



Ha' Kol

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



New Artwork Welcomes All to Temple Beth El

Temple Beth El Religious School students were fortunate to have our own congregant Susan Watson Arbibal as a guest artist in April. Susan worked with Rabbi Matt Michaels and Religious School Education Director Norma James to create this exquisite mosaic that will welcome everyone to Temple Beth El in Hebrew and English.

The branches represent the Torah as a Tree of Life and connects this outdoor art piece to the environment. There are 36 leaves on the branches for the 36 righteous people that roam the earth.

Susan has been teaching students how to create art for many years and is quite amazing to watch. Susan did a great deal of preparation and then worked for two Sundays with the students. Every child learned how to cut stained glass and glue the pieces onto the backing. From our preschoolers to our teens, everyone placed the pieces of glass as instructed by Susan. Our older students and parent volunteers helped Susan do the grouting and finishing polishing.

Susan's husband Jeffrey Arbibal built the frame for the piece. The materials were provided by a gift from the 2014 Confirmation Class. The 2015 Confirmation class will purchase a permanent outdoor plaque to commemorate this piece. The mosaic was dedicated May 3, on the last day of religious school.

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TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES

What Will Our 151st Year Look Like?

By Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels, M.A.H.L., D.D.

As summer comes to a close and as we shift from the break of "vacation mode" and prepare to re-enter the "school and work modes," our focus changes. Soon, the lazy days of summer will be replaced with the hectic schedules that have become a normal part of our 21st century lives. Last November (and throughout the year) we celebrated our Temple's 150th Anniversary. I recall ending my sermon the Friday night of our formal celebration weekend by asking the vital question: "What will our 151st year look like?"

With a newly installed Board of Directors, that visioning process is underway. It is a process that each of us can contribute to. As we begin the fourth year of our relationship and now that we know each other better, we can more comfortably focus on making a candid assessment of our strengths as a congregation, and where we have opportunities to improve. It is my hope that we will be able to accomplish this throughout the year.

No one person or event defines Temple Beth El. Each of us, together as part of a congregational family, contributes to the very identity of this sacred community. Utilizing our individual talents, resources and abilities, we have the opportunity to create and surpass individual expectations. The strength and vibrancy of TBE is limited ONLY by our own imagination and creativity.

In *Pirkei Avot* we learn: *Lo alecha ham'lacha ligmor, v'lo atah vein chorin l'hebatel mimena* – "It is not up to you to finish the task, but neither are you free to desist from it." In other words, do not let the importance or size of the task dissuade you from participating in it because, while you may not be able to fully complete that task, you are obligated to participate in moving that task or process forward in the most productive and constructive ways.

As we all know from the unexpected twists and turns in life: we may know with certainty what lies ahead for us, but we cannot and must not live life from the sidelines as mere spectators. I believe the same is true for the life of a congregation.

So, what will our 151st year look like? That, my friends, depends on ALL OF US!



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2015 TBE Board

Front row: Andy Loeb, Ava Radoff, Liz Gassel, Kathy Young, Jeannine Stanley, Missy Noon, Dan Smith, and Henry Fribourg.

Back row: Ellen Markman, Wesley James, Howard Pollock, Larry Winston, Stuart Elston, Rich Jordan, Jeffrey Kay, Ivan Brody, Bud Berman, Alan Smuckler, Heather Laing, and Rabbi Mathew Michaels.

Summer Withdrawal

By Liz Gassel, Temple Beth El President

Most Jewish people I know are religious in that they hold values and beliefs, theistic or not, that are derived from the Jewish tradition and nurtured by our own culture. Our task is to encourage them to set up a discipline of religious practices that are compatible with their personal views, thus ensuring the continuity of our traditions and culture. This job belongs to dedicated parents, insightful teachers and great role models. Are you one of them?

Source: Rabbi Rifat Sonsino in Sonsino's Blog of 2.9.2015 as quoted in www.reformjudaism.org

The Ritual and Worship Committee planned Kabbalat Shabbat services (6:00 p.m.) this summer for both June and July. We have followed this summer schedule the last several years. This June, there was typically little more than a minyan each week and very few or no children present. In addition, Rabbi Matt Michaels has had to be away from Knoxville off and on since April and all of this June. Our lay leaders have graciously and competently been available to lead Shabbat services.

The relatively small Friday night turnout has been a bit disheartening to both the service leaders and attendees. However, the intimate nature of the evenings with Kiddush and wine and cheese in the lobby has been a nice change and has garnered positive feedback. One of the main reasons we exist is to offer a sanctuary for communal prayer where we regularly put the observance, practice and ritual into place for you so that you can create your own communion with your God, your community and yourself.

I must admit, that I am sympathetic to the push and pull of summer. Are you not attending on Friday night because the combination of particular activities, vacations, and diverse summer schedules is pushing you beyond the 'tipping point'? Is your choice to participate dependent on the presence of the rabbi or on other reasons? We keep calling ourselves a *Kehillah Kedosha*, a Holy Community, and one that is 'audaciously' hospitable. This denotes that we all take ownership in our congregation. We are all partners in this enterprise, as I have emphasized before.

I write this at the end of June. In July we have a number of Shabbatot planned in conjunction with particular programs and social events: an Ice Cream Social for July 3, Board Installation and a Congregational Cookout for July 10 and a Choir Concert by our accomplished Temple Beth El musicians on July 31. Did we see you at any of these Shabbatot?

In any case, I do not write to berate or criticize. I and my newly-elected 2015-2016 Board of Directors, our Rabbi and Ritual and Worship Committee, our School and Youth Committee and our many other active committees wish to seek the focus and the plan for the coming year. Where do we see ourselves going? If our summer program of observance, practice and activities did not call to you, if that schedule or the schedule going forward needs to be improved or adjusted to better meet your needs, please help us clarify those goals.

Rabbi Judy Schindler of Temple Beth El, Charlotte, NC says that one of the secrets to success at her congregation is engagement in continual evaluation. Set your goal and recalculate often. The leaders there are always evaluating as programs and schedules are adjusted to ensure relevancy.

Our mission at Temple Beth El, is "to inspire individuals to embrace their Jewish identity and to engage in our religious

community." Last year, at my installation as president, I said that you, the leadership and you the congregation are the ones responsible for helping set the direction of our Kehillah Kedoshah in pursuit of that mission. Equally important, I need each of you to step up and participate (summer, fall, winter, and spring) in following through on our shared vision, whatever we choose it to be.

Please Welcome
Your New Temple Beth El Board of
Directors 2015 - 2016

Your Executive Committee consists of

Rabbi Mathew Michaels

President, Liz Gassel

1st Vice President, Ellen Markman

2nd Vice President, Howard Pollock

Recording Secretary, Jeannine Stanley

Financial Secretary & IPP, Stu Elston

Treasurer, Hayley Goldfeld

Your Board of Directors includes

Ivan Brody	Bud Berman	Andy Loebel
Heather Laing	Melinda Gibbons	Ava Radoff
Missy Noon	Alan Smuckler	Charlene Oleinik
Jeffrey Kay	Dan Smith	Wes James
Tara Bain	Larry Winston	Rich Jordan
Arthur Copcutt, II		

Religious School Director, Norma James

Sisterhood Representative, Kathy Young

Honorary Vice President, Henry Fribourg

Honorary Vice President, Dick Jacobstein

Holocaust Memorial Bookshelf Dedication

Temple Beth El and its Library Committee will dedicate the

"Holocaust Memorial Library

Bookshelf" on Friday, August 14, at

the conclusion of the evening service, starting at 7:30pm. The fund was established by Claudia and Henry

Fribourg to honor and memorialize the

members of their extended families and of all those who were murdered during the 1933-1945 Shoah. The earnings of the Fund are to be for the purchase of printed, digital, and other appropriate media materials related to the occurrence of intolerance, bigotry, and persecutions such as the Holocaust, the Inquisition, the Crusades, and other similar periods in history. The Bookshelf materials will not be limited geographically or to any specific nationality, tribal affiliation, or religion, and they are to be accessible to both the Jewish community and the general public. Additional contributions to the endowed fund are welcome.



Henry and Claudia Fribourg

Fundraising WHILE YOU Shop



Help support Temple Beth El's newest fundraiser!

Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that allows families to raise money for Temple Beth El. When you use Scrip gift cards at your favorite retailers, you're fundraising while you shop. TBE can offer more than 50 of the country's biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, hotels, home improvement and more. It's time to put your shopping dollars to work!

It's really simple! You purchase gift cards from TBE at face value and Temple then orders those cards from the Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced rate. The difference is an instant rebate for Temple Beth El.

Please circle the gift cards you want, circle the specific increment and write the number you want. Complete and mail the form with payment to the TBE office. Check is the preferred method of payment, but credit cards will be accepted. For credit cards, please call the TBE office. **Scrip cards will be available for pick-up at the office after September 9.**

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Rite Aid \$25	# of cards _____	Sam's Club \$25/\$100	# of cards _____
Sephora \$20	# of cards _____	Starbucks \$25	# of cards _____
Subway \$10/\$50	# of cards _____	Supercuts \$25	# of cards _____
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Temple Beth El Religious School — August Update

By Norma James, Education Director, nfjames77@gmail.com or normajames@tbeknox.org

Religious School starts Sunday, August 16 Midweek Hebrew begins Wednesday, August 19

Changes! Changes! Changes! Our School & Youth Committee and our school staff have been hard at work revamping our school policies, programs, and schedules for 2015-2016. We are very excited about what we have in store for our families. We believe very strongly that every change we are making is in the best interest of our students. Here are just a few new items:

- **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL CHANGE:** The biggest change will be a *mandatory parent meeting* on the first day of religious school on Sunday, August 16. The School & Youth Committee has decided that all registration will be completed in the social hall prior to the meeting. A light breakfast will be served. We have important information that all parents need. Think of this as that back-to-school meeting that you dutifully attend every year for each of your children. I promise this will not be the same old meeting.
- **Religious School hours will change to 9:30 a.m.-Noon.** In response to many parent requests, we will shorten the day to allow everyone to get to lunch and/or other activities at a reasonable time. We believe we can still offer an excellent program, but we need to be more efficient with our time. *This means that our students need to be ready to start school promptly at 9:30 a.m.*
- **We continue to work on making our building and our school 21st Century technology friendly.** Now that I have retired, I want to spend much more time upgrading the technology hardware and programs available to our students. PLEASE consider donating your last generation tablet, laptop, or desktop to our school!
- **Off Campus Learning!** I would love to see every grade level do some type of off campus field trip or service project. These activities make learning fun and strengthen student-to-student relationships.
- **The Wesley Woods Retreat is Back!** We took a year off last year, but we will put this on our calendar this year.
- **We have a Teen Retreat and a Sleepover, but what about our younger students?** We will revamp our activities to create special family events, grade level events, and school-wide events to give our TBERS opportunities to really bond with each other while having fun and making a positive difference in our community.
- **Rabbi Matt and Norma will conduct a Fall Saturday B'Nei Mitzvah Retreat at Temple Beth El for all 6th and 7th graders and their parents.** This workshop will help everyone understand the spiritual, logistical, and celebratory aspects of this very important life cycle event. New policies and procedures will be in place for B'Nei Mitzvah students. We are working on a clear and concise guide for parents, students, and tutors. *Spoiler Alert!* The School & Youth Committee has adopted a new policy that students are expected to attend a number of Shabbat services prior to their own services as a condition of B'nei Mitzvah. I will have more details soon, but for now, I suggest our 7th graders put Friday night on your family calendars!
- **ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 4-5-6-7 ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND MIDWEEK HEBREW.** Midweek Hebrew will be very different this year. We are exploring flexible times to accommodate busy schedules. Along with direct Hebrew instruction, there will be computer practice, Hebrew chanting with Norma, and T'filah study with Rabbi. Learn more August 16.

