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CURRICULUM PASSED

By MORDECHAI TWERSKY

Feb. 29 — The Yeshiva College faculty voted today, by a margin of 24-13, to approve the first major curriculum revision at Yeshiva College in more than 20 years, it was announced by Dr. Norman Rosenfeld, dean.

The announcement came this afternoon following the counting of the mail-in ballots.

Some of the major features of the new set of requirements, which were released today to the *Commentator*, include the following provisions:

- There will no longer be a fixed language requirement other than Hebrew.

- The total number of credits required in college Jewish studies of the MYP student will be reduced to 20 from the current 27-28.

- The "Science Requirement" for non-science majors will allow for the use of a quantitative methods course (such as "Statistics") to satisfy one semester of the requirement, in addition to one semester of a laboratory science.

- The so-called "Social and Science Requirement" have been renamed "Western Thought and Institutions," and the options for satisfying this requirement has been broadened (see chart).

- A new requirement, "Restricted Electives," has been adopted. A student will be required to take two courses outside of his major division. At least one of these courses must be above the introductory level.

Changes "Generally Binding"

Dean Rosenfeld indicated that the new curriculum will take effect as of the fall semester, 1984. Asked how the change will affect current students, the dean responded that the Academic Standards Committee of Yeshiva College is considering the matter. He added, however, that according to the University's undergraduate catalogue, changes in regulations "are generally binding on current students."

"Greater Flexibility"

Commenting on the curriculum change, the dean said: "The new

requirements should have the effect of providing the students with greater flexibility and freedom of choice." He added that "While the final version does reflect a number of compromises, it goes a long way towards addressing those problems which motivated a curriculum review."

The vote culminated a year-long series of meetings of the Curriculum Committee and of the general faculty, respectively. The Curriculum Committee formulated its recommendation for revision and submitted them in a report to the general faculty, which in turn modified the report prior to the balloting.

According to the Dean Rosenfeld, the recommendation by the Curriculum Committee came after an intensive review and analysis of such factors as recruitment, attrition, Israel study, and the pre-professional interests of an increasing number of students.

The dean added that as a result of the reduction of credits in college Jewish studies requirements, the MYP student who has spent a

Summary of New Requirements

Basic Courses (ENG, HEA).....	5 credits
Literature and Humanities Options.....	12-14 credits
Western Thought & Institutions (ECO, HIS, PHI, POL, PSY, SOC).....	6 credits
Natural Science.....	6-10 credits
Jewish History.....	6 credits
Hebrew Language.....	6 credits
Bible.....	8 credits
Restricted Electives.....	5-6 credits

Total Electives With Restricted 54-61 credits

year in Israel "should have no problems in meeting the college requirements in this area."

Reaction

Dr. Michael Hecht, associate dean of Yeshiva College, said, "I think this is a historic day for the College, and I hope the vote will not be viewed in any way as a diminution in the academic quality of the college's offerings." Dean Hecht added, "I hope that as a result result of the curriculum change, students will select challenging and stimulating advan-

ced courses in disciplines in other than that of their major."

Dr. William Lee, associate professor of English, said of the vote, "It's more flexible. It's better for the school, the students, and enrollment."

Professor Rebecca Stearns, instructor of Speech, said, "I'm glad it's finally settled. Something had to be done, and we knew it would take time to consider all the possibilities."

Professor Anthony Beukas,

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Freshmen Attrition Rate Rises to 16.5 Percent

By SAUL BURIAN

In the past three years, enrollment at Yeshiva College has dropped approximately 10%, owing to Yeshiva's inability to attract a large group of new students, and to satisfy current students needs.

According to the projected spring 1984 registration figures, approximately 654 students are currently enrolled at Yeshiva College, 17 less than the 671 enrolled in the fall semester. Although this 3% attrition rate is lower than the expected figure, nevertheless, it signifies the overall trend which has taken effect over the past 3 years.

13% drop in freshman enrollment
Aside from the steady attrition rate, Yeshiva College's incoming Freshman class has dropped approximately 13% over the past 2



Ms. Judy Paikin

years. In 1981, out of approximately 356 Freshman enrolled at Yeshiva College, 101 of these students attended the joint Y.U. Israel programs, leaving 255 Freshmen on campus. This year however, in a class of 310 Freshman, 255 of those students remained on campus. These enrollment figures represent a 16.5% drop of Freshman students at Yeshiva College and an overall

drop of 13% of the total incoming Freshman class. To further complicate matters, the final figures for registration are expected to be considerably worse.

As a direct result of the enrollment decline, Yeshiva has lost valuable tuition money and as one

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YCSC Plans Jewish Art Festival For April At Main Center

By STEVEN FRIED

The Yeshiva College Cultural Affairs Committee is organizing a Jewish Spring Festival of the Arts for Sunday, April 1. The street fair will take place from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Amsterdam Avenue between 184th and 186th Streets. The streets will be closed off for the event.

The Cultural Affairs Committee was established specifically to help plan the fair, which has been in the works since last May. Although the fair is being funded by the Yeshiva College Student Council, the University has also taken an active role in the planning of the fair, and has engaged the services of a consulting firm at the disposal of the committee.

Entire Program

According to Mr. Jay Auslander, president of the Cultural Affairs Committee, there will be over sixty artists and vendors displaying their wares. In addition, there will be a children's program. The newly formed Jewish Theatre Company of the Yeshiva College Dramatics

Special to the COMMENTATOR

Feb. 22 — The Semikha (ordination) Program of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS) of Yeshiva University has been restructured and expanded from a three year to a four-year program, it was announced today by Rabbi Zevulun Charlop, Director of RIETS, at a

meeting of Roshei Yeshiva.

The outline for the program, after much meticulous deliberation, received final approval from Rabbi Dr. Norman Lamm, President of Yeshiva. It was prepared, of course, in conjunction with the Rav, Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik and the RIETS Roshei Yeshiva, Rabbi Israel Miller, Senior Vice President, and Rabbi Robert Hirt, Dean, Max Stern Division of Communal Services, were also involved in the formulation of the various aspects of the program.

In an interview with *Commentator*, Rabbi Charlop disclosed tentative details of the revamped program, which will take effect next fall. Although Rabbi Charlop indicated that "nothing is cast in concrete," student input will be further solicited, as has been in the past two years as the new program was being designed. He also reiterated that

Society will perform two short plays, and the Tora Dojo Karate Association will have an exhibition.

Mr. Jeffrey Katz, president of the Student Council, emphasized that many students will participate in the fair, including student artists and musicians, as well as members of the Jewish Theatre Company and karate exhibition. Distinguished Yeshiva University Alumni, including poet Isaac Moseson (who recently appeared at the 92nd Street Y), will be among participants in the fair.

Thousands Expected

Mr. Auslander said that major synagogues and youth groups in the New York area have been invited, and some four thousand persons are expected to attend the event. President Katz noted that "in order to involve the Hispanic community in this cultural awakening, they will be invited to participate in the fair, free of charge, and will be able to enjoy a Spanish-Jewish music program."

First of its Kind

The spring festival marks the first time in the history of the

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RIETS Restructures Semikha Program; Fourth Year is Added

new elements.

- The study of certain parts of *Yoreh Deah* which, until now were optional, will now become mandatory and include the laws of *Nidah* and *Aveilut*.

- There will be a strong "Halakha L'masseh" component. Students will be required to prepare certain parts of the *Shulchan Arukh*, beyond the *Yoreh Deah* required now, including *Even Haezer*, *Orach Chaim*, and notably *Hilchot Shabbat*, and *Maachalot Asurot*.

- Certain Roshei Yeshiva will oversee various parts of the "Halakha L'masseh" semikha curriculum, and will serve as "mentors".

- There will be a newly instituted "Contemporary Halakha" component. In the course of two years, some 45-50 topics regarding contemporary halakhic problems will be dealt with from an original *sugya* and responsa point of view.

- The eight-week Mentorship Shimush Program will continue in the third year of the Semikha Program.

A significant dimension of this new program will be the fourth year Shimush, which will consist of an on-the-job training for rabbinical students, and for those RIETS musmakim intending to enter the field of *Chinuch*.

According to Rabbi Charlop, the addition of a "Contemporary Halakha" component "will be geared to raising the self-esteem of our musmakim a meaningful way, and will give them a confidence in their singularity as *Morci Derech* (Guides and Teachers)." Some of the proposed topics for the component include halakhic

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Rabbi Zevulun Charlop

first and foremost, the expanded program will mean "another year of intensive learning for all of our talmidim."

The program will consist of four

Primary Concern

In the upcoming Presidential primary elections, several candidates are seeking the Democratic nomination. The only candidates who have expressed their position towards Israel are George McGovern, who supports a separate Palestinian state, and the Rev. Jesse Jackson, whose position is well known.

Former Vice President Walter E. Mondale, currently the frontrunner for the Democratic nomination, has been vague in formulating his views on the complex Middle Eastern situation and on U.S.-Israeli relations. This is a major cause for concern, in light of the information revealed in Mayor Edward Koch's book, *Mayor*, that former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance acknowledged that the Carter administration, if reelected, would have sold out the State of Israel. Is it not conceivable that Mondale, who was part of that administration, presumably supported its policies?

It is imperative that Mr. Mondale begin to articulate his thoughts and policies regarding this most vital issue. We suggest that the University invite Mr. Mondale to be the keynote speaker at the Yeshiva University Commencement Exercises on June 4, 1984. This would enable the former Vice President to clarify his position vis-a-vis Israel for the entire Jewish community.

