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## MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

Holocaust Revisionism is a scary business. Denying the Holocaust outright, or minimizing its details, or justifying it in one way or another, are all manifestations of the latest style of genteel anti-Semitism.

That's why I want you to read the following news release recently aired by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, sent to me by Dr. Joseph Maier, long-time Emeth congregant and good friend. In case you missed it in the media, here it is:

A Handwritten Statement by Rudolf Hoss Conceding War Crimes:

"I declare herewith under oath that in the years 1941 to 1943, during my tenure in office as Commandant of Auschwitz Concentration Camp, 2 million Jews were put to death by gassing and a 1/2 million by other means." (signed) Rudolf Höss May 15, 1946

Rudolf Höss scribbled this frank acknowledgement of the mass murder in Auschwitz on a piece of notepaper during the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal. Now, nearly 46 years later, his handwritten testimony--stark evidence of the magnitude of the killing operation--has become a part of the archives of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.

Höss penciled his powerful statement in the presence of Joseph Maier, Chief of the Analysis Section within the Interrogation Division under the U.S. Counsel, who was gathering evidence from Nazi war criminals and witnesses in preparation for the prosecution at the Nuremberg trials. At the bottom of the document Maier hand wrote: "The above was written and signed before me at Nuremberg, Germany on May 14, 1946" (signed) Joseph Maier, Chief, Analysis Section, Interrogation Division, Office of U.S. Chief of Counsel. This authentication heightens the historical value of the note.

Höss' statement is part of an extensive collection of postwar documents that Maier has donated to the Museum. Maier is Rutgers University Professor Emeritus of Sociology and Chairman of Columbia University's Seminar on Contents and Methods in the Social Sciences. He saved several hundred original documents, many of them his personal working papers.

When Maier invited Museum officials to his home in Teaneck, on Feb. 17 to receive the papers he had kept stored in his attic for more than forty years, he did not elaborate on the contents of the collection. His visitors were shocked to uncover such a historically invaluable document. Unprepared for this find, they were forced to improvise--they swaddled the papers in plastic wrap and carried them back to Washington in a shirtbox. The documents in the collection include interrogation transcripts, auto-biographical sketches and affidavits by witnesses for the prosecution, who, like Höss, often became targets of prosecution themselves. These records, all from Maier's personal files, are either originals or copies made at the time of the trials.

The fact that Höss admits his crimes is not unusual in itself; while in jail, he wrote extensively about himself, his fellow SS Commanders and those who were in charge of putting the "Final Solution" into effect. But, because this matter-of-fact declaration is written and signed in Höss' own hand, it is a rare and extraordinarily valuable document.

# TEMPLE EMETH BULLETIN

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## BULLETIN PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

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May 14	June 4

## DATES TO REMEMBER

May 4	Installation UJC
May 7	Congregational Meeting Meet Rabbi Eric Gurvis
May 8	Temple Board Installation
May 14	TER - Jewish Museum
May 15	Special Service
May 16	Annual Dinner Dance honoring Rabbi and Mimi Sigel
May 21	Lag B'Omer
May 31	Yom Yerushalayim, Etz Chayim at JCC, Tenafly

## ETZ CHAYIM TO SING

Directed by Cantor Bornstein, the Temple Emeth Youth Choir, Etz Chayim, will be featured on Sunday, May 31 at 7 PM at the JCC on the Palisades.

A community-wide celebration of the 25th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem is planned. The event is co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of the United Jewish Community and the JCC. There will be a keynote address, a film on Jerusalem, and will culminate with an Israeli dance program.

## B'NAI MITZVAH SCHEDULE

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May 2	Beth Schwartzapfel Mr. and Mrs. Jay Schwartzapfel
May 9	Erica Yuzek Mr. and Mrs. Dean Yuzek
May 30	Benjamin Donson Mrs. Ginger Gordon

## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

May 1/2	AHARAY
May 8/9	K'DOSHIM
May 16	EMOR
May 23	B'HAR
May 30	B'HUKOTYE

My name is **Beth Schwartzapfel**, and I will be reading a portion of Leviticus from the Torah on May 2nd as a Bat Mitzvah. The Haftarah is from Samuel, about the friendship between Jonathan and David. This is of interest to me because I've seen the influence of having good friends, how important they are. I'm a 7th grader at Benjamin Franklin Middle School. I like to write and especially like playing classic rock on my guitar.

