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JSS is our community's front line agency serving vulnerable populations. The ongoing financial crisis has hit the Hamilton Jewish community hard. More and more people are turning to JSS for assistance in finding new jobs, meeting mortgage and rent payments and for crisis financial assistance after their unemployment runs out. More UJA dollars would go a long way toward providing the safety net that our most vulnerable require...especially those with young children.

Beth Tikvah Foundation

Beth Tikvah Foundation provides 24 hour residential care for individuals with developmental disabilities. Beth Tikvah is seriously understaffed. More UJA dollars would strengthen administrative support and allow the agency to bring on the specialized staff required to assist residents to get out more and participate in the life of the Jewish community. There may be others in Hamilton and the surrounding community that would benefit from Beth Tikvah services. More UJA dollars would provide the support required to conduct a needs assessment to determine if it can expand its client base.

McMaster Jewish Students Association

Everyone is aware that McMaster University has emerged as a "front-line" campus in the struggle for Israel advocacy. More UJA dollars would result in better pro-Israel programs delivered with greater frequency. McMaster University has generated an impressive list of Jewish alumni. More UJA dollars would support the creation of a McMaster JSA alumni program. The most direct way to grow the Hamilton Jewish community is

UJA Campaign 2010 THE AGENCY CASE FOR GIVING

United Jewish Appeal is proud to announce the launch of **Campaign 2010**, its annual campaign to support the operational budgets of its beneficiary agencies. **Because we want every member of our community to understand why support of the United Jewish Appeal Annual Campaign is so vital to our community, we asked our beneficiaries to answer the question of what they could do with additional UJA dollars raised. Here's what some of them had to say:**

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to encourage McMaster graduate students to remain in Hamilton after graduation. More UJA dollars would support the creation of a "Grow Jewish Hamilton" project right on campus.

HHA & Kehila

Both of our Jewish day schools seriously struggle to make ends meet. More UJA dollars directed for bursaries would attract more students into the schools and help to retain those already enrolled. More UJA dollars would also provide support for students with special needs and provide substantial professional development for teachers.

Beth Jacob and Temple Supplementary Schools

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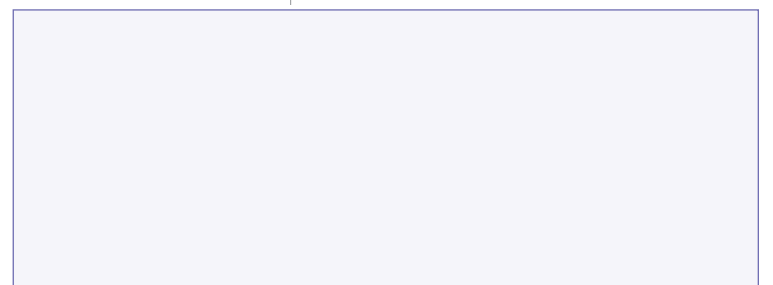
Midrasha

The Midrasha Hamilton Hebrew High School program offers many credit courses and sustains the Jewish Culture Club at Highland Secondary School. The Midrasha budget also provides support to families transporting their children to Toronto Jewish High Schools. More UJA dollars would offset transportation costs, encouraging more families to remain in Hamilton rather than move to Toronto for their children's Jewish education.

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Jewish Community Centre

Every successful JCC has programs built around teenagers and young adults. More UJA dollars would provide support for the establishment of a teen leadership program that would include young people from across the entire community. More UJA dollars would provide support for the establishment of outreach programs to university and post university populations.

UJA Federation

The success of the communal enterprise is carried primarily on the shoulders of our valued volunteers. More UJA dollars would allow us to establish a sustainable leadership development program for the benefit of every agency in the community. More UJA dollars would allow us to devote more resources to Israel advocacy and Holocaust education. More UJA dollars would allow us to replace our old and unserviceable computers with up to date technology.

National Agencies

Canada Israel Committee and Canadian Jewish Congress are the front line agencies addressing the serious problems of growing

UJA Campaign 2010

THE AGENCY CASE FOR GIVING

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And don't forget those vulnerable Jewish communities around the world that depend on UJA support. Medical clinics in Addis Ababa, soup kitchens in Kiev, Jewish schools in Baku, community centers in Moldova and beyond have only one source of support to turn to... and that's us – through your UJA dollars.

antisemitism and anti-Israel invective in Canada. They exist entirely on UJA dollars. The Institute for National Jewish Campus Life is the one organization working on campuses across the country to strengthen Jewish identity and to advocate for Israel. There are never enough UJA dollars to meet these needs. More UJA dollars devoted to these matters makes Canada a better place for everyone.

Israel and Global Needs

Our traditional support for Israel has rescued more people in danger, reunited more families and breathed new hope into more lives than any other initiative in the history of the world. More than 3,000 new immigrants from Ethiopia, the entire remnant of the Jewish community in Yemen and thousands more from the FSU, France and South America are moving to Israel this year. More UJA dollars means more support for immigration and absorption, more dollars for education and job training, better housing and medical care, better support to victims of terrorism. More UJA dollars also mean better intervention into the lives of the vulnerable, better education and social services, greater safety and a stronger Jewish state.

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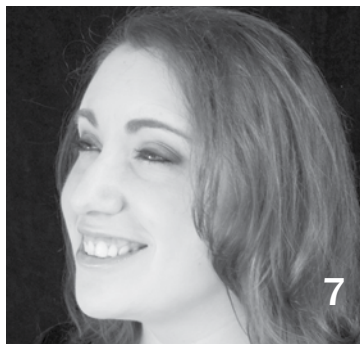
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PICTURED ABOVE: Tanya, Hillary and Emily Schneider visit backstage with Hamilton's own Caissie Levy, who is currently playing the role of Sheila in Hair at the Al Hirschfeld Theatre on Broadway.



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Christian Friends to Repeat Shechafim School Fundraiser

In a genuine expression of love of Israel and the Jewish people, a local group of Christian Friends are organizing a fundraiser on behalf of the Shechafim Regional Rehabilitation School in northern Israel. This is the 2nd time that the group has organized such an event. Last September's initial event raised over \$14,000 to assist some of Israel's most vulnerable children.



Christine Williams

The October 20th event, taking place at the headquarters of Christian Crossroads Communication in Burlington, is being planned by Bob and Sandy Maton of Ancaster with significant input from many others including Phyllis Eason.

Featured speakers include Rabbi Bernard Baskin, 100 Huntley St. founder David Mainse and Christians for Israel Canada President Rev. John Tweedie. The event master of Ceremonies will be Christine Williams. Williams is the host and producer of the very popular "On the Line," daily talk show on the CTS network. "A Touch of Klez," our hometown klezmer ensemble has been asked to return to provide entertainment.

UJA Federation Past President Dr. David Somer gave the

"go-ahead" to the initial program and also spoke at last year's event. At that time, he referenced the long road that Christians and Jews need to walk toward a relationship of peace, understanding and reconciliation. "Helping children at the school and bringing the Christian and Jewish communities together in common causes are acts of holiness and deserve our full support."

The entire community is invited to the event. Kosher food will be available. For tickets and more information, please contact Julie Dembe at the UJA Federation office at 905-648-0605 x304.

the YAD report

If you're between 23 - 45 YAD is your opportunity to meet new people, volunteer your time and develop your leadership skills.



PICTURED ABOVE: Hamilton's first YAD Executive - Back row, from left to right, Barry Yellin, Annie Shinehoft, Yael Resnick DeMarco, Mario Stolar, Yadim Gershkovich; Front row, from left to right, Julie Dembe and Lauren Mark; Absent: Dora-Ann Cohen.

YAD Hamilton invites all members of the Jewish community ages 23-45 and their partners to Schmooze at our Pre-High Holy Days social event "Party Like It's 5770" Join us at the Gown and Gavel (upstairs) in Hess Village on Thursday, September 10th at 7:30 p.m. Kosher munchies provided. Cash Bar.

Hold the date for the much anticipated "Fire and Ice" - Saturday, November 14th, 7:30 p.m. at the Dundas Granite Curling Club - you won't want to miss it!

Want to go to CUBA in January? Spaces are still available for YAD's Tikkun Olam Coast to Coast's Mission to Cuba, January 26 - 31, 2010. Interested in being a leader in our community? Want to enhance your leadership skills? YAD's Leadership Development Program 2009/10 monthly sessions begin in November. Space is limited, so don't delay...

For more information on these and other upcoming events, please contact Elaine Levine at elevine@jewishhamilton.org or 905-627-9922 Ext. 24. You can join YAD Hamilton on Facebook or at www.jewishhamilton.org.

Our Apologies

UJA Federation apologizes for the oversight of inadvertently leaving out the name of Bert Frankel in the list of donors to last year's UJA Campaign



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Job Club

The Hamilton Jewish Social Services has sponsored a Job Club. Since its first gathering in May three people have found full time jobs either in their field or very close to their field. Among the issues discussed at its meetings are interviewing techniques, retraining opportunities, how to get government grants and networking ideas. Group discussions are facilitated by Jack Leon, a vocational guidance counselor on staff at Mohawk college. Jack will also meet with people on an individual basis to guide them in their re-employment. For more information call Carol Krames at 905-627-9922 ex 21 or email Carolkramesjss@hotmail.com.

Theatre Club

The 2009 Season has been most successful, with every trip a full bus. Join us at the following two remaining shows of the season: *A Funny thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* in Stratford on Wednesday October 28. Cost is \$72, including transportation and *Brighton Beach Memoirs* at The Toronto Centre for the Arts on Wednesday, November 11, 2009. Cost is \$48, including transportation. The bus for both shows leaves from Fortino's at 10:15 am. Call 905-627-9922 ex 25 or email lillianh@bellnet.ca for more information.

Reparations

A commission has been set up in France to help victims and their families whose assets were confiscated during WW11, to determine appropriate reparation and restitution on a case-by case basis. To find out if you qualify call 33 1 56 52 85 48, visit www.civs.gouv.fr or email webmestre@civs.gouv.fr; All claims will take 24 months to process.

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MCMASTER JEWISH STUDENT ASSOCIATION

ANNA KOS

Some say that alone we are only one drop, but all together we make an ocean. That can definitely be said about this year's McMaster Jewish Students Association. The concept of extensive teamwork carries over from the overall theme of the JSA – we are one family. Our family has increased in size with joining of new students we have close to 300 people on our email list alone.

