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Nashville celebrates Israel's birthday, sacrifices that created a nation

For Israel's 65th birthday, Nashville's Jewish community gave not just one but two parties – one for the grown-ups and one for the kids. But before the Saturday-Sunday celebration on April 27 and 28, the community remembered those who lost their lives in the Holocaust and the Israeli soldiers who died for the Jewish homeland. As in Israel, days of sadness and remembrance precede the celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut – Israel Independence Day and the nation's 65th birthday.

The community Yom Hashoah commemoration took place on April 7 at Congregation Micah, with sponsorship of Nashville's Jewish Federation and Foundation. The program, titled "Light from Darkness," encompassed music, testimony and prayer. Readings, built around the text from Genesis on the creation of the world, were juxtaposed with remembrance of the Shoah.

One week later, on April 14, the community gathered at West End Synagogue to mark Yom Hazikaron and remember those who gave their lives for Israel.



Eighteen Nashville community members participated in the traditional Israeli torch-lighting ceremony held on Israel Independence Day, Yom Ha'atzmaut. PHOTO: JACK KOCH

Participants heard the story of Nachshon Wachsmen, a young soldier in the Golani Brigade who was kidnapped in central Israel by Hamas in 1994, and the Israeli soldier killed while trying to rescue him. Nachshon also died in the rescue attempt.

On Yom Hazikaron in Israel, a siren sounds for two minutes. For two minutes Israel stops everything – including driving – to stand and show respect for more than 25,000 Israeli fallen soldiers and victims of terror. Continued on page 3

Shavuot marks 3325th birthday of the Ten Commandments

At a unique crossroads between religion and cuisine, the holiday of Shavuot – celebrating the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai 3,325 years ago – has become a celebration of fine dairy cuisine as well. This year, Shavuot is celebrated from the evening of May 14 through May 16.

As the Torah was given and the laws of kosher dining were first received, the Jewish people were not yet capable of properly preparing beef and poultry and as such ate dairy. The rest is history.

Cheesecakes, pesto pastas, lasagna, soufflés and of course cheese blintzes all take center stage during this ancient celebration. Some suggest that this has contributed to the renewed popularity this holiday has seen.

When thinking Jewish holidays, Passover, Chanukah and Yom Kippur come to mind. Nevertheless, Shavuot is considered one of Judaism's major

holidays and was in fact a pilgrimage when all of Israel would travel to Jerusalem to celebrate in the Temple.

On Shavuot, in the year 2448, the Jewish nation – men, women and children – gathered at the foot of Mount Sinai to receive the Torah from G-d. Also present were the souls of all Jews of all generations to come. Together we heard G-d proclaim the Ten Commandments and together we proclaimed, "We will do and we will listen."

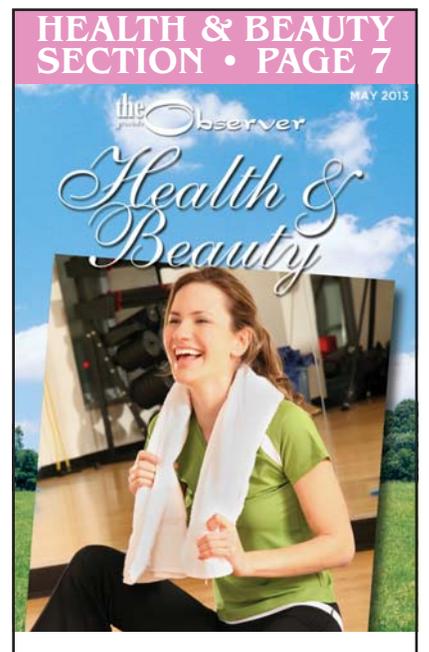
Every year on the Holiday of Shavuot this revelation is re-experienced during the reading of the Ten Commandments in the Synagogue.

It is a deja vu experience for the soul, to hear the reading of the Ten Commandments, on the anniversary that it was given to our ancestors at Mount Sinai.

It of great importance for every family to attend synagogue on Shavuot together with their children, to listen to the reading of the Ten Commandments, as the children played a critical role in our receiving

the Torah. When G-d gave the Torah to the Jewish people, He gave it on the condition that the young boys and girls will be the guarantors.

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Cuba mission participants share their experiences

For 41 community members, it was a trip of a lifetime, a chance to peer behind the curtain that shrouds life – particularly Jewish life – in Cuba from most viewers.

They participated in a six-day mission to Cuba sponsored and organized by the Jewish Federation of Nashville in order to visit with the island's Jewish community of about 1,500. The supplies and materials they brought to the Jewish community included some \$30,000 in donated medical supplies.

Several participants shared their experiences in interviews and e-mails.

Nancy and Michael Richardson:

"It was a huge pleasure and inspiration to meet the young couple in Havana and the retired Senor David in Santa Clara, who so ably lead, teach, and inspire our Jewish brethren on the island.

"Shabbat services were led by two young adult Cuban Jews and ended with



Naomi Limor Sedek and Carole Kracer sort through donated medical supplies that the Nashville mission brought to Cuba. PHOTO: JUDY SAKS

them being joined on the bimah by more than a dozen more for a lively closing song. I don't think there's a better youth group on the planet.

"Though disposable income is nonexistent for Cubans, their religious spirit and determination is strong; it's deeply rewarding for us to now know firsthand some of the recipients of our donor dollars and the worthwhile programs we help fund."



The stained glass over the ark shows the outline of the island of Cuba at the base of the Jewish star, set among blue waves.

Hilary Diskin:

"One of the things that really struck us was how little the people there have but how happy they seem to be. ... We were really overwhelmed with the overall feeling of contentedness people seem to have.

"...I was amazed at how they were able to revitalize the Jewish community. Up until not that long ago, Fidel Castro didn't let anyone practice any religion in Cuba.



On Cuba's streets, every wheel counts. Check out the back wheels on the white car.



The group prays at the Jewish cemetery in Santa Clara. PHOTO: JUDY SAKS

Diane Trachtman:

"When we went to Friday night services I saw a smile on most of the people. Maybe it's because their beliefs in their religion were not being controlled. A Holocaust memorial in their cemetery, amazing.

"...We had a wonderful trip and enjoyed traveling with our fellow Nashvillians. From its architecture and natural beauty, we could imagine what a magnificent city Havana must have been prior to Cuba's political and economic changes of 1959.

"Unfortunately, contemporary Havana stands in stark contrast with many decaying buildings and other deteriorating infrastructure. It was also depressing to see the disparity between the living conditions of the wealthy ... and the common people."

Cindee Gold:

Cindee comes from a small town in Georgia. "I'm always amazed at where Jews live and thrive," she said.

