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KJA Campaign Update

Total: \$406,733
Number of Pledges: 256
New pledges: 24
10% increase club: 159
2006 Goal: \$425,000

We are very close to our campaign goal. If you have not yet made a contribution or pledge, please mail a check to KJA, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.

B'nai Tzedek Teens Learn About Philanthropy

By Deborah Oleshansky, B'nai Tzedek Director

A majestic view of downtown Knoxville from the East Tennessee Foundation (ETF) 15th floor Conference room, high a top the city, served as the backdrop for a meeting of 22 local Jewish teens as they became the inaugural group of B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Fundholders. The teens were joined by ETF President Mike McClamrock, ETF Vice President Carolyn Schwenn, and Mary Linda Schwarzbart, President of the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds (KJCF). The KJCF is a supporting foundation of the East Tennessee Foundation.

Founded in 1986, ETF is a permanent community endowment dedicated to connecting caring donors with social needs and opportunities to enrich lives and strengthen communities. The assets of the supporting organizations are pooled and invested under the watchful eye of a volunteer board of directors and investment committee made up of local leaders and investment professionals. A portion of the assets provides grant monies for nonprofit projects and programs or endowed income for nonprofit organizations. The remainder stays in the funds to grow and provide future grants.

The B'nai Tzedek Legacy Fund, of which the teens are now shareholders, is a Knoxville Jewish Alliance fund held by the KJCF. The



Teens gather at the East Tennessee Foundation to learn about philanthropy funds.

meeting of the new fundholders was held at ETF to begin the process of understanding the connection between the KJCF and the ETF.

Each teen signed an individualized subfund document that included a detailed description of the B'nai Tzedek fund. As the subfunds grow and accrue interest, the teens will have the opportunity to make grants from their funds to non-profit organizations of their choice. They will continue to approve grants from the fund until the age of 25 and at that time, if their subfund has grown to \$5000, it can become a fully donor advised fund in the name of the young person. If not, the remainder will revert to the B'nai Tzedek Legacy Fund and the interest will continue to be available for grants given by younger B'nai Tzedek teens.

For additional information about the B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program, or to begin a B'nai Tzedek Fund, contact Deborah Oleshansky, B'nai Tzedek Director, at 690-6343.



Mary Linda Schwarzbart, KJCF president, watches as Britt Sturm signs his fund paperwork.

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The KJA strives to serve Jewish life by providing the democratic forum, the organizational structure, the physical home, and financial means to support and promote the cultural, intellectual, and general welfare of the entire Jewish Community of Knoxville and the Jewish community across the world. The KJA is affiliated with the United Jewish Communities. The AJCC, a division of KJA, is a beneficiary of the United Way of Greater Knoxville. It is affiliated with the (JCCA) Jewish Community Center Association.

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JFS Volunteers Assemble "Chai" Bags

By Nancy Britcher, Jewish Family Services Director

Jewish Family Services volunteers treat residents in community assisted Living and nursing homes with our famous "Chai" bags. These bags enable volunteers to bring a little gift with them when they visit those confined to nursing homes or other long-term care facilities.

The bags contain assorted toiletries and personal care items with different bags designed for men and women. If you would like to know more about our "Chai" bag program or volunteer some time to visit our older adults in assisted living and nursing homes, please call Nancy Britcher, JFS, at 693-5837 or contact Volunteer Coordinator Evan Sturm.



Zeke Frumin, Joanie Leeds, and Toby Schwartz dine at the JFS party.



Debbie and Lucas Richman entertain adults at the High Holidays luncheon.



Ilonka Stinnett and mother Goldie Krausse spend time together at the High Holiday event.



Ellen Kern, Sylvia Greenberg, and Ruth Sherrill enjoy lunch.

JFS Hosts Fabulous / Rosh Hashanah Celebration

By Nancy Britcher, Jewish Family Services Director

On Wednesday, September 27, a High Holiday celebration was hosted by Jewish Family Services for our Jewish older adult residents of assisted living and retirement homes. Held at Outlook Pointe, 35 people, including residents from four different facilities, volunteers and family members enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by JFS volunteers. Rabbi Beth Schwartz gave a lovely introduction and prayer for the High Holidays

before our musical entertainment began. For our first class entertainment, Lucas and Debbie Richman played the piano and sang a variety of classic and original songs that made us smile, laugh and clap. How lucky we were to have such a magnificent performance. The staff at Outlook Pointe provided decorations and drinks and were gracious and welcoming. Our next special holiday event will be for Chanukah. If you would like to be involved, please contact Nancy Britcher or Pat Rosenberg at the JFS office, 693-5837.

Knoxville Jewish Community Led by 13 Lions of Judah

By Stephen Rosen

The Lion of Judah was established in Miami in 1972 as a symbol to recognize a new level of commitment set forth by a cadre of doers. These women knew that to shape the future they envisioned, they would have contribute accordingly. At that time, only 16 women qualified for this level of giving (\$5,000 for a woman or \$10,000 for a couple). Today, over 13,000 women declare their commitment to the preservation and growth of the worldwide Jewish community by making such contributions to their annual campaigns.

The 2006 Lions of Judah in Knoxville are

Nancy Becker
Barbara Bernstein
Wendy Goodfriend
Kay Goodfriend
Elise Jacobs
Barb Levin
Karen Robinson
Natalie Robinson
Alexandra Rosen
Esther Rosen
Katheryn Rosen
Kim Rosen
Sara Steinfeld

If you would like to join these leaders in building Jewish life in Knoxville and saving Jewish lives abroad, please contact Stephen Rosen at 540-5313.



KJA to Host Annual Meeting in January

The KJA annual meeting will be held Sunday, January 7, at the AJCC. Members will be voting on the following slate of officers.

President: Scott B. Hahn
President Elect: Stephen Rosen
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Secretary: Dr. Renee Hyatt

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Members-At-Large, 1 year term: Barbara Bernstein, Dr. Caren Gallaher, Dan Smith, Paul Steinfeld

Nominating Committee:
Marilyn Liberman, Chair
Scott Hahn
Ellen Kern
David Oleshansky
Janice Pollock
Dr. Ellen Schnoll
Seth Schweitzer
Tamara Sturm

KJA Contributions

The following donations were made from September 9 through October 31. If you are interested in making a contribution to a KJA Fund or activity, please contact the KJA Office at 690-6343.

