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Student Council to Open College Bookstore in Fall

By STEVE HOLTZMAN

On Tuesday, September 4, 1984, the Yeshiva College Student Council will open an official University bookstore on the corner of 186th Street and Amsterdam Avenue. The bookstore, an innovation of Yeshiva students Jonathan Kranzler and Aaron Fischman, will add a new dimension to campus life. College textbooks previously obtainable only in large bookstores such as Barnes and Noble will now be available through the University bookstore. Faculty members will be requested to submit a list of books required for their courses, enabling the bookstore to adequately service the needs of the students.

In addition to textbooks the bookstore will carry books of general interest, magazines and calculators, as well as sweatshirts, T-shirts and other clothing bearing the Y.U. emblem.

The bookstore proceeds will go to the Student Council to be reinvested into the bookstore or used for other student activities. The store, to be open for four to six hours a day, will hire students on the work study program as salesmen, cashiers and stock boys. There will also be a managerial training program for business majors, under the direction of Dr. Schlessberg, Chairman of Yeshiva's accounting department.

The proposal was developed in April by Kranzler and Fischman with the invaluable help of Dr. Larry Goldstein, a professor of marketing at Yeshiva. Dr. Goldstein "started the ball rolling," said Kranzler, "when he made a side comment about how nice it would be to have a bookstore on campus." The proposal was readily approved due to the students' well-organized effort and cooperative attitude.

The governing board of the store will be headed by Kranzler and Fischman with the assistance of Avi Moskowitz, manager of operations, and Mark Raden, manager of finance. In addition, the board will include the President of Yeshiva College Student Council, Chaim Gejerman. Administration officials see the opening of an on-campus bookstore as a big step toward invigorating student activities and plan on centering other school services, such as the school ticket agency, through the store. They are glad to see an active interest on the students' part to improve campus life.

When asked about the prospective future of the store Kranzler replied, "We're starting off small, but in a few years, who knows?" Barnes and Nobles look out.

Police Appreciation Day: Yeshiva thanks Mayor Koch and New York's Finest

By KENNY WEISER and PERETZ HOCHBAUM

May 15 — The Yeshiva College Student Council celebrated "Police Appreciation Day" this morning in Belfer Commons in an effort to thank Mayor Edward Koch and the New York City Police Department for maintaining a high level of security on the main campus this year. In addition to Mayor Koch, many noted personalities attended the event, including New York City

Police Chief Ryan, New York Councilman Stanley Michaels, Deputy Inspector Thomas Coyne of the 34th precinct and Carol Jenkins, a reporter from NBC Television.

The event was highlighted by a short address delivered by Mayor Koch. In accepting a certificate of recognition and a Book of Psalms from the students, the Mayor noted

that Rabbi Dovid Lifshitz (holder of the I. Meier and Henrietta Segals Chair in Talmud at RIETS) had greeted him at the Belfer entrance and asked if the Mayor understood Yiddish: "I told him I did," Mayor Koch explained. "Then he said in Yiddish, 'I am very proud of you.' I was very moved."

In his speech, Mayor Koch repudiated rumors that protection in the area was slowly thinning out. These rumors stemmed largely from student reports that fewer oficers were seen on campus during the last three months. Mayor Koch, however, reminded the student body that "we (N.Y.C.) agreed that we would provide you with protection for as long as it took (to secure the area), you have seen my commitment on that."

This morning's program was first proposed by Chaim Gejerman, next year's Student Council President, to show student appreciation for the high level of protection which the campus has received since last year's sniper incidents. The police presence has protected not only against sniper attacks, but against muggings and car thefts as well. Expenses for maintaining the intense security have been immense, yet they have been borne solely by the City of New York.



Rav Dovid Lifshitz greets Mayor Koch at Police Appreciation Day.

Y.C.S.C. Elections: Unexpected Results

By TZVI HIRSHAUT

This year's Yeshiva College Student Council elections, held on May 10, produced some interesting results. Chaim Gejerman, running unopposed, easily captured the office of president. Josh Levine, a write-in candidate, managed to tie Phil Listowsky in voting for the vice-presidency. Shlomo Gottesman, in winning the position of treasurer, used a slew of humorous signs to beat out two tireless opponents. In a close contest, Neil Rothstein won the position of secretary.

As the race for the presidency shaped up, it appeared as though three candidates would be vying for the position. This belief was proved incorrect, though, as two candidates dropped out of the race prior to election time. One of the candidates, Josh Levine, decided to run for the office of vice-president, and the other one, Joseph Tuchman, was disqualified for lacking senior status by September, 1984. As a result, Chaim Gejerman won handily, with 408 votes.

The race for the position of vice-president was considered a tie, because no candidate received a majority of the vote. Running as a write-in, Josh Levine received 261 first-place votes to Phil Listowsky's 257, and each got 261 second-place votes. Listowsky won the May 17 runoff, receiving 256 votes to Levine's 238. Surprisingly, Levine fared better as a write-in than as a candidate listed on the ballot. Listowsky remarked that he "campaigning hard and went from door to door discussing (his) candidacy with the students."

Shlomo Gottesman, an accounting major in his first year at Yeshiva College, defeated two veterans of the school in the race for position of treasurer. Gottesman's signs, featuring such catchy slogans as "Believe in Gott" and "Even The Egg-On-Roll lady says you should vote for Shlomo Gottesman" contributed to his success.



Newly elected Y.C.S.C. board (from l. to r.) Shlomo Gottesman, Treas.; Chaim Gejerman, Pres.; Neil Rothstein, Sec. Not shown Phil Listowsky, Vice Pres.

Neil Rothstein claimed the office of secretary in a close race with Yaakov Brafman. Rothstein believes that his platform of "not harping on his past successes and not promising anything for the future" helped him win.

In the class elections held on Thursday, May 17, the results were as follows:

Sophomore Class

Solomon B. Schneider, Pres.; Zvi Sebow, Vice-President; Marc Paley, Sec.-Treas.

Junior Class

Barry Rozenberg, Pres.; Ram Roth, Vice-President; Danny Feder, Sec.-Treas.

Senior Class

Abraham Borenstein, Pres.; Russell Adler, Sec.-Treas.; Jay Gottesman, Vice-President

The Senior Award winners which were voted on in the same election are as follows:

Senior Professor: Mrs. Rebecca Stearns.

Philip Lieberman Award: Steven Cohen.

S. Glatstein Award: Moshe Orenbuch

D'Amato to Speak at Graduation

By PERETZ HOCHBAUM

The 53rd Annual Commencement Exercises of Yeshiva University will be held at the Main Center, on June 4, 1984. Due to the construction of the new Max Stern Athletic Center, graduation will take place on Amsterdam Avenue, between 184th and 186th Streets.

The key-note speaker at graduation will be Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato of New York. Mr. D'Amato will also be presented with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by Dr. Norman Lamm, who will preside over the commencement exercises.

For the first time in its history, the university will award an honorary degree (in absentia). This honor will be granted to Anatoly Scharansky, prisoner of conscience in the Soviet Union. (Before his arrest, Mr. Scharansky actively

fought to obtain exit visas for Soviet Jews.) Mr. Scharansky will be presented with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. Mrs. Scharansky may be on hand to accept the award for her husband.

Other honorary degrees will be presented to the following people of note:

—The Honorable Robert Abrams, Attorney General of the State of New York will receive a Doctor of Laws degree.

—Jacob Burns, noted N.Y.C. attorney, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, will receive a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

—Rabbi David Halpern, spiritual leader of the Flatbush Jewish Center and a Y.U. alumnus, will receive a degree as Doctor of Divinity.

—Mrs. Sarah Korein, philanthropist, who has endowed (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

Graduates Look Back

By ERIC SEGAL

It's three a.m. and your mind refuses to digest the words in front of you. You still have another final to study for and you're wondering whether it's really worth the time and the trouble. Will it have mattered once you've graduated into the "real world"? *The Commentator* interviewed several recent graduates to gain some thoughts on the worthiness of a Y.U. education and experience.

Barry Saltzman, a Harvard Law School graduate, noted that "there is a growing amount of criticism

regarding Jewish issues. Those at Y.U. must be equipped to bear the brunt of that criticism." Rick Eisenberg, a Harvard Business School graduate, added that "people sought me out to clarify and defend both religious and secular issues pertaining to Judaism." "The convictions I nurtured at Y.U.," Mr. Saltzman continued, "came under severe challenges in both graduate school and my professional field. I honestly don't know if I could have retained my Yiddishkeit without the maturation (Continued on Page 8, Col. 1)



This year's Valedictorian, Jeff Silber from Cleveland, Ohio. He is the first accounting major to receive this honor.

Bridging the Gap

The degree of intolerance at Yeshiva borders on the intolerable. Two incidents will illustrate the point.

Throughout the years, the IBC student council has organized festivities in the afternoon of Yom Haatzmaut. In recent years, SOY, apparently eager to begin the celebrations earlier, has staged its own Chagiga on the preceding night. Traditionally, signs announcing the SOY Chagiga have been posted only in the Bais Medrash, thereby limiting participation to the 'Bais Medrash' crowd. Last year when the president of SOY attempted to break tradition by posting the signs throughout the campus, a group of students angrily approached him saying, "Hey, what are you doing? This will open the Chagiga to the 'wrong element'!"

An equally disturbing situation occurred to one of the *Semicha* students when in the elevator of his dormitory building a student asked if he would be going to the off campus social party that night. Upon replying that he was not aware there was a party, the student looked at him in disgust and said, "Oh, go stick your face in a Gemorah!"

Do these incidents represent two extremist episodes? Perhaps. But these extremists reflect a rising level of polarization and intolerance that permeates the student body.

Is there anything we can do about our state of affairs? Certainly. The ability to bridge the gap between the various factions within the college lies in the hands of our Student Councils. A step in the right direction would be the establishment of a committee composed of representatives from the respective student organizations. It would meet on a regular basis to organize jointly sponsored activities. The committee would be dedicated to the fostering of harmony between the varied elements of our diverse and dynamic student body.

Differences of opinion and approach are a tradition in Jewish life. Let us not confuse them with intolerance.

A Step in the Right Direction

As students in a liberal arts university, Yeshiva College students are often criticized for their lack of interest and involvement in cultural affairs. However, with the recent publication of RevYu a small group of Yeshiva University students has made a significant attempt to rectify this problem.

RevYu, a refreshing, innovative journal adds much insight and understanding to a well diversified panorama of cultural events. Such a production deserves recognition for being consistent with the goals of our university.

Although, works of this type must be commended and encouraged, we hope that the literary quality of the magazine will be upgraded in the coming year. Issues should be published frequently and on time, with film reviews written close to the time of the film's release.

Next semester we hope for a revitalized RevYu, accompanied by other such endeavors.

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Deafening Silence

More surprising than the recent exposure of Reverend Jesse Jackson's religious prejudices is the lack of reaction by Democratic candidates and the Jewish leadership.

Neither former Vice President Mondale nor Senator Hart has made an issue of Reverend Jackson's 'Hymie-town' slur. Moreover, they have failed to respond to his close association with black separatist leader Louis Farrakhan, who relishes comparisons between himself and the "wickedly great man" Adolph Hitler. Their silence on these important issues does not necessarily signal their tacit approval. It probably reflects a concession to political expediency, but that in itself is damning.

