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Community News from the KJA, Heska Amuna & Temple Beth El

2021 AJCC Summer (Pool) Memberships

May 29 - September 19

- **Family Membership** (*includes immediate household plus 6 guest passes*) — $325
- **Single Adult** — $275
- **Senior Couple (65+)** and **Under 30 Couple** — $160
- **Senior Single (65+)** and **Under 30 Single** — $105

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Dates	Themes
Week 1 June 1–June 4	*The Most Fun Under the Sun*
Week 2 June 7- 11	*MCDC Olympics*
Week 3 June 14-June 8	*Water Week*
Week 4 June 21-25	*Summer Safari*
Week 5 June 28-July 2	*Around the World*
Week 6 July 6-9	*Great Adventures*
Week 7 July 12-16	*Superheroes*
Week 8 July 19-23	*COLOR WARS*
Week 9 July 26-30	*MCDC's Got Talent*

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Knoxville Jewish Alliance

Ha'Kol

A Summer of Hope and Fun

By Bryan Goldberg, KJA President

I would like to use this opportunity to wish the entire Jewish community a safe and hopeful summer. Whilst we stay vigilant and respectful of the risks and dangers that exist, I am hopeful that this summer brings us all a season of happiness and relief. May we all cherish the things that for our entire life, up until last year, we took for granted. May the blessings of a vaccine bring old friends together again, strengthen the bonds we've created during our yearlong digital existence, and enable us to use our community's brick and mortar facilities once again. I look forward to seeing our community gathering at the pool, using the team park area for bonfires, enjoying our wide soccer fields playing frisbee golf or football, or just gathering for no reason other than to see each other. I'll end my short remarks with this promise, *every Jewish community member*, no matter how you chose to define that, is welcome at the AJCC. Furthermore, we look forward to helping provide a fun and meaningful experience for you while you're here. We will see you soon!

AJCC Smokin' Salmon Swim Team Welcomes Youth Ages 5-18

Mayo

The AJCC Smokin' Salmon swim team is a family-oriented program, encouraging swimmers to work toward achieving their fullest potential while supporting and encouraging the efforts and achievements of their teammates. Essential to our success is the concept of team spirit and camaraderie strengthened through hours of practice, support of team members, mentoring opportunities for older swimmers and acceptance of new challenges and greater responsibility.

The team is open for children ages 5-18. Swimmers are divided into age group competition levels. For 2021, the swim team fee is $225.

Coaches will work with swimmers during practices to ensure the swimmer is working at a level that both challenges and encourages. The team participates as part of the Greater Knoxville Area Interclub Swimming Association (GKAISA).

New coach **Scott Mayo** comes to us with an extensive background in swimming and coaching. As a young child he had a fear of the deep end and was adamant that he was not to enter a pool with a deep end. That was until a friendly neighbor encouraged him to join the summer swim team. After just a few lessons he was hooked on the water and by the next summer he was seen at the community pool every day rain or shine. He went on to become a professional swim coach in Northern Virginia with Machine Aquatics for five years. Coach Scott is a technique driven coach who teaches with enthusiasm and entertainment; there's never a dull moment during his practices!

The KJA Archives would love to have copies of family photos. We will scan your photos, then return originals to you.

Contact Nicki Russler, KJA Archivist at *archives@jewishknoxville.org*

Please join us in preparing and planting the AJCC Community Garden!

Help prepare garden beds and plant them between 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on **Sunday, May 23**

Join Us at the AJCC for A Summer Full of Fun

2021 AJCC Pool Hours

May 29 to September 19

Monday - Friday: 1-7 p.m. *(campers will also use the pool weekdays from 1-3 p.m.)*

Saturday and Sunday: Noon-7 p.m.

Summer Pool and Outdoor Programs

(all events subject to weather)

- **Saturday, May 29: AJCC Pool Opening Day, Noon-7 p.m.** *Pool opens with complimentary guest passes for all members*
- **Sunday May 30: Memorial Day Party, Noon-10 p.m.** *Pool is open with complimentary guest passes for all members. Event includes food and drink and volleyball at the team building park, pool games for kids with prizes, and a family-friendly movie at the pool beginning at 8:30 p.m.* ***Open to community.***

- **Fridays, June 4, 11, 18, 26 Fun Friday at the Pool, 5-6 p.m.** *Fun event for kids with games and prizes*
- **Monday, June 14: Flag Day at the AJCC Pool**. *Wear red, white, or blue and win a prize.*
- **Sunday, June 20: Father's Day at the AJCC Pool, Noon-7 p.m.** *Food and Drink in the team park and family games.* ***Non-members*** *can attend for $10 per person, with a maximum of $25 per family.*
- **Monday, June 28: Young Jewish Adults of Knoxville, Pool, 7 p.m.**

- **Fridays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30: Fun Friday at the Pool, 5-6 p.m.** *For kids with games and prizes*
- **Sunday July 4: Fourth of 4th Party**: **Noon-10 p.m.** Join us for a fun-filled Fourth of July with patriotic music and face painting, food and drink, games for the kids, and family trivia with prizes. ***Non-members*** can attend for $10 per person with a maximum of $25 per family.
- **Saturday, July 24:** Celebrate the minor Jewish holiday of **Tu B'Av: The Holiday of Love** ***Open to whole community.*** *Reserve a picnic dinner for $18 for a couple or $25 per family to eat on the AJCC grounds — or bring your own picnic dinner! Then join us at 7 p.m. for s'mores and cocoa at the fire pit with those you love.* ***To reserve a picnic dinner, email program@jewishknoxville.org.***

- **Monday, July 26: Young Jewish Adults of Knoxville, AJCC Pool, 7 p.m.**

- **Fridays, August 6, 13, 20, 27: Fun Friday at the Pool, 5-6 p.m.** *For kids with games and prizes*
- **Friday, August 13: Shabbat at the Pool. 6 p.m. Open to Jewish community.** *For kids with games and prizes*
- **Monday, August 23: Young Jewish Adults of Knoxville, AJCC Pool, 7 p.m.**

- **Saturday, September 4: Tailgate at the AJCC Pool: UT Football Kickoff** *Wear Orange to the Pool! Screening of UTK Football game on the screen at the AJCC Pool with food and drink in the Team Building Park.* ***Non-members*** *can attend for $10 per person with a maximum of $25 per family.*

- **Monday, September 7:** ***Labor Day, 1-3 p.m.*** (Erev Rosh Hashanah)

KJA Family Bike Ride

Sunday, June 13, 9-11 a.m.

Join KJA Vice President Wes Johnson on a family-friendly bike ride.

Email *program@jewishknoxville.org* for information and to let us know you're coming.

Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club Monthly Events

GKJ MEN'S CLUB

1st Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.
Lunch & Kibitz on Zoom

3rd Thursdays, 7 p.m.
Evening Schmooze on Zoom

RAFTING IN THE SMOKIES
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https://bforg.com/knoxvillejewishalliance
AUCTION RUNS
MAY 9TH 12:00P.M. - MAY 12TH 6:15P.M.

Hillel at UTK Enjoys Safely-Distanced Seder

Since the University of Tennessee did not schedule a spring break, most students were unable to visit their families this spring. Having an opportunity to celebrate holidays as a group was a welcome opportunity.

This year's Hillel at UTK Passover Seder was an in person socially-distanced student event. They dined on matzah ball soup, salmon, green beans, and matzah kugel along with individual seder plates. Students were happy to have an opportunity to eat together in person and share the seder meal.

KJA President Bryan Goldberg prepared the dinner with help from a Hillel parent, then led the seder. Later in the week, students made DIY matzah pizzas.

Hillel at UTK is a program of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance. Thanks to everyone who supports community programs for our college students.

Knoxville JEWISH ALLIANCE

Job Opening:
Community Engagement Director for the Knoxville Jewish Alliance

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance is hiring a full-time Community Engagement Director to oversee community programming and communications. Duties will include event planning, coordinating KJA and community programs, maintaining the community calendar, managing communications for the KJA including weekly emails, monthly newsletter, website updates, social media posts, and press releases.

Required qualifications for the position include a strong knowledge of Judaism and Jewish culture, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, organizational and coordinating abilities, computer skills. Ability to layout newsletter for publication using Adobe InDesign or like software, professional writing and editing experience, and event planning experience preferred.

Anticipated start date: early July 2021

For a more detailed job description and inquiries about the position, email Laura Berry at *lberry@jewishknoxville.org*

Your Knoxville Jewish Alliance

- Arnstein Jewish Community Center
- KJA Archives
- B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program
- BBYO/ BBYO Connect
- Community Garden
- Community Relations Committee
- Cultural & Social Events
- Educational Events
- Friendshippers
- Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club
- *Ha'Kol* Community Newsletter
- Hillel at UTK
- Indigent Burial Fund
- Israel P2G Partnership
- Jewish Advocacy
- Jewish Family Services
- KNOSHVILLE
- Milton Collins Day Camp
- Mitzvah Day
- AJCC Pool and Tennis
- Preschool at AJCC
- PJ Library/PJ Our Way
- Schwarzbart Gallery
- AJCC/University Club Smokin' Salmon Swim Team
- UT Faculty Lectures
- YJAK—Young Jewish Adults of Knoxville
- Yom HaShoah Observance
- ...and so much more!

Support Your Jewish Community DONATE TODAY!

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GKJ Men's Club Member Honored, Club Elects 2021 Officers

The Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club has been busy. Meir Niad was selected Regional Man of the Year by the Anshei Darom Region of the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club also elected new officers.

They are

- President - Erik Golub
- Vice President - *vacant*
- Secretary - Chip Rayman
- Treasurer - Jack Love

Officers Chip Rayman and Erik Golub with Regional Man of the Year honoree Meir Niad.

KJA Contributions

Received by April 7, 2021

AJCC Preschool Playground Fund
Helene Sinnreich and Wesley Johnson

Gordon Brown Youth Recreation Fund
In memory of Logan Brown
Adam and Angie Brown

Jewish Family Services
Mark Homer
Lisa and Stephen Chaloux

Knoxville Jewish Alliance
Susan Contente and Kurt Piehler

Preschool at AJCC
Eric and Lauren Luftman
Kevin and Jill Reilly

Donations to KJA funds can be made to celebrate lifecycle events, remember or honor someone, or to support programs of interest

To find a fund or cause dear to you that you want to support, contact the KJA office at (865) 690-6343; email *office@jewishknoxville.org;* or visit *www.jewishknoxville.org*.

