

decided that if I ever experienced tragedy, I would react in the opposite way from my father."

Life provided him with opportunities to fulfill that challenge. One of their sons, 8-year-old Rafael, has Down's syndrome. Yehudah himself lived for years on dialysis, finally undergoing a kidney transplant four years ago which forced him to quit his job as a math teacher and work from his home, selling real estate. Yehudah thought of his father, a broken, silent man shuffling between work and home; and refused to be bitter.

Esther grew up in Flatbush, cherished daughter of Polish survivors. "I was the national treasure, the consolation," she says, with a wry smile. "I was never allowed to be unhappy. The rule of the house was: Never tell me upsetting news. And of course I wouldn't say anything that would upset my parents."

Indeed, just after Nahshon's death, Esther had one overriding thought: that her 83-year-old father, silenced by a stroke and living in Queens, mustn't be told. "The same business: Don't upset them."

Esther says that, as a teenager, she was a "typical JAP. If I wore the pink dress on Tuesday that meant I couldn't wear it for another week." But then her life changed when she visited Israel in 1967, and fell in love with the country. Back in New York, where she was studying to be a teacher, she felt like a hypocrite, praying for a return to Zion when Zion was so easily accessible. In 1970, she returned to Jerusalem, and got a job helping run a Jewish Agency summer camp for American teenagers. One of the camp counselors was Yehudah Wachsmann. Four months later, they married.

Becoming the mother of soldiers—Nachshon and his two older brothers all served in Lebanon—forced Esther to confront mortality, and reconsider the values on which she was raised. "I spent years glued to the radio, waiting for news," she says. "Living in Israel made it impossible for me to remain what I was."

Less than a month after the tragedy, the atmosphere in the Wachsmann home is deliberately normal. Friends drop by, everyone speaks in conversational tones, the Wachsmann boys exchange small jokes. Immediately after the shivah, each of the boys individually approached Esther and Yehudah and said: Let's not allow this home to turn gloomy. "I realized I had no choice but to go on," says Esther. The boys were sent back to school, and Esther resumed her job teaching English at the elite Hebrew University High School. Most of all, the family has tried to maintain the home's relaxed atmosphere—a place where friends of the Wachsmann boys feel so comfortable that over the years some have virtually moved in.

Even now, grief doesn't suppress the good-natured teasing that marks Esther and Yehudah's relationship. When they discuss their political positions with me—he supports the peace process with reservations, she opposes it with reservations—they pretend to be exasperated with each other. Esther: "My husband is unique, there is no one

else with quite his point of view." Yehudah: "If she says so, it must be true." Then they smile: They are amused, not annoyed, by their differences.

Inevitably, though, the home bears traces of the ordeal. A table in a corner is piled with prayer books and yarmulkes: During the week of the kidnapping, there was non-stop communal praying here. On a makeshift charity box are written words urging those who place money into it to say a prayer for Nahshon's safe return. And mounted on the breakfront is a picture of Nahshon, smiling and wearing a T-shirt with the words: "I've been drafted."

Esther manages a smile when speaking of Nahshon. "He was in an elite unit, the shortest, thinnest kid among big, brawny fellows. They called him the baby of the unit. But he was the one who encouraged them in Lebanon. They used to say to him, 'Nahshon, this is hell, wipe that smile off your face.' And he'd say, 'Everything will be okay, let's just do our job.'"

"Nahshon epitomized non-conflict. He couldn't stand it when his brothers fought. If his parents argued about something, he'd say, 'Is it really so important?'"

Esther and Yehudah see that quality of peacemaking as a hint of Nahshon's destiny. Everyone has a mission in life, they believe; and since the kidnapping created such a powerful sense of unity among Israelis, perhaps that was related to Nahshon's mission.

Esther says that, during the entire week of the kidnapping, she was certain that Nahshon would return alive, that the outpouring of prayer around the country would somehow protect him. She doesn't believe those prayers were wasted. "Prayers don't get lost. Jews prayed for 2,000 years to return to Israel. Our generation made it back. Eventually the time comes for the fulfillment of prayers. The soldiers who tried to save Nahshon could have all been killed—maybe the prayers protected them."

She rejects self-pity as firmly as religious doubt. "I don't ask: 'Why me? Why anyone?' Look how many people lost entire families in the Holocaust. You pick yourself up and go on. That's part of Jewish history."

In fact, both Esther's and Yehudah's fathers lost their first wives and some of their children in the Holocaust. And though neither says so, it is clear that their parents' ability to create new families after the war has strengthened their own life-force.

But for all their optimism and faith, the Wachsmanns have an account to settle with God. Esther: "When Yehudah was on dialysis, I said to God, 'This is as bad as it can get.' Then my son Rafael was born with Down's syndrome and I said, 'OK, God, You can't do anything worse to me than this.' When Nahshon died, I thought, 'You really did do something worse.'"

"I work with non-believing people. They think I'm protected from pain by my faith. But the grief is just as severe; the only thing faith does is keep me sane. I'd break down if I didn't believe there was some master plan, that every person was put on Earth for a purpose. But"—her voice turns to an emphatic,

almost angry whisper—"it does not lessen the pain."●

TRIBUTE TO JUDGE GILBERT CALVIN STEINDORFF, JR., RETIRED PROBATE JUDGE IN BUTLER COUNTY, AL

● Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Judge Gilbert Calvin Steindorff, Jr., retired probate judge in Butler County, AL. Judge Steindorff dedicated his life to the service of the citizens of Butler County and for that we are eternally grateful.