Should presidential candidates advocate such policies? Do Mondale and Hart's responsibilities extend solely to the Democratic party? While the bravery and initiative of the Jackson campaign should be applauded, injustice and political blunders are not to be ignored. Presidential candidates should be men in search of truth and should not hesitate in their condemnation of prejudice.

Even more frustrating than the candidates silence has been the tenacious effort on the part of our Jewish leaders not to publicly criticize Jackson for fear of widening the rift between blacks and Jews. It is unfortunate that any criticism levelled against Rev. Jackson from a Jewish source, can, and most probably will be considered as anti-black instead of anti anti-semitism. Nevertheless, we cannot ignore a phenomenon that could ultimately destroy us. We, who have suffered so much at the hands of a man whom everyone ignored should know better than to keep silent. Our sages teach us that silence is tantamount to approval, and so far, the silence has been deafening.

Agent "O"

We as students registered in the Selective Service must realize that the core of the Agent Orange issue is not the 180 million dollars in compensation; even twice that sum could not possibly bring back the brave heroes, rebuild the shattered lives, erase the recurring nightmares or heal the lame. Rather we must address ourselves to the waste of time and effort involved in reaching the settlement. We must voice our outrage at the American Government for its failure to protect its citizens and provide for their safety.

The U.S. military and Dow Chemical were aware of the dangers posed by Agent Orange two years before the spraying was discontinued. Government and private industry should have immediately joined together to bear responsibility for the injuries. Legal and moral considerations demand that the victims be properly compensated.

We applaud our veterans in standing up for their deserved rights. We sympathize with those directly and indirectly affected by Agent Orange. In the future, our elected officials must speak out and act expediently in carrying out justice. They cannot sit back and allow precious time to pass before justice is served.

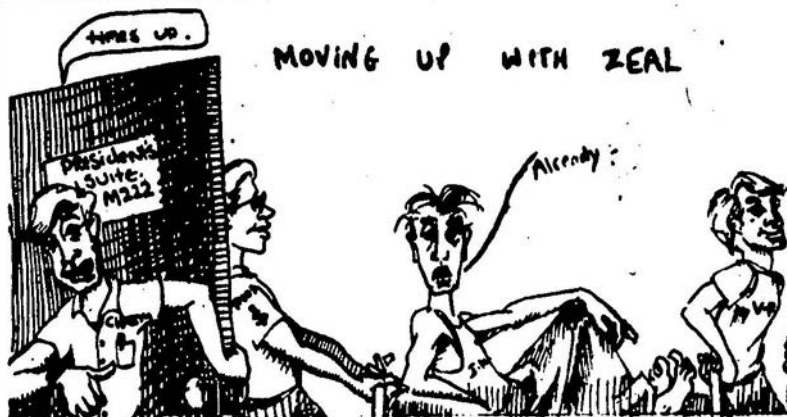
The Editor-in-Chief and the entire Governing Board wish Michael Unger a Mazel Tov on his engagement to Yaffa Kohn.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire Governing Board wish a Mazel Tov to Jeff Schwartz (YC '84) on his engagement to Debbie Mischa.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire Governing Board wish a Mazel Tov to Yitz Goldzweig (YC '82) on his forthcoming marriage.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire Governing Board extend heartfelt condolences to Mr. Morris Katz, a senior employee in the Building and Grounds Department, upon the loss of his beloved wife, Anna Katz. *Hamakom Yenochem Otcha B'toch Sh'ar Aveilay Tzion V'yerushalayim.*

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The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board would like to wish the faculty, the administration, the students and alumni of Yeshiva University a happy and healthy summer and a *K'tivah V'katimah Tova.*

OP-ED

A House Divided

By NACHUM BANE

In the book of Genesis, the Bible enumerates the story of Isaac, the son of Abraham who took Rebecca for a wife. With the blessings of God she conceived and gave birth to two children. While she was pregnant, she experienced tremendous pain and agony. She felt as if there was a rivalry occurring in her womb. Rebecca, unaware of the nature of this excruciating pain, prayed to God for relief. God answered her request by saying that, "There are two nations in your womb that will come forth and emerge into two separate nations."

And so it was that "University" was conceived first, who was a hairy jeaned fellow eager to learn the ways of the world. Then followed his brother who was holding the heel of "University" and was named "Yeshiva."

And so it was that the two brothers grew up in a supposedly united home, together under Isaac's weak leadership. But "University" was a man who knew his

profession, a sophisticated man of the world. And "Yeshiva" was a modest and studious man who spent all his time in the house of worship studying the laws of God and the philosophy of Torah U'Madah, the principle by which Isaac's house was founded. Isaac loved "University" because it put fame and a "name" to his tongue. Rebecca, on the other hand, loved Yeshiva because she (the Rabbanit) saw the real truth in the world. One day when "University" returned from a tough day at Kaplan's and found "Yeshiva" warming up some nice "Red Bernstein's Ribs", he inquired if he would be able to have some, for he was famished. "Yeshiva" replied earnestly: "for your birthright you can buy the ribs!" And so it was that "Yeshiva" took from "University" his birthright, his recognition, his stature and left University with nothing but the Beef!

As the animosity between "Yeshiva" and "University" con-

tinues and grows more intense, "Yeshiva," under the direction of Rebecca, tricks Isaac into believing that it is really "University" present at the blessing ceremony. And so it is "Yeshiva" who gets all the words of praise and improvements, but all "University" gets is honorable mention.

Fellow students and comrades, Isaac (Elchanan) is composed of two brothers with diametrically opposed philosophies living together in one institution. Both Yeshiva and University attempt to mold students in the Torah U'Madah way of life. This seemingly incompatible combination of Torah U'Madah engenders the same conflicts as those of Esau and Jacob. But we are more fortunate than these biblical protagonists because we have great leaders to guide us in bringing our worlds together. But it will take not just their effort, but our efforts also.



Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

Many of this past year's editions of *The Commentator* have outwardly expressed the students' stern disapproval of the administration's various policies. These complaints, though legitimate, tend to widen the gap between the administration and students. If the student body could join together and with a united voice express their feelings, then we could both come to realize our common goals. I, being a true idealist, would like to share with all the readers a message from Alexander Pope which may inspire us to bridge the gap between the administration and students: Happy the man whose wish and care

A few paternal acres bound
Content to breathe his native air
In his own ground
Whose herds with milk whose fields with bread

Whose flocks supply him attire
Whose trees in summer yield him shade

In winter, fire
Blest, who can unconcernedly find
Hours, days, and years slide soft away

In health of body, peace of mind:
Quiet by day.

Sound sleep by night; study and ease
Together mixed, sweet recreation,

And innocence, which most does please
with meditation.

Ghetto Mentality

To the Editor,

Once again, I find myself writing a letter to the editor in response to nonsense expressed by a Y.U. student, stemming from extreme right-wing philosophy. Specifically, I am referring to Ms. Nomi Veroba's letter to the Editor of the *Commentator* (Poor Selection 4/11/84). In it, Ms. Veroba complains about the playing of a

song on WYUR that praised the Church, maintaining that this kind of music infringes upon religion.

This kind of reasoning mirrors exactly that of Mr. Kremen last year, for those who remember. According to Ms. Veroba's logic, WYUR should not be playing 95% of the rock music, for rock praises and encourages sex, which at this time, would be of the premarital variety for most Y.U. students. Does Ms. Veroba really feel WYUR should not play rock music? Is her commitment to Judaism so tenuous that the mere listening to a song threatens her steadfastness? If that is so, I suggest Ms. Veroba leave New York City the kind of things she may witness in the subway and parks may shatter her religious framework completely.

Ms. Veroba espouses the kind of right-wing isolationist philosophy that wishes to shield Jews from the outside world in order to keep Judaism alive; in other words — a ghetto mentality. I feel that American Jews are modern and sophisticated enough that they can live in N.Y.C., listen to songs that praise the Church and encourage sex, and still remain steadfast in their commitment to Judaism. The fact that Y.U. offers courses in art, philosophy, and other liberal arts, which sometimes involves the study of anti-Jewish ideas, reflects the confidence that modern Jews can be exposed to anti-Jewish elements and still remain true to Judaism.

As I leave Yeshiva University to pursue my career, I want readers to realize that the complaints voiced by the likes of Mr. Kremen, Mr. Sosnowik and Ms. Veroba, which condemn car-smash events, music, etc. on the grounds that they are Halachically wrong or infringe on religion, are ridiculously unreasonable and sheer nonsense. Let's make believe Y.U. students are reasonable, intelligent people who can study evolution and Nietzsche and still remain loyal to

Graduation — The day on which seniors say goodbye forever to undergraduate study.

Graduation — The day which enables many to look ahead to their futures, whether they be at RIETS, Einstein, or Peat, Marwich, & Mitchell.

And, of course, Graduation — a time for those leaving YU to reflect back on their achievements — and pitfalls — of the last four years.

So before all you seniors go dancing off into the post-College world, stop the music; stop the celebrations, and consider...

First and foremost, the basics: Have you gotten the most out of what Y.U. has offered you? Have you taken full advantage of the dual curriculum, furthering your knowledge in both the religious and the secular worlds? Surely you have all realized the unique (and possibly last), opportunity you've had to learn Torah while pursuing your career. Or have you? Did you rank your *shiurim* at least as important as your Y.C. classes, or did you rush off to calculate on what day you would have skipped exactly 50 of *shiur*? And when you did attend *shiur*, did you spend your time learning, or did you congregate in the back and reread that difficult chapter in the

G-d and Judaism. Let's make believe that Y.U. students don't follow everything they hear and see. Let's give Y.U. students a little more credit.

Ari Weltzner
YC 1984

WYUR Responds

To the Editor

This letter is in response to the complaint submitted by Miss Nomi Veroba (April 12 issue) in the letters to the editors section. Concerning the inappropriate

By DANIEL E. SOSNOWIK

Chemistry text? Simply put, did you ignorantly believe that what "Rebbe" didn't see went unseen?

Tough questions, you say? Well, it doesn't end there. As you all know, a true Torah life includes "extra-curriculars", also. So, for a brief moment, put your *Gemara* aside and consider further...

How have you spent your time outside of the classroom? Did you integrate *Yiddishkeit* into all of your actions, or did you flout the Yeshiva's jurisdiction as soon as you entered your dorm room or as you left campus? You certainly planned your activities according to Torah standards. Or did you? Did you celebrate your "Simchas" as a *Ben Torah* would, or did you get so slobberingly drunk at "our" bar that you neither knew nor cared what you were doing? Could you have possibly uttered some childish, foot-stomping declaration like "Who gives a damn what others think of my actions?", a declaration that openly denies such cornerstone principles as *Mari't-Ayin* and *Chillul Hashem*? Did you, in short, understand the important message of the *Sefira* beard that you just shaved off, or did it have as much significance as a facade covering a tenement in the

South Bronx?

Ideally, everyone should easily be able to answer these questions proudly. After all, the interpretation and practice of the Torah U'Mada philosophy is left up to us, the ever-insightful and imaginative students. When looking back on the various "events" of this year, however, it seems that things may not be so ideal after all.

So to the seniors who can indeed answer these questions easily, honestly, and confidently — *Yasher Koach*, you have avoided the "secular trap" which too many of your colleagues have fallen into. You may have been in the minority, but you can be sure that you were also in the right.

