the help of the Polish "Armia Ludowa." Some fifty ghetto fighters escaped from the ghetto and continued to fight the Germans in the forests as a partisan group named after Mordechai Anielewicz. The Warsaw ghetto uprising had an enormous effect upon the morale of the Jews and non-Jews throughout the world.

On May 16, 1943, Stroop reported to his superiors the complete liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto. When the Polish uprising in Warsaw broke out on August 1, 1944, over 1,000 Jews in hiding volunteered to fight the Germans, among them a member of the high command of the Peoples Army, Matywiecki. In addition, survivors of ZOB under the command of Antek Cukierman participated in the uprising.

The official unconditional surrender of German forces to the Allied Forces was on May 9, 1945. Six million Jewish people were killed by the Nazis, mostly by mass executions, including in concentration camps.

By June 15, 1945, 55,509 Jewish people had registered with the Central Committee of Polish Jews. To this number must be added 13,000 Jews in the Polish army formed in the U.S.S.R. The total sum of surviving Polish Jews is estimated at 369,000, 11% of the prewar population.



#### THE HOLOCAUST YEARS

Jack Hennenberg

On September 1, 1939, the Nazi hordes invaded Poland. The Polish army, in which thousands of Jews fought and died, offered desperate but successful resistance. The German high command reported 35,000 Jewish soldiers killed; 61,000 taken prisoner. Then there was the partition of Poland between Germany and Russia. Many Jews escaped to Russian occupied territories and joined the Anders army and Polish army units under Russian Control. During the Nazi attrocities 6,090,000 Jews, including the majority of Poland's Jewish Community, suffered martyrdom in places like Auschwitz (Oswiecim). Treblinka, Warsaw, Lodz, Chelmno, Maidanek, Sobibor and many other places too many to mention. May they rest in peace.

Jewish revolts 1942-1945 despite the overwhelming military strength of the Nazi forces. Many Jews, while weakened by hunger and being terrorized rose in revolt against their enemy. The following list represents the dates and locations where uprisings and fights against the Nazi regimes took place.

Date	Ghetto
September 3, 1942	Ghetto Tuchin
September 9, 1942	Ghetto Kremenetz
December 17, 1942	Ghetto Krushin
July 22, 1942	Ghetto Neswiesz
October 12, 1942	Ghetto Luydk
August 9, 1942	Ghetto Mir
September 3, 1942	Ghetto Lazhva
September 1, 1943	Ghetto Vilna
August 16, 1943	Ghetto Bialystok
March 25, 1943	Ghetto Kuldichvo
July 21, 1943	Ghetto Kletsk
August 2, 1943	Death Camp Treblinka
April 19, 1943	Ghetto Warsaw
January 10, 1943	Ghetto Minsk Mazowiecki
November 3, 1943	Ghetto Lublin
October 14, 1943	Death Camp Sobibor
October 25, 1943	Ghetto Chestochowa
May 17, 1943	Ghetto Brody
August 3, 1943	Ghetto Bendzin
September 1, 1943	Ghetto Tarnow
June 1, 1943	Ghetto Lvov
April 28, 1943	Ghetto Stryj
May 19, 1944	Death Camp Ponary
October 7, 1944	Death Camp Auschwitz
January 17, 1945	Death Camp Chelmno

# FOR THE DEAD AND THE LIVING, WE MUST BEAR WITNESS



### In Memoriam

### לברבה

זכרונו

ISRAELABLOCH 1911 1988 KRAKOW CLEVELAND



IN MEMORY OF MY BELOVED HUSBAND ANNA BLOCH, NEE BURSTYN

CHILDREN:

HELEN STEWART, NEE BLOCH MARCEL BLOCH

GRANDCHILDREN:

MITCHEL-BRIAN STEWART ERIC-DAVID STEWART JEFFREY-MICHAEL STEWART

MICHAEL BLOCH



FAMILY BURSTYN OF KRAKOW, POLAND



CHAJA BURSTYN, NEE HENIG ANNA BLOCH, NEE BURSTYN

WILLIAM BURSTYN

"GIVE TO THE WORLD THE BEST YOU HAVE AND THE BEST WILL COME BACK TO YOU."

Talmud



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TOGETHER-FROM HOLOCAUST...TO NEW LIFE!

American Gathering/Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors

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BENJAMIN MEED

April 10, 1989

Mr. Jacob Hennenberg

Dear Jacob:

The Passover holiday will soon be upon us, and then we will all be involved in the annual observance of Holocaust Remembrance Day --Yom Shoah -- in ceremonies across the nation. More than one million people are expected to attend this year's observances in different parts of the country.

This year the Office of the Secretary of Defense published the second edition of "Days of Remembrance," a Department of Defense guide for annual commemorative observances of the Holocaust. This 142-page book was produced with the assistance and cooperation of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Every American military unit around the world is being asked to observe the Days of Remembrance.

We are all pleased to see, in our lifetime, that the lesson of Remembrance has taken root in our country. We know that it took the determination and the perseverance of many survivors in many communities to make this achievement possible. We are grateful to all those who joined in this sacred task.

Last month the Prime Minister's Conference on Solidarity With Israel took place in Jerusalem. Enclosed please find a copy of a statement on Jewish unity that the American Gathering published in The Jerusalem Post on the day the Conference opened. Please be free to use it in any way you see fit.

I also enclose a message by Elie Wiesel that will published as part of an advertisement in The New York Times on the eve of Passover. We hope it will be read in many homes at the Seder that evening.

Vladka and I are leaving for a 10-day visit to Israel, returning after Passover. We both wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday.

Sincerely yours,

Benjamin Meed



#### A MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY

from the

### American Gathering/Federation of

Jewish Holocaust Survivors

#### **Prime Minister's Conference**

on Jewish Solidarity with Israel

We recognize that the Prime Minister's Conference on Jewish Solidarity with Israel is of significant importance for the future of the Jewish people. On behalf of Holocaust survivors in the United States, we express our solidarity as Jews and Americans with the people and the government of the State of Israel.

We are dedicated to maintaining the strong bonds that exist between the United States and Israel – a special relationship, based on common ideals, commitments and goals, that is of great importance to both countries.

We survivors, who came back to life from the pit of hell, remember all too well the Nazi era, when we lost Six Million of our brethren while the entire world was indifferent and the gates of all countries were closed to us. How different would it have been if in those days there had been a State of Israel.

We Holocaust survivors remember too well how isolated and abandoned we were during those years. Today it is our beloved State of Israel that faces constant threat from the Arab world and abandonment by nations all too willing to forget what happened to our people. In response to Israel's call, we declare: *Hinenu* — We are here.

We stand steadfast in our commitment to the unity of the Jewish people. In the words of Maimonides:

"אנו עם אחד, בלב אחד וגורל אחד"

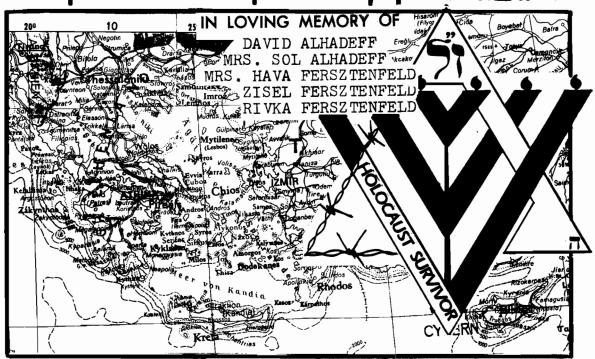
We are one people, with one heart and one destiny.

TOGETHER-

Benjamin Meed, President



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...





### In Memoriam

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FROM THE FRUM FAMILY

"Hope lives when people remember"



In Memoriam

### זכרוג ם לברכה

IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF OUR VERY DEAR PARENTS

# ISAAC GREENWALD REGINA GREENWALD



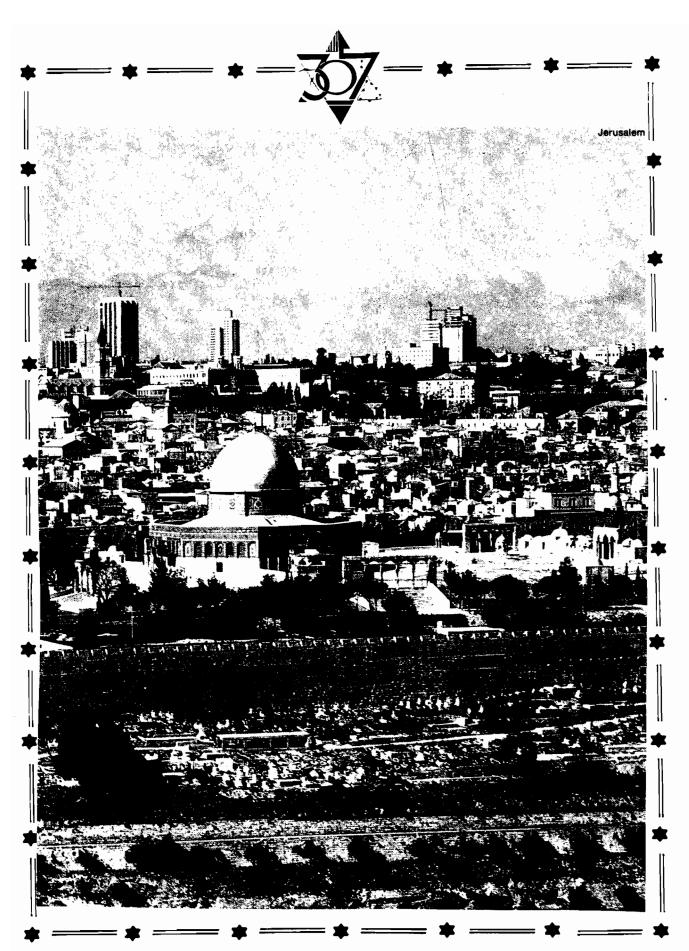
YOU WILL LIVE FOREVER
IN OUR HEARTS

#### YOUR CHILDREN

MORRIS AND MANIA HORN
MARK AND BRONIA BALDINGER
HARRY AND GRACE GREENWALD
HARRY AND LOUISE GIPS



R. Simeon said, There are three crowns: the crown of learning, the crown of priesthood, and the crown of royalty; but the crown of a good name excels them all.



JERUSALEM REBUILT THE CITY UNITED, UNBROKEN. Psalm 122:3



### In Memoriam

## זכרונם לברכה



IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED
BROTHER MOSHE
AND SISTER-IN- LAW BELA
SLIVKA

PEREC AND SYLVIA SLIVKA and Children



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED PARENTS
AND FAMILY
MENACHEM MENDEL AND FEIGA KAPLOVITZ

AND BROTHERS SHULIM KAPLOVITZ

DAVID LEIB KAPLOVITZ



IN MEMORY OF

OUR BELOVED PARENTS AND FAMILY

#### MENDEL AND HINDA ZAKS

BROTHER ROMEK ZAKS SISTER CYMUSIA ZAKS

SISTER REGINA ROSENMAN\_ZAKS

NIECE LALA ROSENMAN



Dedicated by

HENRY AND ROSE KAPLOVITZ





#### by ROSE KAPLOVITZ

IN 1978 MY SIXTH GRADE JEWISH HISTORY CLASS TOOK A MOST MEMORABLE! TRIP. ONE THE STUDENTS WILL NEVER FORGET.

AS PART OF OUR CURRICULUM WE WERE STUDYING THE HISTORY OF THE HOLOCAUST. THE MAJORITY OF MY STUDENTS WERE EAGER TO LEARN AND SHOWED MUCH INTEREST, BUT THERE WERE SOME WHO HAD DIFFUCULTY IN COMPREHENDING THE MEANING OF THIS TRAGEDY. SOME OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE DARKEST CHAPTER IN THE HISTORY OF MANKING SEEMED UNREAL TO THE STUDENTS.

I SAW THE NEED TO MAKE THE HOLOCAUST STUDIES MORE REALISTIC AND MORE MEANINIGFUL TO THE CHILDREN. AFTER GIVING IT MUCH THOUGHT, I DECIDED TO TAKE MY STUDENTS ON A FIELD TRIP.

ON YOM HASHOA, MY CLASS, ACCOMPANIED BY RABBI ALAN GREEN OF TEMPLE EMANU EL AND MYSELF MADE THE TRIP TO THE SIGHT OF THE JEWISH MARTYRS MONUMENT AT THE MT. ZION CEMETERY. AFTER EXPLAINING THE IMPORTANCE AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE MONUMENT, THE STUDENTS PROCEFDED WITH A MEMORIAL SERVICE WHICH THEY HAD WRITTEN THEM--SELVES. AFTER THE SERVICE THE STUDENTS PLACED A WREATH (WHICH UNKNOWN TO ME, THEY PURCHASED) AT THE FOOT OF THE MONUMENT AND

STOOD IN SILENCE. I WAS DEEPLY TOUCHED AND SO VERY PROUD OF THEM. THIS EXPERIENCE HAD A GREAT IMPACT AND A PROFOUND EFFECT ON THE CHILDREN. I KNOW THAT THEY TOO WERE DEEPLY TOUCHED AND THAT THIS UNUSUAL EXPERIENCE HAS GREATLY ENHANCED THEIR AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF HOLOCAUST.SO MOVED WERE THE STUDENTS THAT ONE OF THEM RETURNED THAT SAME DAY TO THE CEMETERY WITH HIS PARENTS AND AFTER COPYING THE INSCRIPTION ON THE MONUMENT INCORPORATED IT INTO A

WATER COLOR PAINTING OF THE MONUMENT.

THESE YOUNG AMERICAN-JEWISH STUDENTS WERE THE FIRST AND ONLY CHILD-REN EVER TO VISIT AND HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES AT THE MONUMENT. I HOPE THAT OTHER YOUTH GROUPS WILL ALSO MAKE THIS PILGRIMAGE. IN THE FUTURE, WHEN WE, THE SURVIVORS ARE NO LONGER HERE, ONLY THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF TODAY CAN CARRY ON THE TRADITION OF PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE SIX MILLION JEWISH MARTYRS.







POLAND 1938

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ALICE AND SIMON ARE CELEBRATING THEIR 45th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

THE FIXLER FAMILY CONGRATULATES
THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON
THEIR 30th ANNIVERSARY OF EXISTANCE
AND WISHING THEM MANY MORE YEARS
OF SUCCESS

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OD YISHOMA





FAMILY MILLER
IN TYACHEV CHECHOSLOVAKIA
THE YEAR 1923



MARRIAGE PHOTO OF HENRY AND MIRIAM MILLER IN BUDAPEST, HUNGARY 1946



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען ... די גיב<u>ורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פא</u>לק...



MOISHE HERSCH MILLER WIFE PESEL DAUGHTER SIMA SON ANCHEL SON CHASKEL

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In Memoriam

# זכרונם לברכה



CHAIM SMILOVITZ WIFE CHAJAZISEL SON HERSCHEL

I believe with perfect faith in the coming of the Messiah; and although he may tarry, I will wait daily for his coming,

ANI MAAMIN





#### HENRY ROSENFELD - ALIVE IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

If we were to take a survey, I think we would find that most people fear death; fearing the thought that after we're gone, no one will remember us. Will people remember us for the good things we did? What did we accomplish during our lives?

While preparing for our daughter, Helene's Bat Mitzvah, we spent time looking at old photographs. Helene never had the opportunity to know her grandfathers; as well as many other relatives. A simchat is certainly a time that we want our family with us. We talked and talked and talked until we felt they were with us. Looking at the old photographs helped to surface our feelings and memories.

I only knew my father-in-law, Henry Rosenfeld for six months before his untimely death. In that short time, he treated me like the daughter he never had. He was warm, affectionate, and always had a contagious smile. When he smiled, his eyes shined like stars. If a friend was in need of help, he was always there. He never had to be asked. Henry loved to make tea for anyone who would come to visit. If one would decline saying, "No thank you" his feelings would be hurt. I always had to try his tea (of course, a full cup).

It was obvious that he loved children. My niece and nephew were ages three and five when Henry met them. They were giving him hugs and kisses after spending only a short time together. Anyone who looks at the picture of him with the children, think that he is their proud grandfather.

זכרונו לברכה



Our daughter feels that she would have had the same relationship with him as she has with her grandma Ceil. "Maybe gandma spoils me enough for both of them", Helene once said. We know that he would have been "the perfect" grandfather.

Grandparents are very special. They needn't fear the thought of not being remembered. As a daugter-in-law, I think about him daily. We know that Henry Rosenfeld would have been very proud of his granddaughter on her Bat Mitzvah Day. If Helene has a fairy godfather, it wouldn't surprise me if it is Henry Rosenfeld. He is a man we could all learn from. His son Fred gets that same special gleam in his eyes whenever we talk about Henry. He is a man his family and friends will always remember. I'm proud that I knew him. Our daughter feels pride and love for the grandpa she never knew, thanks to the memories we've been able to share with her.

With everlasting love, Shelley





IN HONOR OF OUR CHILDREN
AND GRANDCHILDREN

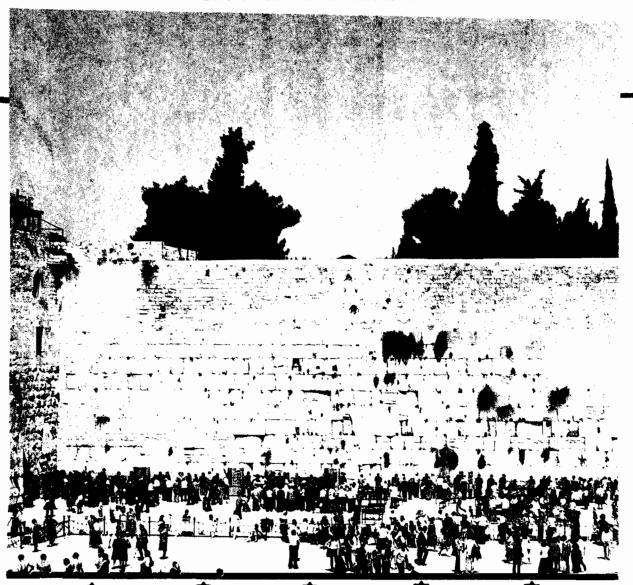
RACHELLE KORLAND ROBIN AND LEE

SHIRLEY AND MORRY SNYTER DAVID AND RENA

AND FOR THE BAR-MITZVAH'S OF OUR GRANDSONS LEE AND DAVID WE ARE PROUD OF YOU

IZIDOR AND SYLVIA MALCMACHER





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### **JEWISH NATIONAL FUND**



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December 1, 1988

Kol Israel Foundation Mr. Elias Cala, Treasurer P.O. Box 21146 Cleveland, Ohio 44121

Dear Mr. Cala:

The Jewish National Fund wishes to express its sincerest thanks and appreciation for having you recognize and fulfill our call to you.

Your generous gift will help with the restoration and reafforestation of our homeland. Israel will continue to prosper and flourish. Our enemies will never succeed. It is because individuals like you recognize this sacred responsibility that we will continue to build a strong Israel.

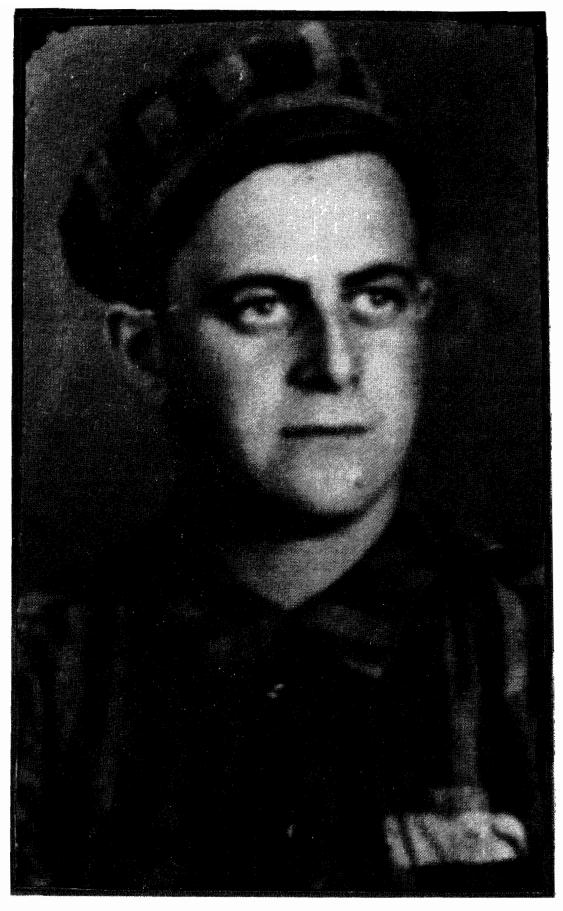
With that in mind, we know that we can always count on you for your continued support. Again, our sincerest gratitude.

Very sincerely yours,

Samuel H. Miller

Peter Rzepka

Co-Chairmen



JACOB HENNENBERG AFTER THE LIBERATION FROM THE CONCENTRATION CAMP WALDENBURG, SUB-CAMP OF GROSSROSEN. THE LIBERATION WAS MAY 9th, 1945. PRISONER # 64242

### KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD HONORS THREE HOLOCAUST EDUCATORS. by ROSE KAPLOVITZ

IN 1983 THE SISTERHOOD PAID TRIBUTE, AT A SPECIAL LUNCHEON, TO THREE PIONEERS IN HOLOCAUST EDUCATION. DR. LEATRICE RABINSKY, BEA STAPTLER, AND CHARLES CAPUTC.

ALL THREE HAVE DONE OUTSTANDING WORK IN INITIATING AND PURSUING HOLOCAUST EDUCATION BEFORE IT WAS OFFICIALLY INTRODUCED IN PUBLIC AND RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS. THEY BECAME INVOLVED THROUGH THEIR OWN INITIATIVE, THEIR OWN CONVICTIONS AND WILLINGNESS TO OVERCOME MANY DIFFICULTIES. THE SISTERHOOD FELT THE NEED TO HONOR THESE THREE INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR UNTIRING INVOLVEMENT IN THIS ENDEVOUR. THEY HAVE BEEN AN INSPIRATION TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE AND THROUGH THEIR TEACHING HAVE INSTILLED IN THEM AN AWARNESS AND A BETTER UNDERSTANDING FOR THEIR FELLOW MAN. WE KNOW THAT THROUGH FARTHE-RING EDUCATION THE MESSAGE OF THE HOLOCAUST WILL BE SUCCESSFULY PRESERVED AND TRANSMITTED TO SUCCEEDING GENERATIONS. TO US, THE SURVIVORS, TEACHING IT IS MORE THAN COMMUNICATING KNOWLEDGE, FOR WHOEVER ENGAGES IN THIS FIELD BECOMES OUR MESSANGER ALSO. DR. LEATRICE RABINSKY, AN ENGLISH TEACHER AT HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL HAS LED THREE JOURNEYS OF CONSCIENCE ON AN EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO SITES OF THE HOLOCAUST. IT INCLUDED JEWISH AND NON JEWISH STU--DENTS.SHE HAS WRITTEN A BOOK CALLED "JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE" -YOUNG PEOPLE RESPOND TO THE HOLOCAUST" IN WHICH , STUDENTS FEE-LINGS, THOUGHTS AND EMOTIONS DURING THE TRIP ARE DESCRIBED. DR. RABISKY HAS ORGANIZED MANY PEDAGOGIC HOLOCAUST CONFERENCES AND HAS LECTURE AT MANY COLLEGES, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS. TOTALY DEVOTED TO TEACHING AND HER STUDENTS SHE WAS NAMED "TEACHER OF THE YEAR" IN 1977 AND INC1981 WAS HONORED BY ISRAELI BONDS AS WOMAN OF VALOR.

BEA STADTLER BEGAN TEACHING HOLOCAUST TO ELEMENTARY SCHOLL CHILDREN OF A RELIGIOUS SCHOLL IN 1967. HER PRIZE WINNING BOOK "THE HOLOCAUST: A HISTORY OF COURAGE AND RESISTANCE" WAS AN OUTGROWTH OF THIS CLASS. SHE HAS BEEN WRITING ABOUT THE HOLOCAUST FOR CHILDREN SINCE 1962. SHE ORGANIZED THE FIRST PEDAGOGIC CONFERENCE ON THE HOLOCAUST IN CLEVELAND AND IS STILL WRITING AND TEACHING ABOUT THE SUBJECT. HER MASTER THESIS "JEWISH WOMEN IN THE HOLO-CAUST RESISTANCE" IS BEING PUBLISHED IN A SCHOLARLY VOLUME. BEA ALSO LECTURES ON THE HOLOCAUST ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AT CONFERENCES SYNAGOGUES AND SEMINARS.

CHARLES CAPUTO, A HISTORY TEACHER AT BERKSHIRE HIGH SCHOOL IN BURTON, OHIO BEGAN TEACHING HOLOCAUST IN 1970. EACH YEAR HE BRIGS HIS STUDENTS BY BUS TO CLEVELAND TO THE SINAL SYNAGOGUE FOR A DAY WHERE THEY MEET THE RABBI AND SOME SURVIVORS. THESE NON JEWISH STUDENTS HAVE NEVER BEEN EXPOSED TO JEWS OR JUDAISM. MR. CAPUTO, HIMSELF A CHRISTIAN, FEELS IT IS IMPORTANT TO TEACH THE HOLOCAUST BECAUSE "JUSTICE AND FREEDOM ARE INDIVISIBLE AND WE MUST BE OPPOSED TO INJUSTICE WHEREVER IT OCCURS". BECAUSE OF HIS INVOLVEMENT IN HOLOCAUST EDUCATION, MR. CAPUTO WAS INVITED TO ATTEND THE TEACHERS SEMINAR AT YAD VASHEM IN ISRAEL WHICH IS SPONSORE BY THE AMERICAN GATHERING OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS. HOW MUCH BETTER OUR WORLD WOULD BE IF THERE WERE MORE PEOPLE LIKE CHARLES CAPUTO.



#### MAZEL TOV!



IN HONOR OF MY GRANDDAUGHTER
HELENE LORIN ROSENFELD
WHO BECAME BAT-MITZVAH ON
OCTOBER 15, 1988
AT TEMPLE BETH-EL IN BUFFALO, N.Y.

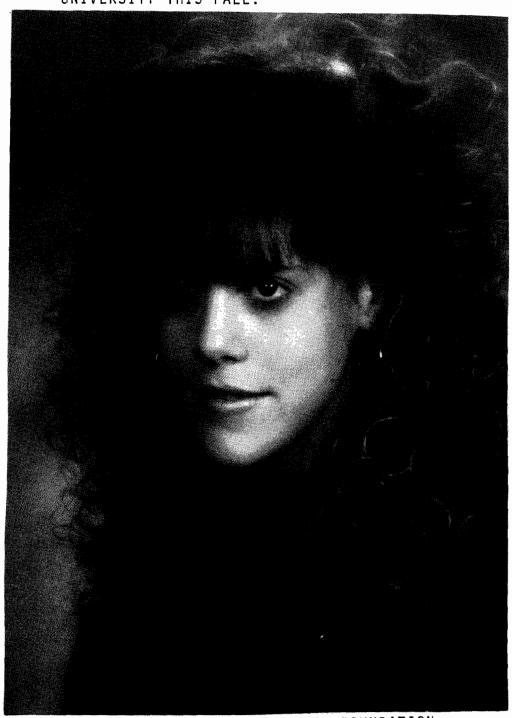
WITH ALL MY LOVE AND GOOD WISHES FOR HER FUTURE PROUD GRANDMA, CELIA ROSENFELD

### IN HONOR OF OUR OLDEST GRANDAUGHTER SUZANNE JILL ADELMAN'S

GRADUATION FROM BEACHWOOD HIGH SCHOOL.