The most striking thing to her was large synagogue in Havana, ... "how young the congregation was, how young the leaders were, how vibrant it all seemed to be."

She noted how many outside Jewish communities are getting to know and helping out their fellow Jews in Cuba. During the trip, members of a congregation visiting from the northeastern United States brought uniforms, sports equipment, and more so that Cuban Jewish kids could compete in the Maccabi games. Canadian Jews had sent the Cuban community everything needed to observe Passover. And the Nashville group brought medical supplies and school supplies.

Ellen and Howard Roback:

"It was inspiring to visit the Jewish communities of Havana and Santa Clara. The passion and commitment of the people, particularly the youth, to Judaism gives hope for the future robustness of our faith in that part of the world. One member of our group noted what a great learning experience it would be for youth from our Nashville temples to visit their counterparts in Cuba.

"...It was interesting to see glimmers of free enterprise – private (versus government) owned restaurants, craft markets, etc. ... Some people think that once the Castro brothers are gone, that communism will also disappear. There also appears the feeling that improved relationships between Cuba and the U.S. will also take place in the future. In essence, Cuba appears a country in transition." □



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community shlichah Hadar Moskovitz said. The program opened with a moment of silence as participants listened to the sound of the sirens.

Afterward, participants gathered for refreshments and to talk with one another. "I thought it was moving," Erin Coleman said. "It was nice that the community all came together; it was nice to see different members of the community here to support fallen soldiers and terror victims."

Israel celebrates its independence day, Yom Ha'atzmaut, on the day following Yom Hazikaron. Here in Nashville, the Jewish Federation of Nashville and the Gordon Jewish Community Center organized celebrations on Saturday night, April 27, and on Sunday, April 28.

In keeping with the Israeli custom, 12 torches representing the 12 tribes of Israel were lit at the start of the April 27 event. The Nashville community members who lit the torches each had a special connection to Israel and had strengthened the

connection between Israel and Nashville. Music, comedy and fun for children finished out the weekend. □

Read about Israel's contributions in science, technology in the online Observer, jewishobservernashville.org



John Ford Coley gives Israeli attendees a taste of country music at Israel@65. PHOTO: KATHY CARLSON



Keren Levy-Rotem (second from left), Yaara Yemin and Yifat Crouvi light the 12th Yom Ha'atzmaut torch, representing the Israeli community in Nashville, at Israel@65. Community Relations Committee Chair Irwin Venick looks on. PHOTO: JACK KOCH



Kfir Alexandroni (center) encourages Israeli singer Daddo to join in the dancing.



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CALL TO ARTISTS

The Sound of Many Waters:

Images of Water in Jewish Life, Culture and Spirituality

In February 2012, the Southeast Consortium and Hadera-Eiron Partnership Region sponsored an art exhibition of small works entitled "*Windows of Identity*", featuring works by more than 50 artists from our Partnership communities in the US and Israel. The purpose of the project was two-fold: To foster a network of artists within our Israeli/American Partnership, and to encourage creative artistic expression from a Jewish perspective. This exhibit generated such enthusiasm and excitement among artists and viewers alike that we are initiating the second exhibition in this series of Jewish artistic identity.

Artists interested in participating will submit a proposal, including images of their current work, a resume/bio, a description of the piece they propose to create, and a statement telling of their approach to the theme.

The Sound of Many Waters will open in Jerusalem in November 2013, and afterward will travel to many of the participating cities in the consortium. We are very much looking forward to your proposal - to your creative interpretation and amazing work!

For more information please contact

Leslie J. Klein, Project Co-Chair:

615-649-8284 or lesliejklein@gmail.com or

Harriet Schifftan, Jewish Federation of Nashville:

615-354-1687 or harriet@jewishnashville.org

Seniors relish 5th annual Jewish Family Service Seder

It may have been a chilly day, but the JFS Senior Seder was a warmly received event for the many seniors who attended on March 21.

The Seder has become a highly anticipated event each spring. Dedicated volunteers set tables, poured wine, served the delicious lunch, and worked to ensure that everyone who attended had a great time. It truly was a communitywide event as the religious schools participated by donating handmade placemats and chocolate-covered matzah for everyone to enjoy. Akiva students created Passover greeting cards to decorate the tables and sang songs at the beginning of the Seder to welcome everyone.

It was the fifth year for the JFS Senior Seder. For many of those who attend, this is the only Seder they're able to attend and they're especially grateful that it takes place during the daytime. Bonnie Fertig, who has driven from Hendersonville with her mother each year for the Seder, summed it up this way: "When my mother moved from a closely knit synagogue family in Miami to Hendersonville she felt as if she had lost a large portion of her Jewish identi-

ty. The JFS Senior Seder gives her back an important piece of who she is...and I simply love listening to her speak the Hebrew prayers and seeing the smiles caused by wonderful memories."

Each year Nashville rabbis take turns leading the Seder. Rabbi Yitzchok Tiechtel of Chabad of Nashville engaged the crowd with an interactive Seder that included some familiar tunes in Yiddish that were especially meaningful to those who attended. Anna Sir, of JFS, said of the Seder, "It's incredibly important to our community that each rabbi has his/her own opportunity to lead the Senior Seder. Each rabbi has made the Seder experience unique and meaningful. I love that no two years are exactly the same."

The JFS Senior Seder is held each year in honor of the late Hannah Kayser Palmer, who attended the first Senior Seder with her daughter Lynn Barton. Hannah's family wanted to ensure that each year JFS has sufficient funds to have an annual Seder so they provided resources to ensure the program's continuity. JFS is committed to ensuring that there is a Senior Seder each year and is grateful for the support of the community. □



Ivan Weinstein and Janice Krohn raise their glasses during the Senior Seder, which was presented for the fifth year by Jewish Family Service of Nashville. PHOTO: KATHY CARLSON

CGI Nashville celebrates its 10th year with ten days of Jewish fun

Camp Gan Israel Nashville (CGI) is celebrating its tenth year since opening the local branch of the world's largest network of Jewish camps, with over 500 locations worldwide, Chabad of Nashville said in a news release.

"Summer is a critical time in a child's life. A successful summer camp experience is more than a break from studies to let loose; every activity is a major learning experience," says Mrs. Esther Tiechtel, director of CGI Nashville. "Our program is designed to let our campers' minds run wild, enjoying nature, crafts, sports and

water activities, while building character and responsibility in a relaxed, fun atmosphere."

There's a multifaceted, creative program and caring, enthusiastic staff members. Campers experience amazing friendships, spirit, and happiness, and loads of wonderful memories. The children receive a truly enjoyable and unforgettable Jewish experience that strengthens their Jewish pride and identity.