This year there will be a few shifts within the JSA. After spending over a month in Israel this summer, Jewish learning and values has become much more important to me. After discussing the year with my new executive we all concluded that it is time to bring the JSA back to what it should be: a cultural/religious club. The intention is to have each of our events to incorporate something from Judaism. Years spent in university determine the direction in which students will follow as they go into their adult life. By instilling more "Jewishness" into all of our events our goal is to have more proud and spiritual Jewish students.

To make all of this happen, the JSA executive for 2009-2010 encompasses some new and old faces. Ariel Hendin, who has been on the board for three consecutive years, will return as the Vice President. The JSA is extremely blessed to have her on this year in a much larger role as we try to change the direction for the years to come. Vice President Administration is being taken over by



Anna Kos, president of the McMaster JSA (left) with Ariel Hendin, incoming vice-president.

Sarah Levitt, whose involvement in various other clubs and groups makes her a valuable asset to our team. Dustin Shulman is returning as the Cultural/Religious Chair. Last year he did an outstanding job and the Jewish students on campus voted him in to come back for another term. Last year Ariela Rozenek joined the JSA family as one of the first year representatives; this year her dedication to the JSA is clear as she takes on the role of Social Chair. She will be joined by Perri Maxwell. Perri was the backbone in organizing our first formal last year, in which she has gained our confidence that this year's social programming will be a success. Leanna Katz will be our new Interfaith Chair. Reaching out to other clubs on campus is one of our key goals this year so she is sure to have her hands full with many fantastic events. Ben Wiegner, a second year engineering student,

will be taking over Ron Levitin's job as Israel Affairs. Ben is ready to tackle any issues that may arise on campus and has a deep passion for Jewish culture. Last, but not least, Adira Winegust is our new Social Action chair.

Although we have a busy year ahead of us, our partnership with Israel On Campus (IOC) will not waver. Together with the IOC, led by Rebecca Cherniak for the second year, the JSA will work diligently to ensure Jewish students at McMaster University will have a safe and peaceful year. All of our hard work would not be possible without the support of the community in Hamilton. On behalf of the JSA, we thank the community and the UJA Federation of Hamilton for all of your support. We hope to continue on this strong relationship in the upcoming year. Wishing you all shana tova umetukah from the Jewish Students Association.

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HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK

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UJA Federation of Hamilton will hold its 4th Annual Holocaust Education Week, Kristallnacht Commemoration, **November 1 - 9, 2009**. We have three exciting and inspiring programs planned for this nationally (internationally) observed week of Holocaust education and commemoration.

Sunday, November 1, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at Temple Anshe Sholom
215 Cline Avenue North, Hamilton, ON L8S 4A1

René and I (Documentary)

This courageous documentary tells the story of Irene and her twin brother René, Czech Jews sent to Auschwitz at age six. The siblings survived three years in the camp, where they were they were among the 3,000 twins experimented on by Josef Mengele and other Nazi doctors. A true tale of miraculous chance encounters, high-risk rescue, a dramatic reunion as the iron curtain is shutting closed, and incredible lives forged from Auschwitz to America. René and I, two resilient souls who triumphed over inhumane circumstances with their emotional selves intact.

Thursday, November 5, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at Lincoln Alexander Centre
Crowne Plaza Hamilton, 150 King Street East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1B2
Co-sponsoring Organization(s): Cinema Insieme, Art Gallery of Hamilton, Crowne Plaza Hotel

The Garden of the Finzi-Continis (Film)

Adapted from Giorgio Bassani's 1962 semi-autobiographical novel, which chronicles the gradual disintegration of the Jewish community living in Italy at the beginning of World War II. As Fascist persecution of the Jews escalates from the onset of Benito Mussolini's antisemitic edicts in 1938 to the mass arrests and deportations in 1943, the wealthy Finzi-Contini family open their lush gardens to the persecuted friends of their daughter, Micol, and their son, Alberto. It is through the eyes of one of these friends – a middle-class, Jewish-Italian student named Giorgio – that the story of unrequited love, set in tragic historic times, unfolds. Italian with English subtitles

Monday, November 9, 2009, 7:30 p.m. at Adas Israel Synagogue
125 Cline Avenue South, Hamilton, ON L8S 1X2

Kristallnacht Commemoration

The community commemoration of the 71st anniversary of Kristallnacht will include a special screening of the documentary, All Jews Out. This compelling documentary traces the story of the German-Jewish Auerbacher family of Goppingen, Germany from 1933 through 1945. This captivating film begins with home movies of the family in the 1930s and follows Inge Auerbacher from her home town to her deportation to Theresienstadt, where she suffered for 3 1/2 years and was among the 100 children who survived. German with English subtitles.

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April 7-21, 2010

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Who: Grades 10, 11 and 12 Students and their parents

When: Monday, September 14th at 7:30 p.m.

Where: Temple Anshe Sholom (Mandell Auditorium)
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Speakers: Students from the 2008 March of the Living

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Shuls celebrate influx of creative talent

Three community synagogues fill key positions at respective schools

WENDY SCHNEIDER

Beth Jacob Synagogue, Temple Anshe Sholom and the Adas Israel are ushering in the new year by welcoming new Cantor-Educators to their respective institutions. Coincidentally, both synagogues have chosen individuals whose backgrounds in theatre are likely to result in a surge of creative activity.

Eyal Bitton brings 20 years of experience in synagogue music to his new role at Beth Jacob. As a child he sang in the choir at Montreal's Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, and from the age of 18, when he was hired as that synagogue's choir director,



Eyal Bitton

he was already arranging and composing music. "I always loved Jewish music," he said referring to those early years when he also worked with a number of community choirs, while at the same time trying his hand at creating pop and rock music demos.

In 2003, Bitton moved to Toronto when he was hired by Beth Tikvah Synagogue as its musical director to replace the late Srul Irving Glick. Working with Beth Tikvah's semi-professional choir provided Bitton with a fertile ground on which to build his skills as both arranger and composer. He dedicated his off hours to writing oratorios and musical productions based on biblical themes; these have been produced in Montreal, Toronto, Connecticut, Hong Kong, and Savannah, Georgia. In fact, it was at an audition for one of his shows that Bitton met his wife, actress and singer, Michele Tredger.

Bitton said that he sought out the cantor/educator position at Beth Jacob because, "Everything I do is about imparting my passion for Judaism to others. Being a cantor would offer me a chance to have a greater impact on the synagogue service." He says that Beth Jacob members can expect to hear a mix of Ashkenazi and Sephardic traditional music as well as his own compositions in his prayers; his goal is to make the synagogue "a singing congregation." "I don't see my job as a performance," he said, adding, "What you'll see in services is creativity and innovation and what you will see in the school will be creativity and innovation." Bitton invites parents who are interested in enrolling their children in Beth Jacob's Hebrew school to contact him at 905-522-1351, ext 18.

Rebecca Moses comes to the Temple as a recent graduate of a five year program at Hebrew Union College's School of Sacred Music. Moses described her path to becoming a cantor as having



Cantor Rebecca Moses joins the Temple

originated with her love of teaching religious school, an activity that she began when she was 13. She is also passionate about theatre; she began as a child actor and through the years, she has continued her involvement by acting and stage-managing for children's theatre. The joy she has found in "bringing things to life for kids through story telling and music" is exactly what attracted her to the position of cantor and educator where "that's what you get to do."

Reflecting on her past experiences, Moses found particular fulfillment when working with a theatre group in San Antonio, Texas that was dedicated to bringing the arts to under privileged children. "San Antonio has some extremely impoverished children," she said. "To be able to bring live theatre to children who had never seen anything other than TV...was really exciting."

Moses hopes that her creative energy will be a source of inspiration to her new employer and says she has "a lot of ideas running around in my head" that she hopes to try out. She is particularly grateful for the encouragement from her predecessor, Laura Wolfson. "I am incredibly lucky that she is going to be a member of the community," she said, adding that she plans to call on her frequently to brainstorm and "ask questions of someone else who has quite literally been in the same chair." Moses received an equally warm welcome from both Rabbi Cohen, with whom she is very excited to work, and Rabbi Baskin. For information about Temple Anshe Sholom's religious school, call Rebecca Moses at 905-528-0121, ext 2.

The Hamilton Hebrew Academy also finds itself in the position of welcoming a

newcomer to its staff, but in this case, it would be more accurate to say, "returning staff" as Golan Amar returns to Hamilton. Golan and Limor Amar first came to the Academy as shlichim (emissaries from Israel) in 2005 for a three-year term. During that period Golan Amar's creativity with youth programming and musical talents had a significant impact on the school - Amar founded the HHA children's choir, whose performances were met with great acclaim. When the Amars and their six children returned to Israel in the summer of 2008 there was a sense of sadness among the many folks whose lives they had touched. But this past August, the



Golan Amar

Amars have returned to Hamilton to pick up where they left off: Both the Amars will be teaching at the HHA and Golan will run the synagogue's youth programs.

"It was an amazing year in Israel," said Amar, "but Rabbi Green really wanted us to come back... It is a very hard decision to leave your country, your family, your friends, but we knew that we were going to a beautiful place, to a warm and creative community, with amazing people so it made our decision a little easier."

The Amars see their decision to return to Hamilton as a kind of higher calling, and said they were guided by the desire to serve. "As long as a place needs services that I can offer, I'll be there and for me it doesn't matter where... If God gives you some talent, you need to offer it out, inspire others and not just to keep it for yourself."

With such an abundance of creative talent and passion operating at full tilt at all three synagogues, the appropriate response can only be, "Hold on to your seats!"