GOOD LUCK AND BEST WISHES AT OHIO STATE

UNIVERSITY THIS FALL.



BEST WISHES TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

LOLA AND MORRY MALCMACHER



#### M A J D A N E K A VIEW FROM THE OUTSIDE

#### JULIAN SOLONITZ

In the Summer of 1944 my Polish Army unit was approaching the first liberated Polish city Lublin. The Germans were hastily retreating. The road ahead jammed up by columns of heavy guns and tanks had forced us to stop. On the left of us an unusual sight hit my eyes. A concentration camp.

This was Majdanek in the first hours of liberation. The wide--open gate was almost next to our column. Human skeletons were slowly dragging their feet toward us. Behind the barbed-wire wall I could see others on the ground, too weak to get up.

Half a dozen of survivors were approaching my truck. As if in a nightmare, I could see their greyish faces and colorless eyes buried deep in their eye-sockets. They were all half-alive, gazing into the emptiness of the blue skies, as if they were thanking the Heavens for the miracle of their survival.

I wanted to be sure that I was facing Jews,my People.I was at this moment the only Jew among Christian soldiers,all of us shaken by the sight around us.Quietly I said the magic for most Jews word "Amchu", which roughly means "One of us?".

The reaction was immediate. The half-skeletons in their stripped rags started to weep; their bodies were trembling. Hands, bones and skin, extended toward me. To them I symbolized the long awaited Messiah. Unashamedly I started to shed tears together with them.

The order arrived for our column to move.All of us dropped all our daily rations for them.I managed to touch the few stretched fingers, my voice paralyzed with emotion.I still remember their goodbye hands, waving to us.

Ahead for me was the long road to Warsaw and, longer yet, to Berlin. Today, 45 years later, I still remember Majdanek and it's survivors with emotional tears in my eyes.

This memorable picture shows my heart-throbing reunion with my father Jacob, some 4 months after he crawled out from his animal-like hideout in a forest near our city Vilna.

For me it was an unusual two days of respite from battles for Warsaw. For both of us it was a sleepless night filled with horror stories that for all survivors are so familiar.

Two days later I returned to the front, Berlin was still far away...





### LETS TALK ABOUT OUR OWN COMMEMORATION... JULIAN SOLONITZ, Cleveland Heights

Secretary, Kol Israel Foundation

While our Organization of Holocaust Survivors is commemorating the 30th Anniversary of its founding, our personal and painful commemoration goes back to June 23.1941. This was the tragic day when our city of Vilna (today Vilnius, the capital of Soviet Lithuania) was getting en-circled by German forces and I was forced to flee. Due to my high position there was no other choice for me.

In the beginning there were promises and hope that I would be able to take along our families, but circumstances prevented it. Consequently, there were moments of great despair and moments of broken hearts. And since then everlasting foggy visions of our last, tearful embraces and pain-twisted faces...

I and my dear wife Bertha survived.How?..This is not a story for a page or two.I hope that our story will some day see the light.My dearest mother Sophia,born Kulbis,was among the first thousands taken to Ponary,the deadly hills near Vilna,where each victim received a bullet in the back of the head...

My wife's mother, Maria Nemser, died soon after of a broken heart, while my young brother Boris and my father-in-law Israel Nemser were shipped in 1943 to the extermination camp Kluge in Estonia. Both starved to death there.

My father Jacob survived thanks to his great determination and luck. He was hiding a full year in a self-made burrow in a forest, sustaining by eating anything he could find or steal from the surrounding fields. In July 1944 he crawled out from his hole scaring his liberators, the Russian soldiers. He resembled a wild man. The same Summer his picture was shown in the Yiddish Forwards.

Some 70 members of our families perished in the Holocaust. Each of us survivors has a story to tell. Books were published, films shown and personal tragedies divulged and written. Did it moved the consciousness of the world?. Did our own brethren on these shores muster a loud enough and painful cry for the sake of Jewish blood? The full and bitter truth is known now. We were abandoned then, just as the pain of memories are ours to swallow now.



Bertha Solonitz as a child with parents Israel and Maria Nemser Vilna 1925



My best years, with mother Sofia and brother Boris. Vilna, 1936



Julian & Bertha Solonitz
The year of our marriage
Vilna.1939



#### CONGRATULATIONS

### TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON ITS 30th ANNIVERSARY

WE ARE PROUD TO BE A BRANCH OF THE KOL ISRAEL

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WE HAVE RETURNED by Mary Chaitoff

"When they finished off the Jews, we came back," the Polish woman blatantly stated. We stood before the ghetto home in Sosnowice where Rose Kaplovitz's family lived until they were evacuated on the nearby railroad. The tracks lay not even fifty feet away. Cold facts, realities, truisms slapped at our awareness.

In an old Chevre Kadisha building are the pictures and poetry done by the children of Terezin. Some of these offerings are in the book "I Never Saw Another Butterfly." Children, innately wise, in their simplicity recall our basic need for secure home and family. Their yearning cries for home and love tear me to shreds.

Teresin was our initial introduction to gnettos and concentration camps. Housing for prisoners was as those seen in War and Remembrance. The camp was a facade—a ruse— presented to the Red Cross to cover the unfathomable truth of the Nazi killing machine. Row on row of unmarked white tombstones mark the landscape before the crematory where we prayed and placed flowers. We wept. The caretaker spoke of the horrors of Nazism and demonstrated the mechanics of the crematory. When he pushed the pallets in, we screamed, gasped, cried. "I saw my five year old brother there," said Rose and Saul Gottlieb saw reflections of his mother. Esther Frank exclaimed, "Why? Why?" We held one another and shocked tears streamed down every face. The ashes of our people were thrown into the nearby river—the murderers so successful they were unable to quickly dispose of the remains.

With Saul Gottlieb we traveled to the munitions factory where he had labored. Fear of being caught and shot prevented him from escaping. He said of his Ukranian guards, "They had us by the throat." Looking around the streets Saul said, "I look at those railroad tracks and see millions of people...The streets are filled with Jewish blood."

Esther Frank and her sister Frances Neuman returned to Kloousk finding their grandmother's home which has been subdivided into four apartments, the site of their house which had been demolished, and then the cemetary which is now an open field. For a moment I thought their memories had failed, but a small boy directed them to one tombstone lying on its back with a Jewish star on its crown. Other markers were used to build roads. Our desolation was complete. Esther and Frances found a Polish woman who had hidden two surviving Jews in an outhouse; they were reunited with two neighbor girls whom they knew as children.

Rose Kaplovitz found an aged woman who remembered her family and she returned to the building where she attended school. Rose met with a Christian family who had kept her sister's son until the end of the war.

Walking into Auschwitz, Gita Frankel said touchingly, "I remember my number." Unmarked, this knowledge she had carefully forgotton. Jacob Hennenberg labored here. Astonishingly large—the magnitude of concentration camps—building after building housed human beings—sterilization blocks—the maniacal destruction—the nearby gas chambers and crematorium—the houses and farms right up to the fences—horror closes in upon me. Rose told us of four girls who carried dynamite under their nails and blew up one crematory. She told of one girl who escaped and was never caught, but they stood every day at appell and were beaten on her account.

Philip Wexberg brought matzo to the one Jew left in an old home in Wadewice. His search for relatives in the cemetary was unsuccessful,



but we placed a memorial wreath there and at the school where his synogogue once stood.

Gita Frankel found the mass grave of her father in Zdunskowola and the grave of her brother who died in her arms of starvation in the Lodg ghetto. He longed only for a piece of bread and a glass of milk.

Ann Perla spoke of her family, parents, ten sisters and brothers, those who perished and how others managed to survive.

Lola Mandelbaum found her home and spoke for the first time of her concentration camp experiences.

At Osciecim Jacob Hennenberg traced his home, family business place, and the cemetary. We prayed at the site of the former shule, now a field. A constant sparkplug for our group, he kept our spirits high.

Alex Chrabry spoke of his work camp experiences all over Poland. He never really knew where he was sent, because they were always in different locations.

Bodzanow was our last visit to hometowns. Here Abbie Akst grew to young manhood. We viewed a nonexistant cemetary overgrown with torturous weeds, the place where the rabbi's house stood, the mikvan, the shule, and his house as well as his uncle's, and their business place. Perhaps the local populace was intimidated by our arrival, but they became openly hostile to us. One man came hurrying out of a house shouting and flailing his arms only to be pushed back in by another; one waved to me to come to him in great gestures as he shouted in Polish, but when he came toward me shouting, I heard the word 'kurva' and knew we had to leave. Even our driver and guide felt the animosity and hurried us onto the bus. Abbie spoke of his youthful run across the fields to school or play and the gentile boys who tormented him and his companions. He said he thought that was the way it was supposed to be.

Treblinka, where 1,200,000 people died, was the second largest death camp. Majdanek is intact with ten ovens which were never bombed and now houses a sepulcre of bones and human ashes.

Freedom, great human strength, sharing and caring companions forged together in a familial bond.we now departed for Israel and ultimatery home. We felt the strength of our people, our land, our will to survive and in Israel we knew again the joy of our people working for a Jewish entity. Our youthful companions, Mark Rabin and Leo Mandelbaum have made aliyah, Dr. Steven Wexberg, and students Anthony Nunes. Steven Polien, Jamie Rozelman and Bryna Stalarow inspire us for they are the promise of our future. We can never accept that oppression is the 'way it was/is supposed to be' for we have a strong sense of who and what we are and will never again permit ourselves to be subjected to persecution. Yes, we came back too and we and all of ours to follow us are a people alive and here.

"YOU SHALL BE A LIGHT UNTO THE NATIONS"

— Isaiah 49:6



### In Memoriam

Mark S. Moss

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WE PAY TRIBUTE TO A FRIEND WHO CONTRIBUTED MUCH OF HIS TIME AND TALENT TO OUR ORGANIZATION.

HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL.

THE KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD





One becomes amazed, on first reading Kenneth Labus letter of 19 May, at the ferocity of the porcine gathering at the trough of the new and seemingly approved Anti-Semitism, masquerading as Israel Bashing. And, as Labus snidely points out, an occasional Jew might even be seen thereat proving that swill is a non-discriminatory attractor.

When Labus is not quoting (which he does extensively) from the excellent and well-reasoned letter of Albert Demb of April 27, he gets a bit shrill and strident. I wish only to make a few points here for the edification of someone who might have stumbled onto the Labus letter, since it is senseless to reason with the speaker at a Bund meeting.

Labus laments the loss of Palestinian lives. Noble and humane!! Does he also bemoan the loss of lives everyday in America? Oh, know they're Black, Mr. Labus, but they're just as dead. Or the children that the cousins of the Palestinians, the Iraquis and Iranians, sent into the minefields to clear them out? Or, doesn't it make you feel just a bit uncomfortable, Mr. Labus, that the PLO pays these Palestinian children a given amount of money to play have in the streets with a bonus if they get shot? Children, as 'point men' for the brave? If you would lecture on human rights, sir, start with your friends in the PLO.

A point of historical fact, Mr. Labus: Where the Palestinians now dwell is not 'occupied land' but 'liberated territory'. It is not Palestine, it is Judea and Samaria.

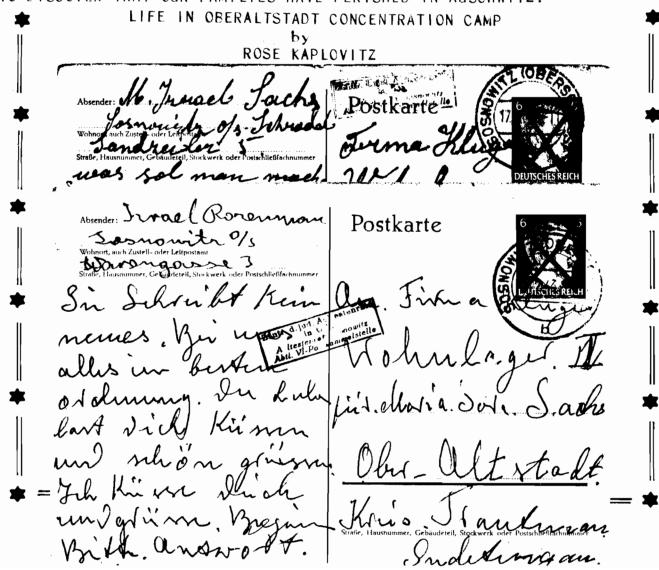
Finally, Mr. Labus has insomnia over fear that Israel might ask for American Troops. Sleep well, sir. There never has been a time in the records of civilization that any Nation went to war on behalf of the Jewish people let alone Israel. Nor will that time come.

This is rule number one. Israel is not now nor ever will ask that this be reversed. Your fears are as groundless as your logic and as transparent as your bigotry.

LONG LIVE ISRAEL

Larry Hersh

OBERALTSTADT CONCENTRATION CAMP WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1941 IN SUCETEN-LAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA. THE FIRST TRANSPORT OF WOMEN INMATES CAME FROM SOSNOWIEC AND BENDZIN, FOLLOWED BY WOMEN FROM OTHER PARTS OF SOUTH WESTERN POLAND. IN 1944 A TRANSPORT OF HUNGERIAN PRISONERS ARRIVED FROM AUSCHWITZ. ALTOGETHER THERE WERE AROUN 2000 JEWISH INMATES. THE MAJORITY OF THE GIRLS WORKED FOR "FIRMA KLUGER" A WEAVING FACTORY WHILE SOME WORKED AT "SIEMENS WERKE" AN AMMUNITION FACTORY. WE WERE PHYSICALLY AS WELL AS FCLITICALY CUT OF FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD. OUR NAZI GUARDS (MALES AS WELL AS FEMALES) WERE BRUTAL FEASTS WHOSE CAPACITY FOR EVEL HAD NO LIMITS. OFTEN DURING THE ROLL-CALL THEY WOULD ABUSE US PHYSICALLY AND INFLICT MENTAL PAIN ON US. THEY WOULD HUMILIATE AND DEGRADE US AND SQUEEZE OUT OF US THE LAST RESERVES OF HUMAN DIGNITY. THE BRUTALITIES TO WHICH WE WERE EXPOSED LEFT DEEP WOUNDS AND MENTAL ANGUISH NOTHING COULD ERRASE. HUNGER WAS THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM FACED BY THE PRISCHERS. BUT EVEN WHEN STARVATION DEPLATED OUR BODIES THE CLOSE LINK OF THE PRISONERS PROVIDED A LIFE SUSTAINING FORCE. THERE ALWAYS EXISTED A SENSE OF SOLIDARITY AMONG THE PRISONERS. RESISTANCE TO THE ENEMY CAME IN MANY FORMS, BUT PERHAPS THE MOST HEROIC WAS JUST TRYING TO STAY ALIVE. THE CNLY THING THAT KEPT US ALIVE AND GOING WAS THE HOPE OF SEING OUR PARENTS AND FAMILY AGAIN AND A STRONG FAITH IN GOD. ON MAY 9th, 1945 WE WERE LIBERATED BY THE RUSSIAN ARMY ONLY TO DISCOVER THAT OUR FAMILIES HAVE PERISHED IN AUSCHWITZ.





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— Sir Winston Churchill



#### A JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE

KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION SPONSORED THE JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE OF JUNE 27 TO JULY 17, 1989 WITH TWENTY-ONE PARTICIPANTS INCLUDING ABBIE AKST, ALEX AND MILLIE CHRABRY, ESTHER FRANK, GITA FRANKEL, JACOB HENNENBERG, ROSE AND HENRY KAPLOVITZ, AND PHILIP WEXBERG AND LED BY DR. LEATRICE RABINSKY AND MARY CHAITOFF. THE GROUP TRAVELLED TO HUNGARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, MANY CITIES AND TOWNS OF PERSONAL INTEREST IN POLAND, AND ISRAEL.

PRIMARY SITES OF THE JOURNEY WERE SYNOGOGUES, CEMETERIES, FORMER HOMES, SCHOOLS AND BUSINESS PLACES AS WELL AS LOCATIONS OF THE LOCAL SHULE, MIKVAH, AND RABBI'S HOME.

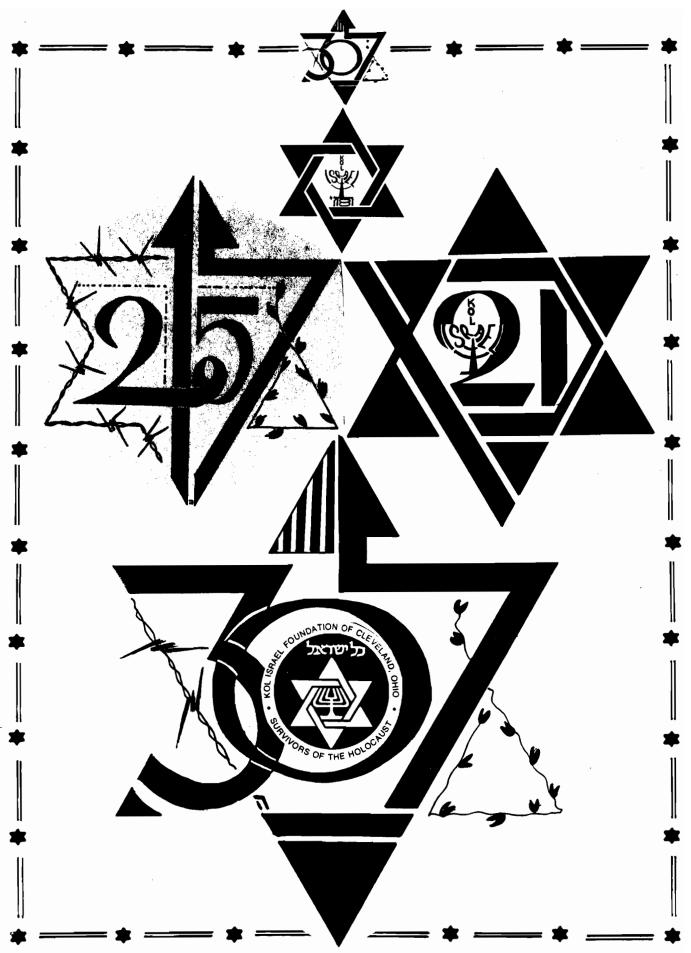
VISITS TO THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS--TEREZIN, AUSCHWITZ, BUCHENWALD, TREBLINKA AND MAJDANEK WERE ALSO CONCLUDED WITH MEMORIAL SERVICES AND FLORAL REMEMBRANCES.

MEANINGFUL SERVICES, HIGHLIGHTING EACH PERSON AT HIS OR HER SIGNIFICANT MONUMENTS. WERE HELD. WARM-HEARTED COMPANIONSHIP AND SINGING HAMISH YIDDISH SONGS HELPED DISPELL SADNESS.

IN ISRAEL THE PARTICIPANTS PLANTED TREES IN THE JEWISH NATIONAL FOREST, VISITED MANY IMPORTANT SITES INCLUDING THE WALL AND YAD VASHEM. HERE, ABBIE ASKT SAID KADDISH AND PRESENTED A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION, ROSE KAPLOVITZ GAVE A MOVING SPEECH, PHILIP WEXBERG LIT A MEMORIAL FLAME, AND ESTHER FRANK OFFERED A CONTRIBUTION ON BEHALF OF THE KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD.

THIS MEMORABLE JOURNEY WAS NOT ONLY PERSONALLY REWARDING AND STRENGTHENING, BUT SUPPORTED THE RESOLVE TO SUSTAIN ISRAEL AND ALL THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

submitted by MARY CHAITOFF



IF YOU DON'T GET EVERYTHING YOU WANT, THINK OF THE THINGS YOU DON'T GET THAT YOU DON'T WANT.

# A Warning from the Past in Light of Recent Events

Remember -- Fifty years ago night fell on humankind as Hitler's Germany began the cruelest and most murderous war in recorded history, aimed at the domination of Europe, Africa and the Middle East, and the enslavement of those whom its racist theoreticians considered "sub-humans."

Tens of millions of people lost their lives; more were maimed and orphaned. Never before was so much suffering and fear inflicted on so many human beings.

Remember -- Among Hitler's principal goals was the total annihilation of the Jewish people, the only one he almost attained. Six million men, women and children were marked for death. They were hunted down, imprisoned, humiliated, starved, massacred, gassed and reduced to ashes for one reason alone: they were sons and daughters of the Jewish people.

True, not all victims were Jews. But all Jews were victims.

To build convents on their invisible cemeteries is a desecration of their memory.

Remember -- The tragedy could have been averted. It could have been averted when Wehrmacht troops occupied the Rhineland. And when they marched into Czechoslovakia. And when they annexed Austria. And when they invaded Poland, fifty years ago.

Had the civilized world responded with greater outrage and vigor, had Britain and France not abandoned Prague, had Stalin not betrayed Poland, had American or Soviet planes bombed the railways leading to Auschwitz, had Pope Pius XII spoken out, had there been more men and women of courage like

Raoul Wallenberg, had the Allies not kept silent at a time when tens of thousands of Jews were murdered daily in Auschwitz-Birkenau, Belzec, Treblinka, Majdanek and other death camps, many lives would have been saved, and the weight of shame and desolation would be less unbearable today.

Remember -- Had there been a Jewish state then, its gates would not have been shut, as were those of most countries.

Remember -- When a high official of the Polish Church, Jozef Cardinal Glemp, uses insensitive language, he encourages antisemitism and violence. To denounce Jews as speaking from a position "raised above all others," to denounce Jews as dominating the world media and as being enemies of the Polish people, is to turn them once more into objects of religious hatred and terror, reminding us of what happened fifty years ago.

Remember -- Those who survived the darkest of tragedies have chosen to remember it with generosity, not anger; with compassion, not hate. Their aim is not to divide people but to bring them closer together. Their ideal remains to evoke hope, not despair; not to create bitterness among nations but to strengthen humankind's struggle for peace and quest for human dignity.

Remember -- For there is, there must be, hope in remembering. We remember the killers and we are moved to despair. We remember the victims and we are overcome with compassion. They did not lose their humanity; only the killers did. The children of Israel did not "break their sacred covenant" with the God of Israel.

Nor shall we.



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IN MEMORY OF ALLEN



JUDY AND GENE KLEIN

"In the life of the spirit, there is no ending that is not a beginning."—Henrictta Szold



#### INTERNMENT CAMP DRANCY (FRANCE)

Dr. Albert Friedberg, Cleveland

My interest in the Concentration Camps, Internment Camps, And Ghettos in Europe during World War 2 began more than 30 years ago when I acquired two items from Theresienstadt Concentration Camp. During the last 20 years I have acquired a number of covers from the concentration and internment camps in France such as: Argeles-sur-Mer, Le Bacares, De Brens, De Gurs, Les Milles, De Noe, De Recebedou, Rieucros, Rivesaltes, St. Cyprien-Place, Septfonds, and du Vernet. An incomplete listing of French camps and detention centers shows 60 different names. Many of these camps were in southern France, having been set up in 1938 after the collapse of the Spanish resistance to Franco. Spanish refugees were interned in France upon their crossing the Spanish-France border. I was unable to add a cover from Internment Camp Drancy to my collection until

In January 1989, I received the following letter:

"Dear Sir.

I saw your name in an advertisment of "The Society of Israel Philatelists" issued in the magazine "Stamps."

I write you to ask if some members of your society would be interested in purchasing covers concerning the last war.

During this war, a friend of my family who was a French Jew was interned in the camp of Drancy, near Paris, and during all the time my family sent food and letters, and he wrote us to thank us.

As he was a combatant of World War I, an aunt of mine wrote to Marechal Petain to try to obtain his liberation, but without success, and he was deported to Auschwitz, where he died some weeks before the end of the war.

I keep the letters as reminders, but I should like to sell the lot of covers (about 12) and the one of the Vichy Government.

If somebody among your friends is interested to have such covers in his collection, he can make me an offer. I thank you and am Sincerely Yours,

incerely fours, J. Raux

I immediately sent Mr. Raux an offer for the lot of covers, and in early March received this reply:

"Dear Sir, I received your letter some days ago, and I thank you for your offer which is o.k., about my covers. But I beg your pardon for my long delay in replying. I am in a hospital for 2 weeks by reason of a phlebitis. I shall send you the lot by registered airmail in a few days when I shall be back at home. Respectfully yours, J. Raux."

Several weeks later, a small registered airmail package arrived at my office, with this letter enclosed"

"Dear Dr. Friedberg,

Being now returned at home after a phlebitis, I send you herewith the covers about which I wrote to you some weeks ago.

There are: 13 covers stamped "Camp D'Internment de Drancy. 1 cover stamped, but with the postage stamp missing, 2 covers only postally stamped, 1 cover stamped "Chef de L'Etat"

To thank you for your purchase, I have put in this last cover, the original answer from Vichy.

You will find, too, 3 letters which could have interest for your collection (with each I put in an approximate translation): 1 about the arrests in Rouen, 2 answers from Mr. and Mrs. Marceron (I did not know these persons, but I think that Mr. Marceron had distant relations in Paris, and my aunt wrote to him, hoping to obtain the liberation of our friend).

I have made copies of these 3 letters. If they have no interest for you, you can destroy them.

About the amount you offered me, choose yourself the means to send it to me. I think that a banker's check (\$ or F.F. value) is the better way. I thank you in advance, and wish you a good receipt of this parcel.

Yours truly, J. Raux

I hope you understand my elementary English learned a long time ago."

I found the lot of covers to be very interesting and very intriguing, and I began to make telephone calls to various libraries in the greater Cleveland, Ohio area to see what information was available about Camp Drancy. I was fortunate to contact Claudia Fechter of The Temple library who found a number of books that were of great help. She also recommended that I contact Ellen Leavitt of The Fairmount Temple library who made available one of the most helpful books "Memorial to the Jews deported from France 1942-1944" by Serge Klarsfeld and dedicated to the memory of his father who was among the deportees from France.

The Encyclopedia Judaica has a small paragraph, as follows: "Drancy, small town near Paris where an internment camp was established by the Germans late in 1940. It became the largest center for the deportation of Jews from France. From August 20, 1941, it was reserved for Jews. They were deported from there "To the East" from July 19, 1942, until the camp was liberated on August 17, 1944. On the date some 1,500 internees were still there. The camp was directed by high Gestapo officers stationed in France. More than 61,000 persons were sent from Drancy to the death camps."

After the fall of France, Belgium and Northern France came under German occupation and was administered by a German general. The unoccupied zone in the south of France became the seat of the French government, with headquarters in Vichy. It was led by Marshall Petain, Chief of the French State. From the beginning, and without pressure from the Germans, the French Government demonstrated its hostility to Jews, the foreign born in particular. The series of laws and measures passed by the Vichy regime made its attitude clear:

- 1) The naturalization of foreign born Jews could be revoked as of July, 1940.
- 2) As of August 1940, anti-semitic propaganda was given free reign.

After the first two measures were put into effect, the Vichy government sent a letter to the Vatican to see what the reaction would be, and after no reply was received within a few months, the Vichy government announced that since no reply was received, it assumed that it had the Vatican's approval of the previously issued measures.

- 3) A law of October 3, 1940 on the status of Jews excluded them from most public and private professions, and defined Jews on the basis of racial criteria.
- 4) A law of October 4, 1940 made it legal for the French Police to arbitrarily "arrest" any foreigner of the Jewish race.

