



Ha'Kol

COMMUNITY NEWS FROM THE KJA, HESKA AMUNA & TEMPLE BETH EL



**Please join us at noon
Monday, September 2 as the
Knoxville Jewish Alliance joins Adam Brown and
Family in dedicating the new AJCC Playground**

Your contributions helped raise more than \$90,000 to provide a fun and safe playground for AJCC Preschool students.

Still want to help? The KJA will be establishing an endowment fund to cover maintenance costs for the playground. Make a donation earmarked "Project Playground" at <https://jewishknoxville.org/donate/kja-funds> to support the AJCC Preschool. Thank you!



On August 7, the AJCC Preschool staff welcomed new and returning students to its campus. They look forward to another successful year.

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Knoxville Jewish Alliance

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PJ Library Awarded Grant

PJ Library, a program sponsored by the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, has been awarded a grant by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and PJ Library Alliance partners. The grant will enable Sarah Mays, the PJ Library coordinator, to begin a new Shalom Baby Baskets and Shalom New Family Baskets program.

PJ Library is a Jewish family enrichment program open to families with children from 6 months to 11 years of age. PJ Library mails free, high quality Jewish children's literature and music to families in the greater Knoxville area on a monthly basis. **PJ Our Way** is a specialized program for children ages 8.5-11 years old which allows them to select their own chapter book each month.



PJ Library Knoxville also hosts family-friendly events throughout the year where children and families can grow in Jewish learning and values through literature will making new friends. For more information about PJ Library Knoxville programs, contact Sarah May at pj@jewishknoxville.org.

To support Jewish cultural programs such as PJ Library in our community, please consider making a donation to the KJA Annual Campaign at jewishknoxville.org/donate.



Israeli and local teens lead Shabbat services at MCDC. The five Israeli teens and a chaperone visited Knoxville as part a student exchange program, made possible through our Partnership2Gether Hadera-Eiron-SE Consortium. This program, as well as December's Educators delegation are examples of opportunities the Knoxville Jewish Alliance provides to create living bridges between our community and the people of Israel.

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KJA Welcomes New Program Director

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance welcomes Lauren Javors as the KJA Program Director.

Lauren and her family have been a part of the Knoxville Jewish Community for 12 years. Her two sons attended AJCC Preschool, Milton Collins Day Camp, and were on the AJCC swim team. Both also enjoy the relationships they have made at Temple Beth El religious school.

Lauren has 20 years of sales, marketing and event planning experience. In addition, she has held a board position for the past two years at TBE.

The KJA hopes you'll join us as we look forward to some exciting new programs at the KJA this year!



Mark Your Calendars to Join Us at the Knoxville Jewish Alliance's **Sundown in the Sukkah**

Thursday, October 17 — 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Arnstein Jewish Community Center — 6800 Deane Hill Drive

Please join us in our "open house sukkah" to enjoy food, friends, and family as we celebrate Sukkot. Want to help? Email Lauren Javors at program@jewishknoxville.org

Come for the food, stay for the family at...



In August, Hillel at UTK welcomed new and returning students to the University of Tennessee. During the first week of classes, the Hillel Student Council invited students to a Shabbbrunch for bagels and schmear. On the first day of classes, Council greeted students with donuts on Ped Walkway. More formally, students gathered for a Welcome Shabbat with a short service followed by a delicious dinner. Students received Tennessee (written phonetically in Hebrew) water bottles and a few snacks as a gift.

September is a busy month for Hillel at UTK! Every year, the University hosts families for Fall Family Weekend. Hillel at UTK joins in and spends time with students' families at our annual Family Shabbat. An exciting event for the UTK campus this year is "United Around the Table." As a member of the Campus Ministers Council, Hillel at UTK will help host and promote the spirit and unity that brings us together. As an honored sponsor, Hillel at UTK will join others to view the film, *Footsteps of My Father*. As details are finalized, we will share them with the Knoxville Jewish community, as we would love to have you join us. We will round out our September events with a Shabbat Hike in the Smoky Mountains.

Hillel of UTK is an affiliate of the Knoxville Jewish Alliance, whom we rely on for the majority of our financial support. As we look to the year ahead and the mission of inspiring students to explore and embrace their Jewish life, we would be honored if you would sponsor a Shabbat dinner or a Bagel Study Break. Please reach out to the KJA to make your donation. Todah rabah!

May all students in the year ahead be inspired to develop their identity in life, learning, and values Jewishly!

Go Vols!

SEPTEMBER 2019 Hillel at UTK Events Schedule

- 11** *Footsteps of My Father* film viewing, sponsored by Campus House of Prayer, Fern and Manfred Steinfeld Program in Judaic Studies, & Hillel at UTK
- 13** Family Shabbat for Fall Family Weekend
- 18** United Around the Table – a celebration of diversity on Ped Walkway
- 28** Shabbat in the Smokies Hillel at UTK student hike

If you learn of Jewish students at UTK, please encourage them to contact Tara Bain, Hillel at UTK Director, at utkhillel@jewishknoxville.org

If you own a local business and would like to include a welcome/baby gift in the basket please send an email to Sarah May at the address below.

 **COMMUNITY WELCOME BASKETS ARE HERE!**

For all new to Knoxville Jewish Families and new Jewish babies born in the community

If you know of a new family with children 0-12 who has recently moved into the community (within the last 6 months) or know of a new baby that has been born in the community (within the last 6 months), please contact:
Sarah May at pj@jewishknoxville.org
 The KJA, PJ Library & Greater Jewish Community of Knoxville would like to gift them with a welcome (baby) basket.

This program is made possible by a generous grant from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation

Register your Kroger Plus Card Today

Support AJCC Preschool by registering your **Kroger Plus Card** and choosing the AJCC Preschool as your recipient! You'll earn points for us with every purchase you make — points that will be converted into **dollars of support** for our younger community members. Don't worry — you'll still receive your usual Kroger Plus Card discounts. And our adorable preschoolers and their teachers will appreciate your support! Live out of town but have grandkids, alumni, or fond memories of the AJCC — register your card and support the AJCC Preschool from afar!

Follow these **easy steps** to link your card to Friends:

- **Register your card online** — create an account; then enter your email, favorite store, and Kroger Plus Card number.
- At the bottom of your Account Summary, click **Enroll** under Community Rewards, and either enter our **Kroger non-profit number (41474)** or search for **AJCC Preschool**.
- **Already enrolled?** You must re-enroll EVERY August so please log on and select us.



- If you need help, the KJA office staff will be glad to help!

A community member has written a response to columns announcing the KJA Board's recent approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the possible relocation of the Knoxville Jewish Day School to the Arnstein Jewish Community Center campus. These columns can be found on pages 10 and 11 of the August 2019 *Ha'Kol*. To find them online, visit <https://jewishknoxville.org/hakol>

The Case Against the Current Memorandum of Understanding

By Barbara Winick Bernstein

I am writing to state the case against a proposed plan between the KJDS (the Knoxville Jewish Day school) and the Knoxville Jewish Alliance to allow the day school to move onto the Arnstein Jewish Community Center property. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been approved by the KJA Board. This arrangement allows the day school to lease this property for 99 years for the price of one dollar (\$1.00) and includes vague understandings about sharing the two buildings and the property. There is no requirement for any further financial obligation from the day school, such as a monthly rental, in lieu of a purchase price. In addition, according to my husband (Bernard Bernstein), "The proposed financing arrangement gives KJDS certain rights that can adversely affect KJA and its property in the event of the day school's default."

As a continuous, decades-long member of the KJA board, as a former Board chair (and its predecessor, the Knoxville Jewish Federation) ... and one whose family support of these organizations goes back almost 100 years...I want to express my objections to this proposed agreement. I would request that the KJA Board reconsider this Memorandum of Understanding.

For a century, the KJA/AJCC has been a shining example of Jewish cultural unity in Knoxville. That was its purpose when it was created. It has participated financially and emotionally in all the important local and global needs of Jewish life, including the rescue of the human remnants of the Holocaust, the building of the State of Israel, and the actual integration of new Soviet immigrants into our area. The KJA supports vitally important programming functions today. It promotes a thriving preschool, runs an active day camp, enables an important Jewish Family Services effort, maintains a costly swimming pool and gym, creates a variety of stimulating educational and cultural activities, produces a monthly newsletter for an entire extended community, houses an archive to preserve the story of Jewish Knoxville and on and on. All activities function in a building that serves the entire the community...the Arnstein Jewish Community Center.

In recent years, the financial fund-raising for the KJA has faltered. Its programming and its staffing constantly struggle due to lack of funds. The AJCC building is in need of repairs and updating. Recent annual campaigns have had difficulty reaching their goals and yet KJA is proposing to **give away its most valuable financial and geographical asset...its land...for \$1.00!**

A sale to KJDS of a portion of the property with an estimated value of \$100,000 an acre will enable the repair of vital parts of the building and grounds and insure the retention of capable and loyal staff. Proceeds from that sale could encourage the hiring once again of a much-desired professional director which the Alliance cannot now afford.

