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Commissioner Gene Rosenberg invites you to the event of the year

## SOUPER SUNDAY AT THE J

**Sunday April 22  
1:00 p.m. at the AJCC**

Come and enjoy a souper lunch beginning at 1:00 p.m.  
The box office opens at 12:30 p.m.

- ☆ Tickets are FREE if you already made your gift commitment to the 2012 Campaign.
- ☆ Tickets are free if you make your 2012 Campaign commitment at the door that day.
- ☆ Just want to come and eat? Tickets are Triple chai (\$5.40)

We will enjoy a nice lunch and hear Chicago Sportscaster and Broadcast veteran **Michael Leiderman** present an incredible and fascinating program on Jews and Sports.

Mr. Leiderman's program will be followed by the screening of the documentary *Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story* which explores the connection between Jewish Americans and baseball, our nation's most iconic institution. More than a film about sports, it is a story of immigration, assimilation, bigotry, heroism, the passing on of traditions, and the shattering of stereotypes. Dustin Hoffman narrates this engaging story of great drama, unforgettable games, and the broad sweep of American history.

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance and the Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) are sponsors of the public broadcast of this important documentary about the contributions of Jewish major leaguers to America's favorite pastime, while exploring baseball's special place in the hearts of North American Jews. A rare interview with Sandy Koufax is among the film's highlights. Locally Andy Kramer interviews Howard Blum.

Unable to join us? View the program on East Tennessee PBS at 3:00 p.m. Check your TV provider for the channel.

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# Ha'Kol

## From the President

*In reviewing the KJA Annual Report, I was, again, very impressed by the number and variety of programs provided by KJA – programs that keep us informed, entertained, and connected. But who has time to read the entire Annual Report? Then I remembered how helpful it was when Past President Stephen Rosen would bring a “Special Guest Star” to KJA Board meetings. A committee chair or program coordinator’s presentation educated Board members about their specific area. I would like for you, too, to be educated about KJA programs, to pique your interest, and to get you involved. In this month’s column, Manny Herz, VP Education & Culture, will tell you about the upcoming Yom HaShoah observance.*

*This year, Yom Hashoah will be observed on Wednesday evening, April 18 at 6:15 p.m. at Temple Beth El.*

*There is a certain comfort in anticipating that Jews, centuries from now, will still be observing the greatest conflagration (at least numerically) that has ever been imposed on the Jewish people.*

*Here, in 2012, we and all the other Jewish communities in the world are still “experimenting” with what makes an appropriate and meaningful observation. Over the past years, we have developed different programs each year that highlight various aspects of the Holocaust – from recognizing Darfur as a contemporary version of the Holocaust to paying homage to the liberators and the righteous. As the years go by, we are losing those who actually experienced the atrocities. This is another reason that Yom Hashoah Services are still a work in process. Your participation and input will be of great help in forming how this observation will evolve.*

*This year we will be recognizing the creative arts and celebrate how in the face of the greatest adversities, the human spirit still reaches out to create music, art and literature. As part of this remembrance, there will be a performance of songs from Brundibar, the children’s opera performed in Theresienstadt, that was presented by the Oak Ridge Symphony Orchestra in February.*

*We are having the Service on Thursday with the hope that many of our school children will attend. Please keep this date in mind...we are all part of the development of what will become part of Jewish observances for all generations to come.*

*Manny Herz*

Thank you, Manny, for your work on this important occasion. Please make plans to attend and be a part of our community’s observance.

B’shalom, Renee’ Hyatt [renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com](mailto:renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com)

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### KJA 2012 Campaign

**Campaign Goal \$365,000**

As of March 14, 2012

2012 Annual Campaign: \$310,201

20 new donors

98 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](http://www.jewishknoxville.org) and click “donate.”*

## Passover in the Matzah Aisle

By Rachel Hale

We are bringing Passover to the Aisles of Kroger Sunday, April 1 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.! We have formed a wonderful partnership with our local Kroger in Bearden and the Jewish Outreach Institute to bring the community this program. We will have basic information about Passover customs and rituals, reminding Passover shoppers of the images and symbols of Passover. We will also have activities and information materials such as different types of haggadah.

I encourage you to stop by Kroger during this event and enter the raffle for a Kroger Passover gift basket! Yummy samplings of charoset will be available. Please support our Jewish community and join us for some Matzah in the Aisle. A special thank you to Jennifer Kanarek for being our volunteer chairperson for this event.

## Saly Meets Inflation (or Does She)?

By Gene Rosenberg, Campaign Chair

### Who's Saly?

Saly contributes to the Knoxville Jewish Alliance Campaign 2012, just as she has faithfully done for many years. Saly helps provide the dollars necessary for the Alliance to meet its commitments to the Jewish community of Knoxville and to the many other programs and agencies nationally and internationally. Saly is generous and gives at a comfortable amount to her and her family; she is appreciated and respected. Saly has chosen, once again, to contribute at a level that is the **Same As Last Year** (Saly).

If Saly contributed \$500 in 1992, he/she would have to contribute \$801 in 2012 to equal the same buying power. If Saly contributed \$500 in 2002, he/she would have to contribute \$625 in 2012 to equal the same buying power. These are the latest U.S. Government Consumer Price Index Data figures on U.S. Inflation dot Com.

To be realistic, not many of us can contribute to make up for inflation; we do the best we can within our individual means. It never ceases to amaze me when I observe just how much we actually do; at the same time, one has to think about how much longer this situation can continue with the same approximate half of the Jewish population carrying the load.

This message goes out to those who do not contribute. THE ALLIANCE NEEDS YOU! If we continue to provide the programs and assistance to those who need the Alliance, and we will, more of us have to participate. BE A PART...DON'T BE APART. NOBODY CAN GIVE IT ALL. EVERYBODY CAN GIVE SOMETHING. It doesn't take a lot of money, but it does take some compassion for what happens in your Jewish community. If you care, you'll share.



## Lunch and Then Some

By Laura Faye Berry, BSSW, Esq., Director

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

**Wednesday, April 18, 2012:** Music lovers, put your hands together for the dynamic **Maestro Brian Salesky**, General Director and Conductor of the Knoxville Opera. Maestro Salesky makes the soaring arias, the tragedy or comedy of the stories a musical feast. If you think opera is not for you, think again when he tells you about the fantastic upcoming season featuring Giuseppe Verdi's *Otello*. All this and lunch, too!

*Program location:* **Rothchild's, 8807 Kingston Pike**

The luncheon begins at noon and the program begins at 12:30. 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](mailto:LBerry@jewishknoxville.org).

## Jewish Family Services News

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

On behalf of the KJA, Jewish Family Services has been assisting with the Family Promise program as a support congregation for nearly four years. Family Promise is an interfaith program that provides temporary housing, meals, and assistance to situationally homeless families in order to help them become self-sufficient.

Family Promise of Knoxville maintains an Interfaith Hospitality Network of 16 area host congregations and a support umbrella of 26 area congregations. The host congregations house the families for a week at a time on a rotating schedule with assistance by the support congregations. We are the support congregation for the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church (TVUUC). Rather than having just one of our congregations participate, Family Promise benefits from the cross membership of the KJA and the JFS Committee. **We are always looking for more volunteers to assist with Family Promise.** It is some of the least time-consuming, but most rewarding volunteer work you can do. Some of the volunteer opportunities include preparing meals (whether you want to make a whole meal or just one dish), eating dinner with the families currently in the program, and leading children's activities after dinner. TVUUC hosts the families three or four times a year. They are currently hosting the first week in April, so we will next be looking for volunteers for the week of June 17, 2012. If you are interested in volunteering or donating much needed supplies, please contact JFS at 690-6343. You can read more about the local Family Promise program at <http://www.familypromiseknoxville.org/>



## AJCC Preschool

By Melissa Schweitzer, Director

As parents, we often go out of our way to make sure our children have an experience of some kind. We stand in line for what seems like hours to see dinosaurs, we sit up until midnight to be first online to get tickets to the latest Disney show, and we plan trips of a lifetime to make sure that our children have not "missed out". What do our children really take away from activities like this? Do they remember that they were selected to join the cast on stage at the end of the show?

The answers, if we take a few minutes to reflect, may surprise us. Which experiences do you remember from your own childhood? I remember traveling with my parents but it is mostly the time (before car seats) my sister and I spent playing in the back of our station wagon on the road. I do know where the pictures of our family trips and outings are. My mother remembers our trips when I ask her but her memories are full of packing and logistics. When I do remember some scattered specifics about vacations, the earliest is from a trip that we took when I was 10. The truth that I do know is that I remember the people and the time we spent together more than I remember anything about a show or tour or amusement park. I believe that these are the memories that we are building with our young children. It is the time we spend together. It is the feeling our children have of knowing they are important not by our words but by our willingness to listen to their make-believe story starring their favorite stuffed animal.



Passover can be considered a family celebration with everyone gathered for a feast. We know that family can be defined in a myriad of different ways. Maybe we should include

family history with our recounting of the Exodus from Egypt. The part of the story where Moses parts the Red Sea might be accompanied by the story of when your child first worked up the courage to ride the zip line with the rest of the family. This is the way that our children will remember the experiences that we have worked so hard to give them. Talking about them. A lot. Even if we do not remember the actual experience, we certainly will remember the time we spend together.

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](mailto:mschweitzer@jewishknoxville.org)  
by Thursday, April 5th

## Reception for UTK Dean, Dr. Theresa Lee

Please join us to welcome  
Dr. Lee to Knoxville

**Monday, April 23**

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Arnstein Jewish

Community Center

6800 Deane Hill Drive

RSVP to Martha Andrus at

[mandrus@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:mandrus@jewishknoxville.org)

or (865) 690-6343

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance invites you to welcome Dr. Theresa M. Lee, Dean UT Knoxville College of Arts and Sciences.

Following a nationwide search, Dr. Lee comes to UTK from the University of Michigan, where she served most recently as chair of the Department of Psychology. She was also a professor in the neuroscience program and a research scientist in the reproductive sciences program. Prior to serving as department chair, she was chair of the department's undergraduate program and chair of the biopsychology area from 2000 to 2005. She worked for the Department of Psychology since 1988. Come and meet Dr. Lee and her husband, Jack Love.



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## UT Faculty Lecture, April 23

UT Faculty Lecture Series presents:

### "Maniacs and Psycho Killers: Mental Illness and Pop Culture Myths"

Presented by **Matthew T. Theriot**, Ph.D., Associate Professor and BSSW Program Director at the University of Tennessee

**Monday, April 23 at 7:30p.m.**  
AJCC Adult Lounge



Dr. Theriot will be speaking on perceptions and misperceptions of major mental illness. Explore the truth behind popular depictions of mental illness in movies, TV shows, books, etc. He will focus on topics like stigma around mental illness, perceptions about the dangerousness of people with major mental illness, and seek to help us develop a better understanding of the numerous definitions and constructions of mental illness.

