



# Ha' Kol

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

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## Community-Wide Yom Hashoah and Genocide Observance

**Monday, April 8 — 7:00 p.m.**

**Heska Amuna Synagogue, 3811 Kingston Pike**

April 8 is a very important day. As the sun sets that Monday evening, *Yom Hashoah*, the *Annual Day of Holocaust Remembrance*, will begin. Join your friends, neighbors, and our community at Heska Amuna Synagogue, 3811 Kingston Pike at 7:00 p.m. We will recall that genocide did not stop in 1945. The modern day events that still continue today will be remembered this evening.

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



Our program will feature a presentation of *UPSTANDERS*, a reader's theater piece about genocide by Teresa Docherty, Kathryn Nelson, Luke Walker, and Dr. Ellen Kennedy, University of Minnesota Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. The community's Service of Remembrance, with participation by area clergy and community members, will include candle lightings by special guests Mayors Tim Burchett and Madeline Rogero, and local Holocaust survivors and their families.

*Persons of all faiths are welcome to join us in remembrance this evening.*

**This program is sponsored by Heska Amuna Synagogue, Knoxville Jewish Alliance and Temple Beth El**

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# Heska Amuna Synagogue

# HaShofar



## Investment

By Rabbi Alon Ferency

As I write these words, Heska Amuna and I are signing a contract for my long-term employment at the synagogue. Excited to put pen to paper on the final draft, I foresee all this means to me, personally: this pulpit will become the career I've held longest; Knoxville will become the city in which I've lived longest since childhood; while this shul, this city, and our house on Kingston Pike will be the home my sons know for their childhood. Of course, it would be self-centered to suggest that this isn't also a significant occurrence in the life of our community as well. It's been a while since Heska Amuna Synagogue retained a rabbi for a second term, and by 2019, I could become one of our congregation's longest-serving leaders since our founding rabbi, Isaac Winick. Frankly, it can seem intimidating!



Nevertheless, an enduring mutual commitment should not be confused with complacency. Simply put, as my Rabbi Bradley Artson charged us, "If God's not through with us, then there's work to be done." I saw this demonstrated throughout the career of a revered rabbi, Harold Schulweis, whom I had the pleasure to drive for and visit with during rabbinical school. Although he was no longer driving himself, he was still doing vital work; in fact, he started a successful human rights organization at age eighty. Today, he continues to write, speak, and inspire a generation of Jews and rabbis. From his example, it seems fortunate to me that a rabbi scarcely needs to retire – it's a profession in which one can remain productive for a lifetime – our sages of blessed memory did so.

What pleases me most, for all of us, is the opportunity that our new agreement affords us to invest in the future of our Synagogue, altogether. So, I borrow our challenge from Goethe: "Do not hurry. Do not rest." That is what faces us. In the months and years to come, I hope to share with you some of my ideas for our community's future, as I've invited you to share your dreams for our holy community. We can build something special, and invigorate and renew the Synagogue for the next generation of Jews and seekers. I hope you'll join me in building an even better Heska Amuna Synagogue. Hand-in-hand, let's give our all to our Synagogue. I am, as always, here to serve you and to give my all to our community.

Herewith, I pledge my time to you – our community – and thereby, to God, too. As the early Zionist Josef Trumpledor said, "Is there a wheel lacking? I am that wheel. Nails, screws, a block? Take me. Must the land be dug? I will dig it. Is there shooting to be done, are soldiers needed? I will enlist. Policemen, doctors, lawyers, teachers, water-carriers? If you please, I am ready to do it all. I am not a person. I am the pure embodiment of service, prepared for everything. I have no ties. I know only one command: Build."

Nisan/Iyyar, 5773

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## Heska Amuna Synagogue Invites Your Family to Join Our Family

- If you are age 32 or younger, Heska Amuna Synagogue invites you to take advantage of a new membership package for young individuals and families which features
- Flat-rate dues of \$180.00 per year  
*(In the event of a young family, the eligibility will be determined by the youngest partner.)*
- Membership to Heska Amuna Sisterhood for women who join
- Membership to the Arnstein Jewish Community Center

Please visit us, contact Membership Chairperson Susan Silber at 522-0701, or view [www.heskaamuna.org](http://www.heskaamuna.org) for more information.



## Vashti's Banquet Offers Entertaining, Delectable Fun

Women strolled through a vendor bazaar while sipping wine, enjoyed a delicious Mediterranean buffet prepared by Marilyn Burnett, had courtesan photos taken, and celebrated Purim with camaraderie, song, skit, and dance at the 2013 Vashti's Banquet hosted by Heska Amuna's Sisterhood on February 24 at Heska Amuna Synagogue. Most can't wait until 2015!



Several Vashti's Banquet Planning Committee members relax after the event. Front row: Lynn Dryzer, Bridge Biernacki. Middle row: Pat Rosenberg, Trudy Dreyer, Marilyn Burnett, and Marian Jay. Back row: Charlene Gubitz, Marilyn Liberman, and Nora Messing. Photo by Michael Messing.



Barbara Leeds reacts with delight as her name is drawn for a door prize of a Costco membership, which was "the one I wanted!" she exclaimed.



Top Left: Co-Chairs Pat Rosenberg and Marilyn Burnett welcome banquet guests. Middle Left: Women gather to enjoy delicious desserts featuring chocolate and hamantaschen, of course. Bottom Left: Friends Jill Weinstein and Mary Evars-Goan enjoy a relaxing evening at Heska Amuna's event.

## From the Chair of the Board

By Scott Hahn

One of the ironies of being a Jewish American is that sometimes American values conflict with Jewish values. Please don't get me wrong. I am grateful every day that my ancestors were allowed to immigrate to this great country. The Jewish people and the United States have a special relationship that exists in no other place on earth. This being said, not every American value works well with Judaism. One of the most glaring examples I can think of has to do with American individualism. Historically, we can look to the westward expansion as an example of Americans striking out on their own from the establishment. American cinema is filled with countless examples of movies with the hero as the rebel/loner. We only need to look at movie icons Gary Cooper, Clint Eastwood, James Dean, and John Wayne as examples.

Judaism takes a contrary view. The rabbis believed that community was the supreme value and developed laws to help enforce their ideal. Hillel in Pirke Avot, Chapter 1, Verse 5 states, "a person should not separate himself from the community." We also have numerous examples of the communal aspect of Judaism. In the Haggadah, the wicked son is the child who separates himself from the community. We have many prayers that can only be said with a minyan. We eat kosher food to force us to eat with

other Jews. The list goes on and on. Through our actions as a people, the rabbis help establish a collective consciousness.

So in the 21st century, how do we reconcile these two sometimes opposing values of individualism and Jewish communalism? Although there are no easy answers, I would suggest one approach that may be helpful, especially in smaller Jewish communities like Knoxville. My suggestion would be to see if you are able to work within the existing community framework before striking out on one's own. We only have limited dollars and a limited number of professionals to go around. Believe it or not, our institutions do adapt to their members' needs. At Heska Amuna, we just don't have one service, but offer a contemporary service as well to compliment the regular service. We also have an alternative Friday night service that offers musical instruments. The synagogue offers affinity groups that deal with a variety of issues, ranging from bicycling to social justice. This is only an abbreviated list that could be expanded to meet varying needs of our congregants. There is no reason other activities cannot be dove-tailed to Heska Amuna. Temple Beth El, or the KJA's existing activities. It takes communication between the institutions and their members to make it happen. The rabbis knew that Judaism is strongest as a communal unit. This is my suggestion in how we can meet the need of membership, save resources, and remain a vibrant community. If you have any others, I would appreciate you letting me know.

## From the President

By Gilya Schmidt

Every year, our Jewish community commemorates the greatest tragedy of our people in modern times – the Shoah or Holocaust. Yom HaShoah this year is on April 8, and as every year, our community plans a program in which hopefully many of us will participate. This year's committee deliberations over the commemoration's theme reminded me of a poem about the Shoah by Blu Greenberg. The poem is simply entitled "*The Mikvah*," and is printed in Ellen Umansky and Dianne Ashton's book, *Four Centuries of Jewish Women's Spirituality* (Beacon Press, 1992). The mikvah is a concept familiar to every Jewish woman, whether from experience or from tradition. "Alone, at peace, relaxed//Soaking in a warm tub..." Even though the reality of the Knoxville mikvah is a less-than-warm river, the mikvah connotes purity, spirituality, safety, life, and love. It connotes family, community, peoplehood, tradition, repetition, and renewal. The ritual of the mikvah *is* Judaism. It is the opposite of the depersonalization and dehumanization that was Nazism.

Today we have the freedom to practice *tevilah* (immersion) or not. This choice is a consequence of the political and religious freedom we enjoy as American Jews in the twenty-first century. But even 68 years ago, all of the self-evident rights of a Jewish woman, such as the mikvah, were taken away in a different country and by a different government in the most brutal way. Blu remembers this unspeakable horror during one of her experiences, "Suddenly I tighten//Remembering that the S.S. would gun their motors//Burst into the mikvah//Those pure women...//Those poor women...//Those poor, poor women..." There was no happy end, no husband taking these women home.

For this reason, no matter how busy we are, how far removed in time the Holocaust may seem, let us not forget. Let us honor the memory of our brothers and sisters whose lives were snuffed out senselessly and prematurely. And let us also recognize that, because the Jewish people - men, women, and children - have suffered grievously at the hands of the Nazis, it is our responsibility to acknowledge and alleviate the suffering of others who have been subjected to genocide. It is our responsibility to help alleviate their suffering and to advocate for a better future for all people. Join us for Yom HaShoah on Sunday, April 8, at 7:00 p.m. at Heska Amuna Synagogue. Never forget!



### Tot Shabbat Dinner & Services For Young Families Friday, April 19, 6:00 p.m.

Shabbat dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. and is only \$10 per family for a delicious Shabbat meal! Tot Shabbat services are designed for children ages 2-6. 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, 522-0701 or [education@heskaamuna.org](mailto:education@heskaamuna.org) by **Friday, April 12.**

### Todah Rabah to Religious School Supporters

- ◆ To Pat and Gene Rosenberg in memory of Andy Kramer's mother, Carole Kramer.
- ◆ To everyone who bought hamentashen from Heska Amuna for Purim 5773!

## Heska Amuna Religious School News

By Anna Iroff, Education Director

Our school and synagogue are going through several exciting changes and innovations. One thing that never seems to change, however, is the passion and creativity of our youth. If you missed seeing our teens participate in the Megillah reading this Purim, you missed something very special as our middle and high schoolers read several chapters, convinced adults to perform an interpretive skit (nice job, Noah!), and even rapped about Queen Esther! I know the entire community is as proud as I am of the vibrancy our students added to the celebration. For those unable to attend, I would like to give you a sample of the fun. Below is a “translation” of Chapter 5 of Megillat Esther as written by Brian Weinstein and performed by the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and Prozdor classes in the style of Snoop Dogg’s “Beautiful.” Enjoy!

### Beautiful by the Prozdor Kidz

#### [Hook 2xs]

*Ohh-ohh-oh-ohhh*

*Yeah, yeah, yeahhh, yeah*

#### [Chorus 2xs]

*Esther, you're so beautiful.*

*You're my favorite girl.*

*On day number three, Esther is now queen.*

*Standing in the courtyard, she looks so pretty.*

*Looks innocent, but looks are deceivin'.*

*She got everything, with the king's allegiance.*

*On the throne, king has just now seen her.*

*He feels aight, he holds out his golden scepter.*

*She'll touch it, he's her protector.*

*Talks to him, askin' for a wish.*

*You and H-man at my banquet have some fancy dish.*

*I hope that you'll enjoy my famous knish*

*The king wanna do it, he just might do it*

*He orders H-man to go right to it.*

*Esther says don't worry, you won't get fat.*

*King and H-man show up at the banquet later.*

*At the wine feast King will grant Esther a favor.*

*Let Esther throw a feast, don't disobey her.*

#### [Chorus 2xs]

*H-man leaves the banquet exuberant, but then  
Mordechai didn't stir in front of him.*

*H-man is mad, we hope he dies.*

*This jerk got nothing on cousin Mordechai.*

*He went home, trying to restrain himself.*

*He then called on his friends to brag about his wealth.*

*He got a promotion, woopty do*

*That doesn't matter because of Mordechai, the Jew*

*He was happy to go to this nice feast.*

*That had changed because of Mordechai, the beast.*

*Have no fear, your wife Zeresh to the rescue.*

*Hang Mordechai on the gallows just for you.*

*This won't happen, go die H-man.*

*You'll be sorry when Esther helps put you in the land.*

#### [Chorus & Hook: 2xs]

#### [Bridge 2xs]

*...See I just want you*

*To know that you are really special...*

*Ohh why, oh why, oh why, oh why...*

### Things to Remember!

- Wednesday, April 3 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Sunday, April 7 – Joint Program at Temple Beth El, PreK-Prozdor
- Wednesday, April 10 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Sunday, April 14 – Religious School, PreK – Prozdor
- Wednesday, April 17 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Sunday, April 18—Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration, AJCC, 12:30 p.m.
- Friday, April 19 – Tot Shabbat dinner & services
- Saturday, April 20 – Family Minyan
- Sunday, April 21 – Religious School, PreK – Prozdor + Gan K'tan
- Wednesday, April 24 – Religious School, grades 3-6
- Sunday, April 28 – Family Fair – Lag B'Omer

### Join Us for Family Minyan!

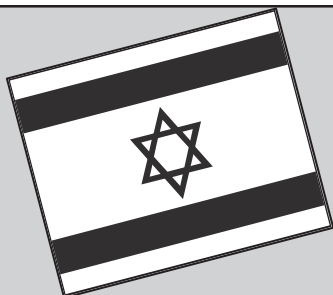
Saturday, April 20

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.