Advocates for the KJA's giveaway of this property see a future where "physical togetherness" will insure great "participation, volunteerism, cooperation and collective effort." I agree that these are worthwhile goals. However, the Knoxville Jewish Day School has been a presence for the last 12 years. Its distance from the AJCC is only a few miles but that has not yet led the hearts and minds of those advocates to increase their financial support of the KJA. Careful research proves almost the exact opposite. Why has this increased support not happened? The KJA president stated in the last *Ha'Kol*, "If you give to the Day School, you will also be giving to the KJA/AJCC. If you give to the KJA/AJCC you will also be giving to the Day School." How exactly will that work? Will it benefit the KJA? Is this proper or fair and just? Is this a result that the community desires?

The establishment of a "campus" is a dream that was not created by this generation. It has existed here for at least 50 years and was in the minds of those who purchased the land years ago. However, the dreams and **realistic possibility** of that unity must be more carefully examined and must not be heavily weighted in favor of one new entity. If this campus plan is to happen, the Knoxville Jewish Alliance must benefit NOW, not in the vague future, from this experiment.

THE FIRST STEP IN THIS PROCESS MUST BE THE PAYMENT OF A FAIR PRICE BY THE KNOXVILLE JEWISH DAY SCHOOL FOR THE LAND OWNED BY THE KNOXVILLE JEWISH ALLIANCE/ARNSTEIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER. After that, a contract can be negotiated.

Please shop, contact, and thank the advertisers that support YOUR *Ha'Kol* community newsletter. You'll find them on pages 38-39 in each issue of *Ha'Kol*. Want to join them? Contact the KJA office at 690-6343.

Mazel Tov! Swim Team Goes Undefeated in GKISA League 5

Congratulations to the University Swim Club Smokin' Salmon on an undefeated season, clinching the GKISA League 5 championship and a move to League 4 next year. The Smokin' Salmon also won its division at the recent Smoky Mountain Invitational.



Graduating seniors Reilly Swanson, Gracie Bemiller, and Mac Whipple were honored on senior night. Not shown—Senior Coleman Kredich

At the GKISA City Meet, the team qualified 16 individuals in 26 races and nine relays for finals. It had 17 Top 10 overall finishes at finals. Senior Coleman Kredich won two individual races (50 free and 100 free). Bazil Napier won the 50 breaststroke. The 15-18 Mixed Free Relay (Coleman Kredich, Michael McClamroch, Gracie Bemiller, and Anna Huddy) won their relay.

Coach Joe Peeden and staff have led 115 swimmers in dropping time, making waves, winning meets, and most importantly, working hard and having a lot of fun. A special thank you goes to team leader Angelia Nystrom and her fantastic group of parent volunteers. None of this would happen without their efforts and smiles.



Looking forward to MCDC 2020



MCDC provides children lots of fresh air, physical activity, and chances to learn new skills and enjoy favorite activities. Arts and crafts, tennis and swim lessons, Color War competitions, field trips, overnights and more!



friendshippers

Our Wednesday, September 18 program features an Opera Performance by Baritone Maurice Hendricks

All are welcome. You don't have to be 55 and up; we don't card at the door!

Friendshippers meets with lunch at **noon** and our program starts at **1:00 p.m.**

Sherrill Hills Retirement Community,
271 Moss Grove Blvd, Knoxville 37922



Baritone Maurice Hendricks is an accomplished performer with a wide range of artistic experience. He holds a B. A. in music from Carson-Newman College where he studied voice under Dr. Angela Holder, and has done graduate work towards a M. M. in Vocal Performance at Converse College. **He is passionate about bringing more awareness to the artistry and spirit of Russian Opera, and has plans to bring more operatic opportunities to East Tennessee. Maurice will be accompanied by Brandon Coffey.**

Lunch is \$8.00, with no charge for those who attend the program only.

Please RSVP to Laura Berry at 690-6343 x18 or email her at lberry@jewishknoxville.org. Need a ride? Contact Laura by Friday before the program.

KJA Donations

As of July 31, 2019

AJCC Preschool

Peter and Brianna Rosenbaum

KJA Endowment Fund

In memory of Manny Steinfeld

Adam and Angie Brown

KJA General Fund

In memory of Joseph Feinstein,

Deborah Oleshansky's father

Stephen and Kim Rosen

Smokin' Salmon Swim Team

Hugh and Angelia Nystrom

The ARNSTEIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
is YOUR community center.

It's not too late to become an AJCC member,
make a donation to the Knoxville Jewish Alliance,
or volunteer to help with a project or event.
Support YOUR community.

www.jewishknoxville.org

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An Evening with Etgar Keret

September 15, 2019, 6 PM
Knoxville Jewish Alliance
6800 Deane Hill Dr.
Knoxville, TN 37919

September 16, 2019, 7 PM
UT Hodges Library Auditorium

Free and open to the public
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Join us for an evening of conversation with
Etgar Keret about his surreal short stories,
award winning films, and other artistic works.



Etgar Keret is an Israeli writer known for his short stories, graphic novels, and scriptwriting for film and television. His books had been published in more than 30 languages. Keret has received the Prime Minister's award for literature, as well as the Ministry of Culture's Cinema Prize. The short film *Maika Lev Adam* (Skin Deep, 1996), which Keret wrote and directed with Ran Tal, won an Israel Film Academy award and first place in the Munich International Festival of Film Schools. The film *Jellyfish*, a joint venture for Keret and his wife, received the Camera d'Or prize at the 2007 Cannes Film Festival. In 2010, Keret received the Chevalier (knight) Medallion of France's Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.

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Alpha Epsilon Pi Tie-Dye Festival

Sunday, September 29
Noon — 4:00 p.m.

Humanities Lawn, The University
of Tennessee Campus

Please Join Us!

We'll tie-dye shirts, enjoy food and drinks, and listen to music at the University of Tennessee campus while supporting the Alpha Epsilon Pi *Repairing the World* fund.

This fund supports 10 important organizations such as the Birthright Israel Foundation, Simon Wiesenthal Center, Israel Children's Cancer Foundation, and the Gift of Life Marrow Registry.

If you cannot attend, but would like to support us with a donation, please visit <https://tiny.utk.edu/tiedye> or send a check payable to *AEPI @ UTK* to Andrew Weinstein, 4101 Highland Crest Way, Apt. 102, Knoxville, TN 37920

Questions?

Email Andrew Weinstein at andrewweinstein5@gmail.com

AEPI, UTK's Jewish fraternity, appreciates your generosity in helping us achieve our goals. On behalf of our entire brotherhood, thank you for your support!

L'SHANA TOVAH TIKATEVU TO ALL

**May you and your families
be sealed in the book of life
with good health, prosperity,
and happiness.**

Heidi, Barry, & Eddy Allen

May this New Year be
sweet, healthy and happy.
L'shanah Tovah!
Happy Rosh Hashanah!

from the Johnson family
Wes, Helene, Nathan and Noah

*May the New Year Bring
You Peace, Good Health,
and Happiness*

Sandra Licht

***Happy Rosh
Hashanah!***

Hillel @ UTK

5780 High Holy Days Greetings

L'Shanah Tovah Tikatevu

to our neighbors Ann, Becky, Chuck, Erwin, Flo, Harvey, Judy, Lenore, Marilyn, Stella, and Raphael & Susette, from Colleen & Michael

L'Shana Tovah

Wishing all a year of peace, health and happiness

Marilyn and Harvey Liberman,
Mark and Janet - Atlanta, GA;
Lynn - St. Paul, MN;
Scott, Ann, Andrea, and Deborah - Dallas, TX

L'SHANA TOVAH

Kim, Stephen,
Nathan, Arielle, and
Tifannie Rosen

Shana Tovah U'Metukah

Wishing everyone a healthy, happy new year.
The Silbers
Harold, Susan, Ada, Lance, & Kelsey

Best wishes for
a happy and healthy
New Year!

Renee' Hyatt and Paul Erwin

With all good wishes
PESSA, MARLA, BART,
JOEL, & WILL BRODY

HIGH HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Barbara and Bernard Bernstein,
Barri, Mark and Tanya,
Rachel Clara, Benjamin, and Arielle

**Peace, Health, and Happiness —
May these be yours (and more) in 5780**

Judy Rattner and Bryan, Jennye,
and Mary Ann Merrell

Happy Holidays from the Rebacks!

Gary, Kathy, Jenna, & Ben
Rick, Kate, Jessica & Lydia, Josh, & Matt
Sandy, Shelley, Dana, & Samantha

May this be a sweet year
of health, happiness, and
peace.

Shana Tovah U'metuka
Mary Linda Schwarzbart

Best wishes
for a happy, healthy,
and sweet new year!

Jill, Douglas, Brian
& Andrew Weinstein

GREETINGS FROM NEW ORLEANS

Wishing everyone a healthy & happy new year
Lee (Miller) & Joe Blotner, Lissa, Shelly, & Seth

L'SHANA TOVAH

Jeff and Nancy Becker and
Our Children and Grandchildren:

Rachel, Micah, Sophie, and
Reuben Becker-Klein;
Ben, Amy, Harry, and
Leo Willis-Becker;
Sarah and Aminata;
Jeff Cohen; Dan, Lora, Noah, and Benjamin
Cohen-Vogel;
Debbie, Jeff, Samantha, and
Gabe Abrams-Cohen

**Warm greetings and
very best wishes to all
our friends in Knoxville**

Peggy & Mark Littmann
Beth, James, Liam, & Adele McGinnis
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BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS
from the
Dreyer Family

Holiday Greetings
from
Larry Silverstein

Shanah Tovah!
Jean Begue

SHANA TOVAH
U'METUKAH
GILYA SCHMIDT
AND FAMILY

In the year ahead,
may we continue to be strong
and strengthen one another —
chazak, chazak v' nitchazak.
Let's work together to make
"a sweet new year"
not only a greeting, but a reality for
ourselves and the world.

