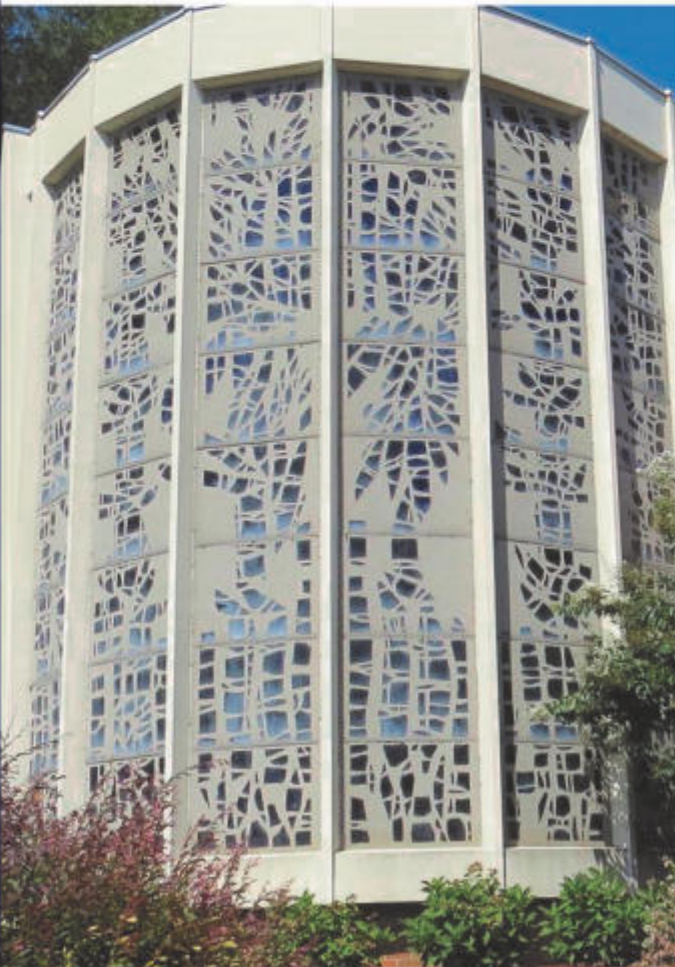




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# Heska Amuna Synagogue

# HaShofar



## Spiritual Resistance

By Rabbi Alon C. Ferency

Lately, I've been thinking on the Jewish books that mean a lot to me. They're the ones which appeal to my soul, that I'm most likely to quote in a sermon or teach in a class. Among them, I include the *Mishnah* and *Tosefta*, our earliest strands of compiled oral tradition which includes *Pirke Avot*. Then, there's the genre of *midrash*, Rabbinic "fan-fiction" that tells stories of Moses' death, God's grief after the razing of the Temple, and heroes, angels, and parables. Of course, there's the *Sefer HaChinukh*, a medieval law book about which we know little but which may have been an ethical will or a Bar Mitzvah instruction to a child.

Last, and perhaps most of all, there are the writings of Kalonymus Kalman Shapira (1889-1943), often referred to by his master-work, *Eish Kodesh* (holy fire), or simply as the Warsaw Ghetto Rebbe. (You may know that my second son's middle name is Shapira - also after my father's Bubbie.) What's the attraction for me? The *Eish Kodesh* is a collection of his sermons written in the ghetto, collected by his disciples (*Chassidim*) and buried in a milk jug to be unearthed after the war.

As you may imagine, these talks were given under incredible duress. To say that conditions in the ghetto were criminally atrocious is a laughable understatement. His son and his son's family were killed during the early bombardments of the war. His students and community cried out for relief just as the Israelites moaned, cried, and shouted under Pharaoh. (Exodus 2:23) Shapira never shied away from their pain; he never offered pat theological responses to their crisis. The *Eish Kodesh* kept faith with God by challenging God's justice and mercy. In each sermon and with each *parashah* (weekly Torah reading), Shapira demands an accounting, insisting that God do something.

His was the most audacious kind of spiritual resistance. "Spiritual resistance refers to attempts by individuals to maintain their humanity, personal integrity, dignity, and sense of civilization in the face of Nazi attempts to dehumanize and degrade them. Most generally, spiritual resistance may refer to the refusal to have one's spirit broken in the midst of the most horrible degradation." Among the forms that such resistance took during the *Shoa* (the Cataclysm of Nazi genocide) were clandestine books, classes, and schools; cultural activities and archives; prayer and observance.

How a rabbi maintained his composure, leadership, and dignity in the ghetto beggars description. Yet, through his writing, we can see that Shapira did. He sheltered his community under the wings of his wisdom, presence, and faith. He gave spiritual comfort to others. And, his writings can still give us spiritual comfort today.



These milk jugs saved Rabbi Shapira's teachings.

18 Tamuz—19 Av

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congregation,  
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opportunities,  
history, and more!



*Heska Amuna Congregation held its Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 3, including a tasty brunch.*

## Holiday Travel Tips

*By Mary Ann Merrell, Heska Amuna Synagogue President*

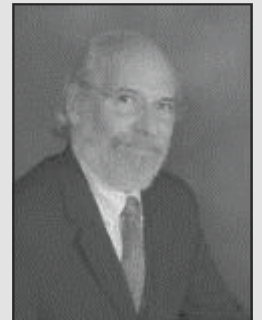
If you are wondering what to do with all of those cucumbers in your garden, it is definitely *that* time of year again. Yes, the time of year when the Rabbi & Religious Services Committee sends that request asking you to let us know if you will be in town for the High Holidays and if there is a service in which you would like to participate. As a traveler who loves those cleverly bound AAA trip-tiks with the maps that warn you of potential construction hazards along with where to eat and don't-miss museums of oddities, planning ahead clearly has its benefits. During the coming months, I can assure you that R&RS, the religious school, our Women's League, and every other committee and officer of Heska Amuna Synagogue will be highly engaged in doing all we can to make our entrée to 5779 as welcoming and meaningful *to you* as possible.

So, when that request comes to your inbox or mailbox, here are two things I am sincerely hoping you will do: (1) take a few minutes and think about what really are the most meaningful aspects of the High Holidays to you - and share that with us. We will never be as successful as we can be at creating meaningful worship and programs if we don't know what resonates for you; and (2) consider each of the holidays we celebrate as we enter a new year and volunteer to help organize or plan to attend one additional service or program than what you did last year (unless your name is Peggy Littmann, Marilyn Burnett, or Pat Rosenberg in which case you already participate in every holiday and program we do....).

Ladies and gentlemen, start your engines! Let's all take a few moments in the quiet of the summer and consider how to enter the coming year in a refreshing and significant way for you, for your family, for our community, and for assuring that no one in our midst feels they are a guest in our own home.

## Join us for Tisha B'Av Saturday, July 21, 9:30 p.m.

The 9th day of the month of Av is often considered the saddest day in our year because the first and second temples were both destroyed on this same day. Our short service recognizing this day, Tisha B'Av, will begin a bit later than past years as we wait for sundown after Shabbat on Saturday, July 21 to begin. We will start with Havdalah at 9:30 p.m. and our service for Tisha B'Av will follow.



*Ivan Cooper*

Please join us as we listen to mournful kinot (dirges) played by Ivan Cooper on harmonica, who will bring his own interpretation of lamentations and his original music to our service this year.

The Book of Eicha (Lamentations) will then be chanted with the hauntingly sorrowful Eicha trope, a set of trope only heard for this reading. The Tisha B'Av service is markedly different from our other holiday services; we enter and leave quietly as befits the mournful nature of this day. Many of us choose to sit on the floor in the darkness of the library rather than enjoying the comfort of our well-lit sanctuary and chairs. (We will have chairs and pillows for the floor though, and flashlights for you - but you are welcome to bring your own flashlight, too).

We invite the community to join us in this service that mourns not just the destruction of the temples but, more broadly, the suffering of the Jewish people throughout all time. Experience and reflect on this day with us.

## Heska Amuna Women's League

By Lisa Jacobson, Women's League President

This is the first of 24 *Ha'Kol* articles that I will be expected to write as the new Heska Amuna Women's League (HAWL) president. When first approached to consider that position, I have to admit that I was hesitant to accept. Do I have the time? Can I really make a difference in our community? Do I know what I am doing? I have only been active in HAWL for the last 2 years and have watched Barb Levin's leadership. Those are HUGE shoes to fill! Barb has been a wonderful mentor and I look forward to continuing to work with her as she fulfills her duties as Past President, which include helping me answer those three questions!

As I began thinking about the position, I became more and more excited about the opportunity. HAWL is an AMAZING group of women who are passionate about their Synagogue, their religion, and their community. They bring the core values, those energetic drivers of our aspirations and intentions of education, culture, compassion, and camaraderie to our community and will continue to do so. I have nothing to worry about, I have my "Sista's" (as Marian Jay would say) to support me!

We have a full roster of provocative programming slated; as we move toward the High Holidays I want to emphasize a program that epitomizes the application of the core values of honoring our culture and traditions and showing compassion through commemorating those who have passed before us. Each year, HAWL prints the annual Yizkor book for the upcoming Yizkor services. This entails soliciting donations for memorials honoring family and friends to be included in the printed Yizkor book for the Yom Kippur service. In *A Separate Circle: Jewish Life in Knoxville, Tennessee*, written by Wendy Lowe Besmann, Jews dedicated a plot to bury their dead in 1861, years before the first Jewish temple or synagogue, demonstrating the importance placed on a proper place for burial in Judaism. Yizkor book profits go to Jewish Cemetery maintenance in recognition of the importance of this sacred place in our tradition. If you would like to honor friends, family, or your larger Jewish family who have passed, please contact Peggy Littmann at [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net), to place a memorial in the Yizkor book.