And to those seniors who may have grave problems with these questions, one simple, parting suggestion:

As you sit at graduation listening to some administration official singing the praises of you and your colleagues, do yourself a favor: quietly, discreetly shut your ears real tight.

Because you can be sure that the person at the podium is not talking about you.

behavior of the WYUR DJ in question, your readers might take heart in knowing that the matter has been properly dealt with.

I would like to make it clear that while we are apologizing for the DJ's misconduct we in no way regret the choice selection of the song Cathedral. Upon listening to the words, one will realize that the song is not of preaching or advocacy of Christianity but rather questions the values of the religion.

I am convinced that Miss Veroba's gripe should have been discussed with a WYUR official before being made public. We at WYUR were quite shocked and

dismayed to read about the incident before having any prior knowledge of it.

Throughout the 1983-84 school year, WYUR has tried it's hardest to maintain a sense of professionalism by providing our listeners with what we hoped was quality broadcasting. We have incorporated 75% more Hebrew music to our format in an attempt to display a new 'Yeshivish' image, and I hope our students will continue to recognize the improvements.

Best wishes for an enjoyable summer.

Robert Katz
Station Manager, 82-YUR

IN REVIEW

BEN-ZION SMILCHENSKY

Since I've relinquished my duties as Editor-in-Chief three weeks ago, I have finally managed the spare time to sit and contemplate the past year.

I remember, only too well, the idealism that this editor possessed last May when he acquired this coveted position. I also recall the caveats of my predecessors that "realism" in the coming year would surely temper my goals for the Commentator. I am very proud to state, however, that, with all the frustration, 5 am mornings, friction, yelling and anxiety, the entire Governing Board, as well as myself, modestly feel that this year's Commie portrayed a fresh exuberance and distinct quality that has heretofore been lacking. Although improvements are always necessary and needed, the statement from one high ranking administrator that, "This year's Commentator is the best Yeshiva has seen in a decade," indicated to us that our long hours and

determined efforts were not all for naught. Whatever praises and criticisms the newspaper receives, the Editor-in-Chief is forever the single individual who is glorified or blamed. This year didn't prove to be any different. Through the highs of our regular issues and the lows of Purim, the Editor-in-Chief was singled out. Ignoring Purim for the moment — perhaps forever — the success of the past 12 months was due mainly to the persistence and contribution of the other eleven members of the Governing Board, and to these peers I dedicate my column.

The school newspaper demands much time from participating students; more perhaps than any other school club or activity. Bi-weekly meetings, monthly columns, editing, proof-reading, and trips to the printer are just a part of the responsibilities of a governing board member. Certain editors this year, however, have performed beyond the call of duty.

Mordechai Twersky outstandingly fulfilled his role as News Editor. In addition, to accompanying me at our marathon meetings at the printer, his experience, suggestions, and overall journalistic knowledge made his mark on me, as well as the Commentator.

Danny Fink, a controversial figure on our newspaper, displayed the commitment and dedication every editor should take example from. His admiration of the administration and student council — described so eloquently in his columns — provided a stabilizing factor to the most stormy editorial meetings!!

Barry Bender, a unique and open-minded individual, exhibited a level headed nature and diplomatic ability that was ever so needed during certain instances this past year. His talent in photography and other skills supplied the necessary qualities of a fine publication.

Mark Lefkowitz's keen editing ability and oratory skills provided

the essential support every Editor-in-Chief requires. His sleepless nights dedicated to Commie made him an integral part of our newspaper, in addition, to easing the stress of my job.

Much thanks must also be given to rest of the guys. To Ira, Sheldon, Chaim, Dave, Joseph, Richie, and especially Michael Taragin whose responsibility towards his work afforded me the luxury of not having to worry about a fine sports page. Special thanks to Howard T. Konig, Simmy Weber, and most of all to my roommate Gary Kaufman who tolerated the late nights, hectic moments, and me.

There were very few administrators in Yeshiva who devoted their time and patience to Commentator, and who freely offered their assistance, candidness and advice to me whenever they were approached. Two exceptions to this rule were Dean Norman Rosenfeld and Associate Dean

Michael Hecht. Their perception, intelligence, objectivity and insight furnished me with the expert guidance and counselling I needed.

Thank you Larry Wachsman for your support and assistance. It is always good to have a friend in the administration that one can trust. Good luck in your future endeavors in Israel.

I want to thank Mr. Jay Blazer for his fine sense of humor and his ability to "tell it like it is."

David, the task in front of you is not an easy one. But if you watch your step, work hard and maintain a normal amount of realism, you'll do fine. It will be a remarkable experience and one you will look back upon and be thankful for in the future. Good Luck!

Finally, a thank you to my family, close friends and Wednesday nite madness, whose mere existence made my stay at Y.U. ... phenomenal.

Mr. Larry Wachsman to make Aliyah

Mr. Larry Wachsman, Director of Student Activities at Yeshiva College, is leaving Y.U. after more than 20 years, to make Aliyah. Mr. Wachsman, a graduate of B.T.A. and Yeshiva College, received his M.S. from Belfer Graduate School of Science.



Mr. Wachsman has served in a number of capacities at Yeshiva. He has been Assistant Registrar of Yeshiva College, Y.U. representative in Israel, and Registrar of R.I.E.T.S. He has also been a math teacher at M.T.A. for over 20 years.

Mr. Wachsman decided to go on Aliyah in January, 1983 and plans to live in Har Nof, a Jerusalem suburb. The COMMENTATOR wishes him the best of luck and hopes that he will continue to maintain his ties with the university.



Dr. Moshe Pelli Denied Tenure

The university will not be renewing the contract of Dr. Moshe Pelli, Associate Professor of Hebrew. Dr. Pelli is eligible for tenure, and the administration feels that due to the great number of students who satisfy their Hebrew requirements through study in Israel, now is not the time to make a lifetime commitment to a Hebrew professor. According to Dean Rabinowitz, "it is simply a matter of not being able to fill up the classes. We do not need so many teachers."

Although Dr. Pelli was informed many months ago that he would not be re-hired, he was hopeful that the university would reconsider its decision. Dr. Pelli sees the new curriculum requirements, which dramatically reduce the demand on students to take Hebrew courses, as a phasing out of the Hebrew department at Y.C. "It is said that people in the natural and social science departments don't really understand Hebrew and Judaic studies, yet they decide its fate at Y.U."

Dr. Pelli, a noted expert in Hebrew literature, is shocked at what he calls "the administration's total lack of respect for expertise, and its basic attitude that anybody can teach Hebrew language and literature." Dr. Pelli also feels that "no matter how much money the university spends on whitewashing our walls with outrageous color schemes, unless the quality of the education and instruction is improved, enrollment will continue to fall."

Dean Rabinowitz countered Dr. Pelli's remarks by saying that the university is not phasing out the Hebrew department at all. Not a single course has been eliminated from the curriculum.

From Father to Son

Dear Son,

You asked for my opinion concerning what college you should attend next year. You have had some impressive offers; unfortunately, I recommend that you attend my alma mater, Yeshiva University.

I am sure that my statement will surprise you: "Unfortunately?!" When I graduated from college I was not endeared to the school itself. In my senior year there was no one to help and advise me when I applied to business school, or in my search for fulltime and summer jobs. As a matter of fact, despite announcements and meetings to the contrary, the administration made no attempt to help me or anyone else.

I am sure you remember the stories I told you about the pre-med office. Many students felt betrayed when they found out in March that they had been dealing

with an advisor who had actually resigned four months before. They felt that the situation should not have been kept from them.

You yourself may have a problem similar to the one my fellow students experienced. I hope all the promises concerning your Israel credits were given to you in writing. Some things may never change.

And yet, in spite of it all, I hope you attend Yeshiva. Surely you question my reasoning, as I have always sent my alumni contributions to my graduate school; however, I have always donated to Yeshiva College student activities. It is the students at Yeshiva that make the school a second home (seemingly in spite of the administration). Your colleagues at Yeshiva will be a great source of aid and pride to you for the next three or four years, and hopefully for the rest of your life.

I look back at the friendships I made at Yeshiva, and I see that while some have not lasted, many more have endured. Never did I have a period in my life when I felt more in common with the people around me. That realization finally came to me in my senior year when I was able to see over the tops of books and applications. The happy conclusion — although I would never be as close to these people again (as I have been), I would endeavor to maintain my friendships with them.

As I said, I am still friends with many of them today. They know who they are and I am grateful to them.

Sincerely,

Sheldon Pickholtz YC '84.

Sheldon Pickholtz will attend business school in the fall. He would proudly say that he is a Yeshiva alumnus.

Rabbi Katz to Devote Full Time to Shiur



Rabbi Dr. Michael Katz will no longer be teaching Bible at Yeshiva College and will therefore, be able to concentrate solely on his Semicha Shiur. Rabbi Katz, a Rosh Yeshiva at RIETS, has taught Tanach at Yeshiva College for nearly forty years. He is also an accomplished writer.

The President Speaks



CHAIM GEJERMAN

As I begin to write my first column as President, I am reminded of the first messages of my predecessors. The first word that comes to my mind (the second word actually—the first one also begins with a "B") is BORING. This article is not intended to serve as a rhetorical, allegorical, metaphysical, philosophical post-election treatise, but rather, to communicate to you my goals for the Yeshiva College Student Council. However, communication is a two way street. I, therefore, welcome your questions, comments and ideas since they will aid in the realization of our goals.

As students of Yeshiva University, we have been given a golden opportunity. This year, there is history to be made. Our administrators have begun to realize that our needs are not being fulfilled. They have made an extra effort to listen to our problems, to understand them, and to begin to help us solve them. We have been handed the means to create our own atmosphere at Yeshiva College, to break the traditional equation of Yeshiva College's — dull environment. It is in this context that I feel privileged to reveal to you the first of our many on-campus innovations — the Yeshiva College Student Council Bookstore.

The Bookstore will save us valuable time and money. It will be housed in the former San Juan storefront on 186 Street, and will offer all required textbooks and suggested readings, as well as best sellers, magazines, newspapers, greeting cards, school supplies, and

Y.U. paraphernalia. We've all experienced the frustration of shlepping to midtown only to find that our texts are not in stock, out of print, lost in the mail etc. ad nauseum (this does not include the rare occasions in which they're in but the prices make you wish they weren't.) I'm sure you'll find the bookstore to be a welcome addition to our campus.

I'd like to end by reiterating that I do not plan to use this column as a forum for the loquacious verbalization of my abstruse transcendental musings regarding existential interpretations of the meaning of Yeshiva College. I intend to share with you my hopes, ideas, visions, and plans for the coming year. I need your comments and suggestions, whether you agree or disagree with any Y.C.S.C. proposal. I'll be in Rubin 608 until the end of the semester, and my door will always be open to you.

Election Results

The following is a list of members of the Respective Judaic Study School Boards and Y.C. Academic societies:

IBC Executive Board (1984-'85)

President - Alan Berger; Vice-President - Alex Kaye; Secretary - Jody Bardash; Treasurer - Marvin Nagler

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President - David Feder; Vice-President - Sholom Menora; Sec. - Treas. - Jonathan Schmeltz

Campus Renovation: The New Look

By TZVI HIRSHAOT

In a joint meeting between the New Editors of The Commentator, Dr. Sheldon E. Socol, Vice-President of Business Affairs and Mr. Jay Blazer, Director of Buildings and Grounds, the details of The Centennial Facilities Improvement Program were discussed. The program is part of an extensive campus renovation and beautification project currently being undertaken.