*Chip, Brenda, Seth, Jennifer,
and Jackson Rayman*

L'SHANA TOVAH

Mark Harris; Alan, Mary Jo, David,
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In loving memory of Carol

**A Happy New Year from all the
Kramers in St. Louis, Rochester,
Oxford, Great Britain, and Jerusalem.**

TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES



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Shalom Y'all!

By Rabbi Erin Boxt

As we are approaching the Jewish New Year and the High Holy Day period, the *Days of Awe*, it is imperative that we search for those whom we have wronged to ask forgiveness. As a matter of fact, the month prior to the High Holy Day period gives us the opportunity for introspection and reflection – Have we done what we need to do? Are we learning from our mistakes in the past and doing *better*?

"Forgiveness. Can you imagine?"

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These two lines come from the musical, *Hamilton*. When Alexander Hamilton admits to an affair, his wife, Eliza, understandably gets angry and pushes him away. However, with the death of their son, Philip, something happens to the two of them and Eliza is actually able to forgive Alexander. He begs her for forgiveness, and she forgives. So, which was harder - Alexander asking for forgiveness or Eliza granting it?

I believe it is very difficult to ask others for forgiveness. It requires humility and a true desire to listen and understand what someone else is telling you. Often, it can be very hard to hear what others have to say. It is not the "apologizing" that matters - it is the understanding and doing better next time which does. A blanket "I'm sorry" is nothing more than just words. Listening, understanding and then changing - this is what matters...this is what counts.

What about giving forgiveness to others? If you are wronged by someone, is it possible to grant them forgiveness? This is a very personal decision...and really no one can expect or require something of someone else. In Judaism, we have a "vouch safe" with regards to forgiveness. If someone makes a genuine attempt to change and apologize, they are required to ask for forgiveness three times. After the third attempt, if the forgiveness is not given, the sin/need for forgiveness transfers to the one who was not able to give forgiveness.

But, the three requests must be genuine and heartfelt. They cannot be just blanket statements with nothing else to follow.

So, when Eliza grants forgiveness to Alexander, it was because she felt Alexander, her husband, was genuinely asking for her forgiveness. This was very hard for her - and it took great strength for her to do so.

Here is my prayer for Yom Kippur:

*God - grant me the strength to ask for forgiveness.
Help me to regain the trust of those whom I have wronged.
May Your light shine upon each of us in the new year.*

*God - grant me the strength to give forgiveness.
Ease my anger against those who have wronged me.
May Your guidance drive me to being a better person.*

*God - grant us all the ability to move forward in 5780.
Alleviate our pain and sorry, help us to feel refreshed and ready for what lies ahead.*

May Your Countenance be with us and point us to peace.



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TBE President's Remarks

By Steve Lewis, TBE President

It is hard to believe, sitting here in the heart of summer, that I am writing a column for *September*. That means by the time you read this, things will be in full swing; Religious School will be well underway, as will Confirmation classes; we will have had our first Bar Mitzvah; Rabbi Boxt will have begun his Sunday Adult Ed classes; our Saturday *Tot Shabbat* services will also have started; and Sisterhood will already have run its first event of the year.

September will see the Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Tumpson; the start of the "Death & Dying" symposium; a fabulous weekend program led by Dr. Emily Teck, the educator and musician known fondly as "Miss Emily;" and much, much, more.

And, believe it or not, at the end of the month we will be celebrating Rosh Hashanah. Once again, as we look ahead to a new year, I am filled with optimism and anticipation. I am looking forward to another exciting year – a year filled with tremendous opportunities to learn, to love, to give. We will once again be blessed with incredible guest speakers and scholars. We will again have a number of social action events planned, allowing you to perform many *mitzvot* across the Knoxville community. We are blessed with a number of new Board and Executive Board members and an incredible team of committee chairs who will be working hard to offer programs and services that will make you want **To Be Engaged**. We will be keeping you informed through the Blast, our TBE website, and this column, so please read them so you can keep up to date with what we have planned for *you*. And remember: We are sacred partners in this *Kehillah Kedosha*, so please communicate with us – let us know how TBE is helping you on your Jewish Journey, and how you feel we can do a better job.

Being strongly connected to TBE can be an incredible blessing in your personal lives – an extended family with whom you can worship, socialize, learn, share the happy times and, when misfortune befalls you, find love and support that will help ease the pain. I hope that in TBE you have found such a place.

Grace and I wish you all a year of peace, of health, of happiness, and of kindness.

L'Shanah Tovah Umesukah!

Have a Happy, Sweet New Year!



Sisterhood Happenings

By Tammy Stone and Wilma Weinstein-Lomax,
Co-Sisterhood Presidents

Thank you to those who are new to assisting Sisterhood this year or who have changed their role. Wilma Weinstein-Lomax is stepping back into leadership as Co-President. Karen Cyzick is the Sisterhood Representative to the TBE Board of Directors, Karen Covell will be chairing programming, and Honerlin Del Moro is helping Grace and Renee with Oneg Shabbat coordination. We are still looking for others to assist and be a part of something special. Sisterhood is just another way **To Be Engaged**.

On Sunday morning, September 15, we will have a very special program. Dr. Bob Kronick, long-time UT Health and Human Science professor, will be speaking with us on bullying and how it affects our children. If you have children or grandchildren, you won't want to miss this special Sunday morning. If you don't have school-age children, please come, grab a bagel, and schmooze with fellow congregants.

Don't forget our clothing drive for the YWCA is still going on. As you clean out your closets to make room for new clothes, please consider bringing them to temple for donation.

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!



Tumpson to Celebrate Bat Mitzvah

Sydney Tumpson will celebrate her bat mitzvah on Saturday, September 14. She is the daughter of Toby and Linnette Tumpson and older sister of Sophia and Sally.

Sydney spent many summer days preparing for her service. She even worked with a tutor at Camp Coleman! Her Torah coach is Norma James. Rabbi Erin Boxt works with her on her speech and final preparations for her service. Sydney Cecelia Tumpson was born on September 8, 2006, in Weehawken, NJ and moved to Knoxville with her parents in 2008. She attends South Doyle Middle School and loves baseball, basketball, bike riding, swimming and computer games. She is very independent and gets great pleasure teaching her two little sisters.

Sydney has worked hard studying for her Bat Mitzvah and very much appreciates the tremendous support and guidance she has received from Norma James and Rabbi Boxt.

Temple Beth El Religious School September 2019 Update

By Norma James, TBE Education Director, normajames@tbeknox.org

Hands on, Hearts on, Minds on Learning

Religious School classes 9:30 a.m.-Noon (3rd/4th stays until 12:30 p.m.)

Midweek Hebrew 5th-7th Wednesdays 4:30-6:00 p.m.

A complete school calendar is on our Temple website (www.tbeknox.org)

Miss Emily is coming for the weekend of September 6-8. DO NOT MISS THIS! Our families are always looking for great ways to connect our children to Judaism. Let us learn together as Dr. Emily Teck shares both her music and her educational expertise with us.

Friday Shabbat: Miss Emily will lead us in music and will share a D'var. This service will be engaging for young and old alike. Come early for wine, juice, light snacks, and meet Miss Emily before the service.

Saturday Morning Tot Shabbat: Miss Emily will be Rabbi Erin special guest at his monthly Tot Shabbat. Her program will be perfect for children ages 0-7. We hope to have a large group, so we will be at TBE in the Sanctuary. Come ready to sing, move, and celebrate Shabbat.

Sunday at Religious School: Miss Emily leads a program for our parents and teachers on making Judaism a joy for children.

Miss Emily will delight B'yachad with a musical visit.

Miss Emily will lead a worship experience for our students that will be fabulous. Parents are welcome!

We have many new faces at Religious School this year! TBE is a hoppin' place on Sundays. We have welcomed several new families who have joined our congregation and several younger siblings who have started in our PreK/K class. Be sure to introduce yourself to our newcomers. It is never too late to join our Religious School. Contact Norma James for more information.

Saying goodbye and saying hello to staff members.

We must say goodbye to Stephanie Kors. We have been very lucky to have Stephanie with us while she works on her doctorate in psychology at UT. She hated to leave our students, but this is her last year, and she needs to devote her time to finishing up. BUT WAIT! Stephanie will be subbing this year, so we will still get to see her.

Welcome back Gina Feldblum! After a sabbatical for graduate work, Dr. Gina will return to our staff to teach our 6th/7th grade class. To say we are pleased is an understatement!

Three new teachers join our staff

Jessica Coles and Emily Shulman will teach our combined 3rd/4th grade class. This is a large and inclusive classroom with diverse learners. Jessica, who got married this summer, is a trained classroom teacher and cannot wait to get started. Emily worked as a sub for us last year. She is a rising UT senior with many years of experience working with students in a variety of settings. Emily will also work in our Hebrew program. I am very excited about the possibilities for this class.

Jessica Weckstein is one of our new families and is excited about working in our Hebrew program. Jessica, mom to Eden, Ray, and Jeanna, taught Hebrew in her previous congregation for 20 years. Wow! Lucky us!