We love our Sisterhood! THANK YOU! We received another \$500 donation from our Temple Beth El Sisterhood to be used toward technology. Thanks to Sisterhood, we have two very nice computers in our computer lab.

Mazel Tov to Sophie Pollock! Sophie Pollock will be called to the Torah on Saturday, August 29. Sophie is the daughter of Howard and Janice Pollock and sister to Leo. Sophie and her tutor, Laurie Fisher, have been working very hard in preparation for this special event. Please join the Pollock family for Kabbalat Shabbat at 6:00 p.m., Friday evening, August 28 and Shabbat morning service at 10:30 a.m. Remember that our entire congregation is invited to B'nei Mitzvah services at Temple Beth El.

We want your little one in our school! There are so many ways to participate in our religious school this year. We tailor the learning to the developmental level of the child. If you even think you *might* like to enroll your child, send me an email. I believe early childhood Jewish education is very important in setting the groundwork for a positive religious school experience.

- **Torah Tots!** This is our fabulous monthly program for parents and little ones *ages two to four*. Emily Theriot, Norma James, and Rabbi Matt join in the fun with songs, movement, stories, and crafts specially designed to engage our youngest children in the joy of Judaism. It is also a great way for young families to mingle. *This program meets once a month from 9:45 a.m.-11:15 p.m.*
- **Preschool Class:** If we have enough interest, we will continue our preschool class for *four year olds and any five year old who will not be starting Kindergarten this year*. **This class meets every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to Noon.** They will have lessons, songs, and stories designed for them from the ISJL Early Childhood Curriculum. Don't worry about the long day; there will be plenty of free play as well. Our Torah Tots from last year will be excited to start "big kid" school this fall.

Kindergarten Class: We offer a wonderful ISJL Kindergarten program for children who will be attending Kindergarten this fall. Larissa Kay will teach this class. She loves them and they love her. This group even gets a touch of Hebrew each week. (Don't panic! Alicia Carter is still on staff and is teaching an older class this year. Time to spread her wings.)

What's New at the ISJL? Tara Bain was our TBERS representative at the ISJL Conference in Jackson, Mississippi. She has returned with wonderful ideas for our school. *If you want to find out what is new in ISJL, come to our parent meeting on Sunday, August 16 at 9:45 a.m. and hear from Tara what is new for our school this year.*

Contributions to the Funds of Temple Beth El

Donations listed were received as of June 26, 2015

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In memory of Richard Harris Marchand
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Monday – Friday:
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Our Vision: We see ourselves as a dynamic congregation promoting Jewish learning, tradition, and values through the tenets of Reform Judaism.

Our Mission: To inspire individuals to embrace their Jewish identity and to engage in our religious community.

www.tbeknox.org

It's Time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El

By Karen Smith, Sisterhood President

TBE Sisterhood's Chai Tea on Sunday, August 16 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. will be at the home of Lesley Krakauer. Lesley's friend Rose Sherwood will discuss *The Healing Power of Chinese Food*. Rose was born and raised in China. RSVP to Lesley at 691-3208 for an authentic English tea.

Thanks to Kathy Young for chairing Sisterhood's ice cream social on July 3. It was just what was needed on a hot summer evening!

Thanks to a generous donation from a Temple family, Sisterhood will again offer complimentary child care at Temple during High Holy Days services. Watch the *Temple Blast* and Friday announcements for more information or contact Kaye Goodfriend at kgoodfr@gmail.com or 386-8670.

Sisterhood membership information has been mailed. Please send in your check for \$45 payable to Temple Beth El Sisterhood and your membership form so we can count you in. *Men, did you know that you can join Sisterhood as an associate member? Please follow Rabbi Matt Michaels' example and become a member!*

Sisterhood's Mah Jongg Madness Tournament returns to Temple Beth El on Sunday, October 11 at 12:30 p.m. The afternoon will include mah jongg, snacks, desserts, drinks, and prizes. Beginners are welcome and must have a table of four to play. There will be separate scoring and prizes for beginners. Registration forms will be sent by e-mail and USPS to everyone on our mailing list.

Beiler Floral Fund Chair Emma Fleischmann reminds us that a standard flower arrangement for bimah flowers for Shabbat, holidays, and special occasions is \$36.00. Please contact Emma to order a more elaborate arrangement.

**It's time for Sisterhood!
Celebrating 100 years of Sisterhood at Temple Beth El**



August 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Please check the KJA online community calendar at www.jewishknoxville.org/calendar for updated calendar information.					1 9:30a Shabbat Service-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 1-7p AJCC Pool open
2 Noon-7p AJCC Pool open	3 9-4 AJCC Preschool Inservice-AJCC AL 7:00a minyan-HA 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	4 9-4 AJCC Preschool Inservice-AJCC AL 1-4p AJCC Pool open 4:30-8p Piano Lessons-Media Room 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	5 9-4 AJCC Preschool Inservice-AJCC AL 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 11:30a Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA 1-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym	6 9-4 AJCC Preschool Inservice-AJCC AL 7:00a minyan-HA 1-8p AJCC Pool open 1-4p AJCC Preschool Parent Orientation-AJCC 7:30p Exec Comm-HA	7 9-4 AJCC Preschool Inservice-AJCC AL 1-7p AJCC Pool open 7:30p Shabbat Service-TBE	8 9:30a Shabbat Service-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 1-7p AJCC Pool open
9 9a Religious School Inservice at Heska Amuna Noon-7p AJCC Pool open	10 Welcome! First Day of AJCC PRESCHOOL First Day-KJDS 7:00a minyan-HA 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	11 1-4p AJCC Pool open 4:30-8p Piano Lessons-Media Room 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 6:30p Board-TBE	12 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 11:30a Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6p KJDS Board-KJDS 6-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym	13 7:00a minyan-HA 4-8p AJCC Pool open	14 4-7p AJCC Pool open 7:30p Shabbat Service/Holocaust Bookshelf Dedication-TBE	15 9:30a Shabbat Service-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 1-7p AJCC Pool open
16 9:30a First Day of Religious School-TBE Noon-7p AJCC Pool open 3p TBE Sisterhood Chai Tea	17 7:00a minyan-HA 10a Rosh Chodesh Elul-TBE 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	18 Noon KJCFF Board-AJCC 4-7p AJCC Pool open 4:30-8p Piano Lessons-Media Room 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	19 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 11:30a Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA 4-6p HARS-HA 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym 6:15p First Day Midweek Hebrew-TBE	20 7:00a minyan-HA 4-8p AJCC Pool open	21 11a Unveiling for Murray Smith-TBE 4-7p AJCC Pool open 5:30p Community-Wide Shabbat at the Pool-AJCC 8:01p	22 9:30a Shabbat Service-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 1-7p AJCC Pool open 8:57p
23 9:30a Religious School-TBE 10a HARS Pool Party & First Day of School-AJCC Pool Noon-7p AJCC Pool open 12:30-2p B'naiTzedek Pool Party-AJCC 2-4p Kick Off a Healthy Year with Hadassah-AJCC Gym	24 7:00a minyan-HA 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	25 3:30p ETCRWG-AJCC Orwitz Room 4-7p AJCC Pool open 4:30-8p Piano Lessons-Media Room 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	26 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 11:30a Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA 4-6p HARS-HA 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9p Fencing-AJCC Gym 6:15p Midweek Hebrew-TBE	27 7:00a minyan-HA 4-8p AJCC Pool open	28 BBYO Regional Leadership Program 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6p Shabbat Service-Pollock Bat Mitzvah 7:51p	29 BBYO Regional Leadership Program 9:30a Shabbat Service-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 10:30a Shabbat Service & Sophie Pollock Bar Mitzvah-TBE
30 9:30a Religious School-TBE Noon-7p AJCC Pool open	31 7:00a minyan-HA 10a Tai Chi-JCOR 4-7p AJCC Pool open 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 7:15p KJA Exec Comm		<p style="text-align: center;">Please note that beginning Monday, August 10, the AJCC Pool opens at 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Weekend hours remain the same: Saturday 1:00-7:00 p.m.; Sunday Noon-7:00 p.m. Last day: Labor Day, Monday, September 7</p>			

COMMUNITY-WIDE SHABBAT AT THE POOL

Friday, August 21 — 5:30 p.m. — AJCC

*Plan to join us for dinner, music, and Shabbat service
Rain or Shine! All are welcome.*



KNOXVILLE



Everyone's Invited to Celebrate

Shabbat at the Pool

All are welcome at this community program hosted by the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, Chabad of Knoxville, Heska Amuna Synagogue, and Temple Beth El

Friday, August 21—5:30 p.m.

Arnstein Jewish Community Center
6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville

- ★ Shabbat at the Pool features a fabulous grilled dinner and sides buffet.
- ★ Swimming (The AJCC Pool is open until 7:00 p.m.)
- ★ Shabbat services feature singing, prayers in English and Hebrew with transliterations. This event is open to the entire Jewish community.
- ★ "Service in Song" will be led by Charlene Gubitz, along with Rabbi Alon Ferency, Rabbi Matthew Michaels, and Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm

Schedule (Rain or Shine. Rain Venue—AJCC Gym) — Everyone Welcome

- ★ **5:30 p.m.** Wine, Challah and Meal
(kosher chicken, hot dogs, veggie dogs and veggie burgers, side dishes, drinks, and dessert)
- ★ **6:45 p.m.** Shabbat celebration under the trees! Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy.

Cost and Reservation Deadline:

- ★ Adults \$15; Children (ages 5-11) \$6; Children under 5 eat for free; Family cap \$36
- ★ **Meal reservations are due by Monday, August 12**
- ★ Your check is your reservation — send yours today!
- ★ Mail your payment (*payable to KJA*) to KJA, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919
- ★ Call and secure your reservation by credit card.
- ★ Questions? Call (865) 690-6343 or email kja@jewishknoxville.org

HAPPENINGS

Rosh Chodesh Elul Celebration at TBE August 17

The combined Sisterhoods of Heska Amuna, JCOR, and Temple Beth El will celebrate Rosh Chodesh Elul on Monday, August 17. Arrive in the TBE Social Hall at 10:00 a.m. for bagels, coffee, and a discussion about the "the month of Divine mercy and forgiveness."



Our special project will again be to create Jewish New Year and other greeting cards for those who live in nursing, assisted, and senior residences in our community. No artistic talent is required, just your enthusiasm and friendship.

RSVP to Meredith Jaffe at ldlady@charter.net or 865-408-1420.

Save the Date

MAH JONGG MADNESS

Temple Beth El Sisterhood's Mah Jongg Tournament

**Sunday, October 11 — 12:30-4:00 p.m.
Temple Beth El**

The \$18.00 entry fee includes Mah Jongg,
snacks, and prizes

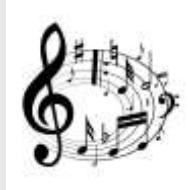
For more information,
contact Karen Smith or Beverly Schultz

Celebrate Labor Day with Dor L'Dor

The Dor L'Dor Klezmer Band are the featured performers at the "Mighty Musical Monday" program on Labor Day (**Monday, September 7, 2015**).