My name is **Erica Yuzek**, and I will be celebrating my becoming a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, May 9th. I'll be reading Kiddushim from Leviticus I. I'm also a 7th grader at Benjamin Franklin Middle School, and I enjoy Spanish class and writing, I ski and love to dance, play tennis, and am a member of the school chorus. My parents, Dean and Mitzi, invite you to join us in the Sanctuary on Friday night and Saturday, and for Oneg Friday night.

## ONEG SHABBAT

May 1 Family Night- Faculty Recognition Night, sponsored by the Schwartzapfel family in honor of their daughter Beth becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

May 8 Installation of new Temple Board, sponsored by Dean and Mitzi Yuzek in honor of their daughter Erica.

May 15 Special service for Rabbi Sigel, sponsored by the Congregation.  
May 22 Oneg sponsored by Estelle and Bob Spiewak in honor of Bob's birthday and by Susan and George Lilly in honor of Susan's conversion.



While we both much prefer greetings and beginnings to leave-takings and conclusions, the time has come to say farewell.

It is hard to believe that three years have passed so quickly, with so much accomplished, yet so much still to do. We often feel that we've only just begun. But knowing, as we do, that we are passing the gavel into most capable hands, supported by an exemplary team of Officers and Trustees, we are confident that the transition of administrations will be an easy one, with Temple Emeth the ultimate beneficiary.

As for us, along with the headaches and heartaches, we've also had a marvelous time! Working for our beloved Temple Emeth has been a rewarding and memorable experience...one which we highly recommend. In fact, we feel that we've gained so much more than we've given and want to thank each and every one of you for allowing us the privilege of working together as Co-presidents of this outstanding synagogue.

B'Shalom

Diane and Micki

#### NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Our Menschen of the Months of Adar 1 and Adar 2 were: Kindergarten--Lindsay Bergman and Lindsey Darwish 1st--Justin Friedland, Nina Kantor, and Leah Reiner; 2nd--Matthew Bergman, Leslie Pazan, Jonathan Rodriguez; 4th--Taryn Blaker, Samantha Ivers, Mark Jaffe; 5th--Jerry Christal-Gratanella, Brenna Sevano, Peter Silberstein, and Joshua Stabiner; 6th--Jessica Krakower, Keira Lichtenstein, Bret Mazzei, Sara Salkind, and Matthew Silver; 7th--Mike Hess, Liz May, Monique Sarfity, and Beth Schwartzapfel. Mazal tov to all the menschen mentioned!

The Temple-wide Sephardic Jewry experience has been happening in the Religious School, as well. Grades K through 4th joined Rabbi Sigel and Cantor Bornstein in our Sephardic-style temporary sanctuary for a Shabbat morning service full of exotic melodies. Afterwards, students examined a magnificent silver Torah cover and discussed how it felt to worship in a different setting. Grades 5, 6, and 7 "met" historical figures Dona Gracia Mendesia, Joseph Caro, and Shmuel HaNagid in a morning workshop. They composed letters regarding the start of a Jewish settlement in Tiberias after the expulsion from Spain, learned a Sephardic Shabbat song and dance, and made colorful hamsa (hand) ornaments that resemble stained glass. In the weeks before and after Pesach, each grade in the Religious School will view the exciting photographic exhibit gracing Emeth this season in tours prepared especially for their age levels. Ladino lessons, anyone?

A Pre-Kindergarten class will be offered by the Religious school if we have sufficient enrollment. Children older than 4 who are not attending kindergarten in the 1992-93 school year will be eligible to enroll in the Saturday morning program. The class is intended for children who cannot take advantage of our Early Childhood Center programs, and is not meant as a supplement to the weekday ECC classes. Interested families should call the school office (833-8466) as soon as possible so that a suitable program for this age group can be developed.

B'Shalom

Karen Winkler Weiss, Religious School Director

#### CHUCK ROTHSCHILD TO LEAD UJC

United Jewish Community of Bergen and North Hudson Counties' 15th Annual Meeting will be held on May 4th at 7:30 P.M. at Temple Emeth.