For our Madrichim, it's L'dor Vador. One of the best parts about being the director for 18 years is watching our children grow up. We have a wonderful tradition of post-Confirmants becoming madrichim and then teachers. Justen Bain, Jeannine Mill, Lizzy Noon, Rachel Margulies, Ben Gibbons, and Stephanie and Danielle Goldfeld are just a few examples. This year madrich **Ben Margulies** will be joined by post-Confirmants **Ryan Gibbons** and **Reuben Margulies**. Ryan has already been working with our Midweek Hebrew program. I could not ask for a better support staff than these three young men.

B'yachad will be at TBE September 8. We are so excited to host this very special B'yachad program this month.

Anna Iroff-Bailey will be teaching about the Fall Holidays. TBE has a very special guest for the weekend. Miss Emily's forte' is early childhood education, and she will share her talents with B'yachad tots. I hope all of our families with young children will participate in this program.

B'yachad means "together." It is a monthly program 10:00-11:30 a.m. offered at no charge for our tiniest learners and their parents in our Jewish community. Our program is open to children ages four and under who are not in our weekly PreK/ Kindergarten classes. **B'yachad** is sponsored by Temple Beth El, Heska Amuna Synagogue, and Knoxville Jewish Day School. Anna Iroff-Bailey teaches this monthly program of music, crafts, songs and more with a special Jewish theme each session. Join in the fun designed to engage our youngest children in the joy of Judaism. It is also a great way for young families to mingle.

Sydney Tumpson becomes Bat Mitzvah Saturday, September 14 at 10:30 a.m.: We are delighted to announce that the first of the Tumpson girls will be called to the Torah. Sydney is the daughter of Toby and Linnette Tumpson and older sister of Sophia and Sally. Sydney spent many summer days preparing for her service. She even worked with a tutor at Camp Coleman! Her Torah coach is Norma James. Rabbi Boxt works with her on her speech and final preparations for her service. Sydney is the final student from last year's very large B'nai Mitzvah class to become Bat Mitzvah. I hope you will join the entire Tumpson family in this beautiful life cycle event.

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Apples and Honey at Religious School Sunday, September 29. Yes, we WILL have religious school right before Rosh Hashanah! It gives us a wonderful opportunity to study our High Holy Days in order to get a deeper appreciation of what these Days of Awe mean. Our Sisterhood will once again provide apples and honey for all our students. Thank you for this kindness!

We will celebrate Rosh Hashanah September 29 and 30. Our Children's Service will be at 9:30 a.m. this year to give us all a little more time to get up and ready. Rabbi Erin and Norma will do a service for our younger children Tots to 3rd or 4th grade. We have a few new twists for the service this year. We hope to see our older students at regular services beginning at 10:30 a.m. Childcare is offered for Monday with reservations required. Remember that your child should receive an excused absence from school for these Jewish holidays.

Fall Break is Sunday, October 6, through Sunday, October 13. We resume classes on Wednesday, October 16, with Midweek Sukkah Decorating & Pizza in the Hut. All families are invited.

WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 6-8



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TBE Religious School October Fall High Holiday Schedule

October 8

Erev Yom Kippur

October 9

Yom Kippur—Children's Service 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Service 10:30 a.m.

October 16

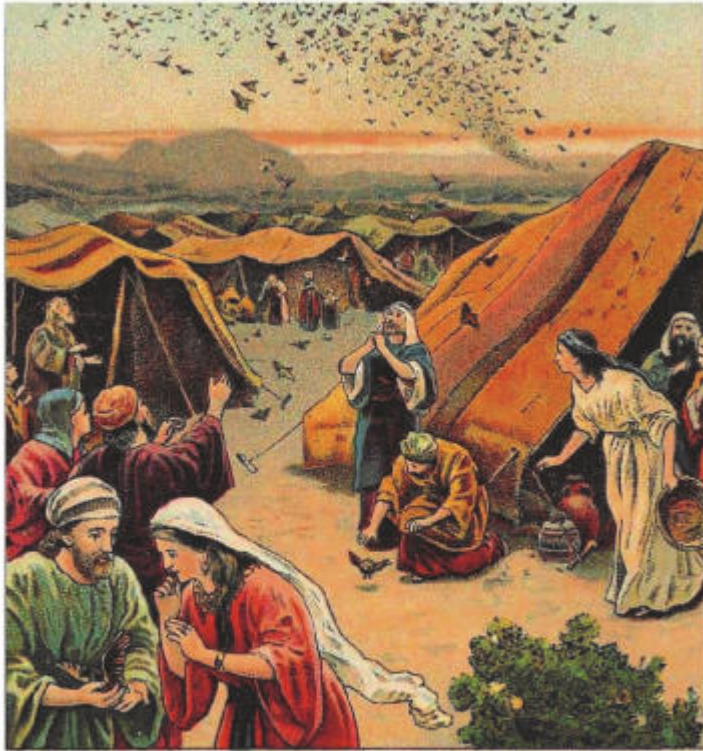
Family Sukkot Decoration & Pizza

NOTE: The adults will have a decoration event on Sunday. Don't get confused.

We are still decorating on Wednesday during Midweek.

October 25

(Friday) Simchat Torah



The Festival of Sukkot begins on October 13th this year. We eat and worship in a temporary hut to commemorate the 40 years the Israelites wandered the desert on their way to the promised land.

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Questions...

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Temple Beth El Sisterhood's
MAH JONGG MADNESS
Tournament

Sunday, October 20, 2019

11:30 A.M. – 3:30 p.m.

Temple Beth El

3037 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919

CASH PRIZES for 1st, 2nd, 3rd High Scores in Tournament Play
 In case of a tie, the CASH prize will be divided equally.

Other FUN activities include a "take a chance for prizes", bonus hands and for Fun tables are available. No timing, no scoring, just fun!

\$20.00 Entrance Fee Includes registration for **EITHER** the Mah Jongg Madness Tournament **OR** Mah Jongg for Fun, Desserts, Snacks, and Cash Prizes

Please return the registration form below with your check payable to

Temple Beth El Sisterhood to:

Karen Smith

8409 Barbee Lane

Knoxville, TN 37923

Deadline: Friday, October 11, 2019

Registrations received after the deadline will go on a "wait list" unless there are vacancies. Or a player can play at the "for fun" tables. You will be contacted.

Questions? E-mail or call: Karen Smith at (865) 691-3231 briankarens@comcast.net
 or Sandy Parker at (865) 237-4929 sandycpb@gmail.com

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_____ I can be East. (You will be contacted.) East stays at the same table and does not rotate. East completes the score card after each round.

_____ I can bring a mah jongg set. (You will be contacted.)

Please check **ONE** of the following:

_____ I will play in the Mah Jongg Madness. **OR**

_____ I will play in the Mah Jongg for Fun.

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Friday, December 20

Dinner begins at
6:00 p.m.
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Looking Back, Looking Forward

By Rabbi Alon C. Ferency

In David Brooks' latest book, *The Second Mountain: The Quest for a Moral Life*, he addresses changing definitions of success:

Life has what I think of as a two-mountain shape... On the first mountain, we all have to perform certain life tasks: establish an identity, separate from our parents, cultivate our talents, build a secure ego, and try to make a mark in the world...

The goals on that first mountain are the normal goals that our culture endorses – to be a success, to be well thought of, to get invited into the right social circles, and to experience personal happiness. It's all the normal stuff: nice home, nice family, nice vacations, good food, good friends, and so on. Then something happens.



That "something" is what Erik Erikson, a 20th century psychologist, may have called the crisis of Generativity, the essential need for "finding your life's work and contributing to the development of others." Religiously, we often call that *Calling*.

At his retirement, Rabbi Mark Greenspan pondered whether the rabbinate is a calling, and remained inconclusive. I venture that it is; moreover, I can say that anything worth doing is a calling. From the Biblical prophets onward, fortunate humans have each had a calling: to raise children, or write a book, or oppose tyranny, or learn again, or practice the law, or explore, or build a home. Whenever we find and do the thing we are made to do, we are engaging in our calling. It's the struggle to hear and do that promotes our growth as humans, and the danger of avoiding the call that can paralyze.

The most powerful parable about calling is the Book of *Jonah*, which we read every year on the afternoon of Yom Kippur. Jonah is called to deliver rebuke to Nineveh. Permit me a pithy one-act script of the four chapters of the book of *Jonah*:

GOD: *Jonah, go to the big city and make them change.*

JONAH: *No! I'd rather be a sailor.*

SHIP'S CAPTAIN: *You're a terrible sailor!*

GOD: *Now, go do what I asked.*

JONAH: *Okay... Did that work?!*

GOD: *Who knows?! Want to hear a joke?*

Plant grows, then dies.

JONAH: *I don't get it.*

GOD: *You're not supposed to get it, but you ought to have a sense of humor anyway.*

Every year I struggle to understand *Jonah's* moral, and I think I'm getting close. This year, I think a moral of *Jonah* is this: "I'm God; you're not. Now you do your job, and I'll do mine." None of us controls the world, but each of us has a particular job to do in it: That's calling. With that, the real struggle is finding that thing – hearing God's message and sharing it.

May 5780 be a year of renewed calling: hear the message made just for you and spread that message to others.