The program takes place at noon at the Tennessee Theater and is free and open to the public.

Dor L'Dor members include Ken and Susan Brown, Rachel Brown, and Steve Brown. The community is invited to come and enjoy this Labor Day tradition.



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6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville

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Knoxville BBYO Seeks Rising High School Students

If you know of area high school students, grades 9-12 who may be interested in joining AZA Winick (guys) or the BBG (gals) BBYO social youth groups, then ask them to contact Jesse Feld (jfeld@jewishknoxville.org). Jewish youths do not have to be affiliated with other organizations to join.





From the Rabbi's Desk

Top Five

By Rabbi Alon Ferency

I am often asked to meet with non-Jewish groups: chaplaincy students, visiting Sunday school classes, a Bible-study group at a local church. I enjoy addressing these groups: the questions I receive in such settings cause me to reflect upon my own beliefs, and to formulate clearly what I believe, and what makes Judaism distinct. Herewith, my top five:



Judaism welcomes intellectual honesty and ferment. We do not ask you to check your rational mind at the door. On the contrary, we welcome questions, and argumentation. Our central text, the Babylonian Talmud, is more-or-less one darn question after another. There's even a saying by Solomon ibn Gabirol, "A wise person's question contains half the answer."

Therefore, we don't have much dogma. Some say that Judaism is a faith of "deeds not creeds." As a Jew, I am not required to believe almost anything. I suppose there are a few no-no's – God is two; Jesus is Divine; God is evil – but nearly everything else is fair game. And, most sincere beliefs can find a precedent in our tradition. For example, if I believe that God is imperfect, there are ample cases in our tradition to support my view.

Third, we don't believe in "original sin," in fact, there's not even a Hebrew idiom for this concept until the 17th century. We are not seeking redemption from any essential sinful nature, because we are not essentially sinful. For Jews, redemption is not a redemption from within, but redemption from without. We seek redemption from the external forces that oppress us. We ask for *ge'ulah*, redemption from the straits, *metzrim*, in which we find ourselves, that prevent us from attaining our best selves.

Rather than "original sin," we believe that the human being was created pure, with a *Yetzer Tov*, a good impulse, and *Yetzer HaRa*, a wicked impulse (more or less what Freud called the "Id.") Our good and bad impulses exist in an unsteady equilibrium, like *yin* and *yang*. Our goal is not to destroy the *yetzer hara*, because it's necessary to our survival; in fact, when the sages of Talmud capture the wicked impulse, chickens stop laying eggs. All we ought do is bring our *yetzer tov* into mastery over our *yetzer hara*.

Lastly, if at times your *yetzer tov* missed the mark, there is always room for repair. Even the most degraded transgressor can always do *Teshuvah*: make repair, return, and amends. Jews do not believe that anyone is irredeemably lost. *Teshuvah* is always an option, until our dying breath.



If you or a loved one is ill or hospitalized, please let us know so that we can attend to him or her as a community, and place the name on our *Mi Sheberach* prayer list.

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

Tamuz-Av 5775

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Sisterhood Parking Spot Raffle

**Sisterhood is raffling off
TWO reserved parking spots
just in time for the High Holy Days!**

The two winners will enjoy their reserved spot all of 5776 (From this Rosh Hashanah until the next one)

Parking Spot Raffle Tickets:

1 ticket for \$10.00	2 tickets for \$18.00
3 tickets for \$25.00	4 tickets for \$30.00
5 tickets for \$36.00	

**Orders must be received at the
Synagogue before September 3
The drawings will be held on
September 8, 2015**

**Please mail the order form
with a check payable to
"Heska Amuna Sisterhood Raffle"
No cash please.**

**Thank You for Supporting
Heska Amuna Sisterhood!**

President's Report

By Raphe Panitz, Ph.D.

At Heska Amuna's Annual Meeting on June 28, I became President and Mary Ann Merrell was elected to become President-Elect.

I feel honored that my fellow congregants have chosen me for this office. I am looking forward to working with Mary Ann, Rabbi Alon Ferency, the Board of Trustees and all of the members of Heska Amuna. I invite you to challenge us with your comments, criticisms, and suggestions. As we begin the New Year of 5776, it is vital that we frequently communicate to each other our ideas regarding the continued growth and future of the synagogue.

Please join us at summer services. We continue to hold Shabbat services during the summer beginning at 9:30 a.m. We also have weekly minyanim on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and on Monday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. If you need to recite Kaddish, please notify either the office or me, by phone or by email. The office phone number is (865) 522-0701 and the email is admin@heskaamuna.org. My cell phone number is (301) 752-6519 and my email is gilgamesh3@verizon.net.

We are already busy planning for the High Holidays, which come early this year. Selichot Services will be held on Saturday night, September 5 and the holidays occur during much of September. You will find a High Holy Days service schedule below.

As in years past, Heska Amuna Synagogue and our families are looking forward to our inspiring services, to conversing with fellow congregants, and to hearing the sounds of the Shofar. In addition, members and their guests will participate in the study sessions, the Tashlich service, and the annual break fast at the conclusion of Yom Kippur. We should also remember that the Festival of Sukkot commences only five days after Yom Kippur. If you wish to order a Lulav and Etrog, please contact the synagogue office.

Please look for additional details about the schedule of High Holiday Services in the next *Ha'Kol*. In the meantime, Susette, William, and I want to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year for 5776- *Leshanah Tovah Tikatevu*.

See you soon!

Heska Amuna Board Approved

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Announcements

Member records are being reviewed and revised. Please complete the online data record as described in emails sent to you. If you have questions about this process, please contact our office at (865) 522-0701.

Heska Amuna is conducting an online interest survey of members in order to better offer programs of interest. Please check your email for information on how to access this survey. Don't delay! Time is running out to add your voice.

High Holy Day Services 5776 - 2015

- **Selichot - Saturday night, September 5.** 8:30 p.m. The evening starts with Havdalah, followed by the service, the changing of the Torah mantles, and concludes with light snacks.
- **Erev Rosh Hashanah - Sunday evening, September 13.** Services 6:00-7:00 p.m. *Ma'ariv* in the Courtyard.
- **Rosh Hashanah, First Day- Monday, September 14.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m. Following services, apples, honey, wine, and challah will be served.
- **Tashlich Service - Monday, September 14.** 4:30 p.m., at the river off Cherokee Boulevard by the fountain. In case of rain, Tashlich will be held on Tuesday September 15, same time and place.
- **Rosh Hashanah, Second Day - Tuesday, September 15.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- **Memorial Service - Sunday, September 20,** at 10:30 a.m. Service at the New Jewish Cemetery, 3170 Keith Avenue.
- **Kol Nidre - Tuesday evening, September 22.** Kol Nidre begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.
- **Yom Kippur Day - Wednesday, September 23.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m. Yizkor at 12:30 p.m. Yom Kippur afternoon study session begins immediately following services in the Winick Library. **Minchah, Neilah, and Ma'ariv:** Yom Kippur services resume at 5:45 p.m., followed by Shofar, Havdalah, and Break-fast.
- **Sunday, September 27.** Build and Decorate Sukkah.
- **First Day of Sukkot: Monday, September 28.** Services begin at 7:00 a.m.
- **Second Day of Sukkot: Tuesday, September 29.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- **Shabbat Services in the Sukkah,** Weather Permitting, Saturday, October 3. Services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- **Seventh Day of Sukkot- Hoshana Rabbah. Sunday October 4.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m.
- **Shemini Atzeret. Monday, October 5.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m. Yizkor is recited during services.
- **Simchat Torah- Evening- Monday, October 5.** Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Services and Hakafot at 7:00 p.m.
- **Simchat Torah- Tuesday, October 6.** Services begin at 9:30 a.m.

Look for more High Holy Day services information
in the September issue of *Ha'Kol*.

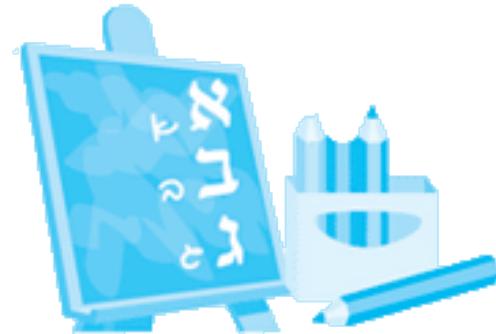
Heska Amuna Religious School News

By Betty Golub, Youth and Family Programming Director, morahbetty@heskaamuna.org, (865) 522-0701

Baruchim Ha'ba'im. Welcome to the 5776 School Year. An exciting year awaits all of our students. I would like to welcome our new students who are attending our school.

I would like to introduce the 5776 Faculty to you:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • Anna Iroff-Bailey | Gan K'Tan |
| • Brooke Browarnik | Pre K - Kindergarten |
| • Jordan Shopowitz | 1st & 2nd Grade |
| • Jesse Feld | 3rd - 6th Grade Judaic Studies |
| • Sharon Soleman | 3rd - 6th Grade Hebrew |
| • Nathan Light | 7th & 8th Grade Middle School |
| • Lev Comstock | Prozdor |
| • Jennye Merrell | Prozdor |
| • Charlene Gubitz | Music Specialist |
| • Adam Rowe | Art Specialist |
| • Michal Kaplan | Sheliach |



This year we will use our new computer lab. A big thank you to the Sturm Family Fund for their generous gift. Our 3rd through 6th Grade students will once again be using the Etgar Yesodi Curriculum from United Synagogue. This is made possible by the wonderful gift of the Leibowitz-Hedrick families.

In order for students at Heska Amuna Religious School to have a successful and complete Jewish education, it is necessary that parents show support and active participation. Children are very perceptive and usually know their parents' stand on issues important to them. Therefore, we believe that not only students share responsibilities in gaining a Jewish education, but that parents also have responsibilities in their relationship to the Religious School. Effective education is a partnership between the school, the home and the student. A Jewish school can teach Judaism to children, but cannot develop a committed Jew without the involvement of the parents and family. Jewish education is a partnership, so let's work together.

August Dates to Remember

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|-------------------|--|
| Sunday, August 23 | Pool Party at the AJCC |
| Sunday, August 30 | First day of classes for all students—Gan K'Tan thru Prozdor |



Welcome to Gan K'Tan's Fall Session

Sundays, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

- * [August 23 \(Pool Party\)](#)
- * [August 30](#)
- * [September 20](#)
- * [October 18](#)
- * [November 15](#)
- * [December 6](#)

**Stories, music, arts and crafts,
and healthy snacks
See old friends and make new ones!**

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"TO STUDY AND TO LEARN"

Heska Amuna Religious School
will host a Mini Conference

Sunday, August 9, 2015
9:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Joining us will be
B'Nai Zion and Temple Mitzpah
of Chattanooga &
Temple Beth El – Knoxville





Join Us for a
Heska Amuna
Religious School
Pool Party and
Bar-Be-Que

Sunday, August 23
10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Celebrate the first day of Heska Amuna Religious School
AJCC Pool—6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville

Questions about Heska Amuna Religious School or the HARS Pool Party?
Contact Morah Betty at morahbetty@heskamuna.org.