Each day of camp has a theme, such as Shabbat or Israel. All of the activities during the course of that theme reflect its theme. An example of this creative curriculum planning is the charity-themed week. Throughout the day, the children created little wooden charity boxes, enjoyed a penny hunt, and baked edible charity boxes.

Mrs. Tiechtel attributes the camp's success to a 3-pronged strategy "creating an exciting environment, in which lessons come alive and kids have a great time." Events include magic shows, carnivals and pony rides – all taking place at the all-new Genesis Campus for Jewish Life.

CGI runs from June 17 – 28 and registration is now open. Chabad notes that it offers affordable rates and sibling discounts, and hot lunches are served daily. All applications received before May 15, receive a free camp T-shirt.

For more information or to register please go to www.chabadnashville.com, or call Camp Gan Israel Nashville (615) 646-5750. □



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It looks a little like one of those quick-fire challenges on "Top Chef," but these Nashville teens are cooking a meal for residents of Nashville's Ronald McDonald House, where families can stay while their critically ill child is receiving treatment at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital. PHOTO: JACOB GELTZER

J-Serve day of service draws 55 area teens

Fifty-five Jewish teens from the 6th through 12th grades joined together on April 14 to help their community in many different ways. The effort was called J-Serve, organized by BBYO Nashville, which sponsored the event along with the Jewish Federation of Nashville, Congregation Micah, Congregation Sherith Israel, The Temple, and West End Synagogue.

One group cooked for Ronald McDonald House, then brought the food and toured the facility, located near Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and designed to offer families of critically ill children a home away from home. Other teens visited with senior citizens

at the Blakeford in Green Hills. Some painted rooms at the Shelby Community Center in East Nashville. Others cleaned out an apartment at the Renewal House, assembled boxes of kosher food for Jewish Family Service, and made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches that were brought to the Nashville Rescue Mission.

J-Serve, the international day of Jewish youth service, began in 2005, according to the J-Serve web site. It allows teens to fulfill the Jewish values of gemilut chasidim, acts of loving kindness; tzedakah, just and charitable giving; and tikkum olam, the responsibility to repair the world. Across the globe, teens join each other to make their community and the world a better place. □

JFS offers help with creating end-of-life plans

Much was learned at the Alive Hospice Gift Initiative event in October, which Jewish Family Service of Nashville co-sponsored. Now it's time to take action.

Join JFS, Argent Trust and local medical, legal and financial experts for a hands-on, get-your-questions-answered session. Confirmed participants include Denise Alper, David Barton, Frank Boehm, Michael Kaplan, Harris Gilbert,

Mindy Hirt, Pam Kelner, Keith King, Ralph Levy, James Mackler, Howard Safer and Marty Satinsky.

We encourage parents and their children to attend together, to begin these important conversations. Documents such as Advance Care Plans and Appointment of Health Care Agents will be available.

Please plan to attend on Tuesday, May 7, from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Gordon Jewish Community Center.

For more information contact Pam Kelner at (615) 354-1644. □

Shavuot at area synagogues, Continued from page 1

Chabad of Nashville

The Ten Commandments will be read at Chabad of Nashville, at 95 Bellevue Road, on Wednesday, May 15, at 5:00 PM

Following the reading of the Ten Commandments, a delicious dairy buffet dinner will be served, including blintzes, pastas, pizzas, and a special Ten Commandments Ice Cream Party.

All are welcome to come and celebrate as a community, and there is no charge to attend. For more information about Shavuot at Chabad please visit www.chabadnashville.com or call (615) 646-5750.

hosted by Chef Joe Perlen at 12:30 a.m., and Torah sessions throughout the night with Daniel Hoffman, Mendy Harary, Daniella Pressner, Rabbi Saul Strosberg, Cantor George Lieberman, and Rabbi Bashevkin. At 5 a.m., there will be davening.

Congregation Micah

Shavuot "Dairy Fest" will be held during Micah Midweek on Wednesday, May 15. Celebrate the revelation of Torah on Mount Sinai by joining us at Micah and enjoying dairy treats symbolizing how the land of Israel once again is flowing with "milk and honey." There will be an ice cream sundae bar for kids and wine and cheese for adults. It all takes place from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Social Hall at Micah.

Congregation Sherith Israel

Shavuot at Sherith Israel starts with appetizers on Tuesday, May 14, and culminates with davening at sunrise the next morning. The shul is offering "An Unforgettable Shavuot Experience" featuring Rabbi David Bashevkin.

It begins on Tuesday night at 7 p.m. and includes appetizers, candle lighting and davening and Yom Tov Dinner and Presentation at 8:30 p.m. (there's a charge for dinner). Then comes an all-night Torah Learn-A-Thon and Shavuot Celebration, with Rabbi Bashevkin's keynote address at 11:30 p.m., a late late night barbecue

The Temple

The Temple marks Shavuot with a Yizkor service on May 15 at 11 a.m.

West End Synagogue

Services and discussion group starting at 6 p.m. on Erev Shavuot, Tuesday, May 14; services to be held at 9:30 a.m. on May 15 and 16 (Yizkor will be recited). Contact Cantor Lane, cantorlane@westendsyn.org, for details.

Shavuot article by Rabbi Yitzchok Tiechtel, Chabad of Nashville

Contact your congregation for more information.

Social Justice Seder



Mrs. Alice Smith Risby (left), her husband, Dr. Edward Risby, and Community Relations Committee Chair Irwin Venick at the CRC's Social Justice Seder, which this year honored five of Nashville's leaders during the 1960s civil rights movement. Mrs. Risby accepted an award to her late husband, Rev. Kelly Miller Smith Sr. PHOTO: KATHY CARLSON



Rabbi Emeritus Randall Falk (center) of The Temple was honored for his civil rights service. He is joined by his wife, Edna Falk, and Bernard Werthan. Inez Crutchfield, Carrie Gentry and Tennessean Chairman Emeritus John Seigenthaler also were honored. PHOTO: KATHY CARLSON

JFS Chesed Honorees



Jewish Family Service Director Pam Kelner (left), Erin Coleman, Chesed Award recipients Steve Lapidus and Toni Heller, Karen Weil and JFS President Daniella Pressner at Jewish Family Service's annual Chesed Dinner. Coleman and Weil co-chaired the event. PHOTO: RICK MALKIN

Open house marks birthday for Cantor Gutcheon

The entire community is invited to an open house at The Temple to celebrate the 60th birthday of Cantor Emeritus Bernard Gutcheon. The event will be held on Sunday, June 2, from 2-4 p.m.