A New Beginning

Once again, with the death of yet another Soviet leader, world attention has focused on U.S.-Soviet relations. Hopes for the establishment of an ongoing dialogue and the discussion of existing differences between the superpowers have been revitalized. The meeting between Vice President Bush and Soviet leader Constantine Chernenko already points to a willingness on both sides to talk. Now is the time to discuss pertinent issues regarding the arms race and human rights policies.

Last week's lobby trip to Washington brought together hundreds of students from college campuses across the country for the cause of Soviet Jewry. The trip underscored the need for swift action and negotiations between the superpowers. The message to the Soviet Union from the American people should be clear. Let us establish a dialogue and begin to resolve the differences which are threatening the very existence of our society.

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Spirits Soar

Monday, February 13, 1984, was a unique night, in the Sportsworld of Yeshiva College. The Maccabees, the Y.C. Basketball team, competed in a game at which athletic support was present. Amongst the masses of people who attended the game were: an announcer, a musical ensemble and, most importantly, fans. Despite the Maccabees' imminent defeat, the fans, as well as the athletes, truly enjoyed the game. The team members felt as if they were indeed representing an enthusiastic college, and the students finally realized that a dynamic sports program existed at Yeshiva University.

Although a good time was had by all, the enthusiasm of the student body, unfortunately came too late in the season. The cheering of the students at this single event, combined with the player's hype did not enable the Maccabees to claim victory, and their hope of ultimately becoming champions was extinguished. The students, however, were not disappointed with the team's performance. They realized that the team had played a competitive game and was pleased by the feeling of camaraderie present at the event.

The defeat of the MAC's paradoxically created a success, the realization that Yeshiva College Sporting events can become exciting when the members of the school take an active role in its various activities. We hope, that this attitude will prevail and that the students will make a concerted effort to frequently attend similar events.

We similarly feel, that all teams should be given an increased amount of support thereby adding a new and dynamic dimension to Yeshiva College — a dimension that until presently has been missing. The augmented morale may also incite a more fierce and competitive drive amongst the athletes thus bettering their chances of being victorious and giving the college a new sense of pride.

The Editor-in-chief and the entire governing Board wish a Mazel Tov to Jeffrey Lieder (YC '83) on his engagement to Leba Drazin, to Eli Schulman (YC '83) on his engagement to Lara Schwalb (SCW '84), and to Ralph Zimmerman (YC '83) upon his engagement to Danielle Janov.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire governing board express their heartfelt condolences to Rabbi Julius Parnes upon the loss of his father, and to Rabbi Richard Bieler upon the loss of his beloved wife.

Ha-makom Y'nachem Etchem B'toch Sh'ar Avelai Tzion v'Yerushalaim.



In the last issue of the *Commentator* it was reported that results of a *Commentator* investigation prompted the University to repair a defective staircase in the student union building. As a point of clarification, it should be noted that University officials had already begun making arrangements for the repair of the staircase before the investigation was conducted.

Letters To The Editor

Low Grade I

To the Editor:

It is good that Mr. Smilchensky prefaced his grading the Student Council (January 12, 1984) by saying that he had been asked to put some of his "semi-ignorant" thoughts on paper since that is what they were. While his arguments were interesting, he was apparently ignorant of the facts. Needless to say, the first step toward drawing conclusions ought to be obtaining accurate information.

There was a certain amount of accuracy in Mr. Smilchensky's column. He begins by listing some of the innovative projects which YCSC completed. He complimented them for the movies twice a

week, the cafe, concerts, the art sale and other activities; after which he claims they "burnt out". I'd like to discuss his issues one by one, this time around dealing with the facts.

When one walks into Cafe du Morgue, one notices immediately the classy decor, the nice tables, the lighting and the false ceiling.

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Low Grade II

To the Editor:

This is a short reply to your "Semester Report Card" of the 1-12 issue of *The Commentator*. I felt your evaluation of the Student Council was not only harsh and overly critical, but even more offensive, it was unresearched and misinformed.

In point of fact: 1) The Travelling Jewish Theatre Co. was highly publicized, as was the Fall Concert, but as you stated there was, alas, apathy on part of the participants. Council can only afford, both financially and emotionally, to put out quality events which are attended by only a select handful, several times before the student body forces them to cut back. If *The Commentator* staff had to face the disappointment of witnessing how many people actually read the covers of their paper, they too would diminish the frequency of their publications.

2) The directory was promised to be out before last year's directory (which as you researched was in March). This they have done—and have done it in style!

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A Humanitarian

To the Editor:

I was so overwhelmed with emotion and moved to Tears at the good deeds one of your seminary students was doing on Shabbat, Parshat Bo. I went to the Fort Tryon nursing home on West 109th Street to visit a friend Clifford. He has been in the home for about 6 years and is wheelchair bound. When I arrived in his room, I saw one of your seminarians, David, sitting with Clifford and talking to him about Judaism, the Bible and Midrashim. Both Clifford and David were quite engrossed in the conversation. I sat there listened and was so moved to see such a fine young man as David taking interest in Clifford who is left in

this world with very few relatives and very few visitors. Upon the conclusion of their conversation I

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No Shrimp

To the Editor:

I am writing regarding "Little Shrimp make big bucks for Israel" (Jan. 12th issue).

Israel must not grow or make anything just for export, big bucks notwithstanding.

We are to produce and construct only what we need. If we are ever blessed with a surplus, we may then sell it to neighboring countries.

Since we don't need shrimp (and/or other things, either because they are trefe, non-sensical or too luxurious) what they are doing is wrong.

F.G. Lofschle

OP-ED

Smashing Values

By DANIEL E. SOSNOWIK

When I saw the signs, I didn't understand them.

When they told me what it was, I didn't believe it.

When I saw it happening, I was shocked.

Students at YU; Yeshiva Bachurim, hammering at a car! "To relieve the frustration," they said. We hadn't even started secular finals yet, and people were frustrated? From what? Torah studies? Have we sunk so low so that a Gemara shiur brings on the same frustration as a Calculus lecture? And destructive frustration, no less?

Shock, disbelief, and too many questions... unanswered questions.

I thought Jews don't act, *can't* act, like that. Do we at YU have such overriding frustrations that we must release them in some wild, animal-like way? Do we develop some strange, illogical, violent tendencies each time we see a stripped car in the neighborhood? If our over-exposure to Washington Heights natives has lowered us to

their Tumah-ridden level, then the administration had better find some way to get YU out of here. And really, really fast.

It would seem that YU-administration, faculty, students would want to show those "right-wing" Yeshivos that their perception of us is wrong. After all, the slogan "There is only one Yeshiva University" can be taken two ways. Is our uniqueness the key to excellence, or the door to our own destruction? And yet, students organized this newest disgrace, someone condoned it, and YU successfully continued to fan the opposition's flames.

What a shame that students couldn't have found some constructive release of tensions, some appropriate, *Jewish* way of relieving their frustrations. With all the sports, and all the clubs, and SSSJ (for the shouters and demonstrators), why even consider a car smash? Can beating on a car

be more rewarding than volunteering an hour at the nursing home that's just up the block? But no one thought of these possibilities; in fact, no one thought at all. The signs went up, the car was hauled in, and the students showed any and all passers-by a new meaning to being Jewish. Can YOU, the organizers, excuse yourselves for orchestrating this ridiculous, abominable, Chillul Hashem? I doubt it.

The same mind-boggling questions remain... Why? Why negate any forward progress by YU with a three hour leap backwards? Why even consider such childish nonsense? Why let someone's ignorance become a disgraceful reality?

There probably won't be any answers... just burning shame. Shame on those who organized it, shame on those who condoned it, and shame on those who participated in it. Nothing but shame.

It's not a game that was played, but the score is:

Students 1, Torah 0.

And Now . . . Impressions II

By IRA MEISELS

Some of you may remember the survey I conducted last year entitled Impressions. In the same vein, I present Impressions II. Having learnt something from the Gallup Organization, I realized that, in order to accurately compare my results with those of last year, this year's survey would have to be equally scientific: two Y.C. students and a Stern girl.

I entered the library with some trepidation as to how the survey would go. Suddenly, I spotted a Y.C. student staring out the window. As I drew closer, I noticed he was smoking a pipe. I snuck up behind him and as he turned around sprang on him: "Excuse me, what do you think about life?" He looked at me, took a long puff at his pipe, and said, "Well, my good man, one can view it as Kant did but at the same time as Camus, Sartre, Ibsen, and Chekhov, but actually, ontologically or metaphysically, he can see Plato or Spinoza; but, for that matter, one has to think about moral relativism, Descartes, Tolstoy, Kafka, Rousseau, utilitarianism, Locke, and Hume."

Tremendously impressed by his answer (although not really comprehending it), I moved on.

I started to search for the proverbial "Stern girl in the library." I spotted one reading a book about Rembrandt. Every half a minute or so, she would look up, glance around her, and return to her book with a disappointed expression on her face. I approached her and introduced myself. "What do you think about the trends in art through the centuries?" I then asked her.

"Art, Ah Art! You know art is so, you know, arty. Ah Rembrandt! Ah Picasso! Ah Chagall! The way they paint is unbelievable. And, of course, realism is great; and surrealism is, well, just fantastic; and abstract art is out of this world."

"She certainly seems to know a lot," I remarked to myself as I

slipped away.

For the third, and final, phase of my survey, I chose a guy sitting in the corner. He was poring over a book and seemed to be working very hard. In fact, he was so engrossed in his reading that he did not realize my standing over him until I coughed. He then looked up and I hit him with: "What is your

opinion on Tolstoy's handling of family relations in *The Death of Ivan Ilyich*?"

"To tell you the truth," he said, "I don't really know much about Tolstoy but I'm very eager to find out. I'd be extremely grateful if you'd help me."

