Layout guys: Don't forget to think up something funny for these ears...

# The Lamminator Official Protective Covering of Yeshiva University

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# SCW Faces Shutdown

## Saved Funds Allocated to Uptown Golf Course

by M. I. Keisenberg

The Lamminator has learned that the University recently approved a plan to eliminate Stern College for Women (SCW), YU's only women's school. Stern, supposedly founded to afford religious women the opportunity to pursue a higher education in Judaic studies, is the latest casualty of the University's cost cutting measures whose methods are questioned by many.

The Office of A Superfluous Vice President explained the restructuring of the downtown school. Stern College presently offers courses irrelevant to Jewish girls, such as Political Science, History, English and the sciences. The University explained that the new courses will be limited to the narrow fields of Cooking, Cleaning and Baby-

Making. The new program will be known as Machauvanist Yisrael. Whereas Stern now awards B.A. and B.S. Degrees, the new program will offer only an MRS. Dean Bacon will be replaced by Rabbi Yaakov Silver of Jewish Press fame.

It appears that the scheduled closing of SCW stems from purely financial considerations. A recent Board of Trustees report confirmed Vice President for Business Affairs Dr. Sheldon "Give My Son a Job" Socol's fear that the University would be unable to afford his proposed "William Kennedy Smith Uptown Golf Course." While monetary across-the-board cuts have begun to take their toll, increments (hefty salary raises) were approved for administrators effective July 1. The "restructuring" of SCW was therefore proposed to allow the construction of the 'male only'

golf course while still enabling the increase in salaries. RIETS Vice President Rabbi Robert S. Hirt, in an interview four weeks ago, justified the Stern cuts and the increases: "Youdon't starve things that are essential to the institution...Peoplethatfunction effectively, even in difficult times, should be rewarded. Unnecessary institutions should be axed." (Yes, this a real quote!) When asked if this also applies to cutting funding to a kollel while increasing one's own salary through the addition of a needless chair, Rabbi Hirt had no comment.

According to Socol, the costs Stern incurs are not commensurate with the number of intelligent students it serves. Stern has awarded a paltry 33 deserved degrees in its 38 years, insists Socol, and averages merely 6.7 intellectual girls per graduating class. "I love my

quotes"commented YCSC Junior Class VP David Perl.

One major concern involves the future of students that have already begun their studies at Stern. Senior Vice President Rabbi Israel Miller did not

"We need a new dorm blah blah blah blah...."

#### -Susan Schlussel

outline a specific plan, but asserted that "many will probably be allowed to finish. We've tried to close down schools before and even considered taking care of the students. We understand that if a Stern girl does not get some sort of degree she won't be able to support her husband's learning." However, most B.A. and B.S. candidates will be unable to finish by June, the proposed date for closing the school, despite Stern's 'relaxed' core requirements. Miller promises that "students will be aided in their efforts to transfer credits to other institutions," suggesting Touro College as a viable alternative. However, many girls have expressed concern that any program outside of YU will lack the social framework necessary for Orthodox babes to pursue

future doctors, lawyers and businessmen.

Students have created an organization to respond to the problem, Stem College Pleading for Respect (S.C.P.R.) The group planned a rally to attract the attention of the media. The initial tumout was minimal. However, when rumors began circulating around Brookdale Hall of free refreshments and a cute reporter from the Jewish Press, 300 girls rushed to the scene. The crowd of Stern supporters then proceeded to barricade Great American Health Bar and shouted slogans such as "no more health shakes" and sung along to a protest song written to the tune of Od Yishoma. When asked for a statement, Schlusselresponded "We want a new dorm and Sadaam is still in power."

Alumni support has been equally outspoken. Several wealthy Stern graduates stepped forward to pledge a total of \$20 million for the upkeep of SCW. However, on hearing of these donations, the womens' husbands withdrew the offer, reminding their wives of who actually controls the money in the family.

In keeping with their well known stance of neutrality, Commentator Editor Jay Bailey, and reporter Michael Eisenberg challenged President Lamm to a duel to the death.

# Dramatic Engineering



Dr. Anthony S. Beukas

by Frank N. Stein



Behold, The Uber-Dude



David Silverblatt

The newly refurbished GottesmanGeneticsLaboratoryset the scene for an experiment gone awry last Tuesday when five early admissions freshman bungled a simple DNA assay. To the horror of YCDS members and Eruditio staffalike, abizarrecreature, sharing the genomes of both Dr. Anthony S. Beukas and YC Senior David Silverblatt, sauntered out of the laboratory and into the annals of YU history.

All of YU's labs are currently

All of YU's labs are currently being renovated as part of a campus-wide program to adhere to each and every prescription in

the Middle States Report. Executive Vice President Egon "Open Door, OpenMind"Brennersaidthat"As far as this upper administrator is concerned, the Middle States Report is the final word for policy decisions at this institution." The lab is located in the Schottenstein Center as part of the Florence and Sol Shenk Synagogue and Laborotory Complex. In the absence of YC Dean Norman Rosenscalp, Mr. David Rosenhair mentioned the dual benefits of situating the labin the shul. "We've finally found a use for the room, not tomention helping the students

who can't get into Med school by providing another job option." Dean of Students Efram 'Do you knowwheremyofficeis?"Nulman felt that situating the lab in Schottenstein adds to the utility of the new student center. "[Schottenstein] is already a bustling hub of student life. This lab only serves to increase the traffic passing through the building." Added President Norman Lamm in a rare private interview, "I guess the bochorim are davening in their rooms."

