



Ha' Kol

COMMUNITY NEWS FROM THE KJA, HESKA AMUNA & TEMPLE BETH EL

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Learning to Love Learning

With Janet Sternfeld Davis

November 9 – 11, 2012

Our scholar: Janet Sternfeld Davis
Lecturer in Rabbinic Studies and
Coordinator of the Bet Midrash,
American Jewish University, Ziegler
School of Rabbinic Studies

Janet writes: "I love that Jewish learning is oral. When you ask a question or express an opinion "out loud," you or your partners start thinking about these questions, these opinions in new ways... In the end, the goal is not to arrive at one right answer, but rather to build lots of possible answers and approaches... It's a very exciting and satisfying experience."



*Our programs are open
to the community.
Everyone is welcome!*

We will work with a variety of texts. Our learning sessions will be in chevruta (pair study) and in larger groups and held at the Heska Amuna Synagogue.

Topic	Time
Who is your teacher? How do you determine what is the most crucial factor in determining who merits the title of teacher in your life?	Friday night, November 9, 2012 6:00 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Hoot'nanny 6:45 supper** 7:30 - 8:30 learning session
Shaming: What happens when an argument gets ugly? Have you ever been "right" but handled it all "wrong?" (Topic to be introduced during services; study session after lunch.)	Saturday, November 10, 2012 9:30 AM Services 11:30 kiddush lunch 12:30 learning session
Relating to the Other: How do we interact with those outside of our own community? Why is this an important question?	Saturday, November 10, 2012 5:00 PM learning session 6:00 PM supper Havdalah
Children's Program: Global Day of Learning - Details inside	

**Cost for Friday night supper: \$15 per person, \$7.50 for under 10, family cap of \$35
Your check is reservation • Mail to 3811 Kingston Pike, Knoxville TN 37919 • or reserve with your credit card by calling 865.522.0701 • or email admin@heskaamuna.org
Deadline for reservations – November 1, 2012 • No charge for Saturday events

For more information -- go to <http://heskaamuna.org/>

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Your Rabbi Has a Rabbi

By Rabbi Alon Ferency

During the second weekend of November, our community will have a unique opportunity to learn from the breadth and depth of our tradition with Janet Sternfeld Davis, Coordinator of the *Bet Midrash* (study hall) at the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies.

Janet is one of the most superb educators I have witnessed. Not only is she a great teacher on any topic, she makes an especially challenging, abstruse subject easy to follow: Talmud, reading, learning, and studying the Babylonian Talmud is like no other text I've used, and every year Janet presents the material to a group of neophytes, at their level, using their intelligences, while creating a safe space for all of us to try something very intimidating. With all that, she makes it fun. For example, my cohort of six seminarians had a lot of experience in poetry, music, and theater; so, she encouraged us to write songs, act out, and make charts of the material, so that we could each grasp it in our own ways. Whether in a classroom or in a study hall, Janet never makes you feel foolish for a question, and is never too busy to help. She is passionate about the sources, and is very thoughtful about the material, and deliberate in her work. In sum, she is an excellent pedagogue.

On a personal note, Janet is also someone who demonstrates deep caring for her students. In small measure, I imagine that she views all her students as her own children. She is a phenomenal listener - that's part of what makes her a great teacher - and has training in mediation. Beyond the seminary, Janet is instrumental in inter-seminary and inter-religious dialog. Frankly, she's just a sweet, adorable, smart woman. Although she is not officially ordained, Janet Sternfeld Davis is among my rabbis.

Whatever your background or affiliation, I hope you will join Heska Amuna, November 9-11, and expand your Jewish heart, mind, and spirit by studying with this special teacher. I know that I am excited about it, and I hope to see you there!



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Adult Education for Fall 2012

Beginning Hebrew I (with Peggy Littmann). Sundays 11:00 – 12:00 a.m. through December. To enroll or for more information, contact Peggy at plittmann@comcast.net, or call 588-6661.

Beginning Hebrew II (with Peggy Littmann). Sundays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., through December. To enroll or for more information, contact Peggy at plittmann@comcast.net, or call 588-6661.

Intermediate Hebrew (with David Hull). Sundays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., through December. To enroll or for more information call David Hull at hull5@comcast.net, or call 660-1872.

Living Jewishly: The Physical and Temporal Jewish Home (with several Heska Amuna congregation leaders and Rabbi Ferency). Wednesdays 7:30 p.m., through December. To enroll or for more information, contact Rich Adlin at richadlin@gmail.com or 680-2774.

Bible Stories They Never Taught You in Hebrew School (with Raphe Panitz). Wednesdays 8:30 p.m., through December. To enroll or for more information, contact Raphe Panitz at gilgamesh3@verizon.net or 301-752-6519.

Learning Jewish Liturgy (with Miriam Weinstein and Jens Juhl). Sundays 11:00 a.m., through December. Contact Jens Juhl at jensbjuhl@yahoo.com or Miriam Weinstein at 776-3311.

Interfaith Burial in the New Jewish Cemetery (with Rabbi Alon C Ferency). The first class is Saturday November 4 after Shabbat services. The date and time for the second class is to be determined. For more information contact Rich Adlin at richadlin@gmail.com or 680-2774.

Mentorship Program. This is a new venture in our synagogue in which experienced members of the congregation provide individualized assistance on something of interest to you (e.g., reading Torah, making Shabbat dinner, holiday observance, prayer, etc.). All you need to do is contact the adult education coordinator (see contact info below) and a mentor will be matched to your area of interest. Also, if you wish to donate your expertise as a mentor please contact the adult education coordinator, Rich Adlin at richadlin@gmail.com or 680-2774.

Contact adult education coordinator Rich Adlin for suggestions or questions at 680-2774 or richadlin@gmail.com.

From the President

By Gilya Schmidt

“The world stands on three things – on Torah, worship, and good deeds.” We are all familiar with these words from Pirke Avot (1:2). Good deeds, gemilut chasidim, come easy to many people, acts of lovingkindness seem to give people joy and pride, and many people are incredibly generous when there is a need. Worship, avodah, is on many people’s priority list, but perhaps not on everyone’s. Yet even those people who aren’t religious themselves respect religious practice. And then there is Torah, the teaching contained in the Five Books of Moses. In Pirke Avot 2:25, we are instructed to turn it again and again, for everything is contained in it.

Learning is not limited to a particular kind of person, or a particular socio-economic class, or a particular educational level. Everyone learns, from the first day of life until our last breath. Jews, as a People of the Book, have a permanent thirst for learning. We have a special connection to study, and a unique methodology. Learning, we are taught, is sweet, hence the aleph bet dipped in honey for the first day of class. Learning, we are taught, makes us knowledgeable, and we demonstrate it at our bar or bat mitzvah. Learning, we are taught, is a task worthy for its own sake, and we flock to adult education classes, holiday workshops and seminars, and lectures on many different topics.

And there is yet another opportunity to learn, a special opportunity. On **November 9**, Janet Sternfeld Davis from California will visit with us at Heska Amuna for a weekend of learning, or rather for a weekend of Learning to Love Learning. The events, outlined on the front page of *Ha’ Kol* are open to the entire community. We aim to please, and will offer Friday night Shabbat dinner and learning, Shabbat day Kiddush luncheon and learning, and, in the afternoon, Seudah Shlishit and learning. On Sunday morning, November 11, Janet will visit with the Heska Amuna Religious School students and parents. We are very excited to have the opportunity to study with one of Rabbi Alon Ferency’s teachers, and hope that many of you will join us for this opportunity to learn with a pro. Co-chairs Mary Linda Schwarzbart and Nancy Becker and their committee have done a phenomenal job in planning this weekend. Thank you all so much for your commitment to make this happen!

If you need more information or have any questions, please contact Marian Jay at the synagogue, 522-0701 or e-mail admin@heskaamuna.org. We are looking forward to seeing many of you the weekend of November 9 through 11. For more information, go to <http://heskaamuna.org>.

Mark your calendars Sisterhood Shabbat is coming! Saturday, January 12, 2013



To participate in the Shabbat service,
please contact Anita Kay, 693-5757.

Judaica Shop News

The mezzuzah announces entrance to a Jewish home. The tzedakah box is filled for *tikkun olam*. Find special Judaica items - mezzuzot and kosher scrolls, tzedakah boxes, challah boards, candlesticks, havdallah sets and candles, Chanukiyot, seder and matzah plates, artwork that make one's house a Jewish home. Beautiful jewelry, tallitot for men and women and kippot to express your Judaism personally. Beautiful Judaica with an emphasis on the handmade and made in Israel. We also offer b'nai mitzvah and wedding gift registries.

Among Our Members

- ☆ Get well wishes go out to the following people who were ill or recuperating: **Joyce Beerman, Elaine Brown, Stephen Brown, Eliyahu ben Shulamit, Debra Gordon, Rich Kaplan, David Linwood, Mark Littmann, Judy Rattner, Rushal Faygel bat Michal and Martin Shersky.**
- ☆ Todah Rabah to **Sandy Parker** who continues to work in the Synagogue office every week. We appreciate your time and the effort on behalf of the Shul.
- ☆ If you or a loved one is ill or hospitalized, please let us know so that we can attend to him or her as a community, and place the name on our *Mi Sheberach* prayer list. Federal law prohibits hospitals from notifying us when community members are admitted.

The Scholar-in-Residence Committee thanks Asen Marketing & Advertising, Paul Scoonover, CEO, and Deanne Topping, Art Director, for creating the November Ha’ Kol Scholar-in-Residence front page.

Heska Amuna Religious School News

By Anna Iroff and Anne Greenbaum, Co-Directors

Just what our students are thinking about this month has a lot to do with two future events that loom large in their young eyes: Thanksgiving and Hanukkah. Every holiday is an opportunity to strengthen family bonds, but what do we want our children to especially cherish?

A few years ago, Jonathan Safran Foer, a young author and parent, wrote a charming tale of how Thanksgiving was celebrated in his childhood home. The meal always included turkey and *kugel!* Always there was lots of food and it was served by his very concerned grandmother. She hovered over everyone, making certain that they ate and ate, and that their plates were replenished. One anomaly: everyone received a cupful of popcorn. Anytime during the meal, when a person merely thought of something to be grateful for, they would place some popcorn on the table above their plate. Silently, over the duration of the meal, little puffed hills of popcorn grew around the table. It's a tradition Foer continues and you might want to adopt.

Our Religious School students are very aware that there are two (well, at least two) streams of history and tradition that they have access to: American and Jewish. Our teachers instruct them on what is common to both and what is unique to each. Interesting discussions and many questions often arise. This is an exciting learning opportunity.

The excitement will continue on November 11 when we welcome our guest scholar, Janet Sternfeld Davis. Students and teachers of both Heska Amuna and Temple Beth El will join together to study under her guided instruction. The student sessions begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m. Afterwards, the teachers of both religious schools will gather for lunch and further instruction with our guest scholar.

Global Day Of Learning Sunday, November 11

Learning together, studying in pairs or in a group, is a Jewish ideal. Our very first HA Religious School event of the year was *Family Day* and we at once began to work and learn in groups. Continuing in this mode, the religious schools of Heska Amuna and Temple Beth El will join together at Heska Amuna to study under the direction of our special guest from the

University of Judaism in Los Angeles, Janet Sternfeld Davis. Using texts from our Hebrew holy books, Davis will guide us through discussions on



Tzedakah and Klal Yisrael.

Our **Family Fair** was our first Religious School event this year. Since it coincided with Rosh Hodesh Elul, all our activities had something to do with the moon and the Jewish calendar. It was a very *illuminating* event.



Dr. Mark Littmann (front left) leads a discussion for Family Day at our Religious School with the Rosen, Tomov, Siegel, Mesa, and Kaplan families (shown) and others.

Families gather in Heska Amuna's Winick Library to learn a song for Rosh Hodesh with teacher Lev Comstock (far right).