Installation of officers and trustees will include the installation of our own Temple member and Past President, Chuck Rothschild.

All are welcome!

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Since our last newsletter, the children at the The Early Childhood Center have been actively engaged in holiday festivities. Purim and Passover are two exciting holidays for children to celebrate.

Purim is one of my favorite holidays to share with the children. It provides such a rich resource of activity for young children. If you walked through the wing of the nursery school you probably experienced the aroma of hamantaschen, viewed children making their own masks, costumes, groggers and shalach manot baskets. We had lots of fun at our holiday parade. I dressed up as Queen Esther and read a shortened version of the Megillah which provided many opportunities to shake those hand crafted groggers.

For Passover, all the children and parents in our school attended a model Seder. The children were actively involved in preparing food and ceremonial objects for the Seder. They made seder plates, the cup of Elijah, matzah covers, charoset and baked matzah. Each class performed a song with hand-made props. This was truly an enriching experience for the children.

The children and teachers are very excited about our new movement and physical education class. Britt Cryer, a professional dancer and teacher at the Tenafly Recreation Department will be conducting classes for our three and four-year olds every other week. The program provides opportunities to develop basic tumbling, balance beam techniques and beginning ball skills. The aim of this program is to help the children feel good about themselves and their bodies as they acquire new skills and have a happy time.

Our Parents' Association sponsored our first parent workshop entitled "Who's the Boss?-Effective Discipline: Getting Your Child to Listen". Our appreciation goes to Carol Rothstein, a congregant, for being our guest speaker. The workshop was very informative and parents were happy to learn specific ways to discipline their children in a positive manner.

**Laura Schneider, Early Childhood Director**

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**REMINDER**

May 16th is the date  
We're awaiting your response -  
it's not too late  
Send it now without hesitation  
No response means no reservation.  
Join in the fun with laughter  
and cheers  
Toast to Rabbi and Mimi for all  
those years  
They led and inspired with such  
dedication  
How can you miss this joyous  
celebration!  
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Senior League has been participating actively in Temple life, discussing important social issues, and celebrating Purim with great excitement.

We began the month of March with our participation in the UJC breakfast honoring Roger Hoffman. We helped set up and serve the guests. We listened to Senator Bill Bradley and found his speech about the loan guarantees for Israel interesting and informative. We all gained a new sense of understanding of Israel's critical situation.

This was followed by discussion dealing with dating and relationships in the 90's. We all came to the realization that dating is not as simple as it might seem. We all gained new insight as to what each gender is looking for in a prospective date and learned that surface beauty fades fast.

At our annual Purim Carnival, there were new games, new prizes, and many new faces. We had a wonderful time. If you missed it this year, be sure to catch it next year.

Diana Monheit, Program Chairman

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## TROUBLE WITH GRANDFATHERS

By  
Bob Spiewak

### To Israel With Grandchildren

We just returned from a happy trip  
To see the "Promised Land"

And adding to our utmost joy

A grandchild in either hand

We visited the Yad Vashem

And each planted his own tree

But visiting project Dora

Was the trip's highlight to me

The Community Center filled with kids

Of every shape and size

And teachers giving their very best

With love shining from their eyes

Tamara and Adam and Lauren and Bruce

Our grandchildren and their folks

Received an education

(As well as diet cokes)

The ones who gained the most of all

Were my wife, Estelle and me

When you see the sights through  
children's eyes

There's so much more to see!

### FROM THE RABBI'S MAIL BOX

Dear Rabbi Sigel      March 17, 1992

On behalf of all the members of the ACC East B Region and the Guild of Temple Musicians who attended the study session at Temple Emeth I want to thank you for your graciously consenting to teach us yesterday. Your puckishness combined with a seriousness of purpose and the knowledge to back it up made the study session immensely satisfying. There is no doubt in my mind that we will take you up on your offer next year when you retire to become our Talmud teacher. As you know it is all too easy when you are out in the field to get enmeshed in the everyday mechanics of Temple life and not to make time for our real purpose which is the study of Torah.

