

RELIGION

Holocaust Remembrance Day to be observed with special service

On Sunday, May 4 at 7:00 pm Yom Ha-Shoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) will be observed with a special service at Temple Beth Israel, 1900 NW Flanders. The service will commemorate and remember those who perished under the Nazis. Professor Hubert Locke from the University of Washington will be the featured speaker. All are invited to attend.

The Yom Ha-Shoah service will be led by local rabbis, cantors and other leaders from most of Portland's Jewish congregations. Holocaust survivors will also participate. Music will be provided by the cantors, the MJCC Jewish Youth Choir, the Portland Jewish Community Chorus and violinist Andrew Ehrlich.

Hubert Locke holds appointments at the University of Washington on the faculties of Public Affairs, Sociology, Comparative Religion, and Jewish Studies. He is the author or editor of eight books, including *The Care and Feeding of White Liberals*,

The Church Confronts the Nazis, and *Exile in the Fatherland: The Prison Letters of Martin Niemöller*. Professor Locke is also the Associate Editor of *Holocaust and Genocide Studies*, the premier journal in the subject area. His talk will be on "Memory and Memorialization."

Sponsors of the Yom Ha-Shoah service include: The American Jewish Committee; Congregation Beth Israel; Congregation Kesser Israel; Congregation Neveh Shalom; Congregation Shaarie Torah; Geshet; Havurah Shalom; The Humanistic Jews of Greater Portland; The Jewish Federation of Portland; The Mittleman Jewish Community Center; The Oregon Holocaust Resource Center; Oregon Holocaust Survivors, Refugees and Families; P'nai Or; and The Portland Jewish Academy.

Three more special events for Yom Ha-Shoah are being planned. Throughout the month of May the Mittleman Jewish Community Center Gallery will display a photo-

graphic exhibit entitled "Liberating the Ghosts: Photographs and Text from the March of the Living."

These photographs depict hundreds of young people from around the world visiting concentration camps in Poland and sacred sites in Israel as they participate in this special program. Alice Kern, local Holocaust survivor and author will speak about her experiences on Tuesday, May 6 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Mittleman Jewish Community Center. The program is specifically geared to youth, but parents and friends are welcome. On Thursday, May 8 the Northwest Film Center will show "Long is the Road," a classic film from 1947 Germany and the aftermath of World War II. That film will play at 7:30 pm.

For more information on Yom Ha-Shoah activities please call the Oregon Holocaust Resource Center at 359-2930 or the Mittleman Jewish Community Center at 244-0111.

Holocaust Exhibit to be displayed

"We have lit an everlasting candle with each tear we've cried."

-Shayna Levine, March of the Living participant

The Mittleman Jewish Community Center Gallery will display a special exhibit of photographs entitled "Liberating the Ghosts: Photographs and Text from the March of the Living" from May 1 - 31, 1997.

The photographs depict moving scenes from this unique program which took approximately 2,000 Jewish high school students from 40 different countries along the 3 kilometer march from Auschwitz to Birkenau, retracing the actual route which countless numbers of Jews were forced to take on their way to the gas chambers. The young people visited other pertinent sites in Poland and

participated in a memorial service at the gas chambers. They then flew to Israel to join in a joyous celebration of Yom Ha-atz-ma-ut (Israel Independence Day).

The photographs in "Liberating the Ghosts" were taken by photographer Raphael Shevelev. Shevelev currently teaches photography at Golden Gate University in San Francisco. His photographs and/or writings on photography have been published in *Image Magazine*, *Art of California*, *Photo metro*, *SouthWestArt*, *The Photographic Journal*, *Contemporary Photography*, *Artweek*, *The Monthly*, *Connections*, *Lens Work Quarterly* and elsewhere. The text for the exhibit is

taken directly from the March of the Living participants.

"Through these sensitive pictures, and the writings of the participants, you will share a glimpse of their experience, and have a sense of what awaits you on such a journey. Raphael Shevelev's stunning photographs, and the deeply expressive words of the youth, document a pilgrimage. They are an invitation to make a pilgrimage of your own."

Michael Berenbaum, The Forward

The MJCC Gallery is located at 6651 SW Capitol Hwy. in Portland. Call 244-0111 for more information.

Women of Purpose gathering proves to be inspirational



Joan Lipis from NOVEA ministries

Recently "Women of Purpose" held a special dessert buffet at Red Lion Lloyd Center. Guest speakers were Dr. O. Virginia Phillips, founder of "Women of Purpose" and Joan Lipis from NOVEA Ministries.

Guests arrived with great expectations of healing and up-lifting of the spirit. And that's just what they got!

"Women of Purpose" groups and conference include women from every ethnicity, denomination and social status.

Dr. O. Virginia Phillips has had a heart to know and has served God for as long as she can remember. She founded the international ministry "Women of Purpose", an interconnecting ministry for the reconciliation, renewal and restoration of bro-

ken relationships in Christ Jesus. Dr Phillips is a Trail Blazer, Bridge Builder, Reconciler Restorer, Nurturer, and Facilitator of the gifts and abilities of others. She has coordinated, designed, created and delivered to all walks of life, communities, churches and state programs that inspire and develop the best in people. Her primary focus is family, whether it is the church family, one's biological or extended family, or the community. Dr Phillips believes in encouraging and building relationships as a focus for encouragement, motivation and reaching one's greatest potential. Her emphasis is on healing and wholeness.

