



Ha'Kol

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

Purim 5772 / 2012

March 9

7:30 p.m.

At Temple Beth El



It's a "Down Home" Purim!
Let down your hair, loosen
your belt, and set a spell with
Esther, Mordecai, Ahashueros,
and the whole clan!
Y'all come!

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Temple Beth El Scholar in Residence

Rabbi Samuel K. Joseph
Hebrew Union College

Open to All Congregants and Their Friends
A Weekend of Conversation, Study
and Exploration



March 30 - Friday Evening Shabbat: *Jews and Chocolate*, with a (mostly) chocolate oneg to follow

March 31 - Saturday Morning, Study and Luncheon: Shabbat text study: *The Golem in Jewish Culture and Literature*, with lunch to follow.

Saturday Evening, Dinner and Program: *The Jews of China*, at Little Szechuan Chinese Restaurant (Meal at your own expense)

April 1 - Sunday Morning Program for Religious School Students and Teachers: *Internet Ethics*

TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES



From the Rabbi's Study

By Rabbi Beth Schwartz

Be Happy! It's Adar!

Another beautiful spring has arrived in East Tennessee. One of the nicest things about living in Tennessee is how much people appreciate and bless our natural surroundings. *Baruch Ata, Adonai, Eloheinu Melekh ha-olam, Oseh ma'aseh b'reisheet.* Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Maker of the works of creation.

When God created the world and gave Adam and Eve mastery over it, the Torah tells us, God instructed them to use it, but also to care for it, to manage it well and wisely. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof." We do not own the earth to exploit it for our selfish desires; we are its custodians on God's behalf, and we hold it in trust for our children, so that it may sustain them as it sustains us.

As we watch the progression of blossoms, from forsythia to crocuses to redbuds and dogwoods and azaleas and tulips, and the bare branches are swathed in a green mist of new leaves, let us remember our covenant with our planet. May this season of new life be one of sowing and tending, of creation and growth.



From the President

By Deborah Roberts

It's true - as president I have the best view in the house. Sitting on the bimah each week provides a very special perspective on our Temple family. Never was this more evident than at our Shabbat service dedicated to honoring fathers.

The faces of the boys on the front row glowed as they anticipated their dads' participation. I could hear their voices chanting the *v'Ahavtah*, and the Hebrew teacher in me was thrilled to see them help each other find their place in the Hebrew. But nothing matched their pride and pleasure at seeing their dads come up to bless and chant the Torah.

Other sets of dads and sons played additional roles throughout the service- making the message of *l'dor va'dor* beautifully clear. From generation to generation starts here - at Temple - with your children watching you. And all of us *k'velling*.

None of this would have happened without the expert guidance of Rabbi Schwartz. In case some of you missed the first announcement, Rabbi Schwartz will be assuming a new position as rabbi of Temple Israel in Columbus, Georgia. I know you join me in offering her our heartiest congratulations. A dinner, in honor of Rabbi's 13 years of devoted service will be held on June 7. I hope you will plan to be there with me to celebrate and applaud her as she departs for her new position.

Another event spearheaded by Rabbi Schwartz is our Scholar-in-Residence Weekend - which begins Friday, March 30. When I attended the URJ Scheidt Seminar for incoming presidents, in 2010, Rabbi Samuel Joseph created some of my strongest memories. He is a captivating and energizing speaker with a wealth of experience and knowledge.

Now you, too, will have the opportunity to experience Rabbi Joseph for yourself - right here at Temple Beth El. Thanks to the Ritual and Worship committee, and the generosity of our Levy Fund, the entire weekend is free of charge. Mark your calendars today and do everything you can to attend at least one program with Rabbi Joseph. You deserve it!

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March Services

March 2, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat evening services will be led by our 4th-5th grade students

March 9, 7:30 p.m. – Purim service, followed by a "Down Home" Purim Spiel

March 16, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat evening Service

March 23, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat evening service

March 30, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat evening service with scholar-in-residence Rabbi Sam Joseph: *Jews and Chocolate*

March 31, 10:30 a.m. – Shabbat text study with Rabbi Joseph: *The Golem*

It's Time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El

By Karen Smith, Sisterhood Liaison

It's almost time for Purim, and hamantaschen will help you get ready. Everyone always has a good time in the Temple kitchen and what could be better than baking hamantaschen. Meet in the Temple kitchen on Tuesday, March 6 at noon. Sisterhood will provide the hamantaschen dough. Everyone attending needs to bring a brown bag lunch, a 3-inch cookie cutter, a rolling pin, and a hamantaschen filling of your choice. (Please do not bring a pie filling, jam, or preserves.) You can take your hamantaschen home, swap them with others, or donate them to Sisterhood for the Purim Carnival sale on Sunday, March 11.

RSVP to Karen Smith at 691-3231 or briankarens@comcast.net or sign up on the Sisterhood Board at Temple.

Stop by the Sisterhood table during the Purim Carnival on Sunday, March 11 to purchase homemade hamantaschen. We will not take pre-orders so shop early.

The Sisterhood program for Sunday, April 22 has been canceled. We will work on rescheduling the program for a later date.

Hold the date of Thursday, May 17 for "Sisterhood Goes Out." This is an annual event when Sisterhood goes to a Knoxville restaurant for good food, lively conversation, and an interesting program. Watch the April and May issues of *Ha' Kol* for information about the restaurant and program.

Sisterhood's *Beiler Floral Fund Co-chairs Emma Fleischmann and Lisa Sayles* welcome all flower donation of \$36.00 for Shabbat and holidays. What a wonderful way to remember someone for a life cycle event or special occasion.

Sisterhood *Co-Vice Presidents for Membership Honerlin DelMoro and Renee' Hyatt* remind everyone that it is never too late to join Sisterhood. Your check for \$40.00 is all you need for a year of Sisterhood.

Come on join in. It's time for Sisterhood!

Scholar-In-Residence Rabbi Samuel Joseph to Visit March 30-April 1

Rabbi Sam Joseph, PhD., is the Eleanor Sinsheimer Distinguished Service Professor of Jewish Education and Leadership Development at the Hebrew-Union College-



Jewish Institute of Religion Cincinnati campus. For more than 30 years, Rabbi Joseph has been an educator of educators and a developer of leaders, in the classroom, the congregation, and in communities as diverse as Australia, Argentina,

New Zealand, Brazil, Germany, and China.

Rabbi Joseph's special interest is in helping Jewish institutions and organizations at all levels to fulfill their missions and realize their visions with excellence. He has particular expertise in applying contemporary methods of teaching and learning to Jewish studies, both classical and modern. Rabbi Joseph is an engaging and dynamic speaker.

Plan to join us as we engage in learning together:

- ◆ Friday evening, March 30, Shabbat services and *Jews and Chocolate*, with a (mostly) chocolate oneg to follow
- ◆ Saturday morning, March 31, Shabbat text study: *The Golem in Jewish Culture and Literature*, with lunch to follow
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- ◆ Sunday morning, April 1, for Religious School teachers and students: *Internet Ethics*

It's Showtime, Folks! All That Jazz Temple Beth El's 8th Annual Auction April 21, 2012

Get your Tickets Now and Save!

\$25 (must be purchased by April 17)

\$30 at the door (April 18- April 21)

\$20 student (minimum age 14)

Contact TBE Office 524-3521 or Amy Rosenberg 356-6830

2012 Highlights

- ◆ Certificates from more than 50 different restaurants available to bid on!
- ◆ Sporting certificates including Tennessee Titans Theater tickets
- ◆ Hot air balloon ride
- ◆ Gourmet dinners
- ◆ Artwork
- ◆ Much, much, more!



Come and enjoy a catered dinner by Bravos Italiana Cucina, live music by Jazz vocalist Sarah Clapp Gilpin, wine, beer and dessert while schmoozing with friends.

"Your presence is the best present of all." You are under no obligation to bid. We would love to just see you at the event.

Temple Beth El Religious School Update

By Norma James nfjames77@gmail.com

Friday, March 2nd Fourth and Fifth grades conduct services:

Tara Bain's class has been working hard to prepare a wonderful service for March. You will be amazed at the skills these young people have. Please worship with us at 7:30 as this very bright and energetic group of young people lead this service. Parents of the 4th and 5th grade class will host the oneg.

Reva Frankel visits TBE March 2-4:

We are excited to have Reva back with us for her spring visit as part of our participation in the ISJL. She will be here all weekend. *We are planning a special event for our younger RS students on Saturday evening. Preschool through third grade students are invited to join us for games, pizza, and an ice cream Havdallah 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Temple.* On Sunday Reva will again have special activities for all of our students and idea sessions for our teachers.

Pizza Dinner for Midweek classes 5:45 p.m. March 7:

Join us for our monthly social time before classes being at 6:15.

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 11

Purim Carnival Sunday, March 11!

It is already Purim time! We are once again hosting our friends from Heska Amuna. *In addition, we are inviting all of our preschool through 6th graders to Bring-A-Friend to the carnival.* The more the merrier! We will plan a day that will be a positive learning experience for your non-Jewish friend, topped off with the carnival and hot dog luncheon beginning at 11:00. Let your friends enjoy one of Judaism's most "FUN" holidays. We encourage everyone to dress in costume for added fun. Most games will only cost a shekel, and shekels can be purchased four for a dollar. The cost of a hot dog lunch w/ chips and a drink is a mere \$2.00. There will also be baked goods from our Sisterhood. This is not just a time for the students. All parents are invited as well. We can use your help with shekel sales, set up, manning booths and clean-up. Don't worry; there will still be plenty of time to enjoy the day.

Spring Break March 18-March 25:

There will be no Religious School or Midweek class during this time. School will resume Wednesday, March 28.

There will be NO Religious School March 18-25 for Spring Break.

Condolences

We are saddened by the passing of **Esther Reich**, wife of the late **Dewey Reich**, on December 30, 2011. She has been a member of our congregation for many years and was well-known, well-loved and a constant presence at Temple events when she was still able to attend.

We note with sadness the death of **Edith Bluestein**, aunt of Mimi **Brody**. She passed away January 5, 2012 in Baltimore, Maryland. May her memory be for a blessing.

We send condolences to **Marilyn and Jerry Solomon** on the death of his mother, our member **Lillian Solomon**, on Saturday January 7, 2012. Lillian was a retired clinical psychologist. She is survived by Jerry and Marilyn, and Jerry's sister, **Susan Solomon**, six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

We note with sadness the death of **Herman Sebold**, father of **Ron (Vicki Myers) Sebold**.

May the memory of each of these be for blessing.



Upcoming Events

March 4th: Fourth & Fifth Grades conduct service 7:30 p.m.

March 2nd-4th: Reva Frankel from ISJL visits for the weekend

March 3rd: Pizza and Ice Cream Havdallah for Preschool—Third grade 4:30-6:30 p.m.

March 7th: Midweek Classes: Pizza dinner 5:45 p.m.

March 9th: Purim Shpiel and Shabbat service

March 11th: Purim Carnival



*Reva Frankel,
Education
Fellow.*

Larry Washington's mother, **Lola Washington**, recently passed away. Lola was 94 years old. She was active as a community volunteer - teaching (French and ESL), working with the Experiment in International Living - and many other activities. She was a world traveler well into her senior years. She leaves 3 children & spouses, 6 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. May her memory be for blessing.

