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www.hadassah.org/chapter/knoxville

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www.kjds.org

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KEY: HA = Heska Amuna, JCOR = Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge, KJA = Knoxville Jewish Alliance, KJDS = Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School, JFS = Jewish Family Services, TBE = Temple Beth El

August 2024 Community Calendar

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

8:20P *Candle Lighting*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

9:20P *Havdalah*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

8:13P *Candle Lighting*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

9:12P *Havdalah*
6:00P Shalom Y'all Reception at the J - Community Members
7:00P Adult Pool Party & PJ Parents Night Out - KJA

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

Erev Tish'a B'Av

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

Tish'a B'Av

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

8:05P *Candle Lighting*
5:00PM Welcome Rabbis Reception - KJA
5:30PM Shabbat at the Pool - KJA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

9:03P *Havdalah*

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

Tu B'Av

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

7:30P Book Club - Hadassah

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

7:00P Book Club - JCOR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

7:56P *Candle Lighting*
6:00P Annual BBQ - TBE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

8:53P *Havdalah*
12:15P Lunch N Learn - JCOR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

9:30A First Day of Religious School - TBE
3:00P Membership Event - Hadassah
12:00P Movie Time - TBE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

7:47P *Candle Lighting*
6:00P Welcome Back Shabbat Dinner - Hillel

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

8:43P *Havdalah*

September 2024 Community Calendar

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Labor Day
Last Day of the Season - AJCC Pool

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:37P *Candle Lighting*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:32P *Havdalah*
11:00A-2:00P Pooch Plunge - KJA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

3:00P Where We Are Today After October 7 - Hadassah
2:00P Fall Bash at Deep Well Farm - PJ Library, KJDS, TBE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7:00P Gilya Schmidt Book Talk, Part 1 - KJA

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

11:30A *JFS Committee Meeting* - KJA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:22P *Havdalah*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

2:00P JFS presents Wellness through Nature Exploration - KJA
3:00P Spiritual Preparation for HHD - JCOR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:00P Gilya Schmidt Book Talk, Part 2 - KJA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:30P Book Club - Hadassah

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00P Book Club - JCOR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:16P *Candle Lighting*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:11P *Havdalah*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

6:00P Mega Challah Bake - Chabad

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:06P *Candle Lighting*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:01P *Havdalah*

Calendar Highlights *Please Join Us!*

Knoxville Jewish Alliance

www.jewishknoxville.org

Shabbat at the Pool August 16, 4:00-7:00PM at Arnstein Jewish Community Center

Shabbat at the Pool is a long-standing annual Jewish community event at the AJCC pool. We have open swimming (4:00-7:00pm), Tot Shabbat at the kiddie pool (5:30pm), a rabbi welcome reception (5:00pm), cookout dinner (6:00pm), and then communal Shabbat service (7:00pm). It's a fun, casual community event, and we look forward to sharing Shabbat with you!

Contact Anna Iroff-Bailey, airoffbailey@jewishknoxville.org, (865) 690-6343 Ext.3

Heska Amuna Synagogue

www.HeskaAmuna.org

In the Still of the Night August 19, 7:00PM at Heska Amuna Synagogue

Join us for an evening with Dr. Gilya Gerda Schmidt as she presents highlights from her latest work, In the Still of the Night. Beginning at 6:00pm, the Rabbi, the Religious Services Committee, and friends will host a dinner honoring Gilya. Reservations are appreciated but not required.

Contact RSS@HeskaAmuna.org

PJ Library, KJDS, & TBE

www.jewishknoxville.org

Pre-Rosh Hashanah Fall Bash September 8, 2024 2:00-5:00PM at Deep Well Farm

You're invited to the third annual Fall Bash at Deep Well Farm! Join us as we celebrate fall Jewishly with holiday snacks and activities, hayrides on the farm, and so much more family fun! This program is supported by a PJ Library Engagement Grants for Implementing Partners, which deepens engagement opportunities for families raising Jewish children.

Contact Anna Iroff-Bailey, airoffbailey@jewishknoxville.org, (865) 690-6343 Ext.3

Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge

www.jcortn.org

SPIRITUAL PREPARATION for the HIGH HOLY DAYS Sunday September 15, 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm at Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge, 101 W. Madison Lane, Oak Ridge TN 37830

The High Holy Days exert a mysterious pull. Even those who aren't regular Shabbat attendees find themselves drawn into shul for Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur services. Rabbi Ahuvah invites all to learn how we can prepare our hearts (and our ears) for personally meaningful Days of Awe.

Contact Rabbi Ahuvah, jcor.rabbi@gmail.com

Chabad of Knoxville

www.chabadknoxville.org/challahbake

Pre-RoshHashana Mega Challah Bake Sunday, September 22nd, 6-9pm at Lighthouse Knoxville

Join over 100 women as we connect, inspire and unite as we sing, dance, are inspired, eat and connect with old and new friends. An evening of unity and inspiration as we perform the Mitzvah of Challah, a special Mitzvah designated for women.

Contact Miriam Esther Wilhelm, me@kjds.org 865-386-3827

For the most updated community calendar, including services, ongoing classes, and programs, visit www.jewishknoxville.org/calendar.



