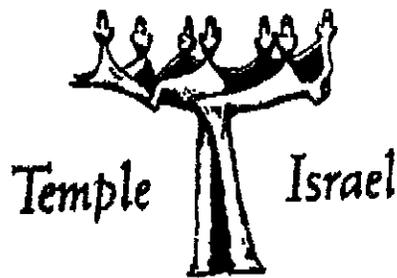


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United States Commissioner to Speak July 31

In 1994 Lee Seeman was appointed by President Clinton to the United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad. The purpose of this Commission is to preserve monuments, historic buildings and cemeteries associated with the foreign heritage of American citizens. Mrs. Seeman will speak about the Commission's work following Shabbat Eve services on Friday, July 31.

The first restoration project carried out by the United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad was a memorial wall in a small Polish town. In 1939 the Nazis wiped out 5,000 Jews of Wyzskow, about half the Jewish population. The Jewish cemetery became an open meadow without markings. Headstones were used to shore the banks of a nearby river; others became a floor in the local Gestapo headquarters or handy building materials for local barns and houses. The Commission helped negotiate the erection of a memorial wall bearing some 200 retrieved headstones and new memorial plaques. It was dedicated in 1997 in a beautiful ceremony preceded by Mass in a local Catholic church to remember the dead and war victims. Dozens of local townspeople, in addition to the invited guests, came on bikes, on foot and in cars. Mrs. Seeman helped raise most of the funds necessary for the memorial and will show a brief video of the dedication ceremony.