Thus endeth Impressions II.

New Students Questionnaires Will Guide Admissions Process

By MORDECHAI TWERSKY

The Yeshiva University Administration, in an effort to learn more about the effectiveness and efficiency of its undergraduate admissions, is compiling an intensive questionnaire which will be distributed to Yeshiva College freshman and sophomores this semester, the *Commentator* has learned.

The questionnaire, which is currently being prepared by the office of the Executive Vice President and will be distributed by the office of Student Activities, consists of a number of questions seeking to determine student satisfaction with the College, in addition to learning how students chose to attend Yeshiva College.

Effectiveness of Admissions

According to Dr. Egon Brenner, Executive Vice President of Yeshiva University, the results of the questionnaire will "help us learn about which things we do are effective in admissions." Dr. Brenner explained that all answers to the questionnaire will be "analyzed," and a report will be prepared. The University has engaged the assistance of a well-known sociologist, Egon Mayer to analyze the data. Dr. Mayer is an adjunct faculty member at the

Graduate Institute for Jewish Education of Yeshiva University.

Polls Taken Seriously

In 1979, the *Commentator* conducted a comprehensive student poll. The results of the poll, which were printed in the publication, were taken "very seriously," according to one senior administration official.

"We cannot overemphasize the seriousness with which these student polls are taken," said the official, "and this questionnaire will provide results which will be just as important."

Mr. Larry Wachsman, director of Student Activities, said of the questionnaire in a written statement that "We believe that the information culled from it will be very helpful and decisive to the University in forming policy for the future and in enabling them to be more responsive to the students' needs." According to Dr. Brenner, University Administration officials would like to compile a number of similar in-depth statistical studies at different stages with Yeshiva University Alumni.

In addition, a study will be made of people who were offered admission to Yeshiva College, but chose not to attend.

Dr. Oliver S. Klapper Heads New Career Program

By PERETZ HOCHBAUM

The new "Career Counselling and Placement Service" for business majors at Yeshiva College, originally introduced last November, was put into effect last week with the hiring of Dr. Oliver S. Klapper, director of the program.

According to Dr. Klapper, who has already begun to meet with students, the purpose of the program is to educate students regarding the job market. "Fifty percent of the students majoring in business-related fields do not really know what they want to do, and are very naive about how to find a job," Dr. Klapper told the *Commentator* in a recent interview.

"This indecisiveness," according to Dr. Klapper, "and a student not knowing what industry he wants to work in, causes him to lose faith in his ability to secure a job, and thereby destroys his self confidence—an ingredient entirely essential in order to succeed in the job market."

Need for Preparation

"The world is no longer sitting and waiting for college graduates to come and present themselves for jobs," he said. Dr. Klapper stressed the need for Yeshiva College to prepare its graduates for the job market. According to Dr. Klapper, a student should choose a major because he is interested in that field of study, rather than choosing a major that a student thinks will ensure him a job in that particular field. Says Klapper, "you must learn to take what you have and turn it into job opportunities for your self. That is our goal; to help students realize what they can and cannot do with their knowledge and skills, and show them how to go about doing it."

Campus Recruitment

It is estimated that over 75 percent of all persons earn their first job through contacts with others whom they know who can set up interviews or even provide them with employment. The new program, according to Dr. Klapper, will hope to draw many executives from all fields of business to meet with Y.C. students and discuss their respective industry. Dr. Klapper feels that as a result, students will be better educated regarding various industries that they may want to enter, and will be given the opportunity to establish essential contacts with business executives.

Program Structure

Dr. Klapper will have office hours on Mondays, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm, in room M104, and on Thursdays, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm in Furst Hall, room 413. Mondays will be spent on panel sessions, seminars, lectures from business executives, and on group workshops for students. The seminars and lectures will give students advice on how to make contacts. They will also give students an idea of the employer's point of view—what the hiring force is looking for. The workshops will teach interviewing techniques, resume writing, businesslike approach, and career awareness. The workshops will also give students a chance to articulate their personal concerns.

Added features to the new program will include setting up an office for job interviews here at Yeshiva; using the Alumni Association to establish contacts in business; practice interviews which will help prepare the job seeking student for his interview; establishing independent study programs whereby students can receive credit for work which they do; helping students find summer jobs and internships; creating an Alumni Career Consultant Program;

This program is meant to help all students considering a career in business. The program can help both upper and lower classmen. Dr. Klapper feels that "although we're off to a late start, the program can even help this year's seniors." Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz, director of Guidance at Y.C., said that "the program will definitely help the advisory council of Y.C. right from the outset of a student's freshman year."

Dr. Klapper is related to Y.U. in that he attended B.T.A., formerly Y.U.'s high school in Brooklyn. He did his undergraduate work at Brooklyn College, and received his Ph.D. from Columbia University's Teacher's College. He has had 15 years of experience in Career Counselling as Director of Career Guidance at Kingsborough Community College. He is a member of the Association of Career Guidance Counselors of the City University of New York, an organization of which he was once nominated president.

Elie Wiesel To Deliver Lecture Series At Y.U.

Elie Wiesel, internationally acclaimed author, teacher and spokesman for contemporary Jewry, will deliver a series of three lectures on "Jewish Attitudes" at Yeshiva University, where he has served on the board of trustees since 1977.

Mr. Wiesel will speak on the subject of "Jewish Attitudes to Learning," "Jewish Attitudes to Writing," and "Jewish Attitudes to Remembering" on March 14, 21, 28, respectively.

The first and third lectures will begin at 8 p.m. at the Commons in Science Hall on the University's Main Campus in Washington Heights.

The second lecture will take place at 8 p.m. at the Koch Auditorium of Stern College for

Women (SCW), an undergraduate division of liberal arts and sciences at the University. SCW is located at the University's Midtown Campus, 245 Lexington Avenue at 35th Street.

Mr. Wiesel is a survivor of concentration camps in Auschwitz and Buchenwald and has written numerous books on the Holocaust. He is the recipient of many honors, including the National Jewish Book Council Award in 1964 and 1973, the Jewish Heritage Award for Literature in 1966, and the Prix Medicis for *A Beggar in Jerusalem*. In 1973 he was awarded the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters by Yeshiva University.

The lectures are open to the public, as well as University students, faculty members, and administrators.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire governing wish a Mazel Tov to Prof. Morris Silverman, Assistant to the Executive Vice-President upon his marriage to Esther Shapiro Horowitz.

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550 Students Lobby In Nation's Capital

By MEYER MUSCHEL

On Wednesday, February 23, approximately 100 Yeshiva College and Stern students journeyed to the nation's capital for a day of lobbying on behalf of Soviet Jewry. The trip, which attracted 550 students from college campuses in the northeastern region of the United States, has become an annual event since its inception in 1977, after the imprisonment of Soviet *refusenik* Anatoly Schcharansky.

Senator Orrin G. Hatch (R-Utah), one of the speakers to address the lobbyists on Thursday morning, touched the audience with a story of his own visit to the Soviet Union. He described his brief encounter with Soviet dissidents and *refuseniks* on the stairs of the Moscow Synagogue, as he recalled their desperate need for Western assistance. The Senator noted that rather ironic fact that the United States must pass laws to limit the amount of immigrant entering the U.S., while the Soviet Union senses the need to prevent its inhabitant from emigrating.

In addition to Senator Hatch,

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problems pertaining to civil law, the Jewish community, the family, medicine, and contemporary issues such as the feminist movement, nuclear arms, war and peace, homosexuality, pornography, legalized prostitution, and the sexual revolution.

"Out of this segment," Rabbi Charlop explained, "our young musmakhim will be forced to be engaged with the 'real world', and hopefully, this 'real world' — halakhic interface will become habit with them," he said. Rabbi Charlop added that the addition of the component would give the rabbinical students "a genuine halakhic feel and grounding for the whole range of contemporary problems which will set them apart as Rabbonim."

Rabbi Nisson Alpert, Rosh Yeshiva at RIETS who is a member of the committee formulating the "Halakha L'masseh" component of the program, said that the expansion of the program "will serve as a strengthening of the quality of education and training that the Rabbis of tomorrow will receive at the Yeshiva." Rabbi Alpert explained the need for the expansion of the "Halakha L'masseh" component, saying that "it is essential that Rabbonim be comprehensively and profoundly familiar with the laws that pertain to the daily practices of Jewish life so that they can respond more surely to the Shailes that, thank heaven, are asked increasingly of them and bespeak the rising strength of Torah Observance. This has always been the classical function of the Rav — the Mora D'asra." Other topics to be covered in the component include the laws of *Milah*, *Geirut*, *Hechsher Kellim*, and *Eiruvim*.

According to Rabbi Charlop, "The modification and expansion of the Semikha Program is an idea whose time has come. Baruch Hashem, wherever you turn, B'nai Torah seek more than anything else to prolong their learning. It is hoped that these new and more intensive learning requirements will assure *Yahadus* here in this country and beyond with authentic Rabbonim Musmakhim.

Senator Dennis Deconcini (D-Arizona) and Congressman Kemp (R-N.Y.) urged students to continue in their efforts on the behalf of those oppressed in the Soviet Union. All three Congressmen stressed the need for the U.S. to ensure that the Soviet Union abide by the Helsinki Accords, an agreement signed by the U.S.S.R., which among other issues deals with the Human Rights issue.

While students spent most of the morning hearing from important speakers, later in the day the lobbyists had a chance to meet their scheduled officials and review the actions taken by the Congressmen on behalf of Soviet Jewry. In addition, many of the Congressmen were asked to accept

various responsibilities such as the adopting of a *refusenik* or the sponsoring of a "Dear Colleague" letter within the Congress, to be signed by its members and forwarded to the new Soviet leader, Constantine Chernenko, calling for the rights of Jews to emigrate. Students were briefed in advance, so that each participant was aware of what his or her elected officials had done on behalf of Soviet Jewry.

