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UJA 2008 Campaign ready for Lift Off

"This is going to be our best campaign ever" were the words that echoed through the grounds at a recent canvasser appreciation evening at the home of Michael and Cindy Kam. With a 2008 campaign goal set at \$1.2 million, the challenge to the Hamilton Jewish community has now been delivered. Will we successfully respond to the challenge? The answer to that question is critical to our community's future.

Last year's campaign was successful by almost every measurable standard. However, the anomaly of losing just a couple of key donors through attrition resulted in our community's inability to meet basic local needs or national commitments. It's a matter that must be overcome if the community is going to return to campaign growth levels of the previous few years.

According to UJA Federation President, David Somer, "During last year's Israel Emergency Campaign our community demonstrated its ability to rise up to meet an extraordinary challenge. We will always stand with Israel and be there when asked to respond to Israel's urgent needs. Right now however, the community needs to realize that barring unforeseen catastrophe in Israel, our 'urgent needs' are right here at home."

UJA Federation Executive Director, Gerald Fisher, echoed Somer's comments.

"We live in a well-resourced and generous community. What we did last year for Israel – not just UJA, but JNF, Magen David Adom and other initiatives together, show what we can do when we are faced with real adversity.

UJA Campaign co-

chair, Michael Kam, said

"Although the local challenge can be understood as 'demographic' it is equally urgent. We must expand the donor base and improve giving at all levels so as to address the attrition of philanthropic leaders to retirement, selling businesses, or moving. We have made a commitment to sustain and build this community as well as to meet our national and overseas obligations. We can do this, but we will have to sustain giving levels at near last year's 'emergency' level to be successful."

The most important assets to the campaign are now in place, namely the campaign volunteer leadership team. Vice President for Financial Resources Development, Shirley Molot, is very excited to be working with a campaign cabinet that includes Campaign co-chairs David Horwood, Michael Kam and Debbie Strub. Joining the co-chairs on the cabinet are Danna Horwood and Andrea Molot. Jay Stater returns to co-chair the Legal Division with Harvey Katz and Allan Wynperle. Dr. Raefie Epstein will lead the Medical Division.

Joining the group are Larry Levin and Leslie Lasky. Levin recently stepped down as Chair of one of the most successful UJA campaigns in our history. Lasky served as Federation President during the same period. Another extremely valuable asset includes Assistant Campaign Director, Christine Nusca, and Director of Campaign Program Development, Elaine Levine. Each is new to these critically important portfolios.

Plans to make the UJA 2008 Campaign "our best campaign ever!" are now well underway. "UJA Idol," the general campaign opening event is scheduled for Sunday September 30th at Beth Jacob synagogue. Between now and then there will be lots of campaign preparation activities including a luxury coach excursion to Toronto to participate in the Toronto UJA opening event on August 29th and a key campaign volunteer motivation and education session scheduled for September 19th. The opening campaign telethon is scheduled for Sunday, September 9th.

Other key events include a follow-up to last year's wonderful "Girlfriends" event, a UJA Top Women's Division Campaign event on October 9 at the home of Liz Tick, October evenings with Micha Feldman – the hero of the effort to save the last Jews of Ethiopia and Col. Raanan Gissin – spokesperson and key advisor to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and the UJA Young Leadership Conference in November. In



Pictured above are some members of the UJA Campaign 2008 Cabinet. Front row, l to r, are Jo Ann Pomerantz, Sandy Fuss and Shirley Molot. Back row, l to r, are Debbie Strub, Dana Horwood, David Horwood, Larry Levin and Michael Kam. Other members of the Cabinet include Liz Tick, Raefie Epstein, Jay State and Andrea Molot.

November, the campaign will co-sponsor a showing of "Israel After the War", a documentary made by Christians United for Israel, detailing conditions in Israel following last summer's war in Lebanon.

One of the key goals for this year's campaign is to conclude the campaign by December 27th. According to campaign co-chairs David Horwood and Debbie Strub, "It seems a deeply rooted

tradition in Hamilton for the UJA campaign to shlep along for months before it closes. Every other community in North America manages to open its campaign in the fall and close it by the end of December. We hope hoping we can do that as well."

When contacted by your volunteer UJA canvasser, please consider an increase of your gift by a minimum of 20%. It's the only

way the campaign can get back on track to provide the resources required to sustain our social services needs, our day and afternoon schools, our campus programs as well as to meet our commitments to national and overseas obligations.

Please remember that your generosity to the UJA 2008 campaign is the best way to strengthen our community at home and in Israel!

JCC redevelopment considered

The recent JCC – Federation study into community attitudes and aspirations regarding the JCC articulated the dilemma facing community leaders now attempting to determine a positive course for the JCC's future.

The results of the original research indicated a high community interest in having a physical JCC site rather than a "virtual" JCC. However, the results of the same research did not indicate that the community was as yet prepared to financially support an initiative to redevelop the existing facility or to purchase/build a new one on a different site.

When consulted, several community philanthropists indicated, during the original research, that they could not consider a "conceptual request" for financial support. They required a proper redevelopment plan and budget to consider. In response, architect John Mokrycke was contracted to develop the plan and budgeting material. The first draft of the plan was presented to the JCC-Federation Collaborative Committee in mid-August.

JCC President Joel Feldman

was enthusiastic about the potential he saw in the new plan.

"I believe that we have a strong Jewish community and that a strong and vibrant JCC, catering to all ages, will help strengthen the Jewish community and ensure the Jewish continuity for generations to come."

Federation President David Somer agrees.

"We all want a JCC that meets community's needs and strengthens our community's future. Once the redevelopment plan is approved by the Collaborative Committee and meets with donor support, then we will have taken a significant step in building a 'new Jewish future' for Hamilton."

Immediate next steps include refining the plan and budget and organizing presentations to potential donors. In a corollary step, an alternative plant to exit the current facility is also being developed.

Both presidents emphasized the point that contrary to the perceptions of some, both the redevelopment and exit strategies are being drafted and considered collaboratively.

"Our predecessors made

a commitment that JCC and Federation would walk this path together and we are keeping it."

Given the complexities of developing a new site plan and the budget required to support it, it has been difficult to set and stick to a timeline for completion. The architectural plan took several months to develop. Now it requires further refining.

The Collaborative Committee appreciates that this process is taking longer than originally envisaged. However, with the stakes for our community as high as they are, it is difficult to force a decision based on schedules that are arbitrary. Nevertheless, the committee is doing its utmost to bring this decision making process to an early conclusion.

As the process goes forward, the new JCC program booklet is now arriving in peoples' homes. The JCC is working hard to provide the community with a broad range of programming for all ages. Federation and JCC leadership urge the community to take advantage of these opportunities and participate.

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Meeting with candidates

Leadership meet Conservative candidates

gerald fisher

Under the auspices of UJA Federation's Public Affairs Committee, a group of community leaders recently met with the local Conservative candidates in the upcoming provincial election. The organization of the meeting was facilitated by the staff in MP David Sweet's office.

For the past several years, UJA Federation has organized meetings between electoral candidates and Jewish community leadership. This has been especially significant in the two most recent federal elections. The upcoming provincial election is seen as equally important.

Participating candidates included Chris Corrigan (Hamilton West, Flamborough, Ancaster, Dundas) Chris Robertson (Hamilton Centre), Tara Crugnale (Hamilton East - Stoney Creek) and Bob Charters (Hamilton Mountain).

This meeting, held at the JCC, took place rather early in process. Because of the confluence of the major Jewish Holy Days with the heart of the election campaign, it seemed expedient to provide the opportunity for discussion at a time when both sides could easily find a date to come together.

Federation President David Somers summarized the purpose of the meeting as "an opportunity for a meaningful exchange of views on issues of direct interest to members of our community. It's important for the candidates to have an appreciation for the issues that matter to us as expressed by our leadership. It's equally important for the candidates to have an opportunity to inform us of their positions."

Because none of the candidates currently hold office, the beginning of the discussion was a useful "get to know you" exercise. The rest of the ninety min-

ute exchange focused on three major issues: funding for inclusive public education, increased support to local social services and the referendum on changing the provincial electoral system.

The Conservative party has already made public funding for day schools a plank in their election platform. Each of the candidates was well versed on the matter and was prepared to publicly support the position during the campaign. Since it now appears that the Liberal party intends to make a major issue out of this, it will be difficult to avoid.

In the context of this discussion, Rabbi Mordechai Green emphasized that the very language being used on the issue was very important. Rabbi Green emphasized the need to assure voters that they were not being asked to subvert the teaching of someone else's religion. Rather, they were being asked to extend the citizen-building strengths of the public school system to everyone.

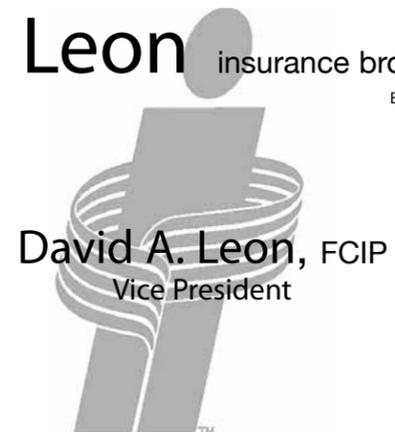
The candidates were somewhat less prepared to address community concerns on social services. They were rather shocked to hear from Jewish leaders that the matter of poverty in Hamilton was a Jewish issue. This is true not only because our value system instills a concern for others, but because poverty among Jews in Hamilton is reflective of the community around us and is the highest rate of Jewish poverty in Canada.

Specific questions were focused on Conservative plans for using the budget surplus and whether or how much of that surplus was going to be directed at tackling some of the deep social issues, such as poverty, facing Hamilton. In response, the candidates made a point of

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Community youth, some of whom were participating in Birthright met up in Jerusalem this summer. Pictured above, (l to r) are Emily Schneider, Jason Hosiasohn, Becca Schneider, Michael Shkolnik, Tanya Schneider and Adam Rochweg.

Survivors share painful memories



Front row, (left to right) Max Eisen, Alex Levin, Ed Carter-Edwards, Jack Steinmetz, Felicia Carmelly, Vera Schiff, Betty Laron, Anna Lalli, Ora Markstein; Back row, (left to right) Nadia Rosa, Leslie Meisels, Judy Lyse George Lyse, Vera Barany; Absent from photo: Ernie Mason, Frank Junger, Emmy Weisz

Ralph Travis Israel Experience Fund Recipient



Isaac Rose was a recent recipient of a scholarship from the Ralph Travis Israel Experience Fund. Isaac is spending a year in Israel on Young Judaea's Tochnit Shalom, an Orthodox, post-high school year program.

Our Apologies

UJA Federation apologizes for the oversight of leaving the following individuals out of the list of donors to last year's UJA Campaign

**Bert Frankel
Richard Leibtag
Elaine Katz
Mark Zalter**



On the occasion of

YISKOR

It is tradition to make a charitable contribution in memory of a loved one or friend.

As Yiskor is observed during the High Holy Days, it is a time to remember.

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The mitzvah of "tzedakah" translates into action, the promises we make during Yiskor prayers.

"May the words of our mouths become the deeds of our hands."

Let the memory of our loved ones guarantee the future of the Jewish people and all of Israel.



JNF is on the ground with action, not words; the proceeds from this year's Yiskor Campaign will be allocated to enable the people of Sederot to experience respite and recuperation. JNF continues to be a security blanket for Israel's families and the land of Israel. Please contact the Hamilton JNF office at 905-527-5516 for your contribution

JCC JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL at the Westside Concert Theatre

Thursday, November 22, 2007 at 7:00 pm
"The Riot at Christie Pits"

Guest Speakers: Bill Shaffir and Ira Levy

The film, based on an award-winning book, *The Riot at Christie Pits*, is a historical story as gripping and urgent as the nightly news. It sheds light on the dark past of Toronto exposing the roots of racism, focusing on Canada's worst race riot.

Saturday, November 24, 2007 at 8:00 pm
"From Shtetl to Swing"

Fabienne Rouso-Lenoir wrote and directed this tribute to Jewish music, musicians and composers, "From Shtetl to Swing." The film concentrates on the American immigrant experience and its musical aftermath with the unmistakable Harvey Fierstein as the rousing narrator for the journey.

Sunday November 25, 2007 at 7:00 pm
"A Hero in Heaven"

The documentary "A Hero in Heaven" portrays a determined young man, Michael Levin, who quelled parental opposition with the strength of his Zionist convictions. Using footage of Levin from his military training and other pivotal moments of his life--as well as photographs and heartfelt interviews with his family, fellow soldiers and friends--the film celebrates a brief but fulfilled life -- the story of an American boy who chose to fight for Israel.

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All community organizations are encouraged to view the calendar prior to booking events. We ask that you register your community events on the community calendar through the website. Even though our community is small, we are a busy one. We hope we can work together to avoid any conflicts. Any questions about the calendar, please call the Jewish Federation office at 905-648-0605.

Your Life... Your Legacy



A Young Lawyer with a Big Heart

Allen Wynperle moved to Hamilton from Toronto just 13 years ago, but the young lawyer and his family have fallen in love with the community. Some months ago he was reading an article in the Globe and Mail about how affordable it can be to endow a chosen cause by giving the gift of a life insurance policy.