There will be food, music and a chance for people to write about Gutcheon on cards that will be made into a scrapbook for him, said Felicia Anchor, who with Lisa Small is co-chairing the event. There will be a special tribute – along with birthday cake – about halfway through the event.

“We wanted to give the community a chance to let him know how much we appreciate his service, how so many of us appreciate him as our friend and, for so many of us, as a strong shoulder,” Anchor said.

“Cantor Gutcheon served The Temple for three decades with integrity, generosity of spirit, and a tireless sense of compassion to the members of this congregation and the members of the community at large,” said Temple Senior Rabbi Mark Schiftan. “This is our opportunity to celebrate a milestone in his life and to extend our communal embrace back to him.”

“Anything joyous or anything sad, he was there for us,” Small said. “Bernie feels like part of the family. ... In our family he has touched three generations. He has touched, in some families, four.”

Rabbi Emeritus Randall Falk brought Gutcheon to The Temple in 1983, four years after Gutcheon became a cantor. Lynda Gutcheon, his wife, is The Temple’s director of education, and

their two daughters, Shira Gutcheon and Alana Bowden, grew up in Nashville.

“My mother (Elise Steiner) was on the search committee when he was hired,” Small said. “He impressed everyone. ... We’ve known him literally since he came to Nashville.”

She recalled how her mother and other Reform Jewish women of her generation hadn’t learned Hebrew as children, but learned through Cantor Gutcheon. “We’ve sort of grown together,” she said. “He was a mainstay for my mother. She did not like Jewish music but she loved Bernie.”

Small’s mother-in-law, Eleanor Small, loved his version of “Shalom Rav.” After Eleanor Small died, the instructions for her funeral included a request for Gutcheon to sing “Shalom Rav” at the service.

“I have lived here for over 30 years, most of my life,” Gutcheon said, “and it’s been an honor and privilege to get to know both the students and their families. Watching students grow from stage to stage is such a wonderful and unforgettable experience.”

“He has been at almost every lifecycle event from the consecrations of my children to their confirmations to their weddings,” Anchor said. When she herself became a bat mitzvah in 1996, Gutcheon was her tutor. “I didn’t have strong Hebrew but he persevered with me,” she said. “I went every week and he helped.”

Gutcheon has helped perhaps hundreds prepare for bar and bat mitzvahs over the years, work that Anchor describes as coaxing butterflies from

their cocoons. “By the time you stand up on that bimah you’re a confident Jewish person,” she said.

“He’s an incredibly kind person,” said Bruce Sprintz. “He was amazing with my children – getting them ready (for their bar mitzvahs), spending the extra time that was needed. ... My wife passed away, and he couldn’t have been kinder, coming by the house, calling me and texting me to see if I was doing OK. He’s just a sweet-hearted man and a great cantor.”

The birthday celebration for Gutcheon will be held in the social hall of The Temple, and guests may RSVP by calling The Temple. A private community gift to Gutcheon is being made through an irrevocable trust set up in his name and in his honor at Suntrust Bank. □

‘Todah rabah’ from Hadera soldiers

Our community shlichah, Hadar Moskovitz, recently received these letters after Nashville community members prepared and sent Mishloach Manot care packages to IDF soldiers from Hadera-Eiron, the region in Israel with which Nashville and other southeastern cities have been paired through Partnership2Gether.

Hi Hadar!

I just wanted to thank you for the beautiful MISHLOACH MANOT I've got for Purim!

It was really fun coming back home (from the Army) for Shabbat after a long week away and finding it in my room.

Please send everyone my appreciation!

Tamar Moses from Israel,
Pardes-Hanna

...

Hi Hadar! I just come back home at Friday, after a few days away, and I got such a great package. At the beginning we didn't understand who sent me a

package from Nashville. After a small check I decided that it's not a bomb and I was very surprise to discover the true. You made me happy! Thanks to you and the Jewish Federation so much! We all were enjoyed from the snacks. It's amazing to know that you all thinking about the soldiers in Israel. After my Partnership experience I am also thinking about the Jewish overseas a lot. Hope Purim was happy and I wish you happy for all the rest year!

Naama Shapira

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Nashville Artist Guild members featured in GJCC's May art show

May's art exhibit at the Gordon Jewish Community Center will highlight works by members of the Nashville Artist Guild.

The Guild was created in 1950 when two art educators from Vanderbilt University brought together some of their student artists with local professional artists and created a juried professional artists' association. Thirty artists were accepted as original members and the new group was called the Nashville Artist Guild.

Current members include professional artists living in Nashville as well as former Nashvillians living throughout the United States and as far away as

New Zealand. Members include graduates of Middle Tennessee State University, Austin Peay State University, Tennessee State University and Vanderbilt's Peabody College. Well-known visual artists have been members of the Guild, including Puryear Mims, Joseph Van Sickle, Philip Perkins, Red Grooms, Louise LeQuire, Alan LeQuire, Bill Johnson and Greg Ridley.

The reception for the artists and the official opening of the exhibit will be held on May 8 from 7-9 p.m. at the GJCC. Live music, complimentary food and wine will accompany the event. For more information, contact the GJCC at 615.356.7170, Curator Carrie Mills or go to www.nashvillejcc.org. □

