



# Ha' Kol

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

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# Knoshville

## East Tennessee Jewish Food Festival

Sunday, May 22 — 11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Arnstein Jewish Community Center  
Knoxville, Tennessee

*Enjoy delectable Jewish foods created by some of the region's best cooks, join us for Israeli dancing, and schmooze with old friends while you make new ones at Knoshville, East Tennessee's Jewish Food Festival!*

- ★ **Knoxville Jewish Alliance:** Israeli salads, shakshuka (egg dish)
- ★ **Chabad:** bagels, lox, and cream cheese
- ★ **Hadassah:** Bundt cakes, slices & whole
- ★ **Heska Amuna Synagogue:** parve matzo ball soup
- ★ **Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge (JCOR):** knishes, mandelbrot, kugel
- ★ **Knoxville Jewish Day School:** latkes
- ★ **Temple Beth El:** challah, black-and-white cookies
- ★ **BBYO/YJAK:** beverages



Admission to **KNOSHVILLE** is free.  
Food tickets can be purchased at the door.  
(See page 24 for food history and additional information.)  
All menu items are either dairy or parve (neither meat nor dairy).  
Questions? Call 690-6343 or email [kja@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:kja@jewishknoxville.org)

After noshing at Knoshville, join us!  
**AJCC POOL OPEN HOUSE**  
Sunday, May 22 — 1-5 p.m.

Join us for the first day at the AJCC Pool. Learn about AJCC summer pool membership, Milton Collins Day Camp, and Camp K'tonTon summer camp, the new University Swim Club Smokin' Salmon Swim team, and more! *FREE admission.*

Join us for a summer of fun at the AJCC!





# Knoxville Jewish Alliance

# Ha'Kol

## University Swim Club Smokin' Salmon Ready to Go

It's official! The Greater Knoxville Area Interclub Swimming Association (GKAISA) approved the merger of two terrific swim clubs. The University Swim Club Smokin' Salmon will be led by **Head Coach Joe Peeden** and assistants **Sadie Counts, Sam Parker** and **Alex Peeden**.

Registration will be handled through the AJCC business office. Forms are online at [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org). The registration fee is \$225 per swimmer, which includes all practices, meet registration fees, and the team t-shirt. Parents can pay by cash, check or credit card prior to the first day of practice. Mail or bring forms and payment to Arnstein Jewish Community Center, 6800 Deane Hill Dr., Knoxville, TN 37919.

**Practice begins Monday, May 23.** The team has included practice options and will split practice times between the AJCC Pool and the UT Student Aquatic Center.

### PRACTICE SCHEDULE

#### Morning Practices—(Monday through Friday)

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

#### Evening Practices—(Monday and Wednesday)

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

#### Evening Practices—(Tuesday and Thursday)

- 7 - 8 p.m. (All Ages — at UT Student Aquatic Center)



**Remember:** A parent or guardian must sign in all swimmers 10-Under at every practice *and* must remain on deck during practices at UT.

**MANDATORY PARENT MEETING:** A mandatory parent meeting will be held **Wednesday, May 25 at 7 p.m. at the AJCC Pool**. The meeting will include GKAISA Concussion Training and other information mandated by GKAISA. We will also review the USC/AJCC Hazing Policy and cover introductions, general questions, social events, meet schedule, team communication and volunteer opportunities.

**PARKING:** Parking Passes for the UT Student Aquatic Center lot will be available on the first day of practice. You may purchase one at the first practice for \$31.00 (which is half-off the summer price and less than the cost of a parking ticket). *Passes will only be available for purchase on Monday, May 23 and Tuesday, May 24.* If you do not purchase during this time, you may purchase a summer pass at UT Parking Services.

**TEAM SUITS:** Team suits can be purchased at Swim and Tri in Bearden. We will schedule a fitting at the AJCC. Swim and Tri also will have microfiber team towels, which can be purchased at the suit fitting. We will have orange silicone caps printed with the new logo. Please note that we use silicone caps because Coach Joe is very allergic to latex. The cost will be between \$12-15 per cap and will be available prior to the start of the season.

### UNIVERSITY SWIM CLUB SMOKIN' SALMON COACHES

Contact Information: [uswimclub@yahoo.com](mailto:uswimclub@yahoo.com).

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### Join Us at the AJCC for

## POP-UP SATURDAY SUPPERS

**Saturday, June 18**

**Saturday, July 23**

**5:30-8:30 p.m. or until we sell out!**

Arnstein Jewish Community Center  
6800 Deane Hill Drive  
No reservations.  
*First come, first serve*

### Chefs Ben and Amy Willis-Becker

have worked side by side for 25 years in kitchens from Portland, OR to Vermont and Asheville.

"We strive to care for our community through supporting local farmers and producers. We hope by scratch cooking and simple visions we let *their* hard work shine through our food."

### Pop-Up Supper menus and prices

will be published in the KJA's monthly postcard, KJA's THIS WEEK email blast, and July Ha'Kol (for July event). We'll also post info on the KJA website and Facebook page.

To learn more about KJA activities, please send your address and email information to [office@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:office@jewishknoxville.org).



## KJA's Unsung Hero

By Adam Brown, KJA President, [adam@tennesseeschoolofbeauty.com](mailto:adam@tennesseeschoolofbeauty.com)

*Before becoming KJA President, I served as treasurer for six years. Every year I would say the same thing to our current president: "If Ed Hunter goes, I go." Not only was Ed a pleasure to work with, but he knew every detail imaginable in regards to KJA finances. He was always willing to stay for budget committee meetings or just to meet with me. When the Executive Director position became open this fall, Ed volunteered to add Facilities Director to his ever-growing list of tasks and if you've been to the Center lately, you can see how much better it looks and a lot of that is because of Ed's hard work and attention to detail. I believe Ed Hunter is the Unsung Hero of the KJA and I want everyone to know the man behind the scenes who never asks for recognition or credit.*

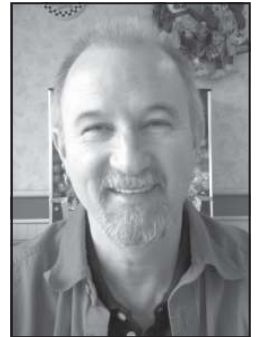
### Ladies and Gentlemen, meet Ed Hunter:

I moved to Knoxville and came to work for the Arnstein Jewish Community Center in July 1998. The staff immediately provided a "down-home feeling" and Bernard Rosenblatt was inspirational in guiding what I view as community. The staff went beyond the call of duty to welcome a country boy from a small community of 700 households to the big city of Knoxville.

Growing up in the countryside, number 8 of 9 children born to share-cropping farmers of 3,000-plus acres, we farmed long hours in a sparsely populated area with little community interaction. A community center, such as the AJCC, would have been a wonderful experience as a child or young adult.

Hobbies include family (partner, daughter and grandson), my dogs, reading, theatre, movies (drama, sci-fi, action, comedy, romantic, no horror), flea markets, outdoor activities of any sorts, including the lake, beach, mountains, and enjoy observing people in public places.

Personal goals have shifted toward retirement within the next decade. I want to retire with the feeling of satisfaction, knowing I have served my family and community well. I want to know that I gave more than I took and left the world that I have personally touched a better place. I want to volunteer to read for children after retirement. I'm not anticipating my death anytime in the near future....but I grin at the thought of knowing when someone thinks of me, a smile comes to their face. I find that extremely satisfying.



Ed Hunter

**The question, "Why should I be an AJCC member?"** is an opportunity to share my thoughts and feelings on community. This may be an old cliché but it is accurate: *without "u" comm\_nity doesn't exist.* Community is bigger than each of us and it provides strength and a refuge from the struggles of the world around us. Without the support provided by membership fees, the AJCC may cease to exist (at least in its current form). In 2015, membership fees accounted for less than 50% of the cost of operations. This means the KJA Annual Campaign paid for more than 50% of local operations. Would it not be wonderful if membership could support local operations and allow campaign to heal the world beyond our local community?

**Why my loyalty to the AJCC for so many years.** The AJCC campus provides a place where everyone in the community is welcome. Welcome to play (have fun), learn (grow), bond (friendship for a lifetime), and become part of a cohesive community to repair the world, Tikkun Olam. As a youngster I lacked the opportunity of the experience offered at the AJCC. I want to see the AJCC campus revitalized and truly become the center of the Knoxville Jewish community.

I tend to be a simple man, from a simple background and a small community. While there is nothing wrong with being simple, I tend to be like that little ol' ant that has high hopes. It is my hope to:

- Provide a warm, welcoming, clean entrance to the facility.
- Provide a cleaner facility with more shine.
- See the AJCC campus revitalized by selective changes to the landscape, shrubbery, and trees.
- Have an easy but secure access system to the facility that includes the building, pool and tennis areas.
- Maintain a beautiful pool area year-round, updating the pool pump room with weather proofing (new double doors) for winterizing, blow the walls and ceiling with insulation, and providing low heat to avoid freezing water pipes and increased water costs. This includes burying the water line that now resides on top of the concrete pad.
- Remove dangerously old trees on the property, replacing them with more appropriate species for each locale.
- Purchase additional thermoplastic-coated picnic tables with umbrellas for the pool area and the grassy island in front of the building and remove the old worn-out wood and concrete picnic tables.
- Convert the pool area to an indoor/outdoor heated pool with a removable covering OR purchase and cover the pool in the office season with black floats to prevent evaporation of chemicals and water in the off season and reduce overall costs.
- Replace existing pool fence with bricked pillars and 8-foot black double rail fence.
- Refurbish the pool deck by professionally repairing the concrete surface.
- Resurface the tennis courts and remove the scrub brush to the north of the courts.
- Resurface the parking lot, reform the curbs, and re-stripe.
- Purchase inter-locking rubber mats to protect the gymnasium floor and reduce costs of floor maintenance.
- Build the turf for the grounds with proper grass seeding, an irrigation system, and providing a more pristine grounds and appearance for the entire complex.

# MILTON COLLINS DAY CAMP



## Two-Week Sessions for grades kindergarten-6

with exciting themes that include fun games, field trips, science experiments, and art projects. From goofy games to educational electives, all will enjoy activities on our 13-acre campus.

*Daily* swimming, arts & crafts, and sports

*Weekly* tennis lessons

**One-week sessions** are available by special request.

Email [program@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:program@jewishknoxville.org)

**MAY 23-JUNE 3    SESSION 1: TENNESSEE ROAD TRIP**

**JUNE 6-17        SESSION 2: WE'VE GOT TALENT**

**JUNE 20 -JULY 1    SESSION 3: MAGIC AND MYSTERY**

**JULY 5-15:        SESSION 4: SPACE PLACE**

**JULY 18-29:      SESSION 5: IT'S THE OLYMPICS!**

**PLUS:** *Teen TAPS program for grades 7-9.*

*Community service hours available to these teens*

## ARNSTEIN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

6800 Deane Hill Drive — Knoxville, TN 37919 — (865) 690-6343

**REGISTER ONLINE!** [www.jewishknoxville.org/camp](http://www.jewishknoxville.org/camp)

We Welcome Back  
Brian DeBolt as  
Camp Director



## Israel Mission Trip

The Nashville and Knoxville Jewish organizations organized a joint P2G Trip to Israel in April. They spent time in our sister region of Hadera and traveled throughout Israel and visited with Knoxvilleans who are living there.