Meet Your New Heska Amuna Chairperson: Hal Manas

My name is Harold Manas. I have gone by Hal since I was about 15 years old living in Cincinnati. I was born in Nashville, but we moved a lot when I was a child. We lived in Jackson, TN, Madisonville, KY, Nashville again, Cincinnati, Macon, GA, Birmingham, and finally, Knoxville in 1961. I graduated from Bearden High School in 1962. I joined the Marines, went to UT and worked for Bost Engineering Co., Inc. simultaneously until I graduated from UT in 1971. I taught related drafting at Fulton High School for about a year and a half. I taught art and drafting at the Tennessee School for the Deaf for 28 and a half years.

My family joined Heska Amuna Synagogue in 1961 and I was an active member until sometime between 1971 and 1974. I rejoined in 1995 after my father passed away and I have been a member ever since. I was the Secretary of the Board for the maximum number of terms and then I was an at-large member of the board for a year or two. I have been the Chairman of the High Holiday Usher Committee for many years now and also the Chairman of the Shomer Committee. I attend the morning Minyan as often as possible on Monday, Thursday, and Sunday. Many of you know me or at least recognize me when you see me wandering around.

I hope it will be a pleasure to serve as the Chairman of the Board of Heska Amuna Synagogue. I hope to see you in Shul.

Hal Manas

Contributions From Caring People

Visit www.heskaamuna.org for complete list available funds.

Donations received April 5-June 30, 2015

BRADLEY STURM FUND

In memory of Frances Sturm and Bradley Sturm
By Louis Spector

BUILDING FUND

In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Abraham & Judy Brieststein
In memory of Bert Gurwitch
By Abraham & Judy Brieststein

BUTTERFLY BUSH

In memory of Barbara Liberman
By Judith Rattner
In appreciation of Susan Hahn, Marian Jay, Robin Brown, and Marilyn Burnett
By Mary Linda Schwarzbart
In honor of Rabbi Ferency's birthday
By Marilyn Burnett and Gene & Pat Rosenberg

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In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Kurt Piehler & Susan Contente, Paul Erwin & Renee' Hyatt; Scott Hahn; Rose Morrison; Nicholas, Ester, Roy, and Anna Pinner; Gene & Pat Rosenberg; Esther Webster; Jerry Joffe & Pat Broderick; Bill & Ellen Berez, Mitch & Margy Goldman
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In memory of Sol Leeds
By Gary & Joani Leeds
In memory of Tillie Slovis
By Esther Williams
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By Mitch & Margy Goldman
In memory of Leo Adams
By Raymond Adams

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In appreciation of Susan Hahn, Marian Jay, Robin Brown, Marilyn Burnett
By Mary Linda Schwarzbart

COHEN - PRESSER FUND

In memory of Barbara Liberman
By Marilyn Presser

EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT FUND

In memory of Jacob Goldberg
By Paul Erwin & Renee' Hyatt
By Lester & Betty Golub
In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Lester & Betty Golub

FRIDAY NIGHT CHILL

In support of these monthly programs
By Bernard & Anne Bendriem

GENERAL FUND

In honor of Evan Ohriner's retirement
By Bill & Ellen Berez
In memory of Bert Gurwitch
By Robert & Wendy Goodfriend, Joseph Henry, Rich & Beth Henry, A.R. & Carol Kinsaul, Phil & Cindy Magnes, Bob & Carole Martin, Jeff & Anita Miller, H. Carlton Rushin, Renee' Hyatt & Paul Erwin
In memory of Barbara Liberman
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In appreciation of the Nagler's hospitality
By Joni & Stephen Hirschhaut
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By Trudy Dreyer
In honor of Rabbi Ferency's birthday and 5-year tenure
By Susan Neiman & Stuart Ferency
In honor of the birth of the Goldman grandchildren
By Susan Neiman & Stuart Ferency

KIDDUSHIM

In honor of Rabbi Ferency's birthday
By Alon & Karen Ferency

MINYAN FUND

In appreciation of all who helped with our minyans during the Shiva period and for all who attended our morning services so those saying kaddish will have a minyan, I am grateful to each person and the support their presence provides
By Mary Linda Schwarzbart

OUTSIDE BEAUTIFICATION

In memory of Bert Gurwitch
By Gene & Pat Rosenberg
In memory of Barbara Liberman
By Gene & Pat Rosenberg

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

Sale of Chametz
By Lester & Betsy Golub
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In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Ricky & Cindy Caplan
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Thanks to the Rabbi

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In honor of Rabbi Ferency's visitation and support of David
By David & Amy Hull
In memory of Morton Simpson
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In memory of Eleanor Adams
By Raymond Adams
In appreciation of Rabbi Ferency
By Jeff & Charlene Gubitz

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

In memory of Barbara Liberman
By Mark & Carol Harris, Harold & Susan Silber
In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Harold & Susan Silber

In memory of Bert Gurwitch

By Mark & Carol Harris

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In memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
By Tommy & Susan Hahn
In memory of Barbara Liberman and Arnold Schwarzbart
By Harold & Susan Silber

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

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In honor of all 2015 High School Graduates
By Marian Jay

SISTERHOOD CATERING

In honor of Lilly Sitver's Bat Mitzvah
By George & Ellen Kern

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By Marilyn Abrams, Alan Abrams,

Terry & family
In memory of Celia Rosenblatt
By Walter & Alice Farkas
In memory of Esther Himmelstein
By Sydney & Faye Himmelstein
In memory of Ruth Kahan
By Genevieve Kramer
In memory of Father - Nathan Millen, Mother - Bessie Millen, Brother - Gerald Millen
By Monte Millen
In loving memory of Dr. Lewis Littman
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In memory of Homer Kramer
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In memory of Joseph Green
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In memory of Bernard Schanowitz
By Bill & Ellen Berez

Sisterhood News

By Harriet Glasman, Heska Amuna Synagogue Sisterhood President

HA Sisterhood received a check from Kroger for the past three months of donations by members who registered their Kroger cards and chose Heska Amuna Sisterhood as their charity.

This is such an easy, breezy, quick way to fund raise. I encourage Sisterhood members to go to the Kroger website and register your Kroger card.

For those who have already done this, don't forget to renew your charity of choice with Kroger as instructed on the website. (You must renew each year!)

We all love to eat, so why not shop for food and reap some benefits for Sisterhood.?

Why? Good question! With increased funds we are able to bring in speakers, have "just for fun" activities, road trips, and most of all--do our part to help Heska Amuna! So take a few minutes while you are on the computer to go to the Kroger website and register your card and put Sisterhood down as your charity.

As we draw close to the end of summer and the beginning of a new year, we also are getting closer to November 8.

What's so important about November 8? Glad you asked! November 8 is the date of our Second Annual Arts, Craft and Bake Sale. This year we invite artists, crafters, and bakers from the entire Jewish community including Temple Beth El, JCOR, and Chabad to participate and sell your items.

We also invite everyone to come and shop for Hannukah. Last year was such a pleasant day of admiring and being amazed at all of our artists and crafters, not to mention the baked items. It was hamish, with shmoozing and Charlene Gubitz even brought the Sunday school kids in to sing Hannukah songs. It was beautiful! So, please join us for this happy event.

For more info and to sign up to be a vendor, call Harriet Glasman at (865) 671-2698 or email me at harrietglasman@gmail.com.

Stay cool!

THANK YOU

New backdrop theatre curtains were recently installed on the Heska Amuna Synagogue stage.

Thanks to funding provided by Heska Amuna Sisterhood and Marilyn Burnett, our entertainment venue is ready for "ACTION!"



Tallit Focus of Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh Program

Jenifer Ohriner and Anne Greenbaum (above) share stories about their tallit and Susette Panitz (right) enjoys June's Rosh Chodesh program. This program featured a light dinner, followed by participants sharing details about craftsmanship and personal stories about their homemade and cherished tallit.

Heska Amuna Synagogue *HaShofar*

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Permanent Schedule

Friday Night Services.....Varies

Saturday Morning Service.....9:30 a.m.

Mon. & Thurs. Minyanim.....7:00 a.m.

Evening minyanim for members
can be arranged by calling President
Raphe Panitz one week before.

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

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

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Knoxville Jewish Alliance

Ha'Kol

KJA Seeks Member Input for Long-Range Planning

By Manny Herz, KJA President (865) 567-4224 mherz@achw.com

I want to take this opportunity to share with you that we have established two new committees that have assumed significant responsibilities. One deals with the future direction of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance and the other addresses the desire to memorialize one of our community's lost leaders.

The first is the **Long Range Planning Committee**. Over the next several months this committee, chaired by Bernie Bernstein, will assess the dynamics and needs of our community and help determine the direction to address and respond to these needs. Part of this process will be town hall meetings to which all are invited to attend and participate.

We need your input, so please plan to attend the meetings or email me at mherz@achw.com and I will forward your comments to Bernie and the committee.

The second committee, chaired by Adam Brown, is undertaking the joyous task of **memorializing Arnold Schwarzbart**, whose contribution to our community has been immeasurable. In addition to the many roles that he served in the leadership of Jewish Knoxville and the personal warmth and welcome that he and Mary Linda consistently offered to all, Arnold's gift as an artist of Judaica is something that enhanced all of our lives, be it with local installations of his work or works of art that we treasure in our homes.

We are taking this opportunity to rework the Arnstein Jewish Community Center lobby so that we can host a permanent exhibit of Arnold's art and start a gallery that will feature the works of local Jewish artists. Our goal is to completely revamp the AJCC lobby, including adding an elevator for easier access to every part of our building.

Both these committees are designed to make the KJA and AJCC more meaningful entities that will enhance the lives of all in our Jewish community. Please share any suggestions that you have.

August 2015

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KJA Friendshippers takes a break in August

The KJA Friendshippers look forward to having you join us when programs resume in September.



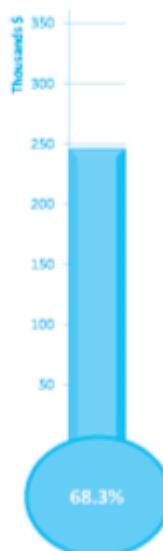
A revamped lobby and Art Gallery are some of the exciting AJCC plans in the works.

KJA Campaign Update

Funds raised as of July 2, 2015:

\$246,251

Goal \$360,669





AJCC Smokin' Salmon

On your mark! Three swimmers are ready to race.

What's a swim meet without "Go Salmon" artwork on your back?

Mimi Johnson waits to climb onto the starting block for her race.

Friends cheer on their teammate during a close race.

**Have you made your
2015 KJA Contribution yet?
Donate online: www.jewishknoxville.org**

Knoxville Jewish Alliance Activities

- ◆ Archives
- ◆ **B'nai Tzedek Teen**
Philanthropy Program
- ◆ BBYO Support
- ◆ **Camp K'TonTon**
- ◆ Camp Tikkun Olam
- ◆ Community Relations
- ◆ Cultural & Social Events
- ◆ Educational Events
- ◆ Friendshippers
- ◆ Global Day of Learning
- ◆ AJCC Golf Tournament
- ◆ **Ha'Kol** Newsletter
- ◆ Indigent Burial Fund
- ◆ Israel P2G Partnership
- ◆ Jewish Book Month
- ◆ Jewish Family Services
- ◆ Milton Collins Day Camp
- ◆ Missions to Israel
- ◆ Mitzvah Day
- ◆ AJCC Pool & Tennis
- ◆ AJCC Preschool
- ◆ PJ Library
- ◆ **AJCC Smokin' Salmon**
Swim Team
- ◆ Sundown in the Sukkah
- ◆ Teen Connection
- ◆ UT Faculty Lectures
- ◆ UT Hillel
- ◆ Yom HaShoah Event
- ◆ And so much more!

