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John D. Connolly, a noted Wall Street analyst, will be the guest speaker at the breakfast of the Securities Industry Division in support of the 1988 United Jewish Appeal of MetroWest, according to an announcement by Leon G. Cooperman, Division chairman.

The function will be held on Sunday, April 10, at 9:45 A.M. at Crestmont Country Club, West Orange. Charles Hirsh serves as chairman of the UJA Commerce Division.

According to Cooperman, "We are pleased to have as our guest a colleague whose knowledge and expertise make him a top member of our profession. We will all benefit from his insights into current and future market trends."

Connolly has been chairman of the Investment Policy Committee at Dean Witter Reynolds since 1984, serving as chief investment strategist.

Prior to joining that firm he was, for five years, director of research

Candle Lighting

The correct time for lighting candles is 6:03 P.M. Candles should be lit at 6:10 on April 8.



JOHN D. CONNOLLY

at Shearson American Express. Before assuming that post, Connolly was a securities analyst covering several industries including automobiles, retail trade, metals and mining, and capital goods.

Connolly received his MBA from Stanford University in 1967.

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Call for More Vocal 'Moderates' Shocks Local Orthodox Leaders

By SUZANNE GOLDSTEIN
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Local Orthodox leaders have reacted with disbelief and criticism to comments by the president of Yeshiva University that "moderates" need to be more vocal within the Orthodox community.

Speaking last week at the Fifth Avenue Synagogue in New York City on "Centrist Orthodoxy," Rabbi Norman Lamm was quoted in The New York Times as stating that moderates need to be more vocal because "ultra" Orthodox Jews have determined the religious agenda in the United States and Israel for too long.

Explaining the distinguishing characteristics between centrists and the ultra-Orthodox, Dr. Lamm said that centrist Orthodoxy is open to secular culture, expresses Zionist views and is tolerant of the opinions of

others, whereas the converse is true for ultra-Orthodoxy.

Although Dr. Lamm said that there are some differing outlooks between the two camps of Orthodoxy, he did state that similarities do exist. Both ultra and centrist Orthodox Jews remain in agreement over the importance of Torah in one's life, according to Dr. Lamm.

'Don't Need Further Split'

Rabbis Lev Dan Rauch of Congregation Ahavat Torah in Parsippany, Moshe A. Kasinetz of the Synagogue of the Suburban Torah Center in Livingston and Alvin Marcus of Congregation Ahawas Achim B'nai Jacob and David in West Orange all say they find Dr. Lamm's remarks

implausible and deleterious to the Orthodox Jewish community.

The views expressed by Dr. Lamm "sound uncharacteristic," according to Rabbi Rauch, who describes himself as a centrist. "It would give one the impression he is against Orthodoxy," he says.

Since the statements made by Dr. Lamm are, in his opinion, very much out of character, Rabbi Rauch says that his initial reaction is not to take them too seriously.

Rabbi Rauch says he is behind speaking up for Orthodoxy since he feels that "the Orthodox community comes under attack from the outside and other camps." Although he states that "it is im-

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Like Father, Unlike Son

Opinions on Jewish Dissent

TIKKUN

A BIMONTHLY JEWISH CRITIQUE OF POLITICS, CULTURE & SOCIETY

The Occupation: Immoral and Stupid

The widespread moral outrage at Israel's policies in Gaza and the West Bank—the sense that Israel is violating the basic ethical values of the Jewish people—has been expressed in a variety of ways. One of the most powerful is the publication of Tikkun, a bimonthly Jewish critique of politics, culture and society.

From left: Rabbi Stuart Warner, principal, Central Hebrew High School; Hilda Jaffe, JEA president; Lois Rose, assistant director, budgets and planning, Federation; Dr. Richard Wagner, coordinator of school services, JEA.

From left: Dr. Bernard Ducoff, JEA director; Sherman I. Hirshfeld; Rabbi Standley Asekoff; Jerry Genberg; Ted Felix; Susan Joseph.

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portant for all factions within Orthodoxy to assert themselves," Rabbi Rauch says that "we don't need any further split within Orthodoxy."

Prefers 'Torah Observant'

Rabbi Kasinetz says that he is "a bit shocked" by Dr. Lamm's

speech and scarcely believes he truly meant what he said. He does not agree with Dr. Lamm that the ultra-Orthodox have set the religious agenda or that Halachah is able to function and separate itself from secular life.

Saying that he resents the labels "ultra" and "centrist" in reference to Orthodoxy, Rabbi Kasinetz suggests that the entire Orthodox community instead be referred to as "Torah observant." He points out that Dr. Lamm "does a lot of damage by

the way he separates (Orthodoxy)" because he is grouping a number of people together as one for reasons that are unbeknownst to Rabbi Kasinetz.

Dr. Lamm's "rhetoric" is "counterproductive" to Orthodoxy, according to Rabbi Marcus. Instead of voicing such views as Dr. Lamm did last week, Rabbi Marcus states that "we should treat each other with respect."

Rabbi Marcus agrees with Dr. Lamm that "moderate Orthodox

Jews need to be assertive in philosophy and way of life." He points out that the growth in the yeshiva population is an example of this assertiveness.

Terminology for Slander

Stressing that he would not personally choose the term "ultra-Orthodox" to refer to those to the right of him, Rabbi Marcus says he feels this terminology is used to "slander traditional Judaism." He adds:

the Orthodox view of the Western world" and lifestyle, Rabbi Marcus echoes Dr. Lamm's sentiment that there is an agreement between the two over Halachic law. "If one is Orthodox, one is committed to a tradition," he explains.

Rabbi Marcus, who describes his particular congregation as centrist, says that "we need not be apologetic for our particular position." He points out that "while Torah learning is central, secular understanding can enhance it."

According to Rabbi Marcus, Dr. Lamm's thrust has consistently been "to strengthen the attitudes of people who don't understand the need for secular learning." He adds that "Halachah and Torah are for living, not for isolation."

PLO Seeks More Arab Support

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Palestine Liberation Organization, which has its headquarters in Tunis, is complaining that the Arab world has neglected it and that world reaction to the "massacre in the occupied territories" has been too moderate.

This was reported last week by Tamar Golan, Maariv's Paris correspondent, who recently visited Tunisia. She said relations between the PLO leadership and the Tunis-based general secretariat of the Arab League have not improved.

The PLO contends that Arab countries closely associated with the United States have not exerted sufficient pressure on Washington to do something about Israeli behavior toward the Palestinians.

Nevertheless, the Palestine uprising, now entering its fourth month, has led millions of Tunisian youths to identify with the cause. The most conspicuous phenomenon in Tunisia is the increase of anti-American sentiment, Golan reported.

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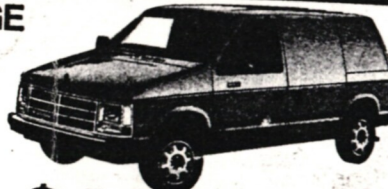
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