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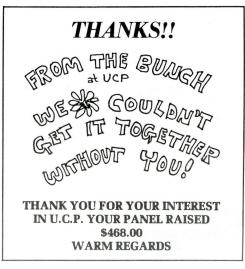
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JCC's Foreign Film Series



Directed by Vittorio De Sica. Starring Dominique Sanda, Lino Capolicchio, Helmut Berger. Produced by Arthur Cohn and Gianni Hecht-Lucari, in Color. Rated R.



"The Garden of the Finzi-Continis" is set in Italy in 1938, when Mussolini's Anti-Semitic edicts began to isolate Jews from their communities. Among them were the Finzi-Continis, an aristocratic Jewish family forced for the first time to acknowledge the world beyond the boundaries of its well-guarded estate.

For many, including the director himself, "The Garden of the Finzi-Continis" represented in Vittorio De Sica's final return to the quality of filmmaking that distinguished his early works, "Shoshine," "The Bicycle Thief," and "Umberto D."

Golden Bear, Berlin Film Festival, 1971. Academy Award Best Foreign Film. "A hauntingly beautiful movie, brilliantly conceived and tenderly realized." - Newsweek.

In Italian with English subtitles THIS FILM WILL BE SHOWN ON THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 10 at 7:30 P.M. AS WELL AS SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 12, 1986 at 8:00 p.m.

> Jewish Community Center 28 Somerset Street Bangor, Maine 04401 945-5631

Tickets: General Public	\$3.00
JCC Members	\$2.50
Senior Citizens & Students	\$1.50

Nominations Accepted

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The Jewish Community Counci Nominating Committee is continuing to accept nominations for JCC Board on Directors. There are 13 at-large seats available...and along with those who have already been nominated (listed in March minutes) an election to the Board will take place at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Please contact the following Nominating Committee members if you are interested in improving the JCC and wishing to be more active in communal affairs and a current member of the JCC.

Sanford Podolsky - 942-8093; Norma Berg - 942-5040; Florence Lieberman - 942-3313.

Important!!

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 10 7:30 P.M.

Klezmer Is Back. . . And We've Got Them!

The JCC and Arts Alive, UMO, presents the "Klezmer Conservatory Band" Sunday, April 13 at 4:00 P.M. in the Hauck Auditorium, University of Maine at Orono.

Reserved tickets are available at the Jewish Community Center and the University of Maine Memorial Union Box Office. Tickets are: \$9.00 Adults; \$7.50 Members; \$5.00 Senior Citizens and Students.

HURRY, AND RESERVE YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

PLEASE NOTE: THE JCC WILL BE HIR-

ING A BUS TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTA-TION TO ORONO AND BACK TO SEE THE KLEZMER BAND FOR ONLY \$2.50 PER PERSON. ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ONLY ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.

LEAVE JCC APPROXIMATELY 3:00 P.M. AND DEPART ORONO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PERFORMANCE AND RETURN TO BANGOR. CALL THE JCC AT 945-5631 FOR RESERVATIONS.

National Jewish Book Awards Announced By JWB

NEW YORK, N.Y. – Nominees for the 1986 National Jewish Book Awards have been announced by the JWB Jewish Book Council.

Now in their 37th year, the National Jewish Book Awards are given by the JWB Jewish Book Council to North American authors of Jewish books of scholarly and/or literary excellence. All 1986 winning books were published in 1985.

Nominees have been selected in the fields of the Holocaust, Israel, Jewish Thought, Fiction, Biography, Jewish History, Scholarship, Children's Literature, the Visual Arts and Illustrated Children's Books.

For the National Jewish Book Award-Holocaust, the nominees are: Raul Hilberg, **The Destruction of the European Jews:** Revised Edition (Holmes and Meier); Deborah E. Lipstadt, **Beyond Belief: The American Press and the Coming of the Holocaust, 1933-1945** (Free Press), and Michael Marrus, **The Unwanted** (The Oxford University Press).

Nominees for the National Jewish Book Award-Israel are: Steven Spiegel, The Other Israeli Conflicts: Making America's Middle East Policy from Truman to Reagan (University of Chicago Press); Asher Arian, Politics in Israel: The Second Generation (Chatham House), and Wolf Blitzer, Between Washington and Jerusalem: A Reporter's Notebook (Oxford University Press).

