HEADING BACK!

HOUSTON B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION
CHART YOUR COURSE WITH HILLEL

The journey through the college years can be a most satisfying and rewarding time. The opportunities for intellectual, emotional, and social growth can enrich one's life for years to come. Yet the sailing is not always smooth. Without the proper navigational skills, one can run aground or steer dangerously off course.

Hillel offers you that added dimension that can help keep you on the route to a meaningful and purposeful college experience. Within a community of caring and sensitive Jewish students, you can find your moorings through understanding who you are and discovering your own individual expression of being a Jew.

Become a part of Hillel as we embark upon an exciting new semester.

Festivals
HIGH HOLIDAYS - Erev Rosh Hashanah Sept. 10...7:30 PM
Rosh Hashanah Sept. 11...9:30 AM
Rosh Hashanah Sept. 12...9:30 AM
Kol Nidrei Sept. 19...7:00 PM
Yom Kippur Sept. 20...9:30 AM
Services will be held in the Religion Center Chapel.
SIMCHAT TORAH - Celebration Fri. evening, Oct. 3.
CHANUKAH - Dec. 2-10 - Come to Hillel for a musical program and endless supply of latkes! Menorot and candles available.

Shabbat
Friday evenings feature dinners, speakers, and programs throughout the semester. Shabbat morning services will be conducted bi-monthly. Bat or Bar Mitzva, special instruction is available with Rabbi Osadchey.

Home Hospitality
For students interested in spending Shabbat and holidays with Jewish families in Houston. Sponsored in cooperation with B'nai B'rith Women and Jewish Women's League.

Jewish Studies
Hillel will again offer non-credit classes on a variety of topics, including Jewish thought, text study, and contemporary Jewish Life. Call us for class times and locations.

Student Council (Va'ad)
Hillel's VA'AD is being organized as a representative body comprised of chairpersons from special interest committees. These committees will assume major responsibilities for conceiving, planning, and implementing Hillel programs. For details on how to serve or assist the Va'ad, call 749-2271.

Social/Cultural
An exciting schedule of films, sports nites, eat and chat lunches, coffeehouses, and talks by key Jewish personalities are planned for the upcoming months.

Shabbat Morning Services will be held in the Religion Center Chapel.

Israel
Learn more about the critical issues affecting Israel and the Middle East through a series of speakers and up to date information. Join us as we combat Arab propaganda and raise support for Israel on campus.

Contact us for details.

Rabbi Osadchey is available during office hours and by special appointment. He may be reached at Hillel (749-2271) or at home (981-9051).
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DELI OFFERINGS

Deli Lunches at U of H and Rice are held weekly and feature speakers on a variety of topics.
Cost: $1 members $1.50 non-members

RICE

9/4 - Sid Rich
9/17 - Brown - Rabbi Osadchey, Speaker
9/23 - Baker - Sukkah Building

U OF H

9/3 - Welcome Back Deli
9/16 - Rabbi Osadchey, Speaker
9/22 - Sukkah Building

TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER - 9/8 "Shalom Y'all" Deli at Baylor College, Rayzor Lounge.

PROGRAM NOTES

HIGH HOLIDAYS - Hillel will conduct services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at the University of Houston Religion Center Chapel. Students will be admitted with campus ID. Those wishing to participate in the services should contact Rabbi Osadchey at 749-2271.

EREV Rosh Hashanah - Sept. 10 7:30 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah 1st day - Sept. 11 9:30 a.m.
Rosh Hashanah 2nd day - Sept. 12 9:30 a.m.
KOL Nidrei - Sept. 19 7:00 a.m.
Yom Kippur - Sept. 20 9:30 a.m.

HILLEL BIRTHDAY PARTY - We're celebrating our 1st birthday with an afternoon of sports and Bar-B-Que. Join us for softball at 4:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. at Rice's Baker College. $2.00 members $2.50 non-members

ISRAELI AMBASSADOR EPHRAIM EVRON - Reception and live musical entertainment at Beth Israel. 7:30 p.m.

SHABBAT DINNER AND PROGRAM - Our most special time when we come together as a community of concerned and caring Jews. Shabbat begins at 7:15 with Tefillot (Traditional/Creative Services), 8:00 p.m. pot luck dairy dinner (Hillel provides main course and you bring either challah, wine, soda, salad, vegetable or dessert), 9:00 p.m. program featuring music, discussion, or speakers.

"RELIGION IN DIALOGUE" - A series of programs focusing upon major theological and religious issues in American life. September 9 features Rev. C. Kirkpatrick, H.M.M., sponsored by the University of Houston Religion Center.
BEIT MIDRASH (JEWISH STUDIES) COURSE - Hillel's non-credit classes offer you the opportunity to deepen your understanding of our tradition. This semester's courses include "Judaism for Friendly Skeptics: Part II," focusing upon Jewish concepts of God's law, peoplehood, and ethics; "Intro to Jewish Texts," an explanation and study of the Torah, Mishnah, Talmud and Codes with particular emphasis on Rabbinic commentaries. Hebrew not a prerequisite. Rabbi Osadchey, instructor.

SUKKOT - This festive and colorful holiday will be celebrated as we build and decorate a sukkah at Rice (Baker College) and the University of Houston Religion Center on September 22-23. Bring your lunch and join us each day in the Sukkah.

SHAUL'S SPIEL

A new year begins - our second one as a full time Hillel - and with it emerges the prospects for continuing to build a vibrant Jewish student community. Student enthusiasm and excellent participation in our programs last year established a qualitatively sturdy foundation from which to expand and create new opportunities for Jewish students.

Hillel's greatest assets are our newness which enables us to be open to new people and new ideas and the willingness of so many talented and energetic students through whose collective efforts the future success of Hillel is assured.

There are many challenges ahead this year - reaching out to new Jewish students and developing more programs to serve a broader spectrum of interest. With your continued support and involvement, we shall together deepen our love for the Jewish tradition and our people.

May you be inscribed in The Book of Life for a year of learning, good health, and happiness.

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director

STUDENT VA'AD (COUNCIL)

The student Va'ad is currently in formation as the student voice in the affairs of Hillel. The Va'ad is a body of committee chairpersons representing areas of special interest to Hillel members. The Va'ad's role is to work with the Hillel Director in planning and implementing programs. In addition, its ideas about shaping the future of Hillel will also play an integral role in the Hillel Advisory Board. Va'ad meetings are open and input from Jewish students is welcome.

Call Hillel if you would like to become involved in the Va'ad or serve on a committee.
THOUGHTS FROM THE GESTETNER REBBE

"A TALE"

A tale is told of one who sat in study before the zaddik Rabbi Mordecai of Nadvorna, of blessed memory (19th century), and before Rosh ha-Shanah came to obtain permission to be dismissed. That zaddik said to him, "Why are you hurrying?"

Said he to him, "I am a Reader, and I must look into the festival prayer book, and put my prayers in order."

Said the zaddik to him, "The prayer book is the same as it was last year. But it would be better for you to look into your deeds, and put yourself in order."

SPECIAL INTERESTS

Hillel is seeking out students with talents and interests in the following areas:

1. Music, dance, drama - We're always looking for new people to participate in services, coffeehouses, Israeli dance, etc. Call Shaul at 749-2271.

2. Photography - Camera buffs are needed to snap pictures of Hillel events for our campus and community publicity.

3. Graphics - If you can design a flyer, brochure, or poster, please give us a call.

4. Journalism - Articles about Jewish life on campus or student views on any issue of concern are welcomed for publication in SPECTRUM (a National Jewish Student Publication) and the Jewish Herald-Voice. Hillel encourages the more ambitious journalists to consider the possibility of creating a Houston Jewish Student Newspaper.

HONEY CHICKEN
(appropriate for Rosh Hashanah)

1 chicken cut up in parts 1/2 cup of honey
1/3 cup of flour 1 cup crushed pineapple
1 teaspoon salt 1/2 cup fine shredded coconut
1/3 cup of oil 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

Mix flour and salt in a plastic bag. Toss chicken in bag and coat well.
Heat oil in skillet and brown chicken on both sides.
Mix honey, pineapple, coconut, and ginger together.
Put browned chicken in shallow pan and spoon honey mix evenly over the chicken.
Bake uncovered in a 350° oven until tender (50-60 minutes).
Baste chicken as it bakes.

TIPS FOR YOUR TA'AM (TASTE)
WHO'S WHO DIASPORA JEWRY QUIZ

First person submitting correct answers (or greatest number) wins a free salami from the Kosher Meating Place.

1. What French industrialist played a vital role in the French munitions industry during WWI and mass produced a French automobile at popular price used by Israelis today?

2. Who was the commander of the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt who lost his life at 18 Mila Street and has a kibbutz named in his memory?

3. What German born correspondent launched his career in 1849 using homing pigeons and founded England's largest news agency?

4. What German scientist is best known as the originator of the best known test for syphilis?

5. What world heavyweight champion born in Omaha, Nebraska appeared in the ring with the Star of David on his trunks?

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE HILLEL LIBRARY

BOOKS
1. WHEN A JEW & CHRISTIAN MARRY - Sandmel, Samuel
2. ESSENTIAL TALMUD - Steinsaltz, Adin
3. JEWISH WOMAN IN JEWISH LAW - Meiselman, Moshe
4. ANCIENT ISRAEL - Orlinsky, Harry M.
5. THE SLAVE - Singer, Isaac Bashevis

MAGAZINES
1. LAMATCHIL - A vocalized Hebrew newspaper for beginning and intermediate level Hebrew.

Have you read the recent article entitled "The Shiksa Question" in MOMENT MAGAZINE? Stop by and browse thru our magazine rack!

HILLEL WANT ADS

GROUP LEADERS - Wanted for Shabbat progra:
Games, Music, Dramatics - Jewish Community Center - Saturdays 1:30 - 5:00 p.m.
Contact: Donna Palmer - 729-3200 X144

Salary commensurate with skills.
Call Joel Dinkin - 729-3200.

HEBREW TEACHER - Congregation Beth Am Tues/Thurs - 4:15-6:15 p.m.
Sun. Kindergarten - 9:00-10:15 a.m.
Call Nomi Butler - 729-2644

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TEACHER - Third Grade Sun. 9:45-11:45 a.m. Houston Congregation for Reform Judaism. Call Joe Eichberg at 749-2810 or Manny Littman 772-5886.

SHE'CHUAN BARUCHU TAU DECHUVAH

YOUTH GROUP ADVISOR - For 4th, 5th, 6th Gr. Part-time job to begin Sept., 1980.
Cong. Beth Yeshurun - 666-9396

WANTED - Apartment to share. Keeps Kosher. Richard Huntley 669-8771/656-8384

ROOM AND BATH WITH KITCHEN AND TELEPHONE USE - In 4 bedroom home. For young man $200 month. Call Joan Carson 774-5642(H) 526-3911 (W)

ANYONE WISHING TO INCLUDE ANY ITEMS FOR THE OCTOBER CALENDAR CALL THE HILLEL OFFICE.
Religion in Dialogue is a series of discussions exploring topics of current concern which bring together the perspectives of religious faith and academic scholarship. The topics demonstrate the connectedness of religious value and experience with the issues of everyday life.

The "Religion in Dialogue" series is sponsored by the University of Houston AD Bruce Religion Center and its associated campus ministries. Except as noted, all sessions will be held in the Religion Center. For further information, contact the listed event sponsor. All events are free.
Hillel Eat & Chat

Grad Deli Lunch
At
Baylor College
Rayxor Lounge
9/8 Noon

Stop by for a sandwich & info on Hillel activities and H.H. information

For more information call 749-2271

$1 For lunch
Hillel invites you to

Sukkot Shabbat Dinner

7:00 pm - Creative Tefillot (Services)
7:30 pm - Pot Luck Dairy Dinner (Hillel will provide main dish. We ask you to bring dairy dessert, Challah, vegetable, or soda.)
8:30 pm - Program - "Being Reconformodox: Judaism's Answer to the Identity Crisis."

At Loretta Levi's,
5217 Benning
723-1679
SHABBATON AGENDA
U.T. HILLEL

OCTOBER 17th, FRIDAY
7:15 SERVICES
8:30 DINNER
9:30 INTRODUCTION - LENNY DAVIS, DIRECTOR OF AIPAC
10:15 ONEG SHABBAT

OCTOBER 18th, SATURDAY
8:30 - 9:00 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00 - 10:30 SERVICES - HOUSTON HILLEL
10:30 - 12:30 LENNY DAVIS - MAIN LECTURE
DISCUSSION GROUPS
1:00 - 3:00 LUNCH (PEASE PARK)
FREE TIME
3:00 - 5:00 WORKSHOPS (TWO 1-HOUR WORKSHOPS)
6:30 DINNER
LENNY DAVIS - SUMMARY
8:30 HAVDALAH
9:00 DANCE WITH LIVE BAND, MASTERPIECE

WORKSHOPS

LENNY DAVIS AIPAC
JOEL FLESCHMAN THE IMAGE OF THE JEW IN
JEWISH ART
BENNY LEVI ALIYAH
IRVING MANDELBAUM RELIGIOUS IDENTITY
SHAUL OSADCHEY DISSENT AND ISRAEL
10/2 SIMCHAT TORAH - Torah Reading and Hakafot (Processions), Israeli Dancing, Music, Refreshments (Wine & Pastries). 7:30 pm. University of Houston - Religion Center.

10/4 SHABBAT MORNING TORAH STUDY - Join us for study of the week's Torah portion (Gen. 1:1 - 6:8) followed by lunch at Shaul's apartment, 8800 Gustine Lane, Apt.#3408. (Call 981-9051 for directions). 10:00 am.

10/14 BEIT MIDRASH - (JEWISH STUDIES) COURSES - Hillel's non-credit classes offer you the opportunity to deepen your understanding of our tradition. This semester's courses include "Judaism for Friendly Skeptics: Part II," focusing upon Jewish concepts of God's law, peoplehood, and ethics; "Intro to Jewish Texts," an exploration and study of the Torah, Mishnah, Talmud and Codes with particular emphasis on Rabbinic commentaries. Hebrew not a prerequisite. Rabbi Osadchey, instructor. 7:00 pm at Rice's Fondren Library (Kyle Morrow Lounge).

10/9 ISRAELI DANCING - Beginning on October 9, Hillel invites you to join us for a lively evening of Israeli song and dance. 7:00 pm Hillel Makhela (Choir) - ¼ hour of learning Hebrew and Jewish music. Loretta Levi, co-ordinator.

10/10 SHABBAT DINNER AT THE B'NAI B'RITH GOLDBERG TOWERS - A unique opportunity to spend a Shabbat evening with members of this senior citizens home. 6:00 pm - services, 6:30 pm - dinner, 7:30 pm - program. $2. Hillel members. $2.50 non-members. Reservations required by 10/8.

10/26 TEXAS RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL - A day of ale, jousting, and saucy wenches. We'll leave from Rice at 9:00 am and the JCC at 9:30 am. Price of admission is $7.95. We'll arrange transportation. Reservation by 10/24.

10/31 SHABBAT DINNER - with Avery Corman, author of "Oh God" and "Kramer vs Kramer". 7:00 pm services, 7:30 pm pot luck dairy dinner (we'll provide main dish, you bring challah, wine, soda, vegetables, or dessert.) At Ami & Gary's. 2222 Bissonnet, #1. (Call 524-0436 or 749-2271 for directions).

10/12 TOUCH FOOTBALL AT RICE - A great time to show some brawn instead of brain. Meet at 4:00 pm at Rice's Sid Rich Private Dining Center.

10/21 HILLEL VA'AD MEETING - The student advisory committee will meet to discuss current Hillel projects and plan future activities. All welcome. 7:00 pm at Rice's Sid Rich Private Dining Room.

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WHO'S WHO IN DIASPORA JEWRY QUIZ

Person submitting the most correct answers wins a dozen bagels from the N.Y. Bagel Factory.
Last month's winner - Irwin Friedman!

1. What Soviet poet, novelist, and Nobel laureate wrote Dr. Zhivago, which became world famous after it was smuggled out of Russia in 1958?
2. What Polish born girl emigrated to Australia at 22 (later to the U.S. at 43), began her career by marketing cold cream from a family recipe, eventually became one of the world's greatest cosmetics tycoons, and donated a pavillion to the Tel Aviv Museum?
3. What Brooklyn youth achieved fame in the unlikely role of professional matador in Mexico and Spain, (Killing over 5,000 bulls), and published his autobiography in 1952 aptly titled Bullfighter from Brooklyn?
4. What son of a Polish rabbi won the 1978 Nobel Prize for literature?
5. What U.S. composing duo won a Pulitzer Prize for "Oklahoma" and continued their success in "South Pacific", "The King and I", and "The Sound of Music"?
6. What London Cockney befriended Chinese Nationalist leader Sun Yat Sen in exile, joined him in China in 1922 with the rank of general, and served as military advisor to Chiang Kai-Shek?
7. What Yiddish writer born in the Ukraine depicted the humor and pathos of the contemporary life of the Jews in the Russian Pale of Settlement best portrayed in Tevye, the Dairyman which later became Fiddler on the Roof?
8. What Texas County is named for a Jew?

Who was the highest of Jewish official in the Confederacy?
What are the given and nicknames of all of the Marx Brothers?

LAST MONTH'S QUIZ ANSWERS:

BUT WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Anyone interested in reading through the prayers (Sabbath and everyday services) on Shabbat afternoon, please contact Eric Rosenblum, 668-9295 (University of Houston phone 749-4562). We will be reading and translating prayers of our choice, discussing both their meanings and intentions. No prior knowledge of Hebrew is necessary, but one or two people with a good language background would be helpful.

CAR POOL - Anyone interested in forming carpools to University of Houston from SW Houston, please call Hillel at 749-2271.

TRANSPORTATION TO HILLEL ACTIVITIES - If you would like to attend a Hillel activity and are without a car, call Hillel for a ride.

STUDENT CONFERENCES - Hillel has been invited to send representatives to several upcoming conferences. If you would like to be a delegate to either of the two conferences listed below, please call Shaul at 749-2271. Complete or partial subsidies are available.

1. Campus Energy Education Project - sponsored by B'nai B'rith Hillel on October 26 - 28 in Washington, D.C. Goals: familiarizing students with energy issues, integrating Jewish values with energy concerns, promoting energy programs on campus.
2. Reform Campus Leadership Conference - October 31 - November 2, Kutz Camp, N.Y. Goals: Share ideas, explore common issues and help shape the future of Reform Judaism on the college campus.
HILLEL EAT 'N CHAT
12 - 1:00 pm
$1. members. $1.50 non-members.

10/8 - Estelle Schwartz, Jewish Family Service, Speaker. JONES.


10/22 - Schnooze and Schnooze WEISS

10/29 - Nachum Dagani, Zionist Organizations of America, "Dissent in American Jewry" BAKER.

10/9 - Na'ava Eisen, Pioneer Women, "Israeli Women"

10/16 - Schnooze and Schnooze

10/23 - Rev. Bert Ettling, Episcopal Chaplin will speak about his recent trip to Israel.

10/30 - Moshe Tabak and Millie Cowan, Jewish National Fund, will speak on current reclamation projects in Israel.

TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER
Every Tuesday at noon at Rayzor Lounge, Baylor College of Medicine.

B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Houston - Religion Center
3801 Cullen Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77004
713-749-2271
Simchat Torah
at
Hillel

THURS. OCT. 2, 7:30 pm
U of H RELIGION CENTER

Israeli Dancing
Music
Refreshments

WE'LL SUPPLY THE WINE, YOU BRING THE SHNAPS!

FOR TRANSPORTATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL HILLEL AT 749-2271.
Dear Faculty Member,

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation recently marked its first anniversary as the full-time Jewish campus organization at the University of Houston, Rice, and the Texas Medical Center. During the course of the past year, we have taken special pride in developing a program of activities that reflects the diverse needs of Jewish students. Over 400 students expressed an interest in Hillel through attendance at our weekly "Eat 'n Chat" Deli Lunches, Shabbat Programs, Social Action Projects, Jewish Culture Week, Beit Midrash (Jewish Studies) Courses, and Social Activities. In addition, students have availed themselves of Hillel's resources such as the job and housing board, Judaic Library, research assistance, and counseling.

This year Hillel seeks to widen its focus and expand its services to the larger Jewish community on campus. I am writing to you as a Jewish faculty member to personally extend an invitation to you in the Hillel program.

Wherever Jewish faculty become involved in campus Jewish life, both Hillel and its students and the academic community in general are greatly enriched. Here at the University of Houston, Hillel seeks to develop meaningful forums for Jewish faculty participation.

This past year, Hillel arranged for faculty and administration receptions for Dr. Bernard Reich, Professor of Political Science at G.W.U., Professor Mordechai Abit, Oil Expert at Hebrew University, and Dr. Howard M. Sachar, Professor of History at G.W.U. Similar meetings are being planned for this year with other key Jewish personalities including I.B. Singer in November.

May I therefore invite you to be our guest at a Jewish faculty reception at Hillel on Monday, October 20 at noon in order that I may introduce myself to you and better acquaint you with the Hillel program. Please R.S.V.P. to our office at 749-2271.

I look forward to meeting you on October 20.

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director

Enclosure: Hillel October Calendar
Solidarity Rally
with the
Jews of France

כֶּל הָיְשָׁנָאָו
וּלְבָנָאָו

All the people of Israel are responsible one for the other.

Thurs., October 9 at Noon
U of H - University Center Arbor

Sponsored by: B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
749-2271
Beit Midrash (Jewish Studies)

October 14, 21, and 28, and November 4
7:00 pm at Rice's Fondren Library (Kyle Morrow Lounge)

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to Jewish Texts," an exploration and study of the Torah, Mishnah, Talmud and Codes
with particular emphasis on Rabbinic commentaries. Hebrew not a prerequisite.
Rabbi Osadchey, Instructor.

Shabbat Dinner

October 10, 1980 - at the B'nai B'rith Goldberg Towers.

A unique opportunity to spend a Shabbat evening with members of this senior citizens
home. 6:00 pm - Services. 6:30 pm - Dinner. 7:30 pm - Program.
$2.00 - Hillel members. $2.50 non-members. Reservations required by October 9.
Location: 10909 Fondren Road, Houston, Texas 77096.

Israeli Dancing
Every Thursday 7-9 pm

7:00-7:30 - Makhela (Choir) Learn Jewish Music
1:30-8:15 - Israeli Dance Instruction
8:15 - open dancing
At Rice University's Weiss College
Private Dining Room.
Solidarity Rally
with the
Jews of France

Speakers: Tom Neuman, Anti-Defamation League
Hans Karp, Community Relations Council
Rev. Bert Etting, Episcopal Chaplain

Thurs., October 9 at Noon
U of M - University Center Arbor

Sponsored by: B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
749-2291
B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION
SOLIDARITY RALLY WITH FRENCH JEWRY

RALLY AGENDA

MUSIC: Loretta Levi

INTRODUCTION: Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Hillel Director

Mark Miller: Hillel member at University of Houston

Charles Duke: Attorney, Former Legal Attache to United States Embassy in Iran.

Tom Neumann: Southwest Regional Director of the Anti-Defamation League

Reverend Bert Ettling: Episcopal Chaplain, University of Houston

MEMORIAL: Cantor Larry Charson, Temple Emanuel

PETITION SIGNING

MUSIC: Loretta Levi
October 15, 1980

Dear Faculty Member:

Due to a unique opportunity to hear Edward Kusnetsov, former prisoner of conscience, the Jewish faculty reception at Hillel is being postponed until Monday, October 27th at noon in the Hillel office.

Mr. Kusnetsov will be at Hillel on Monday, October 20th for a deli lunch and informal dialogue about Soviet persecution of Jewish activists and the dissident movement. In 1970, Mr. Kusnetsov was sentenced to death for his part in the alleged Leningrad hijacking plot. Worldwide protests forced the Soviets to commute his sentence to 15 years in a labor camp. Recently, Mr. Kusnetsov was exchanged along with 4 other Soviet dissidents for 2 Soviet spies held by the United States. He currently lives in Israel where he has written several books on his experience in the Soviet Labor Camps.

We look forward to seeing you this Monday and hope you will be able to join us for the Jewish faculty reception on October 27.

B'Shalom,

Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director
Hillel Eat 'n Char Deli
for Graduate & Medical Students
at The Texas Medical Center

every Tuesday at noon

$1.00 - members
$1.50 - non-members

Baylor College Rayzor lounge
AUSTIN SHABBATON

ELECTION 1980 - THE
MIDEAST QUESTION

WITH GUEST SPEAKER LENNY DAVIS,
DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN ISRAEL PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
(The Jewish Lobby)

OCT 17, 18 1980

OPPORTUNITY TO MEET JEWS FROM OTHER CAMPUS.