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Chairman's Report

By Jeff Becker, Chair of the Board of Trustees

Nancy and I returned on July 1 from an 11-day journey to Israel with our family (children and grandchildren, 21 of us!) It was a tremendous experience from many aspects: watching our adult children taking care of our grandchildren, observing our older grandchildren taking care of our younger grandchildren, and experiencing Israel again as so much has changed even since our last visit in 2018. The trip was planned with Ramah Israel Programs, our United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism's program based in Israel focused on youth activities. So it was a given that our trip was comprised of mostly activities for the younger members of our family. Nancy and I were challenged to walk up the Snake Path at Masada at 5:00 a.m. to see the sunrise (we opted out of that one), hike down to the Baniyas waterfall in the Galilee (so many steps, both up and down, but we made it!), and dig in the dirt at Beit Guvrin to find archeological scraps (no great discoveries, but the kids loved it).

What makes Israel such an essential part of the Jewish Experience? The importance of a Jewish Homeland in Israel to Judaism has been mostly unquestioned throughout our history and for our generation, but is it true for our children and grandchildren? What has changed since the founding of the State in 1948? Answers to these questions continue to be a challenge for the American Jew as our assimilation into the American mainstream seems complete (or is it with the rise of anti-Semitism?) So many questions and so many different answers.

One of the best ways to find answers that might satisfy you is to experience Israel in person. There is simply no better way to understand the land, the tensions between religiously observant and non-observant, between Jew and Arab, among Judaism, Christianity, and Islam (and include Druze, Bahai, etc. in the religion mixture), between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem. It seems impossible that Israel can exist and thrive with all these tensions, controversies, and enigmas. How could Israel become the nation revered for its technological prowess — the Start Up Nation, and only democracy in the Middle East, yet at the same time hold the stigma to some of a Nation that does not treat its minorities fairly?

So visit Israel! You will understand your Judaism, and perhaps yourself, better. You will connect with your ancient past and your near past as you walk in the footsteps of King David and Golda Meir. You will see and hear new ways of practicing Judaism that are evolving in Tel Aviv and experience the traditional ways of Judaism in Jerusalem. We have much to learn from our history and from Israel today. Can Israel provide for us the answer to the struggle: how to respect tradition while embracing change appealing to a young Jew that enhances Jewish values and practices?

Wishing you *Shanah Tovah Umetukah* ('A good and sweet year')!

And a year filled with peace, happiness, and good health.



Jeff Becker



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Heska Amuna Religious School (HARS) News

NDI—An Exercise in Assumptions

By Shuli Mesa, Education Director

Assumptions are a funny thing. According to the dictionary there are three basic definitions; the first being a thing that is accepted as true or as certain to happen, without proof. The second is the action of taking on power or responsibility. Lastly, arrogance or presumption.

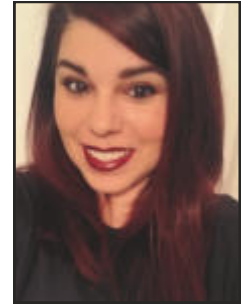
I had fallen under the first definition, I assumed that I knew what I was walking into.... but I couldn't have been more wrong.

I was honored to join the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism New Director Institute in late July. I found myself filled with assumptions. I assumed that as a new director, I would be handed the tools to further my newfound role. I'd be given resources and told exactly how our school should look, what we should teach, and who the ideal teachers would be. I walked in blind. Not only were my assumptions way off but it was as if I wasn't even on the same planet. Instead we focused on creating a community of Loving and Learning. A community. How simple yet brilliant a notion and one that blew any of my assumptions right out of the water.

After all, I was representing the smallest school and one of the only ones in the South. Essentially, how could they tell me what our school was to look and sound like? But they could teach me how to create community that shared its hopes and dreams for our future collectively. Here, we dove into new ways to encourage parents, teachers, and lay leaders to share these visions and how to form and reform them into a continuing far-reaching goal.

We dove deep into ourselves to find our own values and found ways to ensure that they were shared in a clear, solid, and transparent means. We learned to strengthen our voice and find new ways of expressing it. But most importantly, we learned how to highlight a safe, joyful, love of Jewish life. That was ultimately our mission. And while some may jest Mission Impossible, I emphatically retort-Mission on. Assumptions on-the second definition.

Shanah Tova to you!



What Does HAWL DO?

By Lisa G. Jacobson, President

I often get the comment, "Oh, did Women's League do that?" As Heska Amuna Women's League (HAWL) moves into 5780, I would like to reflect on what we ACCOMPLISHED in 5779 and what is planned during 5780. I am highlighting three major initiatives.

Heska Amuna Women's League brought a community together around an on-going humanitarian issue. HAWL, led by the compassionate and energetic efforts of Anita Kay, raised over \$6,000 (including a \$2,000 donation from College Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church) to support families seeking asylum in this country as they were being dumped at bus stations in the middle of winter without proper clothing, food, medicines, basic sanitary needs, or money. The ENTIRE Jewish community came together (with the Christian community following our lead) to provide contributions, donations of goods, and people to provide these necessities as asylum seekers passed through our community. We also provided education sessions at our Rosh Chodesh events. Lately, increased support from other religious organizations helped to address urgent needs, even though the numbers of asylum seekers passing through have increased. Unless there are policy changes, we expect the crisis will escalate again this winter.

HAWL brought laughter to a community struggling with threats and violence. We welcomed all women in the Knoxville community to join us as members and participate in a fun and educational session on the health benefits of laughter. We brought a nationally known "laugh therapist" to the community to teach us how to bring joy and laughter into our lives and why that is important for health. This was a particularly poignant program because it was the day after Pittsburgh's Tree of Life Synagogue shootings and followed what seems like an escalation in anti-Semitic acts throughout the US in recent years.

HAWL brought nostalgia for many, humor for others, and cultural awareness to the Knoxville Community. Even today, I still get comments from people who were deeply touched by the humor and poignancy of the off-Broadway production of "Not That Jewish" that Heska Amuna and HAWL joined together to bring to the Knoxville Bijou for three performances.

HAWL Will Focus on Education and Camaraderie in 5780

We hope to host smaller theatrical performances this year that are both fun and educational. We expect to have great programming in November when we do our annual membership luncheon; in January when we support the Torah Fund and celebrate HAWL through our Women's League Shabbaton; on March 22-23 when HAWL hosts the Southern Regional Convention for the region's approximately 20 chapters; participates in monthly Rosh Chodesh events with TBE, JCOR, and Chabad; and, finally, in sending women's league members to national leadership training and the 2020 Women's League National Convention. So, I hope you will join us as we provide fun and meaningful events to the community this year. Keep an eye out for the announcements and join us for memorable programs; or, better yet, give me a call (865-816-2714) and join us in helping to plan and present these programs. We look forward to seeing you and hope you have a healthy and happy 5780!

La Shana Tova Tikatevu!

High Holy Days & Fall Holidays

Heska Amuna Synagogue

5780/2019

S'lichot

Saturday, September 21, 8:30pm

As we enter the High Holidays of 5780, please join us for a special S'lichot service of prayer and reflection. Our S'lichot program also will include a very special commentary from Catherine Greer on ways in which music composed and performed during the Holocaust can be considered.

Rosh Hashanah

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, Sept. 29, 6:00pm

ROSH HASHANAH DAY ONE

Monday, Sept. 30, 9:30am

ROSH HASHANAH DAY TWO

Tuesday, October 1, 9:30am

TASHLICH

Monday, Sept. 30, 4:30pm

Tashlich services will be held behind the synagogue at the Third Creek Greenway at the bridge where the greenway crosses the creek. Parking is available off of Sutherland Avenue.

TASHLICH (RAIN DATE)

Tuesday, October 1, 4:30pm

SUNSET MINYAN *led by Jack Love*

Friday, October 4, 6:30pm

Cemetery Service

AT THE NEW JEWISH CEMETERY

Sunday, October 6, 11am

Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 8, 6:30pm

Arrive by 6:00 PM to enjoy the musical prelude performed by members of the Knoxville Symphony.

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

MORNING SERVICES, 9:30am

Study sessions will be held immediately after services in the library.

YOM KIPPUR MINCHA, 5:30pm

BREAK-THE-FAST, 7:45pm

The synagogue will be open all day on Yom Kippur including the time in-between services. You are welcome to relax, nap, or find a quiet space for reflection in the sanctuary, chapel, or library – or take a stroll to enjoy our beautiful outdoor gardens.

Sukkot

Sukkah Building

Sunday, October 13, 11:00am-12:30pm

Join Heska Amuna Religious School and members of the congregation as we build and decorate the synagogue *sukkah*. Showcase your craft skills! A light lunch will be provided free of charge for everyone that participates.

Dinner in the Sukkah!

Sunday, October 13, 5:00pm

Bring the family to wave the lulav with Rabbi Ferency and his band!

Dinner in the sukkah will be served at 5:45pm. Please make your reservation by Thursday, October 10: \$10 (ages 12 and up); children under 12, no charge. *Thank you to our sponsors the Sam & Esther Rosen Community Enrichment Fund and to Marilyn Burnett and Pat Rosenberg for catering.*

FIRST DAY

Monday, October 14, 7:00am

HOSHANAH RABBAH

Sunday, October 20, 9:30am

SECOND DAY

Tuesday, October 15, 9:30am

Shmini Atzeret and Yizkor

Monday, October 21, 9:30am

Simchat Torah

Monday, October 21

Dinner, 5:30pm

Hakkafot (dancing with the Torah), 6:15pm

Torah Reading, 6:45pm

Celebrate Our Torah,

our Kallat Torah (Bride) Mary Ann & Bryan Merrell and our Hatan Torah (Groom) Susan & Ken Brown

Sing, Pray, Dance! Join us on a tour through the Torah as we walk from Bresheit to Devarim with tour guides along the way to tell us about our people's trials and triumphs.