After Rav Tendler's Dorm Talks speech unexpectedly led to the topic of "Brain Death and You" (or "Do you know where your Shiur is?"), the Genetics students' curiosity peaked, prompting the attempt to resuscitate the DNA of the laboratory's only human brain. The brain was endowed by the Presidents Circle as part of their

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# Revel Riot

During a recentrally planned by The Commitee to Preserve Revel (C.P.R.), a crowd of students gathered in front of Furst Hall and proceeded to Dr. Lamm's 5th floor office. When protesters in the back heard rumors that a number of popular Jewish singing stars including Mordechai Ben David, Jon Paley, Andrew Lanter and Avrohom Fried, were present in Lamm's office, they began pressing forward to gain admittance. It was at this point that a number of Burns security guards left their posts for fear of being trampled by the star struck mob. Additional helpwasrequested from the orange booth that houses security headquarters and supplies the studentbodywithneededsupplies, but none was forthcoming. One rap star was killed and nine YC students were injured when the

pressure from the crowd behind them, estimated as being able to flatten Jeff Socol, crushed them against the lounge's plush

furniture.

Immediatly after the incident, Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz, Director of Residence Halls and Special Investigations, called in several students he felt were suspicious and accused them of starting the riot. The accused were interrogated and beaten with a wet noodle, but none confessed. "I felt that my name was disparaged," complained YC Junior Erez Ben-Ami, "but that wet noodle sure felt good."

When questioned on the method of choosing those to be accused, Cheifetz could only say that every student on the list either wore wierd clothing, were out-going individuals with a good sense of humor, or had bizzare facial hair.

# OUTSIDE THIS ISSUE

Lamm for Peace
Hirt at the Bat
Mushroom Synagogues
Two Scoops of Halacha

#### Women's Writes

There exists a sad lack of parity between the attention and aid given to Yeshiva College and Stern College for Women. Joel Jablonski Campus is refurbished and the Beit Medrash dome is regilded while Murray Hill remains crime-ridden, dangerous, boring and isolated. YC students are offered the use of a swimming facility while Stern receives nothing but an Italian restaurant. However, one glaring difference between the sibling schools specifically whines and screams for a change. While the Joel Jablonski Campus sports The Commentator, Hamevaser, Enayim LaTorah, and Eruditio, the Midtown campus cannot claim any publication as its own. Where is the voice of YU's women? Where can our female counterparts air their grievances if they are left without a mouthpiece which will specifically address their concerns? Don't Stern girls have anything to say worth reading? We all know of the myriad of chesed projects and the plethora of cultural events that occur in Stern throughout every three week period. But doesn't any news ever transpire? Should the girls of SCW be forced to read articles written by YC/SSSB men for their

The need definitely exists for a Stern newspaper. It should be no trouble to find competent women to staff such a voice of the people. The pressures of Stern notwithstanding, there are, without a doubt, women who would be glad to sacrifice their time and energy to write, edit and layout (by computer) a coherent, cohesive, intelligent and well written piece of journalism which would accurately portray their situation downtown and make their thoughts, or at least words, heard. The administration is urged to do all it can to ensure that Stern women get the journalistic opportunities they deserve.

# 👺 Van Go

It's high time that Security and the Administration realized that YC students have better places to go than Brookdale Hall, the subway, or Bennett Avenue. Let's face it, the company at Columbia and Barnard is, how shall we say, better informed. Okay, they're smarter. They're closer. They have a campus. Their buildings don't have ugly, crowded lounges. Besides, the Upper West Side offers a somewhat more tasteful meat market setting. How about some vans?

### **Diet Sota**

We are, as always, concerned for our counterparts at Stern. Specifically, there are many women who, while publically praying to the god Slim-Fast, are actually eating many days' daily allowance of fats and carbohydrates in the privacy of their dorm rooms and on dates with us.

Thus, we recommend the following plan, which we deem fair and productive: When any YC student accuses his female friend of breaking her diet, she must be brought to a group of three men. At that point an ingredient list from a can of Slim Fast should be ground into a glass of Diet Coke, which she must consume. Her innocence or guilt will then be obvious, based either on her continued swelling and subsequent explosion, or a polite burp, in which case the young man will have to marry her with a ring of significant carat.

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#### Worthless Opinions

# 'Perl's of Drawing the Wisdom Line

To the Editor,

I would like to keep my comments brief and to the point. While my tendency eschew those utterances encompassing a number of syllabic particles larger than the prime numeral and my clustering of those phonemes in quatrains, that is assemblages of four such jots in one statement, has been maligned and falsely entertained as a humorous attempt at misappropriating the use of our most bountiful and mellifluous mother tongue, I shall continue the practice of pontificating on biweekly occurences in such a manner for as long a durational term as will suit my preeminent and unparalleled determinations and will lead to the ultimate consummation of my overarching intentions to subsume current plebian modes of communication with my own succinct means of description which shall remain my primary and singular method of graciously conveying my succulent gems of wisdom to the aforementioned deprived masses with no censure or restraint needlessly and

mindlessly applied. Have a good day.

YCSC Junior Class Vice Presidentt

David A. Perl

To the Editor:

Lastweek I attended a film advertised in your paper. As I do not frequent movies, I figured that the "R" rating stood for "relaxing". Well, I have one question: do you have any standards at all?

