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Some of the members of this year's UJA Campaign leadership team (left to right) David Somer, Larry Levin, Andrea Molot, Danna Horwood, Lisa Morris, David Horwood, Dave Loewith, Shirley Molot, Raefie Epstein and Sandra Fuss.

UJA'09 Campaign underway

Shocking statistics reveal one in five of us are poor

This year's United Jewish Appeal begins at a time when there are more poor individuals in this Jewish community than at any time in our history.

Federation board member, Hanna Schayer, recently gave a moving address about the shocking statistics relating to poverty in our Jewish community. The following excerpt states it more eloquently than any campaign pitch.

"Almost one in five of us, approximately 800 individuals, are poor according to the latest figures available. Our proportion of Jewish poor is among the highest of any Jewish community. 22.1% of our children are poor and children living in single parent, primarily female led families, have a 50% chance of being poor. The average welfare income is only 35% of the 2003 poverty line – a third of the income needed to subsist. A person with a disability receives an income 59% of the poverty line. A person who works full-time and is receiving minimum wage will not make enough money to push their income above the poverty line.

"How did we lose sight of these people – our people? It's not that the poor are no longer with us. It is that somehow, we have made them disappear. In the hustle

and bustle of our lives, we have lost sight of those for whom we are meant to look after. Poverty – a lack of resources – a lack of choice – a lack of status – can grind you into the cellar."

It is critical that we raise 15% more during this year's Campaign than we did last year. This will enable us to provide food for families that are not able to afford basic necessities and ensure that they can cope with rising housing prices. It will enable us to assist seniors whose fixed incomes are not allowing them to keep up with the increasing costs of medical and dental care.

We hope you will support UJA Federation of Hamilton on this issue. We are a community which values the lives of each and every individual and believe that each and every individual has something to contribute to our community.

The quality of life for the vulnerable members of our Jewish community over the coming year will be determined by the success of our United Jewish Appeal campaign. If we respond generously, they will have nutritious food, proper housing and the dignity that we all desire and deserve.

This year's UJA leadership group headed by David Horwood and Lisa Morris, has set a goal of \$1,250,000. Based on last

year's successful campaign the community was able to increase its support for Jewish Day Schools by 15%, after schools by 10% and social services by 8%. In addition new financial obligations were assumed by accepting the Beth Tikvah Foundation as a full beneficiary agency and by allocating directly to the Jewish Agency for Israel for the first time.

Federation Executive Director Gerald Fisher elaborated. "Last year's success reflected the hard work put in by many volunteers and staff. However, the fact remains that every agency and school in our community is uncomfortably close to a position of financial crisis. I am hopeful that the community will open their hearts to realize the critical need to bring the campaign result to a much higher level and create a much stronger financial foundation on which to build a strong Jewish future for Hamilton."

The UJA 2009 General Campaign launch takes place on **September 15th** at Temple Anshe Sholom. Keynote speaker will be **Dr. Ken Stein**, Director of the Institute for Modern Israeli Studies at Emory University. Stein will speak on the topic of "The Jimmy Carter Controversy and the Intellectual Assault Against Israel." The entire community is invited to attend.

Immigration and absorption needs as high as ever

GERALD FISHER

There seems to be a growing consensus that the overarching funding priorities for UJA Federation are local needs. Schools in perpetual financial crisis, a JCC struggling to make ends meet and a growing awareness of the existence of very vulnerable populations, right here in Hamilton, strongly influence Federation decision makers to keep more UJA dollars at home.

However, there is another set of issues we cannot afford to neglect. Israel and the global Jewish community still desperately require our ongoing financial support. Here are just two current examples:

Rescuing the Jews of Georgia

As is often the tragic case, hostilities between Georgia and Russia caught an unarmed and unprepared Jewish community in the crosshairs. There are several thousand Jewish families living in Georgia / South Ossetia. Serious fighting took place right on top of the Jewish community of Gori. The fighting resulted in untold injuries and destruction of homes. Hundreds of Georgian Jews were immediately turned into refugees. What happened to them?

As has happened so many times in the past, the Jewish Agency for Israel and the Joint Distribution Committee were there – immediately. Within the first day of the fighting, the "Joint" was on the ground providing emergency food, shelter and medical attention. Within forty eight hours, over one hundred Georgian Jews were airlifted by JAFI to new homes and new lives in Israel. They have since been joined by hundreds more.

This only seems to happen like magic. The reality is that when Jewish lives are on the line, JAFI and the 'Joint' are always there. The only way they can perform their rescue and relief operations is if they have the financial resources to do so. The only place they can turn for support is to United Jewish Appeal. That means us.

Ethiopian National Project

Every Jewish heart was bursting with pride at the sight of the first Ethiopians arriving in Israel during "Operation Solomon." Every one of us recognized this unprecedented event as a real time miracle. Want to know how it's working out?

In retrospect, the rescue of 17,000 penniless, frightened and utterly overwhelmed African Jews in just twenty four hours by the

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UJA FEDERATION

Who we are. What we believe. What we do.

Who we are

"UJA Federation of Hamilton is our central Jewish communal organization, committed to building a strong, vibrant and enduring Jewish community in the greater Hamilton region, in Israel and throughout the world. The Federation is guided by the values of "Tikkun Olam"- "Repair of the World" and by "Klal Yisrael" - "The responsibility for each Jew for another."

UJA Federation of Hamilton is one of hundred and eighty nine federations across North America. Canadian Federations are organized under the umbrella of "United Israel Appeal of Canada." All federations in North America are organized under the umbrella of "United Jewish Communities."

UJA Federation of Hamilton brings together our local schools, social services, fundraising, advocacy, community relations, communications and many other functions.

UJA Federation of Hamilton is our community's direct working link to Canadian Jewish Congress, Canada Israel Committee, Canada Institute for Israel and Jewish Advocacy, Jewish Immigrant Aid Services and Institute for National Jewish Campus Life.

UJA Federation of Hamilton is our community's direct link to Israel and the global Jewish world through the UJA Israel office (Magbit Canada), through the Jewish Agency for Israel and through the Joint Distribution Committee.

What we believe

The original Federation concept was to introduce joint fundraising and central budgeting. It was the conviction that it made much more sense for charitable organizations to raise their funds together, rather than to have each organization run its own separate campaign.

Joint campaigns cut fundraising costs, save volunteer time, spare contributors from being "assaulted" by an unending stream of requests by individual agencies, and enables each agency to concentrate their energies on providing the services to people for which the agencies were intended, rather than on endless fundraising solicitations.

As Jewish communities grew in population, sophistication and need, the functions of Community Planning, Program Coordination, Central Services, Leadership Development, Domestic and Israel Advocacy also became central focal points on the Federation agenda.

What we do

The four basic mandates that define the Federation movement everywhere, define the organizational structure, priorities and program initiatives of UJA Federation of Hamilton. These mandates are shared by 189 Federations and 400 affiliated Jewish communities across the continent:

- Assist the vulnerable
- Strengthen Jewish education and Jewish identity
- Advocate for Israel and the domestic Jewish interest
- Strengthen the Jewish community through ongoing community development.

Our ability to address any element of this mandate, at home, in Israel or around the world is directly linked to the success of our UJA Campaign.

When we have the resources, we can make great things happen together.

When asked for your UJA 2009 campaign commitment, please be generous. It does a world of good!

Where your money goes
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL CAMPAIGN 2008
\$1,146,050 ALLOCATED

Assisting the Vulnerable	200,800
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jewish Social Services • Beth Tikvah Foundation Hamilton 	
Strengthening Jewish Identity and Jewish Education	322,750
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beth Jacob Hebrew School • Hamilton Hebrew Academy • Kehila JCDS • McMaster Jewish Student Association • Midrasha • Temple Anshe Sholom Religious School • Israel Experience Scholarships • Birthright Israel/March of the Living • Jewish Community Centre • Camp Kadimah 	
Support for Israel & National Organizations	363,500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Israel Appeal Overseas • Jewish Agency for Israel • Canadian Jewish Congress • Canada Israel Committee • Canadian Council for Israel and Jewish advocacy (CIJA) • National Jewish Campus Life • JIAS 	
Community Development	259,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legacy Endowment Fund • Community Relations / Public Affairs • Israel Advocacy / Holocaust and Human Rights Education • Community Leadership Forum • Genesis / Leadership Development • Young Adult Division • Kashrut Services 	



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HAMILTON PARTICIPATES IN THE JCC MACCABI GAMES

Lauren Schoenberg and Melissa Woolfson were part of a seven member team from Hamilton's JCC that participated in the annual JCC Maccabi Games held in Detroit this past summer. See page 14 for details.



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UJA 2008. Here is what we accomplished together:

Our UJA 2008 Campaign result of \$1,150,000 is the best campaign in our history.

Our result of a 16% increase over last year is the best result in Canada.

Our result allowed us to make the Beth Tikvah Foundation a partner beneficiary agency.

Our result allowed us to make an additional allocation directly to the Jewish Agency for Israel.

Our campaign team worked better together, engaged more people, attracted more volunteers and reached more donors than ever before!

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THANK YOU FOR GETTING INVOLVED. THANK YOU FOR CARING.

The JCC honours Larry Szpirglas



What can one say about Larry Szpirglas? He is full of energy and great ideas which he brings to the Jewish Community Centre. His efforts to help better the JCC are ongoing. Larry has been a dedicated member of the JCC for many years; he has helped to make executive decisions and has gone over and beyond. Larry is a former President of the JCC and has served on the board on 2 separate occasions. Once again, Larry is co-chairing the Hamilton Jewish Film Festival which we know will be another great success! Larry is also very involved with the Barry

Foster Memorial Golf tournament and the JCC Ski-athon. We are lucky to have someone like Larry in our community and we truly thank him for all his time and exceptional hard work!

Jewish Social Services honours Tamara Mindlin



Tamara Mindlin came to Canada in 1981 with her husband Oleg and daughter Julie. From the time they arrived being a part of the Jewish Community has been very important to them. However before they had a luxury of volunteering they had to find suitable work, housing, schooling and learn about Canada. After retiring from the Hamilton Golf and Country club where she worked as a supervisor for ten years, she began volunteering at the Hamilton Jewish Social Services in 1998 as a

translator for our Literacy Course for newcomers. Tamara is excited about program, befriends the people, and brings her integrity and commitment to every session. We at Hamilton Jewish Social Services are very proud and very happy to have her as a volunteer.

Temple Anshe Sholom honours Cheryl Dembe



Cheryl Dembe has been of Temple's most active volunteers for many years. She has been the main organizer for Sisterhood meetings, large-scale annual Sisterhood fundraisers, children's treats for Simchat Torah, our annual Chanukah dinner, and our annual hamantaschen baking. She helps to decorate the sukkah and the Temple for Sukkot each year. She has spearheaded and made arrangements for blood donor clinics, guest speakers, and other Temple programs. She has participated in every social action effort. She

hosts the annual religious school parents' breakfasts, and helps in the Temple office when needed. And this is nowhere near a complete list of Cheryl's contributions to Temple life! Cheryl always finds a way to say yes, and she does it all with a smile. Cheryl Dembe is a true asset to the Jewish community. She is a wonderful role-model of dedication and integrity.

