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Memorial Resolutions

RABBI SAMUEL COOK

1907- 1998

The entire family of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourns the death of Rabbi Samuel Cook on April 12, 1998. Often referred to as the father of NFTY, Sam Cook was an integral part of the Union's youth division for twenty-seven years, twenty-one as director of NFTY and six years as director of the College Youth Department. Rabbi Cook chose the biblical text for NFTY's motto, one that is still sung in youth groups and camps throughout our community: "Your old men shall dream dreams, and your youth shall see visions." (Joel 3:1)

A native of Philadelphia, Sam Cook graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Haverford College (Haverford, PA.) In 1934 he received rabbinic ordination in Cincinnati from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. As a young rabbi, he directed the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at the University of Alabama for four years and subsequently served Reform congregations in Philadelphia and Altoona, Pennsylvania. During World War II he served as a United States Army chaplain in New Caledonia for three years and achieved the rank of captain.

Sam Cook genuinely loved and respected young people; he believed in their goodness and their openness to the challenges of an exchange of ideas. During his tenure as director of NFTY, Rabbi Cook established NFTY National Leadership Institutes which were held in rented facilities and were designed to create Jewishly informed young people who participated in order to learn to become youth group leaders. The results were dramatic! Young people were trained and returned to their temples as leaders of youth groups. They were also instilled with an awareness that Judaism need no longer be simply an intellectual subject studied in a formal religious school setting but rather an emotionally fulfilling part of their youthful lives through practice and action.

With the birth of the State of Israel, Rabbi Cook inaugurated many programs in Israel, including archeological studies, Bible tours and a Mitzvah Corps program of work on kibbutzim that helped to strengthen the ties between NFTY and Israel. NFTY now maintains an Israel office to oversee the thousands of our youngsters who participate in a multitude of long and short term programs held in Israel.

As a devotee of camping, Rabbi Cook pressed the Union to acquire camps where Reform Jewish youngster of all ages could experience Jewish living in an informal setting. There are now eleven Union Camp-Institutes across North America where our young people develop a love for and an interest in things Jewish and a desire for Jewish knowledge. Today, we take great pride in the overwhelming number of Jewish professionals and laity who are products of NFTY and Union Camp Institutes. Our leaders now come from within our own ranks.

We join in expressing profound condolences to Sam's loving wife of sixty years, Ray, as well as their sons Michael and Joel, daughters-in law and eight grandchildren.

Zecher tzaddik livracha.

Resolution
UAHC Board of Trustees
May 31, 1998/6 Sivan 5758

MARJORIE SPRITZER

1945-1998

The officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of our cherished colleague and friend Marjorie Spritzer, after a long and debilitating illness. A graduate of the University of Miami, Margie earned an M.P.A. at the University of Michigan. Long active in her home congregation, Temple Judea of Coral Gables, Florida, Margie held many offices, including a vice presidency of the congregation as well as it's Sisterhood.

For all of us who knew and were close to Margie, descriptions of her as vibrant, vital or vivacious somehow seem insufficient to the task. Perhaps a description of how we remember Margie can best be described in the song *Yesh Ko-cha-vim* by Jeff Klepper and Dan Frelander:

There are stars up above
So far away we only see their light
Long, long after the star itself is gone
And so it is with people that we loved
Their memories keep shining
Ever brightly though their time with us is done
But the stars that light up the darkest night
These are the lights that guide us
As we live our days
These are the ways we remember

WE REMEMBER MARGIE -

Margie was named to the UAHC's 1991-93 New Leadership Group. In 1992 Margie was elected a regional representative to the UAHC Board and appointed a member of the board of the Union's Southeast Council. Her activities included participation in numerous Union committees to which she gave unstintingly of her time and talents. Margie chaired the 1993-95

New Leadership Group, and in 1993 she was elected to represent the UAHC on the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. She also served on the Board of Overseers of the New York campus of the College-Institute. In 1995 Margie was elected a UAHC vice chair, and was reelected in 1997.

Margie's life was shaped by her commitment to Judaism and, in particular, life long learning. Margie's involvement in Reform Jewish study began in 1990 at the Brandeis Kallah. At Temple Judea, she chaired the Scholar-in-Residence weekend each year since 1989, bringing to her congregation the learning opportunities which she enjoyed through her Reform study experiences. Also, Margie was deeply involved in the Miami community, serving on the Board of Federation, the Central Agency for Jewish Education, and Jewish Vocational School.

The center of her life and her love was her family, her beloved life partner, Michael, and her children, Blaire Michelle and Jeffrey David. They were the pride of her life; their accomplishments nourished her *neshamah*.

We convey our profound sympathy to Michael, Blaire, and Jeffrey, and to her mother, Anne Frankel, her brother, Mel Frankel, and her sister, Frances Yelen. We share their grief.

Her memory will be a blessing to all who knew and loved her.

Ken yehi ratzon.

WALTER LEVY

The Officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death on February 16, 1998, of Walter Levy, a devoted friend and colleague. Judaism was central to Wally's existence and his commitment to Reform Judaism was deep and abiding. He lovingly served our sacred cause in his home synagogue and through the Union's regional and national activities for many years.

Wally had a successful business career in textile manufacturing until his retirement a few years ago. He loved opera and sports and was an avid Yankee fan. One of his former rabbis aptly described him as the quintessential Reform Jew, combining a love of Torah, worship, and Zion into a seamless garment. In addition to the deep Jewish roots of the Levy household, Wally attended Temple Emanuel of Lynbrook, NY, as a youngster, where he celebrated his bar mitzvah, and where his love of Judaism was nurtured. Once he reached adulthood, Wally became involved in the activities of Central Synagogue, Rockville Centre, NY. For more than three decades, he participated fully in the work of the congregation and many of its committees. He was the chairman of some of its most important groups and was eventually elected president of the synagogue. In appreciation for his years of devoted leadership and caring concern, the congregation honored Wally by electing him a Life Trustee. A delegate to at least eleven Union biennials, he urged the synagogue to make a commitment that its president would attend every General Assembly of the UAHC.

A Board member and program vice president of the Greater New York Council of Reform Synagogues, Wally was a devoted member of the UAHC Board of Trustees and participated in many aspects of the Union's work, including MUM, the Endowment Committee, and the Eisner Camp-Institute Committee. Along with his life's partner, Bea, Wally was committed to continuing education and together the couple attended numerous UAHC adult education Kallot.

Wally also gave of his time and talents to numerous communal activities, including United Cerebral Palsy, UJA-Federation, Israel Bonds, and a premier child care facility in Rockville Centre, the Rosa Lee Young Childhood Center.

We join in extending heartfelt condolences to his beloved Bea, his sons Ronald and Peter, their wives Fran and Wendy, his grandsons Benjamin and Jacob, and the entire family. Just as Walter Levy's life was a blessing to all who knew and loved him, so may his memory always be a source of blessing.

Ken yehi ratzon.

MORRIS H. SCHNEIDER


1911-1998

The officers and Board of ARZA profoundly mourn the death of a cherished friend and colleague, Morris Schneider of Rockville Centre, NY on February 15, 1998.

Mo was a devoted member of Central Synagogue of Rockville Centre for almost five decades. He served the congregation with great commitment and caring concern. A one time president of the Men's Club, he was a Board member and past president of the synagogue.

A gentle, loving human being, Mo's life was guided by the ethical ideals of Judaism. An ardent Zionist, he was a longtime member of ARZA and a member of its Board of Trustees for ten years. Mo was determined that ARZA become a force in the synagogue movement and did his utmost to make certain that was the case in his home congregation. For many years he was Central Synagogue's ARZA chairperson. He regularly brought the issues that confronted Israel and the Jewish people to the attention of his fellow congregants, always seeking their active involvement in responding to these critical issues.

Morris, a former Nassau county attorney, was at one time the director of planning for Nassau County as well as Corporate Counsel and acting city manager of Long Beach, NY. He left public service in 1976 and became corporate attorney for Statewide Insurance Company, a position he held until his retirement at age 83 .



Morris is survived by his loving life's partner for more than 61 years, Estelle, their children, Betsy Seitler and Alan Schneider, and four grandchildren. We express deepest sympathy to them and to all of Mo's loved ones.

May his memory be for a blessing always.

Ken yehi ratzon.

MILDRED ROSS

1915 - 1997

The entire family of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourns the death on October 15, 1997 of Mildred Ross. While a very devoted leader of Reform Judaism in her own right, Mildred will be lovingly remembered by many as our most gracious *First Lady*, serving at the side of her beloved Matt when he was chairman of the UAHC Board, 1974-79. A truly elegant and gentle woman, she extended the hand of friendship to one and all and gave of herself to others with a full measure of care and concern.