Vichy also reacted to the German pressure. French officials took a census of Jews in the occupied territories at the end of 1940. Jews in the free zone were counted after the publication of the second law on the status of Jews (1941) which broadened the definition of Jews. The Vichy Government set up the



Figure 1. Cover of 1942 letter from Rouen translated below.

Commissariat-General on Jewish Questions which was, in effect, a Ministry of Jewish affairs. A special police for Jewish affairs and a Jewish umbrella organization, the General Union of French Jews, were also established.

There were 86 convoys from France to Auschwitz. The first on March 27, 1942 in response to a "terrorist attack", and then from June 2, 1942 - July 31, 1944. Between 75,000 - 76,000 Jews were deported, mostly from Drancy.

On August 20-21, 1941 a large scale raid was made in Paris. Cordons of police surrounded the 11th district. About 4,300 Jews were arrested on this occasion. They were taken to Drancy near Paris, without being allowed to take with them a change of clothing, linen, or food. They arrived at Drancy just as they were at the moment of their arrest, in summer clothing or in work clothes. They were placed 80 in a room. Nothing had been done to prepare for their arrival: there were no beds, no mattresses, not even straw. Until the end of October, they slept on boards or on the cement floor. For three days they were left without food. They were forbidden to receive food or clothing packages. When, in the first week of September, clothing packages were allowed, the latter were carefully searched when they arrived, and all food and cigarettes were confiscated by the gendarmes. Not until two months later were food packages allowed, by which time most of the internees had lost from 30 to 40 pounds.

The deportations to the east began on March 22, 1942 and consisted of 1,000 Jews from Drancy and Compeigne. The deportees were searched from head to 5

foot and stripped of their money, their jewelry, and their gold dentures. They were given prison haircuts, then placed behind barbed wire before being shut up 40-60 in sealed cattle cars for a journey scheduled to last four days and four nights. Each car contained a bucket of water, a little food, and a bucket for waste. At the outset, crippled war veterans, prisoners' wives, older people over age 60 years, pregnant women, mothers of tiny infants, and those married to "Aryans" were not deported. But later only those married to "Aryans" were excepted.

One of the most dramatic raids was that of July 16-17, 1942 at Paris. Measures had been taken to arrest 15,000 foreign Jews, men, women, children, and old people. It was the first time in the course of a large raid that women and children were seized. On Thursday, July 16th at 4:00 a.m., 5,000 mobile guards were sent with lists of names to various sections of Paris, especially those where foreign Jews lived. The arrested Jews were led to trucks that were at street corners. Persons without any family were immediately sent to Drancy.

Several of the letters that I received from Mr. Raux pertain to the conditions that faced Jews throughout France. The first letter was dated "Rouen, Aug. 13, 1941" and is translated as follows:

"To Mr. Marceron, Sir, recommended to you by Miss Raux of Montfort, I take the liberty to ask you for your help to obtain an alteration of the painful situation which is mine, due to the regulations enacted by the military occupation authorities about the employment of the Jewish people in commercial and industrial activities. For 25 years I managed the Ets. Hutchinson in Rouen, wounded in World War I, military medal, and I am of essentially French family, and my situation is now broken. I should be infinitely grateful to you for the most modest job you could obtain for me. In this hope, with my very sincere thanks, Yours respectfully, Camille Caen."

A reply to this letter was addressed to "Miss Raux, Montfort sur Risle" and was dated "Paris, Aug. 26, 1941." The translation is as follows: "Dear Miss, Mr. Marceron is actually out of Paris. He has well received the letter of your friend dated August 13th, from which I send you a copy. He asked me to tell you that he takes this letter in consideration. But he thinks it would be better, to give satisfaction to your friend, if he could come to Paris. A talk is better than a letter. Consequently, if he can come to Paris, tell him to present himself to us or to give a call to M.



Figure 2. Cover from a Fanny Rusnak in Camp Drancy 1942.

Marceron, or to me at Elysees 15.35.

Yours respectfully, Jean Mancini."
Translation of the letter enclosed in the cover shown in Figure 1:

"Just a word in a hurry to inform you that all the Jewish people of Rouen have been arrested in the night from Friday to Saturday (May 1942). I think "The Tigress" is among them.

Deportations to the East are envisaged.

Try to send news of yourself to Camille Caen because you are the only person who connects him to civilized people.

I am not sure but there is a great probability that Holstein would be among the prisoners seeing that Levy Risle and his whole family were arrested the preceding night."

Another letter from Mrs. Marcel Marceron to Miss Alice Raux sheds additional light on these terrible days:

"Dear Miss,

I received your letter and I understand your emotions. Alas! The anti-Jewish laws grow worse and it is impossible to do anything. We have had a terrible example near us: Colonel Roger Masse, valorious wounded of the War 1914-1918, military medal, volunteer in this 2nd War, several times mentioned in despat-



Figure 3. Cover from Camille Caen in Drancy Internment Camp.

prisoner, a as arrested

ches, one son killed, another son a prisoner, a prisoner himself for 14 months, was arrested 11 months ago. After the Camps of Compeigne and Drancy, he is now deported to the east.

All the facts are terrifying. All the means have been used, without success. Neither Mr. De Brinon (Ambassador of Vichy in Paris) nor M. Scapini (Secretary of Veterans) are able to do anything.

I shall see M. Scapini (see other letter) and I shall talk of this question to him and to my husband.

We have atrocious thoughts and distresses of every kind. We see terrible tragedies.

Please believe that we shall do all that is possible to do. Is he in Rouen or has he been taken off?

My best remembrance"

Colonel Roger Masse was born on Dec. 13, 1884 and was of French nationality. He was deported from Camp de Drancy on June 2, 1942 in Convoy # 2. This convoy consisted of 1,000 men. By August 15, 1942 only 217 were alive and at the liberation there were 41 survivors.



Figure 4. Cover from Camilee Caen in Drancy Internment Camp with a different type of Censure Cachet.

Among the covers sent from Camp de Drancy to Miss Alice Raux was one that was postmarked "Drancy, Seine, March 20, 1942." It was sent by Fanny Rusak #15611. She was born on Feb. 7, 1898, had lived in Lodz, Poland, and was deported from Camp de Drancy to Auschwitz on Sept. 7, 1942 in Convoy #29. (Figure 2).

The bulk of the covers from Camp de Drancy to Miss Alice Raux were sent by Camille Caen, #11724. (Figures 3-5). The earliest postmark was Jan. 10, 1943 and the latest postmark was Aug. 31, 1943. Twelve covers have the circular censor marking "Prefecture De Police, Camp



Figure 5. Last cover from Camille Caen in Drancy. Note the crossed out numbers and the lack of Barracks Number.

D'Internement De Drancy, Bureau de la Censure" in either blue or purple ink. The return address is at the lower left: Caen Camille, Escalier 20 Chambre 2, Camp de Drancy (Seine).

The last cover postmarked Aug. 31, 1943 is a bit of a puzzle because there is no censor marking, but a number 463 preceeding his name is marked out with a heavy blue crayon, and the return address is: Camille Caen, Camp de Drancy (Seine). His regular serial number 11724 is omitted. Perhaps he was trying to get a message out to Alice Raux that he was scheduled for #63" since he was deported to Auschwitz on Dec. 17, 1943 in Convoy # 63. This convoy consisted of 850 Jews: 501 males, 345 females, and 4 undetermined from the surviving records. 99 were under the age 18 years. Upon arrival in Auschwitz, 233 men were selected and received numbers 169735-169967. 112 women were selected and received numbers 72323-72434. The other 505 were gassed. In 1945 there were 31 survivors of the 63rd Convoy, of which 6 were women.

Alfred Holstein, mentioned in one of the letters sent to Alice Raux, was born on Dec. 12, 1919 in Austria, and was deported from Camp de Drancy in Convoy # 25 on Aug. 28, 1942.

In Figure 6 is a cover with a violet script cachet "Chef de L'Etat Francais" and a circular violet cachet "Le Chef de L'Etat Francais, Secretariat General" postmarked "Vichy, Allier, June 10, 1944." Postage stamps were not used because this was official government mail.



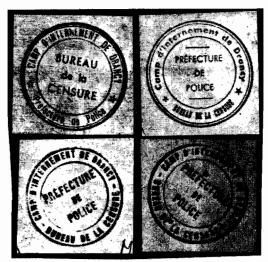


Figure 6. Different types of Censor Cachets used at Drancy Interment Camp.

The official imprinted stationery "Le Marechal de France, Chef de L'Etat" with the reply of Marshall Petain's office to the letter sent by Miss Alice Raux enlisting his assistance in obtaining the release of Camille Caen. (Figure 7). The letter is translated:

"I beg to inform you that, when he received your letter, the Field Marshall ordered an enquiry to know the conditions in which M. Caen had been taken into custody and the reasons for this measure.

When the conclusions of the enquiry will be known, an intervention will be made to the competent authorities, in favor of the concerned person.

I shall not fail to tell you the results of the current proceeding.

I remain yours respectfully, The Chief of the Civil Cabinet"

Unfortunately, the reality of the situation was that once Camille Caen was in the hands of the Germans at the Auschwitz Concentration Camp, there was very little that the Vichy Government could do, if they were so inclined (and that is very doubtful), to obtain Camille Caen's release. He died in Auschwitz some weeks before the end of the war.

We see from the letters a great concern for the Jewish population by some non-Jewish citizens of France, and effort made to help them. This attitude is in great contrast to the anti-Jewish laws proclaimed by the Vichy Government. French Catholic and French Protestant organizations united with French Jewish organizations to protect and hide Jews throughout France and keep them out of the hands of the Vichy government. Such cooperation would have been unthinkable before the war.

In 1946 the French Government ordered the destruction of all records pertaining to the registration of the Jews, the subsequent arrests, the internment in the transit camps, and the deportations to Auschwitz. Fortunatley, some records survived.

I wrote to Mr. Jean Raux to see if there was any additional information that he could supply about Camille Caen and received this reply:

"As you wish, I shall try to find more information about our friend. But I think it will be difficult because I don't know if he had any family or friends in the area.

I knew him in the years 1930 when I was a young boy. He was a manager of a wholesale rubber products company, and my grandfather had business relations with him. He lived with his old mother and was a bachelor. My grandfather died in 1936 and his mother at the beginning of the war.

As he was alone, my aunt helped him during the time he was in Drancy Camp, but the news she had of him stopped – I think – at the end of 1943. My aunt died in 1977 and she was certainly the only person who could know more.

I shall try to help you the best I can and will write you again when I shall have more information. I am respectfully yours, J. Raux''

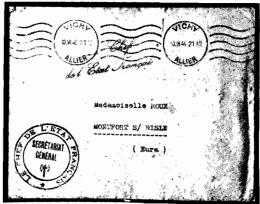


Figure 7. Cover of letter to Mademoiselle Roux from the office of Marshall Petain. Note the Free Frank hand stamp below the cancel.

Alice Raux kept these items as memories of a grim period when she lost a friend to an unjust presecution.

I wrote to Mr. Jean Raux and asked him to tell me more about his aunt, Miss Alice Raux. A recent letter brought this additional information:



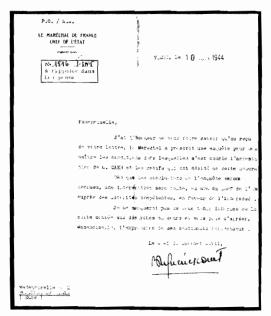


Figure 7a. Letter from the cover in Figure 7.

"You would like to have more information about my aunt. Her life had no exceptional events. She was born in 1899, and was the second of the three children of my grandfather, my father being the eldest. She was educated until 18 years in a Catholic School, taught by the Sisters. She remained unmarried all her life.

My grandmother and she were practicing Catholics and they were both members of charitable organizations. But I must tell you that they were non sectarian, and they always tried to help anybody in want without consideration of opinion or religion.

In the case of Camille Caen, I can tell you that it was more than a charitable help, but rather a friendly help that my aunt brought him. I told you that my grandfather had a business connection with him, and they were friends. It was only natural that my aunt offered him her aid when he was arrested by the Nazis.

My grandfather died when the war began and my aunt changed her business and took a grocer's shop. Many products were submitted to restrictions and difficult to find. She lived at this time in the country, and I think that it was easier for her to find food, because I read letters in which he thanked her for chocolate, cheese, cakes, and soap that she had sent to him.

I never spoke of that with my aunt. A kind of reticence prevented her from talking about it. But I saw that she was grieved a long time after. She died in 1984.

Sincerely yours, J. Raux"

It is truly amazing that these covers and letters have been preserved and have finally come to light after 45 years. Some of the Camille Caen covers from Camp de Drancy, the largest transit camp for Jews in France, will go into private Holocaust collections and some will be presented to Holocaust Museums. I think that Alice Raux would approve of this distribution, and she should be remembered as a noble French woman.



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EDITORIAL PAGE

## A Polish Cardinal's Surly Sermon

World War II was catastrophic for Poland, and for the Jews of Europe. Yet Jozef Cardinal Glemp's insensitive and untimely remarks last weekend will do little to bring two suffering peoples together—and could well drive them apart.

Cardinal Glemp, Poland's Roman Catholic Primate and the Archbishop of Warsaw, accused Jews of stirring anti-Polish feeling by objecting to a convent at the site of the Auschwitz death camp—a place of extraordinary significance for Jews. The question whether Auschwitz is the proper place for a convent is not easily answered; Jews themselves are divided.

Words matter; words hurt. The Cardinal had no warrant to echo ancient prejudices. He advised Jews not to talk "from the position of a people raised above all others." To this he added the gratuitous warning to Jews not to "spread anti-Polish feeling" by using their "power" in mass media "that are easily at your disposal."

The controversy has been simmering ever since a group of Carmelite nuns moved into a building on the perimeter of the camp. The convent was designated as a place of meditation for the souls of millions who died there under the Nazis. What especially angered Jews who viewed this as an intrusion was a fund-raising appeal by a Belgian Catholic group implying that the convent would promote the conversion of Jews.

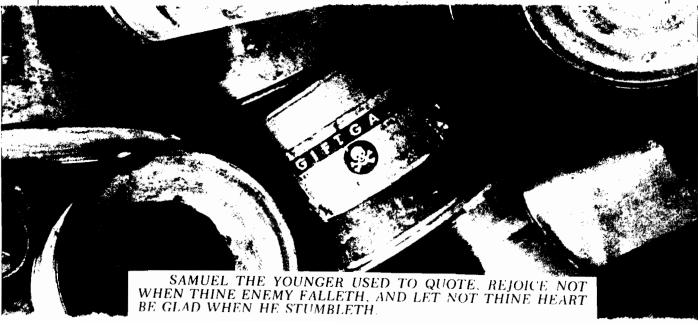
The argument appeared to be settled when church authorities from Poland, Belgium and France agreed with Jewish leaders in 1987 to relocate the convent by February of this year. The pact was signed in Geneva by four Cardinals, and is still binding according to one of the signatories, the Archbishop of Lyons.

But the deadline was not honored — indeed, it has been indefinitely suspended by Franciszek Cardinal Macharski, Archbishop of Cracow, whose diocese includes Auschwitz, because of "the atmosphere of aggressive demands by Jewish groups."

When the deadline passed, the protests resumed. Last month a handful of militant Jews from New York scaled the convent walls. They were ejected by Polish workers, and some were beaten.

This incident inspired Cardinal Glemp's blundering remarks. There are, fortunately, other Polish voices. The Cardinal's remarks were censured by the Solidarity newspaper, and the broken agreement has dismayed Catholics in many countries. Cardinal O'Connor of New York, for one, found Cardinal Glemp's words "shocking" and urged the Polish church "to get on" with carrying out its agreement.

That's a welcome, constructive response. Surely it is time, a half-century after World War II began, for all these victims to calm the rancors it still incites.





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## President Reagan Dedicates Holocaust Museum Cornerstone



The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum



As clay are we, as soft and yielding clay That lies between the fingers of the potter. At his will be moulds it thick or thin. And forms its shape according to his fancy. So are we in Thy hand, God of love;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy.

As stone are we, inert, resistless stone That lies within the fingers of the mason. At his will be keeps it firm and whole, Or at his pleasure hews it into fragments. So are we in Thy hand, God of life;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy.

As iron are we, as cold and rigid iron. That lies within the fingers of the craftsman. At his will he forges it to shape, Or draws it boldly forth to lie unbended. So are we in Thy hand, God who saves;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy.

As glass are we, as thin, transparent glass That lies within the fingers of the blower. At his will, he blows it crystal clear, Or melts it down to suit his whim or notion. So are we in Thy hand, gracious God;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy.

As cloth are we, as formless, graceless cloth That lies within the fingers of the draper. At his will be shapes its lines and folds, Or leaves it unadorned to hang unseemly. So are we in Thy hand, righteous God;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy

As silver are we, with metal dross alloyed That hes within the fingers of the smelter. At his will be fuses or refines, Retains the slag or keeps it pure and precious. So are we in Thy hand, healing God;

Thy covenant recall and show Thy mercy.

בי הנה בּחְמֶר בִּיֵד הַיּיֹצֵר. בִּרצוֹתוּ מַרְחִיב וּבּרְצוֹתוּ מְלַצְר. כֵּן אֲנַחֲנוּ בָּיָדְךְּ חֵסֶר נוצר. לַבְּרִית הַבּּם וְאַל תַּסָן לֵיִצֶר:

בינה מְּכָהֵתּי כֵּן אֲנָהְנוּ בְּנְדְךְ מְתַיֶּרְה וּמְמוֹתֵתּי לַבְּרִית כִּי הָנֶה כָּאָבֶן בְּיֵדְר הַמְּטָתֵתּי בִּרְצוֹתוּ

פי הנה בּנְרָעָן בְּיַב הָחָרָשׁ בּרְצוֹתוֹ הַבֶּק לְאוֹר וּבְרִצוֹתוֹ פַרִשׁ בּן אֲנַחְנוֹ בְּיָדְר תּוֹמֵךְ עָנִי וָרְשׁ לַבְּרִית הַבְּמ ני הנה בְּנִרְעוֹ בְּיַד הָחָרָשׁ בּרְצוֹתוֹ הַבּּק לְאוֹר וּבְרְצוֹתוֹ

כי הגה כְּהָנֶה בְּיֵד הַפְּלְח ּ בְּרָצוֹתוֹ אוֹהֵוּ וּבְרְצוֹתוֹ שׁלֵח ּ בֵּן אֲנָהֲנוּ בְּיָדְהְ אֵל מוֹב וְסָלְח ּ לַבְּרִית הַבְּּמ ואל הפוֹ לִיצר:

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פי הנה בּוְרִיעָה בְּיֵדְ הָרוֹבֵם בּרְצוֹתוֹ מְיַשֶּׁר וּבְרַצוֹתוֹ מְעַבֵּם בֵּן אֲנָחֵנוּ בְּיִדְךְּ אֵל קנא וְנוֹבַם לַבְּרִית תַבְּם ואל הפו לִצֵּצר:

לַבְּרִית בַּבֶּס וֹאָל מֻפַּן לִאָּר: מָצָרַף. בּן אַנֹּרָת בִּנְדָּר מַמְּצִיא רְמָּװִר מָּרָף. בּי דִּנָּר בַּבֶּסְף בְּּרַד נַאַוֹרָף. בּרְצוּתו מְסִנְּמִנ וּבּרְאוּתוּ

ואל הַפּן לִיצָּר: מְכֵצְרּי כֵּן אֲנִהְנִי בְּיָדֵּךְ חָסָר נצרי לבְּרִית הַבּּמּ בִּי הִנֵּה כַּּחְמֶּר בְּיָד הַיִּצִרי בִּרְצוֹתוֹ מַּרְחִיב וּבְּרְצוֹתוֹ

Just as an artisan is proud of work well performed, so does the Almighty take pride in the man of worthy conduct.

(Midrash Tehillim 119)

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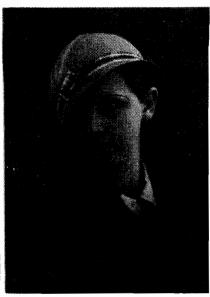
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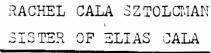
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"UNDER POLICE ESCORT LINDNER MARCHED US OFF TO THE RAILWAY STATION. IT WAS THE 7th OF MARCH 1941, ON A FRIDAY, AND THE EVE OF OUR HOLY SABBATH. BEFORE THE WAR WE WOULD HAVE BEEN ON THE WAY HOME, TO PREPARE FOR A DAY OF PRAYER AND PEACEFUL REPOSE. EN ROUTE TO THE STATION WE PASSED THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE AUSCHWITZ CAMP. I HOPED, I WOULD NEVER HAVE TO SEE THIS DREADFUL PLACE AGAIN, BUT PRAYED TO GOD THAT I BE ABLE TO REJOIN MY FAMILY ON SOME FAR OFF DAY OF PEACE, WHEN WAR, PERSECUTION AND CONCENTRATION CAMPS WOULD FINALLY BE ABOLISHED."

ELI WAS JUST FIFTEEN WHEN WAR CAME TO THE SMALL POLISH TOWN OF AUSCHWITZ. SEPERATED FROM HIS FAMILY HE WAS DESPATCHED TO A NAZI CONCENTRATION CAMP WHERE HIS LIFE BECAME ONE OF DEPRIVATION AND SUFFERING. ONLY HIS ENDURING FAITH, RESOURCEFULNESS AND DETERMINATION HELPED HIM SURVIVE THE TERRIBLE EVENTS OF THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. THIS IS THE STORY OF ONE BOY - HIS HOPE, HIS COURAGE - AND THE TRIUMPH OF THE

פעלי ואבינו היקר אכיר רמנו

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א. מִזְמוֹר לְדָּוִד

בּוֹסִי רְנָיָה:

בֶּל־יְמֵי חַיָּי הָשָׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית־יְהֹנָה לְאָֹרֶךְ יָמִים: לְאָֹרֶךְ



א. ישב בְּפְּחָר צְּלִיוֹן בּג שׁבִּי יִתְּלוֹנְן: בּג שׁבִּי יִתְּלוֹנְן: מַחְסִי וּמְצוּדְתָּי בְּי הוּא יַצִּילְךְ מָבָּח יָקוּש בְּי הוּא יַצִּילְךְ מָבָּח יָקוּש מְבָּרָר הוֹתוּ בְּי הוּא יַצִּילְךְ מָבְּרָתוֹ וֹיָסַדְּ לַּךְּ תְחַחַת־בְּנְבֶּיוֹ הָּחְסֶה בְּיִה וְמַחַרְבְּבָּיִי הָּחְסֶה בּג לא־תִירָא מְבְּחַד לֵילָה מֵחֶץ יָעוּף יוֹכְם:

have read your manuscript with sympathy and I was deeply moved by it. I shall not add any worn-out adjectives to that which you describe; none could adequately convey its horror. The religiosity, the background of faith within this unspeakable suffering—and with it also the occasional accusing scepticism—I have, so far, not come across in this manner in any publication I know.

HEINRICH BÖLL, Nobel Laureate

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## זכרונו לברכה



#### **CELIA MAROCCO**

in memory of my beloved Celia Marocco, devoted mother and grandmother.

"Your memory will always live in our hearts. On this, the eve of the High Holidays, many unforgettable memories that we always celebrated together: we recited our prayers, did all rituals and sang all the songs with joy, brightened the entire festivities. You were truly a "WOMAN OF VALOR" and belonged to the Gerer Dynasty Jerusalem, the Land of Israel.

You left behind something I cherish and read every Shabbos, "PINKAS SLONIM," which was presented to the World Jewish Congress in Germany on September 15, 1947. This gesture offered people of the world to read of the Holocaust in Partisan Brisk, Grodno, Brzesc, Lwov.

"To describe your goodness, deep love, understanding, compassion, honest sincerity, warmth and tenderness, you were a genuine "Yiddishe Momma" and grandmother. We miss you so much, so very much."

Your adoring, LEIB
Devoted mother of William and Irene Marocco of Columbus; dear sisters, Miriam Baum of Tel Aviv, Sara
Michalowitcz and Helen Greenstein, both of Cleveland;
sister-in-law of Chava (deceased); aunt of Rabbi Saul
Szylic of Jerusalem; Rabbi Samuel Dov and Rabbi Shlomo
of Jerusalem; sister-in-law of Ruzia Marocco; aunt of
Chava Peltz; Frieda Speilberg, Ziva Polachek, all of Tel
Aviv; dear nieces and nephews, Shirley Rose, Jeffrey,
Miriam, Michael, Mina and Benny; devoted grandchildren,
Tal Mynda, Avi Shlomo, Shira Chana and Dov Yaakov.

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JOSEPH ZEV CALA
FATHER OF ELIAS CALA
BROTHER MICHAEL

AND SISTER FANNY CALA - FINKEL =





IN LOVING MEMORY
SAMUEL MANDELBAUM



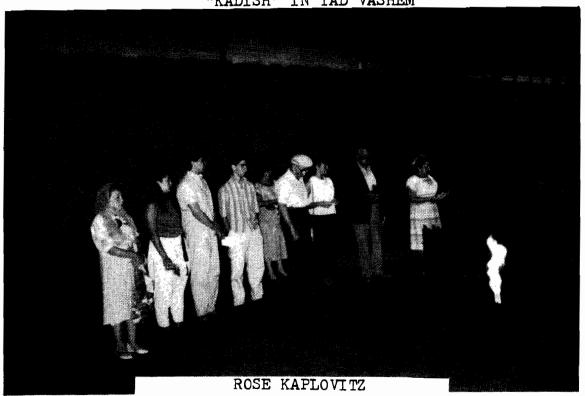
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ABBIE AKST RECITING THE "KADISH" IN YAD VASHEM



DELIVERING A SUMMARY OF THE
KOL ISRAEL JOURNEY OF CONCIENCE
"WE HAVE PRESERVED THE BOOK AND THE
BOOK HAS PRESERVED US."



## זכרונם לברבה

In Memory of

## OUR BELOVED PARENTS AND FAMILY

HERSH LEIZER
AND
CHAIA RIFKA
FEUER

PINCHAS CHUVA MARKOWITZ

Perished in the Holocaust

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

THEIR NAMES WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR

GENERATIONS TO COME



FRIEDA and LARRY FEUER



## זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF OUR BELOVED
PARENTS AND FAMILY
WILL BE REMERED ALWAYS



FROM:

ART & HENCY FEUER



## זכרונם לברכה

#### **Beloved Grandparents**

יוםף זאכ קאלא מרים קאלא שלמה ארי׳ ליכערמאן חי׳ דכורה ליכערמאן משה דוד הנדלאר עלקא הנדלאר אכרהם משה שינדלאר

by JOSEPH and PAULA CALA and Children Miriam, Michael, Shana, Alissa, and Rachel



## לברבה

זכרונו

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF OUR BELOVED HUSBAND,
FATHER AND GRANDFATHER



SAM FRIEDMAN

" He that walketh in his integrity as a just man,

Happy are his children after
him."

Proverbs 20:7

FROM WIFE

TERRY FRIEDMAN

AND CHILDREN

FRAN & STUART GOLDLUST AND FAMILY HOWARD & AILEEN FRIEDMAN AND FAMILY EDDIE FRIEDMAN

"The greatest truths are the simplest; == so are the greatest men."



## זכרוגם לברכה

FATHER: NOCHIM BLECHER, BORN IN 1887

IN OSZMIANY (POLAND).

KILLED IN OSZMIANY IN 1941.