Judge Steindorff's first service to his country was a tour of duty in the Army during World War II. In February 1946, he returned to Butler County to help his father run the family business. Not long after his return from France he married Maxine Darby, his wife of nearly 50 years. The couple has one son, Gilbert Calvin Steindorff III, who lives in Montgomery with his wife Debbie and Calvin's grandson, Gilbert Calvin Steindorff IV.

In February 1947, after selling the family business, his service to the citizens of Butler County began. With the support of many influential people in the county, he was chosen from a field of eight applicant to replace Butler County Tax Assessor Frank Herlong at the young age of 21. He served at this post for the next 28 years.

In 1975, then Probate Judge James T. Beeland became ill and would not resign until he was sure Calvin Steindorff would take his place. Calvin has been there ever since. He was well known throughout Greenville and Butler County as one who is ready to listen and eager to help with everything including road work and garbage pickup. His desk was always neat and his demeanor cheerful. The people of the county warmly refer to him as "Judge."

Judge Steindorff called his office his second home and is not sure how he will spend his time now that he does not head for the Butler County Courthouse at the crack of dawn every morning. He may spend more time fishing, woodworking, and working on his antique clock collection, but it is certain that many will miss seeing the "Judge" regularly on the streets on downtown Greenville.

Judge Gilbert Calvin Steindorff, Jr. has spent his life serving the people of Butler County with devotion, commitment, and selflessness. He is an example to us all.●

FOREIGN CURRENCY REPORTS

In accordance with the appropriate provisions of law, the Secretary of the Senate herewith submits the following report(s) of standing committees of the Senate, certain joint committees of the Congress, delegations and groups, and select and special committees of the Senate, relating to expenses incurred in the performance of authorized foreign travel:

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator J. Bennett Johnston:									
United Kingdom	Dollar		682.00						682.00
France	Franc	7,387.08	1,356.00					7,387.08	1,356.00
United States	Dollar				3,245.15				3,245.15
W. Proctor Jones:									
United Kingdom	Dollar		682.00						682.00
France	Franc	7,387.08	1,356.00					7,387.08	1,356.00
United States	Dollar				3,245.15				3,245.15
Total			4,076.00		6,490.30				10,566.30

ROBERT C. BYRD,
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations, Oct. 7, 1994.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1, TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Carl Levin:									
China	Dollar		298.68						298.68
Richard Fieldhouse:									
China	Dollar		365.39						365.39
Total		664.07						664.07

SAM NUNN,
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services, Oct. 1, 1994.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1, TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Larry Pressler:									
United States	Dollar				3,864.05				3,864.05
United Kingdom	Pound	552.67	849.00					552.67	849.00
France	Franc	6,202.08	1,168.00					6,202.08	1,168.00
Jacqueline Arends,:									
United States	Dollar				2,947.05				2,947.05
United Kingdom	Pound	736.89	1,132.00					736.89	1,132.00
France	Franc	6,202.08	1,168.00					6,202.08	1,168.00
Samuel Whitehorn:									
United States	Dollar				422.13				422.13
Canada	Dollar	554.09	412.27					554.09	412.27
Alan D. Maness:									
United States	Dollar				422.13				422.13
Canada	Dollar	227.49	169.26					227.49	169.26
Total			4,898.53		7,655.36				12,553.89

ERNEST F. HOLLINGS,
Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Oct. 14, 1994.

AMENDED—CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION, FOR TRAVEL FROM APR. 1, TO JUNE 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Earl W. Comstock:									
United States	Dollar		243.62						243.62
Total			243.62						243.62

ERNEST F. HOLLINGS,
Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Sept. 14, 1994.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Bill Bradley:									
Mexico	Dollar		148.52						148.52
United States	Dollar				906.95				906.95

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1994—Continued

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Mark Foulon:									
Mexico	Dollar		190.36						190.36
United States	Dollar				906.95				906.95
Total			338.88		1,813.90				2,152.78

DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN,
Chairman, Committee on Finance, Sept. 30, 1994.

ADDENDUM—CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FOR TRAVEL FROM JAN. 1 TO MAR. 31, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator John Rockefeller:									
Japan	Dollar					1,981.83			1,981.83
Total						1,981.83			1,981.83

DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN,
Chairman, Committee on Finance, Sept. 30, 1994.

ADDENDUM—CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1993

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan:									
France	Franc					131.94			131.94
Total						131.94			131.94

DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN,
Chairman, Committee on Finance, Sept. 30, 1994.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1, TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Lisa Alfred:									
Burundi	Dollar		142.00						142.00
Egypt	Dollar		600.00						600.00
Ethiopia	Dollar		450.00						450.00
United States	Dollar				2,612.90				2,612.90
T. Scott Bunton:									
Egypt	Pound	2,349.27	693.00					2,349.27	693.00
United Kingdom	Pound	151.06	233.00					151.06	233.00
United States	Dollar				4,138.95				4,138.95
Geryld B. Christianson:									
Austria	Schilling	10,661.78	960.00					10,661.78	960.00
United States	Dollar				972.35				972.35
Christopher J. Walker:									
South Africa	Rand	5,656	1,580.00					5,656	1,580.00
Botswana	Pula	246	460.00					246	460.00
United States	Dollar				3,690.45				3,690.45
Total			5,118.00		11,414.65				16,532.65

Claiborne Pell,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations, Oct. 25, 1994.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1994

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Howard Walgren			1,187.00		2,482.85				3,669.85
Gary Reese			1,085.00		2,482.85				3,567.85
Donald Mitchell			884.82		2,482.85				3,367.67
Christopher Straub			816.00		3,239.65				4,055.65
Total			3,972.82		10,688.20				14,661.02

DENNIS DeCONCINI,
Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence, Oct. 18, 1994.