I.S. Wide

Editor's note: In fact, we do have limits. Last week we received an ad for "Pritzus NegiahLand Club's Shellfish and Porkchop Go-Go Dancer Happy Hour, to be held that Friday night at sunset. After a 7-6 vote, we decided against printing it.

#### **Morg Furnishings**

To the Editor:

Are the large, square objects behind the guard desk in Morg lobby, coffee tables or ottomans? And where can I get one of those hard, slippery, red hollow couches?

> Police Officer McHenry 34th Precinct Morg/Grandma's Duty

Jay (Ja), n. 1. Any of several noisy, mischievous birds of the subfamily Garrulinae 2. *Informal*. A simple-minded or gullible person; simpleton



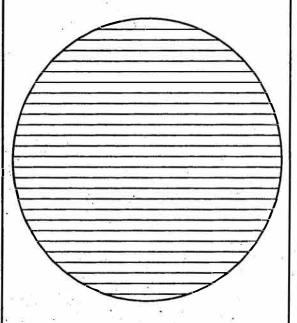
# A Pitiful A-peel

With the mandatory meal plan soon to include everyone on campus, care must be taken to provide for the needs of all the students on campus to keep in stock a wide spectrum of products. Thus far, only such crucial items like mini-corn cobs for popcorn, answering machines, and roll-on deodorant clutter the shelves.

To our grave disdain, one item has been suprisingly ignored from the available and ever-so-affordable staples. No, not plastic cutlery, for that can easily, not to mention inconspicuously, be procured literally by the handful from the neighboring Caf. No, not even vaseline, for this indeed can be purchased through the Caf-Mart.

Of course you have deduced by now that I refer to those magical, whitish-yellow spheres: Spirally Peeled Oranges. In addition to providing much needed Vitamin C to our scurvy-threatened students, the SPOs' unique spiral peeling process retains much of their outer pulp, responsible for their jaundicedlike appearance.

In the absence of SPOs from all YU's abundant Food Services' establishments, students have turned purchasing the luscious treats on their often own, venturing to streetcentered vendors



frequenting the vicinity of 181st and Amsterdam. How can YU condone such trafically dangerous behavior on any corner other than 185th and Audobon?

In a Midnight Morg-101 Meeting to discuss the inevitable club-hour protest, dorming students expressed jealousy over commuters who pass the citric salesmen daily, thereby taking advantage of the Fresh To

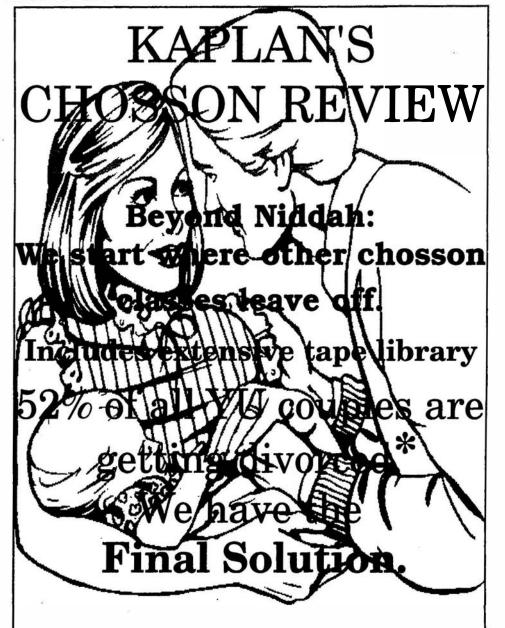
Your Car Door Delivery service. It is high time that YU heed to students' demands for regular van shuttles to this Center of Citrus Commerce.

Such solutions, nevertheless, remain myopic, failing to afford our students sufficient facilities for buying in bulk! How can YU continue to push the ever-so-effective pre-Dorm-Talks floor meetings while simultaneously denying students their most favored, not to mention locally available, juicy delicacies?

In the absence of any movement towards a solution on the part of the administration, many students have found other means of satiating their addictive SPO habits. Many purchase the unfinished orange-withpeel package in the Caf, then run to off-duty housekeeping staff guards whom they pay to peel the citrus orbs. Although adept in the native peeling skills, the guards unfortunately lack the hi-tech equipment abounding the Manhattan entrance to the Cross Bronx Expressway to allow such practices to evolve into viable alternatives for YU students.

> It remains upsetting that simple thing as a language barrier prevents from asking the professional SPO distributors merely to move further uptown onto our campus.

Nonetheless, permanent measures must be enacted immediately to alleviate this horrendous problem plaguing our campus. Denying students their constitutional rights to partake in indigenous victuals is butone of countless examples of YU's attempts to shelter us from the world of secular and multiculturalistic ideas.



Contact Banji D. Latkin, Campus Rep. Br3d

Convenient morning class for YP students.

\*Source: The Observer

# The President Rambles

As President of Student Council of Iraqis is even more Yeshiva College, I often reflect on the things which make me proud of YU. There was last year's Operation Torah Shield, which as a great kiddush hashem made all Jews proud of their religion. And then there's the new sandwiches in the vending machines in the Morg Lounge. Of course, the Stern women can't use the pool, but after all the presidential elections are coming up.