"I thought it was a good idea. I don't envision that I'll have my own independent resources to designate an endowment like that and I figured this was a way I could leave an endowment."

After some consideration, Wynperle, who is a consistent contributor to the UJA annual campaign, called executive director, Gerald Fisher, and told him he wanted to purchase a \$500,000 life insurance policy with Hamilton's Legacy Endowment Fund named as the beneficiary. Playing down the extraordinary, unsolicited act of generosity, Wynperle is convinced that thinking about one's charitable legacy at a young age makes perfect sense.

I'm 38. There's something to be said for doing it young because the cost of the policy is less. I'm not a man of that much means and I saw that it was relatively inexpensive to do a policy now compared to trying to save up the money and doing it years down the road." The cost of the policy is \$2750 a year. Wynperle calculates that a contribution of that amount over the next 50 years would come to a total of \$120,000.

"But If I do it this way, upon my death, the community will receive an endowment of \$500,000."

Asked what motivated him to make this kind of a financial commitment to his adopted community, Wynperle replied, "What we've been seeing [in our community] unfortunately, is that some of our major donors are passing away and we're being left with a big drop in funding. I don't want that to happen and I'd like to see a smooth transition for the United Jewish Appeal. The Legacy Endowment Fund will allow them to carry on and have stable funding into the long term."

It is to Wynperle's credit that his sense of responsibility to our community's future has not changed his commitment to the annual campaign.

"You have to find something within your budget that you can manage and still have something for the annual campaign. If you don't have that balance at some point or another we're going to end up in trouble no matter how we slice it."

If you are inspired by Allen Wynperle's example and would like to pursue the possibility of leaving a legacy to our community, please contact Gerald Fisher, executive director, UJA Federation at 905-648-0605.



Where your money goes UNITED JEWISH APPEAL CAMPAIGN 2007 \$1,007,181 ALLOCATED

Jewish Federation Administration

Community Website, Leadership Development, Community Governance, Central Community Resource Centre, Public Relations Spokesbody for Community, Anti-semitism Watchbody/Community Security, Community Demographics, Holocaust Education Projects, Israel Experience Student Scholarships, March of the Living, Adult Missions

149,047

United Jewish Appeal

Campaign meeting expenses, campaign events promotional materials, special projects Salaries, rent, equipment, rentals

148,132

Jewish Social Services

134,300

Jewish Education

Day Schools
Afternoon Schools
Midrasha High School
High School Transportation
McMaster Jewish Students Association

167,200
43,240
16,000
5,000
15,000

Community Services

Jewish Community Centre
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Kashrut Services
Beth Tikvah

124,000
12,600
12,000
2,000

National Collective Responsibility

CJC, CIC, CIJA, NJCL, JIAS
UJA Federations Canada (National)
Birthright Israel

68,500
8,000

Overseas

United Israel Appeal (Overseas)

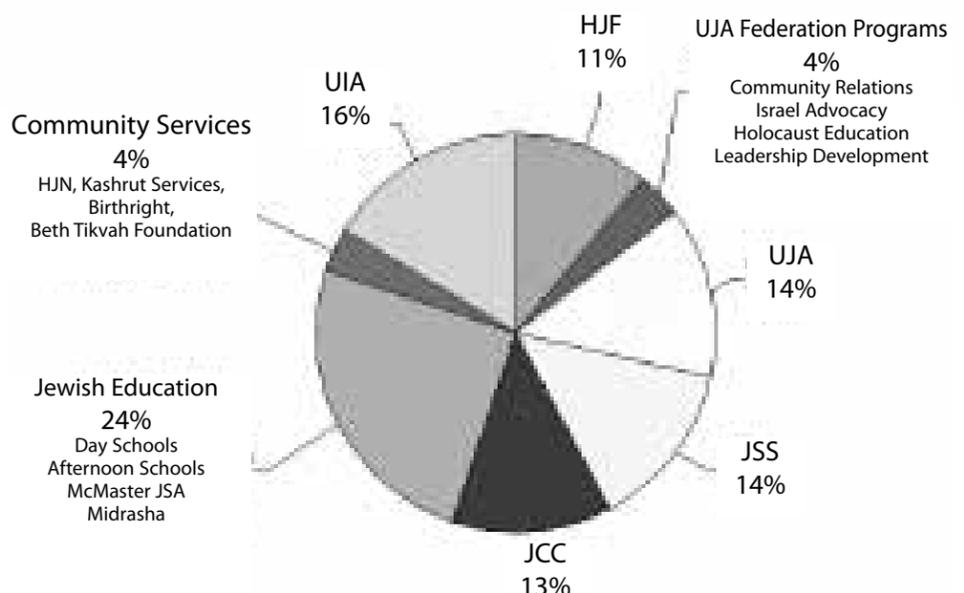
94,162

Community Contingency

8,000

TOTAL ALLOCATIONS 2007

1,007,181





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You are invited to this year's UJA Opening Event, Sunday, September 30th at 7:30 pm.

We are celebrating our own community and its local talent...and we do have talent!

During this entertaining program, we plan to screen the first Hamilton UJA Video, focusing on the needs of every one of our local and national beneficiary agencies. (no solicitation)

Join us for a great event for the whole family. Each person attending will have a vote to pick the winner of UJA Idol! Event updates are on www.jewishhamilton.org

CAMPAIGN 2008 GOAL \$1.2 MILLION!

Everyday, the needs in our Jewish community – Here in Hamilton and overseas – continue to grow. UJA Federation acts as a safety net, ensuring these needs are met. The beauty of our system is that with just one gift to our Annual Campaign, you can touch many, many lives. On any given day, your one gift makes a world of difference.

The challenge to the Hamilton Jewish community has now been delivered. Will we successfully respond to the challenge?

The answer to that question is critical to our community's future.

Your Generosity Strengthens our Community Here and in Israel.



The entire community is welcome to attend
**The UJA Campaign Opening
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“WOMEN GIVE FROM THE HEART”

christine nusca



Pictured above (l to r) are Linda Kislowicz, CEO, UJA Federations Canada, Dodi Weill, National Women's Division chair, UIAFC, Debbie Strub, UJA 2008 Women's Division chair, Hamilton and Sue Carol Isaacson, National Women's Division co-chair, UJA Federations Canada

Debbie Strub, UJA 2008 Women's Division chair, was among 30 lay leaders and professionals from across Canada who attended the first annual United Israel Appeal Federations Canada (UIAFC) Women's Division leadership development seminar in Toronto last month.

The morning opened with a greeting from Yossi Tanuri, Director General of UIAFC's Jerusalem office, who praised the fundraising efforts of Canadian Jewish communities and gave a brief overview of the current situation in Israel, particularly the crisis in Gaza.

Among the sessions offered were "Public Speaking – Making a Lasting Impression" and "Trends in Women's Philanthropy". The

central message of the day was that women of our generation have control over their finances and the power to choose where to spend their money – and that women give from the heart.

The highlight was an exchange of best practices in fundraising efforts and the opportunity to connect with other women in leadership and professional roles from across the country.

"This workshop presented me with tools to empower the women in our community to grow our dollars even higher" stressed Strub, adding that she looks forward to working with the many Women's Division captains and canvassers in the 2008 UJA Campaign.

Federation provides leadership

CJC confers with Jewish and Muslim leaders on school funding

gerald fisher

Canadian Jewish Congress (CJC) sent its senior communications and government relations professionals to Hamilton on August 15 to discuss the matter of "Inclusive Public Education." What made the event unique was that participants in the discussion included community leaders from both the Jewish and Muslim communities.

The issue of bringing Day Schools into the framework of an inclusive public school system has now evolved into a significant political issue in the forthcoming provincial election. CJC leadership is delighted that the success of the local dialogue initiative between the Jewish and Muslim communities has created the basis for a genuine coalition to address the matter in the media and with local candidates as the election draws near.

Participants in the discussion included Hamilton Hebrew Academy Dean, Rabbi Daniel Green, Rabbi Jordan Cohen, Kehila Principal, Leia Ger Rogers, Kehila board members, Yves Apel and David Horwood, Federation Past President, Leslie Lasky, Federation Public Affairs Co-Chair, Harold Pomerantz and board member Mario Stolar.

Representatives from the Muslim community included Aziz Syed Jaffer, Tahir Ali Ghouse, Wasi Ahmad, Khalid Kokar and Association President Ejaz Butt.

Congress professionals included Education Policy Advisor, Jonathan Schwartz, Director of Public Policy and Stephan Adler. Howard English, Vice President of Communications for UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, was also part of the team.

The Congress presentation provided useful background information on the emerging political landscape in which this issue is now being debated. They further provided very valuable informa-

tion regarding both the rationale for supporting this initiative and some of the key points to use in making positive presentations.

They emphasized that rather than asking the province to enshrine "the segregation" of students enrolled in Day Schools, the intent is to have Day Schools embraced as part of the public system. They further emphasized that participation in the public school system will ensure that Day School curricula and teacher certification conform to public schools standards. As well, participation in the public school system will also ensure that students will participate in all standardized testing.

Although many perspectives were presented in the discussion, one common theme throughout the meeting was the issue of fairness. Ontario is the only province to fund one faith based school system to the exclusion of all others.

One of the interesting sidebars to the meeting was that it recessed for twenty minutes so that Muslim participants could offer their evening prayers. It is very likely that the Hamilton JCC is the only JCC in North America to serve as a site for Muslim worship. The moment was appreciated by everyone present.

As the meeting drew to a close, the Muslim representatives expressed their deep gratitude for the invitation to par-

ticipate. Mr. Jaffer said, "As children of Abraham we share the same spiritual father and are all of the same spiritual family. The opportunity to work together on this issue is a wonderful example of how we can bring our resources together to serve a common cause."

Federation Public Affairs co-chair Harold Pomerantz wrote the next day that "It was great to see us all working for a common cause. This was truly Muslim-Jewish dialogue in action."

CJC's Ontario CEO and National Legal Counsel, Steven Shulman, called the next day to congratulate the Hamilton Jewish Federation for its important work in cultivating a meaningful working rapport with the local Muslim community. A CJC memo was subsequently sent to the Federations in Ottawa, Windsor and London, asking them to build interfaith partnerships "on the Hamilton model" to support the Jewish community on this important matter.

Going forward, local participants intend to develop and launch a local strategy to win support for public funding. Participants plan to meet again before the end of the month, hopefully with representatives from the Christian, Hindu, Sikh and Greek Orthodox community, each of whom have a direct interest in the outcome of this issue.

Young Leadership

UJA Federation is delighted to announce that Mario Stolar has agreed to chair its Young Leadership initiative. Stolar, who was born and raised in Mexico City, works in advertising research and lives in Burlington with his wife Kristine and their three children. He immigrated to Canada with his family at the age of 17 in 1982 and adapted quickly to his new country. A graduate of Queens and the University of Toronto, Stolar said he was motivated to get involved because he appreciated his own upbringing, in what he calls a "thriving, very active Jewish community in Mexico City." He attended a Hebrew Day School until grade 6 and was very involved in sports at the Mexico City JCC.

Stolar's mandate will be to build young leadership here in Hamilton and recruit people in the 25 to 40 age group to attend Canada's National Young Leadership Conference in Montreal from November 23 to 25. He hopes to be joined by ten other Hamiltonians at the bi-annual conference that attracts young Jewish adults from across Canada who come to socialize, network and exchange ideas about how to create meaningful Jewish programming in



Mario Stolar

their respective communities.

Stolar has been taking part in the steering committee conference calls for the last several months.

Supporting Stolar in his new role is UJA Federation staff member, Elaine Levine.

"Mario has a genuine interest in young leadership and is very enthusiastic about taking on a visible role in the community", she said.

"The future success of our community depends on young leaders like Mario raising the profile of their constituency and engaging their peers in community activism."

The future looks bright, indeed.

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Jewish Faculty Meet

Desire to support students impetus for meeting

gerald fisher

Eighteen Jewish members of the McMaster faculty met on August 22 to discuss several important issues related to campus life. The meeting was convened by the UJA Federation Campus Services Committee.

The faculty group was addressed by Carleton University International Affairs Professor Maureen Molot and by Karen Burke, Director of the Canadian Council for Israel and Jewish Advocacy (CIJA) University Outreach Committee. Discussion focused on matters such as strategies to ensure greater academic balance in the classroom—especially as it relates to teaching about the Middle East, address-

ing the continuing controversy regarding the UK Teacher's Union Boycott of Israeli academics and different modalities of organization for Jewish and Israel supportive faculty.

Professor Molot is a founding member of the Canadian Academic Friends of Israel (CAFI). CAFI provides "an organizational framework for individuals from post-secondary institutions in Canada who wish to promote fairness towards the State of Israel on university and college campuses across Canada." Molot mentioned that one of CAFI's most important functions was to be supportive of local Jewish campus groups such as the McMaster JSA.

McMaster JSA

Andrea Rowan

This year the Jewish Students Association (JSA) is pleased to announce many new beginnings. As the new president of the JSA it is my privilege to give you a short overview of the JSA and the people behind the actions. The JSA has a multitude of roles on campus, including social, cultural/religious, social action, interfaith and Israel Affairs programming.