The COMMENTATOR was given a four-page list printed on April 1, 1984, entitled "The Manhattan Campus Centennial Facilities Improvement Program, Phase II." The list includes input from administrators, faculty, and student representatives, and contains, what Dr. Socol refers to, as "a menu of ideas" that the university hopes to use as part of the program.

Several of the items listed have already been carried out.

Construction on the Max Stern Athletic Center was begun on April 30. The building, expected to be

completed in 15-18 months, will house facilities for Yeshiva's sports programs.

The first floor of the Rubin Residence Hall and the hallways of Furst Hall were painted within the past two months and, at present, the sidewalks around Furst Hall, the Student Activities Building and Gottesman Library are being replaced.

But the list does not end there. Many more items are planned as part of Phase II, including several other major projects.

The following is a partial listing of several of the items that are planned as part of the Facilities Improvement Program:

Rubin Hall

A. Window Replacement — B. Rehabilitation of all bath and shower rooms — C. Energy Conservation Program — D. Furniture Replacement Program for Dormitory Rooms, Lounges and common areas — E. Sidewalk Replacement

Furst Hall

A. Rehabilitation of the elevator tower — B. Painting of classrooms — C. Energy Conservation Program — D. Refurnishing of Room 535

Gottesman Library

A. Rehabilitation, caulking and painting of exterior and interior windows — B. New roof — C. Installation of new vertical blinds on all windows — D. Energy Conservation Program — E. Replacement of quartz light fixtures, and installation of new lighting above the study carrels

Science Hall

A. Painting of building — B. Energy Conservation Program — C. Sidewalk Replacement

Morgenstern Hall

A. Dormitory room furniture replacement program — B. New roof

Development of a Center For The Arts Student Union Building

To be housed in Soloveichik building if it is purchased.

General Campus Improvement

A. Expansion of street planters from Amsterdam Avenue and 181st St. to St. Nicholas Avenue and planting of new shrubbery in the redwood planters — B. Street Banner Program

Dr. Socol cautions that it is not feasible for all of the projects to be performed immediately, because monies must first be collected to fund the projects. Therefore, certain projects, including those necessary to protect against even further damage occurring, and those essential for student safety, will be given top priority. After that, as money becomes available, the other items will be taken care of.

The need for the Centennial Facilities Improvement Program is, in many places, obvious. The paint on many walls is peeling, furniture is getting old, and other signs of deterioration are readily noticeable. The purpose of the program is to stem this tide and to insure that potential students are not discouraged because of inadequate facilities. The Facilities Improvement Program Phase I has done an excellent job of improving the University's appearance and, hopefully, Phase II will improve its appearance even more.



The new Commentator Governing Board. (from l. to r.) Back Row: Raphael Flak, Shalom Kallner, Barry Bender, Tzvi Hirschaut, Simmy Weber. Middle Row: Morey Wildes, Daniel Rosenthal, Saul Burian, Avi Moskowitz, Peretz Hochbaum. Front Row: Howard Friedman, David Schwarcz, Eric Segal.

IN PREVIEW

DAVID SCHWARCZ

In my interview for Editor-in-Chief of The Commentator, I was assaulted by the usual round of interrogative questions by my fellow governing board members. The most challenging of which was: "What changes do you propose that can improve the paper?"

In a carefully worded reply I displayed the usual idealism and optimism of most ambitious candidates in this situation. But after enduring the arduous experience of putting out the first issue, I have come to realize the immense effort required to transform ideas into reality. It is only now that the ideas I expressed in my interviews are beginning to emerge and take form.

A newspaper derives its power as an instrument of the public, arming them with vital information that is used to shape events in their lives.

With this in mind, the task of a news staff is the faithful recording of the issues and prompt reporting of the news.

Working last year on the staff of The Commentator, I can attest to the great measures taken to produce a periodical that was a model of responsible journalism. However, in our zeal to report all the news and cover all The issues, we overlooked the limitations of our publication, and thus, the paper's purpose became lost in its design. The Commentator is published too seldom to follow a newspaper style of publication. News is only newsworthy when it is current and reporting the issues of the hour. In a small institution like Yeshiva College, where access to late-breaking news stories are readily and widely available. The

Commentator ceases to spark the interest of its readership.

If The Commentator is to once again become the vital force of university life, efforts must be made towards reclaiming its purpose as an instrument of change. As the paper moves away from its former image as a collage of events, the current staff must take full advantage of the months' time to pursue a path of effective reporting. In selectively reporting, the staff will highlight that which will be of interest to the students and will revive their enthusiasm. The Commentator must be given back to its students, becoming less a newspaper and more a students news publication. No longer will our focus be outward but rather, we will reach inward, letting The Commentator reflect the news and

views of its readers. As Arthur Miller so aptly stated, "A good newspaper is a nation talking to itself." With this accomplished, The Commentator can assume its proper role as the voice of the students expressing their will and collective consciousness in print.

To lend meaning to the paper, each month The Commentator will be organized around a theme or issue. No restrictions or limitations will be placed in the choosing of a topic — the only requirement being that this choice be engaging enough to induce student participation and interest. This idea will be implemented for the sole purpose of creating a forum of ideas and opinions that reflect the diversity of student life at Yeshiva College. In serving the needs and interests of

the students, the theme will have a variety of purposes that will give the paper a dynamic quality. Thus, issues formally given perfunctory treatment as news, can now be the subjects of investigative reporting. Controversial issues involving the university administration and students can be mediated in this forum with the administration using it as a gauge of the students' reactions to their planned proposals. Even more important, by giving us an intimate look at ourselves, our newspaper can bring us more in touch with each other and rid us of the feeling of disenfranchisement endemic at Y.U. My hope is that the presence of a theme will not only serve as a mark of responsible journalism, but also of responsive journalism.

Dr. Will Lee: First Impression

The Commentator recently interviewed Dr. Will Lee, this year's popular addition to the English department. Having grown up in Amarillo, Texas, which his great-grandparents helped settle, Dr. Lee graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Dartmouth College in 1969. Thanks to a Marshall Scholarship, Lee pursued a second undergraduate degree at Oxford University, graduating in 1971, to bridge the gaps in his knowledge of English literature. At Yale, he garnered a Masters in 1973 and a Ph.D. in 1980 for a dissertation called "Interpreting Insane Characters: Toward a Theory." Along the way he taught at Yale, Colby, Tufts, and the past five years at Harvard in History and Literature, the oldest interdisciplinary program in the country.

Harvard is an Academic Recycling Plant

C: Why did you leave Harvard?

WL: For junior people, Harvard is an academic recycling plant. With few exceptions, it doesn't grant young faculty reputation in five or six years.

C: Why did you select YU?

WL: Actually, YU selected me. I was glad to come, though, because of its strong faculty, its motivated students, and its location in Manhattan. Also, frankly, the thought of ending my string of rather stuffy Wasp institutions appealed to me.

C: How have your relationships with other faculty members worked out?

WL: I'm on excellent terms, I think, with my colleagues in the English department, who warmly welcomed me, and with colleagues in other departments as well. At Yeshiva, sharing of insights and information, especially across disciplines, happens more easily than at many larger institutions, and I've met enough intellectually inquiring people, including some students, to satisfy me. I still haven't returned one colleague's book on scientific methods and thinking, and earlier this year, another helped me explore the differences between fourfold Jewish interpretation and Dante's and Aquinas' four levels of allegory. In case you're interested, they're not close analogies.

Y.U. Students Talented as Harvard Students

C: How do Yeshiva students compare with the students you previously taught?

WL: I was expecting this one. I'd say the best here are as talented as the best at Harvard, though fewer, and the worse are worse and more numerous. Also, students here are not as well prepared in literature and writing as at Harvard. But in my field, the average Yeshiva student has two advantages over the average Harvard student: he respects texts — substance if not style — and he learns more quickly because he's more motivated. As a teacher, I'm more fulfilled here and feel my time is better spent than at Harvard because I'm more needed here and because I see students progress more over the course of a term.

"Weakness of Imagination"

C: What dissatisfies you about students here?

WL: From what I can tell, most pursue a triple program: pre-professionalism, Torah, and Madah. That means that in effect they are taking on six programs, since they need to synthesize each pair of pursuits in order to lead coherent lives. As at other institu-

tions, only more so, too many students are in the grip of professional ambition, so that they raise pre-professionalism above the other two programs — almost worshipping it. Also, they tend to sink the secular liberal arts below the other two. One of my challenges here is to instill respect for literature and writing, including style, and the more general secular humanities, as sources of insight, and in that sense, partners with Torah. Another problem, which I suspect may have something to do with respect for Halachic tradition, is a certain weakness of imagination, an unwillingness to follow an unlikely idea out in case it might lead to farther insight. I wouldn't want to count how many times my introductory writing classes roll their eyes and say, "Come on, give me a break," when I ask them to consider possible connections and significances, or to read an article from the *New York Review of Books* designed for an already college-educated audience.

C: Why do you suspect that may have to do with Halachic tradition?

WL: Again, my experience is so limited that I hesitate to answer. But I suspect that respect for

science, and law could be counted on to take care of themselves. Literature, philosophy, morality — culture in the broadest and highest sense — needs help, all the more so since economics tends to drain talent in other directions. I felt I could make a contribution, and prepared myself for the necessary sacrifices — the low salaries and the ironically dehumanizing quest for the Ph.D. Like everyone else, I complain, but I'm lucky to be leading a life I can believe in.

Sensitive to Dual Program

C: Have you compromised your standards of teaching since coming to YU?

WL: Not the standards, no: I just apply them differently here. Before I got here, because of pre-professional competition, I started giving more B's and fewer C's than I would in the fairest of all possible worlds. Since getting here, I've been adjusting to the "dual program" — trying to be sensitive to the burdens on students' time while designing assignments to ensure that students actively learn something — that they not only gain knowledge, apply new skills, new modes of insight — in my

Bible Belt Texas, I'm used to religious environments. What's new to me is Orthodox Judaism, since around 35-50% Harvard and Yale students are reform Jews. But I continue to find that I have more in common with most Jews than most WASPs — respect for learning, for tradition, moral judgment, etc.

Y.U. Students Not Well Read

C: Do you find that the students at YU are culturally ignorant?

WL: No more so than most, though I do find them less well-read in the humanities than students at Harvard or Yale, and I suspect their knowledge of Jewish culture is deeper than their knowledge of liberal arts. To break the ice this fall, I asked each student to name a book which had meant something to him, and briefly say why; two students claimed not to have read any. Another student this year made a point of surveying his Yeshiva acquaintances to prove to me that expecting people to know or learn the word "moot" was unreasonable. Out of around forty people he found only a few English majors and a faculty member who knew the word.



Dr. Will Lee, Professor of English at Yeshiva.

Jewish law and the teachings of rabbis, as admirable as they are, may lead to acceptive rather than exploratory habits of mind. On the other hand, the interpretive debates in the commentaries must foster intellectual rigor and subtlety.

C: Why did you devote your life to the study and teaching of English?