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May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:04p 10a Shabbat Service-HA **6p Havdalah Service w/ Dan Nichol followed by a concert-TBE**
2 **9:30a Last Day of Religious School-TBE** **10a Last Day of Religious School-HA**	**3** 4p Minyan & Torah Chat-HA 6:30p KJA Board meeting	**4** 1p Torah Chat with Rabbi Boxt-TBE 7p Healing Service w/ Rabbi Boxt & Steve Lewis-TBE 8p Minyan-HA	**5** Noon Executive Mifgash Manhigim-TBE GKJ Men's Club Lunch & Kibitz 6:30p Minyan service-HA 7p Talmud Study Group-HA 7p Board meeting-HA	**6** 10a Jewish Family Services Virtual Coffee Klatch-Zoom 11a Torah Study/Adult Ed-TBE 3p Minyan & Talmud Chat w Rabbi-HA	**7** 8:10p Noon Mindfulness Practice w Rabbi-HA 6:30p Kabbalat Shabbat-HA **7p Shabbat Service– w/ Rabbi Or & Feliza ZoharTBE**	**8** 9:11p 10a Shabbat Hinnuch & Confirmation Service-HA 6p Havdalah Service-TBE
9	**10** 4p Minyan & Torah Chat-HA 6:30p KJA Executive Board meeting 7p HAWL Board-HA	**11** 1p Torah Chat with Rabbi Boxt-TBE 8p Minyan-HA	**12** 5-7p Preschool att AJCC Art Gala-AJCC Grounds 6:30p Board Mifgash Manhigim-TBE 6:30p Minyan service-HA 7p Annual Meeting-TBE 7p Talmud Study Group-HA **7:30p Hadassah/HAWL Rosh Chodesh & Chair Yoga-Zoom**	**13** 10a Jewish Family Services Virtual Coffee Klatch-Zoom 11a Torah Study/Adult Ed-TBE 3p Minyan & Talmud Chat w Rabbi-HA	**14** 8:16p Noon Mindfulness Practice w Rabbi-HA 6:30p Kabbalat Shabbat-HA 7p Shabbat Service-TBE	**15** 9:18p 10a Shabbat Service-HA 5:30p Shavuot Yizkor Memorial Service-TBE 6p Havdalah Service-TBE
16 **Erev Shavuot** **10a-1p HADASSAH BUNDT CAKE SALE-AJCC Grounds** 	**17** **Shavuot** Office closed-TBE 4p Minyan & Torah Chat-HA	**18** **Shavuot** 1p Torah Chat with Rabbi Boxt-TBE 7p KJCFF Board meeting 7p Healing Service w/ Rabbi Boxt & Steve Lewis-TBE 8p Minyan-HA	**19** 6:30p Minyan service-HA 7p Talmud Study Group-HA 7p Hadassah Board-Zoom	**20** 10a Jewish Family Services Virtual Coffee Klatch 11a Torah Study/Adult Ed-TBE 3p Minyan & Talmud Chat w Rabbi-HA 5p Confirmation Class rehearsal & dinner GKJ Men's Club Evening Schmooze	**21** 8:22p Noon Mindfulness Practice w Rabbi-HA 6:30p Kabbalat Shabbat-HA **7p Confirmation Shabbat Service-TBE**	**22** 9:24p 10a Shabbat Service-HA 6p Havdalah Service-TBE
23 10a-1p Volunteers Plant Community Garden-AJCC Grounds 	**24** 4p Minyan & Torah Chat-HA 5p PJ Our Way Show and Tell (ages 9-12)-Zoom **7p YJAK Happy Hour-AJCC Pool**	**25** 1p Torah Chat with Rabbi Boxt-TBE **7-8:30p Knoxville Jewish Anti-Racist Media Club** 8p Minyan-HA	**26** 6:30p Minyan service-HA 7p Talmud Study Group-HA	**27** 10a Jewish Family Services Virtual Coffee Klatch-Zoom 11a Torah Study/Adult Ed-TBE 3p Minyan & Talmud Chat w Rabbi-HA	**28** 8:27p Noon Mindfulness Practice w Rabbi-HA 6:30p Kabbalat Shabbat-HA 7p Shabbat Service-TBE	**29** 9:30p 10a Shabbat Service-HA 6p Havdalah Service-TBE **1-7p AJCC Pool Opening Day-*Pool opens with complimentary guest passes for members***
30	**31** **Memorial Day** Offices closed-TBE and HA **Noon-10p Memorial Day AJCC Pool Party-open to community**	**MCDC** THE MOST FUN UNDER THE SUN **June 1-4: First week of Milton Collins Day Camp** **To learn more and to register oniine, visit www.jewishknoxville.org/mcdc**				

As summer approaches and more individuals are being vaccinated, local organizations are trying to plan COVID-19 safe programs — both via Zoom and in-person. Please visit *www.jewishknoxville.org/calendar* to learn about June 2021 events and programs.

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Community Events and Programs

Adult Education and Programming

- **Adult Education with Rabbi Boxt** – Thursdays, 10 a.m.
- **Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club's Lunch and Kibitz,** Wednesdays, May 5 & June 2, Noon
- **Greater Knoxville Jewish Men's Club's Evening Schmooze,** Thursdays, May 20 & June 16, 7 p.m.
- **Hadassah Book Club:** *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummings, Tuesday, May 18, and *The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish, Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m. Contact Barbara Mintz at *Barbara@bmintz.com* for Zoom registration link.
- **JFS Virtual Coffee Klatch** – Thursdays, 10 a.m. Email *lberry@jewishknoxville.org* for Zoom link.
- **MEDIA CLUB at Heska Amuna** – Thursday nights, 8:30 p.m. Contact Peggy Littmann at (865) 522-0701 for each week's links.
- **Mindfulness with Rabbi Ferency** – Fridays, Noon
- **Minyan & Torah Chat at Heska Amuna** – Mondays, 4 p.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 536 914 096
- **Minyan followed by Talmud Study** at Heska Amuna—Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 536 914 096, Passcode: 424217
- **Torah Live with Rabbi Erin Boxt** – Tuesdays, 1-1:30 p.m. (Streamed on Facebook)
- **Young Jewish Adults of Knoxville Happy Hour (YJAK)** - Mondays, May 24, 7 p.m. Email *program@jewishknoxville.org* for link. Mondays, June 25 and July 26, 7 p.m., at the AJCC Pool.
- **Heska Amuna Sisterhood & Hadassah host Rosh Chodesh Sivan and Chair Yoga Class**, Wednesday, May 12, 7:30 p.m. Zoom
- **Knoxville Jewish Anti-Racist Media Club**, Tuesday, May 25, 7-8:30 p.m.

Children's Activities

- **Heska Amuna Religious School** – May 2, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- **Heska Amuna Religious School Shabbat Hinnuch** – Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m.
- **Fun Fridays at the AJCC Pool,** 5-6 p.m. *Every Friday afternoon in June and July. For kids, with games & prizes.*

Family Fun

- **Preschool at AJCC Art Gala:** Wednesday, May 12, 5-7 p.m. Arnstein Jewish Community Center grounds. Wear a mask as you enjoy bidding on prizes and purchasing art work. Questions? Email psadmin@jewishknoxville.org.
- **AJCC Community Garden Prep and Planting Session:** Sunday, May 18, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. p.m. Arnstein Jewish Community Center grounds. Volunteers needed to prep and plant our community garden. Please wear a mask. Email program@jewishknoxville.org.
- **KJDS presents Schoolhouse Rock Jr**., Sunday, May 23, 4 p.m., Tickets at KJDS.org/SHR (Broadcast production)
- **AJCC Pool Opening Day, Saturday**, May 29, Noon-7 p.m. *Pool opens with complimentary guest passes for members*
- **Memorial Day Party at the AJCC Pool,** Sunday May 30, Noon-10 p.m. *Pool is open with complimentary guest passes for all members. Sunday's event includes food and drink and volleyball at the team building park, pool games for kids with prizes, and a family-friendly movie at the pool beginning at 8:30 p.m.* ***Open to whole community.***
- **KJA Family Bike Ride**, **Sunday, June 13,** 9-11 a.m. Join KJA Vice President Wes Johnson on a family-friendly bike ride. Email *program@jewishknoxville.org* to let us know you will be coming.
- **Father's Day at the AJCC Pool**, **Sunday, June 20,** Noon-7 p.m. *Food and drink in the team park and family games.* ***Non-members*** *can attend for $10 per person with a maximum of $25 per family.*
- **July 4th Party at the AJCC Pool,** Sunday July 4, Noon-10 p.m. Join us for a celebration with patriotic music and face painting, food and drink, games for the kids, and family trivia with prizes. ***Non-members*** can attend for $10 per person with a maximum of $25 per family.

Weekly Services

- **Minyan at Heska Amuna** For Zoom links, see *Nu News* or contact the Heska Amuna Synagogue office **at** (865) 522-0701 Mon. 4 p.m.; Tues. 8 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.; Thurs. 3 p.m.
- **Havdalah at TBE** – Saturdays, 6 p.m. Zoom Meeting *https://zoom.us/j/405314387* Meeting ID: 405 314 387 Password: 178744
- **Healing Service with Rabbi Boxt and Steve Lewis**. Tuesday, May 4, 18; June 2, 16, 7 p.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 841 6956 1845
- **JCOR, Virtual Sisterhood Friday Night Shabbat**, Friday, 6 p.m. Contact Penny Lukin at *plukin@comcast.net* or (865) 671-0780 for information and dates.
- **Kabbalat Shabbat at Heska Amuna** – Fridays, 6:30 p.m. For Zoom links, see *Nu News* or contact the Heska Amuna Synagogue office at (865) 522-0701
- **Kabbalat Shabbat at TBE** – Fridays, 7 p.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 835 560 058 Password: 788114
- **Minyan at Heska Amuna** – Tuesdays, 8 p.m., Zoom
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- **Minyan and Talmud Chat at Heska Amuna** – Thursdays, 2 p.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 236 835 176
- **Saturday Morning Services at JCOR**, every other Saturday at 10 a.m. Contact Rabbi Victor Rashkovsky at vicrash@yahoo.com
- **Shabbat at Heska Amuna** – Saturdays, 10 a.m. Zoom, Meeting ID: 560 531 361, Passcode: 628641
- **TBE hosts Daniel Nichols for Havdalah and Concert**, Saturday, May 1, 6 p.m.
- **TBE hosts Rabbi Or and Feliza Zohar for Shabbat Services**, Friday, May 7, 7 p.m.
- **Kabbalat Shabbat Outdoor Service,** Location TBD, Heska Amuna, Friday, July 23.

Visit *www.jewishknoxville.org/calendar* for updates and new programs

HAPPENINGS

Become a Part of History! Record Your Oral Testimony

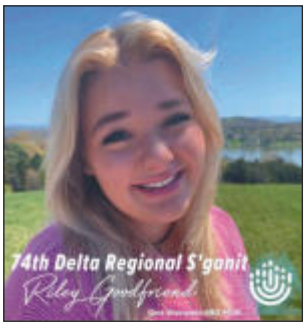
We are living through exceptional times and the KJA Archives would like a record of your experiences. We would like to ask you to record yourself or find a member of your household or family to record you answering our list of questions. Your recording can be a video or just an audio recording. You can even choose to answer the questions in written format if you prefer. We will then collect your records for safe keeping in the KJA Archives.

At the beginning of the recording, make sure that you state your name, birth date, place of birth, and where you currently live. If an interviewer is asking the questions, please state your name and relationship to the interviewee.

Please answer the following questions and elaborate as much as possible:

- How has the pandemic affected you?
- What was your life like before the pandemic? What were you doing before it started?
- How has your life changed?
- If you were working or going to school, how has that changed?
- What are your days like?
- How are you staying connected to family, friends, work, or school while social distancing?
- What changes have you noticed most in your community? In the environment?
- How have the lives of your family members and those who share your household changed since the pandemic began?
- How has your religious practice changed due to the pandemic?
- Have you participated in any Jewish community events or programs since the pandemic began?
- How do you imagine your life being after the pandemic ends?
- What message do you have for the future about life during a pandemic?