Please contact me at [lisa.g.jacobson777@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.g.jacobson777@gmail.com) or 865-816-2714 if you want to learn more about HAWL or any of our programs or just want to get together for coffee. Thank you to the women of HAWL for giving me this awesome opportunity!



## Order your Luah Today!

It's not quite as compact as a page-a-day calendar, but *Luah Hashanah*, published by Rabbi Miles B. Cohen, is our Heska Amuna mainstay for keeping up with the prayers, readings, laws, and customs we observe throughout the year.

**If you would like to add a copy for yourself to our synagogue order,**

just let us know. There is an order form on our website at [www.heskaamuma.org](http://www.heskaamuma.org) or you can call the office. The spiral-bound paper edition or digital format is \$20; for \$35 you can have a large print edition.

And if you have been thinking about starting up your own congregation in the coming year, you can order one for \$85 which is the large-print deluxe version for your pulpit (which of course I say only in jest as I sincerely hope none of you are considering doing such a thing when you have such dedicated casts of thousands hard at work to make Heska Amuna the home you never want to list on Zillow).

**Please place your order by July 20.**



## Introducing the Café at Heska Amuna

*Welcoming guests*, one of the greatest mitzvot of Jewish tradition, led us to create a special Café at Heska Amuna where you can relax, read, talk, play a game or drink a cup of coffee.

The Café is located in Room 211. It is available whenever the synagogue is open. Additional rooms for meetings or small events are available throughout the building.

Please contact the office to schedule the Café for your meeting or for more information at (865) 522-0701.



## Religious School Introduces New Amirim Program at Heska Amuna

By Martha Iroff and Revital Ganzi

During the months of May and June we prepared for the kickoff of our new program. We thank the many volunteers who moved furniture, sorted books, organized classrooms and cleaned furniture. Thank you to Shuli Mesa, Elijah Mesa, Barbara Mintz, Jenny Parker-Wood, Max Wood, Ellie Wood, Serina Scott, Josh Scott, Thomas Scott, Jeremy Headrick, Lela Headrick, Kilmer Headrick, Karen Ferency, Rabbi Ferency, Elhanan Ferency, Avishai Ferency, Nancy Becker, Ken Brown, Rachel Iroff, Miriam Weinstein, Alex Jordan, Hanna Frame, Sarah May, Shlomit Hava Bracy, Virginia Kessler, Lindsay Weiss-Hilton, Marty Iroff, and Rick Brown.



Martha Iroff



Revital Ganzi

Registration is available to members and non-members through the Heska Amuna website ([www.heskaamuna.org](http://www.heskaamuna.org)) or by calling the office at 522-0701. We will offer an exciting program for students including Modern Hebrew, Tefillah, values and Jewish culture.

We have created a great area for the teens to meet and talk. The Prozdor class will study a variety of topics, play games or have a lively discussion in their renovated space. We are in need of updated chairs or couches for the room.

Our classrooms will become center-based spaces with learning stations. We want to add more options for flexible seating such as bean bags, pillows, rugs, or stools. Donations of games, hands-on materials, books, and puzzles in Hebrew or Jewish content would be appreciated.

As part of the move to innovative teaching practices through the use of educational technology, we would like a multimedia projector which could be mounted in the a room. Please email Martha Iroff at [education@heskaamuna.org](mailto:education@heskaamuna.org) if you wish to make a donation to our school.



*Volunteers help sort, inventory, and clean classrooms and storage areas.*

*Miriam Weinstein reviews and sorts teaching materials.*



*Engaging classrooms create a positive learning atmosphere. Flexible seating options such as bean bag chairs, pillows, rugs, and stools are needed. If you would like to help, please contact Heska Amuna.*



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Mon. & Thurs. Minyanim.....7:00 a.m.

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

For a list of Heska Amuna's services,  
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*by Marilyn Abrams*  
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*by Steven Tabb*



# JULY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:30a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Judaism 101-HA 11a Israeli dancing-JCOR 7:15p Judaism 201-HA	<b>2</b> <b>Week 6: MCDC</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 9-10:30a Mommy Meet-Up-The Empty Cup 9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR 6-9:30p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>3</b> 10:15a Yoga-JCOR 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	<b>4</b> <b>Independence Day</b> <b>No MCDC today</b> 1-7p AJCC Pool open	<b>5</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Adult Ed/Torah Study -TBE Noon Lunch & Learn-JCOR 7:30-9:30p Israeli Dancing-Gym	<b>6</b> 4:45p JFS Shabbat-Sherrill Hills 6:30p Sunset Minyan-HA 7p Shabbat Service -TBE	<b>7</b> 9:30a-noon Shabbat Services in the Chapel--HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR
<b>8</b> 8:45a Breakfast Club-JCOR 9:30a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Israeli dancing-JCOR 4-6p Ice Cream Social-HA	<b>9</b> <b>Week 7: MCDC</b> <b>STEM Specialty Camp</b> <b>Seeds of Abraham Camp (see page12)</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR 11:30a JFS Comm-Orwitz Rm 6-9:30p Fencing-AJCC Gym 6p Exec Comm-AJCC 7:15p KJA Board-AJCC	<b>10</b> 10:15a Yoga-JCOR 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym	<b>11</b> 9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR <b>Noon-2p Women Only Swim-AJCC Pool</b> 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 7-8p Talmud Study-HA	<b>12</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Adult Ed/Torah Study -TBE Noon Lunch & Learn-JCOR <b>6p Sisterhood<sup>3</sup> Rosh Chodesh-TBE</b> 7:30-9:30p Israeli Dancing-Gym	<b>13</b> 7p Shabbat Service -TBE	<b>14</b> 9:30a-noon Shabbat Service--HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR
<b>15</b> 9:30a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Israeli dancing-JCOR	<b>16</b> <b>Week 8: MCDC</b> <b>COLOR WARS WEEK</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR 6-9:30p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>17</b> 10:15a Yoga-JCOR 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 7:30p Hadassah Book Group-American Marriage-TBD	<b>18</b> 9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR 3:30-5p Mommy Meet-Up-The Empty Cup <b>4p AJCC Pool closes for swim meet preparation</b> <b>6:30p Swim meet vs. Newport</b> 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 7-8p Talmud Study-HA	<b>19</b> 7a Morning Minyan-HA 11a Adult Ed/Torah Study -TBE Noon Lunch & Learn-JCOR 7:30-9:30p Israeli Dancing-Gym	<b>20</b> 7p Shabbat Service -TBE	<b>21</b> 9:30a-noon Shabbat Service--HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR
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## Community Shabbat at the Pool

Friday, August 17

Services, dinner, fellowship

See page 24 for information

## WEDNESDAY Women Only Pool Days at the AJCC

AJCC Annual or Pool Membership required.

Noon-2:00 p.m.  
Wednesdays: 7/11, 7/25

1:30-3:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays: 8/8, 8/15, 8/22, 8/29

- ◆ Male children age 8 and under and all female children are allowed at the pool with their mothers at this time.
- ◆ Female-only pool staff and lifeguards will be on duty during these hours
- ◆ AJCC Members may bring guests with them for \$2.00/guest per day.

# K N O X V I L L E



*Winick AZA and Weinstein BBG teens celebrate spring with their annual formal dance at the AJCC.*

## Weinstein BBG Enjoys Active Spring Season

Weinstein BBG has been very busy this spring. March 28 we held our annual formal. The new beau, Ben Margulies and new sweetheart, Lilly Sitver, were elected. Also congrats to our new little brother and sister, Ryan Gibbons and Hallie Boring. A heartfelt thank you to Ryan and Hallie for sharing their special memories of Sidney Kay.

We celebrated the end of Passover at Blaze Pizza. On April 20, as part of celebrating Shabbat we packaged cookies for the women's shelter downtown. The highlight of spring was our fundraiser, Tallits and Tiaras, on April 22. Thanks to Reuben and Ben Margulies, Yuval Koenig and Tifannie Rosen for their great modeling. Our moderators Sarah Siegel and Hallie Boring kept us very entertained. Thank you to all of BBG and AZA for helping plan this fundraiser.

From April 27-29, four teens attended Cotton States Region's first Spring Tournaments Convention. There, Ryan Gibbons, Keara Bain, Lilly Sitver, and Sarah Siegel participated in a Maccabiah-based competition, heard from the first MLB female coach, and made best friends from around the south while further establishing their Jewish identities. You might have seen us at Knoxville selling drinks and painting faces along with AZA. We had a fun Sunday afternoon with AZA at Laser Quest. Our last program was "Life" where seniors shared their exciting memories from BBYO and gave away all of their BBYO shirts. Congrats to our graduating ducks, Arielle Rosen, Kalisa Parsons, Lauren Dryzer, Rachel Margulies, and Sarah Siegel. We will miss you all very much! Get excited for what BBG has planned for the fall.