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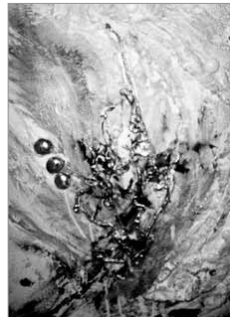
They live among us... talented men and women who spend their leisure time creating art because that is what they love to do. Below the HJN showcases the work of 14 individuals from our community who choose to express themselves through the arts. We know there are more like them and we salute you all.

rhodakatz - drawing & painting



I am indeed fortunate to have inherited some of the drawing and artistic talents of my late father who was a well known architect in Toronto. After graduating from the Ontario College of Art & Design, I married and had three children, and continued taking classes at Dundas Valley School of Art. I also took many classes in the U.S., mainly in California from well known American artists. My favourite subjects have always been life drawing and still life in pencil, pastel, and watercolour. I have exhibited in numerous juried shows and have accumulated a significant number of awards which include First Place, Best of Show, cash and purchase

robin zilberg - painting



In my work I take the familiar and explore the extraordinary and sacred. It's a chance to express, to control, to harness the explosion of self and stretch beyond the materials' original purpose. My pieces are inspired by light, life, dreams and the neshama. When we moved to Hamilton from Kensington Market I found myself in an explosion of pure delight in the spirit of this community. My mother, Gail Nagley and my grandfather, Sydney Nagley were artists, as are many in my family. When, at a young age, I used to go visit my grandfather, I would sit for hours drawing on the walls. There I would immerse myself in self expression, searching for a way to fit into this world. When I discovered Hamilton's Jewish community, I found where I belonged deep in the heart of Judaism.

rebekah price - jewellery design



I was born and raised in Los Angeles. In 1999, I attended the Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT, New York). During my time in New York, I worked as the personal assistant to designer Elie Tahari. I moved to Toronto in 2000, and began working privately as an image consultant and as the Womens Wear Visual Display Specialist for the Hudson's Bay Company in Sherway Gardens Mall. In 2002, I moved to Hamilton and I am currently raising three amazing children. This collection of jewelry combines two of my favorite motifs, retro and modern. It is a celebration of my love for vivid colors and the fabulous reflections of these high quality crystals. Each piece I design is hand made, carrying with it a special story. What makes my collection so unique is that you can wear your piece from a daytime function, through to a perfect night on the town. You can also customize your color preference for special occasions- even your wedding day. I invite you to view some favorites from my collection at www.rebekahprice.com to experience that which is unique, yet ever so classic.

samantha berlin - photography



Samantha Berlin is a local artist, who resides in Dundas with her husband, two daughters, four cats and two dogs. Samantha loves her family, the children that she teaches and taking photographs. Beauty and the serenity of life is a recurring theme in Samantha's photography. Samantha predominantly takes photographs of statues, flowers and flowing water.

mike sher - photography



Mike Sher was born in Russia. He moved to Hamilton when he arrived Canada in 1980. He spends much of his time creating works that adorn the walls of Hamilton Jewish Social Services.

marilyn levy - custom-embroidered judaica



Marilyn Levy, the TALLITmaaven, uses texture through embroidery, colour, beading and spectacular fabrics to express the beauty of Jewish Life Cycle events as well as Holy Days and Shabbat. "Hiddur Mitzvah", embellishing the mitzvah, can make even the most frequently practiced "mitzvoth" feel special, every time they are performed. Custom Judaica to mark celebrations are a unique way to both heighten the meaning of events and also serve as reminders after they have passed. Custom "kipot", "tallitot", "chuppot", "torah mantles", "challah covers", personalized tablecloths are all practical and striking ways to ensure that these events are personal and meaningful. A longstanding member of Toronto's Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Textile Artists, her work has been commissioned by individuals across Canada, the United States and around the world. Selections of her work can be found at www.levyjudaica.homestead.com. For more information, contact Marilyn through tallitmaaven@cogeco.ca.

dafna bener - jewelry design



I was born in Israel in 1972 and lived in Istanbul from the ages of 3 through 22. I made Aliyah to Israel in 1994 and moved to Canada five years ago. I studied physiotherapy in Turkey and received a Masters of Science in Neurobiology in Israel. I started to do beading around high school and renewed my interest in it over the last four to five years. I currently work as a physiotherapist.

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ilana fein - creative handknits & children's clothing



I love to create unique, handmade items with yarn and fabric paints. My favourite types of yarn include organic cottons, super soft cottons/ acrylics and cashmerino. My technique was refined over the years and my creativity came to light as I began to design hats, scarves, sweaters, purses, puppets, and more. I was inspired to decorate onesies with handpainted animals and shapes when my daughter was born. My love for knitting and painting children's clothes led me to launch my business, Inspired By Thea. While my designs originated as a children's collection, my vision is for Inspired By Thea to design creative and unique items for the kid in all of us. I now include a collection of youth/ adult handknit scarves and hats ranging from the classic to the fun and funky. I will also custom design items upon request. Inspired By Thea items can be purchased online at www.inspiredbythea.etsy.com or by contacting me directly at inspiredbythea@hotmail.com.

paul roth - photography



I have been an avid photographer for the last 35 years. I shoot portraits, nature, landscapes, under water photography and of course family pictures. I also do all of my own printing. My professional work as an Optometrist has given me a head start on some of the optics involved in photography, but I see my forte as seeking out the soul of a person or scene. I try to capture the essence of my subjects and convey that in a format that suits the theme. I am primarily self taught, although I have taken some workshops on photoshop. My work has received numerous awards at the Hamilton Camera Club.

shelli & mark eisenberg - jewellery design



Shelli and Mark Eisenberg of Delicate Touch Jewellery have been designing and making fine gold and sterling silver jewellery for 35 years. Their award winning rings, necklaces, earrings and brooches feature the finely cut and detailed saw-pierced work that Shelli is noted for. From whimsical to classic, many of their designs include stone inlays or beautifully set coloured gems. They display their jewellery at fine quality craft shows throughout Ontario and also welcome custom commissions, including distinctive wedding rings and diamonds. An array of new designs will be featured at the Dundas Studio Tour, October 3 and 4 at Studio #3 on 132 Melville Street. Visit their website at www.deltouch.com

sari richter - drawing & painting



Sari Richter is entering her fourth year at the Ontario College of Art and Design in Toronto working towards a BFA in Drawing and Painting. Her areas of interest include portraiture, abstraction and especially figure, also dabbling in jewelry making, film editing and murals. Outside school, she spends her time as a note taker for the OCAD Center for Students with Disabilities and has been an Arts, Crafts and Pottery instructor at a children's summer camp. She is currently collaborating with other artists, illustrating a book to be released in 2011.

vladimir gutkin - woodburning



Vladimir Gutkin was born in Russia. As a Geodesist he mapped mountains, forest and desert regions and lectured at Russian universities. In 1991 he made aliyah and in Israel he was employed as a licensed geodesist. Vladimir has lived in Canada since 2007. He spends much of his time creating works of art at Hamilton Jewish Social Services.

tzvia devor - textured art



Through my artwork I wish to honour my Jewish heritage which defines me and is at the core of every decision I make. My three-dimensional textured displays convey a middle eastern tone. The materials I use include: fabric, paper, plastics, polymer clay, glass and wire.

toby snajdman - painting



Toby Snajdman has been painting for 30+ years. In the Hamilton area her work is displayed at "The Gallery on the Bay". Utilizing acrylics, watercolours, pastels, charcoals and ink, Toby paints Judaica themes, collages, still lifes, landscapes and other subjects. As an Expressionist, she paints by vision and inspiration. Toby's work is exhibited in public institutions and private collections. Various articles have been published on her work.

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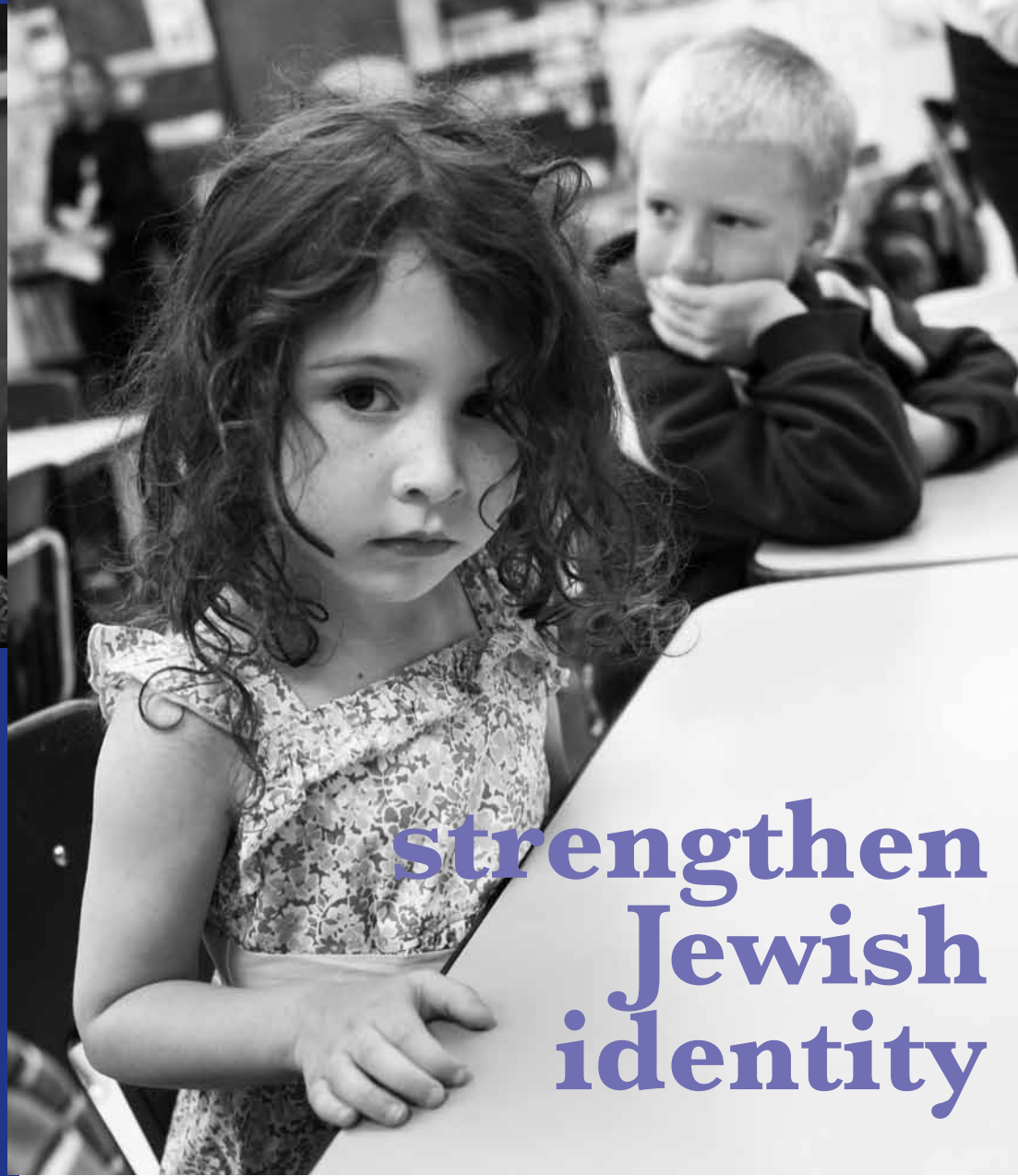
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assist the vulnerable

According to the latest figures available almost one in five of us is living in poverty.