## Yom Hashoah Program, April 18

April 18 is a very important day. As the sun sets that Wednesday evening, **Yom Hashoah**, the Annual Day of Holocaust Remembrance will begin. Join your friends, neighbors, and our community at Temple Beth El, 3037 Kingston Pike at **6:15 p.m.**, as we usher in the National Day of Holocaust Remembrance.

As citizens of a great democracy, we must understand the importance of seeing that high moral standards prevail. As the years pass and the eyewitnesses to that terrible time are gone...we are faced with the question: **Who will remember?**

Our program will feature selections from the Brundibar folk opera, recently performed in Oak Ridge. There will be a Service of Remembrance, with participation of area clergy and community members. There will also be special candle lighting by local Holocaust survivors and their families.



## AJCC Still the Best Place to Be for “The Most Fun Under the Sun”

AJCC members can look forward to the AJCC Pool's opening on May 27, summer pool parties, camp, swim team, and more. If you're not an AJCC member yet, apply by **April 16** and enjoy an early bird discount. You can apply for your summer membership, register your children for the AJCC's summer camps, and get ready to enjoy your days at the center's large outdoor pool, four lighted tennis courts, and other fun amenities. Registration forms (print and electronic), brochure, and information are online at [www.jewishknoxville.org/camp](http://www.jewishknoxville.org/camp) for your convenience.



**Summer Pool/Tennis Memberships** – The AJCC Pool is open May 27-Labor Day, enabling members to enjoy an extra three weeks of pool time compared to most summer programs. Your full or summer AJCC membership also provides discounts for camp and preschool fees. Register online at [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org) or call 690-6343 for information.

### Milton Collins Day Camp offers Great Summer Camp Experiences for Your Kids

#### Grades K-6

- Core program features sports, arts, crafts, nature, music drama, swimming
- Grade-level groupings
- Camp opens each morning with flag-raising and pledge, camp songs and cheers
- ACA-accredited camp in Knoxville (since 1980)

#### Grades 7-9

- Teen Adventures Program
- Focus is on teamwork, leadership, and community service-oriented projects along with overnights and lots of fun (*Teens can earn service hours for school requirements.*)

#### Grade 10

- Counselor-in-Training Program (CIT)
- Requires application and interview process

### Good News About Camp Fees

Camp fees will stay the same as last summer, with a one-time registration fee of \$60.00. **Buy and pay** for 5 weeks of camp, the sixth week is half price. **Buy and pay** for 10 weeks of camp and week 11 is FREE!

#### MCDC Weekly Camp Themes

Week 1	May 29-June 1	MCDC Rodeo
Week 2	June 4-8	Mystery Week
Week 3	June 11-15	Living in the Land of the Lost
Week 4	June 18-22	2012 Olympics
Week 5	June 25-29	Space Invaders
Week 6	July 2-6	Slime Time
Week 7	July 9-13	Under the Sea
Week 8	July 16-20	The Wizards of Arnstein Place
Week 9	July 23-27	Winter in July
Week 10	July 30-Aug 3	MCDC Color Wars
Week 11	Aug. 6-10	Bricks 4 Kidz LEGOS and More!



### Specialty Camps

#### British Challenger Soccer Camp

June 11-15, ages 4-15

Soccer camp available for children ages 4-15. Prices range from \$95 - \$180 and include shirt and ball. Half day and full day soccer camps are available. For more information or to register online, please visit [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com).

#### Bricks 4 Kidz LEGO® Camp

June 18-22, ages 7-10

August 6-10, all MCDC Campers

Campers build unique creations, play games, and have loads of fun using LEGO® bricks.

## Camp K'Ton Ton Offers Fun for Youngest Campers

**Ages 14 months - Pre-K**

- Tennessee DHS 3-Star Rating
- Exciting weekly themes include nature, music and movement, art, literacy, swimming, and play time
- Special guests
- Highly qualified staff
- Vegetable garden with a science specialist

### Space: Adventure Beyond

Week 1	May 29-June 1	Third Rock from the Sun
Week 2	June 4-8	Astronaut Academy
Week 3	June 11-15	The Mothership is Calling
Week 4	June 18-25	Fly Me to the Moon
Week 5	June 25-29	Space Junk
Week 6	July 2-6	Space Dust
Week 7	July 9-13	Zero Gravity
Week 8	July 16-20	ET Phone Home
Week 9	July 23-27	Pigs in Space
Week 10	July 30-Aug. 3	Walking on the Sun

*Camp K'Ton Ton ends August 3*



Register online or call the AJCC Preschool/Camp K'ton Ton office at 963-8001 for more information.



*(Above) Rachel Shenkman, Sam Bendriem, Deborah Oleshansky, Alexandra Gellis*

*(Below) Rachel Shenkman and Alexandra Gellis*



## Chag Purim Sameach!

UTK Hillel students celebrated Purim with a bowling party at the University Center Down Under Lanes. The party included face painting, costumes, noisemakers and, of course, **hamentaschen!** The following night the festivities continued at the International House where students baked even **more hamentaschen** and enjoyed on campus Shabbat dinner and Purim stories and games.

Thank you to Gilya Schmidt for hosting students for Shabbat dinner at her home. If you would like to host students for a Shabbat dinner (or a Pesach week meal), please contact Deborah Oleshansky [doleshansky@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:doleshansky@jewishknoxville.org) or (865) 690-6343.



*Mark Barkan, Charlene and Jeff Gubitz help plant a tree with students from Pardes Hannah during the Taste of Partnership trip to Israel in February. More pictures and stories on this trip will appear in the next issue of Ha'Kol.*

# Community Passover Greetings

Warm greetings and very best wishes to all our good friends in Knoxville.  
Peggy and Mark Littmann, Beth, James and Liam McGinnis, and Owen Littmann

## Happy Passover to All

LEE MILLER, LISSA,  
SHELLY and SETH

**HAPPY PASSOVER  
TO EVERYONE  
PESSA, MARLA,  
BART, JOEL & WILL  
BRODY**

**Chag Sameach to all  
our friends and  
family. Heidi, Barry  
and Eddy Allen**

## *Hag Pesach Sameach*

*Jeff and Nancy Becker and our Children  
and Grandchildren:*

*Rachel, Micah, Sophie, and Reuben  
Becker-Klein;*

*Ben, Amy, and Harry Willis-Becker;  
Sarah Becker; Jeff Cohen;*

*Dan, Lora, Noah, and Benjamin  
Cohen-Vogel;*

*Debbie, Jeff, Samantha, and  
Gabriel Abrams-Cohen*

Rabbi Schwartz and Larry  
Washington wish the entire Jewish  
Community a Happy Passover and a  
prosperous year

*Hag Sameach v  
Kasher,  
Gilya Schmidt &  
Family*

**Happy Passover  
Marcia Silverstein  
and Family**

***Passover Greetings  
Barbara & Bernie  
Bernstein***

*Hag Sameach  
from  
Heska Amuna  
Synagogue*

***Hag Sameach  
The Liberman  
Family***

We wish the entire  
community a healthy,  
happy Passover -  
Norman and Sandi Licht

# Community Passover Greetings

<p><b>Chag Sameach</b> Rosalie, Stephen, Mara and Evan Nagler</p>	<p><b>Happy Passover</b> Charlene &amp; Jeff Gubitz Leslie Gubitz (Bloomington, IN) Jennifer Gubitz (Brooklyn, NY) Ron &amp; Leslie Gubitz (New Orleans, LA)</p>	<p><b>Chag Sameach</b></p> <p>KJA Officers, Board and Staff</p>
<p><b>Temple Beth El</b>  <b>wishes a Happy</b>  <b>and Healthy</b>  <b>Passover to all</b></p>		
<p>A MEANINGFUL PESACH FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOURS</p> <p>THE ROBINSON FAMILY - NATALIE - RAYZEL, SIMCHA, YIGDAL, AND HALLEL (PHILADELPHIA, PA) - A.J., NICOLE, MICAELA, ETHAN AND NATHANIEL (ATLANTA, GA) - PACE, KAREN, ELI AND ASHER</p>		<p>HAPPY PASSOVER! Deborah, John and Daniel Roberts Megan and Josh Koller</p> <p>With love from the Oleshansky Family David, Deborah, Ben, Bryna and Rae</p>
<p><i>Wishing all a joyous Pesach</i> <i>Renee' Hyatt, Paul, Jenny,</i> <i>and Noah Erwin</i></p>		<p><b>Hag Sameach</b>  KIM, STEPHEN,  NATHAN,  ARIELLE AND  TIFANNIE ROSEN</p>



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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*

### Philanthropic Giving and the Robinson Family

Simply considering the fact that our family has now seen *five* generations of Jewish Knoxvilleans should be enough to show how important a sustainable Jewish community is to us. Sitting around a multi-generational table is as much a part of our lives as brushing our teeth each morning. When we have the opportunity to get together, our conversation always comes back to the happenings of our community, past, present, and even future. With this in mind, we have come to establish *four* generations of funds to support to Knoxville Jewish Community.

First came the Sylvia Robinson Memorial Fund, established in honor of our late mother-in-law, grandmother, and great-grandmother to bring her joy of music to others well beyond her lifetime. Next came the surprise establishment of the Mitchell and Natalie Robinson Community Enrichment Fund in honor of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. The purpose of this fund is to enhance the development of leadership and education for the Knoxville Jewish Community. Fast forward to 2009, when Eli and Asher made the decision to supplement Asher's B'nai Tzedek fund, so they could enter the greater KJCFE program with an established fund, fondly named the EAR Fund. Eli and Asher realized that no matter where life may take them, it is vital to remember where they came from and continue to support the Knoxville Jewish Community. Eli and Asher made their first grant from the EAR fund to the KJA Annual Campaign in 2011 and they look to up their contribution in 2012. Pace and Karen have since followed suit, establishing the Pace and Karen Robinson Philanthropic Fund. This fund will be made available for giving to the many Jewish causes that we continue to support, as well as including other community causes such as the University of Tennessee and United Way.

From Knoxville to Boynton Beach and New York to Gainesville, we want to honor our ancestors by doing the same thing they did: supporting and cultivating a Knoxville community that will be just as strong five generations from now as it is today.

Living in a family that prioritizes a continued commitment to giving is quite a blessing. We teach each other how to be charitable and think of others each day. From ages 21-86, we never stop learning the value of tzedakah. We realize that our funds are not large enough to support all good causes, but we are still learning.

Natalie, Pace, Karen, Eli, and Asher Robinson  
Third, Fourth, and Fifth Generation Jewish Knoxvilleans

#### Attention KJCFE Fundholders

*SAVE THE DATE*

**April 29, 2012**

11:00 a.m.