WL: Presumably you want the abridged version of that long story. Briefly, Sputnik propelled me out of high school toward a career in science and math. In fact, my plan was to contain the world's first practical fusion reaction in a magnetic bottle. By my senior year, I woke up to the limits of my commitment to science and to the computers which I had programmed to put myself through college. My facility with science had blinded me to my lack of real commitment and love. What I did love, and spent more and more time on, was language and literature, and more generally the humanities. At that point had two main choices. My talent for argument suggested I should be a lawyer. My love of teaching and literature suggested I should become a teacher — a college teacher, since I didn't feel I had the patience required to teach high school, and since I welcomed intellectual challenges. Basically, I decided that in America, math,

courses.

C: How do you feel about students avoiding your courses?

WL: The first term, several students gave me a friendly warning after class that if I didn't shape up and start giving more A's, I'd lose my talented students, but that seems not to have happened. I think I did lose a few pre-law and pre-med students who felt they couldn't risk a B, but most of my students, including most of the best, have stayed with me. As I told the "grade lobby" in the fall, I intend to teach courses in which grades, especially A's, still signify achievement. I think I'm attracting students who think I have something to teach, and that it's worth risking a B for that "something." I also feel that many take my A barrier as a challenge. This term, the noise is positively deafening.

Every WASP Should Experience Minority Status

C: How do you feel about being the only non-Jew in the English Department?

WL: I think every WASP should have the chance to experience minority status. In fact, I feel my WASPishness more with students than with colleagues, perhaps because I share with colleagues a common liberal arts culture to a greater degree. Since I grew up in

C: Academically, what direction do you see the University taking?

WL: I've heard that YU is becoming a vocational school because of such factors as students' pragmatism, state-mandated credits in accounting, etc., but the faculty doesn't seem to be caving in to those pressures. The curriculum debate seemed interminable, but everyone had a chance to speak out, and respect for education, and the liberal arts in particular, was at least as apparent as pragmatism. The final proposal, though imperfect, divided knowledge and skills into more coherent categories, and included restricted electives, which ask that a student know more than a little about more than his major. It's true that YU is the only institution of its kind, and yet analogies with other institutions are helpful. On the one hand, we could have moved the curriculum in the direction of Queens College, thereby appealing to a greater number of students. We also had the opportunity to make curricular reform a means of rendering education more coherent, higher in quality, and therefore moving in the direction of the best liberal arts institutions. I think the final curriculum reflects a compromise. I just hope that in practice, the quality of required courses will rise, and students will take more advanced courses in their areas of interest, as restricted electives encourage them to do.

Internal Debate

C: What courses would you like to offer to Yeshiva College students?

WL: In my electives, I want to emphasize method and theory — frames of reference for interpreting literature. That's why I'm introducing a course next spring on literary criticism from Pater and Wilde to the present. And that's why I'm exploring the cultural context of Victorian prose and poetry next fall in a course that combines my appreciation for theory with my love of nineteenth century English literature. As for the direction of my writing and thinking, I will be struggling through an internal debate for at least another month. Several years ago, I was co-authoring a book on college teaching with Kiyo Morimoto, the Director of Harvard's Bureau of Study Counsel. Eventually we'll probably finish it, but I've decided it will have to wait. So will a book on the language and literature of insanity which my dissertation was trying to be. Right now I'm fascinated with John Dewey, who I find represents the directions criticism should be taking, but by and large isn't. After courses are over, I'll begin work on an exploratory article on Dewey which may develop into a larger project. Soon after that, I'll begin revising the article on Austen, epistles, and interpretation which I talked about with a few members of the English Honor Society this fall, and which was intended to be part of a book on style as a key to the author's way of thinking in nineteenth-century works. Right now my gut says "Dewey," but it's hard for me to imagine staying away from the nineteenth century for long.

Lee Glad to Stay

C: What direction do you plan to take at YU?

WL: Assuming I continue to like YU and to be well-treated, and to feel fulfilled as a teacher and scholar, I'd be glad to stay. I intend to deserve tenure, and hope it's granted.

The New Dimension

By NACHUM BANE

The gruesome idea of having to take those monumental final exams that can make or break a young man's childhood dreams sends an endless flow of fright through each one of us. As the cloud of doom drifts down to the Y.U. campus, a certain majestic "place" comes alive - it's a place of warmth, of knowledge and of incomparable tension - yes our beloved backwards, upside down Gottesman Library.

This year, along with the "apples" and additions of new journals and literary works, comes a vibrant added dimension - the Stern Woman! At precisely 7:45 PM, the new space shuttle whips back on its return flight from downtown "Cosmopolitan," filled with a handful of young women from the Stern *Shiret*. Then some fifteen minutes later, as the women quickly settle themselves down to a serious evening at the "Big Gott," the male population quickly trickles in to seek their working or perhaps more properly stated "chatting" companions for the evening.

This latest addition has caused many a concern for both the Library staff as well as the many true "Grubs" who come to the "Big Gott" nightly to sincerely grind out work in the peace and silence they so desire!

In a recent survey taken by the commentator, close to 20% of the male Y.U. students polled were so affected by this rash of chatter that they preferred that the Stern Women stay at home. According to one Y.U. student - "this whole

situation is all nonsense - they (the girls) are basically here to socialize and that's not what the library is here for." Another IBC senior stated: "that if all they do is come to socialize then it pays to build them their own library and forget the gym".

The majority of those polled agreed that the girls from Stern are entitled to the same privileges as we are. They realize that our facilities are of higher quality and sympathize with the lack of adequate facilities on their own downtown campus. But they stressed that when in the library the girls should conduct themselves in the proper manner befitting a serious college student.

Although close to 80% of those polled either wanted or didn't care if Stern girls were present in the Big Gott, close to 50% of students questioned admitted that the girls' presence seriously detracted from their study abilities and learning capacity. On the other hand, according to one JSS student - "the girls' presence in the library gives me added enthusiasm and vigor for my work and we should encourage more of them to come down." Brian Azizallahoff a *Smicha* student summed it up when he said that "as long as they're here to fulfill the same ends as I am, I am prepared to live in harmony with them!" And as the year quickly draws to a close and the final voyages of the "Katz" shuttle speeds back to its home base - few of us in Y.U. will forget our visitors from Stern.

Next Year: Saunders Undecided

Special to Commentator

Mr. Thomas Krajewski has been recently named as the new administrative assistant to Mr. Stephen Saunders, Director of Security. When asked if Mr. Krajewski was hired to eventually replace Mr. Saunders, Mr. Jeff Rosengarten, Director of Personnel, replied, "absolutely and unequivocally no." He went on to say that "Steve may or may not be back next year, but presently we plan to keep him on."



Steve Saunders, Director of Security at Yeshiva.

Mr. Saunders had not officially been consulted concerning the proposal to hire Mr. Krajewski and is undecided about his job next year. "They told me I needed an assistant," Saunders remarked. "I hope it is in the best interests of the students."

According to Mr. Rosengarten, Mr. Krajewski was primarily hired to relieve Mr. Saunders from some of his many administrative duties so that he could devote all his

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Yeshiva Considers Soloveichik Building Purchase

By PERETZ HOCHBAUM

Yeshiva University has secured the rights of purchase (for thirty days) of the Soloveichik school building, located approximately two blocks from the University on 185th Street between Audobon and St. Nicholas Avenues.

The Soloveichik building, containing both a synagogue and a school, has been up for sale since 1982, when the school closed because of diminished enrollment. Yeshiva officials, interested in maintaining the building under Jewish auspices, have secured the rights of purchase and are seeking the necessary funds.

According to Dr. Sheldon E. Socol, Vice-President for Business Affairs, Yeshiva will use the school as a student center. The facility will house the Belz School of Music,

currently located in RIETS hall, and all student activities presently held in the Student Union Building. Yeshiva will convert the Student Union Building into a garage allowing for improved on-campus parking conditions.

The University plans on maintaining the synagogue section of the building for community use. "It's important," says Dr. Socol, "for there to be a place for members of the Jewish community of Washington Heights to pray other than the Yeshiva minyan."

Yeshiva is uncertain whether they will raise sufficient funds for the purchase and renovation of the building. According to Dr. Socol, "the proposition is currently being evaluated and a decision is forthcoming."

After 26 Years Rav Aharon Kreiser Retires

Rav Aharon Kreiser, Professor of Talmud at the Isaac Breuer College, has decided to retire after 26 years of teaching. Rav Kreiser originally came to IBC in 1958, upon the recommendation of friends with whom he had studied in Europe at the Mirrer Yeshiva.

is uncanny. He is famous amongst his IBC colleagues for always choosing a challenging tractate to study with his student.

According to Dean Rabinowitz, Rav Kreiser is leaving so he can concentrate fully on his personal learning. He plans to move to



Rabbi Aharon Kreiser



Rabbi Hershel Schacter

Rav Kreiser is one of the greatest Torah scholars at Yeshiva University, and is famous for his great love of learning. Dean Rabinowitz depicted his character by saying "Torah is his whole world." Rav Kreiser is also a masterful teacher, whose ability to fully analyze any talmudic topic to its basic elements

Israel next year to spend the rest of his life studying Torah.

The IBC administration has decided to divide Rav Kreiser's shiur into two parts. Rav Yaakov Neuberger will teach the "B'kiyut" and "Hachanah" shiur, and Rav Hershel Schacter will be giving the "B'iyun" shiur.

Editors Note

The following is a list of the new and revised courses being given next fall.

1) Jud 1581 A - Halakha and Professional Ethics (2 credits)

This will be a survey of various codes of professional ethics and their comparison to Halakhic standards. Among topics to be covered: client confidentiality, genetic counseling, "dina d'malchuta, competition, etc. The instructor will be Dr. Sylvan Schaffer.

2) JHI 1105 - History of Ancient Near East I (3 credits)
Instructor: Professor Sober

3) JUD 1350 A - Introduction to Kabbalah (2 credits)

A course designed for undergraduates which will be offered by Dr. Pachter. In the Spring '85 session he will offer: Introduction to Hassidism.

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Accounting Society Dinner



One hundred and eighty people attended the Accounting Society's annual dinner at the New York Penta last week. Over twenty-five accounting firms, including seven of the "big eight" firms, were represented at the dinner. The highlight of the evening was the renaming of the society to the Mil'red Schlessberg Memorial Accounting Society in memory of the late wife of the founder, Dr. Norman Schlessberg.

Graduates Look Back

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of my Jewish values and identity at Y.U."

All those interviewed also felt that Yeshiva taught them how to manage their time. Ira Tokayer, a University of Pennsylvania Law School graduate, commented: "One thing I learned at Y.U. was how many hours are in a day. The pace was so intense that I was able to successfully transfer my time management skills to graduate school and my career." Louis Shicker, a second year student at Einstein Medical School, expounded: "Learning how to set your life up and budget your time is necessary to succeed, for time is the most important thing going for you."

Mr. Shicker concluded his interviews by emphasizing the importance of hard work and a positive attitude toward Yeshiva. "Assuming you're not trying to beat the system," he added, "which unfortunately occurs all too often at Y.U., you can gain a tremendous amount. It's up to you. The more you put into your work, activities, and learning, the more you'll get out of each. You have to take that which Y.U. offers and work at it." Dr. Phil Klein, an Einstein Medical School graduate, agreed, "You must seek a good preparation, rather than trying to ease your way through." Mr. Saltzman concluded, "It is imperative to get as much knowledge as you can in the area that's important to you. The potential rewards are numerous."