One issue which is sure to be confronted is Saddam Hussein. While we all know that the Stern dorms are far too overcrowded, the candidates will have to deal with the question of what to do about toppling his evil reign. But, with approximately five girls per room, the condition has become unbearable. Now that they have the funds neccesary to build a nuclear device, the problem of the

pressing. And the countdown has begun which will only end when more beds are found.



President Bush's choice to move in

and attack was admirable, but more must be done. The dual menace of unsanitary living conditions and claustraphobic space constraints will eventually lead to a reprise of last summer's bloodshed. Which brings me back to the new sandwiches in the machines. I would like to commend the efforts of our president and merely submit one request: more tuna please.

-David J. KayLMNOP, YCSC President

# CAMPUS SNOOZE

# Clubs On a Roll A Rye Look at Extracurriculars

Perplexed," there are about sixty clubs and societies at IJC. Although we have reported on clubs before, there are a number we missed.

Engagement Club- All members must join.

Alternate Side Club- No, not a devil's advocacy association. Members pass each other on Mondays and Thursdays at 11 am and

Chagiga Club- Kohanim only; weekly non-human sacrifices.

Computerized Club- (help)  $[w]*e11;^5|h|~>< a*.#v[E(@)]-no-$ =142-if+/|E|

Apathy Club- does not meet, ever. Arithmetic Club- Meetings held jointly with Fingerpainting, Showand-Tell, and Storytime Clubs. Go

NYSIPAC- Nothing Yet Seen In Public Affairs Club.

The Weekly Protest Club-Inspired by the "Reveling" success, this club stages rallies, demonstrations, and administrative lynchings every Thursday at club hour. Causes irRevelent. Standard chants: NO MORE LIES! TRUTH NOW! Members must possess strong voices or drums.

Niddah of the Month Club- A modest group immersed in Torah issues. Periodic meetings.

Lunch Bunch-Successor of the nowdisbanded Breakfast Club (No one could wake up on time). Shacharit is followed by refreshments, pastrami

According to the "Guide to the Lumberjacks Society- Subsumes Clove Society- SCW's aromatic, membership with Plumber's Society, Painter's Association, and Janitorial Forum. For students who can't find what they're looking for in the Actuarial Society. "And we're okay!" Post-Law Society- Students who fulfill YU's promise of total placement work in YC Admissions Office. President: Eli Cohen.

> SSSSSBBBJ- Successor of Son of Sym School... and So on... Big, BIG Busines...Journal. Alternately identified as Satanic Students Serving Belzebub.

> Yeridah Club- Membership limited to Israeli sports stars.

Presidents' Circus- All members Presidents, at least on their resumes. See the "Resume Society." References available.

Ecology Society- More radical than the Environmental Society, saves planet by printing no signs or posters. No one knows when or if meetings are held.

Einayim L'Mada-Weekly homiletics on Boccacio, Macchiavelli, Freud, and Rabelais.

Nuclear Club- Explosive, unstable bunch of radicals.

Safety and Security Society- Grassroots movement of incensed students who try to crack down and weed out a school they see going to pot. Student patrols armed with uzis, walkie talkies, and ID holders. Covert group so secret that members don't even know about it.

Pre-Pubescent-Politicians-To-Be-Future unified organization of the humorous. Republicans with the Democrat.

spicy literary mix.

VOICE- See Clove Society. Busy personal essays, printing applications, and resumes.

Freshman Fraternity and Sorority Society- Initiation takes place tonight on the main floor of the library. Please bring your bathing suit, no towel, and wait, and wait.

Organ Transplant Drive- Please donate anything you currently don't need to this undertaking, i.e. kidneys, appendix, cerebellums, etc., Free camcorder with every donation, but remember competition is stiff. "Because Man Does Not Live By Blood Alone!"

YCSK- Membership: one. Slogan: "Cows!" Budget: infinite. The pshat on this obnoxious club is photocopiers for all.

Twister- A tempestual, joint YC-SCW-CSL-AECOM-YUSSR-BRGS

Glee Club- Revellers with caws. Jewish History Club- Receivers of the local Mesorah of exams, quizzes, and papers.

WYRU- NOT LISTENING? A fried board and a Board that's frying. Swim Club- A freestyle group of

non-counterparts.

Student Supreme Tribunal- All trials telecast live over WYUR.

Resume Filler Club- See Presidents' Circus. References available.

Senior Congress- Keeps minutes, wastes hours.

Commentator- Fishwrap, often

# Pushing the Right Buttons

In order to keep up with the rapidly decreasing number of eligible females due to an increase in engagements, Dr. Mareleyn Schneider and Eruditio, the Sociology Club newsletter, have established Date-a-Babe, an electronic database intended to assist the dating process. To use Date-a-Babe, students will access the local YU network, and respond to a series of questions abouttheir dates, rating them in various categories. Then, other uptown students can "get the rundown" on the babes to help choose the proper babe for them. Dr. Schneider expects that this service will make The Guide to the Perplexed obsolete.

A task force is putting together a list of possible ratings to check off. Some suggestions include "Tickled my fancy," "I laughed until I stopped," "A waste of flesh, bone and many yards of skirt material," "I laughed, I cried, it was better than Cats," "Tov Leheyot Adam Levado," and "Sha-wiiiing!"

Schneider insists that the system is foolproof. "In case studies", she said, "94.7 percent of students said that they were satisfied with the service." A student at Stern who used the service said, "It's a step in the right direction, but it's not the final solution."