The trip was well organized and returning students expressed their satisfaction with having participated in the day's efforts.

Worthy of praise are Stephen Ackerman. Contact Stephen Ackerman M404 to get involved, at Stern: Mindy Fendel.

What's New At '82

By NEAL DUBLINSKY

WYUR, an invaluable student activity, does not get the credit or recognition due it, according to Robert Katz, Program Director.

Among WYUR's most appealing and distinctive accomplishments are the inroads made in the world of broadcasting by many of its alumni. Approximately twelve WYUR members, past and present, have secured positions at such luminaries of radio as WPLJ, WYNY, and WEVD. Abe Rosenberg, the most prominent of this group, even hosted his own talk show on community affairs for WYNY.

All three ranking members of the current Governing Board have also used their WYUR experience as a stepping-stone for positions in the media. Station Manager Nachum Segal wakes up in the wee hours of the morning in order to conduct the "Hebrew and Jewish Program" on Upsala College's WFMU. Amy Greenzweig, the Stern Coordinator, has worked in the WCBS-TV newsroom as well as for WCIX-TV Florida and contributes articles to *Broadcast Week Magazine*. Mr. Katz himself works for WYNY in the capacity of music researcher and finds occasion to hobnob with such celebrities as Dr. Ruth Westheimer.

Mr. Katz attributed this success of WYUR participants to two factors: 1) the considerable credentials earned by actually running a radio station and 2) the motivation engendered by the experience itself. As proof of the former, Katz cites Nachum Segal's strong involvement with Jewish Music and affairs programming at WYUR as a key

factor in his acquiring a post at WFMU. The very scope of activities pursued by the WYUR staff underscores their enjoyment of broadcasting and their commitment towards "maintaining a sense of professionalism." The sports staff, for example, has interviewed top sports figures such as Tom Seaver, Reggie Jackson, George Steinbrenner and Billy Martin. In fact, they are even accorded entry into the press section when attending events.

Mr. Katz also noted the extensive input required of staff members. WYUR is one of the most heavily advertised student functions, especially with the advent of the newsletter, *Radio Rap*. The staff researches the most popular music around and compiles playlists of favorites among the listenership.

On the most basic level, all disc jockeys on the station develop some essential speech abilities which are called upon whenever they must ad-lib remarks. Thus, Katz argues that if Yeshiva College Dramatics Society members and intramural referees receive academic credit for their activities, then, surely, WYUR d.j.'s should also get credit for their work — "especially Governing Board members who have an eight hour worry five days a week; something unheard of among Y.U. activities." The one credit course in Radio Announcing is not an adequate concession according to Mr. Katz, because the student is not allowed to repeat it for credit. Furthermore, YCDS members are offered courses in Drama in addition to the credit they receive for the play itself.

WHAT'S NEWS?

Scholarships For Israel Study

Two (2) scholarships are available each year to graduates of the *Erna Michael College* or the *Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary*, and in exceptional cases, to Yeshiva College graduates who studied in the Yeshiva Program but did not receive Semicha.

Students selected for study at the Hebrew University on this scholarship must limit themselves to Jewish studies and promise to teach on the higher level in the United States or in Israel.

The scholarship is given for one year, but may be renewed for only one additional year.

The scholarship carries with it for each recipient a \$1,000 stipend which he uses for his general expenses, and \$250 which is given to the Hebrew University to cover tuition fees.

Wherever possible, the award will be made to one who is not receiving scholarship help from any other source.

If interested, apply in writing either to Dr. Israel Miller or Dean Jacob Rabinowitz before March 5, 1984.

'Trojan Women' At Stern

The Stern College Dramatic Society, under the direction of David Keiserman, will Stage Euripides' *Trojan Women*, this semester. Although penned approximately 2,300 years ago, *Trojan Women* bears relevance to the twentieth century. In this poetic masterpiece, the horrors of war are blatantly exposed.

Director David Keiserman has modified Edith Hamilton's translation of *Trojan Women* in order to clarify the play's relationship to World War II and the Holocaust. In addition, Mr. Keiserman will have the cast dressed in 1940's style clothing.

Tickets for *Trojan Women* are \$5 each and will go on sale March 20. Performances are scheduled to run from March 31 through April 5.

Showtimes are: Saturday, March 31, 10:00 p.m. — Sunday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. — Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 2, 4, and 5, 8:00 p.m.

All performances will take place in the Koch Auditorium at Stern College. For further information contact Edythe D. Nussbaum, President of the Stern College Dramatic Society at 725-2234; or Sharon Troy, Vice President, at 532-3859.

Jewish Theater Company Debuts At Y.C.

By STEVEN FRIED

A new theatre troupe on campus has been created in cooperation with the Yeshiva College Dramatics Society.

Under the direction of Alan Silverman, a junior, a group of talented students are currently working on a program for the Jewish Spring Festival of the Arts, to be held April 1, at the Main Center in Washington Heights.

The theatre company will perform Michael Kassin's "Today a Little Extra," a comedy about a local Kosher butcher store which is being sold to a non-religious Jew who plans to make the store "not kosher." The second production slated for the fair is of Woody Allen's "Death Knocks, about a Jewish man who plays for his life in a game against, "Death." The troupe will also perform two song and dance numbers before and

after the two productions.

Although the group was organized specifically to perform at the festival, Mr. Silverman expressed the hope that the company would continue to grow and become an alternative to the traditional Yeshiva College Dramatics Society (YCDS). The company currently holds short weekly rehearsals. "We are a much smaller group," Mr. Silverman said, "but we are more oriented to Jewish plays or plays written by Jews," he said. Mr. Silverman said that the Jewish Theatre Company "is an ideal outlet for talented students who don't have the time to participate in YCDS productions.

The troupe has already been approached by several Jewish groups requesting benefit performances this year.

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Dr. Harry I. Wohlberg Z"l

By MORDECHAI TWERSKY

Dr. Harry I. Wohlberg, noted communal leader, spiritual leader, and a faculty member for nearly four decades at Yeshiva University and its affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS), died last February 5th. He was 79.

"Rabbi Wohlberg was a unique figure in the Rabbinate," said Rabbi Charlop, director of RIETS. "He was one of the outstanding darshanim in the classic mold of our times."

A professor of Bible and Homiletic Literature at RIETS, Rabbi Wohlberg joined the University faculty in 1947. He was spiritual leader at Congregation Shomrei Emenah in Brooklyn, N.Y. He retired from that position in 1973 after 37 years of service.

"Rabbi Wohlberg was beloved by his peers and by his students," Rabbi Charlop said. "Although much focus is placed on him because of his prowess as a darshan, what especially endeared him and made him singular—in a very personal way to all of us—was that he constituted the realization of 'Naeh Edaresh V'Naeh M'Kayem.' He practiced what he preached in a most beautiful fashion."

Dr. Wohlberg received an honorary Doctor of Hebrew Letters degree from Yeshiva University. In conferring that degree, the late Dr. Samuel Belkin, second president of the University, said:



"As an eloquent preacher, you have gained the high esteem of your disciples and the affection of your congregants. You have dedicated your life to the study of Torah and the firm conviction that study leads to moral practice.... We cherish you for your immeasurable contributions to the advancement of the American Rabbinate."

Dr. Wohlberg wrote and lectured on a wide variety of subjects, including Zionism, Bible, and the

Jewish family. He was also a noted book collector. His library contained more than 3,000 volumes of Hebrew.

Born in 1904 in Czechoslovakia, Dr. Wohlberg came to the United States as a teenager. He was ordained at RIETS in 1932. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Columbia University in 1944 and a Doctor of Hebrew Literature degree from the University's Bernard Revel Graduate School in 1961.

Three of his sons also were ordained at RIETS and now serve as spiritual leaders of congregations, Jeremiah at Congregation Ohav Shalom in Merrick, NY; Saul at Congregation Sons of Jacob in Haverstraw, NY; and Mitchell at Congregation Beth Tfiloh in Baltimore.

"The fact that all of Rabbi Wohlberg's sons followed in their fathers footsteps," Rabbi Charlop said, "and are musmachim of our yeshiva as he was is a great achievement which aspoke this great man."

He is also survived by his widow, the former Jessie Turoff, and four grandchildren.

Burial was in Old Montefiore Cemetery.

Distinguished Speakers Highlight Kollel Convocation

Tues., Feb. 28 — Major figures in the rabbinic world including Dr. Norman Lamm, president of Yeshiva University, Rabbi Avraham Mordecai Herschberg, Chief Rabbi of Mexico City, and Rabbi Moshe David Steinwurz, the rosh yeshiva of Bobov in Brooklyn, NY—spoke at a Torah Convocation today, marking the dedication of the Marcos and Adina Katz Kollel at Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS).

RIETS is an affiliate of Yeshiva University.

Marcos and Adina Katz, noted Mexican philanthropists, attended the Convocation. Mr. Katz is a member of the University Board of Trustees.

The Convocation, with *shiurim* (Talmudic discourses) devoted to the topic of the Laws of Kehunah, was held in the Kollel Beit Midrash on the third floor of Furst Hall at the University's Main Center in the Washington Heights section of Manhattan.

The name Katz in Hebrew is an acronym for "righteous kohen." For that reason, the shiurim dealt with Laws of Kehunah.

Rabbi Zevulun Charlop, director of RIETS, chaired the Convocation. Dr. Lamm delivered the dedicatory address, which focused on the vestments of the Kohen during the service in the temple.