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AJCC Preschool Recognizes "Mr. Rodney" for 15 Years of Service

By Ms. Kristen and the Preschool Staff



When Rodney began his career with the AJCC Preschool 15 years ago, he started in the Bet classroom. He thrived in an environment rich in diapers and potty training. After several years in the Bet classroom, he moved up to the Gimel room where he has made a home for himself. Mr. Rodney has worked winter and spring Break camps with the preschool and MCDC during the summers for his "break from preschool." He works with all age groups in the AJCC Preschool and is universally loved by most all children. He describes himself as a "kid magnet" and "a living jungle gym." We at the preschool have jokingly coined him as the AJCC Preschool mascot.

Mr. Rodney is also known for his artistic and athletic abilities. He has a high level of patience and the ability to calm most any child which is a great asset here in the preschool. He also pursues a wrestling career where he is better known as "The Menace." We would like to take the time to highlight Mr. Rodney and all he has done for the AJCC Preschool. We look forward to many more years to come.



Mr. Rodney enjoys seeing former preschoolers (and new campers, too!) each summer at Milton Collins Day Camp where he oversees MCDC After Care programming and serves as a senior counselor.

Suzy Snoops

Ha'Kol welcomes your good news, whether it is a new job, lifecycle event, celebration of a special anniversary, or honors and awards.

Please send information to jyork@jewishknoxville.org or to Ha'Kol newsletter, c/o Knoxville Jewish Alliance, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.

- ★ Mazel tov to **Bernie Bernstein**, who was inducted into the Legal Aid of East Tennessee's Donald F. Paine Memorial Pro Bono Hall of Fame on July 28.
- ★ **Evie Braude**, a rising fourth-grader at Webb School of Knoxville, represented Tennessee at a Kids "State Dinner" at the White House, in July. The dinner was hosted by first lady Michelle Obama. Braude was one of 55 students to win this year's Healthy Lunchtime Challenge. She is the daughter of Adam and Julie Braude.

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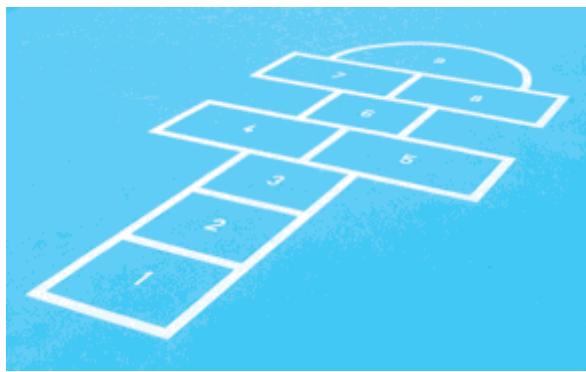
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Easy Ways to Aid AJCC Preschool

- 1) **Donate gently-used infant, children's, and teen clothing, toys, and books** and the AJCC Preschool receives the consignment sale proceeds.
- 2) **Collect Box Tops for Education** squares (found on food items, Hanes clothing products, Avery office products, and more). **Simply mail your Box Tops or drop them off along with any consignment items.**



The AJCC Preschool needs your help! Join us for
AJCC Building and Grounds Day
Sunday, August 30
8:00 a.m. – Noon (Come any time)

We need help with the following tasks:

- Painting the AJCC Preschool hallway
- Spreading mulch on the playgrounds
- Connecting the two mulched areas with wood planks
- Pressure washing all playground toys and sidewalks
- Weeding/seeding gardens and flower beds
- **General outdoor maintenance and more....**

If you are not able to make it out on this day, we welcome donations of items that can be used for this day.

If you have questions or would like to donate items, please contact the AJCC Preschool at (865) 963-8001.

Jewish Family Services Assistive Devices Loan Closet

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

Many of you may not be aware that Jewish Family Services loans assistive devices out to members of our community. There is no charge for this program and there is presently no limit on how long you can keep a loaned item. Currently, JFS has the following items available to loan out:

- Wheelchairs, including one transport wheelchair
- Walkers, both standard and rollator
- Three-in-one commodes
- Elevated toilet seat
- Adult bed rail
- Shower seat

If you have any assistive devices that you would like to donate to Jewish Family Services, you would be doing a great mitzvah for members of our community in need—if we ever wind up with more equipment than we have room for, we donate duplicate items to another community organization for their loan closet. Please contact Laura Berry at 690-6343, extension 18 or lberry@jewishknoxville.org.



Community Bereavement Group Update

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

On behalf of Jewish Family Services at the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, Heska Amuna Synagogue, Temple Beth El, and Chabad of Knoxville, I wanted to let the community know about changes to our bereavement support program. At this time, instead of having group meetings twice a month, Rabbi Alon Ferency, Rabbi Matt Michaels, and Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm are each available for one-on-one bereavement support *by appointment*, regardless of congregational affiliation.

If in the future we hear from community members who desire for the group bereavement supporting meetings to resume, we are more than willing to do so. All four organizations are here to meet the needs of our community and welcome your feedback to help us in doing so.



Israeli teens visiting from our P2G Hadera Eiron Consortium spent several days working with MCDC campers at the AJCC.

Israeli teens join the MCDC TAPS group to volunteer at FISH Pantry.

MCDC camper Heidi Sturm creates colored sand from salt as part of the "The Amazing Race Around Israel" activities organized by the visiting Israeli teens and their chaperone, Iris Rosenstain. The campers learned about Tel Aviv, a kibbutz, the Dead Sea, and Jerusalem.

*Above photos:
Milton Collins Day
Campers enjoy playing
on a water slide during
a hot July afternoon.*

*Another fun part of
MCDC is art classes
taught by Ms. Claire.
A proud camper shows
her latest masterpiece.*

AJCC Preschool presents



Open House 2015

Join us Thursday, August 6
at any time from 1:00-4:00 p.m.
at the AJCC Preschool (6800 Deane Hill Drive)
for our annual OPEN HOUSE

Learn more about our PROGRAM; meet the teachers, drop-off belongings, sign-up for extra-curriculars, and more....

All current and prospective students are welcome!

*Questions? Contact Director Kristen Cannon at 963-8001
or kcannon@jewishknoxville.org*



THE KJA INVITES YOU TO JOIN US ON OUR P2G @ 20 2016 Trip to Israel

March 27-April 4, 2016
(Optional Trip Extension — April 4-7)

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance group will travel with the Jewish Federation of Nashville and Middle Tennessee. We will be joined in Israel with friends from many of our P2G Southeast Hadera-Eiron communities. Different tracks are available to fit your interests. Explore Israel and make new friends.

- ★ **Track 1**—Hi-Tech, Art, Culture, and Culinary
- ★ **Track 2**—History and First Timers
- ★ **Track 3**—Politics and Security
- ★ **Track 4**—Adventure Lovers

For information, itineraries, and costs, contact Deborah Oleshansky at doleshansky@jewishknoxville.org

B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Fund Holders Invited to August 23 Pool Party

The first B'nai Tzedek activity of the 2015-2016 year is a pool party and a brief meeting for fund holders, their parents and prospective fund holders on Sunday, August 23. The pool party begins at 12:30 p.m. with lunch and pool time, followed by a brief meeting.

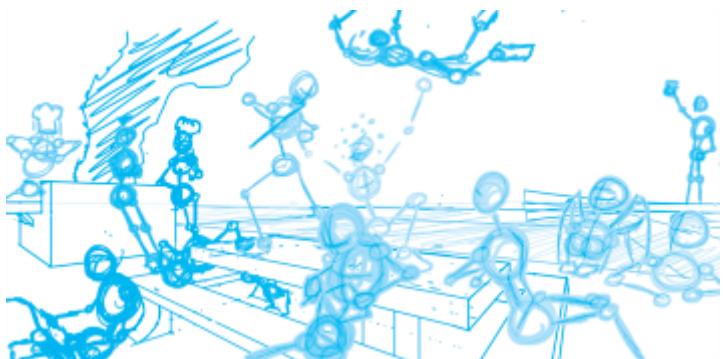
What is B'nai Tzedek?

The B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program offers an engaging solution to give teens an opportunity to be philanthropists as we teach them how to give. The B'nai Tzedek Program gives parents and their b'nai mitzvah teens the opportunity to create a philanthropic fund in the teen's name. The teen's congregation and the KJCFF's Jeff and Nancy Becker Community Enrichment Fund will match the child's contribution to initially establish the fund.

During the year, teens learn about what it means to be a philanthropist and that one does not need to be rich to make a difference. Joining with other teens, they start to identify areas of particular concern and start to develop their own unique way of getting involved in the work of *Tikkun Olam* (repairing the world).

More than 65 local post bar/bat mitzvah-age teens have created funds for themselves. They come together and learn about philanthropy and allocating their funds to charities in the Jewish world. These funds are the start of a permanent endowment fund that they can manage through the KJCFF for years to come. Didn't have a bar or bat mitzvah? Didn't get around to creating one at that point in their lives? It is never too late to start a B'nai Tzedek fund.

For information, contact Program Director Mary Ann Merrell at mamerrell@jewishknoxville.org or the AJCC office at (865) 690-6343.



B'NEI MITZVAH

Pollock to Celebrate August Simcha

Sophie Helene Pollock will be called to the Torah on Saturday August 29 at 10:30 a.m. at Temple Beth El. Rabbi Matt Michaels will officiate. The weekend will begin with Shabbat services on Friday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. followed by an Oneg Shabbat hosted by the Pollock family.

Sophie is the daughter of Janice and Howard Pollock and sister of Leo. Growing up, Sophie attended the AJCC Preschool and enjoyed the AJCC summer camp programs. She has also been a student in Temple Beth El religious school and is grateful for the assistance and support of Norma James and all of her teachers. Sophie has attended Camp Barney, run by the Atlanta JCC and just finished her fourth summer of fun in the North Georgia Mountains.

As a rising seventh grader at Webb School of Knoxville, Sophie enjoys all of her classes and the many wonderful friends who will help share in her special day. Sophie is also an avid softball and volleyball player. Through school, she had the opportunity to volunteer at the Boys and Girls Club of Knoxville.

As part of her mitzvah project, Sophie will be working with and raising awareness for Random Acts of Flowers (randomactsofflowers.org), a local organization that helps recycle and repurpose flowers to deliver to patients in various health care facilities.

Special thanks to Rabbi Michaels and her tutor, Laurie Fisher, for helping prepare her for this memorable day.

Sophie is excited to welcome friends and family from near and far for her bat mitzvah weekend!



Sophie Pollock

Knoxville Community Helps Nepal

The earthquakes in Nepal were devastating. Many people died, buildings and historic monuments were smashed to smithereens.