If you know of area Jewish teens who would like to attend some of our events to see how amazing BBG is, please contact Tifannie Rosen at [rost@webbstudent.org](mailto:rost@webbstudent.org)

## Suzy Snoops

*Ha'Kol welcomes your good news. Please send information to [nyork@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:nyork@jewishknoxville.org) or to the Ha'Kol newsletter, c/o Knoxville Jewish Alliance, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.*

## COMMUNITY SHABBAT AT THE POOL

Friday, August 17

*Services, dinner, fellowship, pool play time  
Find more information page 24*

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#### Questions or to reserve your space contact:

Dr. Renee' Hyatt at [renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com](mailto:renee.j.hyatt@gmail.com)



# Mazel Tov to Our Community's 2018 Area Graduates

## High School Graduates

### Havah and Leah

**Anovitz**, daughters of Larry Anovitz and Deborah Cole, graduated from Oak Ridge High School. **Havah** was awarded the National Center for Women in Information Technology award for "Aspirations in Computing." Havah will attend Pellissippi State Community College where she plans to take computing classes then transfer to a university to major in computer science. Havah wants to combine computer science with her passion, for the arts.



*Havah and Leah Anovitz*

**Leah** competed with the Oak Ridge Rowing Association Atomic Rowers. During her senior year, Leah was in the Oak Ridge High School Health Sciences Academy and spent most of senior year shadowing health professionals. Leah will start at Roane State Community College in pre-nursing/allied health sciences, then transfer to a university.

**Justen Konner Bain**, son of Brad and Tara Bain, graduated from West High School with a certification in the International Baccalaureate program. He was a member of the marching and concert bands throughout high school, playing the tenor saxophone. Justen was a member of the Spanish National Honor Society. Justen was an Winick AZA member and president and worked as a madrich and Hebrew teacher at Temple Beth El. Justen has a hunger for sports – playing baseball and basketball and working for the Tennessee Smokies. He will attend the University of Tennessee and major in sport management.



*Bain*

**Tessa Begue**, daughter of Jason and Pam Begue and granddaughter of Jean Begue, graduated from Knoxville Catholic High School. Tessa is a member of the National Honor Society and received a Shea Scholarship Award and a scholarship to the University of Miami.

**Lauren Dryzer**, daughter of Scott and Lynn Dryzer, graduated from Webb School of Knoxville where she was a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, National French and Honor Society. Lauren was also a National Merit Commended Scholar. She was active in theater, fine arts, BBYO, female empowerment club, creative writing, and choir. Lauren will attend the College of Charleston, where she plans to double major in arts management and studio art.



*Dryzer*

**Ben Gibbons**, son of Melinda and Tony Gibbons, graduated from West High School. Ben graduated fourth in his class, was a National Merit Scholar, an IB Diploma candidate, Science Olympiad vice president, Winick AZA gadol, Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship, AP Scholar with Honor, and a Youth Leadership Knoxville alumnus. He was active in marching and concert band, BBYO, National Honor Society, Scholars Bowl, Science Bowl, and Ethics Bowl. Ben will attend Emory University.



*Gibbons*

**Arielle Rosen**, daughter of Stephen and Kim Rosen, graduated from Webb School as an AP Scholar and National Honor Society member. She enjoyed being part of the cheer squad, yearbook staff, school Ambassadors and varsity swim team for four years. Arielle just became a life member of Gert Weinstein BBG after having served her chapter as S'ganit (VP) and N'siah (President) and Cotton States Vice President. She is a CLTC counselor this summer. Arielle will attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison.



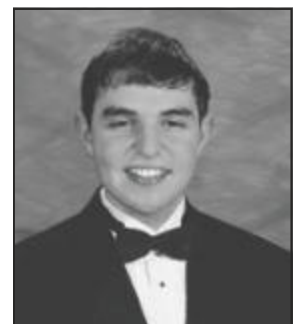
*Rosen*

**Sarah Siegel**, daughter of Mark and Betty Siegel, graduated from West High School. Sarah will attend Indiana University, where she plans to major in theater and psychology.



*Siegel*

**Andrew Samuel Weinstein**, son of Douglas and Jill Weinstein, graduated with honors from Hardin Valley Academy. Andrew was a member of the Spirit of the Valley Marching Band, HVA Wind Ensemble, Winick AZA, National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society. As a clarinet player, he participated at the Tennessee All-State Band conference twice and performed countless times at major competitive clinics. Andrew served as an HVA Band co-section leader and was elected Winick AZA president. Andrew will attend the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, majoring in business and minoring in music. He will be marching in The Pride of the Southland Band.



*Weinstein*

## College Graduates

**Jason Fleischmann**, son of David and Emma Fleischmann, graduated *magna summa cum laude* from Middle Tennessee University's Honors College. He earned a degree in political science with a minor in criminal science and a proficiency certificate in Arabic. He is currently searching for a position as an intelligence analyst.



Fleischmann

**Rachel Iroff** is the daughter of Martha and Marty Iroff and the granddaughter of Stella and Bernie Iroff, Barbara Moody, and Bob and Missy Moody. Rachel graduated with a Master of Social Work degree with trauma certificate from the University of Tennessee, Nashville campus. She served as UT Nashville's chapter of Masters of Science in Social Work Organization president for the past two years. She will work at TriStar Centennial's Parthenon Pavilion psychiatric hospital as a case manager and group therapist.



Iroff

**Jennye Merrell**, daughter of Bryan and Mary Ann Merrell and granddaughter of Judy Rattner, graduated in December from the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature and Creative Writing. Jennye received the Margaret Artley Woodruff Award for Creative Writing. She is now attending graduate school at UT to earn a master's degree in information sciences from the College of Communication and Information.



Merrell

**Andrew Messing**, son of Michael Messing and Joyce York and grandson of George and Helene Messing, graduated with a master's degree in computer engineering from the University of Tennessee. He will attend Georgia Tech as a doctoral student in robotics engineering.



Messing

**Raeruth "Rae" Oleshansky**, daughter of David and Deborah Oleshansky, graduated with honors from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, earning a degree in sociology accompanied by a minor in community action and social change. She also finished her four year varsity career as a member of the UM women's rowing team and was honored as a Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association Scholar-Athlete. In August, Rae begins work as an education justice fellow for Repair the World in Detroit, MI.



Oleshansky



Rosenberg

**Jessie Rosenberg**, daughter of Hal and Amy Rosenberg, graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor of Arts in communication with a minor in tourism and hospitality management. Jesse presented an independent senior research paper at the 88th Annual Southern States Communication Association and was a recipient of a 2018 CMST scholarship. Jessie was Collegiate Leadership and Achievement Society president, Order of Omega Society secretary and Mortar Board member. Jessie also played an active role in Kappa Delta as a Panhellenic delegate. Jessie will work at Clayton Homes as retail social media coordinator.

**Emily Shor**, daughter of Susan and Joel Shor, graduated with a B.A. in violin with high honors from the University of Louisville. Emily will seek a master's degree in speech pathology/therapy at the University of Tennessee. She also plans to continue her violin studies.



Shor

**Rebecca Darman Stuart**, daughter of David and Sarah Stuart, graduated from the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor of Arts degree in cinema studies with a minor in journalism and electronic media. After a summer Birthright trip to Israel, Rebecca hopes to be working in film/video production industry.



Stuart



Kaye

**Nora Rose Kaye Sweat**, daughter of Mark and Shelby Kaye, graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a degree in child development and family services.



# Knoxville Jewish Alliance

# Ha'Kol

July 2018

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## Seeds of Abraham CAMP!

AJCC and SOA present a week of interfaith fun, fellowship, and service.



### Participants will enjoy:

- Team Building Games
- Outdoor Fun
- Community Service Projects
- Field Trips
- Cultural Learning Experiences
- and so much more!



### Join Our Community Via Membership at the AJCC

#### Annual AJCC Members enjoy:

- ◆ Programming Discounts
- ◆ Cultural/Social Event Discounts
- ◆ Camp Discounts
- ◆ Building Rental Discounts
- ◆ Free Notary Public Services
- ◆ Pool / Fitness Center Use
- ◆ Pool Guest Passes
- ◆ and so much more!

#### Summer AJCC

#### Members enjoy:

- ◆ Camper Pool Release (for 10- to 15-year-old MCDC Campers)
- ◆ Pool/Fitness Center Use from Memorial Day to Labor Day
- ◆ Cultural/Social Event Discounts

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE at [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org), on our KJA Happenings email blast, and at the AJCC.

Generous donor contributions have reduced tuition for the program by 50%

**PROGRAM COST**

**\$142.50**

July 9 – July 13

Grades 7 - 9

Open to all

Register on-line at:

[www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org)



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or to make a donation to the Knoxville Jewish Alliance.

[www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org)

## Relationships – That’s What It Is All About!

*By Chip Rayman, KJA President*

Rabbi Erin Boxt, in his last *Ha’Kol* article, expressed a desire to spend time with every person in his congregation.

For sure, I’m no rabbi, but I feel the same way. I feel like the whole of the Jewish community is my congregation. And I would like to develop a relationship with each and every one of you.

Ambitious. A little arrogant, presumptuous and outlandish. A goal unlikely to be met within my time as President. Yep!

But I would like to meet everyone of you and know you to the extent that as we approach each other to shake hands, I’m not thinking in my mind, “now what’s his name, who’s that with her, isn’t that Melissa,” because I want to address you by name.

A tall order. Especially for an older guy who loses a few more brain cells every year.

I know I have introduced myself to you more than once. I once read that you need to repeat a person’s name three times to remember it. But then when you see them maybe every two months, that’s still a hard recall.

Recently, I didn’t recollect one board member’s name. She said “Well, I’ve been to two board meetings. Well, maybe it takes three board meetings for me.” As a result, I probably have locked her name in my brain. We’ll see the next time I see her.