Please email *program@jewishknoxville.org* about sending your recording to the KJA Archives. Thank you for your participation!



Local Teen Named to Regional BBYO Office

Riley Goodfriend, daughter of Jeff and Kaye Goodfriend, was elected regional vice president of Delta BBYO. She replaces Tifannie Rosen, daughter of Stephen and Kim Rosen, who is also from Knoxville.

The 2021 Mira Kimmelman 'Learning from the Holocaust' Contest

The Mira Kimmelman Learning from the Holocaust Contest is **open to both middle school and high school students**. It is based on Mira's work with students to teach them about the Holocaust so that it cannot be denied. Only by remembering and learning from it can we prevent it from being repeated.

Kimmelman

The contest asks Tennessee students to create projects that reflect on the lessons of the Holocaust and how they are relevant to current events, and to their own lives. The winner of the high school contest receives a prize of $750, and the winner of the middle school contest receives a prize of $500.

For rules and information, visit *https://tnholcom.org/kimmelman-contest/*

The July 2020 issue of *Ha'Kol* will feature local Jewish community's annual celebration of high school and college graduates

Email the *Ha'Kol editor at jyork@jewishknoxville.org* with information about a high school or college student in your family who graduated or will graduate from high school or college this year.

Please provide the student's name and family information (son or daughter of, grandson of). **Deadline: June 1**.

- **High school:** please list the high school, the names of parents, any honors, activities, or leadership positions, and future plans. If known, provide the name of the college and proposed major.
- **College, community college, or trade school:** please list the school, the names of parents/grandparents, any honors, what degree was earned, and future plans!
- **Employment, Travel, Military:** If you're taking a gap year, entering military service, or are going into the work force, please share your news with us.

TEMPLE BETH EL
TIMES

Shalom Y'all!

***By** Rabbi Erin Boxt*

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We have learned so much about our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. We have cried together; we have laughed together; we have mourned together; we have celebrated together. When I am feeling stressed or overwhelmed (or really any time I am feeling anything), I love to write. So, for this special 2-month issue of *Ha'Kol*, I decided to share with you some of my writing.
The first piece is something I wrote very early on during the pandemic:

A Prayer for Cleansing

Today, I wash my hands and begin again.
Today, my body goes from one place to another.
Today, I undertake spiritual growth.
Today, I move from incomplete to complete again.

O, God, help me to refresh my intentions.
O, God, help me to strengthen my resolve.
O, God, help me to learn spirituality again.
O, God, help me become whole again.
Blessed are, Adonai, source of my strength and renewal.

The second piece is entitled

Benediction

I close my eyes and try to focus on a thought, any thought.
What swirls around in my head – questions, concerns, stress….
The # of cases, the sick amongst us continues to grow…
What about the healthcare professionals,
the EMT's, the first responders….
My head hurts with the pain of unknowing, more and more every day.

Opening my eyes, I hear sounds of today: laughter of children, the sounds of YouTube, Tik-Tok.
Stuck in my home with all of my possessions, my children,
my family, and memories….
Did I shower today? Did my children brush their teeth?
Is it Tuesday, Wednesday, Sunday….
Pandemic; Coronavirus; Covid19; Flu Symptoms…
Breathe; just take a breath and relax –
keeping the distance is necessary to survive.

What is present in these questions is hope.
What is present in these worries is optimism.
What is present in these fears are dreams.
What is present in this reality is the future.
Be with us, God, be with us and
help us…we will make it through this, together not apart.

The last piece was one I wrote during the Counting of the Omer:

48th Day of the Omer

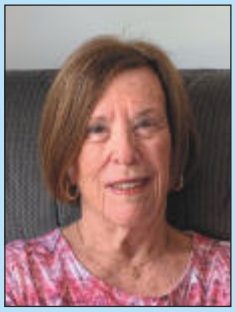
Shabbat. The last Shabbat of the Omer, 5781.
While we rest on Shabbat this time, we stretch our minds and our bodies toward the future. This Omer has been during the Covid19 Pandemic. Are there things we have learned about ourselves this year? What could we do differently next year?

Do not forget to take deep breaths as you stretch. Allow your mind and your senses to go…to freely think, feel, touch, hear, smell and taste. Perhaps this Shabbat will be or feel different. Perhaps not. While you pray today, think about what you really want, feel, or yearn for.

Remember - if there is anything I can do for you, please know my door is always open. I look forward to working with all of you to make the Temple Beth El and the greater Knoxville Jewish community the most amazing family it can be!

TBE President's Remarks

By Kathy Young, TBE President



When was the last time you just sat and took a deep breath? Now, close your eyes and do it again. Doesn't that feel better? Today I was reminded that I do not always have to work. Sometimes I can take time to smell the roses. With that in mind, my daughter, son-in-law and his mom and I spent many hours in the mountains just looking at the beautiful views. I feel like a new person, just as I suspected I would feel without the pressures of writing a *Blast* article, a *Ha'Kol* article, and whatever I need to do to prepare for work tomorrow.

Sometimes I forget that all work and no play makes me cranky. I encourage each and every one of you to take time to do what you normally don't do. Now that the weather is nice, and I am giving up my useless gym membership, I am looking forward to taking the time to enjoy the fresh air and lots of walks. Please join me!

Temple Beth El Says "Thank You, Nurses!"

Steve Lewis presents bags of "goodies" and custom-made "Thank You" greeting cards to the nurses of UT Medical Center's Emergency Department and Department of Trauma & Critical Care. TBE wanted to thank these incredible healthcare professionals for their sacrifice and the wonderful service they have provided the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Temple Beth El Religious School May/June 2021 Update

By Norma James, Religious School Director, normajames@tbeknox.org

Please *attend in person* our last day of Religious School on Sunday, May 2!
We will gather outside of Temple Beth El for an end-of the-year celebration. The staff is planning a short event that will spread our students out across our parking levels. All activities will be safely distanced, and masks will be required. We will have some fun activities, a little worship, a little music, and some together time with your classmates. This will also be an important day for dropping off your Bayit Boxes with your materials. After the crazy year we have had, we all deserve some fun time together!

What is next for Hebrew?
Everyone has been working hard on Hebrew this year. The missing piece is the opportunity to chant Hebrew prayers and sing Hebrew song together. We know how crazy it sounds if we do it in a Zoom. I am going to set up some group sessions for summer. (Maybe even May) These will be at Temple indoors and/or outdoors. If possible some sessions will be in West Knoxville for the convenience of many of our students. These to be fun for everyone, and information will send be sent to parents soon. I will also offer individual Hebrew sessions again this summer. I recommend our rising B'nai Mitzvah students to take advantage of this. There is no charge for these lessons. Consider it part of what you already pay for Religious School. We have lots of students preparing for B'nai Mitzvah. The next two years will be busy ones for us. I am excited about the challenge!

Confirmation on Friday, May 21 has been two years in the making.
Like many things in 2020, Confirmation was cancelled. Therefore, Grace Theriot will join this year's Confirmation class for their service. Grace, daughter of Matthew and Emily Theriot, will be joined by Zoe Feldblum, daughter of Al and Gina Feldblum, and Grace Margulies, daughter of Aaron and Imelda Margulies. Rabbi Boxt has studied with these students this year. These three young ladies are quite amazing. They have grown up in Temple Beth El Religious School, and have shown leadership, commitment, and spirituality throughout their education. Grace Theriot has already been a madrichah in our school, and I hope Grace Margulies and Zoe will do so as well. Confirmation will be a virtual service, with only family present. Rabbi works with the students to put write an amazing service. You really do not want to miss this beautiful service by our students. We hope all of you to join us online for this very special service.

Andrew Sandberg will become a Bar Mitzvah Saturday, June 5 at 10:30 a.m.
At last we are restarting our B'nai Mitzvah celebrations! This will be a virtual Bar Mitzvah. Andrew and his family will be in the sanctuary with Rabbi and Norma. Andrew's friends, family, and fellow congregants from near and far will be able to watch this wonderful occasion on Zoom. We have already done virtual Bar Mitzvah at Temple for Jake Goldberg last August. Our equipment works quite well. We are still improving our method for televising programs from our Sanctuary so that the picture and the sound will be very good. We want to make this Bar Mitzvah as spiritual and joyful as our Bar Mitzvah boy deserves! Andrew has been preparing for his service for a long time. His long time Hebrew teacher and Torah coach is Lev Comstock. Norma James and Justen Bain have worked with Andrew on his service prayers. Much of Andrew's work has been done virtually, which has really required a big commitment from him. Andrew has worked incredibly hard to prepare for this important day. Rabbi Boxt is working with Andrew on his D'var Torah and putting the finishing touches on the service. Andrew is the third child in his family to be called to the Torah, following brother Jason and sister Jordan. He is the son of David and Heather Sandberg. We hope you will join us for this simcha.

Sam Shagan will be called to the Torah on June 12 at 10:30 a.m.
Yes, we get to have two family celebrations in June. Sam is the third child in his family to become a Bar Mitzvah. He follows his brother Aaron and his sister Lauren. That still leave one more brother, Jack, who still has a few years. Sam has done all of his training virtually with Norma James and Rabbi Boxt. Sam has met the challenge like a pro. He will have a virtual service televised from our sanctuary with his family present. You are all invited to join Sam online as he conducts the service, reads Torah, and presents his speech. Sam is the son of Robert and Allisen Shagan. We hope you will support Sam by attending his service virtually.

Have a great summer!
We will see you when Religious School starts in person in August!

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https://jewishknoxville.org/hakol

Sandberg to Celebrate June 5 Bar Mitzvah

Andrew Miller Sandberg will become a bar mitzvah on Saturday, June 5 at Temple Beth El via Zoom. Rabbi Boxt will officiate. Shabbat services will be on Friday, June 4 also via Zoom.

Andrew is the son of Heather and David Sandberg and brother of Jordan and Jason. Andrew's grandparents, Ebbie and Ronald Sandberg (Knoxville), and Linda Hoelderlin (West Palm Beach, FL) will join us for this joyous occasion.

Andrew is a seventh grader at Webb School of Knoxville. Andrew runs on the Webb cross country team, plays travel volleyball for the K2 14 Elite Boys Supafly Team, plays KYS Lacrosse, and is working towards his Eagle Scout with Boy Scout Troop 757.

Although COVID19 has presented many challenges, Andrew has worked very hard with the help of many special people. Thank you to Rabbi Boxt, Norma James and the Temple Beth El Religious School Staff for helping prepare Andrew for this special day. A special thanks to Lev Gross-Comstock for tutoring Andrew for many years now and making his Hebrew Studies fun.

Blessing For The Mitzvah Of Putting On A Mask

Baruch ata, Adonai Eloheinu,	בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ
Melech ha-olam,	מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav	אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו
v'tzivanu al shmirat hanefesh.	וְצִוָּנוּ עַל שְׁמִירַת הַנֶּפֶשׁ

Blessed are You, Eternal our God,
Sovereign of the world,
who has sanctified us with commandments,
and commanded us to protect life.