Family Minyan is a wonderful Shabbat experience for school families.

This is a *family service*, not a children's service. Parents participate with their students, to learn and pray as a family using our beautiful *Siddur Mah Tov!*



### You're Invited for Gan K'tan!

Sunday, April 21  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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

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## Adult Education - Spring 2013

**Beginning Hebrew I** (with Peggy Littmann). Sundays 11:00 – 12:00 a.m., continuing through spring. Contact Peggy at [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net), or 588-6661.

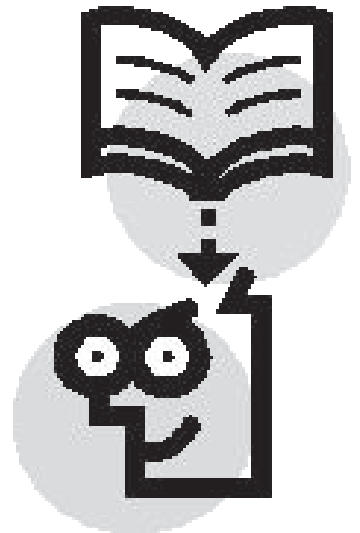
**Beginning Hebrew II** (with Peggy Littmann). Sundays 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon continuing through spring. Contact Peggy at [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net), or 588-6661.

**Intermediate Hebrew** (with David Hull). Sundays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. continuing through spring. Contact David Hull at [hull5@comcast.net](mailto:hull5@comcast.net), or 660-1872.

**Bible Stories They Never Taught You in Hebrew School** (with Raphe Panitz). Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. continuing through spring. Contact Raphe Panitz at [gilgamesh3@verizon.net](mailto:gilgamesh3@verizon.net) or 301-752-6519.

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

*Contact Adult Education Coordinator Rich Adlin for suggestions or questions at 680-2774 or [richadlin@gmail.com](mailto:richadlin@gmail.com)*



## Meet Our New Members

**Mari and Eytan Klausner** moved to Knoxville in 2011 from Chicago with their daughter Nesya, who is two years old.

Eytan was born in Jerusalem and moved to the United States after completing pharmacy training (B Pharm and PhD) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

He completed post-doctoral fellowship in biomedical engineering at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He is an assistant professor at South College School of Pharmacy.

Mari was born in Japan and moved to the United States after completing a medical internship at the University of Tokyo. She completed internal medicine residency at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York and an infectious disease fellowship at University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. She is a physician at Knoxville Infectious Disease Consultants. Mari and Eytan have been married for four years and enjoy traveling, yoga, and swimming. They look forward to getting to know other congregants. Their e-mail addresses are [mariklausner@aol.com](mailto:mariklausner@aol.com) and [eklausner@gmail.com](mailto:eklausner@gmail.com)



## Among Our Members

- ★ Condolences go out to the following people and their families: **Dina and Andy Kramer** on the death of Andy's mother, **Carole Kramer**; **Marion and Joe Goodstein** on the death of Marion's sister, **Razelle Toronto**. *May their memories be a blessing.*
- ★ Get well wishes go out to those who were ill or recuperating: **Joyce Berman, Greta Besmann, Elaine Brown, Eliyahu ben Shulamit, Debra Gordon, Rebecca Hale, David Linwood, Judy Rattner, Rushal Faygel bat Michal, and Martin Shersky**. Federal law keeps us from knowing who is in the hospital. Therefore, if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please let us know so we can place you on our Misheberach list.
- ★ Mazal Tov to **Marcia and Moshe Shloush** and family on the birth of grandson **Tal Shloush**, son of **Yael and Omer Shloush**.

## Judaica Shop News

The Judaica Shop features mezzuzahs, challah boards, art, candles, unique Jewish and Israeli jewelry, and tallitot and kippot so that you can express your Judaism personally. B'nai mitzvah and wedding gift registries available, too.

## 2013 High School and College Graduates Sought

Let us know if you have a high school or college student in your family who will be graduating from high school or college this year, so we can publish your good news in the July issue of *Ha'Kol*. Please provide the student's name and family information (son or daughter of, grandson of). If they are graduating from high school, list the high school name and their future plans – if going to college, provide the name of the college and what they plan to study.

If graduating from college, please let us know what degree they earned and their future plans! If there's other information about your student that you'd like to share or a recent photo, please send that as well. Please e-mail information and photos to [admin@heskaamuna.org](mailto:admin@heskaamuna.org).



## Contributions from Caring People

For a list of synagogue funds, please visit [www.heskaamuna.org](http://www.heskaamuna.org).

Donations received by February 25

### BUILDING FUND

*For Joe Billig's yahrzeit*

By: Suzi and Jerry Candy

*In honor of the birth of Avishai Ferency*

By: Scott Hahn

### CALENDAR DONATION

*Donation to the fund*

By: Sybil Joffe

### EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT FUND

*For the yahrzeits of Betty and Charles*

*Gubitz, Caroline and Morris Schwartz, and Lillian and Morris Gubitz*

By: Charlene and Jeff Gubitz

*In memory of Virginia Waugh*

By: Carol and Mark Harris

### EDUCATOR'S SUPPLEMENT FUND

*In memory of Herbert Ogle*

By: Nancy and Jeff Becker

### GENERAL FUND

*For Adult Education*

By: Natalie LeVasseur

*A general donation to the fund*

By: Suzi and Jerry Candy, Ruben Garcia,

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*In honor of Josh Gettinger*

*In honor of Barry Allen*

*In honor of Ken Brown*

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By: Peggy and Gale Hedrick

### SYLVIA LEIBOWITZ FUND

*For the yahrzeits of Romayne Eisenstadt and Joseph Richer*

By: Mary Beth Leibowitz and Michael Eisenstadt

### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

*In honor of the birth of Avishai Ferency*

By: Phyllis and Martin Brownstein, Evelyn and Steve Oberman

*For Isadore Kleg's yahrzeit*

By: Evelyn Oberman

*For Rabbi David Panitz's yahrzeit*

By: Susette and Raphe Panitz

*For Milton Shamitz's yahrzeit*

By: Kay and Larry Leibowitz

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID FUND

*In honor of Ed Feldman*

By: Barry Allen

### ROBINSON FUND

*In honor of Natalie Robinson, AJ Robinson and Nicole Ellerin and their generosity and commitment to Israel*

By: Ronda Robinson

### WINICK LIBRARY FUND

*For Helen Hahn's yahrzeit*

By: Thomas Hahn

*For Terry Hahn's yahrzeit and in memory of Virginia Waugh*

By: Scott Hahn

*In memory of Barbara Bernstein's cousin, Martha Korn*

By: Marilyn and Harvey Liberman

### VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES FUND

*A general donation*

By: Peggy and Mark Littmann

### YAHRZEIT FUND

*Charlotte and Julian Kalotkin, Hilda Kalotkin, and Sandy Levinstone*

By: Anne Ehrenshaft

*Jacob Goodstein*

By: Marcia and Jay Menuskin, Barbara Rubin

*Harry Tobe*

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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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## Sponsor a Kiddush! It's So Easy!

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

We thank the following people who sponsored Kiddushim in January and February: Heska Amuna Sisterhood in honor of Sisterhood Torah Fund Shabbat; Kim and Stephen Rosen in honor of daughter Arielle's bat mitzvah; Gilya Schmidt in honor of her birthday; Deborah and Dave Hicks in honor of daughter Caroline Jayne's naming.



# K N O X V I L L E



*Knoxville BBG and AZA executive members attend the Cotton States BBYO Executives Weekend in Nashville.*

*Front Row: Nathan Rosen, Danielle Goldfeld, Eli Derrington, Madison Dittner, Jessie Rosenberg, Lizzy Noon, Brian Weinstein. Back Row: Isaac Shefner, Rae Oleshansky, Zeke Charles.*



*Weinstein BBG's new "Beau" Nathan Rosen and the BBG girls at the AZA/BBG Winter Formal on March 9.*

## Help *Ha'Kol* Salute 2013 Graduates

Please help us celebrate the accomplishments of some very special "People of the Books" as *Ha'Kol* salutes our Jewish community's 2013 high school and college graduates in the July 2013 issue of *Ha'Kol*. Please send us information on area graduates so that we can share this milestone with your families and friends.

The information needed is the student's name, parents' names or community affiliation (grandparents, former resident), the high school or college name and location (if outside Knoxville), academic degrees and majors, accomplishments (graduated with honors, awards or scholarships, football team captain). We also want to know the student's future plans, if known, such as colleges and desired majors, post-graduate work, jobs, and anything you'd like to share about your graduate. Recent photos are welcome, too.



*Please send information and/or photos to your Heska Amuna, TBE, or JCOR newsletter editor or to *Ha'Kol* at [jvork@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:jvork@jewishknoxville.org) by May 22, 2013.*

# H A P P E N I N G S

## Celebrating New Year's and More in Antarctica

By Jenny Erwin

*Jenny Erwin, daughter of Drs. Paul Erwin and Renee' Hyatt, recently spent several weeks on an academic research mission to Antarctica. Here's her story.*

I traveled aboard a C-130 Air Force plane from Christchurch, New Zealand, to McMurdo, Antarctica, as part of Colorado University-Boulder's LTER (Long Term Ecological Research) contingent. The LTER is a 20+ year project that has sites worldwide, one of which is the Dry Valleys in Antarctica. Each site within the LTER strives to answer a central question by investigating an area's attributes, including its biology, hydrology, climate, and geology.

The Dry Valley LTER's question is "what changes can we expect in the Dry Valleys and Antarctica as the environment becomes significantly wetter"? (My group is specifically devoted to studying the streams and for the first two weeks I was here, I spent my time in



*Jenny Erwin hiked into the Dry Valleys and found rock formations called ventifacts (rocks carved and shaped by the wind).*



*Jenny Erwin surveys a stream to see how much it shifted throughout the season due to changes in the permafrost.*

McMurdo analyzing water samples in the lab for dissolved organic matter content. I also attended Ice Stock (the New Year's celebration) and enjoyed other conveniences of McMurdo, including hot showers.

Then I left for the field for three weeks, assisting the stream team in its efforts in the Dry Valleys and also managing a machine that measured the black carbon emitted by the helicopters flying throughout the valley. The stream team visits about 20 streams each week, takes a sample (if there's any flow), checks on the stream gauge that's installed, takes a flow discharge measurement, checks to see that the conductivity probe is working properly, and conducts a variety of other checks. We also study the algae in the streams at various established transects by taking samples, noting abundance and analyzing for carbon content and diatoms present. The scenery of the Dry Valleys was stunning, to say the least, and I learned an incredible amount about stream research, the LTER, and research throughout history in Antarctica. I had a fantastic team, all of whom were creative cooks, considering we were working with dried, frozen, and canned ingredients.

I headed back in McMurdo for one whirlwind week involving more than 13 hours spent in the lab, analyzing samples before heading back to the U.S. I will miss the few penguins I've seen and the impressive community here, but will happily enjoy lots of salad, good beer, and darkness!

## American Israel Public Affairs Committee Meeting Slated for April 30

AIPAC, The American Israel Public Affairs Committee, will hold its annual Knoxville-Oak Ridge fund raiser at the Arnstein Jewish Community Center (AJCC) on **Tuesday, April 30 at 6:00 p.m.** The AJCC is located at 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.

The event will feature Eric Danko, AIPAC's Assistant Director of Policy and Government Affairs. Danko, one of AIPAC's 10 lobbyists in Washington, DC, will cover a range of current issues affecting the U.S.-Israel relationship and will emphasize the role of the Knoxville-Oak Ridge community in advocating for a continued strong U.S.-Israel alliance.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the briefing will begin at 7:00 p.m. A kosher deli dinner, snacks and desserts, and beverages will be served for those attending. While there is no minimum gift required for attendance, there is a suggested \$100 contribution to AIPAC. The local committee, under the stewardship of Moshe Siman-Tov, has been working on this event since July.

Invitations with a response card will be mailed soon. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mark Siegel at (865) 661-2227 or [mquesquire@aol.com](mailto:mquesquire@aol.com) or Jeff Stein in AIPAC's office at (770) 541-7610 or [jstein@aipac.org](mailto:jstein@aipac.org).