Kehila honours Julie Dembe



Julie Dembe is a mother of four, three boys and a girl. Not only is Julie a parent and wife, but for the past 6 years, she has committed countless hours to ensure that Kehila Jewish Community Day School stays vibrant and visible within the Hamilton Jewish Community. Julie has a strong vision for what is needed within our school's extra curricular activities, and takes the lead to ensure this becomes a reality. With the help of staff, parents and the board's greater vision for our school, Julie's leadership role with the parents has been no less than amazing. Thank you Julie for

all that you do. Julie is an active and dedicated member of Temple Anshe Sholom where she also devotes her limitless abilities. The following are the committees and programs to whom Julie has so generously committed her time, organizational skills and creativity: Kehila board member, PTA Chair, Hot lunch coordinator, Rosh Hashanah basket fundraiser coordinator, Theatre Night Fundraiser Chair, Occasional choir accompanist (violin), field trip chaperone and driver, past Temple Anshe Sholom board member, Temple Anshe Sholom Shabbat Dinner activities coordinator, Mishuggenah Warriors Member.

Adas Israel Congregation honours Stan Katz



Stan is not only the President of the Adas Israel but he is a role model who leads by example. He is always at the front of the volunteer line for any and all communal events. His love and dedication to the congregation is evident in all that he does. Whether at the Brotherhood Social, the annual barbecue, tribute dinners, serving drinks at simchat torah, or just directing traffic in shul, everything he undertakes he does with his winning smile. His selfless spirit is matched only by his charm and wit. Stan is more than our President - he is an all around great guy!

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Beth Jacob Synagogue honours Dorothy Rosenthal



Synagogues rely on many types of volunteers to help. Especially dear are those who step forward to help out behind-the-scenes, where few will know of their contributions. This is true of the dedicated individuals who help out in the Beth Jacob office. Visitors to the Beth Jacob Synagogue office could be forgiven for not knowing that Dorothy Rosenthal is such a volunteer. She helps out so often, some might mistake her for a salaried employee! Dorothy Rosenthal gives of her time without reservation, without condition, and with full devotion. Dorothy regularly volunteers in Beth Jacob's office.

She helps with any and all tasks. Not everyone recognizes office work as one of the 613 mitzvot of the Torah, but make no mistake, freely volunteering time and skill to help make a synagogue run smoothly, and to ensure the shul meets its congregants' needs while keeping overhead expenses low is indeed a mitzvah that positively affects many people. Her dedication is not only exemplified by her eagerness to help, but also by the enthusiasm and energy she displays when performing her tasks. She comes in when needed, steps up during especially busy times in the year. Not enough can be said in describing Dorothy's dedication and loyalty. We gratefully acknowledge her many years of devoted service.

Beth Jacob She'arim School honours Natalie Sobel



Beth Jacob Synagogue She'arim Hebrew Enrichment Program Volunteer Honoree 2008 Shabbat is the time we set aside to concentrate on the important things in life, and allow ourselves to slow down and relax. But what of the big souls housed in small bodies, who know little of important things, much less slowing down and relaxing? What can Shabbat mean for kids? This vexing question is tackled by Natalie Sobel. Where others fear to tread, she goes forward without fear. Seeing a lack of proper Shabbat activities for

kids at Beth Jacob Synagogue, Natalie virtually single-handedly created a program for kids to experience Shabbat: Torah for Tots, held the fourth Shabbat morning of the month. The littlest ones have a chance to pick up the central melodies and prayers of Shabbat, and older kids benefit by teaching them. Natalie developed Beth Jacob's Torah for Tots program, giving preschoolers, elementary school kids, and teenagers a place in the synagogue where their unique talents are needed. Everyone learns everyone gets to participate, everyone gets to move about, everyone gets a taste of Shabbat. No one is left with nothing to do (relaxation and play come later!). The program is expanded for the High Holidays, when the themes of the Days of Awe are related to kids in a language they can understand, and in an environment where they can express themselves. Natalie also recently chaired the successful search committee for Beth Jacob's new Education Director, Aviva Hermannoff. The Torah asks us to teach our children how to put our holy tradition in their hearts and souls. Natalie Sobel's volunteer efforts help fulfill this most important mitzvah at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

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Hamilton's Jewish community so vibrant. Community organizations and the glue that bring volunteers were nominated by their contribution of the Hamilton Jewish News. These volunteers continue to personify the world.

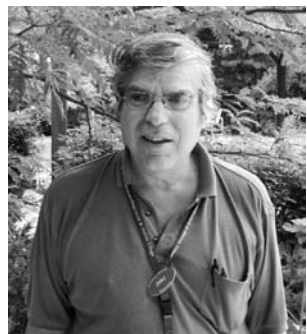
Na'amat Hamilton honours Adele Wolpert-Zur



Na'amat Nitzan is delighted to take this opportunity to recognize Adele Wolpert-Zur as our volunteer nominee for 2008. In a group replete with hardworking, dedicated volunteers, Adele has been a particularly constant, positive force over her years of membership. Her involvement dates back almost to the group's inception more than 20 years ago and she has remained an integral member since then, working tirelessly both in front of and behind the scenes. She has taken on a variety of administrative roles over the years, including the co-presidency. In addition to her hands-on involvement with virtually every activity and fundraiser, she has been instrumental in planning and organizing many of the Na'amat Celebrity Author Luncheons, our group's annual signature event. Adele is a calm and trusted voice in any situation. Her warmth, humour, and innate ability to gently encourage those around her, allow for connections to be made and strengthened both within the group and in the wider community. In turn, these connections strengthen our ability to further the important projects and causes that are near and dear to Na'amat in Canada and in Israel. We welcome this opportunity to acknowledge and appreciate Adele's important and long standing contributions to our group and her role in supporting our work.

Her ability to connect with residents is remarkable either in our large musical programs or in his weekly individual visits with residents. You can often find him in Bubbi Bessie's Café enjoying a cup of coffee with a resident or out for a walk. Joey loves going to the farmers' market with residents and we all love the way he can brighten up any day or any outing. Joey brings a great sense of humour, commitment and passion to his varied roles at Shalom and always brings a smile to residents and others around him. Joey is also known to be a good dancer and makes residents feel young and light on their feet at any musical program. Most recently, Joey has volunteered his services for our new program the Supper Club and is enjoying this wonderful addition to our many programs.

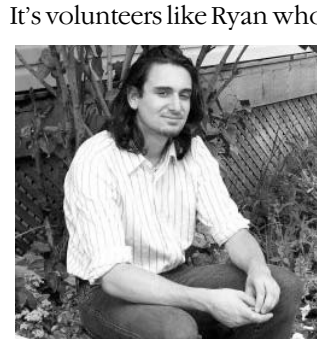
Shalom Village honours Joey Cohen



All of us at Shalom Village are very happy to be able to nominate Joey Cohen as our special volunteer for the UJA Recognition Initiative. Joey has been volunteering with Shalom for more than four years. Joey has embraced every volunteer opportunity that has been asked of him in a quiet, yet energetic way. Joey's commitment to each and every Shabbat service has provided our residents and their families the opportunity to be together for service and to share a meal. Joey is well known to other volunteers, families and staff and most importantly to many residents. His

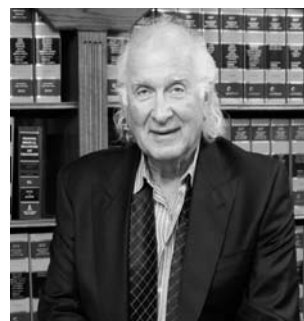
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Temple Anshe Sholom School honours Ryan Goldflus



It's volunteers like Ryan who really keep Temple Anshe Sholom Religious School functioning smoothly! Since he was a young teen, Ryan has volunteered on a weekly basis doing whatever needed doing: errands for teachers, giving out kids' snacks, program and event set-ups and clean-ups, organizing supplies, office reception, reading stories to younger children, comforting a sick child while he/she waits for a parent to pick them up early, supervising class breaks, dressing up in costume for role plays to liven up the lessons, and so much more. There isn't anything Ryan hasn't been willing to do! Ryan is the kind of volunteer who takes care of all the myriad little details that need to be taken care of, the kind of volunteer we can't do without. Ryan's generosity of spirit makes him a true role model of a terrific Jewish community volunteer!

Beth Tikvah honours Bill Morris



It is with tremendous honour and gratitude that Beth Tikvah Foundation of Hamilton recognizes Mr. William Morris as our 2008 Jewish Community Volunteer. As the founder and chair of the Friends of Beth Tikvah initiative, Mr. Morris realizes the importance of Beth Tikvah in our community. The financial help provided through the Friends of Beth Tikvah helps to ensure that some of the most vulnerable individuals in our community are meaningfully supported with the compassion and dignity that they so richly deserve. When asked to provide a quote for the reasons of his involvement with Beth Tikvah, Mr. Morris said: "Beth Tikvah is one of the most important institutions in our community. Beth Tikvah provides direction; happiness and a sense of belonging to the individuals with developmental disabilities within our community. To have had the privilege of soliciting funds from friends and family is both gratifying and rewarding. People consider it a privilege to donate to this worthy cause. Beth Tikvah will always be a priority for me."

Hamilton Hebrew Academy honours Darlene Cohen



Darlene is more than just an exemplary parent at the Hamilton Hebrew Academy she is the embodiment of a giving spirit. The imprint of Darlene Cohen can be found in almost all the activities at our school: the hot lunch programs, the sports teams, the Purim carnival, and more. Scarcely a day goes by when Darlene isn't doing something for someone at the Academy. Her smile is infectious and working with her is truly a joy.

Jewish National Fund honours Bea Friedman



Bea has volunteered at JNF for over 15 years. She always rearranges her schedule to make time to help out whenever needed. It doesn't matter what type of task she is asked to do whether it's big or small she never questions and always works until the job is finished. Bea is very detail oriented. When it comes to any task - from doing our mailings to checking our lists, she makes sure it's done right. She is always there when needed. "If we didn't have Israel we would be living in the thirties," Bea said about her volunteer work at JNF.

UJA Federation honours Archie Lieberman



UJA Federation of Hamilton is pleased to honour Archie Lieberman, a valued UJA canvasser and dedicated member of the Holocaust Education Committee. Archie is one of those volunteers who we can always count on to give of his time with full devotion, whether it be to the annual UJA Campaign or Holocaust education. It's individuals like Archie that help us meet our allocation commitments each year and make sure our message gets across to the community.

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Dialogue Initiative continues

Broad support within and outside the Jewish community

The dialogue initiative between mainstream organizations in Hamilton's Arab, Muslim and Jewish communities continues to progress. Now entering its third year, the group is planning on integrating new members and hopes to focus at least part of its attention on the evolving situation on the McMaster University campus.

