

Versatile Hermelin doesn't want to be a specialist

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 the non-Jewish world the opportunity to invest in Israel.
HERMELIN says the banking com-

munity, labor unions and businesses have supported the bond program.
 "Over \$8.5 billion in Israel Bonds have been sold, and they've never been late in interest payments or loan re-

turns." His greatest challenge as national chairman for Israel Bonds is to establish a lay cabinet of people to support the professional staff which Hermelin labels "quality."
 Do Hermelin's roles as bond chairman and synagogue president present a conflict? "I think there's a real consistency," he responds to the question which he has asked himself.
 "Israel Bonds has always seen the synagogue as the central institution for the continuation of Jewish culture and a rallying point of Jewish concerns."
 Bonds came to the synagogue to sell bonds and has never left there.
 Hermelin, who says he's never, ever bored, counts music as one of his great loves. He has studied a number of instruments, but faithfully continues piano lessons with Prof. Julius Chayes.
 "We chat a lot during lessons, and I may miss for four or five weeks because of traveling, but I couldn't give up piano," he said. "When we were married two years, Doreen bought me

a little Chickering piano, and we paid on it for 36 months."
MAGIC, but sophisticated magic, has fascinated him and continues to be an interest. With his children, he has entertained in inner city churches during the holiday season.
 "I grew up in a home that stressed sharing time and resources on behalf of your own people and others," he said.
 Of a large number of involvements, Hermelin named some in which he participates. They include Children's Hospital, the Roundtable of Christians and Jews, a center for physically and emotionally abused children and cancer research and treatment.
 He is chairman of the executive committee of the American ORT Federation and is on boards of Overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Bar Ilan University, the First America Bank of Detroit and American Friends of Hebrew University.

Though not a member of a political party, he calls himself "politically oriented," concerns himself with the quality of legislation and takes an active role in the political process.
 He's a stand-up comic, writes parodies and acts in his own productions. "I wrote more shows than Rogers and Hammerstein," he said. "And we're big on amusement parks."
 Up at 6 a.m. every day, Hermelin exercises and eats sparingly "only to survive. I have no luncheon dates and no dinner dates, can't waste the time."
HE LOVES to ski, and he loves partners.
 "I've got a lot of different partners, and I love partners," he said. "There's no such thing as a bad partner. I choose my partner, that's my deal."
 He maneuvers meetings and appointments so he can use time economically. Having met many celebrities and world leaders, Hermelin contends he's in awe of no one. "People are people

first and then their position second. The world is built on relationships, and we have to work out our interpersonal relationships."
 "Everybody has a value and a worth, and I can relate to him."
 For Hermelin, the pleasure of "letting things go is not worth the price of putting things together."
 Therefore, he keeps his lists and writes things down to augment his "fabulous" memory.
 His most valuable class in school was typing, and he still does some of his own. He has added a computer, which helps him out.
 "I try to stay very organized," he said. "I answer every phone call that comes and return those that come when I'm not in. No one is asked his name by my staff. I check my office for messages every afternoon, and I get back to everyone."
 "No kidding, I'll call you back from Bombay."



MINDY SAUNDERS/Staff photographer

Israel and the sale of Israel bonds take a lot of David Hermelin's time these days. He believes the country is a strategic ally to the U.S. in a part of the world where allies are needed.

In holiday dress

Katherine Gual, left, a member of Farmington Community Center's Volunteer Guild, welcomes a guest Mary Ellen Sallie to the center, which was dressed in its holiday best for the season. Meanwhile, brochures listing the center's winter offerings of classes and special events are being readied to be mailed out before the first of the year. Business-as-usual hours and activities in the historic home begin in mid-January.



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 Reservations are \$20 each, taken by the club's ticket chairman at 591-1350.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, Farmington Area Chapter, meet for dinner, a business meeting and a program at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3 in Buggy Works, Orchard Lake, south of 15 Mile.
 The program for the evening is "Labor Relations."

Guests are welcome to call Diane Cutler, 963-8142 for a dinner reservation or information about chapter membership.

WISER (Widowed in Service) meets at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3 in Plymouth Historical Museum's basement. The museum is on Main and Church streets. Members and guests are asked to use the building's side entrance.
 The evening's program will be headed by David Lau, whose topic is "Finances and Legal Problems." Participants are asked to bring questions.
WISER is sponsored by the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College.

The meetings, sponsored by the center, are open to all widows and widowers in surrounding communities. Inquiries will be taken by calling Women's Resource Center at 591-6400, ext. 430.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS, Farmington-Southfield Chapter, meet at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4 in Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph Road south of Eight Mile Road.
 The program will be headed by makeup artist Jeffrey Bruce, who will give a makeup demonstration.
 Guests are invited to the meeting.
 Chapter membership inquiries will be taken by Barbara Ruck, 476-3298.

CHILDBIRTH WITHOUT PAIN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION hosts a film which shows a birth using the Lamaze Pavlov (psychoprophylactic) method of painless childbirth at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6 in Sinai Hospital's Zukerman auditorium. The hospital is located at 6767 W. Outer Drive. Guests are asked to enter from the west side of the hospital.
 Children will not be admitted. A donation of \$1 will be asked at the door.
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