# APRIL 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1 Pesach</b> KJA office closed, AJCC Preschool open 7a Passover services-HA 3-4p TOT basketball- AJCC Gym 6-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>2 Pesach</b> KJA office closed, AJCC Preschool open 9:30a Passover services, Yizkor recited-HA 6:15-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>3</b> 4:15p Religious sch-HA 5:45-6:45p ZUMBA-Gym 6:15p Midwk Hebrew- TBE 6:45-9p Fencing-Gym 7-8p Adult Ed-HA 7:30p TBE/HA Intro to	<b>4</b> 7a minyan-HA 5:45-6:45p ZUMBA-Gym 6:30p Hadassah Brd Mtg- AJCC AL 7:30p Exec Comm-HA 7:30p Israeli Dancing- AJCC Gym	<b>5</b> 7:30p Shabbat Services- TBE	<b>6</b> 9:30a Shabbat Services- HA 9:30a Shabbat Services- JCOR 6-9p Annual Auction-TBE 7p Jewish Film Series & Junior Film Series-JCOR
<b>7</b> 9:30a-minyan-HA 9:30a HA goes to TBE for CLC Day 9:30a Religious sch-TBE 10-noon Adult Ed-HA 10-11a Ed Comm-HA 11a Yom HaShoah Com- memoration-JCOR 12:30p Confirmation Lunch&Learn-HA 5-8p Sisterhood Fun	<b>8</b> 7a minyan-HA 3-4p TOT Basketball- AJCC Gym 6-9p Fencing-AJCC gym <b>7p Community Yom HaShoah Service-HA</b> 	<b>9</b> 6:15-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>10</b> Noon-Friendshippers at Rothchilds 4:15p Religious sch-HA 5:45-6:45p ZUMBA-Gym 6:15p Midwk Hebrew- TBE 6:45-9p Fencing-Gym 7-8p Adult Ed-HA 7:30p TBE/HA Intro to Judaism-HA	<b>11</b> 7a minyan-HA 5-7p AJCC Preschool Annual Art Gala-AJCC Gym 5:45-6:45p ZUMBA-AJCC AL 7:30p Brd of Trustees-HA 7:30p Israeli Dancing- AJCC Gym	<b>12</b> 6p Kabbalat Shabbat Hoot'nanny-HA 7:30p Shabbat Services- TBE	<b>13</b> 9:30a Shabbat Services- HA 9:30a Shabbat Services- JCOR 10:30a Contemporary Services-HA
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## J-Serve Teens Collecting Children's Books for Preschool-5th grade Summer Reading Program

Spring cleaning? Please donate children's books that are in "Looks-New" condition and appropriate for children in grades PreK-5 for an at-risk school's summer program.

*Collection boxes located at AJCC, Heska Amuna, Temple Beth El, and KJDS through April 30.*



# B'NEI MITZVAH

## Margulies to Celebrate April 20 Simcha

Rachel Garcia Margulies will be called to Torah as a bat mitzvah with Rabbi Mathew Michaels officiating on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. at Temple Beth El. Rachel has been studying with Laurie Fisher as she prepares for her big day. She is a seventh grade honors student with a 4.0 GPA at Farragut Middle School and will be traveling to the Outer Banks of North Carolina on an honors trip this spring, preparing and delivering a lesson plan to a third grade class. Rachel has been drawing since a very early age and has demonstrated an artist's eye for creativity that she uses for her studies and her free time. She plays clarinet in the FMS band and is consistently one of the first five chairs. In the sixth grade, Rachel won an Outstanding Science Achievement award, and in the fifth grade she was a Safety Patrol officer, traveling to Washington, DC where she met Congressman John Duncan. Rachel studies tae kwon do and earned her black belt at age 9. She loves to read, loves animals, and loves hiking the Great Smoky Mountains.



Rachel chose to serve the poor as her service project. She is volunteering at Second Harvest and the Volunteer Ministry Center, where she prepares and serves meals to the hungry. Rachel is a caring daughter, a faithful friend and a dedicated student. Her parents, Imelda and Aaron, are proud of her Torah studies and her commitment to love and serve God. Rachel is very close to her family and will be joined by her siblings, Ben, Reuben and Grace and cousins, Dani, Gabe, Preston, and Mackenzie on this special day.

Come celebrate with Rachel and her family on April 20 at 10:30 a.m. as she is called to Torah and reads from *Parshat Kedoshim*. Immediately following services a luncheon will be provided.



## Bain to Celebrate Birthday and Bar Mitzvah

Justen Bain will be called to the Torah on Saturday, May 4 at Temple Beth El. Justen is the son of Brad and Tara Bain and the brother of Keara. He is a seventh grade honor student at Bearden Middle School. His favorite class is social studies. Justen is actively involved in Teen Connection, Boy Scouts, AVID, and Technology Student Association. He participates in baseball and basketball and has a love for UT football, Tennessee Titans football, and the Chicago Cubs.

Justen has spent many hours giving back to his community in his various activities. Due to his passion for sports, he will be giving his time to work with youth clinics and camps for the West Bearden Basketball League. Justen will also be establishing a B'nai Tzedek Fund to give back to the Jewish community.

We welcome the Jewish community to share this milestone with us as Justen reads from Leviticus 26:3-13.

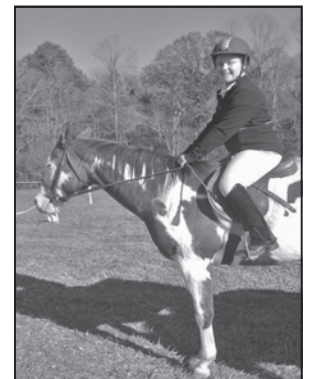
## Dryzer to Celebrate Bat Mitzvah

Lauren Sydney Dryzer, daughter of Dr. Scott and Lynn Dryzer and little sister of Danielle and Michael, will celebrate her bat mitzvah on Saturday, May 4, 2013 at Heska Amuna Synagogue. Rabbi Alon Ferency will officiate and Lauren will lead the Torah and Musaf services.

Lauren is a seventh grader at West Valley Middle School and has attended Heska Amuna Religious School since she was 5 years old. She enjoys music, art, reading and horseback riding.

For her mitzvah project, Lauren will donate art supplies to the religious school and assist with the organization of the art room for the upcoming school year.

Relatives and friends will travel from South Carolina, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Florida, and Texas to share this special day. The entire Jewish community is invited to celebrate this simcha and the Kiddush luncheon that will follow services.



## Weinstein's Soap Drive Supports Clean the World® to Save Lives

Clean the World is leading a "hygiene revolution" worldwide by distributing soap to people in need. Depending on demand, the soap is used in hygiene kits assembled and distributed to domestic homeless shelters or sent directly to one of 45 countries for children and families in need.

Andrew Weinstein is collecting items for his mitzvah project. Please consider donating your unused soaps and bottles of shampoos. Place new, wrapped soaps, shampoos, conditioners or lotions in collection bins located at the AJCC or Heska Amuna Synagogue beginning April 1. Donations will be accepted at Heska Amuna Synagogue until April 26 and May 27 at the AJCC. Visit [www.cleanttheworld.org](http://www.cleanttheworld.org) for more information about this worthwhile program.



# Knoxville Jewish Alliance

# Ha' Kol

## April 2013

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### KJA 2013 Campaign

**Campaign Goal \$375,000**

*As of 3/20/2013*

2013 Annual Campaign: \$310,764

29 new donors

93 increased gifts from 2012

*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."*

## Get Your AJCC Summer Membership Now and Save!

*Receive a \$50 Early Bird Discount if you join and pay by  
**April 22, 2013.***

After April 22, the AJCC Summer Membership Fee is \$385. Membership valid May 1-September 30, 2013.

**Membership forms online at  
[www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org)**



## ISRAEL IS 65!

Come and celebrate Israel's  
65<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Sunday, April 14, 2013

AJCC

An Israeli style Lunch begins at 12:30 p.m.

Israel Dancing -History presentation by Ethan Sturm and David Floyd

Panel Discussion about Israel and our partnership-Walk the Land

Remembrance of Fallen Soldiers-Grand Finale.

Mark and Lucy Barkan-Honorary chairs

Please let us know of your plans to attend at [rhale@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:rhale@jewishknoxville.org)

## The Knoxville Jewish Alliance's UT Lecture Series presents

# The World of Jewish Music

Jack Love, Ph.D.

*Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies,  
The University of Tennessee*

**Monday, April 22**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Arnstein Jewish Community Center  
6800 Deane Hill Drive**



*Jack Love will share world-wide versions of Jewish music ranging from field recordings to cantorial masterpieces. Holiday music, everyday music, Jewish music sung by Jews and by Gentiles who knew how to please Jewish audiences.*

Jacob (Jack) Love obtained his bachelor of arts degree in history at the University of Wisconsin in 1972. His senior thesis, *The Revolt of the Jews Under Trajan 115-117*, was awarded the Thesis of Distinction. Jack spent a year at the Tel Aviv University (Israel) in Classical History before entering the graduate school of the University of California at Berkeley where he received his master of arts degree in Rabbinic Literature in 1976. After completing his master's program and receiving permission to proceed to the doctorate, Jack spent two years at the Hebrew University (Jerusalem, Israel) and the Hebrew Union College (Cincinnati) in doctoral fellowships.

Now retired from the University of Michigan, Jack is returning to his first professional career as a college lecturer. Jack's courses in 2012/13 will be *Biblical Hebrew and Introduction to Judaism*.

## President's Message

By Reneé Hyatt, KJA President, [renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com](mailto:renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com)

Thanks to the on-going, tireless efforts of Gene Rosenberg, Campaign 2013 has already topped \$300,000, and it's just the first week of March (when I'm writing this). Campaign has not reached such a level this early in the year. So, in addition to Gene, a large todah rabah goes to all those who have already made their pledge to Campaign.

Yes, a successful campaign is necessary for our continued success as an organization. And, yes, we are grateful to have a capable and dedicated staff that provides for our administrative and programming needs. At the same time, I want to remind you that we are a volunteer-driven group – a community alliance.

I keep thinking about how much more we could do with even greater volunteer participation. Yes, please continue to give what you can financially and also find something to give of yourself, whether it be your time, your talents, your expertise, or your wisdom. I truly believe everyone has something to give which would benefit us all as we work together to grow our community. I look forward to hearing from you. Please contact me at [renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com](mailto:renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com).

## Friendshippers, April 10

By Laura Faye Berry, BSSW, Esq., Director

Please join us for April's Friendshippers program. The Friendshippers group gets together monthly for lunch and entertainment. Friendshippers is open to all—we don't check IDs!

**Wednesday, April 10**

**Keyes Williamson**

*Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum  
Executive Director*



The Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum (KBGA) is located on 47 acres of the former Howell Nurseries, featuring walking trails, display gardens, unique & historic horticulture and over two miles of distinctive stone walls and timeless buildings, just five minutes from downtown. KBGA is a privately owned and operated Garden supported through donations and membership. Please join us to learn more about this wonderful (and free!) gem. **Program location: Rothchild's, 8807 Kingston Pike**

The Friendshippers 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](mailto:lberry@jewishknoxville.org).

## More is an Okay Thing

By Gene Rosenberg, KJA Campaign Chair

A successful campaign should have a theme to identify its goal...at least that's what I think. You may not agree. For Campaign 2013 an appropriate theme to consider might be **MORE**. Of course, we would like it if all our contributors would or could commit (pledge) **MORE** dollars, but that isn't always possible or realistic.

What is possible and should be attainable are **MORE** members of our Jewish community making their commitment to Campaign 2013. If you know someone (or if you are someone) who is not sharing in "the pleasure of participation," please contact me or the KJA office.

We estimate that approximately half of our Jewish population do not contribute to the KJA Campaign. I'm told that there are Jewish communities that don't come near that number. That may or may not be factual, but it probably isn't too far off...historically, Knoxville has always done a pretty decent job in that respect. What is true is that if we had **MORE** commitments, we could offer so much **MORE**.

We have an aging facility with unpredictable major repairs. We have many outstanding programs for all age groups...tots, teens, seniors; we could offer **MORE**. We maintain an excellent pre-nursery and nursery school that can always be expanded to offer **MORE**.

All we need is **MORE...MORE** contributors to Campaign 2013. **MORE** concern and **MORE CARING!** Imagine what we could do with an annual campaign that generated \$400,000. It's very doable with **MORE** participants.

**MORE IS AN OKAY THING.**

## Jewish Family Services News

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

On Tuesday, February 26, Jewish Family Services held a Purim celebration at Echo Ridge for our Jewish residents of assisted living facilities and retirement homes. The attendees were treated to music by Charlene Gubitz and Joyce Traugot and noshed on hamentaschen and fruit salad.

Our next special holiday event was a Passover miniseder at Elmcroft Assisted Living on Thursday, March 28. If you would like to be involved in helping with activities such as these, please contact Laura Berry at 690-6343 extension 18 or [lberry@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:lberry@jewishknoxville.org) or JFS Chairperson Honerlin Del Moro, [luvkurt@comcast.net](mailto:luvkurt@comcast.net).

Joyce Traugot and Charlene Gubitz lead participants in lively Purim songs at Echo Ridge.



Evelyn Stark follows the Purim spiel at Echo Ridge during a recent Friendshippers celebration.



## The Kindergarten Question

By Melissa Schweitzer, AJCC Preschool director

It is around this time every year that parents of 5's and almost 5's around the world start asking, "Is my child ready for kindergarten?" Especially in the educational climate of today, parents including myself, feel the pressure of having a child with a pre-K resume that reads like my college application. Plays a musical instrument – check. Has a vocabulary of 1,000 words – check. Knows their alphabet backward and forward – check. Or whatever the current list "THEY" say our children need to know. I still vividly remember this overwhelmed feeling even after successful years of elementary school for my daughter.

There are actually several helpful questions that parents should begin asking themselves before deciding about kindergarten. The first question is "Which school will our child attend?" Knox County Schools has recently changed its requirement. A child must be 5 years old before August 30 of that year. Next year, the requirement changes to August 15. Private schools require an application and evaluation process with deadlines usually around early January each year. If you missed the original deadline but have your heart set on a private school, it is often worthwhile to call them.



Miss Maria has the attention of Hey class students.



Working on a collaborative assignment in Hey Class.

But what if your child turns 5 on August 29? Does that mean they are ready for kindergarten? What if their birthday is October 4 – does this mean they are not ready?

Most kindergarten teachers will tell you that social and emotional skills are as important if not more important than being able to count to 20 (which is one of the measures Knox County's Childfind service uses). Also important is the ability to work on one task for a sustained amount of time, follow simple directions, and show empathy for others. There are definitely disadvantages to sending a child to kindergarten before they are ready. Think of it like trying to rush potty-training. Both parent and child are frustrated, upset, ready to throw in the towel when all that is really needed is just more time. Here at the AJCC Preschool, we think more in terms of developmental readiness and not chronological age. We have a wonderful Hey class for students who have birthdays just past the Knox County requirement and for those students who need another year of practice before they are ready to jump into the kindergarten pool.