*L: Rachel Iroff and Deborah Oleshansky meet in Tel Aviv.*

*R: Steve Beber, Sandy Parker, David Oleshansky, Harriet Cooper, Deborah Oleshansky, and Jean Begue*

# CAMP K'TONTON

*Brought to you by the AJCC Preschool*

*A 10-week, fun-filled multicultural camp experience where kids can be kids, for children ages 2-5 years. We offer weekly sessions with exciting themes, special guests, and many fun activities.*

## 2016 FUN WEEKLY THEMES:

<b>Week 1:</b>	<b>May 23-27</b>	<b>Under the Big Top</b>
<b>Week 2:</b>	<b>May 31-June 3</b>	<b>Space is the Place</b>
<b>Week 3:</b>	<b>June 6-10</b>	<b>Under the Sea</b>
<b>Week 4:</b>	<b>June 13-17</b>	<b>Kreative Kampers</b>
<b>Week 5:</b>	<b>June 20-24</b>	<b>Where the Wild Things Are</b>
<b>Week 6:</b>	<b>June 27-July 1</b>	<b>Now We're Cooking</b>
<b>Week 7:</b>	<b>July 5-8</b>	<b>Ooey Gooy</b>
<b>Week 8:</b>	<b>July 11-15</b>	<b>Camp KTT Olympics</b>
<b>Week 9:</b>	<b>July 18-22</b>	<b>Around the World</b>
<b>Week 10:</b>	<b>July 25-July 29</b>	<b>Farewell to Camp KTT</b>

**Daily Activities** include swimming, arts and crafts, and lots of fun in the sun!

**Camp K'Tonton** invites special guests to visit each Friday, such as our friends from Zoo Knoxville, The Muse, The Living Tree, and more!

**Questions?** Call us at (865) 963-8001

**To register**, visit [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org) under the "CHILDREN" tab!



*Martha Iroff finished making the curtains for the AJCC Preschool classrooms from a project started on Mitzvah Day. She and Marty Iroff then hung the curtains in the classrooms. Thank you both for sharing your time and talents with the AJCC Preschool. Thanks again to our wonderful Mitzvah Day helpers!*

*In April, Greg Phelps, M.D., spoke to the public about Planning for the Future: Advance Care Plans and healthcare decision-making in a program organized by Jewish Family Services.*



## Find Your Foursomes and Register for the 2016 AJCC Golf Tournament

**Sunday, August 21 — Shotgun start at 8 a.m.**

**Egwani Farms Golf Course, Rockwood**

- Four man scramble format
  - \$99/player includes green fees cart, driving range usage, lunch, goody bag, door prizes
- Questions:** [ajccgolf@aol.com](mailto:ajccgolf@aol.com)
- **Registration Forms:** online at [www.jewishknoxville.org](http://www.jewishknoxville.org) or at the KJA office



## Brown Bag Luncheon Featuring Attorney Autumn Katz

**Thursday, June 16 — 12:30 p.m.**

AJCC Orwitz Room

Autumn Katz is a senior staff attorney at the Center for Reproductive Rights and has litigated a number of cases across the U.S. challenging state laws restricting access to abortion and other reproductive health services. Autumn has served as a fellow with the ACLU and completed internships with the Commission on Gender Equality in South Africa and Legal Momentum. She received her undergraduate degree from Washington University and graduated with honors from the University of Michigan Law School. She is the daughter of Abraham and Judy Brietstein.

Please bring dairy and parve brown bag lunches (no meat) for this lunch-time talk. Call 690-6343 for more information.



AJCC Preschool students got to learn about fire trucks and meet Knoxville firefighters during a safety lesson.



## Summer is Upon Us—Join Us at the “J”

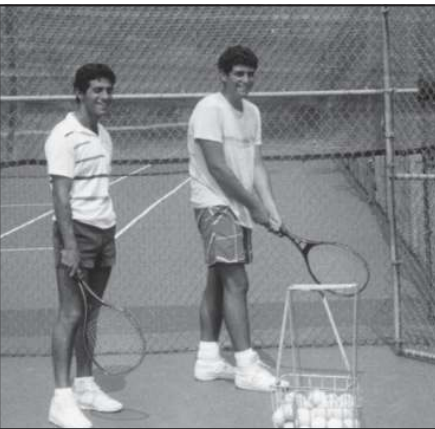
By Adam Brown, KJA President

Summer is upon us. What a great time to make lasting memories and the AJCC Pool is the perfect setting to make these memories. Since I'm all about getting the Center back to how it used to be, please bear with me as I reflect on my own summer memories at the pool (for you natives, I'm sure these will sound quite familiar).

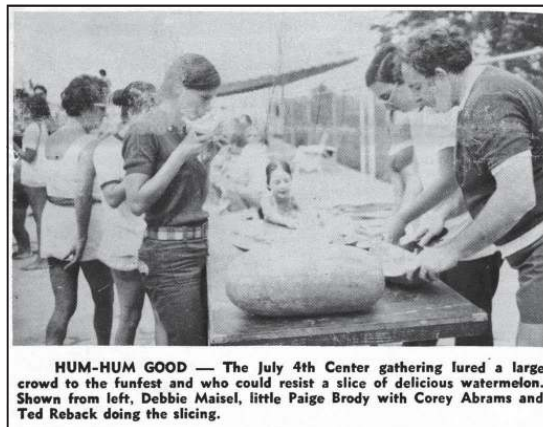
Bobby Zivi swimming two complete laps underwater (still an AJCC record); My mother and her friends playing mah-jongg ALL day at the pool; Sara Sackron, even at an advanced age, jumping off of the high dive (*Yes, there was a 12-foot high diving board at the pool for many years.*); Ted Reback cutting watermelon like a Samurai warrior (*you were best to be at least 100 feet away for your own safety*); my father letting kids push him into the pool in his tennis clothes; swimming in swim meets and playing interclub tennis matches; playing poker inside the building when it would rain (I'm still trying to figure out how Stephen Rosen won \$25 every week when the stakes were only five and ten cents); watching Paul Joffe hit deep home runs in the annual softball game pitting the youngsters vs. the old codgers (*yes, the baseball fields above the tennis courts were used for softball and kickball games*); and lastly, having to get to the pool by noon on a Sunday if you wanted a lounge chair.

When people talk about the “Good ole days,” to me, those were the good ole days. I couldn't wait until the pool opened on June 1 as I knew great times were ahead. The beautiful thing about the Center is that most all of the above options are still available to you, your kids, and/or grandkids. Trust me, if you will frequent the Center Pool often this summer, then these can be the “good ole days” for you and your family. I look forward to seeing you at the Pool this summer.

And remember, if you're a male over 18, please.....no Speedos!



Adam Brown and David Slovis playing tennis at the J. What's July without watermelon at the pool.  
Photos courtesy of KJA Archives.



**HUM-HUM GOOD** — The July 4th Center gathering lured a large crowd to the funfest and who could resist a slice of delicious watermelon. Shown from left, Debbie Maisel, little Paige Brody with Corey Abrams and Ted Reback doing the slicing.

## Knoxville Jewish Alliance Activities

- ◆ Archives
- ◆ B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy Program
- ◆ BBYO Support
- ◆ Camp K'TonTon
- ◆ Camp Tikkun Olam
- ◆ Community Relations
- ◆ Cultural & Social Events
- ◆ Educational Events
- ◆ Friendshippers
- ◆ Global Day of Learning
- ◆ AJCC Golf Tournament
- ◆ Ha'Ko/Newsletter
- ◆ Indigent Burial Fund
- ◆ Israel P2G Partnership
- ◆ Jewish Book Month
- ◆ Jewish Family Services
- ◆ Milton Collins Day Camp
- ◆ Missions to Israel
- ◆ Mitzvah Day
- ◆ AJCC Pool & Tennis
- ◆ AJCC Preschool
- ◆ PJ Library
- ◆ Sundown in the Sukkah
- ◆ Teen Connection
- ◆ University Swim Club
- ◆ Smokin' Salmon Swim Team
- ◆ UT Faculty Lectures
- ◆ UT Hillel
- ◆ Yom HaShoah Event
- ◆ ...And so much more!

**KNOXVILLE JEWISH ALLIANCE**

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kja@jewishknoxville.org

## Community Invited to May 11 Yom HaZikaron Service, Dinner, Movie

### Memorial Day Ceremony - May 11

Arnstein Jewish Community Center

Join us for **Yom Hazikaron**, as part of the KJA's Israel Independence Day observance.

**6 p.m.** A memorial ceremony, hosted by Michal Kaplan

**6:30 p.m.** Light dinner

**7:30 p.m.** Movie: *Body and Soul - the State of the Jewish People*, presented by director Gloria Greenfield

**8:45 p.m.** Panel Q & A with the director

Cost: \$ 5. AJCC members - free.

**Please RSVP:** [office@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:office@jewishknoxville.org) by Friday, May 6.

טקס יום הזיכרון – 11 במא, 2016

במרכז הקהילתי היהודי של נוקסוויל

6:00 – טקס זיכרון, בהנחיית מיכל קפלן

6:30 – ארוחת ערב קלה

7:30 – הקרנת הסרט: "גוף ונפש – מדינת העם היהודי"

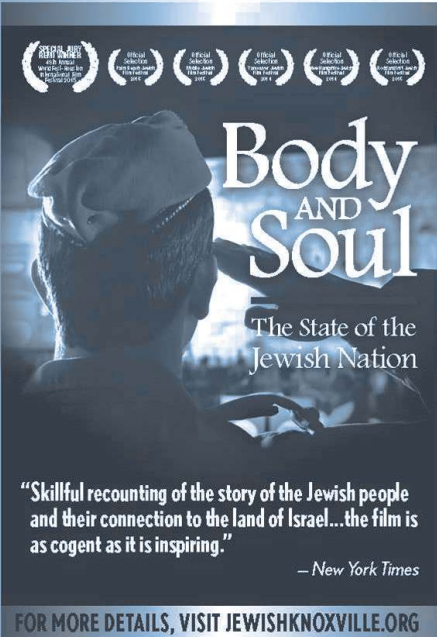
בנוכחות הבימאית גלוריה גרינפלד

8:45 – פאנל שאלות ותשובות עם בימאית הסרט

השתתפות: \$5. לחברי – AJCC ללא תשלום.

נא אשרו השתתפותכם ב: [office@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:office@jewishknoxville.org) עד יום

שישי, 6 במאי, 2016




IN COMMEMORATION  
OF YOM HA'ATZMAUT

**WEDNESDAY  
MAY 11, 2016 | 7:30 PM**

**ARNSTEIN JCC  
6800 DEANE HILL DRIVE  
KNOXVILLE**

POST-SCREENING DISCUSSION  
WITH PRODUCER/DIRECTOR  
**Gloria Z. Greenfield**

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“Skillful recounting of the story of the Jewish people and their connection to the land of Israel... the film is as cogent as it is inspiring.”  
— *New York Times*



**AJCC  
Welcomes  
Back  
Josh Smith  
as AJCC  
Pool  
Manager**

Josh Smith will be the 2016 AJCC Pool manager. This is Josh's sixth summer working at the AJCC. He is a Bearden High School graduate ('12) and is a senior studying mechanical engineering at The University of Alabama. He is also pursuing an MBA through UA's Manderson Graduate School of Business.



Brian Salesky, Knoxville Opera Company director, accompanies Soprano Linda Barnett during the KJA's March 16 Opera 101 program at the AJCC. The audience also enjoyed hearing Baritone Scott Bearden during the delightful evening event.