Nominees for the National Jewish Book Award-Jewish Thought are: David Hartman, A Living Covenant: The Innovative Spirit in Traditional Judaism (The Free Press) and Michael Walzer, Exodus and Revolution (Basic Books).

Nominees for the National Jewish Book



AWard-Fiction area: E.L. Doctorow, World's Fair (Random House); Arnost Lustig, The Unloved: from the Diary of Perla S. (Arbor House), and Lore Segal, Her First American [Knopf].

Nominees for the National Jewish Book AWard-Biography: Jehuda Reinharz, Chaim Weizmann: the Making of a Zionist Leader (Ohio University Press), and Judith Brin Ingber, Victory Dances: the story of Fred Berk (Israel Dance Library.)

Nominees for the National Jewish Book Award-History: Steven B. Bowman, The Jews of Byzantium 1204 - 1453 (The University of Alabama Press); Robert Liberles, Religious Conflict in Social Context: The Resurgence of Orthodox Judaism in Frankfurt Am Main, 1838-1877 (Greenwood Press), and Steven J. Zipperstein, The Jews of Odessa: A Cultural History 1794-1881] (Stanford University Press).

Nominees for the National Jewish Book Award-Scholarship are: Robert Alter, The Art of Biblical Poetry (Basic Books); Michael Fishbane, Biblical Interpretation in Ancient Israel (Oxford University Press), and Carol Herselle Krinsky, Synagogues of Europe: Architecture, History, Meaning (Architectural History Foundation and MIT Press).

Nominee for the National Jewish Book Award - Children's Literature is Linda Atkinson, **In Kindling Flame** (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard).

Winners in these categories will be announced mid-March. The authors will be presented their awards by JWB Jewish Book Council at the National Jewish Book Awards ceremony on Tuesday, June 3, in the Buttenwieser Hall at the 92nd St. YM-YWHA, Lexington at 92nd Street, New York City, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

A cash prize of \$750 and a certificate of recognition will be given to each winning author, and a citation will be presented to the publisher.

Among the past winners of the Awards – widely considered to be the highest recognition in American Jewish literature – are Cynthia Ozick, Isaac Bashevis Singer, Elie Wiesel, Bernard Malamud, John Hersey, Irving Howe, Leon Uris and Philip Roth.

The JWB Jewish Book Council seeks to promote American Jewish literary creativity and an appreciation of Jewish literature.



THE JCC IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE that the UNITED WAY OF PENOBSCOT VALLEY has awarded the THIRD ANNUAL JOHN W. COOMBS MEMORIAL AWARD

to

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Executive Secretary of the J.C.C.

John W. Coombs Memorial Award is given in recognition of high professional standards and personal commitment to the community, the United Way of Penobscot Valley is pleased to present an annual award to an employee of a United Way Agency, who best exemplifies the integrity, dedication and professionalism set forth by John W. Coombs.

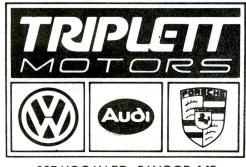
The award will be given at the Annual United Way Luncheon, at the Red Lion Restaurant, March 27, 11:45 - 2:00 p.m. Call 947-8688 for reservations \$8.50.

Youth Aliyah...You Have Family...Growing Up In Israel



Rifka Nissim was brought to the Talpiyot Youth Village a year ago, withdrawn, suspicious, illiterate. For seven years, she shielded her younger brothers and sisters from an abusive stepfather. When she could no longer absorb the pain, she ran away - and was found alone and hungry on the streets of Tel Aviv.

Today, Rifka is secure at Talpiyot - a residential school run by the Jewish Agency's Youth Aliyah Department. She visits home to check on her brothers and sisters. And with the encouragement of her counselors and peer groups, she's beginning to plan for her own future. Talpiyot's counseling, vocational and academic programs will give Rifka what she needs to



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grow and contribute to Israel's society.