Sarah LaFreniere, JSA's Vice President of Administration, has already revamped our constitution and will be working on internal and external communications. JSA's Vice President Social, Anna Kos, has been working diligently throughout the summer, adding new and innovative programs in order to ensure that all our students are able to enjoy themselves and meet new people. Michelle Loterman, our Vice President of Cultural and Religious Affairs has been brainstorming and implementing new ways to reach out to more people by creating an inclusive environment where students are aware of all their religious options in the Hamilton community. Our relationship with Shalom Village and the Out of the Cold Program will be further strengthened this year by Vice President of Social Action, Ariel Hendin, who is unfolding a new project called the Charity of the Year. The JSA's Vice President of Interfaith Affairs is looking forward to a productive year of making new relationships with other cultural and religious clubs while maintaining a relationship with the McMaster Muslim Students Association. Lastly, as Vice President of Israel Affairs, David Goldberg is working on programs to educate the McMaster community about Israel.

As it must be clear by now, we have a well-rounded and wonderful executive along with many other students who will be sit-

ting on committees and showing up at our innovative events. The Hamilton Jewish community has been extremely supportive of students through its new Campus Service Committee through UJA Federation. Chaired by Hanna Schayer, this committee has shown its dedication and commitment by working together with the students to create a safe environment on campus, and a welcoming environment off campus. The first joint community-student event will be a cocktail party and silent auction that will take place on October 23, 2007. This will give students and community members and opportunity to meet and greet and build lasting relationships.

An exciting development has been the recent renovation of our office. With the help of community members, we painted the office, acquired a new couch and reupholstered the old couches. We anticipate that our new space will help create a haymische environment where students will enjoy dropping by throughout the week. Overall, this year is shaping up to be the best year yet with the new executive, newly formed relationships and our renovated space.

On behalf of Jewish students at McMaster, I would like to thank the community for their kindness, acceptance and unwavering support.



JSA president, Andrea Rowan with Campus Services Committee chair, Hanna Schayer



Pictured (l to r) are Professor Molot, Hannah Schayer, Andrea Rowan, Karen Burke, Executive Director of the University Outreach Committee and Judy Schwartz, Director of the McMaster Jewish Students Association

According to JSA President Andrea Rowan, "over the past two years there have been several incidents of blatant academic bias and suggested intimidation of students who disagreed with the aggressively anti-Israel preaching of some faculty members. In these matters it is important for students to have an empathetic faculty member to turn to for advice and support."

Burke has been deeply involved in addressing issues related to the UK boycott. She reported that support against the UK boycott from senior Canadian academics and administrators has been overwhelming. Twenty five Canadian University Presidents, plus hundreds from across the United States have added their voices to university presidents from around the world in condemning this ill fated initiative.

Predictably enough, those groups and faculty members that thrive on the demonization of Israel are planning a fall offensive against those Canadian University Presidents who issued statements against the boycott. Given the inherent irrationality of the pro-boycott position, both Molot and Burke felt that these initiatives would not succeed.

Campus Services Chair Hanna Schayer was very pleased with the meeting.

"Our purpose in convening this meeting was to provide opportunities for faculty and staff at McMaster to collectively address issues relevant to the McMaster Jewish community. The means by which they do so is up to them. Federation, through CSC, is willing to provide institutional and structural support to facilitate the establishment of some type of association. This is an exciting initiative and we were extremely pleased at the turn-out. As well, there were a number of individuals who expressed interest but were unable to attend. We will be hosting a follow-up event in the fall which hopefully will be even larger".

The most impressive aspect of the event according to JSA

President Andrea Rowan was the willingness of the group to meet again. "It can be very difficult on campus for students who identify with Israel... or just as being Jews. All we ask is for faculty members to stand with us in a climate of such uncertainty. The willingness of the group to continue gives

every Jewish student a message that they are not alone. This is just so important for all of us."

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Yashar Koach to “The Meshuggena Warriors”

Wendy Schneider

History was made this past summer when 24 community professional and lay leaders formed the city’s first Jewish Dragon Boat Team, known as The Meshuggena Warriors. The concept of a Jewish dragon boat team arose first in the mind of Temple Anshe Sholom’s educator and cantor, Laura Wolfson, at one of the monthly meetings among the community’s professional leadership, that have taken place over the last year at Shalom Village. At that meeting Shalom Village CEO Pat Morden was regaling her colleagues with stories about her own dragon boat experiences when it suddenly occurred to Wolfson how wonderful it would be if the Jewish leaders sitting around the table would form a team.

“The purpose of forming a Jewish community professional council was to find common ground and work for the good of our community, so I thought, why not have some fun with it,” she recalled thinking, picturing “how funny it would be to have the leaders of our Hamilton Jewish community all in one boat with only one person calling out orders.”

Wolfson enrolled her colleagues in the concept of forming a Jewish Dragon Boat team made of community professionals who would go out and raise funds among their constituencies for Jewish Social Services (JSS). Needless to say, Carol Krames, JSS director, loved the idea, and expressed her agency’s need for new computers and a new security

system. With her colleague’s support assured, Wolfson immediately set about registering the team and scheduling practices. Sponsorship funds to cover the costs of registration, training and team t-shirts were provided by Janis Criger and Rhona Waxman as soon as they heard about the initiative and Sari Richter graciously offered to design the team logo, a Jewish star in the shape of a boat carrying four paddlers. Morden herself volunteered to be team drummer, and solicited her husband, Doug, to be steersperson. The Mordens also volunteered to conduct two training sessions over the summer to teach the group everything they needed to learn about dragon boat racing.

On August 19, race day, the Hamilton waterfront was filled, not only with team members, and their respective spouses and families, but also with a large turnout of community members who came out to support their friends.

“I was overjoyed to see so many people come out to be part of this,” said Wolfson. “I felt like an Olympic athlete hearing them cheer us on.”

Ironically, the Meshuggena Warriors were paired against the Shalom Village dragon boat team, putting Pat Morden in the unusual position of competing against her own organization. The final race between the two teams took place before the enthusiastic crowd whose cheering and shouts of support accompanied them to the finish line, with The Meshuggena Warriors winning by a fraction of a second to bring home a Bronze medal.

Later that evening Wolfson,



“The Meshuggena Warriors” after their victory

still basking in the euphoria of their victory, credited Pat Morden for the Meshuggena Warrior’s success.

“Pat had an incredible ability to inspire and motivate the team. She infused all of us with such excitement and belief in ourselves. She was so upbeat and so positive. It’s no wonder that Shalom Village is such an amazing place,” she said.

But more than anything Wolfson was deeply satisfied by seeing representatives from all of the community’s Jewish organizations working together for a common cause. People across the community “were only too happy to support us” she said and she’d love to see Jewish community participation in the Hamilton Port Authority’s Dragon Boat Race an annual event.

“This community can do

amazing things when we work for a common goal – something that belongs to everybody”, she said, already envisioning Northern Israel’s Shechafim School, a facility for the profoundly disabled recently “adopted” by Hamilton Jewish community (see page 5) as a possible beneficiary of next year’s race.

Pat Morden, reached the following day, was also still flying high from the previous day’s event. Morden’s satisfaction came not only from seeing her colleagues working together for a common cause, but witnessing the transformation of a group of people, all of whom were completely unfamiliar with dragon boat racing, becoming a force to be reckoned with. “I could see on their faces that they were willing to go for it – and

they did”, she said, clearly “kveling” at her team’s achievement.

The Meshuggena Warriors were delighted to hear that their efforts went beyond the original fundraising goals set by Jewish Social Services. Laura Wolfson encourages anyone interested in participating in or sponsoring the team for next year contact her at 905-528-0121.

The Meshuggena Warriors include: Rabbi Dan Selsberg, Rabbi Jordan Cohen, Gerry Fisher, Chris Nusca, Elaine Levine, Pat Morden, Dennis Schwartz, Elaine Katz, Bonnie Loewith, Laura Wolfson, Mark Levitt, Karen Selsberg, Wendy Schneider, Charles Kravetsky, Geoff Rose, Leia Ger-Rogers, Mario Stolar, Julie Dembe, Andrea Stringer, Ed Martin, Joel Feldman, Lowell Richter and Virginia Mendes da Costa.



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Hamilton's Israel Connection

Emergency Campaign funds help school for profoundly disabled

The Hamilton Jewish community's ties with Israel are about to be strengthened. As of last spring, when our community pooled its Israel Emergency Campaign funds with other smaller Jewish communities across Canada, the seeds were sown that would see the beginnings of a relationship between our community and a rehabilitative educational facility for mentally and physically disabled children in the Galilee Panhandle.

The Shechafim school, located five kilometres outside of Kiryat Shmoneh, was founded 25 years ago by the Mevo'ot Hermon regional council, an organization that represents 13 northern moshavim and kibbutzim. In addition to providing rehabilitation and education to children from its own council, its facility is open to disabled children from the entire region, an area that includes a significant Druze population.

Last year's Emergency Campaign was launched in response to the Second Lebanon War that broke out between Israel and Hezbollah in July of 2006. Funds raised here in Hamilton were pooled with those of UJA Federations Canada's (UIAFC)

"Coast to Coast" communities, a collective that historically has referred to Atlantic Canada, Calgary, Edmonton, Ottawa, Vancouver, and Winnipeg. A UIAFC initiative known as Partnership 2000 has twinned the Coast to Coast communities with five Galilee Panhandle development towns and councils – Galil Elyon, Kiryat Shmona, Metulla, Mevo'ot HaHermon, and Yessod HaMa'ala. The linking of Canadian and Israeli cities and regions has proven extremely successful in streamlining donations and, even more importantly, helping build personal and lasting contacts between Canadians and Israelis of all ages.

Last summer "Coast to Coast" allocated a total of \$1,500,000 towards the upgrading and equipping of schools and community centres in the Galilee Panhandle among them the Shechafim school.

During an on-site visit to the school last July, the HJN heard first hand about the impact the small facility has had on the region. During the first 15 years of its existence Shechafim was funded primarily by Canadian UJA dollars, but as its the school's reputation grew,

other regional councils and the Druze community from the nearby Golan Heights began sending their children as well. Parents pay almost no tuition – Most of the costs are covered by the Ministry of Education, the regional council and donations by UIAFC.

"Half of our student population are Druze kids from the Golan heights", said Carlos Goldberg.

"When the Ministry of Education offered the Druze a school in the Golan, [the parents] said no, they prefer to come here."

The school, which accepts students from three years of age up to the age of 21, provides care for the children from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm, giving parents a much needed respite so "they can lead a normal life and go to work", said Goldberg.

This fall the school will offer six classes. The school's student base is currently at 40, with a staff of 30, including highly trained teachers in special education and assistants.

"It's a very demanding job", said Goldberg.

"The teachers do everything, including bathing and feeding the children". The curriculum focuses on education, rehabilitation and the development of skills



The therapeutic pool at Shechafim serves the entire region

needed to function in society.

A central aspect of the school is its therapeutic swimming pool, which is widely utilized by disabled people of all ages from throughout the region.

This fall extensive renovations will be conducted at the facility, made possible by last year's allocation. The Mevo'ot Ha'Hermon Council also has plans to open a bed and breakfast facility for

families of Shechafim students.

With Hamilton's participation in Coast to Coast community members can be guaranteed a warm welcome from Galilee Panhandle residents. A call to our Federation office will open the door to many local contacts that will make your next visit to Israel especially meaningful.

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UJA Walkathon 2007

This year's Walkathon under the direction of co-chairs Yael Greenberg Livingston and Rachel Aleman, with the invaluable input and help of Denise Calman, proved to be a fun filled family day for all who attended. Many changes were incorporated into the Walk, beginning with a new route, part of it on the rail trail, corporate-sponsored check points, and new options for directing funds raised. The hit of the day was unquestionably the dunk tank, sponsored by the Morris Law Group, with people lined up for a chance to dunk Charles Kravetsky, Laura Wolfson and Rabbi Selsberg. Thanks to everyone for being such a good sport.

This year 50% of the funds raised will be directed to Israel and the balance of the funds will be directed to local beneficiaries based on the choice of the walkers.

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A special thank you to the Ottawa Jewish Federation for their donations and allowing us use their Walkathon logo and the Toronto Jewish Federation for the many donation of prizes.

A special thank you to our volunteers, who helped to make the day a huge success: Allyson Brown, Arnie Strub, Marc Bader, Mike Malka, Ella Panna,



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We are excited to announce that next year's Walkathon co-chairs are Denise Calman and Carolyn Molot

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Thank you to the Meshuggena Warriors

Hamilton Jewish Social Services thanks all the Jewish communal professionals and other members of "The Meshuggena Warriors"

On August 19, history was made when 24 Jewish communal professionals formed a team to participate in the annual Dragon Boat races at Hamilton Harbour. The professionals have been meeting on a monthly basis at Shalom Village to discuss how all our agencies can work together for the betterment of our community. Many wonderful events have been born at this table. All the participants agreed to raise funds for Jewish Social Services towards the purchase of new computers and a security system.