DISCUSSIONS AROUND THEME, PLUS ASSORTED WORKSHOPS

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Info: Hillel Bldg 2105 San Antonio St 476-0125 (Austin)
Hillel Invites You to

"Cancer Treatment: The Risk-Benefit Ratio"

Speaker: Dr. Fred Rosner
Director
Department of Medicine
Queens Medical Center

Monday, October 20, 1980
10:15 am
at The
Institute of Religion
Texas Medical Center
(adjacent to the Methodist Hosp.)

Sponsored by: Jewish Chaplaincy
Hillel Eat 'n Chat Deli

October 22, at Weiss College
12:00 - 1:00 pm
Schmooze and Schnooze

$1.00 members
$1.50 non-members

For more info,
call: Shosh 749-33
Sentenced to death by the Soviet Court, then served 9 years in a Soviet Labor Camp before being exchanged for two captured Soviet Spies.

Informal Dialogue with Edward Kusnersou

October 20  Noon
Religion Center
(2nd floor lounge)

Deli Lunch Available
$1.50
Open to all

Sponsored by: B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation
749-2271
Hillel Eat 'n Chat Deli

October 29, at Baker College
12:00-4:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Nachum Dagani,
Zionist Organization of America
"Dissent in American Jewry"

$1.00 members
$1.50 non-members

For more info,
call: Shaul - 749-2271
OCTOBER 14

"Shuffling Your Priorities and Dealing Yourself a Winning Hand"

When faced with making many of life's decisions by and for yourself for the first time, the pressure becomes great, the options are many. Come and talk about what the better options are. Wear casual clothes and bring an open mind.

SPEAKER: Mrs. Bonnie Helum, Office of Student Advising and Activities

OCTOBER 21

"Mirror, Mirror On the Wall"

A discussion on the concept of self-esteem in society. The extremes of narcissism and self-destructive behavior will be explored along with their antidote: a healthy attitude of self-worth as a creation of God.

SPEAKER: Rev. Terry Thompson, Wesley Foundation

OCTOBER 28

"Friendship and Intimacy: Being Close When It Counts"

This discussion will focus on the vital role played by friendship and intimacy in young adulthood.

SPEAKERS: Dr. Dan Breuer, Psychiatric Services; Sister Angelica Menta, M.S.W., psychotherapist in private practice; and Dr. Stewart Baker, Office of Student Advising and Activities

NOVEMBER 11

"Stop The World, I Want To Get On: Making The Transition From Campus To Community"

This session will explore the student's responsibility to be informed of social concerns and to be of service in the world.

SPEAKERS: Rev. Gerald Le Père, Baptist Student Union; Dr. James Dunn, Director of Christian Life Commission, Dallas.

NOVEMBER 4

"Sexual Ethics and Religious Perspectives Uncovered"

This session will deal with an examination of the various religious traditions and their views on pre-marital sex, birth control, and abortion.

SPEAKER: Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, B'Nai B'Rith Hillel Foundation

NOVEMBER 18

"Living With God: Questions, Answers, and Mystery"

Participants will be invited to discover how their God makes the difference, helps to tie up some loose ends, and allows them to live with some difficult questions and answers.

SPEAKER: Father Gary Adams, O.P., Catholic Student Center
A College Course Offered by:

Brown College

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Sister Angelica Merz
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Dr. Gary Adams, O. P.

"NOT READY FOR PRIME TIME PRESSURES:

IN THE 80's"

LIVING, LOVING, AND LIMITS

Rice University

Joint Campus Ministry,
Psychiatric Services, and
the Office of Student
Advising and Activities

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WHO'S WHO IN DIASPORA JEWRY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Person submitting correct puzzle wins doz. bagels from N.Y. Bagels. Last month's winning team: Barry, Janice, Jessica from TWU.

MAZAL TOV TO LOU GEIGERMAN ON THE OPENING OF HIS DELI, THE CUTTING BOARD, AT 4811 BISSONNET!

WINTER 1980 ISRAEL PROGRAMS: Two superb opportunities to travel to Israel are available this winter for only $850. Contact Shaul for info on the Jewish National Fund and American Zionist Youth Foundation tours.

REMINDER:

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A talk with Rabbi James Rudin, American Jewish Committee

Monday, November 10th - 8-9 am

at Hillel: U.C. Religion Center - 2nd Floor
Coffee & pastries provided!

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For further information, call 749-2271
The B'hai B'Rith Hillel
Cordially Invites You to enjoy dinner with

David Rosenberg,
Jewish Author & Poet,
on Monday, November 10, 1980
at 5:30 pm
at Rice University's Weiss College
in the Private Dining Room

R.S.V.P.: Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
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Hillel Presents:

Our Ear·n Char Deli Lunch at Sid Rich College's P.D.R.
on Wednesday, Nov. 12- Noon

Guest Speaker: Igor Tufeld
Soviet Jewry Today

* 1.00 members
* 1.50 non-members

For further information: Call Rabbi Osadchy
749-2221
Hillel Eat 'n Char Deli
For Graduate & Medical Students
at the
Texas Medical Center
Monday, November 10, 17, & 24 at 12:00pm

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COMING HERE ON:
DATE Nov. 12
PLACES Uo Arbor
TIME 12:00 - 2:00 pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  

Hillel

Hayride

and

Campfire

Saturday, November 15
Meet at the J.C.C.
7pm $2.00 Members
$2.50 Others

749-2271

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HILLEL PRESENTS:

"An Evening of Russian Culture"

November 21
at Lidya's

Join us for Russian Cuisine, music, slides, and stories,

6:30 pm - Services
7:00 pm - Dinner
8:00 pm - Program

Reservations Required by Nov. 19th

Call: 749-2271

$2.00 members $2.50 non-members
November 18, 1980

Dear Va'ad Member,

The Hillel Student Va'ad (Planning Council) will be meeting this coming Sunday, November 23rd at 4:00 pm to plan the events for the coming semester. Your participation is most significant since you represent either a particular constituency within Hillel (ig. one of the colleges at Rice, or the Texas Medical Center) or you reflect a specific interest (eg. social, cultural, religious, etc).

While I realize that the semester is rapidly coming to a close (gasp!), the meeting will last no longer than 1½ hours and a deli dinner will be served. Please make every effort to attend so that next semester we can continue to improve the quality of Jewish life on campus.

R.S.V.P. Regrets Only!

See you on Sunday.

B'Shalom (in peace),

[Signature]

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director

RSO: jr
ALL YOU CAN EAT!
LATKE DINNER
DRAIDEL TOURNAMENT!!

Sunday, December 7th  4:30-7:00 pm
at Shaul's: 8800 Guistine Lane  #3408 (981-9051)

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Guitine

Call Hillel (749-2271) by Friday for a ride!

$1.00 members  
$1.50 non-members
Hillel Presents:

a Study Break

coffee and munchies

Tuesday, December 9 - 10pm-12mn
at

Weiss College's Private Dining Room
Hillel Presents:

Deli Dinner

and ........

Brown College's P.D.R.

Sunday, January 12th
6:00pm - 7:30pm

$1.50 - members
$2.00 - non-members

Steve Arons - 526-1071
Or

For further Information: Call Rabbi Osadchy
744-2271
Hillel Eat 'n Chat Deli
at Will Rice College's P.D.R.
Wednesday, JANUARY 14, 12-1 pm
$1.00 - members  $1.50 - non-members

For further information:
Call Rabbi Osad Chey
719-2271
Something on your mind??

Stop by and say hello!

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey's new Rice office hours:

Every Tuesday and Thursday 4-5 pm at the Chaplain's Office (Choisters)
527-4970

Or by appointment: 749-2271
A Hillel Oneg Shabbat
Dinner
Friday - January 23, 1981
7:00 - 9:30 pm
at
Rice's Brown College
P.D.R. / Lounge
Music Wine Challah
Refreshments Conversation . . .

for further Information:
Call Rabbi Osadechey
714-2221
Hillel Presents:

OUR EAT 'n CHAT Deli Lunch!
BAKER College  12-1pm
Wednesday, January 28th
Guest Speaker:  
Dr. Baruch Brody

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Wednesday, February 4
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CARPOOING/TRANSPORTATION TO HILLEL EVENTS

Anyone needing transportation to our activities should contact us a couple of days prior to the event. Also, several people from the SW part of Houston have expressed an interest in carpooling- call us and we’ll tell you who lives in your area. Save time and money by carpooling!

RABBI OSADCHEY’S NEW RICE OFFICE HOURS

Drop by for conversation, Judaic instruction, or for any problem that’s on your mind- every Tues. and Thurs. from 4-5 p.m. in the Clergy Office (Cloisters).

HILLEL MITZVA CORPS- SOCIAL ACTION PROJECTS

Take a moment of your time and become involved in helping others. The Jewish Hospital Chaplaincy at the TMC is in need of students to visit the sick- even 1 hour a semester would be appreciated. call Hillel or Rabbi Sigelman-797-6653. The Richmond State Hospital for the Mentally Retarded has approx. 12 Jewish patients who would enjoy visits by 2-3 Jewish students once a month. Call Rabbi Osadchey for details.

Hillel Want Ads

Male student (non-smoker) to share house, furnished, Montrose area, $180 mo., 523-1090

Room and bath with kitchen and phone use in 4 brd. house, for young man, $200 mo., 774-5642 (h), 526-3911 (w).

Beth Am seeks Hebrew teacher for Tues/Thurs, or Sunday. call Naomi Butler-729-2644.

Beth Yeshurun seeks Youth Group Advisors for USY groups. call 666-1884

Young Judea looking for Madrichim (Group Leaders), 2 Sun. a month, 667-6558

Israeli Consulate seeks assistance of geography student for cartography purposes, call David Zohar, Vice-Consul, at 627-3780.

Female wanted part time on wknd to help at Flea Market, 729-1591.

Jewish Community Center openings: summer camp positions- call Joel Dinkin at 729-3200.

Beth Am- seeks students who play musical instruments and sing, to teach on Sun., pays well, 729-2644

Houston Congr. for Reform seeks teachers on Sun., 749-2810

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J. Thomas Smith
-KRLY-
Guest D.J.

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FEB. 7
8pm - 1am

REFRESHMENTS, BEER, WINE

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**A NIGHT OF NOSTALGIA**
**DANCE CARDS**
**FEBRUARY 7, 1981**

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Guest speaker: Charles Silverman
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Hillel proudly presents...

deli & speaker

featuring...

Dr. Ellis Rivkin
Professor of Jewish History, Hebrew Union College

on...

"The Collapse of American Hegemony & the Crisis of Israel's Survival"

Today (Feb 19) at noon

Baker College-Master's HS
Hillel Eat 'n Char Deli

at Weiss College's P.D.R. from 12-1pm
Wednesday, March 4

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For further Information:
Call Rabbi Osechey
249.2271
Dear Friend,

Just a reminder about a very special Shabbat dinner with the MOSLEM STUDENT ASSOCIATION this Friday, Feb. 20, at 7:00pm at Ami and Gary's (2222 Bissonet #1). Please bring a salad, vegetable dish, or dairy dessert to complement our Middle Eastern cuisine. See you then!

P.S. Don't forget about Dr. Ellis Rivkin's lecture on "What Crucified Jesus?" - Feb. 19, Rice University Fondren Library, 7:30pm.

P.S.S. Also, reserve a space on Sunday evening, Feb. 22, for Rabbi Richard Barnholtz' "Jewish Response to Proselytizing" workshop and dinner at the JCC 5-7:15pm.
SECOND ANNUAL
BEN G. MCguIRE INTERFAITH
LECTURE
February 19, 1981
Rice University (Fondren Library - Kyle Morrow Lounge)
7:30 pm

Lecture: “What Crucified Jesus?”
Scholar: Dr. Ellis Rivkin

Ellis Rivkin is Adolph S. Ochs Professor of Jewish History at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. Previously, he has taught at Gratz College, Dropsie College, University of Utah and Southern Methodist University.

Dr. Rivkin is also the author of numerous books and articles. His books include The Dynamics of Jewish History, Sarasota, Florida, 1970; The Shaping of Jewish History: A Radical New Interpretation, Scribner's, New York, 1971; and A Hidden Revolution: The Pharisees' Search for the Kingdom Within, Abington, Nashville, 1978. Dr. Rivkin's What Crucified Jesus is to be published by Abingdon Press in the near future.

Sponsored by the B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation
749-2271

NO ADMISSION
PUBLIC WELCOMED!!
come to Hillel's UJA Shabbat dinner
(note: there will be no solicitation)

speaker: Joe Williams, UJA young leadership
Friday night, March 6  7pm
Villa D'Orleans clubhouse
4055 S. Braeswood (across from 3 Bros.)

for more info, call Hillel (749-2271)

Pot luck dairy dinner,
Please bring salads, vegies, & desserts.
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And, coming in April... Hamagshim retreat, April 15
Rosh Hashanah begins April 18, Hillel Seder on April 19.
Stay tuned for details on this and more.
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(note: there will be no solicitation)

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Pot luck dairy dinner,
Please bring salads, vegies, & desserts.
STOP THE PLO AT U of H!

During February, the International Student Organization sponsored an International Student Festival. This supposedly cultural event turned into a political forum for Palestinian hate literature. Hillel protested, and urged a boycott of the ISO Festival and at the same time called for a withdrawal of student funds from the ISO. The issue was not a First Amendment one since the PLO has other non-state supported forums for their views. Rather, the ISO allowed itself to be manipulated and violated its own rules regarding the cultural nature of the Festival.

It is essential that all Jewish students rally behind Hillel's efforts to stop PLO abuses at U of H. Sign the petition, circulate it among friends, and return it to Hillel as soon as possible. In addition, we are forming an Israel Action Committee at UH. Call us (749-2271) if you're interested in helping to promote Israel on campus.

DEAR STUDENT SERVICE FEES ALLOCATION COMMITTEE,

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, REFUSE TO CONDONE THE ISO'S REPEATED VIOLATION OF ITS OWN RULES WHICH PROHIBIT THE POLITICIZATION OF THE ORGANIZATION. SPECIFICALLY, WE OBJECT TO OUR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES BEING USED TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR THE PLO WHICH PARTICIPATED IN THE TAKING OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES IN IRAN.

WE THEREFORE URGE THAT STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE MONIES BE WITHHELD FROM THE ISO UNTIL IT DEMONSTRATES IMPARTIAL AND NON-POLITICAL BIAS IN ITS CONDUCT.

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⇒We need your signature. Please return!
March 4, 1981

Dear Faculty Member,

Recent events involving the General Union of Palestinian Students and the International Student Organization have refocused attention on issues of important concern to Jews at the U of H. Many voices are often needed to assure that Jewish life on campus is able to grow and contribute to the overall quality of the university environment. Wherever Jewish faculty have become involved in campus Jewish life, Jewish students and the Jewish community in general are greatly enriched.

May we therefore invite you to a kosher deli lunch on Tuesday, March 24 at which time we will have the opportunity to meet one another and discuss future plans. The lunch is planned for noon at Hillel (Bruce Religion Center, Room 106). Please RSVP to Hillel at ext. 2271.

Sincerely,

Sasha Popel
Mechanical Engineering

Ira Wolinsky
Human Development & Consumer Science

Earl Dachslager
English

Irving Rothman
English

Joshua Weinstein
Education

Larry Laufman
Spanish & other Languages

Dov Lieberman
Education
1981 SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

THE HILLEL TEAM (TORAH! TORAH!) WILL PLAY ALL GAMES ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT 1:00 pm. GAMES CONSIST OF 7 INNINGS OR 1 HOUR, WHICH EVER COMES FIRST. BATTER UP!!!

MARCH 7
FIELD 4
VS. WINKING TIGERS
MARCH 14
FIELD 3
VS. HDB & STS
MARCH 21
FIELD 4
VS. PHILS

$1.00 members /$1.50 non
The University of Houston
COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

present:

Mr. TZION EVRONY,
ISRAELI CONSUL, ON

"ISRAEL'S QUEST FOR PEACE"

7:30 PM, Tuesday
March 10 — Cascade Room, University Center
Hillel Presents!
Our Eat 'n Chat Deli Lunch
at
Sid Rich College's P.D.R.
Wednesday, March 18th
42 - 1 PM
$1.00 - members  $1.50 - non-members

For further information:
Coll Rabbi Ozadohey - 749-2271
Hillel Presents:
PURIM CELEBRATION & MULTIMEDIA MEGILLAH READING

JCC THURS., MARCH 19 7:30 PM

with: UJA PROJECT RENEWAL SLAVE AUCTION COSTUMES, DANCING & MUSIC HAMANTASHEN & GREGGORS
“PLAYING FOR TIME”
meet
FANIA FENELON
author, heroine of t.v. movie
at
HILLEL ONEG SHABBAT
AN AFTER DINNER PROGRAM WITH MUSIC, SONG AND REFRESHMENT
FRIDAY, MARCH 20 8PM
RICE UNIVERSITY, BROWN college
Hillel Grad Student Brunch
Sunday, March 22  \(10^{30} \text{am-12noon}\)
Rice Univ., Brown College

Cost: $2.00 member/ $2.50 non-member
Tay-Sachs screening available

Speakers:
Estelle Schwartz, Jewish Family Service
Dr. Arthur Beaudet,
Dept. of Pediatrics, Baylor
Hillel Presents:

Eat 'n Chat Deli Lunches

Every Thursday! 12-1 pm

Texas Medical Center

Institute of Religion - Seminar Room #1

All students and faculty at TMC welcome!

$1.00 members  $1.50 non-members

For further information: Call Rabbi Osadchey 749-2271
just a reminder...
this week with HILLEL

PURIM
multi-media megillah reading,
USA slave auction
costume party, music, dancing
Thurs, March 19
7:30 pm at the JCC

FANIA FENELON
March 20
will be the guest at an Oney
Shabbat, Fri., March 20
8 pm at Brown College. She is the
author & heroine of "Playing For
Time"

BASEBALL
Sat, March 21
Field 4
1 pm

VA'AD MTG
Sun, March 22
3-5 pm
RMC Conference rm
2nd floor
(student board)
Hillel Eat 'n Chat Deli

Baker College
Dr. Kurzman's House

Wednesday - March 25th

$1.00 - members  $1.50 - non-members

For further Information:
Call Rabbi Osadchey
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Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Day) program at Beth Israel, TBA
HILLEL LEADERSHIP

In an effort to broaden the base of student leadership and participation, Hillel is forming a va'ad (council) at each of the 3 campuses. The goals of the Va'ad will be to plan, coordinate, and implement student programs. In addition, the Va'ad will assist in the formation of student policies and act as a liaison with the Jewish community and the university. The Rice Va'ad will be composed of an executive committee of 3 officers (President, Vice-president, and Secretary/Treasurer) plus one representative from each college and a grad representative. At both U of H and the TMC/Grad, the composition of its Va'ad is still undetermined. If you would like to become involved in the Va'ad at your campus, please call Hillel at 749-2271.

STUDY PROGRAMS IN ISRAEL

Want to work on a kibbutz? Learn Hebrew in an ulpan? Study in an Israeli university? Participate in a study-travel program? Learn in a yeshiva? Dig into your Jewish roots in archaeology? All this and more awaits you this summer in Israel. Programs range from a few weeks to the summer, to an entire semester or year. College credit available. For more info, call Beni Levi, 778-0643 or Shimon Ofir, 667-6558. A leadership training seminar is one program available, for people who are active on campus or wish to become active.

STUDY PROGRAMS IN THE USA

Many Jewish colleges, universities, and seminaries offer special summer programs. These include The Jewish Theological Seminary, Hebrew Theological College (Machon Kaplan), Brandeis-Bardin Institute, National Hillel Summer Institute, Queens College, and many others. Housing and scholarships available.

HILLEL WANT-ADS

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FOR INFO ON THESE AND OTHER PROGRAMS, CALL HILLEL 749-2271
MASADA

Masada, a mountain-rock on the western shores of the Dead Sea, was the scene or one of the most dramatic revolts in history. During the 1st century C.E. Judea lay under Roman occupation; Jewish revolts escalated into war in 66 C.E. and in the year 70 Jerusalem fell.

For the next three years, just under 1000 Jews, led by Eleazar ben Yair, held out against the Tenth Roman Legion, led by Flavius Silva. A ring of camps and a wall were built around the doomed fortress, and a ramp built to facilitate the attack. When the end was near, ben Yair urged his followers to be faithful to their cause (passion for liberty, refusal to bow down to anyone but God) and not surrender. Thus, 960 men, women, and children chose to die at their own hands—the men killing their families, then drawing lots to see who would kill his comrades. Food and water were left, so the Romans would know that they died for freedom, not because of hunger or thirst.

The story of Masada will be broadcast on ABC (Ch. 2) April 5-8 from 8-10pm. While the basic story is true to history, a number of inaccuracies and anachronisms remain. Most notably is the representation of Roman rule in Judea. It was not a passing, passive occupation; rather, the Tenth Legion was in the provinces to stay. The Roman rule was viscous and tyrannical. The portrayal of Eleazar ben Yair as a secular, even atheistic leader is inconsistent with Josephus' account, the major source for our knowledge about Masada. Other, more obvious anachronisms exist, such as Jews in Arab headdress, Arab belly-dancers, Yemenite prayer and dance, and most of the synagogue ritual and activity, a much later development.

For the most part, the core of the program is historically true, as far as we know. We hope that you will watch the program, and learn more about the heroes of Masada.

PASSEOVER

Just a reminder. The 1st Seder is Sat, April 10. The Hillel 2nd Seder will be on Sunday, April 19 at the JCC at 7pm. Cost is $6.00 for members, $7.00 for non-members. In addition, Hillel is arranging home hospitality for both Seders. Reservations for the Hillel Seder and requests for hospitality must be in by April 10. Kosher for Passover meals will be available Monday thru Friday of the holiday. UH meals will be at the Religion Center, 12N-1pm, $1.50 members/ $2.00 non-members. The Rice Food Service is providing Kosher for Pesach meals in the Baker College Training Room. There is no charge for on campus Rice students, off campus students and Med/Grad students in TMC will be charged $2.50. No reservations are necessary for weekday meal.
Hillel Eat n Chat Deli

at
Will Rice College's P.D.R.

Wednesday, April 1st
12-1 pm

$1.00 - members  $1.50 - non-members

For further information:
Call Rabbi Osadchey
749-2271
Dear Friend,

In an effort to improve the quality of Jewish life at Rice, Hillel is seeking students to serve in leadership capacities on a student va'ad (council). The purpose of the Va'ad will be to plan, coordinate, and implement programs at Rice. In addition, the Va'ad will act as the liaison with other Hillel chapters, with the Jewish community (e.g. Federation, UJA) and the university (e.g. administration, Joint Campus Ministry).

Below is a draft proposal for the Rice Va'ad. Your comments are welcome since the final guidelines will be voted upon following the election of the Va'ad members.

If you are interested in serving on the Rice Hillel Va'ad, please call Hillel (749-2271) and submit your name or drop off a nomination in the Hillel box in Bonnie Bellun's office. Nomination deadline is April 8. Elections will be held April 22.

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**RICE HILLEL VA'AD DRAFT PROPOSAL**

I. A. The Rice Hillel will form a board (va'ad) to oversee, plan, and coordinate Rice Hillel functions and activities.

B. This va'ad shall be composed of 13 members. These members shall be the President, Vice-President, and Secretary (as officers), 9 representatives (one from each college), and a graduate student.

C. Each rep shall be responsible for publicity and space arrangements in his or her own college.

D. The Va'ad shall meet at least once a month to plan events for the following month.

E. The reps shall either volunteer for their position or shall be chosen by the executive committee. Each rep shall appoint a proxy in the event that he/she is unable to attend the meeting.

II. A. The officers shall be elected from the group as a whole in the spring preceding the year they will be in office.

B. The President's duties shall be to oversee the various committees, do all necessary administrative work, and be the Rice Hillel Representative for outside functions.

C. The Vice-President shall be in charge of all of the programming details and preside at functions in the absence of the President.

D. The Secretary's duties shall be to maintain a record of all Hillel activities and to coordinate the publicity.

E. The officers shall form an executive committee, whose purpose shall be to coordinate committee activities and to present an agenda for the va'ad meeting.

F. All officers shall also be members of the Houston Area Hillel Va'ad.

III. A. The faculty advisor to the Rice Hillel and the Hillel director shall be ex-officio members of the Rice Va'ad.
Hillel Presents:

Our Ean n Chat Deli Lunch at

Hovett College's P.D.R.

Wednesday, April 8th
12 - 1 pm

$1.00 - members
$1.50 - non-members

For further Information:
call Rabbi Osadchey
749-2271
Hillel Eat 'n Chat Deli
at Hanszen College's P.O.R.
Wednesday, April 15th
12-1 pm
$1.00 - members
$1.50 - non-members
for further information:
call Rabbi Osdochey - 749-2271
Something on your mind??