Dr. Lorne Finkelstein, founder and representative of the Hamilton Jewish Federation on the Dialogue Committee, is pleased with the progress thus far. "All our group members entered into this activity with a certain level of uneasiness," he said. "We didn't know each other and came to the table holding certain misconceptions about each other. What kept us together was the importance of our work and our shared commitment to establish open lines of communication, to try to establish a basis for mutual respect and to ensure that our community agendas were no longer hijacked by extremist voices. I believe we have achieved a lot during our brief existence."

A recent meeting between Finkelstein and Rabbis Daniel Green, Dan Selsberg and Jordan Cohen provided an opportunity for the local rabbinic leadership to be briefed on the initiative. The discussion touched on the history of the initiative, some of its challenges as well as its successes. Among other matters, the discussion cleared up misinformation that has been circulated regarding the purpose of the dialogue, its status relative to other Federation priorities and the strategic value of continued Jewish participation. Each of the community rabbis expressed agreement that the dialogue initiative was important and should be continued.



PICTURED ABOVE: Dialogue committee members, Ali Chealb and Dr. Lorne Finkelstein with Dr. Akbar Ahmed and Dr. Judea Pearl at the Hamilton Spectator sponsored public dialogue program held in November 2006.

The Dialogue Initiative has received overwhelming support from both within and outside the Jewish community. Members of the Federation Board demonstrated broad support at Federation's 2008 Annual General Meeting and Canadian Jewish Congress has pointed to Hamilton's example as a model for other communities across the country. Dialogue members have received numerous letters of support from local politicians and McMaster University president, Peter George. The Hamilton Spectator adopted Dialogue Committee principles in its coverage of the Israel Apartheid incident at McMaster last spring with its balanced coverage and decision to refrain from printing extremist opinions.

Dialogue Committee members from the Muslim community have gone on record saying they have distanced themselves from the strident views expressed by the previous leadership of the Muslim Association of Hamilton, (MAH)

who have now been replaced by a leadership that supports the initiative. The committee has encouraged the leaders of both the MAH and Hamilton Jewish Federation to continue the process of dialogue at the executive level, and a formal meeting between their new president, Mr. Gurgi, and Federation President David Somer, is in the works.

Madina Wasuge, Executive Director of the Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion (HCCI) recently discussed the Dialogue Initiative with Federation Executive Director, Gerald Fisher, in the context of a broader discussion on current tensions at McMaster.

Wasuge expressed her view that students at McMaster, including her own daughter, have a deep rooted need for a safe environment in which to dialogue, away from the political activity and away from the existing student groups. It was her hope that the Dialogue Group would be of assistance in this regard.

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UJA'09 Campaign launch features Dr. Kenneth Stein

Speaker broke with Carter over "Apartheid" book

UJA 2009 Co-Chairs David Horwood and Lisa Morris have announced that the UJA 2009 Annual Campaign will officially launch on Monday, September 15th at Temple Anshe Sholom. Keynote speaker for the launch event will be Dr. Ken Stein of Emory University.

A distinguished scholar, Stein is currently the Director of the Institute for Modern Israeli Studies at Emory University. He gained notoriety last year when he resigned as Director of Emory's Carter Center. His resignation came in response to the publication of the former President's book suggesting that Israel practiced a form of Apartheid against Arab populations. Stein's high profile resignation led to several others, bringing a great deal of attention to the fact that a number of people more directly involved in Mid-East diplomacy than Carter found his book to be biased, misleading and laced with unsupportable accusations against Israel.

According to UJA Federation President Dr. David Somer "The intellectual assault against Israel, the topic of Stein's remarks in Hamilton, is not a theoretical

discussion. Similar to events at many other universities, the public spectacle of so many academics at McMaster falsely accusing Israel of a wide range of 'crimes' is really horrifying. Before we can successfully combat this assault, we need to better understand it. Dr. Stein's discussion of this phenomenon will be a very valuable asset."

Dr. Stein became available through the hard work of Mario Stolar, who made the arrangements. A Federation Board member, Mario chairs Hamilton's new 'Young Adult Division.' Mario met Dr. Stein last November at the UJA National Young Leadership Conference in Montreal. He came away deeply impressed with Dr. Stein's message and with his commitment to reach out to involve younger people. According to Stolar, "Dr. Stein was one of the most highly motivating presenters I heard in a long time. From the time we met in Montreal, I thought it was important for the Hamilton community to hear him. I am delighted this has worked out and I am sure he will make a deep and positive impression on everyone who comes to hear him."

Friends of Israel organize lovefest

Christian "Celebration of Israel" to raise funds for Shechafim School in Israel

Media personality Michael Koren will be the keynote speaker at a Christian celebration of Israel. Organized as a 'Celebration of Israel's 60th birthday,' the event will raise funds for the Shechafim Regional Rehabilitation School in Northern Israel. Mc'd by Norm McLaren, the program will also include a performance by Anshe Sholom cantorial soloist Laura Wolfson and local favorites A Touch of Klez.

Over the past few years, UJA Federation of Hamilton has taken cautious, but important steps to establish respectful relationships with groups of Christians who are committed to Israel's well being. That initiative has produced positive results in many ways. This particular event is a palpable demonstration of the value of this kind of collaboration.

Key organizers of the event include Bob and Sandy Maton, Phyllis Eason, Richard and Mariam Dove and Rev. John Tweedie, President of Christians for Israel Canada. UJA Federation staffers Chris Nusca and Gerald Fisher have also been available to assist.

According to Fisher "The initiative for this event did not come from the Jewish community. It is entirely an expression of love for Israel, coming from Christian friends who really want to be supportive in meaningful ways. I

am very grateful to them for their understanding and willingness to be helpful."

The Shechafim Regional Rehabilitation School serves the needs of Israeli children with multiple disabilities. The school was adopted last year by the Hamilton Jewish Community as a part of its involvement in the "Coast to Coast" initiative organized by United Israel Appeal of Canada.

The celebration will take place on Tuesday, September 16th, 7:00 pm, at Christian Crossroads Communications, 1295 North Service Rd. in Burlington. Tickets are \$15 at the JCC, Temple Anshe Sholom, or at the door. Kosher refreshments will be available. A "love offering" will be gratefully received with proceeds directed to the Shechafim School.

The event is open to everyone and everyone in the Jewish community is encouraged to attend.



Michael Koren

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Chair

Who we are & what are our goals

Our aim is to take ownership of our generation (25 - 45 year olds) and strengthen the role we can play within our community. By establishing goals, we hope to inspire our thriving, dynamic and multi-faceted demographic into strengthening the gap between the generations while laying the foundation for future generations to come. Our goals for the upcoming year are to help people connect with others in the community through special events, develop a strong leadership program that will enable our future leaders to fulfill leadership roles in our community and to empower people to live generously by giving some of their time, skills and resources to better serve the community's on-going needs. Our emphasis will always be to have fun and enjoy what we can all accomplish together.

Hold the date for these YAD events

Monday, November 10th
Join us at The London Tap House
7:30 pm with guest Michael Soberman
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National Community Mitzvah Day
Sunday, December 7th
Shalom Village @ 10:00 am
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The entire community is invited to join us at these Campaign & Community Events

September 15th

UJA Campaign 2009 Opening Event with guest Ken Stein at Temple Anshe Sholom at 7:30 pm
YAD Meet & Greet with Ken Stein
Location TBA

September 21st

"UJA Upstairs at Fortinos"?
Join UJA in the Community Room Upstairs at Fortinos Main West on Sunday, September 21st between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Come on up and have a coffee and nosh before you shop.

October 5th

Super Sunday Telethon
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October 28th

Israel Advocacy Seminar
with Neil Lazurus
McMaster University

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UJA Federation presents its Campaign Opening Event featuring **Dr. Kenneth Stein**

The Jimmy Carter Controversy and the intellectual assault on Israel

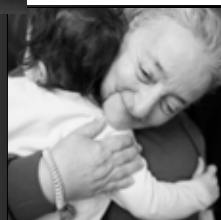


Dr. Stein gained worldwide fame in 2006 when he resigned his 23 year association with the Carter Center of Emory University to publicly protest and distance himself from President Carter's book "Palestine Peace Not Apartheid."

Monday, September 15th
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The 2007/2008 academic year held many surprises and challenges for the McMaster Jewish Students Association and it looks as if this year will be no different.

“There were moments last year when our energy seemed entirely consumed by anti-Israel activity on campus. The students struggled hard to address those issues when, at times, the campus environment seemed to be growing quite hostile. However, at the end of the year, JSA was named as the best cultural group on campus. It was just that kind of year,” said JSA Director Judy Schwartz told the HJN.

JSA is now looking forward to the start of the new academic year. The new Executive will be led by President Anna Kos and V.P. Ariel Hendin. Their vision is to enhance both Jewish traditional content and effective Israel advocacy programming.

JSA is undertaking a major initiative to increase the Jewish community’s awareness of campus issues and to seek much greater community participation in campus events. With the help and support of UJA Federation of Hamilton, Federation’s Campus Services Committee and the Jewish Faculty Association, JSA plans to organize some very exciting events to which the Jewish community will be invited.

According to UJA Federation President Dr. David Somer, “This year, as an expression of our solidarity with students and in an effort to further sensitize our community about the campus situation, we will hold our events right on campus. We expect the community to turn out for these events. Campus parking and not knowing your way around are not acceptable excuses for missing these important programs.”

JSA intends to continue to develop an effective working partnership with Israel on Campus, (IOC) an independent club whose primary focus is Israel advocacy. IOC president Rebecca Cherniak and her executive are hard at work organizing this year’s events, designed to provide a more fair and more balanced view of Israel.



This year’s JSA President, Anna Kos with her Vice President, Ariel Hendin.

Cherniak stressed the value of good partnerships with other groups on campus.

“Although we went through a very hard year, the IOC is stronger than ever. We are especially excited to pursue our alliances with other groups on campus, including the Jewish Faculty Association, and we look forward to strengthening our relationship with the very supportive Hamilton Jewish community.”

Cherniak encourages the community to watch for speakers and events that IOC will be hosting on campus.

JSA is planning numerous activities for the fall term. They include regular Shabbat dinners, a Succot BBQ with Chabad, a number of social events and Holocaust Education week. “We have already arranged an exciting series for Holocaust Education Week and we invite the entire Jewish Community to join us. We need your support as always, to make a difference on campus. Please mark your calendars for:

Friday, Sept 19 -Community Shabbat Dinner; **Tuesday October 28** -Neil Lazarus, an outstanding expert on the Middle East.

Wednesday, Nov 26 - Taking Back the “Z” Word, Zionism 101: The True Meaning of Zionism.

Wednesday, Nov. 5 - Community and Student Cocktail Party and and Silent Auction.

Schwartz added that “All the students appreciate the concerns and welcoming atmosphere of the Jewish Community in Hamilton; through host families, tickets for the High Holy Days, etc and they look forward to forming many lasting relationships”

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Rachel Aleman and Daniel Kaufman

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Dear Daniel,

<p><i>I have loved you in numerous lifetimes, Reincarnation after reincarnation, Lifetime after lifetime Past and present I have fallen in love with you. This lifetime you walked into my heart slowly, slowly Like an artist creating a masterpiece you took the time needed</i></p>	<p><i>You revealed yourself through your actions and convictions You let me safe As if you knew that if you’d pressured me I would have run. I can see the love in your eyes and I cannot longer hide mine I love you and I am ready to be your wife.</i></p>
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UJA Dollars at Work

▷ BETH TIKVAH

In a dynamic expression of its ongoing commitment to better assist the vulnerable in our community, UJA Federation of Hamilton has made a recent decision to formally integrate the Beth Tikvah Foundation into its family of beneficiary agencies. Here, we focus on Beth Tikvah and the invaluable work that it does.