Has your cell phone, home phone, email address, or home address changed?

PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Contact the Temple Beth El office at *secretary@tbeknox.org*

If you would like to connect with TBE on Zoom, here are the links to our services:

- **Kabbalat Shabbat Services on Friday evenings at 7 p.m.:**
  Join Zoom Meeting
  https://zoom.us/j/835560058
  Meeting ID: 835 560 058 Password: 788114

- **Havdalah services on Saturday evenings at 6 p.m.:**
  Join Zoom Meeting
  https://zoom.us/j/405314387
  Meeting ID: 405 314 387 Password: 178744

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

If you have a laptop, smartphone, or tablet, you can download the app in advance. If not, no worries! There are other options! You are either able to call in using a landline/cell phone or video conference in via a computer/phone/iPad with a camera. Both options are listed.

1. **To call in:**
   1. Under, DIAL BY LOCATION, call the number below that says NEW YORK (meaning East Coast). You will then have to enter the Meeting ID
2. **To video conference:**
   1. Click link below that says JOIN ZOOM MEETING.2. Something will pop up to download ZOOM (allow it).3. Once downloaded, the meeting should open. Please make sure to check off "Use Computer Audio."

If you are able, please make sure to mute yourself so noise doesn't come through the speakers into the group. On laptops/smartphones/tablets, there is a mute button. On the video conference, there is a mute button on the bottom left corner of the video screen.
On landlines, there is not really a way to mute!

FACEBOOK INSTRUCTIONS

You do not need a Facebook account to watch or see our Facebook page, but you do need a Facebook account to interact with the videos!

TBE 2021 ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

At the virtual Annual Meeting of Temple Beth El on **Wednesday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m.**, election of directors will take place. The Zoom link will be published in the weekly *Blast*. The following slate of nominees has been presented by the Nominations Committee for your vote at that meeting:

Temple Beth El Ballot for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Executive Committee, One Year Term

Returning to complete the second year of their 2-year terms
(not included in this election)

President:	Kathy Young
1st Vice President:	Laurence (Larry) Tucker
Financial Secretary:	Peter Covel
Treasurer:	Peter Rosenbaum
Recording Secretary:	Dustin Park
Immediate Past President:	Steve Lewis

Board Members, Two Year Term, 2021-2023

David Butler Amir Sadovnik Ray Pais

Board Member, One Year Term, 2021-2022

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(not included in this election)

Susan Baker Dan Smith
Larry Markel Sophia Lionberger

Thank you for your continued support of Temple Beth El

Rabbi Or and Feliza Zohar

Friday, May 7 — 7 p.m.

Temple Beth El — Zoom

Rabbi Or Zohar & Feliza Bascara-Zohar

Feliza & Or Zohar are composers and performers of sacred music. Based in the Galilee, they broadcast and tour internationally, sharing their music, teachings and life experiences. Feliza & Or have three albums: Lev Tahor (2007) Mikolot Mayim (2016) Kets Hap'laot (2020).
In 2021, they founded Havayah Center of Being, a retreat center and guesthouse.
Rabbi Or Zohar is the Reform rabbi of the Misgav Region in the Galilee, founder of Hibura School for Kabbalah and Jewish Spirituality, and co-executive director of the Spirit of the Galilee Association. Rabbi Zohar was ordained at the Jerusalem campus of HUC and received his BA from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He has a master's degree in Jewish philosophy from Tel Aviv University, where he is working towards a PhD in Kabbalah studies. Feliza Bascara-Zohar is a singer-songwriter, song leader, artist and choreographer. She teaches a mindful holistic approach to worship, which she calls embodied prayer and practices voice movement therapy. She has an MA in expressive art therapies from Tel Aviv University and a BA in Musicology and Literature from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Rabbi David Levin Teaches

Friday, April 30 — 7 p.m.

Temple Beth El — Zoom

Pesach to Shavuot, the Trek Toward Meeting God and of Becoming: What have we learned from COVID-19?

Rabbi David Levin

Rabbi David Levin focuses on bringing Jewish wisdom to seekers of meaning. He is the founder and director of Jewish Relationships Initiative, a 501(c)3 focused on outreach. Trained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (NY), Rabbi David draws from the Jewish tradition's many streams, considering himself a lamplighter along life's journey rather than a gatekeeper.
Rabbi Levin teaches *The Ethical Legacy Will, Jewish Wisdom Reimagined- a new approach to the Ethical Will*, making it more relevant and accessible, as well as other end-of-life challenges.
Rabbi Levin's other courses include *Kavod v'Nichum, Understanding Jewish end-of-life rituals*, and the acclaimed series *L'Chaim, Jewish Wisdom for the End-of-Life Journey* with esteemed rabbinic colleagues. R'David's other teaching includes *Mussar for Young Adults* at the Jack M. Barrack Hebrew Academy and *Introduction to Judaism* for the URJ. R'David leads interfaith trips to Israel for CLAL's Stand and See project. He is also the host of the Death Café of Greater Philadelphia.

Havdalah Concert

Saturday, May 1 — 6 p.m.

Temple Beth El — Zoom

Dan Nichols, Musician and Service Leader

Dan Nichols is a singular talent in the world of Jewish music. He is one of the most dynamic, influential and beloved Jewish musicians in North America. Dan's melodies have become an integral part of the spiritual and liturgical experience of countless individuals and Jewish communities.
Dan is a product of the Jewish camping movement. He spent 10 summers at the Goldman Union Camp in Zionsville, Indiana before receiving his degree in vocal performance at the University of North Carolina. In 1995, realizing the potential of music to make a meaningful connection with Jewish youth, Dan established the Jewish rock band Eighteen. Dan's anthology includes a wide range of sounds and styles, from energetic Jewish rock anthems to moving interpretations of traditional Jewish liturgy. Dan's live performances are legendary for their unrestrained energy and infectious spirit. In addition to his remarkable musical talents, Dan is a gifted teacher. He has served on the faculty of Hava Nashira since 2000.

YAHRZEITS

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May 7
Joseph Ades ♦ Flora Brody♦ David Bush ♦ Mary Lillian Dees ♦ Abraham Factor ♦ Arthur Factor ♦ Dorothy B. Goldberger ♦ Shirlie B. Goodfriend ♦ Mary Haller ♦ Mary Connor Hepworth ♦ Mary Ella Hicks ♦ Fannie Kreisberg ♦ Mathilde Wolff Levi ♦ Robert Lewis ♦ Hannah Licht ♦ Rabbi Aaron Panken ♦ Carl Silver ♦ Beverly Simon ♦ N. George Tucker ♦ Mr. Nick Wadsworth ♦ Rose Kipnes West ♦ Bess Zipser

May 14
Verne Canner ♦ Saralee Cohn ♦ Margaret Crohn ♦ Lucie A. Fribourg ♦ Angela Gold ♦ Morris Goldfarb ♦ Hymen T. Kern ♦ David Nathan Koffman ♦ Manuel Leimsidor ♦ Thelma Leitson ♦ Rivkah Ribak Ovits ♦ Marjorie Pardee ♦ Gilbert H. Parish ♦ Ethel Rosenberg ♦ Ruth Kronenberger Sherrill ♦ Harry Walowitz ♦ Cecelia Zimmerman

May 21
Lawrence Arnold Allen ♦ Dan Altshuler ♦ Althea Almeda Brakebill ♦ Louis Brenner ♦ Joice Brown ♦ Jeanette Hyatt ♦ Sam Kadison ♦ Frances Dickey Patton ♦ David Prial ♦ Sheldon Rosenberg ♦ Minnie Victor

May 28
Uriel Alayev ♦ Katherine Caller ♦ Carolyn Greif ♦ Rose Bank Gudis ♦ Yefim Gutman ♦ Maurice Konigsberg ♦ Estelle Kreisberg ♦ Anny I. Marx ♦ Jakob Marx ♦ Harold Pomerantz ♦ Joseph Sandberg ♦ Nathan Harry Smith ♦ Harvey Smuckler ♦ Katherine B. Soss ♦ Charles Clarence Strasburger ♦ Annie S. Taylor ♦ Flint Wolf ♦ Jasper Wolf ♦ Esther Yadgaroff

June 4
Marie Nordmann Brunschwig ♦ Elayne Butler ♦ Nancy Fox Fagan ♦ Florence R Gluck ♦ Grace Goldberger ♦ Harry Goldberger ♦ Alexander Gompertz ♦ E. Max Kesselman ♦ Stephen Lieberman ♦ Friedel S Nash ♦ Frederick Lewis Otte ♦ Harold Raymon ♦ Dewey Reich ♦ Rudolph Stern ♦ Anna Wender ♦ Mose Zavels ♦ Stanley Zinn

June 11
Jeffrey Avurch ♦ Arthur Bates ♦ Virginia Gluck ♦ Dorothee Heller ♦ Ian Kinney ♦ Ann S. Klein ♦ Rose Klugman ♦ Oded Langer ♦ Esther Margolina ♦ Nathan Marks ♦ Julius Orovan ♦ Moshe Ribak ♦ Ruth Rockower ♦ Edith C. Smith ♦ Richard Wayburn ♦ Ron Young

June 18
Henry Bloom ♦ Sylvia Brenner ♦ Albert Eisenstadt ♦ William Freedman ♦ Allan Gerson ♦ George Gluck ♦ William Goldberger ♦ Sam Good ♦ Ethel Kaplan ♦ Joseph Konigsberg ♦ Max Rosenstein ♦ Leo Shey ♦ Jennie Grala Zuckerman

June 25
Max B. Arnstein ♦ Morris Bart ♦ Ben Brown ♦ Shirley Vivian Cohen ♦ Morris Gluck ♦ Sylvia Hahn ♦ Elizabeth Handler ♦ Stephen Kelleher ♦ Max Licht ♦ Harry Gunter Marx ♦ F. Joseph Miller ♦ Lillian Pomerantz ♦ Capt. Orland A. Porter, Jr. ♦ Edward Reich ♦ Samuel Spiro ♦ Paula Zatlin

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Heska Amuna Synagogue
HaShofar

May/June 2021
19 Nisan—18 Iyyar 5781

Sábado Gigante

By Rabbi Alon C. Ferency

A great T-shirt says that in nature, "The weaker the Wi-Fi, the stronger the connection." That could be the motto of Shabbat, too. As we slowly plan to return to in-person *Shabbatot*, Heska Amuna Synagogue is doing more to make our Shabbat experience broader, more inclusive, and engaging. In so doing, we are evaluating models which integrate large, diverse populations into a wide-ranging and far-reaching Saturday experience. Here are three:

First, **Shabbat School** prioritizes Shabbat as the center of Jewish life. This model familiarizes students with Torah through study of each week's *parashah* and provides in-depth knowledge and familiarity with each component of the Shabbat morning service. By bringing generations all together, Shabbat schools foster a sense of community and connection. Families "Love coming to *shul*" and it becomes their "Favorite place to be."

Second, ***Sábado Gigante*** ("Giant Saturday") was the longest running television variety series in world television history (1952-2015), "an eclectic and frenetic mix of various contests, human-interest stories, and live entertainment." *Sábado Gigante* was hosted by Chilean television star Don Francisco, the stage name of Mario Kreutzberger, himself a child of German-Jewish refugees. Its diversity of content, tempo, and energies engaged audiences for nearly seven decades.