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strengthen Jewish identity

Almost 25% of the children attending Jewish day schools depend on tuition assistance.

We have so many Jewish learning options available in our community to meet a variety of interests and needs. Yet, growing numbers of our youth require subsidies because of the rising costs of Jewish education. Your dollars can subsidize a child's Jewish identity.

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Israel

The fact that I was born in Ethiopia doesn't matter.
I feel the most
Israeli.

We have worked so hard to help the Ethiopian community propel itself forward, and now it is being pushed into the periphery once more. The ramifications of government cuts will cause a serious crisis for this community, and perhaps for the State of Israel as a whole.

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plan for
our future

Most rewarding to me was seeing the impact survivors' testimonies had on the
70+ High School students
who participated in the
Aper Human Rights and
Holocaust Program.

The strength of our community is in its volunteer leadership. We can improve our efforts in Israel Advocacy, Holocaust and Human Rights Education, and Community Planning, if we can provide our volunteer leaders with the training and education tools they need.

Campaign 2010

UJA Federation in conjunction with Barry's Jewellers Ltd. invites you to

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▷CAMP KADIMAH “CAMBERSHIPS”



The famous saying “It takes a Village to raise a child,” is definitely the case when it comes to the Hamilton Jewish community’s relationship to Camp Kadimah. In the last few years, this has become even more evident in the light of a marked increase in requests for camp subsidies.

“The number of requests [for camperships] has definitely risen over the last five years,” said Allan Fein, chair of the Camp Kadimah committee. In previous years, Fein explained, subsidies for camperships came out of an earmarked \$9000 from the camp’s own budget, a practice that was instituted under the leadership of Cindy Kam, the Committee’s past chair. But in the last two years, the camp has had to scramble to find almost double that amount in response to the growing need.

While The Spectator Summer Camp Fund and the JCC’s Sponsor Some Sunshine email campaign have helped to close the gap, UJA Federation funds have made up the difference, making it possible for any family in need to give their child a summer camp experience.

Fein said that that the Camp Kadimah Committee has been working towards streamlining the campership subsidy process “so that it’s fair and equitable for everyone.” He praised both the Federation and the community at large for being “so supportive of Camp Kadimah both financially and in many other ways.”

The Torch is passed...

Lisa Morris chairs UJA Campaign

Exactly 40 years ago, long time community leader and philanthropist Bill Morris chaired the United Jewish Appeal Annual Campaign. With the announcement that his daughter Lisa Morris will serve as Chair of the United Jewish Appeal 2010 Annual Campaign, the torch of leadership in UJA has now been passed to a new generation, both figuratively and literally.



Lisa Morris

Lisa, one of four children of Bill and Eva Morris, has played an increasingly active role in the UJA Campaign for several years. Lisa has served UJA and the Federation in a number of volunteer leadership roles. She has served as the founding Chair of the UJA Ben Gurion Society, as Chair of the Telethon Divisions and as Chair of the UJA Women’s Campaign.

Lisa’s siblings also play important roles in UJA. Sister Lori is a top donor in the UJA Women’s Campaign. Brothers Jay and Randy are each major donors in the Men’s Campaign. Jay and his wife Jessica are taking their first trip together to Israel in September. Their itinerary includes private briefings from Yossi Tanuri, Director General of UJA in Israel as well as from senior members of the IDF.

UJA Federation staff Elaine Levine said, “Lisa brings passion, enthusiasm and a long range vision to making our community the best it can be,” said Levine. “Though a decade of active participation in (YAD) Young Leadership Division conferences, missions and volunteer development opportunities, Lisa has and continues to take on volunteer positions that push her to her greatest potential. Lisa was presented with a National Young Leadership Award of Distinction at the UJA National Young Leadership Conference in Toronto this past May.”

UJA Federation Executive Director Gerald Fisher told the HJN that “Over the past three years, no volunteer has brought greater commitment, greater creativity or greater enthusiasm to the UJA planning table than Lisa Morris. She will make a great UJA Chair.” UJA Federation President Larry Levin encouraged the appointment. “There is nobody at the UJA Campaign Cabinet better qualified to bring the various aspects of the campaign together.” Vice President for Financial Resources Development Shirley Molot shares Larry’s enthusiasm.. “Lisa has been a joy to work with and it has been a privilege to watch her evolve into the self confident senior volunteer she has now become.” Last word, however, goes to dad. Bill Morris wants every to realize “how proud he is of Lisa’s accomplishments and everything she is doing now.” Everyone involved in the campaign feels exactly the same way.

every life has a story

Legacy Endowment Fund launches "Book of Life" Initiative

"As our peoplehood is rooted in shared stories, shared values, shared hopes and fears, we must ensure that the collective memories and stories which help to define us will always be, for us and for our children's children, a source of strength, wisdom, and blessing."

Yitzhak Navon, Fifth President of the State of Israel



UJA Federation's Legacy Endowment Fund is preparing to launch its "Book of Life" initiative, a program dedicated to recording the inspiring stories of donors who have left a legacy for the future through UJA Federation of Hamilton's Legacy Endowment Fund.

When you record your story in the Book of Life you are protecting our most precious possessions: our memories of the past and our hopes for the future. You will have the opportunity to pass on your values and life-experience to those generations whose faces we cannot yet see, and whose name we may never know, so that they too will have a rich legacy to inspire their lives.

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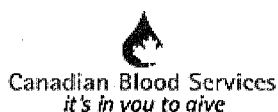
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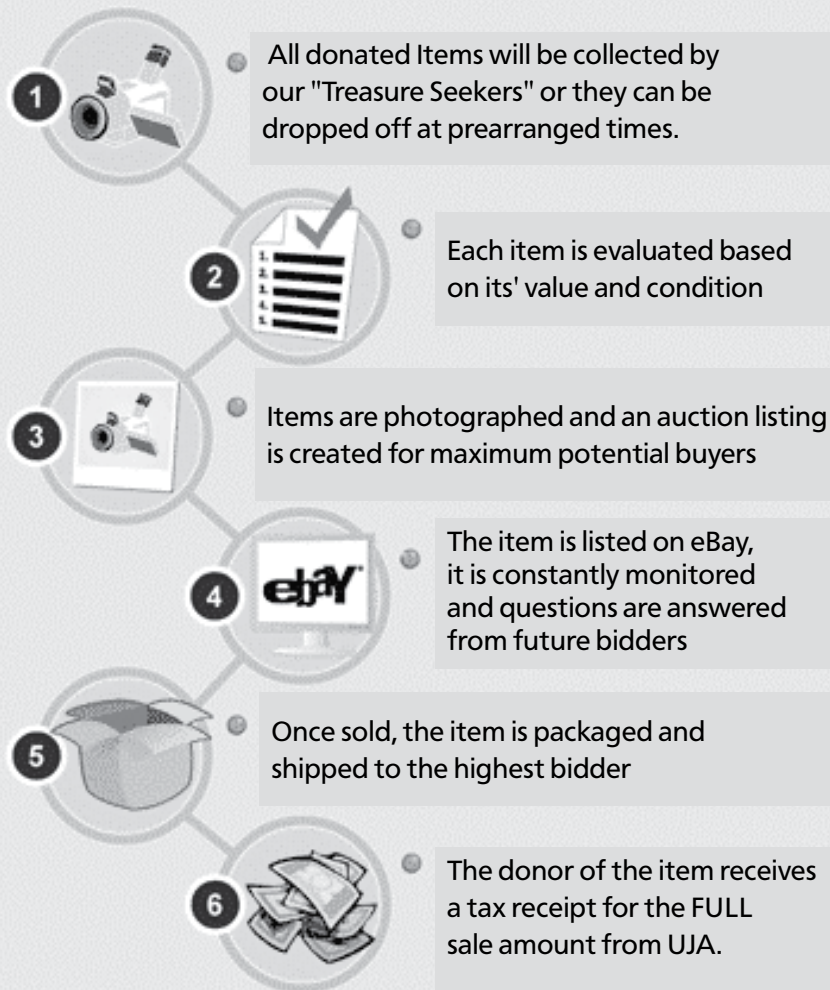
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North America's very first UJA on-line auction is being launched next month! Hamilton Jewish Federation is embarking on an exciting new venture to raise needed funds for the local recipients of Jewish Federation. When asked what inspired such an entrepreneurial endeavour, co-chair Shirley Molot explained, "We're ready for a new approach and a fresh vision for UJA. Not only are we hoping to cover some of the \$75,000.00 shortfall from last year's campaign, but our schools and Jewish Social Services need us now more than ever." Co-Chair, Liz Tick continued, "The concept is as simple as it is progressive. When you donate a treasure to us, you will receive a tax receipt for the full sale amount of the item once it sells online."

The vision of our online auction is exciting in its potential as a sustainable project to help meet the growing needs of our community." So far, our hard working Treasure Seekers have an electrifying line up of treasures waiting to be sold including designer jewellery, fur coats, Royal Doulton glassware and figurines and a games system. Please visit www.jewishhamilton.org online to view a complete list of desirable items that the committee hopes to attain. If you are interested in joining the Seeker Committee or if you have treasures you would like picked up, please contact Denise Calman at 905 627 1447 or Carolyn Molot at 905 635 8051. Please forward all other questions and requests to Sheila Levitt at 905-648-3905.

How Does UJA Treasures Work?



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A growing number of young entrepreneurs and professionals – many of them new to our community – are infusing our city with a burst of positive energy and creative thinking. In each of the next five issues, the HJN will profile individuals who are helping to transform their community into something better.

WENDY SCHNEIDER

It often takes an outsider's perspective to see possibilities that have escaped those on the inside and sometimes change only happens when a newcomer, immune to the same old thinking, steps up to lead the charge. The city of Hamilton's potential was the subject of a conversation that took place early in the summer between fairly recent arrivals from Toronto and the Hamilton Jewish News.

Ilya Pinassi, 33, and Kathy Hollands, 30, moved to Hamilton's South West in December of 2007. Pinassi, who, together with his father, Marik, manages Upper James and Parkway Toyota, finally leapt over the psychological hurdle of moving out of Toronto after years of commuting. The good news is that, despite feeling nostalgic for the rich cultural mosaic of Toronto, they are both happy to be here.