Y.C.D.S. AWARDS

Best Actor:

HY POMERANCE

"Jerry" in

The Petrified Forest

Best Supporting Actors:

DAVID WOLICKI

"Gramps" in

The Petrified Forest

Best Gypsy:

STEVEN FRIED

as "Clown" in J.B.

Best Tech:

IRA TAU

Yom Haatzmaut Celebrations

By STEVEN FRIED

Yom Haatzmaut, 5744, featured two celebrations at the uptown campus honoring the State of Israel's 36th birthday.

On Sunday night, May 5th, a *mesiba*, sponsored by the Student Organization of Yeshiva was held in Klein Hall. Divrei Torah were delivered by Rabbi Yosef Blau, *Mashgiach*, *Ruchani* of Yeshiva and by two students, Kenny Brander and Moshe Lichtenstein.

The annual IBC *chagiga* was subsequently held on Monday, May 6th, in Belfer Commons. Students from all three Jewish Studies divisions and from Stern College attended. The keynote speaker at this celebration was Dr. Norman Lamm, who spoke about the importance of Torah Jews to the Zionist movement.

Summer Courses at Yeshiva

This summer, Yeshiva College will offer Chemistry and Physics courses at the Main Campus. There will be two sessions, the first one from June 11 - July 13, and the second from July 16 - August 17.

Registration for these courses was held on May 10 and 11. However, late registration will be allowed with a \$5 late registration fee.

For more information, contact the Registrar's Office in F125.

Rav Siev Publishes a Sefer

Rabbi Asher Siev, Adjunct Professor of Hebrew, has recently published a sefer called "Sheerit Yasef". The sefer, which is divided into three sections, contains Responsa, a commentary on the "Mordechai", and a section on practical Jewish law.

Election Results

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Economics Society

President - David Papier; Vice-President - Raphael Fink; Sec. - Treas. - David Waxman

PSI-CHI Honor Society

President - David D. Wolicki; Vice-President (YC) - Joel Pleeter; (Stern) Gila Hartstein; Secretary - Russell N. Adler; Treasurer - Joel Laury

Psychology Club

President - David Pinhas; Vice-President - Brian Aarenau; Secretary/Treasurer - Stuart Simon

Dr. Joseph Danner Political Science Society

President - Eliezer Hammer; Vice-President - David Isaac; Secretary - Ira Perlman; Treasurer - Menachem Kuhr

Yeshiva College Young Democrats

President - Jordan B. Comet; Vice-President - Alan J. Rubinstein

Accounting Society

Judah Wernick, President; Jacob Pleeter, Vice President; Alan Strauss, Secretary; Jonathan Schmeltz, Treasurer

WYUR (82-YU) Governing Board

Robert Katz, Station Manager; Jeff Bodoff, Program Director; Sara Kosowsky, Stern Coordinator; Howard T. Konig, Director of Operations; Robyn Singer, Music Director; Sam Lazerowitz,

Belkin Scholarship Increase

By TZVI HIRSHAUT

Yeshiva University has raised its Samuel Belkin Scholarship Award to fifteen hundred dollars, a fifty percent increase from this past year's sum. The increase, to be implemented next fall, is limited to students who were considered, but not chosen, for the Max Stern Scholarship.

Yeshiva initiated the Belkin Scholarship in 1976, offering students with high school averages of ninety or above a two hundred and fifty dollar reduction in their yearly tuition. The Scholarship Committee, recognizing that the reduction was insufficient to attract superior students, raised the award last year to one thousand dollars.

Currently, students apply for Belkin Scholarships upon application for admission to the University. Due to the increased value of the scholarship, however, Dr. Michael Hecht, Associate Dean of Yeshiva College and Chairman of the Belkin Scholarship Committee, foresees the establishment of formal application procedures.

Pizza Store

The Commentator has learned that the Kosher Inn II, located at the corner of 184th St. and Amsterdam Ave. is for sale. Mr. Phillip Haber, part-owner of the store, has not received any offers and is considering any "reasonable" bid.

Solomon lectures Psych Club

On May 2, Rabbi Dr. Solomon, a Y.U. alumnus lectured before the Y.U. Psychology Club. The lecture, entitled "Maimonides: Father of Psychosomatic Medicine", discussed how Maimonides anticipated many medical and psychosomatic discoveries.

Blood Drive

By Joel Laury

Thanks to the support of the students, faculty and administration, the Yeshiva College spring blood drive collected a total of 256 pints of blood on the 16th and 17th of May. Over 85% of the Blood Drive Committee's goal was realized, despite class elections and upcoming finals, both of which prevented some students from donating.

The Blood drive committee would like to thank all those who gave them their support.

YC Business Manager; Bluma Vann, SCW Business Manager; Howie Schockett, YC Publicity Director; Donna Dolitsky, SCW Publicity Director; Peter Marcus, News Director; Sheldon Gladstein, Jewish Affairs Director

Yeshiva College Dramatic Society Executive Governing Board

Hy Pomerance, President; Ronnie Gerber, Vice President; Dramatic Society Organization; Isaac Zucker, Vice President; Eric Segal, Technical Coordinator; Saul Bienenfeld, Secretary; Jeff Golden, Treasurer; Alan Berger and Joseph Grob, Alpha Psi Omega Honor Society Representative; Alan Berger, Ticketing Manager; David Wolicki, Publicity Coordinator

Bookstore Committee

Jonathan Kranzler, President; Aaron Fischman, Vice President; Avi Moskowitz, Manager of Operations; Mark Raden, Manager of Finances.

Tuition Up Again

By TZVI HIRSHAUT

As of the summer, 1984 session, tuition for full-time Yeshiva College and Stern College students will be raised from \$5680 to \$6230, and the per credit charge for summer and part-time students will be raised from \$200 to \$250. In addition, the dorm rental and registration fees will be increased from \$1125 to \$1300, and from \$115 to \$150, respectively. The cause of these increases is the need to keep up with the rise in inflation and in overhead costs, such as electricity, salaries, fringe benefits, and insurance.

To insure that needy students are not turned away as a result of these increases, the university hopes to increase the available financial aid. According to Mr. Jack Nussbaum, Director of Student Finances, the university hopes to raise this money by using a percentage of the tuition of full-paying students, and through increased benefactions.

Mr. Nussbaum told *The Commentator* that the tuition hike should not have an adverse effect on enrollment. He added, however, that if enrollment decreased, cost-cutting measures, such as the laying off of excess administrative officials and faculty may be implemented.

Solidarity Sunday; a Great Turnout

An estimated crowd of 200,000 people joined together to march for Soviet Jewry in what has been called "one of the largest annual human rights demonstrations in the world". Among the many notables present were Mayor Koch, Senator Moynihan, Senator D'Amato, and Mrs. Anatoly Scharansky. John J. O'Connor, New York's new Roman Catholic Archbishop, greeted the marchers as they passed St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Cantor Nulman Retiring

Cantor Macy Nulman, founder and director of the Cantorial Institute, will be retiring after 35 years of service. Under his direction, C.T.I. has taught students to play musical instruments, and has trained others in voice culture, music theory, calligraphy, and *nuscha'ot*. As a dedicated educator in the Cantorial Institute, Cantor Nulman will be honored at a luncheon held at Belfer Commons on May 22nd.

SANUDERS UNDECIDED

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energies to the substantive aspects of security. "The various steps that were recently taken to bolster security made the work load overly demanding," Mr. Rosengarten stated, "and too much responsibility was placed on Mr. Saunders." Mr. Krajewski, a former Administrator of Security at City College, will be monitoring bills (security costs), maintenance of a security fleet, contracts and budgets.

Most students expressed concern over the possible replacement of Mr. Stephen Saunders. "He had done such a great job," one student said, "I hope he stays on." Another student declared, "He (Saunders) has been a great asset to the students; we need more people like him around Yeshiva."

Israeli Ambassador Speaks at Poli. Sci. Dinner



The keynote speaker at this year's annual reception of the Dr. Joseph Dunner Political Science Society was the Honorable Meir Rosenne, Israeli Ambassador to the U.S.. Dr. Rosenne, who was a key aid to Menachem Begin during the 1979 Israeli-Egyptian peace talks at Camp David, spoke on Israeli current affairs before a crowd of 200 students and faculty members. The program also included the induction of several lifetime members to the society.

Graduation

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the Sarah Korein Scholarship Fund will be granted a Doctor of Humane Letters.

—Ms. Cynthia Ozick, an award winning novelist, will be awarded a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

—George S. Wise, first president of Tel Aviv University and its present chancellor, will receive a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

In addition to these awards, Dr. Leo Jung, professor emeritus of ethics, will present the Mordecai Ben David Award to Dr. Hillel Seidman, noted Yiddish journalist and author, for outstanding service to world Jewry. Dr. Jung has presented this award every year since its inception in 1940.



New York Senator Alfonse D'Amato

The Albert Einstein College of Medicine will be having its graduation at the Bronx campus, on Thursday, May 31, at 10 a.m. The keynote speaker will be Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York. Commencement exercises for the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law will take place at Avery Fisher Hall, on Sunday, June 10, at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Mayor Edward Koch.

In all, nearly 1,500 degrees and diplomas will be granted during the university's commencement season.

Pre-Health Honor Society Awards

Pre-Med of the Year:

DAVID MOND

Pre-dent of the Year:

MARK BRESLAU

MARK LEFKOVITZ

Y.I.B.L. Championship

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enough backcourt stability to guide Junior B to a championship. Moreover, Junior B had amassed an impressive 17-3 record over both semesters. In any case, by game time, the degree of intensity developing from the strong Junior rivalry had reached tantamount levels.

Junior A exploited these off-court emotions immediately after the opening tap by successfully feeding the ball inside to their power center, Zev Skolnick (12 pts.) for 8 quick first quarter points. Junior B, countering with the offensive prowess of the all-star guard, Eli Weber (18 pts.), withstood the flaring emotions of Junior A, evening the score 27-27 at halftime. In the second half, Junior B's fastbreak offense took charge. The attack was spearheaded by the crafty play of point guard Benjy Schoenberg (14 pts.) and the hustling of the forward, David Schwarcz (11 pts.), who went glass several times to open a 39-37 third quarter Junior B lead.

It was indeed a travesty that Junior A did not work the ball to their fine forwards. Failing to establish an inside game, Junior A was unable to take advantage of subpar Junior B free-throw shooting. Thus, while Junior A contested referee's calls, Junior B gained momentum, opening a small lead. Unfortunately, the late game efforts of the steadfast forward, Moshe Mehlman (13 pts.) and the gifted guard, Beryl Thomas (14 pts.), were unable to halt Junior B's surge. At the conclusion of this hard-fought, controversial contest it was the Junior B squad that prevailed to win the Spring Semester Championship, 57-51.

In the past 4 years, each Spring Semester Champion has gone on to win the Season Championship. Junior B, in its endeavor to duplicate this feat, was faced with the formidable task of defeating the talented Senior squad in a best 2 of 3 championship series. As Game One started, the defending champion seniors displayed the form that brought them a championship last year.