Third, **Synaplex** was a 2007 initiative of STAR (Synagogues: Transformation and Renewal). "The central pillar of Synaplex is the Shabbat Initiative, a project designed to re-establish the Sabbath as a gathering time for Jews… reestablishing the synagogue as the center for a Jewish community." While most Jews think of a synagogue as *Beit Tefilah* — a house of prayer, a synagogue is also *Beit Midrash* — a house of learning, and *Beit Knesset* — a house of gathering'… While it is desirable that people become more religious, reinforcing the community is viewed as the crucial first step. Much of this community building is accomplished by 'casting a wider net' to the diverse American Jewish population via offering an array of temple activities. These include but are not limited to expanded social events and study groups. Some alternatives include meditation workshops and yoga." According to STAR Executive Director Rabbi Hayim Herring, Synaplex has been a phenomenal success in over 100 communities.

(Contact me for references and further resources.)

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May 8	Shabbat Hinnuch Confirmation and Consecration Celebration	10:00

Heska Amuna Congregation

Annual Meeting

June 6, 2021 10:30 am

PLEASE SEE *NU NEWS* CLOSER TO THE DATE

BYOC (Bring Your Own Coffee)

President's Thoughts

By Markus Eisenbach, Heska Amuna President

This is going to be my last article for *Ha'Kol* as president. It has been an interesting two years that have brought unexpected challenges and opportunities. I am grateful to the learning experience that this position has provided, and I hope that I have managed to make meaningful contributions to our Heska Amuna community. My thanks go to all the members of the Rabbi & Religious Services Committee for their support and help during my tenure, and I am looking forward to sharing my experience with Rich Adlin when he takes over as Heska Amuna's president.

This May we will be celebrating Shavuot, which commemorates the giving of the Torah by God to the Children of Israel at Mount Sinai. It is one of the three pilgrimage festivals. Of these festivals, it is certainly the least prominent, without the seder and special food prohibitions of Pesach or the sukkah and four species of Sukkot. It just arrives after counting the days since Pesach without the need for special preparations such as are required for Pesach or Sukkot when disposing of chametz or building a sukkah. Historically, like the other two festivals, it is tied to the agricultural calendar and it marks the harvest of early grains. And like Pesach and Sukkot, Shavuot has been given a new religious message.

After we were freed from Egypt at Passover, we journeyed through the desert for seven weeks (now marked by the counting of the Omer) until we arrived at Mount Sinai, where we were about to receive the Torah. As such, Shavuot forms a unit with Passover in the emergence of the Jewish people. It was the liberation of the Exodus that made us a people, but it was the revelation at Mount Sinai that gave meaning to what it is to be Jewish by establishing a code of conduct. The Talmud, in Shavuot 39a, imagines that ALL Jews, both by birth and by choice including those yet to be born, stood at Sinai. Thus, let us imagine that we were present as Moses gave us Torah.

This also connects with the book of Ruth that is read at Shavuot. It is the very powerful story of Ruth, a non-Jewish Moabite, who joined the Jewish people as she declared to her mother-in-law Naomi, "I will go where you go and your God will be my God." While projecting our modern concept of conversion onto this story would be anachronistic, we can see this story as a strong statement for accepting new members into our community. As Ruth is seen as the great grandmother of King David, this book points out that new members can generate new opportunities and will secure our future.

As we all received Torah, let us study it with an open mind and it is up to every one of us to choose Torah.

I thank all of you that you have given me the opportunity to serve you during the last two years, and I am looking forward to seeing Heska Amuna grow and adapt to ever changing times.

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Rosh Chodesh Sivan

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Wednesday, May 12, 2021
7:30pm on Zoom

Questions? Contact Peggy Littmann, Rosh Chodesh Chair, plittmann@comcast.net

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A Tenure to Remember-Thank You

By Shuli Mesa, Education Director

It all began with an innocent lunch with Nancy Becker. Little did I know that that one lunch would propel me into the craziest and most soul gratifying two years of my life.

Sitting on the Education Committee since moving to Knoxville in 2006, I had heard all the ways in which the school could improve and which areas were successes. You see, I was on that side of the table. Never did I think I would be in the driver's seat. While I have spent most of my time volunteering in countless ways both in and out of the Jewish community, I had never done anything of this magnitude in a professional sense. At first, the thought it was daunting. Then I realized that I had an opportunity to take all of those ideas from the Education Committee and all of my hopes for the school and for the congregation and possibly bring them to fruition.

Growing up as a rabbi's daughter, I knew the rules and laws but more importantly, I knew the joy. And that was my goal--to bring joy, light, color, and connection into the program. I worked on inclusion and implemented various special educational tactics in the school. As a parent of two autistic children, inclusion was important to me and way that I knew we could connect with every student.

With the new Sunday Synagogue University (SSU) and the addition of Abraham Brietstein's position as Adult Education Vice-Chair, we reinvigorated adult education while bringing in fresh topics and opening it up to our Post B'nei Mitzvah students.

Our music classes were so rambunctious, that parents would wander in to play and sing. We even grabbed Rabbi Ferency to sing along with the newly returned Madrichim program.

Unfortunately, my first year never made it to the finish line as COVID-19 swept the world. We completely revamped the schedule and our entire delivery system. ShalomLearning guided us with flexibility and could continue using their Judaic values curriculum but not everything was as simple to transition. Andrea Cone and Vanessa Rodriguez mastered their classes with finesse and patience. Our tech gurus, Noah Mesa and Thomas Scott, our Madrichim this year, swooped in to save the day anytime technology gave us a run for our money—which was often.

Zoom fatigue and overworked schedules had us creating fluid schedules to cater to all ages. We created an environment that encourages the warmth and connectivity through education. There is still wonderful music with Lev Comstock and fantastic Israeli folk dance with Barbara Birenbaum in California. While we shortened tefillah time, Rabbi Ferency still brought his Rabbinical musings and insight.

We brought in two new classes, *Jewish People in History*, taught by Andrea, was a huge hit, as was Hebrew one-on-one with Rachel Brown. Rachel has an incomparable knack of connecting to our students individually and meeting them on their level. As if that wasn't enough, she worked with our Confirmation class teens.

It has truly been an unforgettable two years which came with a few bumps in my journey. It was Serina Scott, the Youth Education Vice Chair, who miraculously managed to clear the way so that I could 'Zoom' full steam ahead. She was so much more than a chair. She became a confidant, a sounding board, an editor, my voice when I couldn't quite find it, and honestly, she was my biggest supporter. I knew as long as I had her in my corner I wouldn't crash and burn--well, if I did, I knew she was there to help put out the fires.

I would also like to say a big thank you to Lisa Jacobson and Mary Ann Merrell. You may know them from the Mishloach Manot fundraiser but what you don't know is how much time and energy these ladies gave. They both have been consistent companions on the Education Committee and I am blessed to call them friends. The faces of the Education Committee have changed in the last year but Laura Floyd, Betty Golub, and Nancy Becker--that's right, I didn't let her get too far from me--have been an infinite pool of support and wisdom. I would also like to take a moment to thank Beverly Wilcox. As a coworker she has been generous with her time and knowledge. Not all housewives can learn Excel spreadsheets, master payrolls, and navigate a printer of the 21st century--make no mistake, this took time. I would also like to thank Jeff Becker as the Chair of the Board. He was very supportive as we adjusted and readjusted to the world. And lastly, a big thank you to Rabbi. He made me laugh and taught me not to take things too seriously and to trust myself. I will always be appreciative of all of you and of the congregation and the way they embraced me in these last years.

I am so excited for you to see what we have been working on for HARS next year. While I may no longer be in the driver's seat, you may see me waving from the passenger side.

My endless gratitude to Heska Amuna for entrusting me with the future of Judaism. *B'Ahavah*--Shuli

Confirmation CORNER

Rachel Brown

As someone who came into teaching Confirmation with mostly classroom or theater experience, I was a little nervous about taking on a more complex project with high school students. I had no idea what they might be interested in researching, or if they would be receptive to my help. As is often the case, I think that people really underestimate kids, especially middle and high school-aged kids.

The confirmands this year came in with some big ideas, ready to meet the high expectations I set for them. They chose projects that would explore areas of Judaism that are often overlooked, and their creative ideas matched perfectly with their academic ones. I think that the congregation will be very impressed with this year's projects, not only for their content and presentation, but for the creativity and discipline it took to have these ideas and then follow through on the research to make them happen.

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Heska Amuna Trekkers

Happy it is Spring and to be vaccinated! Photos are from a River Bluff hike. All photos courtesy of Nora Messing.

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Wendy Good

Save the date!

Friday July 23, 2021
Heska Amuna will be hosting a Kabbalat Shabbat Kumzits (a spiritually moving musical gathering) in the outdoors.

Focus Groups at Heska Amuna

New chances to get together virtually or safely outdoors for our Synagogue community

HESKA AMUNA TREKKING CLUB

The beautiful weather has been cooperating with us. We've been able to enjoy hiking and walking along some lovely trails that are not too far afield from Knoxville. We usually hike on Sunday afternoons and will continue as long as the weather cooperates. We've been to Haw Ridge, trails at the UT arboretum in Oak Ridge, trails in the Norris area, I.C. King park trails and trails at Concord Park. A favorite was the hike to the beautiful quarry lake in Oak Ridge. If anyone has suggestions for future walks or if you would like to join us, please contact Peggy Littmann at (865) 776-1013 or *plittmann@comcast.net*.

Our **MEDIA CLUB** reviews and discusses a new series or show that will present ethical dilemmas and moral conflicts. We have lots of intriguing choices. If you are interested, contact facilitators Dahlia Smith, *dahliajsmith@gmail.com* or Peggy Littmann at *plittmann@comcast.net*.

Has your cell phone, home phone, email address, or home address changed?

PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Contact the Heska Amuna office at *admin@heskaamuna.org*

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Virtual Services

Friday Night Services.....6:30 p.m.
Saturday Morning Services.....10:00 a.m.

Minyanim

Monday.....4 p.m.
Tuesday.....8 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Thursday.....2 p.m.

For Zoom links, see *Nu News* or contact the Heska Amuna Synogague office at (865) 522-0701

Minyanim for members can be arranged by contacting the President one week before.

For a list of Heska Amuna's services, events, and information, please visit *www.heskaamuna.org*

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KJCFF Grants $575,003.90 in 2020

KJCFF is proud to announce that grants totaling $575,003.90 were released in 2020. The grants make a dramatic difference in the lives of the Jewish community of Knoxville, the south, the US, Israel and around the world. Grant recipients included the Knoxville Jewish Day School, Knoxville Jewish Alliance, Heska Amuna Synagogue, BBYO, Jewish Agency for Israel, and the American Joint Distribution Committee. Several non-Jewish cultural and educational organizations also benefitted from KJCFF fundholders' generosity. If you want to really look at the big picture, consider these grants brought KJCFF's lifetime total of distributions to $3,111,334.30 since 2002. This is a history and magnitude of philanthropy of which we all can be proud. If you would like to join the grant parade, please contact Stephen or Laura.