Finding reasons to be hopeful about Hamilton

Hollands, who has a background in design, works as a freelance editor and is employed part time at a city-run recreational centre. During her initial months in Hamilton, she spent much of her free time exploring her Kirkendall Neighbourhood (Aberdeen, Locke Street area) and the downtown core, "seeking out things in the city I could be excited about."

The couple has made the inevitable comparisons between their former High Park neighbourhood in Toronto and their new home, particularly as it relates to the arts community. They were pleasantly surprised to discover that Hamilton has its own burgeoning arts scene, widely accessible through James Street North's Art Crawl and the Pearl Company's Art Bus.

The Art Crawl is an event that takes place on the second Friday evening of every month, where studios, stores, and restaurants on James St. North between Wilson and Barton open their doors to the public. "It's an opportunity to mingle with other people interested in the arts scene," said Hollands. "It's awesome," said Pinassi, adding, "It's a really good, positive thing that will get you excited that downtown can really become something exciting."

The Art Bus goes one step further by bringing guests to the doorsteps of art galleries across the city. In fact, the couple purchased their first piece of art for their new home during an Art Bus excursion.

"If we had been shopping on our own, we would never have found this gallery on Barton Street", said Pinassi, "but the bus

took us there. It was a wonderful gallery showing four or five artists."

Pinassi's interest in the arts comes naturally. The Pinassi family had fled Iran during the 1979 Islamic Revolution,

and after a year-long sojourn in England, arrived in Canada in 1980. During that period his American-born mother, a potter who was trained as a designer, supplemented the family income by designing wedding dresses and children's clothing.

Pinassi grew up in Mississauga and earned an Honours BA in International Development from the University of Guelph. He and Hollands were travelling in Southeast Asia when his father began sending strong signals to come home.

The decision to come home to join the family business was not an easy one, recalled Pinassi, but today he says, "it was a great decision for all of us."

That Pinassi has had an impact on his working environment is immediately evident upon entering the premises at Upper James Toyota where the staff are always friendly and where Pinassi, who has the gift of making whomever he is with feel at ease, is often on the floor greeting customers with his trademark warmth. "I like meeting people," he said. "I like problem solving and I like challenges. That's fun for me." So much fun, that putting long hours in at work is alright by him. Still, he understands the importance of a balanced lifestyle: His weekly routine also includes regular workouts, basketball games, volunteer commitments... and time with his partner.

"I wouldn't be able to do any of the stuff

I do without Kathy helping out in other ways," he said. "I'm healthy mentally and physically because of Katherine. Most importantly she's a sounding board. And she makes me have fun."

Marik and Ilya Pinassi have made a mark not only on their business but on the community in which they live. In addition to Upper James and Parkway Toyota sponsoring the Jewish Hamilton website, they also sponsor a couple of local basketball teams. The younger Pinassi spends winter Monday nights and Sundays coaching and attending their games.

He also sits on a number of committees within the city, including the Chamber of Commerce. He also sits on a Business Development Committee and chairs the recently created Arts and Culture Committee, representing individual artist/entrepreneurs.

Pinassi's passion for creating a vibrant cultural environment in Hamilton is helping to shift perspectives.

"When artists go into an area you're talking about a safe street, garbage collection, suddenly another business might want to be around them and that's when you have something dynamic and then a neighbourhood forms," he said. "I think the city can find an identity through the downtown and I think that will come through artists."

That kind of thinking has already led to some positive developments through Chamber of Commerce for our city. "There's finally been a recognition within the business community that the arts is an important economic sector in Hamilton," he said.

If Pinassi and Hollands are a sign of the kind of young couples that are relocating to Hamilton, the future bodes well. Asked about the source of their motivation to improve the city, Pinassi replied as if stating the obvious.

"Because we live here. Because we want it to be better... How could you not be involved when you have a city like this with so much opportunity?" And how could long-time Hamiltonians not find this to be music to our ears?



Kathy Hollands and Ilya Pinassi relax at their Kirkendale neighbourhood home.

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Goldblatt lecture at Mac

Guest lecturer a scholar on the Dead Sea Scrolls

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The 2009 Lillian and Marvin Goldblatt Lecture in Jewish Studies will bring to McMaster University one of the world's foremost experts in the Dead Sea Scrolls, Professor Lawrence H. Schiffman, to explore what the Dead Sea Scrolls have contributed to our understanding of the Bible and its interpretation. The lecture will be held on October 28, 2009, at 8:00 pm in Convocation Hall, 2nd floor, University Hall.

Dr. "Larry" Schiffman is the Ethel and Irvin A. Edelman Professor Hebrew and Judaic Studies in the Skirball Department of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at New York University. Dr. Schiffman is one of the leading and most prolific scholars in the field of Dead Sea Scrolls studies, the author and editor of more than twenty books and over two hundred articles. He has written in almost every area of DSS scholarship, but is above all a specialist in legal texts, with his first book

on The Halakhah at Qumran (1975) and his most recent on The Courtyard of the House of the Lord: Studies on the Temple Scroll (2008). His 1994 book, Reclaiming the Dead Sea Scrolls: The History of Judaism, The Background of Christianity, the Lost Library of Qumran has been translated into many languages and serves as a comprehensive introduction for the general reader. He was one of the founding editors of the periodical Dead Sea Discoveries (1994) and an editor-in-chief of the Encyclopedia of the Dead Sea Scrolls (2000).

Dr. Schiffman has served in many leadership positions internationally in academic circles, within the Jewish community and in interreligious work. In recent years, he has been president of the Association of Jewish Studies, a visiting professor at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, and was recently elected vice-president of the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultation. Dr. Schiffman will be known to many from his many interviews in the media, where he is much sought after as an expert who can explain and promote the importance of the scrolls for the general public.

We are very pleased to have Dr. Schiffman as the Goldblatt Lecture in this year when there is a major exhibit of the Dead Sea Scrolls at the Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto (until January 3, 2010). Dr. Schiffman will also be speaking at the ROM on Thursday, October 29, on "Israel at the Time of the Dead Sea Scrolls."

The Goldblatt lectures are free and open to the public. Further information is available from Sheryl Dick, dickshe@mcmaster.ca, (905 525 9140, ext. 24567) or Eileen Schuller, Schuller@mcmaster.ca (905 525 9140, ext. 23390).

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UPCOMING EVENTS

THE JEWISH HAMILTON PROJECT

The Jewish Hamilton Project: Remembering Jewish Hamilton, an oral history project created by Wendy Schneider and Billy Shaffir will be launched on Sunday, September 13, 2009 in Goldie's Place at Shalom Village at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Come for an evening of reminiscences about "the way we were". The Jewish Hamilton Project features interviews with Morley Balinson, Rabbi Bernard Baskin, Norman Bennett, Molly Beube, Sam Brownstone, Sonny Caplan, the late Albert Cohen, the late Pearl Cohen, Saul Cohen, Bill Goldberg, the late Dave Goldberg, Gerri Goldberg, Ruth Goldberg, the late Abe Lebow, Wilf Gerofsky, Marvin Goldblatt, Rabbi Morton Green, Paul Hanover, Sam Hebscher, Dave Hoffman, Harry Hotz, Cuppy Katz, Jack Katz, Harold Kudrats, Barbara Laskin, Blanche Levitt, Norm Levitt, Ethel Levy, Minna Loewith, the late Chuck Matchen, Max Mintz, Bill Morris, Jerry Pollock, Edie Rochkin, Ben Sauder, Frank Shapiro, Shannon Shapiro, Esther Shecter, Aaron Shiffman, the late Harriette Smurlick, Molly Ann Schwarcz, the late Bill Stern, Stan Tick, Morris Waxman, Sam Yanover and Helen Yellin. Please RSVP by email to bob@shalomvillage.on.ca or by phone to 905-529-1613m ext 268,

CEREMONIAL OBJECTS FOR THE JEWISH HOME

A special event takes place in London this October, when Congregation Or Shalom presents the Muriel Ginsberg and Esther Wolf Memorial Ceremonial Objects for the Jewish Home Show and Sale. More than sixty artists from across Canada, including a number from London, Toronto and South West Ontario have created original Judaica items for sale, using media ranging from metals such as silver to fabrics, glass, clay and stone. There will also be a Heritage exhibit of items belonging to the Synagogue and to community members and a travelling display of mezzuzoth from the Pomegranate Guild of Toronto. The show takes place from October 22 - 25 at Or Shalom Synagogue, 534 Huron Street (at Adelaide) London. The show will also be open on Friday, October 23, noon to 4 pm, Saturday October 24, 7 pm to 11 pm and Sunday, October 25, noon to 4 pm, admission \$5 for each session. For more information visit www.orshalomjudaica.ca or call 519-672-2298. To request tickets for the Gala Reception, call 519-471-1448.

HONOURABLE MENTSCHEN



Joshua Rodin

Joshua Rodin, 18 years old from Hamilton, after arriving on the second Nefesh B'Nefesh chartered Aliyah flight last July. The flight, which carried

238 people and 55 young men and women joining the army (one being Joshua), was greeted by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Chairman of the Jewish Agency, Natan Sharansky. Since its inception in 2002, Nefesh B'Nefesh has assisted close to 20,000 people fulfill their dream of living in

What an accomplishment!



Pat Morden

Kol Ha'Kavod to Shalom Village's Pat Morden, whose Canadian national team won "every heat and every race" they paddled in at the World Dragon Boat Racing Championships in Prague, bringing home

four gold medals. Morden, who has earned the title "World Champion" trained two years for this event.



Eden is hiding from her husband



Last year, 15,000 cases of domestic abuse were reported in Israel. Eden, a 33-year-old mother of two, was one of those victims.

Now she is turning her life around with the help of the Na'amat Canada Glickman Centre for Family Violence Prevention.

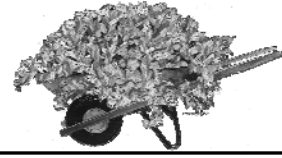
Help Eden to start the New Year off right.

Please give generously.

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Who will you Hustle for?

8th Annual Hannukah Hustle coming November 22nd

EVERYONE CAN HUSTLE!

Grandmothers can hustle, children can hustle, serious runners can hustle, people in wheelchairs can hustle and you can hustle too! People of all ages and abilities can walk, run or roll along the scenic waterfront route to help raise funds for The Club Fitness Centre at Shalom Village. Hustlers can choose from a 1k course, a 5k course or a 10k course. Many Shalom Village residents hustle, some using walkers or wheelchairs. Volunteers are on hand to assist and everyone has a wonderful time enjoying a little active living in the outdoors on a fall day.