MOTHER: CHAWA BLECHER (ROGOZIN),

BORN IN MOLODECZNO IN 1887.

MARRIED AND LIVED IN OSZMIANY.

PERISHED IN 1945 IN CONCENTRATION

CAMP STUTTHOF.

BROTHER: HENECH BLECHER. BORN IN 1915.

KILLED IN OSZMIANY IN 1941.

BROTHER: MOTEL BLECHER. BORN IN 1919.

KILLED IN 1941 - PLACE UNKNOWN.



SURVIVORS:

SON: MEYER BLECHER

DAUGHTER: LIZA ALPERT (BLECHER)

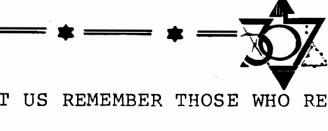
# FOR THE DEAD AND THE LIVING, WE MUST BEAR WITNESS



LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO RESISTED BY GIVING OF
THEMSELVES FOR OTHERS; THE COMMUNAL SPIRIT OF
JEWS WHO ORGANIZED DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD AND
CLOTHING, WHO PROVIDED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE
SICK AND INFIRM, WHO FOUND SHELTER FOR THE
HOMELESS REFUGEES, AND WHO, LIKE JANUSZ KORCZAK,
TAUGHT AND CARED FOR, AND GAVE HIS LIFE TO DIE
WITH, JEWISH CHILDREN. FOR ALL THOSE WHO UPHELD
HUMANITY IN THE MOST INHUMANE OF CONDITIONS.



LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO RESISTED IN THE GHETTOS: THOSE WHO CONTINUALLY FOUGHT HOPELESSNESS AND HORRIFIC DESOLATION FOR THEIR SURVIVAL; AND THOSE WHO WITH THE FORCE OF ARMS FOUGHT THE NAZI OPPRESSOR.



LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO RESISTED BY PRACTICING THE RELIGION THAT THE NAZIS SOUGHT TO ERASE FROM THE WORLD; THOSE WHO TAUGHT TORAH AND TALMUD IN THE GHETTOS: THOSE WHO TAUGHT THE CHILDREN THEIR RELIGIOUS HERITAGE; THOSE WHO FASTED ON YOM KIPPUR, EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE ALREADY STARVING. THE RABBI WHO SAID KOL NIDRE IN AUSCHWITZ. CONGREGATION IN THE BLOCK. THOSE WHO DIED WITH THE SHEMA ON THEIR LIPS. THE JEWS WITH CHRISTIAN IDENTITIES WHO HELD THEIR JUDAISM IN THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS AS THEY PRAYED IN CHURCH. THE BRAVE INHABITANTS OF THE WARSAW GHETTO WHO CELEBRATED THEIR LAST PESACH BY RISING UP AGAINST A MODERN PHAROAH. THOSE WHO SURVIVED TO SAY THE SHEHECHIYANU AT THEIR LIBRATION, WHO BUILT NEW LIVES, AND TAUGHT THEIR CHILDREN, THE SECOND GENERATION, TO BE PROUD OF BEING JEWS. REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO RESISTED BY PRACTICING THEIR RELIGION.



#### זכרונם לברכה



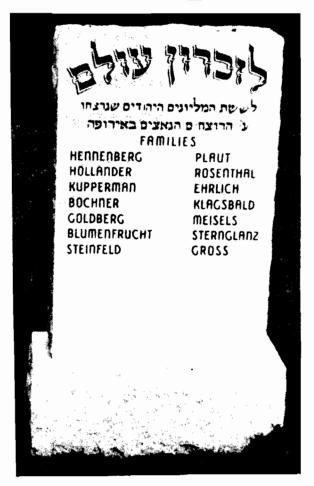
Among the Six Million Jews murdered in the Holocaust, there were more than a million children.

This page is dedicated to the unfulfilled promise of their youth. For them, our grief is especially profound.

בזכירה כור הגאולה



#### זכרונם לברכה







LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO RESISTED IN THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS. THOSE WHO WERE ABLE TO OVERCOME THE NAZI GUARDS AND THOSE WHO FOUGHT DESPAIR AND OBLIVION BY THEIR VERY EXISTANCE. WE: REMEMBER SOBIBOR WHERE ALL THE INMATES ROSE UP AND KILLED THEIR OPPRESSORS. THEY DESTROYED THE OVENS AND THE ARSENAL - THE FLAMES DEVOURED THE STOREROOM AND LAID WASTE TO THE FACTORY OF IN AUSCHWITZ, WE REMEMBER THE HUNDREDS OF DEATH. ESCAPES THAT DID NOT SUCCEED AND THE 80 PEOPLE WHO DID SUCCEED WHO TOLD THEIR STORIES TO THE DEAF EARS OF THE OUTSIDE WORLD. WE REMEMBER THE UPRISING IN AUSCHWITZ WHERE ONE OF THE CREMATORIUM WAS DISABLED SO THAT IT SLOWED DOWN THE ASSEMBLY LINE OF ANNIHILATION. AND AT KOLDCIZEWO WHERE ALL THE PRISONERS ESCAPED TO JOIN THE PARTISANS. WE REMEMBER ALL THESE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO LEFT US WITH A LEGACY OF PRIDE IN THE MIDST OF DESPAIR.



LET US REMEMBER THOSE WHO RESISTED BY SURVIVING. THOSE WHO KEPT GOING THROUGH STARVATION, FORCED LABOR AND THE LOSS OF THOSE THEY LOVED. WHO SAID I WILL NOT DIE SO THAT I CAN TELL THE WORLD WHAT HAPPENED. THOSE WHO SAID I WILL NOT DIE SO THAT I CAN REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED. THOSE WHO RAN LOOKING FOR A PERSON TO HELP THEM. A COUNTRY TO TAKE THEM IN. THOSE WHO HID. THOSE WHO PASSED AS CHRISTIANS. THOSE WHO FOUGHT IN THE WOODS AND THE GHETTOS AND CAMPS. THOSE WHO KEPT GOING WHEN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER TO GIVE UP, TO LAY DOWN THEIR PAIN AND FIND PEACE WITH THEIR LOVED ONES. THOSE WHO RE-ENTERED A DISBELIEVING WORLD AND KEPT THEIR PROMISES TO NEVER FORGET THE ONES WHO WERE LOST, TO NEVER FORGET WHAT THEY HAD LIVED THROUGH, AND TO NEVER ALLOW THE REST OF THE WORLD TO FORGET. THOSE WHO ERECTED MONUMENTS. THOSE WHO TAUGHT THE WORLD BY TELLING THEIR STORIES.



APRIL 26-1945; WE KNOW IT CAN'T LAST MUCH LONGER. FIGHTING FOR SURVIVAL SINCE SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1939, WHEN THE GERMANS ATTACKED POLAND AND I WAS WITH THE POLISH ARTILLERY BATTLING THE ENEMY.

NOW ALMOST SIX YEARS LATER AFTER THE HORRORS OF GHETTO MLAWA PLUS THE FOLLOWING 6 CONCENTRATION CAMPS: AUSCHWITZ, BUNA, ORANIENBURG, FLOSS-ENBURG, LEONBURG AND KAUFERING, WE WERE ABOUT TO LEAVE #7, CAMP GANAC-KER, WHICH WAS IN SOUTHERN BAVARIA.

LIKE MOST OF US, I WAS SICK AND TOO WEAK TO WALK. BUT WE HAD TO LEAVE, OR BE SHOT BY THE GUARDS. AFTER WALKING SEVERAL HOURS WITHOUT FOOD OR WATER, THOSE UNABLE TO KEEP UP WERE SHOT ON THE SPOT.

IN THE EVENING, SOME 26 KILOMETERS LATER, WE ARRIVED IN A SMALL BAVA-RIAN TOWN, ARNSTORF. TIRED, SICK, AND HUNGRY, WE WERE LOCKED IN A BARN FILLED WITH BUNDLES OF PRESSED HAY. WE WERE TO CONTINUE THE MARCH IN THE MORNING.

REALIZING THIS WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO DO, I HID BETWEEN THE BAILS

OF HAY, DIGGING IN DEEPER AND DEEPER, HOPING NOT TO BE FOUND. A SHORT TI
ME LATER I HEARD VOICES: "HERE IS ONE". A FEW MINUTES LATER A SHOT FOL
LOWED. THE GUARDS FOUND OTHERS TOO. ALL TOGETHER ELEVEN WERE SHOT.

I COULD HEAR EVERITHING GOING ON. I FELT THE HAY PRESSING HEAVILY ON MY HEAD. THE GUARDS WERE DRIVING THEIR BAYONETS INTO THE HAY. SOON IT QUIETED DOWN. THEY HAD LEFT.

AFTER A WHILE I HEARD VOICES AGAIN. THERE WERE TEN MORE HIDING IN THE HAY WITH ME. WE WERE THE LUCKY ONES.

#### אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



EXHAUSTED, I FELL ASLEEP. WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME NOW? WILL I EVER BE FREE?

IT HAD BEEN SO LONG SINCE I LEFT HOME.

MY FATHER DIED IN MARCH OF 1938. IT WAS TRAGIC. AS THE WAR AND THE JEWISH PERSECUTION PROGRESSED, HE WAS CONSIDERED FORTUNATE TO HAVE HAD A PROPER BURIAL; MY MOTHER, MIRIAM, DIED IN GHETTO KUTNO. MY BROTHER, SHLOMO WAS TAKEN BY THE GERMANS WHILE WALKING ON THE STREET OF BYDGOSZCZ AND NEVER HEARD OF AGAIN. MY OLDER BROTHER, SAUL, AND MY YOUNGER BROTHER, VICTOR, DID NOT SURVIVE. MY ONLY SISTER, RACHEL, WITH HER HUSBAND ABE, LEFT FOR RUSSIA. WILL I SURVIVE? WHO IS WATCHING OVER ME? ALL OF THAT WAS GOING THOUGH MY MIND.

LATE THAT AFTERNOON I WAS AWAKENED. I COULD HEAR A GERMAN VOICE SAYING:
"HERE IS ONE OF THEM". IT WAS THE TOWN POLICE. THEY HAD ALL OF US COME
OUT OF HIDING AND TAKEN TO JAIL. WHEN WORD GOT AROUND, AN SS OFFICER TRIED TO HAVE US SHOT. BUT THE HEADS OF THE TOWN WERE AGAINST IT, ON SUNDAY
MORNING, WHEN EVERYONE WAS IN CHURCH, A FARMER HAD US RELEASED FROM JAIL.
WE WALKED 4 KILOMETERS TO HIS FARM. THERE WE WASHED, SHAVED AND CHANGED
CLOTHES, AND WE RECEIVED ENOUGH FOOD, WE COULD HEAR MACHINE GUNS IN THE
DISTANCE. WE KNEW THAT 6 YEARS OF HELL WAS ALMOST OVER.

EARLY ON TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 1ST, 1945, WE COULD SEE AMERICAN TANKS COM-ING DOWN THE ROAD. THANK G-D WE SURVIVED. WE WERE FREE.

AS SOON AS WE WERE PHYSICALLY ABLE, WE RETURNED TO ARNSTORF TO GIVE OUR ELEVEN COMRADS, SHOT BY THE GERMAN GUARDS, A PROPER BURIAL. EACH BODY WAS PLACED IN A CASKET. ONE OF THEM WAS RECOGNIZED BY HIS BROTHER AND SISTER WHO HAD SURVIVED.HIS NAME WAS JOSEPH LANGFUS.



ALL WERE BURIED IN THE TOWN'S CEMETERY. ONE MARKER HAD THE NAME OF JOSEPF LANGFUS. THE OTHER NAMES WERE UNKNOWN. WE WERE ABLE TO COPY THE HAFTLING (CONCENTRATION CAMP) NUMBERS OFF THEIR CLOTHES.

LATER ON, AFTER YEARS OF SEARCHING AND HOPING, MY WORST FEAR WAS CONFIRMED BY THE RED CROSS. MY SISTER RACHEL, HER HUSBAND AND POSSIBLY THEIR CHILD-REN, WERE MASSACRED BY THE NAZIS AND THEIR COLLABORATORS AT BABI-YAR.

THIS IS BUT A SMALL PART OF ONE MAN'S FIGHT FOR SURVIVAL AGAINST ALL ODDS.



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THESE 11 PERSONS

DID NOT SURVIVE

WITH THOSE NUMBERS



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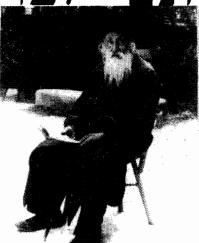
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SHAINZA WIEDER
GRANDMOTHER OF
ETHEL LIEBERMAN CALA





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IN LOVING MEMORY
BY THE CALA FAMILY

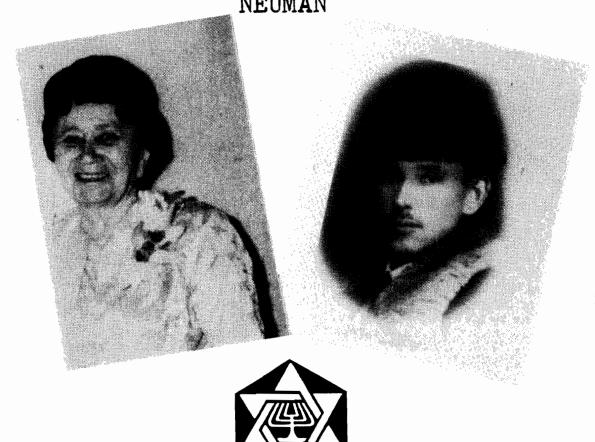


#### זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY DEAR PARENTS

FATHER PINCHAS

MOTHER LEAH NEUMAN



BY SON STANLEY NEUMAN



#### זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF ROSE AND BENNY NEUMAN

AUNT AND UNCLE



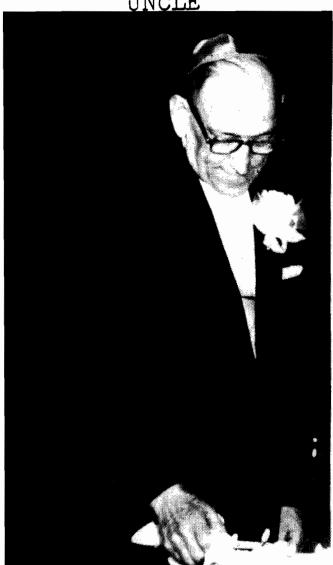
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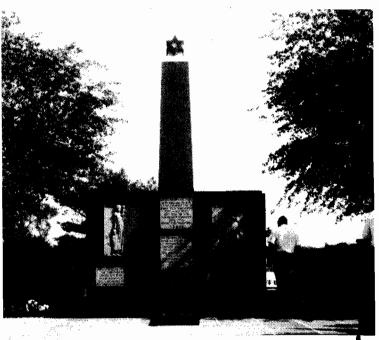
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JEWISH MARTYRS MEMORIAL IN CLEVELAND, OHIO

#### **OUR FIRST AMERICAN FLAGS**

In the first years of the Revolutionary War, Americans fought under many flags. One of them, the Grand Union Flag, or Continental Colors, flew over George Washington's headquarters near Boston. It was the first American flag to be officially recognized by another country.

On November 16, 1776, the American warship, Andrew Doria, saluted a Dutch fort in the West Indies and was saluted in return. This brought a measure of international recognition to the United Colonies.

A flag with thirteen stars and thirteen stripes received its first salute from another country on February 14, 1778, when French vessels in Quiberon Bay, France, saluted John Paul Jones and his ship "The Ranger".

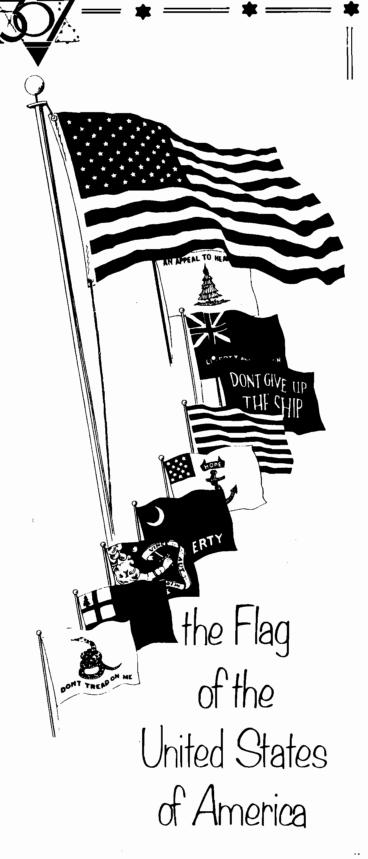
No one knows who designed the first stars and stripes, or who made the first one. Soon after the flag was adopted, Congressman Francis Hopkinson claimed that he had designed it. Some historians believe that Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia seamstress, made the first U. S. flag.

On June 14, 1777, in order to establish an official flag for the new nation, the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act: "Resolved, That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation."



The U.S. flag should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs. When the U.S. flag is on display with flags of other nations, all staffs should be of equal height with the U.S. flag in the position of honor at the U.S. flag's own right, which is the extreme left as the flags are viewed. Refer to the next column of instruction for the display of the U.S. flag outdoors.

When flags of two or more nations are displayed: in this circumstance, all the flags including the U.S. flag are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.





SUNDAY, MAY 28, 1989

A GENERAL MEETING OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION TOOK PLACE AT THE GREEN ROAD SYNAGOGUE, ABOUT 200 PERSONS ATTENDED. ALL THE CHAIRMEN GAVE THEIR REPORTS, REFRESHMENTS WERE SERVED, AND EVERYONE HAD A GOOD TIME. OUR SPECIFIC INTEREST WAS THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PREPARATION OF THE BANQUET AND THE JOURNAL FOR THE UPCOMMING 30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION. AN APPEAL WAS MADE FOR THE MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE EFFORT OF THE 30th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE.

#### KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE - JUNE & JULY, 1989

A journey of conscience has taken place during June 28 - July 18, 1989. The travel plans included stopovers in Budapest, Hungary; Prague, Czechoslovakia; Katowice, Krakow and Warsaw, Poland; and Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv, Israel.

In Hungary, participants visited Jewish institutions, including the main Synagogue and the Jewish museum. In Prague, in addition to visiting the Jewish synagogue and museum, there was a pilgrimage to Terezin.

In Poland, in addition to the stopovers in three major cities visits included the camp sites of Auscwitz/Birkenau, Sosnowicz, Bendzin, Czestochowa, Majdanek and Treblinka.

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH KOL ISRAEL ANNUAL PICNIC ANISFIELD CAMP.

THE PICNIC WAS A SUCCESS THROUGH THE EFFORT OF THE SISTERHOOD, SECOND GENERATION AND KOL ISRAEL MEMBERS AT LARGE.

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THE WINNER: GABI TENNENBAUM



#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON THE CONTROL ANNIVERSARY



MURRAY & LEE ROSENBERG
AND FAMILY

Even he who inherited a scroll should write one himself. (Rabba b. Nahmani)



#### COMPLIMENTS TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION



## IN HONOR OF HERMAN FRANK

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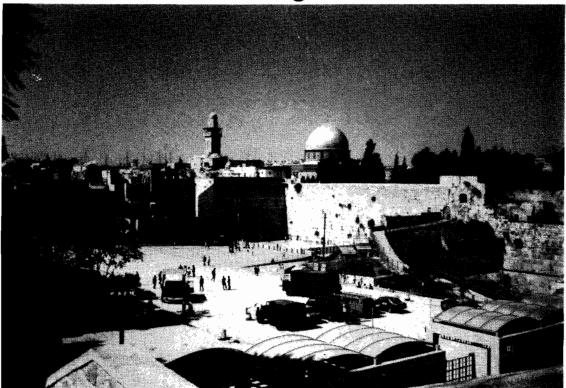
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A Collective Statement by Jewish Holocaust Survivors
To Pope John Paul II

Regarding the Carmelite Convent at Auschwitz

Adopted by over 1500 Holocaust Survivors at the Meeting of the

American Gathering/Federation of Jewish Holocaust Survivors

Browns Hotel, Loch Sheldrake, New York, August 27, 1989

#### WE DIRECT THIS STATEMENT TO POPE JOHN PAUL II

During the years of the Holocaust you lived in the vicinity of Auschwitz. You know of the murders at Auschwitz. You know of the people driven from Polish and other European cities into cattle cars and transported directly into gas chambers of Auschwitz.

Many times in the past you have spoken about the plight of the Jews who perished in the Shoah. Surely you know that the overwhelming majority of the victims were Jews, killed solely because they were the sons and daughters of the Jewish people. Their memory must be honored, their identity affirmed.

Auschwitz is hallowed, sacred ground for us. The grounds are covered with the bones and ashes of millions of martyred Jews. It has become a symbol of the Shoah, the world's memorial to the Holocaust.

Accordingly, survivors of the Holocaust along with Jews everywhere were deeply pained and angered when Carmelite nuns seized a building within the bounds of Auschwitz, converted it into a convent and set up symbols of faith holy to them but alien to most of those who perished at Auschwitz. Our anguish is intensified by the knowledge that this very building was used by the Nazis to store Zyklon B gas.

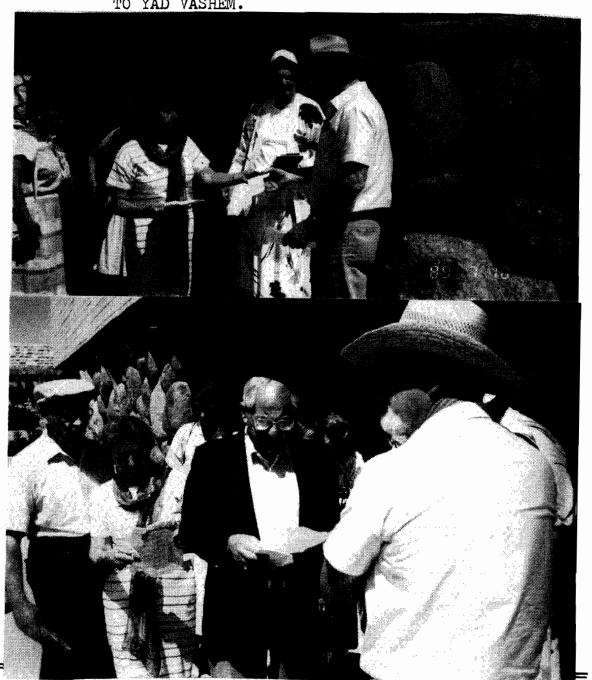
Neither a convent nor a synagogue should be on the grounds of Auschwitz. The holy martyrs of Auschwitz should be left undisturbed. They should be granted the peace denied them during their lives.

We were reassured when in 1987 leading Catholic prelates met with Jewish leaders in Geneva and signed an accord providing for the relocation of the Carmelite Convent no later than February 22, 1989. This deadline has now passed. Still the convent remains.

Tragically, the only silence we hear now is from the Vatican, so reminiscent of fifty years ago. How should we understand this today? The Vatican must not remain silent. It cannot remain neutral. It is urgent that you direct the removal of the Carmelite Convent from the Auschwitz camp site.



THE KOL ISRAEL JOURNEY OF CONCIENCE ALSO INCLUDED A DONATION BY KOL ISRAEL OF \$ 2,000.00 TO YAD VASHEM, PRESENTED BY VICE PRESIDENT ABBIE AKST AND \$ 1,000.00 BY THE SISTERHOOD, PRESENTED BY ESTHER FRANK TO YAD VASHEM.



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#### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ... .. די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק

#### Kristallnacht

November 9, 1938

Remembering 51 Years Later



by Harry J. and Rosalyn Abraham



Mother Rachel comes out of her grave crying and God answers her "your children will return to their own border"

Genesis 48

רחל יצאת על קברה ובוכה ור׳ משיבה שבו בנים לגבולם׳



#### A THANK YOU

TO:
HARRY S. TRUMAN
AMERICAN JUDGE, SENATOR AND
THIRTY THIRD PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



#### DISPLACED PERSONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Displaced Persons Commission welcomes you to the United States of America.

The Congress of the United States of America has established the Displaced Persons Commission to select for immigration to this country, persons displaced as a result of World War II. Under the principles laid down by the Congress, you are among those selected.

The Congress is interested in how displaced persons fare after settling in the United States. So that the Congress may be kept informed on this matter, it requires that each person who immigrated to the United States as the head of a family or as a single person provide certain factual information.

The information is to be provided twice a year, for two years. The reporting dates are July 1 and January 1. The first report is required on the next reporting date after you have been in the country 60 or more days. Each of the reports must be in the mails to reach us by the date specified, but may be mailed as much as fifteen days earlier.

The form for reporting is provided by the Displaced Fersons Commission. The form to be used will be available on May 15 for the July 1 report and on November 15 for the January 1 report. It will be available at local offices of the U.S. Lamigration and Naturalization Service.

The Displaced Persons Commission wishes you every success in your new life in the United States of America.

Sincerely,

Carusi, Chairman

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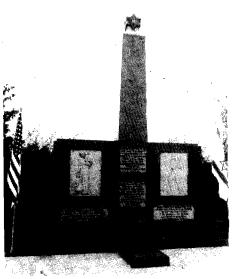


#### Kol Israel to hold memorial for Holocaust martyrs

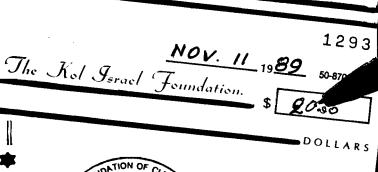
The Kol Israel Foundation will hold its 28th annual memorial ceremony for the six million martyrs of the Holocaust at the Zion Memorial Park monument on Sunday, Sept. 24, at 2 p.m.

Rabbi Yaakov Feitman, spiritual leader of Young Israel, will deliver the main address, and Leonard Fuchs will chant the "El Molei Rachamim." Remarks will be delivered by State Sen. Lee I. Fisher and Jewish Community Federation President Max Friedman. Members of Kol Israel Foundation and Second Generation will light memorial candles. Herman Frank is chairman of the day, and Simon Fixler is co-chairman.

The monument in memory of the martyrs was first unveiled on May 28, 1961. At that time, the Foundation buried ashes of concentration camp victims with honor under the monument.



The Kol Israel Holocaust monument at Zion Memorial Park will be the site of memorial services Sunday, Sept. 24.





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'Regard as enormous the little wrong you did to others, and as trifling, the great wrong done to you.'

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July 5, 1989

His Eminence Franciszek Cardinal Macharski Archbishop of Crakow Crakow, Poland

Your Eminence.

As your brother in the episcopate, I can well understand the myriads of pastoral concerns that face you each day. Because of our links collegially in the Catholic Faith and in the communion of the Roman Catholic Church, the actions of one diocese reflect on the whole Church. I am deeply aware of this in my own situation where difficulties have drawn the attention of the television and newspaper reporters.

As part of my pastoral work, I have labored to improve relations between Christians and Jews. In this diocese, we have many Jewish people, a number of whom not only have roots in Poland, but are also survivors of those terrible death camps of the Nazis. Those death camps were set up primarily for the extermination of the Jews, although they were also centers of suffering and death for Christian Poles and others. Your pastoral sensitivity in signing the 1987 Agreement, along with your brother Cardinals of Paris, Lyons and Brussels, is very commendable. I, too, would have endorsed such an accord that acknowledges the special significance of the Auschwitz site to the Jews, as well as the establishment of an interfaith study center outside Auschwitz, containing an area where the Carmelite Sisters can live and pray.