Stop by and say hello!
Rabbi Shaul Osadchy's new Rice office hours:
Every Tuesday and Thursday
4-5 pm at the Chaplain's Office
(Choisters)
527-4970
or by appointment: 749-2271
KOSHER FOR PASSOVER LUNCHES
FOR RICE & TMC STUDENTS
APRIL 20-24; 12N-1PM
RICE UNIVERSITY,
BAKER TRAINING ROOM
(enter gate #7 on University, Baker is past the tennis courts, on the right)
COST: Free to on-campus Rice students
$2.50 TMC & off-campus Rice
MASADA UNCOVERED: An Archaeologist's View

With: Dr. Yigal Shiloh, Hebrew University

Wed., April 22
Religion Center, Upstairs Lobby
Passover Lunch begins at 11:30; Lecture-12 Noon
Cost: $1.50/Members; $2.00/Non-Members

Sponsored by: B'Nai Brith Hillel Foundation
Hebrew Studies (Spanish & Other Languages)
April 21, 1981

Dear

Even before Passover comes to an end, I want to thank you on behalf of the Hillel Foundation for so generously opening your home to students this year. You have made it possible for students who could not be with their own relatives to enjoy the warmth and joy of a family Seder. The impact of this positive Jewish experience, shared among students and the Houston community, remains a powerful and beautiful one.

I hope you had a healthy and happy Passover this year. Thank you once again for making it healthy and happy for students as well.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director
I'll see you all at the last Hillel Deli of the semester.

WED, APRIL 29
12 NOON
BROWN P.D.R.
guest: author Peter Hellman, author of Avenue of the Righteous

V'adad Election Results

President: Nancy Rapoport
V-P: Steve Arons
Secretary/Treasurer: Michael Trachtenberg

At this deli, we will be seeking an appointing a representative and alternate from each college to serve on the V'adad
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

April 30  Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) - creative service followed by comments from writer Peter Hellman, author of The Avenue of the Righteous at Temple Beth Israel, 7:30 pm.

May 2  "The Culture of the Shtetl", sponsored by the ADL and local congregations. Program is "Music of the Shtetl" by Ruth Rubin, Yiddish musicologist. Temple Beth Israel, 8:00pm.

May 3  "Judaism and Sex", a lecture by Dr. and Mrs. Jerome Sherman, Come early for a $1.99 all-you-can-eat deli dinner. Sponsor" Houston Memorial B'nai Brith Lodge. Henriew Academy, 5435 S.Braeswood, 7:00pm.

May 11 "Celebration 33" - a theater party honoring Israel's Independence Day. Program features the world premier of Chaim Potok's movie "The Chosen" plus a special show by film and t.v. stars. All this takes place at the Galleria Plaza theaters. Student USHERS are needed and will allow you free admission. Otherwise tickets are $100.00! Call Hillel immediately to serve as an usher.

ACTION ALERTS

FIGHT AWAC SALE TO SAUDIS!

Reagan's proposed offensive equipment package for the F-15's and the sale of AWACs to the Saudis imperils both Israeli and US interests. Several reasons that we oppose the sale, and believe it is not in the best interest of our country, are as follows:

1. In 1978, the U.S. Congress allowed the original F-15 sale only after receiving a written commitment from the Administration that the aircraft would always remain defensive in configuration.

2. While the original sale was predicated upon Saudi political moderation, Saudi Arabia has continued to oppose the Israel-Egypt peace process, financially and politically supports the PLO, and has denied the U.S. bases in Saudi Arabia. The Saudis have threatened to use their newly acquired weapons to destroy Israel.

3. The proposed weapons could not offer real resistance to the Soviet Union, and could not be utilized to stop the only real threat to the Saudis; the threat of internal revolution.

4. With the many parallels between pre-Khomeini Iran and present day Saudi Arabia, the possibility of those arms falling into unfriendly hands is too great to risk.

Write to:

Representatives:
Bill Archer
Jack Fields
Mickey Leland
Ron Paul

U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Senators:
Lloyd Bentsen
John Tower

U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510
Soviet Jewry

Hillel, as part of a nationwide campus campaign to refocus attention on Soviet Jewry, has "adopted" refusenik Svetlana Shulemovich. She is an 18 year old medical student from Novosibirsk who has been seeking to emigrate to Israel with her parents since 1978. Please take a moment to write her at:

Svetlana SHULEMOVICH
Uchionykh 5-62
Akademgorodok
Novosibirsk 630072, RSFSR, USSR

For further information on our Soviet Jewry project, please call 749-2271.

Hillel Summer Programs

If you are planning on being in Houston this summer and would like to join other college students for outings, theater, sports events, and Shabbat programs, please call Hillel and we'll put you on the summer mailing list.

Hillel- 749-2271

Help Wanted

General office duties, part time. Non-profit Jewish organization. 961-3759.

Secretary/administrative assistant, Full-time. Non-profit Jewish organization. Good typing skills, able to take responsibility, must be organized. 961-3759.
MAY 4, 1981

Dear Friend,

Please let me extend to you wishes for success on your final exams and for those of you graduating, my hope that your future will be a bright and happy one. It's now been two years since I've come to Houston to assume the responsibilities of making Hillel a full-time, viable Jewish presence at Rice U. During that time, we've experienced a renewed interest in Jewish life, some successful programs, and increasing support for our activities from the Jewish community at large. We've also suffered from the birthpangs—some organization confusion, several poorly attended programs as we searched for student interest, and lack of student initiative and leadership.

But, when all is considered, Hillel has come a long way! Perhaps our most significant development was the creation of a Rice student va'ad (council). I am personally confident that our elected officers—Nancy, Steve, and Michael—and our college representatives will open a new and energetic era of Jewish student life at Rice.

Next year represents an exciting opportunity for people to become involved in Hillel. I hope that you will place us high on your agenda of activities for next year.

Wishing you an enjoyable and rejuvenating summer vacation.

B'Shalom (in peace),

P.S. If you have any programmatic suggestions please feel free to contact me during the summer and I will forward your ideas to the Va'ad.
the Career Crowd & Hillel
extend an invitation to young Jewish singles
to enjoy an evening together in the Grand Ballroom of the

Houston Oaks Hotel
WESTERN INTERNATIONAL HOTELES

5011 Westheimer at the Galleria

Sunday, May 31
8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Two-dollar door charge is required to cover expenses and further Jewish singles activities in the Houston area.
At University of Houston

**Hillel offers High Holiday services**

The Houston B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation will be conducting services for the High Holidays at the University of Houston Religion Center. Jewish students attending all universities and colleges in the greater Houston area are invited to attend both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Hillel Director, will officiate along with students who will assume cantorial and liturgical responsibilities.

Rabbi Osadchey noted that Hillel is fortunate to have the use of the Religion Center Chapel. Its location within the tree-lined grounds of the University of Houston creates a very warm and reflective atmosphere for the High Holidays. The liturgy will seek to harmonize the setting through the supplementation of the conservative prayer book with creative readings and musical accompaniment by several talented students.

The ample size of the Religion Center Chapel will allow Hillel to offer a limited number of seats to the general Jewish community. Those interested are asked to send a suggested $15 per ticket ($30 per family) to Hillel, University of Houston-Religion Center, 3801 Cullen Blvd., Houston, Texas 77004. Tickets are on a first-come first-served basis and will help Hillel defray the cost of services and the Yom Kippur Break-the-Fast.

For further information call the Hillel office at 749-2271.
help is for our spiritual component. Both of these factors combine to offer a paean of praise to the Almighty. The keynote of that song is sounded on Rosh Hashana when "all those who enter the world come before Thee like a flock in judgement". May our judging and judgement for the year ahead be filled with health and well being and unlimited peace.

Rabbi Aaron B. Selidman
Jewish Federation Hospital Chaplain

Rosh Hashanah Messages

This midrash recognizes the difficulty in achieving a true peace, a "heavenly" peace - threatening to change or be changed by the other. Though God may be empowered to achieve such a peace, it would seem to be no simple task for us. Still, we must try, for the extent to which we promote peace and social justice will be directly proportionate to the quality of our lives in the coming decade.

May God grant us the strength and determination to "seek peace and pursue it" so that we and all humankind will experience a year of health, happiness, and prosperity.

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director
October 31, 1980

Dear Friend,

As the fall semester gets well under way, let me take this moment to express my appreciation on behalf of the B'naï B'rith Hillel Foundation for your donation to our program during the High Holidays. Hillel takes special pride in being able to offer religious services not only to students and the academic community, but to members of the Jewish community at large. We hope that you found our services meaningful and spiritually rejuvenating.

As a special friend of Hillel, we would like to extend to you an invitation to participate in our community-wide programs during the year. You will receive notice in the future of lectures by key Jewish personalities, Jewish studies courses, and social action projects sponsored by Hillel. Please feel free to call upon us for any matters of Judaic concern.

Let me once again thank you for being part of the Hillel community and helping enable us to continue our very important work on Houston's campuses.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director

RSO: jr
Hoffman given B’nai b’rith award for humanitarianism

By BRIAN FORD

Former UH System President Philip G. Hoffman received the B’nai B’rith International Humanitarian Award Sunday night for his improvement of the community and the University of Houston.

Mayor Jim McComb presented Hoffman with the Gold Medallion for Humanitarianism at a $125-a-plate dinner at the Galleria Plaza Hotel, attended by 600 people.

Former B’nai B’rith president David Blumberg said the Humanitarian Award is the highest given by the organization, which operates in more than 43 countries. He said the Australian Prime Minister was the last to have received the award. “A college professor to us is the ideal person for this award,” Blumberg said. He added that B’nai B’rith has been involved in youth activities since 1924, and tries to give “a sense of maturity to youngsters.”

Hoffman, who has been named President Emeritus of UH, served as UH president for 18 years. Now retired, Hoffman serves as a consultant for the Mitchell Energy Corporation.

Hoffman was also presented with a lithograph of the painting, “In Search of the Beyond,” and his wife Mary was presented with a pen-and-ink drawing of Hoffman.

UH System President Charles Bishop said that while Hoffman was president UH went from a small, locally oriented university to an institution of international repute. “There are few people who have served in an institution for such a long period,” he said. Bishop said progress at UH was so rapid under Hoffman that he became known as “Hoffman the Builder.”

“He was wise in that he left the university an open-ended system and gave each campus its own responsibilities.”

Hoffman said he was pleased to receive the award but added he could think of no single specific accomplishment of his that caused the award to be given to him. “I must acknowledge the unusual opportunity I’ve had with the University of Houston, an institution which prizes human rights, values, and principles—the same principles held by B’nai B’rith.”

Hoffman cited his wife’s support for him as one of the reasons for his success.
Jews celebrate new year, remember old traditions

UH Jewish students will gather to observe the Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashanah, which begins tonight, signaling the start of the Jewish High Holidays.

Several important theological and liturgical themes permeate the High Holiday ritual, according to Rabbi Shaul Oadchey, director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, the campus Jewish organization. "Traditionally, these ideas include the theme of Creation, Repentance, and Judgement. Rabbinic literature, chronicles of teachings by rabbis forming the basis of Jewish moral and legal codes, maintains that the world was created on Rosh Hashanah," Oadchey said.

"This serves to remind the Jew of the need to harmonize one's existence with the natural world," he said. Teshuvah, literally translated from the Hebrew as "returning," represents the central responsibility of every Jew to engage in the process of self-examination of one's deeds and reconciliation with those whom one has wronged during the previous year, he said.

According to Jewish tradition, Rosh Hashanah is the day on which God judges the deeds of every person.

According to the legend, what happens to these people is decided by the sincerity of their repentance during the ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, which concludes the High Holiday festival. While this story is merely a legend, it attests to the importance placed by Jews upon resolving to live better lives and striving to promote peace and understanding among all peoples. The Shofar, made from the horn of a ram, is blown on the High Holidays to remove any complacency still residing among Jews.

Services for the Jewish New Year will be held in the Religion Center. The first service begins on Wednesday evening, Sept. 10, at 7:30 p.m. with Rabbi Shaul Oadchey officiating. Services continue on Thursday and Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Students wishing to attend are asked to bring their student identification.
Hillel, the Jewish Student Organization is celebrating the holiday of Sukkot which commemorates the wandering of the Israelites in the desert.
Everyday problems accepted

Religion Center may answer students’ questions

By SHARI WEINGARTEN, Staff Writer for The Cougar

There are probably many students (frolickers and veterans alike), who have questions about becoming oriented with UH and adapting themselves to college life. There are counseling services on campus whose purpose it is to help; students feel comfortable with college and answer their questions, whether they are directly or indirectly related to their own lives. This semester is a good time to make students aware of the special programs designed to meet their needs.

Emergency counseling is also available. Students who are interested in study and travel abroad, (such as Israel) should stop in at the Hillel at Bruce Religion Center and speak to Rabbi Osadchey.

Asking for how many people take advantage of this service, the Rabbi responded, “I haven’t had many people in. When more people are aware of my presence, they’ll come in when the need arises.”

Essentially, the B’nai—Brith Hillel is geared towards Jewish students, but anyone is welcome. Besides religious counseling, psychological counseling and testing is available, and is located on the third floor of the Student Life Building. The whole area has been psychologically trained. These people are more than happy to help, but they don’t give academic advice. “Usually around registration, many students come in for academic advisement. We can’t be responsible for opening up catalogues and telling students what courses to take.” says Raymond Lenart, one of the counselors.

It is also a national testing center and exams for advanced placement courses and GRE’s.

The counseling services consist of vocational and educational assistance. Some of these programs are study skills, identifying problems, reading difficulties, time management, and retention of information.

There is a personal counseling service. People who have personal problems that interfere with their performance in school can see these counselors. This service is solely voluntary and completely confidential. These records are kept separate from the student’s academic records.

“Everyone encounters problems in everyday life. The old stigma of having to be seriously mentally ill to come in and see a counselor is just not valid. We’ll try to help anyone that comes to us.”

Anyone can walk in. The walk in hours are Monday-Friday from 9-3 p.m. everyday. On Monday and Tuesday, besides the 9-3 schedule there is also a walk in schedule from 5-6:30 p.m. to accommodate evening students. Unless it is an emergency, walk-in sessions usually have a half hour the most. If more time is needed an appointment can be set up, probably in the same week.

Religious counseling is one of the services available on campus. According to Father Philip Lambert, a UH priest, many students take advantage of it. “People know us. Our credibility has been established. When students walk into a counseling center they usually don’t know anyone, whereas most people know us even before stepping into the office,” Lambert said.

They are usually asked questions about the Bible, Jesus Christ, and the Catholic Church. They also help people who have moral questions or personal relationships or problems with parents. Most people come in just to have someone listen. People who need “counseling” such as a death in the family or roommate problems. This type of counseling is handled on an appointment basis.

Father Lambert is not at the UH religion center, he may be reached at the Catholic Newman Center on Calhoun St.

If religious counseling is not what the student needs, he is referred to the counseling Center. Lambert said he wants students who need this assistance to make use of it. “Anyone is welcome here, we are happy to be the middle person,” he said.

Rabbi Schaul Osadchey, the newly appointed Hillel Director also has a short term counseling program. The Rabbi helps students who have religious questions and personal problems.
A College Course Offered by Joint Campus Ministry

O.P. 526-3809
527-8101 ext. 3205  "NOT READY FOR PRIME TIME PRESSURES:"
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526-2328
749-2271
528-0527

"LIVING, LOVING, AND LIMITS IN THE 80′s"
WHERE? Brown College, P.D.R.

When? Tuesday evenings from 7:30 until 9

OCTOBER 14

"Shuffling Your Priorities and Dealing Yourself a Winning Hand"

When faced with making many of life's decisions by and for yourself, the pressure becomes great. The options are many. Come and talk about what the better options are. Wear casual clothes and bring an open mind.

SPEAKER: Mrs. Bonnie Hellums, Office of Student Advising and Activities

OCTOBER 21

"Mirror, Mirror On the Wall"

A discussion on the concept of self-esteem in society. The extremes of narcissism and self-destructive behavior will be explored along with their antidote: a healthy attitude of self-worth as a creation of God.

SPEAKER: Rev. Terry Thompson, Wesley Foundation

OCTOBER 28

"Friendship and Intimacy: Being Close When It Counts"

This discussion will focus on the vital role played by friendship and intimacy in youth by Dr. Dan Brener, Psychiatric Services, Sister Angelica Menta, M.S.W., psycho-therapist in private practice; and Dr. Stewart Baker, Office of Student Advising and Activities

NOVEMBER 4

"Sexual Ethics and Religious Perspectives Uncovered"

This session will deal with an examination of the various religious traditions and their views on pre-marital sex, birth control, and abortion.

SPEAKER: Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, B'Nai B'Rith Hillel Foundation

NOVEMBER 11

"Stop The World, I Want To Get On: Making The Transition From Campus To Community"

This session will explore the student's responsibility to be informed of social concerns and to be of service in the world.

SPEAKER: Rev. Gerald Le Pera, Baptist Student Union; Dr. James Dunn, Director of Christian Life Commission, Dallas

NOVEMBER 18

"Living With God: Questions, Answers, and Mystery"

Participants will be invited to discover how their God makes the difference, helps to tie up some loose ends, and allows them to live with some difficult questions and answers.

SPEAKER: Father Gary Adams, O.P., Catholic Student Center
October 12, 1980

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Director
B'Nai B'Rith Hillel Foundation
University of Houston Religion Center
3801 Cullen Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Rabbi Osadchey:

This is to reaffirm the plans we discussed by telephone on October 12, 1980 concerning the lecture in the Food and Culture class on October 16, 1980 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

My office is located on the top floor of the Freeman Building, the first door to the right after you enter through the south exit doors (Room 1.756). I will await your arrival there. My phone number is 792-4460 or 4497. Please park in Garage No. 4, which is off Ross Sterling. We will be able to validate your parking ticket.

The class is comprised of twelve students, all but one of whom are enrolled in the Program in Nutrition and Dietetics. Of interest are such aspects of Dietary laws of the Jewish as: what is Kosher food; how did the concept originate; how is it prepared; any special eating practices associated with it; any important aspects necessary for the food service manager or dietitian in institutions who are responsible for meal planning and preparation; concerns with the therapeutic diets (low sodium, infant formulas, for example). These ideas are listed to show you our areas of interest. Whatever you intend to cover will be very welcomed and appreciated.

Enclosed is a reprinted journal article which is required reading prior to the lecture.

Thank you for your interest. I'm sure I am speaking for the class as well as myself when I express our anticipation of your talk.

Sincerely,

Lynn Afsahi
Visiting Instructor
Dissident describes prison horrors

By MIKE SLOAN
Staff Writer

Declaring that the greatest threat to world peace is the war of a government against its own people, exiled Argentine dissident Jacobo Timerman brought his human rights campaign to Houston Thursday.

"The human rights problem is the world's third great war of this century," he said.

Speaking before a capacity crowd at the Jewish Community Center, the 57-year-old former editor and publisher of an influential Buenos Aires newspaper, said an estimated 15,000 to 20,000 people have mysteriously disappeared in Argentina since the coup d'etat in 1976.

Timerman called on the Argentine military junta to account for the whereabouts of the "desaparecidos." As these victims are known there.

"We, also, must have trials for those who are in the prisons and have not been tried. For those who have been in prison for 15 or 20 years, there must be new trials. And hopefully, jail conditions will improve."

In a press conference prior to his speech, which was sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League, Timerman explained that while he was in prison most prisoners were allowed to walk in the galleries of the prison during exercise periods. The Jewish prisoners, he said, were forced to walk on all fours, like dogs, in the lower parts of the prison.

He indicated that conditions in Argentina might improve, though "very, very slowly," as a result of world-wide interest in human rights matters and because his personal friend and colleague, Peter Esquivel, has been awarded the 1980 Nobel Peace Prize.

"The fact that the peace prize was awarded to a human rights fighter," he said, "and not to somebody who made peace between two countries, like Kissinger or Sadat or Begin, means... (many people realize) the danger is not war between countries but war of one country or one government against its own people."

Esquivel, like Timerman, was arrested by the Argentine military junta in 1977 and was repeatedly subjected to various forms of torture including electric shocks, deprivation of food and water and physical beatings.

An irrepressible human rights activist, Timerman in 1971 founded the Buenos Aires newspaper, La Opinion, which was to become one of Latin America's leading dailies. Through his newspaper, Timerman championed the rights of anyone accused of a crime, leftists and rightists, to a fair trial.

"One day," he said, smiling, "I received death threats from both the right and the left. I wrote a column that day and wondered publicly who would get my body."

Timerman, who said he was the only Jewish newspaper publisher and political columnist in Argentina, decided to openly defy the military junta when an officer explained to him that rather than follow a policy of repression of opposition parties, they intended to exterminate them.

At that point, he said, he began editorializing against the government and publishing lists of those who had disappeared.

Then, in May, 1977, in the middle of the night, Timerman was arrested by government agents and taken to a clandestine prison, where for 20 hours a day for four days he was tortured.

"I knew I was going to be arrested the day before it happened," he explained. "But I could not take refuge because I am a Jew. I couldn't stand the idea of the military rulers saying 'Look at the Jew run. I couldn't do it.'"

It was a month after his arrest before Timerman's family was permitted to visit him in jail. By that time he had been tortured with electric shocks. He had been beaten and had lost sight.

Timerman, who remarked almost jokingly that he became an expert at being tortured, said he personally witnessed the brutality of the government interrogators.

In one instance a confession was plied from a man as he was being forced to watch the rape of his daughter in-law. In another case, Timerman watched the brutal torture of a man who later would die as a direct result of the torture.

The government eventually admitted but never formally charged Timerman of having committed "subversive acts" and "economic crimes," though a military tribunal and the country's supreme court later admitted he was innocent of the accusations.

World-wide protests, personal intervention by President Carter and a special envoy from the Pope eventually led to Timerman's release, having spent a year in prison and a year and a half under stringent house arrest.

His property was seized, he was stripped of his Argentine citizenship and he and his immediate family were expelled to Israel, where he and his wife now live.

Asked by a reporter how he survived the brutality of his captors, Timerman said that he constantly reminded himself that he had "a place to return to."
Dissident tells of Siberian hardship

By KELLEY GRIFFIN
Staff Writer

Edward Kusnctsov, a Jewish dissident from the Soviet Union said Ronald Reagan would not be the best president in dealing with the Soviet Union.

Kusnetsov said that Reagan is the stronger of the candidates, but is not flexible. "It is important to elect someone who is strong and flexible," he said.

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of B’nai B’rith Hillel, introduced Kusnetsov at a luncheon in the A. D. Bruce Religion Center, saying, "He is in the same class as Sakarol and Solzhenitsyn in the dissident movement. His cause was the cause celebre for not just the Jewish movement, but the entire dissident movement."

Kusnetsov was sentenced to death for his role in a 1970 hijacking. However, as a result of pressures from both Western and Russian activists, the sentence was commuted to 15 years in a labor camp for political dissidents. There was considerable pressure for his release, and in 1979 he and three other dissidents were released in exchange for two Soviet spies convicted of espionage in New Jersey.

He now lives in Israel and is active in the campaign for human rights. He was first arrested in 1961 for his active involvement in promotion of the democratic system. After release from a labor camp in 1968, he became active in the Jewish dissident movement which led to his participation in the protest hijacking in 1970.

That hijacking in 1970 was an action to demonstrate the Jews’ desire to immigrate, and the arrest drew attention to Jews’ desperate situation, he said.

Kusnetsov said his desire to survive his time in the labor camps was partly due to his awareness of Western support. Without that support it would have been more difficult but "you must survive, you have no choice," he said.

The issue of Jewish rights to emigrate from the Soviet Union is a part of the whole democratic human rights issue. Kusnetsov said. "Not only freedoms of immigration, but the free dissemination of literature and other democratic values are concerns of dissidents," he said.

He said Russian reports that restrictions on Jews are easing are "very false... (that information) is absolutely controlled by the government. It is only a show of liberties to the West."

While in prison camp, Kusnetsov wrote parts of a book on toilet paper, and carried it in a capsule in his mouth tied to a tooth with string. If in danger of being discovered, it would be necessary to bite the thread and swallow the capsule, he said. He sent the information to France to be published through visitors—"if they have teeth too," he said. A book is about human rights and yet unpublished.
Group’s goal is atonement

By SHARI WEINGARTEN
Staff Writer

Susanne Willems, a German student, is involved in an organization attempting to atone for those wrongs committed during the Holocaust, and to prevent fascism from ever taking control and destroying peoples lives again.

Willems spoke yesterday at the B'nai B'rith Hillel, sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League, to discuss the ASF (Action Reconciliation Service for Peace).

The Aktion Suhehzeichen Friedensdienste, translates from German to mean, action, atonement and modesty. ASF is an organization formed in 1958, by a group of outstanding Christians from the Protestant Church in Nazi Germany, whose members refused to cooperate with the German government. ASF has since given German youths the opportunity to participate in acts of reconciliation with those peoples who suffered under the rule of German fascism.