UPDATE and ALERT – Israel Partnership Fund Endowment now PENDING

Below is an article we ran in September. KJCFF leadership is pleased to share that an endowment fund is now PENDING. If you would like to participate in the initial launch opportunity with any size gift, please contact Laura immediately.

Knoxville Jewish Community Needs to Endow KJA's Israel Partnership P2G program

For the last 20 years, Knoxville and a group of southeastern cities have been linked with Hadeira-Eiron, Israel. It is sort of a sister-city program, but the exchanges and relationships are much deeper. Camp Tikkun Olam, the summer exchange program for 15 year-olds, came out of this partnership that was originally named P2K. Now P2G (Partnership Together), past events included educational and medical professional exchanges and even a firefighter program that involved the City of Knoxville. The next focus will be on young adult leadership development. It seems like every year there is a scramble for funding. Luckily, in 2020, donor advised funds of KJCFF stepped up to the plate quickly to make scholarship commitments only to see Covid-19 halt the effort. But what if we had a permanent fund to make this idea a concrete reality every year? $25,000-50,000 should be a good start, but there is no limit in this project area.

KJCFF Mourns the Loss of Friend Mel Sturm

Mel Sturm was a consummate community man in our Jewish and secular communities. He is likely the only person to be a member of Heska Amuna, Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge, and Temple Beth El (please correct us if someone else can claim the same!). KJCFF is proud to hold funds in memory of his wife, Frances Sturm, and son, Brad Sturm. Mel's grandchildren make it 3 generations with Britt and Eleanor converting their B'nai Tzedek funds into a donor advised fund. KJCFF will miss Mel and is proud to see his legacy live on in perpetuity.

How to Request Assistance from Jewish Family Services

Usually, we use this space to define a charitable term, but during this difficult time, we wanted to explain how to ask for assistance from Jewish Family Services. All inquiries are confidential. If you find yourself in need of emergency financial assistance for things such as rent or utilities, please call JFS Director Laura Berry at (865) 690-6343 ext. 18 or email her at *LBerry@jewishknoxville.org* to schedule an appointment.

Donations

Gordon Brown Youth Recreation Fund
In memory of Gordon Brown
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In memory of Tillie Slovis
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Fribourg-Brunschwig Holocaust Memorial Education Fund
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The KJCFF encourages you to help insure the healthy future of our Knoxville Jewish community by including a commitment to the KJCFF in your financial and estate planning.

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

Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge

How Do Jews Pray

By Ronnie Bogard, Communitions Coordinator

There is an interfaith group in Oak Ridge composed of both ministers and many lay leaders, and we take turns each month leading the closing prayer at the end of our meeting. It was my first time ever to compose and lead a prayer. It was particularly important to me because I had been asked in the past in an Interfaith setting "How do Jews pray?". My answer was that we pray just like everybody else. I wanted to convey that connection we all have through prayer. I had Passover coming up and the mass killings in our Country were just one plague weighing heavy on my mind. I will share my prayer with you as this might be weighing on your mind too:

Dear God,

Please help us heal our nation from hate and violence. Help us to understand and recognize the hate that exists throughout the country, and give us insight for ways we can help eliminate its sources.

Help us create relationships through this Interfaith group of leaders and pastors that will provide us with support as we create peace and understanding in our community.

Help us care for those who are grieving lost friends and family. Help us care for those who are ill either physically, mentally, emotionally, or spiritually. Help us find the balance so that we care for ourselves as well.

We give gratitude for this beautiful Spring and the opening of flowers and trees, and the splendor of being outside. We can see that Nature is a reflection of all You created, and we take comfort from it.

We are grateful for the privilege of waking up to another day. May we have gratitude in our hearts for all our blessings. Amen.

The President's Message

By Hilary Shreter, President, Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge

Chag Sameach, everyone! Shavuot is coming this month...time to make your favorite blintzes or find a cheesecake, listen to the Book of Ruth, and reflect on the joy and enlightenment of the Torah. I hope everyone is well and I hope we can meet together safely soon. If you have a moment, call or write to me and let me know how you are doing. Thanks!

JCOR partners with ORUUC to feed the hungry!

Monthly "stone soup" meal and food baskets on the last Friday of every month at ORUUC.

Please make your check payable to *ORUUC* and send to Ronnie Bogard.

Virtual Sisterhood FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBAT
Every Other Friday Night at 6:30 p.m.

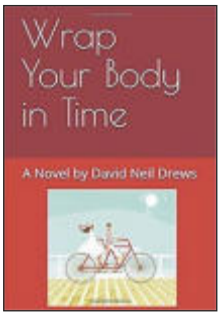
Contact Penny Lukin at *plukin@comcast.net* or 865-671-0780 for information.

Jewish Book Club

Wednesday, May 19
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Wrap Your Body in Time
by David Neil Drews

Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 431 657 5894 Passcode: 617381



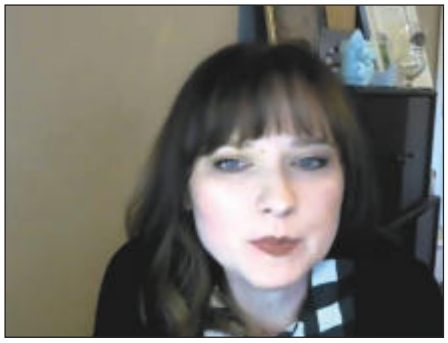
The JCOR Services schedule is available in the *JCOR E-News*.

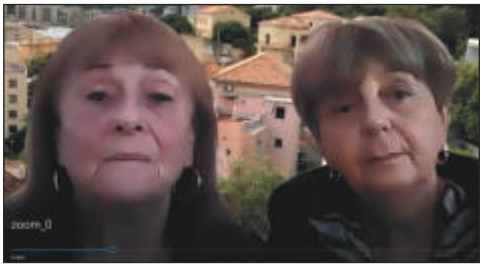
JCOR Holocaust Remembrance Day

Over 140 individuals, including friends and family across the country, attended our virtual Holocaust Remembrance Program. It was held on the last day of Holocaust Remembrance Week and was established as Holocaust Remembrance Day for the City of Oak Ridge by proclamation.

Mira Kimmelman developed and conducted this annual Program for many years, often as part of educating her students about the Holocaust. This year was particularly moving because Mira's family was able to participate, with son Gene and his wife Caroline reading from a chapter in Mira's memoir *Echoes From the Holocaust*, and Benno as our featured speaker giving us a very personal description of growing up as the son of Holocaust survivors.

We also had the privilege of having folk singer Chuck Brodsky share his music about the Holocaust. The candle lighting ceremony and the candles lit at the programs end gave us hope for creating a better world.





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Saturday morning services are virtual on every other Saturday at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Rabbi Rashkovsky at *vicrash@yahoo.com*.

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Heska Amuna Synagogue

May 1
Pearl Austin ♦ Hymie Billig ♦ Sharon Brietstein ♦ Paul Cawn ♦ Isaac Cooper ♦ Stanley Duhan ♦ Max Friedman ♦ Howard Greenbaum ♦ Flora Hasden ♦ Madeline Kanofsky ♦ Sandra Levinstone, Sidney Licht ♦ Bryan Merrell ♦ Esther Millen ♦ Gary Miller ♦ Sarah Miller ♦ Hannah Moskowitz ♦ Hyman Raskin ♦ William Russler ♦ Charles Siegal ♦ Lottie Siegel ♦ Sanford Weinstein ♦ Benjamin Weinstein

May 8
Norman Abrams♦ Isadore Abrams ♦ Carolyn Bertram ♦ Sidney Burnett ♦ Linda Cohen ♦ Rachel Davis ♦ Lillian Drutz ♦ Jacob Ellin ♦ David Garber ♦ Samuel Grusin ♦ Samuel Lavine ♦ Mary Milford ♦ Nat Nisenson ♦ Frank Robinson ♦ Sylvia Saroff ♦ Bernard Schanowitz ♦ Yachel Wender

May 15
Lester Berry ♦ Ellen Chayet ♦ Philip Chazen ♦ Sam Danenberg ♦ Anne Fuson ♦ Sylvia Golub ♦ Bernard Iroff ♦ Ruth Kahan ♦ Bessie Kaplan ♦ Lucy Lobertini ♦ Sam Nius ♦ Isaac Resnick ♦ Ethel Rosenberg ♦ Sarah Sachs ♦ Benjamin Togal ♦ Sarah Weinstein ♦ Melba Werfel

May 22
Sylvia Allen ♦ Edward Balloff ♦ Murray Beber ♦ Louis Bobroff ♦ Ida H. Brown ♦ Bek Hurvich ♦ Abraham Jacobs ♦ Sol Leeds ♦ Leon Leibowitz ♦ Lillian Millner ♦ Rachel Resnick ♦ Nathan Robinso ♦ Samuel Schwartz ♦ Nettie Secaul ♦ Claire Shulman ♦ Amelia Strauss ♦ Hyman Strauss ♦ Louis Tobe ♦ Morris Werner ♦ Harriett Zalkin

May 29
George Adlin ♦ David Bendriem ♦ Sarah Euster ♦ Sylvia Forman ♦ Rebecca Forstein ♦ Saul Garber ♦ Sarah Gershek ♦ George Gourse ♦ Pincus Kanofsky ♦ Hyman Kisilinsky ♦ Alice Landis ♦ Thekla Naumann ♦ Morris Rosenblatt ♦ Herbert Smullian

June 5
Seena Allen ♦ Irene Baskin ♦ Adele Bernard ♦ Shirley Cohen ♦ Selma Corkland ♦ Louis Edelman ♦ Albert Eisenstadt ♦ Isaac Green ♦ Victor Hanan ♦ Lynn Hecht ♦ Elliott Jaffrey ♦ Esther Kay ♦ Sylvia Kelman ♦ Mary Kutsubos ♦ Harry Lipshin ♦ Samuel Love ♦ Ben Mazur ♦ Muriel Ohriner ♦ Jennie Rosenblatt ♦ Edith Rosenthal ♦ Frances Sabler ♦ Claude Schulhof ♦ Esther Spiegelman ♦ Doris Weinstein ♦ Scott Wolf

June 12
Beatrice Beber ♦ Sol Berry ♦ Abraham Collins ♦ Israel Dyller ♦ George Fayerman ♦ Santa Floyd ♦ Sol Greenfield ♦ Jacob Klein ♦ Homer Kramer ♦ Bernard Marvet ♦ Fannie Russler ♦ Robert Sabler ♦ Zelda Siegel ♦ Eli Wurm ♦ Sylvan Zemel

June 19
Dorothy Blue ♦ Emma Burnett ♦ Annie Cohen ♦ Susan Drayer ♦ Rebecca Fayonsky ♦ Jennie Friedman ♦ Carol Glasman ♦ Moses Greenberg ♦ Ida Hurvich ♦ Erma Levin ♦ Gerald Millen ♦ Marvin Ohriner ♦ Rose Robinson ♦ Morton Simpson ♦ Joan Sitver ♦ Bradley Sturm ♦ Joseph Weinbren

June 26
Isaac Benhayon ♦ Greta Besmann ♦ Lillian Brody ♦ William Cramer, Karl Finestone Ben Goodstein ♦ Clara Goodstein ♦ Harry Kaplan ♦ Minnie Katz, Shirley Leeds ♦ Belle Linke ♦ Lewis Littmann ♦ Celia Mackta ♦ Robert Milford ♦ Rebecca S. Millen ♦ Gussie Potter ♦ Anna Richer ♦ Joseph Russler ♦ Harold Shersky ♦ Gerald Simon ♦ Marshall Stern ♦ Martin Stollin ♦ Anne Tomlinson

May and June 2021 Temple Beth El Yarzheits can be located on page 16.
They will return to this page in the July issue.