OPEN TO ALL

The Club Fitness Centre is open to all individuals over the age of 70. Over 100 people from the community are members as well as more than 200 Shalom Village residents. The specially trained staff develop customized fitness programs for all members based on their abilities and needs. They use specially designed low-impact equipment including Keiser pneumatic weight machines, Neurogym sit-to-stand and bungee walkers and the very popular NuStep recumbent stepper.

92 PERCENT!

A recent mobility study found that 92% of Shalom Village residents participated in some form of physical activity at least twice weekly!

Funds raised at The Hannukah Hustle help cover the operating costs of The Club and allow us to provide low-cost subsidized memberships to seniors in the community. Your support also helps us purchase and maintain the specialized equipment needed to help our members continue to enjoy an active lifestyle into their later years.

YOU CAN HUSTLE!

Many Hannukah Hustle participants "hustle" for a loved one—some hustle for their mother or father, some hustle for their spouse, some hustle for a grandparent and others hustle for a friend. Some hustle for themselves!

Who will you hustle for?

The Hannukah Hustle will take place on November 22nd this year. Please call Joan Ulrich at (905) 529-1613 ext. 231 for more information about hustling or pledging your support to a runner or walker.

The Club has changed Rachel's life

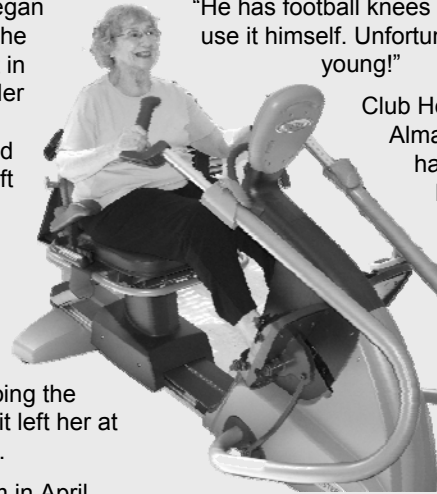
Before Rachel Cobham began working out at The Club, she found it very difficult to get in and out of her son's car. Her son would help lower her into the seat and she would have to sit sideways and lift her legs in one at a time. Getting out was just as challenging.

Rachel's limited mobility was more than an inconvenience. It not only held her back from doing the things she wanted to do—it left her at risk for injuries due to falls.

Since beginning a program in April, focusing on the NuStep recumbent stepper, Rachel has built her strength and mobility to the point that she can now get in and out of a car unassisted.

"My son is amazed," said Rachel. "He can't believe the difference."

Her son was so impressed he visited The Club to see the NuStep for himself.



"He has football knees and would like to use it himself. Unfortunately he is too young!"

Club Head Coach Greg Almas and his team have worked with Rachel to develop a comprehensive plan to help her stay active.

"Rachel comes to The Club 4 times a week," said Greg. "Besides the NuStep, she

participates in yoga, chair dancing and stretching programs."

The NuStep recumbent stepper was purchased through a generous donation to the Possibility Fund at Shalom Village. Rachel's story is a wonderful example of how your support can help Shalom Village and The Club make possibilities possible!



Freda Rosenfeld and Yetta Krakower enjoyed socializing at the 28th Annual Ladies Auxiliary Tea on July 16



Pat Morden, right, pays tribute to long-time volunteer Rochelle Waxman at the 28th Annual Ladies Auxiliary Tea



Gloria Greenspan-Gloyt created this beautiful fruit bowl at Shalom Village's new pottery program

Shalom Village Tribute Cards

Shalom Village will send beautiful tribute cards on your behalf to acknowledge life's milestones and special occasions. Cards are sent directly to the recipient and include your own personal message.

To send a card call (905) 529-1613 ext. 264 or send an e-mail at kathleen@shalomvillage.on.ca.

Funds raised by card sales help us make possibilities possible at Shalom Village. Many of the wonderful things that make home at Shalom special would not be possible without your support.

The following have been honoured by family and friends with a donation to Shalom Village:

In Memory: Brian Gerofsky; Allan Kudlats; Yetta Levy; Ruth Cohen; Rose Tashis; Alfred Oakie; Raye Cohen; Anne Munzer; Chuck Dalfen; Monty Shulman; Miriam Hundert; Pearl Cohen; Ida, Sister of Mr. Scarlet Albright; Mother of Simone Rotstein; Paullie Prupas; Richard Cowan; Harold Morden; Brian Easson; Helen Goldstein; Judith Gluck; Ralph Mayors; Anne Woolfson; Leon Shkolnik; Tina Cathcart; Frank Shaw; Mildred Armburg; Sister of Max Warshofsky; Al Destro; Fanny Davine; Lois Arnold; Haya Marcovitz; Lillian MacFarlane; Eleanor Morrow.

Retirement: Bev Lasky.

Mazel Tov / Congratulations: Mr. & Mrs. Steven Bromberg; Maureen & Jerome Bergart; Faith & Louie Sher; Ruby Berns; Laura Berns LeBreux & Maurice LeBreux; Sid Brown; Susan & Judah Denburg; Sarah Clift; Elaine & Cuppy Katz; Dr. Norman Barwin; Rabbi Aaron & Leslie Selevan; Laurie & Brian Katz; Mr. & Mrs. Lou Shoer; Minna Loewith; Carl & Sandi Loewith; Penny Selevan; Anne Pritchard; Mr. & Mrs. Seymour Rosenfeld; Dr. & Mrs. Richard Rossman.

Happy Birthday: Doris Houston; Freda Hoffman; Lou Kirshenblatt; Leonard Berk; Michael Briks; Magda Muller; Rhonda Ingroff; Carl Lieberman; Joel Yellin.

Thank You: Jim Tokos; Rev. Ken MacDonald; Jack & Barbara Katz.

Anniversary: Mark & Lisa Levy; Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Brown.

Get Well: Joy Rochweg; Stephen Rosen; Terry Wexler; Ann Halpren; Marg Stephens; Esther Alexander; Edith Feldman; Bessie Waxman; Samieth Mintz; Dolly Cohen; Ruth Rottman.

New Home: Helen Katz; Ray Rosenberg; Tom & Amy Katz-Martin & Family.

Shana Tova from Shalom Village



We can send your Rosh Hoshana and all occasion tribute cards from Shalom Village. Card levels are \$10 Donation, \$18 Chai, \$25 Silver, \$36 Double Chai, \$50 Gold and \$100 Platinum. For more information call (905) 529-1613 ext. 264.

Thank You

Thank you to the families of Harold Morden, Fanny Davine and Olga Lichtblau for choosing to honour the memory of their loved ones by requesting donations to Shalom Village in lieu of flowers.

This is a wonderful way to honour a person's memory while helping others at the same time. For more information call (905) 529-1613 ext. 264.



The Jewish Community Centre

▷ CAMP KADIMAH

This summer was one of the best summers ever seen at Camp Kadimah. Even before the snow started to melt Director, Laura Laengerer and Camp Committee Chair, Allan Fein, started planning and organizing camp. The results of their dedication could be seen by the smiles of satisfaction on the faces of parents and campers after each passing week. Our excellent program included day trips to Ontario Science Centre, Adventure Village and Emerald Lake and sailing on the Hamilton waterfront. Our campers also got a feel of the overnight camp experience at Camp Northland and Camp Shalom, where they had the opportunity to go sailing and tubing, do the ropes courses, participate in archery, arts and craft and an Olympics theme day.

Former athletes from the Toronto Marlies and the Hamilton Ti-Cats came to the JCC to teach hockey and football skills respectively. We also had special guests at the JCC to facilitate workshops in baseball, soccer, table tennis and skateboarding.

This summer at camp has been overflowing with fun, excitement and unforgettable moments. We hope the campers had an amazing experience and we wish everyone success in school and during the year.

If you think the campers had fun here's what our staff had to say:

Working at camp Kadimah has been a fun and exciting experience. Not only do I get to play in the sun, but I get to interact with each kid and get to know them. Adam Zur

Camp has brought back many childhood memories... It's been a wonderful summer and I feel like the staff and children have had so many opportunities to learn and teach one another. Hanna Strub

Camp Kadimah has evolved into a fantastic opportunity for kids. Barry Levitt

...Eating lunch outside at picnic tables has really added to the camp atmosphere and parent nights have involved the entire community in the camp experience. Jesse Feldman



Camp Kadimah has altered me in many positive ways. I thank Laura, Steven and Nomi for making camp the best it could be. Alysse Overholt

What I like about Camp Kadimah, is the sense of community one feels with the staff, campers, and parents... Lauren Alvarado

I loved getting to know the kids and making them laugh. Working here has helped me gain many new positive experiences. Samatha O'Connell

My favourite part of camp was establishing long lasting relationships with the campers I took care of. Working at Camp Kadimah has made for one of the most interesting summers I have ever seen. Ben Shakinovsky

I found camp to be very organized and well planned throughout the entirety of the summer. I had an amazing time with the campers and hope that they shared the same experience as me. Geoff Zalzer

Working at Camp Kadimah was great learning experience working with children of all ages and going on overnight trips to northland. I've loved all the staff and I'm so happy with all the friendships I've made. Sam Friedland

Kadimah is a great experience for campers and counsellors alike, and I am glad I was chosen for this position. Mitch Saunders

This was my first summer at Camp Kadimah and I can honestly say that I think it is one of the best jobs a student can find. I learned a lot and continued to develop my leadership skills, and I had fun doing it. Dave Clay



Whether you were a camper or a counsellor, each day was sure to bring new and exciting activities to the camp experience. Can't wait till next year! Eva Dolegowski

▷ BARRY FOSTER GOLF TOURNAMENT

On June 18th over 100 players took to the greens at the Beverly Golf & Country Club in support of the JCC of Hamilton and Beth Tikvah Foundation at the Barry Foster Memorial Golf Tournament. These two agencies have been partners in this event for the past 14 years and beginning in 2006 the tournament committee has also selected two additional beneficiaries to join them in raising funds. For the past few years Hamilton Inner City Hockey and St. Joseph's Healthcare Foundation Cardiac Care Unit have been selected. As always a very special thanks goes out from the staff of the JCC to our volunteers and committee members who dedicated their time and effort towards this years tournament.