Tot Shabbat Friday, November 16, 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Dinner and Services for Young Families

Shabbat dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. and is **only \$10.00 per family** for a delicious Shabbat meal. Tot Shabbat services are designed for children ages 2-6, though all are welcome. Join us as we welcome Shabbat with food, friends, music, and fun! Tot Shabbat is open to HA members and non-members so **bring your friends for a wonderful family Shabbat experience.**

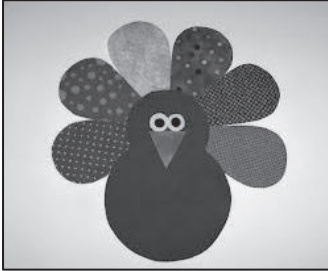
****RSVP to Anna Iroff at education@heskaamuna.org or 522-0701 by Friday, November 9.**

In honor of Shabbat, please send your check to the synagogue office either before or soon after Tot Shabbat.



Join us for Gan K'Tan!

Sunday, November 18
10:00 a.m. to Noon



Gan K'Tan is a special program for young preschoolers (3 and under) and their parents. We come together for music, art, stories, games, snack, and friends – all in a fun Jewish environment! The theme for this month's Gan K'Tan class is Shabbat!



This program is free for all Heska Amuna members and only \$5 per session for non-members. Please sign up with Anna Iroff at 522-0701 or education@heskaamuna.org.

Join us for Family Minyan! Shabbat morning, November 3

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.



Family Minyan at Heska Amuna occurs the first Shabbat morning each month. It is a wonderful experience for our school families, especially students in third through sixth grades. This is a family service, not a children's service. Parents participate with their students. Grandparents are welcome too, as we love to have entire families join us. We use our colorful new *Siddur Mah Tov* and enhance it with our discussion. You are very welcome to join us!
(FYI - December 1st will be the next one after this.)

Things to Remember!

Upcoming School Events

- Saturday, November 3 – Family Minyan
- Sunday, November 4 – Religious School, PreK – Prozdor
- Wednesday, November 7 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Sunday, November 11 – CLC at Heska Amuna (Global Day of Learning)
- Wednesday, November 14 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Friday, November 16 – Tot Shabbat dinner & services
- Sunday, November 18 – Religious School, PreK – Prozdor AND Gan K'Tan
- Wednesday, November 21 – No Classes – Thanksgiving
- Sunday, November 25 – No Classes – Thanksgiving
- Wednesday, November 28 – Religious School, grades 3-6



Todah Rabah to Our Friends and Supporters

- * To **Judith Rattner**, in memory of her mother, **Jennye Grusin**
- * To **Anne and Eli Greenbaum**, in memory of **Bernard Iroff** and **Barbara Moody**
- * To **Stephen and Rosalie Nagler** in memory of **Barbara Moody**; in honor of the birth of **Caroline Jayne Hicks**; and wishing a speedy recovery to **Mark Littmann**.

Heska Amuna Synagogue *HaShofar*

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Permanent Schedule

Friday Night Services.....Varies
Saturday Morning Service.....9:30 a.m.
Mon. & Thurs. Minyanim.....7:00 a.m.

Evening minyanim can be arranged
by calling President Gilya Schmidt,
694-6213, one week before.

Sunday Minyan.....9:30 a.m.

For a list of Heska Amuna's funds and
other information, please visit
www.heskaamuna.org

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*Thank
you*

Sponsor A Kiddush! It's So Easy

All kiddushim are deliciously prepared by Marilyn Burnett. Call Gene Rosenberg at 693-3162 for more information and to reserve a date. It's now possible to contribute any amount toward the weekly Kiddushim to help defray the Synagogue expenses by mailing your check to the Synagogue Office, marking Kiddushim.

We thank the following people who sponsored Kiddush in September: Nancy and Jeff Becker in honor of their 30th anniversary; Jenifer and Evan Ohriner in honor of their 35th anniversary; Marilyn Burnett, Michael Burnett and Evelyn Silvey in honor of Yetta Burnett's 100th birthday.



Contributions From Caring People

For a list of synagogue funds, please visit our website at www.heskaamuna.org.

Donations received by September 20

BUILDING FUND

For the *yahrzeits* of Betty and Louis Billig
By: Suzi and Jerry Candy

COHEN-PRESSER FUND

In memory of Bea Bush and wishing Ethel Wittenberg and family a good New Year and thanking them for lunch
By: Marilyn Presser

GERTRUDE GLAZER COHEN AND I.B. COHEN ENDOWMENT FUND

For the *yahrzeits* of Oscar Aaron Glazer and Gerson Cohen
By: Arnold Cohen

EDUCATION ENRICHMENT FUND

In memory of Bernie Iroff
By: Leigh and Gregory Wilson

GENERAL FUND

Earmarked for the Kitchen, in honor of Yetta Burnett on her 100th birthday

By: Mindy Goldberg, Gilya Schmidt
A general donation to the fund
By: Scott Fane and Marcy Galinsky, Jan and Colman Hoffman
In honor of Herb Jacobs' 70th birthday
By: Renee Alterman
For Muriel Littmann's *yahrzeit*
By: Peggy and Mark Littmann
For Emily Kathleen Eads's *yahrzeit*
By: Annette Winston
In memory of Bernie Iroff and Romayne Eisenstadt
By: Mindy Goldberg

LEIBOWITZ FUND

For the *yahrzeits* of Gussie Richer and Sylvia Leibowitz
By: Mary Beth Leibowitz and Michael Eisenstadt

PRAYERBOOK FUND

For Phyllis Levine's *yahrzeit*
By: Ken Levine

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of Isadore Abrams
By: Cindy and Ricky Caplan
For Isaac Anidjar's *yahrzeit*
By: Jack Benhayon
For Bert's *aliyahs* and in honor of Nancy and Jeff Becker's 30th anniversary
By: Janet and Bert Gurwitch

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID FUND

In honor of Nancy and Jeff Becker's 30th anniversary
By: Shelley and Jeff Hecht
In honor of Nancy and Jeff Becker's 30th anniversary and their children and grandchildren's visit
By: Marian Jay
In honor of their granddaughter, Lillian Ava Swinehart's naming
By: Jane and Sheldon Cohen

WINICK LIBRARY FUND

In honor of Nancy and Jeff Becker's 30th anniversary
By: Carol and Mark Harris
In honor of the birth of Rachel Clara Bernstein
By: Susan and Jerry Becker
In memory of Barbara Moody
By: Pat and Gene Rosenberg

Yahrzeit Fund

Decia Bendriem
By: Ann and Bernard Bendriem
Sylvia Homer
By: Mark Homer
Jeanette and David Jacobowitz and Ann Levine
By: Rhoda, Marian and David Jay
Max Diamond and Louis Perelman
By: Marie and Charles Perelman

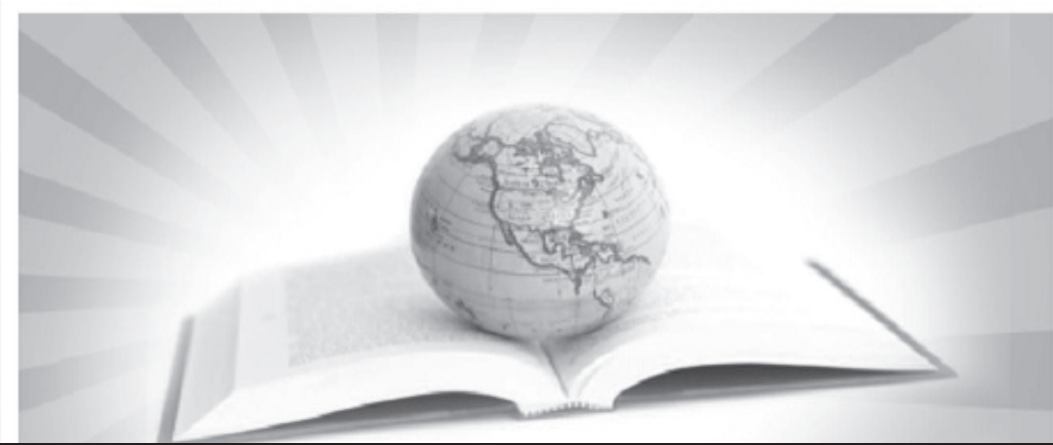
November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<p>Need a Mah Jongg Card?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stephanie Rich will gladly take your orders until January 15, 2013. Mail checks to Stephanie Rich, 718 Dogwood Valley Road, Kingston, TN 37763. She will also collect at the Mahj Tournament. Large cards are \$8.00. Small cards are \$7.00. The National Mah Jongg League will make a donation to Hadassah for our local efforts. 				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<p>Daylight Savings Time</p> <p>9:30a minyan-HA 9:30a Religious sch-HA 9:30a Religious sch-TBE 10:30-noon-Yoga w/ Bailey-AL 1-2:30p Teen Connection 1-3p Israel Partnership Comm-AL K Readiness Clinic</p>	<p>7a minyan-HA Noon-Beginning Knitting 3-6p TOT basketball-gym 6-7:30p Mindful Yoga with Judson-AJCC</p>	<p>6-9p Volleyball-AJCC fields 6-9:30p Fencing-gym 6p Exec Comm-TBE 7:30-9p JLI course-Kabbalah and You</p>	<p>9-10a TOT basketball-gym 10a Flow and Let Go Yoga-AL 10-11a KJA Archives Comm-BR 4:15p Religious Sch-HA 5:45p ZUMBA-gym 6:30p Sisterhood Brd-HA</p>	<p>7a minyan-HA 5:45p ZUMBA-gym 7p Painting w/ a Twist-BBYO Room 7:30p Israeli dancing-gym 7:30p Brd of Trustees-HA</p>	<p>Scholar-in-Residence Program-HA 6p Kabbalat Shabbat Hoot'nanny-HA 7:30p Shabbat services-TBE (Led by 5th-6th graders)</p>	<p>9:30a Shabbat services-HA Scholar-in-Residence program-HA 7-9p Kids Night Out</p>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<p>9:30a minyan-HA 9:30a Religious sch-HA & TBE at HA 9:30-12:30p Global Day of Learning (AJCC, HA, TBE) 10:30-noon-Yoga w/ Bailey-AL Scholar-in-Residence Program-HA</p>	<p>Scholastic Book Fair-gym 7a minyan-HA Noon-Beginning Knitting 3-6p TOT basketball-gym 6-7:30p Mindful Yoga with Judson-AJCC 7p KJA Exec Comm/Brd</p>	<p>Scholastic Book Fair-gym Noon-1p KJCF Brd-AL 6:30p Board mtg-TBE 6-9:30p Fencing-gym 7:30-9p JLI course-Kabbalah and You</p>	<p>Scholastic Book Fair-gym 9-10a TOT basketball-gym 10a Flow and Let Go Yoga-AL Noon-Friendshippers 4:15p Religious Sch-HA 5:45p ZUMBA-gym 6:15p Midweek Hebrew-TBE</p>	<p>Scholastic Book Fair-gym 7a minyan-HA 5:45p ZUMBA-gym 7p Friends of Israel 7:30p Israeli dancing-gym 7:30p R&R Services Mtg-HA</p>	<p>10a AJCC Preschool Thanksgiving Feast-gym 6p Tot Shabbat & Dinner & Service-HA 7:30p Shabbat services-TBE</p>	<p>9:30a Shabbat services-HA 9:30a Jewish meditation-HA 10:30a Contemporary service-HA 10:30a Shabbat service-TBE (Taylor Kolnick bat mitzvah)</p>
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<p>9:30a minyan-HA 9:30a Religious sch-HA 9:30a Religious sch-TBE 10a Gan K'Tan-HA 10:30-noon-Yoga w/ Bailey-AL 1:30p Myra Weinstein unveiling@ New Cem</p>	<p>7a minyan-HA Noon-Beginning Knitting 3-6p TOT basketball-gym 6-7:30p Mindful Yoga with Judson-AJCC 7p KJA Science Lecture-Stephen Nagler-AL</p>	<p>6-9:30p Fencing-gym 6p R&W-TBE 7:30-9p JLI course-Kabbalah and You</p>	<p>9-10a TOT basketball-gym 10a Flow and Let Go Yoga-AL 5:45p ZUMBA-gym</p>	<p>Thanksgiving KJA, TBE, HA offices-closed 9a minyan-HA</p>	<p>KJA office closed TBE office closed HA office closed 7p Kabbalat Shabbat services-TBE</p>	<p>9:30a Shabbat services-HA (Atticus Hull bar mitzvah)</p>
25	26	27	28	29	30	
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All Welcome at AJCC Scholastic Book Fair, November 12-16

The AJCC Preschool's Scholastic Book Fair is open November 12-16 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and 2:30-3:30 p.m. with other appointments available. This is a great time to shop for Chanukah for the young readers on your list and help the AJCC Preschool. Credit cards, checks, and cash accepted. For appointments or more information, please call 963-8001 or e-mail mschweitzer@jewishknoxville.org.