A special thank you to the Federation for making this happen and to Shalom Village for their hospitality.

In closing we wish the warriors "Yashar Koach" and look forward to many years of working together

JSS Welcomes Lillian Hinkley



Hamilton Jewish Social Services is proud to welcome Lillian Hinkley to its staff. Temple Anshe Shalom members will know Lillian, who worked in the Temple office for many years. Lillian is working part time at JSS. She brings a wealth of knowledge about the Jewish community, computer skills, fundraising and organizing events. Lillian is a mother and a grandmother, which will serve her well in her new role.

The Hamilton Kosher Food Bank

As the days get closer to Rosh Hashana everyone is busy preparing meals, and making plans to be with family and friends. However there are many people in our community who are beginning to worry where they will get the money for all the extra costs associated with Jewish holidays. Many people are surprised that we have people in need but every month Jewish Social Services helps a minimum of 40 families through cash, food, or vouchers.

We at the Jewish Social Services try to help with food and food vouchers to ensure a better holiday for families who need extra help. You can share in this important mitzvah by sending a donation of cash or donating food or toiletries. Please mail or drop off your donation to the Hamilton Kosher Food Bank, located at 30 King St e in Dundas. Ontario L9H 5G6 Your checks can also be dropped off at the Hamilton Kosher Butcher or Westdale Delicatessen. We also accept Visa and Mastercard, you can call us at 905-627-9922 ex 21 or send us an email at Carol Kramesjss@hotmail.com.

New Rabbi at Temple

Rabbi Jordan Cohen returns to Hamilton

wendy schneider

For Temple Anshe Sholom's Rabbi Jordan Cohen coming to Hamilton feels somewhat like a homecoming. A native of Toronto with many relatives living here, Rabbi Cohen also served as interim rabbi at the Temple for ten months in 2004 following the departure of Rabbi Irwin Zepowitz. Although that period was mutually enriching to both parties, the Rabbi, then newly married to Paula Baruch of Peterborough, opted to become the founder and director of The Orchard, an innovative Multifaith Spirituality Centre. Baruch, too, had lived in Hamilton during the 1990s, and celebrated her adult bat mitzvah at Beth Jacob.



Rabbi Jordan Cohen

After three years in Peterborough, just when the Rabbi was thinking about returning to congregational life, he heard that the Temple was once again searching for a full time rabbi.

"I always felt a little regret when I was helping out because I felt it was a good shidduch." It happened quickly. The Rabbi started filling in last January at life cycle events and Shabbat Services and began full time on July 1.

Rabbi Cohen's resumé reflects a rich and varied career that is anything but run-of-the-mill. Here received an undergraduate degree in English Literature at the University of Waterloo in English Literature and underwent rabbinical training at the Hebrew Union College in New York, Jerusalem and Los Angeles. He also holds a Masters Degree in Hebrew Literature and Education from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. His first congregation was in Oakland, California where he and his first wife, a cantor, were relatively content – until the racial unrest that prevailed around the time of the birth of their child, Zachary, led them to consider moving to a better social environment. When work opportunities arose for both of them in Sydney, Australia, they jumped at the chance.

Rabbi Cohen acknowledged he'd probably still be living in Sydney, which boasts, in his words, "a wonderful, very vibrant Jewish community", were it not for the breakup of his first marriage five years after their arrival. When his former wife and their son returned to the United States, he took on the position of rabbi of the United Jewish Congregation of Hong Kong. The position included traveling extensively to places as far-flung as Tokyo, mainland China and Bangkok where he served mainly ex-pat community of Canadians, Americans and British as the only Liberal rabbi

living and practicing in Asia.

In 2001 Rabbi Cohen returned to Canada where he became the associated director at Toronto's Kolel, the Adult Centre for Liberal Jewish Learning. It was during this period that he reconnected with Paula Baruch, whom he had known during their undergraduate years at Waterloo. Baruch, also a divorcee, was living in Peterborough with her four children. They married in 2004.

Rabbi Cohen, who has gained an international reputation as a respected teacher and avid story-teller, plans to focus his efforts on developing adult programming and re-examining the nature of worship at the Temple. He is thrilled to be working with educational director and cantor, Laura Wolfson, whom he calls "a wonderful educator" and whose vision for the congregational aligns with his own.

"We're going to do a lot of work to reinvigorate adult education. [We hope to] draw people in and provide opportunities for adults of all different backgrounds to come and learn", he said.

From a ritual perspective Rabbi Cohen describes himself as being on "the more traditional end of the Reform movement", but, says that he does not have an agenda.

"I'm very mindful of this congregation and its history and its style and I have huge respect for Rabbi Baskin, a towering figure in this community", he said.

He believes that it's possible to balance the needs of veteran members with those of younger families, and hopes to incorporate changes slowly and mindfully.

Perhaps the most revealing remarks made by the Rabbi during this interview were those regarding the value of humility.

"I have a lot less rabbinic ego than I used to have", he said, "I don't own the congregation. I serve the congregation and I'm pleased to share the leadership with other people. It's not about me. It's about the congregation."

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Cemetery all that remains of Jewish Ozarow

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Weeds and neglect almost destroyed a piece of Moishe Gold's past.

For 60 years, that was the fate of the stone matzevot marking the grave of his maternal grandfather in the Jewish cemetery of the little Polish town of Ozarow.

Since the last Jews of the town were marched off to Treblinka Oct. 15, 1942 the burial ground, like 1,400 others in Poland, had been alternately ignored or vandalized. During the Second World War Ozarow's memorial stones and walls were broken and taken by German soldiers to build roads and fortifications.

Today, the Ozarow cemetery has been restored. Its matzevot have been repaired, cleaned and remounted, its grounds are tended and its wall rebuilt, all thanks to an international campaign with Gold, as one of its leaders.

Now, the Dundas resident and others around the world are extending their campaign by asking the German government to contribute up to \$200 mil-

lion to a fund to restore the rest of Poland's Jewish cemeteries.

Gold is the Canadian coordinator for the Poland Jewish Cemeteries Restoration Project. To date the group has rebuilt 17 burial grounds across that country and has another 30 projects on the go. As with all other efforts to reclaim the Jewish past of Poland, the biggest hurdle is money.

"We want Germany to pay its fair share of this work," Gold said. "We don't expect to get it all, but we want them to contribute their share."

For Gold, the cemetery restoration work was a natural extension of his interest in Jewish genealogy. The roots of the effort go back to 1996 when Gold met Buffalo-area resident Dr. Norman Weinberg at a wedding and realized their families were both from Ozarow.

Over the years they traded information back and forth, building a small network of Ozarow descendants. The town, south-east of Warsaw, had once been home to 4,300 Jews and was the centre of a rabbinic dynasty dating to 1812. During the war

it was turned into a Jewish ghetto where more than 8,000 people were confined before being murdered. The few who survived were sent to work in a munitions factory.

Gold's paternal grandfather and other relatives were among the victims. His own parents left Ozarow in 1928 and 1930, settling in Hamilton where they were among the first couples married in the newly built Adas Israel Anshe Sfarad Synagogue on Cannon street.

"I'd always been interested in going to visit Ozarow, but I'd always been told don't go, there's nothing there any more," Gold said. "Despite that I still felt a connection to the place and wanted to see it at least once."

"I wanted to feel the history and tell my children and grandchildren about it," he said.

"The Ozarow Rabbi had been trying for years to restore the cemetery, but he couldn't get through the bureaucracy," Gold explained. "We thought this is important because the old generation is dying off and we want their children and grand-children to be able to find their roots."

Using their network of Ozarowers, Weinberg and Gold led a campaign to raise \$100,000 to finance the restoration work. The money was gathered in four months and used to hire local contractors in Ozarow -- a gambit that helped to clear many government hurdles. They also got the backing of the local mayor and priest, as well as that of Rabbi Michael Shudrich, now chief rabbi of Poland.

"Our group has always tried to keep on an even keel and not get into arguments with the Poles," Gold said. "We have always been treated with respect there for what we're trying to do."

One mark of that respect is the fact none of the cemeteries restored under the project has since been vandalized.

Restoration work in Ozarow was started in June 2001 and finished by October when a dedication ceremony was held. That event was attended by 25 Ozarow descendants, and 500 Poles who brought flowers and best wishes. Schools were closed for the day and students were encouraged to attend the dedication.

Today, other than the cemetery, nothing remains of Jewish Ozarow. The synagogue is a plumbing supply store, the home of Gold's maternal grandparents is a car dealership -- but the cemetery remains as a testament to what once was.

That sentiment was expressed in 2004 in a letter to Weinberg from Rabbi Tanchum Becker, grandson of Ozarow's last rebbe. He attended the dedication ceremony and wrote afterward "The ancient Ozarow cemetery is a cornerstone of our heritage. By restoring this sacred site we have honored the memory of our ancestors and those murdered in the Holocaust. The cemetery of Ozarow is our roots and our spiritualities. Through understanding and identifying with these roots we can better understand ourselves today, thus helping both ourselves and our children to find direction in today's world so full of chaos."



Moishe Gold with the restored matzeva of his maternal grandfather in the cemetery in Ozarow, Poland.

Filling that need -- which was reinforced for the Ozarow descendants during a tour of Jewish sites after the cemetery dedication -- is why the group wants to extend its effort across Poland, Gold said.

"Everywhere we went we saw desecrated synagogues and cemeteries," he said.

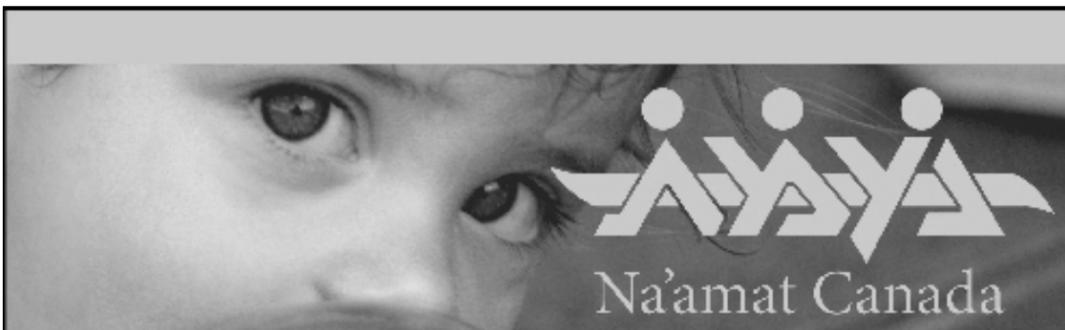
To do that the Ozarow Cemetery Restoration Project has morphed into the Poland Jewish Cemeteries Restoration Project with Weinberg as executive director. To get money from the German government the group is seeking 1 million signatures on a petition, as well as support from Jewish and non-Jewish organizations around the world.

In Canada, support for the effort has already been voiced by groups such as Canadian Lawyers and Jurists for World Jewry, Toronto's Beth Tzedec Congregation, the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba and the mid-west region of B'nai Brith Canada.

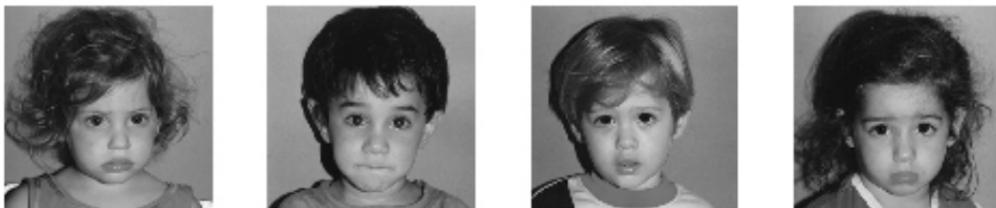
Long-term plans call for the establishment of a new independent Jewish foundation in Poland to care for the cemeteries and mass graves.

"Organizations and individuals in the Hamilton community are encouraged to sign our petition," Gold said.

The petition to the German government can be signed at the Poland Jewish Cemeteries Restoration Project



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LOOKING FOR SIMON FAMILY ROOTS

There are several Simon family members buried in the Temple Anshe Sholom cemetery: namely, Abraham Simon who died in 1889; Sarah Simon (Abraham's wife?) who died in 1904; and another Sarah Simon (Abraham's mother?) who was born in Germany in 1795 and died in 1886. All three were living in Hamilton in 1881 and all had most recently come from France. At the same time, my great grandfather Henry Simon lived in Hamilton (also from France) with his wife Esther and 4 children including Martin (my grandfather). The question is whether anyone knows the Abraham Simon family history and recognizes the name Henry Simon who was likely related to Abraham. If so, please let me know either my email: msimon@rosecorp.com or by phone: 416-916-1433.

In the footsteps of Lawrence

Israeli tour company excels in Jordan desert trips

Wendy Schneider

Lawrence of Arabia has always been one of my favourite movies. Filmed on location in Jordan's Wadi Rum, the film contains some of the most hauntingly beautiful desert scenes in motion picture history. With both Wadi Rum and Petra (recently voted one of the new seven wonders of the world) situated within a two-hour drive from Eilat, my daughters and I decided to include a trip to Jordan during our month-long sojourn in Jerusalem this past summer.