A graduate of New York's Hunter College, with a master's degree equivalency from Columbia University, Mildred held a life-long interest in education, Jewish as well as secular. A reader for the Guild for the Jewish Blind, she was a member of the board of the Public Education Association and Alumni Scholarship and Welfare Board of Hunter College. The governors and faculty of her alma mater recognized her outstanding contributions by electing her to the Hunter College Hall of Fame .

Mildred was a longtime and deeply involved member of Central Synagogue. Her activities ran the gamut from the presidency of the temple's Sisterhood to involvement in the creation of the magnificent needlepoint works that adorn the *bimah* to the highest congregational leadership position as the first woman to be elected Central Synagogue's president. There was nary a facet of the synagogue's program that did not bear the touch of her loving attention. She was a founder of the synagogue's nursery school and its first director. She was constant in her devotion to the school and the children who were a

part of it, visiting them and proudly showing visitors around the nursery even after she gave up the directorship. She organized the Synagogue Seniors group and worked as a volunteer at a time when many of her charges were younger than she, but none as young in heart and outlook as Mildred.

At the time of her death, Mildred was a member of the UAHC Board of Trustees, a post to which she was elected in 1989; she served on the executive committee for two terms. She participated in the efforts of the Steering Committee of Presidents of Large Congregations when that group was first formed. Mildred always described herself as a "people person" and her Union activities underscored that interest, as she participated in the work of the Caring Community and Jewish Family Committees. When it was in existence, she was active as a member of the board of the then New York Federation of Reform Synagogue's Counseling Center. A very low-key person, Mildred was there when a job had to be done, and she did it with substance and style. She never sought public acknowledgment; she undertook projects that she believed in and gave them her full and wholehearted attention.

We express profound sympathy to Mildred's family, those who stood at the center of her love and concern. We grieve with her beloved life's partner of fifty-nine years, Matthew; their children, Jane, and Alan and Eleanor; their four grandchildren and great grandchild; and all her loved ones.

Zecher Tzadik Livracha.

DAVID M. LEVITT

1917 - 1997

With profound sorrow the Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of a devoted friend and colleague, David M. Levitt, an Honorary Life Trustee. Following a long and tenacious struggle with serious illness, David succumbed on September 12, 1997, the eve of his 80th birthday. For more than four decades David served the UAHC and Reform Judaism in a myriad of critical areas of our work, always with his special flair and elan and with a fervor that stemmed from his deep and abiding commitment to Judaism and the Jewish people. He was a proud and caring Jew and our Movement was blessed by his loving devotion.

Prior to his 1983 election as an Honorary Life Trustee, David actively served on the Union's Board of Trustees for many years and had several terms on the Executive Committee as well as a Vice Chairmanship from 1963 to 1967. He participated in the deliberations of many committees, those dealing with finances and business management as well as religious action and Long Range Planning. He chaired Vision '73, the special committee charged with planning the celebration of the Union's Centennial in 1973.

David had a distinguished business career as president of the Doughnut Corporation of America, which became DCA Food Industries, Inc. under his leadership. As a member of the YPO (Young Presidents Organization) and an expert in every aspect of the food industry, David was part of a group of food specialists sent to the then USSR by the U.S. Government in 1960 to study and evaluate their food processes. On his retirement in 1982, he devoted himself to additional philanthropic work, including service on the Board of the National Training Laboratories. He was a consultant to the American Cancer Society and to various developing companies. David was a past president and honorary member of the Board of Temple Beth-El of Great Neck, New York.

David had a great sense of adventure and thrived when he and Norma sailed the seas in their graceful ship, *Ruach*, or when they relaxed at their island home. He lived life with zest and passion.

Above all his greatest love was his family, his beloved life's partner of sixty years, Norma, their children Sally, Nancy and Andrew and their spouses and his grandchildren Noah, Jonah, Rebecca, Mia and Elizabeth and his twin sister, Dorothy Beskind. To each of them we extend deepest sympathy.

May his memory be as a blessing always.

Zecher Tzadik Livracha.

HARRIS GILBERT

1922-1997

With profound sorrow the Officers, Board, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of Harris Gilbert on August 8, 1997 after a brief illness. He was a devoted and deeply involved member of the Union Board for twenty years and was a vice chairman for two terms and a member of the Executive Committee for twelve years. Harris loved Reform Judaism and the Jewish people with every fiber of his being and he served our sacred cause with great fervor. With his quiet but steady and strong leadership in all aspects of Reform Judaism he left us a great legacy. Harris was truly one of the finest of our Movement's leaders in this generation.

Harris participated in the work of many of our committees and chaired two of Reform Judaism's major Commissions, Social Action from 1983-1991 and Outreach from 1991 until his death. No matter what task he undertook, he gave 110% of himself to the effort. Little known even within the Union's leadership is the fact that our exceptional "Taste of Judaism" program was the creation of Harris' fertile mind! More than 10,000 people have participated in this innovative offering! Along with his creativity, he was a man of great principle, and a champion of democracy and the rights of all people. In debate, he displayed deep conviction together with unfailing respect and civility, a mastery of the issues, and a calm presence at the microphone or around the table at a meeting.

A World War II hero, Harris served in the South Pacific and was a much-decorated American B-24 bomber pilot. In civilian life, he was equally heroic, giving of himself to every battle to strengthen America and the fabric of its social justice. Thus, he served Common Cause People for the American Way and other civic organizations, especially the UAHC. Along with Al Vorspan, Harris represented the UAHC as a Non-Governmental Organization representative to the United Nations.

His deepest passion and source of greatest pride, however, was his blessed family, his loving wife, Sally, and their children Carol and Jeffrey Singer, Bruce and Beth Gilbert, and grandchildren: Matthew, Michael, Tori, Ryan and Jamie.

May his memory be for a blessing always.

Zecher Tzadik Livracha.

LILLIAN MALTZER
1916-1997

The entire family of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourns the sudden death of Lillian Maltzer on July 21, 1997. Following many years of outstanding leadership in communal and UAHC activities on the local and regional levels, Lillian was elected to the Union's Board of Trustees in 1975. She remained an actively involved Trustee until the time of her death. A caring and concerned Reform Jew, Lillian always gave of her time and considerable talents and insights with loving care and consecration.

Lillian participated in the work of a multitude of Union committees and served as Secretary and a Vice Chair of the Union's Board. She was president of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, now Women of Reform Judaism, from 1977-1981. In 1974 she was appointed chair of the then Commission on Synagogue Administration (now Synagogue Management), the first woman to lead a Joint Commission of Reform Judaism. She had also chaired the Jewish Family Committee, the Reform Day School Committee and most recently was active as Vice Chair of the Association of UAHC Board Alumni. Her interest and activities spanned the full spectrum of the Union's program and she always gave of herself with a full heart.

National prominence never swayed Lillian from involvement in the synagogue. She was long active at Temple Emanu-El of Oak Park, Michigan and served as its president prior to joining the Union's Board. When she and her husband, Dr. Joseph Maltzer, took up residence in Longboat Key, Florida, they were founding members of Temple Beth Israel, and Lillian was president of that flourishing congregation from 1991-1993, remaining deeply involved in the temple's activities until the time of her death.

A native New Yorker, Lillian was a graduate of the City College of New York and received her nursing degree from New York's Mount Sinai School of Nursing. She and Joe raised their family in Michigan and held close ties to that community even after they retired to Florida.

We express profound sympathy to her beloved life's partner, Joe, their children Janice, Mark and Karen, grandchildren, great grandchild and all her loved ones.

May her memory sustain us all and endure as a blessing always.

Zecher Tzadik Livracha.

UAHC Resolution/September 1997 Executive Committee

J. JACQUES STONE

1907 - 1997

The entire leadership of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourns the death of Jack Stone on May 6, 1997. He was a long-time and cherished leader of American Reform Judaism. Following close to thirty years of active participation in our leadership ranks he was elected an Honorary Life Trustee of the Union in 1989.

When Jack was involved in a cause, he gave it his all, but never at a cost to his family and profession. A graduate of the College of the City of New York and Harvard Law School, Jack remained in practice until the time of his death. He served on the Boards of numerous organizations including the Jewish Braille Institute, Anti-Defamation League, HUC-JIR Board of Overseers, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, University of Bridgeport Law School and Quinnipiac College School of Law. He was honored by being elected president of The Jewish Board of Education of Greater New York, B'nai B'rith New York Lodge #1, the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods and Chancellor of its Jewish Chautauqua Society. Jack was a past president of New York's Central Synagogue, where he remained an active member until his death.