# Norm Talks

Last Monday night some of the greatest Norms of our time came together in Morg lounge. General Shwartzkopf, Mr. Peterson and, of course, our very own Drs. Rosenfeld and Lamm were in attendence. This week's discussion dealt with "The Military Ramifications of Relocating Yeshiva College to Midtown Boston." Master (Norm) Bates presided over the screaming match showered in sharp and bloody controversy. Norm opened the night's Revelings with the usual, "This will take a great deal of restructuring," Norm quickly responded with, "The only way to win the war is to strike fast and strike hard." Norm then brought up a very interesting question, "If your boss asks you to throw the annual April 16th party, can you hold it where everybody knows your name"? So Norm answered, "NO!"

The debate got out of hand when an audience member asked whether one could attend a treif cocktail party hosted by a potential multi-million dollar YU donor. Thereupon, Norm answered, "Well, for 1.5... well, for 3 million dollars it may be a possibility."

The evening ended cordially with refreshments for all participants treated by Norm who bought a round of beers.

# Mandatory Mail Plan Instituted for '92-'93

#### **Details to be Ironed Out**

As a result of an alarming increase in neighborhood crime, YU has announced the implementation of a mandatory mail plan for next year's incoming students. Students will have a choice of flexible chain mail or sturdier plate mail. The set includes helmet and breast plate with full body armor. Specially made fencing team suits will include a sheath. University Cleaners is already offering a free buff and shine with every de-rusting. In addition to the protection the suits provide, they also make Belfer bound students impervious to the wind tunnel.

Dr. Marrin, head of the YU History Department, acted as consultant to Security throughout the development of the mail plan. "I tried to combine the best elements of the medieval English

model with the earlier French suits to come up with the best looking and most functional prototype for today's YU students," explained Marrin. "Besides, YU students don't have much of a chance to live past graduation in this drug infested, crime ridden abyss."

However, coming up with a suit posed many difficulties unfaced by past armorers. The problem of how to fasten tzitzit to the armour was brought up by SOY president Shea Farkas. A perfect solution was suggested by the creators of Neatzit. They created tzitzit with a magnetic string running through them which would easily stick to the suits. A similar solution was found for the ID cards which were stuck on with old refrigerator magnets.





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Due to space limitations of 500, Camp MYP is only open to the first 750 to apply. Send in your applications now!

# **Senate Sucks**



Student Senators David Perl, Josh Waltuch and Rubin Stone take a lolipop break during a recent Senate meeting



This year's Purim concert featured renowned Jewish soul singer ZZ Kach

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efforttoimprovestudent life on campus. After isolating the brain cells in a petri dish, the freshmen left the room for their regular smoke break. Simultaneously, Beukas and Silverblatt were examining the new laboratory facilities to amass new praises for the YU Administration. As Beukas' arm draped gingerly around hisprizestudent's shoulders, the two tripped and fell face first onto the lab desk. The solution in the petri dish saturated Beukas' new hair, and as Silverblatt attempted to cleanse Beukas' doo, a stray grenade crashed through the window from 185th St. and Audobon Ave. The explosion

caused the unnatural, yet inevitable, merging of the two into the Uber-Dude.

YCSC Junior Class Vice-President David Perl was unavailable for comment.

In addition to an intense animosity of all YU administrators, the Uber-Dude exhibits regular tendencies to count the dead bodies around the Joel Jablonski Campus while forcing students to rip off their blood-stained clothes in front of captive audiences. The beast is also inclined to imitate superiors in a whiny voice. All administrators have been warned that the beast is both armed and articulate.

# YUSSSR

#### Yeshiva and University Students for the Spiritual Survival of Rubin

#### TEACHERS WANTED

In anticipation of our first year of providing religious education for Rubin residents, YUSSSR seeks qualified teachers and outreach specialists to teach on the second, third and seventh floors. Minimum term is one semester. Applications are available outside the Batei Midrash. Deadline for applications is April 1st. Positions open only to RIETS students and residents of Muss Hall.

# Help Bring Torah to a Place Devoid of the Spirit of YIDDISHKEIT.

If we fail to act now, Am Yisroel will lose young, precious souls to the horrors of Heavy Metal, Cigarette Smoke and other substantial problems

# The Quest for the Secret of Synthesis

Harvey Sober glided invisibly past the unsuspecting jacketed guard near the Pollack Library book sensors. With the mystical eye in the back of his head, he watched as his T-shirt and red-sweatpant-clad Tora Dojoists showed their ID's and tumbled across the floor toward the Main Entrance. Their goal: the Ark of Synthesis.

Sober first learned of the Arkupon receiving a faded, yellowed map from a 1923 issue of Hamevaser. Needless to say, the map was confusing, abstract, and more siginificantly had never been read. After following red herrings to Muss Hall, Africa and Detroit, Sober realized that the Ark of Synthesis had to be buried in the Pollack Library Archives. He had only to find it, if for no other reason than to inspire the budding biblical archeologist / lethal weapon in all of us.

