

*Social Notes*

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIEBERMAN**  
(nee Popeski)

Dianne, Garry & big sister Brooke are delighted to announce the birth of **JUSTIN ADAM**, born July 4, 2000, weighing 8 lbs., 14 oz., measuring 21". Justin Adam is named in loving memory of his great-uncles Joe Chmelnitsky and Isaac Abramowitch. Proud grandparents are Dora and Aron Lieberman, Rose and Arnold Popeski, and thrilled great-grandparents Lilian Popeski and Sophie and Oscar Abramowitch.

**NEWMAN**  
(nee Zipursky)

Mark, Natalie and big brother Michael are thrilled to announce the birth of **SYDNEY RACHEL** on May 31, 2000. Proud grandparents are Edith and Frank Zipursky and Phyllis and Jack Newman.

**BH**

Sid & Mae Zipursky are proud and happy to announce the birth of a granddaughter, **NESHAMA CHAYA**, on Av 7, 5760, in Calgary. Joyful parents are Beryl & Rivkah Zipursky. Calgary grandparents are Tracey Sheppard & John Sheppard. Great-grandparents in Victoria are Mary & Peter Black.

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**POLLOCK - HECHTENTHAL**

Lynn and Mischa Pollock are very happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Deborah Gail, to Dr. Norman Hechtenthal, son of Frieda Hechtenthal and the late Max Hechtenthal. A fall wedding is planned in Winnipeg.

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**People**

**New Aish Hatorah Winnipeg branch first Canadian outpost outside of Toronto**

*Mission to fight Jewish assimilation*

Aish Hatorah has come to Winnipeg in the presence of Rabbi Shimon Lesserson and his young family. Lesserson arrived here at the beginning of August to open the first branch in Canada outside of Toronto of Aish HaTorah, a movement that specializes in Jewish religious education for adults. ("There are three Aish Hatorah branches in Toronto," he reports.)



Aish Hatorah's Rabbi Shimon Lesserson.

**OUR LITTLE SHITEL**



MYRON LOVE

was typical of most. Born and raised on Long Island, he received a Jewish education until he reached barmitzva age and that was that. He studied political science at Cornell University for four years, graduating with a degree in the field.

While at university, he visited a friend who was studying at Aish Hatorah. "I tried an introductory class and it blew me away," he says. "I didn't realize how much Judaism had to offer in terms of practical guidance in getting the most out of my life. In four hours at Aish Hatorah, I learned more practical wisdom than I did in four years at Cornell."

Being Zionistically inclined, Lesserson went to Israel after graduation. He spent six months on a kibbutz before enrolling in Aish Hatorah in Jerusalem. It became his home for the next nine years. He received his smicha (rabbinic ordination) in 1998. Lesserson was drawn to Winnipeg by the opportunity to share with a community the benefits he has accrued from becoming connected with Jewish tradition and the Jewish people. "At Aish Hatorah, we felt that we could contribute something to the community," he says.

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Earl Ashkin studying with Shmuel Altein.

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Initially, Lesserson is working out of the Herzlia Synagogue - he will also be teaching part time at the Herzlia-based Ohr Hatorah Elementary School - but he points out that he envisages running programs throughout the city. "I will be doing some programs before Yom Tov," he says, "and teaching some classes during the High Holidays. (Cont. on page 7. See "Myron Love".)

**Community news**

**More organizations seeking beneficiary status**  
(Cont. from page 3.)

"We want the (sub)committees to tell us as a community: 'What are we doing?'" she added.

Morris also revealed that Shalom Residences, the community's network of homes for Jewish and other mentally challenged adults, is "increasingly being squeezed" financially, and may start "running a deficit in the near future."

"They're looking at the possibility of beneficiary status" with Federation/CJA, the Jewish community's main funding agency. The Shalom Aleichem "Community", which has a Sunday school and other programs with a secular Jewish slant, has also inquired about possible Federation/CJA funding, Morris added. "I think the applications (from these agencies) to become part of the larger organized Jewish community, from being on the edges of the community, is very exciting."