His efforts in behalf of the UAHC were a panoply of his widespread areas of interest and concern. He served on Jewish Education, Endowment and Trust, Labor Relations, Law Committee, Camp Institutes, Budget, Biennial, Task Force on the Unaffiliated, among others. Quietly and unassumingly, Jack gave of himself and his talents whenever and wherever he was called upon to serve and was always a source of wisdom and sage counsel.

We extend heartfelt sympathy to his beloved wife, Janet, his children and grandchildren.

May his memory sustain us and endure as a blessing always.

Zecher Tzadik Livracha.

WILLIAM M. DANIEL
1911-1997

The Officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of William M. Daniel, a lifelong Reform Jew and a deeply devoted leader of our movement. Bill was a survivor in every sense of the word. He fled Nazi Germany in the late 1930s and created a new life in the United States with his beloved wife, Lottie. They also rebuilt their life and home when all their worldly possessions, including a magnificent art collection, were destroyed in the fires that ravaged Santa Barbara a few years ago.

A graduate of Hamburg's Talmud Torah Gymnasium, Bill served as president of the Bielefeld (Germany) Reform Congregation from 1932 to 1936 before coming to the United States. A successful businessman in Germany, he was virtually penniless when he arrived in America and settled in Rockford, Illinois. Within a short period of time, he rose to prominence in the world of business and finance as president and chairman of the Board of the Behr Iron and Steel Corporation. Actively involved in numerous civic institutions, Bill was also a founder of the Rockford Jewish Federation and served as its president while simultaneously leading Temple Beth-El.

For a few years, Bill and Lottie lived in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he participated in synagogue and civic life before the couple settled in Santa Barbara, California in 1975. A national Board member of the United Jewish Appeal and Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Bill was always an integral part of his chosen community and was a mainstay of Santa Barbara's Congregation B'nai B'rith. He never neglected the wider community and served as a Trustee of Rockford (IL) College and Santa Fe's St. John's College, as well as the New Mexico Museum of Fine Arts. Bill was a commissioner of Santa Barbara's Juvenile Crime Prevention Commission. He and Lottie gave a major grant to the Santa Barbara Foundation that provided financial aid to numerous worthy causes, including quality day care for needy children.

Bill was a member of the Board of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. He and Lottie, together with his brother and sister-in-law, Gerard and Ruth, were driving forces in the creation a magnificent home for Tel Aviv's exciting, active, and beautiful Progressive congregation Beit Daniel.

A dedicated member of the UAHC Board of Trustees until his death, Bill gave of his time and talents with unstinting devotion to many areas of our program. He and Lottie were keenly involved in the work of Outreach and in 1992 provided a generous endowment to secure the future of our movement's work in this critical area of concern. In tribute and appreciation, the UAHC Department of Reform Jewish Outreach was named in their honor.

Bill lived an ethical life. He cared about others; he shared of his means. Bill believed Jews must live in such a way that all who see us consider us prophets of Israel and followers of the prophetic ideal of morality and justice. He was an example for us all.

May his memory be for a blessing always. Ken yehi ratzon.

Howard M. Wilkoff

1908-1998

With profound sorrow, the Officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death on January 22, 1998 of our devoted colleague and friend, Howard Wilkoff. He served on our National Board for almost three decades and was heavily involved in the work of many crucial committees. Elected a UAHC Vice Chairman for two terms, he was Treasurer from 1983 until 1987 when he was named Honorary Treasurer. Howard may well be best remembered as the long time and completely devoted chairman of the Maintenance of Union Membership Committee, an effort to which he gave of his time and talents with unstinting dedication and loving concern.

Colorful and adventuresome, Howard was an electrical engineer, inventor and entrepreneur. During his student days at Carnegie Tech Howard was a barnstorming pilot and founder of an aviation club. He was also part of the first Intercollegiate Aviation Conference in 1929, participating with Howard Hughes, Amelia Earhart, and a few other pioneer pilots. While aviation held a special place in Howard's heart, he opted for a career in electrical engineering over a place in his family's iron and steel company in Youngstown, Ohio.

Howard became a member of General Electric's research staff and developed the process for asbestos insulation of wire and cable which led to a post with American Steel and Wire as head of development engineering and research. It was obvious that World War II was imminent and with a view to reducing heavy lead armor used on power and communication vessels to allow for the carrying of more ammunition, the United States Navy ordered all cable manufacturers to research and redesign battleship cable. Howard's inventive mind brought a solution in the form of a plastic impregnated woven tape which became mandatory by ruling of the United States Navy. Howard refused to give up the project when it was apparent there wasn't a firm in the country which could manufacture this tape. Necessity being the mother of invention, and given Howard's tenacity and determination, he and three colleagues who had worked on the new tape formed NETCO, the New England Tape Company in order to manufacture the tape so critical to the war effort. The success of NETCO earned the firm an Army/Navy E for Excellence and eventually led to the production of a wide range of innovative products for various industries including medical safety, communications, and electronics.

Judaism was an important aspect of Howard's being. A founder and past president Temple Beth Elohim of Wellesley Hills he was an active participant in the life of the congregation as well as one of its significant benefactors. He was deeply involved in the building of the temple's beautiful facilities and took great pride in the building as well as the program of the congregation.

RABBI HUGO G. GRYN

1930 - 1996

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations notes with profound grief the death of Rabbi Hugo G. Gryn, an illustrious leader of Reform Judaism. A native of Czechoslovakia, he was a survivor of Auschwitz, where his younger brother met his death, and the final death marches of World War II where his father perished at his side. As a young refugee in England, he determined to serve Judaism and the Jewish people and he did so with an a deep commitment to our faith and people. He was an advocate of interfaith understanding as well as human and civil rights, a lover of peace, an ardent life long Zionist, and above all a man of faith and hope.

Ordained at the Cincinnati campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1957, Hugo Gryn was spiritual leader of the Jewish Religious Union of Bombay, India until 1960 when he was named executive director of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, then located in New York. After three years of dedicated and successful service with the WUPJ, he became involved in refugee work in the United States and Europe as a senior executive of the Joint Distribution Committee and eventually he was called to the pulpit of the West London Synagogue which he led as beloved senior rabbi at the time of his death on August 18, 1996. Brilliant preacher and teacher, he was revered and respected the world over by laity and clergy alike. His door was open to one all, the needy and the affluent alike and no problem was too great or too small for his concern. Hugo dedicated his life and work to the transmission of Judaism and a love of our faith and our people; he did so with humor and love and most especially by personal example.

We extend heartfelt condolences to his loving wife, Jacqueline, his children, grandchildren, and all his loved ones. His memory will be for a blessing.

May the soul of Hugo Gabriel Gryn be bound up in the bond of lasting life.

"T'hi nishmato tzurah bitzror ha-chaim."

ARTHUR J. LELYVELD

2/6/13 - 4/14/96

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourns the death of Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld an eminent leader of Reform Judaism, a passionate life long Zionist, and a renowned activist in the pursuit of civil rights and social justice.

Senior rabbi of Cleveland's Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple from 1958 until his retirement in 1986, Arthur Lelyveld was a brilliant speaker but he never paid mere lip service to the causes he held dear, he was a doer of deeds, an activist even when it meant placing himself in danger. On a mission to Hattiesburg, Mississippi during the 1964 struggle for civil rights, he was so severely beaten by two white segregationists brandishing iron weapons he required hospitalization for serious injuries.

During his early rabbinate he was the national director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, the policy body for Hillel centers on college campuses in the United States and abroad.

Active in numerous organizations, he was a former Trustee of the UAHC and his volunteer leadership included service as president of the Synagogue Council of America, the American Jewish Congress and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the rabbinic arm of Reform Judaism. He was a lecturer on Jewish Thought at a Jesuit institution, John Carroll University, in Cleveland.

Arthur Lelyveld always stood prepared to fight for the rights of others and followed Judaism's teachings of Tikun Olam -- to pursue the healing of a fractured world.

We extend deepest condolences to his loving wife, Teela, his sons and daughter, and all his loved ones. His memory will be for a blessing.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

JOSEPH KLEIMAN

1918-1996

The Officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death on January 6, 1996 of an Honorary Vice Chairman and devoted friend and colleague, Joseph Kleiman of Los Angeles, California.

Joe was a gentle, caring person who loved Jews and Judaism. The synagogue and Torah were always at the core of his concern and he led by example as a regular attendee at synagogue services and a life-long student of Judaism. He and Shirley believed in continuing education and through their generosity created the Shirley and Joseph Kleiman Institute on Spirituality which provides sustenance for the UAHC-CCAR Commission on Religious Living Kallot, an exciting experience in adult Jewish study.