In the United States, Canada, Poland and Israel, the ASF is involved in three basic areas of work: community organizing, social services, and peace education. "In Nazi Germany, 'Aryans,' or pure Germans, were believed to have been superior peoples. People who were disabled and could not contribute to society were thought of as valueless, and murdered. Today, we take the side of those who are neglected," Willems said.

In Poland, the ASF provides short term work service and study for young people at the memorial centers of former Nazi concentration camps at Auschwitz, Majdanek and Stutthof. "The young Germans stay in memorial sites for about a week. In March, there were 30 Germans doing volunteer services," Willems said.

"In Poland everything you see and do is in relation to the Holocaust. When we first arrived, we did not identify ourselves as Germans, rather as Europeans. We needed to identify ourselves, and the survivors of the Holocaust encouraged us to accept and learn," Willems said.

"Our main function is social services. In Israel we worked with the elderly and handicapped, in the states, soup kitchens were established, and our volunteers worked with drug addicts."

Willems travels from city to city. She spent two months working at children's camps over the summer, and speaks to different Jewish and Christian groups as she travels. "My interest began with my studies in history. I wanted to learn about the resistance movement in Germany during the Holocaust," Willems said.

Willems is amazed that she feels safe and comfortable speaking to Jewish people. She also discussed the issue of prejudice. "The steps of discrimination in Germany escalated to exploitation, and mass murder. In school, we accepted the death figures and did not ask questions. It wasn't a denial, but a taboo. This made me aware of the consequences prejudice can have.

"I can see the effect the Holocaust had on my grand-parents. My grandmother is a frightened person. My grandfather didn't have the guts to speak up against what was wrong. My friend taught me a poem, in which one of the verses says, 'For the sake of the dead, keep silent, and act for the sake of the living,'" she said.
To: Religious Groups

From: Jackie

Thanksgiving Celebration
Tues. Nov. 25 - NOON

(This times are approx. in order to give some idea of when groups would be participating)

NOON - Introduction - Opening (Bernett)

12:10 - Baptist Student Union

12:20 - Literature - Aileen Lewis

12:25 - Music - Thanksgiving Service

12:30 - Ballard - Service Areas

12:40 - Nibley

12:50 - Steve and Wendy Jones' Choir (?)

1:00 - Closing

If there are any changes or a change in order please let me know.

Thank you.
Lighting of the Menorah

UH celebrates Chanukah

By BARBARA BARTON
Staff Writer

Jewish students at UH are observing the Festival of Chanukah, an ancient tradition rejoicing the Jews fight for religious freedom and a rededication of the Jewish faith.

Chanukah is an eight-day long holiday primarily characterized by the lighting of the Menorah, the festival candelabra. Its history dates back to the triumph of the Hasomeans in 165 B.C. in their struggle of religious freedom and cultural identity.

According to the Talmudic legend, when Judah Maccabee and his followers were preparing to rededicate the Temple of Jerusalem, they were unable to find enough undefiled oil to light the lamps. After searching the temple they came upon a small vessel, enough to last only one evening. By a miracle, according to the legend, it lasted eight days until new oil could be found. This explains the custom of lighting an additional candle every night of the holiday, which began after sunset Dec. 2 and will last until before sunset of Dec. 10, according to Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, UH B'nai B'rith Hillel director.

This year Chanukah means something more than the historical events to the Jews, Osadchey said. "Khomeini is blaming the late Shah and his supporters for the problems in Iran. The Jews are increasingly being denied the enjoyment of some of the rites under the new rulers," he said. "The Jews are also struggling in the Soviet Union because they are trying to disseminate the Jewish religion."

Chanukah is the most celebrated holiday of the Jewish calendar, Osadchey said.

The light of the Menorah is also very special. At sunset of each day of the holiday, a candle is lit and a special blessing said. "The Jews had to fight for their uniqueness and were struggling against Egypt and Syria," Osadchey said.

Osadchey said candles will be lit at UH during the lunch hour and any student who wishes may come by. Osadchey will be at the A.D. Bruce Religion Center.

Photo by MARK BARFIELD

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of Hillel sits behind the lighted Menorah. One candle will be lit each night on the Menorah throughout the celebration of Chanukah.
LETTERS

Students show no respect

To the Editor:
To say I was appalled and shocked to see the mentality of some student or students on this campus is a gross understatement. On Tuesday morning, Dec. 2, I was unusually lucky to find a front row parking space in the Hofheinz parking lot at 9:30, so I took it.

When I came out to my car at 12:30, some really nice, thoughtful and quite tactless person engraved "fuck you" on the hood of my car. Now I could understand someone using a finger to write such an obscenity, but engraving the phrase on my car is quite another matter.

Now I have two options, neither of which helps me with my yuletide budget. The first is to have the hood sanded and repainted; the second is to buy a new hood. I have funds for neither option.

I think it is about time for people to learn respect for other people's property, especially since I was within the white lines of the parking space. Just think what kind of publicity our beloved school will have when I explain to other people how I got such a lovely memento in the first place.

It really is a shame to think college educated people resort to such stupid tactics against fellow students. I hope the incredibly stupid person or persons who did this to my car has (have) a Merry Christmas because I now have a hunk of my small Christmas funds missing because I have to pay for someone's stupid and childish prank.

Name withheld by request

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Zionist dogma key to unrest

reader says

To The Editor:

In answer to a letter in The Daily Cougar, Dec. 9, 1980.

I am not anti-Jewish, but anti-Zionist. If your brother believes in the Golden Rule, but claims to be Zionist, he is a bigot. The Zionists are immigrant Jews to Palestine, who forced Palestinian Christians, Moslems, and Jews to leave, be killed, or live without rights. The people of Palestine are descendents of Ishmael and Isreal, both descendents of Abraham. Not all descendents of Israel are Zionists or even Jews.

The real problem of peace is that relatives have a hard time getting along. I am pointing the finger to your side of the family who claim to be Zionists because they have taken away the rights of the people on both sides of our families. By forcing the Jewish, Christian and Moslem Palestinians to forfeit their land, Zionists have caused a racism between the religions, not only in Palestine, but spreading to Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Egypt and Libya. Lebanon, at one time, the most beautiful, peaceful and stable Arab country, is now divided between Christians supporting Zionists and Christians siding with Moslems. Some of my Arab and Hebrew speaking Jewish friends have immigrated to the United States from Israel to escape mandatory military service and the highest inflation in the world. Your brother and Zionists like him need to practice their belief in the Golden Rule by not practicing Zionism. He can't be a Zionist and love mankind or live in peace.

Peace means Palestinian rights.

Karen Kanouf

THE DAILY COUGAR

Despots, not Jews, stir unrest

To the Editor:

In light of the recent release of the American hostages from captivity in Iran, it is offensive to read the Iranian and Arab propaganda in the Cougar (letter 1-27-81). If we as Americans have learned anything from the recent turmoil in the Middle East, it is that Israel is not the source of the problems, but rather the Arab regime's despotic treatment of the Arab peoples and their desire to extort the Free World with oil. Israel, in fact, is the only democratic country in the Middle East and the only strategic ally the United States can count on in a crisis.

Any attempt to differentiate between "Jewish" and "Zionist" is merely an insidious ploy to shift inter-Arab and Moslem conflicts to a convenient scapegoat. To be Jewish is to be bound up with the fate of the entire Jewish people. The horrors of Nazi Germany established that connection permanently. The PLO in particular betrays their tenuous division between "Jewish" and "Zionist" through their cooperation with European fascists in the bombings of French Jewish synagogues and their recent opening prayer at the Islamic summit which called upon Allah to "help the Moslems cleanse Jerusalem of the Jews." It should also be noted that the PLO played a significant role in training and directing the Iranian militants who seized our embassy in Tehran.

Contrary to the letter, peace does not mean Palestinian rights if they are realized at the expense of Jewish rights. Peace will only come when there is mutual recognition of legitimate claims to the land and a non-violent resolution to those differences. Only then will the Middle East be a place where Jews, Arabs and Christians can live in dignity and security.

Rabbi Shaul Osadechey

Jewish Response 2/1/81 - The Cougar
"THE JEWISH SOVIET UNDERGROUND"

LECTURE BY:

RABBI SHAUL OSADCHEV

Of the University of Houston Hillel

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Refreshments will be served
Palestinians cited

B'nai B'rith urges boycott of festival

By LISA SNYDER
News Reporter

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation will boycott the remainder of the International Students' Festival unless a booth in the University Center representing Palestine is closed, the director of the foundation said.

The International Students' Organization (ISO) festival committee received a complaint Feb. 2 from Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of the foundation, requesting the General Union of Palestinian Students' booth be closed because it was not in compliance with the International Festival exhibition rules.

The foundation will boycott the remainder of the ISO Festival activities such as the variety show, food fair, and the arts and crafts exhibit Osadchey said. Students will also be circulating petitions for the boycott of the festival, he said.

Osadchey charged that the Palestinians should not have been granted permission to have a booth in the festival because it violated rule 12 of the exhibition rules which states that each booth must represent a country or an area and Palestine is neither a country or an area.

Osadchey also charged that the GUPS booth was in violation of rule six of the exhibition which states that "no political propaganda will be allowed" in the booths. Osadchey had examples of material he said was in the booth including slogans such as "Zionism is Racism," "Revolution Until Victory" and a symbol of the Star of David with a swastika inside and a skull and crossbones over the top. He said there were also maps of Israel at the booth with "Palestine" written inside the boundaries of the country.

Jennifer Lin, international activities advisor, said the ISO festival committee met to discuss Osadchey's complaint and voted to allow the booth to remain open. The committee also reviewed the material in the booth and took out the material that was in violation of the exhibition rules, Lin said.

The committee allowed the booth to remain open because "they reasoned that in terms of history although the names of this "area have been changed many people still recognize it as Palestine," Lin said.

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ISO disregards its own rules

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ISO 'bias' breaks rules

To The Editor:

After reading the article on the B'nai Brith boycott of the International Student Festival, I became indignant that my student fees were being used to promote hate literature in violation of ISO rules.

This is not a free speech or First Amendment issue since Hillel doesn't object to anyone setting up a table or forum, however abhorrent the views might be to the public.

Rather, the ISO's bias toward a particular perspective makes a mockery out of its pretense of abiding by rules which apply equally to all. Students should protest this blatant politicization of the ISO and demand that it end.

And by the way, contrary to The Cougar article, only eight pieces of "political propaganda" were removed by the ISO which meant that numerous inflammatory pamphlets containing distorted political information was allowed to remain on the tables.

Joseph Gavri
STOP

UH STUDENT FUNDING
OF TERRORIST GROUP!

PALESTINIAN LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO)—GENERAL UNION OF PALESTINIAN STUDENTS (GUPS) CONNECTION

— The PLO sponsors the GUPS as its official youth organization, with headquarters in Beirut, Lebanon.
— The PLO trained and directed Iranian militants in the takeover of the U.S. Embassy in Iran.
— PLO Terrorist mined the Embassy grounds and walls and served as guards.
— Sunday London Times, March 1980, revealed that Iran paid $2 royalty on every barrel of oil for PLO’s murder of Khomeini’s opponents.

GUPS—INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (ISO) CONNECTION

— ISO established a guideline of rules concerning deadlines, booth completion, and political propaganda which it repeatedly violated to accommodate the GUPS.
— ISO politicized its cultural International Student Festival by allowing the inclusion of a “Palestine” booth, neither a sovereign entity nor an internationally recognized area.
— ISO allowed the GUPS to display inflammatory hate literature depicting Nazi swastikas and calling for the destruction of the Jewish State of Israel.

ISO-UH CONNECTION

— ISO is a student organization which receives $11,400 a year from UH Student Activity Fees.

BOYCOTT THE ISO INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL!
CUT OFF STUDENT FUNDS TO THE ISO!

Please clip, circulate, and return to Hillel, Religion Center, Room 106

Dear Student Service Fees Allocation Committee,

We, the undersigned, refuse to condone the ISO’s repeated violation of its own rules which prohibit the politicization of the organization. Specifically, we object to our student activity fees being used to provide a forum for the PLO, which participated in the taking of the American hostages in Iran.

We therefore urge that student activity fee monies be withheld from the ISO until it demonstrates impartial and non-political bias in its conduct.

[Signatures]

PAID FOR BY THE B’NAI B’RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION
ISO revealing anti-Semitic viewpoint

To the Editor:
At the recent International Festival, the International Student Organization revealed its true colors as an anti-Semitic, pro-"Palestinian" group. The only nations represented at this festival were Turkey, Korea, India, the Arab states, and something called "Palestine". In fact, the General Union of Palestinian Students, which sponsored this booth, is nothing but a youth front organization for the so called Palestinian Liberation Organization, analogous to the Comsomol or the Hitler Youth. Among other charming articles offered in the booth were Stars of David adorned with swastikas, and handouts with such titles as "Zionism is Racism". ISO had the nerve to place a banner at the entrance to the festival proclaiming "Peace Begins With Understanding". It comes as no surprise that ISO membership is predominantly Arab. Naturally, the UH Hillel chapter, representing Israel, the only true nation in Palestine, was not invited to attend the festival.

I strongly support Hillel's boycott against the remainder of the festival activities and I urge that SA funds be withdrawn from ISO. I am outraged that my student fees are supporting an organization that condones anti-Semitism, terrorism, hatred, and misunderstanding, the very things these hypocrites claim to be against.

Mitchell J. Thompson
Hillel accusations against ISO not true

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to the article and the advertisement in the February 11th and 12th issues of the Daily Cougar in which the B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation accused the International Student Organization of being a terrorist group and portrayed the organization as being a PLO front. As someone who has been actively involved with the International Student Organization for the past two and a half years, I can categorically say that these allegations are not true.

The International Student Organization has continually striven to accommodate all the different international groups on campus without any prejudice or nepotism. Committees comprising students from many parts of the world deliberate for countless hours before any decisions on programs and policies are made. These deliberations are open to any interested students. When a compromise cannot be reached on any controversial subject or issue, the advisors are consulted for help. Student groups that disagree with any decisions made by the organization are allowed to petition the appropriate authorities.

The case in point is about the Palestine booth during the International Exhibits. All the booth coordinators from different parts of the world were warned that if any political items were displayed, the coordinator of the booth involved would be instructed to remove the items and if he—she refuses, the booth would be closed down. When inflammatory literature was displayed in the Palestine booth, the coordinator was ordered to remove the items that the International Festival Committee considered to be offensive and he did. As far as I am concerned, I think such an action should suffice. If the B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation is not satisfied with the operations and policies of the Festival, it should petition the appropriate authorities and accept whatever decision the authorities make.

It is unfair for the Foundation to accuse ISO of being a terrorist front and sympathizer. It is also appalling that the Foundation will use this issue to appeal to the sentiments and emotions of other students on this campus by claiming that the ISO supports the group the Foundation believes was very influential in the takeover of the American Embassy in Iran. The International students on this campus have worked very hard to gain the respect and support of various student organizations and the University administration, and we do not intend to lose anything now.

I strongly feel that the Foundation has blown this issue out of proportion, and I think it will be very unfair and unjust for any student to boycott the remaining programs of the International Festival, or support the withdrawal of funds to the ISO on the basis of the Foundation’s accusations. The students who care enough to take a stand on this issue simply do not have all the facts which they need before making a fair and just decision.

In conclusion, I think we should all learn to accommodate and compromise on sensitive issues that involve different factions. It’s a small world after all, let’s make it friendly.

Yomi Fayiga
Optometry

ISO violating its own rules by allowing Palestinian pamphlets

To The Editor:

Recently the ISO has been sponsoring the International Festival. One of the exhibition booths allowed was a Palestinian booth. Part of its exhibition was “Zionism is Racism” propaganda pamphlets, which clearly disregard the ISO’s exhibition rules stating that no political or religious propaganda be allowed. The material was disgraceful and a public reprimand is in order. Like many students, my student service and academic building use fee comprises a large percentage of my total fees to attend the U of H. I feel an explanation is due why that money is going to support an organization that allows and thereby implicitly condones these actions.

Larry Reah
LET US GET THE FACTS STRAIGHT!

Recently, the B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION placed a slanderous advertisement in this newspaper calling for boycott of the ISO sponsored International Festival. This Zionist group would not only like to deny you and the entire student body a great educational experience but has repeatedly slandered the peaceful Palestinian people.

FACTS ABOUT THE PLO
1. The PLO represents four million Palestinians and is not a terrorist organization.
2. The PLO is recognized by the World's Assembly as the sole representative of the Palestinian people and has been granted membership to the U.N.
3. The PLO sponsors charity organizations to aid the Palestinian refugees who have been assaulted, deported, murdered, and dehumanized by the fascist, racist, and Zionist Israeli government.
4. The PLO builds hospitals, schools, and other supportive facilities. The Zionist Israelis drop American-made bombs on these schools, hospitals, and supportive facilities.
5. The ultimate goal of the PLO is to rebuild the democratic government of Palestine with equal representation of Jews, Christians, and Moslems.

FACTS ABOUT ISRAEL
1. The Israeli government discriminates against Eastern and black Jews as well as the native Palestinian people.
2. Although Christians and Moslems represent one fourth of the population, they have no representation in the Knesset and are not allowed to form their own political parties.
3. Israeli oppression against the Palestinians is equal in severity to Hitler's oppression of the Jews.
4. Palestinians who were born on Palestinian soil are shot upon return, however Israeli immigration laws grant any Jew, despite his nationality, citizenship.
5. Emigration from Israel has increased to 18,000 due to the fact that Israel is only an illusion and can never be an independent, wealthy state. (Israel suffers 131.5 percent inflation).

The B'NAI B'RITH accused the representatives of the Palestinian people, the PLO, of terrorism. Yet, terrorism directed against the Palestinians is the historical basis for the illegal Zionist state of Israel.

The B'NAI B'RITH also failed to mention that the PLO was the first international organization to offer its assistance in mediating the hostage crisis in Iran.

SUPPORT THE ISO AND ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL!
THE PALESTINE BOOTH WELCOMES YOU!
An open letter

An advertisement entitled “Let Us Get the Facts Straight” appeared in the February 18, 1981 issue of The Daily Cougar without attribution to its source. The advertisement was placed by the General Union of Palestinian Students. The Daily Cougar regrets omission of attribution to that organization.

The above is the position that Student Publications is assuming in response to the advertisement that was printed in The Daily Cougar on page 9 of the Wednesday, Feb. 18 edition. My principles and the extent to which I think the newspaper’s credibility has been damaged demand that the truth, as I understand it, be published for examination by all members of the UH community.

Two men, whose names I choose not to publish, told Wayne Scott, Student Publication manager, and me that after they read the ad they thought it was a statement provided and paid for by The Daily Cougar. The ad, you see, carried no information about who purchased the space or who provided the material.

The credibility of the paper has been damaged because the truth has become known post facto. The history of the ad goes like this:

On Friday, Feb. 13, an individual, again I’ve chosen to withhold the name, brought the material that was to be published into the advertising department of the newspaper. The material and a personal check for $273.60 (the rate charged recognized campus organizations for full-page ads) was accepted.

Apparently, no questions were asked. The material carried in carried no information about the organization that was buying the space. Normally, political advertising will carry the disclaimer that it is political advertising and it will identify the sponsoring group. In this case, the material accepted carried no such disclaimer.

The advertising department did not confirm that the ad was placed by a campus organization. I’ve found that the advertising department does not have a current listing of officially recognized UH Central Campus organizations. Despite this lack of verification, the person who bought the space was charged the on-campus rate.

Because of the wording of the advertisement, one could be led to think that the International Students Organization provided money or material for the ad.

This is not so. Officials of the ISO told me the organization had nothing whatsoever to do with the ad. ISO is the umbrella organization for dozens of smaller groups, including the Palestinians. To use ISO’s name without the permission of its officers is larceny. But given the non-substantiated and utterly inflammatory language of the ad, the Palestinians are not above misusing the truth to satisfy their urgent needs.

Scott, the Student Publications manager, has assured me that our advertising department will develop a standard policy for handling display advertising. I made the suggestion, in a memo circulated around the office, that Student Publications develop such a policy. That memo was sent out on Feb. 12, the day before the General Union of Palestinian Students ad was accepted.

On behalf of the editorial staff of The Daily Cougar, I apologize for the appearance of the ad in yesterday’s paper. I ask you please not to judge the competency of the editorial department on the mistake made by a new and inexperienced advertising staff.

In closing, I have one request of the Palestinian students. Keep your lies and your hateful literature to yourselves. If you have facts, come forth and present them. Otherwise, stop trying to destroy what little understanding exists between the various and diverse cultural groups here.

Robert Engler
Editor-in-chief
Brian Ford
Managing Editor
Paul E. Wagner
Chief Copy Editor
Michèle Charpentier
Montage Editor
Yaghi: ‘These are the facts’

By RAMA YAGHI
General Union of Palestine Students

The zionists on campus have waged a vicious crusade against the General Union of Palestine Students, accusing it of being a terrorist organization, representing a people and a country that do not exist.

We will present the following facts to you, and have you judge for yourselves.

First: The present so-called legitimacy of the state of “Israel,” has been based on aggression, that began with the 1948 and 1967 wars, when three million Palestinians were expelled out of their homeland Palestine, at the hands of the zionist movement and its then British ally.

Second: The creation of the state of “Israel” and its continued existence are a result of organized state terrorism. This terrorism began with the Massacre of Deir Yassin, a village in Palestine, whose 250 inhabitants, women, old men and children, were slaughtered in 1948, at the hands of the Irgun gang headed by the present prime minister of “Israel,” Menachem Begin. This terrorism continues with the daily air raids against refugee camps in Lebanon, with the killing of children of ten who demonstrate against the occupation forces in Palestine, and with the facistic torture of thousands of Palestinian political prisoners in the zionist cells.

Third: The state of “Israel” is an all military state, where every person between the age of 18 and 45 is forced to be a soldier in the “Israel” Army, this is not due to the fact that “Israel” is being threatened by all of the Arab World, because the reactionary Arab regimes such as Jordan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia to name just a few, not only do not threaten the state of “Israel” but moreover act as a safety-valve for it against the revolutionary upsurge in the area. The state of “Israel” is an all military state, because it is a settler-colonialist entity that needs to continuously blind its population from seeing the acute economic crisis, inflation, oppression and racial discrimination existing in “Israel,” by escalating the state of war, thus diverting the masses’ attention towards an assumed enemy.

Fourth: We, the Palestinians differentiate between Jews and zionists. The zionist movement that was crystallized in 1897 with the creation of the world zionist organization, is a political movement advocating a racist ideology. This movement does not represent the Jews of the world, but rather it represents the interests of the Jewish bourgeoisie and its imperialist godfathers. This movement has been declared a racist movement by the International community, when in 1975, the United Nations declared in a resolution that zionism is racism. Hence, the zionist movement has exploited and is still exploiting the Jews of the world in order to create a base for imperialism, through which it could exploit the raw materials and peoples of the region of the Middle East, sous-pretext of creating a national homeland for the Jews.

Fifth: The goal of the Palestinian Revolution is to establish a Democratic Secular state in Palestine, whereby Jews, Christians and Muslims could live together peacefully, enjoying equal rights.

In closing, we, the General Union of Palestine Students call upon all progressive and freedom loving forces, to act immediately to stop the zionist-facist crusade against us. Now it is us, tomorrow it will be you. Jews and non-Jews unite to fight zionism.

Mitchell J. Thompson

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Thompson: ‘Cultural event is politicized’

To the Editor:

In Yomi Fayiga’s letter (The Cougar, Feb. 10), Fayiga belittled Hillel’s accusations against the International Student Organization. Fayiga states: “I wholeheartedly agree, and the first person who needs to get his facts straight is Fayiga.

Fayiga believes that when the International Festival Committee ordered inflammatory, anti-Semitic propaganda to be removed from the “Palestine” booth, the matter should have been considered closed. In fact, though, only eight such pieces of literature — and I use that term lightly — were removed. This left dozens of other pamphlets with “purely cultural” titles such as “The Zionist Deception” and the ever popular “Zionism is Racism.”

More importantly, however, Fayiga totally ignores the central issue — the very existence of a “Palestine” booth. Such a nation does not exist, nor does the United States recognize any such nation. There is only one internationally recognized state in that area, and that is the state of Israel.

The General Union of Palestinian Students, the youth front organization for the PLO which sponsored the booth, is committed to the total destruction, by any means necessary, of Israel. ISO, by allowing this booth in its Festival, is implicitly condoning this policy. This is a gross and blatant politicization of a supposedly cultural event.

Hillel has not “blown this issue out of proportion,” as Fayiga states. According to ISO’s posters, “Peace Begins with Understanding.” According to their actions, peace begins with the destruction of Israel.