Thousands of disadvantaged and troubled youngsters in Israel are realizing their dreams in Youth Aliyah's residential schools, villages, and neighborhood youth centers. But there are thousands more like Rifka who need the training and love that Youth Aliyah provides. Your gift to Youth Aliyah can help a child learn to trust, to grow and to have a good productive part in Israel's future. Israel's children are your children too. . . and their dreams are what you would want for them. (Prepared by UJA)

When you contribute to Youth Aliyah, a lovely card is sent to those intended, in honor of some person, or a condolence card. Please call Marlene Allen, 942-2010, Ida Gopan at the JCC, 945-5631, Julie Kominsky, 942-7956, or call me at 942-4201. Mildred Kominsky, Chairman

Upcoming Events at Beth Israel

March 16 March 18 March 24 April 4 April 5 Congregation Breakfast Purim Preschool Workshop Purim Celebration Havurat Shabbat Junior Congregation

April 12 April 21 April 23 April 24 Sisterhood Social Event Passover Preschool Workshop First Seder, Passover Second Congregational Seder



Fashion Show April 15

"UP WITH WOMEN" THEME OF BETH ABRAHAM SISTERHOOD'S ANNUAL FASHION SHOW AND LUNCHEON. TUES-DAY, APRIL 15, at 12 O'clock noon at the Jewish Community Center.

Highlighting this year's fashion show will be the recognition of women in the community who exemplify the spirit of the 80's woman.

The delectible luncheon will be followed by beautiful clothes from "Tragus Country Casuals". FOR TICKETS: Call Rachel Leen, 942-7723: Janet Kornreich, 945-5457: ticket chairman, the Jewish Community Center, 945-5631 (Ida Gopan), or Tragus Country Casuals, 942-1185.

Lillian Salzman and Rhoda Bernstein are the chairladies for this year's exciting show.

You'll enjoy this relaxing afternoon!

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Purim at Beth Israel

COME ONE! COME ALL! to Beth Israel for a spectacular Purim celebration on Monday evening, March 24th!

Afternoon services begin at 5:30, to be followed at 6 P.M. by the Reading of the Megillah.

See if you can identify Queen Esther and nasty Haman (BOO!) as they circulate in the costume parade. Who will break open the pinata this year, as prizes galore come tumbling to the ground?

Following the traditional festivities there will be a delicious deli buffet, music and entertainment, and (of course!) games for the young Mordecais, Vashtis and all their friends!

Don't miss the fun! There is no charge for dinner or for the entertainment (contributions will be accepted) and only a nominal fee at the game booths. The community is welcome to attend.

HAPPY PURIM from Congregation Beth Israel!

Of Interest

Mea Shearim, an Orthodox area of Jerusalem, is one of the many places where Passover matzoh is prepared according to strict requirements of halacha (Jewish law).

Any Passover matzoh may be eaten during the eight days of Passover in the diaspora (seven days in Israel), but shmura matzoh is prepared especially for use at the seder. During the baking process, preparers say aloud, "These matzohs are for the sake of fulfilling the commandment concerning matzoh."

Neither bread nor matzoh may be eaten after 9 a.m. on the day of the first seder.

Social Planned For April 12

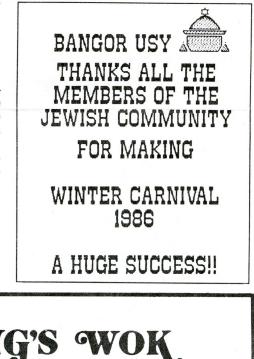
Beth Israel Synagogue is having a social evening on April 12, at 8:00 p.m. in the vestry.

Roberta DeMuro will entertain us at her sing-along piano. She has performed throughout the state in such places as the Sugarloaf Inn and the Mast and Rudder in Bar Harbor. She has starred in Annie, in Annie Get Your Gun, and has appeared in the Eastern Maine Medical Center Follies.

A variety of hors d'oeuvres will be served and liquor will be available. The cost is \$6 per person and \$4 for senior citizens.

We cordially invite the entire community to join us in what we are sure will be a FUN and ENJOYABLE evening. So have your requests ready!

Please R.S.V.P. by April 6 by calling Marilyn Braveman (942-8492) or Donna Stern (942 - 7272.)