Our tour operator of choice was Desert Eco Tours, a small and innovative Israeli company that specializes in off-the-beaten-track desert expeditions in Israel, Jordan and Egypt. Erez Herrnshtadt, a desert-loving Israeli, who was driven by a vision of creating a company that would offer travelers customized, authentic desert experiences and outstanding customer service, founded Desert Eco Tours seven years ago. The timing of the company's creation coincided with the second Intifada, when tourism in Jordan had slowed to a trickle and Herrnshtadt was confident that he could offer visitors something unique: customized and authentic desert experiences.

"I have my own way of doing desert tours," Herrnshtadt said during a telephone interview with the Hamilton Jewish News.

"All the small details are important. [We try] to show the desert as a complex whole, and not just run from one famous place to another."

Desert Eco Tours' Jordanian guides were hand-picked and trained by one of Israel's top guides

according to Herrnshtadt's rigorous standards. The effort paid off. The company, whose website (www.desertecotours.com) offers travelers a wide variety of desert tours to choose from, is thriving and recently completed its 2000th trip.

Among its Jordan excursions were those ranging from one-day trips to Petra by jeep to seven-day camel trips into Wadi Rum. We chose the two and a half-day option to Wadi Rum and Petra, including an early morning hot air balloon ride.

Our trip began mid-day on the Jordanian side of the Eilat-Aqaba border where we were greeted by the irrepressible Salah and an ancient 4-wheel drive Toyota that had seen better days. Salah is a Jordanian of Bedouin heritage. In fact, what we soon discovered was that the majority of Jordan's population is of Bedouin origin. After a quick tour through Aqaba, we headed northeast into the mountains, enjoying the pulsing rhythms of traditional Arabic dance music blaring on the radio. After about 45 minutes, Salah swerved off the main road straight into Wadi Rum, a 720-square-kilometre expanse of rust-coloured stretches of sand and towering sandstone mountains.

We gazed out the windows in wonder until Salah stopped in front of a massive wind-sculpted rock, which we immediately set about climbing. Continuing on our way we soon arrived at our accommodations for the evening. Bait Ali is a charming Bedouin campsite and rest area, complete with tents, modern showers and, amazingly enough—a swimming

pool. Exhilarated but exhausted, we relaxed for a few hours before heading back into the desert for a sunset excursion. As Salah prepared cups of sweet Bedouin mint tea, we set off barefoot into the dunes, marvelling as mountains awash in hues of reds and gold were transformed into tones of pinks and purples as the sun set. Later that night after a glorious Bedouin dinner, we headed out against a lie beneath the most magnificent star-filled sky that our eyes had ever beheld. The following morning we rose with the sun for the next adventure: a hot air balloon ride that gave us a bird's-eye view of this immense desert, only a fraction of which we crossed in an hour's time. It felt like an otherworldly experience to encounter this vast, unspoiled wilderness.

Later that morning we continued on to Petra, a two-hour drive from Wadi Rum. The modern town of Petra is located just outside the ancient site and when we arrived, we found the hotel staff and residents in a state of euphoria because two days earlier, Petra had been voted one of the new seven wonders of the modern world.

Ancient Petra thrived as a major centre and wealthy fortress city at the commercial crossroads between the Arabian, Assyrian, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman cultures under the Nabateans, a nomadic tribe who migrated there from Arabia during the 6th century BCE. One of the world's most famous archaeological sites, Petra, famously described as a "rose-red city half as old as time", is carved into the sheer rock face of the massive red moun-



Exploring Wadi Rum by jeep

tains of Jordan's Wadi Musa.

Ibrahim, also of Bedouin origin, escorted us through the Siq, the famous kilometre-long, narrow, and winding cleft in the rock that leads into Petra. Walking through this remarkable natural feature, its walls towering to a height of 200 meters, is as awe-inspiring as Petra itself. Abruptly coming into view as we emerged from the Siq was what is universally considered among the most beautiful and elegant remains of the ancient world: The Treasury, carved out of solid rock and standing over 40 meters high. For the next several hours, we wandered through the extensive site on excavated ancient streets dotted with souvenir shops and Bedouin children hawking donkey and camel rides. Although time constraints and intense heat did not allow for a complete exploration of the site, Ibrahim took us to a recently excavated area known as The Great Temple, where we drank tea with members of the Bedouin team working on the excavations and chatted

with Brown University professor Martha Sharp Joukowsky and her granddaughter. Later we climbed up a beautiful trail high into the mountains and visited with an elderly Bedouin man who has made himself a charming home in one of the many caves.

After a hearty buffet lunch served from a non-site restaurant, we began the long walk back through the Siq and to our awaiting cab, which whisked us back to the border, where a Desert Eco Tours representative facilitated our return to Israel. On the Eilat side of the border, Shaul, another company employee, was there to welcome us home.

All of us were thoroughly enchanted by Jordan's unspoiled beauty, by the Bedouin hospitality and culture and by the attention lavished upon us by Desert Eco Tours. Erez Herrnshtadt's work ethic, passion for the desert and entrepreneurial skills have created a winning formula proven by this happy client's determination to book another Desert Eco Tour strip at the next opportunity.

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Camp Kadimah joins Facebook

As Facebook, the internet networking tool, has grown exponentially, and includes many Jewish schools and community groups around the world, many of us are reconnecting with old friends from the Hamilton Jewish community, finding old school mates, neighbours, shulmates, and particularly fellow campers and staff from the old days at Camp Kadimah Hamilton!

Joanne Cohen (daughter of Saul Cohen, former kosher butcher of Hamilton for over 40 years) has lived in Toronto for many years, and remains active in the Jewish community, particularly in pro-Israel advo-

cacy. She is published in the fields of Jewish, women's and legal studies, has served as a community relations representative to the Canadian Jewish Congress-Ontario Region, and has consulted and presented to Jewish and campus groups on effective new advocacy techniques. Joanne now works at Bruce E. Walker Law Office, which proudly encourages her work in the Jewish community.

So, when Joanne logged into Facebook for the first time this week, she was amazed to be located almost immediately by her 'landsleit', neighbours and friends from Dundas, Hamilton,

and Toronto. Naturally, she immediately joined 'groups' on Facebook featuring Hamilton Hebrew Academy alumni and students and then formed her own Camp Kadimah Hamilton Alumni group, which is growing day by day, as people hear about it, and then invite other Kadimahniks to join.

So, old and young, campers and staff, please join us around our virtual campfire, whether you remember King's Forest Park, Valens Conservation Area, or Lower Lions Club Road! We have campers and ex-counselors from across generations, and would love to rekindle that wonderful sense of warmth and inclusion (and resourceful humour) we could learn only in Hamilton's Jewish community.

To join, go to www.facebook.com and set up an account for yourself. Once you're set up, select 'groups' and browse Camp Kadimah Hamilton Alumni. Just click on the link and click 'yes' to join us! As a special feature, we're appointing all camp friends joining our group as mock 'Directors' of whatever is near and dear to their hearts as a Camp Kadimah memory. We've also included links to the official Camp Kadimah Hamilton website and mission statement, which features a wonderful video explaining what "Kadimah" means to so many.

For Joanne Cohen, like many others in Hamilton's warm and friendly Jewish community, Camp Kadimah was the place where all of us were welcome, where we learned about nature and Jewish culture, cared about each other and forged lasting friendships, in song, in canoes, and in the woods, and built memories to last a lifetime. Please come to virtual camp with us! No bug spray required! Pictures from the JCC or Hamilton Jewish Federation or Camp Kadimah archives would be most welcome.

Joanne Cohen can be reached at jcohen@bwalkerlaw.com.

Storytelling in Hamilton

Local group begins sixth season

Barry Rosen

At a Jewish Literary Festival held at Temple Anshe Sholom in 2001, Dan Yashinsky, a renowned expert on the subject, gave a workshop on storytelling. Attending this workshop inspired me to start a storytelling circle here in Hamilton.

Such groups have become common in most major cities of North America, and indeed the entire world.

Like other groups of its type, the Hamilton Storytelling Circle is devoted to the art of oral storytelling. What takes place in the group is quite simple: stories are prepared at home and then told in the group. Despite the simplicity of the group's activities, it can be a very meaningful and moving event. Part of the group's appeal is the fact that it gives us a break from cell phones, computers, television, etc., and helps us connect with something fundamentally human – the desire to tell and listen to stories. It is also a very social event, as people get to know each other through their interest in stories.

The one rule in the group is that stories are told but never read. The stories told are extremely varied, and consist of family

stories, true experiences, folktales, fables, original stories, and anything else you can imagine.

There are usually between 7 and 15 people in attendance. The atmosphere is welcoming, and no one is pressured to tell a story. New storytellers are always encouraged.

Although the group has become part of the Hamilton arts community, some members join us from as far away as Guelph, Brantford and Kitchener-Waterloo.

I would like to extend a cordial invitation to the adult Jewish community of Hamilton to join us, since oral storytelling is such an important aspect of Jewish tradition.

Our first two meetings of the 2006-2007 season will take place on September 17 and October 15. Meetings take place at Temple Anshe Sholom in the youth lounge on the lower level on the third Monday of each month, from September to June inclusive from 7:30 pm to 9 pm. We do not meet on Jewish or civic Holidays. For more information contact Barry Rosen at 905-388-0329 or e-mail barryrosen@sympatico.ca, with "storytelling" as the subject.

HOLD THE DATE

Hamilton Jewish Federation Holocaust Education Committee presents its 2nd annual

Holocaust Education Week

SUNDAY, November 4th – Temple Anshe Sholom, Hamilton, 7:30 PM
Esther Bem: My Personal Testimony

The documentary "A Debt to Honor: Italy" describes how, during the Holocaust, 30,000 Jews – nearly 80% of the Jewish population – evaded the Nazis in Italy. This happened with the help of many "ordinary" Italians. Following a 29 minute documentary narrated by Alan Alda, Holocaust survivor Esther Bem will recall her personal memories of this daring rescue. Esther was raised in Zagreb. Esther and her parents survived by hiding in Italy where wonderful poor farmers in the mountains helped them under very difficult circumstances. She and her family arrived in Canada in 1966. Question and answer period follows.

WEDNESDAY, November 7th – Christ's Church Cathedral, 252 James Street North Hamilton 7:30 PM

Sibylle Niemoeller von Sell – Pastor Martin Niemoeller's Wife

"... Then they came for the Jews, but I was not a Jew so I did not speak out. And when they came for me, there was no one left to speak out for me."

Among those who bore witness to Kristallnacht was Sibylle August Sophia von Sell, a young girl living in the Berlin suburb of Dahlem, a baroness who later married Pastor Martin Niemoeller – German hero of the First World War and a leader of the Church's opposition to Hitler. Sibylle Niemoeller von Sell, a member of the WWII German resistance, will speak about her family's experiences in the German resistance and what it was like to oppose the Nazi regime at a time when so few Germans did. She will discuss the importance of speaking out against injustice and why indifference to tyranny and human suffering is not a viable option. Question and answer period follows

THURSDAY, November 8th – Beth Jacob Synagogue, 375 Aberdeen Avenue, Hamilton 7:30 PM

I Have Never Forgotten You

The Life and Legacy of Simon Wiesenthal

This stirring documentary illuminates the history and legacy of legendary Nazi-hunter and humanist Simon Wiesenthal. After losing many family members in the concentration camps, he dedicated more than six decades of his life to tracking down Nazi war criminals, ultimately contributing to the prosecution of more than a thousand. The Q&A session following the film will be facilitated by Josh Hacker, Community Outreach Coordinator of the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies.

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Heschel lecture at McMaster

Does genuine religious concern necessitate social action? What sorts of practical actions in the world are demanded by religiosity? Abraham Joshua Heschel (1907–1972) was a renowned Jewish theologian and social activist who inspired many with his religious thought, his contributions to Jewish-Christian understanding and his compassionate concern for the other. An émigré from wartime Europe who taught at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and later at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City, Heschel was noted for his participation in the civil rights movement and his outspoken protest against the Vietnam War. His most famous works include *Man is Not Alone* (1951), *The Sabbath* (1951), *God in Search of Man* (1952) and *Man's Quest for God* (1954).

Marking the centenary of Heschel's birth, McMaster University's Department of Religious Studies has invited Susannah Heschel, Rabbi Heschel's only child and a major scholar of Judaism in her own right, to deliver this year's Lillian and Marvin Goldblatt Lecture in Jewish Studies. The lecture, "Moral Grandeur and

Spiritual Audacity: Reflections on the Life and Thought of Abraham Joshua Heschel," will take place on October 22 at 8 p.m. in the CIBC Room in the McMaster University Student Centre and is free and open to the public.