A joint committee of Federation/CJA and the Jewish Heritage Centre of Western Canada's board has appointed a professional consultant to look into the centre's "future viability", Dr. Ian Goldstine, chair of the Federation/CJA's Budget and Allocations (B&A) Committee, told the August 24 meeting. "We hope to see something next month," he added.

Goldstine warned in his annual report last spring that the heritage centre, which includes the Jewish Museum of Western Canada, the Holocaust Education Centre, and the Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada, is facing a major financial crisis.

Among other problems, he noted that museum attendance hasn't been as high as was earlier forecast.

Robert Freedman, Federation/CJA's executive vice-president, added that "we're looking at various options for keeping the museum open, including their (preferred) option - the federation giving them more money."

On a more upbeat note, Federation/CJA President Morry last Sunday disclosed that the 1999-2000 campaign year ended with revenue of \$3.42 million - more than \$100,000 higher than the targeted figure of \$3.25 million.

"This (new campaign) year, the goal is \$3,535,000," Morry added. Federation/CJA several years ago announced it was aiming to raise \$4 million annually by 2002.

The CJA held a volunteer canvasser training session a few weeks ago at Canwest Global Baseball Park, courtesy of Sam Katz, the park's owner. "Having the event in an exciting venue helped motivate the people in attend-

here by a second Aish Hatorah rabbi by the end of the year.

While Aish Hatorah is still in its infancy here, the long established Lubavitch movement continues its own outreach programs. This summer, for the third time in four years, Chabad ran a summer yeshiva program

out of both its north and south Winnipeg locations.

Once again, a number of yeshiva students came to Winnipeg to provide one-on-one study sessions with anyone who wanted to study.

"We had a tremendous response," says Rabbi Yaacov Simmonds, who himself recently finished his formal yeshiva training and moved back to Winnipeg. "We had about 120 people who came to study during the time our Yeshiva students were here."

He reports that during the period, Chabad also organized a Shabbaton for boys one weekend, a family carnival and a Shabbaton for adults which attracted about 40 people.

The writer is a Winnipeg Jewish freelancer.



**LAWRIE MARMEL, Federation/CJA board member: He wants a traffic light installed at Doncaster and Tuxedo Boulevard.**

"I've heard there have been two accidents (with pedestrian victims) there already," he told the August 24 meeting. "Are we going to wait until somebody's killed?"

Marmel, a candidate in City Council's 1997 election, said an alderman in the area told him then, the "only way" a light would be installed at that intersection at the southeast corner of the campus, would be "if the Jewish community paid for it."

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Several Federation/CJA board members warned of anger among the Winnipeg's Jewish community's kosher-observant, following major changes to the Vaad Ha'ir, the body regulating kashrut in the city.

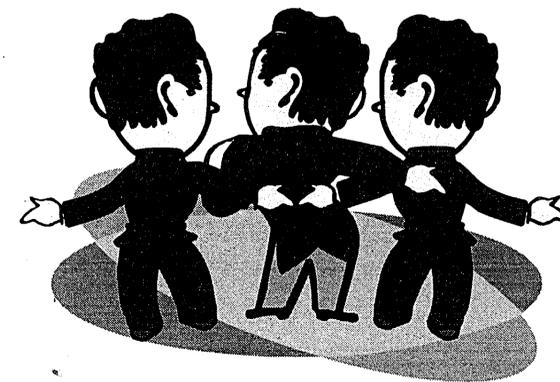
Larry Fleisher referred to "rumors out there" that a major Winnipeg kosher bakery was about to have its kashrut license revoked, as part of these changes.

Evelyn Katz, another board member, described the anger about the changes, which included replacement of the vaad's president and executive director, to a "volcano".

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Freedman denied that any Winnipeg kosher food outlet was having its license withdrawn because of the changes. He noted, however, that the vaad is going through a "transition phase", as it makes changes in the administration of kashrut laws here.

Freedman also noted that Don Aronovitch, the vaad's new president, has agreed to speak to the board at its monthly meeting next month, along with Barry Dolovich, the vaad's new executive director.



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