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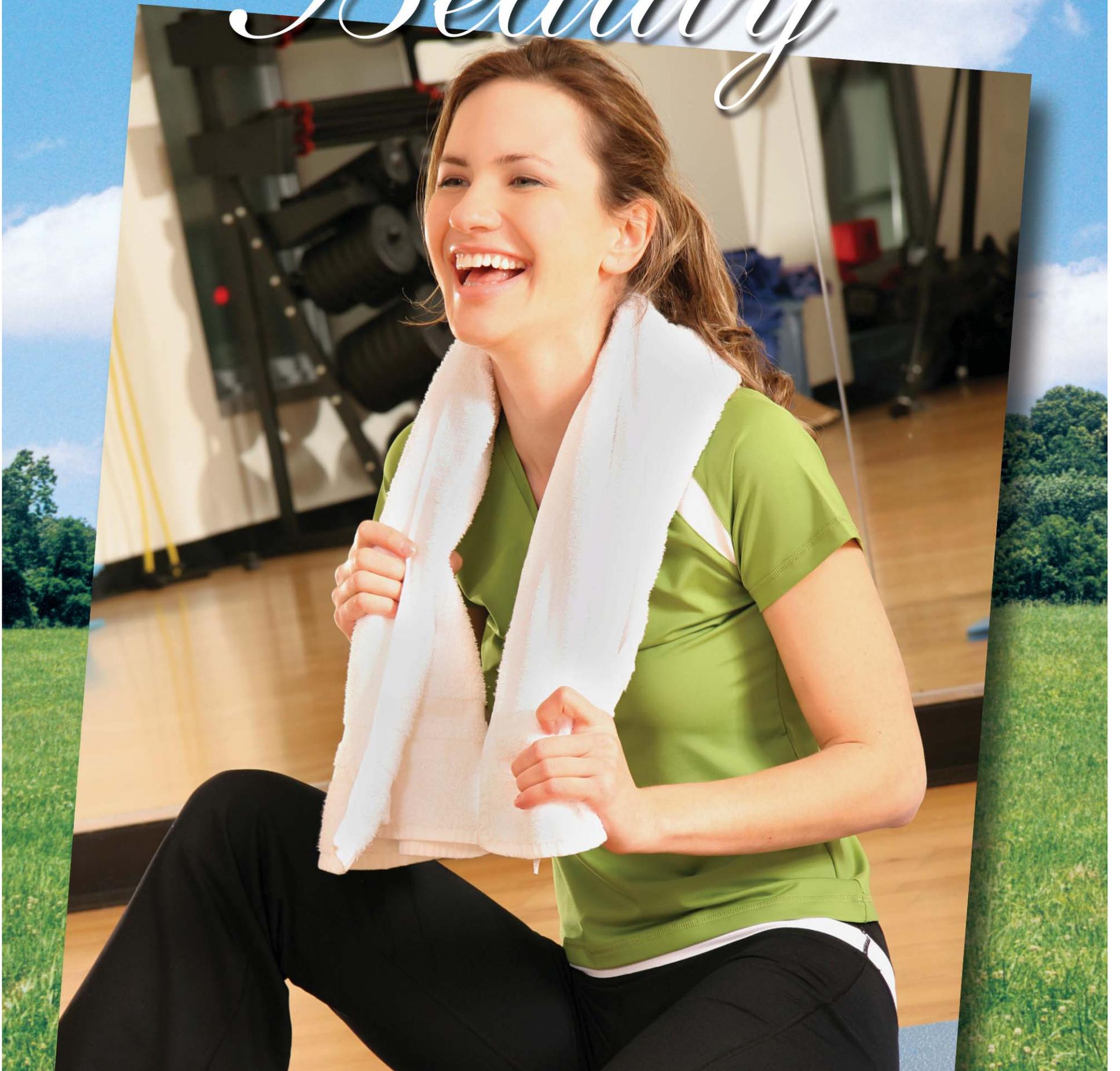
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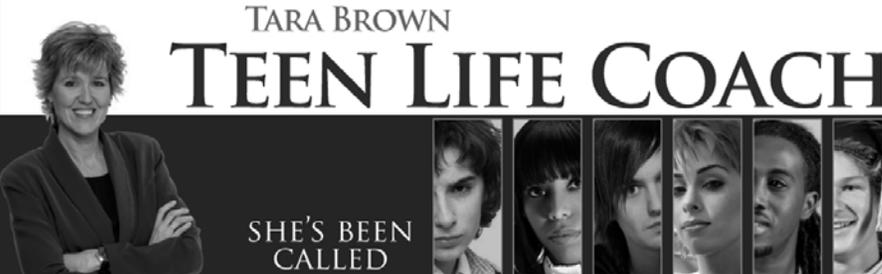
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Regarding the menu, those changes

started a couple of years ago, with the addition of Culinary Director Bob Tappan. "Our dressings, sauces, and salad bar items are as fresh as we can make them, which has reflected positively in our sales," says Tappan. "We constantly adjust our recipes and watch our shelves to make sure nothing is over prepped." All of the traditional items remain on the menu, along with daily fish specials, the Burton's Bar Bites for smaller appetites, and half-priced bottles of wine Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Sperry's opens daily at 5 p.m. and has two locations – Belle Meade and Cool Springs. The Cool Springs Sperry's has private dining accommodations for up to 85 and also serves Sunday brunch. For more information go to Sperrys.com. □

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Maintaining beautiful-looking eyes

Three common results of the natural aging process in otherwise healthy eyes are cumulative sun damage, dryness, and thinning eyelashes. Dr. Michele Sonsino, owner and optometrist of Optique Eyecare and Eyewear, says, "Cumulative damage from ultraviolet radiation (from the sun) may result in yellow plaques on the white of the eyes. Because there is no great way to treat this with either surgery or medication, prevention and sun protection is the key - and it is never too late to start." It's possible to protect from UV damage with high-quality sunglasses or contact lenses that block UV radiation, Sonsino says.

Up to 1/3 of women over age 50 have clinically significant signs of dry eyes. Research is beginning to show the cause is related more to the quality of

tears than to lack of tears. Dr. Sonsino states, "The result of a chronic dry eye is dilation (widening) and thickening of the blood vessels in the white of the eyes. It makes the eyes look tired and worn out." Fortunately, there are very good treatments for dry eyes now.

As we age, eyelashes naturally thin and become less numerous. Clinicians noticed that people on a commonly used glaucoma medication also grew thicker, bolder eyelashes. The FDA has approved this medicine for application to the lashes specifically to enhance the appearance of eyelashes. Sonsino concludes, "If you feel like any of these problems are affecting your life, see your optometrist to discuss your options. Nowadays, no one needs to live with these problems." □

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Invitations are being prepared for Akiva School's sixth-grade graduation ceremonies, set for Thursday, May 30, at 7 p.m. in the school's May Auditorium.

This year's class includes eight

students. Next fall, they'll continue their education at an area public, private or home school. We are proud of their successes at Akiva and wish them continued success. □

Woodlands Café becomes Nashville's third kosher restaurant

On April 8, Nashville gained its third kosher restaurant – Woodlands Café, a vegetarian Indian restaurant on West End Avenue near I-440.

The Certificate of Kashrut came from the Nashville Kashrut Commission,

under the supervision of Rabbi Saul Strosberg of Congregation Sherith Israel.

In particular, all cooked food and baked items there are bishul yisrael and pas yisrael. All dairy products served are cholov stam except for the cheddar cheese, which is cholov yisrael.

The certification runs through July 30 of this year. □

'Sound of Many Waters' seeks artists' participation

The Nashville Jewish Federation, with the Hadera-Eiron Partnership Region and Southeast Partnership Consortium, is issuing a call to artists for participation in the next all-media small works exhibition, "The Sound of Many Waters: Images of Water in Jewish Life, Culture and Spirituality," to open in Jerusalem this November. The purpose of this series of art exhibitions is twofold: to foster a network of artists within our Israeli/American Partnership and to enhance creative artistic expression from a Jewish perspective. Artists are encouraged to explore spiritual, historical, political and metaphoric interpretations in creating works for the show. The collaboration is part of the continuing effort to bring American and Israeli communities closer together through the

Partnership2Gether program of the Jewish Agency for Israel. A similar art collaboration took place in 2012.