Through it all, aid came to the people. Israel was the first responder and maintained a massive presence with mobile hospitals. IDF doctors and ISRAID staff delivered babies, tended to the wounded and began restoring services in the beleaguered country.

A number of Knoxvillians stepped up and helped with their donations. Temple Beth El Religious and Heska Amuna religious school students donated *tzedakah* totaling nearly \$300. The total contributed to the efforts to help in Nepal totaled \$374.

Our young people learned those lessons of helping the hurt and downtrodden. Many thanks to Norma James, Betty Golub and Rabbis Alon Ferency and Matt Michaels for their support and encouragement of these young philanthropists.



Hear Ye, Here Ye!

Our Knoxville Jewish community matters to us at the AJCC!

Please let us know when:

- **Someone has had a baby**
- **Someone has just gotten married**
- **Someone new moves into the community**

The AJCC has some special gifts and we would like to be a part of these life-changing events in a meaningful way.



Contact

kja@jewishknoxville.org
with your good news.



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The Pew Survey and the Future of Jewish Giving

By Scott B. Hahn, Esq., KJCFF President

I am sure that many of you have read or heard about the recently released Pew Survey on Religion in America. The survey deals with the years 2007-2014, where there were significant declines in almost all major Christian groups in America. The unaffiliated, or people with no religious belief, now make up 22.8% of all Americans. The total number of Christians in America dropped a full 7%, making America only 70.6% Christian. Surprisingly, the percentage of Jews in the American populace held steady at 1.9%. Muslims went from .4% to .9% of the populace. Approximately 54% of Jewish Americans graduated from college and 44% of Jewish households have a combined family income of over \$100,000. In summation, America is less religious and more diverse, with traditional mainline churches in sharp decline.



How all this will effect Jewish charitable giving in America is anybody's guess. It is clear the Israel advocacy will need to be a greater priority than ever. With Hispanics and other growing ethnic groups in America less familiar with the Jews or the Jewish state, education about the Jewish people will be critical. There is also an opportunity for the Jewish community to reach out to new groups and form political and strategic alliances that would not have been contemplated before. Another area of critical importance to the Jewish community will be outreach. According to the Pew survey, 40% of all Americans are in a religiously mixed marriage, with one spouse being unaffiliated with any religion. This presents a challenge, but also a tremendous opportunity for Jews and other religious groups. No one can take for granted that someone born into a religion will remain in that religion as an adult. Along the same lines, the complexion of American Jews is going to change, literally and not just metaphorically. We will have people who practice Judaism of every race and color. Jewish communal organizations will need to be more sensitive to these changes and welcome our newcomers.

America is a dynamic country that is constantly changing. While it is impossible to predict the future, it is a safe bet that the trends mentioned in this article will continue in the near future. That is why you have to be a bit of a fortune teller to make your charitable dollars count. If you have a forward-thinking fund you would like to establish, the KJCFF is here to help. Change is a constant that we cannot control, but we can acknowledge that it exists and plan our giving dollars accordingly.

Donations

Heska Amuna Cemetery Fund

*In Memory of Arnold Schwarzbart
Lynn Fuson
Mitchell and Margaret Goldman
Bobby and Wendy Goodfriend
Pat and Nora Messing*

Dewey Reich Chesed Shel Emet Fund

Henry and Claudia Fribourg

Bradley Sturm Memorial Fund

*In Memory Bradley Sturm and Frances Sturm
Louise Spector*

Grants

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance received a grant from the **Alliance Opportunity Fund** to support the KJA's cash flow and revenue shortage for the summer of 2015.

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

Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



President's Message

By Meir Niad

I am honored and excited to serve as president of JCOR. This community has fully embraced my family and me from day 1, and I look forward to the progress we will make together. This past June we participated in the Secret City Festival for our second year in a row. I'd like to thank all of the volunteers who came out to help set up the booths and interact with the visitors to share our great Jewish heritage and history in Oak Ridge. Visitors expressed interest in everything we have to offer from fitness classes to Hebrew classes and Shabbat services too. I am proud of our congregation and our town, and I fully believe that we are doing our part to build relationships with non-Jews and promote peace and tolerance amongst all peoples.

Shana Tova!



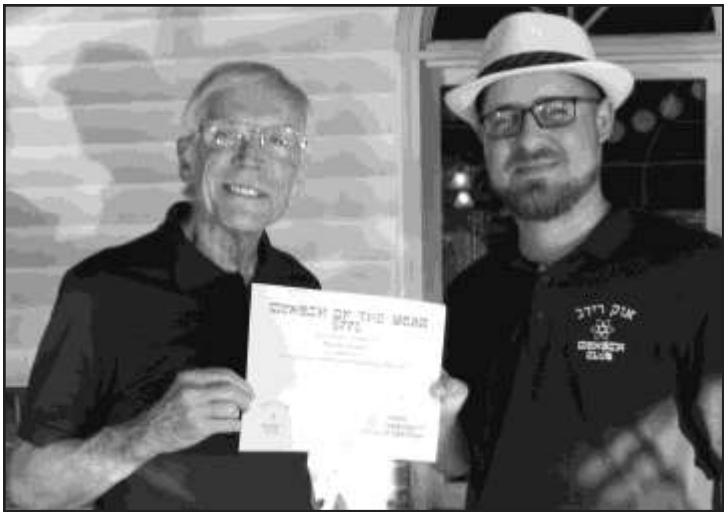
New Year's Greetings 2015/5776

JCOR invites members and friends to include your New Year's message in our holiday mailing. Everyone's greetings will be mailed to you and all JCOR members and affiliate members, and will be e-mailed to our entire mailing list of members and friends. Greetings are \$36 each.

To join this happy tradition, please send your name, phone, address, and greeting text with a check to JCOR by **August 31, 2015**: Mail to:
JCOR, P.O. Box 5434, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-5434

JCOR Selects Mensch of the Year

In June, the Mensch Club gathered for dinner to honor **Monty Lewis** as our first Mensch of the Year for 5775. Monty is a regular at all Mensch Club events both social and work-related. Monty served as lead instructor for JCOR Ballroom Dance classes and generously donated his class fees to our club. Monty, along with Penny Lukin, performed a sampling of Jewish music at our booth during the Secret City Festival. Monty also attends weekly JCOR yoga classes and is always a friendly face to those around him.



Meir Niad presents Monty Lewis with his Mensch of the Year certificate.

Monty Lewis and Penny Lukin perform Havah Nagila and other tunes at JCOR's 2015 Secret City Festival booth.



**Jewish
Congregation
of Oak Ridge**

Hosts and Hostesses

August 1	Reeva & Marvin Abraham, Ronnie & Jim Bogard
August 8	Linda & Zane Bell, Becky & George Charles
August 15	B'Nai Mitzvah—Ebel and Laxton
August 22	Catherine Braunstein, Sylvia Goldenberg
August 29	Alice Feldman & Albert Good, Judi & Len Gray
September 5	Anne & Eli Greenbaum, Judi & Len Gray
September 12	Edith & Mel Halbert, Elena & Carlos Bamberger
September 19	Mira Kimmelman, Peggy and Randy Laxton
September 26	Shelby & Mark Kaye, Barbara & Larry Landau

Yahrzeits

- Pearl Schwartz** from Shirley Schwartz
- Rose Dworkin** from Art Dworkin
- Jack Kastenbaum and Rose Ganz** from Marvin & Helen Kastenbaum
- Murray & Evelyn Hanig** from Joseph Hanig

In Memory of:

- Susi Shapira** from Eileen Handler

JCOR Summer Events

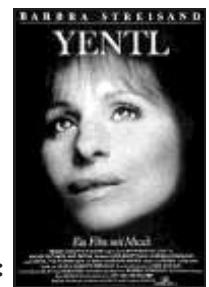
Saturday, August 29

Rabbi's Study Session: "Ask the Rabbi" (after the morning Services)

The Barbra Streisand Summer Festival

Saturday, August 22: Jewish Film Series:

Yentl—1983 PG. Based on Isaac Bashevis Singer's story, this Oscar-winning musical stars Barbra Streisand as Yentl, the bookish daughter of a Talmud teacher who instructs her even though it's forbidden to teach the sacred text to girls. Determined to continue her schooling after her father dies, Yentl disguises herself as a boy to gain entry to a yeshiva. There, she meets the brilliant Avigdor (Mandy Patinkin), who only has eyes for Hadassah (Amy Irving)



- Ernie Silver and Jack Weitsman** from Catherine Braunstein (RDF)

Donations to Oak Ridge Hadassah

As of July 6, 2015

- Two trees to **Bonnie and John Dings** from Rose Holz: a thank you for planning the beautiful flowers
- Two trees to **George and Jennifer Holz** from Rose Holz on their anniversary



JCOR participates in the Secret City Festival.

JEWISH CONGREGATION OF OAK RIDGE

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- Meir Niad, President—meir@niad.net
- Linda Bell, Sisterhood President—lbell@esper.com
- Mira Kimmelman, Religious School Director

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(Mail) P.O. Box 5434, Oak Ridge, TN 37831

JCOR's Saturday morning service begins at 9:30 a.m.
For the Friday evening service schedule, please contact JCOR at jcorth@juno.com or call (865) 483-3581.



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Are You Planning To Be There?

By Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm

Jack: This year I won't be at Kol Nidrei

Rabbi: Why not? Is everything ok?

Jack: I never missed a World Series game, and I don't plan on missing this year's.

Rabbi: These days you can record things and watch it later

Jack: Great idea Rabbi! I will have someone record Kol Nidrei for me.

I have to meet a deadline at work, and don't see how I can take off work for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur... My daughter is the only Jew in her class and I don't want her to go through whatever it is she will go through for missing school on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur... There is no way my boss will understand why I need to take off so many days for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Now think of a family reunion you've been dreaming of for years, the day comes and you have finally saved up enough miles and money to make it happen, work surely won't stand in the way, neither does your child's school.... Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is that family reunion, Jews the world over, come together yes, some come to pray, some to chat and some for the food but we're all together as one family and our heavenly father "Kvells" over every moment.

It's also the responsible thing to do for yourself and your loved ones. Rosh Hashanah is the Day of Judgment and on Yom Kippur our fate is finalized. G-d decides on this day what the year ahead will bring to each of us. Included in this judgment is how much we will earn, our health for the year, how well our children will do at school, our vacations, that's right pretty much everything is determined between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Well then If my income is preordained, what difference does it make if I have a job or not? Why do we have to work at all? The answer: our job is necessary, but strictly as a means to receive what G-d has declared for us. It is the cup that G-d fills with His blessing - you need the cup to catch the blessing to avoid a 'blessing spill'. Keep in mind that the cup is not the source of the blessing; it remains empty if G-d doesn't pour into it. If we don't work, we have not provided a means for G-d to give what He decreed for us. But if we overwork, we will not make a cent more than what was coming to us anyway.

So this year during the High Holidays let's get away! Let's celebrate, let's unite, let's pray, let's eat, let's meet, and let's be blessed!