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The email is sent  
every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

# MAY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:30a minyan-HA 9:30a HARS Last Day of Class Celebration-HA 9:30a Last Day Religious School-TBE 11a-1p HA Sisterhood Garden Party-offsite <b>1:30-3:30p Winick AZA Car Wash fundraiser-AJCC Parking Lot</b>	<b>2</b> 7a minyan-HA 9:30a Ballroom Dancing-JCOR 4-5:30p Conversational Hebrew-Orwitz Room 6-9:30p Fencing-AJCC Gym	<b>3</b> 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 6p Exec Board-TBE	<b>4</b> 9:30a Ballroom Dancing-JCOR Noon Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA 6-9:30p Fencing-Gym 6:15p Ballroom Dancing-JCOR	<b>5</b> Yom HaShoah 7a minyan-HA 5:45-6:30p Soccer Shots-AJCC Gym 7:30p Israeli dancing-Gym	<b>6</b> 8:15-9:15a Mother's Day Tea-KJDS 6:30p Sisterhood Shabbat & Potluck-JCOR 7p Sunset Minyan-HA 7:30p Shabbat Service-TBE	<b>7</b> 9:30a Shabbat Service & Celia Adlin Bat Mitzvah-HA 9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR 7p Jewish Film Series: <i>The Boy in the Striped Pajamas</i> -JCOR
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## AJCC Summer Memberships on Sale NOW!

### The AJCC Pool is open May 22—September 5

Join us at our AJCC Pool Open House—**Sunday, May 22 1-5 p.m.**  
 Forms available at the KJA Office or online at [www.jewishknoxville.org/AboutUs](http://www.jewishknoxville.org/AboutUs)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>2016 AJCC POOL HOURS</b>  <b>May 22—September 5, 2016</b>  <b>Daily: 1:00-7:00 p.m. Thursdays: 1:00-8:00 p.m.</b>  <b>Saturdays: 1:00-7:00 p.m. Sundays: Noon-7:00 p.m.</b>  <i>(The pool closes at 4:30 p.m. on swim meet days for meet preparation.)</i></p>			<p><b>1</b>                      MCDC Session 1:                      Tennessee Road Trip                      9:30a Ballroom Dancing-JCOR                      Noon Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA                      6-9:30p Fencing-Gym</p>	<p><b>2</b>                      MCDC Session 1:                      Tennessee Road Trip                      7a Morning Minyan-HA                      7:30p Israeli dancing-Gym</p>	<p><b>3</b>                      MCDC Session 1:                      Tennessee Road Trip                      6p Kabbalat Shabbat Service-TBE                      6:30p Sisterhood Shabbat &amp; Potluck-JCOR                      7p Sunset Minyan-HA</p>	<p><b>4</b>                      9:30a Shabbat Service-HA                      9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR</p>
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<p><b>12</b>Shavuot                      9:30a First day Shavuot Service-Paige Quartararo                      Bat Mitzvah-HA</p>	<p><b>13</b>Shavuot                      MCDC Session 2:                      We've Got Talent                      9:30a Second Day Shavuot, Yizkor Service-HA                      9:30a Tai Chi-JCOR                      6-9:30p Fencing-AJCC Gym                      6p KJA Exec Com-TBD</p>	<p><b>14</b>                      MCDC Session 2:                      We've Got Talent                      4:30p AJCC Pool closes for swim meet                      6p Yizkor Memorial Service-TBE                      6-9:30p Fencing-Gym  <b>6:30p Newport Cocke Co. Swim Meet-AJCC Pool</b>                      6:30p Board-TBE</p>	<p><b>15</b>                      MCDC Session 2:                      We've Got Talent                      9:30a Ballroom Dancing-JCOR                      Noon Brown Bag Beit Midrash-HA                      6-9:30p Fencing-Gym</p>	<p><b>16</b>                      MCDC Session 2:                      We've Got Talent                      7a Morning Minyan-HA                      7:30p R &amp; RS Comm-HA                      7:30p Israeli dancing-Gym</p>	<p><b>17</b>                      MCDC Session 2:                      We've Got Talent                      1p Men's Lunch-JCOR                      5:30p Tot Shabbat-HA                      6p Shabbat Service &amp; Gibbons Bar Mitzvah-TBE                      6:30p Mensch Club Shabbat &amp; Dessert Oneg-JCOR                      6:45p Friday Night Chill-HA</p>	<p><b>18</b>                      9:30a Shabbat Service-HA                      9:30a Shabbat Service-JCOR                      10:30a Ryan Gibbons Bar Mitzvah-TBE                      7p Jewish Film Series <i>High Anxiety</i>-JCOR                      7-10p Pop Up Supper-AJCC Pool</p>
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## L'Dor V'Dor: Middlesboro Jewish Cemetery Rededication June 8

The Maimonides Jewish Student Association of the Lincoln Memorial University DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine will hold a re-dedication of the Middlesboro (Kentucky) Jewish Cemetery on Wednesday, June 8 at 2 p.m.

Over the past year, students Troy Fuller, Jarrod Walerstein, and Jordan Miller (and Jordan's mother, Julie Kogen) have worked with LMU-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine faculty Howard Teitelbaum and Ronald Dubin to make needed repairs to the cemetery. In appreciation of these achievements, a celebration and commemoration will be held to acknowledge the work of the MJA association and the partnership they have created with the Trustees of the cemetery who represent the families of those whose loved ones, of blessed memory, rest in this sacred hillside at the foothills of the Cumberlands.

**For more information**, please contact Mary Ann Merrell, [mamerrell@yahoo.com](mailto:mamerrell@yahoo.com) or Melvin Sturm, [melsturm23@gmail.com](mailto:melsturm23@gmail.com).

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**SUNDAY, MAY 1**  
**AJCC**  
**1:30-3:30 P.M.**  
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**WASH &**  
**SCHMEAR**



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 Knoxville, TN 37919

Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1:30-3:30  
 Arnstein Jewish  
 Community Center

# H A P P E N I N G S

## 2016 High School and College Graduates Sought

Let us know if you have a high school or college student in your family who will be graduating from high school or college this year, so we can publish your good news in the July issue of *Ha'Kol*.

Please provide the student's name and family information (son or daughter of, grandson of). **Deadline: May 23.**



- ◆ **High school:** list the high school, parents, honors or leadership positions, and future plans – if going to college, provide the name of the college and proposed major.
  - ◆ **College, community college, or trade school:** please let us know what degree was earned and future plans!
- E-mail information and photos to [jjork@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:jjork@jewishknoxville.org) or mail to *Ha'Kol*, c/o KJA, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919

## AIPAC Knoxville-Oak Ridge Annual Event

**Monday, May 9**

6:00 p.m. Deli Dinner

7:00 p.m. Program

Arnstein JCC

6800 Deane Hill Drive

Knoxville, TN 37919

This event is open to those who generously contribute a minimum of \$100 to the 2016 AIPAC Annual Campaign.

*For additional information,  
please contact Staci Eichelbaum  
at 678.254.2631 or [seichelbaum@aipac.org](mailto:seichelbaum@aipac.org).*

## B'nai Tzedek Teens: Raise Your Voices at May 8 Meeting

The B'nai Tzedek Fund Holders Lunch and (Mental) Munching Meeting will be held Sunday, May 8, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the AJCC Board Room.

It's time for *Making the Big Decisions* at the B'nai Tzedek annual meeting where we select and celebrate the outstanding organizations that should receive grants from our funds. If you are a current fund holder, or if you are a teen interested in learning about the B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy program, come to our May meeting. At this meeting, current fund holders will decide what organizations should receive grants this year.

We invite the community to share ideas on what organizations you think are worthy of our support. Grants can be given to any non-profit organization that serves the Jewish community - anywhere in the world! Send your suggestions to your favorite B'nai Tzedek fund holder or to Mary Ann Merrell and Shannon Martindale at [bnaitzedek@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:bnaitzedek@jewishknoxville.org).

**Fund holders:** Please RSVP to us by **Friday, May 6**, so we know to count you in for lunch. If you need a ride, let us know that, too!

## Suzy Snoops

*Ha'Kol welcomes your good news, whether it is a new job, lifecycle event, celebration of a special anniversary, or honors and awards. Please send information to [jjork@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:jjork@jewishknoxville.org) or to the *Ha'Kol* newsletter, c/o Knoxville Jewish Alliance, 6800 Deane Hill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37919.*

- ★ Mazel tov to **Adam Abeles** and his wife **Christina Bailly** on the birth of their first child, **Edward Francis Abeles**. Proud grandparents are Steve and Carol Abeles, proud aunt is Emily Abeles, and proud great-great-uncle is Sam Balloff. Adam and Christina live in Nashville.
- ★ Many in our community enjoyed listening to UT Senior **Rachel Brown's** Senior Honors recital. She is the daughter of Ken and Susan Brown.
- ★ **Henry Fribourg** spoke at an exhibition on the Holocaust, entitled *Holocaust Memorials: Do You See What I See?* at the Rose Center Council for the Arts in Morristown, TN. The centerpiece exhibition featured memorials designed and constructed by art, German, and engineering students at Morristown High School East, led by instructor Christiane Schmidt.
- ★ **Esther Sitver**, a senior at Bearden High School, won first place for 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the Dogwood Arts Synergy Student Art Exhibition with the painting *Masked Madelaines*. Her painting is featured on the SYNERGY webpage for Dogwood Arts. In her junior year, Esther won "Best in Show" at SYNERGY for her painting *Whole Wheat Tech*. She will pursue an illustration BFA at a major art school this fall. Esther is the daughter of Joe Sitver and Anita Kay and the older sister of Lilly Sitver.
- ★ UT English Professor Marilyn Kallet read a poem she wrote in memory of UT students and employees who died within the past year. The service, held at the University Gardens in April, honored 11 students and 13 faculty and staff members.



*Parents Ken and Susan Brown with Rachel Brown*



# TEMPLE BETH EL TIMES

22 Adar II - 22 Nissan 5776

**Annual Temple Beth El Congregational Meeting**  
Thursday, May 12 — 7:00 p.m.  
Arnstein Auditorium, Temple Beth El

**Election of Officers**  
**Annual Reports**

We will vote for new Board Members  
and Committee Reports will be  
presented.

Light refreshments to follow.



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Please join us at a  
**WELCOME BBQ**  
for Rabbi Scott Saulson  
and  
**Kabbalat Service/  
Board Installation**

**Friday, July 8 — 6 p.m.**

**Please RSVP by July 3**  
to [secretary@tbeknox.org](mailto:secretary@tbeknox.org)  
or call Tina at 524-3521

*Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share!*  
TBE will provide the rest.



## Strengthening a Vibrant Community

By Liz Gassel, TBE President

Yesterday, I had the opportunity to get a training session with the Temple defibrillator, a machine that administers a controlled electric shock to the chest or heart to correct a critically irregular heartbeat that cannot drive the circulation." I had training a few years ago, but totally forgot anything about how one goes about using it if someone has a heart attack. Dr. Alan Smuckler graciously offered to give the training again and there we were, Tina, Tom, Alan and I, in the TBE office, listening to Alan's calm voice and observing his demeanor as he explained that the first thing we need to keep straight in our minds is to "stay calm and that there *is* time to proceed carefully and correctly." The other important point he stressed was that "one cannot do wrong, you are trying to help and your actions are considered such. You are acting as a 'Good Samaritan' and you cannot be sued for wrongdoing." So with those important ideas, we proceeded to listen and watch as Alan went through the steps necessary if someone needs help. First, the call to 911 must be made. Then CPR follows. Then, you open up the defibrillator box, press the green button and "voila"; an electronic voice takes you through all the steps. You just follow along until EMS arrives. All seems easy in theory yet, in practice, scenarios can vary far and wide.