K N O X V I L L E



**Connect. Learn. Belong.
Take a Step Ahead.**

The Global Day of Jewish Learning—November 11, 2012



On November 11 Jews around the world will share a day of Jewish learning, dialogue and exploration, joining together in celebration of all that unites us.

Join us for the Global Day of Jewish Learning.

www.theglobalday.com

9:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. November 11

Adult Lectures led by Rabbi Ferency and Rabbi Michaels located at Temple Beth El

Children's programming located at Heska Amuna.

10:30-11:30 a.m. Mommy and Me program at Heska Amuna for Ages Birth to 3.

For any questions please email Rachel Hale Rhale@jewishknoxville.org



H A P P E N I N G S

BBG Elects Officers

The Weinstein BBG chapter of BBYO recently elected officers. 2012 officers are:

- N'siah (President): Rae Oleshansky
- S'ganit (VP of Programming)- Danielle Goldfeld
- Mit Moms: Jessie Rosenberg and Madison Dittner
- Mazkirah (Secretary): Blaire Toedte
- Gizborit (Treasurer): Maggie Nathan
- Shlichah-(VP of Judaism and Community Service): Jessica Traugot

A Special Thank You For the Community

As we begin a new journey in our lives, the Johnson family would like to thank the Jewish community for allowing us to take care of the cemeteries for 28 years. It has been our honor to serve you.

Debbie, Doug, and Amanda Johnson

Knoxville BBYO

Alumni Brunch

Open to alumni of all ages

When: November 23

11am-1pm

Where: AJCC

Hosted by: Gert Weinstein BBG

RSVP to gertweinsteinbbg636@gmail.com.

A minimum donation of \$10 is requested for brunch.

Donate \$18 to become a "Member"

\$36 to become a "Gadol/N'siah"

\$54 to become a "Beau/Sweetheart"

Checks can be mailed to BBG, c/o Knoxville Jewish Alliance, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919

Teachers! Rabbis! Community Leaders! Nominate a Teen

For the first time, the California-based Helen Diller Family Foundation is expanding the annual Diller Teen Tikkun Olam Awards and will be making half of its award to teens in communities outside of California. The Foundation recently issued a national call-for-nominations to identify Jewish teens (aged 13-19) whose volunteer service projects demonstrate a determined commitment to make the world a better place. Each recipient will be acknowledged for their visionary actions with an award of \$36,000 to be used to further their philanthropic work or their education. Deadline for nominations is January 6, 2013.

The application form is available at www.jewishfed.org/teenawards/process and more information is available at <http://www.jewishfed.org/diller/teenawards>.

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Temple Beth El

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TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES



Gratitude and Thanksgiving

By Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels

The Jewish calendar presents opportunities to express our gratitude to God for the abundant blessings bestowed upon us. With the beauty and pagantry of the High Holy Days behind us; with joy and celebration surrounding Sukkot and Simchat Torah a recent memory, the Jewish calendar seems to provide a “lull” in activity until Chanukah. In our secular calendar, the month of November seems to focus our attention entirely on the holiday of Thanksgiving. Hopefully, we will have the opportunity to spend time with family and friends, eat turkey, watch football, eat turkey, take advantage of sales, eat turkey, rest and relax, and, did I mention, eat turkey! But too often we lose sight of the essence of Thanksgiving...to actually **give thanks!**

In our hectic lives we are frequently untouched by an appreciation for the countless blessings close at hand, precisely because they are so close at hand. All-too-often, we fail to see and appreciate the never-ending succession of God’s unfolding kindnesses. We have the opportunity to express our gratitude and thanksgiving each and every day. To pause and take the time to verbalize and to reflect helps us appreciate the blessings we repeatedly seem to take for granted. This moment can open our hearts, as well as our eyes, to the potential each of us has to help perfect our world.

As you gather with family and friends this Thanksgiving, I invite you to reflect on an excerpt from *We Render Thanks* by Nahum Waldman:



*We must often revive the gladness of gratitude
And retrain our lips to utter words of thanks.
God’s gifts often go unnoticed in our haste;
And disappointments may blind us to our blessings...
We give thanks for the beauty of nature and its gifts,
And pray that we may share as richly as we have received...
We are grateful for love and the opening of hearts
Between husband and wife, parents and children.
We give thanks for our freedom, while knowing its frailty,
And recognize our obligation to nurture and protect it...
We are grateful for the gifts of knowledge and conscience,
Enabling us to know truth from falsehood, right from wrong,
Disturbing our peace when the blessings we enjoy are denied to others,
When their need for justice and compassion is unfulfilled.
We give thanks to God who shares with us
A small spark of Divine glory and wisdom,
Involving us in the drama which is both God’s and ours –
The partnership of completing the work of creation.*

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Visit the Treasure Tov

We have quite a few menorahs, candles, gelt, dreidels, and many children's items for Chanukah.

Don't forget if you can't find the right item, buy a gift certificate.

We are open whenever Religious School is in session, and you can always make an appointment with Cara, our Temple secretary, or call Sylvia Joy Witcoff.



President's Message

By *Stu Elston*

This month, I'm beginning a practice of occasionally using this space to showcase the work of one of the many committees whose members work behind the scenes to produce the Temple Beth El experience we all enjoy. One committee at the core of that experience is Ritual and Worship. Here is a brief glimpse of their recent activity, provided by co-chairs Susan Baker and Liz Gassel.

Notes from Your Ritual and Worship Committee

The months of August, September and October saw our Committee members at their busiest with not much time to come up for air. We worked diligently with Rabbi Michaels to help provide a smooth transition for him into the TBE Ritual year. As we reviewed, reexamined and reconsidered the ritual routines of the week, we also found the High Holy Days close at hand and spent a lot of time working to support the Rabbi in creating a seamless and well-choreographed season of High Holy Days services and programs.

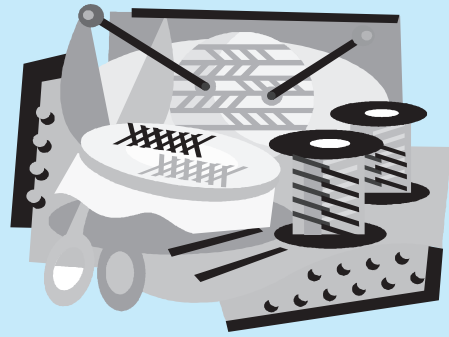
The tasks taken on by the committee at this season are many and varied. They range from producing the Memorial Book, replete with a new cover, designed by Linda Zaretski, depicting our Ark doors, to polishing the silver pieces that adorn the Torah. To carry out and coordinate much of this activity we note the contributions of our wonderful Temple secretary, Cara French, and our devoted custodian, Scott Clabo.

Our choir, Becky and Kenton Kidd, Lynn Bennett and the additional musicians and voices who participate in our High Holy Days liturgy contribute so much to the mood and tenor of those services. And...we must give Norma James a 'Grand Thank You' for offering her professional voice and sitting in with the choir this summer and during the High Holy Days.

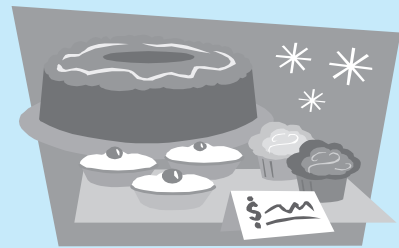
Drs. David and Patricia Lee once again made a donation this year towards the stipend of our visiting High Holy Days Cantor, Jennifer Seeger. This is a wonderful gift that allows us to hire a professional, invested cantor annually. Jennifer's voice, supported by the choir and instrumentalists imbues the High Holy Days liturgy with special complexity, gravity and beauty.

Rabbi Michaels has been fully involved in learning the ins and outs of our congregation. He has been astute and perceptive about our community. With his long experience as a Rabbi, he has given us some keen insights into new ways to approach our services and rituals. It has been thought-provoking to work with him and we hope he, with our support, can bring a new level of engagement to the congregation.

Sisterhood Craft and Food Fair



**Sunday, December 4
9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**



**Homemade crafts,
baked goods, jellies,
honey and more!**

It's Time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El

By *Karen Smith, Liaison President*

Today to everyone who helped to make the High Holy Days so very special this year! Sisterhood thanks *Tamara Sturm* and *Charle Rizzo* for arranging Child Care, *Charle Rizzo* for coordinating the apples and honey for the religious school students, *Phyllis Hirsh* and *Karen Smith* for organizing the Break the Fast, everyone who helped with Break the Fast, and special thanks to Sisterhood Treasurer *Rebecca Lane*. We also want to thank Publicity Chair *Meredith Jaffe* for the many posters, fliers, and articles announcing Sisterhood events.

Today to Mah Jongg Madness Chairs *Ellen Markman* and *Linda Mongeon* for another successful mah jongg tournament. Watch for winners to be announced in an upcoming issue of *Ha' Kol*.

Today to Lucy Barkan, Karen Smith, and Meredith Jaffe for organizing the food for October 16's Rosh Chodesh celebration.

In early November Sisterhood members will travel to Troy/Bloomfield Hills/West Bloomfield, Michigan for WRJ Central District's biennial convention. Members are looking forward to a weekend of spirituality, sharing, information to bring back to Temple Sisterhood, and sisterhood. They will share the weekend events in an upcoming issue of *Ha' Kol*.

Sisterhood's annual *Chanukah Food and Craft Fair* will be held on Sunday, December 2, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Temple Beth El. Chair *Lucy Barkan* and her committee need donations of baked goods, breads, candy, cookies, cakes, homemade canned items, and homemade crafts. Please contact *Lucy* if you have items to donate or can help during the sale on Sunday, December 2 or with set up on Saturday, December 1.

Beiler Floral Fund Chairs *Emma Fleischmann* and *Lisa Sayles* welcome all flower donations of \$36.00 for Shabbat and holidays. What a thoughtful way to remember or honor someone for a life cycle event or special occasion. (*Please write checks to Temple Beth El Sisterhood.*)

It's never too late to join Sisterhood. Your check for \$40.00 brings you a year of Sisterhood. *It's time for Sisterhood!*

Temple Beth El Religious School

By Norma James, Education Director nfjames77@gmail.com

Daylight Savings ends Sunday, November 4

Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour. You get an extra hour of sleep! Woohoo!

Pizza Dinner for Midweek classes will be at 5:45 p.m. on November 7

Don't forget to arrive early. You can have some free time to socialize with your friends before classes begin at 6:15.

Friday, November 9 Fifth-Sixth grades will conduct services

Aaron Margulies's class has been working hard to prepare a wonderful service. This will be our first student service of the school year. This will also be the first student service under the direction of Rabbi Michaels. He has studied with this class and is very proud of their work. Please worship with us at 7:30 p.m. as this very dedicated and energetic group of young people lead this service. Parents of the class will host the oneg.

Heska Amuna will host our students for our first CLC Day November 11

Heska Amuna will host our first Combined Learning Community (CLC) Day. Our entire community will participate in Global Day of Learning. All students and teachers will be at Heska Amuna from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The adults will be at Temple Beth El from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Taylor Kolnick becomes a Bat Mitzvah November 17

Please join Taylor and her proud family Brett, Bonnie, Dylan, and Rilee as Taylor reads the Torah Saturday morning, November 17 at 10:30 a.m. Taylor has worked very hard for this day. Her tutor is Laurie Fisher, who is quite proud of all that Taylor has accomplished. The family will also host the oneg for the Friday evening Shabbat.