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Passover Poster Contest

Time is fleeting and before we know it Passover will be here! Let's give our children of the Jewish community an opportunity to participate in the Passover Poster Contest.

THE UNITED BANK, 2 Hammond Street, Bangor, will again sponsor the 5th Annual Passover Poster Contest from April 24 to May 1, 1986.

The posters will be displayed in the bank lobby and the customers of the bank will judge the contest.

The composition will be among two age groups, 5 through 11 years of age and 12 through 15 years of age. The first prize in each group will be a \$50.00 U.S. Savings Bond. The prizes will be awarded to posters that best express: "THE MEANING AND MESSAGE OF PASSOVER."

The contest is open to any youngsters of

the Jewish community. Deadline for all entries is Friday, April 18. Posters may be delivered to the Jewish Community Center anytime before that date.

POSTER PAPER MUST BE USED. Minimum size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$; maximum size 12×18 . Any writing material may be used and remember the theme: The Meaning and Message of Passover.

Put your name, address, age and grade in school on the back only - nothing but your picture on the front. HURRY! Make your poster now and you may win a \$50.00 Savings Bond.

Last year's winners were: Mickey Davidson, daughter of Valerie Davidson and Keith Welch; and Stacey Cooper, daughter of Judy and Darrell Cooper.

YOU COULD BE A WINNER TOO!

Synopsis of Board of Directors Meeting February 13, 1986

President Warren Silver called the meeting to order.

Marvin Glazier, Hebrew School Chairman, reported that David Leen has resigned from the Hebrew School Board and needs a replacement. That Inez Rudman is now teaching history in place of Ken Getz.

Sandy Pasternack, Executive Director, announced that the Foreign Film Series is going very well and next year the number of films will double and each film will have two showings.

April 13, the Klezmer Band will perform at Hauck's Auditorium at UMO. JCC will co-sponsor.

There is a chance that Simon Weisenthal will be invited to UMO Distinguished Lecture Series. Sandy pledged support from JCC and possibly some Foundation money also.

Al Bernstein, Chairman of the New Members Committee said that a Questionnaire was sent out last year and 100 responded. Material is being evaluated and will be presented soon.

Concerning his questioning on the Constitution's amendment concerning the length of time a member of the Board of Directors could serve, it was discovered that that amendment was illegally passed.

A committee of Norman Minsky, Warren Silver and John Ballou, a parliamentary expert, felt that the Council should vote to legitimatize our current Board. Proxies were mailed to insure and adequate response.

Article III, Sec. I. (b) Proposed Amendment - "all Directors at large shall be elected for a term of three years. One third shall be elected each year at the Annual Meeting. Proxies are submitted by those absent. The amendment change was accepted as mailed, voted and passed. 32-3.

The Hinckley Estate and Camp Sasone was discussed. The Executive Committee will try to vigorously pursue both problems and report back in the next two months. Camp Sasone was appraised at \$75,000.00.

Jerry Kirstein spoke about the week of Federations and UJA around the world that have helped in the release of Anatoly Schransky.

Organization and Committee reports were given and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Synopsis of March 6th Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors held their regular monthly meeting on Thursday evening, March 6th at the Jewish Community Center.

Sandy Podolsky, Nominating Committee Chairman announced the following names to be submitted for election at the Annual Meeting on April 10th.

OFFICERS President Jerry Kirstein **1st Vice President** Stephen Emery Miles Theeman 2nd Vice President Secretary **Roberta Mogul** Treasurer DIRECTORS Pamela Cohen Louise Shindler Paula Saffer **Barbara** Pincus Dr. Philip Brooks Al Bernstein Mark Roth **Richard Allen** Florence Lieberman Michael Rolnick **Martin Pincus** Dr. Paul Shapero Jerry Kirstein Louis Kornreich Stephen Emery

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Barbara Pincus

Marvin Glazier

Ruthanne Singal

To fill unexpired term of David Leen (1967) -

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In other business, Stephen Emery said that the UJA will no longer accept certain Israel Bonds "green" (under two years of age) as payment for UJA pledges.

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Acknowledgements

*I would like to thank everyone for their cards, concern and good wishes which were extended to me during my accident. Marlene Allen

* Anna Kaminsky, Fairfield, Conn. wishes to thank all of her friends who so thoughtfully remembered her on her 96th birthday.