We, at Temple Beth El, thankfully, have not yet had to deal with anyone in the throes of a heart attack but we must always be prepared for such. I wish though, that we could have that electronic voice to be there to take us through all the steps necessary to transition to a year with an Interim Rabbi and new leadership. Right now, the near future might seem a very foreign, unfamiliar and daunting place with circumstances we can't predict. However, we have to step into new territory within our very well-known Temple landscape. The dynamics will change with new personalities and new challenges. But, in this last year we have seen ourselves so capable. We have kept calm and composed and we have continually attempted to consider and act in the best ways for our congregation. This must continue into the coming months as well.

These next 18 to 24 months are pivotal. How we manage change will be telling. We'll need able-minded people to fill many roles. We'll need to seriously consider who we are and what we want to be. We'll need to create continuity between the Interim Rabbi and the settled Rabbi. We'll need to be thinking honestly about what we are capable of taking on as a congregation with the volunteers we have to carry out those projects. You all will be challenged to work hard and to think seriously about what Temple Beth El means to you.

The Union for Reform Judaism speaks to the need of Strengthening Congregations: Healthy, adaptive, agile congregations, "Vibrant Congregations", are critical to Jewish life. North American Jews and their families will continue to turn to congregations for their spiritual, emotional, educational, and communal needs. Synagogues must be equipped to respond to the changing needs of the communities they serve. And, they must be able to transform themselves to provide relevant and meaningful ways for people to learn, practice, and experience Judaism. Similarly, building and nurturing a strong and vibrant Jewish ecosystem that supports numerous and varied opportunities for people to express their Jewish identity is also necessary.

As I leave my role as president, I want all of you to consider what our priorities should be. We could use the coming year to strengthen the best in us, our great foundations. The Board and Executive Committee need to continue to be motivated. Most are returning to another year of service and that speaks a lot. We can look back and feel ourselves drained and depleted from myriad efforts to keep membership engaged, regular and consistent worship in place and our organization financially strong. But we can also look back and readily see how much we have accomplished in a year of very unusual challenge. We have successfully sustained our community.

Members, please consider taking over some committee work or even a single project. I know many of you are very busy. If you sign on for objectives that have a beginning and a finite scope that fit within your time constraints or capabilities, you might feel much rewarded by the accomplishments and the relationships made. The same committed people are 'doers' year after year. Consider partnering with and learning from them on one assignment. These 'doers' we rely on are not going to be here forever. Step up and become an additional support pillar to reinforce the already strong foundations here. You must take us into the future. What issues are most important to address? Today's Jewish world offers so many. We don't have to do everything or be everything to everybody. Think about this. For you, what is the one thing that would make giving time and effort at Temple Beth El a pleasure? Could serving on the Board or on a Committee be a great experience? Working together should not be burdensome!

Through this process we can learn a lot about ourselves, who we are now and what we desire for this Congregation. This is focused work but it could make Temple Beth El yet more engaging and worthwhile for us all. Come along on this expedition.

I thank you for all of your support these last two years. I hope you will continue to participate in the pursuit of a life of engagement and commitment. Temple Beth El is a "Vibrant Congregation" because of you.



## It's Time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El

By Karen Smith, Sisterhood President

Sisterhood has been busy!

Thank you to our hamantaschen bakers Lesley Krakauer, Karen Smith, Phyllis Hirsh, Amy Rosenberg, Liz Gassel, Deborah Roberts, Sari Kagan, Diana Steinfeld-Hicks, Renee' Hyatt, and Sylvia Witcoff. And to our hamantaschen sellers Tammy Kropp, Phyllis Hirsh, and Karen Smith. The Purim Carnival and Sisterhood's participation is always a fun morning!

Thank you to Meredith Jaffe for organizing the March 10 Rosh Chodesh program at Temple. Everyone enjoyed listening to UT Judaic Studies scholarship recipient Hannah Bowling and her interesting story.

And our thank yous continue. Sisterhood's Wine and Chocolate Basket as part of the Temple auction on April 2 would not have been possible without contributions from Lesley Krakauer, Karen Smith, Karen Smuckler, Sari Kagan, Meredith Jaffe, and Liz Gassel.

Don't forget that Sisterhood's contributions to the Women's Domestic Abuse Shelter, Second Harvest Food Bank/Marty's Mission, FISH Pantry are ongoing throughout the year. Please bring a non-perishable food item each time you are at Temple.

Sisterhood's Beiler Floral Fund Chairs Emma Fleischmann and Caren Berman remind us that a standard flower arrangement for bimah flowers for Shabbat, holidays, and special occasions is \$36.00. Please contact Emma to order a more elaborate arrangement.



*Diana Steinfeld-Hicks concentrates on filling hamantaschen.*

### It's time for Sisterhood at Temple Beth El! Celebrating 100 years of Sisterhood at Temple Beth El—1915-2015



*Amy Rosenberg, Sari Kagan, and Renee' Hyatt roll and cut the dough.*



*(Above) Tammy Kropp, Phyllis Hirsh, and Karen Smith sell Sisterhood's prune, chocolate, apricot, and poppyseed hamantaschen at the Purim Carnival.*



*(Left) Sisterhood bakers Lesley Krakauer, Sylvia Wittcoff, Renee' Hyatt, and Karen Smith.*

## Temple Beth El Religious School May & June 2016 Update

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

*Religious School ends May 1, but we still have some great things happening in May and June!*

**Last Day of Religious School is Sunday, May 1.** This year we will have special classroom celebrations and parties to make our last day of school really great. Don't miss the fun!

**Rabbi Jeremy Simons from ISJL will be our guest the weekend of May 13-15.** Everyone is familiar with the ISJL Fellow Program, which assigns a specially trained Fellow to serve our religious school every year. What you may not realize is that ISJL also has two rabbis who can serve congregations for special events. We are fortunate to have Rabbi Jeremy Simons spend a weekend with us in May. Rabbi Simons will conduct our Friday evening Shabbat service. He will also lead a Torah study Saturday morning and a special adult/teen program Saturday evening. On Sunday, Rabbi Simons will have a session with our confirmation students and our B'nei Mitzvah students. I hope all of you will take this opportunity to attend one or more of these leaning opportunities.

**Reuben Margulies becomes a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m.:** Join the Margulies family as their third child reads Torah. This simcha will be all the more special because Reuben's great uncle, Rabbi Fred Margulies, will be conducting the service with the assistance of Norma James. Reuben is excited to follow in the footsteps of his sister Rachel and brother Ben and to be an example for his younger sister Grace. Reuben's parents Aaron and Imelda hope that everyone will join them on this wonderful occasion. For his Mitzvah Project, Reuben has been working in various food pantries and will be collecting non-perishable food items that will be donated to those in need.

**Ryan Gibbons will be called to the Torah Saturday morning, June 18 at 10:30 a.m.:** Parents Melinda and Tony Gibbons, along with brother Ben, invite you to celebrate with them as their son Ryan becomes a Bar Mitzvah. It is interesting to note that Ryan's Torah portion is actually the longest portion in the Torah, but he will not be reading the entire parsha! Ryan has been working very hard to prepare for this important milestone in his Jewish studies. In addition he has designed a Mitzvah Project that will help Zoo Knoxville. Ryan will collect donations and build bat houses. We hope you will help with his project by making a donation to Zoo Knoxville.

**Norma James will travel to Mississippi to attend the ISJL Conference June 26-28.** Norma is very excited to participate in this year's ISJL Conference. She will join with other educators from all 13 ISJL states to learn from guest presenters and the ISJL staff. In addition to these learning sessions, the attendees have many opportunities to share ideas and programs with each other. Attendance at this amazing conference is made possible through money from our Temple Beth El endowed funds.

### Gibbons Celebrates Bar Mitzvah June 18

Ryan Davis Gibbons celebrates his bar mitzvah on Saturday, June 18, at Temple Beth El. Services begin at 10:30 a.m.

A seventh grade honors student at Bearden Middle School, Ryan is an active member of several extracurricular activities including Science Olympiad, Bearden Middle Tennis, Bearden News Network, and Jazz Band. He enjoys reading, tennis, and music. Ryan spends his summers in various camps including the AJCC and multiple UT camps. Ryan is very close with his family, especially his older brother Ben.

Ryan has a lifelong love of animals so it's no surprise that for his mitzvah project he took action to support the protection of endangered species. Working with a local housing developer, Ryan helped identify areas serving as habitats for the Indiana Bat. He then built bat houses and placed them in wooded areas near land targeted for future house construction to provide suitable alternative habitats for the bats. Ryan also created and shared a PowerPoint presentation promoting awareness about several endangered species, including the Indiana Bat, and provided information on how others can support the protection of species threatened with extinction.

Come celebrate with Ryan and his family on June 18 at 10:30 a.m. as he is called to the Torah. Ryan will read from Nasso. Immediately following services, a lunch will be provided for all attendees.



## I Am in Love with Bialys

By Diana Steinfeld-Hicks

Bagels are good and I like them very much, but bialys are lighter and softer and totally delicious. Bialys and the bialy recipe came to New York City with Polish immigrants, specifically from Bialystok, Poland.

Harold's delicatessen in downtown Knoxville used to have bialys and Best Bagels in West Knoxville has bialys but you have to get there early on a Sunday morning.

One difference between a bagel and a bialy is that bagels are boiled prior to baking and bialys are not. Another difference is that bialys have a thumbprint in the center filled with poppy seeds, kosher salt, olive oil and onions (and my granddaughter likes the center filled with dark chocolate and blackberry jam). Bagels have a hole in the center. Both are delicious toasted or not and covered with a schmear of cream cheese, some lox and anything else you enjoy.

Having grown up in NYC, I have been eating bialys my whole life and when I moved to Knoxville, my dad used to ship them to me. What a good dad!

I finally found an absolutely excellent bialy recipe years ago. Wilma Weinstein-Lomax was the KJA program director and she hosted a speaker who had just written a book about how he and his father healed their relationship. His father had the creative idea to invite his son to New York to take a week-long baking class with him and they baked BIALYS! I bought the book because it had the recipe in the back. Please try it. You will love the baking process and the wonderful smell while the bialys are baking, and then slicing or ripping them apart and eating them.

### BEST BIALY RECIPE\*

#### The Bread:

2 cups warm water  
1 package yeast  
2 tsp sugar  
2.5 tsp kosher salt  
1.25 cups bread flour  
3.5 cups all-purpose flour

#### The Topping

1 tbs olive oil  
1.5 tsp poppy seeds  
½ tsp salt  
1/3 cup minced onion



#### Directions:

- In a mixing bowl, combine ½ cup warm water, yeast and sugar and let stand until foamy, about 10 minutes.
- Mix remaining 1 ½ cups water, salt, bread flour, and all-purpose flour into yeast mixture.
- Knead by hand till smooth. It will be a soft dough.
- Place dough ball in a greased bowl (olive oil). Turn it over so that all sides have a light covering of the olive oil.
- Cover with plastic wrap and let rise until tripled in bulk.
- Punch dough down, turn it over, cover and let rise until doubled.
- Punch dough down 1 more time, cut in half and roll each half into a cylinder shape. Cut into 8 rounds. Prepare topping by mixing all topping ingredients together.
- Using your thumb, press into the center of the bialy and fill this indent with the topping mixture.

#### Preheat oven to 425 degrees

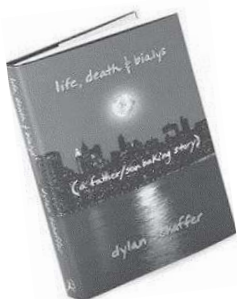
Bake on two baking sheets.