We WILL have Religious School November 18

We will send some of our staff to the EDC Education Kallah in Atlanta this Sunday, *but we will still have Religious School that day.* This organization involves more than 25 Atlanta congregations, and it is a wonderful opportunity for our teachers to learn the latest ideas in Jewish Education. We look forward to learning new and exciting teaching ideas.

Thanksgiving Break

There will be no Midweek classes Wednesday, November 21 and no Religious School Sunday, November 25.

Upcoming Events

November 7: Midweek Classes: Pizza dinner 5:45 p.m.

November 9: Fifth-Sixth Grade conducts Shabbat Service

November 11: CLC Day at Heska Amuna for Global Day of Learning

November 17: 10:30 a.m. Taylor Kolnick becomes a Bat Mitzvah

November 21 & 25: Thanksgiving Break. No Midweek & Sunday classes.



(Above) Decorating the Sukkah: Pre-K, K and 1st graders join in.



(Right) Decorating the Sukkah: Teacher Clark Derrington (on ladder), & 7th graders pause for a photo



Temple Beth El
Invites the Knoxville Jewish
community to join our

CHANUKAH LATKE CELEBRATION

Friday, December 14
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

This year's celebration includes a traditional latke & brisket dinner with all the extras, lighting of the Chanukah candles and service.

Cost: \$6.00 per person.

Send payment to TBE office or pay the night of the event but you **must RSVP** by December 10.

RSVP by calling the TBE office or e-mailing Amy Rosenberg at rockybergs@tds.net.

Bring your own Menorah to decorate the table! We will supply the candles.



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Among Our Members

- ✧ **Stephen Eisen** welcomed his first grandchild, **Haddie Jayne Wheeler**. Proud parents are **Emily** and **Jeff Wheeler**.
- ✧ **Phil & Patti Austin** welcomed their first grandchild, **Lilah Isabel Jones**. Proud parents are **Elizabeth** and **Mike Jones**.
- ✧ **Tony and Jeanne Zucker** welcomed two more grandchildren. Proud parents, **Rachel** and **Josh Gould** gave birth to **Maxwell Zion Gould**. Proud parents **Abigail** and **Robert Schlaff** gave birth to **Ari Joseph Schlaff**. **Max** joins his older brother **Elijah** and **Ari** joins his older brother **Blake**.
- ✧ **Bradley and Lydia Drew** welcome their first child, **Isaac Alan Drew**.
- ✧ **Karen and Brian Smith** welcome their granddaughter, **Naomi Tamar Smith**.
- ✧ **Harold and Shirley Freedman** welcome their second grandson. Proud parents **Jonathan** and **Elissa Freedman** also have an older son, **Matan**.

(Right) Sukkah Raisers: *Liz Gassel, Scott Clabo, and Linda Zaretski*



High Holy Day Reception

Phyllis Hirsh, Social Committee Chair

On a beautiful Sunday afternoon, September 23, between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, many Temple Beth El congregants gathered to enjoy good food, and more importantly, each other's company. Amidst lots of laughter and conversation, several hours flew by and it was obvious everybody had a wonderful time.

Sweet and savory dishes were provided by those attending, and a big thank you to one and all. Everything was delicious.

A very special thank you to Amy Rosenberg, Linda Mongeon, Missy Noon, Ceil Rosenberg, Lorie Hirsh and Sylvia Witcoff who comprise the Social Committee. Without all of you this lovely event would not have been possible. You were all amazing!

Thank you to Scott Clabo and to Jana and McKenzie Tucker for all of your hard work.

This was a great way to start the New Year.



(From top to bottom)

Deborah Roberts, Ann Wayburn and Susan Baker

Stephen Markman, Aaron and Hayley Goldfeld and Ellen Markman

Jeanette Kelleher and Gregory Stein, Jan and Stu Elston

Jeff Gubitz, Harvey Kaufman and Stephen Eisen

It's Time to Gobble!

By Joyce Traugot, Marty's Mission Chair

Once again "Marty's Mission" will be sponsoring a **Turkey Trot** to assist families in need of assistance. A check made out to either "Second Harvest" or "FISH Hospitality Pantry" will insure a lovely Thanksgiving dinner for a family. A donation of ten dollars (\$10.00) feeds at least four families. Let's insure that families who are presently struggling will have a turkey dinner with the trimmings. You can leave your check at the Temple office and I will get the checks to the appropriate organization.

Thank you for your continued support. We are a wonderful, caring community.



It's Jewish Book Month

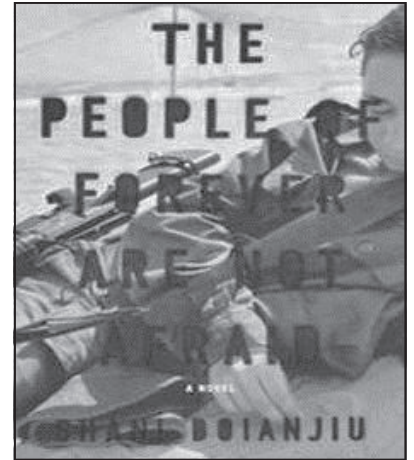
Book Review by Laurie Fisher

In celebration of Jewish Book Month I will be starting a monthly review column of books by Jewish authors or with a Jewish theme. This month I am reviewing *The People of Forever Are Not Afraid* by Shani Boianjui, a young Israeli writer. She is only 25 and was picked as the youngest recipient ever of The National Book Foundation's 5 Under 35.

Ostensibly the plot involves three young Israeli women as they move from adolescence into young adulthood and serve their time in the IDF. Sometimes shocking and often disjointed, this book can be hard to follow with its lack of a linear progression. Jumping back and forth between times, places, and characters requires an extra careful reading. Ultimately though, I feel that it is worth a try. Boianjui's take on the effects of serving in the IDF are very disturbing and one has a sense of futility of the reality of security in Israel.

The main characters Avishag, Yael, and Lea are affected in different ways by their service, but there is a continual feeling of ugliness, brutality, and absurdity which surrounds them and their actions. One scene which I found especially disturbing, partly because it was comical, is when Lea negotiates with a group of Palestinian protestors. They want her to do something to them so that they will be featured in the news. They bargain with her for some action that is bad enough but which she can still do within the letter of regulations governing checkpoint actions. The absurdity of the scene catches the reader off guard and makes one think about the theatrical aspect of protest and response and the role of media attention. The three main characters along with other peripheral characters all seem very jaded by their time spent in the IDF, leading them to seem lost and restless after they leave the army. The effects of living constantly in a state of high alert take their toll on Boianjui's characters and the reader, stripping away any romantic notions of living in an Israel that is in reality a deeply complex society.

The following quotation from *Kirkus Reviews* reflects my experience of reading this provocative first novel, "Not for the squeamish. Readers will either embrace the complexity of the writing or become maddeningly lost as the author meanders through a hot, dry country devoid of tenderness."



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Ha' Kol

When is Enough Not Enough?

By Gene Rosenberg, KJA Campaign Chair

At a very recent meeting of the East Tennessee Civil Rights Working Group there was considerable discussion regarding a matter of interest to its Jewish members, the topic of which is not relevant for this article. There were 21 members present, three of us being Jewish: Mary Linda Schwarzbart, KJA Executive Director Jeff Gubitz, and myself.

After much talk (and opinions) Jeff Gubitz said “*genug* already.” He then explained that *genug* is a Yiddish word that he recalls his grandfather used frequently....translated, “*genug*” means “enough.”



This got me to think about our Alliance campaigns. When is enough really enough?

- When do we have enough participants if an estimated half of our Jewish community chooses **not** to commit anything at all?
- When can we stop asking those who do make their commitments to increase their pledge?
- When can we stop asking those to please step forward, make their commitment, and **not** wait for the phone call?
- When do we stop saying that the price of a cup of coffee and a bagel one day every week equals a commitment of \$180.00?
- When do we stop preaching that “if you care, you’ll share; that nobody can give it all but everybody can give something?”
- When do we stop worrying about the increase of anti-Semitism and how the Alliance and the campaign plays such a vital role?
- When do we stop asking all these questions and start getting some more positive results?

Genug already? Probably not.

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27 new donors

117 increased gifts from 2011

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Friendshippers

By Laura Faye Berry, BSSW, Esq., Director

Please join us for November’s Friendshipper program. The Friendshipper group gets together once a month for lunch and entertainment. Friendshippers is open to all—we don’t check IDs at the door!

Wednesday, November 14:

Jeanne and Will Kidd, owners of Seven Seas Estate Sales, have been buying and selling jewelry, artifacts, and an assortment of other goods since 1986. Please join us as the Kidd’s tell us about their experiences with estate sales, antiques, and jewelry. They’ll give you tips on researching the value of items and how to find the best venue for marketing your items.

Program location: Rothchild’s, 8807 Kingston Pike

The luncheon begins at noon and the program begins at 12:30 p.m. Lunch is \$9.00. There is no cost for attending the program alone. Transportation is available upon request. For more information, please contact Laura Berry at 690-6343 ext. 18 or LBerry@jewishknoxville.org.



Celebrate Jewish Book Month November 18

By Manny Herz, KJA Vice President of Cultural Arts

This year the Knoxville Jewish Alliance presents three wonderful authors, all with strong Knoxville connections presenting their books....Janice Rothschild Blumberg, Gilya Gerda Schmidt and Wendy Lowe Besmann. The day's event schedule features

11:00 a.m. Janice Blumberg, AJCC

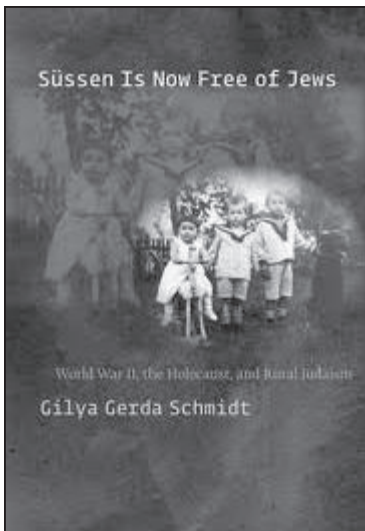
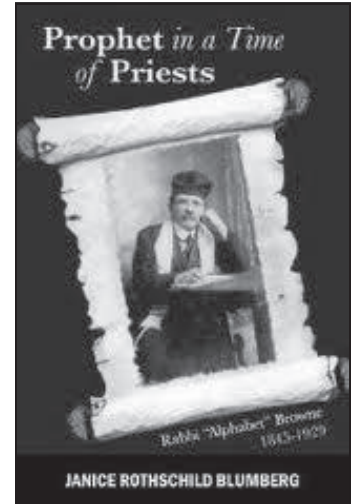
2:00 p.m. Gilya Schmidt, Union Avenue Bookstore, 517 Union Avenue

3:00 p.m. Wendy Besmann, Union Avenue Bookstore, 517 Union Avenue

Below are descriptions of the books to be presented. Come join us for what promises to be a very stimulating day.

JANICE BLUMBERG, *Prophet in a Time of Priests, Alphabet Browne 1845-1929*

Who was "Alphabet" Browne... and why is this the first time anyone has written about him? Between his arrival in the United States during post-Civil War Reconstruction and his death at the onset of the Great Depression, he grabbed headlines as a rabbi, journalist, attorney, and political activist, all in the pursuit of justice. He was widely known as an authority on the Talmud and the life of Jesus, and highly acclaimed nationally for his public lectures which one reviewer thought to be wittier than Mark Twain's. While serving congregations in numerous cities, among them New York and Atlanta, Edward Benjamin Morris Browne published the South's first Jewish-interest newspaper; defended an elderly immigrant wrongfully convicted for murder, delivered opening prayers in both houses of Congress, served as an honorary pall bearer for President Ulysses S. Grant, helped Benjamin Harrison win the presidency; bullied Presidents William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft to establish a Jewish chaplaincy for the United States military, was honored by Sultan Abdul Hamid of the Ottoman Empire, and discussed Europe's "Jewish problem" with Pope Leo XIII. Why, then, did his name disappear from view? Was he victim or visionary, heretic or hero? Armed with a personal interest and unrelenting curiosity, Janice Rothschild Blumberg has meticulously researched, carefully documented and deftly articulated the life of this controversial American rabbi.