Dr. Lamm's address was followed by two shiurim delivered by fellows in the kollel. Avraham Bachrach spoke on "Regarding the Mitzvah of Giving Honor to the Kohen. Jonathan Sacks spoke on "The Kohen and His Acquaintanceship."

The Katz Kollel is the largest kollel at RIETS. Some 50 young men, including students who already have received *Semikhah* (rabbinic ordination), now study in the kollel.

The kollel was named to honor a gift from Mr. Katz, a leading Mexican industrialist, educator, and communal leader, and his wife.

Mr. Katz, a native of Poland, founded ISMAX, S.A. in 1953. He was chairman of the board and chief executive officer. A year later he founded Intercontinental America, S.A. He also is chairman of the Board and Chief executive officer of Industria Mexicana de Plasticos Olimpia.

He serves as general representative of Israel Aircraft Industries, Ltd., for Mexico, Central American and the Caribbean Islands.

In 1980, Mr. Katz received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Yeshiva University.

Highly active in Jewish life, he has served as a member of the National board of Noam Hamizrachi in Israel, vice chairman of the Zionist Federation of Mexico, and financial secretary of the Jewish community Nidje Israel in Mexico. He was a delegate to the World Mizrahi Hapoel Convention in Jerusalem in 1958.

Mr. Katz was secretary of the first Israeli Consulate to Latin America. He founded the Golda Katz Memorial Prize in Israel. The Prize is given for research in the application of Halacha in modern life. Among those who have received the Prize are Dr. Lamm and Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik.

Enrollment Declines

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anonymous source pointed out, "... we may be faced with a de facto junior college before we know it!"

Students express little interest in double program

When confronted with the Freshman enrollment figures, Miss Judy Paikin, Dean of Undergraduate Admissions, explained that Yeshiva College caters to a very small potential market, and thus, the university is negatively effected by the increased polarization of the American Jewish Community. Furthermore Yeshiva High School graduates, who are potential Yeshiva College students, exhibit the effects of this polarization. Most of the Yeshiva High School graduates express little or no interest in Yeshiva's double program. Miss Paikin suggested, that the program's lack of appeal is due to the increase in the number of students who are committed exclusively to Torah study and thus, attend night programs at city universities. On the other hand, Miss Paikin added, there is also an increase in the number of students who are attending secular universities.

Loss of public high school students

To worsen matters, Yeshiva is no longer attracting Jewish students from Public High Schools. In regard to this problem, Rabbi Yudin, Dean of the James Striar School, suggested that the decline in Talmud Torah Programs throughout the country coupled with the rise in Ba'ale T'shuvah institutions are the main causes for the drop in Yeshiva's Public High School enrollment.

Bad job placement

Regarding Yeshiva's steady attrition rate, Miss Paikin obliquely suggested, that Yeshiva's business and job placement programs do not adequately meet the students needs.

In the past, students, specifically economic majors, have expressed deep concern over Yeshiva's inadequate job placement program. If

the administration continues to neglect to meet the student interests, Yeshiva will be faced with an even further drop in enrollment.

Yet, the Yeshiva College administration has not totally disregarded this enrollment problem. Over the past 3 years, Yeshiva has offered an increase in scholarship benefits and has improved the physical appearance of the campus. In addition, security around the entire Yeshiva complex has been tightened in order to provide for a safe and secure environment. Miss Paikin hinted, that the Office of Admissions will pursue a more active recruitment policy.

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3) The Cultural Affairs Committee has been diligently individual in the production of the Festival of the Arts, scheduled for the beginning of April. A project of such grandiose size, and magnificent detail, you will admit, takes much preparation.

4) Your "fairness" in your last paragraph was obviously lip service (writ service?) for the grading of a "B-" is not a just, nor accurate, evaluation of this year's council.

If you look at their platform, you will see this year's council has already accomplished 70 percent of their proposed plans. Think back on last year's council and try to recall their myriad of promises and successful fulfillments. Done yet? If student council from here on out would sponsor one event a month they will have far surpassed the creditability of their predecessors. But knowing this year's dynamic council we can continue to expect many more cultural, educational, and recreational activities. In fairness to your readers, more research should be put into your articles.

Alan Silverman

Editorial Note: Our response to Mr. Stadtmayer's letter is applicable here as well.

YCSC Allocations

Engineering Society	\$ 150
English Honor Society	100
First Aid Club	50
Israel Affairs Committee	325
Micro - Computer Club	50
Psychology Club	50
Poli - Sci Society	125
SSSJ	175
TAGAR	150
THINC	75
Young Democrats of Yeshiva	25
Economic Society	150
Accounting Society	850
Karate Club	160
The Commentator	5000
WYUR	1500
Masmid	2000
YCDS	5500
Pre-Med Society	200
Wild Life Society	100
TOTAL:	\$16,735

Refer all questions to Treasurer Yitz Solomon M306

NEW CURRICULUM

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professor of Speech, said, "The faculty should not be blamed for dragging its heels in this matter," referring to the two years of faculty deliberations. "The faculty was responsible in drawing up a plan that would be best for the students."

Asked what effect the change will have on the College, Dr. Beukas replied, "I don't believe that this new core curriculum will make students flock to the College, but I hope it will." Dr. Beukas indicated that although the faculty felt a need for a change, his general impression was that members of the Curriculum Committee doubted whether the curriculum proposed would improve enrollment. "But the faculty certainly thought it was worth a try," he said.

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Major Figures in Rabbinic World to Speak at Dedication of Marcos and Adina Katz Kollel

During a second session, the speakers included Rabbi Steinwurz and Rabbi Herschberg, who is also president of the Conference of Latin American Rabbis, and Rabbi Hershel Schachter, rosh kollel of the Katz Kollel and Nathan and Vivian Fink Professor of Talmud at RIETS.

Rabbi Herschberg spoke on "Kehunah in the Time of the Temple and Today." Rabbi Schachter discussed "The Defilement of the Kohen."

The Marcos and Adina Katz Kollel (Institute for Advanced Research in Rabbinics), through its program of intense textual analysis, aims to train scholars who will serve as pulpit rabbis, teachers, or Jewish day school administrators in the classic mold of Jewish leadership.

Leib Merkin Distinguished Professor of Talmud and Jewish Philosophy at RIETS. The Prize was named in memory of Mr. Katz's mother.

Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, founded in 1896, is the nations leading school for the training of Orthodox rabbis. It also provides programs of intensive Judaic study and research for young men with other career aspirations. Its alumni include many of the most distinguished rabbis, scholars, administrators, and executives of major Jewish organizations in all parts of the world.

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Economic Corner: Israel's Economy

1982 and 1983 were difficult years for the Israeli economy due mainly to the deteriorating balance of payments and rampant inflation. Israel's external debt increased by 4.9 billion dollars and amounted to 23.1 billion dollars. The rate of inflation in 1982 was 131 percent and in 1983 was 190.7 percent.

Recognizing the gravity of the problems Israel is facing, the Israeli government has, in the last quarter of 1983, introduced an economic policy which will bring about a reverse in economic trends and ensure a gradual and consistent improvement in the economic situation.

The major goal of Israel's economic policy is to substantially reduce the non-military deficit in the balance of payments and, at the same time, gradually decrease inflationary pressures.

Goals

The immediate targets of the economic policy are thus:

- an increase in exports and reduction of imports so as to reduce the current deficit in the balance of payments;
- a gradual reduction in the pace of inflation;
- controlled and selective economic growth;
- avoidance of a rate of unemployment that is socially intolerable;
- a just distribution of the burden with due cognizance of the weaker social strata.

It should be emphasized that because of the magnitude of the

economic problems which Israel is facing and the desire to avoid social turbulence, these targets cannot be attained in full in the short term. Some progress is, however, expected to manifest itself already in the course of 1984, with the major improvement in trends being realized towards the end of that year.

Means

The Policy goals are to be achieved by the following means:

- The implementation of a restrictive budgetary policy. This is to be achieved by means of across-the-board and selective cuts in government and other public sector expenditures. The planned budgetary cuts for 1983-1984 are estimated to amount to 1.5 billion dollars, a cut of about 12 percent of the budget (excluding debt payments and foreign exchange military expenditures). The number of Government employees will be reduced by about two percent;
- greater efficiency in direct and indirect tax collection;
- the implementation of a restrictive yet flexible monetary policy;
- a reduction in private consumption and in the standard of living. A decline in real income will be achieved, accompanied by some increase in unemployment. The price of government-subsidized consumer goods and services will be drastically raised;
- the assurance of export profitability. A restriction of local demand will lead to a direct

decrease in imports and will make resources available for export production.

Despite the current difficulties, Israel expects to maintain a high level of credit worthiness. The following factories will ensure Israel's continued high standing in the world's money market:

- the sound basis of Israel's industrial economic and social infrastructure;
- the comprehensive economic package which promises to lead to an improvement in Israel's balance of payments;
- the continued political and financial backing of the U.S. government;
- Israel's punctual servicing of its debts.

Increase in Exports and Tourism

In the second half of 1983, first signs of a positive change in export trends are discernable. In June-November, the monthly average export of goods was 2 percent above the level of the same period in 1982. The level of exports of goods, excluding diamonds, ships and aircraft, was 7.5 percent above the level of the period January-May this year.

Income from tourism is expected to increase slightly. Tourism started to recover in mid-1983 after a setback in this sector, affected by the Lebanese campaign. The number of tourists entering Israel in 1983 is estimated at 1.2 million, an increase of 20 percent over 1982.