The present delay in the fulfillment of this accord is causing much tension among Jewish people here in Cleveland. I pray and hope that the present difficulties can be overcome. You have my support in dealing with this important and difficult aspect of your pastoral care for the Archdiocese of Crakow.

With sentiments of deep esteem and every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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The Most Reverend Anthony M. Pilla

Bishop of Cleveland

Jacob Hennenberg 1939 Green Road Cleveland, Ohio 44121



#### The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland

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September 12, 1989

Mr. Jack Hennenberg, Co-Chairperson Kol Israel Foundation 30th Anniversary 3027 Crafton Road Cleveland, OH 44122

Dear Jack,

On behalf of the Jewish Community Federation, I want to extend a hearty mazel tov to you on the occasion of the Cleveland Kol Israel Foundation's 30th anniversary. Kol Israel has been a strong support for Cleveland's Holocaust survivors and their families. It is also an effective channel for their energies in projects which benefit the community, and for keeping the messages of the Holocaust before us. We appreciate the work you have done, and wish you many more years of strength and success.

My own involvement in Holocaust education has recently been greatly intensified by my co-chairmanship, with Dagmar Celeste, of the Ohio Holocaust Commission. In the development of the curriculum to teach the lessons of the Holocaust, our Cleveland educators provided very strong and capable leadership and guidance. Without the Cleveland members, the project could not have succeeded. With them, I believe we made an excellent contribution to the field of the teaching of the Holocaust.

Again, mazel tov on this milestone and much good luck for the future.

Warm regards.

Max R. Friedman President

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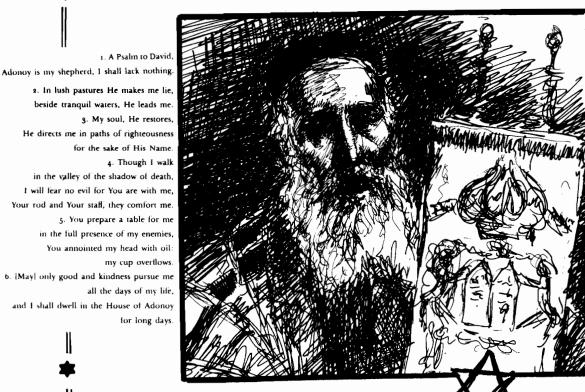


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NORMAN H. WEINSTEIN

#### TISHREI

Between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur are the ten days of forgiveness "Asseret Yemey Teshuva." Sins against G-d can be forgiven by G-d but sins against man can be forgiven only by man, prior to G-d forgiveness.

1st and 2nd day of Tishrei are the two days of Rosh Hashana, the religious New Year.

5th day of Tishrei-Death of Rabbi Akiba, one of the twelve holy martyrs tortured and executed by the Romans.

9th day of Tishrei-Erev Yom Kippur (Eve of Yom Kippur)-initiated by fasting and followed by a solemn evening service, highlighted by chanting the Kol Nidre, a prayer introduced by the Marranos who were forcibly converted to Christianity during the Spanish Inquisition.

10th day of Tishrei-Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)-Fast-Day, completely devoted to prayer from morning to nightfall. Upon completion of the services the Shofar is blown.

15th-21st day of Tishrei-Sukkot Festival in commemoration of the Sukkot (huts) in which the children of Israel lived in the desert. During the morning services, the ceremony of the shaking of the Lulav (Palm branch) and Ethrog (Citrus fruit) is performed.

23rd day of Tishrei-This is the day which follows the Festival of Sukkot. It was introduced in the 10th Century as the day of Simchat Torah (the rejoicing with the Torah) when the reading of the 5th Book of Moses is completed and followed up by the reading of the first portion of the Book of Genesis, to indicate the eternal cycle of Torah studies.

#### CHESHVAN

1st day of Cheshvan-Dedication of the First Temple built by King Solomon. 7th day of Cheshvan-Nebukadnezar, King of Babylon, blinds King Zidkiyahu, and kills his sons.

11th day of Cheshvan-Death of Rachel, the wife of Jacob.

21st day of Cheshvan-Death of Chaim Weizman, the first President of the State of Israel, initiator of the Balfour Declaration, former President of the Zionist World Organization, and founder of the famous Weizman Institute in Rehovot. 28th day of Cheshvan—The day when the United Nations decided to partition Palestine into a Jewish and an Arab State (1947).

The partition plan was rejected by the Arab Kingdom. In 1948, seven Arab armies invaded Palestine after the Israeli Government issued its declaration of Independence. The war ended with the defeat of the Arab armies and the consolidation of the State of Israel.

#### KISLEV

The uprising of the Hasmoneans and their victorious campaign against Antiochus which culminated in the re-dedication of the Temple in Jerusalem (Chanukah). 17th day of Kislev-Death of King Herod, the Edomite.

20th day of Kislev-The Samaritans plot to build their own Temple on Mount Grizim, to replace the Temple in Jerusalem but fail to obtain for this plan the permission of Alexander the Great.

25th day of Kislev-The Hasmoneans overpowered the Greek garrison of Jerusalem, re-dedicated the Temple, and established the Festival of Light and Freedom (8 days of Chanukah). The war of Liberation ended with the destruction of the last Greek armies and the establishment of the Hasmonean family as the rulers of an independent Judea until the country was overrun and occupied by Rome.

#### TEVET

The first month of the winter season, followed by the rainy months of Shevat and Adar.

8th day of Tevet-Completion of the Septuaginta, the famous translation of the Hebrew Bible into Greek by 70 scholars. This translation introduced an era of great cultural achievements by Jews and Greeks, and a temporary harmony between Hellenism and Judaism.

9th day of Tevet-Death of Ezra, the Scribe, the Spiritual leader of the Babylonian exiles who, together with Nehemia, re-built the Temple and established the second Jewish Commonwealth.

10th day of Tevet-Fast Day-the beginning of the siege of Jerusalem by the King of Babylon.

19th day of Tevet-The establishment of the Jewish National Fund, a money collecting organization for the purpose of purchasing land in Palestine for the Jewish pioneers. The Jewish National Fund's MOST prominent achievement was and continues to be the afforestation of the desert wastelands in Israel.

#### SHEVAT

According to the Calendar, the second month of the winter season but, in Israel,

it is springtime in its full glory of budding and growing.
The 15th day of Shevat—Tree-holiday in Israel, known since Talmudic times as "Tu-Bishevat" or "Rosh Hashana L'eelanot" (The New Year for Trees).

Tu-Bishevat has become a popular holiday for adults and children alike, a symbol of growth and hope.

In Israel, the young generation, especially school children, gather in the fields, sing and dance, and plant new trees.

In other countries, the occasion is celebrated with fruit parties at which the people eat exclusively Israeli fruits. During the month of Shevat, the local agencies of the Jewish National Fund collect money for planting thousands of new trees in Israel, and sell National Fund Stamps and Tree Certificates.



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Mr. Jack Hennenberg Co-Chairperson 30th Anniversary 3027 Crafton Road Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122

Dear Mr. Hennenberg:

In anticipation of the 30th anniversary celebration of the Kol Israel Foundation on November 11th, 1989, the City of University Heights extends its greetings and best wishes on this important milestone.

Much has been said, written and observed regarding the Holocaust, and, with many memorials being established throughout the country, recognition of your organization takes on even more meaning. So many people have dedicated themselves to informing the next generation about the lessons to be learned from such a heinous period in recent history that attention drawn to this cause is needed and should be ongoing.

May your organization continue to serve us and remind us through the survivors of the Holocaust of the lessons of the past so we will not permit it to ever happen again. The community of University Heights, Ohio extends its personal greetings and best wishes to all of you on this occasion.

Sincerely,

CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

Beryl E. Rothschild
Mayor



2700 RICHMOND ROAD BEACHWOOD, OHIO 44122

#### PROCLAMATION

Designating Saturday, November 11, 1989 as

"KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION DAY"

in the City of Beachwood, Ohio

WHEREAS, Kol Israel Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio, celebrates its 30th (thirtieth) anniversary on this date; and

WHEREAS, These survivors of a brutal, tyrannical German Nazi regime assemble tonight to remember and never forget or allow the world to forget the ruthless destruction of six million of our Jews in camps throughout Europe during World War II and before; and

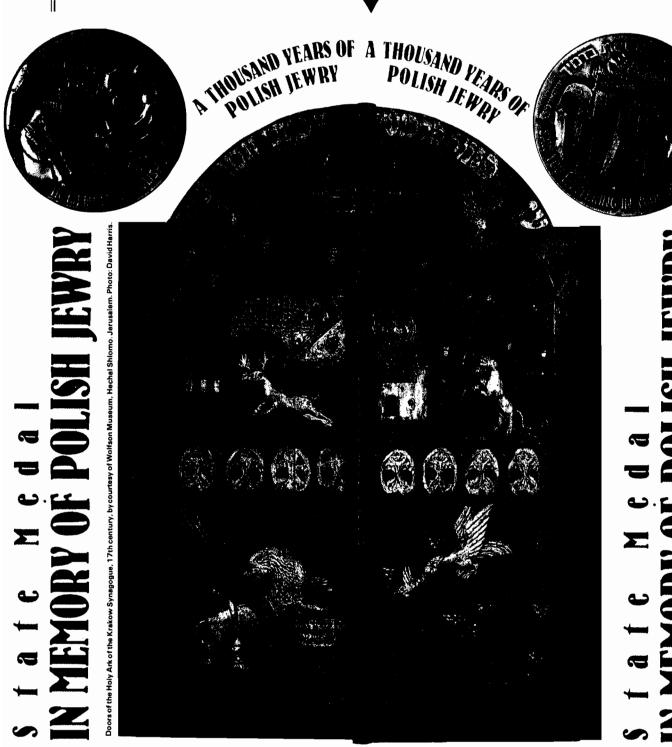
WHEREAS, These Jews assemble tonight to pay tribute to their brothers and sisters who have perished, and also to ask their second generation, young people, and all Jews to continue to carry the message of alertness and awareness as to any signs of harm that might befall the Jewish people in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, do I, Harvey E. Friedman, Mayor of the City of Beachwood, Ohio, U.S.A., hereby proclaim this day as "Kol Israel Foundation Day" in our city and I ask all people who would be aware of this proclamation, Jew and Gentile alike, to join us in perpetuating a call for sanity and humanity among our fellow men and women for now and in the future.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Beachwood, Ohio, this 13th day of September, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-nine.

Harvey E. Filedman, Mayor City of Beachwood, onio







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#### BY JACOB HENNENBERG

#### HISTORIAN



A UNIQUE ORGANIZATION IN CLEVELAND, KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION, SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST, WILL CELEBRATE IT'S 30TH ANNI-VERSARY THIS YEAR.

KOL ISRAEL REPRESENTS THE UNITING OF MAN AND WOMEN WHO UNDERWENT THE HORRORS OF THE HOLOCAUST. WHEN THE VICTORIOUS ALIED ARMIES ENTERED THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN 1944 - 1945. IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO GRASP THE UNSPEAKABLE BRUTALITIES THAT HAD BEEN PERPETRATED BEHIND THE BARBED WIRE FENCES. IN ALL THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS OF EUROPE, ONLY 500.000 JEWS WERE FOUND ALIVE OUT OF THE MILLIONS WHO HAD BEEN TRANSPORTED THERE.

A TINY REMNANT OF ONCE FLOURISHING JEWISH COMMUNITIES MADE IT'S WAY TO ISRAEL, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES ABOUT 92.000 SURVIVORS CAME. TO THE U.S. WHERE THEY TRIED TO CARVE OUT A NEW LIFE FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THEY MADE ENORMOUS ADJUSTMENTS. MOST OF THEM WERE THE SOLE SURVIVORS OF THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS. ALL HAD TO LEARN TO LIVE WITH THEIR PAINFUL MEMORIES. ALL SOUGHT TO FIND A WAY TO RECOVER THEIR INTEGRITY AS HUMAN BEINGS. THE EXTRAORDINARY THING IS THAT VIRTUALLY ALL SUCCEDED. HUNDREDS OF SURVIVORS ARRIVED IN CLEVELAND IN THE EARLY POST WAR YEARS. THEY WERE HELPED BY FRIENDS, RELATIVES, AND THE ORGANIZED JEWISH COMMUNITY. LATER THE EARLIER EMIGRIES HELPED THE NEWCOMERS. IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME THE SURVIVORS LEARNED A NEW LANGUAGE, AND ENTERED INTO EVERY OCCUPATIONAL FIELD AVAILABLE TO THEM. THEY ADAPTED THEMSELVES TO THE AMERICAN JEWISH WAY OF LIFE. THEY ACHIEVED FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.

IN FEBRUARY 1959 A SMALL GROUP OF CLEVELAND SURVIVORS MET TO FORM AN ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING THE HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS IN THIS AREA. THE ORGANIZATION WAS GIVEN THE NAME

"KOL ISRAEL " MEANING

" ALL OF ISRAEL".

TO THOSE WHO HAD SUFFERED IN THE HOLOCAUST, KOL ISRAEL BECAME A REFUGE, WHERE THEY COULD GET TOGETHER WITH OTHERS, SHARING A COMMON PAST, AND WHO NOW FACED SIMILAR PROBLEMS. THE FOUNDATION PROVIDED THE WARMTH, SYMPATHY, AND UNDERSTANDING OF A CLOSE KNIT FAMILY TO IT'S FOUNDERS AND MEMBERS.

IN JUNE 1960, THE LEADERS OF KOL ISRAEL DECIDED TO BUILD A MONUMENT IN MEMORY OF THE SIX MILLION JEWISH VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST.

ON MAY 28, 1961 THE MONUMENT WAS UNVEILED IN ZION MEMORIAL PARK.

THE ASHES OF VICTIMS FROM THREE CONCENTRATION CAMPS WERE GIVEN A HONORARY BURIAL. EVERY YEAR SINCE, A MEMORIAL SERVICE IS HELD AT THE SITE. OVER THE YEARS, THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION HAS PROVIDED FUNDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL THROUGH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ISRAEL EMERGENCY FUND, THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND AND ISRAEL BONDS.

IT HAS PROVIDED AMBULANCES THROUGH THE MAGEN DAVID ADOM.

IN 1981, A LARGE CONTINGENT OF KOL ISRAEL MEMBERS ATTENDED THE WORLD GATHERING OF JEWISH HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS IN ISRAEL. THEY BROUGHT WITH THEM A FULLY EQUIPED AMBULANCE AND DEDICATED IT AT THE WESTERN WALL. THE GROUP ALSO TOOK ALONG A BOOK PREPARED BY THE CLEVELAND JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION, CALLED "EYDUT LECHAIM" (WITNESS TO LIFE) PROVIDING TESTIMONIES OF SURVIVORS, AND GIVEN TO "YAD VASHEM".

WHEN THE AMERICAN GATHERING TOOK PLACE IN WASHINGTON D.C. IN 1983, THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION AGAIN WAS REPRESENTED. ANOTHER " EYDUT LECHAIM" BOOK WAS PRESENTED TO THE UNITED STATES MEMORIAL COUNCIL.

IN JUNE 27, 1989, A KOL ISRAEL JOURNEY OF CONSCIOUS TRAVELED TO HUNCARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, POLAND AND ISRAEL. EVERYWHERE THEY LAID FLOWERS ON HOLOCAUST VICTIMS GRAVES, AND AT EACH SPOT READ POEMS AND SAID PRAYERS. A LARGE DONATION WAS GIVEN TO YAD VASHEM IN ISRAEL.

A FEW MONTHS BEFORE THE J.N.F. AND THE DR. KORCZAK SCHOOL IN ISRAEL WAS SUPPORTED. ON NOVEMBER 11, 1989 A GALA 30th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET WILL TAKE PLACE AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE GREEN ROAD SYNAGOGUE, 2437 SO.GREEN ROAD.







The Song of Songs is wisdom; the Book of Ecclesiastes is understanding and the Book of Proverbs is knowledge. (Zohar 3)







JOE GREENSPUN WAS BORN IN MAREVITZ, POLAND, TO A RELIGIOUS FAMILY, ONE OF SEVEN CHILDREN.

WHEN WORLD WAR II BROKE OUT, HIS FAMILY WAS LIVING UNDER RUSSIAN OCCUPATION. JOE WAS DRAFTED INTO THE RUSSIAN ARMY. AFTER BEING WOUNDED, HE WAS SENT HOME ONLY TO FIND HIS FAMILY MASSACRED BY THE NAZIS, EXCEPT FOR ONE SISTER WHO SURVIVED. SO JOE JOINED THE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT.

WHEN THE WAR ENDED, HE SERVED AS AN OFFICER AT TWO AMERICAN TRANSIT CAMPS IN GERMANY, WHERE HE MET HELEN GARFINKEL, WHO WAS LATERTO BECOME HIS WIFE. IN 1949 JOE CAME TO CLEVELAND TO BE WITH HIS RELATIVES.

THROUGH MUTUAL FRIENDS, JOE AND HELEN RENEWED THEIR FRIENDSHIP AND WERE MARRIED IN DETROIT IN 1951. JOE WENT INTO THE BUILDING BUSINESS IN CLEVELAND. WHILE LIVING THERE, JOE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE B'NAI B'RITH FROM 1967 - 70, AND HELPED BUILD THE KOL ISRAEL MONUMENT IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST.

IN 1973 JOE, HELEN, AND THEIR TWO CHILDREN MOVED TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA. THERE HE BECAME AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER AND FAMILY SERVICE, B'NAI B'RITH, HOLOCAUST COMMITTEE, AND THE JEWISH FEDERATION, HELPING RUSSIAN JEWS IN THE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM. IN 1982, JOE AND HELEN WERE HONORED BY THE ISRAEL BOND DRIVE AS RECIPIENTS OF ISARAEL'S NEW LIFE AWARD.

JOE PASSED AWAY IN 1985 AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE HELEN, DAUGHTERS PAULINE AND RITA, AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN: BENJAMIN, TALI AND JOEY, WHO WAS NAMED AFTER HIS GRANDFATHER.



IN MEMORY
OF HELEN NEWMAN, BELOVED WIFE OF
MAX NEWMAN AND MOTHER OF ROSE SHERMAN
AND RUTH NEBEL, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 20, 1986.

SHE IS MISSED EVERY DAY OF OUR LIFE.

TO LIVE IN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF THOSE LEFT BEHIND, IS NOT TO DIE. ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS.

RUTH NEBEL AND FAMILY.

#### In Memoriam

#### זכרונם לברכה

FATHER JEHUDA BACKER MOTHER SURA BACKER SISTER MALKA

PERISHED IN THE CONCENTRATION CAMP
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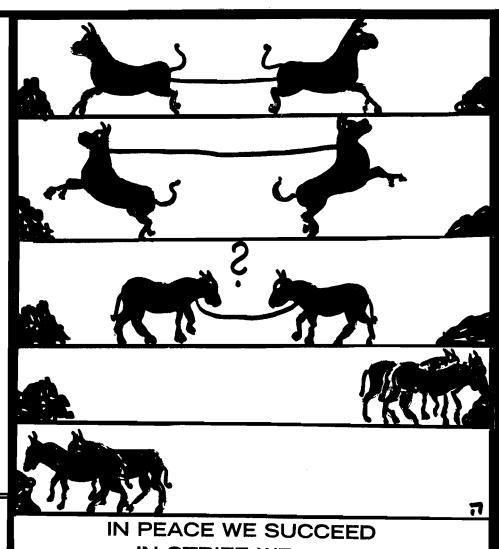
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BEST WISHES TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON THEIR 30th ANNIVERSARY



FROM: LARRY AND ZELDA SIMON



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# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KOLISRAEL FOUNDATION ON ITS 30th ANNIVERSARY



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### ADAR

There are seven Leap Years in every cycle of 19 years. A Leap Year has 13 months. The 13th month is called Adar Sheni (the second Adar). The 12th month of a Leap Year is called Adar Rishon (First Adar).

All the holidays and fast days, which in the regular year are observed in the 12th month of Adar, are shifted in a Leap Year to the 13th month (Adar Sheni). 7th day of Adar-Birth and death of Moses.

13th day of Adar-Nikanor Day, in commemoration of Judah Maccabee's victory over Nikanor, the Commander-in-Chief of the Greek armies.

14th day of Adar-The Festival of Purim, one of the most joyous holidays commemorating the miraculous deliverance of the Persian Jews from the hands of Haman, Chancellor and advisor of King Ahasuerus.

The Purim services are highlighted by the chanting of the Megillat-Esther, which tells the story of the courageous Queen Esther and Mordecai, who put Haman to shame and persuaded King Ahasuerus to order his execution on the same gallows which Haman had prepared for Mordecai.

It is customary to exchange gifts on Purim, and to celebrate the occasion with parties and merry-making.

In Israel, Purim is celebrated by the entire community, under the open skies, especially in the larger cities. From the morning to the late hours of the night, the streets are filled with masquerading crowds, indulging in various kinds of entertainment. The Israelis have coined for this Purim celebration a new name "Ad lo-Yada" (to the brink of knowing) which conveys the idea of unrestricted

15th day of Adar-Ezra and Nehemia begin to re-build the walls of the city of

25th day of Adar-Abolishment of the cruel ordinances of the Roman Emperor, Hadrian.

### NISAN

Mentioned in the Bible as the Month of Spring and in the Talmud as the Month of Kings and Festivals.

Nisan is the month of Liberation from Egyptian slavery starting with the Exodus and marking the beginning of the Forty Years March through the Desert, from which the Hebrew tribes emerged as an independent nation, physically and spiritually prepared for the Conquest of Canaan.

1st day of Nisan-The completion of the Mishkan (The Holy Tabernacle), the movable sanctuary of the wandering tribes which served as a paradigma for the first Temple, built by King Solomon. 10th day of Nisan—Death of Miriam, the sister of Moses.

15th day of Nisan-The night of the Exodus, the first Passover night for consuming the Paschal sacrifice and the eating of matzah (unleavened bread).

15th-22nd day of Nisan-The eight days of the Pesach holiday.

Pesach Eve, and the following night, are the two Seder nights (Seder means order, indicating the specific traditional procedure, observed during the Seder nights). The Seder nights are highlighted by the reading of the Haggada (the Pesach story), introduced by the asking of the Four Questions which is done by the youngest child in the family. During the Seder, the Seder-meal is served, including four cups of wine for each participant. Family Seders, as well as community Seders, have become the most prominent feature in the observance of the Pesach ritual.

16th day of Nisan-The beginning of the counting of the Omer (a measure of harvest crops assigned by the Mosaic Law to the Temple).

Iyar, like Kislev, is a month of heroic exploits.

A rare combination of spiritual leadership, personified by Rabbi Akiba, and military genius personified by Bar-Kochba, performed the miracle of the libera-tion of little Judea from the yoke of mighty Rome. Though shortlived, this period of independence shook the Roman Empires' foundations and inspired a great many other nations to rebel against the Roman oppressors.

1st day of Iyar-King Solomon begins to build the Temple.

4th day of Iyar-Day of Mourning in commemoration of the Warsaw uprising in which the last 40,000 Jews inflicted great loss upon the Nazis and perished in the burning ghetto.

5th day of Iyar-Israel Independence Day, observed and celebrated by Jews all over the world.

17th day of Iyar-Beginning of the rebellion against Florus, the Roman Procurator.

18th day of Iyar-the 33rd day of the counting of the Omer (Lag B'Omer), a joyous holiday, in which youngsters are encouraged to indulge in games of bows and arrows, presumably an expression of admiration for the military prowess of the Judean youth in the days of Rabbi Akiba and Bar-Kochba.

27th day of Iyar-Simon, the Hasmonean, captures the fortress Akra and destroys the Greek army.

The month of Mattan Torah (The giving of the Torah), the greatest event in the history of the Jewish people, marking the beginning of a new era in the development of mankind's civilization.

1st day of Sivan—The children of Israel reach Mt. Sinai. 6th day of Sivan—The first day of Shavuot (Week-festival), the end of the counting of the Omer. This is also the day on which the Jewish people received the Ten Commandments. Shavuot is a Harvest Festival, the time when the first fruits of the harvest were brought into the Temple in ancient Jerusalem.

7th day of Sivan—Death of King David. 20th day of Sivan—The destruction of many flourishing Jewish communities in the Rhineland (Germany) by the Crusaders.



IN MEMORY OF

MY BELOVED HUSBAND AND FATHER



WIFE, RITA
DAUGHTER, CAROL TEW AND CHILDREN
SON-IN-LAW, IRA TEW
SON, BRUCE AND ROBIN YORK AND CHILDREN

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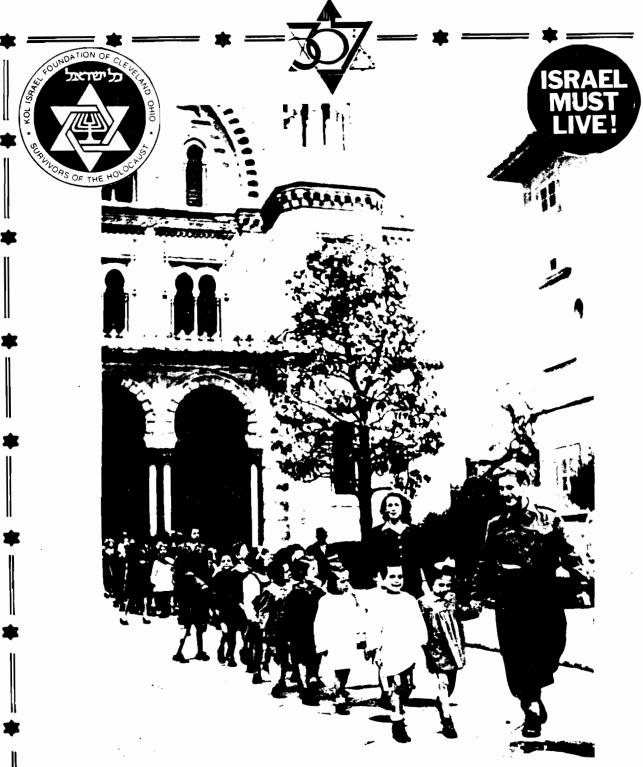
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# Survivors of the storm

Heirs of a culture that thrived in Poland for a thousand years, today's Polish Jews are the remnants of a people virtually destroyed by the Holocaust—much of which was staged on Polish soil. Of the three million who perished, most dwelt in cities or towns. In 1940 they were confined to ghettos, and later exterminated.

Although not revealed by any census, Poland's total Jewish population today is believed to be about 5,000. Most make their homes in Warsaw or Kraków.





Liberation. Italian Jewish children led by a Jewish soldier of the Jewish Brigade of the British Army. More than 7,750 Italian Jews were deported to Auschwitz and murdered, but more than 25,000 escaped into Switzerland, or found shelter in Italy itself, with peasants, townsfolk and in Catholic religious institutions, all of whom risked heavy penalties for giving such help.

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# זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF OUR BELOVED FAMILIES

WHO DIED DURING THE HOLOCAUST YEARS

AND POST WAR PERIOD



FROM:

MICHAEL AND EDITH ALTMAN

# In Memoriam

# זכרוגם לברכה

IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED FAMILIES
VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST



FROM: SAM AND HELEN FEIG

Mother Rachel comes out of her grave crying and God answers her "your children will return to their own border"





### We Can't Forget

By MRS. MIRIAM KAMPINSKI

We cry and cry.
We can't stop crying,
Recalling our loved ones—
The way they were dying.
Children were born—being abused—
Exterminated—tortured.
Our crime—we were Jews!