ALL THAT JAZZ

Temple Beth El's 8th Annual Auction

Saturday, April 21

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

We invite the Knoxville community to join us at the Temple's biggest social event and fundraiser of the year!

New for 2012

- ☆ Live Music from local sensation: **Jazz vocalist Sarah Clapp Gilpin**
- ☆ Fully Catered Dinner from **Bravo: Italiana Cucina**
- ☆ Swing Dancing
- ☆ Wine, beer and cheer will be served....
- ☆ Silent & Live Auctions with more than 150 items

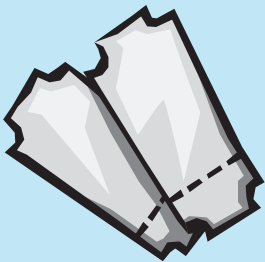


Advance tickets \$25 (purchased before April 17)

\$30 at the door

Students (14 and older) \$20

Babysitting not available for this event



The Temple needs your support in this effort. Any item, restaurant gift card, gift certificate or service you can donate would be greatly appreciated. Contact Amy Rosenberg 356-6830 to make your donation or for questions.

To purchase tickets, please visit the Temple office during regular business hours or send a check to the Temple and the tickets will be mailed directly to you. Please write Auction in the memo section.

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Friday: 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Visit our website: www.tbeknox.org

What's a Defibrillator?

And Why is There One in Our Lobby?

A defibrillator is "an apparatus used to control heart fibrillation by application of an electric current to the chest wall or heart." If someone experiences a heart attack, immediate response makes a tremendous difference and this equipment allows that to happen and a defibrillator is the best way to implement that response.

Calling 9-1-1 is always the first step.

Next comes use of a defibrillator - this technologically-savvy piece of equipment provides audible step-by-step instructions and plenty of visual aids.

We now have one located just outside the sanctuary. At the January board meeting, Dr. Alan Smuckler provided training for the entire board, Rabbi Beth Schwartz, and Religious School Director Norma James.

The board also passed a motion that insures training will be continued on a yearly basis - for officers, board members, **all** staff, including professional, and religious school teachers.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the donors who wish to remain anonymous. "Thank you" goes also to the House and Property Committee who initiated this acquisition. We hope the defibrillator will never need to be used. But just like our fire extinguishers, it provides a layer of protection in the event of a specific emergency. It is a blessing to be able to provide this potentially life-saving device to all who enter our Temple.



Donations to the Funds of Temple Beth El

January 1 - 24, 2012

General Fund

By Robert and Wendy Goodfriend

In honor of

Religious School by Ellen Markman

Religious School by Norma James

In Memory of

Joe Miller, Frances Brody, Harold Winston, Murray Weinstein and
Ida Markman by Richard Licht

Esther Reich by Robert Freeman

Murray Weinstein by Renee Hyatt and Paul C. Erwin

Murray Weinstein by Isidor & Megan Sauers

Ricka Goodfriend by Gary and Linda Johnson

Theodore Hecht by Pod Louis & Edith Hecht

Ida Markman by Jeff & Susan Arbatl

Ida Markman by H. Elizabeth Dance (Beth)

Ida Markman by Lori F. Fleishman

Ida Markman by Eugene Rosenberg

Ida Markman by Hal and Ann Manas

Ida Markman, Murray Weinstein and Harold Winston by Evan C.
Sturm

Ida Markman by Isidor & Megan Sauers

Harold Winston by Richard and Ann Goldstine

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Harold Winston by Joe and Ronni Kirsch

Harold Winston by Anne McKinney

Harold Winston by Anita Worsham

Harold Winston by Gene or Cecil Stickle

Harold Winston by Geoffrey Wolpert

Harold Winston by Evelyn Oberman

Harold Winston by Saul and Clara Lewis

Harold Winston by Neal and Karen Swenson

Harold Winston by Becky Heyton

Harold Winston by Staff of Winston Eye & Vision Ctr

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Harold Winston by James & Bertha Lees

Harold Winston by Ivan Beltz & Donna Davis

Harold Winston by Thomas & Susan Hahn

Harold Winston by Rick Fife

Harold Winston & Ida Markman by Esther Webster

Harold Winston & Ida Markman by Jerrold and Susan Becker

Harold Winston and Frances Brody by Wilma and Murray
Weinstein

Harold Winston by Joseph J. Levitt, Jr.

Patio and Grounds Fund

In Memory of:

Murray Weinstein by Jeff & Susan Arbatl

Popkin Scholarship

In Memory of

Harold Winston by Leona P. Spritz

Preservation Fund

By Susan Derrington

In Memory of

Harold Winston by Paul C. Erwin and Renee Hyatt

Murray Weinstein & Ida Markman by Richard E and Sheila P.
Jacobstein

Frances Brody by Stuart and Janice Elston

Harold Winston by Elizabeth Gassel

Rabbi Discretionary Fund

In memory of

Harold Winston by John Powell

Harold Winston by Robert and Joanna Partain

Harold Winston by Dr. Jerry and Lisa Winston

Maxine Arbatl by Jeff & Susan Arbatl

Rona Simon Israel Scholarship Fund

In Memory of:

Harold Winston by Jeff & Susan Arbatl

Strasberger Sacred Music Fund

In Memory of:

Bernie Finer, Richard Scott Washington, Harold Winston, Ida
Markman by Linda S. Bolt

SISTERHOOD FUNDS

Bieler Floral

By Andrew S. Loebl

By Robert Heller

In memory of

Lovis Pollock by Howard and Janice Pollock

Esther Reich by Jonas and Susan Gruenberg

Mary K Licht by Richard Licht

Frances Brody by Elizabeth Gassel

*Please note that due to the recent change in office staff we are still
in a learning curve. We apologize for any incorrect entries
and encourage you to contact the office if you note any
discrepancy in the way your donations are reported.*

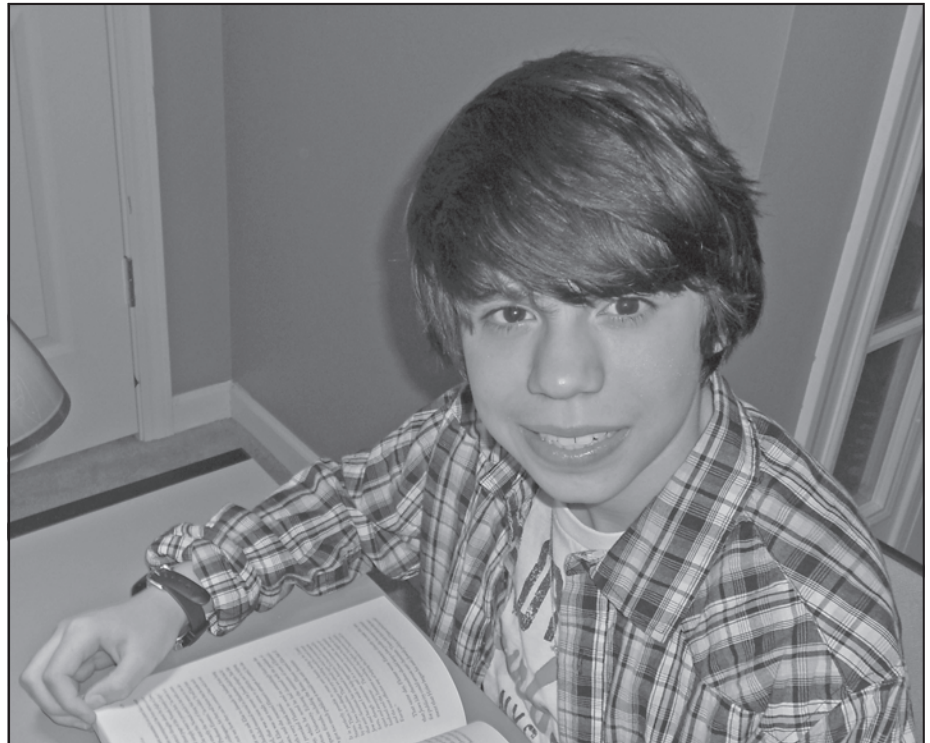
MITZVAHS

Mesa to Celebrate Bar Mitzvah

On March 2 and 3, Noah Benjamin Mesa will become a bar mitzvah at Temple Israel, in Valdosta, Georgia. Noah’s grandfather, Rabbi Moshe Elbaz, will be officiating. Noah completed much of his bar mitzvah training with his Sabba and Mimi, Jaclyn Elbaz, via Skype Videochat. It brought Torah study to a different level.

While not on the computer, Noah attends Karns Middle School and is in the seventh grade. He plays violin in the school’s orchestra, is a mentor for the school’s Link Up program and maintains a 4.0 grade point average in his Honors programs. Noah was also the Most Outstanding Student for his 6th grade class for the year and was the Student of the Month for October 2011. He was asked to join the Duke TIP where he took the ACT earlier this year and scored a 25, meeting all of the college benchmarks.

Noah’s true love is spending hours reading and video gaming, which is not easy to do when you have three siblings; Jonah, Evyn, and Elijah. The family is honored to have so many amazing members of the Knoxville community traveling to join in this celebration, as well as family from San Diego, Washington D.C., Boston, Texas, and all over Florida. Shuli and Gabriel Mesa could not be more proud and thankful for this amazing day and the continued support from this remarkable community that we call home.



Support Heska Amuna and Temple Beth El Buy Grocery Store Certificates

Everyone has to eat, so you can help your temple or synagogue raise funds without increasing your monthly expenses. Purchase grocery certificates and a percentage will go to your local organization. Complete the form and mail it or call a representative to learn more.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Heska Amuna Synagogue

EarthFare \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____
 Kroger \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____
 Fresh Market \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____
 Food City \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____

Total Amount _____

Please complete the form, mail your check payable to Heska Amuna Sisterhood and send to either Marilyn Liberman, 7932 Corteland Drive, 37909 or Gene Rosenberg, 717 E. Meadecrest Drive, 37923.

Temple Beth El

EarthFare \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____
 Kroger \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____ \$300 _____
 Fresh Market \$50 _____ \$100 _____
 Food City \$50 _____ \$100 _____

Total Amount _____

Temple Beth El, P.O. Box 10325, Knoxville, TN 37939-0325. Gift Cards can also be obtained in person from the Temple Office or any of the following individuals: Amy Rosenberg 356-6830; Patti Austin 483-3049; Evan Sturm 584-0429.

KNOXVILLE HAPPENINGS

AZA Winick Elects Officers, Marches On

By Isaac Shefner

The AZA Rabbi Isaac Winick Chapter recently held elections for its new board. Elected officials include President Andrew Messing, Vice President Ethan Sturm, Moreh (in charge of recruitment and retention) Nathan Rosen, Shaliach (in charge of incorporating Judaism and Community Service in programs) Michael Dryzer, and Mazkir/Gizbor (in charge of communications and treasurer) Isaac Shefner. Board members attended the Cotton State's Regional Exec's weekend in Nashville in February, where they met with their counterparts from other groups, and strategized on how to make AZA a meaningful experience.

It didn't take the Winick members long to get active, as they walked in Knoxville's annual Martin Luther King March on January 16, along with hundreds of others who celebrated the great man's birth and legacy. Keep your eyes open for lots of great events from AZA Winick this year!