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"Surely," one says, "this was quite an expensive project. Was it worth it?" This must have been Mr. Smilchensky's impression since Commentator complained twice this year about the cost to YCSC. Had he first checked out his story he would have found that this room cost the Student Council only \$300, less than one third the cost of a single issue of Commentator. It is true that the room was planned by Jeff Katz and Danny Lehmann, and was totally arranged by them, but the University paid for most of the work.

Similarly, Mr. Smilchensky assumed that the lack of noise from the Cultural Affairs Committee implied that it wasn't doing anything. Actually, the Committee has been working since last June on the task for which it was created, the Jewish Festival of the Arts. The festival, which will take place this spring, involves closing off Amsterdam Ave., establishing a new drama society, bringing in over sixty vendors and artists, and inviting more than 300 Jewish organizations. Clearly this is enough work for the committee to be doing. What surprises me, though, is that I was able to get this information just by walking into M223 (the president's and vice-president's room) and asking. I can't understand why Mr. Smilchensky couldn't take time to do the same.

Another victim of the Editor's attack was the Student Directory. It's a shame that Mr. Smilchensky doesn't keep accurate files because if he had, he'd have found that the directory wasn't promised, earlier in the semester, just earlier than last year (Purim). In addition, if he would have asked me, I would have been happy to tell him why it was so late. Planning the directory began last year, and the Committee was already hard at work during orientation (before most students arrived at school.) Given the tremendous amount of information it contains, the careful layout, and its accuracy it is not surprising that it took seven solid weeks of work to produce. The last three weeks of delay was the result of technical problems that were neither predictable nor avoidable. All this information would have been Mr. Smilchensky's if only he had asked. As for his suggestion that maybe the directory has outlived its purpose, the large number of comments I have received, including people from outside the school, seems to prove him wrong. I ought to point out, though, that this time Mr. Smilchensky may have been justified in not checking on the facts; while M223 is just across the hall from his room, he would have had to walk up three flights in order to talk to me.

Mr. Smilchensky appeared to have been disturbed by the lack of publicity for activities. Since any registered club which asks for it can have a graphic artist do signs for its events there has been no lack of publicity. Furthermore, Daf Yomi is currently the most widely read publication on campus. How could Mr. Smilchensky not notice these things? The only explanation I can think of is that maybe he never leaves his room.

By complaining about activities, Mr. Smilchensky makes a big assumption. He distinguishes between clubs and YCSC itself. When clubs run activities, the Student Council is doing its job, and we ought not be spoiled by the fact that the Council has sponsored activities on its own. In fact,

according to the YCSC constitution, the only responsibility of the Student Council is to 'represent the students... in all their collective dealings with the administration and faculty...and shall determine policy for the Student Body for all student affairs.'

There was not, however, a lack of activities on campus. When one considers the generosity of our faculty in not giving midterms during one week, but rather over the course of three weeks, and the fact that no one can run an activity in the last two weeks of the semester, one finds that there are only nine weeks left. With such a brief "season" the fourteen activities sponsored by YCSC (not including Wed. night activities) and the twenty sponsored by clubs indicates a pretty active semester.

Mr. Smilchensky seemed to ascribe to YCSC a syndrome called "burnout". Once the semester got under way and the clubs began working on their own, what did he expect? another Cafe du Morgue? installing another VCR? The council hasn't lost their exuberance or forgotten their campaign promises. Checking the files I found that they have already fulfilled 70 percent of the platform of "campus life" that Jeff and Dan ran on. How can Mr. Smilchensky call the efficiency to get all that done at the beginning of the year "burnout"?

I'm not sure what grade I would give the Student Council; after seeing the facts, however, doesn't a B- seem just a bit low?

Alan Stadtmayer

YC '84

Feature Editor, Hametz

Gruss Kollel Delivers Citywide Shiurim

Members of the Caroline and Joseph S. Gruss Kollel Elyon at the Yeshiva University-Affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS) are currently travelling to five congregations in the New York City area and are delivering a series of public shiurim (Talmudic discourses).

The Gruss Kollel, which is the most selective of the three kollelim at Yeshiva University, was established by the benefaction of Mr. and Mrs. Gruss. It allows brilliant young scholars to achieve the fullest measure of their Torah promise.

The topics that are being covered in the discourses include, "The King in Israel," "The Study of Torah and the Blessings Over the Torah," and "The Reading of the Megillah."

Congregations to be visited by members of the kollel are: Congregation Ahavas Achim B'nai Jacob and David in West Orange, NJ; The Jewish Center in Manhattan; Kew Gardens Synagogue—Adath Yeshurun in Queens; Young Israel of Flatbush in Brooklyn; and Young Israel of Hillcrest in Flushing, NY. The members of the kollel, all post-graduate students at the Seminary, are Rabbi Jeffery Abel, Rabbi Baruch Goldman, Rabbi Yitzchak Lichtenstein, Rabbi Yisrael Paretzky, Rabbi Michael Rosensweig, Rabbi Avrum Safer, and Rabbi Mordechai Vasas. Mr. Gruss, widely-known financier and philanthropist, is the founder and head of Gruss & Co. His contributions have made his name synonymous with Jewish education in both the United States and abroad. In 1983, he received the first Eitz Chaim (Tree of Life) Award from RIETS. Mr. Gruss has been a member of the University Board of



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Jewish Art Festival

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University that a cultural fair of this kind has been organized. According to the Student Council president, the fair "gives Yeshiva University the opportunity to show the tri-state Jewish community that its students are actively involved in Jewish cultural life."

Tickets for the fair are two dollars apiece, checks should be made payable to the Yeshiva College Student Council and mailed to Howard M. Kurtz, 2525 Amsterdam Ave. New York, N.Y. 10033.

A Humanitarian

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spoke to both of them and found out that about a year and a quarter ago, Clifford felt very blue and the Fort Tryon nursing home social service office sent up David to see if he could cheer up Clifford and possibly even run an errand for him. After both men talked for fifteen minutes, they noticed that they seemed to have "hit it off" and ever since then David has been making visits to Clifford. Clifford looks forward to these visits which greatly helps him in trying to overcome his loneliness.

I felt that I had to write this letter to you because I was so moved at the good deeds David is doing for a fellow Jew and human being. I am not a letter writer but I felt I just had to let you know.

Henry Oppen

Editor's Note: The Fort Tryon Old Age Home needs volunteers. See Mike Ungar, M404.

Remember the Wealthiest!

A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN

Editorial Note:

We would like to thank Mr. Stadtmayer for his informative letter. We hope he will extend to us the courtesy of clarifying several of the points in his letter regarding the Editor-in-Chief's column titled Semester Report Card (Jan. 12th issue of Commentator).

1. *Cafe du Morgue* — According to Mr. Stadtmayer, the Editor's point of contention regarded the high cost of *Cafe du Morgue*. The word Mr. Stadtmayer used was "expensive." If Mr. Stadtmayer, however, would have exercised more care while reading the column it would have been evident to him that the Editor was only concerned with the very few hours *Cafe du Morgue* is available for student use. In his column the Editor clearly stated, "If its availability is limited, more or less, by the few hours a night that Morg. Mart is open, perhaps the whole project was a waste of good money and valuable time." Good has never been synonymous with expensive. Perhaps Mr. Stadtmayer should have utilized a dictionary while writing his letter.

2. *Cultural Affairs Committee* — Mr. Stadtmayer is correct. The Jewish Festival of the Arts will take place in April (the Spring Semester). According to the Solar and Lunar calendars, however, April does not fall between September and January (the fall semester) — not even during a leap year. Perhaps Mr. Stadtmayer should have read the title of the column, the Semester Report Card. Mr. Stadtmayer also implied that the Cultural Affairs Committee was established solely for the purpose of organizing the Jewish Festival of the Arts. Here too, Mr. Stadtmayer is misinformed. He should have read the Cultural (Continued on Page 7, Col. 1)

Response*

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Affairs Committee's proposal submitted and approved by both Mr. Larry Wachsmen, Director of Student Activities, and the Yeshiva College Student Council. The proposal was a summary of the purpose of the creation of the Committee. The Proposal consists of three parts. Part I is titled, the Jewish Festival of the Arts. Part II is titled, "The Speaker Series" and it calls for the Cultural Affairs Committee, "to provide stimulating discourse between students and some of the leading figures in the world today." Part III is titled, the "Our Town Series" and it calls for the Cultural Affairs Committee to provide for "several times a month, Yeshiva and Stern college students will meet and either visit a museum or gallery, or view an opera or play..." Part I will hopefully be fulfilled this semester. Mr. Stadtmayer failed to discuss in his letter Parts II and III which have not been fulfilled during the fall semester. Perhaps he should have remained a bit longer in Room M223. (The President's and Vice-President's room).

3. The Student Directory — We complement Mr. Stadtmayer on the fine quality of the Student Directory. If he would have approached The Commentator, however, he would have realized that our files are more than accurate. In consultations with Mr. Jeff Katz, President-elect of YCSC in May 1983, he informed us that the Student Directory would be ready for distribution during Freshmen Orientation in September 1983. When we approached Mr. Katz and members of the Student Directory Staff in Room M223 (the President's and Vice-President's room) in mid-November — the Student Directory still yet to be distributed—we were told it would be ready in 2-3 weeks. Perhaps in the future Mr. Stadtmayer's staff should make more conservative pledges.

4. Publicity. We are well aware that a "graphic artist is available for any registered club which asks for it..." The Editor's point was that the Student Council themselves should have utilized the service they offered to the clubs.

In addition, regarding Mr. Stadtmayer's comment that Dof Yomi is "the most widely read publication on campus," we believe Hamevaser enjoys a wider readership.

5. Clubs and YCSC — Mr. Stadtmayer has finally raised a substantial and valid point. He wrote that the only responsibility of the Student Council as stated in the YCSC constitution is to "represent the students...in all collective dealings with the administration and faculty...and shall determine policy for the student body for all affairs." We commend the Student Council for fulfilling their only responsibility.