AJCC Golf Tournament:

Gary Dreyer

AJCC Preschool:

Gregory Kaplan & Nuria Cruz Camara, Matthew & Emily Theriot
In honor of Sophie & Leo Pollock: Troy & Nancy Tisue

KJA General Fund:

Aaron & Miriam Rosenthal, Marc & Tamar Margolis

UT Jewish Student Center:

A. Thaler, David and Paula Coplon

2007 Knoxville Jewish Alliance Pacesetters Evening

Mark your Calendars to Join Us
for a Special Event

Sunday, January 28
6:30 p.m.
The Orangery

Israel Emergency Fund Eases War Woes

United Jewish Communities website

After six years of near quiet in the North, six years of hope and optimism about the future, six years of growing university enrollments, small businesses, investments, tourism, and increasing economic development, the rug has been pulled out from under the feet of Israelis who live in the North. Out from under the people who keep the strategically critical northern border of Israel alive.

The trauma of 34 days in crowded bomb shelters –sometimes up to 16 hours a day in stifling heat with the continuous sound of sirens – has taken its toll. Long after the rockets have stopped, children continue to clutch their parents' hands for dear life. An extraordinary number of teenagers are so anxious, they're wetting their beds at night. Elderly are so afraid, they, too, become incontinent. And that's only the psychological toll of trauma.

Beyond kindling dreams of achievement and fulfillment, there's the physical and economic devastation. Homes, businesses, schools, and hospitals need to be rebuilt. Northern universities that were thriving only weeks ago are now half empty. Centers of intellectual life and places of emotional support, once the bedrock of these towns, must all be restored. It's time to return northern Israel to its glory. And we can only do it with

your help.

Every dollar donated to the Israel Emergency Campaign will go directly to help the citizens of Israel cope with the consequences of terror.

Rebuild and Revitalize

We made a difference during the war...meeting the needs of more than 100,000 Israeli children, relocating 300 new immigrant families, providing critical services to more than 50,000 elderly and 3,000 disabled citizens, and equipping hundreds of bomb shelters with air conditioners, televisions, emergency light fixtures, toilets, and water pumps.

And we can make a difference after the war.

Trauma Services: Counseling for citizens of northern Israel and areas surrounding Gaza. Hospitals need funds for specialized services, hotlines, and first responders. \$53M.

Fund for Victims of Terror: A dedicated fund for victims and their families, including scholarships and assistance for the children of victims. \$20M

Relief and Support for Soldiers and their families: Assistance for "lone soldiers," immigrants without families in Israel, and aid for families of soldiers fighting in Israel's defense. \$5M

Economic Recovery: Creation of a small business loan fund to enable thousands of

businesses crippled by the war to recover; a center for economic research to assist in the development of strategy; assisting municipal councils with employment, training, counseling and technical assistance for small business owners. \$112M

Rebuilding Communal Infrastructure: Re-equipping damaged absorption centers, libraries, community centers and homes for the elderly; updating bomb shelters and upgrading emergency services. \$121M

Vulnerable Populations: Restoring home care, meals-on-wheels and medical care to the elderly; helping new immigrants access government services; providing additional help to the disabled. \$45M

Education: Providing critical resources so that tens of thousands of children and students can return to the classroom and colleges can manage their post-trauma needs; creating afternoon programs and activities to keep students safe and active after short school days; financial assistance for basic supplies and materials to families in economic hardship. \$176M

Israel Advocacy: Effectively making the case on behalf of Israel and building community support. \$2M

Restoring and Fostering Youth Travel to Israel: Strengthening registration for birthright Israel, MASA and other Israel experiences. \$8M

Silver-Alford to Celebrate Bar Mitzvah

Max Silver-Alford, son of Carolyn and Terry, brother of Emma and Lilly, grandson of Frances Silver and Edna Alford, will become a Bar Mitzvah on December 16 at Heska Amuna Synagogue. This date corresponds to the 25th of Kislev 5767, the first Shabbat of Hanukah! What a great day to dedicate oneself to Jewish life. This bar mitzvah Shabbos is also the bar mitzvah anniversary of Max's beloved grandfather, Ernest Silver, z"l.

Max is an honor roll seventh-grade student at Cedar Bluff

Middle School where he enjoys math, plays trumpet in the band, and is actively involved with the Technology Student Association. Max is a Camp Ramah Darom alumnus and is a regular at Milton Collins Day Camp. During his free time, Max enjoys playing soccer and electronic games. He also likes to hang out with his family and occasionally bug his sisters.

The entire community is invited to join our family as we welcome Max to the Torah on this special Shabbat morning and to rejoice and celebrate him at the luncheon which will follow.



FALL FRIENDSHIPPER LINE-UP OFF & RUNNING



Beth Heller, program coordinator, and Deborah Oleshansky, JSC/Hillel director, shows the t-shirt Hillel is selling as a fund raiser.

By Beth Heller

On September 14, Bruce Pearl spoke to a group of more than 70 enthralled fans. Coach Pearl generously shared memories, stories of his experiences in the world of college basketball, personal anecdotes about his Jewish and professional background, and answered lots of questions! Bruce also autographed UT Hillel t-shirts purchased by participants, with all proceeds going to support the UT Hillel program. The Friendshipippers really got to know him and to realize what a mensch the Jewish community and UT have in Coach Pearl!

On September 21, a group of Friendshipippers carpooled to the East Tennessee Historical Society to view the exhibit, Living On: Portraits of Tennessee Holocaust Survivors and Liberators. Photographer Rob Heller gave a personal



Dr. Heather Hirschfeld recently presented a program on Shakespeare and the Jews.

tour and answered questions. The group was visibly moved and agreed it was a powerful experience.

Dr. Heather Hirschfeld presented a captivating look at "Shakespeare and the Jews" on October 12. In addition to her fascinating literary and historical discussion, Heather shared her personal insights, as well as the affect her work has had on her and on her own Jewish identity. It was a great program.