With gratitude and warmth,  
Cantor Miranda Kark Beckenstein  
Secretary of the East B Regional  
American Conference of Cantors

In a time of increasing concern with social issues which include unemployment, a rise in bias crimes, AIDS, and homelessness, some of Temple Emeth's Congregants have heeded the call in an attempt to make a difference. It is with heartfelt gratitude we thank the Congregants who provided and prepared food and slept at the Family Shelter at St. Cecilia's which was coordinated by Phyllis Burman, the Congregants who did a terrific job of preparing and serving food at the Walk-in program in Hackensack which is coordinated by Vicki Farhi and Rhonda Goodman, and the following Congregants from Temple Emeth who gave time, food, a sleepless night, or financial support to our Overflow Homeless Shelter in February and March in conjunction with the Interreligious Fellowship: Carol and Harold Rothstein, Miriam and Irwin Vogelmann, Ted Greenwood, Jamie Elkin, Larry Silver, Pam Leff, Leo Schneider, Phyllis Burman, June and Bob Mandelkern, and our wonderful friends and volunteers from Beth Sholom, Lynn Geller (coordinator), Diane Bellock, Jackie Brichel, Norman Levine, Nancy Zwiebach and all who prepared wonderful, nutritious meals. A special thanks to Irving Hauptman for all the fabulous food he has prepared at the different sites where Congregants give their time.

**Hedy Geller, Social Action Committee**

Now available for circulation are these books from the library's exhibit on Sephardic Judaism:

**The Jews of Arab Lands; A History and Source Book** by Norman Stillman

**The Cardinal's Snuffbox** by Kenneth Roseman - A "you-are-there" format allows the reader to place himself in Spain during the Inquisition and to decide either of two choices for every dilemma. Ages 8-12.

**A Children's Treasury of Sephardic Tales** - A lively collection of tales set in lands to which the expelled Jews of Spain fled. Ages 8-12

**Plots and Players** by Pamela Melnikoff - A group of Marrano Jews in Elizabethan England confront anti-semitism. Ages 10-14.

**The Other 1492 - The Jewish Settlement in the New World** by Norman Finklestein. Written for ages 10-14, the book is a good introduction for adults as well as a well written and researched account of the Jewish involvement in the discovery of the New World.

**The Spanish Inquisition** by Cecil Roth - Written in 1964, this book has been re-issued for this year's special significance.

**Christopher Columbus's Jewish Roots** by Jane Frances Amler - Who was Christopher Columbus and what ambitions shaped his dreams? Admittedly controversial, this book attempts to prove the theory that Columbus was of Spanish-Jewish descent.

**The Answered Prayer, and Other Yemenite Folktales**, by Sharla Gold and Michael Capri. For the younger child, this book presents Sephardic folktales.

**Jews of New Amsterdam**, by Eva Deutsch Costabel - A carefully researched and beautifully illustrated history of the 23 Jews who, having fled the Inquisition first in Spain and then in Brazil, find themselves on the shores of New Amsterdam.

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and to great grandmother Helen Peck Samuels. Andrew's parents are  
Donna and Jeff Schwarz

Mary and Irving Hauptman on the birth of their grandson, Kyle R. Nielson  
Evelyn Span on her 75th birthday

Roz and Alan Hantman on the marriage of their daughter, Deborah,  
to Steven Landzberg

Larry Lipsitz on receipt of the Annual Special Recognition Award of the  
faculty of the College of Education at Utah State University

Mildred Wineburgh on the birth of her granddaughter, Nina W. Wineburgh

Barbara and Paul Kaufman on the birth of their grandson, Jacob Scott

Alison Levy upon her acceptance to the University of Michigan

Eleanor and Ted Dashman on the birth of their grandson, Samuel Bruce to  
Gina and Bruce Boer

Grace and Irving Borowitz on the engagement of their daughter, Lisa  
to Carl Enfield

Toby, Dave and Adam Carsons on the birth of their son and brother,  
Jared Wiley

Sandra Leeds on the engagement of her son, Peter, to Randi Esbin

Daniel Dessanti on receiving a National Award for excellence in marketing  
of new technologies from the American Gas Association