Individually, ISO members are entitled to their opinions, but the organization has no right to use student funds to spread its hate propaganda.

By RAMA YAGHI
General Union of Palestine Students
PLO booth contributing
to anti-Semitic feelings

To The Editor:

Yomi Fayiga is a UH Optometry student.

In optometry, he learns how to examine the eyes and how to prescribe lenses for these.

Too bad he doesn’t learn how to see (The Cougar, Feb. 16).

He can’t see why the Hillel Foundation has “overblown” things and called for the boycott of the ISO festival. Let me guide you and the ISO to the true path of illumination.

Jews have learned from past history to take political propaganda seriously. Many historians felt that the destruction of the Jews was inevitable if only one went back and looked at Hitler’s earlier propaganda such as Mein Kampf. So the PLO propaganda (“facts”) can’t be taken lightly either. You may worry about a boycott of the festival, but I worry about this propaganda influencing the destruction of Jews.

Any attempt to distinguish anti-Jewish and anti-Zionist is nonsense. The Arabs act as if everything was OK until the Jews “invaded their homeland.”

Arab countries throughout history have discriminated against Jews and kept them as second class citizens. They burned Jewish temples and staged pogroms. The Arabs who claim that they are anti-Zionist and not anti-Jewish remind me of those people who claim that they are not prejudiced against Blacks. Yet, when Blacks start moving into the neighborhood, they take offense to them. They are not anti-Black just anti-segregation.

Martin Luther King said there was no difference between anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism. Then there are those Arabs who claim that some Jews are anti-Zionist.

During the “Zionist Invasion” many Arabs immigrated to “Palestine” too. They came from North Africa, Transjordan, and Saudi Arabia. Weren’t these Arab “Zionists”? No, the local Palestinian Arabs welcomed them with open arms. But when the Jews came they found it necessary to attack them. This is a racism of the Arabs who wish to be fanatical.

Zionism is a national liberation movement. It does not call for the expense of the Palestinian Arabs.

Any attempt to give the Jews total responsibility for the sufferings of the Palestinian Arabs is unjust. Did Palestinian Arabs not leave their homeland temporarily at the specific request of the Arab League to make way for the 1948 invasion of Israel?

Did not Israel give them two years to return to their homeland? Are the Arabs so poor from their oil that they have to keep them in tents?

The Arabs care more about destroying Israel than they do about Palestinian Arabs. They use them in their attempt to destroy Israel. Dory Chamoun, the son of the former Lebanese president, declared that his country will not accept permanent Palestinian settlements as the price to pay for the mistakes and plots of the Arabs.

In essence, by having a PLO booth at the festival the ISO breaks the committee rules by politicizing it and contributes to anti-Semitism.

Name Withheld by Request

Feb 23, 1981

Dally
Cougar
To The Editor:

I really enjoyed reading the Open Letter by Robert Engler (The Cougar, Feb. 19). It is nice to know that the editor-in-chief of a major campus daily newspaper can be so unbiased and objective when he is criticizing an ad that his paper printed.

Engler gives the impression that had he known the content of the ad, he would not have allowed it to be printed. The students of this campus can do without your brand of censorship, Mr. Engler. Further, you would do yourself credit if, when criticizing one ad for containing unsubstantiated and inflammatory material you do the same to the other.

I suggest you re-read the ad placed by the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation. Not only are many of their "facts" not true, but I suggest to you that these "facts" were placed in the ad with the sole purpose of inflaming American passion against the Palestinian people. Specifically, I am talking about the allegation of PLO involvement in the taking of the American Embassy in Iran.

This is a fallacy any well-read and semi-intelligent individual would dismiss as Zionist propaganda. Nevertheless, your letter and many similar to it show little knowledge of the true state of affairs in the area in question. This in itself is a tribute to the Zionist propaganda machine in the United States. The only real way for people to get a clear understanding of the problem between Palestinians and Israelis is to receive unbiased information and it seems apparent that this is a commodity that is becoming increasingly rare.

N. NASIR

Daily Cougar  Feb 23, 1981

Palestinians are Semites

To the Editor:

In regard to Mitchell Thompson's letter (The Daily Cougar, Feb. 13) in which he is worried about the anti-Semitic feelings of the General Union of Palestinian Students. (I trust from the tone of his letter that he will agree that the majority of the Union's membership is Arab.)

I would like to clear up a misunderstanding. A Semite is a member of that race that comes from southwestern Asia, i.e. Jews or Arabs. I strongly doubt that these or any Palestinians are anti-Semitic.

I do not support terrorism or hatred and I support neither side, as both are guilty in that respect. However, I do feel that I know both sides in the Palestinian-Israeli issue.

Name withheld by request
ISO caught in the middle of argument

To the Editor:

Some letters have been written in reply to my letter of Feb. 16, 1981, and my point in the letter has been completely missed. I shall try again.

I do not purport to know enough about the issue of the Jews and the Palestinians and I certainly did not write my letter to support or defend either side on this sensitive issue.

My reason for writing the letter was to let the entire student body know that the International Student Organization is not a terrorist organization nor is it a terrorist sympathizer. ISO has always been, and still is a non-political organization. I know this for a fact, and yes, "I can see."

Yomi Fasiga
Faith in newspaper lost

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in reply to your "Open Letter" published on the front page of the Cougar on Thursday, Feb. 19, 1981. I have been a fan of the Cougar since Fall of 1977 and I always admired it because we, as students of UH, could express our opinions freely without being condemned by its staff.

Many of the articles and ads published in the Cougar were political and lot of them were inflammatory and oriented towards various groups. However, this being a democratic country and a democratic university, we read and welcomed those ads as democracy implies.

However, my faith in the democratic attitude of the Daily Cougar went below zilch when I read your "Open Letter."

In your opening paragraph, you regretted and apologized for publishing a political ad sponsored by the General Union of Palestinian Students and in the closing paragraph, you requested that Palestinian students "keep your lies and your hateful literature to yourselves." But your downfall my friend was in the middle paragraph where you proved to be the biggest ASS in the history of the Daily Cougar and in the history of politics, and this is not all.

Amigo, if you want to set the facts straight, lets do it right here and now.

Fact: You have published hundreds of inflammatory and hateful political ads without having to apologize. The biggest proof is the ad sponsored by the B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION which covered the whole last page of the Cougar on Feb. 12, 1981. That ad accused the International Student Organization and the General Union of Palestinian Students of being terrorist organizations which is as far from truth as your brain from thinking straight. That is a fact. To put icing on the cake, the ad urged to cut funds to the ISO or to abolish it. The accusations were blind and prejudiced and had no grounds whatsoever. Now wait friends! This is not fair and it is the farthest from being democratic, the next thing we know they are wanting to kick students off campus because of their political belief or involvement!!!

Fact: To publish that ad sponsored by the BBHF was a poor choice, but nevertheless we read and accepted it because of our belief in democracy.

Fact: The BBHF was welcomed to publish a hateful ad, why then should one campus organization have privileges that other organizations cannot equally share!! You never did apologize for publishing the BBHF ad did you!!

Fact: If publishing the General Union of Palestinian Students was a mistake, as you said, then the BBHF ad is another mistake. You have admitted in your "Open Letter" that the publishing of the ad was the mistake of your staff. If that’s what really upsets you, don’t go blaming the Palestinian students for what your lousy staff have screwed up.

In conclusion, all the above goes to show the following: According to your "Open Letter," you are either prejudiced, biased and oppressing to condemn the Palestinian students from expressing themselves freely, or unorganized, ignorant and unexperienced as admitted in your "Open Letter," “I apologize... on the mistake made by a new and unexperienced staff.”

In either case you prove to be incompetent to be holding a very critical position in the Daily Cougar. It is not the free opinioned ads that give the Cougar an ill repute, it's only the bad management and the much less to say "unexperienced" staff.

Long live peace and understanding, long live democracy.

Nabil Hamid
GUPS should apply to tv networks

To the Editor:

I would like to congratulate the General Union of Palestinian Students because they have done it again!

The original issue that the Hillel foundation was protesting was a) the fact that a Palestinian booth existed and b) the booth was spreading political, anti-Zionist propaganda. Hillel wants to boycott the ISO Festival because it says several rules were broken in order to let the Palestinians participate. Now the Palestinians have taken the situation and made a huge political ping-pong game out of it. The full page ad which appeared in the Feb. 18th paper was the epitome of their "blowing everything out of proportion."

Loretta Levi

The TV networks are looking for good comedy writers, maybe they should apply.

Some of the lines were really good like Palestinians getting "shot upon return" to their homeland and of course the fact that the PLO is "not a terrorist organization."
Editor’s racism is explicit

To the Editor:

I was enraged by Robert Engler’s “Open Letter” dated Feb. 19, 1981. His concern over the printing of the Palestinian statement “without attribution to its source” was but a pretext to inveigh against Palestinians. It is inexcusable for someone in his position to exploit his access to the front page of the newspaper in order to publicly condemn not the PLO but apparently all Palestinians or Palestinian students. Engler’s racism is explicit and inflammatory.

The grossest example of “truth misused” is the historical denial of Palestinian existence and by extension Palestinian rights. The plight of the Palestinians is one which has necessarily been ignored or misrepresented in order to legitimize Menaschem Begin’s vision of an expansionist Israel. It is clear that a growing number of Jews are coming to terms with Palestinian recognition — the emergence of the New Jewish Agenda and the group’s “straw-vote” resolution calling for a two-state solution is but one example. Should Engler have any desire to understand the Palestinian situation, I recommend Edward Said’s The Question of Palestine.

Regarding his concern over the competency of the editorial department, his letter effectively laid to rest any hope of such kind. As always I remain continually grateful to Trudeau and Sargent as the redeeming features of an otherwise unremarkable newspaper.

C.L. Taylor
The Organization of Arab students bermirched

In the past weeks we have witnessed the same old周期性 trend on the University of Houston campus — students from Arab countries being bullied, shamed and sometimes actually physically threatened. It is not a coincidence that these incidents occurred in the wake of the Palestinian Students Association boycott of the International Festival, which is the same festival that hosted the 1982 conference world-renowned Islamic Scholar, Ayman El-Ghawi. The SPA, which was formed to defend the Palestinian cause, is an organization that is widely respected by the international community. The SPA has been criticized by some for its political stance, but it is hard to deny that it is a legitimate political organization that has been active in the Middle East for many years.

The SPA boycott was a response to the International Festival's decision to invite El-Ghawi to speak on campus. The festival organizers, who are funded by the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, invited El-Ghawi to speak on the topic of Palestinian rights. The SPA, which is a student organization that represents Palestinian students on campus, decided to boycott the festival in protest of El-Ghawi's participation.

The SPA's decision to boycott the festival was met with a strong reaction from the University of Houston administration. The administration, which is headed by President Steve McElroy, suspended the SPA for the duration of the festival. The administration also suspended the SPA's ability to participate in the festival.

The SPA's suspension was a blow to the organization, which had been working hard to build support for its cause. The suspension was also a blow to the University of Houston, which is a leading institution in the field of Middle Eastern studies.

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In response to the SPA's suspension, the University of Houston administration announced that it would hold a hearing to determine whether the SPA could participate in the festival.

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View of PLO not confined to Zionists

To the Editor:
I would like to respond to Rama Yagli (The Cougar, Feb. 20) of the General Union of Palestine Students. Zionists are not the only ones who aren't too crazy about the aims of the General Union of Palestine Students. The PLO does support G.U.P.S., and this is what, I object to.

Israel is a legitimate state which was created (or should I say, re-created) for the purpose of securing a homeland for Jews.

If one remembers correctly, the Jewish people didn't have much of a choice in 1948, as they were being harassed and persecuted in the countries into which they had been dispersed.

In the Bible, the land of Israel was promised by God Himself to the descendents of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, in other words, Jews. But, others could live there, too.

Also, Israel has been surrounded by nations who have wanted to destroy it, not only in 1948, but almost any other time it has existed.

This particular view is not confined to Zionists, but also many others, including caring Christians who see the gathering together of Jews from all parts of the earth to Israel as a sign that God's kingdom is approaching.

Name withheld by request

Cougar congratulated

To the Editor:
I wish to congratulate you and your colleagues on the courageous position you have taken in regard to your open letter published on Feb. 18.

The integrity demonstrated is praiseworthy, and contributes positively to respect by the campus for your publication.

Hugh Walker  
Dean  
Natural Sciences & Mathematics
commentary

Hillel: We struggle to protect rights

By HILLEL STUDENT ASSOC.
HOUSTON B'NAI BRITH
HILLEL FOUNDATION

Following a month of heated controversy over the ISO International Festival, it seems appropriate to re-examine the events that took place and extrapolate the lessons learned from them.

The crisis was precipitated on Feb. 2 when Hillel filed a formal protest with the ISO asking that it adhere to its explicitly stated rules which prohibited political propaganda at the cultural exhibition. We contended that materials displayed by the GUPS which featured Nazi swastikas and inflammatory literature entitled "Zionism is Racism" and "The Zionist Deception", etc. were blatantly political and should therefore be removed. It seemed a rather obvious violation. Even Arab students themselves admitted that the material was political. When the ISO made a token gesture of removing only eight pieces of propaganda and allowing maps and over 50 pieces of political material to remain, Hillel decided the matter was sufficiently serious to bring it to the attention of the entire campus.

The issue centered upon the compromise of a recognized student organization's integrity through the wanton disregard of its rules. Since the organizations involved, namely the ISO, received $11,400 in state funds (student service fees) Hillel felt that such conduct by the ISO represented an abuse of public and student trust.

The issue was not a Jewish one for it affected the quality of student life in general. Nor was it a First Amendment freedom at stake. Hillel throughout this episode has purposefully not responded to the claims of the Palestinian students. Such discussion is appropriate in other forums. The GUPS, or any recognized student group, has the right to use authorized forums for free speech, regardless of how abhorrent their beliefs or ideology might be to the general community. As Jews, we have struggled arduously for the protection of human rights and dignity, since all too often we have suffered from its disregard.

The heart of the controversy remains the ISO's failure to act responsibly and impartially, a fact to which university administrators, faculty, campus clergy, their constituencies, Jews and non-Jews alike agree. Even the ISO, which harbored and condoned the GUPS activities, was used by the group. A GUPS member misrepresented himself in placing an ad in the Daily Cougar, implicating both the newspaper and the ISO in an insidious attack on the State of Israel. The ISO, suffering from the consequences of its biased actions, discovered "technical violations" of its rules as a pretext to exclude the GUPS from several of the International Festival activities. The University itself is now carefully monitoring the situation to prevent any future repetitions of this unfortunate incident.

If anything has been learned by the ISO and the GUPS, it is that the UH community will not tolerate the subversion of American democratic process either by domestic or foreign groups. We cannot and will not allow our institutions to become hostage to those who seek to undermine our way of life. Hillel's intention has been to sensitize the campus to a violation of democratic rules which has potentially serious ramifications for all student organizations. Therefore, we feel justified in continuing our position of urging students to petition the withdrawal of student activity fees from the ISO until it demonstrates impartial and non-political bias in its conduct.
letters

What have years of fighting gained?

To the Editor:

In reference to certain groups not controlling themselves and arguing at cultural events (International Food Fair), and disregarding a rule forbidding political propaganda by the organizing group. (Some names will be excluded in order to avoid further conflict.)

The idea of demanding worldwide recognition by a certain group has certain aspects of struggle and sometimes it has the tendency to attract attention through demonstrations in public places. Sometimes it is violent. Three of my friends from Hillel were involved in such a demonstration at the Food Fair. They were arguing with six or seven Palestinians. I asked what it was all about and one of my friends said that they were boycotting the festival in protest of some literature against Israel and the disregarding of the ISO rule that prohibits political propaganda at a cultural event. ISO claims it followed its rules.

The argument continued. I heard one of my friends ask the Palestinians why we must keep on fighting, "thirty years of fighting has lead us to nothing but death and sorrow."

A Palestinian answered that they would continue fighting until Palestine was theirs. After listening to this, I approached the lady and told her simply to stop arguing because it was like talking to a wall.

I wrote this to describe what went on that day because of the misunderstanding that the actions taken by the groups involved were against each other. If I have offended anybody I am dreadfully sorry. I am a person who has lived under a dictatorship and have enough sense to know that fighting leads to more fighting.

Besides, I had to leave my country and also I know what it is like to lose a friend because of firearms. So, I plead, to both groups, NEGOTIATE! it's the best way.

WHAT HAVE YOU GOTTEN OUT OF THESE THIRTY YEARS OF FIGHTING? ABSOLUTELY NOTHING!

Manuel R. Roos-Ekenen, A South American Christian
Hope expressed for ISO

To the Editor:

It is my sincere hope that the International Student Organization has learned from its recent mistakes and will provide further safeguards against political propagandizing of future festivals. That the established rules for the festival were broken is clear. What is not clear is why the ISO seemingly invited political abuse by allowing a group representing no recognized country to sponsor a booth. To prevent such abuse in future festivals, the exhibition committee might: (1) specify in the rules that only countries issuing valid (i.e., recognized by the U.S. Government) passports may be represented; (2) consider no last minute alterations in the rules that may in any way weaken ISO's resolve to avoid abuse; and (3) closely monitor all festival activities and events. Only then will the purpose of the festival, the promotion of understanding and cooperation between nations, be protected.

Dr. Hugh Sanborn, Director
HUCLC Campus Ministries

‘Open letter’ applauded

To the Editor:

Along with Dean Walker, I also would like to congratulate the editor and staff of The Daily Cougar for its “open letter” of Feb. 18 which, as Dean Walker noted, demonstrated both integrity and courage. Along the same lines, I would like to congratulate Dean Walker for his integrity and courage in publicly expressing his support for the Cougar and its stand.

E.L. Duschinger
Associate Professor
Department of English
Are You Ready for the '80s?
Each spring the A. D. Bruce Religion Center and its associated campus ministers present a week long series of events designed to encourage all to explore, critique, and share ideas that have religious implications. This year the theme is “Are You Ready for the ’80s? A Look at the Moral and Ethical Issues.”

Join us for this opportunity to be a little better prepared for the ’80s.
Religious Awareness Week - U of H

Monday, March 30, Anna Bond, Channel 2 News Anchor, NOON, Chapel/Auditorium
Anna has been an Emmy Award-winning correspondent who started her career in New York City with WABC-TV. While there she moved from news researcher to co-anchor of the Sunday evening newscasts. During her tenure as co-anchor in New York, Anna received many awards, among them a 1991 Emmy in "outstanding spot news" category. On September 15, 1980, Anna premiered on KPRC-TV's Channel 2 News. She anchors the 6:00 p.m. weekday newscast and often returns to her first love—reporting—to cover special assignments.

"Moral and Ethical Issues within the Communication Field" and also those topics she perceives as general issues from her news reporting experiences.
Responding: W. Robert Houston, Associate Dean, UH College of Education; Ballard Pritchett, UH Lutheran Campus Pastor; Harrell Rodgers, UH Professor of Political Science
The coffee and informal discussion following is co-sponsored by the University of Houston Women's Network.

Tuesday, March 31, SIdney Buchanan, Professor of Law, NOON, Chapel/Auditorium
Dr. Buchanan has been at the University of Houston College of Law since 1967. He has written many articles and a book, The Quest for Freedom: A Legal History of the Thirteenth Amendment (1976). He currently teaches Constitutional Law II and Trusts and Wills.
Dr. Buchanan will address the "Legal, Moral and Ethical Issues for the '80s."
Responding: Dave Caudill, Houston Law Review; Bert Elling, UH Episcopal Chaplain; Lavergne Schwindler, UHP, Law Student
Coffee and Informal Discussion.

Wednesday, April 1, JOE H. FOY, Partner, Bracewell and Patterson Law Firm, NOON, Chapel/Auditorium
Before his present position, Mr. Foy was associated with Houston Natural Gas Corporation as Vice Chairman of the Board, Natural Gas Operations and President, Houston Natural Gas Corporation. He serves on the Board of Directors of several businesses, Gulf Coast Savings and Texas Commerce Bank, Lakeside. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, 1977-1980, where he served as chairman of the aviation committee and a member of the executive committee.
Mr. Foy will speak on the "Moral and Ethical Issues in the Business World."
Responding: Betty D. Geib, UH Associate Professor of Marketing; Lynn Mitchell, Professor of Theology, St. Thomas University; Julie I. Norris, UH Vice Chancellor, Research Administration
Coffee and Informal Discussion.

Friday, April 3, Houston City Councilman, NOON, Chapel/Auditorium
Councilman Reyes represents District 1 on the Houston City Council. Prior to his election, he served in the State House of Representatives for District 69 from 1973-1980. While in the House he served on the Human Resources, Labor Reapportionment, Liquor Regulation, Judcial Affairs and Rules Committees. He chaired the latter committees for two years. Besides his activities in many Mexican American organizations and serving on many boards of directors, he is pursuing a Criminal Justice Degree at Texas Southern University.
Mr. Reyes will explore the "Moral and Ethical Issues in the Political and Social Field."
Responding: John Burchfield, UH Political Science Major; Julius Gordan, UIU Dean of Students; Martin Karp, Director, Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston.
Coffee and Informal Discussion.

Are You Ready for the '80s?
A Look at the Moral and Ethical Issues. A. D. Bruce Religion Center
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CORRECTION: The term "Moral and Ethical Issues" was misspelled in the text. The correct term is "Moral and Ethical Issues."
Stop the sale of AWACs

To the Editor:

We appreciate the recent Daily Cougar coverage of the proposed AWAC and offensive equipment sale to Saudi Arabia. It is an issue of grave importance for the Reagan administration's plan to supply sophisticated military hardware to the Saudis would seriously undermine Israel's security. Such a conclusion is attested to by the vociferous opposition voiced by members of both houses of Congress. Hillel offers the following reasons why the proposed AWAC deal should be opposed:

1. In 1978, the U.S. Congress allowed the original F-15 sale only after receiving a written commitment from the Administration that the aircraft would always remain defensive in configuration.

2. While the original sale was predicated upon Saudi political moderation, Saudi Arabia has continued to oppose the Israel-Egypt peace process, financially supports the PLO, and has denied the U.S. bases in Saudi Arabia. The Saudis have threatened to use their newly acquired weapons to destroy Israel.

3. The proposed weapons could not offer real resistance to the Soviet Union, and could not be utilized to stop the only real threat to the Saudis, the threat of internal revolution.

4. With the many parallels between pre-Khomeini Iran and present day Saudi Arabia, the possibility of those arms falling into unfriendly hands is too great to risk.

5. Israel, America's only totally reliable political and strategic ally in the Middle East, will be so jeopardized militarily that her ability to defend herself, and to protect America's interests will be seriously damaged.

6. The sales, particularly the AWACs, will escalate the technological level of the Middle Eastern arms race to levels beyond the control of Israel or the U.S.

Hillel therefore urges all Americans to write their Senators and Congressmen voicing opposition to the AWAC sale to Saudi Arabia.

Hillel Student Council
Hillel joins memorial exhibit

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The exhibition includes a photo and text display, pamphlets and articles about the Holocaust, he said.

Osadchey said the exhibit is open to everyone and it will offer documentation of the Holocaust and make the public aware that the it really did happen.

Block 21

Quickly now, you exit, fleeing the Ash Planet. But we remain, stumbling thru the bleak corridors of a million tormented minds, as if our names were engraved on the Jewish placard itself, strange corridors from which I emerge speaking broken Yiddish to the Hebrew masses, full reflections upon the liberated souls who survived Freedom Through Work, sterile selection & midnight lorry, shaven of face & identity & honor & puberty, only to have their images projected inanimate upon the newsreels of the skull twice daily for the next 36 years, and no Jew either,

a stunned battalion of familion wrecks, who driven insane in their public genitals beneath the arms of Krupp, and walked away ghost-like into the aryan darkness not even one spared fetus, emerging from the ruins with ashen bone and Lazarus-like expression to speak the minds own torment because the soul refused to surrender its innocence for one second in eternity, and who returned decades later truly sane with sons & daughters & angry sabbatical claiming myriad lost souls weeping thru arid fields, atop fences, upon stones & ashes & pits & cellblocks, and the 44th Street Synagogue wept also, mourning its own lost innocence and trunk full of Nazi commemoratives, a hopeless collection of beleaguered photographs exposing themselves endlessly within the darkrooms of the enormous ante-chamber of the World.

And Auschwitz! Ah, uncorruptable Auschwitz! I have seen your jealous sisters flung across Nazi-dom, weeping into their shawls like old women in Berlin. Auschwitz the incomparable death’s head vision and legacy, ten million, becoming its eternal Jew to an angry Goi goth in L... storm of agonized night shrewd and blue-eyed cyclope sending its one dozen bed dreams into the halls of Germani Vahalla, a fawd battalion of Nazi minotaur chasing their Jewish mistress across the abyss for an angry belt of forbidden flesh Auschwitz shanda fur de goylms Cleanness! Obedience! Milestones! the whole Nazi narrative of allied supreme consciousness war jackboots & bullsh! all gone! demolished! sent down the aryan river! Auschwitz when will you tell your side of the story When will you plead insanity before the World When will you be sentimental about the Jewish millions Auschwitz yo are not mere brick & stone nor life or death nor jew or gentile Auschwitz you are the conscience of a world without a soul. I lie in my bed obsessed with your millions, while your legacy exists my soul is not safe in eternity.