Joe first joined the Union Board of Trustees in 1968 as a representative of the Pacific Southwest Council and was an active participant in our work until his death. Over the years Joe was involved in the work of a full gamut of committees and commissions, from congregational relations and camping to budget, finance and development, and he chaired our Religious Commitment committee. No matter the task, he always gave of himself and his talents with unstinting devotion. He held many offices over the years and was elected Honorary Vice Chairman of the Union in 1993.

An engineer by training, Joe was a Senior Vice President for Corporate Development with the Whittaker Corporation until his retirement. He served on the Board of Directors of the American Technion Society, and was a member of Leo Baeck Temple and a past president of Stephen S. Wise Temple, both in Los Angeles.

We express heartfelt condolences to his beloved life's partner, Shirley, his sons Richard, Robert and William and all his loved ones.

May the soul of Joseph Kleiman be bound up in the bond of lasting life.

"T'hi nishmato tzurah bitzror ha-chayim."

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSON

1910-1995

The Officers, Board of Trustees, and staff of the UAHC mourn the death on December 13, 1995 of a venerated friend and colleague, an Honorary Board Member, and one of Judaism's giants, Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn of Boston.

Roland Gittelsohn was a principled and outspoken opponent of bigotry, prejudice and injustice wherever they arose. A leader in the Civil Rights movement he served on President Truman's Commission on Civil Rights. He was pacifist who saw duty as a U.S. Naval Chaplain during World War II because he believed that it was "obligatory" to fight Hitler. His address at the opening of the Marine cemetery on Iwo Jima was considered one of the most moving speeches of the war and was repeated widely over radio and TV. His war service notwithstanding, he was one of the first clergymen to speak out against the Vietnam War and was also vocal in the struggle to curtail the escalation of nuclear weapons.

Ordained by HUC-JIR in 1936, Rabbi Gittelsohn served two congregations with great devotion and distinction: Central Synagogue of Rockville Centre, NY from 1936-53 and Temple Israel of Boston from 1953 until his retirement in 1977. His passion for social justice and dedication to the highest values of Torah and Jewish education left enduring imprints on his congregations and congregants, even while his ministry and communal service reached far beyond the sacred walls of the synagogue. A Past President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, he was the Founding President of The Association of Reform Zionists of America and led ARZA forward from its inception to become a powerful force for justice, equality, and peace on the world Zionist scene.

Roland was an active member of the UAHC Board for thirty years, from 1954 as a CCAR representative until his election as an Honorary Board member in 1984. His interest and participation in our work never waned, it continued until his final illness.

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He served on many UAHC Committees and Commissions including heavy involvement in the work of Reform Judaism's Commission on Social Action and as chairman of the Joint Commission on Jewish Education. A prolific writer he wrote on a wide variety of themes and had twelve volumes published, including a number of UAHC Press textbooks used by at least two generations of religious school students, our own Reform youngsters, of course, but many orders have also been received from Conservative and Reconstructionist synagogue schools.

We extend sincerest sympathy to his beloved wife, Hulda (Bubbles), his children and grandchildren, his sister, Natalie Falcon, and all his loved ones.

May his memory sustain us and endure as a blessing always.

Zecher Tzadeek Livracha.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

MARCIA LIEBERT CAYNE

The Officers and Board of Trustees of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations lament the tragic death of a faithful friend and colleague, Marcia Cayne of Woodland Hills, California, President of the Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA). Marcia had a strong will to live but succumbed to cancer on August 5, 1995 following a brief but valiant struggle for life.

Marcia was passionate in her love of Judaism and the Jewish people and was deeply involved in manifold aspects of synagogue and Jewish communal life. A founding member and Vice President of Kol Tikvah, of Woodland Hills (formerly Shir Chadash: New Reform Congregation), she had also been a Vice President of Temple Judea of Tarzana, California and a president of its Sisterhood. She served on the Board of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (now Women of Reform Judaism) and was a Vice Chairwoman of Interreligious Activities as well as a member of Sisterhood's Board Alumnae Associates. She was active in the Jewish Community Relations Committee of the Greater Los Angeles Jewish Federation Council and served on the Executive Committee of its Middle East Commission. As a member of the Executive Committee of the Union's Pacific Southwest Council, she co-chaired their 1993 Biennial Convention and was the Region's Congregational Liaison Task Force chair.

An ardent Zionist, Marcia was active in ARZA regionally as well as nationally prior to being elected president in 1993; she led ARZA with vitality and vibrancy as well as sensitivity and caring concern for the welfare of Israel and all her people. She represented ARZA with distinction on the Board of the Jewish Agency for Israel; the North American Board of the World Union for Progressive Judaism; ARZENU - the International Association of Reform Zionists; the Va'ad Hapoel - Zionist General Council; the World Zionist Organization, and the American Zionist Movement.

Marcia was in the forefront of Liberal Judaism's struggle for full equality in religious life in Israel and she travelled far and wide as an articulate advocate for Reform Zionism, sharing the message of ARZA. Her abiding commitment to religious pluralism led to ARZA's embarking on Operation Equality, a campaign to allow all Jews in the homeland of the Jewish people to practice their Judaism according to their personal convictions.

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We grieve with her loving life's partner, Maurice, their daughter Naomi, son-in-law Brian, her brother David Liebert, and all her loved ones.

May the soul of Marcia Cayne be bound up in the bond of lasting life.

"T'hi nishmato tzurah bitzror ha-chayim."

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

ROBERT L. ADLER

1918-1995

The Officers, Board of Trustees and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death on July 6, 1995 of a cherished and esteemed friend and colleague, Robert L. Adler of Chicago, Illinois.

Throughout his life Bob was active in Jewish affairs locally, regionally and nationally and the synagogue was always at the core of his caring concern. He first joined the Union Board of Trustees in 1962 on his election as president of our Chicago Federation and he served without interruption until his death. Recognizing Bob's long years of outstanding leadership, the UAHC elected him an Honorary Life Trustee in 1986. There was barely an aspect of our activities which did not bear Bob's imprimatur for he served on a multitude of critical Union committees, including chairmanship of the 1975 and 1977 Biennial Program Committees. Indeed, our highest tribute, the Maurice N. Eisendrath Bearer of Light Award for outstanding service to Reform Judaism was to have been presented to Bob at the 1995 Atlanta Biennial.

We will forever be beholden to him for his abiding concern for the security and welfare of our rabbis and other temple professionals. Bob was an architect and long time guiding spirit of the Rabbinical Pension Board and led it with vigor and vision for many years, travelling the length and breadth of this land to extend its sway.

Many organizations reaped the benefits of his love of Judaism, Israel and Klal Yisrael. He was a long time Board member of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and was actively involved in the work of AIPAC, the United Jewish Appeal, the Council of Jewish Federations and the Jewish Welfare Board (now JCC), over which he presided for some years.

A Governor of the Jewish Agency for Israel, he held several key positions on its Board, chairing the Budget and Finance Committee on Aliyah and K'litah which enabled the ingathering and absorption of Jews from every corner of our far flung world.

(page -2-) Bob Adler

Bob always stood ready to help others. When it came to the needs of others he gave of himself unstintingly. Bob was always fully in command. He led the Jewish community with intelligence and forthrightness; vital and energetic, he was life-affirming to the very end.

We mourn with his life's partner, Jean, and their children Sandi, Steven, and Ruth and their spouses and children. and we extend heartfelt condolences to them.

May the soul of Bob Adler be bound up in the bond of lasting life.

"T'hi nishmato tzurah bitzror ha-chayim."

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

DAVID "DAN'" GOLOMB

The Officers, Board of Trustees and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of a revered and respected friend and colleague, Dan Golomb of New York City, on March 12, 1995.

Dan was an active Trustee from 1983 until the time of his death, serving most recently on the Fund for Reform Judaism Steering Committee and the Union's Management Committee. He had been a UAHC representative to the Commission on Social Action and the ARZA Board, as well as a participant on our Resolutions Committee. He was also actively involved with the World Union for Progressive Judaism and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

Dan loved Judaism and the Jewish people and his love for the synagogue was second only to his family. His synagogue membership - and he held three - included playing a leadership role in seeking to guide his congregations toward vigor and vitality. During his tenure as president of The Community Synagogue of Port Washington, NY (1968-73), Dan moved that fine congregation to a level of fiscal responsibility which gave it great strength and stability which attains to this day. He took the greatest pride, however, in having raised the level of Jewish literacy within the congregation by undertaking to study Hebrew in order to read from the Torah and thus stimulated similar studies by fellow congregants by word as well as by example.