If you have questions about kindergarten readiness or are interested in taking a look at our Hey class, please call me at 690-6343.

We are accepting applications and only have limited spaces available.



Kroger Manager Ted Mills, Gene Rosenberg, and Evan Sturm visit KJA's "Passover in the Aisles" event, held March 10 at the Bearden-area Kroger. Wojtek (pictured) and Bridget Biernacki won a lovely Passover gift basket, compliments of Kroger.

## B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program News

By Mary Ann Merrell, B'nai Tzedek Program Coordinator, [mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org)

The spring meeting of B'nai Tzedek on March 3 was an inspiring, thought-provoking meeting for our teens and featured Mike McClamroch, CEO of the East Tennessee Foundation. McClamroch commended the teens, including two new fund holders who signed on at the meeting - Kalisa Parsons and Atticus Hull - for "coming to the table" and stepping up to joining a program where we can make a difference. His message was very direct - it doesn't take a lot of money to make a life-changing difference in someone's life; he recalled a time in Nicaragua where he left \$20 to a woman whose life was truly transposed by the gift.

Participating in B'nai Tzedek also offers us the opportunity to not just change the lives of those who receive our support; it also offers us the opportunity to change our own lives in meaningful, lasting ways. McClamroch also mentioned that B'nai Tzedek is the ONLY teen philanthropy program in the portfolio of the East Tennessee Foundation; so, we provide the Foundation with a singularly unique program and an important "place at the table" for the community. The meeting ended with a whimsical, fun training session from magician Michael Messing who trained the teens on how to teach children to make balloon animals in 15 minutes-or-less for the J-Serve International Day of Service project held on March 21.

### A Request to the Entire Community (B'nai Tzedek Takes a Village!)

One of the significant aspects of the B'nai Tzedek program is to offer our teens the opportunity to evaluate and select Jewish non-profit organizations that are deserving of their financial support. In May, our B'nai Tzedek fund holders will meet to make their final decisions on this year's grants. They will award more than \$2,000 this year; and even though it is up to the fund holders to decide which organization(s) should receive grants, we are asking *you*, our community, to help us identify organizations that you think deserve funding.

Please send your suggestions of organizations our teens should consider - and also include a sentence or two as to why you believe

they would be a good choice. Organizations can be local or global but all must have a mission that focuses on the Jewish community. Suggestions need to be received by **May 1** and can be mailed to the KJA or e-mailed to [mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org).

### Books are Still Building Bridges

This year's J-Serve International Teen Day of Service project will end in April with a final book drive to collect books for students at Christenberry Elementary School for their summer reading program. Books appropriate for children ages preschool through 5th grade are needed; they can be used but must be in looks-new condition. Book collection boxes will be at the KJA and our area congregations through the end of the month.

### B'nai Tzedek Fund Holders Update

Since the beginning of the year, six teens have started a B'nai Tzedek fund. Be sure to let them know how proud you are of the commitment they are making to "coming to table."

- ◆ Justen Bain, son of Tara and Brad Bain
- ◆ Benjamin Gibbons, son of Melinda and Tony Gibbons
- ◆ Atticus Hull, son of Amy and David Hull
- ◆ Kalisa Parsons, daughter of Sandra Parsons
- ◆ Arielle Rosen, daughter of Kim and Stephen Rosen
- ◆ Andrew Weinstein, son of Jill and Doug Weinstein

**Honor March-April-May birthdays of fund holders with a contribution to their B'nai Tzedek Fund.** We celebrate the following birthdays of our dedicated teens:

- ◆ Bryan Berube
- ◆ Samantha Hull
- ◆ Jennye Merrell
- ◆ Jacob Messing
- ◆ Lizzy Noon
- ◆ Hazak Parsons
- ◆ Nathan Rosen
- ◆ Zach Snow
- ◆ Brian Weinstein



(Left) East Tennessee Foundation CEO Mike McClamroch speaks to Jewish teen philanthropy fund holders. (Above) Kalisa Parsons signs her fund document with the assistance of Bernie Rosenblatt.

## AJCC Memberships, Swim Team, and More Await You



Founded in 1929 by Max and Lalla Arnstein, the Arnstein Jewish Community Center is a resource for the entire Knoxville Jewish community and is a division of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance. **Membership is open to all.**

Programs include a highly-rated preschool, an American Camping Association (ACA) - accredited summer day camp, after-school and children's activities, swim team, classes, cultural programs, and holiday celebrations.

The AJCC is a 25,000-square-foot facility located on 13 acres in west Knoxville. It features four lighted tennis courts, a pool, a fenced wading pool, gym, meeting rooms,

classrooms, a stage, and offices. The AJCC is home to KJA, BBYO, and Hadassah. As an AJCC member, you can enjoy use of the building and facilities, numerous programs and applicable program discounts.

Financial assistance is available. Forms are online and in the AJCC office with deadlines of April 15, July 15, and November 15. You will be notified of fee remission.

### AJCC Summer Membership



Cool off at the AJCC swimming pool from May 26-September 2. Play on one of lighted tennis courts. Take private swim or tennis lessons. Host your own pool party! **Fee: \$385**

**(save \$50 by joining by April 22, 2013)**

### Smokin' Salmon Swim Team

The Smokin' Salmon team is a member of the Greater Knoxville Area Interclub Swim Association (GKAISA).

The Smokin' Salmon team welcome girls

and boys ages 5-18. Swimmers are divided into age groups during competitions.

Our highly motivated coaching staff encourages team spirit and camaraderie through hours of practice and are dedicated to providing each swimmer the personal attention and instruction needed to reach his/her potential.

**Fee: \$180**



*Older summer camp participants enjoy whitewater rafting field trips.*

AJCC PRESCHOOL

art gala

Please join us on  
Thursday, April 11, 2013  
for the annual

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

AJCC Gym  
6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville

Featuring fabulous student art, live music  
and a silent auction

Wine bar and hors d'oeuvres generously  
sponsored by the Knoxville Jewish  
Day School and Costco

**Please RSVP by April 5th**

## Suzy Snoops

Share your good news with your family and friends. E-mail your news and photos to [nyork@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:nyork@jewishknoxville.org) today!

- ◆ Thanks to **Gene Rosenberg**, KJA Campaign chair, and KJA Pacesetters Dinner hosts **Marilyn** and **Harvey Liberman**, for a memorable evening of "Tzelebrating Tzedakah" held at Temple Beth El in February. More than 60 community members dined on a great meal by **Bruce Bogartz** of *RouXbarb* and enjoyed the entertainment of **Terry Silver-Alford** and the ensemble of **Neil Friedman** and **Katie Wolf Zahn**. Jeff Gubitz delivered the keynote address. Thanks to everyone for supporting the 2013 Annual Campaign.
- ◆ The late **Adrian Burnett** was featured recently in the *Halls Shopper*. Burnett, the late husband of **Yetta Burnett** and father of **Michael Burnett**, the late **Sidney (Marilyn) Burnett** and **Evelyn Silvey**, was honored with a mural painted to memorialize him further in the elementary school named for him.
- ◆ **Mara Nagler**, daughter of **Rosalie** and **Stephen Nagler**, began interning with Jewish Family Services in January. Mara is a junior in UT's College of Social Work.
- ◆ **William (Billy) Goldenberg** won in the film editing category in this year's Oscars Awards. Goldenberg won an Oscar for his work on the film *Argo*. He was also nominated in the same category for his work on *Zero Dark Thirty*. Backstage, Goldenberg talked about what prepared him to be such a successful editor, "My father's deli, you had to do a million things at once. Making breakfast for 75 people, paying bills, being on the phone with distributors. It prepares you for the multitasking you do in the editing room." Goldenberg is married to **Allison Diftler**, daughter of **Joyce** and **Harold Diftler**. *Mazel Tov and Yasher Koach!*
- ◆ **Alexandra Rosen**, author of *Colombia: A Rosen-Cooney Travel Story*, has created a blog about her travels. You can now follow Alexandra Rosen and Don Cooney through their blog, *No Passports Required: Bogota, the Coffee Zone, Cartagena, and Tayrona National Park*. Rosen earned a graduate degree in history and is a former businesswoman from Knoxville, Tennessee. She and Cooney, have been journeying together since 1992, favoring edgy destinations not yet on the international tourist map. In the last 20 years, she has visited 89 countries.
- ◆ **Suzi Schnitman Silverio**, daughter of **Mimi Pais** and the late **Ed Schnitman**, will be married in an oceanside ceremony in Jamaica on April 20 to **Richard Ginsburg**, son of David and Lee Ginsburg of Boca Raton, Florida. Another ceremony will be held in Boca Raton on May 26 where **Jacqui Marx**, cantor and daughter of **Ursula Marx**, will officiate. Suzi and Ricky met on *jdade.com* and their story was featured in a recent *jdade* magazine feature.
- ◆ **Nathan Rosen** was selected as the BBG Beau at the recent AZA/BBG Winter Formal. **Rae Oleshansky** was named the AZA Sweetheart. **Lizzie Noon** is AZA Winick's Little Sister and **Eli Derrington** is Weinstein BBG's Little Brother.

## 2013 BBYO Regional Cotton States Program Dates

BBYO is excited to announce the 2013 dates of its regional programs.

- ★ **April 19-21:** Spring Regional Convention—Open to all 9th-12th grade members. Camp Hillmont, near Nashville.
- ★ **August 30-September 1:** Regional Kallah Open to 10th-12th graders. Camp Hillmont, near Nashville.
- ★ **October 25-27:** New Member Weekend Open to new members only. Camp Cosby outside of Birmingham.
- ★ **December 20-23:** Cotton States Regional Convention Open to all members. Hotel in Nashville.



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## Camp, Student Financial Aid Deadlines Approaching

There are still some funds available for aid to help Jewish youth attend Jewish overnight camp.

The College Aid deadline for the Fall 2013/2014 application is May 31.

Visit the Jewish Children's Regional Service (JCRS) website, [www.jcrs.org](http://www.jcrs.org), to apply and learn about this and other JCRS programs.

# Great Summer Camp Experiences Available at the AJCC

## Milton Collins Day Camp—youths ages 5-14

### Summer Camp Highlights

- Fun weekly themes
- Daily swim lessons
- Weekly tennis lessons
- Free swim time in our large pool during camp
- Field trips or late night/overnight activities EVERY WEEK (whitewater rafting, tubing, Pump it Up!, camping are just a few fun trips)
- Legendary COLOR WARS week
- Indoor facilities include a gym with full-length basketball court, classrooms
- Outdoor facilities include two playgrounds, 13 acres of fields, nature walk, Ga-Ga game pit, pool, four tennis courts, gazebos, picnic tables, wading pool, and snack bar
- Lunch, snacks, and beverages included!
- Pizza Fridays! Yum!
- Before Care and After Care options available



Week 6	July 1-5	Carnival Week
Week 7	July 8-12	Adventure Week
Week 8	July 15-19	Fairy Tale Week
Week 9	July 22-26	Sports Around the World
Week 10	July 29-Aug. 2	MCDC Legendary Color Wars!
Week 11	Aug. 5-9	Mystery Week

### 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

[A detailed brochure, downloadable registration forms for memberships, swim team, and camp are online at www.jewishknoxville.org.](http://www.jewishknoxville.org)

### MCDC Weekly Camp Themes

Week 1	May 28-31	Fiesta Week
Week 2	June 3-7	Superhero Week
Week 3	June 10-14	70's Week
Week 4	June 17-21	Shark Week
Week 5	June 24-28	Mysteries of the Universe

## Camp K'Ton Ton — for Younger 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

July 22-26	Billy Goats Gruff
July 28-Aug. 2	Build Your Own Fairy Tale

*Camp K'Ton Ton ends August 2*

Register online or call the AJCC Preschool/Camp K'ton Ton office at (865) 963-8001 for more information.

### 2013 Fun Theme Weeks:

#### A Fairy Tales Summer

May 28-31	Where is K'Ton Ton?
June 3-7	Gingerbread Man
June 10-14	Hansel and Gretel
June 17-24	Jack and the Beanstalk
June 24-28	The Frog Prince
July 1-5	Cinderella Around the World
July 8-12	The Three Little Pigs
July 15-19	Goldilocks & the Three Bears



## MCDC Offers Two Specialty Camps

### British Challenger Soccer Camp June 10-14, 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 3-7, grades K-2 June 17-21, grades 3-5

Campers build unique creations, play games, and have loads of fun using LEGO® bricks. Register for this one on the MCDC registration form.



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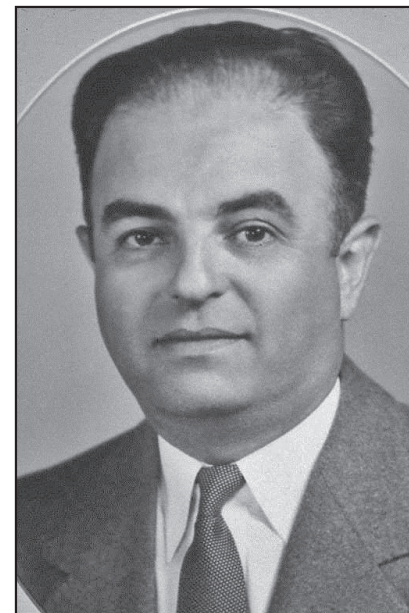
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### KJCFF Announces the Dewey Reich Chesed Shel Emet Fund

The KJCFF is thrilled to announce that the Dewey Reich *Chesed Shel Emet* Fund has officially been established. The Fund is a collaboration between the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, Heska Amuna Synagogue, and Temple Beth El to perform the mitzvah of *chesed shel emet*, caring for the interment of those who cannot afford it, and will never be able to return the kindness. Dewey Reich cared deeply about Jewish Knoxville. As part of his estate, he left funds to Temple Beth El, Heska Amuna Synagogue, and the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, some of which were used to help establish the Dewey Reich *Chesed Shel Emet* Fund. Reich's thoughtfulness and Tzedakah transcended the lines of congregation and community. Throughout his life he devoted his philanthropic efforts of Tzedakah in a classic Maimonides approach as he quietly, and often anonymously, supported the needs of the Jewish community and, if he were alive today, probably would just grin and shake his head while declining any need to recognize his contribution.