Junior B, 1983-84 Y.I.B.L. Champions

Name	Position	High School
Benjy Schoenberg	Guard	B.T.A.
Mark Lefkowitz	Guard	HAFTAR
Eli Weber	Guard	M.T.A.
Morey Wildes	Guard	M.T.A.
David Schwarcz	Forward	Yesh. of Far Rock.
Josh Levine	Forward	M.T.A.
Michael Felsen	Forward	M.T.A.
David Greenberg	Center	Ramaz

1983-84 Y.I.B.L. Most Valuable Player Award -- Eli Weber

Junior B, having trouble handling the penetrations of first team, all-Y.I.B.L. veteran playmaker, Ushie Selevan (19 pts.), fell behind at the end of the first quarter 14-13. At this point, Junior B decided to resort to their fast break offense. With sharp outlet passing by the first team, all-Y.I.B.L. center, David Greenberg (8 pts.), the Junior B guards started to break at any opportunity. Efficient execution of these breaks by high scorer, Eli Weber (28 pts.), and the guard, Mark Lefkowitz (15 pts.), led to a 31-24 Junior B halftime lead.

Although the Seniors continued their pressure in the second half by going inside to Jeff Schwartz (14 pts.), Junior B managed to extend their third quarter lead, 45-30. With additional strong defense by the enforcing forward, Michael Felsen, Junior B held off the seniors in the fourth quarter to emerge victorious in Game One, 58-45.

In order to foil Junior B's strong bid for that coveted Y.I.B.L. Championship trophy, the fired up Seniors needed some timely performances in Game Two. Reaching back to last year's bag of successful championship tactics, the Seniors utilized a strategy designed to maneuver Junior B into a state of instant confusion. Leading the effort was the quick, confusing guard, Gary Kaufman (9 pts.). Grabbing rebounds and scoring inside points over rivals who stood 8 inches taller than he, Kaufman was an inspiration to his teammates. The Seniors, however, could not contain the potent Junior B offense. With early scoring by the stalwart forward, Josh Levine,

Junior B opened a 24-15 halftime lead.

In the second half Junior B continued their successful play, breaking the game wide open due to the scoring of Eli Weber (24 pts.), Mark Lefkowitz (14 pts.) and David Greenberg (12 pts.). In addition, the dedicated guard, Morey Wildes (9 pts.), came off the bench to halt any possible Senior comeback attempt. In the fourth quarter alone, Junior B scored 33 points, more than the Seniors scored the entire game. At the final whistle, Junior B had captured the Y.I.B.L. 1983-84 Championship in style, 68-31.

Asst. Commissioner's Note: On behalf of the Y.I.B.L. front office, I would like to thank this year's patient referees and valiant athletes. This year, we attempted to incorporate innovative ideas into our league in order to inspire heightened levels of athletic achievement. In addition, we wished to establish strong friendships that would grow and last off the court. Hopefully, our efforts were successful. On behalf of Commissioner Alan Wildes, I wish the best of luck to next year's Commissioner, Zev Skolnick, his Asst. Commissioner, Gregg Levine, and their staff. Besides refereeing and playing exciting games for the past 4 years, then winning a championship, my most gratifying Y.I.B.L. experience was the opportunity to offer refreshing articles designed to entertain the bored Yeshiva athlete. I sincerely hope that Y.I.B.L. fans derived as much pleasure from reading as I did from writing.

The Commissioner's Report

By ALAN WILDES

As this year's Intramural basketball season and my stint as Commissioner of the league comes to an end, I ask myself, "Would I do it all again?" My unequivocal answer is yes. Would I do it the same way? Yes, but with some reservations.

In the past, the Commissioner of the defunct Intramural Basketball League, now Y.I.B.L., was a position that was never taken too seriously neither by the players in the league, nor by the Commissioner. I set out to change that. I broadened the league to five teams, the schedule to twenty regular season games, and instituted a championship series to avoid claims that any given team can win on any given day. By scheduling games on alternate Mondays and Wednesdays, I was able to avoid conflicts between the games and classes and labs offered during game time. I even arranged the purchasing of team T-Shirts. In an effort to provide the league with adequate referees, I found that my problems began and multiplied.

After refereeing at Yeshiva for three years, I found this past year to be the most trying and tiring. When I first began refereeing three years ago, my calls during the game were never questioned. I

enjoyed what I was doing and took it seriously. The players at that time were no more boisterous and temperamental than this year's players. They often expressed their gratitude for my giving of my time and services. I was shocked at the royal treatment I received from the upperclassmen, many of whom I thought would cut up referees and eat them for dinner.

During the 1982-1983 season I got along very well with the players; the league maintained its tone and stability. I never raised my voice, never — not once — tempted to call a technical foul on a player, let alone throw someone at a game.

This year, unfortunately, was quite different. It was a rude awakening. My calls on the court were not merely challenged, but were met with foul language and violent acts of anger and frustration. Other refs suffered with outbursts and assaults as well.

I became very disenchanted with some of the league's players and proceeded with two courses of action: 1) I began assessing technical fouls and 2) I responded verbally to the player's attacks, which in many cases were directed at me and not at the league. I now realize that the latter of the two

courses was a mistake.

The frequency and volume of the arguments so rapidly increased, that I found myself in a miserable mood after every game. My roommate (whom I must commend and thank for supporting me throughout the year) asked me, "Why don't you give it up?" The old cliché, it's a dirty job but someone has to do it, was appropo but wasn't enough to put Danny's question — and my mind — at rest. I therefore could only answer, "I'm doing it so the guys can play basketball, learn basketball and most importantly have a good time."

Last week, a player came over to me and said: "Thanks, I enjoyed myself this year." I was touched. I thought to myself, "that kinda made it all worthwhile."

My close affiliation and friendship with my Assistant Commissioner Mark Lefkowitz made even the most pressing times enjoyable as well as funny.

For those of you that gave me additional gray hairs and caused heartache for both the league's Assistant Commissioner and other referees, I only wish that you too someday might be referees and have to deal with people like yourselves.

Behind Dorm Doors

The Commentator asked some seniors what their most memorable experience at Yeshiva College was.

It's a tie between meeting Rabbi Chiefetz and the Winter Olympics.

Ari Weltzer.



Trudging up the hill from the "A" train and seeing the beautiful heights of Belfer beckon invitingly to me from afar.

Neal Dublasky



The bomb scare that chased me into the freezing rain at two o'clock in the morning.

Andrew Herestein



Many moments: One when I realized just exactly how many people there are here who do absolutely nothing. The other moments all involve Simmy Weber.

Mark Lefkowitz



Taking a "Bechina" with Rabbi Paretzky.

Michael Joseph

Senior A Wins Football Intramurals

By: MOREY WILDES

The 1983-84 school year marked the first time ever that a touch football intramural league was organized for Y.U. students. Under the capable management of commissioners Steven Polinsky and Zvi Zauderer, the fledgling league, consisting of nine teams, got underway in early fall. Playing enthusiastically, the players braved even blizzards to play their games, which usually had to be scheduled around intramural basketball and hockey games.

At the regular season's conclusion, Eric Herschmann had quarterbacked the Seniors A team to a first place finish and a 4-0 record, aided by speedy Michael Taragin and defensive whiz Shabsi Schreier. In the semifinal playoff round, the Seniors A defeated the Freshmen, while the league's most serious team, the Juniors, led to a 2-2 finish by QB Russell Adler, were surprisingly ousted by the Seniors E team. Seniors E were guided by the pinpoint passing of Baruch Weinstein, the superb catches of Shalom Stone, and the tough line work of Steve Selesny.

The championship game between these two Senior teams was scoreless until the second quarter, when Seniors A scored on a beautiful broken-play down-and-out from Herschmann to Ricky Bloom. They increased their lead to 14-0 on a quarterback run by Herschmann. Seniors E narrowed the gap to 14-7 in the third quarter on a Shalom Stone goal-line dive, set up by the controversial runback

of an interception by Baruch Weinstein. The fourth quarter was marked by exemplary defense by Seniors A, who had allowed only three touchdowns all season; they stifled Seniors E on each of their numerous game-tying opportunities. Seniors A scored once more on another run by Eric Herschmann, while the Seniors E team was caught flatfooted by an errant whistle blown by a Rubin dorm resident. In the end, Seniors A prevailed 21-7 to take the league title.

Hopefully, next year the league will continue to improve the quality of competition with increased student participation. Football may yet turn out to be the most exciting intramural sport at Yeshiva. The players and I would like to thank commissioners Zvi Zauderer and Steven Polinsky for their time, effort, and, most importantly, for the excellent job they've done.

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eight out of the 20 games we played, Rokach scored 25 or more points per game."

Sarachek, who is marking his 21st year as coach of the Mitees, says that Rokach's performance this season is one of the greatest he has ever seen at Yeshiva. "Shelley, on numerous occasions, outshot and outjumped men who were a lot taller," he said.

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Macs would like to thank Coach Tauber, Mrs. Miller, and faithful manager Mickey Aboff for their help and support and would like to bid farewell to graduating members Larry Lehman, Baruch Weinstein, Michael Taragin, and Avrumi Markowitz.

Y.I.B.L. All-Stars Teams

Commissioner's Choices

G — Weber, JB
G — Abrahams, F
F — G. Levine, JA
F — Weinstein, SE
C — Greenberg, JB

G — Doueck, JA
G — Selevan, SE
F — Kuritzky, SO
F — D.Schwarcz, JB
C — J. Schwartz, SE

Player's Choices

First Team

G — Weber, JB
G — Selevan, SE
F — G. Levine, JA
F — Weinstein, SE
C — Greenberg, JB

Second Team

G — Doueck, JA
G — Abrahams, F; Nagler,
F — Mehlman, JA
F — D. Schwarcz, JB
C — J. Schwartz, JA

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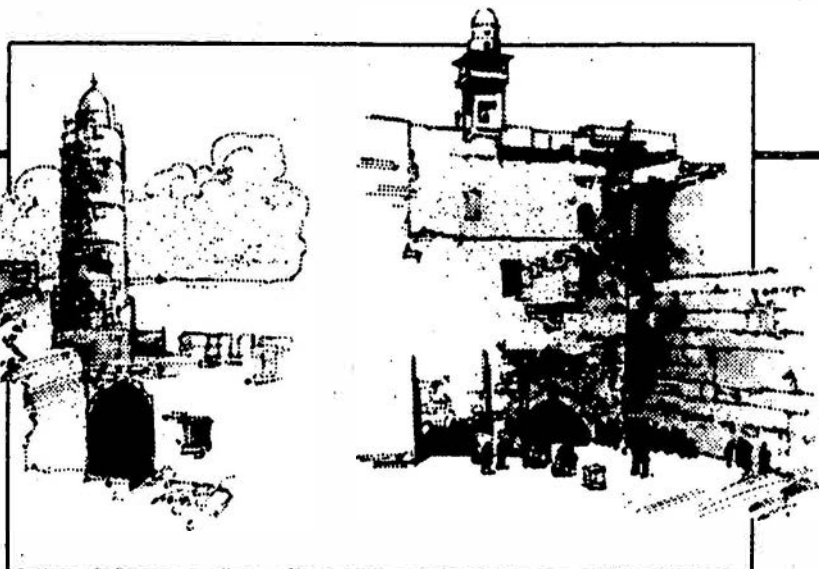
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The Sounds of Spring: Preview of Baseball Season

MOREY WILDES

The crack of Jim Rice hitting a home run. The thump of the ball in Gary Carter's mitt. The whiz of a Nolan Ryan fastball. And the roar of the crowd (at least in Flushing!!). These are the sounds of spring, and how sweet they are. Every year, about the beginning of April, we hear these sounds as spring training ends and the Major League Baseball season begins. Baseball fever infects all fans, as they are filled with great expectations, and sometimes even delusions of grandeur, for their teams. However, there can be only four division winners per year, with many contenders for each title. The following are my evaluations of the pennant contenders.