Where there was injustice, Dan spoke out. Where there was a need, Dan helped out. Where there was a problem, Dan sought to resolve it. A man of his word, he stood by his convictions and refused to depart from them, even if such a departure might have advantaged him or his business. His deeds bespoke his commitments. Dan always had a twinkle in his eye, a smile to share, a kind word to offer, and a person who gave beyond mere lip service to each and every cause which he held dear. Generous of spirit and substance, Dan was a mensch, a righteous man.

To his life's partner, his loving wife Betty, his sons and their wives: Rabbi Paul and Deborah, Hank and Betty, and John and Barbara, his brother Frederick and six adored grandchildren, we express profound condolences.

Zecher Tzaddik L'vracha. May his memory be for a blessing always.

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

BARBARA J. KUHN

1924-1995

The Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of a cherished friend and colleague, Barbara Kuhn of Nashville, Tennessee, on February 6, 1995. She was truly a woman of valor who battled a long and debilitating illness with courage and great dignity.

A warm and gracious lady, Barbara was an integral part of our family long before she was elected to the National Board in her own right, for her late husband, Gus David Kuhn, Jr., was a revered and active Board member for many years. Barbara was his partner in devotion to the Union and Reform Judaism. She was involved in many activities locally, regionally as well as nationally. A past president of Congregation Ohabai Sholom's Sisterhood, Barbara was an ardent worker and member of the Union's Midwest Council Board and her efforts in behalf of the Region were fully recognized when she was elected an Honorary Vice President.

A committed Reform Jew, Barbara was genuinely devoted to the rights of others and she taught these values and shared of her knowledge and love of Judaism as a religious school teacher of many years standing. She was a member of the Commission on Social Action of Reform Judaism and an honorary Chairperson of our Liheyot Project, which advocates for Jews with special needs and/or disabilities.

The proud mother of Rabbi William I., Gus David, III and Irwin J. Kuhn, as well as their wives and children, Barbara has given them a legacy of a special love for Judaism and the Jewish people as well as a caring concern for all human beings.

Zecher Tzaddik L'vracha. May her memory be for a blessing always.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

PAUL KODIMER

1917-1995

The Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of a revered leader of Reform Judaism, Paul Kodimer of Los Angeles. Following a long and debilitating illness, Paul was taken from our midst on February 2, 1995.

With the exception of a two year period when he was rotated off the Board, Paul served as a Trustee from 1963 until 1985 when he was elected an Honorary Life Trustee. His interest in our sacred cause never waned, his devotion continued unabated until his death, albeit his active participation was restricted during his illness.

Deeply committed to Judaism and the ideals of Tikkun Olom and social justice, Paul served on the Commission on Social Action for many years as an active and then Honorary member. As an institution builder, Paul played a critical role in securing the Religious Action Center *Reform Judaism* and his magnanimous sharing of his resources helped assure the Center's growth and vitality. It was an exceedingly generous challenge grant from Paul that launched the *Kodimer's* successful Tzedek Society drive.

A successful businessman, Paul built a chain of major supermarkets from a small grocery store. He eschewed building in the suburbs and kept the markets in the heart of Los Angeles in order to serve that community about which he cared. He supported his workers and his customers and was truly an example of the impact that one caring human being can make, on individuals as well as a community. The ~~simplicity~~ *simplicity* of his moral vision was brought to bear in all that he did privately as well as publicly.

We extend profound sympathy to his wife, Dorothy; his children and family. We feel the void. We share their pain.

Zecher Tzaddik Levracha.

Clarity

RABBI DAVID POLISH

1910-1995

The entire family of Reform Judaism mourns the death of an prominent leader of our community, Rabbi David Polish of Evanston, Illinois.

The Founding Rabbi of Evanston's Beth Emet the Free Synagogue, Rabbi Polish was their spiritual leader from 1950 until his retirement in 1980. Ordained by the HUC-JIR in 1934, Rabbi Polish was associated with the Hillel Foundation at Cornell University during the early years of his rabbinate.

A founder of the Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA), whose statement of principles he drafted, Rabbi Polish was a prime mover in convening the 1970 Conference of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Israel and he facilitated the CCAR's joining the World Zionist Organization. In 1971 he was elected president of the CCAR for a two year term and represented the CCAR with distinction on the Board of the UAHC. He was a prolific writer and authored numerous books and articles.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Aviva, and his children, Judith Shenker and Rabbi Daniel Polish, and six grandchildren. We convey deepest sympathy to the entire family.

Zecher Tsaddik L'vrachah.

ETHEL BOTWIN

RJ Obit

The Officers and Board of the UAHC mourn the sudden death of our colleague, Ethel Botwin of Leawood, Kansas on December 30, 1995.

Ethel was an active member and Trustee of Congregation B'nai Jehudah, Kansas City, Missouri, as well as a past president of that congregation's Sisterhood and the Midwest Regional Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and a Board member of Women of Reform Judaism. Ethel was deeply involved in the work of the UAHC's Midwest Council and was elected to represent that region on the UAHC Board of Trustees. She was devoted to the Jewish people and Reform Judaism, giving of her time and talents with a full heart.

She was trained as a nurse at Boston's Beth Israel Hospital and received a bachelor's degree in nursing and advanced nursing education from Duke University, and moved on to head the surgical nursing education department at KU Medical Center. She received certification from the State of Missouri as a nursing home administrator and eventually became the administrator of the University of Kansas Medical Center.

Ethel is survived by her husband, Dr. Arnold E. Botwin; three children, five grandchildren, a brother and sister. We extend to deepest condolences to them all.

May her memory be for a blessing always.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

RICHARD COHEN

1923-1994

The Officers, Board and Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the tragic and untimely death of our esteemed colleague, Richard Cohen of New York. While ill for some months, Dick worked until the very end and died peacefully in his sleep on October 31, 1994.

He was the founder and president of Richard Cohen Associates, a public relations firm, which for 15 years functioned as media consultants for the UAHC as well as many other Jewish organizations. His clients represented causes in which he believed and included undertaking p.r. programs for "The Last Temptation of Christ" as well as "Schindler's List."

A brilliant writer and editor with an uncanny ability to provide personalized and devoted attention to each and every client, Dick was truly a spokesperson for the American Jewish community, highly respected by all who knew him. A tireless worker, he gave of himself and his talents with great energy. His feisty demeanor disguised a soft and caring heart.

Deeply involved in the struggle for Soviet Jewry, Dick was chief press officer at three World Conferences on Soviet Jewry and author of the first comprehensive history of their striving for freedom, "Let My People Go."

Dick was a great humanitarian, a proud Jew and lover of Israel, as well as a loyal American who saw active combat in World War II. His career path took him to Paris after the War, where he worked for the American Joint Distribution Committee while also serving as a correspondent for the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. On returning to America, he served the JDC in New York and eventually the American Jewish Congress in St. Louis and New York. In 1979 he established his own firm.

We extend heartfelt sympathy to his wife, Dr. Aphrodite Clamar-Cohen; his daughters, Joelle, Nina and Leslie all of California; two sons-in-law, four grandchildren and a sister, Ruth Schecter.

Zecher Tzaddik Levracha.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

RABBI JOSEPH B. GLASER

1925-1994

The Officers, Board and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations grieve over the tragic and untimely death on September 22, 1994 of Rabbi Joseph B. Glaser, Executive Vice President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, Ex Officio member of our Board as well as a former staff member.

Known to all as a rabbi's rabbi, Joe was passionate in his efforts to create a firm foundation upon which our rabbis can build a secure future. He enlarged the CCAR'S Relief and Subvention Fund to aid indigent rabbis and rabbinic spouses. He pressured and persisted in moving the CCAR Centennial Fund forward to further provide for the needy within the CCAR family, even as he insisted his own retirement tribute be an Endowment Fund to help further and assure the dignity of the rabbinate and the work of the Conference.

Joe was staunch in his love of Israel, the land and the people, yet that never diminished his caring concern for all peoples, Jew and non-Jew alike, farm workers and Native Americans. He was a passionate advocate for the highest ethical standards and was an activist in the pursuit of justice and civil and human rights for all. Professionally as well as personally, the prophetic ideals of Judaism guided his every endeavor.

After service in World War II and thereafter qualifying as an attorney, Joe entered the rabbinate. He was ordained at HUC-JIR Cincinnati in 1956 and became the rabbi of Temple Beth Torah, Ventura, California while also serving as a faculty member and registrar at the California School, HUC-JIR. In 1959 the Union named Joe Director of its Pacific Northwest/Northern California Council and he remained in the post until 1971 when he moved East to direct the critical work of the CCAR.