With much love,

The Heavenly Vacation Department

SAVE THE DATE

- **Rosh Hashanah**
September 14 and 15
- **Yom Kippur**
September 23
- **Sukkot**
September 28 and 29
- **Simchat Torah**
October 5 and 6

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JAHRZEIT

Heska Amuna Synagogue

August 1

Abraham Chaskin ♦ Jacob Green ♦ Janet Krauss ♦ Lester Robinson ♦ Abraham Rosenblatt ♦ Abe Zwick

August 8

Esther Balloff ♦ Zeleg Berez ♦ Kenneth Cohen ♦ Etta Ducken ♦ Jacob Geller ♦ Mervin Horn ♦ Hugo Klein
 Jacob Menachem ♦ Sally Moskowitz ♦ Barbara Oleshansky ♦ Gussie Richer ♦ Jane Rosenblatt ♦ Samuel Routman ♦
 Judy Schwartz ♦ David Wender

August 15

Betty Billig ♦ Estelle Binder ♦ Max Cohen ♦ Oscar Isaacs ♦ Seymour Landis ♦ Joseph Leeds ♦ Robert Messing ♦
 Thomas Miner ♦ Steven Shersky ♦ Morris Shorr ♦ Rabbi A. J. Robinson

August 22

Bella Allen ♦ Dustee Bendes ♦ Ida Chandler ♦ Rosa Deitch ♦ Irene Deutsch ♦ Ethel Foster ♦ Irving Goelman ♦
 Julius Gruenberg ♦ Lawrence Hahn ♦ Rebecca Krauss ♦ Sylvia Leibowitz ♦ Barney Levine ♦ Hyman Liberman ♦
 David Linwood ♦ Rebecca Millen ♦ Samuel Poster ♦ Albert Ring ♦ Louis Roth ♦ Martin Schwab ♦ Shlomo Shloush
 Tessie Siegel ♦ Molly Thorp ♦ Helen Tobe

August 29

Wolf Brody ♦ Gershon Cooper ♦ Andy Frank ♦ Ada Garber ♦ Daniel Goodman ♦ Sylvia Greenfield ♦
 Jennye Grusin ♦ Max Hasden ♦ Muriel Littman ♦ Hannah Nius ♦ Anna Belle O'Brien ♦ Louis Perelman ♦
 Betty Presser ♦ Emanuel Schenkel ♦ Bea Schwartz ♦ Robert Zalkin

JAHRZEIT

TEMPLE BETH EL

August 7

Garrett Bickman ♦ Jackie Bickman ♦ Marie Elston ♦ Samuel Gelber ♦ Efim Golbert ♦ Harold Karklin ♦
 Edward Lippner ♦ Herbert Nash ♦ Pastor Serrato ♦ Emilie Ehrlich Strasburger ♦ Asya Targonskaya ♦ Ethel Taylor ♦

August 14

Abram Golbert ♦ Albert Greenberg ♦ Monroe Hecht ♦ Benjamin Herrmann ♦ Marcus Herrmann ♦ Matvei Ioselev ♦
 Sara Pais ♦ Alice Palmer ♦ Anne Prial ♦ Lillian Schaefer ♦ Marvin Selk ♦ Emanuel Taylor ♦
 Anne Kadison Weinstein

August 21

Ida Altshuler ♦ Zan Tamar Bailey ♦ Jerome Bernstein ♦ Anna H Blatt ♦ Wolfe Brody ♦ Orsella Davis ♦
 Charles M Evans ♦ Daniel Goodman ♦ Gilbert Klein ♦ Rose Shenkman ♦ Max Slome ♦ Sidney M. Spero

August 28

Armand H. Abel ♦ Jacob Blaufeld ♦ Jeanette Galloway ♦ Harold Garber ♦ Bella Goldfeld ♦ Morris Hochenberg ♦
 Milton Samuel Levy ♦ David Sachs ♦ Dora Stein ♦ Helen Webber

Hadassah HIGHLIGHTS

HADASSAH
THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST
ORGANIZATION OF
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HADASSAH
Knoxville

Chai society



I give monthly to the Chai program because it's convenient :-).

As a health care professional, I support the mission of Hadassah to advance health care and medicine in Israel and around the world and to promote healthier lives. It is also very meaningful to me that Hadassah Hospitals treat all people regardless of race, religion, or nationality and because of that, can help build a bridge to peace.

— **Kathy Goldstein**
Silver Chai Society
Member since
March 13, 2014

Hadassah's Chai Society

Chai Society is Hadassah's newest National Annual Giving Program, which ensures the extraordinary work of Hadassah will continue and grow. A Chai Society gift is an annual, ongoing donation ranging from \$180--999. Those giving \$360-\$999 are at the Silver Chai level.

CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF ANNUAL GIVING:

Over \$4.5 million in annual contributions have enabled Hadassah to...

- deliver 11,000 babies a year
- educate Israel's workforce of tomorrow
- train Hadassah's future leaders in America
- make stem cell research possible
- advocate for women's health issues
- teach lifesaving methods to doctors globally
- give neglected and abused youngsters a future
- make sophisticated computer-assisted surgery accessible
- treat one million patients a year *support the finest emergency medical facility in Israel



I am a third generation Hadassah Life Member; and proud of my Southern Jewish Heritage! In 1989, I became a Life Member and made my mother, Harriet Zalkin, one as well. After retirement, I realized I now had time to be more involved with our Jewish community. What a blessing to share this time with so many wonderful and energetic women!

— **Robin Brown**
Chai Society Member since
May 28, 2014

I started giving Silver Chai because it is the right thing to do. Hadassah does such amazing, life improving work around the world, including the United States, and I can afford a dollar a day to help.

— **Jaclyn Elbaz**
Silver Chai Society Member
since May 4, 2015





KEEPERS OF THE GATE

Annual Giving Celebrates 18 Years of Making a Difference

My husband gave me the gift of a Keeper the year Marcie Natan became National President. We were at her installation in Las Vegas and it was his birthday.

I stepped up to the next level as I saw the enormity of what Hadassah had done as well as what still needed to be done.

— Cindy Pasi
Keeper since July 19, 2011



I decided to become a Young Keeper of the Gate for Hadassah while I had the opportunity. You can become a Young Keeper if you're under 45 years old. Your first pledge is \$500, then \$750 the second year, and \$1000 after that for as long as you can give. I liked having the choice to designate Youth Aliyah as the recipient of my gift.

Youth Aliyah resettles immigrants and helps at risk youth in Israel. The youth live in villages and are provided shelter, food, education, love plus training to lead a productive life. I signed up to be a Keeper with my Hadassah sister, Mary Evars-Goan. We were honored to be pinned by Marlene Post, a past National Hadassah President.

— Jill Weinstein
Keeper since September 30, 2009

Hadassah's Keepers of the Gate

- ★ **Keepers of the Gate** is Hadassah's premier National Annual Giving Program, established in 1997 with more than \$40 million given to date.
- ★ A Keepers gift is an annual, ongoing donation ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000+. Those giving \$1,800 to \$4,999 are Chai Keepers and those giving \$5,000+ are Golden Keepers.
- ★ Keepers are part of a vast group of women and men across the country who proudly wear the David's Harp pin, recognizing their commitment to an annual gift for the work of Hadassah.
- ★ Names of Keepers who have given annually for five years will be inscribed on the prestigious Keeper of the Gate Pillars at Hadassah Hospital-Ein Kerem.

Kick Off a Healthy Year with Knoxville Hadassah

Sunday, August 23

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Arnstein Jewish Community Center Gym
6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville**



There is no doubt that Hadassah's medical researchers have already positively impacted someone you love or someone you know. Come and learn about some of these accomplishments and discover ways *Hadassah Knoxville* supports the health and well-being of people in our own communities.

- * **PROGRAM:** Hadassah's medical research impacts all of us. Learn about these incredible accomplishments. Discover ways Hadassah supports the health and well-being of people you love and people in the greater community.
- * **BOOK SALE:** The Hadassah Book Group will host a book sale featuring copies of books the group has read and more. Learn about our book group and support a great cause. All proceeds go to JNF to purchase trees in Israel.
- * **GOOD FOOD:** Not only are many Knoxville Hadassah members "People of the Book," but this group includes many "People Who Can Cook!" Enjoy a nosh with us.
- * **MEET AND GREET:** Enjoy meeting Jewish women new to our area and spend some time with old friends. It's the best of both worlds!



RSVP TODAY! Please let us know that you plan to attend by August 16. Contact: barbara@bmintz.com or 690-7191.



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Hadassah Layettes: Join Hadassah in Honoring New Family Members

We have several Layettes that I need to mail, but I wanted each of you to have the opportunity to include your name if you haven't already. I will be mailing these shortly after this issue so give me a call or send me an e-mail to have your name included:

- ★ Annette and Barry Winston are the proud grandparents of baby boy, **Jacob Masters Winston**
- ★ Judi and Martin Abrams are the proud grandparents of a handsome baby boy, **Jack David Hicks** son of Deborah and David Hicks
- ★ Rachael and James Ellis and Evelyn and Steve Oberman are the very proud parents and grandparents to **Maxwell Ellis**
- ★ Ellen and Steve Markman have a beautiful granddaughter, **Meredith Angela Markman**
- ★ Judi and Martin Abrams' very last grandchild (#9) grandson, **Charles Jassen Needle**, son of Stephanie and Mark Needle
- ★ Margy and Mitchell Goldman have two new beautiful grandchildren, **Avi Goldman** and **Gordon Benjamin Holtz**
- ★ Miriam Esther and Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm have added another beautiful son to their family, **Levi Wilhelm**

Wow, our Knoxville community is truly blessed.
Mazel Tov to all,

Judi Abrams, judi.abrams@gmail.com



Help Israel: Purchase Tree/Water Certificates

Israel is always in need of trees and water. Please help the forests by planting a tree and helping them by giving them water. Plant a tree today. Since 1926, we have partnered with JNF to drain swamplands, plant forests, develop water resources and preserve Israel's ecology. Giving opportunities include:

- One Tree - \$18**
- Ten Trees - \$150 (Circle of Trees)**
- Fifty Trees - \$750 (Garden of Trees)**

You may designate a name for certificates in memory of someone, sending get well wishes to an individual, in honor of a birthday, anniversary, birth, marriage, engagement or someone's accomplishment.

Contact Joyce York at (865) 384-6177 or joyceyork12@gmail.com to arrange for a tree or water certificate to be sent for you.

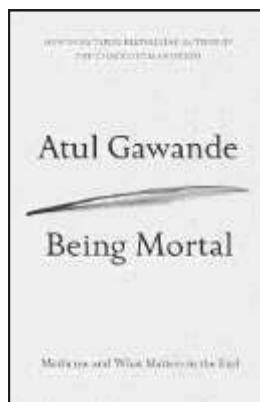


Hadassah Book Club News

By Peggy Littmann, plittmann@comcast.net

We'll be meeting at 7:30 p.m., on **Tuesday, August 18** to discuss *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. We meet in the coffee shop area, in Barnes and Noble Book Store on Kingston Pike. Any interested women from the greater Knoxville Area are most welcome to join us. Please contact Peggy Littmann at plittmann@comcast.net, or cell (865) 776-1013 with questions.T

The Hadassah link under Social Action Organizations at <http://jewishknoxville.org/adults> should have the latest information for the book club.



Hadassah Highlights

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Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

Field Day!

One of our favorite days in the spring is Field Day. We enjoy a little healthy competition and a lot silly fun. The best part may be seeing the teachers participate in the festivities. This year we added a “color wars” aspect that really amped up the excitement. Each of the three teams created a team cheer, a poster, and was led by one of the teachers. The students wore their team colors on their clothes, their hair and even some on their faces!