I also work every day to be inclusive. As I’ve said before and will again. Sgt. Roddy Edmunds, in saving the lives of 200 Jewish soldiers in a POW camp during WWII, said, “We are all Jews, here.” And that’s the way I feel about it.

So, I will work toward bringing us together as a community. Growing our campus. Try to make the Center a place you want to hold your meeting, have your party, come to school, go swimming, go to camp.

But, I know it’s not about programs, though I wish for 1,000 Knosshvilles. It’s about relationships!

Our Annual Solicitation Campaign is not doing well. So we need your help. We will be calling, writing, visiting. Please, at least repeat last year and add a little, as we didn’t meet our goal last year.

We are like a congregation. We have memberships, but at a lower level of dues than a religious organization. Consider that our budget is maybe 3 or 4 times that of a worshipping organization. And our programming and facility needs are much greater. So to make ends meet and provide services we have to ask for money. A crummy task. No one likes to do it, especially to your friends, but a necessary evil.

Thank you all for what you are able, or motivated to give, and all that you have given in the past. We are trying some different approaches to increase our income so we don’t have to rely so much on donations. We’ve got a long way to go. We are doing without an Executive Director this entire year, frankly, because we can’t afford one. But I bet you haven’t seen our level of service diminish. Great staff. Organization. Watching our budget.

Temples and synagogues have small fund raisers. We have to have a big fund raiser – our Annual Campaign.

I will always tell you to take care of your temple, synagogue, shul first. Hopefully we are number two on your list. Those who are independent of a religious organization we are a perfect place for you to participate, or volunteer, or give, to experience Jewish life and culture, or just to support it and stay in touch.





**2018 Summer  
GKAISA Meet Schedule**

- **July 18:** v. Newport at AJCC
- **July 23:** v. ORCA at AJCC

All swim team practices are held at the AJCC Pool. The University Swim Club is coached by Joe Peeden.

**MORNING PRACTICES (M-F)**

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.  
(Ages 10-Under at AJCC Pool)  
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.  
(Ages 11-Up at AJCC Pool)

**AFTERNOON PRACTICES (M-Th)**

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. *(Only for swimmers attending MCDC)*

**EVENING PRACTICES M-TH**

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
(Ages 10-Under at AJCC Pool)  
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Ages 11-Up at AJCC Pool)

**June Friendshippers Entertains, Engages All**



*Evan and Jenifer Ohriner*



*Ann Slate, Judi Rattner, and Sam Balloff*



*Singer Michelle Monet*



*Sherrill Hills residents enjoy the program.*

***Friendshippers programming takes a break in July and August.  
See you in September!***

**MCDC Horseback Riding Specialty Camps are Popular, Educational, and Fun!**



*Campers learned about horses, including their care and upkeep then learned good riding technique at one of MCDC's two specialty horseback riding camps.*

*MCDC offers several July specialty camps. See pages 12 and 16 for more information!*

# AJCC Preschool presents



## Preschool

Dedicated to Development,  
Diversity, and Making a Difference  
for Children of all Faiths since 1956.

## Open House 2018

Join us Thursday, August 2  
12-3 p.m.

at the **AJCC Preschool**  
for our annual OPEN HOUSE

Learn more about our PROGRAM;  
meet the teachers, drop-off  
belongings, sign-up for extra-  
curriculars and more....

*All current and prospective students  
are welcome!*



# Summer Pop Up Playdates

For kids of all ages

## Parks & Splash Pads

### Lakeshore Park

Friday July 6 - 4-5:30PM

Farmers Market Fridays 3-6PM

### McFee Park Splash Pad

Monday July 9 - 9-11:30AM

### Sandy Springs Park-Maryville

Sunday July 15 - 10:30-12PM

### \*Picnic Lunch

### World's Fair Splash Pad

Tuesday July 24 - 4-5:30PM

\*Please bring a vegetarian pot luck dish  
for group picnics.

### Karns Lions Club Park

Wednesday August 1- 9-11AM

### New Harvest Park

Thursday August 9 - 4-5:30PM

at the Splash Pad

Farmers Market Thursdays 3-6PM

For Questions or to RSVP to picnics  
please contact:

Ally Wiener at

[Program@JewishKnoxville.org](mailto:Program@JewishKnoxville.org) or

(516) 776-0997

or Sarah May (865) 415-7136



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# MILTON COLLINS DAY CAMP

*“Most Fun Under the Sun”*

## DATES—THEMES—ACTIVITIES

## AGES & PRICING

 <p><b>Week 6</b> July 2 - July 6 <b>NO CAMP</b> <b>JULY 4</b></p>	<p><b>AMAZING RACE</b> Late Night/Overnight 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; Up - Bowling Field Trip</p>	<p><b>MCDC</b> Rising K-6th Grade</p>
<p><b>Week 7</b> July 9 - July 13</p> 	<p><b>MAD SCIENTISTS</b>  4<sup>th</sup> &amp; Up Oak Ridge Public Pool Field Trip K-3 Children’s Museum /Cedar Hill Park Field Trip <b>July 10</b> - Kaleidoscope Making with Bob Grimac Science &amp; Magic Show Friday - STAR WARS Day</p>	<p><b>TAPS</b> Rising 7th-9th Grade</p> <p><b>Registration info:</b> <a href="http://www.jewishknoxville.org/mcdc">www.jewishknoxville.org/mcdc</a></p>
<p><b>Week 8</b> July 16 - July 20</p>	<p><b>COLOR WARS</b> Late Night/Overnight</p>	<p><b>DISCOUNTS:</b> <b>AJCC Annual Members 5%</b> (session fees only) <b>Sibling Discount 5%</b> (does not apply to 1<sup>st</sup> child registered)</p>
<p><b>Week 9</b> July 23 - July 27</p>	 <p><b>SPORTS MANIA</b>  Putt Putt Golf &amp; Games Late Night &amp; Camp Finale Soccer Program with Chris Carroll</p>	<p><b>EXTENDED CARE:</b> 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. &amp; 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. \$20.00 per hour / \$120.00 weekly</p>
<p><b>Specialty Camp 3</b> <b>STEM Camp</b></p>	<p><b>July 9 - July 13</b></p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade \$ 315.00</p>
<p><b>Specialty Camp 4</b> <b>Mini Adventure Camp</b></p>	<p><b>July 30 - August 3</b></p>	<p>Open to all grades \$ 315.00</p>
<p><b>Specialty Program 1</b> <b>Running</b> with Alex Goldberg</p>	<p><b>Week 7</b> 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>\$ 25.00 per session <i>Parents welcome to run as well</i></p>

**Dinner  
&  
Dessert  
at the  
AJCC  
Pool**

- ★ **Local food trucks will be on the AJCC premises**  
*Monday-Tuesday:* 4:00-6:00 p.m. *Sunday:* 2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Vegetarian option will be available  
No pork, shellfish, or shrimp will be served  
Weekly food truck schedule posted: [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org)
- ★ **AJCC Pool patrons may bring food into the fenced pool area.**  
No pork, shellfish, or shrimp allowed  
No alcohol permitted  
Glass containers prohibited  
No food or drink may be consumed while in the pool
- ★ **Bottled drinks and bagged snacks will be available via a vending machine at the AJCC Pool. Charge accounts will no longer be available.**



# CHILDREN'S GROUP SWIM LESSONS

**TIME/DATES:** 30-minute lessons  
 June 9 1:00 p.m. - 4-8 year olds  
 June 23 1:30 p.m. - ages 9 and up  
 June 30 2:00 p.m. - 4-8 year olds  
 July 7 2:30 p.m. - ages 9 and up  
 July 14



**PLACE:** AJCC Pool  
**COST:** Summer Package 5 lessons:  
 AJCC annual members: \$60  
 Non-members: \$65  
 (All lesson fess paid directly to TN Aquatics)

**INSTRUCTORS:** Certified TN Aquatics Staff  
**REGISTRATION:** Lizzie Fleming [lfleming@tnaquatics.com](mailto:lfleming@tnaquatics.com)  
 or Online: [tnaquatics.com](http://tnaquatics.com)  
 (click on "AJCC Summer Group Lessons")



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## Fribourg Published in French Newspaper

Henry Fribourg was recently contacted by the editors of *Le Bugeacois*, a weekly newspaper in Bugeat, Corrèze, France, seeking additional information about his paternal grandparents, Lucie Ach Fribourg and Albert Fribourg. After the occupation of Paris in November 1942, Lucie and Albert Fribourg took refuge in the home of M. and Mme. Manchon in Bugeat. Albert passed away from pneumonia in November 1943, but Lucie remained in the Manchon's home until German soldiers with French police arrested her in April 1944.



*Albert and Lucie Fribourg*

As a result of the editors' inquiry, Henry penned an article in French for the publication. He has graciously translated the article into English for our community members. You can access it on the Knoxville Jewish Alliance's website at <https://jewishknoxville.org/adults/fribourg> or find printed copies at the Arnstein Jewish Community Center, Heska Amuna Synagogue, and Temple Beth El.

# TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES



## Shalom Y'all

By Rabbi Erin Boxt

This is one of my favorite Hasidic tales: *The Treasure Under the Bridge*, by Rebbe Nachman. There was once a poor, G-d fearing Jew who lived in the city of Prague. One night he dreamt that he should journey to Vienna. There, at the base of a bridge leading to the King's palace, he would find a buried treasure.

Night after night the dream recurred until, leaving his family behind, he traveled to Vienna to claim his fortune. The bridge, however, was heavily guarded.

