

Summer 1976, marked the long-awaited transfer of our library from a small classroom to a new wing, the first stage of the still-to-be-completed two story library building. This new wing will be dedicated in November, 1976, during the Jubilee International Conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. The library includes a study terrace contributed by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in honor of its executive director and Leo Baeck School board member, Jane Evans.



The grounds of our campus need landscaping. Some of our many friends from around the world participate in the mitzvah of planting a tree in Eretz Yisrael when they visit the School. A grove of cypress trees was planted in a moving ceremony honoring one of the Leo Baeck School's most loyal friends, Heinz Warschauer, on the day of his retirement after 35 years of dedicated service as principal of Toronto's Holy Blossom Temple Religious School.



The National Association of Temple Educators held its annual convention at the School. The conference included a moving ceremony dedicating a part of our library to the memory of Majors Adam and Gideon Weiler, the sons of Rabbi Moshe Chayim Weiler, Chairman of the Council of Progressive Rabbis in Israel, who fell defending our Homeland.



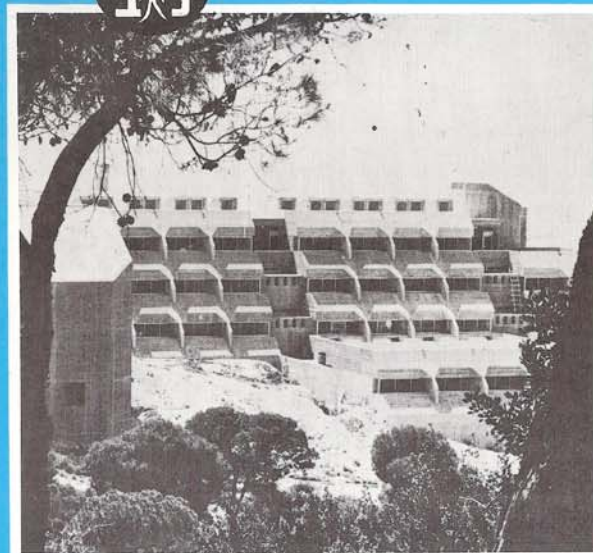
The NATE delegates were only one of the many groups of friends who visited during the year to observe the progress being made by their School in Israel.

We invite all friends to make a pilgrimage to the Leo Baeck School.

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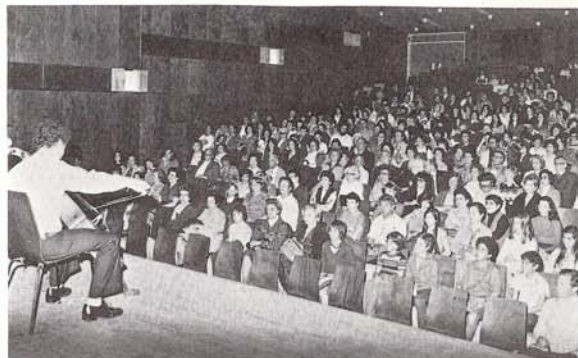
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# What's new in The LEO BAECK CENTER Haifa



**The World Union  
for Progressive Judaism**

As part of the continuing creation of a progressive approach to Judaism and Jewish tradition, Shabbat services are held at the School after our students have been trained in the liturgy and music of the modern synagogue.



Music, Dance, Drama and other cultural events are a significant part of our School calendar. The Rose and Jerome Klorfein Auditorium has made possible during the 1975-76 School year regular film showings and a number of public concerts and plays. These are the first steps in establishing a community center for the entire Haifa Progressive Community.



As a first step in providing our community and students sports and recreation facilities, the School dedicated, during the 1975-76 academic year, an outdoor sports field consisting of basketball and volleyball courts, broad and high jump, and shotput throw. We are also converting part of our air-raid shelter into an exercise and body-building room.



Several rabbis and religious school principals have encouraged bar and bat-mitzvah children to ask friends and relatives, instead of giving gifts, to send a donation to the Baeck School. The School benefits through a mutually-agreed upon project, and the American child has the joy and satisfaction of participating in the building of the Homeland.



JODI KATZ of Holy Blossom Temple, Toronto, presenting her bat-mitzvah gift for audio-visual equipment for the School.



Students from many and diverse backgrounds gather together at the Leo Baeck School. Sephardic and Ashkenazic sabras, new immigrants from 15 different countries, Druze boys, exchange students from North America - all come together to build a new Israel as a closely-knit community of different nationalities and creeds.



A new curriculum concept in Judaic Studies was initiated during the 1975-76 academic year. Mordechai Rotem, the first of three Leo Baeck School graduates who will be ordained to serve as rabbis in Israel, helped create the course. He explains the concept as being subject, rather than text, oriented. A subject is taught on three levels: through the Biblical and Talmudic sources; through medieval and modern texts; and through an evaluation of its relevance and lessons-for-life today