They went on feasting,
Being amused,
While more and more gas chambers
Were being used.
Days with sorrow,
Nights with pain,
We were driven
Sick—insane.

Spring came,
But it was not the same.
Not a Spring once known,
Of fragrant flowers.
The smell of chimneys
Took over.
We were choking,
But the chimneys
Went on smoking.

There was a Summer, Not of warmth and growth, Like ones we so loved. There was that Summer of Hunger and thirst. Dry, weak and wearied We surrendered—at first.

There was an Autumn, Not like the one we recall When the trees were bare and Colorful leaves would fall. There was an Autumn, For falling, withering Jews Raked like leaves— No more of use.

There was a Winter Without children at play, When snowflakes were falling, Carefree voices—joyful calling. There was a Winter Of slaughtered flesh, Warm blood and cold ashes Scattered all over—A bloodshed cover.

Those were the seasons Of burning hell. We were there and We can tell.

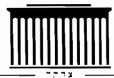
We cry and cry, For we were hurt so deep, For no reason and In the prime of the season. Forever we weep-For the loss of joy, For all those girls and boys, For those Fathers and Mothers, For those sisters and brothers, For all six million Caught in a a net, Their eternal silence We can't forget. Though there is hope for a tree, Never more will you bloom or be. Left is only the memory of you. May you sleep in peace. May your life of pain, Be not in vain. May we be guided To a better tomorrow, And each coming generation Never know such tragic sorrow.



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September 14, 1989

### MEMORANDUM

TO:

CRC Family

FROM:

Anita Gray, Chair

Community Relations Committee

As you may know, Kol Israel, which represents the community's Holocaust survivors, holds an annual memorial service for the Six Million. This year's service will be held on <a href="Sunday, September 24">Sunday, September 24</a>, 2:00 p.m. at Zion Memorial Cemetery, 5461
Northfield. I urge you to attend.

Every year it is important for us to stand vigil in collective memory of the victims of the Holocaust. In the context of recent events in Poland, the commemoration this year is especially meaningful.

In that connection, the leadership of the Community Relations Committee worked closely with the Diocese, the local Polish community, the Anti-Defamation League, American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress, and Kol Israel on this delicate matter. While the cause of our activity was unfortunate, we were gratified by the extraordinary goodwill and cooperation both within our Jewish community and between us and our partners in the general community.

Best wishes.

1vd:16:4





הַנָּה אָנֹכִי שׁלַחַ מַלְאָךְ לְפָנָיךּ . . .

Behold, I am sending an angel before you to guard you in the path, and to bring you to the place I have destined (Exodus 23:20, prayer for the traveler).





# זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR PARENTS
MOTHER FEIGA
FATHER BEZALEL FEUER
PARENTS OF MAX

MOTHER FRADEL

FATHER SMUEL ITZKOWITZ

PARENTS OF ROSE



FROM: ROSE AND MAX FEUER



# זכרונם לברבה



IN LOVING MEMORY
OF SANDOR KLEIN
FATHER OF JULIA
AND

ZOLTANS SISTER AND BROTHERS

EBI, MAGDA, JENE AND MIKLOS



FROM

JULIA AND ZOLTAN BLAUSTEIN



# זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF SHIMON BEN PINCHAS
FATHER OF TIBOR

AND

RIFKA TEITELBAUM MOTHER OF IRENE



רחל יצאת על קברה ובוכה וד' משיבה 'שכו בנים לגבודם'

ALTMAN MEAT'S
TIBOR AND IRENE ROSENBERG

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### **TAMMUZ**

The hottest month of the summer season, an ominous one in Jewish history, when the people of Judea rallied for the last defense of Jerusalem which ended in the final destruction of the city and the burning of the Temple.

9th day of Tammuz-King Nebukadnezar penetrates for the first time the walls of Jerusalem.

17th day of Tammuz—A day of tragic events: . . . Moses breaks the first tablets of the Ten Commandments—Apostamus burns the Torah and erects the statue of an idol in the temple sanctuary—Titus succeeds to occupy temporarily part of the city of Jerusalem and, since that day, the furor of the battle mounts until the city is captured by the Romans on the 9th day Av.

20th day of Tammuz—The death of Theodore Herzl, the founder of political Zionism, the Zionist World Organization, the Zionist Congress, and the author of the famous book "Der Judenstaat" (The Jewish State), in which he predicted the establishment of the State of Israel.

21st day of Tammuz—Death of Chaim Nachman Bialik, the greatest Hebrew poet of modern times, who instilled in the hearts of Jews all over the world new faith and new hope in the future of the Jewish people.

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The month of greatest national catastrophes which caused the sages to impose harsh restrictions upon the celebrations of joyous events during this month.

1st day of Av-Death of Aaron, the brother of Moses.

9th day of Av—The capture of Jerusalem and the destruction of the first Temple by Nebukadnezar—the capture of Jerusalem and the destruction of the second Temple by Titus—the fall of Bethar, the last stronghold of Bar-Kochba, who temporarily succeeded to establish himself as the ruler of an independent Judea, but finally was forced to retreat before the invading Roman Legions into Bethar, and was betrayed to the enemy by the Samaritans whom he permitted to join his army—the massive expulsion of the Jews from Spain in 1492.

### **ELUL**

Elul is listed as the sixth lunar month in the Bible but is actually the last month of the year in the present Hebrew Calendar.

Thruout the month of Elul, Jewish tradition teaches that each man evaluate his actions of the past year in preparation for the Jewish New Year observed at the beginning of the next month, Tishrei.

It is customary to send New Year Greetings during the month of Elul. It is also known as a special time for giving charity. A very popular practice during Elul is to visit the graves of deceased relatives.

During Elul this year, the weekly Torah readings are taken from the Book of Deuteronomy (Chapters 16-31).

First Day of Elul—In many synagogues, the Shofar (ram's horn) is sounded after the morning service. It is customary to repeat this Shofar ceremonial each morning of the month except on the Sabbath.

26th Day of Elul—This day begins the period of Selichot or of Penitence. On Saturday at midnight, a special prayer service is held in the traditional synagogue. Penitential readings and chants highlight this worship. This day is also marked by visiting grayers of loved ones.

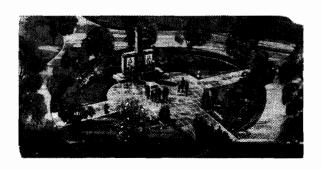


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### TRIBUTE

IN THE PAST TWENTY FIVE YEARS, AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE "KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION", I HAVE ENCOUNTERED MANY GOOD AND DEDICATED PEOPLE, WHO HAVE SERVED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ORGANIZATION.

BY RIGHT, AS HISTORIAN OF THE ORGANIZATION, I SHOULD MENTION EVERY ONE WHO HAS ASSISTED IN THAT EFFORT. BUT ABOVE ALL, I MUST CITE TWO OF THE MEMBERS WHO WERE THE FOUNDERS OF OUR ORGANIZATION, AND WHO HAVE BEEN ON THE BOARD FOR THE FULL 30 YEARS.

AS FAR AS I KNOW, THERE ARE ONLY TWO MEMBERS WHO FIT INTO THIS CATEGORY:

SIMON FIXLER
AND
MIKE FRUM

IT IS QUITE AN ACHIEVEMENT TO WORK FOR AN ORGANIZATION FOR SUCH A LONG TIME, AND STILL BE AS ACTIVE NOW, AS THEY WERE 30 YEARS AGO, NOT TO MENTION THEIR PIVOTAL ROLL IN THE SUCCESS OF OUR GOALS.

AS HISTORIAN, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION TO THE CLEVELAND JEWISH FEDERATION AND REPRESENTING THE MEMBERSHIP, WE SALUTE YOU.

SIMON FIXLER
AND
MIKE FRUM

HISTORIAN

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION ON ITS 30th ANNIVERSARY

THE CLEVELAND JEWISH NEWS ROUND-UP GROUP ACTIVITIES

Kol Israel Foundation will present a check for \$4,100 to the Israel Emergency Fund as a highlight of its annual installanigning of its animal interpretation dinner, tomorrow (Sat.) 9:30 P.M. at the Sinal Synagogue. Morry Malmacher Will be installed ry maimacher will be installed as president along with the fol-lowing officers: Mark S. Moss, Jack Blegelman, Mrs. Max Cur-Jack Biegelman, Mrs. Max Curtis, Abe Akst, Leon Bergrin, Joseph Bittman, Max Curtis, Simon
Fixler, Sol Feuer, Mark Jacobs,
Henry Lothenberg, Henry Miller, David Weinstein, and Jack
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JACK HERSKOVITZ, president of Kol Israel Founda-tion, addresses members of the organization at a 10th anniversary dinner last Satanintersary difficults as a sacturday. The group provides financial support for charitable needs and for Israel. It also established and maintains a Jewish Martyrs Memorial Park in honor of six million Jews killed by

### Service Commemorates Martyrs

### Kol Israel Foundation Sets Memorial Event

A service commemorating the six million Jewish martyrs will be conducted by Kol Israel Foundation on Sunday, Sept. 29, 2:30 P.M. in Zion Memorial Park. The commemoration will be held at the base of the martyrs' monument in the cemetery.

Jack Herskovitz, president, announces that the public is re-

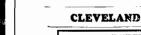
quested to attend the commemorative event. Horav Dr. Amram will deliver a memorial address. Greetings will be presented by Bennett Kleinman, on behalf of the Jewish Community Federation.

Honor guards will be provided by the Jewish War Veterans. Announcement was also made this week that Kol Israel Foundation, an organization composed of newcomers to the United States, has presented an additional sum of \$1,500 to the Israel Emergency Fund. The sum was conveyed to the Jewish Community Federation by Mr. Herskovitz and Mrs. Arthur Gelbart, president of the Sisterhood of Kol Israel.

### Albert Ratner to Speak at Kol Israel Anniversary Fete

Albert B. Ratner will bring greetings on behalf of the Jewish Community Federation at the tenth anniversary banquet of Kol Israel Foundation tomorrow (Sat.) evening at 8 at the Academy Party Center, Mr. Ratner is treasurer of the Federation, and is one of three general co-chairmen of the 1969 Jewish Welfare Fund campaign.

Jack Herskovitz, president of Kol Israel, announces that proceeds of the event will go towards funds for Israel, Music will be provided by Freddie Wolff and his orchestra.



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### אידען פון קליוולצַנד, אַרום קליוולאַנז אַהאַיאָ סטעיט או אידען פון אַמעריקע!

מיר. די איבערגעבליבענע פון אושוויץ. מאידאנעק, טרעבלינקא און פון אנדערע היטלעריסטישע אויסראטונגס־קעמפס, אפעלירען צו אייך פאר אייער הילף:

מיר. די לעבעריגעבליבענע אידען. האבען זיך דא אין קליוולאנד אָרגאניזירט און אינזער אָרגאניזאציע רופט זיך "כל ישראל".

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בייר טייייייי

מים אייערע ביישמייערונגען וועם יעדער פון אייך העלפען אויפשמעלען און פאראייביגען אונזערע קרושים דורך דעם מאנומענט פאר די שפעמערע דורות. שוקם שוון אריין אייערע ביישםייערונגען צו כל ישראל" פאונדעישאן

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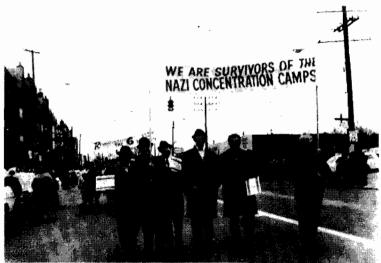
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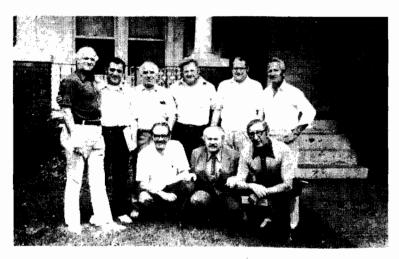
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'You think that we're waiting for the Messiah; the truth is that he is waiting for us.'





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Dear Friends:

On the occasion of the 30th Anniversary of the Kol Israel Foundation, I join you in reverent prayer and determination to acclaim that the world will not forget the atrocities of the Holocaust.

That which gave rise to the Holocaust must never be allowed to happen again. I reaffirm to you that I wil continue to speak out against those evil forces that would desecrate humanity's soul.

My best wishes for the coming year.

Warmest regards,

LOUIS STOKES

Member of Congress

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September 30, 1989

TO THE MEMBERS
OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings and best wishes to all of you, who have gathered here today, to celebrate the Foundation's 30th Anniversary.

This celebration provides an excellent opportunity for all of you to share past experiences and information which will improve your knowledge and understanding of the Holocaust. I am pleased to announce that on Sunday, August 20, 1989, I formally accepted the first copy of "The Holocaust: Prejudice Unleashed," a public school curriculum for secondary students developed by the Ohio Council on Holocaust Education.

The curriculum, the first of its kind in the United States, is designed to teach students the meaning of the Holocaust in today's world and to understand the consequences of apathy. This is truly a landmark in public education. Never before in our nation has there been a curriculum on this subject that comprehensively expressed that the Holocaust was not an isolated event: this type of atrocity could happen again, if we are not always vigilant.

The celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Kol Israel Foundation Executive Board symbolizes the pride shared by each survivor of the Holocaust for encouraging all citizens to remember, understand, and learn the important lessons of the Holocaust.

Warmest wishes in this most important endeavor.

Warm regards,

Richard F. Celeste Governor

Richard F. Celeste



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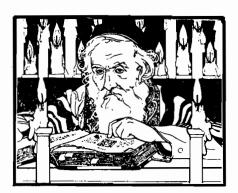
In Loving Memory of

### **OUR BELOVED PARENTS**

Anna and Sam Sacks

Eddy and Malka Slomovitz

Regina Slomovitz



### **EVELYN AND STEVE SLOMOVITZ**

Jewish tradition dictates that we remember our loved ones who have passed away. The memory of such loved ones is best perpetuated by helping the living to mantain the ideals by which our deceased parents and grandparents lived. The memory of the righteous was never intended to be merely a passive, passing thought - but the occasion to participate in the concrete acts to insure the strengthening of Jewish life.

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September 22, 1989

Mr. Jacob Hennenberg 3027 Crafton Road Beachwood, OH 44122

Dear Jacob:

The last months have brought disturbing news to all of us, especially about the controversy of the Carmelite convent in Auschwitz, and the outbreak of open anti-Semitism, highlighted by the remarks of Jozef Cardinal Glemp.

Although we know that anti-Semitism, which has been rooted over many generations, is not eradicated as yet, we were pained, dismayed and saddened that it again took such an ugly turn in our lifetime.

But this time, we were not alone. Our voices of protest have been joined with understanding by distinguished Jewish and Christian spokesmen, who went on record publicly defending our cause. We appreciate that our call towards remembrance of our Kedoshim was heard, and our pain was understood. We are grateful to most of the media for having the sensitivity towards the Jewish uniqueness of the Holocaust. We cannot help but think how different our world would have been if silence and indifference had not prevailed fifty years ago.

As I am writing to you now, there is a ray of hope. News arrived from the Vatican and Poland that the Carmelite convent will be moved. We hope that these statements will be followed by deeds that will be forthcoming in the near future. Now, more than ever before, we must continue to work together and be on guard, not to allow history to repeat itself.

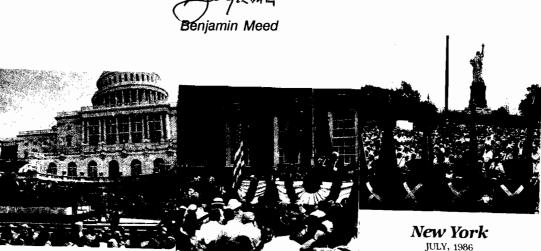
Wishing the New Year will bring happiness to you and yours, and peace to the State of Israel and the world, I remain,

Washington
APRIL, 1983

Sincerely,



Jerusalem
JUNE, 1981



Philadelphia



# אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

Przedostatnia strona rękopisu na której nieznany autor wyraża życzenie, by wydano wszystkie odnalczione rękopisy pod wspolnym tytułem "Wśród koszmarnej zbrodni".

A page written by a prisoner in the so-called "Sonderkommando" describing the terrible events. The manuscript was found after the war buried in a jar near the crematorium at Auschwitz concentration camp.

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זכרונו לברכה

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAR FRIEND AND SUPPORTER

### LEONARD RATNER

FROM THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION OF CLEVELAND, OHIO



TRADITION AND of lewish Life in Cleveland



AS HISTORIAN OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION, IT IS MY JOB TO WRITE HISTORY AND INFORMATIONS ABOUT THE FOUNDATION. AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND AGAIN IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO MENTION THE MERITS OF THE PERSONS THAT DESERVE IT. HOWEVER IT IS NOT VERY OFTEN IN ORGANIZATIONS, BE IT LOCAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL THAT WE HAVE A HUSBAND AND WIFE OCCUPYING THE HIGHEST POSITIONS IN RELATED ORGANIZATIONS.

I AM TALKING ABOUT

### JACK AND EVA WIEDER

WHO SERVED AT THE SAME TIME, JACK AS PRESIDENT OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION, AND EVA AS PRESIDENT OF THE KOL ISRAEL SISTERHOOD.

BOTH WORKED VERY HARD TO MAKE THE GOALS OF THE FOUNDATION A SUCCESS, AND FINANCIALLY STABLE TO BE ABLE TO DONATE TO THE VARIOUS CAUSES THAT WE ALL BELIEVE IN.

IN THE NAME OF OUR ORGANIZATION WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR EFFORT AND DEDICATION.

JACOB HENNENBERG HISTORIAN.



# City of Clebeland

GEORGE V. VOINOVICH, MAYOR



TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

### GREETINGS:

I am delighted to extend this official expression of greetings and congratulations to the officers and members of the Kol Israel Foundation on the auspicious occasion of their 30th anniversary. The milestone will be observed on November 11, 1989.

A small group of survivors from Hitler's concentration camps came together at the home of Mike Frum with the purpose of forming an organization to represent the holocaust survivors in Greater Cleveland. The date was Sunday, February 15, 1959. The organization was given the name "Kol Israel", which means "all of Israel".

Throughout its three decades of service, members of Kol Israel held meetings which became a refuge where they could get together with others who had a similar past and who now faced similar problems in the present. The Foundation provided the warmth and sympathy and understanding of a close-knit family to its founders and members. It also extended a helping hand to newcomers who arrived after the organization was established, and quietly gave financial assistance to those in need. Of equal importance, Kol Israel gave the much-needed emotional and psychological support they lacked. For this, we salute the Kol Israel Foundation.

Best wishes for a joyous celebration of Kol Israel's 30th anniversary. I am proud to applaud the officers and members of this magnificent organization for their unselfish, caring and compassionate deeds, performed on behalf of the courageous survivors of the holocaust.

Sincerely,

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GEORGE V. VOINOVICH

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Mr. Jack Hennenberg Co-Chairperson 30th Anniversary 3027 Crafton Road Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122

Dear Mr. Hennenberg:

Enclosed please find a commendation in recognition of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the founding of Kol Israel.

It is with great pleasure that I extend these congratulations to you on behalf of the Ohio House of Representatives. The members of Kol Israel have worked diligently to educate people about the Holocaust, to prevent history repeating itself and also in remembrance of the millions of Holocaust victims. Your courageous and determined efforts to help people overcome prejudice, inhumanity and hatred through education, vigilance and resistance are worthy of the highest praise.

Again, my congratulations to the members of Kol Israel on the important occasion of your Thirtieth Anniversary.

Sincerely,

JUDY SMEÆRER Mæjority Whip

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Enclosure



# זכרונם לברכה

ר'יוסף דאב בן ר'שאול צאלא ז"ל זוגתו מרת מרים בת ר' אביגדור ז'ל

ר' שלמה אריה בן ר' צבי רוזנבלום זל זוגתו מרת דבורה בתי ר' שלום ז'ל

מרים בלומה בתר אליהו צאלא זיל

IN REVERENT MEMORY OF OUR FAMILY who perished in the Holocaust

צאצאי הרב נתן פייטל רייניץ ז"ל

ר'אלעזר בן ר' פנחט ציפריט ז"ל ומשפחתו

אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

EMANUEL, RONNY AND DEBORA (CALA) REINITZ

ARIEL SHAUL, ELIEZER ZEV, YEHUDA SHALOM AND SHIRA MINDEL.

On the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of Kol Israel Foundation of Cleveland, I would like to share a few thoughts in honor of my beloved parents,  $\ell''N\gamma'$ . So many times have I been filled with admiration for my dear mother and father when I think of how "normal" my = 1 childhood was. Despite the incomprehensible suffering they experienced just a few years before my birth, life in our home was loving, stable and supportive. Despite constant reminders and inescapable nightmares, my parents managed all the difficulties of daily life, making a living and having a family. And beyond this, I must thank them for giving me a love for my grandparents sadly, never knew. With shared memories throughout my childhood and a few precious photographs, my parents have left me a legacy that I hope to pass on to my children. Many times I think of how proud my grandparents would be to see their greatgrandchildren, and I often feel their presence when our family gathers for a "simcha."

As a child of survivors, I must deal with a sense of loss, anger, despair and frustration when confronting the Holocaust. Now, as a mother, are my feelings more profound when I think of a million murdered children, when I imagine the cries of a starving child. To try and understand what is incomprehensible is the hardest thing of all.

So I am trying to put aside the need to explain, to make sense, to grasp the enormity of what happened. Responsibility now weighs heavily on my mind. We, the second generation remnants of European Jewry, have a responsibility to our martyrs and to all of K'lal Yisrael. The urgent tasks undertaken by our parents to bear witness, to document and to memorialize are vitally important. Indeed, their success is unprecedented, and we must continue their work. But monuments and museums are not enough. After each tragedy that befell our people, the remnant who remained true to our Torah and traditions formed the foundation on which our society was rebuilt.

We, who sit in "galut" in America and are so privileged to see the State of Israel established in our lifetime, must seize the opportunity to rebuild. Our victory over history must be that Jewish children are learning Torah and leading Jewish lives! We can never replace what we have lost, but we cannot sit idly while assimilation, intermarriage and ignorance of our traditions insidiously diminish our people. Each of us must strive to establish a " 1/c 2012 / N/c) A/2", a faithful Jewish home, raise children to lead Torah-true lives and strongly support Jewish education and the State of Israel.

In the merit of my dear grandparents, aunts, uncles, sister and cousins who perished with our six million martyrs, may the complete redemption come speedily and in our time.

Debora Cala-Reinitz M.D.



# זכרונם לברכה

### IN MEMORY OF MY PARENTS

FATHER, ARON SPERLING MOTHER, SARAH SPERLING

SISTER, FRADL SISTER, PESL



IN MEMORY OF MY PARENTS

FATHER, TOBIAS BRONNER ROSE, NEE LAFT

# אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

BY: MARY AND HENRIK SPERLING

### Augahoga County Commissioners

Mary G. Boyle - Virgil K. Brown - Timothy J. Hagan

Resolution

The Board of Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio takes profound pride and deep personal pleasure

in saluting

KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

on the occasion of its

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY

November 11, 1989

IN RECOGNITION of the Kol Israel Foundation, founded thirty years ago and dedicated to the survivors of the Holocaust, the Board of Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, hereby commends the Kol Israel Foundation for its achievements, dedication, concern and commitment on behalf of the Greater Cleveland community and joins with the citizens of Cuyahoga County in paying tribute to the Kol Israel Foundation for its thirty years of distinguished service.

IN FURTHER RECOGNITION, the Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims Saturday, November 11, 1989 as "KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION DAY" in and throughout all of Cuyahoga County.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Duly adopted this 11th day of November, 1989



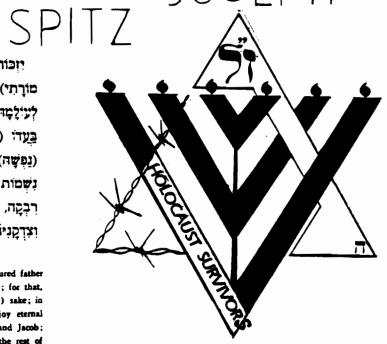


JULIA

יוָכּוֹר אֱלֹקִים נְשֶׁמֶת אַבָּא מוֹרִי (אִפִּי מוֹרָתִי) (פּב״פּ) שֶׁהָלַהְ לְעוֹלָמוֹ (שֶׁהָלְכָה לְעִיּלָטָה), בַּעֲבוּר שֶׁאֵנִי נוֹדֵר צְּדָקָה בַּעָדוֹ (בַּעָרָה), בִשְּׂכָר זֶה הְהַא נַפְּשׁוֹ (נַפְשָׁה) צְרוֹרָה בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים עָם נִשְּׁמוֹת אַבְרָהָם, יִצְּחָק וְיַצֵקֹב, שֶּׂרָה, רַבְקָה, רָחֵל וְלֵאָה, וְעֶם שְׁאָר צַדִּיקִים וִצְדְקָנִיוֹת שֶׁבְּנֵן עֵדֶן. וְנֹאפַר אָמֵן.

### YIZKOR

May G-d remember the soul of our honoured father (name) who is gone to his (her) repose; for that, I now solemnly offer charity for his (her) sake; in virtue of this, may his (her) soul enjoy eternal life, with the souls of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; Sarsh, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah, and the rest of the righteous men and women that are in Paradise; and let us say, Amen



In Loving Memory

THE SPITZ FAMILY



... אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



SPITZ

IN LOVING MEMORY

The SPITZ Family



#### OHIO SENATE

Honoring

#### KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

Under the Sponsorship of Lee I. Fisher State Senator

On behalf of the members of the Senate of the 118th General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to recognize the Kol Israel Foundation on the occasion of its Thirtieth Anniversary.

The Holocaust will forever stand as the dark age of the modern era—a period of history in which man's sanity and reason became subordinate to his terrifying capability for savagery and total destruction. In establishing the Kol Israel Foundation, survivors of the Holocaust who lived in Cleveland attempted to offer warmth and understanding to each other while reaching out to those survivors who later came to their community. Providing emotional and psychological support, financial assistance, and aid in locating jobs and housing, the members of the Kol Israel Foundation have demonstrated their commitment to the goals and ideals of the organization and have helped make their community a better place in which to live.

In addition to its work within the Cleveland community, the Kol Israel Foundation has supported the State of Israel both spiritually and financially with donations during national crises, contributions to the Emergency Fund and Magen David Adom, and the purchase of forest land through the Jewish National Fund. In all its endeavors, the Kol Israel Foundation has achieved a praiseworthy record of service and on the occasion of the organization's Thirtieth Anniversary, the members of Kol Israel have the opportunity to formulate policies to meet the challenges of the future.

Thus, with great pleasure, we congratulate the Kol Israel Foundation on its Thirtieth Anniversary and salute its members as some of Ohio's finest citizens.