Middle Tennessee artists interested in participating in "The Sound of Many Waters" will submit a proposal to the Jewish Federation of Nashville, including a bio, digital images of current work, a description of the piece they propose to create, and a statement telling of their approach to the theme from a Jewish perspective. Entry proposals are due June 1; selected works will be delivered to the Nashville Federation office Sept. 15.

For further information and a detailed prospectus, please contact Harriet Schifftan, Jewish Federation of Nashville: (615) 354-1687 or harriet@jewishnashville.org. For direct questions about the exhibit, please don't hesitate to contact Leslie J. Klein, project co-chair, (615) 649-8284 or lesiejklein@gmail.com. □

Micah comedy night features Johnny Lampert

New York comedian Johnny Lampert comes to Congregation Micah on Saturday, May 18, for a fund-raising event titled "Raise the Roof." The evening also includes an open bar, hors d'oeuvres and dancing and takes place at 7:30 p.m. in Micah's social hall, the congregation announced in a news release.

Lampert has made a name for himself around the country with club, television, and casino performances. He often appears at New York and Los Angeles

clubs such as The Comic Strip, Caroline's Comedy Club and The Improv. His television appearances have included MTV, HBO Comedy Showcase, and Comedy Central. In addition, Lampert has worked with stars including Dana Carvey and Chris Rock at casino venues including Trump Plaza, Trump Castle, The Sands, and The Claridge. And, of course, he has performed at many Jewish events.

For tickets and other information, contact the Micah office at (615) 377-9799 or office@congregationmicah.org. □

Library Pete reads to kids at upcoming PJ Library event

PJ Library of Nashville and Middle Tennessee will be celebrating its success and planning for its future at "PJ Palooza" on Sunday, May 19, at the Gordon Jewish Community Center. Family members of all ages are invited to see Library Pete bring PJ stories to life with music and puppets. He will be accompanied by special performances by community all-stars. The plan is for PJ Palooza to be an annual event.

Since its relaunch here in August of 2010, PJ Library has signed up more than 300 subscribers, ages six months to 8 years, who receive free books, music or DVDs every month!

PJ Palooza is the community's chance to support reading and to recognize the link between the Jewish past

and its future through literature and music. Supporting this event is also an opportunity for families whose children are over age eight to "pay it forward." For example, \$40 enables one child to receive books for one year. Donation categories such as "Bagels and Lox" and "Gefilte Fish" reflect the names of PJ Library subscriber-age categories. Pete's performance will be preceded by family-friendly activities such as face painting, bookmark creating and more.

Coordinator Melissa Sostrin hears from families all the time: "BTW - my boys are in LOVE with the 'Look at Me' CD. I need to find some more of those." The Harold Grinspoon Foundation and the Jewish Federation of Nashville and Middle Tennessee support a unique collaboration of local partners: the GJCC, GJCC Early Childhood Learning Center, Micah Children's Academy, Temple Preschool and West End Synagogue. They all recognize the incredible power of Jewish stories to engage Jewish families with young children. Every donation will help PJ build a stronger Jewish people one book at a time.

The event is a fund-raiser and there's a charge to attend. For more information or to RSVP, contact Sostrin at melsostrin@gmail.com or at 752-0639. □

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B'nai Mitzvah

Samuel Carini will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 4, at Congregation Micah. Samuel is the son of Michael and Missi Carini, the brother of Adam, Steven, and Zachary Carini, and grandson of Margaret and Dominic Carini of Waterbury, Conn., the late Maurine Starr of Boca Raton, Fla., and the late Jerome Fine of New York City.



Samuel Carini

Samuel is a 7th-grader at Drakes Creek Middle School in Bowling Green, Ky. In addition to excelling academically, Samuel is a star member of the Greenwood High School cross-country team and also excels on the Drakes Creek track and field team. He enjoys playing the cello.

For his mitzvah project, Samuel is working with Miki Designs to create fused glass jewelry and bowls for sale during his Bar Mitzvah weekend. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Zachary Carini will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 4, at Congregation Micah. Zachary is the son of Michael and Missi Carini, the brother of Adam, Steven, and Samuel Carini, and grandson of Margaret and Dominic Carini of Waterbury, Conn., the late Maurine Starr of Boca Raton, Fla. and the late Jerome Fine of New York City.



Zachary Carini

Zachary is a 7th-grader at Drakes Creek Middle School in Bowling Green, Ky. Zachary excels academically, having been selected for participation in the Duke Talent search program, and is also an outstanding member of the Greenwood High School cross-country team. He also participates on the Drakes Creek track and field team and enjoys playing roller hockey for the Warren County Inline Hockey League.

For his mitzvah project, Zachary is working with Miki Designs to create fused glass jewelry and bowls for sale during his Bar Mitzvah weekend. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

Jake Wolfson will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 4, at 11 a.m. at The Temple. Jake is the son of LouAnne and Richard Wolfson. His grandparents are Helen and Louis Corey of Chicago and Paula and Neil Wolfson of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Jake is in 6th grade at University School of Nashville. His special interests include basketball, baseball, Arrested Development, Parks and Recreations and working at Sequoia Day Camp.

His mitzvah project took him to Second Harvest Food Bank, where he prepared weekend food bags. Additionally Jake is coordinating a food drive at his school.

Andrew Lee Zolensky will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 11, at Congregation Micah. Andrew is the son of David Zolensky and Arleen Tuchman, the brother of Rachel and Peter, and the uncle of Sam. His grandparents are Sam Tuchman of Nashville, and the late Dina Tuchman, Andrew Zolensky, and Frances Zolensky.



Andrew Lee Zolensky

Andrew is a 7th-grader at Martin Luther King Magnet School, where he has discovered a passion for science, especially chemistry. He plays on his school's basketball and soccer teams and also writes and performs electronic music.

For his mitzvah project, Andrew served the homeless. He was the junior member of Micah's Room in the Inn Committee, he participated in Room in the Inn at Second Presbyterian Church, and he helped feed breakfast to the homeless at First Presbyterian Church in downtown Nashville. Andrew will also have food baskets as centerpieces at his kiddush luncheon and will then donate them to Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee.

Elijah (Eli) Burton Murphy will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 25, at Congregation Micah. Eli is the son of Darin Murphy and Ali Harnell of Nashville. Along with his parents, his brothers Isaac and Wyatt, stepmother Karly Murphy and loving grandparents Stewart and Sharron Harnell, Richard and Dianne Cohen, and Cooper and Linda Wright will be by his side.