Susannah Heschel holds the Eli Black Chair in Jewish Studies at Dartmouth College. She is noted for her contributions to thinking about Judaism and feminism, as well as for her extensive work on the relationship between Judaism and Christianity, especially as it was shaped by 19th- and 20th-century German thought. Her publications include *Abraham Geiger and the Jewish Jesus* (1998) and *The Aryan Jesus: Christians, Nazis and the Bible* (forthcoming). She is also the editor of *On Being a Jewish Feminist* (1987) and *Moral Grandeur and Spiritual Audacity: Essays by Abraham Joshua Heschel* (1996) and has co-edited the essay collections *New Views of First Century Jewish and Christian Self-Definition* (forthcoming), *Betrayal: German Churches and the Holocaust* (1999), and *Insider/Outsider: American Jews and Multiculturalism* (1998). In addition to her academic work, she

has written and lectured frequently on Jewish issues, served for several years as the co-chair of Tikkun, with Michael Lerner and Cornel West, sits on the advisory board of Brit Tzedek v'Shalom, and is an active member of the National Council of Jewish Women.

McMaster University's annual lecture in Jewish Studies was initiated in 2002, largely through the initiative and support of Herb Schreiber. In 2004, the lecture series was renamed in honour of the Goldblatt family, whose generous contributions now support the lectures in perpetuity. Past speakers have been Reuven Firestone, Michael Marrus, Judith Baskin, David Biale, and Elliot Wolfson.

While visiting McMaster, Professor Heschel will participate in a workshop discussion of a pre-circulated paper growing out of her research on the history of Jewish-Christian relations, "From Jesus to Shylock: Christian Supersessionism and 'The Merchant of Venice.'"

Further information about this year's Goldblatt Lecture is available from Sheryl Dick, dickshe@mcmaster.ca, (905) 525-9140 ext. 24567



Standing up for Jewish honour

It is in the fall, when Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are upon us, that the people of our community undertake serious reflection on the year that has passed and consider the challenges and opportunities in the year to come.

As the new co-Presidents of Canadian Jewish Congress, we look back with respect on the achievements of our predecessors, and we look forward to doing our part to strengthen Jewish life in Canada.

The last year has included many significant achievements for the Jewish community – continued and further strengthened relations with Canada's First Nations people, significant successes in bringing perpetrators of hate to justice, a strong voice urging action to eliminate the suffering of the people of Darfur, seeking justice and dignity for Holocaust survivors, and challenging and confronting the menace of Islamo-fascism in all its guises, to name but a few. These achievements reflect our community's engagement on matters of human rights and social justice, with the hope of leaving the world better than how we inherited it from those who came before us.

We are blessed to live in a country where the rule of law is paramount, and where Canadian values are reflected in people

from many faiths, ethnicities and cultures living together in relative harmony. At the same time, we cannot take that harmony for granted. We have all seen or heard about incidents of antisemitism in our streets and on the Internet, dangerous statements from regimes demonizing Israel and incendiary verbal and written attacks by representatives of fringe communities whose views are contrary to Canadian and Jewish values. For some people, attacks of this kind

spur vigilant awareness of those around them, leading them to work to counteract the hatred, perhaps by building relationships with people from communities outside their own in an effort to develop trust and understanding. Unfortunately, for many others, coming face to face with hatred and enmity leads to a sense of defeat and apathy, which can devastate a community.

As Jews, we have learned the hard way that silence in the face of adversity is not an option. While we watch our brothers and sisters in Israel with trepidation and pride as they defend our Jewish state, we must realize that we, too, have a sacred trust – each of us must uphold Jewish honour in the Diaspora. We do so by becoming involved with amcha. We Jews are a small family, but we are joined by our common history and our love of both Canada and our spiritual home – Eretz Yisrael. We owe it to future generations to ensure both are strong, free and fiercely independent.

As we enter the High Holy Day season, we must commit to working for community now – we cannot put it off for another time. There is no greater threat to Jewish life in Canada than our own indifference. That is why we urge all of you to maintain an unflinching commitment to community. Stay informed, stay involved, and encourage those around you to help ensure Canada remains a country with uncompromising values, with no room for bigotry, hate or intolerance and plenty of room to achieve great things together.

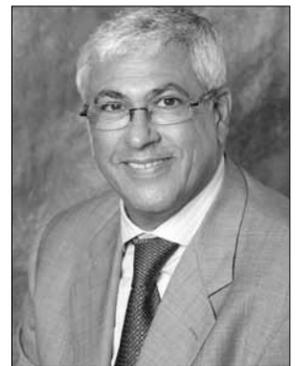
Antisemitism has never been, and will never be, merely an isolated hatred. It is a blight that reaches beyond the Jewish community and acts as a precursor to a more massive hate that explodes onto society as a whole, spreading in all directions. An attack of antisemitism directed at the Jewish community is, for all intents and purposes, an attack on everything Canadians hold precious and dear. Canadian Jewish Congress stands on guard for the Jewish community and by so doing, stands on guard for Canada, in an effort to stamp out this insidious hatred.

We fervently wish members of the Jewish community a peaceful New Year and continued prosperity to Canada and to our beloved Israel.

Sylvain Abitbol and Rabbi Reuven Bulka are co-Presidents of Canadian Jewish Congress.



Rabbi Reuven Bulka



Sylvain Abitbol

The 2007 Lillian and Marvin Goldblatt Lecture in Jewish Studies

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by **Susannah Heschel** Dartmouth College

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Fair public education

david koschitzky

This is an historic time for our community. The subject of integrating faith-based schools, such as Jewish day schools, that meet provincial requirements into the public education system is back on the public agenda.

Its impact would be significant. Public funding for qualifying day schools would correct decades of unfairness which have seen only Catholic schools as part of the public education. The Catholic system is an excellent example of how well integration of faith-based schools into public education works. As a matter of fairness, inclusion should apply to all faith-based schools, including Jewish day schools.

As the system currently stands, parents who choose Jewish day school for their children are financially penalized for making that choice. They support public education, and they pay their taxes like everyone else in Ontario. And yet, their children remain shut out from the public school system.

On the other hand, 650,000 Ontario Catholic students receive the benefit of being educated within their faith, and within the public system. They participate in standardized testing; their teachers follow an approved provincial curriculum, ensuring all students learn according to Canadian values, and their presence strengthens public education in Ontario. That's the formula that should apply to all faith-based students.

Funding for Catholic schools is constitutionally required, but that does not justify the exclusion of other faith-based schools that not only meet provincial requirements but also educate thousands of graduates who have made invaluable contributions to Canadian society. Other provinces have found ways to support and

accommodate faith-based schools that meet various requirements such as following an approved provincial curriculum, teacher qualifications and standardized student testing. Why won't Ontario?

From Quebec westward, every province other than Ontario provides public funding for faith-based schools. Only Ontario funds one faith-based school system to the exclusion of all others. In fact, it's the only jurisdiction in the western world that has this kind of funding arrangement with faith-based schools.

Yet, thousands of responsible, well-rounded Jewish day school graduates who were taught according to the provincial curriculum, within a Jewish environment promoting Canadian values, are making significant contributions to Ontario society.

For many parents, sending their children to Jewish day schools is, in itself a matter of faith. It's the way in which their children can absorb both Jewish and Canadian values during the entire school day, while learning Jewish religion, history and heritage. Non-Catholic faith-based parents pay school taxes but receive no direct public education benefits. Why should they be penalized because their children attend a faith-based school?

Integrating Jewish day schools into the public system would provide relief to thousands of families making financial sacrifices so their children can receive a quality education.

Let's give all of our children the chance to be part of a strong, vital and inclusive public school system that reflects 21st century Ontario and passes the test of fairness.

David Koschitzky is Vice-chair, UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.

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questioning exactly how much of a surplus was going to be found by the next government.

More specifically, the candidates spoke of the process of "downloading" responsibility for social services from the Federal government, to the provincial government and eventually on to municipal governments. They spoke to the unfairness of this system and recognized the difficulty it has placed on municipalities to attempt to meet social service costs through real estate taxes.

Should the Conservatives form the next government, the matter of downloading would be reviewed. The candidates further committed to addressing the matter within the context of a full range of consultations with the Association of Ontario Municipalities.

Community members also raised the specific issue of concern for one of our own social service

agencies whose future has been cast into doubt by the current provincial government. Lacking information, the candidates were unable to comment. Federation will ensure that information on this matter will be transmitted to the appropriate riding candidate.

The matter of the referendum was somewhat worrisome to all parties. Very few citizens are even aware that there will be a second ballot in October. The referendum will ask voters if they wish to endorse a program providing for election of some MPP's by proportional representation. A similar referendum was narrowly defeated in British Columbia.

None of the candidates was a proponent of the referendum. Ironically enough, being familiar with proportional representation through experience with Israeli elections and the inability of Israel to ever have a majority government, Jewish

leaders were all vocal in their discomfort with the referendum.

In their closing remarks, the candidates made the point that this was not the Conservative party of Mike Harris. They stressed that the party itself was not a "party of the right" but a "party of the center." They were especially proud of leader John Tory. They hoped that the Jewish community would recognize the party's ability to provide the "good stewardship" required to help Ontario citizens who need it most.

UJA Federation of Hamilton is strictly non partisan and does not endorse candidates or parties. In keeping with its obligation to inform and to encourage community members to vote, community leaders will meet with all candidates of the major parties and report on such meetings through email newsletters, the website or the HJN.

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Community Wide Apples & Honey Brunch @ the JCC

Sunday, September 9, 2007
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Catered by The Village Green; \$7 per person 3yrs +
Cost includes supervised play for children 18 months+
Please RSVP before Sept 5, 2007 905-648-0605

LAZER TAG

Sunday September 16, 2007
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.; \$10.00 per person
Preteen program for students in grades 6-8
At Lazer Mania Call 905-648-0605 for more details

JCC BIDDY BASKETBALL

After School Activity
Oct 3, 2007 – Dec 19, 2007

For ages 4-5 and 6-8; Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
This successful program teaches children teamwork and the importance of daily practice in a fun and non-competitive environment. Coaches help improve the children's skills through drills, exercises and games.
Cost \$55.00 per child. Kosher snacks and drinks are provided.
Call 905-648-0605 on or before Sept 25 to REGISTER.



HOLD THE DATES:

THE ALLEN HARRIS TABLE TENNIS CLUB
for students aged 12-16

Session 1: October 21, 2007 – December 2, 2007
Sundays 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Members \$50.00 Non-Members \$80.00; Facilitator: Adam Dembe

PIZZA IN THE HUT SUKKOT CELEBRATION

October 2, 2007 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
for students in grades six to eight details to follow

FALL FEVER BRUNCH

October 14, 2007, 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. catered by "The Village Green";

GIRLS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN

October 28, 2007 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for students in grades six to eight;

HANUKKAH PARTY

December 2, 2007 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. catered by "The Village Green"

CASINO NIGHT

November 17, 2007 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for students in grade six to eight

PICK-UP BASKETBALL

Thursdays 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the JCC
Officially begins October 11, 2007 For 16 years and up

DRAWING LESSONS

with Ram Samocha, a published artist from Isreal
October 21, 2007 – December 9, 2007
Sundays from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
For ages 13+. Call 905-648-0605 for further details

TAI-CHI With John Thibideau
Beginning November 6, 2007

Tuesday evenings 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.
\$40.00 per month; Contact JCC at 905-648-0605
or contact John Thibideau at 905-648-0880

Introducing

Laura Laengerer nee Raphael was born and raised in Dundas. Laura is a dedicated wife to her husband Ollie and a mother of two boys, Daniel and Rhyon who attend the JCC for Camp Kadimah, Biddy Basketball and all the great programs geared to children. Laura has been involved with the JCC for many years. As a child she attended Camp Kadimah and the Sunday Funday program which was run out of the Dundas Armories. Laura worked as a councillor at Camp Kadimah and was also the Judaica Specialist. Laura was very involved with B'nai B'rith as a teenager and helped organize the events which took place at the JCC such as an AIDS Awareness program, dances and movie nights. Over the past year, Laura has sat on the Board of Directors for the JCC and has had some creative input. Laura has a degree in Sociology and 12 years of management experience which will be an asset. Recently, Laura joined the JCC as the Interim Programmer. We welcome Laura aboard and look forward to the upcoming community events.



A message from the JCC President

I would like to take this opportunity to pay special attention to a group of people involved in the JCC that are not appreciated nearly enough. They are the volunteers. These individuals volunteer for so many Jewish and non-Jewish causes in our community that I feel compelled to give them the recognition they deserve, although, it is not possible for me to name all of those I would like to.



Joel Feldman

What we may lack in numbers in the Jewish community here in Hamilton, we certainly make up for in hard work and dedication which is emphasized as I review a list of JCC volunteers. I am heartened to see not only the names of those that have been dedicated to this community for many years, but more so by the new volunteers that have decided to dedicate a portion of their lives to make this Jewish Community that much stronger.

Special thanks has to be given to individuals like Stephen Foster Sheldon Frank, Larry Szpirglas, Stan Tick and David Walman who have played a major role in the Ski-a-thon and Golf Tournament fundraisers over the years. I also give thanks to Howard Katz, who helps out with teen programming and Charles Kravetsky, who can always be found barbecuing at a JCC event. We cannot help but remember individuals like Allen Harris and Barry Foster that had such an impact on the JCC. These individuals and all the committee members that have worked with them help set an example for us all to follow.

I also want to pay special attention to newer volunteers like Michelle Foster, upcoming Chair of the Golf Committee and Lorne Lieberman, who is active in the Jewish Film Festival Committee. These individuals realize that each one of us has to do our part to make a stronger Jewish community and a stronger Jewish Community Centre.