The Dewey Reich *Chesed Shel Emet* Fund was established with an initial investment of \$2,000 each from the three organizations. It is our hope that the Knoxville Jewish Community will make donations to the Fund so that we will be able to continue the mitzvah of *chesed shel emet* for years to come. If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one or just want to be part of furthering this mitzvah, please consider making a donation to the Dewey Reich *Chesed Shel Emet* Fund.



*Dewey Reich*

#### Grants

- ◆ Heska Amuna Synagogue received a grant from the Sylvia Robinson Memorial Fund to support the September 2012 Kol Nidre musical performance.

#### Donations

- **Besmann Family Fund for Social Justice and Spiritual Enrichment**  
Gene and Judy Bockneck
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# TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES

## For Parents and Grandparents

By Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels

As you may know, I became a grandparent for the second time on February 8. Ravi Noah Braunfeld's birth was a reminder of what every parent and every grandparent already knows: birth is a miracle! My daughter's ob-gyn doctor made the rhetorical comment, "How can anyone witness the birth process and not believe in a Divine Power?"

The birth of a child gives us pause: we reflect on our own lives; the impact of the those who are no longer with us but still influence our lives; and we gaze toward the future with great hope and anticipation. The sacred moments in our lives give us perspective and they reaffirm the significant roles that we play in the lives of others.

In Judaism, we solemnize these sacred moments with rituals. The ceremonies of Brit Milah and Brit ha-Bat afford us the opportunity to not merely circumcise and name our children. Rather, we bring our children into covenant with our people and in the presence of our community. When each of my children was formally brought into the covenant of Judaism (and throughout their lives), I spoke about our responsibility as parents. Simply put, as parents our obligation was to give our children "roots and wings."

My grandson Ravi is named for my father, Robert. At the Brit Milah ceremony, my daughter, Mara spoke about the qualities of her "grampy" and how she hopes Ravi will exhibit many of those traits.

My son-in-law shared some thoughts with which all of us can identify. Holding his eight-day-old son, Daniel said: "My hope for you is that you are not burdened with the expectations of future generations, but rather that you have the confidence and strength to look at the world around you and say, 'I can do better'... Ravi means 'my teacher.' Your Ema and I have both made education and teaching our life's work. What people don't realize is that we are all teachers – not only those who stand in classrooms. Our words and our deeds set a model for others, whether we intend to or not. The question we must ask ourselves is not whether or not we want to be a teacher, but what type of teacher we want to be."

My friends, all of us can relate to this, especially those of us who are charged with the sacred task of being parents and grandparents. May each generation succeed in providing "roots and wings" for the next generation.



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## President's Message

By Stu Elston

Among the many events in the life of Temple Beth El occurring in April are two that I want to highlight in my message this month.

One of the most important things we do at Temple is teach our children. The most important players in performing that mitzvah are the parents of our children, of course, but next in line are their teachers in our Religious School. Please make a special effort to join us at our Faculty Appreciation Shabbat service on April 12, as we honor those very important members of our community. Please note that this service will begin a bit early, at 7:00 p.m., for the convenience of families with children in our school. At this same service, we will also be honoring our "super teacher," Religious School Director Norma James, and celebrating her 10 years in that most important role. Please attend and join me in sharing our appreciation for Norma and her team of hard-working educators.

Also important is providing the facility that makes education (of adults, too!), worship, and community possible, and this takes

money. Much, but not all, of that money comes from your dues. Actually, slightly less than 60 percent of our total cost of operation is derived from dues. Another 20 percent derives from income from our endowments. The rest – another 20 percent – comes from generous donations and fundraising activities.

Our most important fundraiser – the TBE Auction – happens at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday evening, April 6. It goes without saying that I want very much for you to attend this exciting event. This is an event at which you can have a good meal and a good time while helping your Temple meet its basic needs. Amy Rosenberg and Phyllis Hirsh, and others too numerous to name here, dedicate enormous amounts of time and effort not only to make this evening a fundraising success, but also to present an exciting social event that you'll want to attend next year, too. There is a special twist this year – our Board of Directors has approved using auction proceeds above the budgeted income expectation to fund a face-lift project for the Temple lobby. So this year, you will be able to see a fraction of any purchases you might make at this year's silent and live auctions at work throughout the next year and for years to come. Please come, have a wonderful time with your Temple family, and help your Temple prosper!

The Biggest Event of the Year is  
Only a Few Days Away!  
Don't Miss It!

# Let The Good Times Roll!

Temple Beth El's 9th Annual Auction Event  
Saturday, April 6—6:30-9:30 p.m.

Fully catered Bravo's dinner, live music by  
"Old City Buskers," wine, beer and dessert  
and schmoozing

Over 200 Live & Silent Auctions items  
valued over \$18k

### TICKETS

\$30 (must be purchased by April 1)  
\$40 at the door (April 2 - April 6)  
\$20 student (minimum age 14 & older)

Contact TBE Office 524-3521,  
Amy Rosenberg 356-6830, or  
Phyllis Hirsh 307-0015



## Chai Tea

Sunday, April 21

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

at the home of  
Lesley Krakauer

R.S.V.P. to Lesley at 691-3208



(Top Right) Taylor and Rachel set up at their Purim Carnival Booth.  
(Above) Heather and Geoffrey Laing, Imelda and Aaron Margulies, Irina and Mark Abrams, Mark and Lucy Barkan, with Rabbi Matt Michaels  
(Right) Jessica and Andy Traugot share smiles.

## Temple Beth El Religious School News

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

***This is a jam-packed month for Religious School. READ. READ. READ.***

**Pizza Dinner for Midweek classes 5:45 p.m., April 3:** Join us for our monthly social time before classes being at 6:15.

**Parents, don't forget to bring in your new craft material or toy for our April 6 Auction baskets. These were big sellers last year.** There will be a table in the lobby for donations until Thursday, April 4. Of course we want everyone to come to the Auction on Saturday, April 6. If you have never attended, you are missing out on great food, great music, great friends, and great fun. Make plans to come this year. You will be glad you did. Remember, our school receives a big part of our funding from our general fund. This fundraiser needs your support.

**CLC Day! Temple Beth El hosts the students of Heska Amuna Sunday, April 7.** We love to bring our two schools together to learn and play. This year our theme will be "Hebrew Phrases that all Jews Should Know and Understand." How often do we hear someone use a Hebrew term or phrase that is familiar, yet we don't really know what it means? Even when we do know, we might not understand its deeper meaning or how it came into our culture. Through music, study, games, and crafts, we will explore some of our most important Hebrew terms and phrases.

**Faculty Appreciation service at 6:30 p.m., Friday, April 12:** I am so very proud of our wonderful staff of teachers and madrichim. This service has been set at an earlier time to encourage our families with children to attend and honor our faculty. We hope to see all of you there.

***Wednesday, April 1 is the LAST day of Midweek classes.***

**Special 6:00 p.m. Service April 19 conducted by our PreK, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades.** Don't miss the sweetest little service of the year. All of our little ones get into the Shabbos spirit. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes of E.L. Gordon and Rachel Bleuze will lead the actual service using our *Gates of Prayer for Young People*. Alicia Carter's class of our youngest children will do the honors of lighting candles, saying Kiddush, blessing the challah, and leading the Shema. The families of all of our classes will host a brief oneg after the service. (There will be a regular service at 7:30 p.m. as usual.)

**Rachel Margulies becomes Bat Mitzvah 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 20:** In what will be the first of many Margulies B'nei Mitzvah celebrations, daughter Rachel will be called to the Torah on this day. She has worked very hard preparing for this important service. Rachel's tutor is Laurie Fisher, our wonderful Hebrew teacher. I hope you will join the entire Margulies family in this beautiful life cycle simcha. Remember that everyone is welcome at all of our B'nei Mitzvah services.

**4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade Sleepover at Temple Saturday evening, April 27.** We gather at 5:00 for outdoor play and a cook out followed by activities indoors, havdallah, a movie, more food, and more fun. This is a blast that the kids look forward to each year. I am excited to invite our current 4<sup>th</sup> graders to their first Temple sleepover. See Norma for more details.

**Last Day of Religious School Breakfast and Celebration on Sunday, April 28.** It is hard to believe that another year is finished. Of course we still have Confirmation and a Bar Mitzvah ahead. All families are invited to bring a breakfast item to share. After breakfast we will have a short parent meeting while the children are cleaning up their rooms. Then we will join together for a final service and celebration of a great year with our new Rabbi Matt. School will dismiss at noon to allow everyone to travel to the special Temple event at the Tennessee Smokies game. (See Diana Steinfeld-Hicks for details.)

**Justen Bain becomes Bar Mitzvah 10:30 a.m., Saturday, May 4:** Wow! It's another simcha for our Religious School family. Join Justen as he reads Torah on his 13<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Bain's are so very proud of their son and hope you will join them on this happy day. It has been a joy watching Justen grow up in our school. We know he will be wonderful, just ask his tutor, Dan Smith.

***Save the date! Confirmation is Friday, May 17.***

### Upcoming Events:

April 3: Midweek Classes: Pizza dinner 5:45 p.m.  
 April 6: Temple Auction (Parents please attend!)  
 April 7: CLC day at Temple Beth El  
 April 12: Faculty Appreciation Shabbat  
 April 14: Israel Celebration at AJCC after Religious School at 12:30 p.m.  
 April 17: Last day of Midweek classes  
 April 19: PK, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades conduct an early service 6:00 p.m.  
 April 20: Rachel Margulies Bat Mitzvah 10:30 a.m.  
 April 27: 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade Sleepover at Temple  
 April 28: Last Day of RS Breakfast and Celebration 9:30-Noon.  
 April 28: Social event at Tennessee Smokies Game  
 May 4: Justen Bain Bar Mitzvah 10:30  
 May 17: Confirmation

**Norma James'  
 10 Year Anniversary  
 & Faculty Appreciation Shabbat  
 Friday, April 12  
 Service will start at 6:30 p.m.  
 With Fun-Filled Oneg to Follow**

## It's Time for Sisterhood

By Karen Smith, *Sisterhood Liaison*

Sisterhood Shabbat on March 1 was an observance of WRJ's 100th anniversary. Using a beautiful service created by three WRJ leaders and their rabbi daughters, Temple Beth El Sisterhood continued its future in the role of Reform Judaism. We are the faces of the Women of Reform Judaism as inspired by the past and committed to the future; we embrace a new century of Sisterhood.

Thank you to Meredith Jaffe for coordinating the service and for giving the *d'var Torah*. Thanks to Renee' Hyatt and Liz Gassel for reading Torah, to Susan Baker for her help with the service, to Sisterhood past presidents Ellen Markman, Elaine Freeman, Wilma Weinstein, and Liz Gassel for carrying the Torah during the hakafah, Sisterhood members who participated in the service, and everyone who baked for the delicious Oneg.

Sisterhood's **Shabbat for Hunger, Healing, and Hope** on March 8 was a successful event. Whether you helped with shopping, brought a soup or chili, baked bread, helped with set up or clean up for the dinner/Oneg, collected money, Sisterhood thanks you for your efforts. Special thanks to Joyce Traugot for chairing the event on behalf of Marty's Mission.

**Sisterhood's Luncheon and Fashion Show** on Tuesday, March 12 was a delightful afternoon. Thanks to Vice President for Programs Kathy Young for organizing the afternoon and to our Sisterhood women who modeled the fashions from The Silk Purse.

Upcoming Sisterhood events include the **Chai Tea** at the home of Lesley Krakauer from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on **Sunday, April 21**. (*This is a date change from April 14.*) Please RSVP to Lesley at 691-3208 for an afternoon of cake, sandwiches, and tea that is traditional to an English afternoon tea.

Plans are underway for "**Sisterhood Goes Out**" on **Thursday, May 9** at 6:30 p.m. at Copper Cellar Restaurant on Kingston Pike near West Town Mall. The cost for the evening is \$22.00 and includes bread, salad, your choice of one of four entrees, coffee or tea and tax and gratuity. RSVP to Kathy Young by Monday, May 6 at [youngkathy06@gmail.com](mailto:youngkathy06@gmail.com) or 859-9867. Watch *Ha'Kol* and Temple announcements/Blast for information about the program.

Finally, Sisterhood's Beiler Floral Fund Co-chairs Emma Fleischmann and Lisa Sayles remind us that a standard flower arrangement for bimah flowers for Shabbat, holidays, or special occasions is \$36.00. Please contact Emma if you would like to order a more elaborate or personalized arrangement. What a lovely way to remember someone for a life cycle event or special occasion.