WENDY SCHNEIDER



Some of the members of the Beth Tikvah family gather on the front porch of Beth Tikvah. Pictured above are Bruce, Bernie, Theodore and Shlomo. Beth Tikvah executive director, Raveen Harakh, is second from the right.

Meet Bernie, Theodore, Jacky, Sandra, Bruce and John. They have been living on 81 Arkell since 1991. They are a family. No doubt their faces would be familiar to you from seeing them at community events and maybe you would even have a vague awareness that they reside in some kind of Jewish facility. You would be correct to some degree except for the nomenclature, for that facility is really a home and its name is Beth Tikvah.

Beth Tikvah is a non-profit social service agency that provides a 24-hour a day supervised environment for adults with developmental disabilities. Although it is very much a Jewish environment where the holidays are observed and the kitchen is strictly kosher, you don't have to be Jewish to live here. In addition to its six full time residents, Beth Tikvah provides essential services to three non-residents, who, like Shlomo, come several times a week for Braille lessons and supervised activities.

Beth Tikvah was founded by Stan Tick, Sheldon Frank and the late Jim Morris, who worked tirelessly to provide a service in the community that was sorely lacking. Their efforts paid off when Beth Tikvah was approved by the Ministry of Community and

Social Services, from whom they receive funding. Like so many other vital services, however, that funding has been cut back and last year the Beth Tikvah Board of Directors approached Federation with a request to make it an official beneficiary agency.

The agency's \$450,000 budget must cover the salaries of two full time staff, a pool of overnight

and support staff, food, property taxes, utilities and general maintenance of the property. Beth Tikvah's executive director, Raveen Harakh, who has been with the agency since 1992, said that the UJA allocation of \$15,000 received last spring was a much needed shot in the arm. However the need to find other sources of funding remains of critical importance. There are many more individuals in the Jewish community who would benefit from the support services Beth Tikvah can provide, if only it could hire more staff, said Harakh.

"This is a great environment we have created. We are a role model for the general community and our services are superior to what other places are providing but there is a significant need in the Jewish community to do more. We need to identify those individuals and advocate on their behalf."

Beth Tikvah would be very appreciative of volunteers who would be willing to take residents on outings or simply share their skills and expertise by helping in any way they can. They are very grateful to UJA Federation for including them among their

UJA WELCOMES THE BETH TIKVAH FOUNDATION

The decision to welcome the Beth Tikvah Foundation to the family of beneficiary agencies supported by UJA was welcomed by foundation leaders, Stan Tick and Nadia Rosa. Mr. Tick was the driving force behind the creation of the foundation. His dedicated service to the organization has sustained it for many years. Dr. Rosa has served multiple terms as the foundation president and has steered the organization through some turbulent waters as provincial funding has become harder to access.

UJA Federation President Dr. David Somer welcomed Beth Tikvah to the community table. "Over the past year, our planning process has identified "assisting the vulnerable" as a key pillar within the Federation mandate. Extending funding to support the Beth Tikvah population is exactly what UJA Federation is all about."

UJA Federation Executive Director Gerald Fisher also saw the integration of Beth Tikvah as an important development. "From time to time, we have provided small grants to Beth Tikvah, primarily in the area of enhancing the Jewish quality of life for residents, but we always needed to do more. Last year's strong UJA campaign and Beth Tikvah's very cogently delivered application gave us the opportunity to open the door to a whole new level of partnership."

Federation leaders were gratified at the full level of cooperation provided by Beth Tikvah leadership and professional staff through the application process. "This is a new relationship with unlimited potential for development", said Fisher. "Both Federation and Beth Tikvah have come to the table feeling confident that they have a true partner at the table."

JEWISH SOCIAL SERVICES



Everyone can help donate to the Food Bank. Here, Malka Goldreich and Sarah Leah Zians set up a lemonade stand which earned \$18 for the Food Bank

Hamilton Kosher Food Bank

The Hamilton Kosher Food Bank and the Hamilton Hebrew Academy are starting a Breakfast Club. It has come to our attention that some students arrive at school without eating breakfast. A nutritious breakfast is very important in facilitating the learning process. As such, we want to make sure that all students have an opportunity to eat breakfast. Job Description- A commitment of one morning a week from 8:00 to 9:00 am. The volunteers will serve the children breakfast items such as cold cereal, milk and muffins, then make sure the room is cleared, and put food away. We expect about 15 children a day will use this program. If you enjoy being out in the morning either call Carol Krames 905-627-9922 ex 21 or email carolkramesjss@hotmail.com

Help for Rosh Hashana

It seems we have hardly finished the summer and Rosh Hashana is four weeks away. Jewish Social Services is so grateful for the ongoing support of its donors, who use our tribute cards, order centrepieces for simchas, or simply make a donation. However, community member our job is not done it is just beginning. Rosh Hashana is four weeks away! JSS responsibility is to insure that everyone has money for Rosh Hashana is greater this year than ever before. Our caseload of people has doubled since April 2006. Families have moved to Hamilton, lost jobs, gone on disability pensions or are recently retired. Did you know that welfare payments for a single person is a little over \$500 a month? Many of our statistics are a sign of the times, and they reflect that Hamilton has the highest rate of poverty in our Jewish community than anywhere else in Canada. You can help JSS fulfil the mizvah of helping others celebrate the Jewish holidays by sending a donation for a full tax receipt to 30 King St East, Dundas, Ontario L9H 5G6. You can also drop off donations of food or a cheque to Westdale Delicatessen, Hamilton Kosher, the JCC or any shul or school. If you would like more information about JSS tribute cards call Carol at 905-627-9922 or e mail carolkramesjss@hotmail.com. The Hamilton Jewish Social Services Board of Directors wishes the entire community a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Claims conference obtains one-time payments

Certain Jewish survivors of the Nazi siege of Leningrad may now be eligible for one time payments from the Claims conference, due to recent negotiations with the German Government. If you were in Leningrad between September 1941 and January 1944 or fled you may be eligible to receive a one time payment of. For more information contact the Claims Conference Hardship Fund, 1359 Broadway Room 200, New York, Ny 10018 tel 646-536-9100 fax 212-679-2126 info@claimscon.org.

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The Jewish Community Centre

▷ HIGHLIGHTS

Another great summer at Camp Kadimah

MICHELLE KATZ

After seven successful weeks at Camp Kadimah, I can honestly say that we have experienced everything there is. From overnight adventures at Camp George, Camp Northland, and Emerald Lake, to our very own evening programs at the JCC, the campers have had a wonderful taste of the overnight camp experience. Our campers had the opportunity to go water skiing, tubing, swimming, participate in talent shows, and be a part of the camp community. There have also been a multitude of creative and exciting activities at camp. Our resident specialists (Sports, Science and Nature, K'tanim, Arts and Crafts, Drama, Dance, and Computers) have all led interesting programs where the campers were not only entertained, but also developed valuable skills and created wonderful memories that will last a life time. Whether attending a regular day at camp, or participating in one of our full-day programs (Colour wars, Superhero day, etc.), the spirit and energy was always positive and infectious to those around us. This year, we decided to showcase this spirit at one of our many Parent's Nights, whether the theme be a talent showcase or a science fair. As a past camper and counselor, and now as an outgoing assistant director, I have learned that Kadimah's Got it All. The staff and campers have truly made our camp a community and I thank them very much for adding their personal flair to the camp. Hope to see you all next summer!



Joel Feldman

President's Message

As the summer comes to an end, so does the programming year at the JCC. I look back at the past year and I am proud of the many things we have achieved.

The JCC was active and vibrant with programming for all ages. Laura, the staff and the volunteers worked extremely hard and should be proud of what they achieved. This past year brought with it a renewed partnership with the Federation and an exciting redevelopment plan for the JCC that could help shape the future of our community for years to come. I thank David Somer and Gerry Fisher for their support and the boards of the JCC and Federation for their tireless commitment.

The summer has been busy with camp and I thank Allan and the camp staff, for all their efforts. I am preparing to go to Detroit with my Family this weekend, to attend the opening ceremonies for the JCC Maccabi Games. I look forward to watching Jewish youth from Hamilton proudly represent our community and our JCC. It takes a great amount of dedication on the part of both the youth and their parents, to attend the games. I give special thanks to David Bromstein, Adam Dembe and Laura, who have put in many hours, to ensure the JCC was able to send this group to the Games.

I am excited and have high aspirations for the programming year to come. I am excited to welcome back Annie and wish a mazal tov to Annie and Jeff on the birth of their son Marcus. I am happy that Laura has agreed to join the JCC Family on a full time basis commencing September. I am sure that the year ahead will be filled with quality programming and events that the community can be proud of.

The fall is not only the start of the new programming season, it is also the start of our membership drive. In my articles, in Laura's articles, the JCC pages of this paper and in the brochure, we try to give you a sense of the quality and the depth of the programming and events that go on through the year at the JCC. Yet, unless you are an active member or an active participant, it is hard to truly appreciate what goes on at the JCC. The JCC, along with the other Jewish organizations, help to develop and maintain a strong Jewish community and identity. The full potential of the Hamilton JCC can only be recognized, when the members of the community choose to become members of the JCC.

I hope when I call you, or a JCC board member calls you in September, you will consider becoming a member of the JCC. A JCC and a Jewish community, is only as strong as the its' members.

Hamilton rules at the JCC Maccabi Games!

ADAM DEMBE

After two years of absence from the games, Hamilton was able to send a small but strong team to the JCC Maccabi Games in Detroit, Michigan. Our delegation, made up of seven Hamiltonians, was among 2500 Jewish teens and another 1500 coaches and volunteers. An enthusiastic cheering squad of parents and past Maccabi athletes accompanied our team.

The opening ceremonies took place at the Palace of Auburn Hills: the home of the Detroit Pistons. Our athletes and coaches proudly carried the Hamilton banner into the arena which held approximately 10,000 people. After all athletes had made their way in to the building, there was a moving tribute to the eleven Jews killed at the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, Germany. 8-time gold medal Olympian swimmer Mark Spitz gave a passionate speech about sportsmanship and doing your best.

Our seven athletes excelled in the week-long competition, bringing home a total of 8 medals.

Melissa Woolfson won two medals for Choreography. Lauren Schoenberg was unable to compete due to an injury, however, she came to the games to support her teammates anyways and showed real sportsmanship. Jesse Feldman brought home a bronze medal in the singles competition. In the team matches, Ranen Dahan was awarded the bronze, Leeav Lipton and Jesse Feldman received silver and Amiel Kollek won gold. Eli Strub, our golfer, won a medal for hitting closest to the pin on one of the challenging par 3 holes.