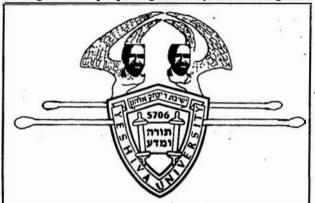
Sober propelled a Phoenician fireball toward the door, leaving a hole wide enough for his bruised-brickbashing band to pass through. This feat practically completed, Junior Joseph Steinberg screamed out in agony (this time not about the Guide), sending a chill through the air. The team spun into defensive Tai Chi crouches, instantly and calmly pantomiming a veritable zoo of nine different animals. Joseph was twisting and writhing to escape the clutches of the Burnt Security guard who, realizing what was happening, had grabbed the black belt's gartle and, handcuffs not yet available, tied it to the doorknob. "Go on without me!" shouted Joseph, ignoring the fact that they already were. "The Ark is the goal!" Sober grunted, wiped the steaming blood from over his right eye, commanded his pupils to "gird their loins," and signaled to continue. Creeping

silently amid murals and statues of secretly suffering sefardim, the Dojo team made their way to the other side of the dark, cavernous room. The layer of dust attested to its remaining undisturbed since a visit by the fourth grade Ramaz class in 1988.

On the far side of the room hung a large painting of the Vilna Gaon, who appeared to be watching as they

Senior Elly Kepecs cantorially chanted, "another discovery! The Vilna Gaon was a Sephardi!" The comment earned him a bonk on the head from Sober's Akkadian ziggurat shovel.

Sober, sizing up the pictured Lithuanian sage, knew they had found the cleverly hidden door to the archives. Extracting his special kitana (for secret door shredding and sushi slicing), JSS's Indiana Jones matter-o'-factly slashed, with a glint in his eye, through the esteemed Rabbi's image, revealing the Door. As Sober wafted through the air, preparing to bodily bore through the



door, he glanced up in horror. The whole plan would have to be aborted. The small Morg-lounge-like-beepalarm mounted on the upper joint of the doors would summon the authorities instantly.

That door was the only thing between them and the Ark. He had one idea. Quickly meditating and burning YU-Caf-hamburger incense, he summoned the Sacred Spirit of Jeff Socol.

"Wha ya wan?" grunted the apparition as it came slowly (and we mean really slowly) into focus.

 $\hbox{``Under no circumstances do I want this door opened.''}$ exclaimed the Ninja Master. "It must remain closed. It would greatly inconvenience me to gain entrance." It was a long shot, but it was the last chance at the Ark of

There was a turn of one of a thousand keys, a click, and the door slowly creaked open. The Socol spectre disappeared with a triumphant nepotistic snort.

Under a giant kneeling marble statue of Rabbis Drs. Lamm, Belkin and Solveitchik sat a shield-shaped styrofoam box with a peculiar inscription. Sober and his horde trembled as they approached the Ark, the sweat trickling from their faces. The Ark began to glow, and a deafening roar knocked them to the ground. Sober reached out to open the lid and. . .

The Ark shriveled up into a shapeless, smoky, bubbling mass that no one understood.

Go figure.

Tune in next time as Sober attempts to capture the mysterious, invisible Lammian-Revel-Logic Monster!

# ERSONALS

Sy Syms Senior seeks job for coming year. Willing takes).

Lamm (or anyone who knows something around here.) Contact Michael Eisenberg.

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# On a serious note.

We hope you are enjoying the Purim issue of The Commentator. But there is more to Purim than fun...

B"SD

Judah Wohlgelemter

Campus Representative

Pollack Library, YU

The flat has one room, no bathroom, no shower, no kitchen, not even a sink. Two beds are backed into the corners, with cribs at the foot of each. Matresses for the children, aged six months to eight years, are stacked under and on the beds. To shower, Menahem and his wife. wolli, go to mends or a mikven. They bathe the children in a makeshift tub. They share a small kitchen with a family upstairs. A tiny, dark and damp room contains a toilet used by the

- ...But their story is not unusual. Poverty is sweeping the nation.
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- ...43.3% of Jerusalem's Jewish families with four children or more have incomes below the poverty level...
- ... We see people now with their refrigerators empty, and who barely have enough to eat...
- ... The economic situation is only going to get worse ... '

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Beginning our fourteenth year at YU

Yeshiva University has announced that pay toilets will be installed at its uptown Joel Jablonski campus this summer. These new additions to the campus will be fully operational in time for the 1992-92 undergraduate student orientation, according to Jeffrey Rosengarten, Director of Facilities Management. The announcement concerning these new facilities, which will cost fifty cents per use and be operated by an electric bolt, has been met with disbelief by students and faculty alike. YCSC President David J. Kay said that he is "dismayed" that student leaders were not consulted before the decision was finalized.

Yeshiva University's Department of Public Relations (Sam Hartstein, B.A., Director) issued the following press release: "Yeshiva University, now in its 105th year, making it the oldest American university under orthodox Jewish auspices, proudly announces the addition of state of the art pay toilets at its uptown Joel Jablonski campus. This new equipment is part of an ongoing campaign by the university to bring its facilities into the twenty-first century, and closely follows last years construction of Benjamin Gottesman swimming pool."

# Flushing Your Money Down the Toilet

Dr. Efrem Nulman, Dean of Students, applauded the addition of these new facilities. "They will enable us to provide cleaner, more efficient restrooms for all to enjoy." Nulman maintained that outside experts were hired to assess the situation, and the fifty cent fee was decided upon based on their recommendations.

The Commentator, however, has obtained a secret memo drafted by Dr. Sheldon Socol, Vice President for Business Affairs, which cited financial concerns as the rationale for this move. The plan would, "help finance the ever increasing costs of running the university in these tough financial times." YU President Dr. Norman Lamm could not be reached for comment.