LUNCHEON PROGRAMS

Mark your calendars and join us for the following line-up of Friendshipper programs. This year, \$7.50 per person for catered lunch. Starting in January, \$8.00. No charge for the programs alone. All programs at noon at the AJCC. Hope to see you there.

Wednesday, November 8: Tom Harrington, photographer/naturalist for Smokey Mountain National Park presents, "The History of Cades Cove".

Thursday, December 14: Annual Musical Chanukah Program and Sing-a-long, featuring Susan Shorr Brown.

Thursday, January 25: Wendel Werner and the UT Singers.

Wednesday, February 7: Guest speaker Anne McKinney, local attorney known for her entertaining and informative programs on estate planning. Co-sponsored by Jewish Family Services.

Wednesday, February 21: Guest Speaker: Leslie Snow, Knoxville News Sentinel Columnist.

Tuesday, March 6: Guest Speaker: Joe Howell, News Sentinel Photographer, reports on his experience participating in and reporting on the March of the Living.



Norman Licht gets his shirt autographed by Coach Bruce Pearl.

FRIENDSHIPPER BOOK GROUP

The Friendshipper Book Group meets the first Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. at the AJCC. New members are welcome. Interested? Contact Beth Heller at the AJCC, 690-6343.

FRIENDSHIPPER DISCRETIONARY FUND

Looking for a way to honor a friend, send get-well wishes, or just let someone know you care? Consider a contribution to the Friendshipper Discretionary Fund. The fund purchases equipment to be used by the Friendshipippers and subsidizes the costs of special Friendshipper programs and speakers. For more information, contact Beth Heller or Ed Hunter, 690-6343.

Suggestions? Ideas for programs? Know someone who would like to be added to the Friendshipper mailing list? Contact Beth Heller, 690-6343.

The Friendshipippers is a program of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance.



Marilyn and Jerry Solomon welcome Bruce Pearl, Tennessee men's basketball coach, to the AJCC.



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AJCC Preschool Celebrates New Year

By Rebekah Goemaat, AJCC Preschool Director

Last month we celebrated the New Year. Have you ever noticed that the school calendar seems to fit better with the Jewish calendar? When Rosh Hashanah rolls around each year, in September or October, the Western calendar is about worn out, heading to those last cold months of November and December, but the school year at AJCC Preschool is still new, full of possibilities.

We start out each year with hopes – starting with Teacher In-service Week, the week proceeding our preschool year. While children are taking a week off, teachers are fervently rearranging classrooms and planning for the first month of school. Fresh ideas are flying, looking for places to light, and each year the results look a little different – a new take on what we have to give our children. This year, those ideas translated into clearing and a cleaning out, a repainting in soft colors, the idea of making our school a little bit more attractive for the children and families as they walked through its doors the first week of school.

Those new ideas were evident at our first Parent Committee meeting – as 23 parents (I think that may be a record high!) crowded into the AJCC Board Room to discuss the ways we could make this place amazing for our children. The enthusiasm continued as we traveled down the street to Pizza Kitchen, where a group of 10 room parents met to consider more ways to enhance their children's education.

New ideas extended to our new classroom down the hall, where contractor Clay Smith banged and pounded and made them something concrete. Our new classroom is now finished, and nine more children will have a chance to attend AJCC Preschool. Our hope for growth has turned into something tangible.

We start out each New Year with hope, and the challenge of the rest of the year is to turn that hope into

something we can see. Hope starts strong, but then daily reality sets in. We started this year with the hope that our new classroom would be done by the start of the school year, but the reality of the permit process and the bureaucratic red tape delayed that goal for two months. Wherever there is a worthwhile goal; there seems to be an equally stubborn obstacle to overcome.

But overcoming of obstacles is vital to our children's education. The things we work the hardest for are the ones we cherish the most. Things like freedom, identity, community, and education. It is a gift to teach our children, by our example, to struggle for the things we value.

As I look ahead to this year, I recall snippets of conversations I have had with parents, teachers and board members in the past month, all their wonderful ideas. Start a parent volunteer program in each classroom. Start a foreign language program. Implement a Jewish preschool ethics curriculum. Build a children's library. Raise more money for teacher's salaries and benefits. Have more field trips. Teach music and science classes. Build a new preschool wing. Renovate the entire building. Build a new JCC.

Sometimes I pinch myself and think "These are just dreams." But I know one thing, the community to which AJCC Preschool belongs, to which these children, parents, teachers and I belong, is a tenacious community, held together by a genuine caring for each other, strong enough to overcome obstacles. So where will we go in this year of 5767? I can't say for sure, but I believe it will be a good place. And the company along the way will be the best!

We have a few open AJCC Preschool spaces available for children who are ages 1,3 and 4. If you have friends or family who might want to join us, have them call Becky at 690-6343.

The Year as Seen from the World of "Children and Youth"

By Seth Schweitzer, KJA Vice President of Children and Youth

This has been an interesting year for all the Children and Youth programs. The Directors for the large programs, Arnstein Jewish Community Center Preschool, Camp K'ton ton and Milton Collins Day Camp, came into this year as freshmen along with me. Prior to this summer, Becky Goemaat, Sarah Price and Brian DeBolt had much experience in their areas of responsibility but not as the directors. I am extremely happy to report that all of these programs under their direction have been and continue to be a great success, thanks to their leadership and team play.

The AJCC Preschool, a Tennessee designated three-star program, has begun the process of initiating the Reggio Emilia approach during the 2006-2007 school year. This is an arts-based, child-centered approach to excellence in early childhood education. AJCC representatives have and will be attending seminars that focus on this approach. We just opened a fifth classroom at the Center. This allows us to accommodate another nine full-time students while still focusing on the Jewish philosophy we maintain at the Preschool. We have also advanced our understanding in providing quality services to children with special needs. Parent participation is high with record attendance numbers at Parent Committee meetings and numerous parents volunteering.

We added five additional fundraising activities to our 11 existing preschool fundraising activities. One will be a Preschool 50th Anniversary Reunion Gala in the spring of 2007. These added dollars will allow us to continually increase the excellent quality of preschool education at AJCC.