Again, there are many people who dedicate so much of their time and money to the JCC and the Jewish Community as a whole that I could not attempt to mention all of them here. Yet there is one devoted group of volunteers that must be recognized, the JCC Board of Directors. They are passionate about the role a JCC can play in our community. They feel that a strong and vibrant JCC can help lead to a strong and vibrant Jewish Community and they work diligently to make great things happen in our community. Thank you to my Board for all that you do in making our joint endeavor a tremendous success.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Laura Laengerer, as the interim JCC Programmer. Laura will be filling in for Annie Shinehoft while she is on maternity leave. We wish Annie an easy labor and a B'sha'atova. The JCC is thrilled to have Laura as part of the team as she is dedicated and devoted to the JCC and to her community.

I hope that each and everyone of you that reads this article will do what they can to help strengthen our Jewish Community Centre and strengthen the entire Jewish Community. This could entail joining the JCC as a member, participating in a fundraiser, volunteering at a JCC event or just partaking in JCC events.

Together we will make a difference.

JCC RECEPTIONIST/CLERICAL ADMINISTRATOR

JCC is seeking a part time evening and weekend Receptionist/Clerical Administrator. For more information please contact Laura Laengerer at 905-648-0605 or fax resume attention Laura Laengerer at 905-648-8388

PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.JCCHAMILTON.COM

The Jewish Community Centre

Camp Kadimah



K'tanim campers enjoy another great day at Camp Kadimah

Camp Kadimah, the Jewish Day Camp of Hamilton, has been a landmark in our community for over 50 years. Camp Kadimah promotes growth, and leadership and provides a strong connection with the Jewish Community. Camp Kadimah is offered to children ages 3 to 11. An LIT/CIT program is also offered to students entering grades 7-9.

Specialties such as Arts & Crafts, Science & Nature, Sports, Computers, Drama and Swim at Dalewood Recreation Centre are offered at Camp Kadimah. Campers also participate in Karate offered by Wood's Martial Arts, Tennis by Frances Critchley, the JCC's Tennis Pro and Hip Hop dancing provided by C.M. Dancing.

This summer we offered 3 overnight trips to campers entering grades two to six. We traveled to Camp Northland, Camp Ramah, and the Serengeti Bush Camp at the Toronto Zoo. Campers learned archery, and how to surf and canoe. At the Zoo, they toured the Safari and ran with the wolves. Our oldest group, Gadna, for campers in grades three to six traveled on weekly trips to the Dundas Valley Conservation Area, Wild Water Works and the Ontario Science Centre. On these amazing adventures everyone had a blast and we can't wait to do it all over next year!

Without our great counselors, Directors, Advisor and Committee Chair this year could not have been a success. We, at camp, continue to provide memories built to last! For more information please visit our camp website at www.campkadimahhamilton.com.



Gadna campers listen under the tree on another great "Down to Earth" adventure

TENNIS at CAMP KADIMAH with Frances Critchley



All of our campers, the youngest only 3 years old, hit the tennis courts running at Camp Kadimah this summer! The children have made excellent progress with their tennis skills and are proud of their ability to hit balls over the net. The summer was beautiful but very hot!!! Our hats go off to the campers, they participated very willingly and well! Great summer had by all!!!

2007 Barry Foster Memorial Golf Tournament



The 12th annual Barry Foster Memorial Golf Tournament took place on June 21st at the Beverly Golf and Country Club on June 21st. Funds raised benefit the JCC of Hamilton, Beth Tikvah Foundation, St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation Cardiac Care Unit, and Inner City Youth Hockey. The course was in immaculate condition; the weather was perfect, and the food delicious. We graciously thank all of our sponsors, donors, contributors, and participants.

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Kehila Jewish Community Day School

Kehila Jewish Community Day School is pleased to announce the return of Leia Ger-Rogers as the school's new principal. Leia has a long history as an exceptional educator. She is an Ontario certified teacher with a Master's degree in Special Education curriculum design. She has served as Director of Educational Services and owner of the Hamilton Learning Centre and has previously held the position of Principal at Lawrence College, a private elementary school for students with learning disabilities.



Leia Ger-Rogers

Leia takes over the stewardship of Kehila at an exciting time. The school administered the Canadian Achievement Test in May, 2007, and the overall performance of the students was outstanding. In terms of grade equivalent, all grades from 1-4 performed almost 2 grades beyond their age and many students received the maximum score possible on the test. At the

same time, no students scored below their grade equivalent. The results of the CAT tests place Kehila in the top 10% of all schools tested nationwide and all grades were in the top 20%. These data clearly indicate that Kehila is delivering on its mission statement of academic excellence.

The school is also growing this year as we enter into a coordinated effort with the

Berlin School of Excellence to jointly deliver Jewish education to JK and SK students. Some of the activities in which JK/SK students from the Berlin School will join Kehila students include T'Philot, Hebrew language instruction with Morah Zehava, Global Education/Artists & Composers classes, and Physical Education time. Kehila anticipates that this joint effort with the Berlin School will give parents a new and promising option when seeking Jewish education for children just entering the school system.

Finally, Kehila is getting ready for its annual Rosh Hashanah baskets sale. Baskets this year include Yad Mordechai Israeli natural honey, Achva honey cakes, sparkling apple juice, as well as candles and chocolate. Baskets are \$25 each and may be ordered by calling Danna Horwood at 905-524-0336 or the school office at 905-529-7725.

Chabad Lubavitch Hamilton

As the new school year starts and the freshman roll in, there are other fresh faces at McMaster University. Rabbi Chanoch and Shaina Rosenfeld have moved to town to run the Jewish Student Center on Sterling St.

Rabbi Rosenfeld studied in yeshiva in Montreal, Israel and New Jersey. He received his smicha, rabbinical ordination, from the Rabbinical college of America in Morristown, NJ. He also spent a year in Moscow, working and teaching

in a Jewish boys' high school for Russian Jewish children.

Shaina Rosenfeld did her teacher's training in Safed, Israel, and then worked for two years in Santa Fe, NM teaching and helping run community programs. Most recently, she worked in Florida, where the couple lived, as Director of Student Affairs in a girls' high school.

Both Canadian-born and raised – Rabbi Rosenfeld is a Montreal native and Shaina is a local Hamiltonian – the



Rabbi Chanoch and Shaina Rosenfeld

Rosenfelds hope to bring the warmth of Florida to Hamilton's winters. In addition to the regular Friday night meals and weekly Lunch and Learns, they plan to expand the current programming at Chabad, adding classes and activities throughout the school year. As well, plans are underway to expand the library and create a student lounge where Jewish students can hang out, find a quick snack, and just schmooze.

Founded by Rabbi Zalman Itkin OBM, who passed away last December, and his wife Fajgi, Chabad Lubavitch of Hamilton and the Jewish Student Center are committed to providing a Jewish home away from home for the students on campus as well as the community at large. As the son-in-law and daughter of Rabbi Itkin, both Rabbi and Shaina Rosenfeld, together with Mrs. Fajgi Itkin are looking forward to continuing the legacy and spreading the warmth for which Rabbi Itkin is fondly remembered.

The Jewish Student Center is located 3 doors from campus @ 177 Sterling St. Chabad can be contacted at 905-529-7458 or by email chabadhamilton@gmail.com.

HHA Playschool

When I was handed a postcard at the JCC barbeque about "Salsa Babies" at the Hamilton Hebrew Academy Playschool I was not surprised. The program provides a chance to socialize with other parents, and an opportunity to introduce one's child to music and movement. A perfect fit to a program that has been perfect for me so far.

Last April, my two-year-old daughter joined the Hamilton Hebrew Academy Playschool. The trepidation of a parent leaving a toddler at school for the first time can be overwhelming. On that first day, I remember slowly opening the door to the bright and cheerful classroom. Almost immediately, Morah Cheryl, the Playschool teacher, followed by an entourage of adorable little children, warmly greeted me.

My daughter felt completely at home. As I said my goodbyes and slowly motioned towards the door I waited for the cries but none were forthcoming. My baby daughter turned around and cheered, "goodbye mommy". She then proceeded to skip away holding Morah Cheryl's hand.

It didn't take long, though,

for the tears to start. Later that day I returned at pick-up time. As I walked in my daughter, who was engrossed in a classroom activity, looked up and noticed me. That's when I heard the cry. Evidently, Playschool was too good. My daughter didn't want to leave!

All summer both my daughter and I have been looking forward to returning to Playschool at the Academy. My daughter misses the hand puppets and music at "circle time", the weekly Shabbat parties, going to the school library on Tuesdays and to the school Gym on Thursdays, not to mention all the fun activities in her classroom.

As I gear up for the new year, it's not only my daughter who's getting ready. My friends and I are getting ready for Playschool as well. Come November, I'll be attending Salsa Babies with my daughter. I look forward to seeing all the mommies (or daddies), babies, and toddlers. If you're a mommy or daddy opening the door for the first time - don't hesitate! I bet your child will be as happy as mine at the Academy Playschool.

Jewish Genealogical Society

An experienced genealogist whose family research reaches back to 1747 will speak to the Jewish Genealogical Society of Hamilton and Area at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 19.

Ruth Goldberg, Hamilton, a retired pharmacist, will make her presentation, Growing My Family Tree From 20 to 200-Plus, at Temple Anshe Shalom, 215 Cline Avenue North.

With a list of 20 names and addresses from the research of an uncle and cousin, Ruth Goldberg sent out a questionnaire for more family information. Ten replies were returned, and since that time in 1979, she has been able to expand the list to 225 names. Hers is a story of persistence, a key element in tracing one's roots. The September gathering will include the JGS Annual General Meeting.

Addressing the society at its October 28 meeting will be Merle Kastner of Montreal. She will speak on

The Rebirth of the Jewish community in Vilnius, Lithuania and Sites in Eastern Europe. The meeting will open at 1:00 p.m. at Temple Anshe Shalom.

Ms. Kastner traveled in Lithuania, Poland and the Czech Republic last year. In her talk, she will tell about visits to synagogues, Holocaust-related places, and Terezin concentration camp. In addition, she will discuss the new life being experienced by the Jewish community in Vilnius.

Ms. Kastner began her genealogical quest in 1993. She contributes articles to a number of genealogical journals. She is a charter member of the JGS of Montreal. She currently serves as vice president and program chair of that organization.

Meetings of the JGS of Hamilton are open to all who are interested. There is a \$5.00 charge for non-members. For questions contact Dick Crawford at 905-525-1382, or email newsguy@cogeco.ca.

Book Launch



Kalcom Publishing and Emuna Outreach are proud to introduce The Worry Worm, the first of an exciting new series of Children's books aimed at children of all ages. Lazer Brody's story about two worms in an apple has been beautifully written in rhyme and illustrated by Rebecca Shapiro of Hamilton, Ontario. Judging from the warm reactions of our test readers, including preschool and elementary teachers and children, The Worry Worm will find its way into many homes and many hearts. G-d willing, The Worry Worm isn't a one-time flash in the pan, but the first of Kalcom's new "Little Lazer" series. Don't Miss The Worry Worm Book Launch on Sunday October 21st at the Adas Israel Synagogue. At 10:00 during a special kid's program, Rabbi Brody will be giving a lecture for adults on the importance of "Education with a Smile" followed by a children's reading of The Worry Worm. Hope to see you there!

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Canadian Magen David Adom for Israel

Hilda Rosen

Did you know that: Magen David Adom in Israel was founded on June 7, 1930 in Tel Aviv. Canadian Magen David Adom was created on March 24, 1976 and is a duly credited Canadian charity. Its mission is to "Donate emergency medical supplies and ambulances directly to the people of Israel." National headquarters is located in Montreal.

MDA in Israel is a first-aid society recognized by the State of Israel as its only national first-aid society that works according to the principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent societies; MDA supplies more than 95% of all blood and blood by-products to all of Israel's hospitals; MDA operates more than 200 first-aid stations, sub-stations and emergency shelter clinics throughout Israel; MDA treats more than 7,000 terrorist attack victims; MDA transports more than 300,000 patients annually; MDA does all this with 1,500 employees and over 8,500 volunteers.

Did you know that: All ambulances shipped to Israel must be equipped by funds raised by their country of origin. In other words, Canada is responsible for all equipment

placed in each ambulance it donates and the upkeep thereof. Canada is responsible for payment of insurance covering these vehicles. We are responsible for the training of all personnel.

You may be interested in knowing that during the Lebanese crisis, the following heavy duty and standard ambulances were shipped: Montreal 2; Toronto 7; Edmonton 2; London 1; Hamilton and area raised \$74,500 to equip ambulances.

MDA Israel is not government-supported and depends solely on supporting contributors; MDA supplies are constantly being depleted and must be replenished immediately. In the following months, I will be asking you to assist me in the purchase of at least one heart defibrillator at a cost of \$24,000 (Can.) each.

Israel can't survive without MDA. MDA can't survive without you. Your donation may help save a LIFE!

I look forward to your positive and enthusiastic response when I call. For further information regarding the purchase of all-occasion cards, gift certificates, and making a donation, please call me at 905-529-4824.