The purpose of these games is more than just



Hamilton's Maccabi Games participants

athletics. It is about friendship, Judaism and giving back to the community. All our athletes took time off from competition to spend an afternoon taking part in "Day of Caring, Day of Sharing". One of the activities that the children attended was a seminar on Darfur. Several speakers talked to the teens including a Sudanese refugee who narrowly escaped from his village. After the seminar, the athletes took part in a walk for Darfur.

To each and every one of the volunteers and host families, we extend our thanks. Thanks also to David Bromstein for his continued support and guidance of our team. To Laura Laengerer, thank-you for putting together a top notch delegation. Of course, a special todah rabah to our sponsors. Without their help none of this great week would have been possible.



Laura Laengerer

A word from Laura

Time flies when you are having fun and this past year has certainly flown by.

The JCC calendar was jam packed with fun and exciting events for people of all ages. We offered many social, cultural, educational and recreational events throughout the year.

Some of these events included family brunches, a comedy evening, the big party, a Channukah party and vendors marketplace, a Purim carnival, Yom Ha'atzmaut, Yom Hashoah, Lag BaOmer, the Barry Foster Memorial Golf tournament, Max Rotman Humanitarian Awards and the Morris Black Public Speaking contest.

Our youth programs brought many kids of various ages to the JCC. We offered a program for girls called Girls Just Want to Have Fun, a casino night for youth, a guitar hero evening, and a high school coffee house. The JCC also offered a number of after school programs such as Bidy Basketball and Indoor Soccer.

Our community centre has recreation programs for all ages including a superb tennis program run by our tennis pro Frances Critchley. We also offer a structured table tennis program for teens. This program has been designed to strengthen our teens so that we can prepare them for the Maccabi games and is facilitated by Adam Dembe.

Speaking of the Maccabi games, as I am writing this article I am preparing to leave for the Maccabi Games. They are set to take place in Detroit August 17-22. The Community would like to take this opportunity to wish our Maccabi athletes all the best of luck. Good luck to: Lauren Schoenberg (dancer), Melissa Woolfson (dancer), Ranen Dahan (table tennis), Jesse Feldman (table tennis), Liav Lipton (table tennis), Amiel Kollek (table tennis) and Eli Strub (golfer).

Stay tuned for pictures in the next edition of the Hamilton Jewish News.

I would like to thank Adam Dembe, the coach of our table tennis athletes for all his hard work this past year preparing our table tennis players for the games. I would also like to say a special thanks to David Bromstein for devoting his time to our athletes at the games. The Maccabi athletes could not have gone to the games if it was not for the help of our community so thank you everyone!

Well, you have now read all about the great programs offered by the Jewish Community Centre. Some of the fantastic programs that we have introduced for the upcoming year include Ball Room Dance classes, kids in the kitchen, crazy sports day, go karting, strong girls healthy minds and much more!

We hope you will join us at our upcoming events and be sure to take out a JCC membership: IT'S WHERE YOU BELONG!

The JCC welcomes the return of Annie Shinehoft

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 14, 2008	Mexican Family Fiesta	12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
September 18, 2008	Annual General Meeting and Patio Party	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
September 21, 2008	Go Kart trip for students in grades 6-8	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
October 5, 2008	Babysitting Course	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
October 25, 2008	Music Series #1	8:00 am - 11 p.m.

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the Israel Defense Force was the easy part. Now, there are over 125,000 Ethiopian Jews in Israel. Most of them are children. Many of them – parents and children – live in terribly vulnerable circumstances.

As you may have come to expect, the global Jewish community partnered up with the Israeli government to provide additional support so many of these recent immigrants required. Millions of additional UJA dollars were raised and directed to support the “Ethiopian National Project.” Now, there are not sufficient funds to continue the project

People – our people – are getting seriously hurt.

In light of the cuts in the ENP budget, the picture portrayed is harsh, and will leave deep scars on the community, which will take a lot more than time to heal. The many echelons of operations involved, from the ongoing support and response to needs from the field, through resource development to the state’s inability to answer the need, many programs are going to be closed, abandoning the Ethiopian community in their need.

This dire situation sets us back

by 20 years, to the times when we were first discovering the societal and economic gaps between the Ethiopian community and the State of Israel. We have worked so hard to help the community propel itself forward, and now it is being pushed into the periphery once more. The ramifications of these cuts will cause a serious crisis for this community, and perhaps for the State of Israel as a whole.

So, if you thought the need to support rescue and relief operations in Israel and around the world is over, guess again. Jews inside and outside the homeland remain as vulnerable as ever. ... no party... no disco... no fooling around... They have only us to turn to for help.

When your volunteer UJA Canvasser asks you to help by increasing your support for the UJA 2009 campaign, take a moment and think about the Jews in Georgia, or the Ethiopians in Israel... and think about how easy it can be for you to be a hero to them... Then BE ONE. We can each that \$1.25M campaign goal, one donor at a time.

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Cotler addresses community

Overflow crowd comes to hear popular speaker

Former Minister of Justice and Attorney General Irwin Cotler met with the Hamilton Jewish community on July 24th at an overflow crowd at Beth Jacob Synagogue. The event was chaired by Alan Livingston, an active member of Beth Jacob and Federations Public Affairs Committee

Mr. Cotler, who was accompanied by Liberal members and candidates Victoria Young, Arlene MacFarlane Vanderbeek, Larry Dilanni, Tyler Banham, Heather Carter, Paddy Torsney and Lloyd St. Amand, spoke on the topic, The Genocide Convention and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. He also addressed Iranian nuclear

ambitions and the upcoming Durban II Conference.

President Dr. David Somer took the opportunity to remind the audience of UJA Federation's responsibilities as the advocacy voice for the Hamilton Jewish community.

"It is our responsibility, in cooperation with Canadian Jewish Congress and Canada Israel Committee, to represent the interests of the Jewish community to all levels of government, media and opinion makers. In this regard, we are fully non partisan. Somer further commented that it is UJA Federation's job to develop relationships and present the community's point of view.

Celebrating Israel's 60th

M.P. participated in all party delegation with Canada Israel Committee

DAVID SWEET, M.P.

David Sweet, the Conservative Member of Parliament for Ancaster-Dundas-Flamborough-Westdale, was part of an all party delegation of Canadian M.P.s who visited Israel in May 2008 for the celebrations of the 60th Anniversary of Independence.

Israel is a land at the intersection of so much of the world's history and the epicentre of faith. To be there for the commemoration of IDF Remembrance Day (Yom Hazikaron) and celebrations for the 60th Anniversary of Israeli Independence was a moving experience. I gained a new appreciation for the struggles, past and present, and learned more about a nation whose geography and economy are as diverse as its peoples.

On our first day, the sirens wailed throughout Jerusalem to mark Yom Hazikaron. It was a fitting conclusion to a lecture by the accomplished author, Dr. Michael Oren, on the history of modern day Israel. In remembrance of those who perished fighting for the independence of the State of Israel and its subsequent wars, the entire delegation stood in silence. Throughout Jerusalem, the emotion in the air was palpable.

When the sirens subsided, we headed to Yad Vashem (Israel's national Holocaust memorial) and were hoping to visit the National Cemetery on Mount Herzl. Unfortunately, the crowds were so overwhelming that we could not gain access to the grounds. But watching the procession that day, there are many vignettes etched in my mind. All of them contributed to the raw emotion of the occasion. Youth and soldiers lined the route to the cemetery, handing out bouquets of flowers

to lay them upon the graves of those who had fallen in defence of Israel. The IDF soldiers, men and women mixed in among the youth, were handing out prayer cards for those going into the cemetery to memorialize and adorn the graves. Despite the masses of people making their way up the street to the cemetery, there was no pushing or shoving – just a noble march of people paying their respects gratefully and sincerely.

A gathering outside Jerusalem later that same day was a highlight of the trip for me. Hundreds of Canadian youth were gathered for a Yom Hazikaron Ceremony – most of them just returning from Auschwitz amongst other places, they were participants in the Walk of the Living. They spoke to the crowd of over a thousand and explained how their journey to sites of the Holocaust had forever changed their lives and sparked a new dedication to freedom and human rights.

Tom and Sasha Weisz, recognized for their community service at the 2007 Negev Dinner in Hamilton, watched proudly as their nephew, Jonathon Asa, was one of the participants. Later as the sun went down on the Sabbath, Tom and I visited the Western Wall before our group returned to the hotel for a traditional Shabbat Dinner.

The Parliamentary delegation travelled to Independence Hall in Tel Aviv to mark the 60th Anniversary of Independence. The photographs of Tel Aviv in 1948 that hang in the Hall tell of so much history. The voice of Israel's first Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, was played as the finale of our visit to the Hall. His words were even more meaningful on the 60th Anniversary day



David Sweet and Josh Cooper of CJPAC

and still resonate strongly.

After those two historic days of commemoration, our delegation also visited the Old City in Jerusalem, the Negev, and so much more before the week was out.

I would like to sincerely thank the Canada-Israel Committee for making all of us Parliamentarians feel welcome and giving us the unique opportunity to experience these historic occasions in Israel – toward greater understanding and appreciation between our two countries.

Since returning to Canada I have followed up with the Israeli Consul General's Office in Toronto to discuss how we can further trade between our two nations better utilizing the Canada-Israel Free Trade Agreement. We also discussed our mutual research and development initiatives towards both Canada and Israel continuing to advance our mutual domestic and international pursuits.

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Greetings as you celebrate Rosh Hashanah

The sound of the Shofar heralds the beginning of a new year and a time of remembrance and renewal for the Jewish people. During these holy days, men and women are called to reflect on their faith and to honour the blessings of creation.

The enduring traditions of Rosh Hashanah remind us of the deep values of faith and family that strengthen our Nation and help guide us each day. As Jewish people around the world come together to celebrate Rosh Hashanah, it is a chance to look to the New Year with hope and faith.

Almut and I send our best wishes for a blessed Rosh Hashanah, L'channah tovah.

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Goldblatt lecture at Mac

Speaker will discuss meaning of ancient mosaics

It's a good question: Why is the Greek sun god (Helios) depicted in ancient synagogue mosaics? One occurrence of this figure might be dismissed as an oddity – but we have multiple examples preserved from synagogues in the Byzantine period (4–7th centuries CE). What might it have meant to have such an image in a Jewish place of worship?

Professor Lee Israel Levine, a world-renowned authority on ancient synagogues and a professor of Jewish history and archaeology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, will explore this question in the 2008 Lillian and Marvin Goldblatt Lecture in Jewish Studies. The lecture will be held on November 17, 2008 at 8pm at the CIBC Hall of the McMaster University Student Centre. Professor Levine's talk promises to be visually stimulating with many illustrations of synagogue mosaics.

It is easy to see why Professor Levine has been referred to as the "doyen of synagogue studies of our days." He is the author of eleven books and some 170 articles, and editor of eleven volumes. His most recent books include *The Ancient Synagogue: The First Thousand Years* (2005, 2000); *Jerusalem: Portrait of the City in the Second Temple Period* (538 BCE-70 CE), (2003); and *Jerusalem and Hellenism in Antiquity: Conflict or Confluence* (1999). He is currently working on a volume entitled *Visual Judaism:*

History, Art, and Identity in Late Antiquity. A number of Professor Levine's books will be on display in advance of his lecture at Titles Bookstore at McMaster as well as at the Goldblatt lecture.