Mary Linda Schwarzbart shows Kim Rosen how to make rugelach at a recent cooking class hosted by Heska Amuna Synagogue.



Suzy Snoops

Share your good news with our community. Send your information and photos to *Ha'Kol* at hakol@jewishknoxville.org, fax 694-4861, or *Ha'Kol*, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.

- ◆ **Adam Brown**, owner of the Tennessee School of Beauty and KJA treasurer, has been elected to the State Relations Committee by the American Association of Cosmetology Schools.
- ◆ Mazel tov to newlyweds **Amber Case** and **Todd Love** who were married in January. Case is the BBYO representative to the KJA board and Gert Weinstein BBG advisor.

Made in Israel

Last month, you saw a list of on-line merchants that sell products, primarily clothing, made in Israel.

Here are some others: household products and hardware- Smart Storage, Task Force, Kitan, Barkan, Best of Knit, Haifa Jerusalem Stone, Kakadu, Architex, Lotemplast, Ladoro Shelving, Cubitec Shelving, Keter, Caesarea Creations, Royal Sateen, Workforce, Black and Decker, Plasgad, Kapro, Stanley, Palcar, Kater, Hydro, Zag, Noga, Veratex (bedding), Sateen toys- Pastel Toys, Halilit, Taf Toys, Edushape, Ototokids, cosmetics- www.mommy-care.com, www.freshangousa.com, www.annalotan.com, www.inspirebeauty.com, www.mineralcare.com, www.Hlavin.com, www.ahavaus.com, www.premierdeadsea.com, Kidron Soap, Jericho Cosmetics, Olea Essence, Masada, www.dead-sea-beauty.com, www.cznaan-online.com, www.Plugot.com.

Of course, you are encouraged to share your finds with friends as an additional way to support Israeli companies and Israeli workers.



THE KNOXVILLE JEWISH WOMEN'S CIRCLE
PRESENTS

Indulge yourself with
a spa evening for
your body and soul.

An evening of relaxation, beauty,
camaraderie, depth, and spirituality.

Sunday, March 4th from 4pm-7pm

At the home of Amy Hull
9712 Hanover Pt, Knoxville, 37922

Couvert: \$18.00

To RSVP email me@kjds.org, text or
call Miriam Esther at 865-386-3827

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DELECTABLE BUFFET • REFRESHING DRINKS
INSPIRING WORDS

MARCH 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, gym 11a TBE-News & Schmooze 5-7p basketball, gym 6:45p Hadassah board, AL 7:30p Israeli dancing, AJCC gym 7:30p HA- Exec Comm	2 4:45-5:30p Shabbat service at Echo Ridge 7:30p TBE-Shabbat service	3 9:30a HA-Shabbat service 10a HA-Religious School minyan
4 9:30a HA-minyan 9:30a-HA-religious sch 9:30a TBE-religious sch 10a HA-Adult Ed w/ Greg Kaplan 11a HA-Ed Comm Mtg 1-4p Family Fun Sundays, AJCC gym 4-7p Jewish Women's Spa Day	5 7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO Room 3-6p TOT Basketball, AJCC Gym	6 Noon TBE-Sisterhood Hamentashen Baking 2:15p JFS Purim Party @ Echo Ridge 6-9:30p fencing, gym 6p TBE-Exec Comm	7 9-9:45a TOT Basketball, AJCC Gym 3:15-4p Music N Motion, AJCC gym 5:30-9:30p fencing 5:45p TBE-Midweek Hebrew 6p HA Purim celebration 6:15p TBE-Adult ed	8Purim 7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, gym 5-7p basketball, gym 6p ?-Purim party 7:30p Israeli dancing 7:30p HA-Board mtg	9 6p HA-Tot Shabbat 7:30p TBE-Shabbat service—Purim Spiel	10 9:30a HA-Shabbat service -Prozdor shabbat 6:30p HA-Roast and Toast, Rothchilds
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Sign-ups have begun for our Co-Ed Adult Softball team at the AJCC.
If you're interested in coach, playing, and/or being a part of the team please
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No experience necessary, everyone's welcome!

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KJA President's Message

By Renee' Hyatt, President

As I write this message, we have just adjourned the KJA Annual Meeting with KJA Shabbat Weekend, Pacesetters, and Mitzvah Day still ahead. Even now, thanks to Gene Rosenberg and others, Campaign 2012 has already topped \$130,000. By the time you read this, I am very hopeful that we will be well on our way to Gene's "aspiration" of \$375,000. It's a group effort, and like everything else we do, we will do it better together.

Shortly after this issue arrives, I will have returned from Israel where, with others from Knoxville and our SouthEast region, we celebrated the 10th + year anniversary of our partnership with Hadera-Eiron. Prior to the celebration, I was fortunate to be a part of the first healthcare delegation from our region. Dina Kramer, CMPT, and Nancy Britcher, MSW, LCSW, were also able to participate. KJA continues to build connections between our communities and I believe this is for the betterment of all.

I have already mentioned several events or activities in which you may have participated. If not, I hope that as you read through this issue of *Ha'Kol*, you will find an activity that interests you, and you will give it a try. Failing that, please contact me; I would be happy to help you find your niche.

Jewish Family Services Assistive Devices Loan Closet

By Laura Faye Berry, BSSW, Esq., Jewish Family Services Director

Many of you may not be aware that Jewish Family Services loans assistive devices, such as wheelchairs, walkers, and canes, out to members of our community. There is no charge for this program and there is presently no limit on how long you can keep a loaned item. Thanks to some recent donors, we now have a shower seat, a three-in-one commode, and an adult bed rail available to loan out. If you have any assistive devices that you would like to donate to Jewish Family Services, you would be doing a great mitzvah for members of our community in need. Please contact Laura Berry at 690-6343 extension 18 or lberry@jewishknoxville.org.



KJA Campaign Report

By Gene Rosenberg, KJA Campaign Chairperson

Campaign 2011 is over...we beat 2010 with almost a \$29,000 increase, winding up with a little less than \$355,000.

Campaign 2012 is off to an encouraging start; we hope to hit at least \$375,000. This will take the participation of a Jewish community that refuses to cut any corners and really cares for all that your Knoxville Jewish Alliance achieves.

We should be proud of our campaigns, but we cannot sit back and rest on our laurels...that just isn't the way it works. **The campaign needs your participation.**

Please see page 11 for the remainder of this article.

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KJA 2012 Campaign

Campaign Goal \$365,000

2012 Annual Campaign: \$296,517
19 new donors
90 increased gifts from 2011

It's not too late to make your gift, please call the KJA office at 690-6343 or Gene Rosenberg at 693-3162. You can also go online at www.jewishknoxville.org and click "donate."



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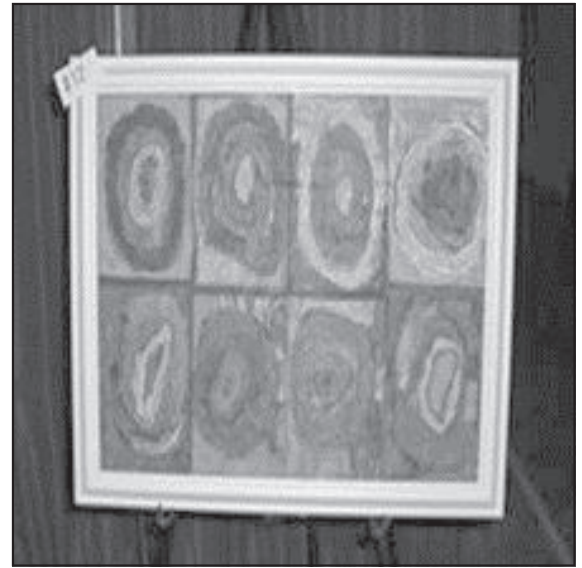
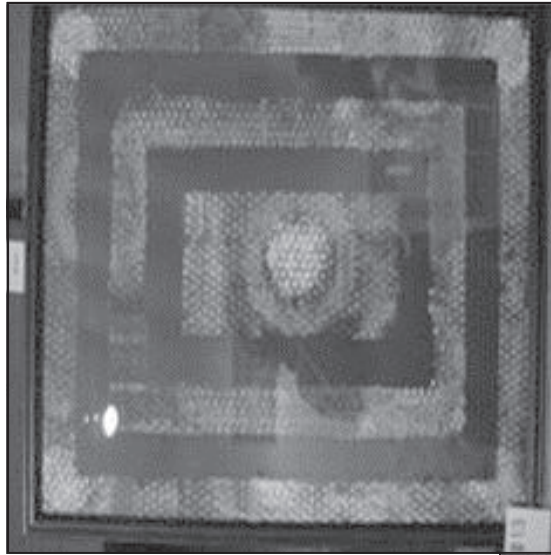
Why is Art Important in Preschool?

By Melissa Schweitzer, AJCC Preschool Director

As our elementary schools and secondary schools cut programs like art and music to meet budget demands, the question arises if we want to keep art in our preschool curriculum. The answer is a resounding yes. Art is important for preschoolers for several different reasons.

- ◆ Art fosters creativity
- ◆ Art can be used to teach about global cultures
- ◆ Art lets children explore with their imaginations
- ◆ Art helps teach about symbolic representation
- ◆ Art allows children to communicate beyond what their vocabulary development is

In preschool, the emphasis is placed on the process of creating instead of a final product. We provide a myriad of different media for children to play with and experience. Preschool learning is also not compartmentalized. Literacy, mathematics, science, music, and art are all part of synergistic learning. Removing art from any curriculum would be like leaving a keystone out of a building foundation.



Please join us on
Thursday, April 12th, 2012
for the annual

AJCC PRESCHOOL art gala

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

AJCC Gym
6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville

Featuring fabulous student art,
photos by Lev Comstock, silent auction,
wine bar, and hors d'oeuvres

RSVP to mschweitzer@jewishknoxville.org
by Thursday, April 5th

Lunch and Then Some

By Laura Faye Berry, BSSW, Esq., Director

Please join us for this month's Lunch and Then Some program.

Wednesday, March 14: Joan Markel, PhD, Knoxville's Civilian War: Faces of Conflict

Dr. Joan Markel is an archaeologist and educator who has been working with the Outreach Program of the Frank H. McClung Museum of the University of Tennessee for the past 15 years. Joan received her BA in anthropology from the University of Rochester, a Master of Library Science (MLS) from Indiana University, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in anthropology from the University at Buffalo.

The program, *Knoxville's Civilian War: Faces of Conflict*, will explore our community in 1861-1865 as captured by the then relatively new art of photographic portraiture. Markel will present unpublished material from the archives of the Frank H. McClung Museum as well as other rare images of the families and individuals who lived in East Tennessee during the punishing years of true Civil War.

Program location: Rothchild's, 8807 Kingston Pike

The luncheon begins at noon and the program begins at 12:30. p.m. Lunch is \$9. 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.