Joe was a guiding spirit of the Union's Saratoga Camp Institute which now bears the name of San Francisco's Swig family thanks to his efforts. Joe helped it grow physically as well as programmatically to become an extraordinary vehicle for Jewish education, touching the lives of thousands of our young people. Many Swig Campers, deeply influenced by Rabbi Joe, as he was affectionately known, have gone on to become leading rabbis, cantors, educators and lay leaders within the Reform community.

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To his beloved wife, Agathe, their children: Rabbi Simeon and Barbara, Meyer and Katherine, Sara, John and Elissa, five grandchildren, his brother and other family members, we convey deepest condolences.

Zecher Tzaddik Levracha.

OBIT/RJ

HENRY GREENWALD

1908-1994

The entire family of the UAHC mourns the death of an outstanding and revered leader of Reform Judaism, our Honorary Life Trustee, Henry Greenwald of Kingston, Pennsylvania. Following a long and debilitating illness, Henry was taken from our midst on March 31, 1994.

A respected attorney and active communal leader in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, Henry was a pillar of his congregation, Temple B'nai B'rith. He gave wholeheartedly of his time and creativity and eventually became involved in the work of the UAHC's Pennsylvania Council which elected him president in 1968; he represented that Council on the UAHC Board until 1972 when he was elected an At Large member of our Board. He served with tireless devotion on a number of important committees and was a Vice Chairman of the UAHC, 1975-79. In 1983 he was named an Honorary Life Trustee and his activity within our community continued until illness made him a virtual prisoner of his own body.

The young people who have had their Jewish lives enriched and enhanced by attendance at our Harlam Camp Institute in Kunkletown, Pennsylvania are probably not aware of the critical role Henry Greenwald played in the acquisition of a major gift from Joseph and Betty Harlam, of blessed memory, which brought Camp Harlam into being. Quietly and unsung, Henry helped nurture the camp from its infancy into a strong adulthood. It is a precious jewel in the crown of the Reform Jewish community.

We convey heartfelt sympathy to Henry's loved ones, his sons Michael and Jonathan, in whom he had great pride, their wives, Ann and Gabrielle, and his adored grandson Adam. Deepest condolences, too, to his beloved Sylvia, a wonderful wife and best friend, she was a constant and caring companion through the sweet times and the bitter moments.

Zecher Tzaddik Levracha.

OBIT/RJ

Rabbi Malcolm H. Stern

1915 - 1994

The entire UAHC family mourns the death of the distinguished former Director of Rabbinic Placement for Reform Judaism, Malcolm Stern. He was a warm and caring human being beloved by colleagues and congregants alike, and a mensch in every sense of the word.

Prior to serving as a chaplain in World War II, he was assistant rabbi at Congregation Keneseth Israel of Philadelphia. In 1947 he was called to the pulpit of Congregation Oheb Sholom, Norfolk, Virginia which he served until 1964 when he became the first Placement Director. On his retirement in 1980, he joined the faculty of the New York School HUC-JIR as Counselor for student field work and Adjunct Professor of History.

A life-time lover of music, history and genealogy, with a special emphasis on Jewish aspects, Malcolm was a founding member and president of the Jewish Genealogical Society as well as fellow of the American Society of Genealogists of which he was the only Jewish member. He was Genealogist for the American Jewish Archives and the American Jewish Historical Society. Indeed, he was often referred to as the "father of Jewish genealogy in America."

Rabbi Stern was deeply involved in the publication of three Reform hymnals and the author of numerous articles and books on history and genealogy. His Americans of Jewish Decent was the basis for Steven Birmingham's best selling The Grandees.

His death leaves a void in our community. We grieve with his wife, Louise, his brother, Edward, and all his loved ones.

May his memory be for a blessing always.

OBIT/RJ

Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman
1919-1994

Death
The entire family of the UAHC grieves over the tragic demise of a devoted leader of Reform Judaism and former staff member, Gene Lipman. A human being of rare integrity, Gene devoted his ministry, indeed his life, to helping others, the homeless, the hungry, the refugee, the victims of bigotry or abuse, the distressed, Jew and non-Jew alike, his caring concern for others knew no bounds.

Ordained in Cincinnati in 1943, Gene was rabbi of Temple Beth El, Fort Worth, Texas for a year prior to service in the European Theatre during World War II as an Army Chaplain from 1944-46. He remained in Europe until 1948 as an International Relief Organization liaison between the U.S. Army and the Haganah, working with Jews in D.P. camps simply saving survivors and relocating them to Israel or America.

During his years at the UAHC, 1951-61, Gene directed Reform Judaism's Commission on Synagogue Activities and was involved in the formation of our Commission on Social Action, which he directed, as well the Religious Action Center in Washington. His office was always a beehive of activity, filled with visitors, former DP's who owed their very lives to him, artists who counted on him to help their work become known, rabbis and cantors seeking counsel, some even coming to see Gene to purchase a Shofar while at the same time getting lessons in blowing Shofar.

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From 1961 until his retirement in 1986 Gene served as spiritual leader of Temple Sinai of Washington, DC. He was president of the CCAR 1987-89. He helped organize the Washington Area Interfaith Conference as well as its food bank and Garden Resources, a group created to encourage food production in impoverished neighborhoods. His avocation, farming, was also a major source of fruits and vegetables for these food banks.

He shared of himself in all that he undertook to do, be it providing food for the soul, the mind or the body. We express deepest condolences to Esther and ~~his~~ sons, Jonathan and David, as well as ~~his~~ grandchildren and entire family.

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As he was a blessing in life, so may the memory of Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman be a blessing to us all for all time.

IN MEMORIAM

SYDNEY W. ROOS

1899 - 1993

The Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of Sydney W. Roos, a long time devoted and caring colleague whose concern for the welfare of the Union and Reform Judaism never waned. Even when fragility made personal participation difficult, Sydney would pick up the telephone, express his concerns, and provide wise words of counsel. In a voice loud and clear, bluntly and with force his principles continued to be articulated and his values shared.

A native of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and New Yorker by choice, he was prominent in real estate for more than sixty years and was involved in numerous communal and philanthropic organizations. Of prime concern, however, was the institution of the synagogue, a driving force in his life. A founding member and second president of Central Synagogue of Nassau County, he served that congregation with rare devotion helping to assure its outer strength and inner beauty.

Sydney joined the UAHC Board of Trustees in 1958 and served without interruption until 1975, when he was elected an Honorary Life Trustee. In addition to membership on many Union committees, such as MUM, Endowment and Trust, Budget, Constitution and By-Laws, he was a long-time Vice Chairman and Associate Treasurer of the Union, as well as President of our New York Federation of Reform Synagogues. Sydney was instrumental in the birth and burgeoning of the Eisner Union Camp Institute, which, in turn, spawned many other Camps for Living Judaism throughout the land.

Sydney led by both precept and example. He summoned others to be generous, but was always the first to give. He was the father of the Reform Jewish Appeal which sustains us still! Judaism inspired Sydney's life even as his example gives direction to all our lives.

We offer profound condolences to his children, Edwin and Joan R. Cohn, to the companion of his later years, Gertrude Kahn, and all of his loved ones. May his memory be for a blessing always.

RJ Obit..

HYMAN J. BYLAN

1898-1992

Hy Bylan was a beloved life member of the Union's Board of Trustees, elected an Honorary Vice Chairman in 1979. A past president of Temple Emanuel of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Hy served on the Union's Great Lakes Regional Board and in 1955 became the region's president. Thus began many years of active involvement on the UAHC Board of Trustees, actually until 1981 when frail health restricted his travel. Hy was exemplary in his devotion and continued to provide generous and caring sustenance for the work of our hands.

On the death of his beloved wife of more than 50 years, Esther, Hy and his daughter, Nancy Bratman, created the Esther S. Bylan Memorial Fund, designed to provide for the publication of books by the UAHC. Among the titles this Fund has produced are: Gates of Song - Shaarei Shirah and The Book of Miracles by Rabbi Lawrence Kushner. The 1991 Biennial program on "Ethics In Our Lives," was designated the Esther S. Bylan Memorial Lecture.

Quiet, unassuming, a gentle and sweet neshoma, Hy was always there when needed, always caring and giving of himself and his substance. All who knew him, loved him. Our community is diminished by his loss. The Officers, Board and staff of the UAHC extend deepest sympathy to his dear daughter, Nancy Bratman, and his grandsons David, Joel and Benjamin Bratman, as well as his sister, Ann Coggan.