Brunch to celebrate our KJCFE Fundholders  
If you are a current member of a fund committee,  
please watch for your invitation in the mail.



### Grants

- ◆ The Knoxville Jewish Alliance received a generous grant from the **Sam and Esther Rosen Enrichment Fund for the Knoxville Jewish Federation** to support their annual campaign.
- ◆ The **B'nai Tzedek** teen philanthropy program awarded a grant to A.H.A.V.A. – “English Learned in a Natural Method”, a non-profit organization in Israel dedicated solely to English literacy promotion among disadvantaged children, to support transporting English books to Israel. The **B'nai Tzedek** teens also awarded a grant to Ben Yakir Youth Aliyah Village to support a youth the village in Israel for Ethiopian Jewish boys ages 12-18. Lastly, the **B'nai Tzedek** participants also awarded a grant to the Jewish National Fund to support their water resource programs in Israel.



## Pat & Gene Rosenberg Fund

Judith Rosenberg and Bernie Rosenblatt surprised Pat and Gene Rosenberg at their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary celebration with the announcement that their friends and family had all made donations in their honor to establish a new donor-advised fund with the KJCFF. Pat and Gene officially signed their new fund document on March 14, 2012. The purpose of the new Pat and Gene Rosenberg Fund is to benefit various organizations and causes, including, but not limited to, Jewish, educational, and environmental organizations.

*Pictured from left-to-right are Judith Rosenberg, Pat Rosenberg, KJCFF President Bernie Rosenblatt, and Gene Rosenberg at the signing of the fund document.*

## Donations (as of March 16, 2012)

### The following people donated to start a new fund in honor of Pat & Gene Rosenberg:

Jeff & Debbie Abrams-Cohen	Heidi and Barry Allen	Jeff & Nancy Becker
Jerry & Sue Becker	Bernard & Anne Bendriem	William & Ellen Berez
Bernie & Barbara Bernstein	Adam Brown & Angie Honeycutt	Marilyn Burnett
Michael Burnett	Andrea Cartwright & Alan Solomon	Arnold & Susan Cohen
Trudy Dreyer	Alon & Karen Ferency	Jeff & Charlene Gubitz
Ernie & Pam Gross	Scott Hahn	Leonard & Barbara Handler
Mark & Carol Harris	Peggy & Gale Hedrick	Heska Amuna Rabbi Discretionary Fund
Betty Hoffman	Charles Edward Hunter	Richard & Jacki Imbrey
Marian Jay	The Kahn Family	Larry & Kay Leibowitz
Mary Beth Leibowitz & Michael Eisenstadt	Harvey & Marilyn Liberman	Steve and Ellen Markman
Carole and Robert Martin	Patrick and Nora Messing	Evan & Jenifer Ohriner
David & Deborah Oleshansky	Philip Oppenheim & Amy Handler	Natalie Robinson
Pace & Karen Robinson	Stephen & Kim Rosen	Bernie & Lesley Rosenblatt
Gilya Schmidt	Arnold & Mary Linda Schwarzbart	Christopher & Jill Van Beke
Linda Van Beke	Esther Webster	

### Heska Amuna Cemetery Fund

- ◆ *Yahrzeits of David Abramson, Fannie Leah Moskowitz, Sam Morrison, Annie Ross Joffe, Lillian Morrison, and Harry Moskowitz*  
Mary Linda and Arnold Schwarzbart

### AJCC Endowment Fund

- ◆ *In Memory of Esther Reich*  
Mary Linda and Arnold Schwarzbart

### Heska Amuna Educational Enrichment Fund

- ◆ Moshe and Ilana Siman-Tov

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# KNOXVILLE HAPPENINGS

## BBYO Honors Former Knoxvilleian

Each spring, BBYO teens attend an International Convention (IC) to plan future events and learn leadership skills. At this spring's IC, the Cotton States Regional BBYO honored AJ Robinson as its Alumni of the Year. A Knoxville native, Robinson now lives in Atlanta, GA. In the group photo, Robinson can be found standing, third from the right, next to Cotton States Regional President Aaron Chasan (fifth from the right) and Nathan Rosen (fourth from the right).

Teens in grades 9-12 who are interested in joining can visit the [bbyo.org](http://bbyo.org) website.



## New Jewish Sports Book Now Available

The folks who brought you the Jewish Baseball cards used part of the income to commission a series of oral history interviews of retired Jewish Major Leaguers. Then they found a treasure trove of previously unpublished interviews done in the 1980s of players from the 1920s, 30s, and 40s, including Hank Greenberg, Al Rosen, Andy Cohen, Sol Rogovin, and Cal Abrams. Twenty-three of these interviews have just been published by McFarland Press, "the" niche publisher of baseball history books. The material is very rich, on both the baseball and the Jewish side. This could be your next "big" Jews in Baseball gift for Passover, Father's Day, birthdays, Chanukah...or yourself.

To order or for information, please visit [www.jewishmajorleaguers.org](http://www.jewishmajorleaguers.org).

## Passover Seder for Everyone

Many families have their own Seder traditions and we all know about the collections of wine stained Maxwell House Haggadahs that our families and grandparents had (have and are still using).

If you are tired of your current Haggadah or never celebrated Pesach at home and want to do it, you might purchase this product online. <http://www.30minuteseder.com/faq.html>.

### 30minute-Seder™

This is the "Must Have" Haggadah written for the contemporary Jewish family. Whether you purchase the book or download the print-your-own version of 30minute-Seder™, this refreshingly brief, Rabbinically approved Passover Haggadah maintains the reverence of Passover while keeping the high points intact. The contemporary gender-neutral text, beautiful full-color illustrations, and Seder songs make for a memorable Passover Seder that engages and entertains the entire family.




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This fun-to-read Passover Haggadah is perfect for the family on the go and appeals to new and experienced Seder participants alike. But don't just take my word for it. Visit their website and see for yourself why The Haggadah That Blends Brevity With Tradition is the "Must Have Haggadah for Passover 2012!"

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>BBYO Spring Convention 9:30a HA-minyan 9:30a TBE-religious school (seder &amp; scholar-in-residence) 9:30a HA-religious sch 10a HA-Gan K'Tan 10a HA-Adult Ed Class 1-3p KJA Passover in the Aisles, Kroger 1-3p Teen Connection</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO room 3-6p Tot basketball, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>6-9:30p fencing, AJCC gym 6p TBE-Exec Comm</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>9-9:45a TOT basketball, AJCC gym 3:15-4p Music N Motion, AJCC gym 4:15p HA-religious sch 5:30-9:30p fencing, gym 5:45p TBE-Midweek Hebrew 6:15p TBE-Adult Ed</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, AJCC gym 11a TBE-News &amp; Schmooze 5-7p basketball practice, gym 7:30p Israeli dancing, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>First Seder (Erev Pesach/Passover)</b> 5:30p HA-Community Seder</p> 	<p><b>7 Passover</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-Shabbat &amp; Passover services 10a TBE-Passover services 7:30p HA-Passover seder</p>
<p><b>8 Passover</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-Passover Services</p>	<p><b>9 Passover</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO room 3-6p Tot basketball, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>10 Passover</b></p> <p>6-9:30p fencing, AJCC gym 6:30p TBE-Board mtg</p>	<p><b>11 Passover</b></p> <p>9-9:45a TOT basketball, AJCC gym 3:15-4p Music N Motion, AJCC gym 4:15p HA-religious sch 5:30-9:30p fencing, gym 5:45p TBE-Midweek Hebrew 6:15p TBE-Adult Ed</p>	<p><b>12 Passover</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, AJCC gym 11a TBE-News &amp; Schmooze 5-7p basketball practice, gym 6:45p Hadassah Board 7p TBE-Yizkor service 7:30-9:30p Israeli dancing, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>13 Passover</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-7th day of Passover services 6p HA-Tot Shabbat 7:30p TBE-Shabbat services</p>	<p><b>14 Passover</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-8th day of Passover and Shabbat Services; Birthday and Anniv. Shabbat</p>
<p><b>15</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-minyan 9:30a TBE-religious sch 9:30a HA-religious sch 10a HA-Adult Ed Class 11a HA-Ed Comm 1-3p AZA Wash and Smear fundraiser, AJCC parking lot 2-4p Hadassah-Hats and Hemlines fashion show</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO room 3-6p Tot basketball, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>6-9:30p fencing, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>9-9:45a TOT basketball, AJCC gym Noon KJA-Lunch &amp; Then Some, Rothchild's 3:15-4p Music N Motion, AJCC gym 4:15p HA-religious sch 5:30-9:30p fencing, gym 5:45p TBE-Midweek Hebrew 6:15p TBE-Adult Ed 6:15p Yom HaShoah Commemoration @ TBE</p>	<p><b>19 Yom HaShoah</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, AJCC gym 2:30p HA-Stitchin' Time 5-7p basketball practice, gym 7:30p HA-Rabbi &amp; Rel Serv 7:30p HA-Klezmer class 7:30p Israeli dancing</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>7:30p TBE-Shabbat services</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-Shabbat services 9:30-10a HA-Jewish Meditation 10:30a HA-Contemporary Service 6p TBE-8th Annual Auction</p>
<p><b>22</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-minyan 9:30a TBE-religious school 9:30a HA-religious sch- Family Fair 10a HA-Adult Ed Class 11a JCOR-Yom Hashoah Observance 12-6p KJA Community Campaign program 1p TBE-Sisterhood program 1:30p AZA mtg, AJCC</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO room 3-6p Tot basketball, AJCC gym 5:30-7p -Dr. Theresa Lee Reception, AJCC 7:30p UT Faculty Lecture, AJCC</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>6-9:30p fencing, AJCC gym 7p AIPAC meeting</p>	<p><b>25 Yom HaZikaron</b></p> <p>9-9:45a TOT basketball, AJCC gym 3:15-4p Music N Motion, AJCC gym 4:15p HA-religious sch 5:30-9:30p fencing, gym 5:45p TBE-Midweek Hebrew 6:15p TBE-Adult Ed</p>	<p><b>26 Yom HaAtzma'ut</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 8:45a Zumba, AJCC gym 5-7p basketball practice, gym 7:30p Israeli dancing, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>6:30p HA-Kabbalat Shabbat Hoot nanny services 7:30p TBE-Shabbat services</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-Shabbat services 10:30a TBE-David Siefert bar mitzvah</p>
<p><b>29</b></p> <p>9:30a HA-minyan 9:30a TBE-religious school 9:30a HA-religious sch 10a HA-Adult Ed Class 10a-2p KJCF fund holders meeting 10:30a HA-Sisterhood Day of Learning</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>7a HA-minyan 1-3:30p Art class, BBYO room 3-6p Tot basketball, AJCC gym</p>	<p><b>AJCC is now hiring camp staff and lifeguards. Apply today by calling (865) 690-6343!</b></p>		<p><b>AIPAC Meeting Sunday, April 24 Details to Follow</b></p>		



## Time and Creativity

By Rabbi Alon Ferency

Recently, Pastor John Ross visited me in my office. We had a lovely meeting, talking about his many decades of service at St. John’s Cathedral, while sharing stories and laughs. On arrival at his pulpit, his first mentor advised him, “Be sure to waste time with people.” He didn’t mean Facebook, Twitter, Fantasy Football, video games, or other compulsive behaviors that go nowhere. I think he was reminding John to take time for tea, a chat in the halls, or a casual conversation that may seem aimless at first. Perhaps John’s mentor was elevating the value of *schmoozing*. Our

sages didn’t have words for leisure, but we do – and that’s not a bad thing.