GILYA GERDA SCHMIDT, *Süssen Is Now Free of Jews*

Süssen Is Now Free of Jews offers a close look at the legacy of a few Jewish families from Süssen—a village in the District of Göppingen, which is located in the state of Baden Württemberg in southern Germany. The author, Gilya Gerda Schmidt, looks at this rural region through the lens of two Jewish families—the Langs and the Ottenheimers—who settled there in the early twentieth century. As a child, she shared with the Langs the same living space for just a few months. She remembers her mother's telling her of the Jews who lived in Süssen until the Holocaust.

More than 30 years later, in a used bookstore in Knoxville, Tennessee, the author accidentally found documentation verifying the Jewish presence in a book about the surviving Jews of Württemberg. In it, she found confirmation that there had been Jews living in Süssen until the Holocaust. For the first time, she had the proof she needed to look into the reality behind this lingering mystery. Here began her detective-like journey to find out what happened to the Jews of Süssen. A decade of research into local and regional archives ensued, and this very penetrating study is the result. In it, the author attempts to



Gilya Gerda Schmidt

shed light on not just the original question of what happened to the two families during the Holocaust but also on a host of other questions: What was it like to be Jewish in rural southern Germany a century ago? What were the Jewish traditions of this region? What were the relations between Jews and Christians before the Holocaust? And where did those family members who were able to escape or who survived the concentration camps go when they left Süssen or Göppingen?

WENDY LOWE BESMANN, *Through the Gate of Dreams*

Amid the English Civil War, the daughter of a royal courtier escapes her forced betrothal and takes refuge in the Jewish Quarter of Amsterdam during the Golden Age when Dutch Masters painted, merchants grew rich trading in exotic luxuries, and modern medicine was born. Along the way, Susanna Worthington must risk taking help from the mysterious Captain David Winn, despite prophetic dreams that he will kill her some day. In Amsterdam she discovers her secret heritage, models for a Rembrandt portrait, and befriends the young philosopher Spinoza—all in the process of discovering that her prophetic dreams may hide as much as they reveal.



Wendy Lowe Besmann

AJCC to Offer Yoga Classes – Come Join Us

Mindful Yoga with Judson Mondays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Judson Nichols is bringing his brand of Mindful Yoga to the AJCC. **Mindful Yoga** is a beginner-friendly yoga class that focuses on relaxation, stretching, and alignment. You'll learn to relax where you should relax, and be strong where you should be strong. Learn to let go of tension you don't need. Build your body awareness. Clear your mind. Find your calm center. Carry these lessons with you into your day-to-day life through these 90-minute classes. \$15.00 for a single class, discounts available. See <http://judsonnichols.com/yoga> for more information or call him at (865) 963-6042 from noon-4:00 p.m.



Yoga & Meditation with Bailey

Awakening Yoga & Meditation: Sundays, 10:30 a.m.- noon

Flow & Let Go--Yoga for Stress Relief: Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Bailey Wamp will offer two mixed-level yoga classes at AJCC beginning in October. Both classes use meditation pranayama (controlled breathing) and vinyasa-style yoga poses to increase flexibility and strength, cultivating self-healing and enabling the heart center to blossom open. **Awakening Yoga & Meditation** features 75 minutes of challenging poses, followed by 15 minutes of deep meditation to quiet the mind, creating a peaceful yet empowered foundation for the week ahead. **Flow & Let Go Yoga** offers a more physically toned-down style of practice to help students release tension and find stillness and balance on and off the mat. Rates: \$15.00 per class (non-students); \$10.00 per class (students) For questions or more information, e-mail Bailey Wamp at baileywamp@gmail.com or call her at (423) 313-6931.

The KJA Invites You to Painting with a Twist

Thursday, November 8

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

AJCC

6800 Deane Hill Drive

Cost \$35.00



REGISTER for this class

online at www.paintingwithatwist.com/knoxville/ or by phone at 675-2500. You book the class and we will do the rest. There's limited seating and classes fill up quickly, so register now.

Bring your favorite **FOOD/DRINK** and paint along with a local artist who will guide you step-by-step. Bring a bottle of wine or favorite drink, favorite snack and favorite people. We will provide the cups and a cork screw. The best part about the class is the twist and anything from a bottle of wine to a cheese plate, we want you to make it your very own pARTy! It is the perfect way for you to RELAX and have a great time!

Have **FUN PAINTING** – No experience necessary! We supply the canvas, brushes & paints.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR CAMERA! Our guests like to

take pictures throughout the process and it is awesome to see the steps you take in painting your very own MASTERPIECE!

Take your **MASTERPIECE** home to enjoy. At the end of the night, you will have a one-of-a-kind creation and hopefully a new found talent you will want to explore!

For more information, contact Rachel Hale, KJA program manager at 690-6343 or rhale@jewishknoxville.org.



Actual Picture you will create and paint.

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance presents

What Is the Spallation Neutron Source, and Why Is It Important?

Stephen Nagler, Ph.D.

Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory's
Quantum Condensed Matter Division

Monday, November 19

7:30 p.m., AJCC Adult Lounge

Dr. Nagler will explain the spallation neutron source and give examples from his work, perhaps discussing exotic magnetism and superconductivity, quantum oscillations of atoms, and metallurgy of ancient Jewish coins.



Stephen E. Nagler is a corporate research fellow at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the director of the laboratory's Quantum Condensed Matter Division. He is also a professor at the University of Tennessee with an appointment in the Bredesen Center for Interdisciplinary Research and Education, with an adjunct appointment in the Department of Physics. His primary research interest is in condensed matter physics, especially quantum materials. He has published more than 100 refereed journal articles on topics ranging from one-dimensional quantum magnets, phase transitions in two dimensions, non-equilibrium behavior of alloys and polymers, quantum criticality, frustrated magnetism and novel superconductors.

This program is a free community education program provided by the Knoxville Jewish Alliance. Please let us know you're coming by calling 690-6343 or e-mailing KJA Program Manager Rachel Hale at rhale@jewishknoxville.org.

Wrapping Paper For Sale at KJA

The KJA is selling four heavy-duty rolls of Chanukah wrapping paper (the big ones) for \$5.00. Stop by the KJA office or e-mail rhale@jewishknoxville.org with any questions.

Zumba at the AJCC

Zumba, the Latin-inspired, dance fitness-party™ exercise class, is now available at the AJCC. Classes meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome and your first class is free! The class cost is \$5.00 per class or 10 classes for \$40.00. Participants also can earn a free class for every friend they bring.

Join the Zumba fun at the Arnstein Jewish Community Center, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919. Contact instructor Amy Sullivan, (865) 274-9140 or zumbafreaktn@yahoo.com for information or Rachel Hale rhale@jewishknoxville.org.

Want to learn to knit?



Well, now you can...Come join us - **It's FREE!**

Beginner Knitting at Lunch

Mondays in November (11/5-11/26) NOON at the AJCC
Have a scarf completed for Chanukkah!!

We'll cover: How to read a pattern, cast ons, 3 basic stitches of knitting: garter, stockinette, rib stitch, and a few more like basketweave, bind offs, adding tassels. More...(or less depending on what you want to learn) **Pattern will be provided**

What to bring:

- #9 or #10 needles
- 1 skein of a LIGHT colored WORSTED weight yarn

Have questions? Instructor: Raeus Cannon email: raeusjae@gmail.com / phone: 382-6117

KJA, CHABAD, TEMPLE BETH EL, AND HESKA AMUNA PRESENT

Menorah Madness



It's a surprise you won't want to miss!!

December 9, 2012

4:00-6:00 pm

Arnstein Jewish Community Center, 6800 Deane Hill Drive

AJCC Preschool Celebrates Rosh Hashanah

By Melissa Schweitzer, AJCC Preschool Director

The AJCC Preschool had its Rosh Hashanah Family Celebration on September 14. We were delighted that so many moms, dads, and grandparents joined us. Several had traveled from out of town to be here for the Holidays. We also had all three Knoxville Rabbis – Rabbi Alon Ferency from Heska Amuna, Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm from Chabad of Knoxville, and Rabbi Mathew Michaels from Temple Beth El – join us for this special occasion. Miss Charlene led us in several new songs that the students have been learning in the classrooms. She dressed as a baker to teach us about the round challahs that we ate for snack. Rabbi Wilhelm and Rabbi Michaels shared a special treat with us and sounded the Shofar together. We learned that Rabbi Michaels has a special gift for the *Tekiah Gedolah*. What a long blast! The morning was filled with joy and celebration.



(Top Right) Welcoming Shabbat

(Middle Right) Ms. Charlene leads us in New Year songs.

(Bottom Right) What a joy!

(Top Left) Our three local rabbis (Alon Ferency, Yossi Wilhelm, and Mathew Michaels) visit for Rosh Hashanah.

(Bottom Left) Rabbi Wilhelm and Rabbi Michaels blow Shofar together.

UT Hillel Rosh Hashanah Dinner & Jewish Family Services Sukkot Party



(Clockwise from top left) UTK Hillel students dig in to the Shabbat dinner buffet last Friday. The group of over 50 student included local Knoxville's Liza Reineri, Hannah Kline and Rachel Shenkman.

UT Hillel Student, Sam Bendriem, enjoys erev Rosh Hashanah with most of his family. Sonya is just a bit too far away in California. From left: Nathan, Bernard, Sam, Anne and Raphael Bendriem.

Andrew Messing, Andrew Vogel, Josh Ellis, Becca Giller, Daniel Perlman, Leslie Shiffman, Shirit Pankowsky, Liza Reineri, and Rae Oleshansky enjoy UTK Hillel Erev Rosh Hashanah dinner held at the AJCC.

Daniel Perlman, Shirit Pankowsky, Becca Giller and Lesley Shiffman make sure NOTHING goes to waste after the erev Rosh Hashanah Dinner

(Above L to R) Judy Rattner, Phyllis Brownstein, and Sybil Joffe at the JFS Sukkot Party. Phyllis is our newest JFS volunteer and we are excited to have her.

(Right) Jewish Family Services celebrated Sukkot at Echo Ridge on Friday, October 5, 2012. Pictured (clockwise from bottom left) are Faye Raymon, Muriel Scharf, Rabbi Ferency, Karen Ferency, Pat Rosenberg, JFS Chairperson Honerlin Del Moro, and Judy Rattner.



KJA Donations Received Between January 1—September 30, 2012

Anonymous

- Donation for facilities maintenance
- Capital Fund Donation for building maintenance - Daled & Hey restrooms

Bernard & Anne Bendriem

- Donation to UT Hillel
- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Pamela Branton

- Donation to Archives in memory of Samuel Mark Brody
- Donation to Archives in memory of Zelmor Haber Brody
- Donation to Archives in memory of Frances Brody
- Donation to Archives in memory of Dr. Harold Winston
- Donation to Archives in memory of Myra Weinstein

Pamela & Jamie Branton

- Donation to Archives from Pam & Jamie Brody in memory of Scott Wolf

Pessa Brody

- Donation to Archives in memory of Bernie Bernstein's sister, Claire

Adam Brown

- Donation to Gordon Brown Youth Recreation Fund in memory of Harold Winston

Trevor Bryant

- UT Hillel Donation

Arnold & Susan Cohen

- Archives Donation in memory of Lola Washington
- Archives Donation in honor of Barbara & Bernie Bernstein son's marriage
- Donation to Archives in honor of the birth of Rachel Claire Bernstein

Honerlin Del Moro

- Donation to Jewish Family Services in honor of my friends at KJA

Dixon Golf, Inc.