Please contact the office by Friday, Oct. 18th to make your dinner reservations: \$10 (ages 12 and up), \$5 (child), \$30 (family cap).

There is no charge for dinner for our school students but reservations are required.

Simchat Torah Service

Tuesday, October 22, 9:30am



In Appreciation

A special note of appreciation to all of our congregants whose participation contributes so much to our High Holiday services.

And, special thanks to the long-standing contributions for flowers on our bimah made by Scott Hahn in memory of his grandparents, Selma and Herbert Smullian, and his mother, Terry Hahn; and to the Zelda Siegel fund, wife of Miles Siegel and mother of Sherry Siegel, Mark Siegel, Cindy Shepler, and Peggy Loflin. Thanks also to the the Sylvia Robinson Memorial Fund for sponsoring our musical prelude to Kol Nidre; and to Marilyn Burnett for providing apples and honey to help us start the new year sweetly. Shana Tova!

⌘ **CHILDCARE & YOUTH PROGRAMMING** ⌘

Heska Amuna Religious School, in partnership with Heska Amuna Women's League, is offering a variety of high-quality services, activities, and childcare for the children of members and guests. The cost for this program is offset by a generous donation from Heska Amuna Women's League - *todah rabah!*

Our program offerings include:

Minyan Katan: an interactive service for children, ages 5 and younger, and their parents. Held from 10:00-10:30am in the Robinson Chapel.

Junior Congregation: an abridged service for children ages 6-13. Held from 10:30-11:30am in the Robinson Chapel.

Teen Discussions: conversations based on the High Holidays for ages 13 and older. Held from 10:30-11:30am

Workshops: activities based on important holiday themes for youths of all ages. Held after the Rabbi's sermon in the Winick Library.

⌘ **ROSH HASHANAH** ⌘

Monday, Sept. 30 (Day 1)
 Childcare, 9:30am-12:30pm
 Minyan Katan, 10:00am
 Junior Congregation, 10:30am
 Teen Discussion, 10:30am

Tashlich Workshop in Winick Library, after Rabbi's Sermon.

Tuesday, October 1 (Day 2)
 Childcare, 9:30am-12:30pm
 Minyan Katan, 10:00am
 Junior Congregation, 10:30am
 Teen Discussion, 10:30-11:30am

Rosh Hashanah Workshop in Winick Library, after Rabbi's Sermon.



⌘ **KOL NIDRE** ⌘
Tuesday, October 8
 Childcare, 6:30-9:00pm

⌘ **YOM KIPPUR** ⌘
Wednesday, October 9
 Childcare, 9:30am-12:30pm
 Minyan Katan, 10:00am
 Junior Congregation, 10:30am
 Teen Discussion, 10:30am

Yom Kippur Workshop in Winick Library, after Rabbi's Sermon.

Childcare, 6:00-8:00pm



Parking, Shuttles, and Rides

We are grateful to our neighboring churches who have allowed parking for us on the **first day of Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre, and Yom Kippur day**. We have a limited number of parking spaces on our top level that will be reserved for those with handicaps.

Laurel Church of Christ, 3457 Kingston Pike
 We will have a continually running shuttle to and from Laurel Church of Christ. The shuttle will run from 30 minutes before to 30 minutes after services are over.

Knoxville First Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 3611 Kingston Pike
 Parking is allowed, but there will not be any shuttle service to or from Knoxville First Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

Please contact the office if you are in need of a ride to or from any of our High Holiday services or if you would like help accessing the synagogue's main level entryway. We have installed a new door leading into the sanctuary from the walkway to help all access the synagogue more easily and also have additional wheelchairs and walkers if you need assistance.

L'Shanah Tovah

Heska Amuna Synagogue invites Hillel @ UTK students to worship with us during the High Holy Days.

Parking Space Raffle

Win YOUR OWN reserved parking for the 5780 year!

2 SPACES / 2 WAYS TO WIN:

SPACE 1: 10 Tickets for sale for \$100 each - **SOLD OUT!**

SPACE 2: Unlimited tickets sold - **STILL AVAILABLE**

1 ticket/\$5
5 tickets/\$15
10 tickets/\$2
25 tickets/\$50

To enter, stop by the office for a form or go to www.heskaamuna.org and pay by credit card online; if mailing, send your payment to Heska Amuna Women's League at 3811 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37909.

For questions call Lisa Jacobson @ 865-816-2714 or email womensleague@heskaamuna.org.

All orders and payments must be received by Thursday, September 26 - just in time for Rosh Hashanah!

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Permanent Schedule

Friday Night Services.....Varies
Saturday Morning Service.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Minyan.....9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Minyan.....5:30 p.m.
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, events, and information,
please visit
www.heskaamuna.org**

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*In honor of the graduations of Raphael
and Samuel Bendriem*

Judy & Abraham Brietstein

Butterfly / Outside Beautification Fund

In memory of Sidney Burnett

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In honor of Marilyn Burnett's birthday

Judith Rattner

*In honor of Marilyn Burnett &
her special birthday*

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*Wishing a speedy recovery to Rosalie
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Global Anti-Semitism

By Abraham Brietstein, PhD, KJCFF President

While our country has seen a recent, significant rise in anti-Semitism, including the neo-Nazi March in Charlottesville in which the demonstrators chanted Nazi inspired, anti-Semitic slogans, the horrific murders in a Pittsburgh synagogue and events even in our own community, these events are not, however, confined to our country. In fact, there is an even greater rise in global anti-Semitism, particularly in Europe, both from the far right and the far left. Here are some facts. A recent study by the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) finds widespread pessimistic views among Jews across countries in Europe, which is even more widespread among younger Jewish Europeans. Of those surveyed, 45 percent say they have been a victim of at least one anti-Semitic experience in the previous 12 months, and only 17 percent of young Jewish Europeans think that their governments are doing enough to combat anti-Semitism. In addition, the data shows that 41 percent of younger Jews have considered emigrating from the countries in which they live because of fears for their safety as Jews. The data from France is even more disconcerting, with a recent survey of Jews in France finding that 55% had seriously considered migrating during the past 12 months.

What this portends is a European continent with a rapidly diminishing population of Jews, with all of the implications that such a decline entails, including further acts of anti-Semitism against those Jews remaining, as well as the political implications for European countries to adopt even worse anti-Israeli policies.

On a more positive note, our House of Representatives recently overwhelmingly passed legislation opposing the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement, which attempts to press Israel on human rights issues in its conflict with Palestinians without any mention of terrorist activities committed by Palestinians. While we all need to speak out against this rising tide of global anti-Semitism, another option is to support organizations that fight anti-Semitism, such as the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and the World Jewish Congress (WJC) by starting a KJCFF fund dedicated to fighting anti-Semitism. For more information, please call the KJCFF at (865) 690-6343.



Donations

Pat and Gene Rosenberg Fund
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Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



JCOR High Holy Days Schedule 2019—Please Join Us!

Selichot	September 21, 7 p.m., program, featuring the film <i>No Longer 17</i>
	September 21, 9 p.m., service
Erev Rosh Hashanah	September 29, 7:30 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah	September 30, 9:30 a.m.
Children's services, Rosh Hashanah	September 30, 9:30 a.m.
Tashlich at Oak Ridge Marina	September 30, 4 p.m.
Kol Nidre	October 8, 6:30 p.m.
Yom Kippur	October 9, 9:30 a.m.
Children's services, Yom Kippur	October 9, 9:30 a.m.
Yom Kippur Mincha	October 9, 5:15 p.m.
Yom Kippur "break-fast"	October 9, immediately following service
First day, Sukkot	October 14, 11 a.m.
Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor	October 21, 11 a.m.
Simchat Torah	October 21, 6:30 p.m.



*Sisterhood Friday Night Shabbat at Greenfield,
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Donations to JCOR

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- ★ Ruth Carey from Ellen Appel
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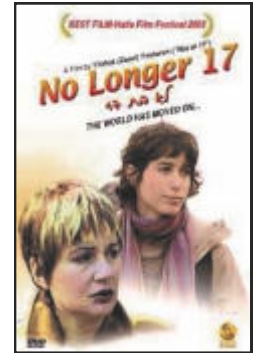
JCOR September Programs

September 21, 2019, 7 p.m.

Selichot Program: *No Longer 17*

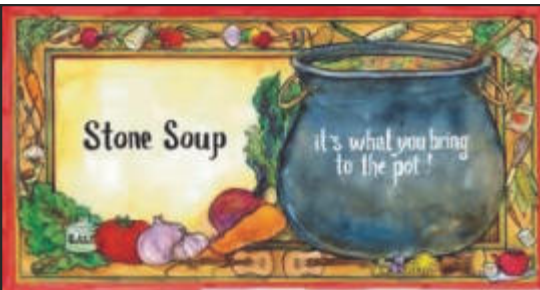
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The sequel to the classic Israeli drama “Noa at 17” finds Noa the idealistic teen now grown into a middle-aged woman. The kibbutz where Noa grew up is wracked with financial difficulties, so she returns home to help her mother, who’s among those who could be ousted from the settlement. But upon her arrival, Noa encounters a series of family reunions that retrigger old arguments and problems.



September 21, 9 p.m.