Senator Stanley J. Aronoff President of the Ohio Senate

Senator/Lee I. Fisher 25th Senatorial District

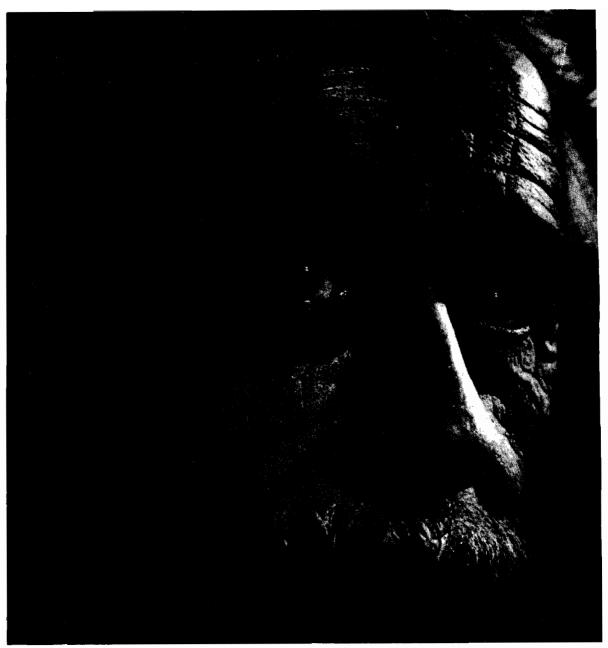
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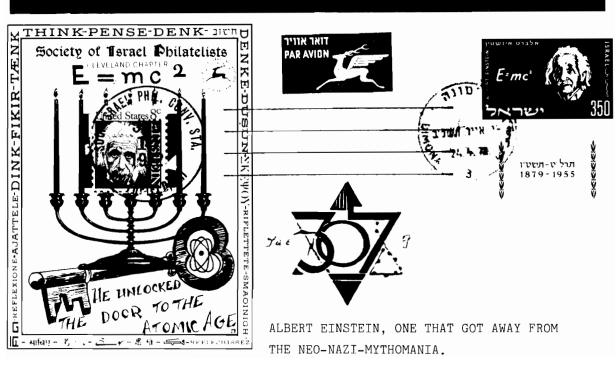




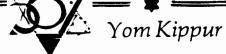
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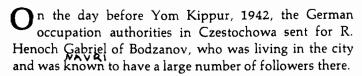




## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים<sub>ו</sub>פון אונדזער פאלק...



in Czestochowa – 1942



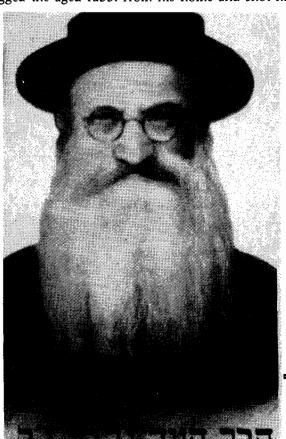
When the rabbi, a man of 70, arrived at the German headquarters, he was instructed to have all his ablebodied followers report the next day for forced labor.

The rabbi replied that he would not send other Jews out to work on Yom Kippur. "If you want Jews to work for you tomorrow," he told the Germans, "you will have to find them yourselves, and take them by force."

The Nazis retorted that if he would not send them any Jews for work the next day, he would be shot.

"Very well, then," the rabbi said to the German officer. "If that's the case, I am ready to die."

No Jews reported for work on Yom Kippur in Czestochowa. On the day after Yom Kippur, the Germans dragged the aged rabbi from his home and shot him.







#### OUR"STETL BODZANOW"

A SMALL CITY, BUT IT LOOMS VERY LARGE IN MY AND MOLLY'S MEMORY, IT WAS A WAY OF LIFE THAT WAS DESTROYED DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR. A LIFE THAT WAS FULL OF GRACE, FULL OF CARING FOR EACH OTHER. THERE WERE DIFFERENT JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS WITH DIFFERENT OPINIONS AND GOALS. THE TOWN AS WE KNEW IT WAS IN EXISTENCE SINCE 1780, AND OUR FIRST RABBI JEHUDA LEIB MARGOLIS ATTAINED FAME AS AN INTELLECTUAL WRITER AND PHILOSOPHER. HE DIED IN 1811 IN FRANKFURT.

THE POPULATION IN 1939 WAS 2,000 JEWS AND 5,000 CHRISTIANS.

JEWISH LIFE AS WE KNOW IT REVOLVED AROUND THE SYNA-GOGUES, AND HEBREW SCHOOLS.

SEPTEMBER 7TH 1939, THE NAZI FORCES OCCUPIED BODZANOW. THE PERSECUTION INVOLVED ALL FACETS OF DAILY LIFE, FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR.

WE HAD TO WEAR YELLOW PATCHES IN FRONT AND BACK, MARKING US AS JEWS. A JUDENRAT WAS ESTABLISHED, THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING THE JEWS TO FORCED LABOR.

MY PERSONAL NIGHTMARE STARTED JULY 18th, 1940.
WHILE IN OUR HOUSE, THE NAZIS BROKE IN AND ARRESTED
ME AND MY COUSIN CHAIM-RACHEM AND MY FRIEND JOSEL
GOLDREICH. THEY TOOK US TO A FORCED LABOR CAMP, DROBNIN.
AFTER TWO DAYS OF DIGGING A RIVER BED, A NAZI GUARD SHOT
MY COUSIN FOR NO REASON AT ALL, AND HE FELL TO MY FEET.
AFTER TWO WEEKS OF HARD WORK AND BEATING, I WAS SENT
HOME TO BE HOSPITALIZED.

ON MARCH 4th 1941, THE TOWN WAS SURROUNDED BY NAZIS AND UKRAINIANS. THE WHOLE JEWISH POPULATION OF BODZANOW WAS HERDED TOGETHER, LOADED ON TRUCKS AND TAKEN TO A FENAL CAMP, "ZALDOWA".

AFTER ONE WEEK, WE WERE TRANSPORTED TO CZESTOCHOWA. THE JEWS FROM BODZANOW WERE HOUSED IN A BURNED OUT BUILDING OF THE SO CALLED "DEITSHE SHIL" OF WHICH THE BASEMENT WAS STRAW.

THE GHETTO IN CZESTOCHOWA WAS ESTABLISHED APRIL 1941. AT THAT TIME MY FAMILY CONSISTED OF MY FATHER, CHUNA AKST, MY MOTHER MALKA NEE ZEMEL, SISTERS RIVKA AND CHAJA, AND BROTHER SRULEK.

MY WIFE'S FAMILY CONSISTED OF FATHER CHAIM MOISHE GIPS, MOTHER BRANA NEE GOLDBERG, BROTHER TUVIA, ARJE, SISTERS SYLVIA-ELKA-CHAJA AND RIVKA.



ON THE NIGHT OF YOM KIPPUR 1942, THE NAZIS STARTED TO LIQUIDATE THE GHETTO IN CZESTOCHOWA. THE POPULATION OF THE GHETTO WAS 80.000 SOULS.

MY FAMILY AND MY WIFE'S FAMILY WAS TAKEN TO TREBLINKA, A DAY AFTER "YOM KIPPUR". I SURVIVED, WORKING IN THE REMAINING GHETTO, IN A FACTORY CALLED"HASAG PELCERI". I WAS LIBERATED BY THE RUSSIAN ARMY JANUARY 17, 1945, THE DAY OF MY BIRTHDAY.

ON MARCH loth, 1946, I MARRIED MOLLY GIPS AND LEFT FOR THE DISPLACED PERSONS CAMP "POCKING".

IN THE LAST TEN YEARS, IT CAME TO MY ATTENTION, THAT ON THE TREBLINKA MEMORIAL AREA, THE NAME OF MY HOME-TOWN, BODZANOW IS MISSING.

THIS IS TO INSURE THAT OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN SHOULD BE AWARE, THAT A TOWN OF BODZANOW AND JEWISH LIFE IN BODZANOW EXISTED. A MARKER FOR THE TOWN SHOULD BE ERECTED.

ON JULY 6, 1989, I WAS ABLE TO UNVEIL A BODZANOW MEMORIAL IN TREBLINKA. I WAS HAPPY TO HAVE A GROUP OF CLEVELANDERS WITH ME ON THIS "KOL ISRAEL JOURNEY OF CONSCIENCE" TO A WORLD THAT VANISHED.

#### ABBIE AND MOLLY AKST





## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

קינָה עַל חֶרְבָּן הָאַחֲרוֹן

Lamentation on the Holocaust

שמעון בה״ר י־הודה

**תַזּוֹבֶר** מַזְכִּירָיו, דּוֹר דּוֹר וּקְדּוֹשָׁיוּ, מֵעֵת אֲשֶׁר אָז בְּחַרְתָּנוּ, יִזְכּוֹר דֵּרָאוֹן, שֶׁל דּוֹר אַחֲרוֹן, אוֹיָה מֶה הָיָה לָנוּ ... שְׁטוּפֵי מַבּוּל־דָם, שֶׁמָּכְרוּ נַפְשׁוֹתָם, כָּל שְׁקוּעֵי עִמְקִי־הַבָּּכָא, יִפְּקְדֵם אֱ־לֹהִים, בְּאַרְצוֹת הַחַיִּים, וַעֲדֵי עַד זִכְרָם לִבְרָכָה.

שְׁאוּ אֵלָיו כַּפַּיִם, אֲהָהּ, אֵי שָׁמַיִם, הוֹי עַל מֵיטַב שִׁבְטִי־יִשְׂרָאֵל, עֵדוֹת וּקְהָלּוֹת, עָרִים וּגְלִילוֹת, חֲבוּרוֹת, מוֹסָדוֹת, כָּל מוֹעֲדֵי אֵ־ל,



"In the life of the spirit, there is no ending that is not a beginning."—Henrietta Szold

אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ...



ON THE DAY OF LIBERATION, MAY 3, 1945.
THE PERSONS ON THE PHOTO ARE
SURVIVORS OF THE CAMP.



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען ... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק

FROM LUTUTOV, POLAND

FATHER

ABRAM MOSZEK KAMPINSKI

MOTHER

NUCHAMA, NEE SZRAUBER KAMPINSKI

BROTHERS

SHAMA

SHALOM

YAAKOV

DAVID

SISTERS

GELA

**ESTHER** 

NACHA

CHANA

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR ICEK KAMPINSKI FROM LODZ, POLAND

**FATHER** 

DAVID GERTLER

BROTHER

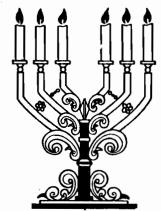
ICEK GERTLER

COUSIN

ETHEL DANCYGIER

COUSIN

CHANA DANCYGIER



1. A Song of Ascents.

Out of the depths מְמַעְמַקִּים I have called to You, Adonoy יהנָה: קרָאתִיךְ יְהנָה:

2. My Master, hear my voice; בַּ אֲדֹנֶי שָׁמְעָה בְקוֹלִי

let Your ears be attentive תָּהְיֶינָה אָוְנֶיךְ קַשֶּׁבוֹת

to the voice of my supplications. לקוֹל חַחֲנוּנְי:

MOTHER CYPORA GERTLER - HOFMAN

DIED IN NATHANYA - ISRAEL, MAY 15th 1984.

CAMPS: GHETTO LODZ - AUSCHWITZ- STUTTHOF

LIBERATED MAY 3, 1945 IN NEUSTADT -SCHLESWIG-

HOLSTEIN

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR

BORN HARYSIA-GERTLER; MARIAN KAMPINSKI

IN LOVING MEMORY, DAUGHTER



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This Page Is Dedicated

To All Jewish Martyrs

Whose Graves Lay Unmarked



Jewish History and consciousness will be dominated for many generations by traumatic memories of the Holocaust.

No people in history has undergone an experience of such violence and depth. The Holocaust left behind a legacy and grief and loss for which there is no consolation.

We must meet the challenge not only of remembering but insure that others are taught what they never knew.



# לברבה

FATHER JOSEF WEINER

MOTHER ESTHER WEINER

BROTHER SHLOWO

FATHER RICHARD FISHER

MOTHER HELEN FISHER

IN LOVING MEMORY GEORGE AND KATHY

WEINER



## In Memoriam

## לברבה

ISRAEL TEITELBAUM FATHER

MOTHER SARAH TEITELBAUM

BROTHERS DAVID

AARON

**JOSEF** 

SISTERS SERL

PERL

LEA

EVA'S FATHER MOSHE LEFKOVITZ

IN LOVING MEMORY

SAM AND EVA TEITELBAUM



## Salute

## To Kol Israel Foundation

## On Sts 30th Anniversary

I, HENRY MANSFIELD AND MY WIFE GUSTA,
RESIDING IN MONTREAL, CANADA,
WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
WISH OUR DEAR FRIEND, JACOB HENNENBERG
FURTHER SUCCESS IN HIS COMMUNITY WORK.

#### Congratulations to the

#### KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION



IN HONOR OF OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN

SON STEVE AND WIFE CLAIRE GRANDCHILDREN ERIC AND TAMI

DAUGHTER JUDYTH-VERONICA AND HUSBAND BRUCE

GRANDCHILDREN ELIEZER AND SAMUEL

PROUD PARENTS

ZOLTAN AND EVA FREIREICH



IN HONOR OF

#### JACK AND EVA WIEDER

and

#### KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION





From

HERMAN AND SARA ADLER

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Among the Six Million Jews murdered in the Holocaust, there were more than a million children. This page is dedicated to the unfulfilled promise of their youth. For them, our grief is especially profound.





### BEST WISHES TO THE

## 30th ANNIVERSARY

#### from

FROM ZOLTAN FRIED AND MICHAEL LEBOVICZ



"MONEY IS A GOOD SERVANT, BUT A DANGEROUS MASTER \_\_"

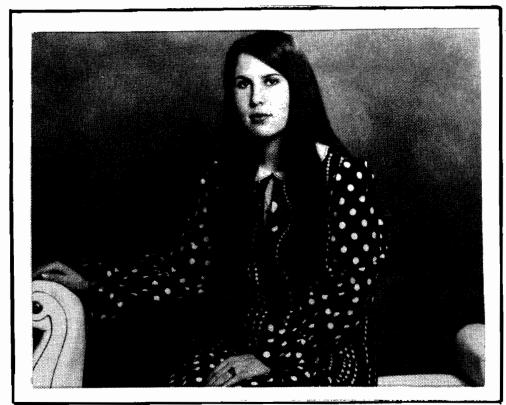




# זכרונו לברכה

#### LEAH ALBERT GOLDFARB

Who's Loved and Remembered Always



IN LOVING MEMORY

MOTHER KORNELIA ALBERT

HUSBAND LEONARD ALBERT

SON BRIAN GOLDFARB

BROTHER MIKE ALBERT



## לברבה

זכרונו

ARIE ALBERT



T\$7 .1 שְׁפַחוֹת וּ נְתַהָּה יָמֵי וחֶלְדִּי כְאַיִן נֶגְבֶּד אַדְ־כָּל־הָבֶל כָּל־אָדָם נְצָב ַ סֶלָה: ז. אַד־בְּצֵלֶם וֹיִתְהַלֶּד־אִישׁ אַרְ־הַבֶּל יַהֶּמֶיוּן יצבר יַלא־יַדַע מִי־אֹסְפָם: ת. וְעַתָּה מָה־קְנֵיתִי אֲדֹנֶי מּוֹחַלְתִּי לְךְּ הִיא: ט. מְכֶּל־פָּשֻׁצִי הַצִּילֵנִי חֶרְפַּת נָבָל אַל־תְּשִימְנִי: י. נָאֱלַמְתִּי לֹא אֶפְתַּח־פִּי כִּי אַתָּה עָשְיתָ: יא. הָסֵר מֵעָלֵי נִגְעֶךְּ מִתְּגְרַת דָּדְּדְ אָנִי כָלֵיתִי: יב. בְּתוֹכָחוֹת עַל־עָוֹן ו יַפֶּרְהָּ אִישׁ וַתַּמֵס כָּצָשׁ חֲמוּדוֹ אַדְ הֶבֶל כָּל־אָדָם סֶלָה: יג. שְּמְצָה תְפָּלֶתִי וּ יְהֹנָה רְשֵׁרְעָתִי וּ הַאֲנִינָה אַל־דָּמְעָתִי אַל־הָּתְוַרַשׁ

HE WILL BE REMEMBERED BY:

WIFE

KORNELIA ALBERT

SON

MICHAEL ALBERT

GRANDSON BRIAN GOLDFARB AND

SON-IN-LAW LEON GOLDFARB



BEST WISHES TO THE
KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION
ON ITS
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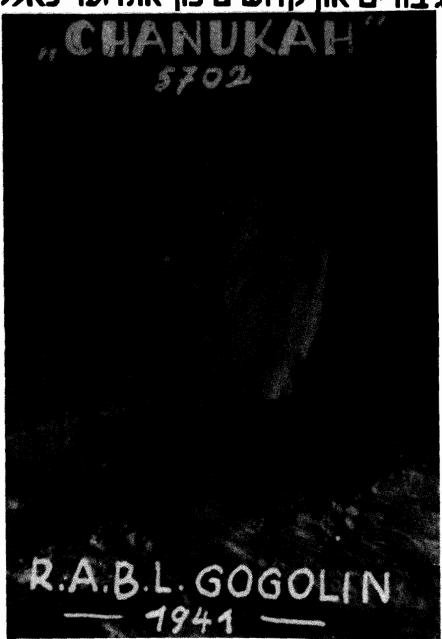


GOLDIE PEARL JOSEPH PEARL

AND FAMILY



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די ג<u>יבורים און קדושים פון</u> אונדזער פאלק...



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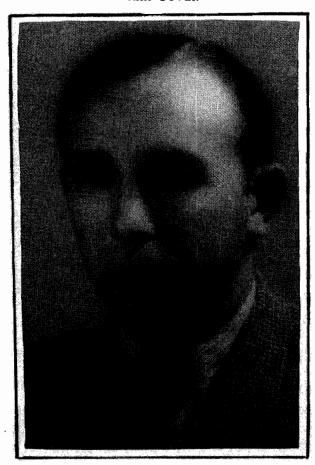
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# לברבה

זכרונו

MAX DOVIN



DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF A DEVOTED FATHER AND LOVING HUSBAND.

HE WAS AN ATHLETE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE MEMBER OF OUR FAITH AND A LOVER OF LIFE.

REMEMBERED BY HIS DAUGHTER MARLENE DOVIN-WEINER HIS WIFE WANDA DOVIN AND

SON-IN-LAW AND GRANDCHILDREN HE NEVER KNEW.

DAVID WEINER, BENJAMIN, JOSHUA AND JONATHAN WEINER.





visited every nook and cranny of the camp because I felt it my duty to be in a position from then on to testify at first hand about these things in case there ever grew up at home the belief or assumption that "the stories of Nazi brutality were just propaganda."

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#### **PSALM 23**

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד יָהוָה רֹעִי לֹא אֶחְסָר:

בִּנְאוֹת דֶשָׁא יַרְבִּיצֵנִי עַל־מֵי מְנֶחוֹת יְנַהֲלֵנִי:

נַפְשׁי יְשׁוֹבֵב יַנְחַנִי בְמַעְנְלֵי־צֶדֶק לְמַעַן שְׁמוּ:

נַם כִּי אֵלֵךְ בְּנֵיא צַלְמֶנָת לֹא אִירָא רָע כִּי אַחָּה עִמָּדִי

יִּנְחֲמֶנִי: קְּמִשְׁעַנְתָּך הָמְשְׁעַנְנִי:

תַּצֵרך לְפָנֵי שֶׁלְחָן נֵגֶר צרְרָי

רָאָשִׁי כּוֹסִי רְוָיָה:

אַך טוֹב וָחֶסֶד יִרְדְפוּנִי כָּל־יְמֵי חַיָּי

וְשַׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית־יְהוָה לְאֹרֶךְ יָמִים:

#### A Psalm of David

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul;

He guideth me in straight paths for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

Thou has anointed my head with oil;

my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life;

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.





ACCORDING WHAT I WAS TOLD BY A SURVIVOR OF THE LEMBERG GHETTO: THE BOBOVER REBBE Z.L. WHEN HE WAS LED TO BE SHOT ASKED THE NAZIS FOR PERMISSION TO DON THE TALLIS AND TEFILIN.

MAY HIS MEMORY BE A BLESSING TO ALL.



זכרונם לברכה



ו. A Song of Ascents. א. שיר הַמַּעְלוֹת

Out of the depths מְמָעֶמָקִים

I have called to You, Adonoy :הָרָאתֵיךְ יְהֹוָה

a. My Master, hear my voice: בּ. אֲדְנָי שַׁמְעָה בְּקוֹלִי

let Your ears be attentive חָהְיֵנְהָ אָוְנֵיךְ קַשְּׁבוֹת

to the voice of my supplications. לְקוֹל תַּחֲנוּנָי:

THE ABOVE PHOTO WAS TAKEN BY THE POLISH UNDERGROUND IN AUSCHWITZ IN THE YEAR 1940. THE PERSON THAT THE PAYES ARE BEING CUT OFF IS ISRAEL LEIB BOCHNER. THE OTHER PERSONS ON THE PHOTO, I DO NOT REMEMBER. IN THE EXTREME RIGHT THE HAND HOLDING A PIPE IS THE NAZI GUARD.

IF WE OF TODAY FORGET WHAT HAPPENED TO OTHERS YESTERDAY - IT COULD HAPPEN TO US TOMORROW



LEON BERGRIN

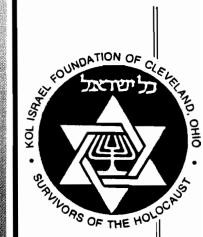
#### לברבה ה

זכרונו

PAST PRESIDENT OF KOL ISRAEL

FOUNDATION





### SURVIVOR OF THE HOLOCAUST

IN LOVING MEMORY
WIFE SALLY BERGRIN
IRVING AND AUDREY BERGRIN
MARK - DANIEL AND LIZA

RUTH AND HOWARD GORDON ERIC AND LESLEY

MARLENE AND EDDIE WOLF LORIN AND BRADLEY



OF THE HOLOCA'S President, Bob Birnbaum Vice President, Abbie Akst President Second Generation, Morry Zryl Sisterhood President, Betty Berliner and the Leadership

בגולה ובמדיצת ישראל

Wish all the best to our Members and Friends

"The Holocaust didn't come from nothing. It was not only the murderers involved, but the entire society, all those people who 'went along."



TRADITION

AND

V i S i O N

S A R S

Of lewish life in Cleveland

## SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

"If any organization has a point of view it wishes to express to the leaders of Israel, it is free to do so and should do so, privately."

-Mann

#### JACK WIEDER

Social Chairman

"GIVE TO THE WORLD THE BEST YOU HAVE AND THE BEST WILL COME BACK TO YOU."

- Talmud

#### ESTHER FRANK

"Almsgiving weighs as much as all the other Commandments."

— Baba Batra 9a

#### MIKE FRUM

LIFE IS A DREAM FOR THE WISE, A GAME FOR THE FOOL, A COMEDY FOR THE RICH AND A TRAGEDY FOR THE POOR.

(Sholem Aleichem)

#### HENRY MILLER

"Empires and dynasties flourish and pass away; the proud metropolis becomes a solitude, the conquering kingdom even a desert: but Israel still remains."

Benjamin Disraeli

#### EVA WIEDER

The individual who accepts tradition without examining it, with his own intelligence and judgment, is like a blind man led by others.

(Bahya Ibn Pagudal)





#### HATIKVAH

KOL OD BALEVAV PENIMAH
NEFESH YEHUDI HOMIYAH
ULFATEY MIZRACH KADIMAH
AYIN LETZIYON TZOFIYAH
OD LO AVDAH TIKVATENU
HATIKVAH SHENOT ALPAYIM
LIHYOT AM CHAFSHI BE-ARTZENU
BE-ERETZ TZIYON VIRUSHALAYIM.
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BE-ERETZ TZIYON VIRUSHALAYIM.

כֶּל עוֹד בַּלֵבְב פְּנִימָה נֶסֶשׁ יְהּוּדִי הוֹמִיָּה, וּלְסַאֲמֵי מִוְרָח קָדִימָה עֵין לְצִיוֹן צוֹסִיָה, עוֹד לא אָבְדָה תִּקְוַתֵנוּ הַתִּקְנָה מִשְׁנוֹת אֵלְפַּיִם, לִהְיוֹת עָם חָפְשִׁי בְּאַרְצֵנוּ, בִּאָרֵץ צִיוֹן וִירוּשַׁלַיִם.

#### **SONG OF THE PARTISANS**

Zog nit ken mol az du gehst dem letzten veg Ven himlen bly-e-ne farshtelen blo-ye teg Vail kumen vet noch unzer oys-ge-benk-te sho Es vet a poik ton unzer trot mir zainen do

Es vet di morgen zun bagilden unz dem haint Un der nechten vet farshvinden mit'n faint Nor oib far-zamen vet der zun un der kay-yor Vi a par-o-le zol dos lied fun dor tzu dor

Der-far zog ken mol az du gehst dem letzten veg Ven himlen bly-ene farshtelen blo-ye teg Vail kumen vet noch unzer oys-ge-benk-te sho Es vet a poik ton unzer trot mir zainen do

Never say my friend we've reached our journey's end Through hunger, pain, and sorrow we must never bend. Never say I will give up the fight and die We must be strong, my friend, our enemies to defy.

Tomorrow's sun will shine golden for us this day, And yesterday will disappear with the foe. But if the sun and the century arise, Then this song will go, like a patrol, from generation to generation.

So don't ever say that you're walking the last road, Though gray skies hide the fair day. The hour that we yearn for will come. You will hear the drums roll: We are here!



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

on Their

#### 30th ANNIVERSARY

WISHING SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE



Blessed art Thou,

O Lord our God,

King of the universe,

who hast kept us in life,

hast sustained us,

and hast enabled us

to reach this season.

BY MR. AND MRS. W. WOLFSON AND FAMILY



IN HONOR OF OUR GRANDCHILDREN

CONGRATULATIONS

to the

KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION

BY DAVE AND HELENE INGBER

Congratulations
To The Kol Israel Foundation
On Its 30th Anniversary







LEONARD FUCHS
AND FAMILY



#### CONSECRATION

#### B'NAI JESHURUN CONGREGATION

16 TISHREI 5750 OCTOBER 15, 1989





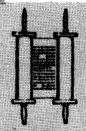


# SHARI SMYLIE'S CLASS

# CONSECRANTS MELISSA BAUMGART AARON BERNSTEIN ELIZABETH BURG LINDSEY CHARNA LISA FRIEDMAN AARON GREENSPAN JULIE HENNENBERG

DANIEL HORWITZ
MERCEDES MELTON
RONALD KONSTANTINOVSKY
ERIC LEVY
STEPHANIE LIFF
LEAH LOEWENSTEIN
DANIEL LOWE
MATTHEW MADOW
KAREN POTASH
CARLY ROSENCRANZ
JENNIFER RUBIN

JEREMY UMANSKY



# PARENTS DEBRA & RICHARD RONNA & EDGAR BETH-ANN BURG WENDY & MICHAEL SUSAN & JEFFREY JUDITH & NEIL SUSAN & MICHAEL

CYNDI & LOUIS
BARBARA JAFFE
RAISA & GARY
MARLA & BERNARD
DEBBIE & BARRY
HANA & MICHAEL
AUDREY & BARRY
TERI & PAUL
LOREE & STEVEN
DEBBIE & ELIOT

KATHY & KERRY

JOANNE & DANIEL

SUSAN & MICHAEL GENERATION



September 19, 1940
German Post Office postcard sent from Auschwitz to New York City. Photo above, a group of young people in Auschwitz during the German Occupation.



# זכרונו לברכה







#### LUDWIG PLAUT

1. A Psalm to David, Adonoy is my shepherd, I shall lack nothing.

> 2. In lush pastures He makes me lie, beside tranquil waters, He leads me.

