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Teen dating abuse

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She made clear in an interview that abuse on dates or in any other "relationship" situation isn't limited to violence. It can also be about control.

There, too, teenagers' inexperience with romantic relationships makes their responses different from adults'.

"When a boy gives a girl his cellphone, she might think it's romantic. She might not realize he's giving it to her to keep tabs on her."

"Or when a teenage boy gets terribly jealous of his girlfriend, she might wonder if this is what people always do when they're in love."

Teenage boys don't always know what's normal, either, Weiss continued. They might see violence on TV or in movies, and "may think it's normal to push somebody around."

Dating abuse covers a much wider range of actions than "date rape", and often consists of an ongoing pattern of physical abuse or attempts to control.

"It's an entire pattern, when one person tries to have all the power."

Evidence suggests that such abuse crosses all ethnic, racial and

"social" lines.

"I don't think there's any group that's exempted. And every group should be talking about it."

Weiss adds that there's little evidence that dating abuse is worse or more frequent now than a generation or two ago. But teenagers are dating younger, and often, the abuser goes to the same school and lives in the same neighborhood.

Friends of the victim or the abuser can also exert pressure on the girl not to complain.

Adults have to recognize when they should intervene, to protect children experiencing dating abuse, Weiss emphasized. A teenage girl's report that a former boyfriend is "stalking" her is one of those situations.

Overall, though, teenagers today are speaking more openly and getting more advice on how to respond to dating abuse or violence, Weiss added.

"When I think back to when I was in high school in the 1960s, I just knew there was relationship abuse, but we didn't know what to call it. And you'd never have a youth group inviting someone like me to talk to them."

Internationally-renowned Jewish author, educator shares experiences with Winnipeg audience at Herzlia

Trip to Israel, sister influenced Lori Palatnik's interest in Judaism

By MYRON LOVE

Lori Palatnik had a standard North American Jewish upbringing in Toronto. "I went to shul on yom tov and counted the minutes until it was over," she recalls. "Chanukah meant playing with dreidels. Our family Pesach seder grew shorter every year. There were bar and bat-mitzvahs. Being Jewish was no big deal. It wasn't a major factor in my life."

Today, Palatnik, who was the Herzlia Women's Association's Walter Eisenberg Memorial Lecturer this year, is an internationally-renowned educator, author and television talk show host and, along with her husband, Rabbi Yakov



LORI PALATNIK: Her family was secular until her younger sister, Miriam, exposed her to Judaism. Photo by Myron Love.

of interested women at a morning seminar at the Herzlia Synagogue. Palatnik's story illustrates the role of serendipity - or perhaps the Lord's plans - in life's experiences.

Her secular family, she says, was first exposed to religious Judaism by her younger sister, Miriam. (Cont. on page 8. See "Herzlia speaker".)

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National president says during visit here: Staffs at Hadassah-WIZO youth villages 'concerned, but hopeful' about Middle East peace

By MATT BELLAN

When Canadian Hadassah-WIZO National President Marion Mayman visits Winnipeg, it's like coming home.

Mayman's husband, Shlomo, was born and raised here and still has a bevy of relatives in Winnipeg: Norma and Victor Chernick, Jennie Rich and family, Edith and David Landy and Reva Olman. After the Maymans married about 45 years ago, they lived here for about one and a half years.

"That's when I became involved in Hadassah-WIZO," Mrs. Mayman recalled, after speaking at the Hadassah-WIZO Council of Winnipeg's Youth Aliyah/Youth Services Luncheon June 5 at the Fort Garry Hotel. Theresa Rosenberg, co-chair of the luncheon, welcomed guests to the annual event, Claire Pudavick, the other luncheon co-chair, introduced Mayman, and Elizabeth Posen of Winnipeg, Hadassah-WIZO's national vice-president, thanked her.

Susan Dabarno, president and chief operating officer of Merrill Lynch Canada, Inc., also spoke to the crowd in an off-the-record forecast of the global economic picture.

Mayman, who grew up in the much smaller Jewish community of Sidney, Nova Scotia, was a founding member of Hadassah-WIZO's Kinneret Chapter here.

"They just celebrated their 45th anniversary," she noted, adding that she recalls Winnipeg as "a very active centre" for the organization.

The Maymans later moved to Israel for several years, and eventually returned to Manitoba, where Mr. Mayman, by then a nuclear engineer, worked at the federal government's nuclear research plant in Pinawa for about 20 years. The Maymans then spent another two years in Winnipeg, before moving to Ottawa, where they still live.

A lifelong "Zionist", Marion Mayman has



At Hadassah-WIZO Council of Winnipeg's June 5 Youth Aliyah/Youth Services Luncheon at the Fort Garry Hotel, from left: Claire Pudavick, co-chair of the luncheon, Marion Mayman, national president, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, presenting a certificate to Susan Dabarno, president and chief operating officer, Merrill Lynch Canada, Inc., noting Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's creation of a scholarship in Dabarno's honor at the University of Manitoba's Asper School of Business, and Theresa Rosenberg, co-chair of the luncheon. Photo by Perry Diamond.

always believed passionately in the importance of Hadassah-WIZO's work in Israel, and the contribution Canadian Hadassah-WIZO members make to that cause.

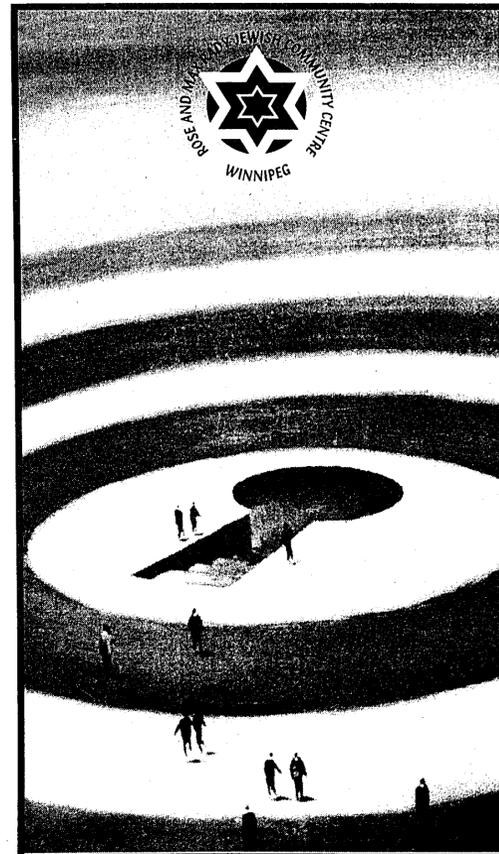
"Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has always remained the largest and strongest Zionist women's organization in Canada. Our membership is around 15,000, and we have them across Canada, from Newfoundland to Victoria."

Causes Hadassah-WIZO members here and in other parts of Canada raise funds for in the Jewish state include schools, youth villages, a research institute, 10 day care centres, two hospitals, and other services.

Mayman cites a conversation she had in Israel last year, after she became national president, with Lieutenant-General Shaul Mofaz, Israel Defence Force chief of staff.

"He's a graduate of Nahalal," Mayman told her audience at the Fort Garry, referring to Hadassah-WIZO's oldest educational project in Israel. Mofaz congratulated Mayman on becoming Canadian Hadassah-WIZO president, adding that he used to be a student at the school, which started in 1923 as an agricultural institute.

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