In last year's toughest division, the AL East, the Tigers are the early favorites. With arguably the majors' most potent offense, they feature power (Parrish, free-agent Evans, Lemon) and speed (Whitaker, Gibson, Herndon), in addition to excellent defense (gold gloves Parrish, Trammell, Whitaker) and stable pitching (starters Morris, Petry and Wilcox and relievers Hernandez and Lopez). Look for the '83 champion Orioles to make a run for it; they're even more solid with the addition of third baseman Gross. Baltimore can also rely on MVP Ripken and stars Murray, Singleton, and Dempsey to hit, and Boddicker, McGregor, Stewart and Flanagan to start, with Davis and Martinez coming out of the bullpen. The Blue Jays, who combine youth, speed, power and pitching, may be the team of the future. With up and coming Barfield, Moseby, Bell and Upshaw to complement pitchers Steib, Clancy, Gott and Jackson, Toronto could be on the brink of winning it all one of these years.

The majors' top run-scoring team, the Chicago White Sox, won the AL West by a record 20 games in 1983 and are a good bet to repeat. Seaver joins what was already the majors' best rotation (Cy Young Hoyt, Dotson, Bannister, Burns) and the Sox return with much power (Kittle, Luzinski, Baines, Fisk) and speed (Law, Cruz). Their closest competitors will be the Angels, with old reliable hitters (Lynn, Carew, Jackson, DeCinces, Downing) but ancient pitchers.

I have been accused of jumping on the "Dodgers Bandwagon," but I disagree. The NL's best rotation (Reuss, Welch, Honeycutt and

Valenzuela) and a solid bullpen (Pena, Niedenfuer, and Diaz) are in L.A., as well as good bats in Brock, Marshall, Guerrero and Sax. Despite a shaky field, the Dodgers are the team to beat. The Padres' hitting with Garvey, Nettles, Wiggins, Kennedy and rookie McReynolds is good enough to challenge the Dodgers, but their pitching will make them or break them. Starters (Lollar, Dravecky, Hawkins, Thurmond) are talented but inconsistent although the bullpen (Goose) is tops. The Braves, if unhampered by injuries, could come back. Relief is their main problem, while hitting, with MVP Murphy, Horner, Chambliss and Ramirez, and starting pitching, (Perez, Barker, McMurtry, Dayley) are their strengths.

The NL East, a division of underachievers, is up for grabs. The perennial chokers, the Expos, should finally take the title, with hitters Raines, Dawson, Carter, Walach and Rose, and pitchers Rogers, Lea, Gullickson, Lucas and Reardon. The Phillies are replacing age with youth and it could work. Matuszek and rookie Samuel join Schmidt, Hayes and Diaz (or Virgil) while pitching is in the capable hands of Carlton, Denny, Hudson (starters), Campbell and Holland (what a bullpen!). The Cubs could move up on their hitting strength (Cey, Sandberg, Davis, Durham, Hall, Dernier, Matthews and Moreland, with Buckner sitting!) alone, but their young pitching must come through. The Cardinals return with the same team that slumped in '83. Their key, Sutter, must regain his form and help starters Forsch, Allen, Andujar and Stuper. Hendrick and Porter can drive 'em in while the rest (Green, McGee, Van Slyke, two Smiths) run the bases.

The Mets in first? They could surprise everyone if the young starters (Terrell, Darling, Gooden) can win and if Hernandez, Foster, Strawberry and Brooks drive in runs. Catching and the mid-infield are big problems. The Pirates must rely on pitching (McWilliams, Robinson, DeLeon and Tudor) and will no longer out-slug anyone with Pena, Madlock and Wynne (Thompson is the only hefty bat).

Contest them, if you will (and I am sure you will), but those are my picks. We'll have to wait till October to know for sure. In the meantime, sit back, listen to the sounds of spring, and watch the boys of summer perform.

Another Successful Season

By AVRUMI MARKOWITZ

Once again, the tennis Macs have proven to be one of Yeshiva's most successful teams. Led by captains Avrumi Markowitz and Michael Taragin, the Macs recorded another winning season; their only conference loss was to Steven's Tech in the IAC Championship.

The Macs started the season by easily defeating NJIT 6-1, but were then surprised by Pratt, losing 4-5 in an exhibition match. Gathering strength, the Macs went on to trounce N.Y. Maritime and N.Y. Polytech, both 8-1 and without problem. In other exhibition matches, the Macs defeated John Jay University but lost their toughest match to Queens College. The season culminated in the championship, the closest match of the year, against Steven's Tech. In

a match full of third sets and tiebreakers, Steven's pulled out the championship, winning 5 matches to 4.

The Macs' overall success can be attributed to the depth of its starting lineup. While the team hoped for heroics from its two captains and Gary Wruble, it depended on Larry Lehman, Baruch Weinstein, and Beryl Thomas for sure victories. The year was highlighted by the solid, consistent play of all its players, including strong performances by Eric Herschmann, Jay Gottesman, and Curtis Rindfleisch. With the graduation of the starting lineup's senior members, it is expected that new captain Jay Gottesman and co-captains Gary Wruble and Beryl Thomas will constitute the backbone of next year's team. The

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Wait 'till Next Year

By STEVEN FRENKEL

The Yeshiva University Macs ended the basketball season on an upswing, winning their last three games. The Macs beat N.Y. Polytech in two of the three, by scores of 83-70 and 68-60, with guard Ron Schwartz scoring 47 pts. to lead the way. Strong contributions were made by Chopper Schreier, who controlled the boards while scoring his season high 20 pts. in the first (home) victory, and Jeff Harris, who scored many key baskets.

The highlight of the season was in the Macs last game, at Vassar College. The game was played evenly throughout the first 30 minutes, Yeshiva keeping close.



All-conference guard Ron Schwartz drives to the basket.

mainly by Schwartz's hot shooting and the inside games of Harris and Chopper. Near the end, Vassar pulled ahead by 7, and it seemed that the Macs would typically fall short again. Pulling together, they fought back and trailed by only 1, with 6 seconds left. A missed Vassar foul shot was ripped down by Benjy Schreier, who passed to Mike Taragin. Taragin threw cross-court to Schwartz, who pulled up off-balance from 20 ft., with three defenders on him. His shot found its mark and Yeshiva came away, smiling and laughing, with a dramatic 63-62 victory. Once again,

Junior B Captures Y.I.B.L. Championship Sweep Seniors 2-0 In Series

By MARK LEFKOVITZ

The Y.I.B.L. tradition lives on! Each year, talented basketball players at Yeshiva hone skills gained in playgrounds, summer camps, ketana, junior varsity or varsity leagues. Adding sheer ability and Y.I.B.L. experience, these athletes then vie for the coveted Y.I.B.L. championship trophy.

In the 1980-81 season, Shelly Green, perhaps the best all-around guard the league has seen during the last 7 years, led the senior team to the championship with brilliant, unstoppable scoring moves. In 1981-82, the Juniors captured the intramural title with an awesome display of talent and strength. Led by the scoring and rebounding of co-MVP winners, Barry Klein and Adam Maslow, the wise play of the veteran playmaker, Benjy Schoenberg, and the fine performance of the talented forward, Jeff Katz, the Juniors couldn't lose. Last year's 1982-83 Junior team won the championship with an array of fine, competent ballplayers. Most teams in the league were unable to simultaneously contain the swift and strong guards, Ushie Selevan and Michael Taragin, the finesse swing-man Baruch Weinstein and the power provided by Jeff Schwartz and Jeff Katz down low.

This semester, yet another group

the Macs were led by Schwartz (30 pts.) and Harris (16 pts.).

The outlook for next year is bright, with the return of all-IAC guard Ron Schwartz (18 ppg.), Chopper Schreier (18 rpg.) and center Jeff Harris. With the addition of smooth-shooting Jeff Reimer from L.A., and the return of star guard Joey Eaves from Israel, along with the returning ballplayers, Yeshiva should field a very competitive team. Hopefully, next year the slogan "wait till next year" won't have to apply to the Y.U. Maccabees.

of teams fought valiantly for playoff spots in order to win the right to contest the fall semester championship seniors for the 1983-84 Y.I.B.L. Championship. At the conclusion of the spring semester, Junior B clinched first place with a 7-1 record, followed by Junior A at 6-2. The third place Seniors thus squared off against Junior A in the Spring Semester Semifinals on April 30.

In the first quarter, Junior A opened a lead by capitalizing on the inside scoring of the splendid postman, Gregg Levine (14 pts.) and the power center, Zev Skolnick (11 pts.). The Seniors roared back in the second quarter, however, taking a 27-24 lead. The Senior surge was ignited by Baruch Weinstein, the smooth, finesse forward, who hit 4 consecutive outside shots from long range and shot 6 for 6 in the first half. Undaunted, Junior A opened the third quarter with a tenacious defense designed to thwart the scoring of Weinstein (17 pts.) and the versatile center, Jeff Schwartz (10 pts.). This successful defensive play opened up the game for Junior A's backcourt connection consisting of the top-notch playmaker, Jack Doueck (10 pts.), the skilled shooting guard, Beryl Thomas (10 pts.) and dependable swing-man Harry Lieman (8 pts.). Taking a 36-33 lead into the fourth quarter, Junior A extended their lead to win 57-47, as they advanced to the Spring Semester Championship.

Pregame betting lines of the ensuing Junior A - Junior B Spring Championship game favored Junior A by a 2-point spread, indicating that Junior A's tenacious tactics might overwhelm the slower, yet more efficient Junior B style of play. Nevertheless, members of the improved Junior B squad were confident that the off-season acquisition of the veteran playmaker, Benjy Schoenberg had added

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Looking Back at a Mighty Mac

Sheldon Rokach has won top honors in the 1964-65 Knickerbocker Collegiate Basketball League for scoring and rebounding.

Rokach, a junior, averaged 24 points-per-game this season in league play and 23.5 points-per-game in overall play for the Mighty Mites who finished this year with a 7-13 record.

Shelley, ranked among the top ten in the nation in small college rebounding with a 21.2 average, had a 20.6 average in Knickerbocker League play.

Coach Bernard 'Red' Sarachek, who is booming his court ace for All-New York City honors, maintains that "Shelley's performance this season certainly makes him eligible for metropolitan area honors. A lot of people know his record: 470 points for 20 games; 48 points against Queens College to set an all-time high for Yeshiva scoring; he shot 18 out of 28 from outside the bucket and grabbed 30 rebounds in that game. Against Marist College, he scored 38 points and had 17 rebounds. Against Drew University, he got 32 rebounds and 30 points. In

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Sheldon Rokach '66 (left) and Steve Gralla '65 both won spots in the Knickerbocker Collegiate Basketball League for scoring and rebounding. Rokach played in the 'A' team while Gralla was included in the 'B' team.

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