The day started off with a three-legged race. This is not only a great spectator event; it really promotes cooperation and communication. We also had a *Math Jeopardy* game that really made the kids think. The scavenger hunt had strict rules about team work and also had the teachers popping balloons by sitting on them.

But no field day would be complete without some water sports. The water balloon toss was fun for all. Each team won an outlandish award that emphasized their effort and excitement. All students received a special KJDS 2015 t-shirt donated by one of our families.

Field Day is a great way to end our school year. Our students work hard all year and we are so proud of each of them that these fun games are a special way to celebrate all of their effort with them.

Each team created a team cheer.

The three-legged race is a classic!

The staff enjoyed the games as much as the students.



We learned Ms. Rebecca is very competitive. It paid off as her team won the "Best Overall" award.

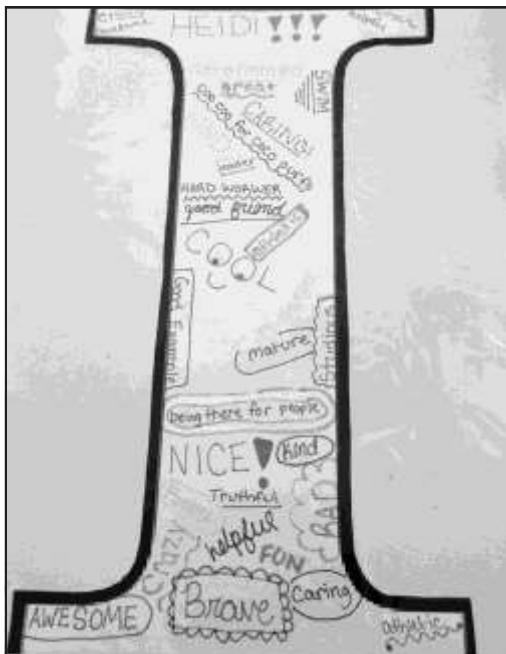


The math game was very heated.

Excerpts from Graduates Portfolios

Fifth graders took home portfolios at the end of the year that helped them reflect on their KJDS experience. Here are a few excerpts:

- Ms. Kari taught me to believe in myself and pushed me to take on new challenges. Ms. Kari helped me change when we went to the Alpine Tower I could not go higher. Ms. Kari believed in me and motivated to go higher....
- My favorite Jewish story is the story of Purim. This story is my favorite because I like how brave Esther is and Esther is my Hebrew name.
- Miriam Esther helped me be my best. She helps me when I get stuck and always knows what to do. She also taught me to challenge myself. Next year when I am in Middle School I will always remember the lessons she's taught me and the advice she gave me.
- I will stay Jewishly connected after I graduate by celebrating all the Jewish holidays. I will also come back to KJDS on alumni days and share with the KJDS kids in my areas of expertise.
- KJDS taught me to not take the easy way out and to always work to the best of my ability.
- Ms. Kari made me feel better about myself and how I do things. She taught me not to get frustrated when it gets tough. The main thing she taught me is to believe in myself, calm down and keep trying.
- Some of my special talents are art, singing, piano and I'm a good organizer. I can use these talents to make the world a better place by making cards for people who are sick and singing for people in the retirement homes when I visit.
- One special opportunity I had was the D.C. trip. Not only was the trip full of memorable experiences but we got to join the Akiva School in Nashville for this trip. Our KJDS class bonded and we made many new friends. I still text and keep up with the Akiva kids as well!



Nashville Akiva School and Knoxville Jewish Day School students pose in front of the White House.

KJDS students in grades enjoy breakfast with their Akiva friends at a kosher restaurant before heading out for a fun and informative day in Washington, D.C.

A student's front page of portfolio: Students use descriptive words to describe themselves.

Reflection on the School Year from New Staff

This was a year of firsts for our school. We had new teachers join our staff and a new “Innovation Coach.” We also created a new school space. We are so excited to start our next year in the amazing space and welcome new students and families. We asked these new teachers to write about their first year by using one word or phrase.

Ms. Katie Bell is the Kindergarten/1st grade teacher. She has spent many years teaching but enjoyed her first year at KJDS for the 2014-2015 school year. She writes about her experience...

“One word to describe this school year would have to be “new.” I encountered so many firsts this school year! This year I transitioned to private school from public school. I’ve enjoyed the freedom that private school brings and the ability to focus on just teaching and find my passion again for the job I love. Another new experience this year was the multi-level classroom. I have loved teaching both kindergarten and first grade in the same classroom as it allows for differentiation so that I can meet the needs of all children. This is also the first year I have had a class where every student has a thirst for learning and continues to crave more challenges and new experiences. More firsts include my first KJDS Shabbat party, multiple KJDS field trips, student-led conferences, STEAM integration, and a supportive administration. Moving to KJDS was the best decision I’ve made and I’m looking forward to my first second year!”

Mrs. Rebecca Beers is the 2nd/3rd grade teacher. While she experienced her first year at a private school this year, her teaching experience has been well tested. She writes about this experience in her own words....

“Eye-opening” is the phrase that my mind immediately goes to when thinking about my first year at KJDS. While at first I was just hoping this decision to change jobs would be the right move for me, it soon became clear that I couldn’t do what I am privileged to do any place else. It is not only what I teach that I enjoy, but how I get to teach it.

Where I once was a slave to the clock and time constraints, KJDS has taught me to engage my students with activities that are meaningful and the time we spend on it is dependent on the needs and interest of the class, not the calendar or clock. The fact that our students are encouraged to research their own interests and create a project to share his or her own learning is empowering to young people. I have seen timid children produce papers and posters that are full of information and personal style. I have seen students who already had a wealth of knowledge on a topic push themselves to dig deeper and gain more knowledge and research skills. Our students question everything, and they are encouraged to be independent and motivated to seek the answer themselves. I am simply a facilitator in some activities, and that was eye-opening.

The KJDS staff values each child as an individual and valued member of the school. Students are encouraged to be their own advocate. The kids have a chance to speak their mind on school rules, preferences, needs, concerns, and personal conflicts. Teachers are not only educators, but we become counselor, nurses and mentors. The students at KJDS will leave prepared to take ownership and control of their lives in education and in interpersonal relationships. These young people are well rounded in more than just an educational sense, and that was eye-opening.

Risk taking, failure, success, and second chances. These aren’t only words we use to encourage engineering activities, but these are words I personally experienced in my teaching style, lesson planning, and project assigning. Teachers are encouraged to take risks with new technology, new programs, alternative classroom techniques, and even time-tested methods. Some worked great, and some didn’t. At no time was there pressure to explain the things that weren’t a success, but only encouraging words of the attempt. Success was celebrated within classrooms, and by compliments from parents and staff. Innovation comes when there is a safe place to try new things. I have felt liberated to try many new things without the pressure of being a disappointment, and that is eye-opening.

Knoxville Jewish Day School is a place where learning is happening, mutual respect and empowerment is fostered, and risks are being taken. Students are succeeding and teachers are inspired, motivated, and happy. That is eye-opening.”

Miss Louise Lindsay is our new Innovation Coach. Miss Louise came to us as a substitute teacher from the Washington, DC area. We then decided we could not let this talented experienced educator get away! She was the perfect fit to the administration and our dedicated school family. We asked her to write her thoughts about her new position....

“The word that best describes my first year at KJDS is exciting. I was first welcomed to the school by a curious, bright, and excited group of second and third grade students. I was the substitute in their classroom, and they jumped right in to exciting Science projects building simple machines with recycled materials. After my stint as classroom sub, I moved into a new position with a great title, Innovation Coach. This position has allowed me to support both students and teachers to make the classrooms and STEAM program very child-centered and exploratory. I hope that my work here will keep the students excited about learning. I am quite excited to be here and continuing to learn more about and being part of the KJDS family.”



STEAM into Service Empowering

KJDS' STEAM into Service project empowers our students as they work on a semester long PBL (Project-Based Learning) unit all with the purpose of giving back to our community. This innovative program, a brainchild of our KJDS staff, has students tackling challenges that integrate STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) skills as they learn, explore and create in the goal of accomplishing their semester end challenge.

After a successful pilot year we are growing our program by creating an advisory board made up of members of different organizations in our community who are excited by our project and will be sharing their time and expertise as we build forward. Thank you to our current advisory board: Ellie Kittrell (MUSE), Dr. Jenny Rutherford (UTK/Engineering), Dr. Al Hazari (UTK/Chemistry), Alanna Rosen (KMA), Wendy Besmann (Jewish Community), Randy Fields (Messer Construction), Corky Witt (AMSE), Jackie Cooper (Operational Solutions Management), Dr. Lucas Lindsay (ORNL, physics), Nick DeFord (Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts), Donna Kridelbaugh (Science Mentor Consulting), Wendy Prothro Howard (ECO Garden/UT Institute of Agriculture), and Andrea Hawkins (KCS Art).

Our program will be run by a phenomenal team of educators.



Emily Williams joins our STEAM into Service team and is very excited about this wonderful opportunity to be a part of KJDS. Emily grew up in Knoxville and is a member of the Jewish Community herself. She has a masters degree in Education and brings with her seven years of experience teaching theme based integrated curriculum at the elementary level. She is passionate about teaching the whole child and loves making learning personal and relevant

for students, as well as giving opportunities for all children to experience learning hands on. She is looking forward to meeting everyone and contributing to STEAM curriculum this year

Annie Clark is our beloved KJDS art teacher, joined our STEAM into Service project in its pilot year. Her creativity and knowledge of the natural world give her a unique perspective that enhances each project. She loves seeing the meaning and purpose with which the kids learn and work when they realize that they are helping and giving back to their community. Ms. Annie is excited to help grow the program in its second year.

Michal Kaplan will be teaching Hebrew at KJDS and is a new legate of the World Zionist Organization here in Knoxville, TN. She has a teaching diploma, a Master of Business Administration and a B.Sc. in industrial engineering from leading universities in Israel. She was an information systems analyst in the Israel Defense Forces for 8 years, and was recently released with the rank of major. Her educational experience includes lecturing, teaching, guiding and tutoring in several technological educational organizations in Israel, and among them: The Nobel Prize Laureates Forum for Excellence in Education. Michal looks forward to sharing the language and culture of Israel as it relates to this project!

We are excited to watch our students learn, explore and give back to our community this year.



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During the 1990s, Knoxville Jewish community members helped resettle 81 Russian immigrants, helping them with housing, language, employment, acculturation, and more. Pictured above are a welcome dinner from November of 1994 and two photos of English language instruction.

Left photo, left to right: Ilya **Budik**, Bella **Budik**, Alla **Vaynshteyn**, David **Vaynshteyn**, Russian Resettlement Coordinator Judy **Megibow**, Maria **Shusterman**, Boris **Budik**, David **Feldman**

Upper right photo: ESL teacher Trudy **Dreyer**, Nelly **Ostrovskaia**, Sveta **Tabibova**

Lower Right photo: Yelena **Golburst**, ESL teacher Claudia **Fribourg**, Simon **Badalov**, Marina **Marchuk**

Bella and Boris **Budik**, Yelena **Golburst** and Simon **Badalov**, Claudia **Fribourg**, Marina **Marchuk**, Trudy **Dreyer**, and Nelly **Ostrovskaia** continue to live in Knoxville.

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