6. Burn out. — Mr. Stadtmayer again did not exercise care when reading the column. The Editor did not want another Cafe du Morgue nor another VCR. We believe he wanted a more consistent agenda of events.

The Governing Board of The Commentator welcomes all Letters to the Editor. We only request, as Mr. Stadtmayer stated, "That your first step toward drawing conclusions ought to be obtaining accurate information."

Y.I.B.L. Update and Tidbits

By MARK LEFKOVITZ

Last semester, the Y.I.B.L. playoffs opened with an intense Junior A — Senior contest in which 3 referees were employed to insure maximum efficiency. Junior A, led by the scoring of the fine forward, Gregg Levine (17 pts.), jumped out to a 28-17 halftime lead. In the second half, however, the Seniors tied the score, due mainly to the efforts of the finesse forward, Baruch Weinstein (10 pts.), and the hustling guard, Ian Landow (10 pts.). The stage was now set for a real thriller. With 5 seconds left in regulation time, point guard Ushie Selevan coolly veered to the top of the key and sank a 28 foot jumper to send the Seniors to the Championship, by a score of 45-43.

The Y.I.B.L. Fall Semester Championship game that followed was equally close: Junior B, paced by the consistent scoring of the guard, Eli Weber (21 pts.) matched the Senior squad for 3 quarters. In the fourth quarter, however, Weinstein (16 pts.) and Selevan (10 pts.) helped lift their team to the Fall Semester Championship by prevailing in a tight 45-42 contest.

Baseball has winter ball in Mexico. Pro Basketball has the Michelob N.Y. Summer League. But Yeshiva has... the M.B.I.L.! Yes! It's the Miami Beach Intramural League, where both stars and benchwarmers of the Yeshiva Intramural Basketball League went during their winter intersession to refine their skills for the spring semester. Indeed, even members of the coveted Yeshiva Maccabee basketball team graced the M.B.I.L. with their participation.

In M.B.I.L. competition at the Caribbean Hotel, many players displayed their basketball talents. Three players in particular, however, have distinguished themselves for honorable mention by the

League Front Office. They are Zev Skolnick, Y.I.B.L. Junior A, center; Beryl Thomas, Y.I.B.L. Junior A, guard; and Ian Landow, Y.I.B.L. Senior, guard. This formidable team dominated play due to the strong rebounding and scoring efforts of Skolnick; coupled with the superb all around play of Thomas and Landow, the hustling guards. We wish these fine players luck as they scramble to win the Y.I.B.L. Spring Semester Championships.

Several teams have made transactions during the intersession to bolster their surge for the championship this spring. While the Seniors have obtained swing-man Eric Herschman from the varsity league, Junior B has recruited veteran point guard Benji Schoenberg, a free agent. The Freshmen have revamped their team with the addition of former Yeshiva High School All Stars like Simmy Weber, a high-scoring forward and Steve Kuritzky, a fine guard. Shalom Menora, a sharp-shooting Chicago transfer student, and the strong forward, Shlomo Gottesman, obtained on waivers from Junior B, round out the new Freshment look.

Look for the new Y.I.B.L. T-shirts this week!!!

Y.I.B.L. Spring Semester Standings as of Feb. 28

Team	W	L
Junior B	2	0
Junior A	1	1
Freshmen	1	1
Seniors	1	2
Sophomores	0	1

Football Intramurals

By SRULI LEVINE

This year at Yeshiva another sport has been added to the intramural schedule. The previous "pick-up" games of football have now been organized into a 2 division, 9 team football intramural league. The seniors are represented by 5 different teams, the freshmen by 2, and the juniors and sophomores by 1.

The league has jumped off to a good start despite some bad weather. Three senior teams look extremely tough. Seniors 'A', led by quarterback Eric Herschmann and defensive specialist Shabsi Schreier trounced the juniors in the season opener 42-7, a game in which Schreier shined with 7 interceptions. Ian Landau and Ushie Selevan have starred in Seniors 'B's' drive for a division leading 3-0 record. They have annihilated their opponents with quickness and good "heads-up" play. Seniors 'B' have already clinched their division title. The 3rd strong senior team is Seniors 'E'

led by quarterback Baruch Weinstein. Their record is 1-0 with a 7-0 victory over the Juniors in blizzard-like conditions.

Due to the number of teams, each team will only play a total of 4 games. The division winners and then the 4 next best records in the league make the playoffs. The division winners receive byes, 3rd best record will play 6th and 4th will play 5th. All games begin at 9:00 p.m.

The standings as of 2-21-82:

Division	W	L	GB
Seniors 'A'	1	0	—
Seniors 'E'	1	0	—
Freshmen 'B'	1	1	½
Senior 'C'	0	1	1
Juniors	1	2	1

Division	W	L	GB
Seniors 'B'	3	0	—
Freshmen 'A'	1	1	1½
Sophs	0	2	2½
Seniors 'D'	0	3	3

Behind Office Doors

DESCRIBE THE TYPICAL Y.U. STUDENTS.

"Some of them are outspoken; some are aggressive — but on the whole I enjoy working with them."

Mrs. Cella Levinson



"Ha, Ha, Ha, You've got to be joking!"

Mrs. Helen Goldstein

"There is no typical Y.U. student, but Behind Dorm Doors is an outrageous waste of valuable Commentator space"

Dean Michael Hecht



"... semi-serious, intelligent, religious, fun-loving... not necessarily in that order."

Mr. Larry Wachsmen

"Are my grades in yet? 'Is the Rabbi in?' 'Can I see my transcript?' 'Did I graduate?' That's all we ever hear — go ask Rabbi Edelstein!"

Office of the Registrar



"Well, I'll give you an example: 'Can I ask you a question?' 'You already did.'

'Can I ask you another one?' 'You already have.'

'Can I ask you two questions?' They just don't catch on!"

Dr. Alzick Leibovitch

"A Chevra-Man"

Rabbi Shimon Romm



History Of The Hoagie

By HOWARD FRIEDMAN

Another droll day draws to a close. The day has been a long one, and now it is late. You step outside into the stale city air and begin canvassing the campus' fine eateries. Dismayed, you realize that they are all closed. The prospect of spending the night with your growling stomach throws you into a temporary frenzy. Your frenzy gives way to nausea as the image of a Drake's Cake dinner takes form. Dejected, tired, and most of all, ravishingly hungry, you stroll listlessly into your dormitory...and behold: Saved by the hoagie.

For a homogenous student body, Yeshiva College fields a plethora of clubs and societies, each scrapping to turn a buck, hustling hoagies. The hoagie (a.k.a. hero sandwich, submarine sandwich) sale phenomenon is not a new one at Yeshiva. The first recorded sale dates back to the early sixties when a group of students gave out free hoagies as a form of civil disobedience. No one liked the hoagies, and indeed, the fatty slices of cold cuts were more than mildly revolting. But, 'revolt' and rebellion were catchwords of the sixties, even here at Yeshiva. The Great Hoagie Rebellion could not last long as the tattered bunch of rabble-rousers had only made three dozen sandwiches.

Though most of the hoagie recipients were piqued at the sight of the hoagie, it took but one enterprising senior to realize and potentiate the power of the hoagie. Several months later, when memories of the hoagie rebellion had already waned away, this entrepreneur acted to capitalize upon his notion. If he could take the same disgusting hoagie—complete with fatty, greasy, grisly, nitrate, filled cold cuts, limp lettuce and tepid tomatoes — slap a price on them and sell them late at night when stomachs are growling con-

tinuously, he might just have some luck.

Luck, he had none. Though the sixties was an era pushing peace and free-love, no one, especially not a YU undergrad, wanted to support the free enterprise of a fellow student, especially when the fellow student was 'free-enterprising' off of them.

The 'modus operandi' had to be reworked. The hoagie, unfortunately, was left unchanged. But the method of sale, the promotion, was in for cosmetic surgery. That year, back in the early sixties, ended. No one cried. There had been two hoagie sales and they had taken their toll. The summer was an opportunity for busy little minds to think up a new way of peddling hoagies. The promotion was to seem innocuous and altruistic.

Altruism. That was the password. Altruism would go over big at Yeshiva University. The seller-buyer psychology would be promoted as "Help me be altruistic by raising money for this worthy club, and help your hungry self at the same time." The rationale worked. A small group of students quickly conjured up a club name. They advertised for non-existent events to earn a degree of legitimacy. And then...bang!

They hit the entire student body with a large scale; heavy duty hoagie sale. It was a glimmering success. The hoagies, sold like hotcakes, not like hoagies, and that was good. A profit was realized. And the thought of helping someone be altruistic more than made up for the indigestion and general barfy feeling everyone felt the next morning.

The hoagie has found its niche in life here at Yeshiva. Hoagie hustlers and hoagie eaters work together in a cool, smooth syncopation. As your next droll day draws to a close, despair not. Have a hoagie.

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Warner Wolf Gives Commie A Break!

By JOSEPH MUSCHEL

Warner Wolf, a noted sportscaster who, with his unique style, has charmed his way onto TV screens across the New York area, seemed a bit quieter than his fans might expect. There were no "swishes" nor "booms" nor were there any "boos of the week". Smiling, Warner himself explained in his interview with Commie: "I don't know but I don't think Frank Sinatra walks down the street singing. Or I don't think Don Rickles walks down the street insulting people... When I go on the air the first factor is... I've got to get all that stuff (sports report) in, in four minutes. Well, naturally, you become more excited. Camera comes on... it just works automatically."