What does the future bring? We will continue our growth of the Reggio Emilia Approach, increase the general community's awareness of the Preschool Program and improve the way things are accomplished. We look forward to the growth the Preschool should achieve over the next few years.

Camp K'ton ton. I see Camp K'ton ton as a continuation of Preschool, except our children get all wet, at swim lessons and

free swim, of course. This summer program has more activities like swimming and special visitors, like Gandoff the Companion dog, Zazu the parrot, Keep Knoxville Beautiful's "Talking Tree", Rural Metro Ambulance Service and the Knoxville Fire Department. And remember, next summer, thanks to the addition of our fifth classroom, Camp K'ton ton will be bigger and better than this year.

Milton Collins Day Camp, an American Camping Association-accredited program, averaged over 100 campers per week. MCDC's core program includes swim lessons, sports, art, nature, dance, drama, and tennis instruction. Each week, campers have the opportunity to participate in fun elective activities led by our experienced and enthusiastic staff members. During this summer's ten themed weeks, the campers participated in field trips including River Rat Tubing, a Smokies baseball game, Women's Basketball Hall of Fame, the Tennessee Theatre, and much more. Each session features late night and overnight activities. Older campers went to Fall Creek Falls and to the Pigeon River for a tubing adventure. Special programs occurred each week featuring such guests as the Knoxville Zoo, the Climbing Wall, an inflatable obstacle course, and a renowned storyteller. Coach Bruce Pearl spent a morning talking about campers working hard and improving themselves, while demonstrating a few basketball skills.

The Pool completed another safe season. New awnings were installed to provide welcoming shade and improve the appearance of our facility. Plans are under way for new lifeguard chairs and equipment.

The staff we employ in these programs have excellent

credentials and provide a level of comfort that our customers appreciate. Please take a moment to thank those you know who have been part of our staff during the year.

Arnstein Jewish Community Center's Preschool 50th Anniversary Reunion Gala – We are in the planning stages for a big event to celebrate the 50th year of the Preschool at the Jewish Community Center. Please look for future articles and notices in the Voice about this exciting event.

Now that I have described all the fun enjoyed this last year, we need your help to make these programs better next year. We need Committee chairs for the following committees, which are Board positions: Milton Collins Day Camp, and Children Programs. Under the Children Programs, I also need chairs for the Pool, the Maccabi Games and the Tennis Committees. What do these committees do? They are responsible for making recommendations to me and the Executive Committee pertaining to the policies and procedures for these programs. Please contact me to discuss these opportunities and your involvement in these programs. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

And thank you to all who have, in one way or another, assisted in these programs over the last year.

It's time to feel 4 again even if you're 54!

AJCC Preschool is Turning "50"

We are planning a preschool Alumni Reunion for the spring of 2007. We are currently looking for volunteers for the planning committee. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact us by e-mail or phone:

Becky Goemaat: rgoemaat@jewishknoxville.org
phone: (865) 690-6343

Rose Ebel: roseebel@comcast.net
phone: (865) 604-2161

Please consider sharing your time, talent, expertise and experience for this important historic event.

SHORRLINES: Holidays

By Eleanor Shorr, KJA Publications Chairperson

As I write this, the real holidays are behind us – the real holidays are those that make us whole and content: Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Succot, Simchas Torah. We remember the emotion they invoke in our hearts and the newly washed slate of the past year. We joyously welcome the opportunity to write a new and fruitful year to our lives.

And then there are the secular holidays. The ones we join and participate in because we are part and parcel of life in the United States. Pumpkins, candy and costumes! The kids have a wonderful time. We know that Halloween is based on a pagan culture. But who remembers its origins or who cares! We are not pagans and our kids certainly know it – but the joy of getting one's bag filled with FREE candy transcends any curiosity about how it all started. Which reminds me of a story: A beautiful angelic little girl, dressed as a princess and carrying her orange and black bag of treats, rang the bell and the man of the house who happened to have a particularly bad day

at work came to the door. His heart melted at the sight of her and he took a big red apple from the refrigerator and polished it up till it shone and dropped it into the angelic little thing's bag. The tiny angel looked up at him and said succinctly, "You son of a gun – you broke all my cookies."

And now comes Thanksgiving. We, as Jews, have already celebrated it – in fact, we celebrate Thanksgiving every day. We are fully aware from Whom our blessings flow – but that certainly doesn't interfere with our enjoyment of the secular Thanksgiving. We fly and drive far and wide to be with our families – it never loses its appeal. Some of us decide to lose weight before our appearance at the family home (we don't need the brutally frank glances) – some of us grasp the opportunity to introduce the new girl or boy friend or the latest addition to the family (one not necessarily having to do with the other).

It is a time to brush up on new ways to serve sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce molds and a few kreplach left over from Rosh Hashanah that are still frozen and never out of place. Time to dust off the

ceramic turkey ornaments, shine up the silver, and get those gimcrack figures of pilgrims out for the centerpieces.

You really also haven't lived until you enjoyed a Vegetarian Thanksgiving. Our family has quite a few members of that persuasion and last year we were treated to a menu of vichyssoise (plain ordinary but very tasty potato soup), broccoli quiche, spinach pancakes, and the piece d' resistance, TOFU (you should pardon the expression) turkey. Now let's not have any groans or ughs about this. The tofu turkey looked just exactly like another bird – it even had the paper panties on the legs. We don't know how the cook did it but the gravy was brown and the whole dish was really delicious, if you like that kind of thing. We know there are people out there who are thinking – oh yeah! But truly it was good and we had a very virtuous feeling about it (Virtuous for most of us – the die-hards complained – but very, very quietly.)

I certainly wish everyone a joyous Thanksgiving with family and friends and am looking forward to Chanukah.

BBYO Teen Connection Program

For ALL 7th-8th graders
Sunday, December 3
1:00-3:00 p.m.

Pizza and Ice Skating
RSVP to Deborah Oleshansky
690-6343 or
doleshansky@jewishknoxville.org

New Law Allows Donors to Tap IRAs for KJA and Israel Emergency Campaign

By Stephen Rosen, KJA Vice President for Campaign

A new law, the Pension Protection Act of 2006, was recently enacted. It allows tax-free withdrawals directed to charitable organizations from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs).

