

# Cavalcade

## A diamond jubilee . . .

"Dreaming . . . Daring . . . Doing" was the theme for Cleveland Chapter of Hadassah's 75th Diamond Jubilee donor luncheon, held at the Somerset Inn on March 25. The fashion show from the vintage collection of Anna Greenfield, staged by Posh Petals, depicted Hadassah members of the past seven-and-a-half decades, with a stirring narration by Marilyn Myers and Vicki Adelman describing Hadassah's strides and accomplishments in health and humanitarian services in Israel.

Involved Hadassah member Adeline Kaufmann, whose 75th birthday coincides with Hadassah's 75th anniversary, was honored for her many years of dedicated leadership. She was presented with the Woman of Valor Award by Alice Dietz, who chaired the event.

President Sharon Schmelzer gave a vivid and well-articulated report as a delegate at the recent Hadassah 75th anniversary mission in Israel. She reflected that Hadassah is still dreaming . . . daring . . . and doing in pace-setting medical breakthroughs that continue to improve the quality of life for all people.

## Fifty active years . . .

The B'nai B'rith "family" included many other well-wishers when Eli Witt was honored for his 50-year active membership in Heights-Blaugrund-Weingarden Lodge. The event took place at the Cleveland College of Jewish Studies on March 25. "You have brought much honor to us and to the community" asserted Lodge President Andrew Leichtman, as he presented Witt (sometimes affectionately referred to as "Mr. B'nai B'rith") with a certificate. Other kudos included a presentation by Mayor Harvey Friedman of Beachwood and a citation from State Senator Lee I. Fisher. "This should happen to everyone . . . at least every 50 years," quipped Witt. Also honored for longtime membership was that remarkable nonagenarian, Harry Tucker, who never misses a meeting, and Emanuel Stern and Alvin Spiegel.



Violet Spevack

## Our own awards . . .

Our Academy Award to veteran little theatre actress Myrtle Silverman, who steals every scene she's in, with her deliciously funny portrayal of the off-beat, exercise-addicted, health nut, "typical" Jewish mother in JCC's current play, "Isn't It Romantic?" The comedy is a frothy, flippant romp about upwardly mobile university graduates Janie Blumberg (played by Ellen Faraday) and her friend Harriet Cornwell (Amy Thompson) who are looking for love, romance and the perfect man in their old hometown of Manhattan.

## People patter . . .

Many Clevelanders who were college students at Ohio University in the 50's and 60's look forward with anticipation to a reunion with Jacob Mirviss, well-remembered as director of O. U.'s Hillel House at that time. Those were years of vitality and participation at Hillel House and Mirviss cemented affectionate bonds with many of the students. Now 84 years old, Mirviss has lived at Kibbutz Urim for the past 20 years. He will be at the home of Jorgen and Darryl (Schack) Nielson-Mayer this weekend (April 3-7). If you would like to meet Mirviss, please call the Nielson-Mayers at 473-6785 or Mel and Barbara Vogel, 464-1118.

Judith and Alan Riga celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on March 25 in an exciting year of family accomplishments. A registered nurse working in obstetrics at the Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Judith will

graduate from Ursuline College on May 19 with a B.A. degree in health service management. The Rigas' oldest daughter, Susan, will graduate from Ohio State University on June 12, and the following day, their youngest daughter, Jill, will graduate from Mayfield High School.

Max Nash of R.H. Myers Apartments was feted on the occasion of his milestone 90th birthday several weeks ago with a joyous party at the Pewter Mug-Cedar Center, hosted by his children Frieda Stockfish, Harry Nash, Gloria Friedman, and Carl Nash. He was surrounded by his 20 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and a host of friends and relatives. Highlight of the evening was a video presentation of his life.

The Boca Pointe Country Club in Boca Raton, Fla. was the scene of a 60th wedding anniversary luncheon on March 20 for Betty and Phil Fant. The affair was hosted by their children, Shelly and Shirley Fant, and Ray and Kathy Fant, who flew in from Cleveland with their four children for the happy occasion. With their seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren on hand to enjoy, it was a very special time for everyone.

## Shabbat in Vienna . . .

Dr. Herbert and Marilyn Mayers and Fred and Barbara Eberlin ushered in the Sabbath in Vienna by attending services at the old, beautifully-maintained synagogue there. Following the service, they strolled around the corner on the quaint cobblestone street to enjoy a sumptuous, full-course Shabbat meal at the only kosher restaurant in Vienna, which they had already pre-paid.

An unexpected pleasure for them was dining with the U.S. Ambassador to Austria Ronald Lander, who is also Jewish, and the International President of B'nai B'rith Seymour Reith, as well as other Jewish visitors to Vienna who had also attended the Sabbath services. The Mayers and Eberlins relate that even though it was Friday the 13th, they felt quite safe knowing the area was protected by armed soldiers with machine guns.

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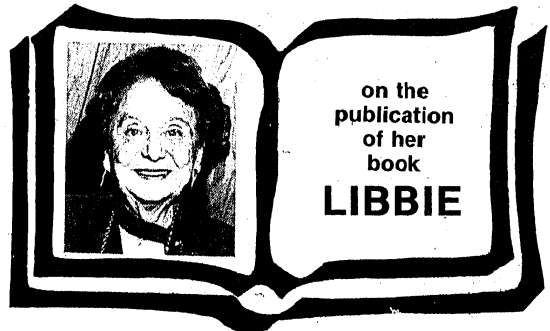
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