The victims stand present & accounted for. Auschwitz, speak to them to Kolbe, Zelinska to Pileki, Vira to the Hungarian Jews of ‘44 whose ashes burned day & night darkening forever the fires of Birkenau It is done.

And Block 21 has long since closed its doors.

---Craig Rader
RABBI Robert Wexler, UNIV. of JUDAISM,
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University of Judaism, Los Angeles
is recruiting now for
Graduate Programs
in
General Judaica, Jewish Education
Rabbinic Program, Public Administration
meet Bob Wexler
May 5 - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Call 749-2271 to make appointment

HILLEL is sponsoring recruiting and interviewing for the University of Judaism between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Call Hillel, 749-2271 for more information or to make an appointment for an interview.
Saudis need the AWACS

To the Editor:

I would like to point out a few things regarding the sale of the AWACS to Saudi Arabia, in response to the Hillel Student Council’s letter to The Daily Cougar (page 2, April 30).

1. The purchase of the AWACS is necessary to ensure the security of the area in general against any threat the Israelis, Russians or anyone else may impose.

2. The Saudis are going to pay for the whole package of arms that includes the AWACS right away. The American government has often given arms to Israel without the obligation of immediate pay.

3. Israel has all the time tried hard to stand in the way of any sophisticated arms sale to the Arabs, by exerting pressure on the U.S. Congress and the officials in the American government. The reason behind the opposition lies in its claim that supplying the other party involved in the conflict with such arms, throws off the arm balance in the Middle East. On the other hand, ironically, the Israeli leaders do not think that their maintaining a high level of armoury threatens peace and actually throws off the arm balance. It seems right for Israel to possess at least a nuclear bomb. Shai Feldman, of the Center for Strategic Studies in Tel Aviv, said that Israel intends to use it to “demolish salient Arab targets”.

4. The arms that Israel is provided with are being used against innocent civilians, whether in Palestine or Lebanon. And they talk about peace and human rights.

5. Saying that Israel is there to protect America’s interests makes one ask the question of what they really are. I guess the phrase “God bless America” ought to be changed to “God bless America and Israel, and damn everybody else.”

I am not calling for the opposition of the sale or the processing of it. I feel that someone has to lay open before the Americans, some facts about the situation that should serve as a guide in their decision making.

Reem Hashem
Part of the Holocaust exhibit

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She doesn't understand

To the Editor:

I don't understand why the Jews must insist that 6 million Jews were exterminated by the Nazis when two thirds were not Jewish.

I don't understand why the Israeli's must insist that they own Jerusalem and the Holy Land when it belonged to Arab, Moslem Christian and Jewish Palestinians, for thousands of years.

I don't understand why American tax dollars are used to buy military planes for Israel so she can bomb the Palestinian refugees in Lebanon.

Karen Kasaoush

Response

Holocaust Denied!

American newspapers and news media reports the Lebanese conflict as being the Christians against the Syrians when only a small number of these Christians are actually of the Christian faith and most of them side with the Israelis in an effort to exterminate the Palestinians.

I don't understand why Saudi Arabia should not be allowed planes to protect itself from Israeli aggression which is a worse threat than Russia.

I don't understand why Israel is so aggressive or why it even exists at all.

Karen Kasaoush
Israeli policy continues

The Israeli attack on an Iraqi atomic reactor cannot be condoned, but, at least, the reasons for it are clear. Arab nations have been committed to the destruction of the state of Israel since its inception; a nuclear weapons capability in the hands of one of those nations could make that threat a reality. Although Iraq has signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, the treaty could easily be revoked or ignored once the technology to build an atomic bomb was obtained. Israel could not ignore this possibility.

Essentially, what the Israelis did was the same as what they did in the 1967 Six Day War; about to be attacked by Egypt, Syria and Jordan, the Israelis decided to attack first. Jewish paranoia has resulted in a “do unto others before they do unto you” policy. After all, the best defense is a good offense.

Obviously Israel considers unfavorable world opinion a small price to pay for the security it gains by its attack on the Iraqi atomic reactor. Afterall, world opinion may be overated; it didn’t stop the Arabs in ’67 or ’73.
Begin 'turns stomach'  

BY ALI ZILIA BALAN  

Being an Iranian, it is obvious that I am not sympathetic toward Iraq's government. I think that the Iraqi president is an evil president. But this certainly does not mean that I am in agreement with the gangsteristic action taken by Israel in its bombing of Iraq's nuclear reactor.

Mr. Begin's logic is so ridiculous that it turns my stomach. You probably know that Begin, as a young man, was the head of a terrorist organization. He obviously is acting accordingly. By bombing the Palestinian refugee camps in Southern Lebanon, he violated all basic humanitarian principles and by bombing the Iraqi nuclear facilities, he violates international laws.

To further understand Begin's action, one must look at two important aspects:

1. The timing of the bombing is only three weeks prior to the general election in Israel and we know that, to the best of probabilities, Begin is kicking the bucket politically because of the disastrous economic situation his government has created. He will do anything to survive.

2. The other important aspect is the prior knowledge of the United States government of the attack, although naturally they have denied it flatly. It is foolish to think that 14 American made jet fighters, highly equipped with radar and other detecting devices, can pass over all American military bases in Saudi Arabia and not be seen! I think that it is more appropriate to say that the US Air Force turned its back and said, "We don't see you," rather than saying, "We didn't know."

My opinion is that the green light had already been given in Washington. Begin assumes that Iraq might have made nuclear bombs, and again, might have used it against Israel. One must say to him, "Mister, if everything was based on assumptions then why does the US government not assume that the Soviets might strike first so we just might as well do it first before they do it to us." Begin further reminds everyone of the Hitler Holocaust and poisoning of the Jewish children to justify and rationalize his barbaric behavior. I don't know why no one was around to ask him if there is any difference between what Israel does to Palestinian kids and what Hitler did? Or doesn't he consider the Palestinian kids human being at all?

Bombing raid could backfire on Israel  

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Were the Jewish people the only ones who were the victims of the deadly war? Didn't the Russians lose over 22 million people in the same war? Or is it because he has never heard of humanity, and as his record shows, he has always solved his problems through violence, terrorism, gangsteristic and Al Caponic type of behavior.

As for the consequences of this bombing, my sorrow is for the people of Israel who have to pay the heavy price of the irrational, barbaric action of Begin's inhumanity.

Last, but not least, what Israel has done would get the Arab nations behind Iraq and its evil president who is thirsty for the leadership of the Arab world, and God knows what next.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 1981
Editorial

There is no victor

The recent outbreak of large-scale hostilities between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization is a tragic and senseless example of what happens when communication breaks down completely.

Both Israel and the PLO are to blame for the breakdown. In last week's warfare there is no good guy. There is no bad guy. There are only victims.

The fighting is tragic because scores of civilians on both sides are killed and wounded simply because they live where the armies want to fight.

It is senseless because both Israel and the PLO steadfastly refuse to sit down and try and solve their differences rationally. Israel won't negotiate with the PLO. The PLO won't recognize that Israel even exists. All that does change is the number of innocent casualties.

If the cease-fire agreed to late last week collapses, and hostilities are renewed, the countries supplying arms to both sides should discontinue aid.

Peace will never be achieved unless both sides realize the futility of their present attitudes and start thinking of ways to end war instead of better ways to conduct a war.

Letter

Editorial had 'veiled' threats

To the Editor:

In his column last week (7-29-81), Paul Wagner lamented over the apparent lack of student interest in the Cougar during the summer sessions. We wish to take exception to that viewpoint.

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Peace will never be achieved unless both sides realize the futility of their present attitudes and start thinking of ways to end war instead of better ways to conduct a war.

Editor's note: The editorial which appeared in the Cougar on 7-29-81 was not "a thinly disguised call for unilateral disarmament of Israel and its subsequent annihilation." It was an expression of despair over the loss of innocent lives. If the Cougar advocated the annihilation of Israel, it would state so. The Cougar supports the continued existence of the state of Israel. The Cougar does not support war, as an alternative to negotiated communication.
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Midn. "Skeeter" DeGeeter entertains his date and hopefully vice-versa, under the close supervision of Midn. Watson and Locke during Military Ball Operationl '81.

Who stole my notes?!!
Stephen Kaufman, President

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Personal encounter with Houston’s cults:
‘Blissed out on the Guru Maharaj Ji’

By Rabbi Shaul Osadchey

College students are perhaps the most impressionable and emotionally vulnerable of any age category. In a university atmosphere which holds the value of free-thinking and open-mindedness sacrosant, the student is expected to formulate decisions about career, life-style options, and the selection of a spouse. The pressures and multiplicity of choices often provoke considerable confusion and anxiety, leading some students down unconventional paths. Hillel attempts to be one step ahead of the Jewish student, providing guidance and direction through these very significant years of psychological and intellectual growth.

With increasing frequency, however, the Hillel Director finds himself trying to retrieve a wayward Jewish student who has deviated down a potentially harmful road. Recently, I was called upon to counsel an individual gravitating toward the following of the Guru Maharaj Ji, an Eastern-oriented cult transplanted into the United States some 10 years ago.

The Guru Maharaj Ji was born in Hardwar, India in 1957, the youngest son of the then prevailing Guru. At the age of 8, the Guru Maharaj Ji succeeded his father as the “Perfect Master” and after being rejected by his mother, abandoned India for the more hospitable environment of the United States. Currently, there are 8,000 members, known as Divine Light Mission, operating in Ashrams (communes) and centers throughout the United States.

As part of the counseling arrangement, I agreed to attend a public satsang (discourse) at the local office of the Divine Light Mission in Southwest Houston. Upon entering the mission, I immediately observed the tranquility of the lounge area where the satsang was to take place. The cool, dimly lit room vibrated with calming music. The chairs faced a raised carpeted platform upon which a white cushioned chair and picture of the Guru Maharaj Ji was situated. Approximately 35 people whose ages ranged from the late teens to the early 30’s, sat quietly, some meditating with their eyes shut, presumably closed to the outside world.

The carefully orchestrated satsang typified the proselytizing techniques of other religious cults. The disarmingly comfortable mood attempts to relax the participant and dissociate him from external concerns. With anxieties and frustrations soothed, the individual feels secure and protected in this anesthesized setting. Cults prey upon the need for simple human friendship, differentiating themselves from the often unemotional and wearing environs of one’s work place, school, home, or church. Having lured one into the satsang’s facade of peace and tranquility, the cult leaders can begin to promote their conversionary message.

The speakers personified the sedated setting with their casual appearance and their childlike and soft-spoken mannerisms. Joanna, the first speaker, evoked the central theme and need of those who attended; the yearning for love. She professed that everyone desires to experience the emotion of love which “goes so deep it feels like going home.”

These sentiments are the code words used by the cults to signal that they alone possess the secret to gain direct encounter with God and instant understanding of Truth and Knowledge. Herein lies a significant danger of the cults. They offer a connection to ultimate purpose and meaningful without the intervention of ideas and concepts. Education and

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critical judgement are discarded for the promise of instantaneous gratification. The possibility of securing immediate insight into life is overwhelmingly more attractive to the naive, searching student than the prospect of spending years of decision making and toil necessary to carve out a well-grounded foundation for one's life. Spencer, the second speaker, reiterated the intense devotion to love and truth. "So many people are hungry for what is missing in their lives. They want the Truth no matter what," intoned Spencer. The Truth about life, according to the Divine Light Mission and other cults, hinges upon one principle of reality. For Joanne and Spencer, that one factor was adherence and faith in "the perfect master," the Guru Maharaj Ji. "The Guru Maharaj Ji is the presence of the living Lord. Only through the Guru Maharaj Ji can one receive the gift of love. The Guru Maharaj Ji is bliss (love) manifested in his body," concluded Spencer.

This theme of the Guru Maharaj Ji extending the gift of love to a willing recipient offers the prospective follower a world free of complications. The powerful appeal of living in a world of black and white reinforces a desire to regain the lost innocence of childhood. The authority and absolute assurances of the Guru Maharaj Ji relieves one of having to make decisions and instead affords a simple system of living in complete accord with the wishes of the Guru Maharaj Ji and his appointed leaders.

The sacrifice made by the person who accepts the Guru Maharaj Ji or any other similar cult figure is the total renunciation of one's individuality and of one's material possessions. Cult members become increasingly distanced from family and friends and lose control over the management of their lives. Often times, cults overwork and undernourish their members and cause psychological damage thru guilt, identity and confusion and paranoia. The consequences can be tragic even after a person leaves a cult because they face the same problems and life situations from which they initially sought to escape.

The person who prompted my visit to the satsang has continued to be drawn further into the Guru Maharaj Ji's web. His loving wife and family may not succeed in extricating him from the grips of the cult. If so, he will join the thousands of other young Jews who fall victim during their college years to the cults. There are many lessons to be learned from this tragic episode, the most poignant one being the need to provide Hillel and Jewish professionals on campus with the resources to develop preventative educational measures to counteract the impact of the cults.

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Council wants you to be aware of the risks you face when approached by a cult member. You should know that the two best principle of mind controls ("Brainwashing") are:

1. If you can get a person to behave the way you want, you can get that person to believe the way you want.
2. Sudden, drastic changes in environment lead to heightened suggestibility and to drastic changes in attitudes and beliefs.

DON'T BE FOOLISH!
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DON'T GO AWAY FOR A WEEKEND OR LONGER WITH A STRANGER OR A STRANGE GROUP UNLESS:
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You know its ideas, beliefs, and affiliations.
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You know what will be expected of you.
You know that you will be free and able to leave and get home any time.
You believe the answers you're getting.
DON'T BE FOOLISH.
DON'T ACCEPT VAGUE ANSWERS.
MAKE THEM BE SPECIFIC.

If you have any doubts about the legitimacy of any religious group or cult, call Rabbi Shaul Osadchey at 749-2271.

Our best wishes for a year of good health.

Happy New Year
There is a law attributed to Donald Herzberg, the dean of Georgetown University's graduate school, that comes from the days of barnstorming pilots.

The First Law of Wing-Walking: Never leave hold of what you've got until you've got hold of something else.

Wing-Walking can be a frightening and daring experience. So can the transition from home to college, or just going on from one year to the next. The tendency is to do as the wing-walkers do: to hold secure to the past until you have a firm hold on something new.

The various groups involved in Joint Campus Ministry have many handles to help you make your transitions easier and more enjoyable! The eight groups which conduct campus ministry at Rice University and the Texas Medical Center can provide you with either a little or a lot of support in your educational journey because they are made up of students just like you, students caught up in the same tensions and sharing the same joys. This means that you do not have to make the journey through school on your own, as if you were walking a wing that had nothing to hang on to. And the real fulfillment available to you is that you can establish for yourself a community of friends, peers, and colleagues which will support you as you go.

Use your imagination for a moment... it's a month from right now... you are in an ever-changing environment... you are struggling to discover the meaning of your life now and for the future. You could call the old home town to talk to a trusted friend. But that would only last for a few minutes, and then you would be back in the unfamiliar again. Or you could go over to your student center to meet new friends... you could go to the supper and party that they are sponsoring tonight... you could go find a caring person who would support you and give you that touch that you need...

Do you dare to develop your gifts and talents, to ask questions and seek answers, and to discover the ways in which you are being called to serve?

Read on...

See what Joint Campus Ministry has to offer...

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Surrounded between Rice University and the Texas Medical Center, we use the campus as a place of creating a variety of programs designed to supplement academic life, academic and vocational purposes. The BSU, as it is called, is not to be seen as a place to meet others, but as a place to meet God, to connect with others, and to grow in your relationship with God and others.

FAST CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION

We are a community of students, faculty, and staff who meet regularly to discuss and study the Bible. We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God and that it is relevant to our lives today. We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the basement of the Student Union Building.

WESLEY FOUNDATION

The Wesley Foundation is the United Methodist Church on the campus of Rice University. We provide a community for Rice students, faculty, and staff to come together and explore faith and life. We offer a variety of programming, including Bible studies, worship, and discussions on issues of faith, life, and community. We are open to all students, regardless of their religious background.

CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

Celebrating the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and the teaching of the Church, the Catholic Student Center is a welcoming community for all students, regardless of their faith. We offer a variety of programming, including Mass, small group studies, and social events. We are open to all students, regardless of their faith.

RUTHER HOUSE

Ruthe House is a community for women who are interested in exploring faith and community. We offer a variety of programming, including Bible studies, small group discussions, and social events. We are open to all students, regardless of their faith.

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The Presbyterian Church provides opportunities for students to engage in community, worship, and fellowship. We offer a variety of programming, including Bible studies, worship, and discussions on issues of faith, life, and community. We are open to all students, regardless of their faith.
Dear Colleague:

Many new and significant developments are taking place on the Houston campuses. The attached brochure represents the effect of Hillel's expanded presence within the Rice and Texas Medical Center academic community. The former "Joint Christian Ministry" has now been changed to the "Joint Campus Ministry" due to the recognition of Hillel's contribution to campus life and the shared ecumenical concerns of the mainstream campus religious organizations.

We are pleased to inform you of this exciting new dimension to Hillel's role at Rice and the Texas Medical Center.

Wishing you in advance a מ"ה י"א.

Shaul Osadchey
Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Hillel Director
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U of H’s Hillel rallies students in support of French Jewry

Jewish students demonstrated their support of French Jewry at a rally recently held at the University of Houston. Sponsored by the B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation, the gathering of solidarity drew a noontime audience to listen to speakers protest the recent wave of anti-Semitic attacks against Jews and synagogues throughout Europe.

According to Rabbi Shaul

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Osadchey, Hillel director, the purpose of the rally was to sensitize Jews in Houston to the grave threat to European Jews by the rise of neo-Nazi and fascist groups. Featured among the speakers were Mark Miller, Hillel member at the University of Houston, Charles Duke, general manager of the Jewish Herald-Voice, Tom Neumann, director of the Anti-Defamation League, and the Reverend Bert Ettling, Episcopal Chaplain at the University of Houston. A prepared statement by Harold Goldstein, chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Committee, expressing support of French Jewry in their fight against neo-Nazi violence was also read.

The speakers noted that the recent attack in France represented a re-emergence of anti-Semitism in Europe similar to that of the 1920's and 1930's. The French government's collusion with the forces of anti-Semitism led to the Dreyfus Affair in 1894 in which a Jewish officer in the French army was falsely convicted of treason. Some 35 years later the French Vichy government sent 100,000 Jews to their deaths in the concentration camps.

Charles Duke commented on the worldwide implications of the events in France. The wave of anti-Semitism has inflamed prejudice and attacks against Jewish communities elsewhere in Iran and Argentina. Reverend Ettling stated that the outbursts of anti-Semitism in France affected the freedom of all people in France and threatened the very fabric of French society.

Concluding the rally, Rabbi Osadchey offered a prayer for the victims of the bombing of the Paris synagogue. Cantor Larry Charson of Temple Emanu El intoned the memorial prayer El Maleh Rachamin for those killed by the terrorist blast. Students and faculty were then urged to sign petitions asking the French government to insure the protection of Jews and their institutions as well as apprehending and prosecuting those responsible for the attacks.
One Down! Three to Go!

AKIBA MINI-COLLEGE continues for three more Wednesday evenings . . .
October 29, November 5, November 12

It's still not too late to participate in the A.M.C. adult education program. You have three more chances to take your choice of any two outstanding classes.

Here's the schedule for October 29th:

8:00-9:00 p.m.
Dr. Ariel Bar Sela - Military History of the Jews
"The Wars of the Hasmoneans"

Rabbi Stephen Grundfast - Midrash
"Moses: The First 80 Years"

Dr. Dov Liberman - A Look at Israel Today
"Two Jews - Three Opinions: The Political System"

Dr. E. Edward Reitman - Are They Really Normal?
"Homosexuals"

Dr. Hyman J. Schachtel - Comparative Religion
"Buddhism"

Cantor George Wagner - Chanting the Haftorah
Continued study of the Haftorah trope.

9:15-10:15 p.m.
Dr. Robert H. Friedman - The Future of the Jews in the Diaspora — "From Napoleon Until Now"

Larry Laufman - The Most Controversial Books in the Bible — "The Prophets: God's Revolutionaries"

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey - From Pogroms to Olympics: A Century of Russian Jewry
"Stalin: The Black Years"

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                          The University of Arkansas
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                          Director of Hillel Foundation
                          The University of Houston

ENTERTAINMENT BY BILL BLACK MUSICAL ENSEMBLE
Speaks to Hillel, Christian groups

Susanne Willems of German Confessing Church visits here

Susanne Willems, a German college student from Dusseldorf, was in Houston last week on a good will mission. She is a member of Germany’s “Confessing” Church, and is being sponsored in this country by her Church and the Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith, who helped bring her to Houston.

While here, she spoke with Jews at Houston’s Hillel, and also to Christian groups in and around the U of H Campus.

Susanne is a member of Aktion Suchenzeichen Friedensdienste, (ASF); the Action Reconciliation Service for Peace. ASF is a pacifist leaning organization founded in 1958 by members of the Protestant Confessing Church in Germany, who had refused to cooperate with Hitler. The members of this Church included such famous names as Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Martin Niemöller. The group seeks to do good deeds to atone for the sins of the Nazis in World War II.

ASF has projects underway in England, America, Canada, Poland, Holland, Norway, Germany and Israel. Several members of the ASF were among those killed in the terrorist bombing of a bus in Israel last year, but the work continues.

In the early days, ASF members were engaged in mostly manual labor, rebuilding visible memorials to atone for the sins of the past: Coventry Cathedral in England, a Synagogue in France, etc. In recent years, however, the emphasis has become people oriented. Work now consists of aid to homes for disturbed children, the elderly, and other social service projects.

The group seeks to prevent a recurrence of Fascism by working against discrimination and oppression in all its forms.

Susanne moved to Dallas earlier this week, where she will continue her work among student groups there. She spent the summer working at children’s camps, and expects to continue touring Universities in major cities during the school term. At present ASF has about 160 volunteers in the field, 30 of whom are serving in the United States. Most ASF volunteers are conscientious objectors, and are serving in ASF as an alternative to West German military service.
"Zionist Caravan" educates public about Israel during visit to Houston

The "Zionist Caravan" educated Jews and non-Jews about Israel and Zionism while visiting Houston recently. The caravan has been traveling to about 30 U.S. cities, almost all of them in the South.

Among the places the van stopped here are the University of Houston Hillel Foundation and the I. Weiner Jewish Secondary School. Members of the Pioneer Women and the Zionist Organization of America's Peggy and Leon Samet group also got a chance to view the caravan's features on Zionism and Israel.

While here, caravan leaders presented a book to Houston Mayor Jim McConn from Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

The "Zionist Caravan", which came here all the way from Jerusalem, offered films and literature about the Jewish state. "Our goal is to bring a breath of what makes Israel tick to this area," said Charley J. Levine, 28, co-director of the project and a native of San Antonio.

"Too much of what life in Israel is really like gets lost behind political headlines and rhetoric. We aim to demonstrate that Israel and America have many, many values and interests in common."

Levine is an editor of "Israel Scene" magazine, published in Jerusalem. He is also director for North America of the World Zionist Organization's Information Department.

He, his wife, and two children live in Gilo, a suburban development of Jerusalem.

In the U.S., the caravan is being sponsored by the American Zionist Federation and various cultural, religious and student organizations.

The Caravan itinerary emphasized Southern cities because there was the feeling that these communities receive too little attention from a Zionist information point of view. The Caravan was seen as a first step in remedying the situation.
Rabbi Osadchey of B’nai B’rith Hillel attends Maryland energy conference

Over 100 students and B’nai B’rith Hillel staff members from the United States and Canada recently gathered for a National Campus Energy Conference held at the University of Maryland. The three-day educational conference, entitled “The Energy Puzzle: America’s Destiny and Jewish Values”, was co-sponsored by B’nai B’rith and the Zionist Organization of America. Among the participants was Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of the Houston B’nai B’rith Hillel.

The conference’s intent was to familiarize Jewish students with the complexities of energy issues and to help integrate Jewish values into a framework for evaluating energy strategies and activities.

The keynote address, delivered by Stephen Bryen, director of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs, called for stronger leadership in the energy area and a willingness to institute gasoline rationing. The next day’s program was devoted to alternative energy sources which, according to Dr. Hershel Spector, a nuclear engineer, and Ms. Ellen Laipson, a Middle East analyst, would diminish the United States’ dependence on the Arab and OPEC countries’ oil.