- Donation to Golf Tournament

Scott Fane

- UT Hillel Donation

Judy & Steve Feinberg

- Donation in honor of Marilyn & Harvey Liberman's 55th anniversary

Ian & Maria Gellis

- UT Hillel Donation

Barbara Goldberg

- Donation in honor our new KJA president, Dr. Renee Hyatt

Lev Gross-Comstock

- Donation to Preschool

Jeff & Charlene Gubitz

- Donation to Mitzvah Day Soldier Fund
- Donation to AJCC Scholarship Fund in memory of Bernie Iroff
- Donation to Archives in honor of Barbara and Bernie Bernstein's anniversary
- Donation to Archives in memory of Claire Shulman, sister of Bernie Bernstein

- Donation to Archives in honor of the birth of granddaughter, Rachel Clara Bernstein, daughter of Mark & Tanya Bernstein, granddaughter of Barbara & Bernie Bernstein

Scott Hahn

- Allen Rosen Education Fund Donation in honor of Stephen Rosen's presidency at KJA

Bill & Amy Hankins

- Preschool Teacher Appreciation Fund Donation

Gale & Peggy Hedrick

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Heska Amuna Synagogue, Rabbi Discretionary Fund

- Donation to Jewish Family Services

Linda Higdon

- General Donation

Sharon Higdon

- General Donation

Stephen & Joni Hirschhaut

- Donation in honor of Jennifer Gubitz's ordination and Leslie Gubitz's graduation

Renee Hyatt and Paul Erwin

- Donation to Archives in memory of Claire Shulman, sister of Bernard Bernstein
- Allen Rosen Education Fund Donation in honor of Stephen Rosen

Richard & Jacki Imbrey

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Barbara Leeds

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Arla Lewis

- Siegel Fund Donation in memory of Rabbi & Mrs. Feinsilver

Richard & Shirley Licht

- Donation for Archives
- Donation to Friendship Program in honor of Dr. Harold Winston

Mark & Peggy Littmann

- Donation to Mitzvah Day for supplies

Harry & Cindy Loewenberg

- Donation to UT Hillel

Maynard & Judy Louis

- Donation in honor of Marilyn & Harvey Liberman's special anniversary

Stephen & Ellen Markman

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Sylvia Miller

- Donation in memory of Joseph Miller

Stephen & Rosalie Nagler

- Donation to the AJCC in honor of Stephen Rosen
- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Chuck and Missy Noon

- B'nai Tzedek Fund donation

KJA Donations

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- Donation in honor of Partnership Fund in appreciation of Mark Friedman and Rachel Koch

Ric & Cynthia Pasi

- Donation for Camp Scholarships in honor of Jeff Gubitz

Jonathan & Cindy Perling

- Donation to UT Hillel

Judy Rattner

- Donation to JFS in appreciation

Dewey Reich Marital Trust

- Donation to KJA

Natalie Robinson

- Donation to Archives
- Donation in memory of Harold Winston
- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Melvin Roseman

- Donation in honor of Barry Roseman for Father's Day

Stephen & Kim Rosen

- Donation in memory of Michael Eisenstadt's mother
- Donation to Golf Tournament
- Donation to Archives in honor of Rachel Bernstein
- JFS Emergency Fund Donation in memory of Joan Porter

Nicole Russler

- Donation to Archives
- Donation to Archives in memory of Isadore Abrams

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- Donation to Jewish Family Services

Arnold or Mary Linda Schwarzbart

- B'nai Tzedek Fund donation

Alan Solomon & Andrea Cartwright

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Melvin Sturm

- Donation to Archives

Dan & Shirley Sweeten

- Donation to Jewish Family Services

Tennessee School of Beauty

- Donation to Golf Tournament

Darrin & Katy Travillian

- Donation to Camp

Linda Van Beke

- Donation to Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg's 50th anniversary

Barry & Marilyn Wohl

- Donation to Archives
- Donation to Friendship Program



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Teen Connection!

When: Sunday, November 4

Time: 1:00-2:30pm

Who: 5th—8th Graders

Where: Tataru's Gym

11207 Outlet Drive Knoxville, TN 37932

Join us at Tataru's for our fall connection of fun and food! We will enjoy free play for an hour followed by lunch.

RSVP to tbbain528@gmail.com or krosen@comcast.net.



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Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds

A Supporting Organization of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance and the East Tennessee Foundation to preserve and strengthen the Jewish Community of Knoxville

New Fund Established

The KJCFF is pleased to announce the establishment of a new Fund, The Allen, Leibowitz, Pearson Family Fund. The new Fund's purpose is to benefit Jewish and non-Jewish charitable organizations and institutions, regardless of geographic location. Barry Allen states that "we wanted to establish a KJCFF Fund so that our children could participate with us in the decisions about which charities to support. In this fashion, they would feel ownership about the choices we make. Because the Fund is set up as a perpetual fund, they can then involve their children in the process of Tikkun Olam - making the world a better place."



Heidi S. Allen, KJCFF President Bernie Rosenblatt, and Barry P. Allen pose for a picture after signing the fund document for the newly established Allen, Leibowitz, Pearson Family Fund on October 3, 2012.

Please visit us at www.jewishknoxville.org/kjcff for grant request forms (newly updated), donation forms, and a list of KJCFF Funds annotated with their purposes.

Donations

Cohen-Presser Endowment Fund

In memory of Bea Bush and wishing Ethel Wittenberg and family a good New Year and thanking them for lunch
Marilyn Presser

Heska Amuna Cemetery Fund

Yizkor and Yahrzeits of Anna Gruenberg, Blima Schwarzbart, Samuel Schwarzbart, Isadore Schwarzbart, Virginia Morrison, Isaac Joffe, David Tomlinson, and Dan Goodman
Mary Linda and Arnold Schwarzbart

Heska Amuna Educational Enrichment Fund

In Memory of Bernie Iroff
Gregory and Leigh Ann Wilson

Grants

- Heska Amuna Synagogue received a grant from the **Heska Amuna Educational Enrichment Fund** for the Scholar-in-Residence Shabbaton.
- The **Frances Sturm Cultural Fund** made a grant to JCOR Sisterhood for the entertainment for a fundraiser.
- The KJA received grants from the **Allen Rosen Education Fund**, the **Jeff and Nancy Becker Community Enrichment Fund**, the **Pat and Gene Rosenberg Fund**, and the **Sylvia Greenberg Family Fund** for an AJCC Preschool kindergarten readiness program.

Did You Know?

Anyone can make donations to existing KJCFF Funds, including B'nai Tzedek funds. It is a great way to honor or memorialize someone.

B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program

The B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program of the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds and the Knoxville Jewish Alliance B'nai Tzedek Advisory Committee was established in 2006. B'nai Tzedek funds are started at Bar/Bat Mitzvah age with a minimum donation of \$125 from the teen. Their congregation then matches this and that \$250 is matched again by the KJCFF, bringing the starting fund balance to \$500. During the year, teens learn about what it means to be a philanthropist and that one does not need to be rich to make a difference. Joining with other teens, they start to identify areas of particular concern and start to develop their own unique way of getting involved in the work of tikkun olam (repairing the world). Yearly, they are able to pool the revenues from their funds and make grants to not-for-profit organizations and have the chance to play a part in improving the world. The B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program encompasses four main objectives: to help every Jewish teen in our community establish an endowment fund in his/her name; to provide Jewish teens with skills and knowledge in the area of Jewish sources on giving, financial literacy and modern philanthropy; to help Jewish teens establish relationships with Jewish organizations in their community and abroad; and to offer the opportunity to network with other Jewish teens locally and nationally. In addition to programs specifically designed for teens with named funds, a series of tikkun olam programs run by the KJA are held throughout the school year and all students in grades 7–12 interested in participating are welcome. The following is a list of all of the individuals who have held B'nai Tzedek funds since the program's inception.

Elliot Baerman	Jennifer Frost	Rae Oleshansky	Sam Seifert
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Harris Bailey	Samantha Hull	Hazak Parsons	Lilly Silver-Alford
Nathan Bendriem	Rachel Iroff	Leah Pearl	Max Silver-Alford
Samuel Bendriem	Iain Konigsberg	Michael Pearl	Ethan Snow
Bryan Berube	Zach Kramer	Ben Pollack	Zach Snow
Hila Blumenthal	Will Kronick	Ethan Pollack	Elizabeth Spenser
Lilia Brock	Jennye Merrell	Conner Reis	Ariel Spiegelman
Logan Brown	Andrew Messing	Asher Robinson	Brittany Spiegelman
Rachel Brown	Brandon Messing	Eli Robinson	Jolie Spiegelman
Abby Caplan	Jacob Messing	Stephanie Rodriguez	Justin Spiegelman
Aaron Chasan	Zack Messing	Ethan Roseman	Britt Sturm
Clark Derrington	Michael Newman	Seth Roseman	Ethan Sturm
Eli Derrington	Elizabeth Noon	Nathan Rosen	Samuel Talman
Talia Dessel	Evan Noon	Jessica Rosenberg	Brian Weinstein
Noah Erwin	Keaton Noon	Abigail Sayles	Rachel Zoldessy
David Floyd	Bryna Oleshansky	Ethan Schulz	

A Few Words From the B'nai Tzedek Coordinator, Mary Ann Merrell

Parents and Fund Holders!
Save the Date for the B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program
Sunday December 9 at the AJCC
(Details to follow)

B'nai Tzedek will hold four meetings this year to explore how to become savvy, active philanthropists. At our first meeting in December we will begin the exciting process of identifying organizations that fund holders are interested in granting monies to during the year. If you are already enrolled or are interested in participating in the B'nai Tzedek program, this would be a great meeting to attend so please contact Mary Ann Merrell, B'nai Tzedek coordinator, for more information at mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org or at (865) 690-5373.

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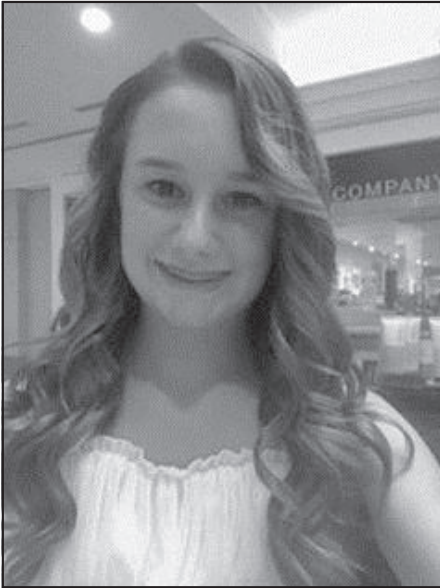
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The Board of Directors of the Knoxville Jewish Family of Funds thanks the Knoxville Jewish Community, the staff of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance and the East Tennessee Foundation for their support and encouragement. The KJCFF encourages you to help insure the healthy future of our Knoxville Jewish community by including a commitment to the KJCFF in your financial and estate planning.

To learn more about KJCFF philanthropic opportunities, call 690-6343 or visit our website at www.jewishknoxville.org/kjcff

B'NEI MITZVAH

TEMPLE BETH EL



Taylor Kolnick to Celebrate Bat Mitzvah

Taylor Brooke Kolnick celebrates her bat mitzvah Saturday, November 17 at 10:30 a.m.

Taylor is a seventh grade honors student at West Valley Middle School. Her favorite classes are English, reading, and social studies. She is an active member of WVMS Chorus Ensemble. She enjoys reading, music, swimming and drama. Taylor spends her summers at various camps, traveling with family and swimming for the AJCC Smokin' Salmon. Taylor's special interests are performing in theater and for her mitzvah project, she will be working one on one with kindergarten through 5th grade Knoxville Jewish Day School students to prepare for the production of *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* on December 2. Taylor will work with students who need extra help memorizing lines, as well as creating sets and painting backdrops.

KJDS boasts a drama program that teaches acting and public speaking skills, creative thinking, and develops confidence, leadership abilities, and self-esteem. Taylor, who played Dorothy in the *Wizard of Oz*, had such a great experience that she'd like to be part of the team that makes this happen for future generations of KJDS students.