Elijah (Eli) Burton Murphy

Eli is a sixth-grader at University School of Nashville. He excels at basketball, soccer, lacrosse, and golf, and is an avid drummer.

Eli's mitzvah project benefits two organizations: Tenderfeet Education Center in Nairobi, Kenya, which provides education resources and medical care to Kenyan children, and the Juri Bunetta Friendship Foundation, which seeks to assist Safe Haven Family Shelter in helping reduce and eventually eliminating family homelessness in Middle Tennessee. Eli will take on a Drum-A-Thon on May 11 to raise money through pledges for every minute he plays.

Alexander Weitzman will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 25, at 11 a.m. at The Temple. His parents are May-Ling and Glenn Weitzman. His grandparents are Jack Weitzman of New York and the late Mildred Weitzman and the late Erika Fairweather.

A 7th-grader at University School of Nashville, Alexander's special interests include designing and building model airplanes, snow and water skiing, playing soccer and baseball, working for the welfare of animals, playing trumpet in the middle school band and spending special time with his cat, Blue.

Alexander is volunteering at the Nashville Humane Association Shelter and also donating a portion of his Bar Mitzvah gifts to protect the well-being of animals in Nashville.

Wedding

Rachel Brooke Katz will be married to **Benjamin Marquardt Cherry** on June 1 in St. Louis. Both are physicians and are graduating this spring from Case Western Reserve University Medical School in Cleveland, Ohio. Both have accepted residencies at Yale University.

Rachel is the daughter of Dr. Stacey Smith and Dr. Richard Katz, of St. Louis, and the granddaughter of Marion and Peter Katz of Nashville. Benjamin is the son of Janet and John Cherry of Illinois.

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Bud Zander and **Jeff Zander** have been recently recognized by the Nashville Business Journal as Power Leaders in the insurance industry. The finalists were chosen by their peers in the industry.

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... to the family of **Marvin R. Engel**, who died on April 23 at age 92 in Birmingham, Ala. Mr. Engel graduated from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School in 1942 and entered the U.S. Army that year. After serving in World War II, he worked with his father in the real estate business. Among his many community endeavors, Mr. Engel was a past president of The Birmingham Jewish Foundation, which honored him and his wife, Ruth, with its N.E. Miles Lifetime Achievement award. In addition to his wife, Mr. Engel is survived by his son, Bill Engel (Kaaren) of Nashville, daughter Barbara Engel, and grandchildren Zoe, Simon and Iris Engel.

... to the family of **Jean Schklar Krieger**, who died on April 21 in San Diego, Calif. She is survived by her brother, Bernie Schklar, and her nephew, Stan Schklar.

... to the family of **Mathilde "Teddy" Glick**, who died on April 19 in Atlanta after a lengthy illness. She was 89. Born in Brooklyn in 1924, Teddy came to Nashville with her family in 1941. That year, she married Melvin Glick, who predeceased her. She had three children: Alan and Laurel, who predeceased her, and Janice, who survives. A longtime Nashville resident and member of West End Synagogue, she moved to Atlanta in 2009. She is survived by her daughter Janice Weinschenker (Larry) of Marietta, Ga.; her brother Robert Garber (Eileen) of

Princeton, N.J.; daughter-in-law Gloria Glick of Nashville; granddaughter Rachel Glick Robison (Trevor), great-granddaughter Charlotte Lucia Robison of Chicago, and son-in-law Gary Stein of Decatur, Ga.

... to the family of **Rosemary Williams Ducklo**, who died on April 11 at age 96. She is remembered as a kind woman who enjoyed bridge, gardening and being around family and friends. She remained active into her late eighties and early nineties. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert L. Ducklo, and is survived by her children: Pat Gorham Heckman; Dr. Robert L. Ducklo Jr. (Babs), Memphis; Kathy Nourse, Naples, Fla.; Rosemary Sexton (Glenn); Dr. Tommy J. Ducklo (Beth); Dr. James L. Ducklo (Amy); 16 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

... to the family of **Leonard "Lenny" Weiner**, of Memphis, who died on April 10 at age 81. Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Weiner came to Memphis in 1952 and was stationed at Millington Aviation Electronics, where he met and married Janis "Footsie" Weiner. Mr. Weiner was preceded in death by his parents, Alex and Rose Weiner, and his beloved wife of 56 years, Footsie. He is survived by his daughters, Dr. Sheri Weiner (Sonny Farmer), Lisa Perlen (Arthur) and Marcy Seligstein (Sidney); granddaughters Alison Shindledecker (Chuck), Andrea Kirshner, Whitney Perlen and Rachel Seligstein; and other relatives and friends.

... to the family of **Lena Levy Pritikin**, 91, who died on April 8. Mrs. Pritikin was preceded in death by her husband, Leslie Pritikin; son, Edward Pritikin; parents, Tessie and Abe Levy; and brother, Leonard Levy. She is survived by daughters, Naomi Pritikin and Debbie Richter (Ira); grandchildren, Jaime Glazerman (Rich), Erinne Richter and Michael Richter; great-grandchild, Hannah Glazerman; sisters, Beatrice Gavant and Dorothy Dubrow (Reuben).

... to the family of **Marvin L. (Buddy) Jacobs**, who died April 4 in New Orleans at 83. Buddy was born in Nashville, graduated from Hillsboro High School, attended Peabody College and moved to New Orleans in 1955, where he worked with a restaurant chain, in real estate and in financial management. He was a past president of The Jewish Federation of New Orleans and Touro Synagogue. He was preceded in death by parents, Elizabeth and Julius Jacobs, and

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brother, Donald Jacobs. Mr. Jacobs is survived by his beloved wife, Dorothy Singer Jacobs of New Orleans; daughters, Elizabeth Rubenstein of St. Louis and Barbara Aland (Jack) of Birmingham; son, Andrew Jacobs (Carmen) of New Orleans; 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He is also survived by his sister, Sylvia Shepard and brother, Dr. Kenneth Jacobs (Ellen), of Nashville.

... to the family of **Dorothy Schiffman Kottler**, 94, of Nashville, who passed away peacefully at home on April 2. She is survived by her husband, Julian, of 72 years; their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends. A celebration of her life is planned by her family.

... to the family of **Carrol Duane Kilgore**, of Franklin, who died at age 86 on March 26. Mr. Kilgore was preceded in death by his parents, Pearce and Veta Kilgore; brother, Don Killgore; nephew, David Killgore. Survived by his wife of 59 years, Hilda Kilgore; children, Laura Sparer (Arthur), Roger Kilgore, Shirley Stubblefield (Mark) and Jen Coriell; seven grandchildren, and a nephew. Mr. Kilgore served in the Navy Pacific Theater in World War II. He graduated from Vanderbilt Law School and practiced law for more than 60 years in Nashville.