Marilyn Foreman, Rosalie Gaffe, Hindy Halpren and Shirley Molot at the Barry Foster Golf Tournament

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Contributors

Larry Goldblatt; Kraft Canada Inc; Peepers - Ralph Orman



Kadimah parents participate in a Science and Nature experiment at a camp Parent's Night.



Laura Laengerer

A word from Laura

When the Board of Directors asked me to take on the role of the camp director I knew that the hours would be incredibly long but that it would be rewarding. This summer at Camp Kadimah was fantastic and I owe it to my assistant directors, Nomi Cuneo and Steven Gwartz and our fantastic staff of 20. Our team was well trained, patient, creative, generous, thoughtful and caring. I have enjoyed their company and I hope to see their smiling faces back again next year. My experience as Camp Director has been incredible and I owe it to the JCC Board of Directors.

Now that summer has come to an end I am preparing for some great programs for the coming year. Our after school programs will be in early November and there will be a great variety to choose from. This year the JCC will offer a BABY GROUP PROGRAM which will be on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This program will begin in October. There will be many more programs offered so be sure to stay tuned!



Joel Feldman

President's Message

I recently had an opportunity to sit down with Larry Levin, the new President of the Federation. Larry has a strong vision for the community and is truly committed to the success of the JCC. The Federation is the fundraising arm of the community and the success of its annual UJA Campaign has a direct impact on all its beneficiary agencies, including the JCC. Because of a shortfall in last year's UJA campaign allocations to beneficiary agencies were drastically reduced. Each of us has an opportunity to impact the nature of our Jewish community by supporting the UJA campaign and the JCC.

Camp Kadimah was once again a tremendous success this summer, thanks to Laura, who has done an exceptional job as camp director. The JCC has recently engaged Allan Fein as a consultant. Allan brings a tremendous amount of knowledge and energy to the JCC. With Allan, Laura and all the staff at the JCC, this should prove to be a dynamic year.

HAMILTON JEWISH MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Hamilton Jewish Middle School (HJMS) was designed to address the unique needs of all Jewish students in grades 6 and 7 in Hamilton & surrounding Jewish communities.

The HJMS is capitalizing on the student's interest & adeptness in technology. The inaugural classes at HJMS will use an online web interface this year. Students will be contributing members and the teacher will serve as site administrator. This web-interface will allow students to check for homework, review power point presentations or other documents posted, and consult the calendar for upcoming events. The web interface is also designed to provide a venue for questions and answers and enable students to carry on classroom discussions out of the class. The conference also offers a safe environment empowering students who are less likely to speak out to be heard. The conference will house details about assignments and projects and their respective

due dates. The site will accommodate rubrics which students can access to understand specific expectations.

Benefits of this shared site include allowing students to focus and participate in classroom discussions and lectures rather than trying to write notes. The web-interface will be a significant benefit to those students who are absent due to illness allowing them to access the homework and some of the day's material online. They can also use the site to ask for other students to help them catch up on what they missed that day. Going online will also help decrease use of paper and allow us to be 'green' and reduce waste. Student's involvement will help demonstrate their web savvy, access online resources, online communication skills and understanding of class material.

With the school already at a magnificent start, we're excited about the Middle School initiative and look forward to ongoing contributions and feedback from our families.

CHABAD LUBAVITCH

Summer's out, school is just beginning, and Chabad Lubavitch is entering its 30th year in Hamilton and serving the Jewish students at McMaster University.

This summer Chabad Lubavitch held a unique Judaic program in Camp Kadimah called "Kids Can Make a Difference". The goal of the program was to show the campers that even as children they can make a difference in their surroundings and have a role in world of Judaism. The campers spent one hour each week with Mrs. Shaina Rosenfeld doing hands-on activities accompanied by discussion of different Jewish values. They made cards for sick children at McMaster Children's Hospital and worked on group co-operation skills.

As we approach the High Holidays, Chabad will once again provide a chance to eat in a sukkah and take the Lulav and Etrog to Jewish students at the local high schools and on campus with our Sukkah Mobile.

Attendance at programs and Shabbat dinners for Jewish students at McMaster has kept growing, with 25 to 45 students

each week. Along with weekly Friday night dinners, BBQs and holiday programs, this year Chabad at Mac is bringing out a Jewish NFL player, a Pastor turned Rabbi and a hands-on Kosher demonstration with Rabbi Pickle. As well, Chabad is launching a new Jewish education program for university students, that includes classes on the weekly Parsha, Jewish practice and traditions and the Jewish perspective on topics relevant to college life.

This year the Beit Menachem-Chabad Jewish Student Centre will be opening a soup corner for McMaster students every weekday evening. Hot, nutritious soups, fresh cookies and drinks, as well as wireless internet access, will transform the Chabad House into a genuine home away from home for Jewish students.

Hold the date on Thursday evening, December 3, when we will mark the third Yahrzeit of the founder of Rabbi Zalman Itkin OBM. Yaakov Parisi, a former pastor and now a rabbinical student, will be the guest speaker. Time and Location TBA.

Cool kids. Hot food.

What more could you ask for?

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From grades 8 through 12

brought to you by Temple Anshe Sholom & Beth Jacob Synagogue
For information call Rebecca Moses at 905-528-0121, ext 2
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An Exciting Reunion

Have fun and reminisce at the 50th anniversary of the Anna Hershcowitz Chapter of Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO. We hope to celebrate this occasion with a reunion in the Spring of 2010. We are starting by inviting ALL members - from our founding in January, 1960 to present day to add your name to our list by calling or emailing your complete address and email to:

- Marcia Halpren - marbill24@hotmail.com
- Sandi Morris - s.morpen@cogeco.ca
- Gloria Wunder - gwunder@rogers.com
- Sharon Pupko - s.pupko@rogers.com

Do you have any pictures, programs or memorabilia from those years? We have a very proud history of success and we hope you will join us to celebrate!

HAMILTON HEBREW ACADEMY

Walking through the halls of the newly renovated HHA preschool, the excitement is tangible. Many of the enthusiastic staff of the preschool worked around the clock this past summer on a new and exciting learning environment that is sure to enhance the educational experience of all our students. We have created four learning environments each with unique features that will enhance the learning experiences of our children in playschool, Nursery, JK & SK. Each classroom has a specialized teacher and because of this restructuring, the children will have the opportunity to be immersed in the innovative atmosphere and environment the teachers have created for their respective specialties.

Gan Gani, is a playschool (pre-nursery) program for children aged 12 months to 3 years. The program creates a warm and nurturing learning environment and encourages active exploration and discovery. The Gan Gani experience is enriched with music, art, and dance, and places a special emphasis on Jewish life. Our newly designed "sleeping room" will address the need of our short-nappers to have play-time without waking up the others.

The goal of our Montessori learning environment is to enable children to discover their innate learning power. The classroom walls are lined with enticing activities to foster curiosity and



HHA offers a wide range of opportunities for pre-school students

a thirst for learning with activities in practical life exercises that instill care for self, for others, and for the environment. The mathematics and sensorial stations, the language learning tools in both English and Hebrew and centres involving geography, biology, botany, and zoology are highlights of the program and further enhance our children's academic skills and inspire a reverence for humanity and all life.

At the Kinder-Gan Jewish life comes alive. The learning environment is infused with the beauty and joy of Jewish living through interactive instruction, dynamic activities, art, song and stories. The curriculum includes Hebrew language, Jewish holidays, Jewish life, prayer, and Israeli cultural components.

Our Early Learning Centre provides a progressive

educational setting designed to teach children the skills and knowledge necessary to facilitate their optimal cognitive and social development. Activities in science, art, athletics, and new this year, yoga will further expand the horizons of our young learners.

Our SK students have the opportunity to spend a few hours a day in a "big kid" classroom upstairs for their General Studies program. This new initiative will allow for constructive playtime in a more academic setting thereby ensuring a smoother transition to grade one.

We can't wait to watch the year unfold in the positive manner in which it has begun. To register your child, or for more information, please visit our website www.hamiltonhebrewacademy.ca or call 905-528-0330.

MIDRASHA - HAMILTON HEBREW HIGH

Hamilton Hebrew High (HHH) is gearing up for another fabulous year and invites all Jewish students entering grades 8 through 12 to become involved. With our goal being an enhanced personal Jewish lifestyle and collective Jewish identity, students explore Jewish community, philosophy, and culture and participate in exciting events and retreats. They obtain high school credits in Hebrew, philosophy, media and other courses. HHH addresses topics of immediate interest to today's teenagers. It harnesses the power of the peer group by bringing our next generation of leaders together in a variety of engaging settings and having them work, discuss, travel, volunteer and just "hang out" together.

Yaakov Morel, one of Hamilton Hebrew High's dynamic teachers, emphasizes the interactive aspect of the program; that the students are collaborative partners in the dynamic process of learning. The goal is not the regurgitation of facts or information supplied by a teacher but the encouragement of the individual as he/she embarks on the journey of growth as an individual and as a Jew. As such, there's no requirement for the students to have had any previous experience in a Jewish school setting. Whether it is producing their own documentary or debating controversial issues that resonate with them, the learning occurs naturally as participants focus on areas that



Hamilton Hebrew High students

inspire them. As HHH is an advocate of participatory learning, students engage in a minimum of 30 hours outside the JCC. These experiential learning opportunities are varied and tailored to each youth. Be it volunteering in the community, traveling to the Holocaust museum in Washington, spending a weekend in New York City or experiencing the glow of Kabbalat Shabbat and Friday night dinner in the Morel home, each student finds an ideal and enjoyable avenue to meet this requirement. "Everyone should have an opportunity to come and learn about their Jewish heritage, in a very warm and welcoming environment," Yaakov explains.

Bess Martin, an HHH grad, notes that the skills and confidence she gained in the grade 12 interdisciplinary studies (leadership) course, served her well when studying overseas last

year. The independent learning, the heated debates and the group projects made it the most exciting and fun course she took throughout high school. She reports that an unanticipated bonus was that when interviewing for university placements her involvement in the HHH seemed to fascinate the panels questioning her and likely played a role in her admission to medical school.

Working in synergy with the HHH, the Hebrew Educational Culture Club (HECC) meets once a week in Highland Secondary School. The HECC is designed to help students build pride in their Jewish heritage and to strengthen Jewish identity.

Visit our website at www.hhhmidrasha.ca for more details about our programs and upcoming events, or contact Yaakov Morel at yaakov.morel@gmail.com or 905-512-1960.