Hadassah HIGHLIGHTS

HADASSAH
THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA, INC.

HADASSAH Knoxville

HADASSAH SELLS CAKE

BUNDT CAKES ARE BACK!

SUNDAY-MAY 16TH, 2021

OUTSIDE PARKING LOT AJCC

6800 Deane Hill Dr,
Knoxville, TN 37919

10 AM –1:00 PM

Question? Contact Nora Messing
ndbmess@comcast.net

CHOCOLATE PASSOVER SEDER

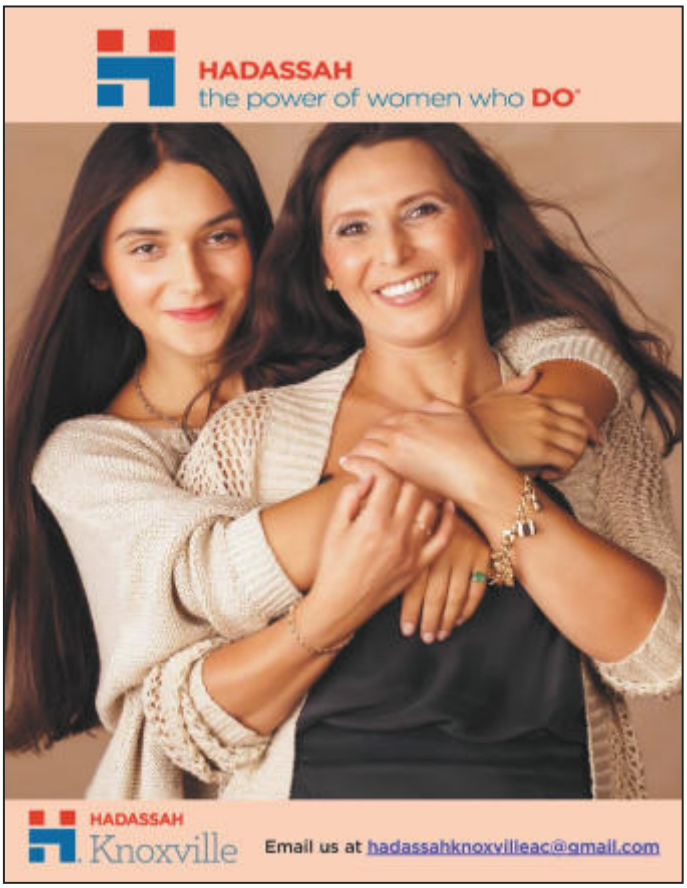
Shuli Mesa,
V.P. Programing

On Sunday, March 21, Hadassah double downed and sweetened the pot. That's right, we went all in. While the virtual world has forced some sacrifices, we found a delicious way to connect with our sisters. A chocolate seder hit the mark. First, we hand delivered a Pasedich shmorgishborg of chocolate. Then, we all gathered on Zoom in an abbreviated Seder distributed by the Reform Movement.

All the prayers were tailored to chocolate--yes, we thanked the lord above for the divinity he made for us-CHOCOLATE! Our marror was chocolate. Our charoset was chocolate. Our betzah --you guessed it, chocolate. Everyone had an opportunity to participate, either out loud or in the muted safety of their home. By the end our sugar high led us to beautiful songs, lots of laughter, and some may have even danced-I know I did.

A HUGE thank you to Andrea Cone for doing ALL of the shopping while I was out of commission. She travelled all over to ensure our vast chocolatey delights for our event. She also delivered everyone's bag of deliciousness straight to their doors. Thank you to everyone who attended and to those that participated, which was almost everyone.

So while Pesach will again be celebrated a bit differently this year, we hope that we put a chocolatey smile on everyone's faces.



Buy a Tree or Water Certificate

What better way to celebrate a birthday or special occasion than by purchasing a certificate to plant a tree in Israel?

One Tree $18
Ten Trees $150
(Circle of Trees)
Garden of Trees
$500

You may designate a name for certificates in memory of someone, sending get well wishes, honor a birthday, anniversary, birth, marriage, engagement or simply support Israel's reforestation and water purification projects.

Contact Joyce York at
joyceyork12@gmail.com and mail check (payable to Hadassah) and information to 2054 Smoky River Road, Knoxville, 37931

Are Your Hadassah records all current for the next directory, to receive newsletters, and maintain other local Hadassah connections???

- Have you recently moved?
- Has your phone number changed?
- Has your name changed?
- Do you need to update an e-mail address?

We are happy to update any of these records for you. Please direct these important changes to the Knoxville Hadassah Records Administrator: Barbara Mintz - barbara@bmintz.com

Check the *www.jewishknoxville.org/calendar* for Hadassah & other community programming updates

Celebrate Motherhood with a Hadassah Layette

By Batya Boxt

Hadassah sends layettes to women who have a new baby or grandbaby. A layette is a card from of all us congratulating them on the new baby!

When I receive information about a future Hadassah member's arrival, I will email all of you. If you are interested in having your name included on the layette, please email me back and let me know.

If you don't have a layette account, please send me a check to set that up. I'd recommend $25 to start. If you need to replenish your account, please send that check to me as well. So that my address isn't distributed publicly, please email me to request my address. Let me know how much money you'd like to donate to the layette and I'll deduct that amount from your layette account. When the account is low (around $5), I'll email you so you can refill it.

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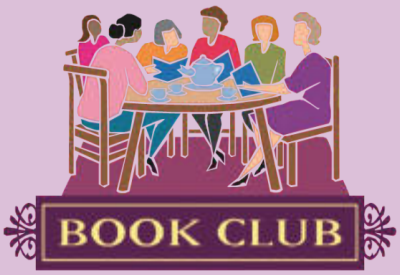

Hadassah Book Club News

All Jewish women of the greater Knoxville area and friends are welcome to join us

We welcome you to participate in our next *two* Hadassah Book Club meetings**.** On **May 18** we will discuss ***American Dirt*** by Jeanine Cummings and on **June 15** we will be discussing ***The Weight* of Ink** by Rachel Kadish. We will start at 7:30 p.m. Whether it is safe to meet as a group or if we need to continue on Zoom is yet to be determined.

AMERICAN DIRT: Lydia lives a fairly comfortable life in Acapulco and runs a bookstore. She has a son and a wonderful husband who is a journalist. Lydia's husband writes a tell-all profile about the newest leader of another drug cartel who has gruesomely taken over the city. None of their lives will ever be the same. Forced to flee, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca find themselves as migrants making their way north toward the United States, which is the only place the cartel leader's reach doesn't extend. Lydia soon sees that everyone is running from something. But what exactly are they running to?

THE WEIGHT OF INK: Set in London of the 1660s and the early twenty-first century, *The Weight of Ink* is the interwoven tale of two women of remarkable intellect: Ester Velasquez, an emigrant from Amsterdam who is permitted to scribe for a blind rabbi just before the plague hits the city and Helen Watt, an ailing historian with a love of Jewish history. Helen enlists the help of an American graduate and embarks on one last project to determine the identity of the documents' scribe. *The Weight of Ink* is about women separated by centuries—and the choices and sacrifices they must make in order to reconcile their hearts and minds.

- **July: *The Yellow Bird Sings*** by Jennifer Rosner
- **August: *The Vanishing Half*** by Brit Bennett

Please contact Barbara Mintz at *Barbara@bmintz.com* if you have questions or want to be added to the Zoom registration list. Also let her know if you have changes in your email address or want to be removed from the master mailing list.

As a Hadassah member, let us know if you are not getting the new formatted newsletter:

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Learning Happens in Many Ways at KJDS

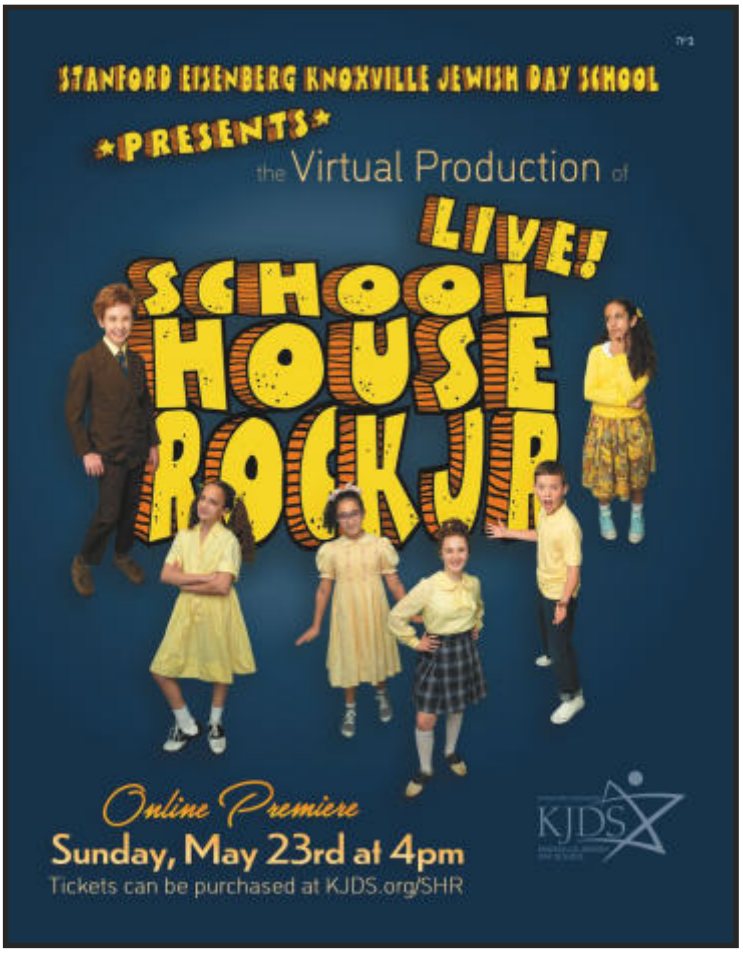
It is not at every school in America that you might walk into the building to find kindergartners scootering through the hallway. When that happened at KJDS on Monday, no one took notice. Nor is it unusual here for students to hop on their desks to sing in the mornings, get totally messy at recess or working on a project, or to have to ask kids to lower their voices simply because curiosity has made them reach almost a yell. These everyday examples demonstrate how joy is at the heart of a KJDS education. This feeling of "joy" comes through our strong sense of community and learning experiences that are designed for curiosity and exploration. While the staff clearly knows these values and explicitly plans experiences steeped in joy, community, and exploration, we wondered if the students could identify KJDS values as well.