... to the family of **Erik Monroe Blumenfeld**, 30, of Nashville, who died suddenly on March 20 while at work. He worked in advertising in Dallas and Phoenix, Ariz., and then moved to Nashville to work in the country music industry as chief executive of OT Entertainment and director of new business at Spin Doctors Music Group. Survivors include Erik's mother and stepfather, Anna and Evan Marr Fogelman, brother, Cole A. Blumenfeld, sister-in-law, Shara Burnham, grandparents, Jennie and Monroe Knight, Marilyn Marr Klepak and Dr. and Mrs. M.J. Fogelman, aunts, uncles and cousins and girlfriend,

Brinn Black. He was preceded in death by his father, Peter S. Blumenfeld.

... to the family of **Linda Marie Davenport**, who died in March. She is survived by her daughter, Chaya Leah Laudon.

... to the family of **Jacqueline Sonia Green Lapidus**, who died at her home in Naples, Fla., on March 25. Her family had just been with her to celebrate her birthday and her life. Jacqueline was born on March 24, 1928 in Auckland, New Zealand. In 1942, when Jacqueline was 14, her father, Sidney, brought two American GIs to their home for dinner. One of these soldiers, S. Leon Lapidus, became her husband in 1951, and together they lived in Bowling Green, Ky., for almost 49 years. She is survived by her children, Susan Lapidus Katz (Stanley) of Dayton, Ohio, and Douglas Lapidus of Dallas, Tex.; by her grandchildren, Lauren Katz Madera (John), Ross Katz (Terri Donofrio), and Cydney Lapidus; and by many beloved nieces and nephews here and in Australia.

... to the family of **Yankel Naftalovic (Yaakov ben Reuven)**, who died at his home in Hadera, Israel, on March 27. He is the brother of David Naft of Nashville.

... to the family of **David Spear**, who died on February 21 at the age of 95. Preceding him in death were his parents, Sarah and Harry; a brother, Isadore, who died in childhood; Hilda Joy Spear, his loving wife of 67 years; his sister Rose; and his sister and brother-in-law, Charlotte and Jack Solomon. Survivors include his daughters, Judy Johnson of New Jersey and Harriet Spear of Nashville; his son, Alan Spear (Beverly); a granddaughter, nephew, nieces, and many other relatives and friends.

... to the family of **Henry Feingold**, who died on January 12 at age 95. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Feingold; daughter, Sheila Schwartz of Nashville; grandson, Mark Schwartz (Rachael); and great-granddaughter, Sophie Schwartz. Expression of sympathy may go to Congregation Adath Jeshurun.

around the town

CommunityNashville lauds Werthan, Poster

Bernard Werthan Jr. and Avi Poster will be honored at the 2013 Human Relations Award Dinner organized by CommunityNashville. The event will take place on May 23 at Loews Vanderbilt Plaza, with cocktails at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7.

Werthan will be recognized for his leadership role in the fight for human rights. A founding board member of Nashville Opportunities Industrialization Center, Werthan has helped others realize their potential for professional, educational, and personal success.

The other Human Relations Award honorees are Father Joe Pat Breen, pastor of St. Edward parish; Iris Buhl, an educator who has worked with the Metro Human Relations Commission and other civic groups; and Judge Richard Dinkins, who serves on the Tennessee Court of Appeals.

Poster and Tom Negri will receive the Peggy Steine Memorial Award for Human Rights Collaboration.

Federation matching grant for Akiva

The Jewish Federation of Nashville and Middle Tennessee has offered Akiva School a dollar-for-dollar matching grant up to a total of \$25,000 against each new or increased gift to the school between now and the end of June.

Akiva is asking for support in raising the full \$25,000 and thanks the Federation for this opportunity.

Please go to www.akivanashville.net/ giving or call (615) 356-1880 to make your gift, and please share this information with your family and friends who also appreciate the outstanding education Akiva offers our children.

Sherith recognized for inclusion

Congregation Sherith Israel is one of 30 synagogues across the country to receive an Inclusive Synagogue Award from Yachad, the flagship program of the Orthodox Union's National Jewish Council for Disabilities. The award recognizes congregations that have increased inclusion of people with disabilities. Sherith was the only Tennessee congregation recognized.

The awards were given to congregations based on their responses to an inclusion survey developed and distributed by organizers of North American Inclusion Month, which takes place in February.

B'nai B'rith plans interfaith evening

The Cohens & the Kelleys 43rd annual interfaith evening, sponsored by B'nai B'rith Maimonides Lodge #46, will take place on Tuesday, May 28 at the Temple beginning at 6 p.m. with social hour and buffet dinner by Goldie. Following dinner, speaker Adam Dread, will present "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happy Hour." Dread, an attorney, has served on the Metro Council and has been a radio host and stand-up comedian.

The community is invited. For more information on price of meal and reservations, contact Stanley Frank at 292-7872.

Temple events

On May 5, the Temple will hold a blood drive from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. To sign up, contact Betsy Davis 615-767-7084

On May 10, the Temple will hold a Union Prayer Book Late Service honoring our Temple Sisterhood at 7:30 p.m.

PBS to air special on Mel Brooks

"Mel Brooks: Make a Noise" airs Monday, May 20 on WNPT, Nashville's local PBS station. The 90-minute documentary is part of PBS' American Masters series. The film spans Brooks' career in show business and includes new interviews with Brooks, Nathan Lane, Cloris Leachman, Carl Reiner, Joan Rivers and more. Brooks, now 86, has logged 60-plus years in show business. His credits include the TV comedy "Get Smart," and the films "The Producers," "Blazing Saddles" and "Young Frankenstein."

"Mel Brooks: Make a Noise" will be shown on WNPT's regular channel 8 on May 20 at 8 p.m. Additional airings are on NPT2, 8.2, on Wednesday, May 22 at 8 a.m. and on May 23 at 1 p.m. Please check TV schedules for any late changes.

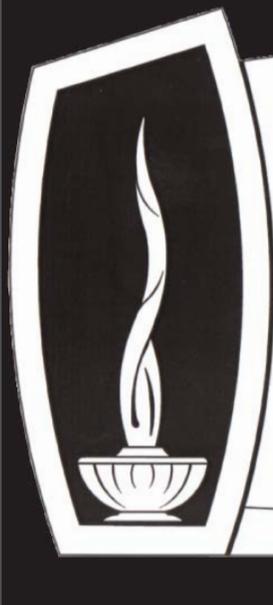
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- Enlightening meetings with top leaders and experts on Israel
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