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Thursday April 19, 2012

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AJCC Offers Fitness Programs

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- ◆ **Senior Fitness** - 10:00 a.m. - Geared toward seniors. Great work out. Chairs available. Get fit while you sit!
- ◆ **Lunch Time Boot Camp** - 11:30 a.m. - Great interval workout, challenging cardio and strength training.
- ◆ Both programs are \$5.00 for AJCC members and \$7.00 for non-members.
- ◆ Sign up today by calling (865) 690-634 ext. 16 or rhale@jewishknoxville.org.



Please check with your tax preparer as to the deductibility of your contributions and dues to the KJA, synagogue, etc.

Tzelebrating Tzedakah

By Jeff Gubitz, Executive Director

Tzelebrating Tzedakah 2012 was a grand success. The event, hosted by hosted by Scott B. Hahn at the Grill at Highland Row on Sunday, January 29, raised \$99,000 to jump start the 2012 campaign. The event continued in the recent KJA tradition of a fund raising focused but fun and entertaining evening.

Arriving guests were serenaded by Knoxville Symphony Orchestra violinists Diane Zelickman and Sarah Matayoshi as they enjoyed a delightful selection of appetizers and beverages. Those attending enjoyed Israeli wine and other beverages while feasting on grilled tuna or a grilled mushroom dinner and assorted sides. This year's event was expanded to include members of the KJA board, donors interested in being part of the program, as well as those who are at the Pacesetter giving level.

Campaign Chair Gene Rosenberg welcomed the guests to the evening. Chicago based mentalist Sidney Friedman was amazing. His feats of mental prowess, guitar playing and "mind reading" amazed and excited the audience. Audience participation was at its height throughout the evening.

Campaign Chair Gene Rosenberg, KJA president Renee' Hyatt, host for evening Scott Hahn and KJA executive director Jeff Gubitz all shared some thoughts and perspectives about our mission in the community and worldwide. The evening was a high energy event, but the requests for commitments to the Annual Campaign was low key and without pressure.

Attendees included: Nancy and Jeff Becker, Barbara and Bernie Bernstein, Ellen and Bill Berez, Arnold and Susan Cohen, Mel Sturm, Melissa Sturm, Ethan Sturm, Paul Irwin and Renee Hyatt, Scott Hahn and Darren Eddy, Charlene and Jeff Gubitz, Kim and Stephen Rosen, Pat and Gene Rosenberg, Bernie Rosenblatt, Karen and Pace Robinson, Susan and Harold Silber, Alan and Valerie Rosenbaum, Josh Gettinger and Barbara Levin, Jeff and Shelley Hecht, Adam Brown and Angie Honeycutt, Marilyn Burnett, Rabbi Alon and Karen Ferency, Janet and Burt Gurwitch, Jacki and Richard Imbrey, Marilyn and Harvey Liberman, Jack Love and Theresa Lee, Rosalie and Stephen Nagler, Judith Rosenberg, Rabbi Beth Schwartz and Larry Washington, Mary Linda and Arnold Schwarzbart, Geoffrey and Pat Wolpert, Mimi and Art Pais, Michael and Siri Zemel and Deborah Roberts.

Mitzvah Day 2012: Supporting Our Military

By Rachel Hale, Program Manager

Mitzvah Day 2012 was a huge success!

Heska Amuna, Temple Beth El and the Knoxville Jewish Day School students, children, parents, and volunteers of all ages came to the AJCC to cut coupons, pack boxes of food items to be sent to troops based overseas and participate in a variety of craft activities. Thank you to chair Ric Pasi and the committee including Charlene Oleinik, Anna Iroff, Rabbis Schwartz, Ferency and Wilhelm, Miriam Esther Wilhelm and Norma James who organized events of learning and student activities. Thank you to Frank

Floyd for leading our team in the building projects around the AJCC. The West High School ROTC color guard presented the colors. Thanks also to our sponsors at HT Hackney (Bruce Pearl), Agri-Feed (Melissa Sturm), Krispy Kreme Donuts and everyone who brought food gifts for the troops. Gene Rosenberg, campaign chair, and his dedicated phone-calling team raised more than \$50,000 for the 2012 Annual Campaign.



Get Ready for the Summer of Fun 2012

The pool opens Sunday May 27, 2012 at 12:00pm. We will be open on Memorial Day from noon till 7pm. Jackson Wallace will be returning as our pool manager this summer. He brings several years of lifeguard and coaching experience to the position. Many of our guards from prior years are returning and we are still taking applications for the summer. Contact Jeff Gubitz or the office for your lifeguard application.

Contact the AJCC for information regarding pool parties and swim lessons. We will be having a whole host of lesson programs for youth and adults. Adult swim lanes will be available some mornings and every afternoon as well.

Megan Yates returns as swim team coach and is ready to sign up our Smokin' Salmon. Heather Kirby is swim team chair. Our coaches and their support staff of parent volunteers are ready for a winning season. A member of Greater Knoxville Area Interclub Swim Association (GKAISA), Smokin' Salmon is open for girls and boys ages 5-18. Swimmers are divided into age group competition levels. The swim team builds friendships, self esteem, strength and leadership. Coaches work with swimmers during practices to ensure the swimmer is working at a level that both challenges and encourages. Join now.

Tennis lessons will be available from our tennis pro. Practice your game on one of our four tennis courts.

Membership is open to all – so come and join us and get ready for the Summer of Fun 2012 summer at that AJCC!

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KJA Annual Meeting 2012



Diana Steinfeld-Hicks installs new president Renee' Hyatt.



KJA members learn about KJA programs and new officers.



*(Above) Captain Paul Trunpore describes the Knoxville-Israeli firefighter delegation experience at the KJA Annual Meeting.
(Below) AJCC Preschool Director Melissa Schweitzer and newly-elected KJA Vice President for Public Relations Judith Rosenberg enjoy refreshments prior to the meeting.*



Outgoing KJA President Stephen Rosen is honored with a plaque and a delicious cake by the membership. Rosen served three years as KJA president.





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Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds

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

Testimonial by Jacki and Richard Imbrey

Why have we made contributions, established a fund through KJCFF and made a bequest in our wills to benefit the Knoxville Jewish Community?

Although we like to be behind the scenes, discrete donors, our hearts, beliefs and actions are not silent.

We were both raised in a mostly Jewish area of South Florida, where observing the holidays, wearing a Star of David or a Mezuzah was a normal way of life. But we were taught to understand that life in South Florida was “unique”, that having the freedom to follow our religion openly was a gift. Additionally, it was instilled in us that being a good human being is to care for, and take care of, others.

Jacki, as a first generation American, also was made to recognize that our freedoms should not be trivialized nor should we become complacent in our religious roots.

As Americans, we have the freedom to decide how we use our time and how we spend our money. Although giving back to the community, to those less fortunate, is viewed as a duty and an obligation by some, we choose to view it as an honor.

Rather than giving solely to a house of worship as many people do, we prefer to give in a more global scope. Knoxville has been our home for many years and it is a great place to live! We believe all of us need to help preserve our community and to make it even better. We know many of you also feel very fortunate to live in such a special place.

There are so many ways to help, and the KJCFF Board members are qualified to help you explore your options. So; please join us, whether it is a large or small gift, to regularly help others in our Knoxville Jewish community.

Jacki and Richard Imbrey



Designated or Restricted Funds



Our responsibility as Jews goes beyond rituals and family events. We demonstrate our caring and concern through tzedakah, with gifts to our synagogue, our alma mater and to other Jewish secular organizations in our community. We look for ways to demonstrate our commitment and ideals to our children and to those who will follow us. We seek to provide stability and continuity for the organizations that have helped shape our lives. Now you have the opportunity to

preserve our Jewish legacy, ensuring that our vision and values go on by providing a gift of designated or restricted funds to the KJCFF.

Grants

The **Sylvia Greenberg Family Fund**, the **Allen Rosen Education Fund**, and the **William "Bill" Brody Fund** all made grants to the KJA to support the archives.

Statement of Intent

If you wish to make or have already made a provision for a future gift to the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds (KJCFF), we would like to know so that we may recognize your generosity. In addition, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss with you how to implement your legacy. Thank you.

The information contained in this form will remain confidential.

Name(s) _____
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I/We have made the following provision(s) for a planned gift: (Please check all that apply)

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It is my/our intention that this gift be used to establish the _____ Fund at the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds for the purpose of _____.

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SCOTT HAHN TOAST OF THE TOWN



ROAST OF THE HESKA AMUNA CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Saturday, March 10

Remember to make your reservations to roast and toast our own Heska Amuna Chair of the Board, Scott Hahn. The soiree will be held at Rothchild's, 8807 Kinston Pike with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and dinner to follow.

The price is \$45.00 per person and includes dinner. You can also add a donation in honor of Scott. Your check is your reservation so mail to Heska Amuna Synagogue, 3811 Kingston Pike, 37919 and note that it's for the Scott Hahn Roast.

Adar/Nisan 5772

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March 7

6:00 p.m.

Celebrate Purim 5772

with your Heska Amuna Family. We will have a spaghetti dinner with



Hamentaschen for dessert in the Rosen Social Hall and at 7:00 p.m. enjoy the Megillah reading. Charge for dinner will be \$7.50 per person for non-members and a discounted price of \$6.00 per person for members; mail your check to Heska Amuna Synagogue, 3811 Kingston Pike, 37919, e-mail or call the Synagogue Office to place on your credit card – admin@heskaamuna.org; 522.0701.

Come drown out Haman's name, cheer for Queen Esther and Mordechai and have a Perfectly "Phes'tive Purim!"

Healing

By Rabbi Alon Ferency

Why do human beings age, suffer, and become ill? Is this the enduring state of humanity? Can we imagine life without such things? My rabbi suggests that if only some of us died, that would be a true curse. Imagine such unfairness!

Our tradition suggests that the original state of humankind was without aging or physical affliction. Primordial man, it would seem, simply up-and-died, like an elephant wandering into the forest. According to a medieval *midrash* (the fan-fiction of Bible), it was only the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob who requested aging and illness. Without such measures, they reasoned, there would be no way to show deference to our elders and learn from them, to reflect upon our history, and to make peace with family and friends before death. I do not agree that infirmity is a gift, but I do know that time spent with the ill, aged, or dying is among the greatest blessings and honors of my work. If nothing else, it has made me more aware of humans' profound reservoirs of courage, the fragile blessing of all life, and the simple wisdom of a life well-lived. I invite you to share in this most important *mitzvah* of *Bikkur Cholim*.

This is holy work, even Godly work. The 147th Psalm calls God "Healer of the broken-hearted, and Binder of their wounds." This is the divine potential that we each have in ourselves. I recognize that often times, visiting someone ill may not seem like much; however, it can do wonders. We cannot change their condition; in fact, sometimes we may not even be able to imagine the pain they may suffer. But, our presence has a healing potential all its own. Our mere presence can salve wounds, and bring healing to the shattered hearts of the ill and their loved ones. In another *midrash*, Rabbi Huna said, "if a person visits the sick, she reduces his illness by one-sixtieth part." Please become one of the healing one-sixtieth.



From the Chair of the Board

By Scott B. Hahn

In 1973, Congress passed the Endangered Species Act which was signed into law by Richard Nixon, of all people. The Act lists endangered or threatened species, with the goal of not just saving plants or animals, but increasing awareness of the biodiversity of our nation. The Act has had some successes, ie. the California Condor and Bald Eagle. It has seen some failures, the Dusky Sparrow and with some controversy, the Tennessee Snail Darter. Regardless of what you think of the Act, it has caused this country to place value on all sorts of wildlife, great and small.

