

### Hebrew Academy Gala Fundraising Dinner-Dance; Dunes Hotel, Jan. 6

John Rothman of San Francisco, a nationally prominent political and foreign policy consultant specializing in Middle East and Soviet affairs, will be the guest speaker at the Hebrew Academy's fund-raising dinner-dance at the Dunes Hotel, January 6.

Rothman is also recognized as an authority on Jewish education and currently serves as president of the San Francisco district of the Zionist Organization of America.

He is a member of the National Board of Trustees of the American Zionist Youth Foundation and was a delegate to the 30th World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem in 1982.

A frequent lecturer on American politics and the Presidency, Rothman was described by Richard Norton Smith, in his recent biography of Thomas E. Dewey, as a "scholar of modern Republicanism."

Rothman has served as a consultant for adolescent programming at the Bureau of Jewish Education in Los Angeles, Director of education at Congregation Beth Shalom in Whittier, director of the Havurat Noar Program and the Halutz Program, and co-director of the Bureau of Jewish Education Ulpan in Israel.

The fund-raising gala in the Crown Jewel Room kicks off with no-host cocktails at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Dunes Hotel Executive Morris Shenker is the guest of honor. Entertainment will be provided by Alexandra and the Steve Beyer Trio.

Tickets are \$100 each, with each ticket-holder receiving four raffle tickets. For more information call the Academy at 384-4500.

### Jewish Community Lecture Series Begins January 20

Members of the Jewish community of southern Nevada have been asked to mark their calendars for the third annual lecture series which will bring four eminent speakers during the winter/spring of 1985. Sponsorship by community-spirited individuals and organizations will again enable the lectures to be brought to the general public at no charge.

As in the past two years, all lectures will be held on Sundays at 7:30 P.M. To emphasize that the series are a project of the entire Jewish community, this year's host-facility will be at Congregation Ner Tamid's new temple, 2761 Emerson Avenue (one block south and one block east of Desert Inn Road and Eastern Avenue).

Four prominent speakers of diverse backgrounds whose work helps shape contemporary Jewish life have been invited to present their views on the social, political, religious and communal issues of the day: Dr. Deborah E. Lipstadt, Assistant Professor of Jewish Studies at UCLA, January 20th ("American Jewish Life in the 1980s: The Best of Times? The Worst of Times?"); John F. Rothmann, scholar, analyst, consultant and lecturer on Soviet, MidEast and American scene, February 10th ("MidEast Update: Levels of Conflict"); Rabbi Joseph Telushkin, Brandeis-Bardin Institute Education Director from 1977 to 1983, currently on a three-year doctoral fellowship at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, March 17th ("Judaism's Challenge to Modern Man"); and Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, influential and respected religious and ecumenical leader, April 21st ("Jews and World Conditions").

The Las Vegas Jewish Community Lecture Series Foundation calls these lectures an intellectual must and is proud to bring them to our community. Calendars should be marked for all four!

### Boston U. Professor To Lecture In Jewish History At University In Poland

BOSTON (WNS) — Prof. Hillel Levine, a Jewish historian on the faculty of Boston University, has been invited to lecture on Jewish history at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow during the current academic year, Boston University announced here.

Levine, who has accepted the invitation, will deliver a series of lectures entitled "The Sociology of Hope: Studies in Jewish History" in which he will assess the intellectual and social history of Polish Jewry against the background of Polish history. He is also scheduled to speak at the Pontifical Institute in Cracow on "The History of Jewish Rituals" and, during the

spring semester, will lecture at the Catholic University in Lubin and act as a consultant to the Jewish Museum in Cracow.

Levine, a Harvard-educated sociologist and historian, noted that for the first time since World War II, Polish universities have begun to acknowledge the subject of Jewish history. During his stay in Poland he will suggest ways in which Judaic studies can be integrated into different curricula in that country.

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