The law is in effect for 2006 and 2007 and allows donors, older than 70 1/2, to distribute up to \$100,000 per year to qualified 501-c-3s, such as KJA. The provision only applies to outright gifts, not to funding charitable gift annuities or charitable remainder trusts.

Distributions are tax free. The amounts are not included in your gross income. However, you will not be entitled to a charitable income tax

deduction for your gift.

This law is very new. Financial professionals are waiting for clarification on some issues. KJA understands that charitable distributions will count toward satisfying mandatory withdrawal amounts. We also understand that the distribution must be made DIRECTLY from the trustee or custodian of an IRA to KJA.

If you are at least 70 1/2, consider taking advantage of tax-free gifts from your IRAs this year and next. Please check with your IRA custodian or your professional advisors for details on how to distribute your gifts. KJA does not offer legal or tax advice, but feel free to contact Stephen Rosen, KJA vice president for campaign.

A Day at the Knoxville Jewish Day School

By Miriam Esther Wilhelm

The Knoxville Jewish Day School (K-2) opened its doors for the first time and welcomed eight students for a week of orientation on August 7, 2006. After 30 years of dreaming, wishing and hoping for a Jewish day school, Knoxville has now joined the many Jewish communities worldwide that offer one. The Knoxville Jewish Day School is fully accredited by the state of Tennessee, receiving category 1 accreditation. The curriculum which has been put together with the assistance of educators from within Knoxville and beyond is an integrated curriculum, combining the best of the Montessori approach and traditional education.

After a week of orientation, the students had their first full day on Monday, August, 14. The students have progressed beautifully in all their studies. The children work individually, in small groups and as a whole class as they study math, literacy, social studies, science, and Hebrew.

In the morning during lesson time the children work on place value, writing numbers, simple addition, learning the various land forms, studying the names of the planets, reviewing the names of the continents, spelling words, reading phonetic sentences, writing and many other stimulating lessons.

Later in the morning, the children break into leveled groups to work with Ms. Jessica on literacy and Morah Rishi on Hebrew. Our Hebrew program is a total immersion program so Morah Rishi speaks ONLY Hebrew in school and it is amazing to see how much Hebrew the students have picked up over the past two weeks alone.

In the afternoon, the children have a half hour of special activities. On Mondays they have art, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays they have music and drama with Morah Debbie Richman, and Fridays they have P.E. The children have been working on a paper mache project this month. Each month the children will be exploring another form of art in their art classes. We are very lucky to have Morah Debbie on our staff and the children have been enjoying



Students prime their paper mache during art class.

working on rhythm, tempo, and pitch during music classes and on their acting skills during drama. During P.E., the students do various activities focused on developing sportsmanship and large motor skills.

The first science unit the children study is focused on the moon. The children are fascinated by the pictures they have seen, books they have read and science experiments they have performed in connection with the moon. They enjoy keeping a journal of their sightings as they learn of the moon's various phases.

As part of the integrated curriculum, the children will use the information they've gained about the moon to understand the Jewish calendar which is lunar.

As we celebrate this monumental occasion, we would like to welcome community members as well as prospective parents to visit the school and see it in action. Registration for K-2 will open in December for the 2007-2008 school year. For more information or to schedule a visit, please call the school office at 560-9922 or visit our website at www.KJDS.org.



Leah Annovitz works on reading sentences and matching the appropriate pictures.

KJA Salutes Its Volunteers

Thank you to the following people for their help with the September 14 Friendship luncheon program: Bruce Pearl for his wonderful program and for signing t-shirts for Hillel; Madeline and Charles Mann for collecting money at the door; Mimi Pais, Eleanor Shorr, and Laura Supman for their creative, spirited decorations; Sandra Licht, Natalie Robinson, Lesley and Bernie Rosenblatt, Eleanor and Bernie Shorr, and Ethel Wittenberg for providing transportation; Jerry Solomon for videotaping the program; Harold Winston for taking photographs; and Faye Raymon for helping with clean-up.

Thank you to the following people for their help with the September 21 Friendship luncheon program: Rob Heller for his moving personal tour of the Living On exhibit; Mike Toomey at the East Tennessee Historical Society for his assistance; Natalie Robinson, Evan, Linda and Muriel Scharf, Jerry Solomon and Arnold and Sheila Tew for driving to the museum.

Thank you to the following people for their help with the October Friendship luncheon: Dr. Heather Hirschfeld for her fascinating program; Marilyn Burnett for her scrumptious meal; Mimi Pais and Eleanor Shorr for their creative decorations; Jerry Solomon for his technological help; Harold Winston for taking photographs; Alice and Walter Farkas, Madeline and Charles Mann, Mimi and Art Pais, Ethel Wittenberg, and Marilyn Wohl for providing transportation.

Thank you to Randy Collins for donating a refrigerator/freezer to the Arnstein Jewish Community Center Preschool.

Best Wishes

Shirley Leeds and Family

Greetings from Muriel W. Marvet, Marty and Lynn Marvet, Larry, Jodi, Claire R. and Jenna R. Marvet; Michael Marvet; Ken, Esther, Sholom, Yitzhak, Moshe, Daniel, Gavriel, and Shira Marvet

KJA Sympathy

The KJA board and staff express condolences to

- Leslie and Peter Rosen on the passing of Leslie's mother, Sara (Serkie) Billing.
 - The family of Dr. Martin Krakauer.
 - Barry Wolf, Harold Shersky, and Martin Shersky on the passing of mother, sister, and aunt Anne Wolf.
 - Cheri Pollack and family on the passing of Cheri's father, Dr. Michael Diamond.
 - Debbie Schulz and family on the passing of Debbie's father, Albert Gold.
 - Barbara and John Phelps on the passing of her mother, Charlotte Behr.
 - Maria Shusterman and Bella Budik on the passing of husband and father, David Feldman.
 - Ellen Markman and family on the passing of her mother, Toni Buescher.
- May their memories be for a blessing.

MAMMA MIA! Outing a Success

By Susan Silver, Chair, Wellness & Special Events

All who attended the KJA-hosted outing to see Mamma Mia! reported a fantastic evening. The group included 25 people on August 6.