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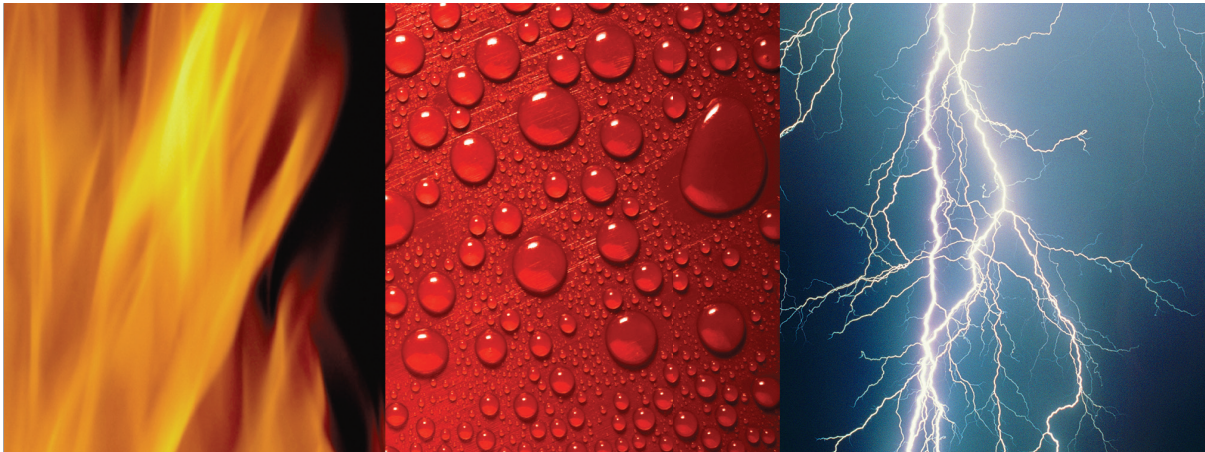
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Tishah B'Av and Tu B'Av

By: Raina Siroty, Rabbi Cantor

During the Jewish month of *Av*, we observe two holidays that, due to their proximity to each other and their similar names, are sometimes confused. *Tisha B'Av*, the 9th of the month of *Av*, and *Tu B'Av*, the 15th of the month of *Av* could not be more different, with one being a somber day of mourning and the other being a celebration of love.

Tu B'Av is commonly referred to as "Jewish Valentine's Day" due to its associations with romance. It is said to be a lucky day for weddings, so many couples make it a point to have their wedding that day. This year, *Tu B'Av* begins on August 19th.

Like many of our other Jewish holidays, *Tu B'Av* initially started as a harvest festival, one meant to celebrate the beginning of the grape harvest, with Yom Kippur marking its end. We read in the Mishnah: "There never were in Israel greater days of joy than *Tu B'Av* and Yom Kippur. On these days the daughters of Jerusalem used to walk out in white garments which they borrowed in order not to put to shame anyone who had none ... The daughters of Jerusalem came out and danced in the vineyards exclaiming at the same time, "Young man, lift up your eyes and see what you choose for yourself. Do not set your eyes on beauty but set your eyes on [good] family." As it says, "Grace is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that fears the lord, she shall be praised." (Ta'anit 26b)

Rabbi Jill Hammer states: "A way to mark the time between *Tishah b'Av* and *Tu B'Av* is to meditate on each of the seven nights that span the two holidays, rising on the final day, *Tu B'Av*, to light a candle, don white clothing, and celebrate the body's rebirth.

So, whether you choose to meditate between *Tishah B'Av* and *Tu B'Av*, or celebrate by dancing under the moonlight, I hope that you feel loved.

Don't Quit and Don't Give Up

By: Dan McLaughlin, President

Over the past few weeks, my excitement on becoming the new president of Temple Beth El has continued to grow. I am excited to work with Rabbi Raina Siroty, the Board, and the congregation. I am excited about the future. I am even excited about writing my first HaKol article.... on *Tisha B'Av*.

How do you go from being excited and positive about the future, to then have to write about the day we mourn the tragedies across Jewish history? For me, I had to spend several days and really look at what the day means to me. To seriously sit down and look at what our people have been through, and even what we are dealing with now. How easy it would have been to quit. To give up. To say bad things happen and why bother?

That is where I realized I didn't have to set aside my excitement. Throughout history, Jews don't give up. Even in our darkest days, we mourn and then we stand up and go to work. We work to rebuild. We work to better our communities. We work for justice. We work to bring Heaven here to Earth. Our good deeds are the building blocks, and we are building brick by brick.

So, I will join my brothers and sisters in mourning on *Tisha B'Av*, but I am so excited to look to the future. I look forward to all we can and will accomplish. Let's go to work.

Hands on, Hearts on, Minds on Learning

By: Norma James, Temple Beth El Religious School Director

**Religious School begins Sunday, August 25th 9:30-12:00.
Midweek Hebrew for 4th-7th graders begins August 28th 4:30-6:00.**

I am very excited about starting our second school year with our fabulous Rabbi Raina Sirotty. She has wonderful ideas for being even more active in our school this year. Look for Rabbi Raina to be in the classrooms leading activities, discussions, and other learning opportunities. She and I want to create T'filah experiences for our students that are engaging and spiritually meaningful. Our students love to sing, and Rabbi Raina and I plan to expand their song repertoire. Tara Bain will again bring her special excitement to our many school-wide events such as Maccabiah and the Purim Festival and many more! In June I attended the ISJL Conference in Jackson, Mississippi and returned with lots of new ideas we can put into action this year. Our entire staff will strive to make this school year the best one yet! If you have considered trying out our religious school, this would be a great time to do it.

TBERS will once again partner with PJ Library/PJ Our Way and KJDS for a year of special programs. We will be planning a variety of family centered events for all ages. Don't miss our pre-Rosh Hashanah Fall Bash on September 8th.

Apples and Honey provided by TBE Connect will be during religious school on September 29th. Our students love starting off the New Year with sweetness on their tongues. Thank you, TBE Connect, for all you do for us.

Fall Break is October 6th-13th.

Do you have children ages 4 through rising 9th grade who would enjoy spending time with wonderful Jewish children and amazing teachers? Consider our Temple Beth El Religious School. Norma James would love to talk to you about our program. Contact her directly at normajames@tbeknox.org to set up a meeting, FaceTime, Zoom, or phone call.

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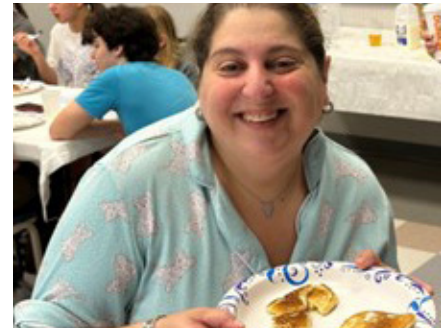
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"If you will it, it is no dream." This well-known quote from Theodor Herzl refers to his desire to build a Jewish homeland and his love of the Jewish people, and it immediately came to mind to announce Hillel at UTK Endowment Fund for UTK is now a reality, thanks to the vision and generosity of Shelley and Jeff Hecht.