Professor Levine's research clearly brings together his background as both a Talmud scholar and historian of classical Judaism. In addition to being ordained as a rabbi at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Professor Levine earned his PhD from Columbia University in Jewish history. He has received honorary doctorates from the Jewish Theological Seminary and Lund University, Sweden for his work on the ancient synagogue. From 1997-2001 he was head of the Dinur Research Center for the Study of Jewish History at Hebrew University.

Professor Levine was co-director of the excavations at Caesarea (1975-76) and director of the excavation of the Horvat Ammudim synagogue in the Galilee (1979). He has lectured widely in the United States, Israel, and Europe, and been a Visiting Professor at Harvard and Yale Universities as well as at the Jewish Theological Seminary. He is visiting McMaster as a Hooker Distinguished Visiting Professor.

Past Goldblatt lectures have been given by Professors Susannah Heschel (2007), Eliot Wolfson (2006) and David Biale (2005). The Goldblatt lectures are free and open to the public.



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The 2008 Lillian & Marvin Goldblatt Lecture in Jewish Studies

Why is the Greek sun-god (Helios) depicted in ancient synagogue mosaics?

A public lecture by
Dr. Lee Levine
Hebrew University, Jerusalem

Monday, November 17, 2008, 8:00 pm
McMaster University Student Centre CIBC Hall, 3rd Floor
Refreshments after the lecture

Dr. Lee Levine is Professor of Jewish History and Archaeology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He is the author of more than ten books and innumerable articles on topics that range from Jewish art and archaeology to Talmudic Studies. The main focus of his scholarly work has been on the topic of the Ancient Synagogue, which has earned him the international reputation as "Dean of Synagogue Studies." His works include the following:

- *Judaism and Hellenism in Antiquity: Conflict or Confluence?* University of Washington Press, 1998
- *Jerusalem: A Portrait of the City in the Second Temple Period* (538 BCE—70 CE) Jewish Publication Society, 2002
- *The Ancient Synagogue: The First Thousand Years*, Yale University Press, 2005
- *Visual Judaism: History, Art, and Identity in Late Antiquity* (forthcoming)



Professor Levine is the 2008 Hooker Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Department of Religious Studies

For more information please contact Sheryl Dick (dickshe@mcmaster.ca; 905-525-9140 ext 24567) or Celia Rothenberg (rothenb@mcmaster.ca; 905-525-9140 ext 24363)

From Sinai to the Shtetl and Beyond: Where is Home for The Jewish Writer?

After seven years of wandering, Ellen Jaffe and Lil Blume are organizing their Second Occasional Celebration of Jewish Writers and Writing to be held June 5-7, 2009. The 2002 festival was hugely successful with 25 writers descending on Temple Anshe Sholom for oneq readings, a panel discussion, workshops, and a literary cabaret.

For this festival, Lil and Ellen are planning to feature Jewish writers from Vancouver to Charlottetown and points in between. They are interested in offering you dramatic performances and discussions that explore the ways a Yiddish voice is emerging in Jewish writing today.

This festival is open to the entire community. If you are interested in helping to sponsor a guest writer or learning more about our program, please contact ejaffe@sympatico.ca or lilblume@rogers.com. Our festival website will appear on the Temple Anshe Sholom website later this fall.

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One could say that the delicatessen business is a Waxman family tradition. In old Jewish Hamilton Al Sax and Bill Cohen, both married to Waxman girls, operated delicatessens on York St. After the York Street redevelopment, Al relocated to Al's Place at the T H & B station on Hunter. Those were the good old days.

"We've been saying for years that you can't get a really good kosher style deli sandwich in Hamilton anymore," said Harvey. When a storefront location became available on Locke Street, Steven, who has been making deli sandwiches to order out of his house for the last year and a half, knew that the time was right.

Waxy's Deli, "the little green place" located at 184 Locke Street, is open for business, with the claim of making "the best deli sandwiches in Hamilton". At \$4.00 a sandwich, it may also be the best deal. The menu offers classic deli fare such as smoked meat, corned beef, pastrami, roast beef and salami, hot dogs as well as tuna, egg salad and veggie sandwiches for the vegetarian in your family. Waxy's will also prepare party trays for any occasion, including shiva meals.

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A leap of faith

Graduate student prepares to make aliyah this Fall

WENDY SCHNEIDER

Dundas resident Sara Cuneo, 23, will join the ranks of the relatively large number of former Hamiltonians living in Israel when she makes aliyah this fall. Cuneo, who is enrolled at Hebrew University in a two year Masters program on Society and Politics of Israel, flies out of New York on September 7 with the aliyah organization Nefesh b'Nefesh.



Sara Cuneo

Moving to Israel at any age is a major life change and begs the question, why? To some degree, the story sounds familiar: grandparents who were Holocaust survivors; raised in a politically active family; social activist mother born in Israel; a year spent at Hebrew University. But Cuneo's story is also unique. Her undergraduate years were spent at McMaster, where she completed a combined Honours degree in Political Science and Religious Studies. She was an active participant in interfaith activity on campus; her drive to promote tolerance and understanding among different faith and cultural groups culminated with her being hired as Director of Diversity Services at the Student Union in her final year. As fate would have it, the confluence of a Jew taking on that particular role at the same time as the now infamous incident involving an Israel Apartheid banner made last year what Cuneo describes as "difficult."

It is the Diversity Director's role to determine whether any given poster is judged to be potentially antagonistic to any one of the numerous cultural groups on campus, but in the case of the Apartheid banner, Cuneo felt she needed to remove herself.

"My role on campus [was] to promote inclusion and acceptance of all these diverse groups," she said, "I was supposed to rule objectively but I couldn't so I removed myself because of personal bias... I felt that my job would be in jeopardy had I spoken up for my own community because I would have been seen as having a political agenda."

As a result, a Diversity Director, whose job was to make sure everybody felt accepted on campus, was completely helpless to do exactly that for her own community. Difficult indeed.

Did her experiences during her final year at McMaster play a role

in her decision to make aliyah? "I wanted to make aliyah before this," she replied, "but it was reinforced because I felt excluded within the MSU [McMaster Student Union]. It reinforced the need to be within a Jewish community where I could speak my mind."

Cuneo finds it particularly ironic that it was much easier for her to cultivate friendships with Palestinian students she met at Ulpan during the year she spent at Hebrew University than it had been at McMaster. "It wasn't politicized. [At Hebrew University] I was viewed as the Canadian. In Canada I'm viewed as the Jew, the oppressor." That year, Cuneo attended her Palestinian friend's wedding in the West Bank. "It was liberating to have these friendships based on personality and not being associated with that conflict," she said. But Cuneo is aware that now that she has taken on Israeli citizenship, it may not be as easy to establish future relationships with Palestinians.

Nefesh B'Nefesh, which provides significant financial assistance to Olim (the Hebrew word for immigrants, literally, "those who ascend") has a rigorous application process whereby candidates have to demonstrate their commitment to stay in Israel. Cuneo will travel on a flight exclusively chartered by Nefesh b'Nefesh, together with other Olim and officials from the Ministry of the Interior. They will spend the flight time processing government paperwork to ease the arrival process. As part of her three year commitment, Cuneo has promised to provide Nefesh b'Nefesh counsellors with regular updates on her progress. Her extended family in Hamilton will be able to keep up with her activities by reading her regular column that will be seen in upcoming issues of the Hamilton Jewish News. Stay tuned.

THESE ARE THE NAMES

a documentary film by Paula Zimmerman Targownik and Daniel Targownik

Sunday, September 7th at 7:00 pm
Upper Social Hall, Beth Jacob Synagogue

followed by a question and answer session with the Israeli filmmakers and producers

The filmmakers uncover the dark past of the Crypto-Jewish community of Palma de Mallorca which has suffered through 600 years of antisemitic purges. The film is a remarkable document to the persistence of the human spirit, as a community attempts to hold on to symbols and culture against all odds. This viewing presents a once in a lifetime opportunity to meet and discuss the project with the team that conceptualized, filmed, and produced this unique and important documentary. Suggested donation \$10



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Some of the Shalom Village founders who were recognized at the Jewish National Fund's Negev Dinner at the Convention Centre on June 15th

"You must be the change you want to see in the world." ~ Mahatma Gandhi

These leaders had a vision of Shalom Village as a home where our community could fulfill the commandment to honour our Mothers and our Fathers. These extraordinary individuals reached beyond what was known, creating and sustaining a truly unique and wonderful home. The leadership of the people who made this vision a reality was celebrated on June 15th at the JNF Negev Dinner in Hamilton.

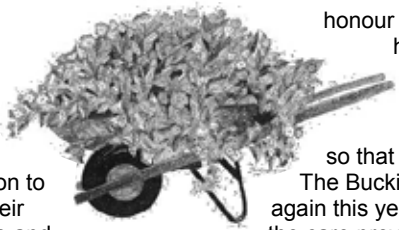
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Thank you for supporting possibilities at Shalom Village

As a not-for-profit organization, Shalom Village relies on community support to allow us to be a home where people experience the possibilities every day.

There are a variety of ways to support *The Possibilities Fund* at Shalom Village. The Lakin family made a donation to acknowledge the loving care that their mother receives, while the family of Mike and Claire Ridker chose to sponsor a bench dedicated to their memory.

The Praiser family made a gift to establish the *Praiser Fund* to support hospice care at Shalom Village in



honour of Sally and Ian Praiser. They hope to encourage other families to follow suit.

Other donors prefer to make their gifts on an annual basis so that the benefits are felt over time. The Buckingham family remembered us again this year with a donation to recognize the care provided to their father and Dr.

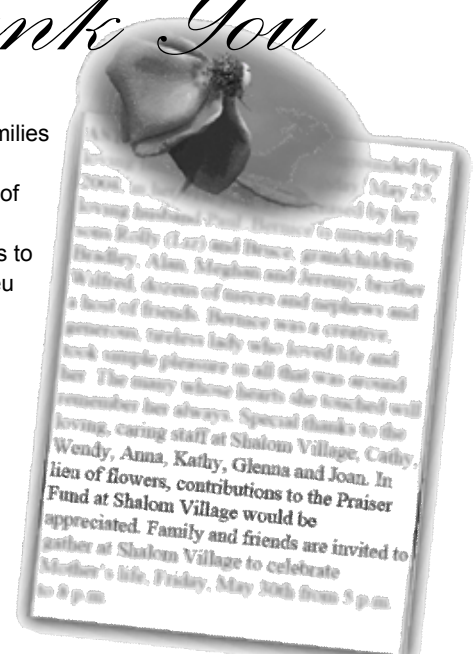
Michael Schweitzer made his annual gift in honour of Aaron Shiffman.

We are grateful for the generosity of these people who are helping us make possibilities possible every day.