The student reaction to the announcement has been almost uniformly against the plan, although some students privately expressed their

support if some or all of the profit can be put towards saving the Bernard Revel Graduate School. One student stated that, "This move by the administration is insulting to students and faculty alike, and detracts from both the Yeshiva and University aspects of our institution." "Let'snot flush them," said YCSC Junior Class Vice President David Perl.

Student leaders are fighting this decision. In a recent interview, YCSC President Kay set forth a number of objections to the plan. First, he pointed to the inherent difficulties and expenses in administering pay toilets. "Additional employees will have to behired to collect the quarters," he said. In addition, he pointed to the problemof getting change since the booths do not accept dollar bills. Finally, he mentioned the problem of electric stalls in a shomer Shabbos institution saying, "This will certainly put a damper on some people's Oneg

Shabbat."

In an impromptu interview, Jeffrey Socol, Associate Director of Facilities Management, said: "Don't worry. We know what we're doing. This has been in the planning stages for months, and besides, it has already been successfully implemented in other New York institutions such as Penn Station..... fiveby-five." In a more official interview, Rosengarten addressed Kay's concerns. "There will be slots which will accept dining cards, as well as periodic specials for dining card holders which will be available even to non-cardholders on alternate Tuesdays. On Shabbos the electricity will be cut off, and security will check IDs at the door. Vouchers will be available until 5PM on the preceding Wednesday. It is our hope that the new pay toilets will, in conjunction with the cafeteria food, work to offer our students a regular well balanced day."

One last note for those who are willing to walk across the street: Phillip Haber of Yum Yums is talking about setting up competing nickel toilets. "We are here to serve student needs," he said. Yum Yums will not be offering showers because according to Haber, "those are still free in the dorms."

# This Purim, Don't Get Carried Away.

Purim is one of most festive holidays. It is a time to remember the wonderful miracle Hashem bestowed upon the Jewish people by averting a great potential disaster. . .the loss of Jewish life.

And while it might be a widely accepted "minhag" to drink on Purim to the point of Ad D'lo Yada, it is a definite "halacha" not to put one's life in danger.

Yet every year there are literally dozens of Purim-related emergencies reported - many with life-threatening conditions. And every year people say "something has to be done."

Well, this year you can do something. First, be responsible. Limit the amount you drink. Drink only at the Seudah. And second, DON'T DRIVE...even if you think you can. Ask a friend to drive you there and back.



Or batter yet, call a car service. But please, don't underestimate the effects of alcohol on your driving abilities.

And needless to say, if you're a parent, closely supervise your children's activities during Purim. Know where

they're going, how they're getting there and how they intend to come home - and at what time. It's the only way to insure their safety and well-being.

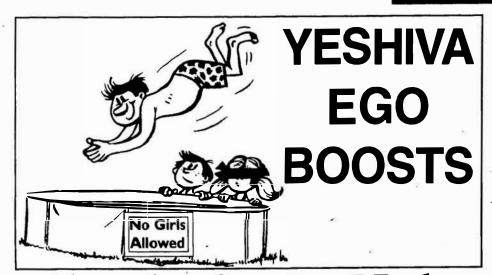
Remember, Purim was meant to be enjoyed - by you and those around you. But all within reason. "Think" before you "drink". And don't getcarried away...or it could chas v'shalom be

you that'll be carried away.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy Purim 5752 from all of us at Hatzolah.

This is a public service message from Hatzolah, YCSC, SOY, IBC and JSS

& The Commentator Layout Staff (who needed to fill up half a page...)



# Shticks Super Hula Hoops in Full Swing

competition at YU, the Shtick Super Hula Hoops began with three first round matches on Monday. The exciting action combines team coordination, difficult body gyrations and creative flair. During the fifteen minute running time competition, teams score points in two different ways: Hulaing as many hoops as possible at one time, and flinging the hoops around members of the other team from different distances. Originally, passing the hoop between team members also earned points, but this move was prohibited by the Rosh Yeshivas. As always use of the hands is strictly prohibited.

The winners will face off against the champions of SCW in this non-contact

#### **TEENYBOPPERS 25 ADOLESCENTS 20**

Eric Melzer landed three trifectas, flinging his hoop at Ronny Aranoff from 25 feet to lead the Teenyboppers to victory. Tweed added 10 points for the Teenyboppers, hulaing three hoops at a time for 20 seconds. Melzer commented, "This victory was especially sweet

Due to a lack of organization in the Intranural Hockey League, students have been forced to play in more creative locations. Here, Danny Shields and Joel Tennenberg face off outside of Morg Mart.

Entering its third year of fierce because I got to take out my frustrations on Ronny for his lousy writing for the paper." Aranoff had to leave the match with welts on his chest from Melzer's flings.

#### EGOISTS 17 HIPPIES 16

Slick passing between Jay Bailey and David Kay resulted in this low-scoring victory. J & K successfully completed 10 passes, an accomplishment reflecting their overall coordination and corroboration in stark contrast to last years student leaders team. Bailey won the game for the Egoists by flinging his hoop at Shlomo "Kahane" Zwickler incapacitating him while he was attempting to steal the hoop. Zwickler's teammate, Rav Goldwicht complained "I thought Shlomo said Holy Chopp, not hula hoop." Super Hoops organizer Stan Watson stated, "This was one of the most competitive, unathletic nonmatches ever, but boy was it fun to watch."