Hillel International serves Jewish students on over 850 college campuses, and KJA supports and staffs Hillel at UTK. Our VP of Jewish Community Services Karen Ferency wrote a previous HaKol article stating Hillel at UTK needed a fund. Jeff and Shelley made it happen! The Hechts raised three kids in Knoxville and have been active and supportive community members for decades. Jeff and Shelley did not go to UT and neither did their kids, but Shelley worked for Hillel in Ann Arbor, Michigan while a student. To quote her, "Hillel has always been close to my heart. And right now, those kids definitely need our support!"

This leadership level gift will allow KJA to enrich Hillel at UTK's presence, programming, and support Jewish students at their home away from home. The Hecht's generosity and vision is a very powerful statement. KJA is forever grateful and honored to accept donations to grow this endowment.

Please reach out to me or to the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds to learn more.

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Welcoming Our First Shinshinim: A New Chapter for Our Community

By: Noa Barak, KJA VP of Community Engagement

We are thrilled to announce the arrival of our very first Shinshinim, a project in collaboration with the Jewish Agency for Israel. The Shinshinim are recent high school graduates from Israel, who will be spending a year with us. They are bringing their energy, enthusiasm, and deep connection to Israeli culture and life.

The introduction of the Shinshinim to our community is exciting as they will be spearheading the BBYO Connect program. This program aims to engage and inspire Jewish youth in grades 5 through 8. It is a fantastic opportunity for our youth to develop leadership skills and form lasting friendships.

As a teenager growing up in Israel, I had the honor of leading the Noar Leno'ar branch in my hometown, which is the Israeli counterpart of BBYO. Little did I know then that I would have the opportunity to revive and enhance this incredible program here in our wonderful Knoxville. This personal journey from leading youth programs in Israel to nurturing them here as a parent is a testament to the enduring ties that bind our global Jewish community.

I have enjoyed seeing so many of you at our various functions and events, and I am eager to see even more of our community members get involved. We invite all parents with children rising to grades 5 through 8 to join this exciting initiative. Together, we can continue to grow and strengthen our community, enriching our ties with Israel, and ensuring a vibrant Jewish future. This program is possible thanks to a grant generously donated by the Zeff family from Denver for small communities like ours.

For more information, please contact me at VPCommunityEngagement@jewishknoxville.org. We look forward to an incredible year ahead!

Smokin' Salmon: From Swimmer to Coach

By: Amelia Brooke, Smokin' Salmon Head Coach

As a swim team head coach, you wear many hats and sometimes it can be exhausting, but it is so worth it for the Smokin' Salmon swim team. This swim team means so much to me and many other people, and it completely makes my day every time I come to the pool and see these kids' smiling faces. Being able to go from being a swimmer on the team to a head coach has been incredible and extremely rewarding.

We have a tradition of pushing the coaches in the pool when we win, and I always loved that! Now I get to be the one that is getting pushed in the pool, which means so much to me. These children have helped me find myself and show me what I can do in this world, and it is a blessing to be teaching these children. I owe it all to KJA for giving me this incredible life-changing opportunity to be a leader and a role model to the children.



Our 2024 Smokin' Salmon Swim Team with head coaches Amelia Brooke and Ethan Griffin.

PJ Library Helps KJA Connect Jewish Families and Celebrate Jewish Life

By: The Harold Grinspoon Foundation

Knoxville-area families raising Jewish children will now have more opportunities to participate in Jewish life, thanks to an engagement grant recently awarded by PJ Library®, the flagship program of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, which provides free books to families raising Jewish children all over the world.

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance received \$6000 to expand the B'yachad Knoxville (Knoxville Together) partnership with Knoxville Jewish Day School and Temple Beth El Religious School for family engagement programming. Our first program of the school year will be a Pre-Rosh Hashanah Fall Bash on September 8 at Deep Well Farm.

Tracy Newman, director of community engagement for PJ Library, says, "These dollars have a profound impact on Jewish communal life in our partner communities. The grants showcase PJ Library's best practices for engaging a wide range of diverse families, enriching micro-communities and fostering a vibrant, dynamic Jewish community."

"Knoxville Jewish Alliance is honored to receive this grant and thrilled to be part of the global PJ Library community which distributes books in seven languages to more than 650,000 children in over 40 countries every month," said Anna Iroff-Bailey, KJA Director of Jewish Life.

The 29 winning grant proposals were chosen through a competitive process open to organizations implementing PJ Library across the United States and Canada. A survey of participants in previous grant-funded projects showed the 87% of participating families connected socially during the programs building friendships that allowed them to be more comfortable participating in Jewish life. Last year projects saw that 71% of families sought out or attended other local Jewish programs following their participation in the PJ funded program.

"It is our pleasure to amplify the amazing work of Jewish communities across the US and Canada," said Jessica Emerson McCormick, director of family experience for PJ Library. "We work hand-in-hand with our partners to make sure that we are going well beyond the books to support the rich engagement work that is right for each unique market."

We are grateful to our PJ Library Alliance partners who have joined the Harold Grinspoon Foundation in funding these engagement grants. To learn more about our donors and projects, visit www.hgf.org



PJ Library offers free Jewish books mailed monthly to children ages 0-12. Scan here to sign up today!

Wellness Through Nature Exploration - A Program by Jewish Family Services

By: Nancy Britcher, Jewish Family Services Committee Chair

On Sunday, September 15, 2024, from 2 to 4 pm, Jewish Family Services will present a program on Wellness through Nature Exploration. Our primary presenter will be Ron Sentell, acclaimed local photographer and longtime member of The Southern Appalachian Nature Photographer's Club. "Four Seasons of the Great Smoky Mountains" highlights the beauty that can be discovered in our own backyard throughout the year. It can be appreciated by a walk through the woods or a drive through the mountains.