*It's time for Sisterhood!*

## Meet our Newest Members

By Jan Elston, *Membership Committee*

**Renee Patterson** and her family moved to Knoxville from Fayetteville, GA, in early November 2012, after her husband, Eric, who works for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, was assigned to the Watts Bar Nuclear Power Plant. Renee, who grew up in Connecticut, and Eric, from Virginia, met in Newport, Rhode Island, where Renee was in college and Eric was in naval school. Renee worked as a teacher for eight years, specializing in middle school language arts, until her first child was born. She homeschools daughters Emma Grace, second grade, and Anna Lee, a preschooler. Renee, who was first exposed to Judaism 11 years ago when she and Eric were invited to a Seder, is excited about learning more about Judaism, getting actively involved in Temple, and eventually in converting to Judaism.

**Chip and Brenda Rayman** met at UT over 40 years ago. After living in Arizona and Colorado, they returned to Knoxville and UT where Brenda was undergraduate and graduate catalog editor/curriculum coordinator and Chip was assistant director in Facilities Services. Both are retired from UT. Brenda is a graduate of Arizona State University (B.A. /M.A. – Art History). Chip is a UT graduate (B.B.A.). Their son, Seth, teaches at Hardin Valley Academy and their daughter-in-law, Jennifer, is Curriculum Coordinator/Trainer for Project BRAIN at TN Disability Coalition. They have two toy poodles, Brownie and Sam. Chip is on the Temple's House and Property Committee. Brenda and Chip have volunteered to work in the Temple's Library and Gift Shop.

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## A HEARTY MAZEL TOV

to Rabbi Matt Michaels  
on the Birth of his Grandson,  
Noah Ravi



*Ravi, held by his mom, Mara  
(Rabbi's daughter).*

Ravi was born on February 8 in New York. He was 7 pounds 12 ounces and 21 inches long. Ravi's 2 year-old sister, Ronit, and their parents, Mara and Daniel are all very excited and thankful!

## Memories of Dewey Reich

By Richard Licht

The Dewey Reich Chesed Shel Emet Fund was created by a joint committee of Heska Amuna, KJA, and Temple Beth El to provide for the burial of indigent Jews in the Knoxville area. When this need has arisen in the past, a helter skelter process occurred that made no one happy.

After Esther Reich passed away, one of the donations was an unrestricted gift by the Reich family to Temple Beth El. TBE decided to use part of it to start an indigent burial fund. A committee was formed with representatives from each of the three organizations to plan the process for the indigent burial fund. It was decided by the committee to name the fund in memory of Dewey Reich since he had been the Temple Cemetery Committee chairman for a tremendous number of years. As chairman, he treated all people who needed burial with dignity and respect. He understood that this was a difficult time for most families and that the mundane parts of the burial needed to be taken care of with as little problem for the family as possible. When it was needed and he felt it was appropriate, he would personally pay for the costs of the burial, usually anonymously. This was the type of person Dewey Reich was.

From a personal point of view, the Reich family and the Licht family have been friends for many years going back to Jake Reich, Dewey's father, and Max Licht, my grandfather. My mother died on a Saturday night. Sunday night was the eve of Yom Kippur. She needed to be buried as quickly as possible. He saw to it that she was buried on Sunday afternoon. It was handled with as little problem for my father as was possible. This scenario with lots of different variations happened frequently. All of them were handled with the same dignity and respect for everyone.

Donations from Heska Amuna, KJA, and Temple Beth El are being used to create the Fund, which will be administered by the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds. It will still need donations to operate successfully. Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

Dewey Reich would also be very appreciative that Heska Amuna, KJA, and Temple were all working together to make this an important part of Jewish life in Knoxville. Dewey was involved in all parts of the Knoxville Jewish community most of his life. He served as treasurer of both the Temple and the Center. He was responsible for collecting the pledges to the Temple Building Fund. The list of roles he played in the Knoxville Jewish community goes on and on.

Jewish tradition says that a person lives on in the memory of people who knew him. Unfortunately none of Dewey's family live in Knoxville anymore. It is a very fitting way to remember Dewey through the Dewey Reich Chesed Shel Emet Fund.

### Mazal Tov!

Ivan Brody's granddaughter, **Mimi Frances Ringuette** was born on February 24, in Massachusetts. Mazel Tov to **Ivan**, to parents, Melissa (Brody) and **Alan Ringuette**, and to her five siblings! She was named for her late grandmother, Mimi Brody.

### Serving Our Country

**Justin Raines**, son of our members **Richard and Cindy Raines**, has been deployed for the next 6 months to Afghanistan.

Justin graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 2008. He achieved his MPA in Public Policy from the University of Maryland in 2010 and has since been stationed at Hanscom Air Force Base in Boston, MA, as a captain in the U.S. Air Force. We are proud of him for his service to our country and may God keep him safe as we keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

## Take Me Out To The Ballgame

Sunday, April 28  
2:00 PM

Tickets - \$7.50 per person  
Parking - \$3.00

For more information, contact:  
Diana Steinfeld Hicks - 423-487-2056  
Linda Mongeon - 865-693-0407  
Andy Traugot - 865-684-3697

So Come Join TBE  
at The Old Ballgame

Tennessee Smokies  
Vs.  
Pensacola Blue Wahoos

### TBE's Book Review

*This month we are highlighting a very special book written by our own Henry Fribourg. Besides creating a fascinating memoir, Henry also reminds his readers "not to forget, but remember the events in Europe from 1933 through 1945."*

#### Review by Laurie Fisher:

***Escape to Freedom: Survival, Dreams, Betrayal, and Accomplishments*** by Temple Beth El member Henry Fribourg is an account of his life from his earliest memories in pre-war WWII France to his present day retirement. Henry recounts for us with loving detail his happy early childhood in both Paris and Fountainbleau. He then takes the reader through the frightening and chilling trials of his family as they try to navigate life in Vichy France and ultimately their escape from Europe, leaving behind beloved grandparents, to find a new life in Cuba and eventually the United States.

Henry's memory is prodigious and his research skills are to be lauded. He is an example to all who are interested in genealogy and in discovering their family's stories. Most intriguing are his accounts of what his family, and specifically his very brave and astute parents, went through to finally get their children to safety. Available as a Kindle book on Amazon, \$3.98.

## Contributions to the Funds of Temple Beth El

Donations listed were received as of February 25, 2013

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By: Eva Fleischmann and Family

*In honor of WRJ & 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sisterhood*

By: Brian & Karen Smith



### Purim Delights

(Left) Hostess Phyllis Hirsh and Karen Smith wait to bake the next batch of hamantaschen. (Above) Karen Smuckler and Joyce Traugot roll and cut out dough for hamantaschen.

# Mazel Tov!

## 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



### Happy Birthday!

◆ Ed Balloff ◆ Martin Abrams ◆ Raphe Panitz  
◆ Jeff Weinstein ◆ Michael Zemel ◆ Terry Silver-Alford  
◆ Bella Wolitz ◆ Marion Bayer ◆ Stephen Cohen  
◆ Ellen Berez ◆ David Linwood ◆ Marilyn Solomon  
◆ Bob Milford ◆ Pace Robinson ◆ Myrna Russotto  
◆ Nancy Becker ◆ Sharon Berube ◆ Natalie Robinson  
◆ Burt Routman ◆ 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 13.*

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### Happy Birthday!

◆ Zahavah Clayman ◆ Beverly Hancock ◆ Mark Kline  
◆ Sally Tumpson ◆ Janice Feinman ◆ Jacquelyn Warden  
◆ Shirley Freedman ◆ Jessica Benoit ◆ Rebecca Clayman  
◆ Jeffrey Hirsh ◆ Sarah Over ◆ Dan Altshuler ◆ Marc Berman  
◆ Riley Goodfriend ◆ Missy Noon ◆ Linnette Tumpson ◆ Tara Bain  
◆ Hazak Parsons ◆ Aaron Schoenfeld ◆ Marsha Gross  
◆ Leigh Scarber ◆ Evan Sturm ◆ Aron Goldfeld ◆ Diane Cole  
◆ Grace Theriot ◆ Jeff Gubitz  
◆ David Seifert ◆ Charles Dickey  
◆ Jeanette Kelleher ◆ Matthew Theriot  
◆ Bradley Bain ◆ Ira Moss ◆ Babyling Pais  
◆ Andrew Sandberg ◆ Daniel Smith  
◆ W. Raines ◆ Irina Abrams



### Happy Anniversary!

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



# JAHRZEIT

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### April 12

◆ Harry Karl Blatt ◆ Fannie Fisher ◆ Mollie G. Zauber ◆ Charlotte Kayser ◆ Anna Bohn ◆ Russell Concors ◆ Sarah Goldfarb ◆ Mitchell Plachter  
◆ Natalie Zivi ◆ Irene Blatt ◆ Julian Lewis ◆ Rebecca Mendelowitz ◆ Allen Scheff ◆ Diana Feldman ◆ Freida Freedman ◆ Walter McCoy James  
◆ Abe Katz ◆ Howard Manischewitz ◆ Donald Pardee ◆ Berta B. Moss ◆ Lucien Oury ◆ Golda Margolies ◆ Dorothy Salus

### April 19

◆ Evelyn Dresner Nash ◆ Cynthia Sheldon ◆ Helen G. Ecker ◆ Bert Sheldon ◆ Jane Taubman ◆ Rosa Deitch ◆ Blanche Farmer ◆ Louis Lippner  
◆ Charles Schnall ◆ Tillie Slovis ◆ Mabel Wayburn ◆ Mildred Wohl ◆ David Johnson ◆ Lillian Kramer ◆ Herman Rozolsky  
◆ Mary T. (Mickey) Sampson ◆ Infant Altshuler ◆ Jayne Eisen ◆ Harvey Golden ◆ Jack Stein, Sr. ◆ Louis H. Sturm ◆ Max Cohn ◆ Alex Katz  
◆ Rita Kelleher ◆ Arthur Marchand ◆ Joan Porter

### April 26

◆ Samuel Haber Brody ◆ Mayme Goodfriend ◆ Sidney Katz ◆ Irma Kaufman ◆ Mike Browning ◆ Margaret Crohn ◆ William Derrington  
◆ Rabbi Harold Rubens ◆ Douglas Bucher ◆ Norman Popkin ◆ Louis Sackron ◆ Harry Robert Schwartz ◆ Rose Shagan ◆ Dr. Sylvain RC Fribourg  
◆ Bessie Green ◆ Betram Raskin ◆ Ruth Block ◆ Allen Kravitz ◆ Naum Saffro ◆ Rae Allen ◆ David M. Baker ◆ Helen Dietch ◆ John Martin Elston  
◆ Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger

### May 3

◆ Oscar Burstein ◆ Leopold Levi ◆ Joseph Levitt, Sr. ◆ Adell Robinson Bernard ◆ Mark Ian Simon ◆ Edith Berkowitz ◆ Rachel Heller  
◆ Rabbi Jerome Marx ◆ Fred Sonder ◆ Erwin Coleman ◆ Jane Nettie Richman ◆ Aaron David Silverman ◆ Phillip Blumenthal ◆ Pauline Gershberg  
◆ Dorothy B. Goldberger ◆ Mathilde Wolff Levi ◆ Sydney Richman ◆ David Bush ◆ Mary Lillian Dees ◆ Rose Kipnes West ◆ Abraham Factor  
◆ Matthew Fandetti ◆ Arthur Friedman ◆ Lois Zellner

## *Heska Amuna Synagogue*

### April 6

◆ Mickey Billig ◆ Louis Sturm ◆ Esther Panitz ◆ Golda Margolies ◆ Lawrence Abrams ◆ Bennie Deitch ◆ Bernard Landis ◆ I.W. Millen  
◆ Nathan Millen ◆ Jacob Sandweiss ◆ Joseph Strauss ◆ Ilene Edelman ◆ Esther Himmelstein ◆ Max Kronrad ◆ Esther Levine ◆ Helen Swetsky  
◆ Claire Gettinger ◆ Gussie Joffe ◆ Rose Shagan ◆ Pyna Greenbaum ◆ Nathan Handler

### April 13

◆ Joseph Ades ◆ Molly Fayonsky ◆ Charlotte Kayser ◆ Margaret Miner ◆ Esther Rosen ◆ Mildred Rosenblatt ◆ Rose Sherman ◆ Tillie Slovis  
◆ Sarah Lipshin ◆ Rose Rosenthal ◆ Morris Ross ◆ Shirley Chasan ◆ Israel Gruenberg ◆ Ada Manas ◆ Allen Rosen ◆ Sara Dixon  
◆ Claire Evans ◆ Rosa Frumin ◆ Mariam Goodstein Stein

### April 20

◆ Gerd Abeles ◆ Bernard Belaief ◆ Selma Smullian ◆ Samuel Billig ◆ Charlotte Cooper ◆ Fannie Leibowitz ◆ Bessie Millen ◆ Ruth Oleshansky  
◆ Isaac Levin ◆ Ella Levison ◆ Celia Rosenblatt ◆ Anna Gitman ◆ Lionel Kay ◆ Joseph Bernard ◆ Mary Posey ◆ Frieda Schwarzbart ◆ Dorothy  
Freeman ◆ Abraham Radlaski ◆ Joseph Goldman ◆ Murry Rosenblatt

### April 27

◆ Tybee Millner ◆ Jacob Schwartz ◆ Benjamin Tew ◆ Harriett Herbin ◆ Joseph Sherman ◆ Pauline Viener ◆ Charles Siegel ◆ Paul Cawn  
◆ Max Friedman ◆ Stanley Duhan ◆ Esther Millen ◆ Lottie Siegel ◆ Beatrice Goldstein ◆ Flora Hasden ◆ Pearl Austin ◆ Isaac Cooper  
◆ Howard Greenbaum ◆ Sidney Licht ◆ William Russler

## *Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge*

### April 1

◆ Samuel Z. Hoffman ◆ Leon Kastenbaum ◆ Malka Kimmelman ◆ Bernard Horn ◆ Michael Steven Barrack ◆ Reuben Sweet ◆ Carrie Auerbach  
◆ Morton S. Conrad ◆ Freida Agronow

### April 7

◆ Benno Ryczke ◆ Alan Schwartz ◆ Fannie Brown ◆ Leon Yehuda Toledano ◆ Isaac Levine ◆ Selma Shapiro ◆ Clarice Evans ◆ Mildred Landay  
◆ Jacob Horn ◆ Fanny Jacobs

### April 14

◆ Esther Abraham ◆ Samuel Goldstein ◆ Eliezer Maya ◆ Abraham Berman

### April 21

◆ Ruth Carey ◆ Gertrude Tobias ◆ Milton Hartman ◆ Herman Ganz ◆ Charles Cohen ◆ Manfred Engel ◆ Aaron Halperin ◆ Eliazer Datz  
◆ Solomon Lundin ◆ Solomon Rashkovsky ◆ Mildred Bursten

### April 28

◆ Constance Magnes Blumenthal ◆ Stanley Levin

# Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



## From the President's Corner

By Sig Mosko

April 2013

Spring is here and the end of our program year is almost upon us. Our annual congregation meeting is scheduled for May 19 at 2:00 p.m. As usual, we will hold elections for members of the board of directors. Nominations for new members of the board of directors are needed during the next few weeks. The nominations committee will be contacting all congregation members with details. One very important matter for consideration will be re-establishment of our religious school program. It seems that after several years of watching our membership age, we suddenly have several new families with young children who need religious education. Please make note of our meeting schedule and plan to attend. Formal announcements will be sent in a few weeks.