You might call it the importance of showing up. One chaplain whom I know calls this the value of presence. So much of life depends upon attention – seeing that the bush is burning but not consumed – and we can’t easily do that while hurrying from one task to another. Colleagues and other professionals tell me how hard it is consistently to engage with coworkers in hallway chats. Rushing from one meeting to another, they struggle to make time for others along the way. That’s too bad: a lot of creative exchanges happen in the halls. The labyrinthine and provisional structures of MIT’s Building 20 led to the ferment of ideas behind microwaves, linguistics, high-speed photography, and Bose audio. Moreover, there is a trade-off, between task and process, between getting one’s work done today and building relationships for the future. As a coworker once said to me, “If I give someone a few minutes now in the hall, maybe he’ll give me fifteen when I really need it.”

By now, I’m sure you’ll find it ironic that I am saying this, as I seem to be the most rushed person at the Synagogue, trying to get too much done at once, and rarely slowing down. It’s true; I’m not very good at pausing. But, I am trying to get better. I know that taking deep breaths and slowing down actually help me when I have too much to do – I will feel more relaxed and less stressed. (You too can try it at your work.) Also, I’ve added an office hour Mondays before work, when “Drop-ins” are not just welcomed, but requested, and I plan to add more appointments to my calendar. Just call the office, and Marian will find a time soon!

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## From the Chair of the Board

By Scott Hahn

Passover contains one of the most challenging of all the mitzvot. It is commanded in the Haggadah, that we are to act that we as individuals were personally taken out of slavery from Egypt. This is certainly a difficult concept to put into practice. For almost all of us, slavery is something that we have read about only in the history books. Just like many other concepts, reading cannot convey the full depth of the experience. In the case of slavery, it would be nearly impossible to feel the utter hopelessness and desperation of a slave. So what are the rabbis trying to get us to experience?

Let me try and offer a theory. A slave lacked not only personal freedom, but they lacked almost all the basic experiences that we as free individuals take for granted. For a slave, time was not their own. It belonged to their master. A slave couldn’t plan the simplest of schedules, because their time meant nothing to the master who controls it. A slave was the opposite of our modern consumer; they had no freedom of choice. They wore the clothes that they were given. They ate the food that was provided for them. Finally, the slave was a spectator to history, not a player. The slave had no rights, no means to make their voice heard. Their destiny was controlled by another.

Passover and the Exodus from Egypt, created a paradigm shift that until that time was completely unknown. The slave became a force and mover in history and the Jewish people’s destiny was radically changed forever. I believe the commandment from the Haggadah was placed there to remind us of that. Do we control our schedules or do our schedules control us? Are we making wise choices, or do our choices enslave or actually take away our personal freedom? Are we players in Jewish history, or just bystanders to the events around us? Perhaps memorializing our slavery in Egypt is to remind us of priorities and choices. As slaves, our choices were made for us, but as free people, we help to shape our future for good and for bad. I wish each and every one of you a joyous Passover.

## Pesach

A Heska Amuna Pesach Packet is available to all members on Heska Amuna Synagogue's website or can be e-mailed to you upon request. It contains several items to answer many of your Pesach questions and to give you times for Pesach services. Please read the packet carefully - you will benefit and our community will benefit by your actions. It includes:

- ◆ A Pesach 5772 schedule
- ◆ A Sale of Hametz (wheat, rye, oats, barley, spelt, or anything made from those items) contract
- ◆ A guide to kashrut for Pesach by the Rabbinical Assembly

If you have any questions, please ask. Interested in selling your hametz? The Pesach guide has a contract inside.

Are you having a seder this year? Do you have room for one or two more? This is your opportunity to give special meaning to the words in your Haggadah: "Let all who are hungry come and eat. Let all who are needy come and celebrate the Passover." Call the Synagogue at 522-0701 and let us know if you would like to have guests for your Seder.

If you do not have a place to go for Seder, please contact the Synagogue as well and we will find a home for you. WE ARE A JEWISH COMMUNITY; PLEASE BE A PART OF IT BY ALLOWING US THE PLEASURE OF INCLUDING YOU!



### SCHEDULE FOR PESACH - 5772

EREV 1ST DAY OF PESACH ~ Friday, April 6 ~ 1st Seder at Heska Amuna at 5:30 p.m. ~ Candlelighting 7:44 p.m.

1ST DAY OF PESACH ~ Saturday, April 7 ~ Services at 9:30 a.m. ~ Candlelighting after 8:48 p.m.; Second Seder

2ND DAY OF PESACH ~ Sunday, April 8 ~ Services at 9:30 a.m.; Candlelighting 8:49 p.m.

EREV 7TH DAY OF PESACH ~ Thursday, April 12 ~ Candlelighting at 7:49 p.m.

7TH DAY OF PESACH ~ Friday, April 13 ~ Services at 9:30 a.m. ~ Candlelighting 7:50 p.m.

8TH DAY OF PESACH ~ Saturday, April 14 ~ Services at 9:30 a.m. ~ Yizkor is recited.

## From the President

By Gilya Schmidt

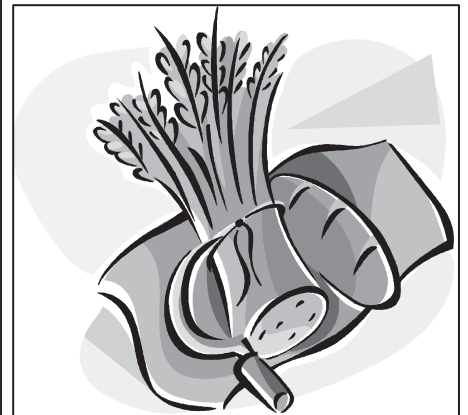
Aviv and Sivan – two magical names in the Jewish calendar. Confusing as it may be that once upon a time the month of Sivan was the first month in the Jewish year while now it is not, it does make sense that the new year would begin in Spring (aviv). "Spring is busting out all over..." as the popular song goes, especially in East Tennessee, with a kaleidoscope of dazzling blooms and an entire spectrum of luscious greens. It makes sense that we would be eager to prepare our homes for the lovely Spring extravaganza we call Pesach (Passover), and that we look forward to this most happy of Jewish festivals in our calendar. It also makes sense that the Israelites would start their new year with the exodus from Egypt; for them, it was truly a new beginning.

We are commanded not only to celebrate Passover in remembrance of the ancient Feast of Unleavened Bread, but to actually live it. We are the Israelites, today, in Knoxville, Tennessee, at Heska Amuna Synagogue. So what does that mean? It means that we are free, but free to do what? We are free to accept or reject an entire litany of practices and ideas. Beginning with basics, we decide whether we want to be Jews, what kind of Jews we want to be, whether we want to belong to a synagogue; if so, in what way do we want to participate in the life of the synagogue, whether we are passive or active participants, whether we want our children to have a Jewish education, where our preferences lie, which types of services are to our liking, or whether we like services at all, and what we want our contribution to the synagogue to be.

What it comes down to is - freedom binds. We are free to make a commitment, to take ownership of the things we love at our shul. If we don't, they may go away. This Passover, when we sing "Dayenu," let's remember that God is always committed to us. God didn't say "Dayenu" to us, but kept going. God still does things for us, every day. Perhaps this Passover we might consider that what we have done for Heska Amuna is not enough, but that - on the model of God - we want to renew our commitment to our shul and to the things we love at Heska Amuna, and thereby honor God. *Hag Sameach v'kasher.*

## 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.*



**Stay tuned for details on a Shavuot fundraiser.**



## 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.

## Sisterhood Morning of Learning

Sunday, April 29, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

### The Apocrypha

What are these writings that didn't make it into our Tanakh? Why didn't they make the cut? Heska Amuna Sisterhood is sponsoring a delightful morning of learning and we'll be looking at the Apocrypha, delving into the wisdom of Ben Sirach and the adventures of Tobiah. We'll end the morning with a tasty light luncheon and hope for the participation of any interested member of the greater Knoxville community. RSVP to Peggy Littmann at [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net) or 588-6661.



## Sponsor a Kiddush! It's 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 Kiddushim in March: **Ken Levine** and **Peri** in memory of **David Levine**; **Leon Hasden** in memory of wife **Dale** and other family members.



## Among Our Members

- ◆ Get well wishes go to the following people who were ill or recuperating: **Elaine Brown**, **Eliyahu ben Shulamit**, **Bernie Iroff**, **Cheryl Kaplan**, **David Linwood**, and **Judy Rattner**.
- ◆ Mazal tov to: **Mark Littmann** and family on his being recognized for his teaching during UT Faculty Week. Littmann is the Julia G. and Alfred G. Hill Chair of Excellence in Science, Technology, and Medical Writing in the School of Journalism and Electronic Media at the University of Tennessee. He teaches classes in science writing and writes books, articles, and plays about astronomy. He also is the UT Science Forum program chairman, which offers free weekly noontime popular science presentations by researchers from UT, ORNL, and the surrounding region; **Evelyn** and **Steve Oberman** on daughter **Rachael's** marriage to **James Ellis**; **Nora** and **Patrick Messing**, **Helene** and **George Messing**, **Joyce York** and **Michael Messing** and **Karen** and **Daniel Messing** on son, grandson and nephew **Jason's** engagement to **Staci Sweeney**; **Noah Mesa** and parents, **Shuli** and **Gabe** on becoming a Bar Mitzvah in Valdosta, GA.

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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](http://www.heskaamuna.org)

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## HA Religious School News

### Religious School Family Fair Sunday, April 22 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



*Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron, & Yom Ha'Atzmaut*

Join us for a day of family education! What are all these “yom” holidays? Why are they not in the Torah? Why are they so close together? How do we teach our children the importance of these modern commemorative days? Bring your entire family and let’s learn together! Our Family Fairs include group learning as well as chances for families to choose activities and explore values, texts, and projects that are meaningful and interesting to them. This is a great opportunity to try something new as a family or to learn more about things you already do together.

### Tot Shabbat

Friday, April 13, 6:00 p.m.