JFS committee members will briefly discuss programs currently offered to our community and ask for community input for future programming.

Light appetizers and desserts will be served. Please RSVP to Andrea Martindale at the KJA Office at (865) 690-6343 by September 9, 2024.

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KJA Annual Campaign's Sip & Support Event

By: Tara Bain, KJA Director of Community Engagement

Thank you all for spending the evening with the KJA. We wish to express our gratitude to Brittany Baxter of Bob's Liquor Store for her presentation with our Israeli wine tasting, Edward Finkel of JFNA for sharing the impact Jewish Federations are having in our world, and our keynote speaker, Consul General Anat Sultan-Dadon, for providing us with a deeper understanding of the situation on the ground in Israel since October 7 and the rise in antisemitism around the world. L'shalom.



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Why KJDS?

By: Miriam Esther Wilhelm, Head of School

Sending a child to KJDS, or any Jewish day school, is a commitment of resources and an investment in your child's future that pays back tenfold! Mitchel Malkus recently wrote about "The Case for the Jewish Day School." In it, he referenced the research from the Cohen Center at Brandeis University, which found that "Jewish Day school alumni demonstrate the highest level of academic confidence and success, yet also exhibit significant advantages over their peers who are public and independent school graduates. This is the case because not only is the general studies equal to, or better than, other schools, but because the dual curriculum in day schools emphasizes critical thinking skills, questioning, and second language instruction."

We've seen this and more amongst our alumni. Our alumni have their potential unleashed and their souls ignited. They are engaged and responsible members of their communities and understand their responsibilities to others, to G-d, and our universe.

But don't just rely on studies! Let's hear why our parents have chosen KJDS for their children and why our teachers and staff have chosen KJDS as their professional home.

"Growing up in Knoxville being the 'token Jew' all my life felt lonely and isolating at times. I am so happy that my kids' association with Judaism has only been wonderful and joyous. At KJDS, my

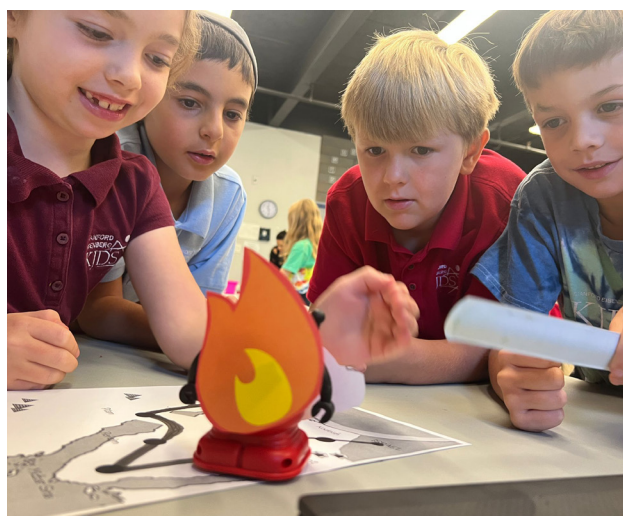




kids were grounded in a vibrant and warm Jewish community. In middle and high school, they were confident and knowledgeable in their Judaism, thanks to their amazing KJDS education, and proudly shared about Jewish holidays with their new friends.” - Gary Sturm

“Stella and Noah’s love of learning in a school environment has been reignited as they immerse in stimulating and interesting hands-on learning that has Jewish foundations and principles. Noah and Stella both come home from KJDS excited to tell us stories of their day. Their energies and demeanors regarding school are night and day compared to their recent public-school experiences. Stella and Noah have enhanced their love for Jewish tradition, pride, and lifestyle that extends beyond school.” - Steven Weinberg

“One of the reasons I was drawn to working at KJDS was the emphasis on ‘Joy’ in the mission statement. The idea of children experiencing joyful learning truly resonated with me. After a year at KJDS, I can confidently say that the school lives up to this mission daily. My time here has not only deepened my



understanding of Jewish culture and heritage but also instilled in me a great appreciation for the school’s sense of community. Watching the children embrace their identity and engage in events that celebrate their heritage has been truly inspiring. While KJDS may be small in size, its impact on the hearts of the children, commitment to lifelong learning, and pride in Jewish heritage is immense.” - Darcy Devrnja, Innovation Coach

“My kids look forward to school and come home excited about their day because they have such a strong sense of community and belonging. Each student is nurtured in their social and emotional development, while also being challenged academically. Every aspect of KJDS is done with intention and purposely designed for each student’s success.” - Sarah Butcher

“Sending our children to KJDS has given us so much more than just a great school. It has given us long-lasting friendships in a warm and welcoming



community. While our children have all graduated from KJDS, they maintain close and lasting friendships with their KJDS friends. Their KJDS experience has given them such a solid and joyful Jewish foundation, and they stay connected. Along with an outstanding KJDS education comes a warm community with long-lasting friendships for the entire family.” - Nathalie Guigui

“I love project-based learning. Students retain information better when they find it and apply it in creative ways to present their new knowledge. I love that we can do fun hands-on learning, like hatching chicks.” - Jessica Vose, 2/3 teacher and parent

“As an employee at KJDS, at the time, I was so excited for my son to join me at school! He benefited from the small, multi-age classes as he was nurtured as a leader and worked in small math and reading groups daily. He