I am here to announce an Endangered Species Act for Heska Amuna Synagogue. There are activities of our synagogue that without some increased awareness could face extinction. The area I would like to highlight is the Monday and Thursday minyanim. On most weeks, we do have a minyan and are able to read Torah and say Kaddish. The problem is that the average age of our attendees has continued to increase, while the number of participants has stayed at a constant, 10-13. If the trend continues, the morning minyan as we know it will cease to exist in 10 years. This has already happened in the not too distant past. If you recall, the synagogue had a defunct evening minyan that met, Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

The solution would appear easy: attract more people to attend minyan on a regular basis. The service is relatively short, 40 minutes and starts promptly on time, 7:00 a.m. Minyanim are an important part of how a congregation functions. It allows the mourner to say Kaddish and it allows its participants to pray in a community with their fellow Jews. It is a part of the biodiversity of the synagogue that should not be taken for granted. If you have some spare time in the morning, I encourage you to visit the minyan. It takes only a few committed people to increase the life expectancy of the minyan. Without new people, morning minyan will go the way of the Passenger Pigeon (which is where Pigeon Forge got its name).

From the President

By Gilya Schmidt

Mishloach Manot, or gift-giving for Purim, is not only a lovely custom, but based on the actions of the Jews in Persia in the Book of Esther. In chapter 9, verse 19 we read that, ever since defeating those who wished them harm, Jews in unwalled towns "observe the fourteenth day of the month of Adar and make it a day of merry-making and feasting, and as a holiday and an occasion for sending gifts to one another." In Israel, the importance of giving sweets and Hamentaschen is visible everywhere, as children walk through their neighborhoods to deliver Purim baskets or plates with goodies to their family and neighbors. I have always enjoyed this custom of *Mishloach Manot* at Heska Amuna Synagogue because it connects us in celebration with fellow Jews anywhere in the world.

But Hamentaschen on Purim are not the only type of gift we give to each other at Heska Amuna. We also have a great tradition of volunteerism - how could it be different in the Volunteer State? People give of themselves in many different ways, among them also to ensure that all of our religious services can be properly conducted. It takes skill, time, and dedication to learn chanting Torah and Haftarah and to learn parts of the different services. Our members proudly commit to this task week after week all year long, year after year.

A hearty *Todah Rabah* to those who daven the weekly and Sunday minyan services, to those who read Torah during the Monday and Thursday minyan, on Shabbat, Rosh Chodesh, on festivals and on the High Holy Days, to those who deliver *divrei Torah* for services and for meetings, to those who daven on Shabbat and chant the Haftarah, and to the members of the Rabbi and Religious Services Committee who work with congregants to cover the weekly assignments - all of them too numerous to list by name in this column. We also thank the Chesed Committee for their important service to our mourners, the organizers and participants of our monthly alternative services - the contemporary service - and the family service, as well as the musicians who join Rabbi Alon Ferency for the Hoot'nanny Kabbalat Shabbat service. None of these programs could happen without the inspired leadership of Rabbi Ferency and the dedicated support of Marian Jay, Marilyn Burnett, and Debbie Johnson. Thank you!

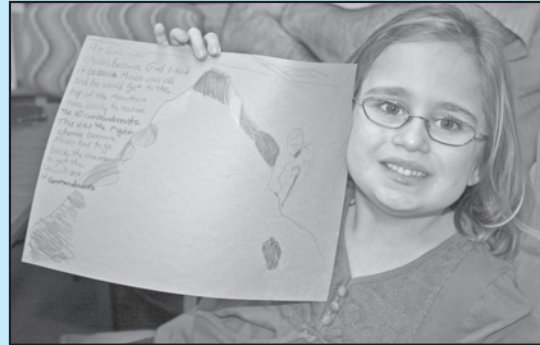
Hag Purim to one and all!

Heska Amuna Religious School families learned about the 10 Commandments at our January Family Fair! Can you name all ten? We can!

We read a book called *The 11th Commandment: Wisdom from Our Children*. The editor asked hundreds of kids of all different religions, races, and ages what they thought should be added to the 10 Commandments. What would you choose to be the 11th Commandment?

Here are some of our answers:

- ◆ You don't have to like everyone, but you do have to be nice.
- ◆ Think of others before yourself.
- ◆ Always say Thank You.
- ◆ Don't be mean.
- ◆ Do not smash the world with a humongous machine.
- ◆ Love your Mommy.
- ◆ Protect the environment.
- ◆ Everybody is equal in the Image of God.
- ◆ Listen to music.
- ◆ Be kind to all things.



Elizabeth Floyd shows her 11th Commandment at Family Fair

Our tradition tells us that Mt. Sinai was not the tallest or most beautiful mountain. So why did God choose this spot to give us the 10 Commandments? We read two *midrashim* to try to answer this question. A *midrash* is a story written by our sages and rabbis to answer questions or explain confusing things in the Torah. Then we wrote our own *midrashim* about why Mt. Sinai was chosen to be so special and here are some new insights.

- ◆ The other mountains were too fussy.
- ◆ Because it alone did not have a story that would compete with the importance of the commandments.
- ◆ God was looking for a place to give the commandments. God had many mountains to choose from. God took a biiigg sniff of each mountain. The first mountain was rotten smelling. Another mountain was a little better, but it wasn't very good. The third mountain was much better. In fact, it was just right. God decided to go there. The mountain God chose was Mt. Sinai.
- ◆ Mt. Sinai was chosen because it was the smallest and the Jews were a minority so he chose Mt. Sinai to resemble the Jews.
- ◆ Something really small can turn into a big idea. No matter how small something is it can have a difference.
- ◆ Mt. Sinai was chosen because God liked it and because Moses was old and he could get to the top of the mountain more easily to receive the 10 Commandments. This was the right choice because Moses had to go back up the mountain to get the second set of commandments.

Todah Rabbah to Our Friends and Supporters!

Thank you to all who participated in our Chanukah Fundraiser! We sincerely appreciate your support and generosity in helping us raise more than \$1,000!

- ◆ Anonymous
- ◆ Jill and Rich Adlin
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- ◆ Siri Khalsa-Zemel and Michael Zemel



Things to Remember! Upcoming School Events

- ◆ Saturday, March 3 – **Family Minyan**
- ◆ Sunday, March 4 - **Religious School, PreK – Prozdor**
- ◆ Wednesday, March 7 – **NO Classes – Purim Megillah Reading**
- ◆ Friday, March 9 – **Tot Shabbat, dinner and services, 6:00 pm**
- ◆ Saturday, March 10 – **Prozdor Shabbat**
- ◆ Sunday, March 11 – **Purim Carnival at TBE, all grades!**
- ◆ Wednesday, March 14 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Sunday, March 18 – **NO Classes – Spring Break**
- ◆ Wednesday, March 21 – **NO Classes – Spring Break**
- ◆ Sunday March 25 – **NO Classes – Spring Break**
- ◆ Wednesday, March 28 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Sunday, April 1—**Religious School, PreK—Prozdor and Gan K'tan**



Family Minyan

Saturday, March 3
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.



Family Minyan is a wonderful Shabbat experience for our school families. It is a child-friendly family service held in the Robinson Chapel. This is a *family service*, not a children's service. Parents participate with their students, to learn and pray as a family. Of course, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends are also welcome!

Family Minyan uses newly purchased, family-oriented siddurim, *Siddur Mah Tov!* This gorgeous Siddur contains an abbreviated version of the Shabbat service, and every prayer is printed in Hebrew, transliteration, and English to facilitate participation and learning for all levels. Each page is also accompanied by a beautiful illustration of the meaning of that prayer.

Come check out this exciting program!

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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
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Tot Shabbat

Friday, March 9, 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! 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 Heska Amuna members and non-members so **bring your friends for a wonderful family Shabbat experience!**

Please RSVP to Anna Iroff, education@heskaamuna.org or 522-0701 by **Tuesday, March 6.**

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!

Gan K'tan is a special program for young preschoolers and their parents. We come together for music, art, stories, games, snack, and friends – all in a fun Jewish environment!

Sunday, April 1
10:00am – 12:00pm

The theme for this month's Gan K'tan class is **PASSOVER!**

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



Successful Heska Amuna Sisterhood Torah Fund Event

By Marilyn Liberman

The Annual Sisterhood Torah Fund Shabbat held in January was a huge success. Money was raised for the Conservative seminaries in both the United States and abroad. A special thank you goes to the Torah Fund chairs Heather O'Brien and Barb Levin.

Services were led by Sisterhood members and our own Rabbi Alon Ferency gave the Torah Fund talk. All of this was followed by a lovely luncheon. Many thanks go to Judi Abrams, Marilyn Burnett and Charlene Gubitza for handling all the details.

The Rosh Hodesh programs jointly held with the Sisterhoods of Temple Beth El and Beth El Congregation of Oak Ridge continue to be successful. Thank you to Anne Greenbaum and Naomi Rowe for chairing these programs.

On April 29 we will hold an Education Day and more details will be coming soon. Our next Open Board Meeting is March 11, 2012.

As always, our two main fundraising projects are the Judaica Shop and grocery cards. Supporting these enables us to provide the synagogue with needed revenue.

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. Lovely 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.



Please Keep Us Informed

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. Unfortunately, federal law prohibits hospitals from notifying us when community members are admitted.



Among Our Members

- ◆ Condolences go out to the following members and their families – the family of **Dolly Golinkin, Michael Eisenstadt** and **Mary Beth Leibowitz** on the death of Michael's mother, **Romayne Eisenstadt**. May their memory be a blessing.
- ◆ Get well wishes go out to the following people who were ill or recuperating: **Isadore Abrams, Elaine Brown, Sheldon Cohen, Eliyahu ben Shulamit, Bernie Iroff, Cheryl Kaplan, David Linwood, Judy Rattner, and Esther Webster**.
- ◆ Todah Rabah to **Margy Goldman** for her help with a large mailing from the office. We appreciate your time and the effort on behalf of the Shul.
- ◆ Mazal Tov to **Marilyn** and **Isadore Abrams** and family on son Terry's marriage to **Maria Bracamonte**.

- ◆ Heska Amuna procedures to pay your dues and other fees or charges - You have two preferred ways to pay: (1) set up direct withdrawal from your bank checking or savings account (ACH); or (2) charge to your credit card. (You can, of course, mail in a check to the synagogue office, but that costs you postage and takes extra time and effort on our end to process this payment.) Before you decide which of the two preferred methods you wish to use, please note that the first method is the least expensive for the synagogue. We pay only a small processing fee for direct withdrawal payments. On the other hand, Heska Amuna pays a fee equal to 2.3% of the amount charged, PLUS an additional small processing fee, for all credit card payments. We strongly encourage you to pay by direct withdrawal from your checking or savings account. When you choose direct payment, more of the financial support you generously contribute is available to provide synagogue services to you and your family and less of that support has to be diverted to pay third party fees. This can only strengthen the synagogue's finances in both the short and long term. If you pay by ACH transfer or credit card, please make sure you indicate the amount of your payment. If you are making a payment by check, please indicate the amount you are paying next to the account, tear off the bottom portion and return in the enclosed envelope. Should you have any questions, you can reach our Finance Vice Chair, Barry Allen, by email at barry.allen@sageontheweb.com, or you can leave a message for him by calling the synagogue at 522-0701.