3. My soul, He restores, He directs me in paths of righteousness

He directs me in paths of righteousness for the sake of His Name.

4. Though I walk

in the valley of the shadow of death, I will lear no evil for You are with me, Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

5. You prepare a table for me in the full presence of my enemies,

You annointed my head with oil:

my cup overtlows.

6. |May| only good and kindness pursue me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the House of Adonoy for long days.

א. מַזְמוֹר לְדָּוִד

יָהנָה רֹעִי לא אֶקְסָר:

ב. בָּנְאוֹת דֵּשֶׁא יַרְבִּיצְנְי עַל־מֵי מִנְחוֹת יְנָהֵלֶנִי:

ג. נַפְשִׁי יִשׁוֹבֶב

יַנְתַנִי בְּמַעְנְּלֵי־צָדֵק

לְמַען שְמוּ:

ד. גַּם כִּי־אֵלֵךְ

בְּגִיא צַּלְמֶנֶת

לא־אִירָא רָע כִּי־אַתָּה עָמֶּדִי

שָׁבְטְךּ וּמִשְׁצַוְתֵּךְ הַמָּה יְנָחֲסֵנִי:

ה. פּּצַרוּ לְפָנֵיוּ שֻׁלְתָּן

נגָד צְרָרָי

דּשַׁנְהָּ בַשֶּׁמֶן רֹאשִׁי

בּוֹסִי רְנָיָה:

ו. אַר ו טוֹב וָחֱסֶד יִרְדְּפְוּנִי

בַּל־יִמֵי חַיָּי

וְשֶׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית־יְהֹנָה

לְאָרֶךְ יָמִים:

IN MEMORY OF MY BELOVED HUSBAND AND FATHER

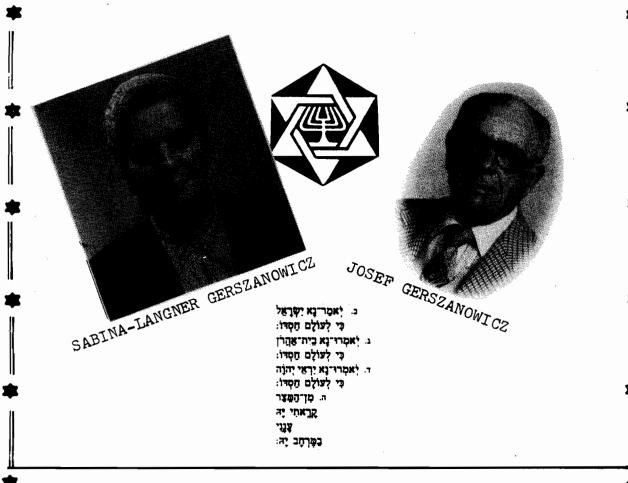
WIFE ZITA, DAUGHTER GENE SON-IN-LAW GEORG WALD

GRAND-DAUGHTERS SANDY AND ALLISON

House and wealth are inherited from our fathers; but a sensible wife is a gift from the Lord. (Proverbs 19:14)



# זכרונום לברכה



## IN LOVING MEMORY BY

DAUGHTER ROSE GELBART

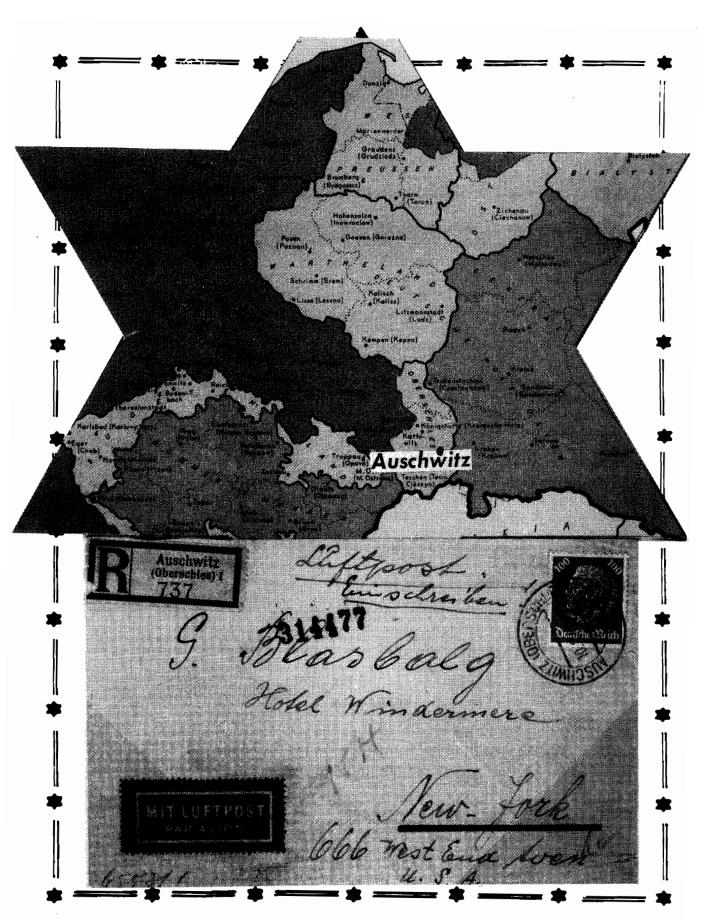
SON-IN-LAW ARTHUR A. GELBART

GRANDCHILD MICHAEL S. GELBART

GRANDCHILD JERRY H. GELBART

AND WIFE JEANNIE

GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN SABRINA AND BRITANY

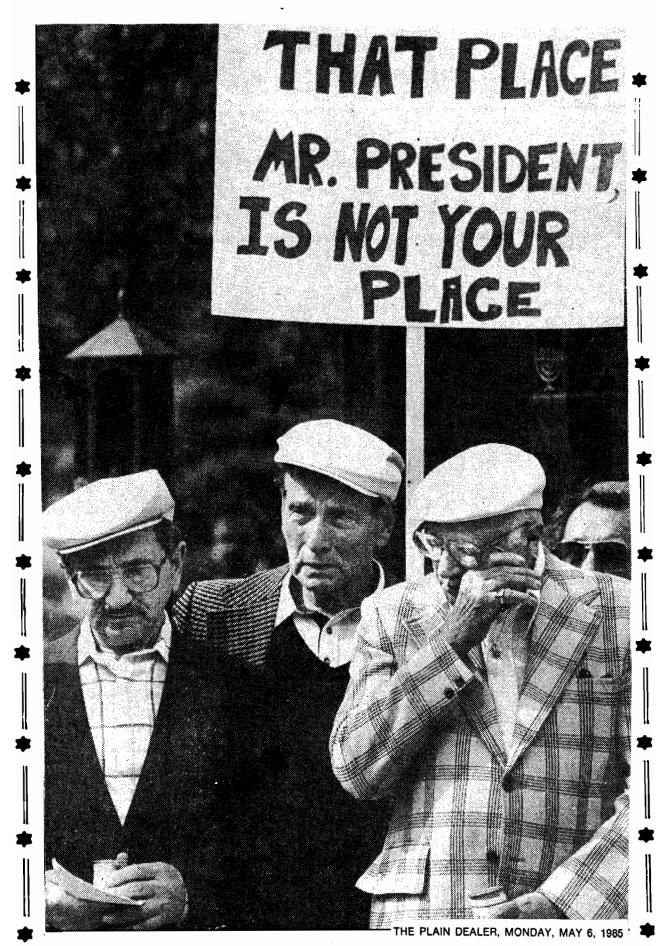


February 10, 1941 German Post Office registered letter sent from Auschwitz to New York City.



December 14, 1940

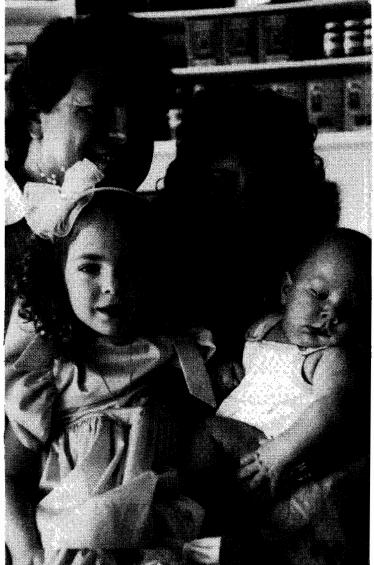
German Post Office letter from the Concentration Camp Auschwitz to Krakau. Photo above is of Auschwitz during the Occupation.



Henry Kleinbaum, right, daubs a tear from his eye during a protest at Zion Memorial Park here against President Reagan's visit to Bitburg. Kleinbaum said he lost more than 100 relatives in the Holocaust, including his father and two brothers. Elias Cala, left, said he lost eight family members, including both parents. Mark Newman, center, said he lost his parents and his seven sisters.



# IN HONOR OF OUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN





STEVE HOLTZ
JANET HOLTZ
MAYA HOLTZ
ERIC HOLTZ
DANIEL HOLTZ

MIK MILLER ELEN MILLER ALANA MILLER JUSTIN MILLER

PROUD PARENTS
MIRIAM AND HENRY MILLER

"All the flowers of all tomorrows are in the seeds of today."



#### CHAIM HY FEIERMAN

I was born in Zdunska Wola, Poland. We were seven brothers and three sisters. I had sixteen uncles, sixteen aunts, many cousins, and over thirty nieces and nephews. Altogether our extended family numbered over 200 people living in various cities across Poland.

My parents had a wholesale and retail business of school supplies, books and office supplies. Some of my older brothers owned a sweater factory and other businesses. We enjoyed a prosperous Jewish life until 1940 when the Nazis arrived. Our property was confiscated and destroyed. Our family members were sent to various ghettoes and concentration camps.

I spent approximately five years in ghettoes and concentration camps. I was taken first to the ghetto in Zdunska Wola and later to Lodz. From the ghetto in Lodz I was taken to Birkenau concentration camp. I was also at Stuthoff, Dresden and Flossenberg concentration camps. During these five years, I witnessed much death and destruction and suffered personally a great deal. In March 1945 we were marched from Flossenberg to Thereisenstadt where I was liberated in May 8, 1945. At liberation, I weight 65 pounds and was very sick. I was hospitalized for six months and the doctors and nurses considered it a miracle that I survived and regained my health. I owe the caring doctors and nurses at Thereisenstadt my life.

After much search, I found out that I was the sole survivor of my whole family. After what I have been through, it was a very tragic realization that I had no family left. They all lost their lives at the hands of the Nazi murderers. I could not return in Poland where all that was dear to me was destroyed. I had to build for myself a new future.

I went to Landsberg, a D.P. camp in Germany. In 1949, I met my dear wife Rose and shortly thereafter we got married. She originates from Czenstachowa and is a survivor of the Czenstachowa ghetto and the Hasag concentration camp. Her father, at the age of 45, was taken away to his death from the Czenstachowa ghetto by the Nazis. Her mother, who worked in the Hasag concentration camp kitchen, was taken to her death along with a group of children she was "to care for." She was 42 years old when the German murderers took her life. My wife survived because she and her sister run away from the group that was marched by the Germans to Bergen Belsen. After runing away, she and her sister hid in a bunker where they were liberated by the Rusian army. Her sister and a brother, who also survived the Holocaust, live in Toronto.

My wife and I decided to build our future in the United States where we arrived in 1951. We succeeded to build a new life here in Cleveland. We raised and educated two beautiful sons who are well established in their own lives. We have much to be thankful for: what we have accomplished; the success of our children; and the freedom that we enjoy here in the U.S. The tragic memories of our losses, however, are in our hearts forever and can never be forgotten.



#### Special Recognition

During the thirty years of history in the life of our beloved organization, the Kol Israel Foundation, there have been many officers and members who have served faithfully, worked hard and contributed towards the success and accomplishment of our goals. Many deserve special recognition, however, only a few will be recognized today.

Mike and Hanka Frum, founding members of our organization, deserve a special mention. From the very begining and to this day, they have been involved in the planning and implementation of all the social and memorial affairs of our organization.

A past president, and founding member of the Kol Israel Foundation, Simon Fixler, has served our organization for 30 years in numerous offices with dedication and commitment. He has helped establish and accomplish the goals of our organization.

While many officers of our organization have worked diligently every year, few have worked as hard for so many years as Henry Miller who was has been ably assisted by his dear wife Miriam. As our Social Chairman for many many years, he has contributed a great deal to the success of the social affairs of the Kol Israel Foundation.

Few of our members have the demonstrated the intensity and commitment in dedication to the causes of our organization as Abbie Akst, our current Vice President and former Treasurer for many years. He may be occasionally outspoken, but he has been a dear and caring officer of the Kol Israel Foundation.



Elias Cala, our current Treasurer, has served with dedication our beloved organization for many years as Membership Chairman.

Few can match the dedication, commitment and hard work for our organization that our historian, Jack Hennenberg, has demonstrated over the years. Designing logoes, working on commemorative symbols, producing Anniversary books, and working tirelessly on Holocaust education, are the heart and sole of his life.

Julian Solonitz, our current secretary, has served the Kol Israel Foundation with dedication and commitment. In addition to attending to the records of our organization he can be counted on to assist with all the activities of our organization.

We need to recognize with appreciation Jack and Eva Wieder. Not only did they serve several terms of office as Presidents of the Kol Israel Foundation and the Kol Israel sisterhood, the also continued their dedication and tireless work after the completion of their leadership roles to help the causes goals of our organization.

Another great couple, who contributed generously and worked hard in support of the causes of our organization are Ester and Herman Frank. Herman Frank, as Memorial Chairman and Financial Advisor, has spent much time each year to make the Memorial Services and the Annual Commemoration of the Holocaust dignified and memorable events in the life of the Cleveland community.

William Burstyn, with able assistance from his wife Hilda, handles our correspondence and membership records with much love and effectiveness.



Isaak Goldstein, our new Promotion officer, has provided a much needed additional strength for our organization.

Philip Green has been a dedicated officer of our organization for many years. He served our organization with much dedication as

Membership Chair and is currently attending to the difficult duties of Sunshine Chairman with much loyalty and understanding.

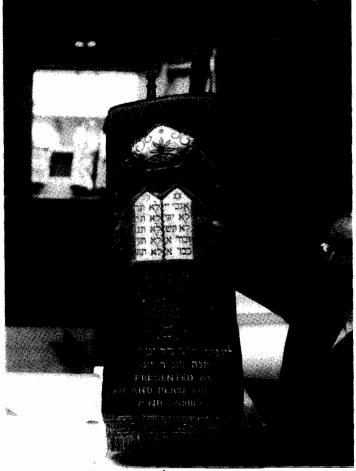
Zev Harel has been serving as Advisor to our Presidents and as corresponding secretary with much dedication and commitment.

We need to recognize the love, dedication and support that we have received over the years from the Kol Israel Sisterhood and the excellent cooperation which we have enjoyed recently from Betty Berlinner, the President of the Kol Israel Sisterhood. We could not have attained our many milestones in the history of our organization without their hard work and excellent support.

And on this important occasion in the history of our organization, as we look towards the future, we need to recognize with much love and affection the Kol Israel Second Generation. We have evolved a very meaningful mutually beneficial relationship with their leadership have been enjoying excellent support and cooperation from Kol Israel Second Generation President, Morrie Zryl.

May all of us continue for many years our dedication and support for the causes and activities of our beloved organization, the Kol Israel Foundation.

Robert Birnbaum, President



MY MOTHER'S GOLDEN CHAIN

I HAVE EARLY RECOLLECTIONS OF MY MOTHER WEARING HER GOLDEN CHAINS ON SHABBAT AND YOM TOV. WHEN WE WERE FORCED FROM OUR HOME IN TOMASHOV, POLAND IN 1939 MOST OF OUR POSSESSIONS WERE LEFT BEHIND. MY MOTHER'S GOLDEN CHAINS WERE OUR ONLY POSSESSION OF VALUE FROM A ONCE MORE PROSPEROUS LIFE. IN 1942 I SAW MY MOTHER GIVE UP HER HEIRLOOM GOLDEN CHAINS WITHOUT HESITATION TO REDEEM A SEFER TORAH.

THIS SEFER TORAH WAS LEFT BEHIND BY THE FLEEING JEWISH COMMUNITY NEAR THE RIVER OB IN CENTRAL SIBERIA AT THE TIME OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION. A RUSSIAN COMMISAR PRESERVED THE SEFER TORAH KNOWING THAT ONE DAY HE WOULD CASH IN, IN GOLD.

THE SEFER TORAH TRAVELED WITH US ACROSS ILLEGAL BORDERS, AND MANY COUNTRIES TO FIND IT'S PERMANENT HOME AT TAYLOR ROAD SYNAGOGUE.

IN 1963 WHEN MY SON WAS BAR MITZVAH AND PROUDLY READ FROM HIS "BABA'S" SEFER TORAH I REALIZED THAT MY MOTHER HAD EXCHANGED A GOLDEN CHAIN FOR A CHAIN OF PROUD JEWISH LIFE FOR MY CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF DEPARTED PARENTS

NATHAN & CHANA GOLDSTEIN

BARUCH & ETHEL SPORER



# זכרונו לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ABRAHAM GRUENSPAN



### אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען

BY HIS WIFE TONI
DAUGHTER LINDA
SON CHARLIE AND WIFE LINDA
DAUGHTER RUTHY AND HUSBAND
WARREN WOLFSON, AND
GRANDCHILDREN:
BECCA, KATY, AND LEILA GRUENSPAN
KIMBERLY, AND MANDY WOLFSON



# לברכה

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# זכרונם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOSEPH PERGERICHT HUSBAND, FATHER, AND GRANDFATHER

DEDICATED BY HIS WIFE ANN AND CHILDREN RUTH AND FRAN AND GRANDCHILDREN SARAH AND NATALIE

MR. JOSEPH PERGERICHT WAS THE ONLY SURVIVOR OF THE FAMILY OF THREE BROTHERS, ONE SISTER, TWO NIECES AND PARENTS

DEDICATED BY HIS WIFE ANN PERGERICHT
AND FAMILY

#### In Memoriam

## זכרוגם לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY

HANI ROTH

JOSEF ROTH

CHAJA-RIFKA FEUERWERGER

HERSH LEISER FEUERWERGER

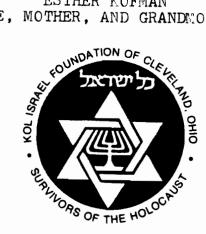
BY ART AND KATHY FEUER
AND FAMILY



# זכרונו לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

ESTHER KOFMAN
WIFE, MOTHER, AND GRANDMOTHER



I believe with perfect faith
in the coming of the Messiah;
and although he may tarry,
I will wait daily for his coming,
(Maimonides Principles)

## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען

FROM HUSBAND BERNARD

SON SIMON, DAUGHTER-IN-LAW ESTHER
DAUGHTER LEAH
BROTHER-IN-LAW MICHAEL
GRANDCHILDREN LEAH, DANIEL, LENNY
AND ERIC



# זכרונם לברכה

FATHER MOSHE GLICKSMAN

MOTHER MALKA GLICKSMAN

SISTERS CHANA, GITEL, ELKA, LEAH,

CHAVA, ITA, MIRIAW

BROTHERS JOSEF, LEIB AND YONAH

FATHER CHAIM JOSEF LIPSCHITZ

MOTHER FAIGA LIPSCHITZ

SISTERS RIFKA AND DVORAH

THE FAMILIES PERISHED IN AUSCHWITZ



BY MR. AND MRS. AARON GLICKSMAN AND FARTLITY

אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR FAMILY

FATHER BERNARD DASKAL

BROTHER ZOLTAN DASKAL

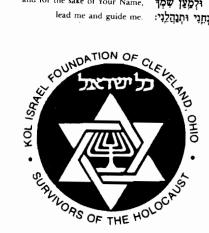
SISTER RELLA DASKAL

SISTER RIFKA GOTLIEB

MAYER MOSES

1. To the Chief Musician, לְנְצֵעָהַ א. a Psalm of David. קומור לְדָוִד: 2. In You, Adonoy, I have taken refuge, ב. בַּךְ־יָהוָה חָסֵיתִי let me not be ashamed, ever; אַל־אַבְוֹשָה לְעוֹלָם in Your righteousness, let me escape. בְּצִדְקָתְךְ פַּלְּטֵנִי: 3. Incline to me Your ear, ג. הַּשָּה אֵלֵין אָוְנְךְּ speedily rescue me, מְהֵרָה הַצִּילֵנִי be to me a rock of strength, הֵיָה לִי ו לְצוּר־מָעוֹז a fortress of defense, to deliver me. לְבֵית מְצוּדוֹת לְהוֹשִׁיצֵנִי: 4. For my rock and my fortress are You, ד. כֵּי־סֵלְעֵי וּמְצוּדְתִי אֲהָה and for the sake of Your Name, וּלְמַצוֹ שִׁקּךּ

lead me and guide me. קּוְחֵנִי וּתְנַהַלַנִי:



FROM ALEX AND ESTHER DASKAL

בָּל הַמְקַיִים נֶפֶש אַחַת מִישְׂרָאֵל, רָאִילוּ קִיֵים עוֹלָם מָלֵא״



# זכרונו לברכה

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF MUNCIE (FANNY) LIPSCHITZ



FROM HER LOVING HUSBAND ISRAEL AND CHILDREN HOWARD AND DOREEN GRANDCHILDREN CHANITA, DENA, YITZCHOK AND AVROHOM MEIR

## אייביק וועלן מיר געדענקען... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...



IN MEMORY OF OUR FAMILY BY MR. AND MRS. ANDOR MIDIN



# זכרונם לברכה

IN MEMORY OF OUR
NEPHEW AND NIECE
PHILLIP ICKOVITZ
BETTY MEYER
BROTHER-IN-LAW FELIX MEYER



BY BILL AND LEE MILLER



#### לברבה לברבה

זכרונו

IN MEMORY OF MIKE HART
BELOVED HUSBAND
AND FATHER



BY WIFE HELEN AND SON JACK

# IN MEMORY OF MARVIN NEWMAN



BY HIS BELOVED WIFE MARILYN

SON

VICTOR AND ILEEN

SON

LARRY AND SHARON

BARBARA WYNBRANDT

AND GRANDSONS

ADAM, ARI, STEVEN AND DAVID



# זכרונום לברכה

Honoring the memories of our loved ones

Jeno Mayer

and

Jacob Frost

and other members of the Mayer and Frost families who were victims of the Holocaust

We hope that through the next generation's commitment to the Jewish people, their

values will survive and prevail



The Lord bless thee, and keep thee;

The Lord make

His face to shine upon thee,

and be gracious unto thee;

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

NUMBERS 6:24-26

Sari Frost

Eva and Boaz Kahana Jeff and Mike Kahana

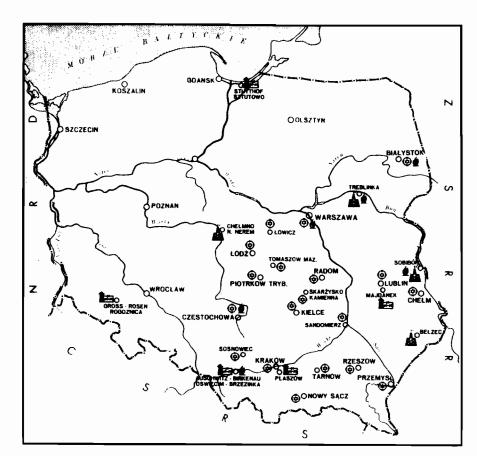
Hillel said, Separate not thyself from the congregation; trust not in thyself until the day of thy death; judge not thy fellow-man until thou art come into his place; and say not anything which cannot be understood at once, in the hope that it will be understood in the end; neither say, When I have leisure I will study; perchance thou wilt have no leisure.



## אייביק וועלן מיד געדעוקען ... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק

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#### לברבה זכרונום

IN MEMORY OF MORDECHAI SIMCHA EDELSTEIN AND MOSHE WALZMAN



BY EDELSTEIN AND WALZMAN FAMILIES

## אייביק וועלן מיר געדעוקען ... די גיבורים און קדושים פון אונדזער פאלק...

ו. A Psalm to David, קֿוָמור לָדָוִד

Adonoy is my shepherd, I shall lack nothing.

2. In lush pastures He makes me lie, ב. בָּנְאוֹת בֶּשֶׁא יַרְבִּיצֵנִי beside tranquil waters, He leads me.

g. My soul, He restores, ג. נַפְשִׁי יְשׁוֹבֶב

He directs me in paths of righteousness יָנְחֵנִי בְּמֵעְבָּלֵי־צֶדֶק

for the sake of His Name. :לְמַעֵּן שׁמוֹ:

4. Though I walk ד. גַּם כִּי־אָרֶךּ

in the valley of the shadow of death, בניא צַּיְלֶטֶוּת

1 will fear no evil for You are with me, לא־אַירָא רַע כִּי־אָתָה עָמָּדִי

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ישָׁבָעָרָ הַמָּה יָנְחָמָנִי:

in the full presence of my enemies,

6. [Mayl only good and kindness pursue me

all the days of my life, בַּל־יִמֵי חַיֵּי

and I shall dwell in the House of Adonoy וְשֶׁבְתִּי בָּבֵית־יָהֹוָה

for long days.

יָהוָה רֹעִי לֹא אֶחְסָר:

צַל־מֵי מְנָחוֹת יְנַהֲלֵנִי:

ה. מַעֲרֹךְ לְפָנֵי וּ שֻׁלְחָן . You prepare a table for me

נֶגֶד צֹרְרָי

You annointed my head with oil: דְּשֵׁנְהָ בָשֶׁמֶן רֹאשִׁי

כּוֹסִי רְנָיָה:

ו. אַדּוּטוֹב וַחֲסֵד יִרְדְּפִּוּנִי

לָאָרֶךְ יָמִים:



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Would be honored to have you join us to Celebrate the 30th Anniversary

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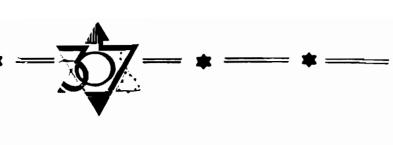
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In Loving Memory

Father Isaac Polster Mother Chana Polster Brother Mechuel Polster Sister's Pepi and Ruchel



by Tilly and Morris Polster
Chana and Kimbal Rubin
Zvi and Aviva Polster
Grandchildren Michaela and
Ora Rachel



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KOL ISRAEL FOUNDATION!

On it's 30th Anniversary may we continue our effort so the memory of our loved ones will never be forgotten.

by Jack and Eva Wieder and Family

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Out of the depths מְמַנְמַקִּים I have called to You, Adonoy :קרָאתִיךְ יְהֹנָה

a. My Master, hear my voice: ב אָרֹנֶי שָׁמְעָה בקּוֹלִי let Your ears be attentive תָּהְיֵינָה אָוְנֵיךְ קַשְׁבוֹת

to the voice of my supplications. לְקוֹל חַּחֲנוּנְי:

#### In Memory of My Grandfather

#### HENOCH HENNENBERG

of Oswiecim



This stone was found on July 25, 1979, in the Jewish Cemetery in Oswiecim (Auschwitz), Poland.

For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land.

The Song of Solomon



#### A THANK YOU

- A thank you to the Kol Israel Sisterhood.
- A thank you to the many people who worked very hard to make this banquet a success.
- A thank you to all the participating advertisers.
- A thank you to our guest speaker.
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R. Simeon said, There are three crowns: the crown of learning, the crown of priesthood, and the crown of royalty; but the crown of a good name excels them all.