Thank You

Thank you to the families who have chosen 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. All it takes is a phone call to Joan Ulrich at (905) 529-1613 ext. 231.



Shalom Village Tribute Cards

Are you looking for a special way to let your friends and family know how you feel about them? Would you like a thoughtful way to express condolences to those who have suffered losses, or to recognize accomplishments and special occasions?

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

All it takes is a phone call to Joan Ulrich to set your card in motion. Joan can be reached at (905) 529-1613 ext. 231 or by e-mail at cards@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. Please give Joan a call. She would love to hear from you!

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

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David Wright; Max Beer; Bernice Astrom; Maria Rao; Robbie Rochkin; Sophie Steinberg; Mildred Beckerman; Millie Somer; Shelagh Snider; Pearl Cohen; Martin Garland; Sophie Syroishko; Friend of Sarah Fleming; Father of Marilyn & Gordon Neufeld; Sister of Louis Shoer; Harry Appelton; Manya Silverberg; Harryette Deckelbaum; Chuck Zamonz; Henry Rabin; Harry Rich; Esther Cohen; Dolly Vaisler; Marcia Hebscher; Dr. Tolkin; Eudy Halberstadt; Dr. Daniel Glick; Kenneth Olds; Brother

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Living the possibilities on James Street North

James Street North is a bustling neighbourhood with plenty of activity in the markets, cafés and galleries that line the street. While stopped at a red light on James Street recently I spotted a familiar face window-shopping and stopping to chat with a friend.



When Maria first came to Shalom Village's *Goldie's2Home* program she hadn't walked in more than two years. She had been confined to a wheelchair after suffering a serious fracture in a fall. Now here she was pushing her walker along the busy street with a smile on her face. After being in and out of hospital and convalescent care for months the *Goldie's2Home* team had her back on her feet, living at home and reconnected with her community.

As I pulled away from the intersection I thought how fortunate I was to have stumbled across the scene that had just played out before me and wondered how many similar stories quietly unfold every day with nobody watching.

Together we make possibilities... possible!

The true gold in sport

Meshuggena Maj Warriors reap rewards

PAT MORDEN

I spent ten days this summer at the World Club Crew Dragon Boat races in Penang Malaysia, with 5,000 other paddlers from around the world, as passionate and dedicated as myself to the sport of dragon boating. When asked how I did the easy answer is "gold and a silver medal" the real answer is much more. The weekend of August 17 – the Meshuggena Maj Warriors brought into sharp focus for me the lessons I have been lucky enough to garner from being involved in a team sport.

The Meshuggena warriors, an exuberant collection of individuals from our community and the staff of Shalom Village put their paddles in the water, their spirits in high gear and worked together to create an experience that filled our hearts and souls with joy!

These athletes reminded me of the true value of athletic endeavours, something that often gets overshadowed by our emphasis on winning and medals. Not to say that striving to be the best and achieving this is not of value – just that there is much to be gained in the journey and since only so few can get the gold – it seems prudent to cherish and acknowledge the rewards for the many who put it all on the line for self and for others and never stand on an Olympic podium.

Personally, I believe that our participation in sport hones our ability to focus on goals, to source strength from others, to learn that in failure and pain there is also progress and hope. As part of a



The Meshuggena Maj Warriors

team we learn to stick with each other, find a way to make it work for the common goal, that a spontaneous hug can feel great – even when you are covered in sweat! As athletes we learn the power and inspiration that comes from encouragement not only when we win but also when we lose – cheers, slaps on the back, Kleenex for our disappointments all are tremendously empowering to ourselves and others. As athletes we are grateful for suggestions on how we can be better members of the team and see correction as a gift. In sport we don't mind getting wet, sore, tired or dirty in service of our shared goals. For many on the Meshuggena Maj Warriors, they learned the thrill of trying something new and stretching themselves, personally and physically in new and interesting ways!

Imagine the difference in the

world if we all behaved in spirit of sport that is so honoured by the Olympics! The Meshuggena Maj Warriors did it all – we got wet, we got so tired, we gave it all, we had moments of triumph and moments of disappointment – but how did we do? We had a wonderful day and we learned a lot about ourselves and each other. I also believe that as leaders in the Jewish community in Hamilton, we have demonstrated that our playing, working hard and celebrating together as Meshuggena Maj Warriors has enabled us to align and create 'gold' for our community in ways none of us could have imagined.

I am grateful to have had this Meshuggena experience – for it captures what I learned on my adventures in Penang with the added bonus that these shared moments will continue to impact our work here in making our Hamilton community the best it can be.

The Meshuggena Maj Warriors thank the following sponsors:
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HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK

The Hamilton Jewish Federation will hold its 3rd Annual Holocaust Education Week, Kristallnacht Commemoration, November 3 – 9, 2008. We have three exciting and educational programs planned for this nationally observed week of Holocaust education and commemoration.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 7:30 P.M.

Westdale Theatre, 1014 King Street West, Hamilton

MY MOTHER'S COURAGE (FILM)

From Director Michael Verhoeven comes this stunning cinematic version of Hungarian author George Tabori's play and novel. This tribute to the human spirit is based on a true event in the life of writer George Tabori's mother, Elsa. My Mother's Courage is a powerful, moving and decidedly different telling of a true Holocaust story about the deportation of 4,000 Hungarian Jews from Budapest to Auschwitz in 1944. Told in flashback, the film focuses on the narrator's mother, who survived due to a mix of coincidence, courage and help from a most unexpected quarter. Pauline Collins' stellar performance as Elsa, plucked from her everyday life and thrown into the surreal nightmare of mass deportation, affords an extraordinary account of one individual's escape from death juxtaposed with that of the millions who did not survive.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 7:30 P.M.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1107 Main Street West

MY PERSONAL TESTIMONY - Dr. Nadia Rosa

Dr. Nadia Rosa was born in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia in 1938. She lived in the ghetto with her Mother and her maternal grandparents. Later she was hidden with a gentile family, but was captured along with her entire family by the Gestapo on Christmas 1945. Nadia and her mother were to be sent to Auschwitz. However as they approached the Polish border, the railways had been destroyed by the advancing Red Army. They were re-routed to Theresienstadt and were liberated there in 1945. Her grandparents were murdered in the Holocaust, along with many of her relatives. Nadia studied in Bratislava and received her Ph.D. in microbiology in 1967. In 1968, the family immigrated to Canada. Nadia worked in McMaster University, Department of Pediatrics. She is married and has one daughter.

Student reflections from The March of Remembrance and Hope 2008 will be presented along with the documentary The Führer Gives a City to the Jews, which was produced by the Ministry of Propaganda of the Third Reich.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 7:30 P.M.

Adas Israel Synagogue, 125 Cline Ave. S., Hamilton

KRISTALLNACHT COMMEMORATION

This is a community commemoration of the 70th anniversary of *The Night of Broken Glass* (Kristallnacht) with the participation of Rabbi Daniel Green and alumni of the March of the Living 2008. There will be a special screening of the acclaimed documentary, *Zachor*, a short film dedicated to keeping alive the memory of Jewish individuals and families who were the victims of Nazi persecutions, those who survived and those who did not.

Holocaust Education Week is generously supported by many faith and community organizations: UJA Federation of Hamilton, City of Hamilton, Hamilton Police Service, The Hamilton Spectator, CHCH News, Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, Hamilton Catholic District School Board, Settlement and Integration Services Organization, Hamilton Centre for Civic Inclusion, Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton Interfaith Group, McMaster Jewish Students Association, Temple Anshe Sholom, Beth Jacob Synagogue, Adas Israel Congregation, Hamilton Christian Fellowship, The Erwin Jacobs Foundation, Paratus Investors Limited.



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Kehila principal visits Shechafim

Ger Rogers represented Hamilton's Jewish community at site visit

LEIA GER ROGERS

This has been a most exciting and eventful summer for me as the Principal of Kehila JCDS. I have had the opportunity to visit Shechafim School on behalf of the Hamilton Jewish community and participate in the Lookstein Center's Principal's Program through Bar Ilan University. Both of these experiences have opened my eyes and my heart to Israel, and how strongly attached our lives here are to this amazing country. This was not my first trip to Israel, to Jerusalem or to the Galilee but it was different to go with the focused purpose of improving our school and our community from this learning experience.

My adventure began straight from the airport with a long drive to Shechafim School; I was greeted by David Rose – marketing, Ishai Adler – school principal, and the head of Therapy, Anna Muller. Along with a detailed tour of the



Shechafim School in northern Israel, now partnered with Hamilton's Jewish community, serves families from throughout the region, including Druze families, pictured above.

are truly angels of mercy, making due with very little and giving 150% of themselves to the betterment of the lives of these children and their bewildered families.

and mentors it will grow to be the best possible environment for these children.

This experience touched me like no other, the commitment of the staff, the smiles of the children, the beauty of the landscape and the prospects for our future work together – community to community, will be my motivation this coming school year. Thank you to Gerry Fisher, Christine Nusca, Kehila Board of Directors, Nurit Biderman of the UIA Israel Office and to the staff of Shechafim School for this unforgettable experience.

May our future work together go from strength to strength,

These professionals are truly angels of mercy, making due with very little and giving 150% of themselves to the betterment of the lives of these children

LEIA GER ROGERS
Principal, Kehila JCDS

facility and their current renovations, I was also given a clear understanding of their physical, educational and life skill goals for their students. Shechafim School is in dire need of physical resources such as appropriate seating and standing equipment for their multiple handicapped students. They are in desperate need of tables, specialized beds, hands on multi-sensory teaching equipment and wheelchairs to service their needy population of students. Most of all, they need technology (software and hardware) to supplement and enable their students to truly benefit from the language development curriculum that they are currently delivering.

It is through the ingenuity of their staff (teachers and therapists) that these students are benefiting. These professionals

The school is a warm, caring and nurturing environment, and with our help in connecting them with the appropriate resources,

MAGEN DAVID ADOM

The Hamilton Jewish community can feel proud that the ambulance they donated to Magen David Adom in October of 2003 has responded to 8,204 emergency situations. This note will serve as an update of activities since the last ambulance shipment from area. The life expectancy of an ambulance, depending on its location, is approximately six years. The present campaign for the purchase of a fully equipped 'First Aid Scooter Ambulance', (equipped with oxygen, defibrillator, etc., with a trained medic on board) is now in progress at the cost of \$25,000. This 'moped' easily navigates through the narrow busy streets of Israel for immediate action. Your support is so greatly appreciated for the people of Israel. With much sincerity I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy new year.

Hilda C. Rosen
Member of CMDA National Board

HAMILTON HEBREW ACADEMY

Zionism, and a strong identification with the history and people of Israel, have always been central features of the educational experience at the Hamilton Hebrew Academy.

In recent years evidence of Israeli culture has permeated the hallways of the school in a more tangible ways. In partnership with the Jewish agency of Israel, the Academy has attracted choice teachers from Israel whose strong proficiency in Judaica and Hebrew language are enhanced by an effusive and infectious passion for the State.