The watchful eyes of the King's soldiers afforded little opportunity to retrieve the treasure. Every day the poor Jew spent hours pacing back and forth across the bridge waiting for his chance.

After two weeks time one of the guards grabbed him by the lapels of his coat and demanded gruffly, "Jew! What are you plotting? Why do you keep returning to this place day after, day?" Frustrated and anxious, he blurted out the story of his dream.

When he finished, the soldier, who had been containing his mirth, broke into uncontrollable laughter.

The poor Jew looked on in astonishment, not knowing what to make of the man's attitude. Finally, the King's guard caught his breath. He stopped laughing long enough to say, "What a foolish Jew you are believing in dreams. Why, if I let my life be guided by visions, I would be well on my way to the city of Prague. For just last night I dreamt that a poor Jew in that city has, buried in his cellar, a treasure which awaits discovery."

The poor Jew returned home. He dug in his cellar and found the fortune. Upon reflection he thought, the treasure was always in my possession. Yet, I had to travel to Vienna to know of its existence.

So too, in our time, many spiritually impoverished Jews travel in search... finally returning to Judaism to claim what was always their own.

My dear friends – Judaism provides such a rich array of treasures for us. Even when we are unaware of its value, Judaism provides so much for us. My wish this year is that each of us will seek and find something we are looking for. We can search together or we can search alone. Want a partner to search with? Let's make some time to get together and explore. My door is always open and I am here waiting for you!

B'Shalom,  
Rabbi Erin Boxt



18 Tamuz—19 Av

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## Rosh Chodesh Av



**Celebrate with Sisterhood<sup>3</sup>**  
at  
**Temple Beth El**  
**Thursday, July 12**  
**6:00 p.m.**

The combined Sisterhoods of Heska Amuna, JCOR, and Temple Beth El will celebrate Rosh Chodesh Elul at TBE on the evening of July 12.

Arrive in the social hall at 6:00 p.m. for a light meal, our brief service, and a discussion.

We are excited that **Dr. Gilya Schmidt** will be with us to share her knowledge and insights about Tisha b'Av.

**RSVP to Meredith Jaffe at**  
[ldlady@charter.net](mailto:ldlady@charter.net) or  
(908) 507-2889.

## Past President Appreciates TBE Family, Support During Term

By Howard Pollock, Past TBE President

*Due to an error on my part I missed the deadline for the June issue but wanted to share the following message:*

This spring our congregation celebrated the B'Nei Mitzvah of six wonderful students and their families. Some families are relatively new to Temple Beth El and others have longtime connections. It was very exciting to see the sanctuary come to life during these special days. During my time as president, it was a privilege to sit on the Bimah, participate in many of these services and see proud and smiling faces of family and friends.

On May 22, Temple Beth El held our Annual Meeting to elect Officers and Directors. I want to congratulate Steve Lewis on becoming Temple Beth El President. Board installation and Shabbat Cookout Dinner will be June 29. I want to offer my thanks to Steve and all our new slate of directors as well as appreciation to those who will not be continuing. Our Board reflects many new participants combined with the experience of others who have served for longer periods of time. I appreciate the hard work of the Executive Committee and the continued focus to ensure the needs of our Congregants are met.

I want to thank all of our members who have answered the call to participate in Temple leadership and serve on committees. I also want to thank spouses and families of all who share their time with Temple Beth El. A special thank you to Rabbi Boxt, Norma James and Tina Fleeman. All of you do so many things to support congregational activities and help make Temple Beth El a special place. I also want to thank my family for your support and patience during my time as President.

TBE is vibrant, dynamic and caring. This would not be possible without your support and commitment to continue the legacy of those that have come before us and for those who will be here after us. It has been an honor to serve as President. There are many ways for each of you **To Be Engaged** – please share your spirit and talents in any range of Temple activities.



## TBE President's Remarks

By Steve Lewis, TBE President

I am blessed. I am blessed that the leaders of Temple Beth El and its members of have given me the honor of serving them as their next president.

I am blessed that my predecessor, Howard Pollock, has led the congregation with wisdom, with dedication, with a caring heart, and the ability to maintain calmness and purpose among diverse groups and individuals.

I am blessed with a Rabbi, Rabbi Erin Boxt, my friend and teacher, who loves the Torah, who loves the Jewish people, Israel, and our congregation, who leads us in worship and shares with us the wisdom of our tradition.

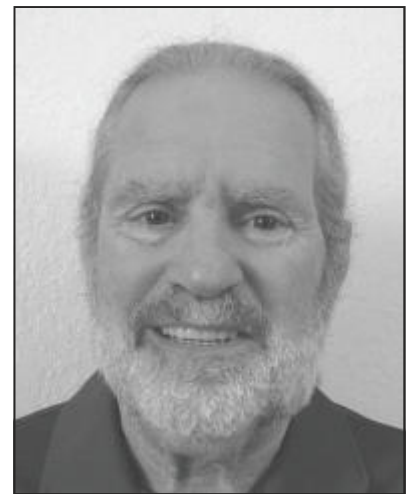
I am blessed with a Religious School Director, Norma James, a lifelong congregant and wonderful new friend – who is an unparalleled educator, who deeply loves our members, and who spreads joy throughout the congregation with her warm heart and her beautiful music.

I am blessed with an Office Administrator, Tina Fleeman, who is always ready to help, who always seems to wear a smile, and who somehow keeps everything running smoothly.

I am blessed with a Choir Director, Becky Kidd, and fellow choir members who fill our sanctuary with uplifting music that heightens the spirituality of our services.

I am blessed with an Executive Committee, a Board of Directors. Committee chairs and volunteers who possess a broad range of talents – many far greater than I could dream of having – and who are willing to work hard to put those talents to use to serve the congregation – not to mention a president who will take all the help he can get.

And finally, perhaps most important of all, my wife Grace and I are blessed to be part of a congregation that welcomed us from day one, who have made us feel so close to all of you. Serving as your president will indeed be a small way of saying "Thank You" for being who you are. I am blessed.



## Temple Beth El Religious School Summer 2018 Update

By Norma James, TBE Education Director, [normajames@tbeknox.org](mailto:normajames@tbeknox.org)

**Religious School is out for the summer! This gives all of us time to reinvigorate and reflect on our successes of last year and how we can continue to make exciting improvements to all aspects of the Jewish experience we provide our young people.**

**What's new for 2018 from the ISJL?** This year Tara Bain and Al Feldblum represented TBE at the June ISJL Educators Conference in Jackson, Mississippi. Tara is a veteran ISJL Conference attendee, but this was the first time for Al. Tara and Al will share what they have learned as our staff gets back together in August. I believe this will be our 14<sup>th</sup> year as ISJL partners with this amazing organization that provides our curriculum that updates two grade levels every year so that we always have the best educational programming possible. We have also gained so much from our Educational Fellows that visit us three times a year. These young professionals can provide services not only for our students, but also for adult education and worship as well. We would not be able to have this important partnership without support from our Endowed Funds, which pays our costs for this program.

**Are you interested in your child catching up in Hebrew or getting a jump on B'nei Mitzvah preparation during the summer in a fun, non-threatening way? I am considering the possibility of providing something this summer. Contact Norma James.**

**We are going to try online Religious School registration this year.** I have been working with our TBE Webmaster and our other experts to put the registration form online. This will make everything much easier and much more accurate for all of us. You be able to pay online or to request billing or monthly credit charges from our office. Of course we still accept cash and checks, and scholarships are still available. I will send out an email to explain the new process when all of this is worked out.

**It's worth repeating these words about Midweek Hebrew.** We talked with our Midweek students on the last day of class. They had very positive things to say about how much they learned and how much fun they had. I think they were surprised about both! This has been a terrific year for Midweek Hebrew. As I prepare students for B'nei Mitzvah, I can see what a difference it makes in the child's skills and confidence when they come on Wednesdays. Regardless of what school they attend or what grade they are in, our students have bonded as a group. We have a philosophy of "Hebrew without tears or embarrassment," and I am amazed at how many prayers our students have learned to read and chant. One of my 6<sup>th</sup> graders said, "I can't believe that I really looked forward to coming to Midweek Hebrew this year."

As you plan your child's school schedule for fall, remember that Midweek Hebrew for 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grades is 4:30-6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. We had very good luck with car pools this year, so plan ahead. I realize you cannot always attend, but every time you come, it helps!

**Religious School Teachers and the School & Youth Committee will have a joint workshop August 5.** This workshop is an excellent way to plan for the year. The S&Y Committee will meet with the staff 9:00-11:00 a.m. The staff will stay until 3:30 p.m. Rabbi Erin Boxt will be joining our workshop as teachers and committee members share ideas. Tara Bain and Al Feldblum will report on what they learned at the ISJL Conference in Mississippi in June.