Please celebrate with Taylor and her family on Saturday, November 17 as Taylor is called to the Torah. She will read from GENESIS 25 verses 19-34. We would love to have every Temple member join us for this joyous occasion.

Heska Amuna Synagogue

Hull to Celebrate Bar Mitzvah

Atticus Hull will celebrate his bar mitzvah on November 24 (10 Kislev 5773) at Heska Amuna Synagogue. He is a seventh grader at The Episcopal School of Knoxville. Atticus's parents, David and Amy Hull, along with his sisters, Samantha and Alexandria are excited to celebrate with him. Atticus is an avid sports fan and athlete. In addition to swimming for the AJCC Smokin' Salmon swim team, he plays football, basketball, runs track, skis, and bowls. We are looking to celebrating with family from all over the country.



Mazel Tov!

Heska Amuna Synagogue

Happy Anniversary!

Anne and Eli Greenbaum
Lindsay and Chad Parizman



Jacki and Richard Imbrey
Jami and Alan Quartararo
Ann and Hal Manas
Sarah and Bob Milford
Melissa and Seth
Schweitzer
Kim and Stephen Rosen
Martha and Marty Iroff

Happy Birthday!

◆ Margy Goldman ◆ Stella Iroff
◆ Kappy Lapides
◆ Miriam Weinstein
◆ Eleanor Adams ◆ Anita Miller
◆ Fannie Richer ◆ Jill Weinstein
◆ Elaine Dobbs
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◆ Terri Lee Love ◆ Betty Siegel ◆ Mel Sturm
◆ Richard Adlin



All members whose birthday or anniversary occurs in November are invited to receive a blessing at kiddush on Shabbat morning, November 10.

TEMPLE BETH EL

Happy Birthday!

◆ Bella Safro ◆ Eli Derrington ◆ Emma Fleischmann
◆ Charlene Rizzo ◆ Joshua Oleinik ◆ Hannah Hicks ◆ Kenneth Hirsh
◆ Chuck Noon ◆ Hunter Bosnick ◆ Carol Loring ◆ Yelena Golburt
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◆ Avigail Laing ◆ Lilia Brock
◆ Linda Zaretski ◆ Erin Lauer ◆ Lucy Theriot
◆ Melvin Sturm ◆ Phyllis Hirsh



Happy Anniversary!



Boris and Bella Budik
Richard and Jacki
Imbrey
Steve and Ellen
Markman
David and Emma
Fleischmann
Richard and Cindy
Raines

Mike and Diane Cole
Ken and Phyllis Hirsh
W.C. and Joani Wilson
Gary and Linda Johnson

JAHRZEIT

TEMPLE BETH EL

November 9

◆ Leon Banov ◆ Gustav Brunschwig ◆ Simone Levi Brunschwig ◆ Bessie Stone Drake ◆ Elias L. Epstein ◆ Mr. Joseph D. Feldman
 ◆ Sam Margolies ◆ Marvin Miller ◆ Emanuel Newman ◆ Yitzhak Rabin ◆ Agnes Canner ◆ Jay Goodfriend ◆ Carrie Lehigh
 ◆ Gloria Weinstein ◆ Joyce Brown ◆ Betty Nash ◆ Peter Yellen ◆ Gerson Bush ◆ Sam Cawn ◆ Irwin Deutcher ◆ Frederick Millis
 ◆ Page Wallace ◆ Samuel Champaign ◆ Myrtle Evert ◆ Ursula Mangold ◆ Ethel Misner ◆ David Silverstein ◆ Betsy Coleman
 ◆ Charles Margolies ◆ Nathaniel Ross

November 16

◆ Max Gillman ◆ Fannie Lippner ◆ Charlotte Lombardi ◆ Rose Cohen ◆ Robert Moss ◆ Murray Weinstein ◆ Jean-Pierre Besman
 ◆ Anna Cohen ◆ Herbert Glazer ◆ Rich Meyer ◆ Richard Wayburn ◆ Bertha Brunschwig Bollag ◆ Samuel Mark Brody ◆ Ben Cohn
 ◆ Selig Epstein ◆ Hilda R. Michaels ◆ Walter N. Blaufeld, Jr. ◆ Herbert M. Cohen ◆ Sigmund Frankel ◆ Celia Gutman
 ◆ Samuel Rosenthal ◆ Eva Landsman Sturm ◆ Cheryl Weinberg

November 23

◆ Lena Zion Alper ◆ Florence Jacobstein ◆ Toby Schwartz ◆ Grace Marie Warn ◆ Joseph Dresner ◆ Michael Ecker ◆ Benjamin Harmatz
 ◆ David Greenberg ◆ Sol Richer ◆ Albert Erlich ◆ Gloria Glazer ◆ Anne Goldstein ◆ David Goodfriend ◆ Belar Koptiva
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November 30

◆ Saul Brown ◆ Michael Polsky ◆ Isadore Brody ◆ Irwin Kipnes ◆ Samuel Schwartzman ◆ I. Robert Brodie ◆ Albert Fribourg
 ◆ Melvin Goldberger ◆ Charles Konigsberg ◆ Harry Mintz ◆ Jack Goldstein ◆ Isadore Lippner ◆ Thelma Singer ◆ Sadie Rich Miller
 ◆ Alexander Schwartzman ◆ Ben Altshuler ◆ Shiela Belensen ◆ Harold Bernard ◆ Bessie Gelber ◆ Morris Goldstein ◆ Rose Sims

Heska Amuna Synagogue

November 3

◆ Sasson Benhayon ◆ Anna Kaplan ◆ Gertrude Cohen ◆ Rachel Perelman ◆ Lillian Davis ◆ James Lowe ◆ David Moskowitz
 ◆ Vera Noorily ◆ Alex Presser ◆ Etta Renert ◆ Salome Slovis ◆ Flora Stollin ◆ Pesach Werner ◆ Bernyce Gurwitch ◆ Bertha Moss
 ◆ Pearl Zwick

November 10

◆ Günsa Glazer ◆ Blume Goldstein ◆ Sylvia Levison ◆ Rachel Slovis ◆ Clara Winick ◆ Ilse Abeles ◆ Harold Rosenthal ◆ Leah Berez
 ◆ Loretta Cohen ◆ Elsa Klein ◆ Josephine Klein ◆ Celia Shaw ◆ Judy Solomon ◆ David Tomlinson ◆ Sol Frumin ◆ P.L. Fuson
 ◆ Nathan Naumann ◆ Ben Slovis ◆ Myra Weinstein ◆ Nathan Rattner ◆ Bobby Evars ◆ Monnie Millen ◆ George Weisberg

November 17

◆ Max Hurvich ◆ Hannah Poster ◆ Hilda Nisenson ◆ David Rosen ◆ Faye Simon ◆ Rebecca Benbenisty ◆ Nathan Busch ◆ Rose Busch
 ◆ Anna Cohen ◆ Fannie Taylor ◆ Isaac Baskin ◆ Lowell Dryzer ◆ Arnold Levison ◆ Libbye Perelman ◆ Ronald Berry
 ◆ Bernard Greenbaum ◆ David Norynberg ◆ Robert Shersky ◆ Lena Alper ◆ Jacob Corkland ◆ David Goldstein ◆ Rose Presser
 ◆ Jerome Schweitzer ◆ Eva Sturm

November 24

◆ Dora Shersky ◆ Lois Boiarsky ◆ Samuel Deutsch ◆ Mike Gettinger ◆ Sadye Jacobs ◆ Lillian Liberman ◆ Charles Margolies
 ◆ Nathan Slovis ◆ Harry Becker ◆ Fanny Diamond ◆ Rose Diftler ◆ Sol Richer ◆ Mattie Corkland ◆ Helen Presser ◆ Bea Russotto
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Hadassah Highlights

A Note From Cindy

By Cindy Pasi, Knoxville Hadassah President

Before we begin to look forward and step into the next century, we take a moment to reflect on this last year. Hadassah has had a year of changes. The weak economy has hit all of us and Hadassah has been proactive in preparing for the future in spite of it. We have downsized in all areas by consolidating offices and resources. We have implemented stringent procedures for effective use of all donations received and accountability for all funds received has never been higher. In spite of the economic difficulties, once again Hadassah's grass roots funding has proven to be effective. The 19-story hospital has been built and is operating. We have continued to support our youth through our Youth Aliyah and Young Judea programs.

Hadassah continues to be the largest employer in Israel besides the Israeli government, even in these tough economic times. In addition, Hadassah hospitals continue to be on the forefront of research and development medically. We are making great inroads with our clinical trials in the areas of ALS, cancer vaccines, epilepsy, and stem cell studies – the list goes on and on. But, the task is great and there is much we need to do.

Our chapter continues to work hard to reach our goals which in turn allows us to reach the national goals for continuing the ongoing work of Hadassah Medical Organization. We need your help. If you have not donated to Hadassah this year, I am asking that you consider doing so now. **AFTER** you have supported our local community through your house of prayer, the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, the Arnstein Jewish Community Center, and our local Jewish schools (AJCC Preschool, Heska Amuna and Temple Beth El religious schools, and KJDS) that our children and great-grandchildren attend, I ask you to make Hadassah a priority. If there was ever a need for sustained medical care with state of the art facilities in Israel, it is now. We must continue to fund the day to day activities of our hospitals as well as fund the groundbreaking research. We need your help. You can donate online at www.hadassah.org or by mailing a check made out to Hadassah to Laura Floyd, our treasurer. I thank you in advance for helping us reach our goal this year.



Hadassah Memories

Mary Linda Schwarzbart has long been an advocate for Hadassah. She has been a past president for our chapter and has served on the regional board. One of the treasures she recently shared with our community was this beautiful desk set made of olive wood from the Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem. Mary Corkland, who founded Knoxville Young Judea in 1933 and reorganized the Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah in 1939, had previously told Mary Linda that the set belonged to her mother, Virginia Joffe Morrison, who had won it by entering an essay contest for Junior Hadassah. This set dates to the mid-1930s.

Mary Linda did a search and found that the archives for three boxes of Hadassah materials on Junior Hadassah dating from 1924 through 1974 were maintained by the American Jewish Historical Society. The archives are affiliated with the huge database of the Mormon Church, and may not be copied without permission from National Hadassah. She then contacted a friend in New York about her search and her friend went to the archives to see what she could find. Documents were found dated July 8, 1937 that named Minnie Wolf as President of the Knoxville Unit of Junior Hadassah, along with mention of Bertha Nius of Knoxville. There was also a



document listing suggested names for regional offices that also mentioned Minnie Wolf, along with Ida and Helen Tobe. Next to the Tobe names was a handwritten note, "suggested by my sister, Mary Corkland" (author unknown). Unfortunately, nothing could be found of the essay that her mother had written.

The desk set is on loan at Heska Amuna Synagogue. I encourage you to take a look at this piece of Hadassah history. Mary Linda was told that there is tons of material at Hadassah National, but you have to be there to actually look at it. Anyone up for a field trip?

Step Up Your Involvement

By Barbara Mintz

Knoxville Hadassah's **Step Up Your Involvement** Kick-Off Celebration was a fun gathering of more than 35 women. Board members prepared posters and displays for their specific areas of involvement. Participants learned through these displays and chatting with board members about the new hospital which will be dedicated in Israel this October and found out that Hadassah spends money on critical research in areas such as cancer, diabetes, brain injury, stem cells, and so much more. They also learned that they could purchase trees and water certificates, greeting cards, as well as certificates that marked simchas as well as deaths and these contributions all went to support the work of Hadassah. Besides all of those critical aspects, members learned that our Knoxville Chapter has a vibrant book club, generates a highly sought after directory, supports Youth Alliyah, and has spouses involved as Associates.

While gaining all of this valuable information there were opportunities to network all evening long and there were fabulous noshes prepared by board members including but not limited to mandel, kugels, halavah, Israeli salad, and much more. A silent auction was another part of the events that evening as well as door prizes and the room was decorated with shoes to support our year-long "stepping it up" theme.