Bake on upper and lower shelves of the oven for 6-7 minutes, then switch the pans and reverse positions of the pans until bialys are evenly browned, about 5-7 minutes more.

Put bialys in a plastic bag for storage (they can be slightly warm).

Bialys freeze well or you can just eat them all!

\* Recipe is featured in the book: *Life, Death & Bialys: A Father/Son Baking Story*, by Dylan Schaffer, 2008.



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## Join Reuben Margulies as He Celebrates Bar Mitzvah at TBE

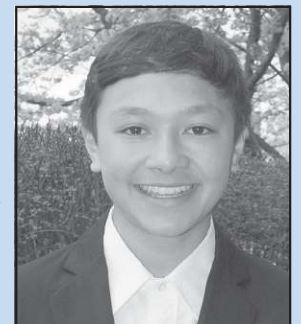
Reuben Garcia Margulies will celebrate his bar mitzvah on Memorial Day Weekend, Saturday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m. at Temple Beth El. The community is invited to attend. Reuben has been studying with Deborah Roberts and Norma James as he prepares for his big day.

Reuben will read from Parsha BeHar and "Proclaim Freedom Throughout the Land to all its Inhabitants." He wishes to honor all of our servicemen and servicewomen; especially those that have made the ultimate sacrifice with their lives, to protect our lives and freedom throughout our land.

Reuben is the third child of Imelda and Aaron G. Margulies and the brother of Rachel (15), Ben (14) and Grace (10). Reuben is a seventh grade honor student at Farragut Middle School and is an avid soccer player for FC Alliance and the Farragut Middle School team. Reuben is a star defender, hunting down those trying to score, stealing their ball as they stand in bewilderment at the thief in the night. Reuben learned his stealth while studying to become a 1<sup>st</sup> degree Black Belt in Taekwondo.

For his Mitzvah project, Reuben served meals to the needy at the Volunteer Ministry Center and packed food into single meal packs at Second Harvest. He is preparing centerpieces that will be a basket of food to feed a family of four for a full day.

We hope you will join us for Reuben's special day and join us immediately following services for a luncheon in Reuben's honor.





## Why Pray?

By Rabbi Alon C. Ferency

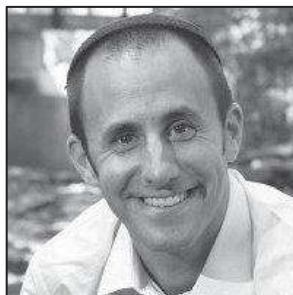
An excerpt from the forthcoming book, *Birkat Kohanim* (Mesorah Matrix):

Generally, people pray (or don't) with one of two assumptions: (1) prayer is magic, or (2) prayer is meaningless. Advocates of the former believe that speaking to God will change the speaker's fate, whereas advocates of the latter believe that speaking to God has no effect, and that it would be better to save one's breath and not speak at all. This is a false dichotomy. Prayer is meaningful, but not magical. Prayer may appear to be a request for material change, but its true spiritual effect is much more subtle and profound. It is neither prescriptive nor descriptive, but aspirational. We seek divine energy to help us transform our own lives. We imagine that we are changing God, when in fact we are changing ourselves, if we are so lucky. We bless ourselves to become our best selves....

First, let us address a false premise, that some believe lies at the heart of prayer: that our actions, above all our prayers, affect the inner life of God. Roughly, one might call this "theurgy," a belief that the goal of ritual is to evoke a response from the divine realm. Such a theurgic supposition is the principle behind saying *Kaddish* for a parent in the months after his or her death. By offering praise to God, our sages imagined that recitation of *Kaddish* might force God's hand, as it were, and make God judge the deceased more mercifully. In so doing, we might ensure the ascent of their spirit to heaven. To be sure, it's a premise that many assume to be behind all prayer: somehow, our words will change God's mind, as it were, and thereby change our fate. In prayer, we are seeking God's intercession to change the future.

Admittedly, this was a piece of our sages' thinking about prayer. For example, Rabbi Eleazar said: "Why are the prayers of the righteous compared to a pitchfork? To teach you that just as the pitchfork turns the grains from place to place in the barn, so the prayers of the righteous turn the mind of the blessed Holy One, from the side of sternness to that of mercy." Even though we may be far removed from the agricultural times of Rabbi Eleazar, we can still grasp this marvelous image. A pitchfork is useful, powerful, even dangerous; so too are our prayers. Rabbi Eleazar is not saying that the pitchfork politely asks the grain to move itself; rather, it picks it up and hurls it across the granary. In that case, prayer is not a gentle request that God change God's mind; it is electroshock therapy. It is inspiring to imagine that our prayers are powerful enough to change God's mind—turn it over, even—from a cruel fate to a more appealing outcome. It makes me want to pray more, which I suspect to be Rabbi Eleazar's true intention. It is a fine image, but a dangerous idea. Theologically, if God listens to and "obeys" some requests, why does God say no to equally valid demands? For example, why should God respond to a prayer for a good grade, but not for remission from leukemia? Furthermore, how much should my words matter to God? Who could have that kind of power? It's a Pandora's Box of theological problems.

Why then, ought we pray?



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## Heska Amuna Synagogue Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, June 5—10:30 a.m.

At our annual congregational meeting, Heska Amuna Synagogue staff and board will give annual reports, discuss our financial situation, and other subjects near and dear to all of our hearts.

We hope that all members will attend and express their thoughts and feelings. I hope to see you there.

Hal Manas, Board of Trustees Chair

## Shavuot Services

- ★ **Saturday, June 11: Tikkun Leyl Shavuot:** 9 p.m.—midnight. The Tikkun will include a study session, a Jewish trivia contest, and light dairy snacks, provided by Sisterhood.
- ★ **Sunday, June 12: First Day of Shavuot:** 9:30 a.m. Services
- ★ **Monday, June 13, Second Day of Shavuot:** 9:30 a.m. Services. Yizkor will be recited.

## Chairman's Musings

By Hal Manas

Summer is such a wonderful time of the year. Everything has gone through its Spring renewal and the weather outside is warm and comfortable. When I was young, I would go out on my motorcycle to carve the roads or to ride in the woods, both wonderful ways to pass the time. These days I like to go fishing on the small streams in the park or work on a bamboo fly rod.

I haven't had quite as much time to pass this last year since I became Chair of the Board of Trustees. It is approaching the first anniversary of my time as Chair. At first I was surprised at how much time I spent on Board activities, but after a while things calmed down a bit and I have learned how to work all things into my days. I have had some headaches and some very happy and proud moments, but all in all I think good things are being accomplished. I might have done better if I had Arnold Schwarzbart around to advise me during my time in the barrel, but the truth is that I have had sage advice and help from the immediate past Chair, Barry Allen, also known as the Flash. I have had help from the Chair Elect, Ken Brown who I look forward to helping when I am the immediate past chair. Ken has a wonderful way of reducing everything to the basics and citing the obvious solution to problems that seem unsolvable to me. I also want to thank the other officers and Vice-Chairs and committee chairs and committee members and congregants and staff who have provided help when I needed it and a never ending list of suggestions about how we might improve things here at Heska Amuna Synagogue. Sometimes this makes my duties easier, sometimes more difficult, but always more interesting. All of these suggestions have led to improvements in our Synagogue in one way or another and I am grateful..... even if you hear me mumbling under my breath as I walk away. Thank you all for your help.



## President's Report

### Thoughts on the Counting of the Omer and Lag Ba-omer

By Raphe Panitz, Ph.D., Heska Amuna President

The period between Passover and Shavuot is traditionally seven weeks, beginning with the Second Day of Passover, when we practice the counting of the omer on a daily basis. This tradition goes back to when the Temple existed, when the omer, which is a sheaf of barley, was offered every day as part of a sacrifice. It is well known that during the counting of the omer (up until the 33<sup>rd</sup> day, or Lag Ba-omer), some Jews refrain from having parties, getting married, or even cutting their hair. Traditionally, these signs of mourning are in memory of a plague that decimated the disciples of Rabbi Akiva during the rebellion against Rome (c. 135 C.E.). I would like to review other Lag Ba-omer and omer traditions and what they mean for us in Knoxville. In 2016, Lag Ba-omer falls on **Thursday, May 26**.

Jews, especially in Israel, go to a place known as Meron and light bonfires. Some, but not all, make this trip to honor the memory of Rabbi Shimon bar Yohai (Rashby), who, according to many, wrote the kabbalistic work known as the Zohar and who is buried in Meron. Meron had been a place of pilgrimage for centuries, since the graves of the scholars Hillel and Shammai are also located there. Others argue that there is no connection between Lag Ba-omer and the visit to the grave of Rashby. The kabbalists from nearby Safed went to Meron on other days of the year, especially the ten days before Shavuot. As with many Jewish customs, you can always find scholars arguing about the origins of those customs, and Lag Ba-omer is no exception. Some argue that the bonfires represent the light associated with the short lived victory of Bar Kochba against the Romans.

Another ritual associated with Lag Ba-omer is known as Ushperin - when Hassidic and traditional Jewish families first cut the hair of three-year-old males. Some argue that this tradition dates to the time of the Kabbalist Rabbi Isaac Luria (16<sup>th</sup> century), who may have celebrated his son's third birthday at the grave of the Rashby.

A third ritual associated with Lag Ba-omer is going out into the fields and playing with bows and arrows. This too may commemorate Bar Kochba's temporary victory over the Romans. In modern times, Lag Ba-omer was often the day when Jewish students in day schools and afternoon Hebrew schools would have "field days," with picnics, races, and carnivals.

Another tradition associated with Lag Ba-omer was the eating of carobs. This rite is also traditionally connected to Rashby, who hid with his son in a cave for 13 years from the Romans and lived on carobs and water, miraculously provided by God.

Other kabbalist traditions associate the seven weeks of the "omer" with a period of inner growth and reflection. They assigned each day a theme, such as lovingkindness, majesty, and victory, for a total of 49 themes.

Today, we can also purchase "omer" counters, to help in the daily counting of the "omer." These counters can be decorative boxes; posters with the day of the "omer" highlighted, and even apps for cell phones and tablet computers,

Many of the traditions associated with Lag Ba-omer are linked either to the Bar Kochba rebellion or the kabbalists. Both of those movements share an intense desire to live in freedom, practice Judaism, and not be persecuted for beliefs and customs. The followers of Bar Kochba sought political and religious independence from the Romans. The kabbalists of the sixteenth century wanted to "repair a world" that had fallen into disrepair. When we strive to practice our Judaism and perform tikkun olam, we are emulating our ancestors who counted the omer and sought to live as Jews.

*Happy Lag Ba-omer.*





## SUNSET MINYAN@7 7 p.m., Heska Amuna

Friday, May 6  
Friday, June 3

Join us for a relaxed, traditional, and fulfilling start to Shabbat and a light oneg Shabbat following the service.

### HA Sisterhood News

By Harriet Glasman, Sisterhood President

As I write this article, the temperature is expected to reach 80 degrees! For the next few days, Spring has arrived! This leads me to focus on the next few months of spring and the beginning of summer and Sisterhood plans.

On May 1, I will host a Sisterhood Garden Party at my home. This is just for fun! I do hope many of the members can attend. Included in this will be a costume jewelry swap.

We will participate in the KNOXVILLE Jewish Food Festival on May 22. Sisterhood will sell matzah ball soup. We are really looking forward to selling and buying.

We hope to go on a fun downtown field trip of lunch and museum hopping, and several other fun ideas.