**Put August 12 on your calendar for our back-to-school pool party.**

**Religious School begins Sunday, August 12, and Midweek classes start Wednesday, August 22.**

*TBE Sisterhood's closing program was a treat for all. Held at Sullivans in Rocky Hill, the group was delighted to hear stories of historic Knoxville by Robert Booker, freelance writer for the Knoxville News Sentinel and a local historian.*

*L-R: Karen Smith, Bernice Copcutt, Tammy Stone, Kathy Young, Robert Booker, Christina Ribakove, Linda Weintraub, Brenda Sherman*



## Sisterhood Happenings

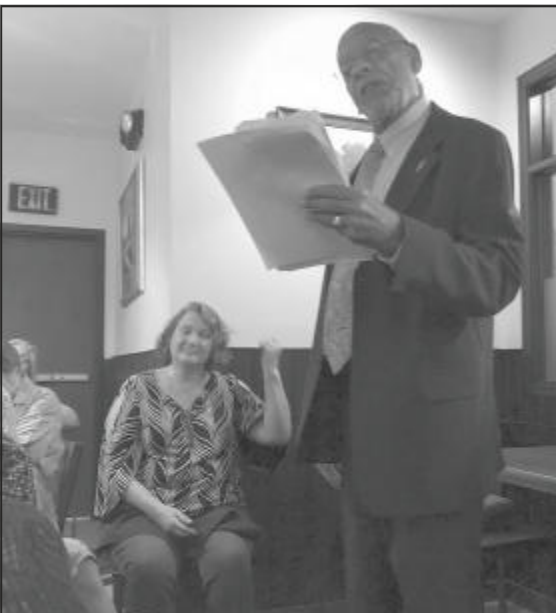
By Tammy Stone, Sisterhood President

As this term of my presidency comes to a close, and a new one begins, I want to first and foremost thank all the officers and chair people who took time to make the last 2 years of Sisterhood what it was. I am looking forward to the next few years, sharing the presidency this time, and having some continuing board members and some new ladies to work with. I can't wait to see where we go from here!

Our closing program was held on May 17 at Sullivan's in Rocky Hill where we were regaled by stories of historic Knoxville by Robert Booker, freelance writer for the *Knoxville News Sentinel*. A great time was had by all who attended, both ladies and gentleman. We enjoyed schmoozing with each other before and after he spoke and everyone left with a smile on their face.

Our opening program in the fall will be on Sunday August 26. Please save the date and watch for details at a future time.

Thank you to all who continue to make our bimah look beautiful on Friday nights through the Beiler Flower Fund and to those who add sweetness to Oneg Shabbats by being a host. You help make Friday night services more meaningful for all!



Robert Booker, *Knoxville News Sentinel* columnist, historian, and author, speaks at the TBE Sisterhood meeting.

# SAVE THE DATE!!

Sunday, October 7, 2018

12:30 PM

at Temple Beth El

3037 Kingston Pike

Registration is \$20.00

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## TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES

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Several seniors gather for a photo at BBYO's annual dance held at the Arnstein Jewish Community Center. L-R: Arielle Rosen, Sarah Siegel, Justen Bain, Rachel Margulies, Ben Gibbons, Andrew Weinstein, and Lauren Dryzer.

## Mazel Tov to Our 2018 UTK Hillel Graduates

Knoxville's Jewish community graciously welcomes UTK's Jewish students to services, events, and to their homes for Shabbat. In addition to local UT grads, let's celebrate our UTK Hillel graduates:



Jamie Shapiro, Jacob Geltzer, and Dan Revere—UTK Class of 2018 and active UTK Hillel members

**Jamie Shapiro** graduated *cum laude* in Communications Studies and plans to attend graduate school.

**Jacob Geltzer** graduated with honors from the Haslam College of Business as a management major. He was a Center for Leadership & Service Medallion recipient and served as an advisor to Knoxville's AZA Chapter, Winick AZA. Jacob is a founding father of Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity and served as vice president of the Jewish fraternity for three years. He also served as Hillel president. Jacob is the new BBYO Teen Director in Omaha, NE.

**Dan Revere** earned a degree with honors in business analytics. He was a member of the Tennessee Capital Markets Society and led the team that reinstated Alpha Epsilon Pi, UTK's first on campus house for men of Jewish ideals in over a decade. Dan will work in the Internal Audit department at Hospital Corporation of America.

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**AT THE POOL**



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Dinner cost for reservations made by AUGUST 8

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## Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds

*A Supporting Organization of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance and the East Tennessee Foundation to preserve and strengthen the Jewish Community of Knoxville*

### Robinson Family Funds

*By Abraham Brietstein, PhD, KJCFF President*

For the next several months, this space will feature some of the individual funds, and in this instance, multigenerational funds, within the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds.

One of the very first funds within KJCFF was the Natalie and Mitchell Robinson Community Enrichment Fund, which was first established by Natalie and Mitchell Robinson prior to the formation of KJCFF for the purpose of supporting the Knoxville Jewish Alliance. Natalie and Mitchell Robinson were early philanthropists within the Knoxville Jewish community, a legacy which Natalie has continued since Mitchell's death and passed along to her children, Pace and Karen Robinson, and grandchildren, Eli and Asher Robinson, who have since established a fund of their own within KJCFF.

According to Pace, who was interviewed for this article, when his father, Mitchell Robinson, passed away, the Natalie and Mitchell Robinson Fund was turned over to KJCFF. Likewise, the Sylvia Robinson Memorial Fund, which was established to promote music at Heska Amuna Synagogue, Sylvia having been the mother of Mitchell Robinson, was also turned over to KJCFF. In addition to those funds, Karen and Pace have established a fund for community enrichment entitled the Pace and Karen Robinson Philanthropic Fund, and their children, Eli and Asher Robinson, who live in New York, have established their own fund, the EAR fund, short for Eli and Asher Robinson, which was originally established within B'nai Tzedek, and now makes regular grants to the Knoxville Jewish Alliance. As you can see, the Robinson family, starting with Mitchell and Natalie Robinson, has set an example for all of us in what it means to be pillars of the community by passing along to their children, and to their children's children, exemplary habits of philanthropy. Please consider starting a fund for your family and setting similar examples of philanthropy for your children. Please contact KJCFF at (865) 690-6343 for advice.



*Asher, Eli, and Pace Robinson with Natalie Robinson.*

### Donations

#### **Gordon Brown Youth Recreation Fund**

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Adam Brown, Stephen and Rosalie Nagler,  
Stephen and Kim Rosen

#### **Heska Amuna Educational Enrichment Fund**

*In thanks for Hebrew lessons*

Vince and Carol Fusco

### Grants

The **Ted and Dolly Reback Knoxville Youth Fund** made a grant to Cotton States BBYO to support scholarships for the 2018 spring convention.

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# Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



## Knoshville Fun

JCOR members sold delicious knishes, borscht, and noodle kugel at the May 6 Knoshville Jewish Food Festival at the AJCC.

Right, lower:  
Members celebrate Shavuot with a bonfire and a movie.



## July Programs



**Saturday, July 14**

**Jewish Film Series:**

***Funny Girl***

USA, 1968, Rated G, 2hr 45m

Director William Wyler's classic musical tells the story of legendary Ziegfeld Follies comedienne Fanny Brice (Barbra Streisand, in an Oscar-winning role), an unconventional beauty who grew up in the Jewish slums of New York dreaming of stardom. When Brice finally becomes the toast of Broadway, the resentful reaction of her husband (Omar Sharif) threatens to destroy their marriage. The film received eight Oscar nominations.



## Carroll Honored by Chamber



Carroll

Congratulations to Bonnie Carroll, founder of Information International Associates in Oak Ridge. Bonnie is the recipient of the Oak Ridge Chamber's Eugene L. Joyce Lifetime Achievement Award.

The Joyce Award is given to leaders in the community who truly embody the essential values of

volunteerism, community service and dedication to the economic vitality of our community." We are fortunate to have Bonnie in our community. Bonnie is a long time member of JCOR and has received numerous accolades for her good work.

We all applaud you Bonnie for this well-deserved Award!!!

## Todah Rabah

**Congratulations** to Gery Osowiecki, JCOR Men's Club Mensch of the Year. Gery is one of our newer members at just over a year and has already made a huge impact in our community with his enthusiasm and generous heart. He is one of the nicest guys you'll ever meet and puts out a great spread at our monthly Breakfast Club.



**Toda Raba** to all who supported *Osowiecki* the annual **Oak Ridge Hadassah**

**Youth Aliyah Concert** on April 8, 2018. Their generous donations made a successful event that benefited Youth Aliyah Program and the Oak Ridge area music community.

We take the opportunity to mention here patrons who didn't make the deadline and were not acknowledged on the program:

- ★ Ronnie & Jim Bogard *In memory of Selma and Ted Shapiro, long time supporters of Hadassah and Music*
- ★ Linda & Zane Bell
- ★ Ilana & Moshe Siman Tov
- ★ Carol Plasil
- ★ Susan Shor

## JCOR Hosts and Hostesses

July 7	Catherine Braunstein, Jeannette Gilbert
July 14	Alice Feldman & Albert Good, Brenda & Sig Mosko
July 21	Rhonda & Ron Sternfels, Judi & Len Gray
July 28	Edith & Mel Halbert, Elena Bamberger

## Yahrzeits

- ★ Solomon Rashkovsky *from Victor & Avigail Rashkovsky*
- ★ Sam Good & Bess Hazelwood *from Alice Feldman & Al Good*
- ★ Rella Cantor & Minnie Feinberg *from Bobbie Cantor*
- ★ Eugene Eichler *from Sonya Eichler*
- ★ Leonora Tomkins *from Bruce Tomkins*
- ★ Sam Good & Bess Hazelwood *from Ellen Appel*

## Donations

- ★ Tracey Tjon Sien Kie



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# JAHRZEIT

## *Heska Amuna Synagogue*

### July 7

Janet Balloff ♦ Siegfried Besmann ♦ Charlotte Cohen ♦ Sarah Coplan ♦ Irving Danziger ♦ Robert Euster ♦ Norman Evans ♦ Fannie Goldberg ♦ Josephine Gluck ♦ Lisa Kahn ♦ Alvin Kingsley ♦ Benjamin Leibowitz ♦ Douglas Morrison ♦ Bessie Perelman ♦ Jessie Presser ♦ Mildred Shamitz ♦ Eva Slovis ♦ Tanis Smith ♦ Rabbi Isaac Winick