But there was another perspective one acquired while speaking with the sportscaster. In the privacy of his CBS office, one detected the man's particular sensitivities that may not always be conveyed in an average broadcast. "Sports, as far as fans go," said Warner "should play a part where its entertainment. It's a form of show business. It should be a release for the fans. It should be no more." Referring to the decision in 1972 to continue the Munich Olympic games as scheduled, despite the massacre of eleven Israeli athletes, Warner remarked: "I couldn't believe that they continued to play. No question about it. Not even for one second. The games should've stopped. Otherwise you're saying the games are more important than what happened. It was one of the most amazing decisions I've ever seen".

In his recently published autobiography entitled *Gimme a Break* Warner's perspective of sports is evidenced once again. He describes his feeling of having to interview members of the Kansas City Royals' ball club moments after they had lost the pennant on a

bombshell homerun by Yankee Chris Chambliss, (October 14, 1976). Earlier in the game Royal George Brett had tied a 6-3 score with a dynamic three run homer. Now with just one swing of the bat, Chambliss had shattered the Royals dream of a championship. "I want you to picture how it is in the Kansas City dressing room..." Warner writes. "It's like a funeral... Heads bowed and some guys are crying... I saw Brett on his stool in the corner, so I went over to him. He was looking at his feet. The crew starts adjusting the lights. 'George', I said, 'too bad, you guys played well...' Brett... just looked down at the floor and nodded...didn't say a thing... You could see there were tears in his eyes... Too often we perhaps forget that athletes are also human beings with human feelings... It took me a long time to get over that interview. The more I thought about it the more it bothered me. At home the next day, I sat down and wrote a letter to Brett. 'Dear George', I said, 'I want to apologize for the imposition and thank you for answering my questions. I know it was really a rough time for you and your teammates. Your Friend, Warner Wolf.'"

Warner and his family background

"I'm one of the few living Jewish relatives of Abraham Lincoln", Warner writes. "My grandmother on my mother's side was Lilah Hanks, a cousin of Nancy Hanks, Lincoln's mother. Regarding his father's side of the family, the sportscaster writes of his Grandpa Charlie Wolf. Originally his name was Levy. His father... was killed and Charlie's mother then married William Wolf... I guess the moral of the story is that my name really could be Warner Levy."

Warner expresses his identification with his Jewish background

not only in his book, but on the wall above his desk as well. Among the family pictures that adorn the wall of his office, hangs a decorative piece: the word Jerusalem carved out in brass letters.

"We (Warner and his wife Sue) went once in Jan. '82 and again in June of '83", said Warner of his



recent trips to Israel. He described the aspects of his visit that left the deepest impression on him. "We visited a village Yamit", he related. This was part of the area they (Israelis) gave back to the Egyptians. It was really some experience. It was late January or early February and they gave it back in April. There were still people there... I'm not saying I agree or disagree with the policy (peace policy). I'm still not sure what's right or what's wrong. But the thought that here were people... and they were going to lose their homes. Then of course, Yad Vashem. That wipes you out. That finishes your day. That's the end. No matter what time. That day is gone". Of course, Warner also visited the Western Wall. "We saw Yeshiva students at about 5:15 in the evening coming down, dancing

and singing. That was great. Those three things (Yamit, Yad Va'Shem and Western Wall) stood out more than anything".

One of the things that impresses an individual who has read Warner's book, or spoken with him for a given length of time, is the sportscaster's underlying genuine concern for his fellow man. Most Yeshiva College students have, no doubt, heard of Warner's recent five thousand dollar contribution to the YU reward fund established after the still unsolved sniper shooting incidents this past summer. But Warner's contribution is just one example of the active interest he has taken in human concerns. His involvement in the Soviet Jewry cause is another example of Warner's interest in humanitarian issues.

"I started getting involved with it (Soviet Jewry) in the early 1970s after a thought popped into my mind," Warner writes. One day it dawned on me that there was only one difference between me and a Jewish guy my age over in Russia. I was born here and he was born there... One of the things Soviet Jewry does is gives bracelets for people to wear in return for donations. It's like POW bracelets in the Vietnam War. Each bracelet has a person's name on it plus the date he or she was put in jail in the Soviet Union... About six months before (Solidarity Day — Soviet Jewry March) I had purchased an Edward Kuznetsov bracelet. Kuznetsov had been in prison ten years for trying to leave the country... On this particular day (Solidarity Day), they tied the Solidarity rally to five men who had just been released. They were: Kuznetsov... It was an incredible feeling to know that I was wearing the bracelet of one of the men who was released. After that March, I made my way to the platform. He (Kuznetsov)

was a short man like me, my age... "Mr. Kuznetsov?" I said. He looked at me and nodded. He didn't speak English. So I took off the bracelet and showed it to him. I pointed to his name. Then he turned to me and clutched me. A tight embrace. We both began to cry. I remember thinking that there was no way I can understand what this guy has gone through."

Perhaps, the one message Warner wished to convey during his interview was a lesson he had learned from his father. "Too many people in life are great at laughing at other people's misfortunes, handicaps or situations. But when you try and make a joke about them, they can't understand it. Years ago, my father growing up in a family that was show-business oriented used to poke fun at himself and we used to laugh at other situations. I remember him telling me: 'if you can't laugh at yourself you really don't have a right to laugh at anybody.' That stuck with me for all my life. That little sentence sums up one thing that's wrong with the world. If you could laugh at yourself... if everybody could laugh at themselves everybody would be better off."

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At Stern see the girls in 4D

Macs Lose by Eleven to Maritime Ron Schwartz Scores 23

By STEVEN FRENKEL

Feb. 13th—The Yeshiva University Maccabees squared off against New York Maritime. The game was crucial for the Macs playoff hopes. With a win, Yeshiva would have been in a contention for the I.A.C. N.Y. division championship. It just was not to be. Cheered on by a big crowd (about 175) of Yeshiva and Stern students and a very lively band, the Macs came out strong. Behind the perfect outside shooting of Ron Schwartz, and the strong inside game of Jeff Harris, Yeshiva grabbed a 22-18 lead with seven minutes left in the half. Then, the fouls and the Maritime press began to take their toll, and Yeshiva found itself trailing at the half by a score of 38-32. When Maritime scored on their first possession of the second half the outlook wasn't promising. Again, led by the strong moves of Ron Schwartz and Jeff Harris and the tough boardwork of Chopper Schreir, Yeshiva came storming back. Three straight times in the second half the Macs pulled within one point only to be thwarted by the unconscious shooting of the Maritime players. Late in the game, Maritime, with their effective pressure, pulled away and this time Yeshiva could not come back. The game ended with Maritime on top 83-72, in a game much closer than indicated by the score. High

scorers for Yeshiva were Ron Schwartz with 23, Jeff Harris with 19 and Chopper Schreir with 13 to go along with his numerous rebounds. Other contributors to the Mac's cause were Mike Taragin with his 7 points and numerous assists, and Jeff Katz and Eli Davidoff who chipped in with 6 and



4 points respectively. Finally, the last few minutes strong playing by Ben Schreier, Steven Frenkel and Moshe Orlian enabled Yeshiva to end the game with five players on the floor as most of the Mac starters fouled out. A special thank you goes to all the Yeshiva and Stern fans who came to the game to cheer on their Macs; it was really appreciated by all the players.

Taubermen Outfence One and Lose Two

By KEITH D. RHINE

The Y.U. Tauberman resumed their season on February 13 with a very tough match vs. Drew. The Tauberman however were defeated by the score of 19-8. Despite the score, there were some bright spots. The Sabre team once again shined with a 5-4 combined record. Among the winners of the Sabre matches were Danny Zanger and Mendel Balk with 2 wins each. Another bright spot in an otherwise disappointing night was Ralph Grosz who won the first 2 bouts of his career and was responsible for the only 2 wins achieved by the Foil team.

Two nights later on February 15, the Tauberman visited Brooklyn College and fenced very well, totally dominating the team from Brooklyn College, defeating them by the score of 21-6. The Sabre team kept up its winning ways by attaining a very impressive 7-2 mark vs. a very solid Brooklyn Sabre team. Contributors to the victory were Danny Zanger (2-0) Stuie Berger (2-0), Mendel Balk (2-0) and Keith Rhine (1-0). The Foil team returned to their winning ways by destroying Brooklyn College, 8-1. Ralph Grosz continued his winning ways by winning all 3 of his bouts. He now has a perfect 5-0 record this season. David Mond also had an impressive night winning his 3 bouts

and Marc Bessler was 2-1 on the night.

The Epee team also had an excellent evening with a 6-3 mark. Jeff Kern had a perfect night winning all 3 of his bouts. The team also showed promise for the future as some young team members had a chance to participate, and emerged victorious.

On February 20 The Tauberman visited Maritime College of the State University of New York and came out on the short end of a very close 14-13 match. Once again the Sabre team totally outclassed and outfenced their opponents and defeated them by a very impressive mark of 7-2. This increased their total team score through 5 matches to 31-14. Fencing well for the Sabre team were Keith Rhine,

winning all 3 of his bouts, Danny Zanger and Stuie Berger with 2 wins apiece. The Foil team struggled with a very tough team from Maritime and lost by a score of 5-4 slipping in their season totals to 23-22. After winning their first 4 bouts they encountered some difficulties and dropped their last 5 bouts. The hottest member of the Foil team, Ralph Grosz, was sorely missed, but the captain David Mond picked up some of the slack by winning 2 bouts while Marc Bessler and Noah Katz added 1 win apiece. The Epee team continued running into some problems as they faced a very tough team and lost 7-2 dropping their season mark to 20-25. The bright spots were Jeff Kern and Yaakov Brafman with one win apiece.

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