Mamma Mia was a terrific show and had a comical story line with wonderful upbeat music. We had great seats. Everyone enjoyed the show and many asked "When's the next show?" Stay tuned for an announcement regarding an upcoming theatre event.

AJCC Membership Notice

AJCC membership is a perpetual membership, which means that it is automatically renewed each year on January 1, unless you notify the AJCC in writing of your desire to cancel membership. This cancellation should be received by the AJCC no later than March 31 to be effective for the current year.

Hanukkah Lights Souls, Spirit

By Rabbi Louis Zivic, D.D.

2169 years ago, the Hasmoneans won the first recorded struggle for religious freedom. The rabbis of the first century celebrated the miracle of the oil that burned for eight days. How best to commemorate the holiday is a discussion that can be found in the Babylonian Talmud beginning in Tractate Shabbat 21a.

There is disagreement about how the Hanukkah candles should be lit between the School of Shammai and the School of Hillel. Bet Shammai reasons that the cruse of oil must have been filled to the top when it was first lighted and as the days went on there would have been less and less oil in the cruse. Therefore they reasoned that on the first night of Hanukkah we should light all eight candles and on each of the subsequent nights we should take away one candle until on the last night there is one. This also follows an earlier pattern of offerings made at the Temple for Sukkot. Bet Hillel reasoned that in "religious matters we may increase, but not reduce," i.e. we can do more to emphasize the miraculous

nature of events, but we may not reduce them.

As you are all aware, we follow the teaching of the School of Hillel regarding the kindling of Hanukkah lights. I encourage everyone to follow Hillel's maxim with regard to our own lives as well. We should strive to increase religious matters; be it discourse or ritual in our lives and the lives of our families. Equally, we should strive to emphasize the miraculous, by emphasizing a sense of wonder about creation. An example might be the idea that our bodies continue to work when we are asleep. Breathing continues, our bodies continue to work their chemistry, our minds are dreaming etc. These aspects of life should not be taken for granted any more than photosynthesis. Just because we can explain something does not mean it is not miraculous.

Miracles are the product of a worldview (Godview?) that includes heart, mind and soul. Let's follow the teaching of Hillel and increase our knowledge, our emotional capacity, and our spiritual selves. *Hag Hanukkah sameah*. Happy Hanukkah. Don't curse the darkness. Kindle your lights.

Two Klezmer Bands to Perform at Laurel Theatre

This year's annual holiday klezmer concert at the Laurel Theatre will feature both of Knoxville's klezmer bands – Dor L'Dor and Tennessee Schmaltz. The much-anticipated concert will take place on Saturday evening, December 9, at 8:00 p.m. Due to high demand and limited seating at the Laurel Theatre, it is suggested that tickets be purchased in advance.

Happy Hanukkah



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*Mr. and Mrs. I. Millen (Major and Sara)
performing at "Center Thunder," a
Jewish Community Center production
held at the Carousel Theater in the
1960s.*



Suzy Snoops

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Mazel Tov!

Third graders **Alexander Berube, Stephen Brown, Erez Dessel, Hunter Lowentritt, Brandon Messing, Jacob Messing, and Max Richman** were honored during Heska Amuna Synagogue's Simchat Torah service as part of Consecration. The third graders received an aliyah and chanted the last and first lines of the Torah.

Avi Hahn, daughter of **Drs. Jan Hahn and Heather O'Brien**, was named a National Merit Commended Scholar. Hahn is a senior at Webb School of Knoxville. Hahn joins 34,000 high school students nationwide who were named National Merit Commended Scholars by placing among the top 5 percent of the more than 1.4 million students who took the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test as a junior.

Rebecca Kern, daughter of **George and Ellen Kern**, has just been named Metro/National News Editor for American University's student newspaper, 'The Eagle.' This is Rebecca's second year at AU and her second semester working on the paper. She's interested in print journalism as a future career.

Congratulations to **Rabbi Yossi and Miriam Esther Wilhelm**, who welcomed **Menachem Mendel** (goes by **Mendel**) into their family on October 11. The brown-eyed baby weighed 7.2 pounds and was 19 1/2 inches long.

In the News

Dr. Jeffrey Hecht was named medical director of St. Mary's Medical Center Rehab Care Center.

Knoxville Opera Company General Director **Brian Salesky** was featured in the News-Sentinel's Sunday, October 6 Life and Arts section for turning the deficit-ridden opera company into a moneymaker with a \$98,400 bottom line. Salesky's leadership and a fund-raising campaign that began before he started in spring 2005 are credited for the success.

Avi Hahn was both a writer and a featured student in two articles about Webb School's participation in PeaceJam. She

was one of 10 Webb School of Knoxville seniors to attend the PeaceJam conference, held in Denver. The nonprofit educational organization brings together Nobel Prize winners and young people from around the world, encouraging them to initiate service projects and work for peace and social change. Ten Nobel Prize winners addressed the 3,000 students at the conference.

Hila Blumenthal, daughter of **Mark Blumenthal** and **Mindy Goldberg**, and fellow Bearden Elementary School students were featured in the Bearden West YourHub.com page as they promoted exercise, health and alternatives to cars as part of International "Walk to School" Day.

The Jewish Day School was featured in a front page article in the Knoxville News-Sentinel in October. The article and photos described the school's unique curriculum.

A Heska Amuna fund raiser, Harold's at Heska Amuna, was featured on the front page of the Food section of the Knoxville News-Sentinel along with a couple of recipes. The fundraiser included several former Harold's Deli employees making popular sandwiches as well as Heska Amuna volunteers serving delicious entrees.

Knoxville Mayor **William Halsam** dropped by to present **Harold Shersky**, now retired, with a proclamation naming Sunday, November 5 "Harold Shersky Day" in Knoxville.

Third Annual Temple Beth El Chanukah Auction

Featuring:
Comedian and vocalist
Debbie Schultz

Debbie has preformed on stages and in films from Hawaii to New York .

She has shared the stage with Donnie and Marie Osmond, Noel Harrison, and Tim Matheson, while performing in TV shows such as Hawaii Five-o, the movie "Going Coconuts" and many plays.

Please join us for food, wine and lots of fun!