Selichot Service



JCOR is a partner with the Oak Ridge Unitarian Church in sponsoring a monthly meal for the hungry. Please donate your canned goods or dollars. Contact Ronnie Bogard for more information.



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Sept. 7	Judi & Len Gray, Sarah & David Stuart
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Sept. 21	Catherine Braunstein, Jeannette Gilbert
Sept. 28	Alice Feldman & Albert Good, Brenda & Sig Mosko
October 5	Hilary Shreter, Monty Lewis
October 12	Edith & Mel Halbert, Elena Bamberger
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At Chabad There is Something for Everyone



For the Family

Family Fun Holiday Events

Rosh Hashana: Shofar in the Park, September 30

Chanukah: Jewish Heritage Night at the Knoxville Ice Bears, December 26

Purim: Purim in the Circus – March 10 and more.....

Check out www.chabadknoxville.org for all family holiday programs



For Women

Join Miriam Esther for a fun-filled cooking experience as you gain insights, cooking tips, recipes and spatula licks.

Monday, September 16, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Rosh Hashana Main Dishes

Tuesday, September 17, 7-9 p.m. Rosh Hashana Side Dishes

Thursday, September 19, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Rosh Hashana Desserts

Monday, September 23, 7-9 p.m. Rosh Hashana Dips and Salads

Wine will be served. RSVP at me@kjds.org



For Kids

Hey Kids! Roll up your sleeves and get busy! Come experience the excitement and Joy of Kosher Cooking!

September 8: Kids bake **Round Challah**

November 24: Kids bake a **Cinnamon or Chocolate Babka!**

February 23: Kids bake **Hamantaschen**

April 26: Kids make **Bourekas or Blintzes**

All Kids in the Kitchen take place in the newly-renovated Chabad Kitchen

For Teens

CTeen - Where Jewish teens network, relax, and re-energize.

CTeen events bring together our Jewish middle and high school students for a fun social evening around a Jewish topic or Holiday. Allowing our middle and high school students to get together keeps old friendships strong, invites new relationships to flourish and primes the stage for our middle schoolers to join BBYO once in high school.



For Adults

Jewish Learning Institute – JLI

Jewish Secrets for Dealing with Life's Struggles

6 classes starting in November – Look for dates and times

This course offers formulas to remain upbeat and happy despite hardships, feelings of guilt, or personal inadequacy. Based on Tanya chapters 26-34, this course studies spiritual mechanisms that allow one to survive—and thrive—despite life's difficulties.

JAHRZEIT

Heska Amuna Synagogue

September 7

Bella Allen ♦ Dustee Bendes ♦ Jean Berger ♦ Gertrude Bobroff ♦ Ida Chandler ♦ Paul Cooper ♦ Rosa Deitch ♦ Ethel Foster ♦ Irving Goelman ♦ Julius Gruenberg ♦ Lawrence Hahn ♦ Rebecca Krauss ♦ Sylvia Leibowitz ♦ Barney Levine ♦ Hyman Liberman ♦ Rebecca F. Millen ♦ Samuel Poster ♦ Albert Ring ♦ Louis Roth ♦ Edwin Schnoll ♦ Martin Schwab ♦ Shlomo Shloush ♦ Tessie Siegel ♦ Molly Thorp ♦ Helen Tobe

September 14

Wolf Brody ♦ Gershon Cooper ♦ Andy Frank ♦ Ada Garber ♦ Daniel Goodman ♦ Sylvia Greenfield ♦ Max Hasden ♦ Muriel Littmann ♦ Hannah Nius ♦ Anna Belle O'Brien ♦ Louis Perelman ♦ Betty Presser ♦ Bea Schwartz ♦ Robert Zalkin

September 21

Louise Anderson ♦ Decia Bendriem ♦ Sarah Billig ♦ Adrian Burnett ♦ Molly Cohen ♦ Harry Davis ♦ Abraham Drutz ♦ Lillian Friedman ♦ Erwin Herz ♦ Esther Perlberg ♦ Freda Robinson ♦ A. Stanley Robinson ♦ Freda Samet ♦ Leah Schiff ♦ A.C. Scott ♦ Abraham Silber ♦ Louis Slovis ♦ William Zeff

September 28

Irwin Bendes ♦ Louis Billig ♦ Mark Blumenthal ♦ William Cole ♦ Sally Dyller ♦ Chaya Farbowitz ♦ Hinda Farbowitz ♦ Oscar Glazer ♦ Esther Goldman ♦ Charlotte Kalotkin ♦ Sophie Merlin ♦ Barbara Moody ♦ Sylvia Robinson ♦ Isadore Schwarzbart ♦ B. J. Thorp

JAHRZEIT

TEMPLE BETH EL

September 6

Ida Bing ♦ Bertha Brunschwig Bollag ♦ Zelmora H. Brody ♦ Ida Chandler ♦ Mellitta Sommerfreund Colland ♦ Fivel Feldman ♦ Frances Guthman ♦ Helen Koffman ♦ Max M. Reich ♦ Jeanne Rockmaker ♦ Emanuel Samuel ♦ Khasya Shaposnikova ♦ Tom Theriot ♦ Israel Weiss ♦ Ernest Wohl

September 13

Dorothy Jane Allen ♦ Ida L. Banov ♦ Arthur Copcutt ♦ Harry Davis ♦ Max W. Derby ♦ Arthur Feinbaum ♦ Ada Garber ♦ Seymour Gerson ♦ Julius Alfred Goodfriend ♦ Morris Goodfriend ♦ Martin J Krakauer ♦ Lawrence Leitson ♦ Elaine Lewis ♦ Jacob Margolies ♦ Renee Samuel Oury ♦ Martin Plachter ♦ Marilyn Rabin ♦ Emanuel Schenkel ♦ Edwin R Stein ♦ Igor Tabakman ♦ Peter B. Wertheim ♦ Maurice Zauber

September 20

Jack Bernard ♦ Samuel L. Gassel ♦ Meyer Kreisberg ♦ Rose Kreisler ♦ Stanley E. Levy ♦ Steve Reader ♦ Linda J. Scheiner ♦ Sidney Tumpson

September 27

Robert Nathan Austin ♦ Evan Dean Brody ♦ Lauren Fine ♦ Adolph Gelber ♦ Kennard Gross ♦ Julia Herrmann ♦ Lillian Herzfeld ♦ Ellison Jacobstein ♦ Walter B Johnson ♦ Dorothy Levy Licht ♦ Shirley Schaffer ♦ Irving Shey ♦ Celia Stein ♦ Beatrice Sturm ♦ Hyman Taylor ♦ Fannie Tomshinsky

Hadassah HIGHLIGHTS

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My first Hadassah Convention as Hadassah Knoxville President: #Mission Possible Recap

By Andrea Cone, Knoxville Hadassah chapter president

Going to New York City was a bit overwhelming, but then I got to the 99th Hadassah Convention held at the Sheraton Times Square with other Hadassah members and associates and I felt how warm and friendly everyone was. It was a wonderful feeling that everyone is there wanting to learn and be educated about *new developments in medicine, Israeli security, philanthropy, combating anti-Semitism, and women's health*. We experienced a lineup of inspirational speakers, had networking opportunities, training sessions and danced the night away. It was so crazy! I met up with members and leaders from my hometown in Marblehead, Massachusetts, as well as leaders I had associated with in the Washington, DC Metropolitan area. Jean Begue, Bonnie Boring and Jeanne Kidd represented our Knoxville Hadassah chapter as well as many from our Southern Region at the convention in New York. My favorite part of the convention was socializing with members from all over the United States to converse about what they do in their chapters. In 2020 stay tuned for fundraising opportunities as well as other informative programs about Hadassah's new developments in medicine, Israeli security, philanthropy, combating anti-Semitism, and women's health.



Andrea Cone, Jean Begue,
Wendy Kidd, and Bonnie Boring

What's Happening Here at Hadassah Knoxville

Our September programs start with Helene Sinnreich, Ph.D., associate Professor, Religious Studies and Director, Fern and Manfred Steinfeld Program in Judaic Studies at the University of Tennessee, who will present a four-session Jewish history miniseries at the AJCC. *Please refer to page 31.*

See Page 31 to RSVP for Sunday, September 8. **A Hadassah collective of cultures, food, & Jewish traditions around the world. A taste of South America!** The cost for one person is \$25.00 or two people is \$36.00 so bring your friend, your hubby, partner, soul mate etc. or just stroll on over by yourself for \$25.00. Come join us from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

RSVP For this event to Shuli Mesa at shulime@gmail.com

PJ Library will support our September 8 program by providing childcare for 0-11 year olds.

Please RSVP directly to Sarah May (pj@jewishknoxville.org) for BABYSITTING ONLY.

Cost will be \$5 per child (cash/check only). Checks can be made out to the *Knoxville Jewish Alliance*, memo: PJ Library.

Parents/caregivers please mention childcare, number of children, and their ages in your RSVP to Sarah May.

"An Artist View" - August 25 - Thank You to Karen Ferency, Linda B Zaretski, Harriet Glasman, Shelley Mangold and Jeanne Kidd, all Hadassah Members who are artists in our community. We are so fortunate to have so many talented artists that showed their beautiful art they create to new and prospective members as well as our current members. Several board members not only baked yummy desserts, they also spoke about Hadassah and what they do as a board member to keep Hadassah Knoxville thriving. A huge thank you to Elizabeth Floyd (Hadassah member) our babysitter for this program as she did a fabulous job. If you missed this celebration of artists and delicious desserts, then you can join us for more hands-on activities, fundraisers and more coming soon.