Those that are fortunate to be in Virginia's presence are captivated and blessed by her enthusiasm and acceptance of each person in her

radiance. She has a professional yet down-to-earth receptivity of each individual that she meets, whether in her daily life or in her seminars, conferences or retreats (which she calls "renewals"). Her multifaceted talent is evidenced by her numerous accomplishments, most of which were trail blazers.

For more information on the upcoming "Knowing God" Tour to Israel, hosted by Joan Lipis of NOVEA Ministries, the Annual National Conference in August in Auburn, WA, and the regular monthly prayer meetings, please contact "Women of Purpose", P.O. Box 596, Newberg, Or 97132 or call (503) 537-1907.

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose", Romans 8:28.

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Community African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church's 11th Annual Women's Day Celebration

"Women Walking the Walk and Standing Firm in These Last Days, 2nd Thessalonians 2:13-15," is the theme for this year's Women's Day Celebration that will begin on Saturday, April 26 1997 with a "Crazy Hat Luncheon" starting at 12:00 at the church, 3605 East 13th Street, Vancouver, WA.

All women are invited to join us for delicious Salads & Desserts. A donation of \$8.00 is being asked for lunch. During lunch there will be a hat show and fashion vendors on display.

Sunday April 27, 1997 the morning speaker will be local Preacher, Sister Bea Smith. The Afternoon

3:00 pm Close out Service will be Missionary Supervisor, Western Episcopal District, Mrs. Barbara S. Carr who will be joining us from St. Louis, Missouri.

For more information please contact Chair person Ann Smith at (360) 693-4566.

Family Christian Stores formed

On Monday, from Family Christian Store's headquarters in Grand Rapids, came the announcement that Lighthouse Christian Book and Gift of Bend, Oregon has been acquired by Family Christian Stores. Lighthouse is the fourth store in 1997 to become part of Family Christian Stores national retail chain, bringing the total of stores to 187.

Lighthouse Family Christian Book and Gift was owned by Tom and Nelda Dehm for the past eighteen years. David Baldrige, spokesperson for Family said of the new property, "I believe it is one of the most well run, organized, "on top of it" stores we have adopted I am pleased that this opportunity will allow Tom and Nelda's store to continue as a premier Christian retail store. Lighthouse Book and Gift was named store of the year in 1993 by

the Christian Booksellers Association.

Changes to the store will be kept at a minimum. Existing Lighthouse product lines will be kept and expanded upon. Special features offered at all Family stores such as Family Perks, Pastor Perks and "Everyday Pricing" on music will be implemented immediately. "It is not our intention to upset the strong relationship that Lighthouse has already developed with its customers through its pricing and special features. Ideally, our goal is to make the best of both worlds. Keep what they've got going and add to it," said Baldrige.

All employees of Lighthouse Book and Gift will stay on as employees of Family Christian Stores. Larry Pitts had been named manager of the new store. Pitts was the previous manager of Family Christian Stores in Olym-

pia, WA. Jennie Asmussen, previously the buyer for Lighthouse has been promoted to assistant manager.

The store currently has 7,700 square feet and there are no immediate plans for expansion. The stand-alone store located at 815 SE Third Street was remodeled one year ago and will easily be transformed to carry the look of a Family Christian Store. New store hours will be from 9 am to 9 pm, Monday through Saturday. The store was closed April 14-17, and re-opened on Friday the 19th. Although the store was officially opened as a Family Christian Store this week, a grand opening celebration for the store is scheduled for June 28, 1997. Special musical performances and discounts and giveaway opportunities will be offered for several days surrounding the grand opening.

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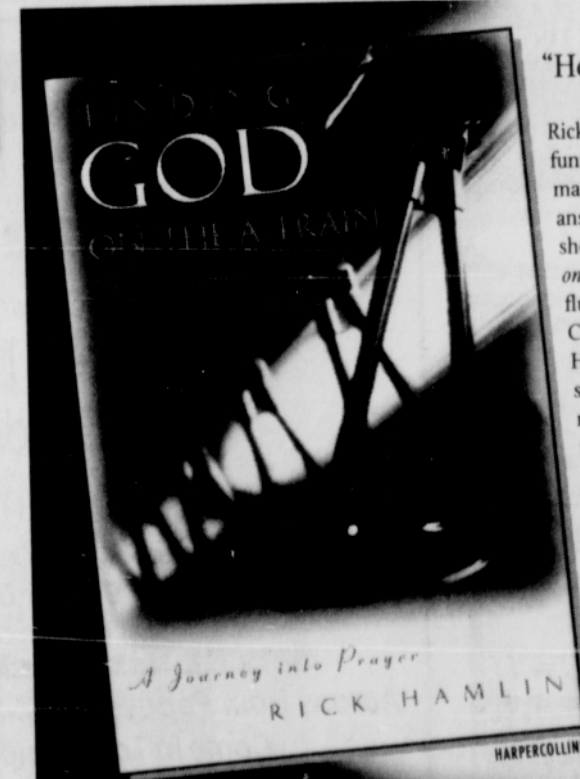
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