My term as president is coming rapidly to an end. It is been an interesting and rewarding journey! Sisterhood will endure with a new president and board and I am sure they will be doing fun, interesting and fund raising events.



### Celebrate Bat Mitzvah During Shavuot

Alan and Jami Quartararo are proud to announce their daughter Paige Quartararo's Bat Mitzvah celebration during Shavuot on Sunday, June 12.

Paige is a member of the West Valley swim team and plays viola in the school's orchestra program. She recently was selected to be a part of the yearly honors orchestra program to learn from several well-known directors from out of the area. Paige is looking forward to attending Bearden High School in the fall. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her sister Abigail, traveling, and shopping with her friends.

### Attention Writers! Photographers! Sleuths! Historians! Wanna-be Library Cataloguers! (Have we left anyone out?)

The Rabbi and Religious Services Committee (R&RS) is excited to announce a project to document the works of art that adorn Heska Amuna.

From the stunning stained glass windows in the sanctuary to Renee Chernoff's fiber art masterpiece in the Winick Library, the R&RS Committee invites congregants interested in helping with this project to contact Raphe Panitz at [gilgamesh9@verizon.net](mailto:gilgamesh9@verizon.net).

### Mazel Tov

**Stephanie Brown** and **Jim DeMatteo** are engaged to be married. The bride is formerly of Knoxville (parents were Mary and Harold Brown, who are no longer living, and her brother Lindsey lives in Atlanta with his family, brother Dennis is in Florida., The groom hails from Erie, Pennsylvania, and they make their home in Berkeley, California. The couple will celebrate with their community, the Aquarian Minyan, at an *aufruf* in San Anselmo on May 7. The wedding will be held in May in Berkeley. Stephanie and Jim will honeymoon in Tuscany, Italy.

## Heska Amuna Religious School News

By Betty Golub, Youth and Family Programming Director

It is hard to believe another year has gone by at Heska Amuna Religious School. It has been a year filled with learning. Let's pretend we are Rocky and Bullwinkle and go back to the year 2015 beginning in August.

We began with our first ever Hebrew Bible School which was followed by our annual Pool Party -Welcome back to School event. Even through the raindrops, we had a great time. This year, we hosted our annual Teacher Mini Conference Day, which included our friends at Temple Beth El along with Temple Mizpah and B'nai Zion of Chattanooga. The teachers had an opportunity to select different offerings ranging from teaching Tefillah to incorporating art in your curriculum.

We are extremely fortunate this year to extend our Hebrew curriculum which now includes Hebrew enrichment and trope. And, by the end of the school year, an introduction to Torah reading.

This year our students participated in our first ever Sukkah Hop. We began at Heska Amuna followed by a visit to the Sukkah Mobile—thank you Rabbi Yossi—and concluded with a Sukkot bar-be-que at Morah Betty's house.

Shabbat School has become a reality. Once a month we study and learn on Shabbat followed by a student-led service. The children look forward to a kiddish lunch of fish sticks!

Our students participated in Global Day of Learning at Temple Beth El. They were able to study along with their fellow students. We will host once again for 2016!

The students studied with our visiting Israeli Educators. Now they insist that our dreidels say *Nes Gadol Haya Po*. Our HARS/ KJDS students entertained us at Hillbilly Hanukah. What fun!

We had the best Mitzvah Day ever. Our students cleaned out barns and trails, thanked our first responders, and learned about service dogs. We stuffed teddy bears that were distributed to East Tennessee Children's Hospital.

Our students taught us the Purim story according to Dr. Seuss. And they stuffed and stuffed Mishloach Manot bags. I think they may have eaten some hamantaschen when no one was looking.

Our Prozdor teens extended a hand to our fellow Muslim teens. Together, they feed the homeless once a month. They also collected much needed items for refugees who are fleeing from war and oppression.

The students along with Temple Beth El students celebrated Purim together. We ended the morning with a carnival. Princess Elsa was a hit with face painting. I do not think the children knew it was our very own Corey Birkus. It's a secret!

Our Passover celebration included a step-by-step guide and fun activities through the different steps of a Seder and ended with Matzah pizza. This is now our HARS tradition.

Since we started the year with a party, it is only fitting we end with one. Our last day of school honored our teachers and students and concluded with a bar-be-que.

I would like to say Todah Rabah to Anna Iroff-Bailey, Brooke Brownarik, Jordan Shipowitz, Nathan Light, Sharon Soleman, Lev Comstock, Jennye Merrell, Charlene Gubitz, Adam Rowe, and Michal Kaplan for their dedication to our children. We need to say good bye to Morah Brooke as she embarks on a new position in Texas. We wish you well! I want to thank Rabbi for enriching our students. I would like to thank Marian Bayer for feeding our children and now to Gabe Spenser who has taken the reins from Marian. I would like to thank our parents for making the commitment to send their children to HARS.

On behalf of the teachers and students I would like to wish Celia Adlin and Paige Quartararo a very hearty Mazel Tov on their upcoming B'nai Mitzvah in May and June.

Our new year of 5777 will be an exciting one. We are growing and making changes that reflect supplemental education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Join us!



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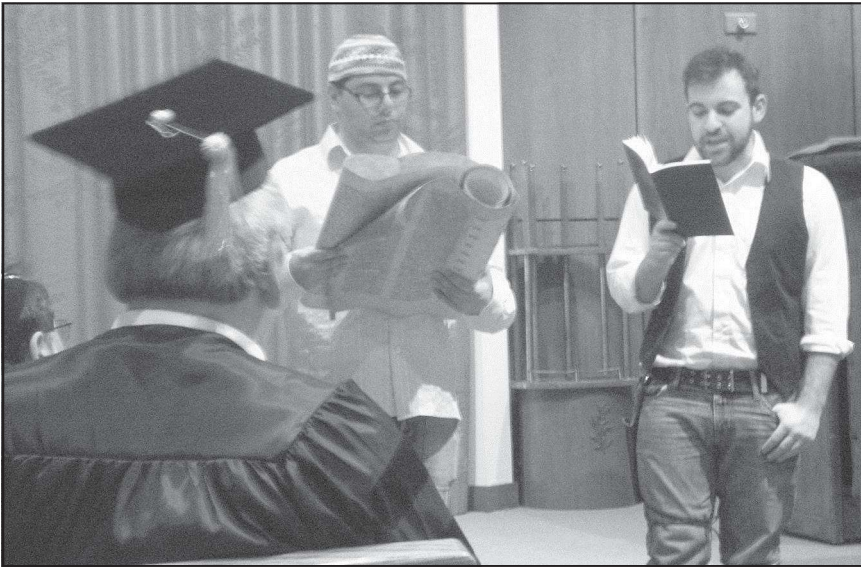
**Heska Amuna Religious School**

**Monday, August 1 – Thursday, August 4**

10:00 am. – 1:00 p.m.

*For more information, contact [morahbetty@heskaamuna.org](mailto:morahbetty@heskaamuna.org)*

**Purim at Heska Amuna:** Our Purim celebration this year began with an amazing dinner and yummy Mishloach Manot bags. Our students taught us the Purim story according to Dr. Seuss. They decorated and stuffed Mishloach Manot bags...and may have eaten one or two hamantaschen! Afterward, the text was read in over a half dozen languages...do you know Klingon? A special thanks to all of our readers!



*Heska Amuna Religious School students shared the Purim story with Purim celebrants.*



## Support our Heska Amuna Teen Philanthropists

By Mary Ann Merrell

On **Sunday, May 8 from 1- 3 p.m.**, teen fund holders in the B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy program will be meeting at the AJCC to award grants from their funds. This is an important meeting for our teens as they evaluate organizations that support Jewish causes throughout the world.

The **B'nai Tzedek Teen Philanthropy program** is a unique opportunity for our teens to be actively engaged in learning what philanthropy is all about by having their own fund and making their own decisions about how to best serve others through their monetary support. The funds are usually established around bar and bat mitzvah age and are started with funds from the teen. From the teen's initial investment, Heska Amuna and a fund established by Nancy and Jeff Becker adds additional starting money to the teen's fund. Teens are then encourage to add \$100 a year to their fund until they leave for college. At this point, it is hoped they continue to build their funds; a key program goal is to nurture an ever-growing philanthropic mindset in realizing the value and power of their commitment that supports and enables the good works of Jewish nonprofit organizations around the globe.

Do you have a special organization that you would like the teens to consider making a grant to this year? Please let one of the Heska Amuna teens know. Our local fund holders who will hopefully be providing input at this year's meeting includes Jacob Hale, Atticus Hull, Jennye Merrell, Brandon Messing, Jacob Messing, Arielle Rosen, Tifannie Rosen, Sarah Siegel, and Andrew Weinstein. You can also send your ideas to B'nai Tzedek program directors Shannon Martindale and Mary Ann Merrell at [bnaitzedek@jewishknoxville.org](mailto:bnaitzedek@jewishknoxville.org). Think big!

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Ronda Robinson

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Sunday Minyan.....9:30 a.m.

For a list of Heska Amuna's funds and other information, please visit [www.heskaamuna.org](http://www.heskaamuna.org)

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If you or a loved one is ill or hospitalized, please let us know so that we can attend to him or her as a community, and place the name on our *Mi Sheberach* prayer list.

Unfortunately, federal law prohibits hospitals from notifying us when community members are admitted.

# Knoshville

## East Tennessee Jewish Food Festival

Sunday, May 22 — 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Arnstein Jewish Community Center  
Knoxville, Tennessee

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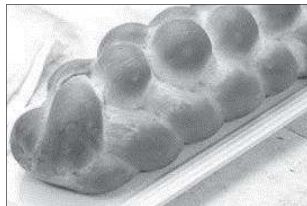
**BAGELS, LOX, CREAM CHEESE:** Bagel is a bread product that originated in Poland in the 17th century, shaped in a ring, first boiled for a short time in water, then baked to create a dense, chewy bread product. The word *lox* is derived from the Yiddish word *laks* for salmon. Lox is brined salmon and traditionally is served on a bagel with cream cheese, and often garnished with slices of tomato and red onion, and sprinkled with capers.

**BLACK AND WHITE COOKIES:** These cookies originated in the U.S. and are sometimes referred to as a “New York” snack. Typical New York City cookies have a vanilla cake base with fudge and white frosting.

**BUNDT CAKES:** These cakes are baked in Bundt pans, shaping them into a distinctive ring shape. Members of the Minneapolis Hadassah Society approached the Nordic Ware cookware company about creating a modern version of a traditional cast iron German dish. The company designed and manufactured an aluminium version in 1950, which became a best seller when featured in *Good Housekeeping* magazine. Some of the original pans are in the Smithsonian collection!



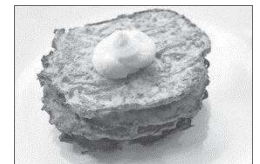
**CHALLAH:** Challah is a special Jewish braided bread eaten on Shabbat and Jewish holidays. Its main ingredients are eggs, white flour, water, yeast, sugar, and salt.



**ISRAELI SALAD:** A chopped salad of finely diced fresh tomato, cucumber, and onion that is dressed with either fresh lemon juice, olive oil, or both. Some add chopped peppers, carrots, parsley, or scallions. In Israel, Israeli salad can be a side dish or can be stuffed in a pita with falafel or shwarma.

**KNISH:** A traditional *knish* is a golden pastry filled with seasoned mashed potatoes and fried onions. The knish came to prominence on Manhattan’s Lower East Side and Brooklyn’s boardwalks around 1900, via Jewish immigrants from Eastern Europe who sold it from pushcarts and baskets.