It's Easy to Sponsor a Kiddush or Simply Make a Contribution

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, noting Kiddushim.*

We thank the following people who sponsored Kiddushim in February: Gilya Schmidt in honor of her birthday, Wendy and Ted Besmann in honor of their family birthdays; and Marilyn Presser in honor of her Leap Year Birthday.



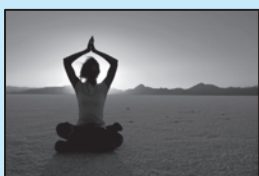
Social Groups

In January 2012, Heska Amuna Synagogue launched new social clubs and groups! Groups are open to everyone - just contact the leader of the group. After that, each group will chart its own path.



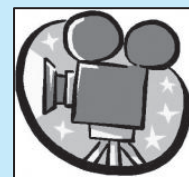
Bicycling Club: contact Susan Silber at 805-3047 or ssilber09@gmail.com. You don't have to be Lance Armstrong to join the fun – start on a greenway and work up the mileage from there, having fun and enjoying the beautiful scenery Knoxville has to offer. Join us for the first ride once we all thaw out from the winter (likely, April).

Dining Club: contact Vicki Myers at 573-7230 or vickigmyers@yahoo.com. Will meet monthly, enjoy great food, engage in interesting conversation, and make new friends at recommended restaurants with varied locations, prices and cuisine.



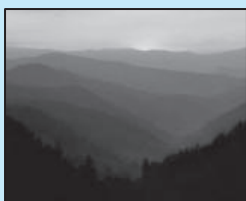
Chanting Meditation: contact Ellen Kern at 254-8593 or egkern@gmail.com. Calm down your mind and body by chanting Jewish prayers to simple melodies in a relaxed group setting. Specific Shabbatot, 9:30-10:00 a.m.

Film Buffs: contact Harriet Glasman at 671-2698 or hmglas@tds.net. Attend select films and then meet to discuss them.



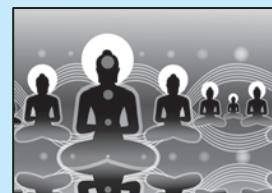
Tzedek: (Social Justice) contact Harriet Cooper at 671-4376 or spock52@prodigy.net. Are you looking for a place to join together in order to make an impact on your world, to help others in need, or to fight injustice? One focus will be to inspire children through family-friendly charitable service.

Cue Club: (Billiards) contact Larry Leibowitz: 637-1809 or lpl@leibowitzfirm.com. "To play billiards well is the mark of a gentleman; to play billiards too well is the mark of a misspent youth." Gather frequently to play straight pool, 8-ball, 9-ball or even snooker.



Teva: (Nature) contact Marc Forman at 705-7075 or marcforman@hotmail.com. If you love fresh air and great camaraderie, then join together for moderate to strenuous hikes and activities all over East Tennessee.

Yoga: contact Marion Bayer at 769-4236 or siesta2r@bellsouth.net. Based on your knowledge of Hatha Yoga as you know it through your practice of one or more of its many movement/holding/breathing styles, the idea of what the Yoga Club will consist of will unfold. Each session will have a contact person, so come prepared to volunteer.



Adult Education Classes

Beginning Hebrew with Peggy Littmann - Sunday Mornings, 10:00 a.m.

This class teaches beginners to read the Hebrew alphabet and begin to follow the Hebrew in our prayerbook. It will also be a continuation for last year's beginning Hebrew students. The textbook, *Shalom Aleichem: Learn to Read the Hebrew Prayerbook* by Noah Golinkin, is available through Amazon.com. When the course is complete, you will have mastered the skills necessary to read and understand the Shalom Aleichem prayer. To register, contact Peggy at plittmann@comcast.net, or call 588-6661.

Intermediate Hebrew with David Hull - Sunday mornings, 10:00 a.m.

(Class continues from last year but new students are welcome): To register, contact David at hull5@comcast.net or call 691.2037.



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Adult Education Classes

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Mini-Course with Professor Greg Kaplan - Sundays, March 4 and 11, 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Saúl Levy Morteira (Chief Rabbi of the Conversos, Chief Rabbi of the Sephardim who returned to Judaism in 17th Century Amsterdam). Two classes with Dr. Kaplan - Professor of Spanish; Interim Head, Department of Modern Foreign Languages and Literatures.

This mini-course, projected to take place over two class periods, will focus on the 17th century Jewish Amsterdam as seen through the eyes of its chief rabbi, Saúl Levy Morteira (c. 1590-1660). Morteira served for some 40 years as the spiritual leader of a Jewish community that flourished in one of Europe's most prosperous commercial ports. Morteira was widely known for his fiery sermons and his work as a teacher (one of his students was Baruch Spinoza), and his fame extended beyond the Jewish community (he appears in at least one painting by Rembrandt).

Morteira's congregants were descendants of Spanish and Portuguese conversos (forced converts from Judaism to Catholicism), who had come to Amsterdam in order to return to Judaism and establish a community within a more tolerant Dutch culture. Morteira's efforts to guide this community and his convictions about Judaism and Jewish practices are documented in his *magnum opus*, the *Providencia de Dios con Israel* (The Providence of God with Israel), a collection of his sermons housed today in the library of Amsterdam's Portuguese Synagogue. Professor Kaplan, who will lead these classes, has recently begun the first translation to English of *Providencia de Dios*, and these sessions will be dedicated to discussing the content of several chapters from this work. Background readings will be provided on the conversos and the Jewish community of Amsterdam. Class participation in the interpretation of Morteira's *Providencia de Dios* will be strongly encouraged.

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Donations received by January 23.

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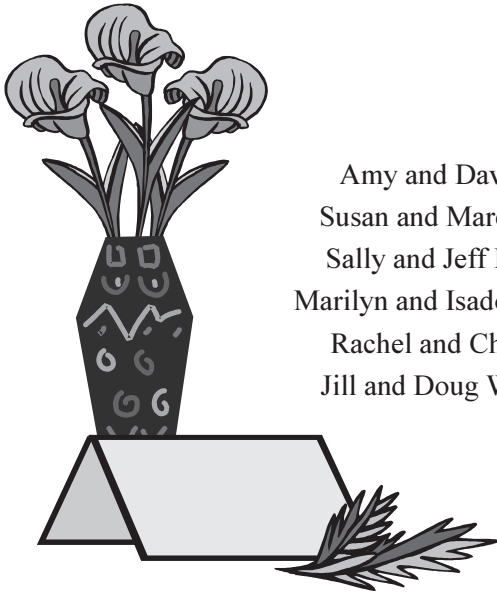
Stanley Webster

By: Esther Webster

Mazel Tov!

Heska Amuna Synagogue

Happy Anniversary!



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 Marilyn and Isadore Abrams
 Rachel and Chris Hale
 Jill and Doug Weinstein

Happy Birthday!

- ◆ Anita Merlin ◆ Manny Herz
- ◆ Bryan Merrell ◆ Alan Merlin
- ◆ Charlene Gubitz ◆ Vicki Myers
- ◆ Arnold Schwarzbart ◆ Arnold Tew
- ◆ Muriel Levin ◆ Gene Rosenberg
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All members whose birthday or anniversary occurs in March are invited to receive a blessing at kiddush on Shabbat morning, March 10.

TEMPLE BETH EL

Happy Birthday!

- ◆ Robert Kronick ◆ Robert Pollack ◆ Leona Spritz ◆ Ivan Brody
- ◆ Heather Sandberg ◆ Mark Frankel
- ◆ Richard Licht ◆ Bruce Bursten
- ◆ Charlene Gubitz ◆ Veronica Sebold
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- ◆ Jay Frankel ◆ Maurice Greif
- ◆ Amy Rosenberg
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- ◆ Charolette Evans ◆ Kaye Goodfriend
- ◆ Ronald Sebold ◆ Sylvia Miller
- ◆ Allan Gerson ◆ Gregory Stein ◆ Matthew Lauer ◆ Frances Brody
- ◆ Nancy Altshuler ◆ Lisa Polsky ◆ Mark Barkan



Happy Anniversary!

Joe and Charlene Oleinik
 Jeff and Lorie Hirsh
 Ilya and Bella Saфро
 Mark and Irina Abrams
 Tom and Charolette Evans



JAHRZEIT

TEMPLE BETH EL

March 2

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 ◆ Penelope Blackwell ◆ Edwin Deitch ◆ Betty Jane Gubitz ◆ David Barry Hirschhaut ◆ Harry Ruben ◆ Ilse Sommer ◆ Fannie Fisher Harris
 ◆ Jacob Chotiner ◆ Natalie Johannesburg ◆ Roslyn Banov Wyman ◆ Genevieve Gutman Reich ◆ Faisel Schuck ◆ Arthur Shor ◆ Toby Slabosky
 ◆ Herman Werner ◆ Morris Bart ◆ Janet Bechter ◆ Martin Cohen ◆ Robert Loebel

March 9

◆ Yulia Ioselev ◆ Martin Andrew Koplan ◆ George Marshall ◆ David Solomon Striner ◆ Stewart Crosier ◆ Sonia Gurin ◆ Lillian Kantrowitz
 ◆ Sylvia Kessler Robinson ◆ Murray Steinfeld ◆ Louis Gassel ◆ Ginda Katz ◆ Marjorie Freedman ◆ Rosa Kern ◆ Jackie Morrell ◆ Bertha Oleinik
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March 16

◆ Anna Kolodkin Bush ◆ Jessica H. Rosenthal ◆ Nathan Burnett ◆ Joshua Isaac Rosichan ◆ Emanuel Ostrovsky ◆ Loretta Balzer ◆ Amy Bleier
 ◆ Germaine Kern ◆ Ida Leonard ◆ Leon Leonard ◆ Zelik Oleinik ◆ Fe Dolar Serrato ◆ Bill Ray Treece ◆ Alice Willis ◆ Augustine Bressler
 ◆ Carl Kaplan ◆ Helen Stamey ◆ Sarah S. Steinberg

March 23

◆ Bertha Diamond ◆ Bess Smoller ◆ Harold Bohn ◆ Elva Wells ◆ Henry Goldberg ◆ Bertha Schoenfeld Goldberger ◆ Lester Popkin
 ◆ Beatrice Drower ◆ Hyman Markowitz ◆ Leon Potter ◆ Isaac Bressler ◆ Lee E. Marks ◆ Nannette Hope Hyatt

March 30

◆ Caroline Nadler ◆ Jay Solod ◆ Paul Davis Friedman ◆ Milton Nicholas ◆ Yetta F. Manis Speert ◆ Lillian Richer ◆ Sarah Ann B. Block
 ◆ Theresa Greif ◆ Pauline Silverman ◆ Hans Strehl ◆ Alexander Traugot ◆ Jason Alan Treece ◆ Gordon Brown ◆ Edith Ivins ◆ Ron Mincey
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Heska Amuna Synagogue