The international consequences of energy dependence as well as the risks of nuclear power to replace oil usage were reflected in comments made at the Department of Energy, where conference participants heard from Erica Ward, associate director for energy and natural resources at the White House, and Bob Hanfling, undersecretary of DOE.

Rabbi Seymour Siegel of the Jewish Theological Seminary connected energy issues to Jewish tradition through emphasis on Biblical and Rabbinic texts which view man as responsible for the maintenance and preservation of the world. Ira Silverman of the American Jewish Committee reminded the audience of the extent of Arab financial influence in the United States and urged concentrating efforts on an energy agenda which would decrease United States reliance on foreign energy sources. At the final session on Capitol Hill, Warren Eisenberg, director of the B’nai B’rith International Council, spoke about the impact of the Presidential elections upon future American energy policy.

While the conference sponsor’s bias tended toward a strong endorsement of nuclear power as part of a “mixed” energy approach, students voiced strong reservations about such a policy. Each speaker was vigorously challenged by students whose final recommendations for energy action reflected “clean” energy alternatives such as conservation and solar energy.

The Houston Hillel plans to implement several of the suggested energy ideas in conjunction with already existing energy coalitions on campus.
From left to right – Gary Corn, Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Jack J. Spitzer, John Braun and Sol Jagoda.

President of B'nai B'rith International
Jack J. Spitzer comes to Houston

District Seven B'nai B'rith president Al Levin (left) with B'nai B'rith International president Jack J. Spitzer, Memorial Lodge president Gerald Packler and Herzl Lodge president Ben Lass.

B'nai B'rith Youth Organization leaders join with the International president – (l to r) Hillel Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Jack J. Spitzer, Houston BBYO City director Marilyn Selman and TEXOMA Regional director Lee Wunitch.

Houston area B'nai B'rith leaders met with their International president Jack J. Spitzer recently at a Chancellor's breakfast.

There he eloquently urged a renewal effort in obtaining new members for B'nai B'rith. He continued that theme in his sermon later on the pulpit of Beth Yeshurun.

While in the city, Spitzer and J.B. Goldberg B'nai B'rith Tower president Jerry J. Ribnick toured the Senior Citizens' facility.
In a cooperative effort to reach out to the growing number of Jewish college students on local campuses, Hillel was asked to be a co-sponsor of the Jewish Community Center's Book Fair '80. The recently-ended Fair included a record number of authors this year, of whom four were invited to speak to Hillel students.

Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of the Hillel organizations at the University of Houston and Rice University, coordinated the programs. Avery Corman, author of "Kramer vs. Kramer" and the opening night Book Fair speaker, appeared at a special Hillel Friday night creative service entitled, "Oh God."

Other authors who spoke on campus included Rabbi James Rudin, author of Prison or Paradise: the New Religious Cults; Rabbi Leo Trepp, author of The Complete Book of Jewish Observance and David Rosenberg, author of Chosen Days. Both the Center and Hillel hope to continue this cooperation in order to offer more quality Jewish programming on our local campuses.

The Jewish Community Center is a beneficiary agency of United Way and the United Jewish Campaign.
Adult Education

Three 3-part series offered for singles & others

Jewish Law

Tradition

"Judaism for Friendly Skeptics," a three-part workshop exploring the prominent themes of Jewish tradition, will be offered for singles during the winter semester at the Jewish Community Center, 5601 South Braeswood.

The workshop will be held on three consecutive Wednesdays beginning January 14 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee is $15 for members and $24 for non-members.

Dr. Emanuel Goldman, who has a Ph.D. in education, is currently executive director of the Commission for Jewish Education. His workshops are held on three consecutive Tuesdays, beginning January 13, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The fee for each session is $5 for members and $8 for non-members.

Also being offered for singles is a three-part series on Jewish law presented by Dr. Emanuel Goldman. These sessions may be taken individually, and the topics include: "On the Nature of Jewish Law: Where Law and Philosophy Coincide;" "The Do's and Don'ts of Being Me;" and "The Holy Me and the Secular Me."

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For information on how to register for these and many other adult education classes, contact Linda Laff or Barbara Goodman at 729-3200, extension 730.
Houston B’nai B’rith Leaders meet with BBJ President

HOUSTON-Over 35 Houston B’nai B’rith leaders recently met with Jack J. Spitzer, B’nai B’rith International President, when he visited the Texas city. He also was the featured speaker at Congregation Beth Yeshurun. Left to right: Gary Corn, Houston-Memorial Lodge (who recently gave a portion of a Texas oil well to B’nai B’rith); Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Hillel Director at the University of Houston; Jack J. Spitzer; John Braun, Herz Lodge; Sol Jagoda, Past Texas State President and President of Pasadena Lodge.
An exciting program for the fourth annual celebration of Jewish Education Week is scheduled for Feb. 22-27. Coordinated by the Commission for Jewish Education's Informal Jewish Education Committee, chaired by Larry Gladstone, the program will be highlighted by the keynote address on Monday evening, Feb. 22.

A full series of Educational Workshops will follow throughout the week. The keynote will be delivered by Dr. Eli Grad, President of the Hebrew College in Boston. Dr. Grad is a leading figure in American Jewish Education. Combined with the keynote, the Yavneh Award for distinguished service to Jewish education in Houston will also be presented. The keynote event will be hosted at Temple Beth Israel.

A full calendar of events will be forthcoming in the Jewish Herald-Voice. All programs are free of charge and open to the public.
The University of Houston did not recognize the existence of the State of Israel at a gathering this week of international students. At least that must be the impression of visitors to the central campus University Center, where an educational exhibit of international nations failed to mention Israel. In fact, "Palestine", Turkey, Korea, India, and the Arab states were the only nations represented.

Who lives in "Palestine"? According to literature distributed by UH student Hisham Alqam, the true residents of "Palestine", the "Palestinians", are forbidden from living there because of the "Zionist Jews". The two booths housing the exhibit offered "proof" of the claims through handouts titled "Zionism Is Racism", "Toward Peace in Palestine", and "Zionizing Public Services".

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Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Hillel director, reported seeing pamphlets sporting swastikas.

The exhibit was sponsored by the International Student Organization, whose membership is predominantly Arab. The university's Hillel chapter was not invited to attend, and protests by Osadchey, who asked that the Palestinian booth be closed, went unheeded.

The exhibition rules of the International Student Organization strictly forbid political propaganda.

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Jewish Herald-Voice to report that the committee would meet to decide "what is propaganda" but would not remove the pamphlets.

Osadchey had scheduled a meeting with Chancellor Barry Munitz at press time.
On Feb. 15

Emanu El Chautauqua breakfast to feature Rabbi Shaul Osadechey

Temple and community, will culminate at Emanu El with the Jewish Chautauqua Breakfast featuring Rabbi Shaul Osadechey, as guest speaker.

Rabbi Osadechey has been director of B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation for Houston since 1979, having come directly from St. Louis, where he served as associate director for Hillel. Rabbi Osadechey has a B.A. in Political Science and Jewish Studies from the University of California and was ordained at Hebrew Union College in 1977. His extensive experience with youth will be the background for his talk "The Campus in the 80's: The Challenge of Assimilation, Intermarriage and Personal Identity."

Life members of the Jewish Chautauqua Society will be guests of the Brotherhood for breakfast. All members of the congregation and friends are invited to attend.
An editorial –

Whose First Amendment?

Last week, the University of Houston used the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States – freedom of speech – to subvert this very principle.

This extraordinary act involved an International Student Organization Festival, whose rules for being called for no politicizing. The International Student Organization is funded by the State of Texas and is monitored by a university dean who is assigned to it for that purpose.

Officials of the university defended the rights of some students to deny the existence of Israel in the festival, while denying the rights of other students to offset the disallowed politicizing of the festival.

The International Student Organization accomplished its deed by a “late” invitation to the campus’ Hillel Foundation, which has students who are Israelis. The university even bothered to send a “late” press notice about the festival to this paper. As a result, Hillel students were not notified in time to participate in the festival.

In politicizing the festival, anti-Israel and anti-Jewish students displayed offensive and untrue literature, complete with swastikas and terrorist input.

Citing the rules of the festival, which called for no political maps, symbols, or slides, Hillel Director Rabbi Shaul Osadchey reported that his petition for removal of the offensive literature was denied on the grounds that his request was in direct violation of the principle of freedom of speech.

After hundreds of junior high school students had seen the swastika material, it was reported to have been belatedly removed. The same report told of rowdy anti-Jewish students being removed from the premises of the festival, as they shouted their approval of a skit in which the Palestine Liberation Organization’s flag was paraded.

Officials of the university seemed unconcerned over physical threats to members of the International Student Organization who objected to politicizing of the festival.

One involved university official refused to have the festival live up to the no-politicizing rule, saying that students should have the right to learn from their own errors.

While there is no challenge to the University of Houston on odd interests in the politics of the Middle East, certainly this institution of higher learning should not use the First Amendment to allow an element of its student body to violate the rules of an established campus organization that falls under its jurisdiction.

It is high time that appointed leadership on the campus rise and man the rudders of decency and steer the university in the traditions of freedom for all of its students.
Jewish Herald-Voice
Feb. 12, 1981

ILLEL FOUNDATION:
SUNDAY, 2/22 - 5:00 - 7:15 p.m. - “The Jewish Response to Proselytizing” presented by Rabbi Birnholz, Jacksonville, Miss. An intense training session and dinner. Co-sponsored with the JCC singles. $7 per person. Contact Rabbi Shaul Osadchey at 749-2271 or Linda Lait at 729-3200 for reservations. Reservations must be paid by 2/18. No phone reservations accepted.

Jewish Youth Council plans conversion workshop

RABBI RICHARD BIRNHOlz

The Jewish Youth Council of Houston will host Rabbi Richard Birnholz in a special youth workshop on Feb. 22, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center. Rabbi Birnholz is visiting Houston from Jackson, Miss., as a part of the Jewish Education Week.

A specialist in Jewish Assertive Training, Birnholz works with training youth as to how to avoid being converted. He also works with dealing with the people trying to convert others:

Birnholz’s visit is of special significance in light of the recent number of conversion attempts of Jewish students in several local schools. He has previously addressed the International Convention of Young Judaea.

The cost is $1 and includes a program packet. Reservations can be made through one’s organization president or by calling the JYC office at 729-3200, extension 140.
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ENTREE
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Tossed salad
Egg bread, rye and pumpernickel bread
Butter
Carrot cake
Brotherhood Chautauqua Breakfast To Feature Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Sunday, February 15 - 9:30 a.m.

Brotherhood Weekend, which underlines the relevance and significance of Brotherhood in the Temple and community, will culminate with our Jewish Chautauqua Breakfast featuring Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, as guest speaker.

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Life members of the Jewish Chautauqua Society will be our guests for breakfast. All members of the congregation are invited to attend.
**LET US GET THE FACTS STRAIGHT!**

Recently, the B'NAI B'RITH HILLEL FOUNDATION placed an slanderous advertisement in this newspaper calling for boycotts of the ISO sponsored International Festival. This Zionist group would not only like to deny you and the entire student body a great educational experience but has repeatedly slandered the peaceful Palestinian people.

**FACTS ABOUT THE PLO**

1. The PLO represents four million Palestinians and is not a terrorist organization.
2. The PLO is recognized by the World's Assembly as the sole representative of the Palestinian people and has been granted membership to the U.N.
3. The PLO sponsors charities to aid the Palestinian refugees who have been assaulted, deported, murdered, and dehumanized by the Israeli, racist, and Zionist Israeli government.
4. The PLO builds hospitals, schools, and other supportive facilities. The Zionist Israelis drop American-made bombs on these schools, hospitals, and supportive facilities.
5. The ultimate goal of the PLO is to rebuild the democratic government of Palestine with equal representation of Jews, Christians, and Moslems.

**FACTS ABOUT ISRAEL**

1. The Israeli government discriminates against Eastern and black Jews as well as the native Palestinian people.
2. Although Christianeans and Moslems represent one fourth of the population, they have no representation in the Knesset and are not allowed to form their own political parties.
3. Israeli oppression against the Palestinians is equal in severity to Hitler's oppresion of the Jews.
4. Palestinians who were born on Palestinian soil are shot upon return, however Israeli immigration laws grant any Jew, despite his nationality, citizenship.
5. Emigration from Israel has increased to 18,000 due to the fact that Israel is only an illusion and can never be an independent, wealthy state. (Israel suffers 131.5 percent inflation).

The B'NAI B'RITH accused the representatives of the Palestinian people, the PLO, of terrorism. Yet, terrorism directed against the Palestinians is the historical basis for the illegal Zionist state of Israel.

The B'NAI B'RITH also failed to mention that the PLO was the first international organization to offer its assistance in mediating the hostage crisis in Iran.

**SUPPORT THE ISO AND ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL!**

THE PALESTINE BOOTH WELCOMES YOU!
Position of Reagan administration

From Page One

should be to arrest the deteriorating position of the West vis-a-vis the Soviet Union. Achievement of that goal itself will provide the beneficial context for the future of the peace process.

When Dyess was asked whether the security issue is now ahead of the autonomy talks on the U.S. agenda, and whether he had suggested a delay in reconvening the autonomy talks that have been in the doldrums since last May, Dyess replied: "Not necessarily. You can proceed on both tracks."

In a separate development, Dyess said, with reference to the Israeli raid on PLO positions in Lebanon, that he was "aware that the incursion took place" and "As I have noted before, this is a matter of concern. It adds to tensions in the area. There is nothing more specific that I have to say."

This mild reaction came at a time when the Reagan administration had been discussing U.S.-Israeli relations with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, who brought a quiet diplomatic message to Secretary of State Alexander Haig, that Israel opposed the U.S. delivery of extra fuel tanks, bomb racks, and air-to-air missiles to Saudi Arabia for the 50 F-15 warplanes that Saudi Arabia purchased from the United States in 1978. The issue seemed to be that the United States is preparing to go

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Home for the Aged traditions, the Annual Valentine’s Day Party.

“When my sister Sharlene came into the home, my wife Shirley and I thought that it would be a nice idea to sponsor a Valentine’s Day Party,” grinned Bruce Stein in a recent interview. "So, for eleven years now, we’ve sponsored one!” All refreshments and favors at the party were through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Stein.

The party was a wonderful one. Bill Mesner played music, Peggy Bohman sang and led the group in songs ranging from “Let Me Call You Sweetheart” to “Brahms Lullaby” (in German) The following Valentine’s Day couples were honored: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuell Brodsky, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Orloff, Mr. and Mrs. William Gold, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Max.

Bruce and Shirley Stein with Bruce’s sister, Sharlene (holding heart).

Valentine’s Day stretches into week at Seven Acres-Jewish Home for the Aged

By Leida Gottlieb

Seven Acres-Jewish Home for the Aged was the target of a torrent of Cupid’s arrows this year as the Valentine’s Day celebration stretched into a Valentine’s week.

On Sunday, the Seven Acres staff gathered around a specially constructed Valentine’s Day box filled with names of residents. Names were chosen by staff members, and on Friday a card was presented from the staff member to the resident he or she had chosen.

On Friday, staff members Jennifer Hackney and Sharon Jennell served cookies and punch to a small party in the Cohen Wing. Participants in the party received valentines and talked about Valentine traditions. Then came Sunday, and another link was forged in an eleven-year Seven Acres-Jewish Celebration

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The Jewish Community Center
Editor's note: The Jewish Herald-Voice received the following letter from the University of Houston Central Campus' W. Harry Sharp, Vice Chancellor, Dean of Students. The letter is gratefully reprinted, since it contains an explanation (in part) of the recent highly questionable behavior of the school's International Student Organization's indifferent attitude to the welfare of its Jewish student body.

This paper's prime concern in reproducing evidence of the student organization's violation of its own rules to openly introduce anti-Semitism on its own campus, its thinly disguised use of the student newspaper to further this un-Christian, diabolical move is solely a humane consideration. How sad it would be if some innocent Moslem, Christian, or Jew were to be caught in the searing verbal or physical crossfire that often follows such a misadventure as this!

A quote from the appreciated letter below, "... to teach them that they are responsible for their actions ..." is admirable, only if continued actions such as this result in studied removal from the campus – provided that the provocative actions of such students are responsibly judged to be legally wrong.

One might long for the earlier days of the bright campus life of the University of Houston, where the admirable philosophy of a Kemmerer, a Hiller, or a Schwarzwald called for intellectual enlightenment and dissolution of racial and religious prejudices.

- JWS, '51

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ADL planning extensive seminars on Holocaust education with teachers

The Anti-Defamation League, long acknowledged as an educating force in American life (and an authority on Holocaust education), will begin to conduct extensive seminars with the English and social studies teachers of the Spring Branch Independent School District and the Houston Independent School District on the subject of Holocaust education.

According to Dr. David Bell, chairman of the programs, the purpose of the programs is to prepare secondary school teachers to incorporate the Holocaust experience into their curricula. The programs aim to increase teachers' understanding of the social significance of the Holocaust, its historical antecedents, and possible implications.

They will also inform teachers about available resources and materials for presenting the Holocaust in the context of their particular curriculum areas. A course on "teaching about the Holocaust" will be held on three consecutive Tuesday afternoons — Mar. 3, 10, and 17 — in the Spring Branch Administration Building. The course is being offered to the teachers as a part of their professional growth program.

Session 1, on Mar. 3, entitled "The Holocaust: facts, context, and implications", will be conducted by Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at the University of Houston and Rice. Also on Mar. 3, "A survivor's testimony" will be presented by Siegmund Izakson.

On Mar. 10, the second segment of the three-part series, "Teaching techniques and strategies", will be presented by Ronald Axelrod, chairman of the English Department at Lake Braddock Secondary School in Fairfax County, Va. Axelrod has extensive classroom experience in Holocaust education and has spoken to numerous educational and civic groups on this subject.

The concluding segment, on Mar. 17, "A survey and demonstration of teaching resources and materials on the Holocaust", will be conducted by Dr. David Bell, coordinator of academic planning of the University of Houston System.

Dr. Bell, a member of the ADL Houston Advisory Board, has participated in ADL Holocaust educational programs in 1975 and in 1978. In addition, ADL will sponsor the program by Axelrod on Monday, Mar. 9, for teachers in the Houston Independent School District in the HISD Administration Building.

Additional information is available by calling the ADL office at 627-3490.

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Dear Mr. Samuels:

Recent events surrounding the International Festival being held on the University of Houston Central Campus compel me to write this letter to you and your readers.

The Festival is being conducted by a recognized student organization, the International Student Organization (ISO). Recognition of a student organization by the University signifies merely that the membership and constitutions of the group are in keeping with University policy and federal, state, and local laws. However, the University does not pass judgment on the organizations or their activities. We intervene through our established policies and procedures when a matter of University policy or statute has been or could be violated. One needs to understand that various legal decisions have been handed down which protect the rights of such student organizations.

The International Student Organization is one of our recognized student organizations. Within the ISO’s structure, there is a procedure for establishing a committee to plan, to carry out, and to be responsible for their annual festival. In this case, the student committee most assuredly changed its own guidelines regarding the establishment of a booth labeled Palestine by (1) permitting this booth and others not representing a country and region, and (2) by permitting political material in the display. Also, the committee did not operate in a timely fashion once inflammatory, political materials were placed in the booth following the opening of the festival. Decisions regarding the content of the booth should have been resolved on the Monday evening of the opening rather than the next day at 4:00 p.m.

As a matter of information, the committee consisted of students from the following parts of the world: six from the U.S., one from Bolivia, one from Trinidad, three from Lebanon, one from Iran, one from Bahrain, one from the Middle East whose country I do not know. I know that one of the students is a member of the Jewish faith. Having met at length with the committee, I was unable to detect a bias toward either the Israeli or the Arab interests.

The University’s philosophy for advising student groups is to assist them in gathering pertinent data, to educate them in the manner of making appropriate decisions, and to teach them that they are responsible for their actions. We have found this approach to be an effective educational approach in working with groups of young adults. They must make decisions for which they are held accountable throughout their lives. Telling them what to do and deciding for them would be far less time consuming but of little educational benefit.

This year’s Festival Committee of the ISO has learned much, unfortunately at the expense of the feelings of others. In a few months, the University of Houston Student Service Fee Allocations Committee composed of students, faculty, and staff will meet in order to recommend to the Chancellor the distribution of student service fee monies for next year. Hillel and other groups of students have expressed their concern about money being distributed to the ISO. The ISO and all other recognized student organizations must be held accountable for their actions. That is part of the learning process as I see it.

In behalf of the University, I want to express my sincere apologies that members of our campus community and the community at large have been offended. Please be assured that the University desires to be responsive to the keenly felt concerns of the community, and that the campus administration will work rigorously toward reconciling differences among various groups as they occur.

Sincerely,

W. Harry Sharp
Vice Chancellor, Dean of Students
March 2, 1981

The Jewish Herald-Voice (Feb. 26, Pg. 5) reproduced "An open letter" and an ad from earlier issues of The Daily Cougar, a student newspaper at the UH Central Campus.

Our policy (and I trust yours) is to trumpet victory and whisper faults, but in this instance I think it's necessary to clarify what began as an omission of an ad source, then escalated to an editorial comment in The Cougar, and has now become a community issue which may be misunderstood.

The advertising manager of The Daily Cougar was in no way responsible for the aforementioned omission. Since she has been the subject of more than one article in the Herald-Voice, and because she is a singularly valuable key employee of Student Publications at UH, I think it will help to clarify:

The piece "An open letter", by the Cougar editor, accompanied a "regretted omission of attribution" to an ad source. While we stand by the clarification, the editor's comments represent his own views and not the policy of The Daily Cougar. That's important because some misstatements of fact appeared in the open letter:

1. "The ad department did not confirm that the ad was placed by a campus organization". Not so. The person placing the ad said he represented GUPS (a recognized campus group, according to Campus Activities Office), and his word was not challenged.

2. "The ad department does not have a current listing of officially recognized campus organizations". Not so. Each ad desk has such a list, and they're used for reference.

3. The implication was made by the editor that he has some control over advertising policy, and/or that he counsels the ad department. Not so. The editor runs an uncensored (though not always uncriticized) paper. He doesn't run advertising, nor does advertising run the editorial department. Natural vying for space causes friction on most newspapers, and The Daily Cougar is no exception.

The editor has every right to publish his views and is protected by the First Amendment. These views aren't necessarily our policy, though we often agree about principle. The ad manager is made to appear negligent, and she is not. Any attack upon a person or group is invidious, and we're reviewing our ad policy in this regard.

Cordially,

Wayne Scott, Manager
The Daily Cougar — The Houstonian

cc: Barbara Handsman Dr. Harry Sharp Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Classroom curriculum set for delegates and guests

School days, School days, good old golden rule days.

While most students are now out of school, delegates and visitors at the 106th annual Convention of B'nai B'rith District 7, will be in class, attending special classroom curriculum classes learning about Jewish life.

Delegates and visitors will attend eight classes, each of which will be given four times over the morning hours of Sunday and Monday. Each delegate or visitor may attend one course per day.

Included will be the following:

- B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Experience - Sidney Closter, B'nai B'rith International Director of Development, teacher.
- The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith: The continuing Fight - Thomas Neumann, Director, ADL SW Region teacher.
- The Crisis of Intermarriage, Assimilation and Personal Identity - Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, University of Houston teacher.
- Jewish Dillemas: Pre-Marital Sex, Contraception and Abortion, Dr. Jerome Sherman, teacher and Rabbi Jack Segal, Beth Yeshurun.
- Tools of Effective Leadership Generally and Lodge Structure and Leadership Specifically, Paul Schwartz, professor, Memphis State University, teacher.
- Evolution of B'nai B'rith as a Volunteer Service Organization: Insights and Challenges, Dr. L. Joseph Cahn, Former Executive Director, District 7, teacher.

TOM NEUMANN
"The Continuing Fight"

RABBI SHAUL OSADCHEY
"Crisis of Intermarriage . . . . . ."
A year and a half has now passed since the first article appeared in the Jewish Herald-Voice announcing an ambitious attempt to launch a full-time B'nai B'rith Hillel program on Houston's university campuses. With the energetic support of many people and organizations from various segments of the Jewish community — B'nai B'rith, Jewish Federation, Community Relations Council, Anti-Defamation League, Jewish Community Center and the congregations — Hillel has had the resources required to establish itself as the Jewish presence on the campuses. But, the most essential ingredient to Hillel's rapid growth has been the enthusiastic response of students who have waited years for the Jewish community to provide them with a vehicle for the expression of their Judaism. So far this year, nearly 750 Jewish students from the University of Houston, Rice University, and the Texas Medical Center requested being placed on the Hillel mailing list. Hundreds have already availed themselves of a wide variety of the many fine religious, social, and educational programs offered by Hillel.

