

Dear Friends,

We are proud to announce a joint meeting between our Council and the Staten Island Jewish Issues Committee that will deal with the recent historic meeting of over 400 American Jews in Washington D.C. that called for a just and lasting peace in the Mideast.

The event was the First National Membership Conference of Breira (Hebrew for "alternative"). Breira is a young organization whose stated goals are "democracy within the Jewish community" and a Middle East settlement based on the idea of the Palestinians setting up a separate Palestinian state on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, which is presently under Israeli occupation. In return, the Palestinians would recognize the state of Israel.

On March 8, Tuesday evening at 8:00, three participants of the conference will give an informal REPORT BACK at the home of Angelo D'Angelo, 172 Coventry Road (off Todt Hill Road).

The participants: Prof. Richard Schwartz - Breira member

Allan Solomonow - Jewish Peace Fellowship,

Fellowship of Reconciliation

Daniel Spector - Asst. Editor, <u>Jewish Affairs</u> magazine

Many resolutions related to peace in the Middle East, social justice in Israel, and U.S. foreign policy were passed at the Washington conference and will be discussed at our meeting.

We believe that you will want this opportunity to find out about the creative new ideas that were expressed at the Breira convention.

For Peace and Justice, the Steering Committee of the SICPJ