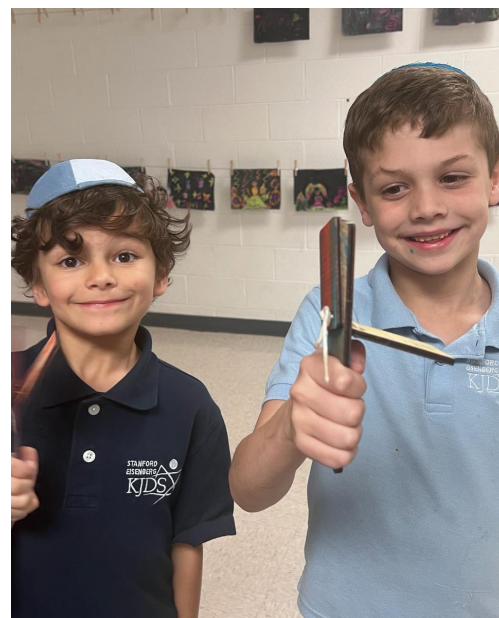


had an awesome relationship with his teachers, and they pushed him to produce his best work. KJDS is both a challenging and joyful place to learn, and I'm thrilled that my child had the opportunity to be part of this amazing and unique school." - Louise Lindsay

"KJDS was a second home to my son and daughter. It is probably the best decision I have and will ever make about their education. It established their love for learning which is priceless and that gift runs deep. There is just no better elementary school out there if you want your kids to learn amazing amounts, be loved and respected completely, and look forward to school every single day. I just can't say enough about this wonderful school." - Joelle Adajian

"Three qualities of KJDS had the greatest impact on my thinking: its academic excellence, its Jewish ethics, and its caring community. The KJDS atmosphere is simultaneously scholarly and nurturing." - Lois Presser

"I chose to teach at KJDS because of its strong commitment to fostering a sense of community and belonging among both students and staff. The school's values are deeply rooted in Jewish traditions and teachings, which emphasize the importance of community, learning, and ethical behavior. This connection to Jewish sources not only enriches the curriculum but also creates a nurturing environment where students can grow academically and personally while staying connected to their cultural and religious heritage." - Faina Rozov, Hebrew teacher and parent



Introducing New Staff to KJDS - Welcome Sara Venable!

We are excited to introduce our newest staff member, Sara Venable. Sara will be taking on several roles at KJDS. She will be the 4th and 5th grade co-teacher, Drama Director, and Aftercare Director.

Sara Venable was raised in Honolulu, Hawaii, and had the good fortune of being born into a family of creative and adventurous world travelers. Sara is deeply enthusiastic about the performing arts and project-based learning. She has taught Arts Education in Seattle, New York, Los Angeles, Miami, Portland, and since 2009...East Tennessee. Along the way, she earned a master's degree in educational theatre from New York University. Most of her career has been spent in teaching, independent school administration, and program building. When she is not working, she enjoys attending cultural or performance events, watching movies, exploring new restaurants, and sitting in the sunshine with her two dogs.



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Wednesdays in August and September

- August 7
- August 14
- August 21
- August 28
- September 4
- September 11
- September 18
- September 25

To reserve a spot message Miriam Esther for the sign up link.

Rabbi's Remarks

By: Rabbi Adam Rosenbaum

When the ministering angels assemble before God and ask, "When is the New Year and when is the Day of Atonement?" God says to them: "Why do you ask Me? You and I, let us all go to the court and inquire of them." – Deuteronomy Rabbah

As summer draws to a close, most of us are likely wondering where the time went. It seems like just yesterday when school let out, when the weather finally got warm and when that vacation was a future dream. Yet here we are; the Fall beckons, ready to start again.

In many ways, we are servants of the calendar. Our rhythms rise and fall according to the weather, and we set our personal clocks to national and school holidays. Although these habits are not absolute, there is something to be said for structure, for an external cycle to direct us where to go.

Yet, although it might sound trite, the High Holidays always seem to sneak up on us.

Time can escape us quite easily. This is the initial difficulty of Milo, the main character of Norton Juster's fantasy novel *The Phantom Tollbooth*. Milo is a boy that lets time slip away from him and can't seem to find anything to make it worthwhile. In a magical moment, he is transported to the Kingdom of Wisdom, where he meets Tock the watchdog (a dog with a clock attached to his torso). Tock has a very special job:

Once there was no time, and people found it very inconvenient. They never knew whether they were eating lunch or dinner, and they were always missing trains. So, time was invented to help keep track of the day and get places when they should. ... [But] it seemed as if there was much more than could ever be used. 'If there's so much of it, it couldn't be very valuable,' was the general

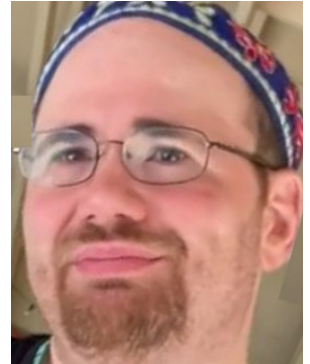
opinion, and it soon fell into disrepute. ... Then we were given the job of seeing that no one wasted time again.

With Tock and other quirky characters at his side, Milo explores the many sites of the Kingdom of Wisdom, discovering that there are so many things with which to fill his time. Although skeptical at first, he eventually finds that there are always new things to learn, either about himself or about the world around him.

In a sense, the High Holidays are a time when each of us visit our own Kingdom of Wisdom. We are given 10 days to remind ourselves of that which is most important to us. By thinking back on the past year and exploring our steps and missteps, we consider the people and things that are most worth our time.

And each year, our challenge is to ask ourselves what we are doing with our time. Are we enjoying it? Are we letting it slip past us? Are we filling it too much, or perhaps too little? Just as the story of God and the ministering angels indicates, we may follow the calendar and follow the weather to find our way back to the High Holidays, but only we can make it all that it can be. And just as *The Phantom Tollbooth* teaches us, the potential to make our time special is within all of us.

May the Hebrew month of Elul, the month of reawakening, lead us to a New Year of health, happiness and peace.



Heska Amuna Women's League History

By: Lynn Fuson

Heska Amuna Women's League has started a History of Heska Amuna Sisterhood project to reflect and honor the history of women who have supported our community for nearly 100 years. This work will be displayed in the synagogue lobby, and we will feature interesting nuggets here in HaKol. Our first example of the power of Heska Amuna Women's League is highlighting the recent contribution of \$40,000.18 toward sanctuary repairs at the most recent Annual Meeting. This contribution represents decades of hard work from women and families in our congregation. If you have some history to share, please contact Dahlia Smith, Barb Levin, or Lynn Fuson.