Get Well Wishes to: Stan Swersky Aaron Maltin Shirley Bierstein

## Condolences to:

Dr. Robert Pfeffer on the loss of his beloved mother, Gisella Pfeffer  
Elsie Rose and Judy Yablonka on the loss of Helen Block, beloved sister of  
Elsie and aunt of Judy

Beryl Barth on the loss of her beloved sister, Lotie K. Jandorf

Michael Farhi on the loss of his beloved father, Joseph Farhi

The Congregation mourns the loss of Mrs. Anna Teutsch, beloved Congregant  
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## TER SPRINGS INTO ACTION

Temple Emeth Retirees have jumped right into spring with a luncheon-theatre afternoon at the Clinton Inn to see the Rogers and Hammerstein Show. This followed a viewing of our Sephardic Exhibit with our docent, Gloria Barsky.

On May 14 TER will lunch and view the African-American Jewish Experience at the Jewish Museum.

A picnic lunch at Boscobel is set for May 28.

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 David Paul in appreciation of Cantor Bornstein

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**Social Action Fund**

Ruth, Peter, Susan and Ellen Adler sending condolences to  
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their daughter, Deborah, to Steven  
to Eleanor and Ted Dashman with mazel tov wishes to Gina, Bruce  
and Samuel  
to Barbara and Paul Kaufman with mazel tov wishes to Rosalie,  
Hubby and Jacob

**JCS CHALLENGE**

Here's how it works. For every new or increased gift made to the Jewish Chataqua Society during the current fiscal year (the period between July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1992), the national board has agreed to match this increase dollar for dollar.

At this time, when the economy is sagging and scapegoating is on the rise, when anti-Semitic incidents have reached (according to an ADL survey) an all-time high, there is a strong need for security within the Jewish community. "Understanding Through Education" fights the battle for Jewish survival the positive way-through learning. Your help is greatly appreciated.

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A new committee has recently been formed, a Holocaust-revisionist/anti-Semitism committee, in response to the chilling recent rise in anti-Semitism, and particularly in response to the receipt by members of a Holocaust revision pamphlet in the mail. What was most distressing was that a few of the people who received it are Holocaust survivors themselves. The pamphlet contained outrageous accusations ranging from denial of the Holocaust experience to blaming the Jews for the AIDS epidemic.

Rabbi Sigel and congregants felt an urgent need to fight the dissemination of these dangerous ideas, and stem, at least in part, the proliferation of anti-Semitic hate. Thus far, there have been two meetings, well-attended and chaired by Vicki Farhi. Several issues were discussed: the aim and specific purpose of the committee and which activities the group would put its efforts into bringing about.

They have arranged for a lecture in the Religious School to the 7th grade by two survivors, and they are working on having a film series at the Teaneck Public Library on the Holocaust, open to the community. They also plan to work with the Ramapo College Holocaust Center on a program of "Women in the Holocaust," for next year.

The programs aim to actively fight anti-Semitism by educating people about the Holocaust. Many non-Jews and even some Jews feel tired of hearing about the past, but obviously, this denial is a danger, and an easy entry for the revisionists to spread their message.

Although it's doubtful that we will ever be completely rid of the scourge of anti-Semitism and racism, meaningful dialogue and education seem to be the most powerful combatants.

**Pamela Ritzer**

So far on the calendar this year, were a wine and cheese party followed by an evening at the Main Street Comedy Club in Hackensack, and a viewing of the play "Born Yesterday" by the Bergen County Players.

This has been the third year of the group's existence, comprised of approximately 20-30 couples. Members agree that it's a pleasant way to meet people their own age and it is also an inducement to eventually join the synagogue. There has been a high degree of interest, not only in the social activities, but also because of the social action events the club participates in. This year they cooperated in the preparation of food for over 100 people, and served it to them at the Bergen County Community Action Program Shelter. Friendships are formed, with young people contributing and sharing new ideas and common interests, introducing their children from the Early Childhood Center. Last Sukkot there was a make-your-own ice cream social geared to the children. It has created a greater involvement in Temple in an easy and informal way.

Please feel free to come to the planning meeting May 23 where next year's events will be discussed.