### PASSOVER Shabbat Dinner & Services for Young Families

Shabbat dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. and is only \$15 per family for a delicious kosher-for-Passover 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!**

**\*\*Please RSVP to Anna Iroff, [education@heskaamuna.org](mailto:education@heskaamuna.org) or 522-0701 by Monday, April 8.\*\* (Please note the change in price for the Passover meal.)**



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

### Things to Remember!

#### Upcoming School Events

- ◆ Sunday, April 1 – **Religious School, PreK – Prozdor and Gan K’tan**
- ◆ Wednesday, April 4 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Friday, April 6 – **Community Seder at Heska Amuna**
- ◆ Sunday, April 8 – **No Classes – Passover**
- ◆ Wednesday, April 11 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Friday, April 13 – **Tot Shabbat, dinner and services, 6:00 p.m.**
- ◆ Saturday, April 14 – **Family Minyan**
- ◆ Sunday, April 15 – **Religious School, PreK – Prozdor**
- ◆ Wednesday, April 18 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Sunday, April 22 – **Family Fair, families preK – Prozdor**
- ◆ Wednesday, April 25 – **Religious School, grades 3-6**
- ◆ Sunday, April 29 – **Religious School, PreK – Prozdor**



### Todah Rabbah To Our Friends and Supporters!

Thank you to the following people who made generous donations to the Religious School:

- ◆ **Albert, Isaac, and Jack Hazen, their families, and great-grandchildren Jacob, Ben, and Rebecca Hale** in loving memory Fortunata and Sabby Hazen.
- ◆ **Marian Jay** in honor of Marilyn Burnett.
- ◆ **Pat & Gene Rosenberg** in honor of Sue Becker’s birthday.



## Adult Education

**Beginning Hebrew with Peggy Littmann.** Sunday mornings 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.  
Contact Peggy, [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net) or 588-6661.

**Liturgy Class with Miriam Weinstein.** Sunday mornings 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Contact Peggy Littmann, [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net) or 588-6661.

**Intermediate Hebrew with David Hull:** Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Contact David, [hull5@comcast.net](mailto:hull5@comcast.net) or 691-2037.

**Torah, Society, and Politics with Michael Zemel:** Sunday mornings, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Contact Michael, [mzemel@utk.edu](mailto:mzemel@utk.edu) or 922-0149.

**The Introduction to Judaism Class, taught by Rabbi Alon Ferency, Rabbi Beth Schwartz,** and others on Thursdays, through May 3rd. Classes will be held alternately at Heska Amuna Synagogue and Temple Beth El starting at 7:00 p.m. Contact Heska Amuna at [admin@heskaamuna.org](mailto:admin@heskaamuna.org).

## Clubs Information

**Bicycling Club,** Susan Silber at [ssilber09@gmail.com](mailto:ssilber09@gmail.com), or 805-3047

**Dining Club,** Vicki Myers at [vickigmyers@yahoo.com](mailto:vickigmyers@yahoo.com), or 573-7230

**Chanting Meditation,** Ellen Kern at [egkern@gmail.com](mailto:egkern@gmail.com), or 254-8593

**Film Buffs,** Harriet Glasman at [hmglas@tds.net](mailto:hmglas@tds.net), or 671-2698

**Tzedek (Social Justice),** Harriet Cooper at [spock52@prodigy.net](mailto:spock52@prodigy.net), or 671-4376

**Cue Club (Billiards),** Larry Leibowitz at [lpl@leibowitzfirm.com](mailto:lpl@leibowitzfirm.com), or 637-1809

**Teva (Nature),** Marc Forman at [marcforman@hotmail.com](mailto:marcforman@hotmail.com), or 705-7075

**Yoga,** Marion Bayer at [siesta2r@bellsouth.net](mailto:siesta2r@bellsouth.net), or 769-4236

**Stitchin' Time,** Marion Bayer at [siesta2r@bellsouth.net](mailto:siesta2r@bellsouth.net) or 769-4236

**Shofar Blowing** classes on 1st Thursday of each month from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Klezmer Music** classes on 2nd and 3rd Thursday of each month - 7:30 - 8:30 p.m., David Perkins at [perkinsmusic@bellsouth.net](mailto:perkinsmusic@bellsouth.net) or 525-5846.



## Meet Our New Members

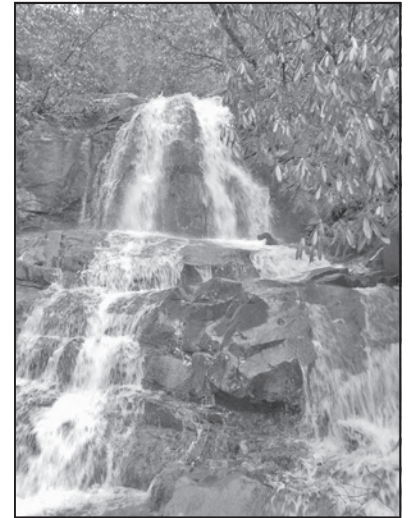
**Anna Waldman** – Anna was born and raised in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a lifelong Pirates and Steelers fan and has two adult children, David and Lisa. While living in the Northwest, she taught Sunday school, was an activist and moved to Seattle where she spent 20 years in marketing/promotions. Anna moved to Kingston in January 2006, and currently works part-time for United HealthCare, selling AARP Supplements and Advantage Plans. She enjoys her two dogs, likes entertaining, decorating, gardening, playing the organ, all the arts, volunteering, humor, telling stories, taking pictures and producing slide shows. Anna's address is 184 Newport Way, Kingston, TN. 37763; phone number is 382-4626 and e-mail is [awaldman06@comcast.net](mailto:awaldman06@comcast.net).

**Bella and David Wolitz** - Bella and David moved to Knoxville from Washington, D.C. last summer along with Michael, their 15-month-old son and their 8-year-old terrier. They live in Knoxville's Fourth and Gill neighborhood. David is an associate professor of law at the University of Tennessee's College of Law and is teaching courses in criminal procedure, criminal law, and jurisprudence. Bella is also an attorney and has worked for both non-profits and government agencies. In D.C., Bella served as assistant legislative counsel, a management position in the Department of the Interior's Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs. In Knoxville, she is working in the Department of the Interior's Office of the Field Solicitor, practicing in the areas of Indian law and natural resources law. David grew up in Austin, Texas, and Bella grew up in Hallowell, a small town in central Maine. Tennessee is arguably a midway point between their home turfs and they both enjoy travel, hiking, and cooking. David spent two years living in Japan and Bella spent three summers based in Kazakhstan and traveling throughout Central Asia.

**Sandy Parker and Steve Beber** – both Sandy and Steve were born in the Bronx, New York during WWII, however they didn't meet and marry until 1994. Together they have four children and eight grandchildren, most of them living in the northeast - Boston, Connecticut, New Jersey and one daughter lives here in Knoxville. Sandy says she's blessed to have both her parents who are alive and on Long Island. They moved to Knoxville last October from Albany, New York. Steve was a custom broker, freight forwarder for over 35 years and after they married and moved upstate, Steve went back to school to become an insurance broker. Sandy was a school teacher then a high school principal until she retired in 2000. Afterwards she opened a quilt shop in Chatham, New York that she owned until they moved south, to be here near their daughter and her family, Jenny and David Wood, Ellie and Max. They've been enjoying Knoxville and their new home in Roefield Manor and also have enjoyed the many activities the synagogue has offered since they've been here. Their address is 9230 Scots Pine Lane, 37922; phone number is 288-4051 and email is [sandycpb@gmail.com](mailto:sandycpb@gmail.com).

## Clubs Update

A couple of pictures of the first hike, taken at Laurel Falls by Marc Forman, coordinator of the Hiking Club. Come join in the fun next time.



## Contributions From Caring People

For a list of synagogue funds, please visit [www.heskaamuna.org](http://www.heskaamuna.org).  
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By: Jane and Sheldon Cohen  
*Elizabeth Farkas*  
By: Alice and Walter Farkas

# TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES



## From the Rabbi's Study

By Rabbi Beth Schwartz

Passover is the time of our liberation from bondage, "the season of our freedom." There are many kinds of slavery, and our tradition reminds us of the necessity of spending 40 years in the wilderness in order to free ourselves from the bonds of narrow thinking in order to appreciate the privileges and responsibilities of freedom.

In Hebrew, it is possible to make a word play on *Mitzraim*, Egypt, and "narrow places." In their constant complaining and rebellions, the Israelites who left Egypt could not imagine a future that was so different from their generations in slavery to Pharaoh. To borrow a phrase, they were looking to the future through a rear-view mirror, still in thrall to their old world. This is a mindset that has plagued people from that time to this day, and even as our tradition holds fast to the customs and experiences of the past, it has adapted to the present and prepared for the future.

We, too, want to honor our roots and our heritage. But as Rabbi Jacob Marcus (*z"l*) reminded us, we cannot live in the past, nor should we want to. As we sit at our seder tables and say, "Next year in Jerusalem," we express our hopes for a happy, healthy, and secure tomorrow. As we remember where we come from, may we look ahead with clear and creative vision for ourselves and our children. *Chag sameach!*



## Mah Nishtanah Ha-Laila Ha-Zeh?

By Deborah Roberts

Why is this year's seder different from all other seders? This year, the first night of Passover falls on a Friday. Instead of having Shabbat services at Temple, we are encouraging our members to celebrate this most cherished tradition at home - with family and friends. But what about those with no Seder to attend? We need to make certain that everyone in our congregation can make it across our symbolic Sea of Reeds one more time.

I personally consider myself blessed to have had seder with my family every year of my life, except for one. That was the year of the Blizzard of '93 - which occurred the day after my grandmother passed away. There was no way we could handle preparing a seder. Thankfully, Karen Smith recognized my plight and kindly invited John and me to partake with her family. That was a special blessing - one I have never forgotten.

This year, many of our members may have no seder of their own to attend. We want to insure that **all** of our members make it across the Sea of Reeds. If you still have - or can make - an extra seat or two at your table, please contact the office right away. Also, let us know if you need a place to have seder, or know someone who does. We will do our best to match up hosts and guests.

What better way to show that we are truly a Temple family?

9 Nisan - 8 Iyyar, 5772

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## April Services

**April 6, FIRST NIGHT OF PASSOVER – NO SERVICES** at Temple Beth EL

**April 7, 10:30 a.m.** – Shabbat morning Festival service for the first morning of Passover

**April 12, 7:00 p.m.** - Yizkor service

**April 13, 7:30 p.m.** – Shabbat evening service, with music from the 2011 URJ Biennial

**April 20, 5:45 p.m.** - Family Shabbat service, led by Religious School students

**April 20, 7:30 p.m.** – Shabbat evening service, led by the Religious School Third Grade

**April 27, 7:30 p.m.** – Shabbat evening service

**April 28, 10:30 a.m.** – Bar Mitzvah of David Seifert

## Passover 5772/2012

For the first time in a long time, Passover will begin on a Friday night. For the members of Temple Beth El, this will mean that we will



not have services at the Temple on Friday evening, but we will gather in our homes for the first seder. On Saturday morning, there will be a Shabbat morning Festival service, adding the celebration of Passover to the beauty of Shabbat worship.