### July 14

Leo Adams ♦ Malvina Alexander ♦ Matilda Corkland ♦ Leon Dobbs ♦ Barbara Fay ♦ Madge Glidewell ♦ Fanni Goldstein ♦ Bernard Greenbaum ♦ Maria Gruenberg ♦ Selena Jacobson ♦ Myrna Kingsley ♦ Frances Levin ♦ Bertha Licht ♦ Edward Lippner ♦ Evelyn Lowe ♦ Norman Millen ♦ Leonard Miller ♦ Edward Mottzman ♦ Mel Nagler ♦ Avrom Ezra Wein

### July 21

Dorina Barnett ♦ Esther Rose Bebergal ♦ Mary Corkland ♦ Mildred Dreyer ♦ Cleo Louise Ginsberg ♦ Morris Goldman ♦ Sylvia Cooper Goldstein ♦ Ethan Michael Goodfriend ♦ William Gurwitch ♦ Benjamin Jaffe ♦ Harold J. Licht ♦ Yetta Lipshin ♦ Stella Love ♦ Rose Portnoy Martin ♦ Samuel Merlin ♦ Samuel Millen ♦ Max Millner

### July 28

Abraham Bart ♦ Shoshana Becker ♦ Zeleg Berez ♦ Esther Scott Bernstein ♦ Muriel Boothman ♦ Mollie Brietstein ♦ Abraham Chaskin ♦ Etta Ducken ♦ Harry Fayonsky ♦ Jacob Geller ♦ Jacob Green ♦ Adela Gross ♦ Leon Hasden ♦ Joseph Lee Herson ♦ Hugo Klein ♦ Janet Krauss ♦ Hyman A. Levison ♦ Karl Liberman ♦ Jacob Menachem ♦ Jim Nash ♦ Lester M. Robinson ♦ Abraham Rosenblatt ♦ Katie Ross ♦ Marian Schneider ♦ David Wender ♦ Abe Zwick

# JAHRZEIT

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### July 6

Morton Banov ♦ Sara Brody ♦ Yudel Cawn ♦ Rev. Paul Cheezem ♦ Ralph Kramer ♦ Richard Marchand ♦ Gussie Potter ♦ David Salus ♦ David Sauers ♦ Dora P. Schramm ♦ Gertrude Spero ♦ Harold Zimmerman

### July 13

Stanley Bernard ♦ Lillian Finklestein Brody ♦ Joel A. Caller ♦ Matilda Davis Corkland ♦ Christine Jany Cramer ♦ Morris Deitch ♦ KC Derrington ♦ Issac Diamond ♦ Harry Gluck ♦ Irving Kovitch ♦ Rose Mark ♦ Sol Moiger ♦ Fred M. Moss ♦ Mimi Pais ♦ Leo Silver ♦ Max Sonn ♦ Phillip Taylor

### July 20

Jeffrey Lee Allen ♦ Jessie Dreyfuss Black ♦ Malcolm Bloom ♦ Raymond Brody ♦ David E. Brown ♦ Irene F. Chotiner ♦ William W. Cramer ♦ Pearl Davis ♦ Mayme Dortch ♦ Sylvia Frankel ♦ Goldie Ann Garber ♦ Minnie Feld Katz ♦ John Kelleher ♦ Bernard Levenson ♦ David Licht ♦ Sam Rosenbloom ♦ Dorothy Tessler

### July 27

Anne Cohen ♦ Tinnie Diamond ♦ David Hyman ♦ Yankel Haim Iancovsky ♦ Lillian Okin Kern ♦ Harvey Kronick ♦ Nathan Lieberman ♦ Shlema Livshits ♦ Doba Zolotovskaya

# Hadassah HIGHLIGHTS

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865-382-3844 or [anitakay@knology.net](mailto:anitakay@knology.net).

### We Apologize for These 2018 Hadassah Directory oversights:

Please update your Hadassah directories  
with the following information:

- ★ **Barbara Bernstein**  
Phone Number: 865-693-0867
- ★ Chai Society Member:  
**Jenifer Ohriner**

Save the date...  
Sunday, August 26  
2:30-4pm AJCC



Hadassah's Tea & Trivia:  
Membership Appreciation

## President's Message

By Andrea Cone, President

### Hadassah Women's Health and Advocacy Conference in Washington, DC, May 15-17.

Women's Health Empowerment Summit. We heard timely briefings from policymakers, advocates and thoughtful leaders about key opportunities to advance women's health through awareness and positive policy change at the Hadassah-convened Coalition for Women's Health Equity. I took away a deeper understanding of Hadassah's efforts to eradicate disparities and discrimination in women's health—from prevention, research, access and treatment—and how we all can get more involved.

Our conference began at the National Press Club: Privacy & Information: Women's Health and Technology Panel and discussion. The panel discussed how we manage and protect personal data in a world where we place our trust and information.

Our moderator was Judy Woodruff, *PBS NewsHour*. Speakers were Rear Admiral Susan Blumenthal, MD, MPA; Laura Moy, Georgetown Law's Center on Privacy & Technology; Tim Sparapani, SPQR Strategies, PLLC; Marcy Wilder, Partner, Hogen Lovells. We learned how to protect ourselves in any search we do, whether it is on computers or smart phones, to some of the doctor's offices database systems. Many discussions were about personal medical records and how they impede women's health care. A few things that I became aware of are to ask your health care provider "How are you protecting my personal information?" and "What happens to my blood after it is used for my testing?"

We were empowered by panel discussions about being a



caregiver. An interesting topic was how to survive as a caregiver. Dr. Tamilyn Bakas, professor, discussed valid points we should be focused on, primarily our health as the caregiver. Jane Heller, *New York Times* bestseller author of *You Better Not Die or I Will Kill You*, spoke of her personal issues and how she felt while she was dealing with aging parents and an ill husband.

We heard a testimonial from Starr Mirza about her personal issues of heart disease and her many years of going to doctors where no one could diagnosis her constant fatigue. Starr was an advocate who finally got answers and was diagnosed with heart issues. It was sad to hear how Kathryn Fox is almost debilitated so quickly by her undiagnosed fibromyalgia discovery. Kathy went from a brilliant professional to be bedridden within a short time frame and fights for answers daily.

The desserts at the Chai Tea were delicious as we listened to the Honorable Ron Dermer, Israeli Ambassador to the United States, and our own Hadassah nurse, Ruth Radiano, Nurse Director, Hematology/Oncology Division, Psychiatry Dept. & Center for Emergency Medicine, Hadassah Hospital, Ein Karem. We enjoyed a light repast and heard an update on Israel and the wonders performed at HMO by Ruth.

The Red Carpet "A Touch of Red Gala" celebration of Hadassah Medical Organization filled the room up with a sea of reds of all different shades. The outstanding effort and support of all who came to the Gala was so rewarding to Hadassah in so many ways, financially and with breathtaking words from a lot of members who spoke. The entertainment was Megan Hilty who sang and entertained us.

In closing, we took a trip to The Hill to Senator Bob Corker and Representative Jimmy Duncan's offices to discuss Hadassah Medical Organization, Supporting Israel and the Jewish Community, Anti-Semitism, Women's Health Equity and Gun Violence. Glad to get the experience of discussing our issues.

This conference enlightened me as the President of Hadassah Knoxville on how much and how involved we are in our community and around the world.

## Hawaiian Luau and Family Barbeque Delights All

By Shuli Mesa

On Sunday, June 3, Hadassah families and friends gathered to kick off the summer in an easy breezy island sort of way. While we didn't nosh on the Hawaiian well-loved SPAM...we did celebrate the tropics with various island famed foods such as pineapple, mandarin oranges, coconuts, and macadamia nuts. Still a BBQ was to be had and we devoured hotdogs, baked beans, potato salad, and cornbread.

We created our own tikis and played the silly no-know game with leis. But the highlight of the afternoon was the crazy clothes relay race. Two teams fought their way to the winner's circle by throwing on a Hawaiian shirt, grass skirt, floppy hat, oversized sunglasses, grab two props, and hop on the handmade poster board surfboard while hanging ten for a photo.

Not only did we have fun indulging on a ....feast but we also learned important facts; for example hibiscus is the Hawaiian state flower and that there are only 12 letters in the Hawaiian language.

Out of almost 20 entries, congratulations go to **Anita Kay** for winning the 360-circle of caring necklace that was raffled. The raffle began on March 18 with the winner announced at the luau.



Jill Weinstein, Bonnie Boring, and Mary Evars-Goan at the Hawaiian Luau and Family BBQ

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timely, interesting, and important.

Join with us for camaraderie,  
as we learn and help support the  
work of Hadassah Hospital  
in Israel

## New Layette Chair Wants to Share Good News



Hello to all of my Hadassah sisters! My name is Batya Boxt and I am happy and proud to relieve our wonderful Judi Abrams and be your new Layettes chairwoman!

All of you should have a "layette account." If you don't, please send me a check to set that up. I'd recommend \$25 to start with. 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.

**The best way to contact me** is to email me ANYTIME at [batyabox@gmail.com](mailto:batyabox@gmail.com). If I can't answer you immediately, I'll at least email you back and let you know that your email was received and I'll respond to your email as quickly as I can. Looking forward getting to know all of you...and Knoxville!