Sunday December 10, 2006
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The Chanukah Auction Committee

Speed Celebrates Bar Mitzvah



Alexander Grant Speed, son of Rhoni and John Speed, became a bar mitzvah on Saturday, October 28. Alex is an eighth grader at Karns Middle School where he is a member of the National Junior Honor Society and a member of the Karns tennis team. Alex has also served as a school mentor for incoming sixth graders and has served on a school advisory team. This year Alex will also be a member of the Karns Technology Student Association.

TBE's Riders of the Lost Ark Score Again



The 2006 annual 150-mile bike ride to benefit the National MS Society was held on August 26-29. Once again, Temple Beth El sent a strong team: Paul and Noah Erwin, Ray and Jacob Pais, Liz Diamond and Dennis Brock, Bob and Will Kronick, Marilyn Wohl, and Chuck Dickey. Our team won the "Most Spirited Team" award for the second year in a row, and

was the third highest fund-raiser. Noah Erwin won the Daniel Tucker Memorial Award for the most funds raised by a rider under the age of 18 this year; Jacob Pais has won this award in previous years. In addition, Noah achieved a personal best in maintaining speed and Chuck Dickey achieved a personal best in total miles ridden. Yasher ko'ach to the Riders of the Lost Ark!

Tennessee Schmaltz Releases New CD



This local klezmer band has released its latest CD, entitled "Pachelbel's Canon & Other Jewish Hits." Recorded live at the Laurel Theater, the album contains 17 hits including traditional klezmer, popular Yiddish, spiritual, polka, Israeli, classical and bluegrass styles. Band members include founder Judy Megibow on flute, Manny Herz on keyboards, Dan Shapira on

accordion, Carolyn Silver-Alford on vocals, Larry Hoffman on clarinet and Rob Heller on clarinet and washtub bass. The CD will be available in local stores and can also be purchased from band members. Tennessee Schmaltz and Knoxville's other klezmer band, Dor L'Dor, will perform in concert at the Laurel Theater at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 9.

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Baerman to Celebrate Bat Mitzvah



Jensine Baerman, daughter of Drs. Jeffrey and Sally Baerman, celebrated her bat mitzvah on November 18, 2006 at Heska Amuna Synagogue. Rabbi Louis Zivic officiated. Jensine led the Torah service, the Musaf service, and delivered the Haftarah. She also led Friday night services.

Jensine is in the seventh grade at Webb School of Knoxville and attends Heska Amuna Religious School.

Jensine loves to tumble and cheer. She cheers for Webb middle school and is on the Junior Advanced Competitive Shark squad, the Tiger Sharks. In addition to the sport of cheerleading, Jensine enjoys designing clothes. She is already looking at colleges preparing for a career in fashion design.

As part of Jensine's tzedakah project, she has been visiting with the elderly in assisted living facilities. She has enjoyed getting to know some of these folks and listening to their wonderful stories. Whether bringing home-baked goods for the residents, reading Bingo numbers, or painting fingernails, Jensine has gained a wealth of experience and knowledge from the elderly. Jensine is also participating in the B'nai Tzedek philanthropy teen program.

Friends and family traveled from Illinois and California to share this special day. Her grandparents, Heinz and Margrit Baerman, Aunt Ruth Baerman, Aunt Heidi, Cousins Macey, Zak, Sophie, and Taylor enjoyed celebrating with Jensine.

Solicitors Keep Our Community Going and the Tzedekah Flowing

By Stephen Rosen, KJA Vice President for Campaign

A KJA campaign solicitor is someone who helps keep Jewish life going in Knoxville, the United States, Israel, and around the world. By facilitating the act of tzedekah, solicitors commit a double mitzvah. Not only are they helping others, but they are making it easier for someone else to help others. KJA

would like to thank the following people who have made campaign solicitations in 2006:

Jeff Becker, Nancy Becker, Barbara Bernstein, Jane Cohen, Melissa Miller-Feinbaum, Scott Hahn, Renee Hyatt, Marian Jay, Ellen Kern, Marilyn Liberman, Gene Rosenberg, Ellen Schnoll, Arnold

Schwarzbart, Mary Linda Schwarzbart, Jay Shuman, Susan Silber, Terry Silver-Alford, Dan Smith, Pace Robinson, Alexandra Rosen, Stephen Rosen, and Marilyn Wohl.

If you would like to join this list, there may still be an opportunity in 2006. Please contact Stephen Rosen at 540-5313 or Stephen.rosen@morgankeegan.com

2006 KJA Donation Deadline Approaching

Donations and campaign pledge payments must be received in the KJA office no later than December 31, 2006 to qualify as 2006 charitable donations for IRS purposes.

Heska Amuna to Host Environmental Fair

By Evan Ohriner

Heska Amuna Synagogue will host an Environmental Fair on Sunday December 3 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Rosen Social Hall at Heska Amuna Synagogue, 3811 Kingston Pike.

At the event, participants can

- Discuss with a KUB representative how to help slow global warming and improve our air quality with GREEN POWER SWITCH
- Discover recycling opportunities from a representative of KNOXVILLE RECYCLING COALITION

- View hybrid and other HIGH MPG cars and talk with their owners about how their cars save gas money and help save our environment.

- Get literature on energy-efficient home heating and cooling systems and low water-use fixtures from MODERN SUPPLY

- BUY energy-efficient compact fluorescent LIGHT BULBS for your home
- Learn from RABBI LOUIS ZIVIC why caring for our environment is a Jewish value and how we can organize to make it happen.

For more information, contact Evan Ohriner at ohrinerek@gmail.com.



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Musings

OUR FIRST TEEN PHILANTHROPISTS!

This week I had the privilege of speaking with some of our 25 participants in the Knoxville Jewish Alliance **B'nai Tzedek** program. At our inaugural event in the conference room at the East Tennessee Foundation, ETF President & CEO **Michael McClamroch** welcomed them as the first teen philanthropists with the East Tennessee Foundation. For more information on this exciting initiative, see the full article on **B'nai Tzedek** in this issue of the *Voice*. Thanks to all who make this possible.

WHAT IS SPECIAL ABOUT OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY?