May his memory be for a blessing.

IN MEMORIUM

DR. HARRY M. ORLINSKY

1908-1992

The Officers, Board and Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of a distinguished scholar and friend, Dr. Harry M. Orlinsky, the Effie Wise Ochs Professor of Biblical Literature at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

To those of us fortunate to have known him and studied with him, at HUC-JIR or in member congregations and communities throughout North America, we recall an exciting teacher whose love of Bible gave life to its words and ideas. His profound knowledge of his subject, together with a delicious sense of humor and love of baseball, made the learning experience very special.

Dr. Orlinsky was respected by colleagues, both Jewish and non Jewish, throughout the world. In 1952 and 1990 he was the lone Jew on the committees which produced the Revised Standard Version of the Bible and the New Revised Standard Version, the official Bible of American Protestantism. In 1954 the Government of Israel called upon him to authenticate four Dead Sea Scrolls. The Spring 1992 edition of Reform Judaism carries a 1970 essay by Dr. Orlinsky which describes his work on this project.

Dr. Orlinsky was instrumental in establishing an interdisciplinary approach of archeology, philology, comparative linguistics and comparative religion in the study of Bible. In 1991 the College-Institute honored Dr. Orlinsky for his role in advancing this technique.

Our community is diminished by his loss. We express deepest sympathy to his beloved wife, Donya, his sons and grandchildren.

Zecher Tzaddik Levrachah - May his memory be for a blessing always.

R.J. Obit

ARDEN L. PEARL

1935-1992

We record with great sorrow the sudden and untimely death of Arden L. Pearl, Esq. of Denver, Colorado, a distinguished member of the UAHC Board of Trustees.

Arden was a past president of Temple Micah and involved in the work of the Union's Midwest Council. On election to the Union's Board, he expressed serious interest in the welfare of small congregations. Subsequently, he became a trained facilitator for the UAHC's Leadership Development project of the Ida and Howard Wilkoff Department of Synagogue Management in order to assist congregations of all ages and sizes in the development of effective leaders for the future.

To his widow, Bernice Mazor, and his children David Pearl and Cindy Pearl Hanna, we express deepest condolences.

May his memory be for a blessing.

FOR RJ/OBITS
FROM: EDIE MILLER

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The Union staff was saddened to learn of the recent death of Karl Weil, the last remaining member of Congregation Gemiluth Chassadim of Port Gibson, Mississippi. Mr. Weil, a deeply devoted Reform Jew, maintained the congregation's link with the National movement and regularly kept us informed of the congregation's membership, albeit a sadly declining roster. This caring gentleman single handedly sought to maintain Gemiluth Chassadim's tie to the UAHC and the Reform movement.

Subsequent to Mr. Weil's demise, we learned that among the large circle of mourners who attended the graveside ceremony were members of the two remaining Jewish families in Port Gibson. It is their intention to maintain the affiliation of Gemiluth Chassadim with the UAHC. This bespeaks a beautiful tribute to the memory of one who truly understood the meaning of community and commitment to Reform Judaism.

Zecher Tzaddik Livrachah - May his memory be for a blessing always.

ELIZABETH V.L. STERN

1893 - 1991

The Board, Officers and Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations note with sorrow the death of a dear friend and former staff member, Elizabeth V. L. Stern, the widow of Rabbi Richard Stern.

Mrs. Stern, affectionately known as Evaloe, had retired as Chair of the Speech Department of Hunter College when, in 1963, she was invited to join the assist the Union's New York Federation of Reform Synagogues by supervising the classes in Judaism being offered for those seeking conversion to Judaism. This was some 15 years before the formal Outreach program of the UAHC was born. Mrs. Stern volunteered to do so and for over two decades administered the NYFRS program which has not only multiplied over the years, it has also been replicated in UAHC regions throughout this land.

On the occasion of her 15th anniversary as a volunteer in this critical area of concern, and on the eve of her 85th birthday, the UAHC honored Mrs. Stern "for having taught Torah to strangers, for having made committed Jews of those who were outside of our fold, for having pointed the way to so many who, because of Evaloe, are enriched by our faith, having embraced Judaism for their very own."

Evaloe Stern leaves no immediate survivors but her many friends within the UAHC family and the Reform community, as well as the thousands she helped in their search for a knowledge and understanding of the Jewish faith and people, mourn her loss. Her memory will be as a blessing always.

IN MEMORIUM

RABBI JAKOB JOSEF PETUCHOWSKI, Ph.D.

1925-1991

The death of a respected scholar, Dr. Jakob Josef Petuchowski, the Sol and Arlene Bronstein Professor of Judaeo-Christian Studies and Research Professor of Jewish Theology at the Cincinnati campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion is mourned by the Officers, Board and Staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Dr Petuchowski was a perceptive thinker, provocative teacher and pre-eminent authority in Christian-Jewish relations. Educated in Germany, Israel, Scotland and England, he received rabbinic Ordination at the Cincinnati campus, HUC-JIR, where he also earned his graduate degrees, Dr. Petuchowski was the recipient of honorary degrees from the University of Cologne in Germany and Brown University.

Author of some 36 volumes and numerous erudite articles published in outstanding scholarly journals, Dr. Petuchowski wrote in English, Hebrew and German and his works appeared in translation in Italian, Dutch and Spanish. He was a Visiting Professor at many universities, including Tel Aviv Oxford, Harvard, and the Theologische Fakultät in Luzern, Switzerland.

We extend heartfelt sympathy to his widow, Elizabeth, his sons and the entire family. May his memory be for a blessing always. Zecher Tzaddik Levrachah.

JOSEPH BARON

1924 - 1991

The leadership of the UAHC mourns the tragic death of our friend and colleague, Joe Baron of Los Angeles. He was taken from our midst in July, but a few months following his re-election to a second term as president of the UAHC's Pacific Southwest Council.

A member of the UAHC Board of Trustees since 1983, and a member of our Executive Committee, Joe served on a number of commissions and committees, including Synagogue Management, MUM, Budget, Communications, and Dues Policy Review. He had been a member as well as co-chair of the Conference of Presidents of Large UAHC Congregations by virtue of his two-term presidency of the Stephen S. Wise ~~Synagogue~~ Temple of Los Angeles. He was affiliated with that congregation for more than twenty years and was also a member of Temple Beth Solomon of the Deaf, Arleta, California.

In addition to care and concern for the synagogue, Joe had an abiding interest in Jewish education and was a Board member of the Los Angeles Bureau of Jewish Education and the Stephen Wise Jewish Community High School. He was on the Jewish Federation Council's Community Relations Committee. A Board member of the City of Hope, he was deeply involved in many aspects of their work and was also on the Board of the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of California.

An engineer by profession, with ^a degrees from U.S.C. ~~and~~ ~~M.I.T.~~, Joe also earned a graduate degree in Business Management from U.S.C.

We convey heartfelt sympathy to his beloved life partner, Bea, his children, Marsha and Rodney, and his grandchildren, Glenn and Erin. May the legacy of his devotion to Judaism and the Jewish people be with them always and may his memory be for a blessing.

IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT L. HESS

December 18, 1932- January 12, 1992

The Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations profoundly mourn the tragic and untimely death of our respected and devoted colleague and friend, Dr. Robert L. Hess. Bob joined your ranks in 1987 and during his relatively brief period of service as a Trustee, he gave of himself with unstinting devotion to many facets of the Union's program. A committed Reform Jew, he served as president of North Shore Congregation Israel, Glencoe, Illinois from 1975-79 and at the time of his death was a Trustee of Temple Beth Elohim, Brooklyn, New York.

As Chairman of the UAHC's Long Range Planning Committee, Bob pursued his responsibilities with profound care and concern for the future of Reform Judaism and its institutions. He strove to direct this Committee to search for objectives based upon Jewish values and sought to gain final results of significance for Reform Judaism, not solutions based solely upon dollars and cents, but conclusions which would inspire the heart and soul of our movement, the members of our synagogues.

Bob brought the same thoughtful, scholarly approach to his efforts as a member of the Outreach Commission and the Committee on Interreligious Affairs. He always bore in mind the men, women and young people who sustain Reform Judaism and through whom it is kept alive and flourishing.

Bob was a highly respected historian who never lost his love of academia. Even as president of Brooklyn College he maintained a regular teaching schedule, giving courses in African, Asian and Latin American cultures. Described by associates as a "hands-on manager," Bob faced squarely the racial and ethnic tensions which were extant on his arrival at the College in 1979. He instituted many curriculum changes and by 1988 a national survey of academic deans voted Brooklyn College one of the nation's top five liberal arts institutions.