Introducing Marc Forman



We would like to introduce our newest Board member, Programs Vice-Chair Marc Forman. Marc is married with two grown sons. He joined the Heska Amuna family 32 years ago. He says that while he has not always been active, he found his Jewish identity during an educator trip to Israel in 2008.

He is a retired high school math and business teacher but cannot stay retired. He currently teaches English as a Second Language around the world - from his home PC, works at PetSmart, and enjoys pottery and travel. Marc also serves on the Board at the KJA.

Marc is very motivated to find interesting and family-oriented programming and is looking for volunteers for more ideas and to help make things work smoothly. He has already arranged for an international speaker on November 3, planned a summer camp program in January (!) and a new member program in February, and don't forget about the big celebration once the main sanctuary is finished!

Marc's enthusiasm and creativity are most welcome, and we look forward to exciting programs!



Monday, August 12th
Study and Service led by
Rabbi Adam Rosenbaum

7:30 pm: Special edition of *Pscintillating Psalms* class, focusing on Psalms of Lament.
 8:30 pm: Ma'ariv, Thematic Music, and Reading of Lamentations (Eicha)

with original music of *kinot* performed by Ivan Cooper

Light snacks provided before the start of our service and Tisha B'Av fast. (The day-long fast begins at 8:32 pm and concludes on Tuesday at 9 pm).

Join us in person or via zoom.
 For zoom link, go to www.heskaamuna.org

Tisha B'Av

The 9th of Av is the saddest day of the Jewish year.

Join us for learning and sacred words of our tradition to mark not only past tragedies, but also survival.



Join us for an evening with
Dr. Gilya Gerda Schmidt as she presents
highlights from her latest work:

In the Still of the Night
The Songprint of Hazzan Mordecai Gustav Heiser

Heska Amuna Synagogue
August 19, 7 pm

Beginning at 6 pm, the Rabbi & Religious Services Committee and friends will be hosting dinner honoring Gilya on the publication of her latest book, Hazzan Mordecai Gustav Heiser: An Artist, His Art, and the Cantor Tradition in America.

Reservations for dinner are not required but are appreciated:
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UT offers an interdisciplinary Judaic Studies as well as several scholarships to support student learning. Courses in Judaic Studies range from the Hebrew Bible to the Holocaust and include both modern and Biblical Hebrew.



JUDAIC STUDIES

We Are All One Big Family

By: Miriam Esther Wilhelm

On June 3rd we had the privilege of hearing Moran Yanai, a survivor of the October 7th massacre and a freed hostage speak. Her message was one of hope, resilience and positivity Moran spoke about "seeing the signs" and how she felt G-d with her throughout, being grateful for all of the times she was saved, saying Modeh Ani (a prayer thanking G-d for a new day) multiple times each day; all while in the hands of merciless terrorists, never knowing if this minute might be her last.

Instead of wallowing in despair, she kept fighting. Believing that she would see her family again. She explained, they took everything away from her, literally every right, but they couldn't take away her thoughts or imagination. She used the power of her mind to "transport" herself back to her mother's Shabbat table, to rise above her captors, to resist their efforts to dehumanize her. To keep positive despite the horrors she faced daily. And to never ever let them feel like they won. And now she can say, "I won, after everything they did, I won."

Moran's message to us was to stay positive, recognize the many things we have to be grateful for, and to use the power of our mind to stay focused! She also reminded us of the power of community during these trying times. She encouraged each of us to commit to reaching out to our community, to our friends and neighbors, uplifting one another so that we can feel supported and support each other. As we are still reeling from the events of October 7th and the wave of antisemitism that has swept our county, our theme at Chabad this coming year is Achdut. Achdut is translated as solidarity and unity, even though we may look, think, behave, believe differently; we are all one Jewish family. With that theme in mind, we invite you to come hang with your family and participate in the many programs Chabad offers. Be it Monday Morning Minyan, Young Professional Social Events, Wednesday Challah Baking, Mega Challah Bake, Women's Classes with Miriam Esther, Cteen events, Bat Mitzvah Club, Kids in the Kitchen, Monthly Family Shabbat Programs or Family Holiday Events. If you are an introvert, shy, uncertain about new experiences or just have not made it a priority there is no time better than now to feel the warmth and love of being with your family.



Judith Rosenberg, KJA President, gifts Moran with a piece of Arnold's A'h art as a gift from our community.



Monday Morning Minyanaires enjoy a delicious catered breakfast by Yasmin's Kitchen after davening. This week they surprised Rabbi Yossi with a birthday celebration.



Women enjoyed monthly classes with Miriam Esther as they studied and discussed the Woman's special role in Judaism.



Bat Mitzvah age girls enjoyed a year of exploring their role as young Jewish women at Chabad's Bat Mitzvah Club.

Community and Family Gatherings

Partnering with PJ Library

Our Lag B'Omer picnic moved the grilling creatively under the walkway, and families had fun with games and a great nosh. We had 3 Family Programming events with PJ Library this Spring, each one very successful. The Education Committee is planning monthly gatherings centering on fun (crafts, singing, dancing, and skits) and learning about Jewish Holiday themes and traditions beginning again in the Fall, with a continued partnership with PJ Library. STAY TUNED for more Family Ed Programming with JCOR and PJ Library!



Oak Ridge Sisterhood



Rebecca Badurina, representing Oak Ridge Sisterhood, receives a certificate from Marsha Rami, President of the Southern Region awards JCOR for successful Torah Fund campaign and 65 years of Sisterhood. Sisterhood is one of the core strengths of JCOR, a full partnership that provides support for services, holidays, health and welfare, and fun.

Holocaust Candlelighters

In a world beleaguered by anti-semitism, Yom HaShoah 2024 was filled with community, hope, and inspiration from our teens. You can watch the recording on the JCOR website. The Program featured a candle lighting ceremony, songs, readings from our teens, prayers, and ORHS teacher Dr. Sheila Morton as the closing speaker. Dr. Morton is teaching the first Holocaust Education Class at the High School and shared her experience.