March 3

◆ Zelda Levin ◆ Celia Polasky ◆ Rita Solomon ◆ Joseph Gluck ◆ David Levine ◆ Paula Rader ◆ Ruben Robinson ◆ Norman Wolf
 ◆ Nathan Samet ◆ Toby Slabosky ◆ Lillian Ellin ◆ Herman Linke ◆ Rita Nichols ◆ Rose Rosen ◆ Sol Foster ◆ Aaron Wise

March 10

◆ Samuel Fayonsky ◆ Edwin Markoff ◆ Herman Werner ◆ Mayer Zucker ◆ John Abrams ◆ Mary Ginsburg ◆ Annie Green ◆ Barney Schiff
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 ◆ Sam Rosenblatt ◆ Esther Strauss ◆ Leah Herz ◆ David Leibowitz ◆ Yetta Nadler ◆ Oscar Pfeffer

March 17

◆ Sophie Dobbs ◆ Dora Green ◆ Stephanie Routman ◆ Norma Herz ◆ Dorothy Rothman ◆ Irving Bayer ◆ Donald Brown ◆ Samuel Jacobs
 ◆ Max Rubenstein ◆ Lazar Schwartz ◆ Isaac Slovis ◆ Eli Yatsko ◆ Sarah Zwick-Daum ◆ Meyer Cohen ◆ Paul Kanfer ◆ Bernard Kronenberg
 ◆ Joslyn Presser ◆ Rebecca Reznick ◆ Sarah Robinson ◆ Jacob Winick ◆ Monte Kaplan ◆ Caroline Nadler ◆ Caroline Schwartz ◆ Sol Winer
 ◆ Sally Brownstein ◆ Lillian Kantor ◆ Pearl Meyers

March 24

◆ Theodore Nius ◆ Morris Bart ◆ Frances Schanowitz ◆ Gordon Brown ◆ Mary Brown ◆ Ida Finestone ◆ Harold Leibowitz
 ◆ Margaruite Mandell ◆ Lillian Richer ◆ Mazeltov Benhayon ◆ Joseph Imbrey ◆ Matilda Davis ◆ Jacob Katz ◆ Casper Perelman
 ◆ Melvin Robinson ◆ Max Weinstein ◆ Phillip Baggish ◆ Sam Chandler ◆ David Renert ◆ Esther Thompson

March 31

◆ Lillian Weinbren ◆ Jacob Rosenberg ◆ Miles Siegel ◆ Julius Binder ◆ Ida Fenrow ◆ Isadore Wender ◆ Israel Cohen ◆ Pearl Collins
 ◆ Celia Danenberg ◆ David Krauss ◆ Dale Hasden ◆ Esther Kimberling ◆ Molly Chazen

Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



Upcoming Events

Rabbi's Study Session

Saturday March 3

This month's study session will cover *Ahad Ha'am- the man who changed the history of the Jewish people*. Join us after Shabbat morning services.

Jewish Film Series

Tuesday March 27, 7:00 p.m.

This month's film is *Schwartz Dynasty* (Israel, 2005) – A fun movie with a good story and well-drawn characters taken right from the Israeli street with a couple of twists to keep the audience guessing.

Purim Pie Party

March 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Read the Megillah and join the fun!

Dinner pies (think quiche) will be served.



(Above) JCOR sisterhood is sponsoring Israeli dancing on selected Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Beth El Center with instructor Faye Campbell.

All levels of ability are welcome. For a schedule and directions, contact Rebecca Charles at gchar2@aol.com.

Community-Wide Women's Seder

JCOR Sisterhood will hold its 7th Community-Wide Women's Seder on Thursday March 22 at 6:30 p.m. at Beth El Center. This program is for women and girls (ages 12-17) of all faiths. This year's proceeds will be donated to NAMI (the National Alliance on Mental Illness). Tax-deductible cost is \$36 for adults and \$20 for girls. Contributors of \$50 or more will be listed in our program and *Haggadah*. Those who contribute \$100 or more will also receive a complimentary reservation.

Everyone participates in this modified Passover Seder with traditional Passover foods, a special *Haggadah*, and lively singing! Reservations and payment by check to JCOR Sisterhood are due by March 11 to Peggy Laxton, 105 Glenn Circle, Powell, TN 37849. Include contact info for reservation confirmation.

For questions, contact Peggy Laxton (269-4649), Linda Bell (482-9570) or Anne Greenbaum (927-4488).



(Right) Congratulations to Leah Anovitz (center) for her terrific

performance in the Oak Ridge Symphony production of *Brundibar* on February 11. Leah sings with Sound Company Children's Choir.

Community Seder

April 6, first night of Passover, 6:00 p.m.

All are welcome at Beth El Center. Join us for a traditional Passover Seder and meal.

Adults: \$36

Children (under 18): \$18

Family cap: \$108

Reservations and payment by check due March 23.

Checks to: JCOR Passover Seder

JCOR, P.O. Box 5434, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-5434



Sam and Nona Poole repeated their wedding vows in a lovely traditional ceremony in Oak Ridge on their 20th anniversary, January 22. Mazel tov Sam and Nona!



Hadassah Highlights

Note From Cindy Pasi

This month is the first month of the first year of the second 100 years for Hadassah. During the last 100 years, Hadassah volunteers built an entire medical infrastructure in Israel. Half of the total medical research in Israel comes out of Hadassah hospital.

As a cancer survivor myself, I am most excited about the current clinical trials for a cancer vaccine. This vaccine could keep about 90 percent of cancers from coming back, something that I can't help but think about each year during my annual exams. It is hoped this vaccine will be ready in about six years not only to treat cancer, but to keep it from recurring.

Some other dramatic research accomplishments include a simple blood test for predicting if a patient will develop a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder following a traumatic event; development of a complementary vaccine to the AIDS cocktail that strengthens the body's immune system to fight the autoimmune sequela of HIV infection; confirming the potential ability of transplanted stem cells in an animal model with Age Related Macular Degeneration (AMD) to significantly improve the functioning of the diseased animal; Clinical trials are expected to start in two years, HMO researchers are looking for ways to produce and import specialized stem cells that can re-myelinate nerves and return them to normal function. This will be beneficial to the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis; and Hadassah was the only Israeli hospital that participated in the study that was published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* regarding the positive effects of having a low dose CT scan to detect lung cancer.

Thank you for supporting the work that Hadassah does. Together we are making a difference. Without you, we cannot get it done.

Israel's President Shimon Peres Toasts Hadassah as a Role Model for Peacemaking

"No institution models a place of complete peace under the most demanding circumstances more than Hadassah," Israel's President Shimon Peres said at a special September reception welcoming the new Hadassah National President Marcie Natan.

"Why is it?" he asked, "that we can get along when we're sick, but can't get along when we're well?"

During the reception, Mrs. Natan introduced the President to the Hadassah University Medical Center's new Director General, Prof. Ehud Kokia. President Peres predicted that the Medical Center would be a major player in the next phase of Israel's priorities-- medicine, biology, and brain research. Hadassah will be a significant force, he said.

Researchers Identify Gene Involved in Ovarian Development

A teenage girl who came to the Hadassah University Medical Center for help when she did not go through puberty, led to the discovery of a gene that plays a major role in ovarian development. The three-year investigation was conducted by a joint team from Hadassah and Shaare Zedek Medical Center, led by Dr. David Zangen, head of Hadassah's Pediatric Endocrinology Unit, and Prof. Ephrat Levy-Lahad, head of the Medical Genetics Institute at Shaare Zedek.

The study results, published in the October issue of the *American Journal of Human Genetics*, highlighted the discovery's important contribution to existing knowledge of genes that affect sexual development and the ovulation process.

A preliminary examination of the teenager and family members three years ago revealed that she did have the female chromosome structure, yet she and many of her female relatives suffered from the same condition. In an attempt to locate the defective gene causing the abnormality, researchers conducted a detailed analysis of the girl's DNA and a full genetic mapping of two of her family members. The test results pinpointed a mutation found only in the specific gene.

"When this gene is defective, the estrogen activity is affected," Dr. Zangen says. He further explains: "Estrogen is pivotal in female sexual development; any irregularities in the production of the hormone can harm the development of the ovaries. Identifying this gene and this mutation is especially significant as there is currently relatively little understanding of the genes responsible for ovarian development, compared to what we know about testicular development."

HOMESWEETHADASSAH A COAST-TO-COAST CELEBRATION

Join your Hadassah family for a once in a lifetime centennial celebration. HOME SWEET HADASSAH brings together thousands of Hadassah's Members and Associates on the same day in homes all across the country, including your community. Be with us for your HOME SWEET HADASSAH celebration!

The Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah invites you to our
Home Sweet Hadassah Centennial Celebration
Thursday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of

Marcia Shloush

1220 Gettysvue Way, Knoxville TN 37922

Your donation is always welcome but not required!

R.S.V.P. by March 15:

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Donors are encouraged to read Hadassah's Charitable Solicitation Disclosure Statement.

A copy of Hadassah's latest financial statement is available by writing to the
Hadassah Finance Department, 50 W 58th Street, New York, NY 10019.

Charitable deductions are allowed to the extent provided by law. Hadassah intends to respect your wishes regarding this gift, however in accordance with U.S. tax law requirements regarding deductibility of contributions, Hadassah shall have full dominion, control and discretion over this gift.

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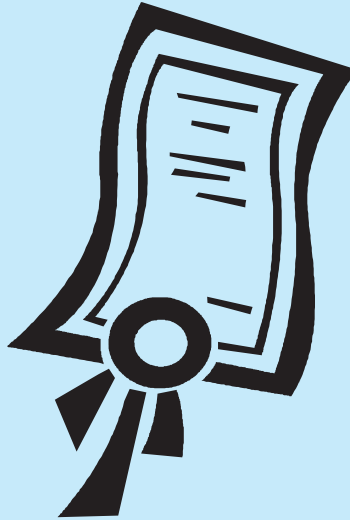
Yes, you can help Israel simply by contacting Marian Jay and purchasing a tree certificate for \$12.00 or a much needed water certificate for \$18.00. You may designate a name for either certificate in memory of someone, sending get well wishes to an individual, in honor of a birthday, anniversary, birth, marriage, engagement or someone's accomplishment. Israel is always in need of trees and water. Please help the forests by planting a tree and helping the trees grow in Israel by giving them some water. You can call Marian at 524-8234, mail your request and a check to her at P.O. Box 10983, Knoxville, TN. 37939 or e-mail her at mayfayjay@aol.com to arrange for a tree or water certificate to be sent out for you.



Thank You for Support of Our Large Certificates

Large certificates recently mailed include:

- ◆ In memory of John Phelps, husband of Barbara and father of Jodi, Melissa and Elliot Phelps
- ◆ In memory of Dr. Harold Markman, husband of Rebecca Winston; father of Jerry and Lisa, Larry and Barbara, and Barry and Annette Winston
- ◆ In memory of Frances Brody, wife of Isadore Brody of blessed memory; mother of Ivan and Mimi Bordy; Evelyn and Joel Levitte; and Linda and Ray Berlinger
- ◆ In memory of Dr. Lillian Solomon, mother of Jerry and Marilyn Solomon



Hadassah Highlights

Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah

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Send check to RSVP to
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Hadassah Members, Associates, and Guests Welcomed



Extra...Extra...Read All About It...