* The Hartstone family would like to thank everyone for their cards and kind expression of sympathy on the passing of Solomon Neuman.

We Hear From...

Mr. William L. Clegg and Miss Helga Thompson were recently married in Radford, Va. Mr. Clegg is the son of Cdr. and Mrs. William Clegg (Jo-Ann Wallace) and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace all of Virginia Beach, Va.

The couple are making their home in Radford where Bill is General Manager of the Best Western Radford Inn.

Condolence

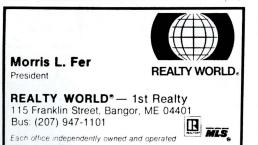
* To the family of the late Solomon S. Neuman.

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Mazel-Tov

*Cindy Broder and Dr. Howard J. Fingert of Chestnut Hill, Mass. on the birth of a son, Samuel Broder-Fingert. The grandparents are Charlotte and Irving Broder of Florida and Bangor. Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Samuel Fingert, Florida, and the maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Harry Broder, New York City.

Beth El March Activities

PURIM CELEBRATION - SUNDAY, MARCH 23 in the Congregation's sanctuary, Union and Main Streets.

5:00 P.M. - POT LUCK DINNER - Each family should bring a salad, entree, side dish, or dessert. Beverages provided.

6:30 P.M. - SERVICE: Rabbi Sandmel leading. "The Whole Megillah" (in English). Come in costume. Songs, noise, and merriment assured.

ADULT SEMINAR - MONDAY, MARCH 24 at the home of Ellie and Mike Pancoe, 19 West Broadway, Bangor 7:20 P.M. Topic: "Abortion - Jewish Perspectives."

BETH ABRAHAM SYNAGOGUE MEGILLAH READING MONDAY, MARCH 24 AT 6:30 P.M. In the Shul Following will be a petite nash for the "Break-The-Fast-Of-Easter".

Special Mention

BANGOR HIGH SCHOOL LISTS HONOR ROLL: Seniors high honors: Beth Adelman, Hope Finn, Leah Goodman, Rachel Hartstone, James Lieberman, Rochelle Miller, Ari Pasternak, William Shapiro. Juniors high honors: Samuel Trotzky, Alexandra Bregman, Dana Gold. Sophomore high honors: Mindy Jo Frankel, Joshua Goodman, Robert Hartstone, Andrew Kominsky, Matthew Lieberman, Shelly Price, Benjamin Schonberger, Marisa Solomon. Freshman high honors: Michele Allen, Jessica Singal, Marc Meltzer, Erica Roth, Eric Williams.

*Robyn Allen, on being a First Runner-Up in the City of Bangor Spelling Bee. Robyn is the daugther of Richard and Marlene Allen.

Preschoolers' Workshop

Purim is just around the corner! It's time to prepare your preschooler for the excitement of the holiday. The next HAROLD LEVY PRESCHOOLERS' WORKSHOP takes place at 1:00 on TUESDAY, MARCH 18 at Congregation Beth Israel. And then it's Passover. Bring your 3-5 year olds in on Monday, April 21st for a special Passover program that they will always remember.

Synopsis of March 6th Directors Meeting CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5

Sandy Pasternack reported one more film in the Foreign Film Series, "The Garden of the Finzi-Continis" on April 10 and 12th. A Program and Activities grant has been applied for from MSCAH. He will appear before the Commission on March 12.

The film, SHOAH is being planned for September and the Klezmer Conservatory Band will perform April 13 at Hauck Auditorium.

Al Bernstein reported that the ''new members committee" is researching the questionnaire that had been handed out last year. Sandy Pasternack also said that Nursery School's Chairman is Marlene



Allen and that Deena Weinstein has resigned as Assistant Nursery School teacher. Sheri Glazier has been hired to replace her.

An afternoon and summer program has been planned.

Sandy also thanked the blood donors who donated blood for the JCC Blood Drive on March 4th.

Simon Weisenthal has been signed for the Distinguished Lecture Series at UMO for the Fall.

The Board tabled a motion to sell the Hinckley Estate.

Hillel at UMO was approved non-voters status on the JCC Board of Directors.