For information about JCOR check the website and calendar at www.jcortn.org, or email the President at office@jcor.info.

Rabbi Ahuvah and Tisha B'Av Rabbi's Corner

On the evening of *Tisha B'Av*, we'll sit in near darkness, reading and chanting Eicha, the Book of Lamentations. Although most of us are not morose by nature, we appreciate Eicha's plaintive aesthetic. *Tisha B'Av* is a beautiful ritual container for despair – we sit with the pain of our ancestors who in 586 BCE experienced the utter destruction of Jerusalem and its First Temple as well as deportation from Judah into Babylonia.

Although that forcible exile was to last less than 50 years and a new Temple would be consecrated by 516 BCE, Jewish tradition preserves the laments of the two generations who experienced this tragedy. Our Sages later determined that the 9th of Av would also commemorate later tragedies, including the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE and numerous other disasters which befell the Jewish People.

My most vivid *Tisha B'Av* experience was sitting near the Southern Wall, at a semi-restored archeological site known as Robinson's Arch. Sitting there amidst the stone blocks that had once formed the Arch, I listened to the chanting of Eicha.

The poetic words of shock and grief at the destruction of Jerusalem by Babylon in 586 BC were made tangible, as I sat among ruins from the Roman destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE. And we were sitting in a Jerusalem which, with the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948, had once again become the center of Jewish spiritual life.



In each historical period, the Jewish People asked why bad things had befallen us. In different eras, we had different answers. Today we absorb our ancestors' interpretations just as we seek to make sense of our own contemporary tribulations, including the attacks of October 7th, the ongoing captivity of hostages and the ongoing war in Gaza. This year, *Tisha B'Av* will be both an opportunity to express grief as well as a reminder of our historical resilience as a People.

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SPIRITUAL PREPARATION for the HIGH HOLY DAYS

Sunday September 15 at 3:00 pm at JCOR

The High Holy Days exert a mysterious pull. Even those who aren't regular Shabbat attendees find themselves drawn into shul for Rosh ha Shanah and Yom Kippur services.

These services can be harder to appreciate – they go longer, contain unfamiliar once-a-year prayers, and are filled with theological themes that may be unrelatable or even disturbing. Rabbi Ahuvah invites all to learn how we can prepare our hearts (and our ears) for a personally meaningful Days of Awe.



Tribute to Fran Silver

Fran Silver, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend, wife, and companion died June 17th at the age of 94. She leaves behind her daughter Chaya Silver (Maryland), her three grandchildren and their families. Fran made her mark on the world by impacting everyone around her. She was truly everywhere all at once – at JCOR, and volunteering with multiple organizations, including the Art Center, the Civic Music Association, and Women’s interfaith Dialogue, a group she led for a very long time. She made each person feel connected to her, and to whatever organization or calling she was involved with. In the early days she encouraged many of our mothers to participate in civil rights, including marches held right here in our own town. She was a founder of Head Start program in the Scarboro Community, maintaining a relationship with the Scarboro Community that lasted a lifetime. She was also a very well-known caterer and had her own business where she excelled. She was loved by all ages, as she treated each person as worthy of her time and attention. She was a cornerstone of JCOR for over 70 years and she left her mark by influencing and mentoring new generations so that JCOR would continue moving forward with love and devotion. She built relationships with everyone who crossed her path. We will hold dear the memory of our community Passover Seder this year that she was able to attend with Art, working the room, including finding her way to the kitchen. She will be forever missed, and her memory will always be a blessing.



Fran at the 80th with Art Dworkin



Fran at 70th Anniversary



Fran with her team - Peggy, Sarah, and Alice



Fran Silver with hummus.



Fran's 90th birthday with Ronnie and Rhonda.

Hadassah Research is CHANGING the WORLD AGAIN

Barbara Mintz, President: Hadassah Knoxville-Oak Ridge

I have said repeatedly that Hadassah’s medical research improves OUR health and our WORLD’s health. I am now going to tell you about work in the area of MS that may enable us to repair the Central Nervous System (CNS)!

Prof. Dimitrios Karussis, head of the Hadassah’s Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Center, is embarking on the next phase of clinical trials to harness the power of stem cells to stop MS in its tracks. In 2020, Phase 1 results noted “pronounced beneficial effect” among patients. The novel concept of injecting the stem cells directly into the spinal fluid is aimed at getting the cells to circulate to the various damaged areas of the CNS to renew the damaged myelin coating, as well as to suppress the disease. It will not only prevent future MS attacks, but also significantly improve motor and cognitive functions of MS patients. Some wheelchair-bound patients are now walking.

“This is truly a groundbreaking trial on a worldwide scale,” concludes Prof. Karussis.

“Regeneration of the Central Nervous System is the Holy Grail; it has never been achieved. If we manage to get similar effects as with the previous trial, it will not only be a game-changer for MS but will open the window to a new era of regenerative medicine for other diseases like Alzheimer and Parkinson and more.”

Just think what Hadassah’s research might lead to with 1.8 million people world-wide having MS now.