Bob played an active role in many professional and civic associations and was a devotee of the arts. He received his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University and also attended the University of Rome. Author of numerous scholarly books and articles, Bob was the recipient of numerous special grants and fellowships, as well as honorary degrees from several institutions of higher learning, including Spertus College of Chicago and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

IN MEMORIUM

GILBERT TILLES

1917- 1990

The sudden and tragic death of our colleague and friend, Gilbert Tilles, leaves a void felt deeply by the officers, board and staff of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Gil was deeply involved in our work for decades, giving of his time and talents, as well as his substance, with a full heart and absolute devotion. He cared about Judaism and Jews, most especially he loved Reform Judaism and the principles on which it was founded.

The synagogue was the matrix from which Gil sprang, it was his spiritual womb. He loved Beth El of Great Neck and served as its president for many years. Its beautiful sanctuary was built under his stewardship and he did everything he humanly could to add to Beth El's outer strength and inner beauty.

His activity in the Union and our New York Federation of Reform Synagogues spanned some forty years. He held many offices within the Union and at the time of his death was an honorary vice chairman. Virtually every aspect of our work was touched by Gil's productive labors: youth and education, camping and Israel, finance and budget, Outreach and religious action, no matter what the program, somewhere we can find the traces of Gil's involvement. And oftentimes his doing was quietly from the background, unheralded, unsung, and more often than not, unknown to all but a very few.

Gil wanted the world to believe he was tough, but he was truly like the sabra, cantankerous, prickly without, but there was much warmth and softness within. He minced no words and always spoke the truth. He was quick to criticize but always open to correction. Gil was a completely honest and scrupulous person, a man of integrity, a mensch in every sense of the word.

We grieve with Rose, Peter, Ellen, Roger, and all of Gil's loved ones. We convey heartfelt condolences to all. May the memory of Gil Tilles continue to abide among us and be for a blessing always.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

IRVIN HUSIN

1906 - 1990

The Officers and Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations mourn the death of our friend and colleague Irvin Husin of Flushing, New York.

A deeply committed and caring Reform Jew, Irvin Husin served on our UAHC Board of Trustees for 18 years. His endeavors in behalf of the Union included service as Chairman of the UAHC Tour and Travel Committee, the Budget, Awards, and Law Committees. Irv was president of our New York Federation of Reform Synagogues for four years and was elected to two terms as a UAHC Vice Chairman.

A quiet, unassuming and truly gentle man, he served Reform Judaism tirelessly and with a full and loving heart. Irv cared about Jews and Judaism, however, Reform Judaism was integral to his very being. A leader and past president of his home congregation, Temple Israel of Jamaica, Holliswood, New York, he served that congregation with dignity and selfless devotion.

In a quiet, thoughtful manner, Irv was always ready to be counted upon and he stood up for what he believed in, never shirking responsibility. His was a soft voice but it carried with it great courage and total belief in the prophetic ideals of Judaism. A son of the synagogue, Irv's activities in life were based on his deep-rooted beliefs and awareness of his Jewishness and its demands.

A respected attorney, Irv practiced law in New York for almost six decades. He was beloved by all who knew him, clients as well as colleagues, friends, neighbors and fellow congregants. All of us of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations lament his death. To his widow, Bernice, and the entire family our heartfelt condolences. May his memory always be for a blessing.

Zecher Tzaddik Livrachah.

IN MEMORIAM

JOHN E. BROWN
1917 - 1990

It is with great sadness that we note the sudden and untimely death of our friend and colleague, John E. Brown, on June 24, 1990. Earlier that month, he had been in attendance at our Board of Trustees meeting in Seattle, looking fit and well, thus the news of his death was truly a shock.

John was long an active and involved member of the Reform Jewish community. He served as president of two congregations in Santa Rosa: Beth Ami before it determined to be a part of the Conservative movement, and subsequently Shomrei Torah a new Reform congregation which John and Florence helped to found, and which John subsequently served as president. John was an active participant in the work of the UAHC's Northern California Council, serving on its Board for some years. He was Chairman of the Council's Maintenance of Union Membership Committee and gave unstintingly of his time to the regional and the National MUM Committee. In 1987, John was elected to represent the Council on the National Board of the UAHC, a position he held until his death.

John Brown was a caring and committed Reform Jew. He gave of himself with love. A respected structural engineer, he was always prepared to volunteer his time and talent when advice and counsel were required. A man of sound judgment, wit and wisdom, he was articulate and insightful. Most significantly, John Brown was a man of integrity and honor who always sought to serve the Jewish people and the great ideals of our faith.

To Florence and all his loved ones, we extend deep and heartfelt sympathy. May his memory be for a blessing always.

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IN MEMORIAM

HERBERT A. GINSBERG

1907-1990

Herbert A. Ginsberg of San Francisco was elected to the UAHC Board of Trustees in 1965. He was deeply involved in many facets of our work and was a Vice Chairman from 1971-1979. Elected an Honorary Trustee in 1987, he continued to serve our sacred cause with dedication and devotion until his death on May 6, 1990.

Throughout his life time Herbert Ginsberg provided leadership to the Jewish community, through service to Sherith Israel of San Francisco and devotion to numerous Jewish causes and organizations.

From the inception of the UAHC Swig Camp Institute in Saratoga, California, until his death, Herb was a visionary leader and supporter of the Camp. He presided over its Board of Directors during the decade of the 70's and also inspired and led a successful campaign to improve the physical facilities of Swig. He gave full encouragement to programmatic creativity which brought national prominence to UAHC Camp Swig.

Herb always embraced the highest ideal of our tradition, he led by example, he not only gave of his time he gave of his substance to the many causes in which he believed. The UAHC honored him in 1980 as one "whose life is a model of Tzedakah."

To his wife, Phyllis, and all his loved ones, we convey deepest condolences. Zecher Tzaddik Livrachah.

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IN MEMORIAM

MYRON S. GOLDMAN

1907-1990

A life-long Reform Jew, Myron S. Goldman joined the UAHC Board of Trustees in 1961 and after two decades of dedicated and active service he was elected an Honorary Trustee in 1981. His death on May 11, 1990 is deeply mourned by the Board and Officers of the UAHC as well as his many friends of his home congregation, Achduth Vesholom of Fort Wayne, Indiana, which he served as president and loyal supporter.

Since its founding in 1957, Myron supported and took great pride in the Myron S. Goldman Union Camp Institute (G.U.C.I.) of Zionsville, Indiana. A confirmed bachelor with no children, the generations of young people of G.U.C.I. were Myron's pride and joy. He was beloved by the youngsters who reaped the benefits of his enthusiasm and loving care and concern. His generosity has enriched and enhanced the Jewish lives of G.U.C.I. campers and will reinforce the Judaism of generations of campers yet to come.

Myron was a gentle and caring human being, a great friend and true son of our people. He will be sorely missed by his many friends, colleagues and admirers of the entire Union family, and most especially the Northeast Lakes and Mid-West Councils.

His legacy is an inspiration, may his memory be for a blessing always.

Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, D.D.
1892-1990

We mourn the death of Solomon B. Freehof, Rabbi of Rabbis. He gained worldwide respect and admiration for his scholarship and interpretation of Jewish Law. A teacher of teachers, Dr. Freehof represented the highest ideals of Judaism and he served the Jewish people with dignity, devotion and love.

A native of London, Dr. Freehof came to America at the age of 11. He was ordained by the Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, in 1915 at the age of 24. Following several years on the faculty of HUC and service as chaplain with the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I, he became spiritual leader of Kehillath Anshe Mayriv Temple, Chicago. In 1934 he became rabbi of Rodef Shalom Temple, Pittsburgh, and was named Rabbi Emeritus in 1966. Dr. Freehof continued to preach on the High Holydays and special occasions over the years.

Renowned and respected expert on responsa (interpretation of Jewish religious laws) he authored many books on Jewish Law, including "The Responsa Literature," "Stormers of Heaven," and volumes on Job and Scripture.

During his distinguished career, he held many offices, including election as the first American President of the World Union for Progressive Judaism (1959-64), the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the National Jewish Welfare Board and the Chairmanship of the Commission on Jewish Education for Reform Judaism.

Among his favorite pastimes were reading and lecturing on Shakespeare. A lover of books, he did his own book-binding and his later years bound books for synagogue libraries and friends.

We are diminished by his loss but his good works and his teachings will live on and be a blessing to us all and to future generations. To his beloved Lillian and his dear ones, we express heartfelt sympathy.