Currently, the Academy's robust teaching staff includes 11 Israelis who enrich the learning environment in various innovative ways. This is evident in the classrooms, hallway bulletin boards, extracurricular activities and holiday programs, and most importantly in the command of Hebrew language of the students.

This year the Academy welcomes from Israel, Rabbi

Shmuel and Tali Bloom, Pinchas and Tzvia Yoskovitch, Uriel Ezra, Elkana Ifrach, Inbal Alafi and Jana Bordowicz.

Rabbi Shmuel Bloom, who will also serve as Director of Hamilton Hebrew High MidraSha, grew up in South Africa and has lived in Israel for the past 12 years. He served in the IDF and received ordination in 2001. He has served as a community rabbi in Jerusalem for the past 2 years and has worked in both formal and informal education. Rabbi Bloom holds a degree in education and diplomas in computer science and counseling.

His wife Tali, a Toronto native, has extensive experience in Jewish communal life and education. She holds a B.Sc from the University of Toronto and an M.B.A. from Hebrew University.

For information about the Hamilton Hebrew Academy please call 905-528-0330 or visit www.hamiltonhebrewacademy.ca.

TEMPLE ANSHE SHOLOM

LAURA WOLFSON

What's it all about at Temple Anshe Sholom Religious School? Everyone knows Hebrew school is a drag... or is it? Okay, yes, the kids complain about having to get up and go to school on the weekend, and they'd rather play after school than come here for more school... but when they get to the Temple and get started, the complaining stops and the fun learning starts. Classes are lively and engaging. Through creative and experiential learning activities, songs, stories, and family learning programs, through prayer, study, and discussion, our students gain not only knowledge but a sense of commitment

to their Jewish future and to the Jewish people as a whole. What do they learn? They learn to read and write Hebrew, recite the blessings and prayers of our people, hear the stories and lessons of Torah, and about Israel, the Jewish life cycle and Jewish holidays, Jewish ethics and values, Jewish symbols and more. And what else? They make strong Jewish friendships, and become comfortable in a synagogue environment. It's a great start – a foundation to prepare them for a lifetime of Jewish living. If you have a Jewish child attending a public school and you're looking for a great Jewish education program to help lay that foundation, give us a call at 905-528-0121!

CHABAD LUBAVITCH

The 2008-2009 school year is off to a start. This year Chabad, under the directorship of Rabbi Chanoch and Shaina Rosenfeld, will be offering new classes for the Jewish students at McMaster- "Behind The Scenes-A Peek into the Inner Dimension of Judaism" on the holidays and the related mitzvot (commandments), and "The Rest of the Story....The Story You Didn't learn in Hebrew School" on the stories of TaNa"CH. As well, we will be continuing our weekly Shabbat dinners and Holiday programming.

Chabad-Lubavitch is also excited to announce our new Torah Studies program, open to the general community, beginning after the High Holidays. The Torah Studies program brings you the tradition of classical Jewish learning in a series of clear and engaging weekly classes. Probing the ideas and issues presented in

each week's Torah portion, the Torah Studies classes offer timely lessons for living – from the most timeless of all texts. It is designed and developed by the world-renowned Jewish Learning Institute. Classes will take place at the Chabad House-177 Sterling St. on Tuesday nights at 8 pm. Start date and couvert TBA.

In addition to the ongoing classes and general activities for the university students and the Hamilton Jewish Community, this December will be the first Annual Memorial Lecture honouring the memory and legacy of Rabbi Zalman Itkin. Save the date-Monday, December 8, 2008. Details will be announced.

For more information, visit us on the web at www.ChabadHamilton.com or email us at info@chabadhamilton.com.

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BETH JACOB SYNAGOGUE

Beth Jacob Synagogue is delighted to introduce its new education director, Aviva Hermannoff. Canadian born, but having lived in Israel with her family for ten years, Hermannoff has an undergraduate and graduate degree in Jewish Education from York University. In addition to 15 years of experience in teaching both in supplementary and day school education she has completed a Jewish Principals course at York.

Hermannoff believes strongly that supplementary school students deserve the same quality education that day school students receive and her vision is to infuse Beth Jacob's She'arim Hebrew School and Enrichment Program with ruach and relevance.

Building on the curriculum changes instituted by last year's education director, Karen Selsberg, Hermannoff's innovations include the implementation of an interactive computer program that will develop Hebrew language skills and provide experiential, hands on activities. In addition, the curriculum will be fully integrated, so that academic courses such as Israel studies, Jewish History and Hebrew language and electives such as drama, music and art, will be taught around a particular theme.

Hermannoff believes that successful schools are those that are small and approachable and can provide personal attention to each child. "She'arim might be small but we go the extra mile", she said. "My vision is to create a little day school within this supplementary school so that the quality is not less than what one can find in a day school".

She'arim Hebrew School and Enrichment Program opens in September and runs on Tuesday afternoons from 4:30 to 6:30 pm and Sundays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. For more information contact Aviva Hermannoff at aviva@bethjacobsynagogue.ca or call 905 522 1351 ext 18.



Aviva Hermannoff

Sunday morning lecture series

"Soul, Body and Mind", Beth Jacob Synagogue's popular Sunday morning prayer, breakfast and lecture series, returns to Beth Jacob this Fall. We invite you to join us for five thought provoking talks on a wide range of topics. Minyan is at 9:00 a.m. followed by breakfast and shmoozing, Talks will start at 10:15 a.m. and last about 45 minutes with plenty of time for questions and discussion afterwards. There is a cover charge of \$5.00 per person for breakfast. Please mark your calendars for the last Sunday of each month, October, November, January, February and March and plan to attend.

On Sunday, October 26th we are proud to have as our first speaker Dr. Ronnie Miller, who will introduce us to a topic he is passionately involved in, Native communities in Northern Ontario and their struggle for education, against unexpected odds.

Barry Shainbaum will be our guest speaker on Sunday, November 23rd, when he talks about his "Search for Self" and takes us on his difficult journey to overcome the bipolar disorder with which he was afflicted from his late teens. Today, Barry works professionally as a photographer, speaker and radio broadcaster, and he is the author of "Hope & Heroes." Barry is originally from Hamilton and attended Beth Jacob Synagogue with his family for many years.

For questions and reservations please e-mail Maureen Price at mpprice@cogeco.ca, or phone 905-523-8067.

B'Yachad... a Beth Jacob Synagogue and Temple Anshe Sholom collaboration

Together (b'yachad), Rabbis Selsberg and Cohen, and educators, Aviva Hermannoff and Laura Wolfson, have created an exciting program for high school students called "B'Yachad". Engaging electives for high school kids will be taught sometimes at Temple and sometimes at Beth Jacob. Weekly classes include topics such as "If Moses, Jesus and Mohammed Went To Starbucks, What Would They Talk About?" and "We All Eat The Same Matza (Orthodox, Reconstructionist, Conservative, Reform and Humanist/Jews) – Are We All The Same?"

Commenting on the initiative Rabbi Selsberg said, "It's really not until a student reaches high school age that some of the best parts of Judaism can be taught: the deep ethical teachings, the respectful debate, the meanings of *mitzvah*, the constant grappling with the world as it is and the world as it could be. There are those in our community who have slipped though the cracks in being exposed to this material, and it's hard for me to imagine them growing up with a meaningful connection to Judaism without it. To be a part of a program that addresses these issues is hugely exciting for me."

"B'Yachad will provide a great opportunity for Hamilton's Jewish High School students," said Rabbi Cohen. "We have an exciting and meaningful curriculum designed, the program will provide each student with lots of personal choice and options, there will be time to socialize with other Jewish students, and by working together, we can bring to all of our youth the best resources that both Anshe Sholom and Beth Jacob have to offer. B'Yachad is all about real Judaism being presented in a way that is relevant to the real lives our students live. I am thrilled to work with the Beth Jacob community to be able to make this important program available to our students and their families. I really encourage all of our high school students to come out and get involved in B'Yachad."

For more information or to register, please contact Aviva Hermannoff at Beth Jacob Synagogue or Laura Wolfson at Temple Anshe Sholom.

HAMILTON HEBREW HIGH MIDRASHA 2008-2009

Hamilton Hebrew High Midrasha, the community's innovative high school program, will be conducting classes this year at the JCC. As a fully accredited high school with the Ontario Ministry of Education, Midrasha offers a full range of courses to Jewish high school students in the region. "Our goal is to engage the entire community and broaden our base even further," commented Lanie Goldberg, past Director of the program. "By conducting classes at the JCC we are sending the message that regardless of your background or affiliation Midrasha is the program for you." Courses are offered after school and in the evening and include: Media Studies, Grade 12 philosophy, Jewish Leadership, Hebrew Language and more. In addition, Midrasha has opened enrollment for their grade 9 class in leadership to grade 8 students through the Provincial Reach Ahead program. To register, or for more information call Rabbi Shmuel Bloom at 905-528-0039 or visit hhmidrasha.ca. Hamilton Hebrew High Midrasha is a project of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy and the UJA Federation of Hamilton.

MONDAY

Grade 9 Hebrew Language Time TBA This course is designed to enable students to begin to communicate in Hebrew. Students will use simple language and read age and language appropriate passages for various purposes. Grade 8 Hebrew, or permission from instructor

TUESDAY

Grade 11 Hebrew 3:15-5:15 pm; This course emphasizes the further development of oral communication, reading and writing skills in Hebrew at an academic level. Prerequisite: International Languages, Level 2, University Preparation

Grade 9 Community and Individuality in Judaism 7:00-9:00pm; Students will explore, through the prism of classical Jewish texts, the importance of their unique personal contributions towards the Jewish community and broader society as a whole.

WEDNESDAY

Grade 10 Ethics 7:00-9:00pm; This course is designed to instill in the student a life long dedication to Judaism and Jewish studies. Student's will learn the foundations of Jewish belief, and understand how to apply that knowledge to current ethical dilemmas that challenge mankind. No prerequisite

Grade 11 Media Studies This course emphasizes knowledge and skills that will enable students to understand media communication in the twenty-first century and to use media effectively and responsibly. Prerequisite: English, Grade 10, Academic or Applied

THURSDAY

Grade 12 U Hebrew Language Course 3:15-5:15pm; This course prepares students for university studies in the Hebrew language. Students will enhance their ability to use Hebrew with clarity and precision, and will develop the language skills needed to engage in sustained conversations and discussions, understand and evaluate information, read diverse materials for both study and pleasure, and write clearly and effectively. Prerequisite: International Languages, Level 3, University Preparation

Grade 12 U Philosophy This course addresses the main areas of philosophy: metaphysics, logic, epistemology, and ethics. Students will learn critical-thinking skills and the main ideas expressed by philosophers from a variety of world traditions. Prerequisite: Any university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies

MANDATORY CREDIT COMPLETION OPTIONS In order to receive any Ontario Ministry Approved credit, students must complete 110 hours of educational instruction. This applies to Hamilton Hebrew High's Religious studies, Hebrew Language, and Interdisciplinary Studies courses. Hamilton Hebrew High divides these required hours into two. While 80 hours are completed in class, through weekly two hour sessions, the remaining 30 hours must be completed by attendance at the various programs scheduled throughout the year.



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