## New Music From The Reform Movement

Join Rabbi Schwartz, Norma James, and our choir on Friday, April 13 to hear and enjoy some of the beautiful new melodies for Shabbat prayer that were introduced at the 2011 URJ Biennial in Washington D.C. this fall.

Be inspired and uplifted by today's songwriters. You already know the words! All are welcome to take this opportunity to listen learn and even give feedback on new music for worship, some of which has been written especially for *Miskan T'filah*.



## It's Time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El

By Karen Smith, Sisterhood Liaison

Todah rabah to everyone who helped with Shabbat for Hunger, Healing, and Hope on February 10. Whether you helped with shopping, brought a soup, chili, or dessert, helped with set up or clean up for the dinner/Oneg, hosted the Oneg, set up tables, helped collect the money, baked bread, helped with the luminaries, TEAM Sisterhood thanks you for your contributions. The money we raised has been donated to MAZON and East Tennessee Second Harvest Food Bank/Marty's Mission.

Sisterhood will have a busy May beginning with Sunday, May 6 when we honor Rabbi Beth Schwartz at a Chai Tea from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the home of Phyllis Hirsh. Please RSVP to Phyllis.

Then on Thursday, May 17, Sisterhood will have its annual "Sisterhood Goes Out." This year we will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Puleo's Grille, 260 N. Peters Road (corner of Cedar Bluff and Peters Road), 691-1960. The \$18.00 charge for dinner will include your choice of one of six entrees, coffee or tea, and gratuity. Our guest speaker for the evening will be WBIR/Channel 10's Robin Wilhoit who will talk about her life as a TV news anchor. Please RSVP to Mimi Brody or Kathy Young by Monday, May 14.

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

See you at Sisterhood!

## ALL THAT JAZZ Temple Beth El's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction Saturday, April 21 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

**We are still looking for support from our community, congregation and friends to help support the Temple's biggest fundraiser of the year!**

Any new item, restaurant gift card, gift certificate or service you can donate would be greatly appreciated. To make a donation or ask a question, please contact Amy Rosenberg 356-6830 or Phyllis Hirsh 675-0584. We thank you in advance for support this event.

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.

**Please come and join us for an incredible exciting evening!**



## Temple Beth El Religious School April Update

By Norma James, Education Director, [nfjames77@gmail.com](mailto:nfjames77@gmail.com)

### Rabbi Sam Joseph will visit for the weekend of March 30 - April 1

We are very lucky to have Sam Joseph from HUC in Cincinnati as our Scholar-in-Residence. I encourage our parents to attend the activities on Friday and Saturday. However, Sunday is our turn! There will be sessions for our students, our teachers, AND our parents. Mark your calendar for all three of these days.

### Religious School Seder Sunday, April 1

Passover is by far my favorite holiday, and I always look forward to our annual school Passover Seder. This year we have even more to celebrate. Sam Joseph will be our special guest. Our parents do an outstanding job of preparing, setting up, and serving our students and staff. It is also well attended by all. If you want to see something truly beautiful, come and watch our beautiful children. Our Confirmation class will lead the Seder, Rabbi Joseph, and Rabbi Beth. I love this event!

### There will be NO Religious School Sunday, April 8 for Passover Break

### Pizza Dinner for Midweek classes 5:45 p.m., April 4:

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

### Don't miss Friday night Shabbat on April 20!

**Part 1: Early Service (5:45 p.m.)** led by the 1st and 2nd Grades with assistance from the preschool and Kindergarten students. Our teachers Emily Hoffman, Alicia Carter, Rachel Blueze, and E.L. Gordon invite you to join their classes for this very special service lead by our younger students. We ask the parents of these students to bring a small item to share at the oneg. I suggest juice, veggies, cheese, crackers, and a few sweets.

**Part 2: Regular Service (7:30 p.m.)** The Third graders will lead this service. This marks the first time they will lead a 7:30 p.m. service. Their teacher, Daniel Roberts, and their Hebrew teacher, Laurie Fisher, have been preparing the class for this important step. I hope the congregation will support our young people. They take this holy responsibility very seriously. The parents of these children will host the oneg.

### Last day for Midweek class is April 25

It is hard to believe that the year is coming to a close. Norma, Laurie, Alex, and Amber have some special activities to celebrate our last session. Don't miss it!

### David Seifert becomes a Bar Mitzvah Saturday, April 28:

Please join the Seifert family at 10:30 a.m. as David is called to the Torah. It seems like just yesterday that his brother Sam celebrated this same mitzvah. David will do an outstanding job, and we hope that our Religious School family will be there is support.

### Lock-In Overnight for 4th-8th Grades Saturday, May 5:

Our 4th-8th grade students are very excited about having a very special Lock-In to end the school year. Norma is planning some exciting activities for the students. We will spend the night in the Temple and join the rest of the Religious School for our Last Day Celebration on Sunday. The evening begins at 5:00 p.m. and the cost is \$9.00 per child. Please contact Norma James to register your child.

[nfjames77@gmail.com](mailto:nfjames77@gmail.com)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**April 1:** Sam Joseph visits Religious School

**April 1:** Religious School Seder 11:15

**April 4:** Midweek Classes: Pizza dinner 5:45 p.m.

**April 8:** No Religious School (Passover Break)

**April 20:** 5:45 Service (Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Grade leaders)

**April 20:** Third grade leads services at 7:30 p.m.

**April 25:** Last Midweek Class

**April 28:** David Seifert Bar Mitzvah Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

**May 5:** TBE Sleepover (4th-8th grades)

**May 6:** Last Day of Religious School

## TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES

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**It's Showtime, Folks!**  
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# All That Jazz

**Temple Beth El's**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction**  
**April 21, 2012**

**Only 3 weeks until this year's biggest event!**  
**Get your Tickets Now and Save!**

**\$25 (must be purchased by April 17)**

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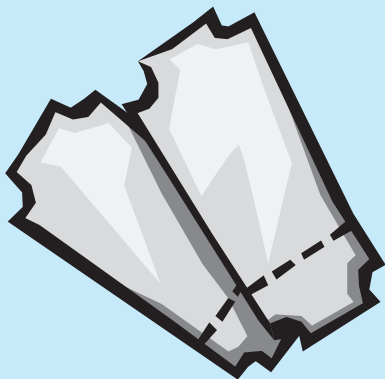
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An evening honoring **Rabbi Beth Schwartz** will be held **Thursday, June 7**

The Place: The Crowne Plaza Hotel  
401 Summit Hill Drive  
Knoxville, Tennessee

The Time: 6:30 p.m.

The Menu: Choose Tuscan Chicken Roulade, Tennessee Grilled Salmon or Seasonal Vegetable

The Price: \$50.00 person (includes wine)

RSVP: Temple Beth El  
3035 Kingston Pike  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37939-0325  
Phone: (865) 524-3521

Sponsors for the event are welcome

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# MITZVAHS

## David Nathaniel Seifert

Son of Dr. Phillip and Mrs. Maria Seifert, brother to Rachel and Samuel, will be called to the Bema as he becomes a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 28th, 2012.

David resides in Knoxville, Tn., where he attends Webb School of Knoxville, maintaining an A grade average. His academic interests lie in the fields of American History, Literature and Art.

In addition to being involved in many sports, especially boxing, basketball and soccer, David appreciates music- listening to all avenues of such, playing the trumpet, and learning to play the guitar.

He enjoys the outdoors- hiking, skiing, swimming, and body boarding are just a few of his favorite activities. Home life includes his devoted dog, Bow, but his many pets have included Bear, his hamster, as well as a sweet garden snake, chirping birds and a cat that befriended David.

David's Torah portion and Mitzvah project is to bring light upon the underdog in the world - whether man or beast. The unfairly judged, rejected, excluded, forgotten beings, who deserve our respect, support, and acceptance.

As David nears his passage into manhood, in our Jewish community, his family and friends are very proud of his accomplishments, and what a fine young man he is becoming.



### Support Heska Amuna and Temple Beth El Buy Grocery Store Certificates

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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*

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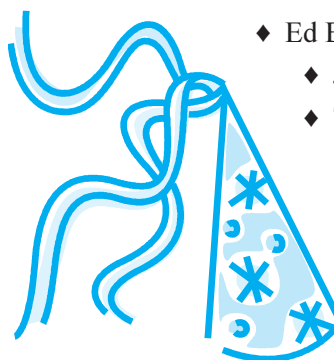
## Heska Amuna Synagogue

### Happy Anniversary!

Carol and Steve Abeles  
 Nora and Patrick Messing  
 Annette and Barry Winston  
 Deborah and Burt Routman  
 Kathy and Don Goldstein  
 Jeanne and Will Kidd  
 Judy and Abraham Brietstein



### Happy Birthday!



◆ Ed Balloff ◆ Martin Abrams  
 ◆ Jeff Weinstein ◆ Michael Zemel  
 ◆ Terry Silver-Alford  
 ◆ Bella Wolitz ◆ Marion Bayer  
 ◆ Stephen Cohen ◆ Ellen Berez  
 ◆ David Linwood  
 ◆ Marilyn Solomon  
 ◆ Debbie Abrams-Cohen  
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 ◆ Nancy Britcher ◆ Jeff Gubitz ◆ Marian Jay  
 ◆ Irwin Gordon ◆ Carole Mandel ◆ Kathy Goodfriend  
 ◆ Sheldon Cohen ◆ Brandy Pearl

*All members whose birthday or anniversary occurs in April are invited to receive a blessing at kiddush on Shabbat morning, April 14.*

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### Happy Birthday!

