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Wilner Appointed To Board Of Medical Examiners

CARSON CITY — Governor Richard Bryan announced the appointment of prominent Las Vegan Leo Wilner to the State Board of Medical Examiners.

Wilner is Executive Director Emeritus of the Jewish Community Center of Las Vegas, Inc. Temple Beth Sholom, a position he has held for the past 20 years.

Wilner was chosen Man of the Year by the Las Vegas Israelite. Wilner, his wife, Mildred, and two sons were named Family of the Year in 1983 by the Jewish Family Service Agency. He is a charter member of the Las Vegas Chapter of B'nai B'rith Men, and past-president of the Western Association of Temple and Synagogue Administrators.

The Board of Medical Examiners oversees the licensing and practice of medicine in Nevada.



Dear Michael:

Forty-one years ago we helped to make news for you and now we need your help to locate and tell all Veterans of the 2nd Armored "Hell on Wheels" Division of our reunion, May 13 - 17, at Killeen, Fort Hood, Texas.

There are many "Hell on Wheelers" who know nothing about our association in our area. For more information write to:

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(L-R) Jamie Marks, Dr. Lee Bernstein & Barbara Marks. The twins are Adam Jordan Marks & Alexander Justin Marks.

A double portion of joy came to the home of Jamie and Barbara Marks with the birth of their twin sons recently.

The joyous occasion of their birth enjoyed a second "simcha" at the Bris Milah of the two infants the following Sunday.

The Bris Milah service, attended by well over 50 guests, was conducted by Dr. Lee Bernstein, who officiated as Mohel.

In a brief introductory remark, and again after the service, Dr. Bernstein commented how "absolutely thrilled" he was to have been asked to share in this joyous occasion, his first twin Bris since having received Smicha (certification) as a Mohel by the Rabbinic Assembly of Los Angeles in April of 1984.

Dr. Bernstein expressed his wish that more Jewish families would enter their sons into the Covenant of Abraham with a true Bris, rather than having only a medical circumcision.

In accordance with Jewish law, although twins, Dr. Bernstein conducted a complete and separate service for each of the boys, first the

Spain's Overdue

elder of the twins, Adam Jordan (Avraham Hillel) was introduced with the series of traditional prayers and ceremony, was circumcized, and then officially named. This was followed a few moments later by the same complete service for the younger twin, Alexander Justin (Zvi Hersch Marossa).

Tears of joy of parents and grandparents joined those of the guests as Barbara and Jamie participated in the service, reading English translations of the Hebrew prayers.

The twins are the first children born to the Marks. At the close of the service, Dr. Bernstein invoked a blessing upon their home and jokingly said that this celebration should become an annual event.

Guests included relatives and friends from Pikesville, Reisterstown, and Baltimorc, Maryland, and from New York and Connecticut.

The LAS VEGAS ISRAELITE joins Dr. Bernstein and the many friends of the Marks family wishing both parents and babies a sincere Mazel tov and best wishes for their future happiness.

states by informing their diplomats in Madrid of the impending move. President Felipe Gonzalez, it should be noted, told the press at the announcement of establishing ties with Israel, made in The Hague, that this has not changed Israel's commitment to seeking a peaceful settlement to the Middle East conflict, including the Palestinian problem. Spanish citizens have for the past decade, since the death of Franco, been searching for their historic and cultural roots. In the course of that search, they have welcomed the very notion of Sephardism, the concept of a Spanish Jewry, removed by expulsion and inquisition 500 years ago. The recognition of Israel is rviewed by some Spanish historians as closing that breach between Spain and the Jews opened in 1492. There are now merely 15,000 Jews in Spain.

Recognition Of Israel

In a move long overdue, Spain last week announced it has established diplomatic relations with Israel. The action clearly represents another victory for Israel's standing among the international community of nations. For Spain, the action is but another step to end its isolation from world affairs that characterized the regime of the late dictator, Gen. Francisco Franco.

The Spanish media praised the government's action, though it expressed regret that it was not taken much sooner. At the same time, Spain sought to deflect anticipated backlash from Arab



Spain now becomes the 79th member of the world community to extend formal diplomatic ties to Israel. Black African states have also begun the process of re-establishing ties with the Jewish State, ties broken after the 1967 Six-Day War. Overall, the present Israel government should be applauded for making its standing among the community of nations a high priority. Gonzalez, meanwhile, should be commended for bringing Spain into the still growing circle of friends of the Jewish State.