Don 'Big Jim' Ravioli was murdered at the grand opening of the Four Deuces on January 28. The Inspector (Jeff Gubitz), an honored guest at the Grand Opening, pronounced Mr. Ravioli (Rabbi Alon Ferency) deceased at approximately 7:35

p.m. Despite the heinous crime, the night went on as planned; a four-course gourmet dinner was served, the Piano Man (Terry Silver-Alford) filled the room with swinging jazz music, and the mingling, conniving, and corruption was in full force. Although 1920's Prohibition was mandated, the wine and beer



Guests Charlene and Jeff Gubitz and bartender Ric Pasi

flowed. The corrupt politicians, the flappers, the Black Hand gang, and Chicago's elite turned heads as secrets were revealed ultimately naming the killer as none other than the victim's daughter, Rebecca Ravioli (Jeannie Kidd). It was Mr. Tequila (Moshe Shloush) that saw through Rebecca's charade and unveiled her plot. After the votes came in, it was decided that the best dressed for the evening were Shuli Mesa and Jeannie Kidd, the wealthiest player was the unstoppable duo of Owen Littmann and Daniel Roberts, and the best performance went to Jeff Gubitz and Nora Messing. Under Henrietta Szold's watchful eye, we got a little taste of the world when this magical organization of Hadassah was created 100 years ago—and boy was it FUN!

Special thanks to Susan Roseman, Debbie Johnson, and Marilyn Burnett for the use of their props and to Judy and Harvey Kaufman and Stephanie and Eric Bank for the night's spirits.

Thank you to our sponsors: Harry's Deli, Mary Evars-Goan, Peggy Littmann, and Jill Weinstein.

Thank you to Terry Silver-Alford for the beautiful music, to Andrew Messing for being our waiter extraordinaire, to our Cigarette Girl Jolie Spiegelman, to Kathy and Don Goldstein for all of the magnificent lighting (it made the evening), both in set up and take down, to Barbara Mintz for all of the amazing help, to Ric and Cindy Pasi for everything you really did since the list is endless, to "Handsome John" Goan for being the best dressed greeter in his stylish tux (which really spruced up the joint) and overall best helper ever, to Laura Floyd for handling the financial goods, to Joyce York for taking the pictures you see, to Jeff Gubitz for all of your help, to Gabriel Mesa for your fast acting postage help and... to the fabulous cast of characters—you made this unique evening an absolute success!

None of this would have been possible without the unstoppable team of **Mary Evars-Goan, Peggy Littmann, Marian Jay, and Shuli Mesa**. Your talent, your energy, and your heart have made an eternal mark. You are **amazing!**



(Far left) Nora Messing played the mother of the murder victim and won an award for her dramatic performance.

(Left) Inspector Jeff Gubitz grills guests at the Four Deuces as he searches for a murderer.



Moshe Shloush and Jeff Becker strike a nostalgic gangster pose.



Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

A Word from the President of the Board

By Nancy Becker, President of the Board of Trustees

KJDS has had as part of its mission from its beginning to be an important part of Knoxville's Jewish life. Our wish has been to help grow knowledgeable Jewish adults who would both contribute to our community and to the larger Jewish world. We have promoted the importance of being part of other institutions in the community to round out each child's Jewish experience. To that end, the Board of Trustees of KJDS passed the following policy on Jan. 11, 2012:

"In the spirit of encouraging our students to attend religious school at the Synagogue or Temple, KJDS is offering rebates of up to one-third of the religious school tuition. When the tuition is paid, a receipt will be given by the parent to the KJDS. One-third of the tuition will be deducted from the next payment due to KJDS. If the child is on scholarship with KJDS, the rebate will be calculated based on the percentage of tuition that is paid to KJDS."

If you have any questions on this subject, please don't hesitate to call me.

100th Day Party!

On January 30, KJDS students celebrated the 100th day of school! A fashion show was held to celebrate the special day. Each child came to school with 100 items displayed on their clothing.



(Left) Samantha with her stylish 100 chocolate chip hat!

(Below) Leead with his very cool 100 day shirt!



Think you know what KJDS
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Think Again.

Save the Date
May 10, 2012

An evening of support for the
**Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville
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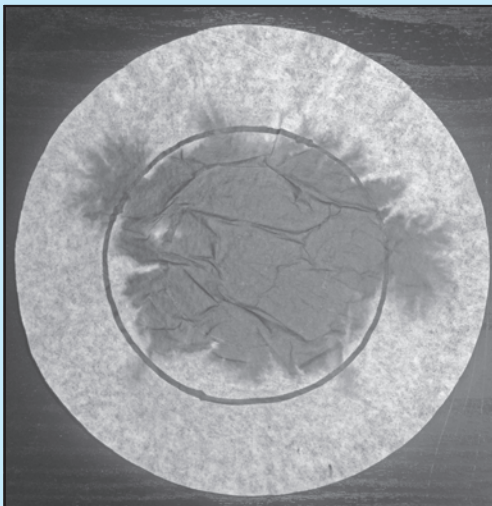
Not Your Typical Parent-Teacher Conference

KJDS students prepared for conferences with their parents in a unique way. They determined what their strengths and weaknesses were. They also developed goals for the rest of the school year that they each wanted to reach. To present the information to their parents, they each created their own PowerPoint slide show, displaying this information, as well as some work they have done that they were especially proud of. KJDS students use rubrics to self-assess their work, and are involved in the assessment of what they produce every day, preparing them greatly to lead their own conferences and share their progress and goals.

Fourth and Fifth Graders, Go Lab Crazy Studying Algae and Pollution

Algae Lab

Algae are simple organisms that typically produce their own food through photosynthesis and build up with due to an excess of nutrients. The fourth and fifth grade class examined how fertilizer affected pond water over several days. Observations and data were collected on how algae grows and builds up over time. This information was used to examine the long-term effects of algae on bodies of waters.



Pollution Lab

"Groundwater" is a term used to refer to water beneath the land surface. Groundwater may reside in the spaces between earth materials such as sand, silt or clay particles. Most groundwater is constantly moving. Using a coffee filter to represent the aquifer and the groundwater, a pollutant (food color) was added to visually represent how pollution moves from the specific sources to surrounding areas. Five drops of food color were added to the center dot, which proceeded to move through the wet coffee filter, much like the way it would in the aquifer.

Tzedakah Boxes

Kindergarteners have been busy learning to read Hebrew and what a great job they are doing! Students are currently working on combining letters and vowels to create words. How proud they are to be reading real words and when they recognize the words they read, they get so excited!

Imagine their excitement when they discovered the word *Tzedakah*! Reading the word led them to explore the meaning of the word and before you knew it, the classroom was a beehive of activity. Kids were marble painting, cleaning out Pringle cans, cutting and pasting to create their very own tzedakah boxes. Students read *Quarters & Dimes & Nickels & Pennies: Children love to give Tzedakah*, by Baila Olidort, and followed David in his quest to understand how putting coins in a box could help poor people. After delivering his full Tzedakah box to a soup kitchen, David understood. Kindergarten students have brought home their tzedakah boxes and are going to bring them back to school once they are full. Once back, students will choose a local charity in which to donate the money.



Headen Maman is the first to fill her tzedakah box.

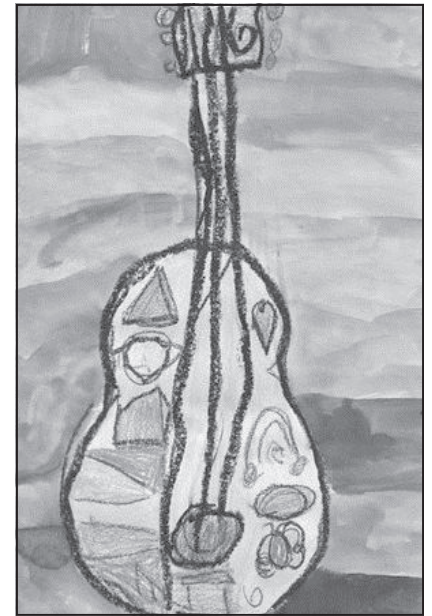
Fine Arts at KJDS: Art, Music, PE

Artsonia

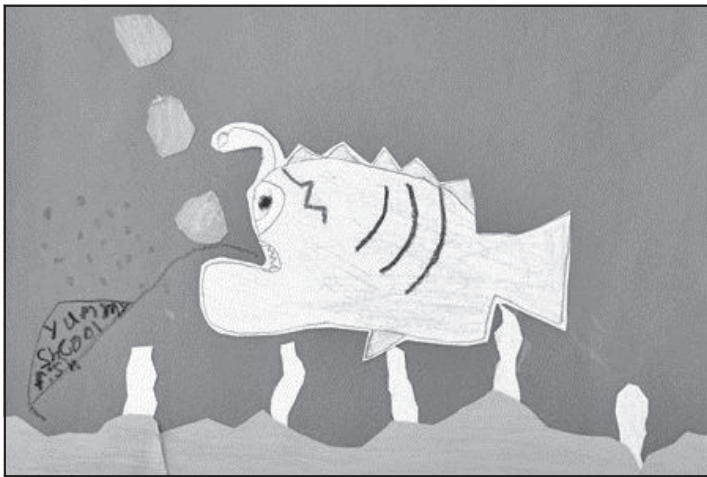
The story of Artsonia began with a dream that artwork created from kids around the world could be shared and enjoyed by everyone. Today, due to the passion of thousands of art teachers worldwide, that dream has come true. Go to www.artsonia.com to view the artwork produced by our very own Knoxville Jewish Day School students. Items with children's artwork can also be purchased to brighten any room in your home!



Landscapes By Jackson



Guitar By Abigail



Under the Sea By Dylan



Heidi, Kirk, Rylee, and Mendel getting ready for a music lesson from Morah Debbie!



Ron warming up for PE on the trampoline



Frank doing push ups during PE

Tizmoret Visits KJDS.... Fresh Music – Unplugged!

Tizmoret is a professional Jewish a cappella group from Queens College. Tizmoret draws singers from colleges throughout New York City and has taken Jewish collegiate a cappella to the next level, performing classic Jewish melodies, American pop music and contemporary Israeli tunes. They have produced five CDs, with their most recent release, *Transitory*, receiving critical acclaim in contemporary Jewish and secular a cappella circles. You can find more information at www.tizmoret.com and can purchase their music off of iTunes.

We LOVED having Tizmoret visit and sing for us. We even sang one of our songs from *Peter Pan* to them and they loved it!



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9:00am - Noon

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The Way We Were in 1925



Temple Beth El Confirmation Class 1925

Back row, left to right:
Miriam **Reich**
(became Mrs. David
Blumberg), Samuel
Stern, Victor **Jacobs**,
Stanley **Levy** (uncle of
Knoxvillian Richard
Licht), Bertha **Stern**

Front Row:
Rabbi Jerome **Mark**,
Margaret **Levy** (great
aunt of Knoxvillian
Brian **Levy**), Sadie
Euster, Lena **Jacobs**

For more information, go to the Archives webpage at www.jewishknoxville.org/archives [click on Ha'Kol: "The Way We Were"], to explore all our links to discover more historical gems.

Send your visual memories of "the way we were" to the Archives, c/o Knoxville Jewish Alliance.