Another important date to mark on your calendars is the celebration of JCOR's 70th Anniversary. Festivities will begin Friday, July 26 and continue through the weekend. Fran Silver and committee are busy planning the program.

Looking back over the past few months, several acknowledgements are in order. Hilary Shreter did a great job of coordinating our "Ah-Men Feast" with help from "chef" Mark Kaye, "singing waiter" leader Bruce Tomkins, "auction coordinators" Al and Alice Feldman-Good, "entertainment arranger" Fran Silver, "set-up expert" Eileen Handler, and Peggy Laxton who always seems to be available for picking up loose ends.

## Upcoming April Events

### JCOR Annual Yom Hashoah Observance

**Sunday, April 7, 2013 11:00 a.m.**  
in the sanctuary of Beth El Synagogue  
Students, parents, teachers and friends will participate in the lighting of the Six Memorial candles, and in reading of poems and essays. All members and friends are invited to help us remember the Shoah.

### Study session:

#### ***The Origins of Hasidic Judaism***

Saturday, April 20, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Jewish Film Series** - Saturday, April 6, 7:00 p.m., *Bonjour Monsieur Shlomi* – Israel, 2003, 94 min., Unrated, in Hebrew with English subtitles "Shlomi is a caretaker of everyone in his family. He also cooks each family member's favorite meal to keep them on an even keel. Problem is, Shlomi's pretty much invisible to those he cares for -- until a math test at school catches the attention of Shlomi's teacher, who suspects that a unique personality lies behind that dormant facade."

### **Junior Film Pajama Party** -- Saturday, April 6,

7:00 p.m., *The Prince of Egypt*, 1998, 99 min. Parents, bring your kids in their PJs for a film party of their own while you enjoy the Jewish Film Series upstairs—for only \$5 per child. Popcorn, drinks, and fun included! E-mail Katie Niad with questions: [katie@niad.net](mailto:katie@niad.net).

## JCOR's Sisterhood Happenings

Who can change out a kitchen sink faucet? Peggy Laxton, with the help of David and Jacob. Who can change florescent light bulbs? Peggy Laxton is a take charge person, when she sees something that has to be done or repaired, she follows through, no questions asked. Todah Rabah for all you do to enhance the synagogue and Sisterhood projects.

We had a good number of the three sisterhoods' members at our celebration of Rosh Hodesh Adar. Avigail Rashkovsky presented an informative program detailing her recent visit to the countries of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. This was her first visit to the country of her birth, Estonia, since emigrating to Israel in 1977 and the U.S. in 1981. Becky Charles, Rebecca Badurina, Linda Bell, Anne, Jeannette, Hilary, Alice and Shannon prepared a delicious meal and helped with cleanup. Thank you.

With the help of Sisterhood and congregation members, we are revamping our school class rooms. There is an excitement with this undertaking from old and new members, and they are eager to get started. In fact, they already have!

AH-MEN dinner- Although we weren't allowed in the kitchen (men only), several Sisterhood members helped on the sidelines. Kudos to master chef Mark Kaye. Todah to Peggy, Fran, Reeva, Brenda, Alice, Sylvia and Eileen. Hilary Shreter, board member, was chairman of this very successful event, which included a silent auction. Avigail Rashkovsky donated a cake server for our Passover kitchen, which she bought at the auction.

Becky Charles and some families with young children were seen making hamentaschen and decorations for the Purim celebration. Penny Lukin supplied the music. Anne Greenbaum, with help from Peggy, Alice, Brenda, Reeva, Rebecca, Eileen and Avigail made hamentaschen for the big event. We also delivered Mishloah Manot to our homebound congregation members. Please remember to phone or visit these members. They would love to hear from you.

We mourn the death of Phyllis Wichner, beloved wife of Robert.



*Avigail Rashkovsky at  
Rosh Hodesh*

## JCOR Congregants Enjoy That Purim Spiel



(Left) Penny Lukin leads us in singing songs for Purim. (Middle) Lilah Niad and Shannon Martindale, aka Tinkerbell and Audrey Hepburn, shake their groggers. (Right) Linda Bell and Becky Charles as "Blues Sisters" For Purim.

### Announcements

The Ah-men Dinner was a big success. Thanks to all of our guests, cooks, helpers and auction participants. See you next time! -- *Hillary Shreter*, Finance Chair, JCOR

### Torah Fund Cards Available

*Cards may be sent for all occasions. Please call Eileen Handler at 482-1341 or Brenda Mosko at 483-9463.*

- **Mazel Tov to Herb Hoffman on his 90th birthday**, from Vera and Leon Maya, Sisterhood
- **In Loving Memory of Vivian Jacobs, to the family**, from Jeannette and Verne Gilbert, Hilda and Irv Barrack, Sisterhood
- **In Loving Memory of Phyllis Wichner, wife of Robert Wichner**, from Hilda and Irv Barrack, Sisterhood, Eileen Handler, Jeannette and Verne Gilbert
- **In Loving Memory of Max Kaplan, cousin of Eileen Handler**, to sons, Michael and David Kaplan
- **Mazel Tov to Ted Shapiro on his 90th birthday**, from Sisterhood and Eileen Handler
- **Return to good health to Walt Zobel, on knee surgery**, from Sisterhood and Eileen Handler

### Hosts and Hostesses

If you need to make an exchange, do so, and call Marilyn Rudo at 482-3522.

- April 6** Sylvia Goldenberg, Judi and Len Gray
- April 13** Anne and Eli Greenbaum, Shelby and Mark Kaye
- April 20** Edith and Mel Halbert, Rose Holz
- April 27** Eileen Handler, Diana Jacobson
- May 4** Mira Kimmelman, Brenda and Sig Mosko
- May 11** Peggy and Randy Laxton, Nona and Sam Poole
- May 18** Avigail and Victor Rashkovsky, Shirley Schwartz
- May 25** Hilary Shreter, Carolyn and Bud Stein

### Donations to JCOR

#### Yahrzeits

- ◆ Marvin & Helen Kastenbaum in memory of Milton Ganz
- ◆ Andy Bursten in memory of Jocelyn Bursten
- ◆ Rose Feldman in memory of Blanche Passerman Feldman; Anna Zacker;
- ◆ Sylvia Cherry; Cy Feldman; and Estelle Alber
- ◆ Mel Sturm in memory of Fran Sturm and Family Members
- ◆ Sylvia Goldenberg in memory of Moses Schain

#### In Memory of Vivian Jacobs:

- ◆ Murray Hanig
- ◆ Raymond & Helen Adams
- ◆ David & Linda Blumkin; Ken & Beth Blumkin
- ◆ Mel Sturm (Cemetery Fund)

#### In Memory of Vivian & Sheldon Jacobs:

- ◆ Bruce Tomkins (Building Fund)
- ◆ Joseph & Mary Smyrl
- ◆ W. David Church

#### In Memory of Phyllis Wichner:

- ◆ Mel Sturm (Cemetery Fund)



# Hadassah Highlights

## A Note From Cindy

By Cindy Pasi, President, Knoxville Chapter

In Steven Spielberg's movie, *Lincoln*, Tommy Lee Jones plays Thaddeus Stevens, a radical Republican abolitionist, who spent his life arguing that black men were equal to white men in the eyes of God.

Stevens is beset with a conundrum. Lincoln desperately wants to pass legislation, which would insure equality before the law for the black man. Thaddeus Stevens supports this legislation. Stevens wants more than equality before the law. He wants a statement included in the legislation, which would acknowledge the innate equality of the black man to the white man. Lincoln knows that if such a statement is inserted, the resolution will fail.

Stevens must decide if it's more important to have the black man declared innately equal or more important that the black be regarded as equal under man's law. In the end, Stevens compromises and subdues his ego. He opts for the *equal before law* clause, which ultimately guarantees the black man's equality in the United States of America.

*Parsha Yitro*, which includes the Ten Commandments, addresses a similar dilemma. When the Torah and the Ten Commandments were given to the Jewish people, they stated *na'aseh v'nishmah*. We will obey these laws and then we will intellectualize and understand them. To the Jew the deed of action is far more important than the creed.

For centuries Jews have been called legalistic. It's true—but it's not a negative! The world has theology, religious theory and dogma. Jews do indeed have laws! We know that good and honest laws tempered with compassion (which the Torah commands) insure equality and justice for all no matter who one is or what one has.

The Torah states that when Moses related God's laws to the children of Israel, "the people answered with one voice *na'aseh*" (we will do; we will act.) However, later when Moses merely read to them the books of the Torah, they answered *nishma*" (we will hear and clarify the laws.) The words "one voice" is missing, because from our very beginning, Jews were already divided over the interpretation of the laws.

Jewish history is replete with arguments of two Jews, three opinions! But the Torah, the book of laws remains constant. That's been our strength.

Hadassah is a unique organization. We include so many different types of women. All of us are committed to building and furthering the renaissance of the Jewish people in our homeland, the State of Israel. Like Lincoln, we have a country to build and we devote ourselves to that task. Like our ancestors at Sinai "we do" and "we hear" May it continue to be so.

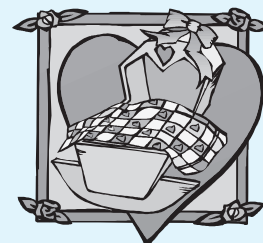


## Layettes

By Judi Abrams, [jmksa1@aol.com](mailto:jmksa1@aol.com)

We have so many new babies that have been born into our HADASSAH FAMILY. If you haven't added YOUR name to these Layette Cards, please send me an e-mail as I will be mailing them out very soon. We are very fortunate to be able to honor these families so please include your name. If you have any questions on how the LAYETTE CARD PROGRAM works, please do not hesitate to ask me. Thanks everyone for your continued support of this very special program.

- ★ Ivan Brody on the birth of a beautiful granddaughter - **Mimi Frances Ringuette**
- ★ Rabbi Matt Michaels on the birth of his grandson, **Ravi Noah Braunfeld**
- ★ Mr. and Mrs. Boris Budik on the birth of their grandson, **David Budik**
- ★ Marilyn Abrams on the birth of her grandson, **Ryan Samuel Abrams**
- ★ Moshe and Marcia Shloush on the birth of their grandson, **Tal Shloush**
- ★ Drs. Barb Levin and Josh Gettinger on the birth of their granddaughter, **Nora Claire Nelles**
- ★ Dr. Neil and Linda Feld on the birth of their grandson, **Jacob Asher Kaplan**
- ★ Dr. Michael Eisenstadt and Mary Beth Leibowitz and Judy and Norman Teasley on the birth of their grandson, **Charles Albert**



## Hadassah Knoxville Celebrates Mitzvah Day

The Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah was in full swing on Mitzvah Day in multiple capacities. Lifetime members Marcia Shloush, Barbara Mintz and Barbara Leeds were involved in swabbing participants for bone marrow registry for the *Gift of Life Bone Marrow Foundation*.



Shuli Mesa and Nora Messing worked with the children in our community to make friendship bracelets at Knoxville's Mitzvah Day. These bracelets will be delivered to children who are in the Hadassah hospitals at Mt. Scopus and Ein Kerem, including the new Sarah Wetsman Davidson Tower, by Hadassah members travelling to Israel on Hadassah mission trips. Everybody got into the act in making the bracelets. *What a Mitzvah!*



# Hadassah Highlights

## Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah

### Executive Board

Cindy Pasi	President <a href="mailto:tenntrio@ymail.com">tenntrio@ymail.com</a>
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[www.knoxville.hadassah.org](http://www.knoxville.hadassah.org)

## Help Israel By Purchasing Tree or Water Certificates

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



**One Tree - \$15**

**Ten Trees - \$150 (Circle of Trees)**

**Fifty Trees - \$750 (Garden of Trees)**

Yes, you can help Israel simply by contacting Marian Jay and purchasing a tree certificate for \$15.00 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 email Marian at [mayfayjay@aol.com](mailto:mayfayjay@aol.com) to arrange for a tree or water certificate to be sent out for you.