We are proud to report that by the end of the evening two guests became life members and another woman went home and joined via the internet! If you missed this event, but have an interest in Hadassah's mission and local activities, please contact barbara@bmintz.com. Involvement in this great organization is always welcome!

The event was coordinated by Barbara Mintz: Membership V.P., EL Gordon: Education V.P. and Shuli Mesa Programming V.P. and we thank them for a great evening.

Membership VP and event chair Barbara Mintz (center), welcomes new life members Beth Applegate (left) and her mother Deena Shrayer (right).



(Above) Learning about various components of Hadassah were (left to right), Deena Shrayer, Beth Applegate, Shannon Martindale and Bridge Biernacki, listening to Alice Farkas, Jill Weinstein, and Marian Jay.



(Right) Mary Anne Merrell and Judi Abrams discuss ongoing Hadassah projects.



(Left) Mindy Goldberg welcomes new life members Beth Applegate and Deena Shrayer.

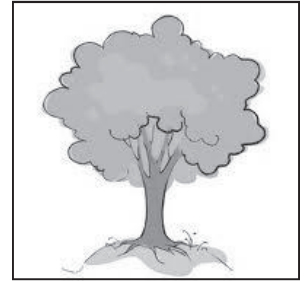
(Above) Alice Farkas welcomes our newest member, Sylvia Miller, who transferred to us from Greensboro, NC.

Tree Certificates

Fires have ravaged the Carmel Forest, near Haifa, in northern Israel. Many of us met the Israeli firefighters who visited Knoxville and showed pictures of this tremendous fire and the destruction. Five million trees on 12,500 acres are gone. We must reforest, replant, regrow. Plant a tree – or ten, or more – today. Since 1926, through generous donors like you, we have partnered with JNF to drain swamplands, plant forests, develop water resources and preserve Israel's ecology. Giving opportunities include:

- ✧ One Tree - \$15
- ✧ Ten Trees - \$150 (Circle of Trees)
- ✧ Fifty Trees - \$750 (Garden of Trees)

To purchase tree or water certificates, please contact Marian Jay at 524-8234 or email her at mayfayjay@aol.com.



Layettes

By Judi Abrams, jmksal@aol.com

- * Jane and Sheldon Cohen
- granddaughter **Lillian
Ava Swinehart**
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- * Patty and Phil Austin -
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Isabel Jones**



Let's continue to congratulate our families with YOUR name on their Layette Card...e-mail or call to be sure you are listed. I will let you know your account balance or just send me a check. Thanks for your support of the Hadassah Layette Cards.

Thank You

We have received the following note of appreciation:

- * The Anovitz family wishes to thank all of you for donating to Hadassah in honor of the B'not Mitzvah of Havah and Leah. The certificates are lovely!

Large Certificates

- * In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of **Kalisa Parsons**, daughter of Sandra Parsons
- * In memory of **Beatrice Bush**, mother of Deborah Roberts, Carolyn Bush and Jennifer Bush Otte; grandmother of Megan and Daniel Roberts
- * In memory of **Barbara Moody**, mother of Martha Iroff, Margaret Moody and Robert Moody; grandmother of Anna, Rachel and Ellen Iroff and Naomi, Robert and Francis Lin
- * In memory of **Edith Bronstein**, wife of Harry; mother of Michael and Lawrence; grandmother of Stuart, Rachel, Evan, Greg and Lydia; great grandmother of Charles Deboard; and, sister to Lucille Davis

To be included on any of these certificates, please e-mail Mary Anne Merrell at hadassahcertificates@gmail.com.

Welcome Lifetime Members

The Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah is proud to welcome our newest Lifetime Members:

- Beth Applegate
- Bridgette Biernacki
- Daren Eddy
- Sylvia Miller
- Deena Schrayner

We are so glad to have you in our Chapter.

Not a member yet? Contact Barbara Mintz at Barbara@bmintz.com.

"Honor Israel Night in Knoxville" Thursday, November 15, 7:30 p.m.

**Rothchild's Catering Center
8807 Kingston Pike
Knoxville, TN 37923**

The program will include speakers from:

- ✧ **The Friends of Israel**
- ✧ **The Consulate General of Israel to the Southeastern United States**
- ✧ **Rev. Steve Craft, Sr. Pastor, Victory Baptist Church, Maryville, TN**
- ✧ **Rev. Robert L. Johnessee, Church Ministries Representative, Friends of Israel**
- ✧ **Jeff Gubitz, Executive Director, Knoxville Jewish Alliance**

Special Project:

Neve Michael Youth Village, a project of the Jewish Agency for Israel, is the only multidisciplinary children's home in Israel providing refuge and a loving home for over 300 children and youth at risk. It is located in Knoxville's Israel Partnership region of Hadera-Eron, Israel.

Donations will be accepted. A dessert reception will precede the event.

RSVP by November 12 to Victory Baptist Church - (865) 982-2461 or office@victory4you.org.

Your Knoxville chapter of Hadassah supports this event.

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Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

Holiday Fun and Fundamentals at KJDS

The beauty of celebrating the Jewish Holidays with our KJDS students is the new energy, insight, perspective and learning that greets each holiday. The students' vast prior knowledge of the holidays allows us to dig deeper and take our studies to new levels. While kindergarten is soaking it all in as they begin their Jewish education journey, the first graders created a Rosh Hashanah lap book titled, *Rosh Hashanah Babyit Ubveit Kneset* (Rosh Hashanah at home and in the synagogue). In addition to labeling all the Rosh Hashanah symbols in Hebrew, our lap book also had the kids reviewing the Hebrew months of the year and names of the shofar sounds. Did you know that some Jews follow the custom of displaying the head of a fish on their Rosh Hashanah table, "so that we may be leaders and not followers?" This custom and concept led to some great discussions in our first grade class.

Our second graders had a surprise visit from Mrs. Hunikvetcher who enlisted their help in planning the Prime Minister's Rosh Hashanah party. Our party planners used their personalized business cards and stationery to prepare lists, plans, layouts and color themes ALL IN HEBREW, to return to Mrs. Hunikvetcher when she returned a week later. We took some of their best ideas and used them for our school Rosh Hashanah party as well.

In third, fourth, and fifth grade, we spoke about the many blessings the words "Shana Tovah" can contain. How touched the children were to receive personalized Shana Tovah cards from their teachers wishing them a Shana Tovah on all the things that are important to them!

Our Rosh Hashanah party was so much fun. While apples dipped in honey are always tasty, the "rimon" (pomegranate) was definitely the biggest hit! We were so excited to have Rabbi Matt Michaels, from Temple Beth El, blow the Shofar for us and boy does he blow a mean Tekiah Gedolah! Our annual Rosh Hashanah Jeopardy game keeps getting harder and harder but we must be getting smarter and smarter – congratulations to team Krembo for winning the game!



Rabbi Michaels blowing the Shofar

Shana Tovah



When You Name a KJDS Team Krembo!

If you create teams at KJDS...you're going to have to give them a Jewish twist. If you give them a Jewish twist...you'll probably end up with something food related! If you put great minds together regarding food...you'll most likely come up with chocolate (the four yummiest Israeli chocolate treats around, to be specific. When the students learn of these delicious namesakes for their teams...they will want to taste them. And, of course, when you learn of their wishes...you will want to make them come true. If you search in New York at every Israeli grocery store and website, finding 3 out of 4 of the delicacies(Milkys, Ta'amis, and Click's), but discovering that Krembo is harder to find than we thought... you'll have to find a friend travelling to Israel for Rosh Hashanah, and ask him to bring you back some. And, when he finds a case and brings it back for you...you'll have to start a contest for students to earn their team chocolate. After watching the students enjoy their hard earned, well deserved treats and taste a bit of Israel here in Knoxville, TN ... you will be so excited that you will probably decide next year to again create teams at KJDS and give them a Jewish twist. If you give them a Jewish twist...you'll probably end up with something food related, etc., etc...

*Authors Note (as learned from browsing the net in search of Krembo): **Krembo** In Hebrew, the word krembo is a combination of krem (cream) and bo (in it). It is the name of a chocolate-coated marshmallow treat that is very popular in Israel. In Israel, the Krembo season is very short, from October to February. Nevertheless, 50 million krembos are sold each year—an average of 9 per person in Israel.*

Are You as Smart as a KJDS Second/Third Grader?

The 2nd/3rd grade classroom completed a unit on the presidents and is now prepared to dive into an elections unit. Each student researched a president, wrote a report, and dressed up as that president to present their information to the class. Here is a little quiz they've prepared, try and see how your presidential knowledge matches up to theirs.

- Who was the youngest president to ever be elected?
- Which president was the teddy bear named after?
- Who was the president that enabled women to be able to vote?
- Who was the president to almost get impeached?
- Who was the last president to be born in a log cabin?
- Who was the president when the astronauts first went to the moon?
- Who was the first president to use the atomic bomb?
- Who was the oldest president to be elected?
- Which president's grandfather was the 9th president?
- Who established the department of homeland security?
(hint: his father was also a president)

Answers:

John F. Kennedy
Theodore Roosevelt
Woodrow Wilson
Bill Clinton
James Garfield
Richard Nixon
Harry S. Truman
Ronald Reagan
Benjamin Harrison
George W. Bush

Grading Scale:

1-3 correct – Drop everything, call in sick at work, and spend the day learning all you can about the presidents.
4-7 correct – You competent enough to keep your daily schedule but read one fact a day before you go to bed.
8-10 correct – Congratulations!!! Consider yourself informed enough to stop by and join our second and third grade social studies class!

Hebrew Studies with a Modern Twist

While the holidays have been a large focus of our studies, our Hebrew literacy studies continue as well. The integration of new technology into our Hebrew classes has made class that much more exciting. Some of our highlights have been the first graders using the laptops to work on an interactive Hebrew CD that goes along with our Talam program, and third and fourth graders challenging themselves to answer questions on the activExpressions system. Additionally, fourth and fifth graders are creating animated cartoons on the iPads. What a wonderfully modern way to learn such an old, beautiful language.



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What Does the Red Button Mean to You?

"The red button means fun because you get to dance." ~Ori

"The red button is a special privilege you get to do." ~Samantha

"You press it if someone does good." ~Heidi

"It's fun to refresh your mind when work gets hard." ~Yuval

"It's fun. When we've done a great job, my teacher presses the red button and my brain gets back to work." ~Ben

The "red button" is another Ron Clark inspiration for us here at KJDS. At the beginning of the year, each teacher chose their own "red button," which is a section of a song that they thought would get the kids pumped to continue working hard. It works great! We've practiced the routine over and over and the kids know that when they hear the red button music, they are allowed to get up and jump around. They also know that as soon as the music shuts off, they immediately and silently must sit down and get back to work. Thanks Ron Clark, for such refreshing ideas!

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Apples – A Sensory Experience

The Kindergarten/1st grade class is wrapping up an extensive unit of exploring using our senses by learning about apples. We began the unit by filling in the first two parts of our KWL charts, (what we Know, Want to know and what we Learned) as we reviewed the parts of an apple and the life cycle of the apple tree. We used our 5 senses to help us learn like scientists as we described what the apples look, feel, smell, and taste like. We will end our investigation by tasting several different types of apples in our apple taste test! We are having tons of fun learning about apples this fall.



Ms. Julie working on a KWL chart with K-1

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The Way We Were in 1975



Hadassah members Sylvia **Silver**, Sondra **Brody**, Myra **Weinstein**, Barbara **Leeds**, Marcie **Silverstein**, and Knoxville Mayor Kyle C. **Testerman**. Mayor Testerman signed a proclamation declaring October 21, 1975, as Hadassah – Mt Scopus Day in honor of the rededication of Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center atop Mt. Scopus. Sondra, Barbara, and Marcie still live in Knoxville. Sylvia lives in Indianapolis. Myra was the mother of Knoxvilleans Jeff and Douglas **Weinstein**. This photograph and accompanying article appeared 37 years ago, in the November, 1975, *Center Menorah*.

To read the full proclamation, see the online edition of *Ha' Kol*.

Send us your pictures of *The Way We Were* to archives@jewishknoxville.org