Jeanne Kidd, a Hadassah Knoxville Lifetime member, has given Hadassah a beautiful gift by becoming a Keeper of the Gate. **Hadassah Keepers of the Gate** ensure **Hadassah's** impact every day in Israel, the United States and around the world. Annual giving plays a critical role in **Hadassah's** lifesaving medical breakthroughs and cutting-edge care, supports a strong Israel, empowers women to effect change, and provides at-risk youth in Israel with a bright future. For more information please contact haddassahknoxvilleac@gmail.com.



Hadassah Knoxville to Host September History Series

Helene Sinnreich, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Religious Studies and Director, Fern and Manfred Steinfeld Program in Judaic Studies at the University of Tennessee will present a four-session Jewish history mini-course. The basic premise of this class is to study the intellectual development of anti-Judaism/antisemitism in Europe, culminating in the Holocaust.

The mini-course will consist of four Tuesday evening sessions, 7:00 p.m. Orwitz Room, Arnstein Jewish Community Center, 6800 Deane Hill Drive

Please register in advance at hadassahknoxvilleac@gmail.com so we can provide enough seating.

COURSE TOPICS

Tuesday, September 3
Jewish Life in Medieval Europe

Tuesday, September 10
The European Enlightenment and Its Impact on Jews

Tuesday, September 17
Antisemitism and Jewish Responses to Antisemitism

Tuesday, September 24
The Holocaust



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Sunday, September 8

AJCC 4pm to 6pm

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Checks: Addressed to Hadassah, Jenny Pfeffer see address in HADASSAH directory



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Contact Hadassah to Learn about Membership

Learn more about Knoxville Hadassah and Hadassah in general by contacting us today!

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Susannah's House Luncheon Update

The Lunch for Susannah's House on Wednesday, June 26, was a huge success! We prepared and delivered a yummy lunch of a variety of sandwich sliders, and croissant sandwiches, along with green salad, coleslaw, fruit salad and a variety of lovely desserts.

Our thanks to all of you who cooked and brought food contributions on June 25, and to those who attended the Susannah's House luncheon on June 26. If you haven't participated in this worthwhile Mitzvah, you may want to consider joining us in the future!

Thanks to Alice Farkas, Kathy Franzel, Barbara Isenberg, Anita Kay, Peggy Littmann, Brenda Sherman, and Louis Gauci.

Kathy Franzel and Peggy Littmann attend a Susannah's House recognition dinner for donors and volunteers on July 19.



L' Shanah Tovah
Have a sweet year!



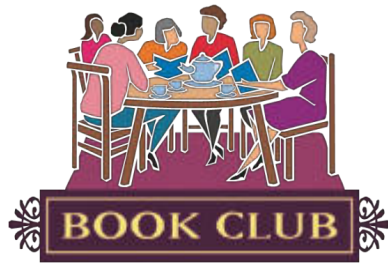
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Hadassah Book Club News

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

Hope to see everyone for our **September 17** Hadassah Book Club meeting. We normally meet the Barnes and Noble Book Store on Kingston Pike, but this month we will attend one of the Hadassah-sponsored study sessions on the history of anti-Semitism led by Dr. Helene Sinnreich, director of the Fern and Manfred Program in Judaic Studies at the University of Tennessee. The sessions will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Arnstein Community Center, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, every Tuesday in September. (see page 31)

Overview

For our August selection, we read *Antisemitism Here and Now*, by Deborah Lipstadt, in preparation for September's study sessions. *Antisemitism Here and Now* is a book by Deborah Lipstadt published in February 2019. In a series of letters to an imagined college student and imagined colleague, both of whom are perplexed by this resurgence, acclaimed historian Deborah Lipstadt gives us her own superbly reasoned, brilliantly argued, and certain to be controversial responses to these troubling questions about the rise in anti-Semitism.

Questions? Please contact Peggy Littmann at hadassahknoxvilleac@gmail.com or (865) 776-1013.

Next Reads

- **October 15:** *Daughter of Maloka'i* by Alan Brennert
- **November 19:** *The Unconsoled* by Kazuo Ishiguro

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 all of 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.

Please contact me at batyabox@gmail.com.



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Miriam Esther is jumping high in anticipation of the personalized learning she will be implementing in her Hebrew classroom this year. With the support of the Avichai funded *Better Lesson* coaching she is excited to help students set goals, exercise choice in pursuit of their goals, and self-assess and reflect on their progress towards their goal.

Mrs. Amy can't wait to jump into her first full year at KJDS. She is looking forward to setting up the art room to match her teaching style and starting the year with the students.

She has been reading the Ethic of Excellence and is psyched to bring the values and standards that are the base-line for all KJDS academic classes into art class.



Mrs. Ann is so excited she can hardly wait to see all the students and their parents! She especially looks forward to meeting the new families and working toward a "greener" school.



Morah Dana is jumping for joy with her new Hebrew reading curriculum. The curriculum, *Kriah Masters*, is based on the Orton Gillingham approach to teaching reading. She is excited to watch her students' reading soar through the new curriculum and exploratory and hands on centers she's created for them.

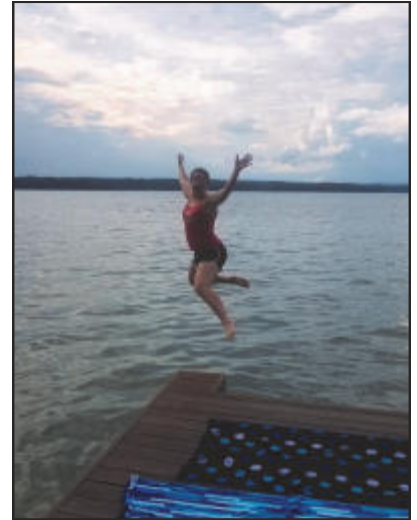


After taking a year off to be with her babies, **Mrs. Lusk** is thrilled to jump back into the KJDS classroom. She is especially excited to use her talent of structure and consistency coupled with the Responsive Classroom values of building a classroom where students feel a strong sense of belonging.

Ms. Louise is jumping into this school year thrilled to focus on crafting and monitoring individualized goals with teachers and students. She can't wait to see what everyone learns about their subjects and themselves. And, she loves working with so many curious people who are eager to grow!



Mrs. Blanchard is excited to jump into the 2-3 class study of world cultures and geography. She has some new strategies up her sleeve to expand students' vocabulary, which she knows will increase their ability to express themselves in both informational and creative writing. She is also excited to help her students use writing to increase their meta-cognition, so they can actively help guide their own learning.



Mrs. Haskins gets jumpy when she reflects on the amazing growth her K-1 students made last year in reading and writing. Having her students for a second year she is excited to build on that growth as she instills in her students that books can shape the way we think, the way we view the world, and the people we meet. She believes this will be a tool to empower her students to ask and explore tough questions about their world.



Ms. Julien is jumping in head first applying some of the resources she discovered at the Traverse Conferences. She looks forward to more arts integration in her units and creating transformative experiences for her students.

She is also looking forward to fostering the skills of life-long readers in her students as she teaches them to pause, ponder and think deeply about the author's intention of details in text.



KJDS kicks off the school year with Joy, Community and Exploration.



The joy in the air was palpable at the Jump into school party. An interactive jump roping show with Learnin' the Ropes, a visit from our school mascot and bringing our KJDS community back together, had our students, staff and parents jumping for joy!



Geocaching on the first day of school?!?? You bet, Ms. Julien used this experience to help her students understand how much of a role they play in each other's success and that success doesn't always come easy! Students gained insight into ways they can tackle challenges as a team throughout the school year. What an exciting and real way to build community on day one!



All classes dove right into exploratory learning! Math and Hebrew centers brought the joy of discovery to our K-1 classroom. Math build challenges were a favorite exploration point in 2-3 and 4-5 is exploring themselves as learners.

#JOY

#Community

#Exploration

The First Session of the KJDS Congress

When we were children we had the classic *School House Rock* songs to teach about "How a Bill Becomes a Law." Imagine if we worked through the entire process using "real world" issues with our classmates as legislators. At KJDS, Mrs. Blanchard did just that. She created a classroom congress to teach this valuable civics lesson-and it worked! Not only did the students learn the process by working through each phase of the process but they generated a few really good ideas the staff looked at implementing.

Students were divided into three Congressional Committees (Ethics, Appropriations, and Environmental). Each student brainstormed ideas for a bill, then came together

with their committees to decide which idea to bring to the whole congress. They worked with our dedicated committee chairwomen

(Ms. Louise, Ms. Ann, and Ms. Leathers) to craft a bill, taking into consideration the costs, steps for implementation, and requirements for enforcement. Bills were then presented to the whole Congress with

the appropriate language and time for questions. The students took their roles seriously. They asked specific and well-thought out questions, gave respectful critiques and ideas, and took notes to make sure they understood the bill before their votes. Finally, all bills were voted on and sent to "President Blanchard" for approval or veto. Watching them work as a team for the benefit of the whole school showed the kinds of future leaders we are nurturing here at KJDS.



The Environmental Committee came up with many great ideas, but just like the US Congress, had trouble finding a way to pay for them. The bill they presented was to create a KJDS garden for beauty and food.



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