### HEADS-UP!

*Have you read this article?*

*This feature is designed to bring to your attention important articles on diverse areas related to Jewish and Zionist education.*

This month's HEADS-UP features a thought-provoking article for you to read and share. Its author is a doctor at an American university and an educated Muslim woman. Her perspective on the clash between Israel and Hamas is ethical and moral and reflects her deep understanding of what she calls the "desecration" of her religion.

*"As Israel considers building a new fence to contain the Syrian conflict to the north, which fences can keep out Hamas's even more lethal ideologies? While Gaza and the Muslim Arab world continue to claim victory in the recent Israel-Hamas conflict, for the sane observers among us, there is only ever defeat – the defeat of morality in the desecration of a great religion. While most Muslims laud Hamas and scorn Israel, for me, an observing Muslim, Israel's war against Hamas remains my struggle – my jihad."*

#### **Israel's Jihad is Mine**

By Dr. Qanta Ahmed,  
Associate Professor of Medicine  
State University of New York  
(Stony Brook)

*The Times of Israel*, January 10, 2013

Web link: <http://blogs.timesofisrael.com/israels-jihad-is-mine/>

### A Bit of Humor . . . .

#### **Philanthropy**

A visitor to Israel attended a recital and concert at the Muscovite Auditorium. He was quite impressed with the architecture and the acoustics. He inquired of the tour guide, "Is this magnificent auditorium named after Chaim Moscovitz, the famous Talmudic scholar?" "No," replied the guide. "It is named after Sam Moscovitz, the writer."  
"Never heard of him. What did he write?"  
"A check," replied the guide.

#### **The Mezuzahs**

A wealthy Jewish man buys a fabulous home in Beverly Hills. He brings in a local workman to decorate the place. When the job is finished, the homeowner is delighted but realizes that he's forgotten to put mezuzahs on the doors. He goes out and buys 50 mezuzahs and asks the decorator to place them on the right hand side of each door except bathrooms and kitchens. He's really worried that the decorator will chip the paint work or won't put them up correctly. However, when he comes back a few hours later, he sees that the job has been carried out to his entire satisfaction. He's so pleased that he gives the decorator a bonus. As the decorator is walking out of the door he says, "Glad you're happy with the job. By the way, I took out all the warranties in the little boxes and left them on the table for you!"  
\*\* The Jew should have put up the mezuzah himself in order to fulfill the mitzvah.\*\*

### Large Certificates

- ◆ In honor of the bat mitzvah of **Arielle Rosen**, daughter of Kim and Stephen Rosen, sister of Nathan and Tifannie
- ◆ In memory of **Lois Contente**, mother of Susan Contente (Kurt Piehler)
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## Jewish National Fund

## SAVE THE TREES!



Kasey Krouse

**Date:** Sunday, May 19th

**Time:** 1:00-3:00pm

**Location:** Arnstein Jewish  
Community Center

*Join us for the inside scoop on  
helping our trees and shrubs grow  
and look their best!*

Kasey Krouse will be our guest speaker for the environmental/JNF program Sunday, May 19th. We'll meet at the AJCC to have a fantastic potluck luncheon and enjoy our speaker.

Krouse has just been hired as Knoxville's first ever urban forester. He'll have information about Knoxville's plans for improving the city's environment and what we can do at home. Many of our trees are under attack from everything from insects and pollution to our own uninformed mismanagement.

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## A Note of Appreciation

Dear Friends and Family,

Joe and I were so pleased and actually overwhelmed to receive such a large and beautiful certificate from all of you. It is very touching to both of us at how many of you care and have given such a meaningful gift to us. You are all aware of how affiliated and committed I am to Hadassah, so it is the perfect gift for us.

I am very happy here and have been busy making a new life for myself, getting established in the community, but Knoxville will always be my home and you will always be my family. For 50 years, you were more than friends...you were family. That will never change. I will always care about Knoxville and will always feel a part of you.

Joe joins me in thanking you for your thoughtful generosity in honoring us this way. We send you our very best wishes for a successful and meaningful year ahead.

Love,  
Lee & Joe Blotner

*To add your name to these or other certificates, please e-mail Mary Ann Merrell at:*  
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## Hadassah Book Club News

Any interested Jewish women and friends, please join us for our upcoming book discussions. We meet at Barnes and Noble on Kingston Pike, 7:30 p.m. in the snack bar area. Tuesday April 16, we'll discuss *I Am Forbidden* by Anouk Markovits and on May 21, we'll discuss *Flight Behavior* by Barbara Kingsolver. Join us for some delightful camaraderie and stimulating discourse.

Any questions, call Peggy Littmann, 588-6661, or e-mail [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net)

*I Am Forbidden*

Sweeping from the Central European countryside just before World War II to Paris to contemporary Williamsburg, Brooklyn, *I Am Forbidden* brings to life four generations of one Satmar family.

Opening in 1939 Transylvania, 5-year-old Josef witnesses the murder of his family by the Romanian Iron Guard and is rescued by a Gentile maid to be raised as her own son. Five years later, Josef rescues a young girl, Mila, after her parents are killed while running to meet the Rebbe they hoped would save them. Josef helps Mila reach Zalman Stern, a leader in the Satmar community, in whose home Mila is raised as a sister to Zalman's daughter, Atara. As the two girls mature, Mila's faith intensifies, while her beloved sister Atara discovers a world of books and learning that she cannot ignore. When the two girls come of age, Mila marries within the faith, while Atara continues to question fundamentalist doctrine. The different choices the two sisters makes force them apart until a dangerous secret threatens to banish them from the only community they've ever known.

A beautifully crafted, emotionally gripping story of what happens when unwavering love, unyielding law, and centuries of tradition collide, *I Am Forbidden* announces the arrival of an extraordinarily gifted new voice and opens a startling window on a world long closed to most of us, until now.



# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

## This Year's Grammy Goes To...

Morah Debbie Richman! Debbie has been the Music/Drama teacher at KJDS since it opened its doors in 2006! She has directed many drama productions with our students, including *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*, *Peter and the Wolf*, *Chicken Little*, *Danville Dodgers*, *Jungle Book*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Peter Pan*, and *Willy Wonka*.

Debbie's husband, Lucas Richman, won a Grammy in 2012 for the Best Classical Crossover Album. We felt that Debbie deserved the same kudos for all that she does for the children at KJDS and so we awarded her with the "Producer of the Year 2013, Outstanding Drama Performance" Grammy!

*Morah Debbie receives her Grammy as her fans applaud.*



*KJDS students get VIP treatment at the Picardy Penguin performance. Maestro Lucas Richman and vocalist Katy Wolfe Zahn greet students at the performance.*

## Purim KJDS Style!

How did the KJDS students celebrate Purim? We'll give you the scoop. To start, every child came dressed in costume and the teachers....they turned into the seven dwarfs!

But not only that...a lavish cocktail party was thrown with a bar menu, complete with a variety of yummy teas. Who tended the bar, you ask? Sneezzy and Bashful as a matter of fact, with Dopey and Grumpy serving hors d'oeuvres. Sleepy signed on as event photographer, so don't expect too many pics! After cocktails, the party continued with the *Purim Shake* (aka *Harlem Shake*), followed by games prepared by Morah Revital and Miriam Esther that were both fun and a great review of the story of Purim and the many ways it is celebrated. The fun culminated with each school team getting 20 minutes, a newspaper, tape and scissors and the goal of creating a newspaper costume for one team member depicting a character from the Purim story. It was wonderful to see the camaraderie, team work, creativity and sportsmanship of our students as they worked together on this unusual project!



*(Above) Dressing up like a character from the Purim story.*

*(Left) One of the seven dwarfs serving hamantaschen during our Purim party.*

## Student Led Conferences

Our entire student body, Kindergarteners through fifth graders, prepared PowerPoint slides showcasing what they are currently learning, their prior successes, and what they need to work on a little harder in the future. They then practiced their presentation skills in front of their biggest fans...their parents! Once a year, KJDS students are in control of their conferences with their parents and teachers. Again this year, the kids showed what a remarkable school KJDS is and how much our students are learning. Not only did they create PowerPoints, but they presented them on our active boards and were able to show their parents many of the exciting things the boards can do for our students in the classroom. Check out our student-led conferences video at: [www.kjds.org/templates/articlecco\\_cdo/aid/2140517/jewish/Student-Led-Conferences.htm](http://www.kjds.org/templates/articlecco_cdo/aid/2140517/jewish/Student-Led-Conferences.htm)



*Ori at his student led conference*

## Aftercare Enrichment Blossoms This Spring

This spring, KJDS' aftercare program is keeping our children busy with all sorts of activities. Once again, Lev Gross-Comstock is teaching photography and chess, as well as giving individual voice, piano and guitar lessons. Children can also sign up for soccer, gymnastics, "fun" Hebrew or Lego Club! Addison Leinart, a UT student, is coaching soccer and Tina Curtis, from Tataru's is the gymnastics instructor. Revital Ganzi's "fun" Hebrew class will concentrate on conversational Hebrew, and Sterling Thomas, a Maryville College student, is sharing his love for Legos!



*(Above) Sterling helps Ori and Jack build a boat for the ocean!*

*(Top Right) Tumbling in aftercare!*

*(Bottom Right) Addison Leinart coaches KJDS kids in soccer!*





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*Band photo (top right) courtesy of Ron Sternfels*

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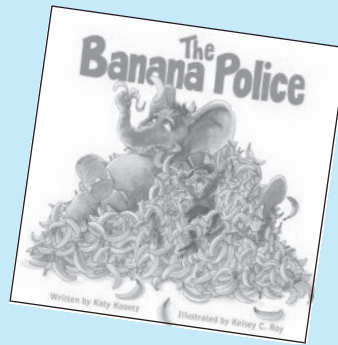
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## KJDS Goes Bananas!

When we first got wind of Katy Koontz and her new children's book, *The Banana Police*, we got so excited thinking about all of the fun we could have! Katy Koontz is an award-winning freelance writer, author, and editor who specializes in women's health (both mind and body), spirituality, travel, and lifestyles. She writes trend stories, service articles, and first-person essays--in addition to doing ghostwriting, editing, and book doctoring. You can find out more about Katy at [www.katykoontz.com](http://www.katykoontz.com).

Her book, *The Banana Police*, is about a sweet little town, deep in the jungle, where people happily co-exist with elephants, that is until the townspeople become increasingly annoyed with their lovable, lumpy, neighbors. After all, they snore loudly, hog the best seats at the movies, and block all the aisles in the supermarket. Who needs that? When the Mayor calls on the Elephant Police to devise a clever scheme to get the elephants to leave, the town ends up buried in all the extra bananas the beasts usually eat. The Mayor then calls on the Banana Police to deal with the bananas, but it's the townspeople themselves who finally get rid of them. The unspoken message is about the value of peaceful co-existence and cooperation between inherently different groups.

Katy and the book's illustrator, Kelsey Roy, visited KJDS and shared their love for writing and illustrating. To celebrate *The Banana Police*, our students ate bananas, participated in tons of banana activities throughout the day, and created crazy banana videos with their families that can be seen on our Facebook page. If you haven't liked us yet on Facebook, you're missing out!



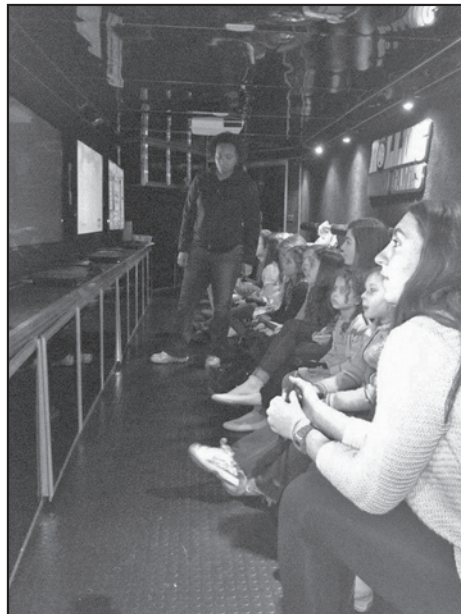
## Going Out On a Roll!

The last Kids Night Out of the year consisted of two very fun events. The Rolling Video Games truck and Purim fun with our BBYO counselors!

The Rolling Video Games truck pulled up to school with tons of games for kids to play with their friends. Most popular were *Mario Kart Wii* and *Wii Olympics*. When the kids were not inside the truck playing games, they were making hamantaschen and "cups of dirt" with gummy worms, and playing games. It was a fantastic night for all!

(Right) Inside the rolling video games truck playing Wii games.

(Below) Mmmm, cups of dirt.



(Right) Making hamantaschen



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### The Way We Were in 1961



#### Young Judaeon Nahalal Club at the Jewish Community Center

Clockwise from left corner: Joani **Frumin**, Deana **Rose**, Barbara **Scott**, Jennifer **Joffe**, Lisa **Margolin**, Emmy **Zuckerman**, Pam **Brody**, Margie **Goldberger**. Group leader (standing) is Ann **Davis**.

A version of this photo appeared in *The Center Menorah* issue of January, 1962, identifying the other members of the Young Judaeon club not pictured as Teresa **Loef**, Julie **Cooper**, Julese **Goldstein**, Helene **Bebergal**, Donna **Tobe**, and assistant leader Susan **Goldberger**.

Joani (**Frumin**) **Leeds** moved to Florida from Knoxville in 2012. Pam **Brody** and Donna **Tobe** live in Knoxville. Julese **Goldstein Cepero** lives in LaFollette. To learn more, go to [www.jewishknoxville.org/archives](http://www.jewishknoxville.org/archives)

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