My sincerest thanks for your support. L'Shana Tova Tikva Tanu

2007 Negev Dinner a Huge Success

The Hamilton Convention Centre and the Art Gallery of Hamilton were hopping on Sunday, June 3, 2007 as the Jewish National Fund hosted its annual Negev Dinner. Close to 1300 people were in attendance at this record-setting event. JNF paid tribute to Tom and Sasha Weisz for their myriad contributions to Israel, the Diaspora and local charitable organizations.

General Colin Powell was the featured keynote speaker and related his experience as Secretary of State for the United States of America. He held the audience in the palm of his hand, beginning his speech with a few light anecdotes on his life as a retired general, and regaling us with stories of growing up in New York. He showed his serious side when offering his views on the current situation in the Middle East.

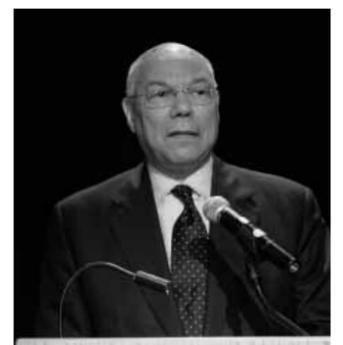
The JNF also presented Roy Green with the Bernard Bloomfield Medal for his support of the Hamilton Jewish community over the years. Efi Stenzler, the new World Chair of Keren Kayemeth L'Israel / Jewish National Fund came from Israel especially for this Dinner and presented meaningful Israeli gifts to our honourees; Tom and Sasha Weisz and to General Powell.

Funds raised from this amazing event are being directed to redeveloping a Scenic Road and creating a promenade around the Nevoraya Synagogue archaeological site, both located in the Biryya Forest adjacent to Safed in Israel. The projects will help increase tourism to the area, thereby providing much needed jobs.

JNF is grateful to the record number of patrons, sponsor, advertisers and ticket holders for their support of the 2007 Negev Dinner and the projects they fund in Israel.



Roy Green addresses the audience while JNF president, Lorraine Cohen looks on.



Colin Powell addresses the audience



Lorraine Cohen and JNF national president, Sharon Hart, present a plaque to Tommy and Sasha Weisz

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HAMILTON HEBREW HIGH COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Hebrew Language: Grades 9, 10 & 11

- **Grade 9 - Tuesday @ 3:15 pm to 5:15 pm**
- **Grade 10 - Tuesdays @ 3:15 pm to 5:15 pm**
- **Grade 11 - Wednesday @ 3:15 pm to 5:15 pm**

If you don't use it... you lose it! Learn how to communicate with Israelis in Hebrew. Develop a proficiency in both oral and written Hebrew. These courses are designed to accommodate those who have a background in Hebrew language, either through a Jewish Day school, Israeli upbringing or the equivalent. Students registering for these courses might be asked to take a written or oral Hebrew Language assessment test.

Grade 9 Community and Individuality in Judaism Wednesdays 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Explore the importance and value of both the individual and the community from a Jewish perspective. Learn about the centrality of the Biblical and Jewish axioms of Chesed and Tzedakah and develop an appreciation of the concept of "community", the value of community leaders and a sense of communal responsibility. Open to Grade 9 students and qualifying students in Grade 8

Grade 10 Ethical Dilemmas Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Explore current ethical dilemmas in the realms of medicine, business and family dynamics from a uniquely Jewish perspective. Open to Grade 9 & 10 students

Grade 11 Media Studies Wednesdays 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Create your own media works, learn the art of film production, and see "hands-on" how all forms of media can influence ideas. Open to Grade 10 & 11 students

Grade 12 Interdisciplinary Studies Jewish History, Leadership and Advocacy Thursdays 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

This course is designed to give students a thorough background in Jewish History, the history of anti-Semitism and its cause, the State of Israel and Jewish perspectives on leadership, community and philosophy. Open to students in Grade 11 or 12 with any Grade 11 or 12 university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies.

Course fees:
\$750 (per course) Financial Scholarships Available

Hamilton Hebrew High Information Evening Tuesday, Sept 4, 2007 7:30 PM 235 Bowman St.

For more information, please call Lanie Goldberg at 905-524-2663 or email midrashahigh@yahoo.ca

Hamilton Hebrew High rises to the challenge

In a much anticipated announcement, there is going to be an expansion of educational offerings to the Jewish population. Hamilton Hebrew High always had X-Box, pizza, and a fun way to earn Ontario High School Credits. This year they have answered the question "Where's the Beef?" They answered it by putting forward a truly complete offering of subjects guaranteed to captivate youth, and aspiring to cultivate a positive attitude towards continued Jewish education.

There is a reason I chose a popular ad from the 80s' to introduce the new credit selections at Hamilton Hebrew High (HHH). Twenty years ago mainstream culture was formulated through major media outlets; now the explosion of the computer age has obliterated the conformity of popular culture. We live in the media age. More information flows through more outlets at a rate getting faster every day. Self-publishing

(blogging) and viral marketing (short films distributed freely online) have become legitimate forms of expression and marketing. It becomes imperative to ensure that Jewish youth have access to the technology and philosophy guiding the latest communication techniques.

Offering a course in Media Studies is a great example of how the HHH rose to this challenge. With an instructor from the acclaimed Toronto Film School, students can receive information on how to discern the changes in media and film over the last 20 years. They will learn how to use the latest techniques and equipment, and how to approach their chosen subjects with a critical eye. This potent mixture of hands-on with brains-on is sure to produce the next Spielberg. At the very least we can expect the heir apparent to Adam Sandler or even Borat (Very Nice!)

Of course, it doesn't end there. Students can enroll in ethics classes, directed studies

in community and individuality, and language classes. The point is, investing in your child's education now will prepare them for the post-secondary atmosphere.

If you enjoy what you do, you'll never work a day in your life. The programs offered at Hamilton Hebrew High are like that euphemism. They say it's work, but is it supposed to be this much fun? HHH offers parents a positive choice in determining the educational future of our children. We all want the best for our kids, but without the support and direction of the parents, a child's success can hardly be ensured.

Hamilton teens entering Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 are invited to attend a Hamilton Hebrew High - Midrasha Information Evening on Tuesday, September 4 at 7:30 pm at 235 Bowman Street in Hamilton. For more information please call Lanie Goldberg at 905-524-2663 or email midrashahigh@yahoo.ca

Temple Anshe Sholom Religious School

It's "back to Hebrew School" time and it's always nice to hear the happy sounds of children's voices in the Temple. With our new Jewish music curriculum and some exciting new school-wide family education programs, in addition to the time-tested CHAI program that we use in our classrooms, our school is hopping right from the start.

Kids at Temple Anshe Sholom will have an opportunity to improve their Hebrew vocabulary at Club Sababa, a new weekly "Hebrew Adventures" club for children in grades 1-3. Led by the super-energetic dynamic duo Dora-Ann Cohen and Michelle Urbanek, the program will include sports, obstacle courses, games, dance, cooking, arts and crafts, and other activities, all with the use of Hebrew



SK students at Temple making challah covers

vocabulary. Kids with all levels of Hebrew can participate, and non-Temple members are welcome too. For more information, please contact Dora-Ann Cohen tascoolcrew@hotmail.com

com or (905)528-0121 ext 3.

Kids will also have the opportunity to participate in a wonderful community outreach event taking place on Sunday, September 30th in the afternoon: "Sunday in the Park With Bagels". Co-sponsored by UJA Federation and Temple Anshe Sholom, this is a family-friendly, free event, welcoming the larger community to come and have a "taste" of Judaism by tasting the foods associated with each holiday, trying out arts and crafts activities and seeing information displays about each holiday. Families will be able to sign up for "passports" and get holiday stickers at each station.

New students are always welcome at Temple Anshe Sholom Religious School. Please see our website www.anshesholom.ca (click on Education) for more information, or contact Laura Wolfson at (905)528-0121 ext 2.



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Beth Jacob Synagogue

Last year Beth Jacob began a new tradition by incorporating a movie and discussion into its annual Selichot services. This year our Pre-High Holiday Selichot Program will take place on Saturday, September 8 when we will view and discuss the film, Changing Lanes, with Samuel L. Jackson and Ben Affleck. All are welcome to join us in the chapel for Havdalah at 8:20 pm followed by the movie at 8:35 pm in the Upper Social Hall and Selichot services at 10:30 pm.

Beth Jacob is pleased to announce the opening of its innovative She'arim Hebrew School and Enrichment Program on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. We are especially proud to present the She'arim B'nai Mitzvah program with an exciting course offering for boys and girls approaching their bar and bat mitzvah. For information please contact education director, Karen Selsberg, at 905-522-1351.

Also new this year is a stimulating array of adult education programming beginning in October:

Walking with God, a course that will examine how different generations approached God, using diverse primary sources, active and interactive sessions, led by Rabbi Dan Selsberg. On Shabbat mornings at 9:00 am the Rabbi will lead sessions on the Secrets of the Siddur, which will explore the who, what, where, when, why and hows of Jewish prayer. On Sunday mornings Rabbi Selsberg and other Beth Jacob community members will co-lead a course entitled, A Code of Jewish Ethics. Participants will study the sources, together, in English using the wonderful new book A Code of Jewish Ethics, Vol. 1 by renowned Rabbi Joseph Telushkin.

The Beth Jacob Jewish Film and Discussion Series continues with the screening of the acclaimed Israeli film, Sweet Mud on Sunday, October 14 at 1:00 pm. On Sunday, November 11 at 1:00 pm the recently released Israeli film, Beaufort, will be shown. For more information email rabbi@bethjacobsynagogue.ca or call the Beth Jacob office at 905-522-1351.

Ohungry? Ohusy!

Ontario Hamilton United Synagogue Youth (OHUSY) is kicking off the new year with an exciting array of programs and opportunities for Jewish teens grade 9-12. From conventions to programs to just hanging out during a lounge night, the new OHUSY executive is getting ready for a new year. This year is for YOU Hamilton Jewish teens. And we want to hear from you! Our youth-led staff-advised chapter is planning a great year, and we want to know what you want! Rock climbing? Jam-night? Kosher sushi making? You name it and we'll put it together. It's all about your ideas this year in OHUSY. So drop us a line, or write on our facebook wall (group name - OHUSY) and let us know what you'd like to see in OHUSY this year. Stop by our first program at the soon-to-be named OHUSY lounge at Beth Jacob Synagogue on Monday, September 24th at 7:00 pm to kick off the year!

Other important dates: ECUSY (Eastern Canada Region USY) opening program - October 13 in Toronto; ECRUSY Fall Kinnus Convention - chaired by our own Samara Strub on November 16-18. For more information contact Samara Strub, OHUSY President at samarastrub@hotmail.com or Sarah LaFreniere, OHUSY Advisor at srlafren@gmail.com. Don't forget to check our website for updates: www.freewebs.com/ohusyShanaTova!

The entire community is invited to attend Beth Jacob Synagogue's

MONTHLY JEWISH FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES

Join us for the acclaimed Israeli films,
SWEET MUD
on Sunday October 14 at 1:00 pm

and

BEAUFORT

Sunday, November 11 at 1:00 pm
Both films will be screened in the synagogue's upper social hall. Donations to cover the costs of refreshments gratefully accepted.

Check out our other programs at
www.bethjacobsynagogue.ca

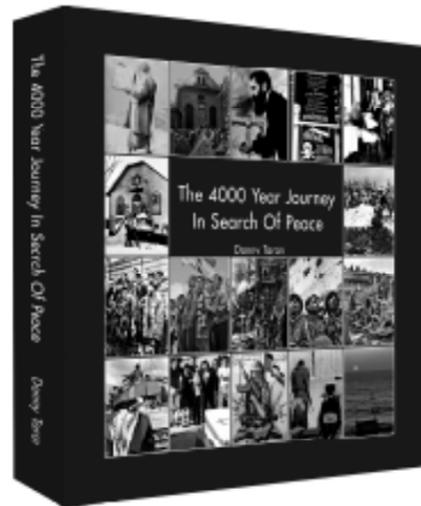
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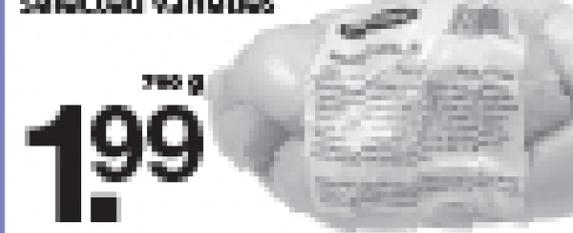
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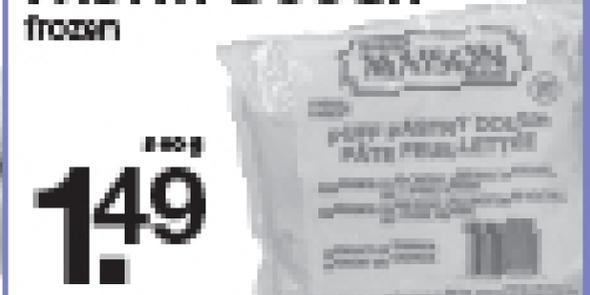
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