What is special? Something is! This month we announce another new fund created by someone who recently moved to Knoxville. The warm reception, the easy way to connect and feel at home that our newcomers experience is the special spirit that is Knoxville, that many may take for granted or do not see. **Sylvia Greenberg** (Ellen Kern's mother) and **Rose Rosenthal** (Jennifer Ohriner's mother) recognize it and have made a long-term financial commitment to support our Jewish community. Will you?

In *We Jews: Who are We and What Should We Do*, Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz writes "we must ask ourselves, are we contributing to a Jewish heritage in a way that will be remembered 10 generations from now?" *Are you?*

from Mary Linda

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PUT IT IN WRITING

No matter where or when in the future, you can be there to provide for the Jewish community. Leaving a bequest to the Jewish community enables you to create a permanent legacy that can help your community, help Jews in need forever. Learn how you can help... for years to come.

NEW FUND

The **Rosenthal Environmental Fund** has been established by **Rose S. Rosenthal**. The Fund is a designated fund for Heska Amuna Synagogue. It is intended to provide financial support for activities of Heska Amuna Synagogue relating to the environmental education, preservation, and conservation. The fund is a memorial to Rose's late husband, Prof. Harold L. Rosenthal, who taught and conducted research at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri for 30 years. Prof. Rosenthal had a long-term commitment to environmental preservation.

Thank you Rose!

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KJA Community Events Calendar

AL=Adult Lounge
 BR=Board Room
 HA=Heska Amuna
 HAD=Hadassah
 KJDS=Knoxville Jewish Day School
 TBE=Temple Beth El

For the most updated information,
 please visit www.jewishknoxville.org

December

- 8 • Candle lighting: 5:04 PM
 • 11:30a-Had Sml Equip Lunch-Off
 • 8pm-Services-TBE
- 9 • 9:30a-Services-HA
 • 10:30a-Torah Study-TBE
 • 1p-Torah Study-HA
 • 6p-Chanukah Auction-TBE
 • 8p-Klezmer Concert at Laurel
- 10 • Gift Sale Chanukah Sale-TBE
 • Sisterhood Craft Bazaar-TBE
 • 9a-Talmud-HA
 • 9:30a-Religious Schl-TBE
 • 10a-Religious School-HA
 • 1p-Jewish Enrich Prog.-Chabad
 • 1p-B'nai Tzedek Prog-AL
 • 3:30-5p-Boys basketball-gym
 • 6p-TBE Chanukah Auction-TBE
- 11 • 3p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 4:15p-Religious School-HA
 • 4:30p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 5:45p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 7:15p-KJA Exec Comm Mtg-BR
- 12 • 11a-Hazak-Heska Amuna
 • 7p-Board of Direc Mtg-TBE
 • 7:30p-Board of Trustees Mtg-HA
- 13 • 4:15p-Religious School-HA
 • 4:15p-Prozdor-HA
 • 6:15p-Midweek Relig Schl-TBE
 • 6:15p-Adult Education-TBE
 • 7:30p-Pathways class-HA
- 14 • erev Chanukah
 • 12p-Friendshppr Luncheon-Gym
- 15 • Chanukah
 • Candle lighting: 5:05 PM
 • 6:30p-Services/Bar Mitzvah-HA
 • 6:30p-Latke Supper-TBE
 • 7:30pm-Services-TBE
- 16 • Chanukah
 • 9:30a-Services/Bar Mitzvah-HA
 • 10a-Tot Shabbat-TBE
 • 1p-Torah Study-HA
- 17 • Chanukah
 • Sisterhood Craft Bazaar-TBE
 • 9a-Talmud-HA
 • 9:30a-Religious Schl-TBE
 • 10a-Religious School-HA
 • 1p-Jewish Enrich Prog.-Chabad
 • 4p-Chanukah Extravaganza-Chaba
 • 3:30-5p-Boys basketball-gym
- 18 • Chanukah
 • 3p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 4:15p-Religious School-HA
 • 4:30p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 5:45p-Kinderdance-Gym
 • 7:30p-Israeli Dancing-AJCC gym
- 19 • Chanukah
 • 7:30p-Rabbi+Relig Serv Mtg-HA
- 20 • Chanukah
 • 4:15p-Religious School-HA
 • 4:15p-Prozdor-HA
 • 6:15p-Adult Education-TBE
 • 6:15p-Midweek Relig Schl-TBE
 • 7:30p-Pathways class-HA
- 21 • Chanukah
 • 5p-B'nai Tzedek Prog-AL
- 22 • Chanukah
 • Candle lighting: 5:08 PM
 • 8pm-Services-TBE
- 23 • 9:30a-Services-HA
 • 1p-Torah Study-HA
- 24 • 9a-Talmud-HA
 • 3:30-5p-Boys basketball-gym
- 25 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl

- 26 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl
 • 11a-Hazak-Heska Amuna
- 27 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl
 • 4:15p-Prozdor-HA
- 28 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl
- 29 • Candle lighting: 5:12 PM
 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl
 • 6pm-Kabbalat Services-TBE
- 30 • 9:30a-Services-HA
 • 10a-Services/Bar Mitzvah-TBE
 • 1p-Torah Study-HA
- 31 • New Year's Eve
 • 9a-Talmud-HA
 • 3:30-5p-Boys basketball-gym
- 1 • New Year's Day
 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl
- 2 • KJDS Winter Break-no schl

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 articles, and more...

Borders Hosts Jewish Book Month Event

On Sunday, December 3, the tradition continues... And it is better than ever. We have arranged that you get a 10 percent discount on the items you buy and the KJA will still get a percentage!

The Jewish Book Month Book Fair has become a tradition in Knoxville. What could be more Jewish? We get together, visit, shop for books, nosh a little and visit some more.

This year's Jewish Book Month Book Fair will be held at Borders Books, Music & Café, Sunday, Dec. 3, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Marilyn Kallet will be on hand to sign her latest work, Last Love Poems of Paul Eluard, from Commonwealth Press. Eluard was a French love poet; his mother was Jewish. He worked in the French underground in Paris during the War.

This award-winning poet is Director of the Creative Writing Program at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and served on the KWG board from 1995-98. She is the author of 11 books, including poetry, translations, anthologies, and criticism.

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