**KUGEL:** A *kugel* is a baked pudding or casserole, which is most commonly made from egg noodles (*lokshen kugel*) or potatoes. The first *kugels* were made from bread and flour, and resembled a savory bread pudding. About 800 years ago, German cooks began to replace the bread with noodles or farfel. Eggs were incorporated later and soft cheese and/or milk were added to create more custardy treats. Somewhere around the 17th century, Hungarian cooks with a demanding sweet tooth introduced sugar and sour cream into the *kugel*. Cinnamon and sweet farmer’s cheese got added later in Poland and *kugels* found their way into the dessert course.



**LATKES:** The word *latke* is derived from the Russian word ‘ladka.’ They are associated with many European traditions and are most commonly associated with Chanukah festivities.

Latkes are potato pancakes of grated potato, flour, and egg that are sometimes flavored with grated garlic or onion and seasonings, then fried. Toppings often include sour cream or applesauce or they can be served by themselves.

**MANDELBRODT:** Mandelbrodt is Yiddish for *almost bread*. A first cousin to biscotti, it has almost as many spellings as Hanukah - mandelbread, Mande Bread, Mandel Brodt, Mandel Broit, Mandelbrot, and more!



**PARVE MATZAH BALL SOUP:** This soup originated in Central and Eastern Europe. While matzah ball soup is traditionally a chicken soup, vegetarian options abound. This recipe is a delicious vegetarian soup featuring matzah balls, which are a soup dumpling made from matzah meal, eggs, water, and some type of oil.



**SHAKSHUKA:** The word *shakshuka* means “a mixture” and is of Tunisian origin. It is a savory dish of eggs cooked in a sauce of crushed tomatoes, onions, and peppers, usually served with bread to mop up its delicious sauce. This dish can be spiced with garlic, paprika, salt, and sometimes

cumin. Shakshuka was introduced to Israel by Tunisian Jews who migrated there in the 1950s.



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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*

### TRADITION!

*By Carole H. Martin, KJCFF President*

I have recently returned from a wonderful weekend in Washington, D.C. where we celebrated my mother's 87th birthday. Four generations gathered to mark the occasion. It was fantastic to see my mom playing with her three toddler great-grandchildren on the playground and cuddling her youngest great-granddaughter, aged six months. Our family has established a tradition of celebrating our oldest generation's birthdays in person and with simple, family oriented activities. Attending these weekends is a commitment that is not easy on the grandchildren: young families tote ever-increasing arrays of equipment and necessities. And we are a family that is spread from coast to coast. Thus, the commitment to this tradition and to family is significant and much appreciated by the celebrant. Family traditions, whether they be birthday celebrations, annual Passover seders or family reunions are meaningful ways to build a family community and to celebrate Dor L'Dor, generation to generation.

Whenever I think of the word, "tradition," I begin to hum the Jerry Bock show tune from *Fiddler on the Roof*, based on the stories of Sholom Aleichem. Just last year, a *Fiddler on the Roof* revival opened on Broadway. I have wonderful memories of seeing the original show with Zero Mostel as a child. I have seen it subsequently in many different formats, from high school productions to road companies. I love the score and know every song by heart. Frank Rizzo, in his December, 2015 review in *Variety* describes the revival's new staging. The curtain rises to show a modern day man in Anatevka. Rizzo writes, "This wordless prologue is broken by the plaintive playing of a lone fiddler, followed by the introduction of the community of Jewish villagers emerging from the back depths of the stage, introducing themselves and their place in the community in the familiar song "Tradition," gaining strength in their increasing numbers and certainties. It's a bold and powerful opener!" Can't you just hear those great Broadway voices booming the words of that familiar medley in your head right now?

In Knoxville, we are blessed to have the tradition, foresight and leadership of many families who established funds to keep Jewish community institutions and traditions alive and vibrant. Some of the funds have been in existence for generations; Jewish Knoxville is a better place for their generosity. Yet we should also be singing in Broadway-loud voices a huge THANK YOU to those who have embraced the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds concept more recently as they have created their own family traditions with newer funds. Our KJCFF pledge is to Secure our Jewish Future. You can join with others in investing in the Jewish community of Knoxville. Won't you start your own tradition?

### Donations

#### B'nai Tzedek Fund of Tifannie Rosen

Renee' Hyatt and Paul Erwin, Ronald and Ebbie Sandberg

#### Gordon Brown Youth Recreation Fund

*In Memory of Logan Brown*  
Adam and Angie Brown

#### Heska Amuna Cemetery Fund

*In Memory of Arnold Schwarzbart's first yearzeit*  
Mary Linda Schwarzbart

#### Landberger Preschool Fund

*In Memory of Harold Markman*  
Lynn and Jim Bean

### Sylvia Robinson Memorial Fund

*Wishing Natalie Robinson a full, speedy recovery*  
Ronda Robinson

### Grants

The Knoxville Jewish Alliance received a grant from the **David Blumberg Youth Leadership Award Fund** to provide a BBYO scholarship for attendance at Chapter Leadership Training (CLTC).

Heska Amuna Synagogue received grants from the **Besmann Family Fund for Social Justice and Spiritual Enrichment**, the **Sharon Brietstein Memorial Fund**, and the **Bradley Sturm Memorial Fund** for the *Freedom Song* musical theater performance on substance abuse.

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The Board of Directors of the Knoxville Jewish Community Family of Funds thanks the Knoxville Jewish community, the Knoxville Jewish Alliance staff, and the East Tennessee Foundation for their support and encouragement. The KJCFF encourages you to help insure the healthy future of our Knoxville Jewish community by including a commitment to the KJCFF in your financial and estate planning.

To learn more about KJCFF philanthropic opportunities, call 690-6343 or visit [www.jewishknoxville.org/kjcff](http://www.jewishknoxville.org/kjcff)

# Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge



## President's Message

By Meir Niad

The tribe has spoken in Oak Ridge so starting in May we are giving the people what they want. No more guesswork with events. The first Friday of each month will be **Sisterhood Shabbat & Potluck/Dinner**. The second Sunday will be the new **Tefillin Club**, followed by the **Board meeting**. The third Friday will be a new **Mensch Club Shabbat & Dessert Oneg**. The fourth Saturday will be **Nosh & Kibitz**. If in a given month there happens to be a conflict with a holiday or other special event, then we will just skip that event and resume next month. As always, check our website calendar for the latest times and cancellations.

I would like to thank Becky Charles, Katie Niad, and crew for a wonderful Purim event. Seven unaffiliated families and couples were welcomed by our JCOR family and enjoyed a very entertaining megillah reading followed by a grand feast in the social hall.

If you have not been to services lately, you will be pleased to know of our new sunshade which was purchased from the proceeds of the Super Bowl Party. Now you can sit more comfortably in the right-side pews without *shvitzing* and being blinded by the sun.

## Hadassah's Youth Aliyah Concert

The 2016 Ralph Einstein Youth Aliyah Concert sponsored by **Hadassah** Oak Ridge was held Sunday, April 3 at the First United Methodist Church of Oak Ridge. Local young musicians selected through auditions as well as guest performers: Jerry Zhou (cello) and Sidney Matlock (violin) were featured. **Alex Shor**, a 2010 concert alumnus, played two selections on the accordion, one which he himself arranged. **Mitchell Cloutier** (violin), was selected by Maestro Allcott to be soloist with the Oak Ridge Symphony Orchestra's 2016 Family Concert. Other winners were **Alex Chambers** (violin), **Melody Guo** (piano), **Lytic Rivera** (flute), and **Nicholas Stigall** (piano).



**Youth Aliyah Concert performers (L-R)** Melody Guo, Alex Chambers, Michaela Foertter, Alice Tang, Jesse Hao, Lyric Rivera, Kate Hausladen, Hannah Shipstad, Sidney Matlock, Nicholas Stigall, Alex Shor, Mitchell Cloutier, Jerry Zhou, David Einstein (son of the late Ralph Einstein), Catherine Braunstein. Eli Ferguson (kneeling), Anne Greenbaum (sitting)

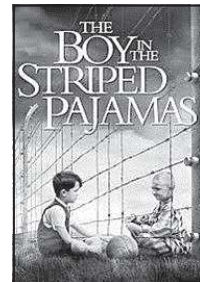
## Upcoming Events

**May 7, 2016, 7 p.m.**

**Jewish Film Series:** *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*

USA. 2008, 93 minutes, PG-13

When his family moves to Poland, young Bruno befriends Shmuel, a boy who lives on the other side of the fence, where everyone seems to be wearing striped pajamas. Unaware of Shmuel's fate as a Jewish prisoner, Bruno embarks on a dangerous journey.



**May 21, 2016**

**Rabbi's Study Session:** "Vladimir Jabotinsky" (after the morning Services)

**June 18, 2016, 7 p.m.**

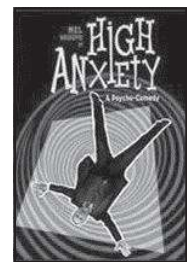
**Jewish Film Series - The Mel Brooks Summer Festival:** *High Anxiety*

USA. 1977, 94 minutes, PG

Mel Brooks' parody of Alfred Hitchcock films.

Director: Mel Brooks

Stars: Mel Brooks, Madeline Kahn, Cloris Leachman



**June 25, 2016**

**Rabbi's Study Session:** "Ask the Rabbi" (after the morning Services)

*With this Youth Aliyah concert series, Oak Ridge Hadassah succeeds on so many levels. You bring many strands of a community together through music and a powerful mission.*

*For fifty years, your talented youth have performed for the musical pleasure of your audience and also to benefit Jewish refugee children and children living with many hardships. I wish you all a hearty Mazel Tov and a marvelous afternoon of music.*

*Best wishes,*

*Bonnie Boring,*

*President, Hadassah Southern Region*



Purim fun at the Jewish Congregation of Oak Ridge.

## JCOR Hosts and Hostesses

- May 7** Vera & Leon Maya,  
Ilana & Moshe Siman-Tov
- May 14** Brenda & Sig Mosco,  
Katie & Meir Niad
- May 21** Nona & Sam Poole,  
Shelby & Mark Kay
- May 28** Fran Silver, Jill & Stuart Chasan,  
Karen Brunner
- June 6** Carolyn & Julian Stein,  
Rhonda & Ron Sternfels
- June 11** Mel Tobias, Bruce Tomkins
- June 18** Yardená & Moshe Yair,  
Sarah & David Stuart
- June 25** Reeva & Marvin Abraham,  
Ronnie & Jim Bogard

## Donations to JCOR

### Yahrzeits:

- Benjamin Kalichman from Hanig Family
- Montague Wickline from Monty Lewis
- Herman Halbert from Mel & Edith Halbert
- Ida Fine from Karen Brunner
- Hyman Africk from Deanna Africk Katz

### Donations:

- JCOR from Geoffrey Laing
- JCOR from Stephen Storch
- JCOR from Yoga Class

## Donations to Oak Ridge Hadassah

- Sympathy card to Judi and Len Gray and family on the death of Diana Jacobson, from Vera and Leon Maya
- Sympathy card to Judi and Len Gray and family on the death of Diana Jacobson, from Mira Kimmelman
- Sympathy card to Bill and Maxine Vaden and family on the death of Dot Levin, from Mira Kimmelman
- Get Well card to Zane Bell from Penny Lukin
- Sympathy card to Moshe Yair on the death of his brother from Penny Lukin
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JCOR's Saturday morning service begins at 9:30 a.m.  
For the Friday evening service schedule, please  
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# CHABAD OF KNOXVILLE

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## If You're Looking for G-D, Go Home....