Yet, despite the fact that we have come a long way in a short time, the challenges and hurdles ahead remain formidable ones. Hillel is continually confronting the problem of how to effectively create a sense of "chevra" (friendship and community) amongst graduate and undergraduate Jewish students from three different types of schools (commuter, residential, and medical) at three different locations and without a centrally located meeting place. With only a skeletal offering of Jewish studies courses at the universities, Hillel must somehow motivate Jewish students to learn about their tradition even if it means not receiving academic credit. And, of course, Hillel is always faced with the task of developing methods of combating anti-Semitism, Arab propaganda, cult and evangelical efforts, drug and alcohol use, and a pervasive amoral secularism on campus.

With the generous support of Joe and Jeanne Samuels, I hope to be able to present, define, and confront these issues in the weekly "Hillel Happenings" column. And, by the way, Hillel is sponsoring the following activities for this week:

January 22 — Texas Medical Center Eat and Chat Deli Lunch at Noon in the Institute of Religion
January 23 — Oneg Shabbat from 7:30 p.m. at Rice University's Brown College
January 28 — Rice University's Eat and Chat Deli Lunch at Noon in Baker College. Guest speaker will be Peter Taggart of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship
January 28 — University of Houston's Eat and Chat Deli Lunch at Noon in the Religion Center
Readying oneself for the Jewish holidays on campus means not only ritual and organizational preparation, but also anticipating the arrival of evangelical groups such as "Jews for Jesus". While currently not maintaining an official presence at any of Houston's campuses, "Jews for Jesus" undertakes its proselytizing "crusades" prior to Jewish holidays in cooperation with evangelical Christian groups such as the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, a group Hillel recently hosted at our weekly Eat and Chat deli program.

Is the danger posed by these groups a real concern? In part, any answer must be viewed in the context of Jewish history and the American experience in particular.

Jews have had to cope with the aggressive designs of Christian missionaries who for nearly 2,000 years have sought to "save" Jewish souls, often mutilating Jewish bodies in the process. In America, following the Civil War and waves of immigration of Roman Catholics and non-evangelical Christians, the evangelical Protestant groups fragmented over how to convey the message of Jesus to the Jewish people.

Some of these groups consolidated and formed the American Board of Missions to the Jews. At present, the A.B.M.J. has a multi-million dollar budget funding 33 world-wide centers including Haifa, Tel Aviv, and Jerusalem.

"Jews for Jesus" is an outgrowth of the Beth Sar Shalom (House of the Prince of Peace) movement which is affiliated with the A.B.M.J. Its founder is Moishe (Martin Meyer) Rosen, a man in his 40's who grew up in what he describes as a "typically secular" Jewish family.

Rosen converted to Christianity after his wife began studying the New Testament in 1953. After graduating from the Northeastern Bible Institute, Rosen was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1957. Until 1970 he worked in Los Angeles and New York for the A.B.M.J. and then moved to San Francisco to set up a store front ministry for hippies. "Jews for Jesus", another in a long chain of Hebrew/Christian groups, was born (again).

The controversial impact of "Jews for Jesus" lies in its slick advertising, deceptive name, and manipulations of some young people's inability to grasp a tangible set of values and lifestyle direction. While "Jews for Jesus" has attracted relatively few Jewish converts (most members are Christians who are alienated from mainstream Christian churches), their twisted theology confuses and alienates Jewish students from their tradition.

Since we rarely teach in our congregational schools Judaism's views on the Messiah and life after death, Jewish students often feel Jewishly incompetent and perceive Judaism as unable to address the concerns of adults. The result can be a resentment toward parental religious hypocrisy and a distancing from the Jewish community.

From the vantage point of Hillel, the challenge is to utilize the presence of "Jews for Jesus" as an opportunity to teach Jewish students about the viability of their tradition in modernity. More on Jewish education on campus next week.

Upcoming activities: Shabbat dinner at the B'nai B'rith Goldberg Towers, Feb. 6, 6:30 p.m. R.S.V.P. to Hillel at 749-2271. Night of Nostalgia dance at Rice Memorial Center Feb. 7, 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.
From the Houston campuses:
HILLEL HAPPENINGS
By Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Director

Quite unexpectedly, the Arab student body at the University of Houston has undertaken an unusually venomous campaign of anti-Semitic and anti-Israel propaganda. The timing of the Arab verbal political offensive coincides with last week’s International Student Organization (ISO) International Festival, an event used in the past to further Arab propaganda.

But, unlike the 1980 International Festival, the Arabs succeeded in using their significant numbers to gain control of the International Festival’s exclusive cultural format to set up a Palestinian booth with viciously anti-Jewish literature. The Arabs’ action evidently reflected a feeling that they could act with impunity and without interference from the university.

As soon as this blatant Arab attempt to violate the International Festival rules became known to Hillel, a formal protest was filed with the ISO. The basis of the protest centered upon the Arabs’ violation of ISO rules that forbid any political propaganda, prohibited adding new material to the booths once the Festival opened, and required that organizations represent countries or areas.

Since “Palestine” is neither a sovereign entity nor an “area” (its alleged territory is synonymous with the State of Israel, Jordan and Egypt), its inclusion among the cultural booths represented the political aspiration of Arab students and therefore was inappropriate in the International Festival.

In addition, literature on the Lebanon, Arab World and Palestinian tables contained such distorted articles as “Zionism is Racism”, which pictured a Nazi swastika inside a Jewish Star of David, “The Zionist Deception”, “Zionist Colonization in Palestine” and “Zionizing Public Service”.

The Hillel protest to the ISO went unheeded and unanswered until the day prior to the closing of the International Festival. An immediate appeal to the dean of student affairs accomplished little more than an order to remove the literature bearing Nazi swastikas. The University of Houston’s responsibility to ensure that groups adhere to the rules of the International Festival was not acknowledged despite the allocation of $11,400 of student activity fee money.

At the time of this writing, Hillel is preparing a full page ad in the U of H Daily Cougar denouncing the ISO as an Arab front organization, circulating a university-wide petition to halt funding of the ISO, and boycotting all future ISO activities.

In addition, Jewish community leaders are joining Hillel in discussion with the University of Houston administration to clarify its role in this matter and to gain assurance that such gross violation on the use of university money will not occur in the future.
Many students, faculty, and members of the Jewish community have become alarmed at the recent intensification of Arab activity at the University of Houston. "How can we stop this inflammatory propaganda from eroding Israel's support?" is the question most commonly asked of Hillel.

The answer I offer is perhaps as frustrating as the proliferation of Arab literature itself. First, the political situation in the Middle East following the release of the American hostages will most likely witness a new offensive by the PLO-Iranian militants and Arab radicals to gain diplomatic successes. This inevitably means that Arab radicals on American campuses will step up their propaganda efforts in order to justify and support events in the Arab world.

Secondly, American constitutional guarantees of free speech protect the rights of Arab students to disseminate their literature and hold rallies on the same basis as American groups. Thus, as a recognized student organization at the U of H, the four Arab groups (including the General Union of Palestinian Students-GUPS, the official youth wing of the PLO) can set up information tables and use U of H facilities as often as they feel compelled to do so.

As distasteful as we view this interpretation of the First Amendment, it is a reality of university life that will continue into the foreseeable future.

Given these limitations on our power to counteract the Arab campus groups, what can Hillel do? Our first obligation is to prevent the Arab students from violating either U of H rules or a particular student organization's charter. In this area Hillel has monitored and will continue to monitor the actions of Arab organizations.

Our current controversy with the U of H's ISO (International Student Organization) centers upon the ISO's waiving of its cultural exhibition rules which prohibited political propaganda in order to include a PLO booth with its offensive material.

This type of blatant subversion of a neutral student group prompted Hillel to boycott the ISO International Festival, call for a cut-off of student funding to the ISO, and appeal to the administration to prevent such student abuses in the future. While these measures may prove to be of limited success, they represent only a segment of the pro-Israel activities sponsored by Hillel.

This year, Jewish students at the U of H hosted the Zionist Caravan of the AZYF, counter-leafleted and picketed the Arabs' "Zionism is Racism" rally, set up Israel information tables, wrote Daily Cougar "Letters to the Editor", responded to Arab attacks on Israeli and Jews, and sponsored a variety of speakers on topics relating to the Middle East.

Currently, a student Israel Action Committee is being formed to increase the visibility of Israel on campus and specifically to plan a week-long Israel Independence Festival.

The significance of this political and ideological dimension of campus transcends the mere disagreement of student groups. At stake is the shaping of a new generation's attitudes towards Israel and her future. Emerging from the ranks of student bodies across the country are tomorrow's politicians, diplomats, communal leaders, clergy, and, of course, voters.

The ability of Hillel and the Jewish community to positively influence Jews and non-Jews on campus will have a profound effect on Jewish-Christian and United States-Israel relations. The dedicated Jewish students at the U of H who are responding to this latest outbreak of Arab propaganda deserve our appreciation for their tireless efforts on behalf of Israel and Jewish rights globally.
As the battle rages between Hillel and the International Student Organization (ISO) at the U of H, the student community is beginning to understand the serious nature of the accusations being leveled against the university. Hillel has at no time challenged the right of the GUPS to disseminate their insidious propaganda in legitimate forums authorized for such purposes by the U of H to recognized student organizations. This would violate first amendment guarantees which Jews have cherished and fought hard to protect.

However, through the alarm sounded by Hillel that a student organization's integrity was compromised by subversive means and with the backing of state funds, the entire educational philosophy underlying student organizational life was called into question. The university administration reiterated its position that students should learn how to make decisions and assume leadership responsibility. In other words, students conducting student business represented an educationally sound tool to enhance the college experience. Therefore, the university was reluctant to interfere in student affairs lest it assume the role of parent, censor, or policeman. In most cases, rules that govern student matters are fair and serve useful purposes when respected by students. However, the misuse and abuse of student organizational rules by the GUPS at U of H points to the weakness of the university's "hands-off" policy.

The most important lesson a student can learn, or for that matter any person, is that actions have consequences. When the ISO allowed itself to be a front for the GUPS activities it did so knowing that it would not be disciplined or, that its actions would not have serious consequences. Hillel successfully responded by reintroducing this basic lesson of life to the International Student Organization at the same time as the university administration, which after considerable communal and campus pressure, has initiated proceedings against the GUPS to remove their student organizational status and thereby prohibit their activities.

Even the ISO has changed its posture. At the remaining ISO International Festival events, technical violations of ISO rules by the GUPS were "discovered" in order to ban them from ISO participation. After the GUPS placed an anti-Israel ad in the Daily Cougar claiming to represent the ISO, the Daily Cougar printed a front page retraction of the ad and condemned the GUPS for its gross misconduct.

While the battles are still being fought, Hillel has made considerable progress among Jews and non-Jews at the university in sensitizing them to the dangers posed by militant and radical groups such as the GUPS.

At University of Houston

American take beating from Iranians

Among the many unusual tales of Iranian- American interaction coming to light since the Hostages' (or, "Prisoners of War," as some have dubbed them), release, is one concerning the University of Houston.

In an episode officially
From the Houston campuses:

HILLEL HAPPENINGS

By Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Director

Last week, Jewish students from campuses across the country expressed their support for the annual National Student Solidarity Day with Soviet Jewry. While thousands of Jewish students rallied on the steps of the Capitol in Washington D.C., smaller groups gathered in their local communities. In Texas, Jewish students held an evening lecture and noontime rally in Austin which featured speakers, petition signing, letter writing, and expressions of solidarity from Jewish students throughout the state.

As the guest speaker for the evening program, I had the opportunity to show slides of my 1971 visit to the Soviet Jewish underground in Moscow, Kiev, and Odessa. The photographs of closed synagogues, Jewish dissidents recently released from jail, and harrowing pictures of KGB agents observing my visit to Babi Yar, impressed the students about the desperate situation of Soviet Jews.

Yet, more poignant than the slides was the message that I had visited Russia while in college and that many of my peers across the country had helped place the issue of Soviet Jewry on the agenda of the Jewish community in the late '60's.

Even though today's college students are too young to recall the letter writing campaign and demonstrations at the Russian ballet performances, the Aeroflot offices, and the Soviet Embassy and consulates, these events and others are reminders that Jewish students are part of a tradition of campus activism on behalf of Soviet Jews and other oppressed Jewish communities.

The urgency of students continuing their efforts was reiterated in light of the greatly reduced emigration figures, the new Soviet policies complicating visa applications, and the uncertainty surrounding the priority of Soviet Jewry in possible meetings between Reagan and Brezhnev.

Hopefully, Jewish students will retain their active concern for Soviet Jewry into the decade of the 80's.
Recent events at the U of H involving the PLO have impressed upon Jewish students the value of a strong Jewish community. Jewish students participated in unprecedented numbers at Hillel information tables and in gathering petitions calling for the cessation of funding for the International Student Organization.

In the process, the connection between Jewish life on campus and in the community at large became even more apparent. One way in which Jewish students identify with Jews in Houston and around the world is to bear a portion of the financial responsibility for communal activities.

Karen Kolker, a Rice student and co-chairperson of the UJA Campus Campaign, recently returned from a UJA student mission to Israel. Below, Karen shares her views on the Houston Campus Campaign:

This year marks the second annual United Jewish Appeal Campus Campaign on Houston University campuses. Once again, the students at the University of Houston, Rice University and the Texas Medical Center are joining together to demonstrate their commitment to Judaism by giving to the Campus Campaign division of the Houston Federation United Jewish Campaign.

The Campus Campaign began last year, when a number of students at each of the three schools, together with the Hillel Director, Rabbi Shaul Osadchey, decided that we, as students, were a part of the community and had a definite obligation to contribute to the community.

It was with this in mind that the idea of a Campus Campaign uniting all the campuses already linked by Hillel affiliation in Houston was conceived. In last year's campaign, the students of Houston's universities raised over $3,500, through both a general campaign and a number of fund-raising activities. We hope to be even more successful in this campaign.

There is even more reason for students to be concerned with their obligation to the community this year, especially with the recent conflict between the Hillel Foundation and a PLO-sponsored student organization at the University of Houston.

For students on all university campuses in Houston, this conflict hit very close to home; and, as a result, many students are beginning to realize how important a viable Jewish community is. The present campaign was launched at a pot-luck dinner on Friday night with a speech by Joe Williams of the United Jewish Appeal Young Leadership division on Israel and the United Jewish Appeal.

This event will be followed by a number of events throughout the next month, including our second annual Purim auction, an event which raised over $500 last year.

Throughout the next two months, the staff of the United Jewish Appeal Houston Federation Campus Campaign hope to reach even more students and raise not only more money than last year, but also increase the awareness and strengthen the commitment of each and every Jewish student on Houston university campuses.
People often ask me to describe what college students are concerned about most and how that differs from students in the 1960’s and 1970’s. One facet of my answer always turns to the desire among Jewish students to understand the differences between their religion and tradition and that of their fellow Christian students.

In fact, recently we hosted representatives of the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, an aggressively evangelical Christian group, at our weekly Rice Eat and Chat Deli Lunch. I was both pleased and charged at the reaction of Jewish students to the presentation. My satisfaction rested in the unanimous expression of disbelief toward the IVCF’s contention that we were all helplessly sinful and would ultimately be cast unto the “lake of fire” unless we accepted the divinity of Jesus.

But the astonishment among Jewish students that these views were held by such groups along with a strong conviction that they must persuade Jews of their validity was upsetting. The logical assumption was that if Jewish students are unclear about these evangelical groups, then the vulnerability of peripherally involved Jewish students must be substantiated.

It was an alarming thought, especially in light of the high visibility of cults and the increasing rates of intermarriage and assimilation.

But the danger posed is, in one sense, unfounded. According to an ADL survey, 75 percent of American rabbis believe evangelical efforts by such groups as IVCF and Jews for Jesus are unsuccessful. Many of the members who swell the ranks of Hebrew Christian groups are not Jews by birth.

And the Synagogue Council of America claims that despite all the money and effort, only a few hundred Jewish students are converted in a year at an organizational/financial cost of nearly $5,000 per convert. Conversely, the Reform movement estimates that 7,000 to 8,000 Christians have converted to Judaism per year over the past decade.

Next week: The inside story on "Jews for Jesus” and the Moonies’ invasion at the University of Houston.
Every year at about this time, high school juniors begin the task of selecting a suitable university for their college education. Seniors are now anticipating with excitement and anxiety the transition from high school to college.

The decision to attend a particular university is so important that it is generally made by the entire family since so many factors must be considered.

 Usually the questions asked by parents focus upon academic programs, tuition costs and financial aid, distance from home, student body size, and campus social activities. Since the overwhelming majority of our Jewish youth are university bound, the college environment is perhaps the most critical period in influencing their "Jewishness" and that of the Jewish community in future years.

Therefore, other concerns relating to the quality and quantity of Jewish life on campus are appropriate. Students should take into account whether a particular university has a Hillel, or Jewish student groups, Jewish fraternities and sororities, and a Jewish studies program.

In addition, some thought should be given to the implications of a dorm roommate’s religious affiliation, provisions for holiday observance on campus, how to respond to cults and evangelical groups, and issues about inter-dating.

For the first time in Houston, a forum for discussing Jewish and secular concerns in selecting a university is available to Jewish high school juniors and seniors. On Sunday afternoon, May 17, a city-wide program will be held under the sponsorship of Hillel and in cooperation with the Jewish Youth Council, BBYO, USY, NCSY, TOFTY, and synagogue and temple youth groups.

Students will have the opportunity to meet Jewish students from various universities, Jewish faculty, Jewish professionals on campus, and university administrators acquainted with matters of admissions, housing, financial aid, dormitories and student life.

Mark the date, May 17, on your calendar and plan to attend. Details will be forthcoming in the Jewish Herald-Voice and organizational publicity.
From the Houston campuses:

HILLEL HAPPENINGS

By Rabbi Shaul Osadchey
Director

Every facet of Jewish existence and tradition ultimately leads us in the direction of Israel. So do our present concerns about Jewish survival focus upon the urgent needs of our brothers and sisters in Israel.

On campus, the support for Israel has reached a high point among Jewish students following the recent University of Houston controversy with the PLO. More students are speaking out for Israel's right to exist in peace and even more are expressing support through direct experiences in Israel.

This summer, under the sponsorship of B'nai B'rith Hillel, a most unique program in Israel is available to Jewish students in Houston and throughout the country. A two-week seminar tour of Israel from June 18 to July 1 features visits to Israel's major cities, archaeological and historical sites, hidden desert springs, and kibbutzim.

Participants will also have the opportunity to meet Israelis in and out of public life as well as attend cultural events. For those wishing a more in-depth experience in Israel, four concurrent study and travel programs are being offered as a supplement to the tour.

These four-week seminars include classroom study in English (for which academic credit is available), on-site visits, cultural and community programs. Students will be able to learn about important dimensions of Israeli life, ranging from "Jews and Arabs", "Political Culture and Ideology", "Archaeology of Israel" and "Modern Jewish Thought and Practice".

To conclude the summer-long schedule of programs, Jewish students from all over the world will gather on Aug. 3-10 in Jerusalem for an international Hillel Summer Institute. The conference's goals are to study and debate issues pertaining to Israel's foreign policy, Zionism and Israeli-Jewish cultural arts.

The inestimable value of these unique programs in Israel is that it allows the Jewish student to more fully understand Israel and thereby deepen his or her own Jewish identity and commitment.

The quality of Jewish life in the Diaspora and in Israel can only be enhanced by such programs which facilitate the experiencing of both centers of Jewish life. Those interested in participating in this exciting summer program should contact Hillel at 749-2271.
From the Houston campuses:
HILLEL HAPPENINGS
By Rabbi Shaal Osadchey
Director

Each year at Pesach we read from the Haggadah, "In every generation each individual is bound to regard himself as if he had gone forth from Egypt". Thus is established our personal connection to the exodus from slavery and our commitment to continue the process of liberating those who remain in bondage. How? The Haggadah continues, "And thou shalt relate to thy son... etc.".

We become directly involved in the art of redemption through "relating". It is a precondition for action since it first involves understanding the circumstances of persecution and then informing others so as to predicate a collective response. The Haggadah speaks of one generation "relating" to the next.

Has the current generation on campus "heard" the story of the exodus so that it can act to free those yet enslaved? According to a government-sponsored study by the Educational Testing Services and the Council on Learning, college students are woefully ignorant on foreign affairs.

Of 3,000 students tested on 185 campuses, more than 1/3 expressed a disinterest in international matters. In fact, approximately 25% indicated they rarely even read foreign reports. Winton H. Manning, vice president of ETS, said that students showed themselves to be poorly informed and relatively naive about issues such as energy, population and human rights. Among the lowest scorers were education majors -- our future teachers.

The implications of this study are alarming. Such a pervasive insensitivity to the rest of the world can lead to grave consequences for the future, including increased starvation and further deprivation of human rights abroad. Indifference to foreign events will inevitably undermine support for Israel as well.

The university is merely a microcosm of society at large; what is evident on campus is prevalent among the general community. Perhaps it is time to take the words of the Haggadah more seriously so that all may come to know freedom, justice and joy.
Passover's message of freedom and liberation from bondage inspired Jewish students last week to renew their efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry. Students at the U of H, Rice, and the Texas Medical Center have "adopted" a young Soviet Jewish refusenik in an effort to prod the Soviet government to permit her to leave the country.

The refusenik, Svetlana Shulemovich, is an 18-year-old resident of Novosibirsk and a first year medical student. She has been seeking to emigrate to Israel since 1978 along with her parents, Vladimir and Helena. Vladimir was fired from his job as senior researcher at the Siberian branch of the Academy of Sciences.

Susan Chertok, Hillel president at U of H, said the "adoption" of Svetlana Shulemovich is part of a nationwide campaign by Hillel to focus attention on the hundreds of young refuseniks and other Jews who wish to start new lives in the West but have been denied permission to emigrate.

As part of Hillel's effort to obtain Svetlana's freedom, Jewish students have planned a letter-writing campaign, with each student writing to Svetlana and to American and Soviet officials. Support from Houston-area congressmen and Senators Bentsen and Tower will be especially sought.

Direct contact with the refusenik is emphasized as a means of providing her with a hopeful sign, frequently the only one, and according to Ms. Chertok, has the highest priority for Hillel's Soviet Jewry project. Plans are underway to invite other students groups to join Hillel in the campaign.

Individuals who would like to participate are asked to phone the Hillel office at 749-2271 or write Svetlana directly at the following address: Svetlana Shulemovich, Uchonykh 5-62, Akademgorodok, Novosibirsk 630072, RSFSR, USSR.
The normally serene and casual atmosphere of the university has abruptly come to an end. It's final examinations time; the season when frantic students scurry about campus attempting to "cram" as many facts and figures as they can into their heads. For some, the end of the semester marks their advance towards an academic degree. For others, these will be their last exams prior to entering the professional or business world.

I often reflect about the futures of these Jewish students with whom I've had varying degrees of contact during their college careers. Will they achieve success in their chosen fields? Will they find happiness and contentment in their personal and social lives? And will they retain and deepen their affiliations and commitments to the Jewish community?

It would at least be comforting to believe that each Jewish student makes the transition from Hillel member to an active participant in Jewish communal life. While many do establish themselves in the Jewish community, others find obstacles that turn them away from Jewish involvements. Jewish single adults in particular are most often insensitively treated by couple and family oriented Jewish institutions.

Even young couples respond that the financial obligations of congregational and organizational life are important factors in their decision to postpone Jewish affiliations. Perhaps even greater is the lack of any conscious effort on the part of the Jewish community to actively and aggressively welcome young Jews "back" into the Jewish community after their college education. Just as the transition from youth group member to Hillel member is neither automatic nor routine, neither is the transition from Hillel to "adult" status and involvement in Jewish life a certainty.

I strongly urge congregations and organizations to form college youth committees to address their relationship to Jewish students during their college years and immediately thereafter. So much of our future depends upon it!
Editor’s note:-
Hillel Rabbi Shaul Osadchey’s popular column will return this fall.

Now that the academic semester is over and the "Hillel Happenings" column is on summer sabbatical, I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere appreciation for the support you have given Hillel over the past year. Your genuine interest in campus Jewish affairs has helped raise the concern about the future of Jewish students among the Jewish community-at-large, and thereby made Hillel’s work a little easier. In particular, the JHV’s coverage of the UH-PLO controversy conveyed to Jews how important an effect the university can have upon the general community.

On behalf of the more than 50 out-of-town Jewish students to whom you sent a free subscription to the JHV, let me extend many thanks. It provided these students with a sense of connectedness to Houston Jewish life and made the transition from home to campus a little more comfortable. I was pleasantly surprised to hear students comment on occasion that their copy of the JHV had not arrived and they were afraid that the subscription had ended.

Please be assured of my support for your efforts to bring important news and information to the Houston Jewish community, and again, thanks for all that you have done for Hillel.

B’Shalom,
Shaul Osadchey