◆ Zahavah Clayman ◆ Beverly Hancock ◆ Megan Koller ◆ Mark Kline  
 ◆ Janice Feinman ◆ Jacquelyn Warden ◆ William Kronick  
 ◆ Shirley Freedman ◆ Jessica Arbital  
 ◆ Rebecca Clayman ◆ Jeffrey Hirsh  
 ◆ Sarah Over ◆ Dan Altshuler ◆ Marc Berman  
 ◆ Riley Goodfriend ◆ Elaine Noon  
 ◆ Jordan Snow ◆ Linnette Montalvo  
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 ◆ Aaron Schoenfeld ◆ Marsha Gross  
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 ◆ Jeff Gubitz ◆ David Seifert ◆ Charles Dickey  
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 ◆ Bradley Bain ◆ Neil Moss ◆ Babyling Pais  
 ◆ Andrew Sandberg ◆ Daniel Smith  
 ◆ W. Raines ◆ Irina Abrams ◆ Adam Wohl



### Happy Anniversary!

Ron and Vicki Sebold  
 Harold and Shirley Freedman  
 Harvey and Judy Kaufman  
 Alan Gassel and  
 Wendy Graziani  
 Bernard and Shirley  
 Levenson  
 Andy and Zoya Loebel  
 Dan and Nancy Altshuler  
 Arthur and Mimi Pais  
 Stu and Jan Elston  
 Jeff and Kaye Goodfriend  
 Will and Jeanne Kidd

# JAHRZEIT

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### April 6

- ◆ William Orleck ◆ Anna Davidoff ◆ Stuart Bowen Elston ◆ Sam Chandler ◆ Victor Thomas ◆ Joseph Bernard
- ◆ Morris Goodfriend ◆ Jeter Mace ◆ Pearl Newman ◆ Gladys Steinberg ◆ Simon Sunshine ◆ Ida Levenson
- ◆ Fannie Fisher Harris ◆ Mollie Zauber

### April 13

- ◆ Charlotte Kayser ◆ Anna Bohn ◆ Russell Concors ◆ Sarah Goldfarb ◆ Mitchell Plachter ◆ Natalie Zivi ◆ Julian Lewis
- ◆ Rebecca Mendelowitz ◆ Allen Scheff ◆ Diana Feldman ◆ Freida Freedman ◆ Walter James ◆ Abe Katz ◆ Berta Moss
- ◆ Lucien Oury ◆ Golda Margolies ◆ Dorothy Salus ◆ Evelyn Nash ◆ Cynthia Sheldon

### April 20

- ◆ Helen Ecker ◆ Bert Sheldon ◆ Jane Taubman ◆ Rosa Deitch ◆ Blanche Farmer ◆ Louis Lippner ◆ Tillie Slovis
- ◆ Mabel Wayburn ◆ Mildred Wohl ◆ David Johnson ◆ Lillian Kramer ◆ Herman Rozolsky ◆ Infant Altshuler ◆ Jayne Eisen
- ◆ Harvey Golden ◆ Louis Sturm ◆ Max Cohn ◆ Alex Katz ◆ Rita Kelleher ◆ Arthur Marchand

### April 27

- ◆ Mayme Goodfriend ◆ Sidney Katz ◆ William Derrington ◆ Rabbi Harold Rubens ◆ Douglas Bucher ◆ Norman Popkin
- ◆ Louis Sackron ◆ Harry Robert Schwartz ◆ Dr. Sylvain Fribourg ◆ Bessie Green ◆ Betram Raskin ◆ Ruth Block
- ◆ Allen Kravitz ◆ Naum Safro ◆ Rae Allen ◆ David Baker ◆ Helen Dietch ◆ John Martin Elston ◆ Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger
- ◆ Leopold Levi ◆ Joseph Levitt, Sr.

## *Heska Amuna Synagogue*

### April 7

- ◆ Bessie Green ◆ Dorothy Icové-Krause ◆ Gertrude Roth ◆ Yetta Rosenfield ◆ Albert Zelfman ◆ Rose Belaief ◆ David Hecht
- ◆ Luna Anidjar ◆ Sylvia Blumenthal ◆ Arthur Jay ◆ Harry Brietstein ◆ Samuel Brody ◆ Harry Cohen ◆ Arthur Hahn
- ◆ Norbert Slovis ◆ Gustav Levi ◆ Yetta Licht ◆ Frances Klavans ◆ Don Wittenberg

### April 14

- ◆ Abe Emelfarb ◆ Charles Goldstein ◆ Minnie Isaacs ◆ Rebecca Mendelowitz ◆ Israel Farkas ◆ Martin Ginsburg
- ◆ Michael Belaief ◆ Bessie Silverman ◆ Peggy Ades ◆ Isadore Finkelstein ◆ Mickey Billig ◆ Louis Sturm ◆ Golda Margolies
- ◆ Lawrence Abrams ◆ Bennie Deitch ◆ Bernard Landis ◆ I.W. Millen ◆ Nathan Millen ◆ Jacob Sandweiss

### April 21

- ◆ Joseph Strauss ◆ Ilene Edelman ◆ Esther Himmelstein ◆ Max Kronrad ◆ Esther Levine ◆ Helen Swetsky ◆ Claire Gettinger
- ◆ Gussie Joffe ◆ Rose Shagan ◆ Pyna Greenbaum ◆ Nathan Hander ◆ Joseph Ades ◆ Molly Fayonsky ◆ Charlotte Kayser
- ◆ Margaret Miner ◆ Esther Rosen ◆ Mildred Rosenblatt ◆ Rose Sherman ◆ Tillie Slovis

### April 28

- ◆ Sarah Lipshin ◆ Rose Rosenthal ◆ Morris Ross ◆ Shirley Chasan ◆ Israel Gruenberg ◆ Ada Manas ◆ Allen Rosen
- ◆ Sara Dixon ◆ Claire Evans ◆ Rosa Frumin ◆ Mariam Goodstein Stein ◆ Gerd Abeles ◆ Bernard Belaief ◆ Selma Smullian
- ◆ Samuel Billig ◆ Charlotte Cooper ◆ Fannie Leibowitz ◆ Bessie Millen ◆ Ruth Oleshansky ◆ Isaac Levin ◆ Ella Levison
- ◆ Celia Rosenblatt

# Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



## From the President

By Sig Mosko

We have enjoyed another round of the famous JCOR Ah-Men Feast. Our dinner and social hour was catered by Larry Hoffman (Everyday Epicurean). Larry did a great job and we certainly recommend him if anyone needs a kosher caterer.

Our Silent Auction raised some money for the congregation and helped move lots of little treasures from one member's home to another's. Our evening was capped off with great musical entertainment by Terry Alford, Katy Wolfe-Zahn, and Emma Silver-Alford. This very successful fund raising event required the help of many members of our congregation who are too numerous to mention here. Hopefully we will be able to try it again in a few years.



*A Rosh Hodesh Shevat program on January 24 was hosted by Temple Beth El Sisterhood for the Sisterhoods of JCOR, Heska Amuna, and TBE. Guest speaker Dr. Elisa Carandina of UT's Department of Religious*

*Studies discussed Motherhood in Contemporary Hebrew Literature. Pictured sitting are Liz Gassel, Susan Gunning, and Linda Bell; standing are Rebecca Lane, Karen Smith and Eileen Handler; an animated Anne Greenbaum speaks to Dr. Carandina in the background.*

## Upcoming Events

### Rabbi's Study Session

This month's study session will cover *Ze'ev (Vladimir) Zhabotinsky – the most controversial of great Jewish leaders*. Join us Saturday, April 21, after Shabbat morning services.

### Jewish Film Series

April's film will be *I Have Never Forgotten You* (2006, PG-13). Richard Trank's documentary tells the remarkable story of Nazi hunter Simon Wiesenthal. After losing nearly 90 family members in the Holocaust and surviving a death camp, Wiesenthal helped track down more than 1,000 war criminals. Join us Wednesday, April 18, at 7:00 p.m. This film will be part of the Yom HaShoah commemoration program.

### JCOR Observes Yom HaShoah - Sunday, April 22

The annual observance of Yom HaShoah will take place in the sanctuary of Beth El Synagogue on Sunday, April 22 at 11:00 a.m.

Children of our Religious School (past and present), their parents, and friends will participate in this year's observance which is dedicated to the 1.5 million Jewish children who perished during the Holocaust. We shall light the six memorial candles. Poems, essays, and songs will be recited on this solemn occasion. For more information, contact Mira Kimmelman at 483-7972.

*Nona Poole's kippot crocheting class, which meets Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Contact Brenda Mosko for more information at 483-9463.*



*The Singing Waiters of JCOR, Steve Berger, Jim Bogard, Don Carlson, Hilary Shreter, Monty Lewis, Sig Mosko, Ron Sternfels, Bruce Tomkins.*



# Hadassah Highlights

## A Note From the President

By Cindy Pasi, President



From our beginning, Hadassah women have given of their resources to help build a nation. From our beginning, we've educated both Jew and non-Jew in the land of Israel. From our beginning, we've treated the sick with dignity and care- friend and enemy, poor and rich, Jew and non-Jew. From our beginning, we've valued each Hadassah member, whether she

donated modest amounts or mega millions. From our beginning, a woman rose through the ranks of Hadassah leadership through merit and hard work not wealth or social position. Hadassah was and is unique among all organizations. This past year, almost 60,000 women, an astounding number, became new Members for Life. This should not be a surprise! We are that very model that the Seder and Jewish law has advocated for thousands of years. We value life and we choose life! Chag Pesach Sameah!! Happy Passover holiday!

## Hamentashen Bake a Yummy Event

Thursday, February 23 was a beautiful day. But the evening weather

reports warned of a severe storm coming, with hail and high winds. Still, on that evening, approximately 20 Hadassah members joined together to share hamentashen they had made with the community and each other. We caught up with old friends and made some new ones that evening. We learned some new things about Purim and got stumped over word puzzles.

Hadassah found its beginnings in February 1912, and on February 24, 2012 was Henrietta Szold's

yahrzeit. It was very moving to hear this group of women saying Kaddish together for this woman who was the driving force behind this organization



*Kathy Goldstein collects some special treats.*

that has done so much for so many for 100 years. It is always a pleasure to be with Hadassah women. Thank you to Judi Abrams and Nora Messing for planning this event. It was a great evening. Isn't it time you joined in the hard work and the fun!



*Hostesses Julie Abrams and Nora Messing show off delicious hamentashen.*

## Help Israel By Purchasing Tree or Water Certificates

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](mailto:mayfayjay@aol.com) to arrange for a tree or water certificate to be sent out for you.

# Hats, Hemlines, and Hadassah

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Hadassah Members, Associates, and Guests Welcomed

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## Large Certificates

Large certificates recently mailed include certificates:

- ◆ In memory of **Dolly Golinkin**, widow of Heska Amuna's former Rabbi, **Noah Golinkin**, and mother of sons **Abe** and **David Golinkin**
- ◆ In memory of **Rita Satloff Jacobs**, mother of **Barbara** (and **Ron**) **Isenberg**
- ◆ In memory of **Romayne Eisenstadt**, mother of **Michael** (and **Mary Beth Leibowitz**), **Mark**, and **Steven Eisenstadt**

Correction:

- ◆ In memory of **Dr. Harold Winston**, husband of **Rebecca Winston**; father of **Jerry** and **Lisa**, **Larry** and **Barbara**, and **Barry** and **Annette Winston**

## Thank You Notes

Dear members of Hadassah,

At a time of our great loss, it is comforting to know that so many of you remembered Harold by donating to Hadassah. We are grateful for that expression of sympathy.