In 4/5 students engage in a discussion class each week called "Touchpebbles." The course is crafted around reading diverse literature or looking at art and talking about it while enhancing the skills of discussion and leadership, such as looking at the audience, noting their body language, speaking clearly, inviting peers who are quiet to share, and synthesizing what is read with prior knowledge and personal experiences.

The 4/5 students used symbols to represent their feelings about KJDS.

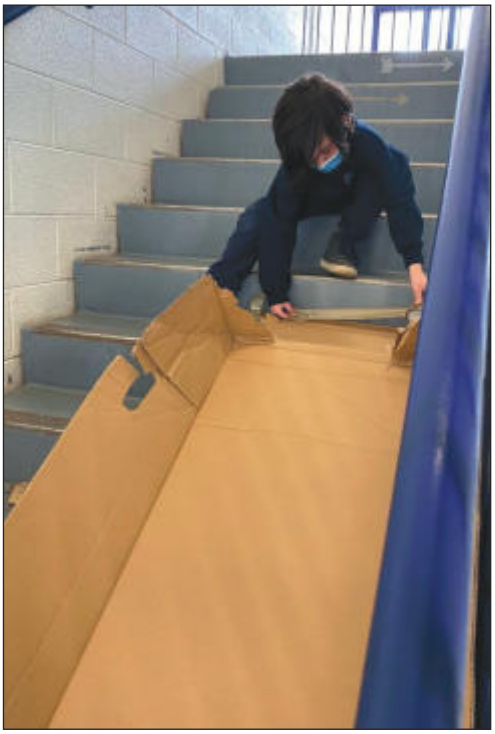
One week, students learned about shields as symbols of countries and communities. They discussed symbolism then worked to figure out the symbols that would best capture KJDS. Students were quick to identify Judaism, learning, community, fun, pride in their school, and exploration. They used these symbols to craft their own shield to display our school values. While, we don't know if our students recognize the uniqueness of the KJDS experience, it was wonderful see that they do realize what is happening here and are able to verbalize that they appreciate the school's core values.

Every morning starts off with Tefillah and a school wide song to get the day started on a positive note. We teach each new class how to safely stand on a table for this tradition.

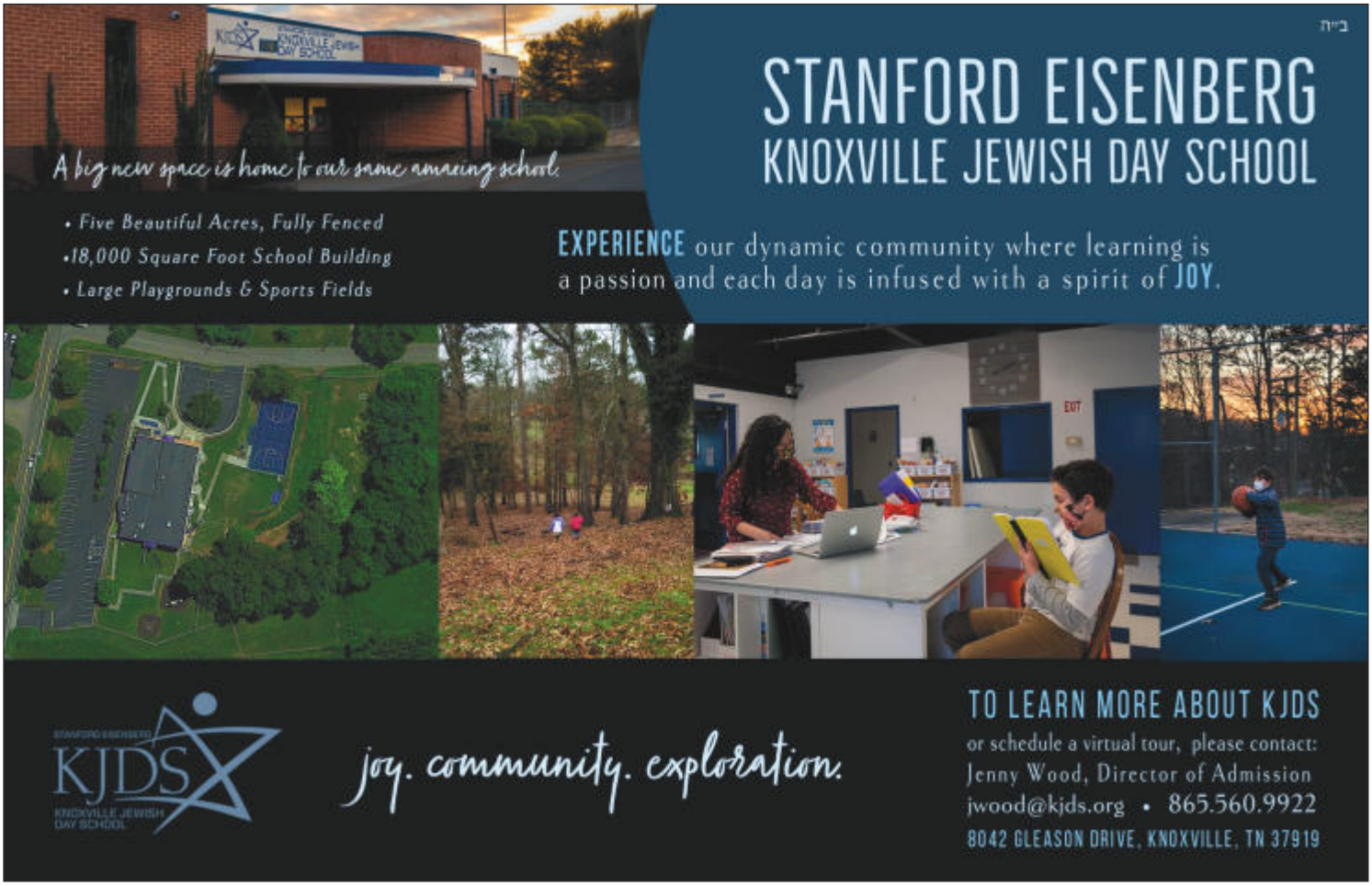


Kindness as a Lesson

The K/1 class celebrated kindness week in February, focusing on serving others through random acts of kindness. The class received a letter from the "Kind Kids Club," along with applications to apply to be members. On the application, students wrote why they wanted to be members and what it means to be kind. We mailed off our applications and were so excited to receive our official Kind Kids Club membership cards. Club members were given various kind challenges to complete as members. Students made cards for Ms. Ann to show our love and appreciation for her. We made cards for Miriam Esther to show our love and celebrate her birthday. Students made artwork for Elmcroft assisted living, that we hope to deliver soon! Also, during kindness week, students took turns giving compliments to classmates during morning meeting. As compliments were shared, they were recorded on the board and students got their pictures taken! Our kindness has extended far beyond that one official kindness week. The K/1 class is currently accepting donations to East Tennessee Children's Hospital. As a class we brainstormed ways we could show kindness to our community. We narrowed it down to Children's Hospital, as many of the students have experiences or connections to this important community resource. We are so appreciative of the generosity shown by our parents donating so generously.



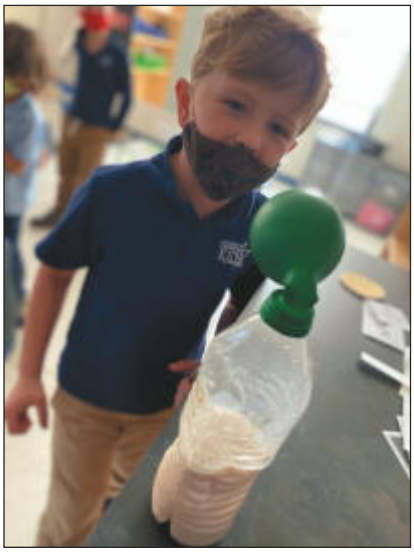
Students were challenged to use their knowledge of simple machines to get their big donation box with toys up the flight of stairs. Using an inclined plane and a pulley, students accomplished the task.



Engaging Lessons For Passover

Passover Version of Live Among Us and a Passover-themed Escape Room were definite highlights. Applying their Passover knowledge, problem solving skills and strong teamwork were the key to success!

Passover songs come in all lengths and styles. What a joy to be joined by our Special Friends (for the first time in over a year) for a spirited Passover Concert by Brian Salesky and the Knoxville Opera.



A science experiment helps our K-1 students understand what Chametz and leavened foods are.

Above:
Throughout our Passover unit, students re-enacted, responded to thought-provoking questions, practiced real life skills of setting a beautiful seder table, and discovered the symbolism and meaning behind our traditions.

4th-5th grade students researched, calculated, designed and presented timelines accurately depicting the Passover story. Their timelines covered close to 300 years from the Yaakov and his son's entry into Egypt to the Jewish people entering into Israel.

What Board Members are Saying

By Ellen Markman

After my mother-in-law passed away, my father-in-law, Harold, was lonely and despondent. Miriam Esther asked me if she thought that my father-in-law would enjoy reading to and meeting with the students at KJDS every week. What a great idea, I thought. I think he would love that! Harold became a lunch guest every Thursday. It gave him something that he looked forward every week. The kids loved his company and could not wait to explain to him what they were studying and learning. Even when he was hospitalized, little Mendel (yes, LITTLE Mendel!) would come to the hospital, bearing drawings and cards from his classmates. He would stand on a stool and catch Dad up on all the goings on at the school. It was priceless, and all the creativity and love shown to him by his KJDS family, honestly, I believe, prolonged his life.

That simple, creative idea became a lifeline for him. The students at KJDS are beneficiaries of amazingly creative thoughts and plans by Miriam Esther and her phenomenal staff. They are given tasks that I would consider daunting as an adult, but are taught to chip away at that task until they succeed. It is amazing to watch the growth and maturity of these children through the years. It has been my pleasure as a KJDS Board member, and as a Special Friend to watch this process. I can tell you, my life, too, has been enriched by my association with the KJDS and I would recommend involvement as a student, parent, Special Friend, Board member, donor or volunteer to share some of the light offered by the school.

Above: Harold Markman with the students at KJDS. He was loved by all those who spent time with him at KJDS.

Left: Ellen has loved being part of the Special Friends program. This program pairs "friends" with a student for the entire time they are at KJDS.

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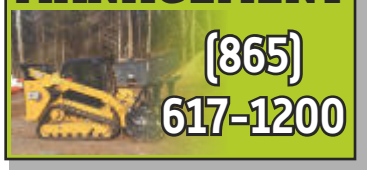
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Rehearsal at Heska Amuna for Israel Independence Day

Israel Independence Day was celebrated at the AJCC in 1987 on May 3. The Archives has this photo, labeled "Israel Independence Day 1987," but the stage is not the one in Caller Auditorium at the AJCC, but the one at Heska Amuna Synagogue. The photo came from a photo album kept at the Center labeled "1985-1988." So we suspect this was a rehearsal photo for the event at the AJCC.

Left to right: the late Neil **Cohen**, Guy **Ladetzky**, Jeremy **Cohen**, Emily **Schaefer** (**Williams**), Leslie **Koppel** (**Chaffer**), Rachel **Dobbs** (**Cohen**), Miriam **Leibowitz**, Rimma **Finkel**, Autumn **Brietstein** (**Katz**).

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