*I mistakenly left Dina Kramer's name off the list of Knoxville bakers. Our cakes had holes and so did our list. We appreciate each and everyone of you who baked. Sincerely, Nora Messing*

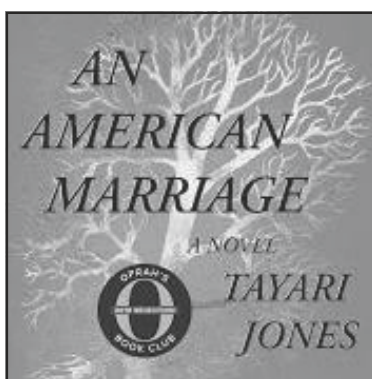


## Hadassah Book Club News

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

Our July 17 selection will be *An American Marriage* by Tayari Jones. We will meet at the home of one of our members and enjoy desert themed to the book. RSVPs are necessary. Please contact Peggy Littmann [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net) or (865) 776-1013 and she will share details.

Our meeting in August is scheduled for the 21st, we have not yet chosen a book, but we should make a decision soon. If you contact Peggy she will let you know.



**Please contact Peggy Littmann** at [plittmann@comcast.net](mailto:plittmann@comcast.net) or (865) 776-1013 with questions.

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Contact Joyce York at [joyceyork12@gmail.com](mailto:joyceyork12@gmail.com) to arrange for a tree or water certificate to be sent for you.

# Hadassah Highlights

## Knoxville Chapter of Hadassah

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# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

## Celebration of Excellence

Each May we mark the passage of our school year with our "Celebration of Excellence". It is a special evening that gathers the entire school community to pay tribute to the growth of our students and wish our Fifth Graders farewell as they move on to middle school.

In true KJDS fashion, the graduates performed a spirited skit that summed up many of their experiences throughout the years. The humorous performance including an original song composed by and written by Lev Comstock and our graduates. The entire student body then performed a poignant song in Hebrew. The trademark "Graduation" video was full of delightful memories highlighting the graduates' tenure at our school. The "Markman Award" was presented to Sara Zemel by Jeff and Ellen Markman. This special award is a tribute to Harold Markman, given for "Friendship, Compassion and Leadership". Sara embodies these attributes and we are so proud of her hard work throughout her career at KJDS.

The evening ended with a beautiful cake made by Marilyn Burnett and Pat Rosenberg. It was a bittersweet evening that had a few in tears, a few in stitches and everybody in smiles at the exceptional effort put forth by all of our students.



*We enjoy taking a moment every year-end to honor our dear friend, Harold Markman, and recall his special relationship with our students and our school. This year's award went to Sara Zemel. Thanks to Jeff and Ellen Markman for presenting this special award.*

### **The chorus of the song written by our graduates:**

*Dreams come true  
Remember these time at KJDS  
Come so far, learning to be strong,  
always do our best.  
We're all family here  
Always best friends,  
Our hearts are here forever  
Dreams come true  
Remember these time at KJDS  
Come so far, learning to be strong,  
always do our best.  
Our work has brought us here, let's  
unpack all our skills  
We are ready for whatever.  
Our hearts are here forever.*



*Mazel Tov to our Graduates! Liora, Stella and Sara are ready to take on middle school.*

## A Joyous Act

Our school came to bear the name “Stanford Eisenberg” from a friendship between his daughter and a young couple from Chicago-Rabbi Yossi and Miriam Esther. Ann Friedlander, a one-time Knoxville, wanted to honor her father and help the dream of a Jewish Day School in Knoxville come true. Through a lot of hard work and research, the school was created with the help of local families and committed community members who believed in the vision.

Fast forward 12 years- Ann came to KJDS to celebrate her birthday and hear all about what this amazing school has been up to lately. The party was a festive occasion with many from our community attending.



Ann enjoyed a quick trip to Knoxville that included lunch at the school, an encore of *Peter Pan* and a special lunch complete with Happy Birthday sung in Hebrew. Our students wrote her letters and cards to wish her well and thank her for her help in founding the school. It is still a wonderful tribute to Stanford Eisenberg and his entire family that this exceptional school continues to grow.

Happy Birthday Ann, we wish you all the best!

*Ann Friedlander (middle) with Miriam Esther and Rabbi Yossi at her 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration.*

*KJDS students were very excited to celebrate Ann Friedlander's birthday at school. When asked to write a note and birthday wishes, the students went beyond the basics and dug deep for their true feelings. When we read these notes, we were overwhelmed. The students worked hard to articulate their feelings regarding the school, and it shows in their writing. We decided we would share a few notes because they say more than we adults ever could.*

Dear Ms. Friedlander,

Thank you for making KJDS possible. KJDS is like my second family and I have you to thank. When I am at KJDS I feel like I'm at home. All of the kids are so nice and we all know each other. In KJDS students are like brothers and sisters. I see them everyday, I sit next to them at lunch. I basically do everything with them. KJDS is a place to be you. KJDS is a place where dreams come true. We are so grateful to you for giving us this gift in memory of your father. Thank you for everything. On this day you turn 70, and everyday you will be a part of me.

Lots of Love, Stella Galanti

KJDS is where I learn and pray  
Where I wrinkle my brain,  
Where I play  
Where I express feeling and where I laugh  
So many new friends made  
KJDS is always here  
KJDS my home

KJDS is better than every school  
Teachers compromise, share and care  
Lily and I love it here  
I hear laughter through the halls  
I see my friends once I come  
I play and have fun every day  
We learn more than other schools teach  
KJDS is the best

I love the location of the school, because our surrounding buildings have kind people. We have a beautiful learning environment, like the 4/5 classroom. We have awesome hands on learning and great specials classes such as Physical Education and Music. I love that our school is small and it feels like we are a family of friends. I love how we are able to learn Hebrew and have fun field trips to places other kids may not go, like D.C.!

## Welcome to KJDS

The Knoxville Jewish Day School is a highly-regarded private school known for its progressive, exploratory approach to learning; its strong sense of community and the joy that permeates all parts of the school day. Founded in 2006 by a small group of parents and community leaders who longed for something exceptional. They aspired to provide an exceptional values-based, 'whole child' education delivered in a Jewish environment and *made available to every child regardless of background or affiliation*. KJDS, the region's first "community" day school, opened with 8 students enrolled in Kindergarten and First grade. Today, we offer an unparalleled elementary educational program for students through Fifth Grade. Creativity, critical thinking, teamwork, compassion and emotional well-being are the defining characteristics of a KJDS graduate.



**Head of School:** Miriam Esther Wilhelm  
**Grades Served:** Kindergarten – 5th Grade  
**School Colors:** Blue, Red and White  
**Mascot:** Ram  
**Tagline:** Community. Joy. Exploration

### Who are We?

- ★ Our students reside in 8 different zip codes.
- ★ Our students originate from Africa, Asia, Canada, Europe, Israel, Mexico, Russia and Central and South America.
- ★ 60% of our student body is unaffiliated with a synagogue or temple.
- ★ 40% of our families are interfaith families.
- ★ 70% of our alumni have placed in honors classes.
- ★ 90% of our alumni have engaged in leadership and/or extra-curricular activities in their respective schools.
- ★ 100% of our alumni have been accepted into their first choice middle school.

## In Their Own Words: A First Choice

When we were considering Nesya's options for kindergarten and elementary school it was clear to us that KJDS would be the first choice. Parents who sent their children to KJDS described how well KJDS prepared their kids for middle school and had only great things to say about KJDS. There were also the advantages of the Hebrew and the Jewish education that the school provides.

In KJDS the teachers are able to tailor their lessons according to the level and the needs of the kids in a really individual manner. For example, although Nesya does not speak Hebrew at home she hears a lot of Hebrew at home. In Hebrew classes Nesya is still challenged because she is taught at a higher level than other classmates who receive their Hebrew education from KJDS only. For a long time Nesya would get very upset whenever she made mistakes and she reacted harshly. The teachers noticed that and gave her the tools to work through this. Thanks to the teachers we have seen a great improvement in her accepting her mistakes.

Nesya loves KJDS. She recently refused to listen to our advice not to wear her KJDS hat when she goes to sleep. While many people nowadays, including Jewish people, are struggling with the concept of God, Nesya already knows who takes care of her in addition to her family. As we get closer to many of the Jewish holidays, Nesya comes home and sings Hebrew songs with an R that sounds more and more like a Hebrew Resh and less and less like the English R.

KJDS certainly surpassed our high expectations for both secular and Jewish education. We were not surprised to find out about non-Jewish parents who heard great things about KJDS and are now sending or are planning to send their kids to KJDS. Amos, Nesya's younger brother, heard from Nesya great things about KJDS. He and we are looking forward for him to join Nesya in KJDS next year.



*Mari and Eytan are happy with their "first choice school" for their daughter.*

# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

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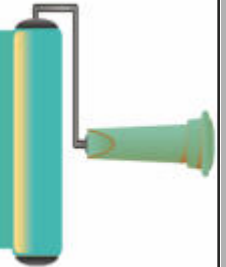
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#### AZA Friends at West High School Graduation

These AZA friends made a point of going to one another's high school graduation, whenever possible.

Standing, left to right:  
Cody **Hanford**, Noah  
**Hirschhaut**, Marshall **Goldman**,  
Adam **Abeles** (valedictorian),  
Jonathan **Branton**, Elliot **Smith**,  
Robby **Hecht**; crouching,  
Ben **Johnson**.

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