Hadassah Knoxville-Oak Ridge 2024 Membership Directory Shopping Guide & Datebook

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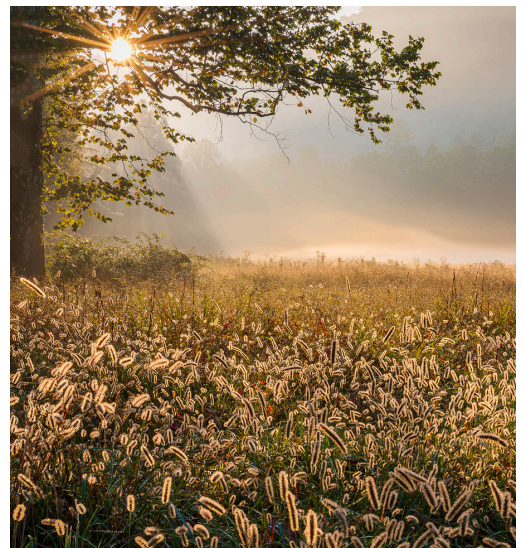
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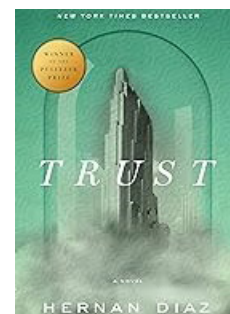
Hadassah Knoxville-Oak Ridge Book Club News

By: Rhonda Sternfels

The books and discussions we have are always very informative, fun, and exciting. We welcome you to participate in our Hadassah Book Club meetings, at 7:30p.m, the third Tuesday of every month, Zoom only format, even if you don't read the book.

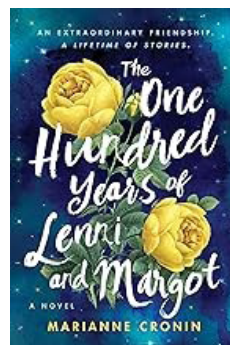
Aug 20 – Trust by Hernan Diaz

This is a tale of privilege and deceit set in the 1920s and '30s in New York City. It tells the story of a wealthy tycoon couple, who have acquired their fortune in mysterious ways, and one woman bent on finding the truth.



Sept 17 - The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margo by Marianne Cronin

A 17 year old with a terminal illness and 83 year old in the same hospital form a friendship. A world of stories opens for these companions, who have 100 years between them. Though their days are dwindling, both are determined to leave their mark on the world. The book reminds us of the preciousness of life, how we influence the lives of others, and a friendship that transcends time.



Please contact Rhonda Sternfels at resternfels@comcast.net or call: 865-607-8863 if you have any questions, feedback, or want your name and email added to our list of book club members.

Oct. 15 - Yellow Wife by Sadequa Johnson

Nov.19 - The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

Dec.17 - The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams

Hadassah National Book Club: ONE BOOK, ONE HADASSAH

By: Rhonda Sternfels

One Book, One Hadassah is a joint national program created during the pandemic by the Hadassah Engagement Division and convenes every other month for free, open to every Hadassah member. It features live virtual interviews with an impressive lineup of acclaimed Jewish authors conducted by Hadassah Magazine Executive Editor Lisa Hostein.

Since its inception, Hadassah's national book club, One Book, One Hadassah has secured its place as part of the American Jewish literary landscape. It's seen as a continually growing engagement, with the number of attendees gradually increasing to a total of more than 11,500 to date, and it continues to build momentum.

One Book, One Hadassah has fostered a sense of community among Hadassah members around the country, giving them the opportunity to regularly connect with one another and with Hadassah without ever having to leave their homes.

When it comes to a shared love of books and reading, it's clear that Hadassah members old and new are on the same page.

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Hechts Launch Fund for Hillel at UTK...Community has opportunity to Volunteer!**By Stephen Rosen**

Shelley and Dr. Jeff Hecht gave their all for Tennessee! After KJA put out a call for an endowment for Hillel on the UT-Knoxville campus, the Hechts volunteered. They provided a substantial lead gift that creates the fund. Now it is Big Orange Country's turn to get behind them and change the trajectory and magnitude of the program. Hillel at UTK is a wholly owned program of KJA. It is affiliated with, but only lightly supported by Hillel International. In other words, it is up to our community to support the on-campus community. Shelley and Jeff recognize the importance of the program as Shelley worked for Hillel in Ann Arbor while getting a degree in social work. Jeff had his eye on creating a fund at KJCFF and the timing worked for everyone involved. According to Shelley, "those kids definitely need our support."

If you have questions about how KJA serves our local Jewish university students, please contact Karen Ferency at jcsvp@jewishknoxville.org. If you would like to show your blood runs orange, contact Stephen or Laura.

KJDS honors Nancy and Jeff with the Becker Hebrew Education Fund**By: Stephen Rosen**

KJCFF would like to list all the accomplishments of Nancy and Jeff Becker, but Hakol only offers us one page. They are truly the power couple of Jewish Knoxville having their hands, backs and minds in multiple organizations and game-changing projects. In May, the Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School honored them with a wonderful event titled "A Night of Luck and Legacy." During the event, KJDS revealed that they raised substantial funds to start the Becker KJDS Hebrew Education Fund. We can't think of a better way to honor lifetime educators and lifetime learners. Mazal tov to the Beckers and mazal tov to KJDS on opening their 5th permanent fund!

BREAKING NEWS.... KJCFF now accepts online donations for all of our funds!

If you would like to donate to the KJA Fund for Hillel at UTK or the KJDS Becker Fund for Hebrew Education, or any other fund, go to www.jewishknoxville.org/kjcff. It is found on the KJA website under the fifth header from the left, "Jewish Knoxville." Click on the third drop down item, "Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds." Read our eloquent Mission Statement then scroll down and click on "online donation." You can type a word in Search Funds or scroll to the fund(s) of choice. Or just call Stephen at 865-599-1853 and he'll walk you through it.



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Vashti's Banquet: Oak Ridgers Celebrate with Heska Amuna Sisterhood



On March 1, 2009, Heska Amuna Sisterhood held its first Vashti's Banquet celebration, inviting all adult Jewish women in the greater Knoxville community. Joining in the festivities were (left to right) Knoxville's Trudy **Dreyer** and Marilyn **Liberman** and Oak Ridgers Eileen **Handler** and Fran **Silver**.

Eileen moved to Nashville a decade ago, and Fran passed away in June of 2024. Fran's granddaughter Emma **Parrott** lives in Oak Ridge. Trudy and Marilyn continue to reside in Knoxville.

The Archives needs your photographs! Send your photos of "The Way We Were" (identifying who, what, when, where) to archives@jewishknoxville.org, or contact the archivist at (865) 690-6343.



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