Annette Winston  
For the family.

Thank you for your kind words of sympathy on my mother, Rita Satloff Jacobs passing.

Barbara Isenberg

Thank you so much for your Hadassah contribution in our father's memory. His heart was always with you and his other Knoxville Friends.

With Love,  
Emmy Zuckerman and Ronnie Kirsch

Dear Hadassah Members,

I want to thank you for the tree you donated in my mother's memory in Israel. Your thoughtfulness in remembering my mother is greatly appreciated by Mimi and I.

Sincerely,  
Mimi and Ivan Brody

## The Tiger's Eye: April's Hadassah Book Club Selection

Our Hadassah Book Club April selection will be *The Tiger's Wife* by Tea Obreht. We will meet on April 17 at Barnes and Noble on Kingston Pike at 7:30 p.m. in the evening in the coffee shop area. All Jewish women and friends are invited to join us. Questions? Call Peggy Littmann 588-6661 or [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net).

Obreht was included in *The New Yorker's* "20 Under 40" list of young fiction authors last summer and *The Tiger's Wife* was previously excerpted in the magazine. On Sunday, the book made the cover of *The New York Times Book Review*. Just about everywhere, it has received the sort of reviews that many writers wait an entire career for. In a recent *The Times* article, Michiko Kakutani called it "hugely ambitious, audaciously written."

Set in an unnamed Balkan country in the aftermath of a civil war, *The Tiger's Wife* is narrated by a young physician named Natalia Stefanovic, whose beloved grandfather, also a doctor, has recently died. The story links her efforts in the present to deliver vaccines to children in an orphanage with elaborate folk tales her grandfather used to tell: one involves a deaf and mute woman, abused by her husband, who befriends an escaped tiger in the woods, and another is about a vampire-like character known as the Deathless Man, himself immortal, who brings death to others.

# Hadassah Highlights

## Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah

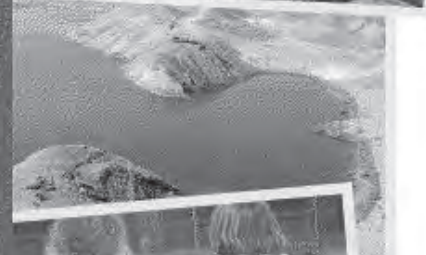
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# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

## KJDS Kids Are Bowled Over

KJDS students, alumni and friends enjoyed an exciting night of bowling with Miriam Esther and Ms. Jennifer on Saturday, February 4. Twenty-nine students attended and showed off some crazy bowling techniques: bowling backwards, bowling on one foot, bowling while holding a partner's hand, bowling while sitting down, just to name a few.

Students also took some time to end Shabbat with the traditional Havdallah ceremony that the kids thoroughly enjoyed. Prior to the Havdallah service, students made spice trees to use during the service.



*Jonah posing with his bowling ball*

*(Far Right) We are so ready to bowl!*



*Taylor, Yuval and Sarah socializing at the bowling party*



*Sarah Perez taking the first shot at the new basketball hoop! Our new playground is under construction!*

## K/1 Learns About the Earth's Habitats

The K/1 class has been busy learning about six different types of habitats. First, they learned the different physical characteristics of the desert, the arctic tundra, the forest, the ocean, the wetlands, and the grasslands. Then they learned what types of plants and animals lived in these areas. They then proudly displayed their new knowledge by making posters on which they wrote down all the facts they had learned and drew pictures of each type of habitat.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> /3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Projects – For Your Amusement...

This month has been full of projects for the second and third grade class! First, as a final project for their biomes unit, each student chose a biome studied in science class and made a 3-D representation. They also had to write an accompanying paper describing the characteristics of their biome, including information about plant and animal life, climate and weather, food chains and adaptations species have had to make to survive. These are the areas covered in class and now each student is applying and furthering their understanding of these concepts.

In math class, students and teachers were tired of worksheets, so they decided to create amusement parks! Each student created his/her own theme park to further and apply their understanding of metric measurement. Students were required to create rides for their park by thinking about the realistic metric measurements for speed, height, distance, mass, volume and capacity. Then once their rides were planned out, they created a map and a brochure advertising their park. Finally, students created concession stands for their park complete with prices and amounts for each item. This project was a fun and extremely useful way to get the students thinking about how to apply measurements to the real world. They also got a lot of practice on their computer skills since they created their brochures and menus in Microsoft Publisher.



*Hallie working on her biome project*

## Special Friends of KJDS

The Special Friends program was the brainchild of our Head of School, Miriam Esther Wilhelm, who realized that many children live far from their grandparents. Mrs. Wilhelm thought that there must be some way to provide that warm, unconditional and trusting relationship that grandparents so wonderfully provide. She came up with a fantastic program that is very gratifying to all.

The Special Friends program pairs each KJDS student with a grandparent-aged "Special Friend." The student and his/her friend meet regularly and develop a relationship that will last a lifetime. Typically, the Special Friend comes to have lunch with the student on campus. They can often be seen happily gabbing away the lunch hour. Additionally, there are several events throughout the year that our Special Friends are invited to; such as get-to-know-you events (where the parents of KJDS children get a chance to meet their child's Special Friend), Shabbat parties, and holiday celebrations.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in becoming a special friend, please call the school at 865-560-9922 and let us know. We'd be happy to have you join in on the fun!



*Headan, with Ms. Wilma, her special friend*



*Ric Pasi, enjoying lunch with the boys*



*Heidi, Linoy and Elizabeth, eating lunch with their special friends, Marilyn Burnett and Pat Rosenberg*

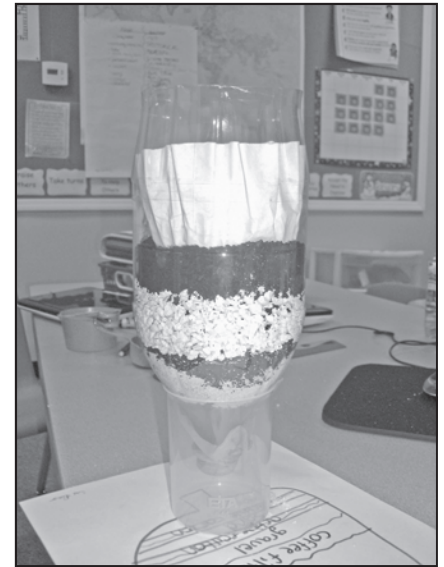
## Don't Drink the Water! - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Water Purification Experiment

The 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade class learned all about water purification. They learned that the typical methods used include physical processes such as *filtration* and *sedimentation*, biological processes such as *slow sand filters* or *activated sludge*, and chemical processes such as *flocculation* and *chlorination*.

Students then used their new knowledge of purification to clean “dirty water” in a bottle. They used a coffee filter, sand, rock, and active charcoal. While the water that passed through their purification system was not drinkable, all students had success removing a large portion of water contaminants improving the water quality. This fun hands-on project helped to solidify their understanding of the concepts and vocabulary they had just learned.



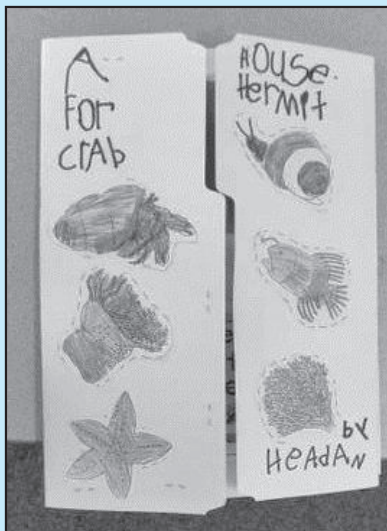
4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders outside testing their water filtration experiment.



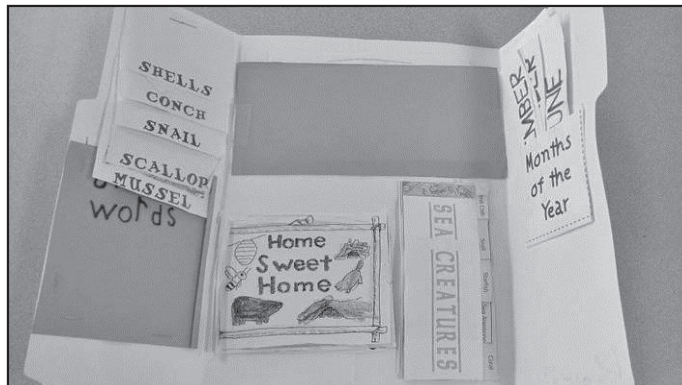
Student made water filtration device

### “Lapbooks”

Mrs. Cruz’s kindergarteners are progressing by leaps and bounds -- especially where literacy is concerned. We recently ventured into a mini-thematic unit on “homes.” It was centered around Eric Carle’s book *A House for Hermit Crab*. The book became a stepping stone to many other stories about hermit crabs and homes and houses. Because their reading readiness skills are firmly in place, we had some fun and explored things such as story vocabulary, story event sequencing, months of the year sequencing and mini-readers on homes. We collected all this evidence of their learning in a wonderful keepsake called a “lapbook”. Take a look!



Front of lapbook



Inside of lapbook

**Stanford Eisenberg**  
**Knoxville Jewish Day School**  
 Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

# Open House

March 6<sup>th</sup>, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, and May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 9:00am - Noon

Now enrolling for 2012-2013. Stop by any of our day time open houses to see school in action. For more information call the admissions office 865.560.9922.

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## Celebrating Tu' Bshvat



In honor of Tu' Bshvat, students made a fruit tree of dried fruits. Under the direction of Morah Revital, they learned the names of each of the fruits and enjoyed stringing them on skewers to make their "atzitz peiros." The students enjoyed hearing from Morah Revital about how Tu' Bshvat was celebrated in Israel. The older classes enjoyed playing Twister on the map of Israel. They took their instructions in Hebrew and found it a challenge to get their right foot on Tsfat, Left foot on Be'er Sheva and Right hand on Eilat! A connection and love for Israel is an important part of our Hebrew curriculum - and our students now have a really good base of Israel's geography and major cities.

*(Above) Rylee making a tree from dried fruit in honor of Tu' Bshvat*



*(Right) Sarah playing Twister on a map of Israel*

# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

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

#### **Pacesetters' Dinner**

One of many tables of donors at the Pacesetters' dinner at the Orangery, February, 2001

Standing (left to right): Karen and Pace **Robinson**, Jill and Stuart **Chasan**; Seated: Marilyn and Harvey **Liberman**, the late Fran **Sturm** and Mel **Sturm**

Local descendants include Eli and Asher **Robinson**, sons of Karen and Pace, Evan and Aaron **Chasan**, sons of Jill and Stu, and Ethan and Britt **Sturm**, grandsons of Fran and Mel