**Pamela Ritzer**

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BARJ is now accepting applications for enrollment in our weekly school for the '92-93 academic year. BARJ is open to any Jewish student in Bergen County in grades 8-12. Students learn in a progressive, discussion-oriented atmosphere. Our teachers are excellent, with talents specific to bringing Judaism to life for teens. Students are offered a wide range of classes from which to choose, including history, current events, drama, art, Jewish holidays, ethics, family, music, dance, social and political topics, and many more.

BARJ also offers, for the weekly and non-weekly students, retreats, shabbatonim, and other exciting informal educational programs that allow students to learn and interact with their peers from across Bergen County.

If you are interested in BARJ's weekly or non-weekly program, would like more information or an application, please contact Juliet Barr at the BARJ office 599-0080.

Only a few more days remain to visit our museum exhibit entitled "Jewish Roots in Spain". This outstanding installation, presented courtesy of Iberia Airlines, will be on view through May 6th.

Our heartfelt thanks to: Lorraine Beitler for her persistence in securing this exhibit; Howard Winer for installing the very professional molding in our Youth Lounge; Bunny Ritzer for her exquisite art work; and our wonderful team--Arlene and Joel Sokolow, Irmgard and Walter Hann, Mimi Sigel, Gloria Barsky, Sharon Vatsky, Irv Hauptman, Artie Pazan and Beth Monheit. Our hearty thanks, too, go to our most competent tour guides. We love you all!

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So, what do we do that is uniquely, totally, undeniably Jewish? What can we give our children and our grandchildren that will tie them to Judaism with bonds stronger than nostalgia and warm fuzzy feelings?

Shabbat as a day of family. You know those strangers that run in and out of your house and have meals. You know those other people who live in that house with you that all get mail at the same address? That's your family! Have you met? Do you ever sit down, and just talk together? Why not Shabbat as a day of family? Not a day when you can't see your friends, but a day when there are certain times set aside for family. Want friends? Bring your friends over, too. But our family is together on Shabbat. Husbands and wives--no one has enough time for each other. No one has enough time just to stop, and look at that partner in their life, hold their hand, and not do anything but just share your love together.

And Shabbat as a day of holiness. This is a word people are so embarrassed to use, but we are holy creatures. We are created with God inside us. Shabbat is the day on which we nurture what is in us, and not worry about what other people want us to be, or how we are supposed to look, or what we are supposed to get.

And Shabbat as a day of faith. I will tell you that if you are going to put off some of your chores and responsibilities from Shabbat to another day, it is going to take a little faith to believe that they are going to get done. Because everybody says to me, "I can't take Saturday off. I have too many things to do. I've got to do the shopping." Maybe you could do it Sunday--I don't know.

It would take a little faith to believe that if you leave the laundry, or the shopping, that you will still manage to have enough time another day. But Judaism teaches us that when we make enough room for Shabbat, Shabbat makes enough room for the rest of the week.

by Rabbi Donald Weber

By October 1992, it is estimated that over 500 Soviet Jewish emigres will be resettled in the Bergen County and North Hudson community. The emigres that resettle here often come with nothing. Of the 300 emigres already here, some are living in nearly barren apartments because they cannot afford furniture.

These emigres urgently need dinettes, bedroom sets, convertible couches, pots and pans, linens and televisions. If you can make a donation, call Paulina Likhachev, of the United Jewish Community Resettlement Committee at 488-6800.

**JFS SERVICES**

Jewish Family Service is offering a series of three support sessions to parents of inter-married adult children.

Aware of the impact that inter-marriage is having on the Jewish community, JFS is seeking to offer a forum for community members to share their feelings and discuss their concerns.

The session will be from 7:30 to 9 PM on three Thursday evenings, May 14, 21, 28 at the JFS offices at 215 Union Street, Hackensack. The fee is \$30 per couple for the series and \$15 per individual. Pre-registration is required. Contact Gail Abramson at 488-8340.

JFS subsidized home health care services for senior citizen residents of Bergen County are available.

This program, which is now in its fifth year, provides short-term interim care to eligible seniors and respite care services to caregivers to the elderly.

Interested persons may contact Jewish Family Service.



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