KEHILA JCDS

Kehila Jewish Community Day School resumed operations in September. Kehila is now in its eleventh year of offering progressive, academically rigorous Jewish education in an inclusive environment. Over the course of the past year, Kehila's principal, Leia Ger-Rogers, and the school's board of trustees worked with representatives of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy in order to create a new middle school option for the Hamilton community, and Kehila is now poised to refocus its energy on its unique and growing K-5 programme.

Kehila staff returned to their desks after spending two days in professional development seminars in Toronto in early September. The school makes every effort to invest in the ongoing training of its teachers. Throughout the school year and in the summer Kehila teachers travel to attend workshops and training programmes designed to hone their teaching skills and introduce them to pedagogical practices being developed and deployed in their respective fields by educational experts. Kehila makes it a special priority

to invest in teacher training in the Tal Am programme, used for Hebrew language instruction at the school. Tal Am is a highly effective and progressive method for Hebrew instruction, the results of which are evident in the Hebrew proficiency shown in Kehila students. Proper training in the Tal Am techniques is the goal of the school's commitment to offering its teachers ongoing professional development.

Tal Am Hebrew instruction is one aspect of Kehila's commitment to academic excellence. The school aims to provide a solid foundation in Hebrew language and to integrate Judaic studies into both the Hebrew and Core programmes, stimulating students to coordinate their Hebrew and Judaic literacy with their acquisition of basic knowledge and their development of a general intellectual curiosity. These methods are employed within Kehila's inclusive environment, in which the school's curriculum is designed to recognise and address a broad spectrum of learning styles, Jewish practices and individual needs.

TEMPLE ANSHE SHOLOM

It's that time again. Time to start thinking about papers, pencils, new markers, the High Holy Days, and the new start of religious school. Temple Anshe Sholom is gearing up for another exciting year of Jewish learning and we would love to have you join us. So why come to Temple Anshe Sholom? Well, here your children will not only learn to read and write in Hebrew, study about and form a relationship with the land and people of Israel, and learn the prayers of our tradition, but they will also learn the stories that make our history so rich, study the food and art

that make our culture unique, and form life-long friendships with other Jewish kids from our wonderful community. There's also a lot for our parents here at Anshe Sholom. We welcome those of all generations to come and pray and study together in a warm and welcoming environment. We have programs for kids from JK to High School so please stop by and see for yourself how Temple Anshe Sholom can become a part of your family's life. Please feel free to contact me. Cantor/ Educator Rebecca Moses 905-528-0121 ext. 2

NA'AMAT HAMILTON

The members of Na'amat Canada, Nitsan Chapter, are excited about the new season. We're looking forward to another successful year of learning, teaching and hosting community events which bring us all together.

Our roster of meeting topics is wide ranging from politics, health, and literature. We also, somehow, find ways of just having a good time too. If you're interested in attending our meetings, contact our co-presidents Dora Fischer or Sandi Seigel or send an email to dorafischer@yahoo.com. We'll let you know when and where the next meeting is.

This fall, we will hold our second ever Women of Inspiration evening honouring individuals who have shown dedication and selflessness in their volunteerism. They make Hamilton just that much better a place to live. We are extremely proud to honour four women whose actions always speak louder than words: Rivka Shaffir, Ahuva

Soifer, Cindy Richter and Vicky Wylson-Sher. Who among us has not been touched by their dedication to the people in the Jewish community, the City of Hamilton and a variety of charitable organizations beyond? Those of you who attended our first such event, three years ago, know that it's a warm and engaging evening. We're hoping to see another extremely successful event on November 22, 2009.

This spring will be a truly special time as we mark our 25th Annual Author's Luncheon. We know that many of you have attended every one of the past 24. It has been a privilege to present, over the years, the luminaries of Canadian and international literature. We'll be publicizing the details soon.

All in all, this looks to be an exciting season. Join us. Support the work that Na'amat does in Israel by supporting our efforts in Hamilton.

Shana tova u'mituka from all of us at Na'amat.

JEWISH GENEALOGY SOCIETY

How do we make fond memories into lasting legacies and keepsakes, besides creating a family tree? Compiling a cookbook of family recipes is a wonderful tribute to your beloved mother, bubby, or other family chefs extraordinaire. There are a few online cookbook programs such as "Heirloom Photo Cookbook" project from Hewlett Packard, which has page templates so that it couldn't be easier (level: easy; start to finish: 20 minutes). The supplies you'll need, if you wish to print it yourself, are 8.5" x 11" photo paper, digital photos you'd like to upload, the recipes, and Adobe Reader software. Alternatively, you can purchase CD software.

Begin by asking family members for their favourite or best recipes, and compiling them into categories or chapters, such as appetizers, poultry and fish, beef, eggs and cheese, dairy, party

fare, vegetables, pasta and grains, special diets, desserts, Jewish holidays, pies and cakes, cookies, etc. Even children can contribute their ideas. Remember to give credit to the author of the recipe, and perhaps add a story about the author, along with a photograph of the person and/or the prepared dish. Sometimes the story about the chef or incident is just as interesting as the recipe they donated. Using vintage photographs of each contributor is funky and fun! You can scan those photos into your computer and add as needed. Use colourful graphics on each page to stimulate interest, and keep the layout consistent from page to page. Give your cookbook a title, and add the date that it was put together. Personalize your cover page, and include a dedication.

Once the layout is complete, you can print it yourself on your computer printer, or submit the file to a printing facility or

publisher such as Canadian Printing or an office supply store so they can print it on the paper of your choice, and bind it as a hardcover or softcover. Make enough copies for all the interested parties, with some extras in case more people want them. Let everyone know that the finished product is available and wait for the compliments to roll in!

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Hamilton & Area (JGSH) meets monthly. We meet at Temple Anshe Sholom, 215 Cline Avenue North, Hamilton, ON L8S 4A1. We begin with our Meet & Greet at 7:30PM, followed by our guest speaker. Please check our web site, www.jgsh.org, for our autumn line-up of exciting speakers. Have a question or two? Contact our president, Hazel Boon at president@jgsh.org or phone 905-524-3345. Please join us!

BETH JACOB SYNAGOGUE

On the first Shabbat of the month, families gather at Beth Jacob Synagogue for Shabbat Mishpacha, a morning of family, food, friends, and song. Kids are able to enjoy a family-friendly, interactive service designed to help kids connect to and enjoy their Jewish tradition. Parents can stick around and brush up on their children's songs, or learn the basics at an interactive learner's minyan where all questions are on the table, or participate in the main service, where the melodies are both familiar and fresh, and the Torah is discussed, analyzed, and made spiritually relevant for today. All this, in addition to our great high holiday programming! Beth Jacob: Torah lives here.

The Ontario Lottery has its problems, but the Beth Jacob Lottery Social and Treasure Ticket Gala is a sure-fire winner. On Thursday, October 29, you can join the fun, enjoy the food, and try your luck at winning one of seven lottery prizes, including the first prize of \$2,000. You don't need to attend to be eligible to win, but the door prizes, the bar, and the entertainment of gaming tables make for a

great evening out.

Each entry ticket buys not only entry into the lottery and to the hall, but also a deluxe smorgasbord dinner, including meatballs, chicken and brisket. After dinner and while the sweet table is being set up, door prizes are drawn. After desert and coffee the lottery tickets are pulled. Tickets remain \$50, making them great gifts to

friends and colleagues, as well as a fun way for anyone to support a worthy cause—proceeds support Hebrew education at Beth Jacob.

Please join us at Beth Jacob's annual Lottery Social and Treasure Ticket Gala on Thursday, October 29, doors 6:15, dinner at 7:00. Get your tickets by phoning 905.522.1351 or e-mailing office@bethjacobsynagogue.ca.

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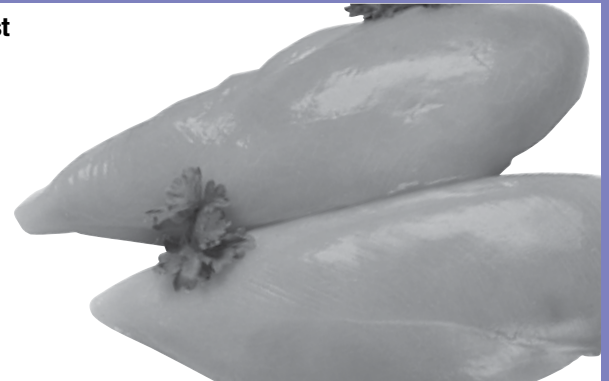

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Strub's deli choice sliced smoked salmon
selected varieties frozen



6⁹⁹
300 g

boneless chicken breast
fresh skinless



5⁹⁹ lb
13.21/kg

Osem honey cake



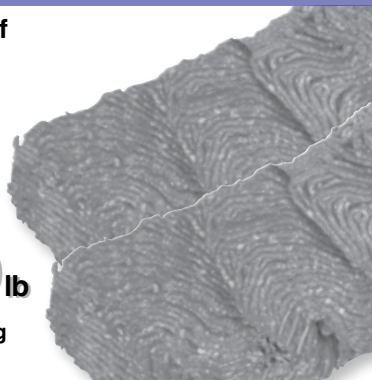
3⁴⁹
454 g

Royal Gala apples
fresh product of U.S.A. or New Zealand



1²⁹ lb
2.84/kg

lean ground beef
fresh Glatt Kosher



5⁴⁹ lb
12.10/kg

Kosher beef
prime rib roast



11⁹⁹ lb
26.43/kg

Central Epicure gefilte fish
ready to eat
sweet or savoury



5⁹⁹
600 g

Dagim or Crown chunk light tuna
in oil or water



170 g **.99**

Bnei-Darom cucumbers in brine
selected varieties



540 mL **.99**

Strub's gefilte fish
homestyle in jelled broth



5⁹⁹
680 g

Nature's Own 100% grape juice



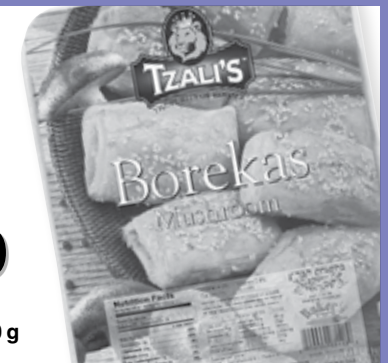
3⁹⁹
1.89 L

Capilano honey
squeeze bottle



3⁹⁹
500 g

Tzali's Borekas
selected varieties



3⁹⁹
600/800 g

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