#### CPR 34 The ADMINISTRATION 30

Taking revenge and venting their frustrations over the closing of BRGS,

> the now defunct CPR outhooped this years administration team of Rabbi Lamm, Efrem Nulman and Egon Brenner. Leading the way for CPR Captain Hillel Novetsky who scored a triple fling, nailing all three members of Administration at once. Commenting on their performance, CPR's team spokesman said, "We wanted to leave them with permanent scars like they left us with."

# Jews Replace Olympic DreamTeam

by Steve Podias

Last week, all 10 National Basketball Association players who comprised the 1992 USA Olympic Basketball team resigned because their faces were advertised on official NBA apparel without consent of their agents. In response, the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) decided to ban all professionals from play. When the NCAA displayed its solidarity with the NBA by decreeing that all varsity collegiate participation in olympic basketball would be illegal as well, the USOC was left suddenly without any pro or college players. The USOC came across an article which quoted Eric Melzer, YU's Intramural Basketball Commissioner (IBC). "Wetry to be like the NBA as much as possible", said Melzer. Immediately, the USOC replaced the prima donna NBA hoopsters with 10 YUIntramural superstars.

The following are the 10 lucky athletes:

1. Craig Kornbluth-Guard "You figure that we originally had 10 players who would not pass if we begged them", said head coach Chuck Daly. "Now we have Kornbluth." Assistant coach P. J. Carlissimo remarked, "Kornbluth cannot pass, play defense, rebound, or drive. Other than that, he's an awesome talent!" "A black hole," said USOC chairman George Steinbrenner, "But we need one." Skeptics such as Assistant Coach Mike Kryzewski stated, "If Kornbluth couldn't buy a basket in the Columbia K-Swiss shootout for a \$20 pair of sneakers, how is he going to do it for a gold medal?"

2. Israel Wallach - Guard CBS analyst MIke Francessa noted, "My dead grandmother shoots free-throws better than Wallach." Coach Daly responded, "That's okay. We'll just yankhim from the line-up whenever he gets fouled by telling therefs thathe hurthis fingernail." Analyst Dick Vitale added, "Wallach is a PTP (PRIME TIME PLAYER) BABY!!!"

3. Dov Deutsch - Guard Coach Daly explained, "He thinks he's Isiah Thomas and we shafted Thomas once already." NBC analyst Marv Alpert added, "The bottom line is that we needed somebody to replace John Stockton. Although both Stockton and Deutsch shower right before gametime, we have an added plus in that Deutsch showers during halftime as well."

4. <u>Ieremy Bandler - Guard</u> "Those sideburns, they remind meof Elvis," stated coach Carlissimo. Bandler, however, was quoted as saying, "I'll only play if they fire coach Daly and hire Rubin Stone!"

5. Burton Katz - Forward "If we were allowed to put men on a women's team (like Pratt Institute), Katz and his earring would make it," said Kryzewski. "We commented, "I think they'll win."

will stick him on the men's team instead." 6. Avi Savitsky - Forward "We definitely need The Dragon," said coach "But he catches like Edward Scissorhands," noted coach Carlissimo. "That's okay," responded Daly, "We know he can't catch." "It's great because even

though the Board of Health can close me

down I can still deliver pizzas to Savitsky

on the bench," exclaimed an ecstatic Pepe.

7. <u>BrentLevinson-Forward</u> (seeportion about Katz re: earring) Kryzewski stated, "We know that Levinson travels every time he goes near the ball. But in Olympic competition they never call travelling

anyway."

8. Seth Sokol - Forward There were many skeptics regarding this selection. "The statue of liberty jumps higher than he does," stated Knicks coach Pat Riley. "Tzvi Himber has better hands than he does," assessed Macs Head Coach Jonathan Halpert. Assistant Athletic Director Stanley Watson added "My 16 month-old son is a better shotblocker than Sokol." Coach Daly, however, defended the decision stating, "Sokol brings an extra dimension - I mean 3 dimensions - I mean 5 dimensions." Entrepreneurs Jeff Sokol and Sheldon E. Sokol categorically denied any involvement in Sokol's selection.

9. <u>Moshe Benarosh - Center</u> "We did it! We found someone who actually has an uglier beard that Vlade Divac," said Daly. "With those goggles, that beard, he's gonna scare away the Puerto Rican team." "He's got an even uglier beard than me!" stammered coach Carlissimo. Benarosh, who attributes all of his success to coach Ronnie Aranoff, pontificated, "If they spell my name wrong one more time...

Yehuda Appel - Center "We needed one player who has soul-glow in his hair 24 hours a day. Appel accurately fits the bill," said Daly. ABC analyst Michael Nathanson objected, stating, "These foreigners play defense by poking. In this case, some Pole may put his hand right through Appel's Manute Bol-like frame.

Added as towelboy for his unique understanding of the players was Eric Melzer, who will be kept in a soundproof, shatterproof glass cage through which he will only be able to pass out the cloths. Said Daly, "We wanted to add him as a coach, but we were afraid that his goggle and jacket throwing tantrus might cause an international incident. Also, since he can't be heard, he can't cost us any technicals!!"

Overall, the prospects for gold have been seriously dimmed with the loss of the Dream Team. Remaining optimistic, YCSC Junior Class VP David Perl

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