By Rabbi Yossi Wilhelm

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Around 200 men, women and children took time out of their busy schedule to celebrate the fun and joyous holiday of Purim with Chabad. This year the theme was stadium. Rafi's bbq wings were the talk of town, Steve Langley wowed the crowd with his tricks, New York hot pretzels were available at the concession stand and children of all ages enjoyed throwing basket balls into the hoops.



# JAHRZEIT

## *Heska Amuna Synagogue*

### May 1

Joseph Strauss ♦ Ilene Edelman ♦ Esther Himmelstein ♦ Max Kronrad ♦  
Esther Levine ♦ Helen Swetsky ♦ Claire Gettinger, Gussie Joffe ♦ Rose Shagan ♦  
Pyna Greenbaum ♦ Nathan Handler ♦ Joseph Ades ♦ Molly Fayonsky ♦  
Bert Gurwitch ♦ Charlotte Kayser ♦ Celia Lipson ♦ Margaret Miner ♦  
Esther Rosen ♦ Mildred Rosenblatt ♦ Rose Sherman ♦ Tillie Slovis

### May 8

Sarah Lipshin ♦ Rose Rosenthal ♦ Morris Ross ♦ Shirley Chasan ♦  
Israel Gruenberg ♦ Ada Manas ♦ Allen Rosen ♦ Sara Dixon ♦ Claire Evans ♦  
Rosa Frumin ♦ Gordon Dischler ♦ Mariam Stein ♦ Gerd Abeles ♦ Bernard Belaief  
Selma Smullian ♦ David Stein ♦ Samuel Billig ♦ Charlotte Cooper ♦  
Fannie Leibowitz ♦ Bessie Millen ♦ Ruth Oleshansky ♦ Abraham Schorr ♦  
saac Levin ♦ Ella Levison ♦ Celia Rosenblatt ♦ Anna Ruer

### May 15

Anna Gitman ♦ Lionel Kay ♦ Joseph Bernard ♦ Mary Posey ♦ Frieda Schwarzbart  
Rose Dischler ♦ Dorothy Freeman ♦ Abraham Radlaski ♦ Joseph Goldman ♦  
Bertha Hoor ♦ Murry Rosenblatt ♦ Ruby Euster ♦ Freda Friedman ♦  
Tybee Millner ♦ Jacob Schwartz ♦ Benjamin Tew ♦ Harriett Herbin ♦  
Joseph Sherman ♦ Pauline Viener ♦ Charles Siegel

### May 22

Paul Cawn, Max Friedman ♦ Stanley Duhan ♦ Esther Millen ♦ Lottie Siegel ♦  
Beatrice Goldstein ♦ Flora Hasden ♦ Pearl Austin ♦ Isaac Cooper ♦  
Howard Greenbaum ♦ Sidney Licht ♦ William Russler ♦ Sandra Levinstone,  
Benjamin Weinstein ♦ Sanford Weinstein ♦ Hymie Billig ♦ Sharon Brietstein ♦  
Gary Miller ♦ Sarah Miller ♦ Hannah Moskowitz ♦ Carolyn Bertram ♦  
Lillian Drutz ♦ Nat Nisenon

### May 29

Kate Caller ♦ Mary Milford ♦ Joe Smith ♦ Isadore Abrams ♦ Rachel Davis ♦  
Bea Kaplan ♦ Frank Robinson ♦ Linda Cohen ♦ Philip Levine ♦ Yachel Wender ♦  
Sidney Burnett ♦ Jacob Ellin, David Garber ♦ Samuel Grusin ♦ Samuel Lavine ♦  
Jack Poloway ♦ Bernard Schanowitz ♦ Everett Young ♦ Brayne Geller ♦  
Ruth Kahan ♦ Bessie Kaplan ♦ Isaac Resnick ♦ Katherine Soss

### June 5

Anne Fuson, Philip Chazen ♦ Julia Eichwald ♦ Reva Zussman ♦ Bernard Iroff ♦  
Sam Nius ♦ Celia Cohen ♦ William Jaffe ♦ Sarah Weinstein ♦ Melba Werfel ♦  
Saul Garver ♦ Sarah Sachs ♦ Benjamin Togonal ♦ Lester Berry, Ellen Chayet ♦  
Sam Danenberg ♦ Pessa Gurwin ♦ Ethel Rosenberg

### June 12

AbrBalloff, Sol Leeds ♦ Nathan Robinson ♦ Parril Zeff ♦ Bek Hurvich ♦  
Lillian Millner ♦ Nettie Secaul ♦ Louis Tobe ♦ Morris Werner ♦ Morris Beber ♦  
Rachel Resnick ♦ Claire Shulman ♦ Alice Landis ♦ Morris Rosenblatt

### June 19

Rebecca Forstein ♦ Saul Garver ♦ Ellen Goldberg ♦ Sarah Euster ♦  
George Gourse ♦ Sarah Gershek ♦ Thelka Naumann ♦ Sarah Poloway ♦  
George Adlin ♦ Herbert Smullian ♦ Adele Bernard ♦ Frances Sabler ♦  
Claude Schulhof

### June 26

Esther Kay ♦ Max Rosen ♦ Irene Baskin ♦ Harry Lipshin ♦ Samuel Love ♦  
Jennie Rosenblatt

# JAHRZEIT

## TEMPLE BETH EL

### May 6

Joseph Ades ♦ Flora Brody ♦ David Bush ♦ Erwin Coleman ♦ Mary Lillian Dees ♦ Abraham Factor ♦ Dorothy B. Goldberger ♦ Shirly B. Goodfriend ♦  
Mary Ella Hicks ♦ Mathilde Wolff Levi ♦ Hannah Licht ♦ Alma Moss ♦ Carl Silver ♦ Rose Kipnes West ♦ Bess Zipser

### May 13

Morris Goldfarb ♦ Daniel Goldstein ♦ Maurice Phineas Greif ♦ David Nathan Koffman ♦ Milton Lebovitz ♦ Gilbert H. Parish ♦ Ethel Rosenberg ♦ Dorothy Sachs ♦  
Ruth Kronenberger Sherrill ♦ Nick Wadsworth ♦ Harry Walowitz ♦ Cecelia Zimmerman

### May 20

Lawrence Arnold Allen ♦ Althea Almeda Brakebill ♦ Louis Brenner ♦ Joice Brown ♦ Verne Canner ♦ Saralee Cohn ♦ Margaret Crohn ♦ Lucie A. Fribourg ♦  
Sam Kadison ♦ David Kahn ♦ Hymen T. Kern ♦ Rosa Ostrovskiy ♦ Frances Dickey Patton ♦ David Prial ♦ Sheldon Rosenberg ♦ Bessie Teitelbaum ♦ Minnie Victor

### May 27

Uriel Alayev ♦ Rhoda Blumenfeld ♦ Philip Davis ♦ Carolyn Greif ♦ Bea Jaffe ♦ Maurice Konigsberg ♦ Anny I Marx ♦ Jakob Marx ♦ Nathan Harry Smith ♦  
Harvey Smuckler ♦ Charles Clarence Strasburger

### June 3

Morris Beber ♦ Marie Nordmann Brunschwig ♦ Katherine Caller ♦ Cecile Feinberg ♦ Florence R Gluck ♦ Grace Goldberger ♦ Harry Goldberger ♦  
Alexander Gompertz ♦ Rose Bank Gudis ♦ E. Max Kesselman ♦ Stephen Lieberman ♦ Friedel S Nash ♦ Frederick Lewis Otte ♦ Elizabeth Pardee  
Harold Pomerantz ♦ Dewey Reich ♦ Joseph Sandberg ♦ Kathrine B. Soss ♦ Annie S. Taylor ♦ Esther Yadgaroff

### June 10

Fred Aron ♦ Vincenza David ♦ Dorothee Heller ♦ Ann S. Klein ♦ Esther Margolina ♦ Nathan Marks ♦ Julius Orovan ♦ Harold Raymon ♦ Ruth Rockower ♦  
Edith C. Smith ♦ Herman Teitelbaum ♦ William W. Waxelbaum ♦ Richard Wayburn ♦ Anna Wender ♦ Ron Young ♦ Mose Zavels

### June 17

Beatrice Beber ♦ Henry Bloom ♦ Albert Eisenstadt ♦ William Freedman ♦ Allan Gerson ♦ George Gluck ♦ Virginia Gluck ♦ William Goldberger  
Sam Good ♦ Marjorie Holst ♦ Jeanette Hyatt ♦ Ethel Kaplan ♦ Ian Kinney ♦ Joseph Konigsberg ♦ Helen Nisenshal ♦ Max Rosenstein ♦ Mr. Harold Rubin  
♦ Jennie Grala Zuckerman

### June 24

Max B. Arnstein ♦ Morris Bart ♦ Adele Stone Bernard ♦ Mrs. Sylvia Brenner ♦ Ben Brown ♦ Shirley Vivian Cohen ♦ Morris Gluck ♦ Sylvia Hahn ♦  
Elizabeth Handler ♦ Stephen Kelleher ♦ Max Licht ♦ F. Joseph Miller ♦ Lillian Pomerantz ♦ Orland Porter, Jr ♦ Edward Reich ♦ Samuel Spiro ♦ Bradley Sturm ♦  
Mamie Voorsanger ♦ Paula Zatlin

# Hadassah HIGHLIGHTS

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## Mitzvah Day Is Every Day for Hadassah

On March 5, Hadassah Knoxville members Peggy Littman and Robin Brown delivered two dozen 'well stuffed' tote bags to the clients of **Susannah's House**. Providing "a source of help and hope to women and children", Susannah's House is an intensive outpatient alcohol and drug treatment program for mothers in recovery.

Furthering our yearlong study of the effects of drug addiction on unborn babies, Hadassah's Mitzvah Day project collected a multitude of usable items for both mothers and babies. Our bags were happily received during lunch. We were able to meet and speak with several participants. Their journeys to sobriety were difficult to hear. Yet, their sober achievements were joyous to share. We felt it was a true 'mitzvah' to sit among them.

Thank you to all the Hadassah Knoxville members who collected, sorted, bagged, and decorated our gifts to **Susannah's House**.

*Executive Director Rebekah Fetzer accepts Hadassah donations for Susannah's House clients. Members Peggy Littmann (left photo) and Robin Brown (right photo) delivered the gift bags.*



**MAKE THE DATE: MAY 22**  
**VISIT THE HADASSAH BUNDT BOOTH**  
**AT KNOXVILLE:**  
**THE JEWISH FOOD FESTIVAL**  
**Sunday, May 22, 1:30-3:30 p.m.**  
**Arnstein Jewish Community Center**

Don't forget the Bundt cake fun coming on Sunday, May 22 at the Jewish Food Festival.

Come to the Arnstein Jewish Community Center to enjoy a slice or purchase an entire Bundt cake. Many delicious flavors will be available.



**For more information**, please contact Nora Messing at [ndbmess@comcast.net](mailto:ndbmess@comcast.net).

## You Will be Energized by This Event!

**DATELINE: Atlanta.** Summer brings our most exciting **Hadassah National Convention** yet. From celebrities to the man behind the *Iron Dome*, this will be four days to remember. It's happening **July 25-28** at the Atlanta Marriot Marquis. *Register at [www.hadassah.org](http://www.hadassah.org).*

To make hotel reservations by phone, contact Marriott Reservations at 866-469-5475 and mention you are with the Hadassah 2016 National Convention. Hadassah has negotiated a special room rate of \$176.00 per single/double room per night plus applicable taxes. Additional guests are \$20.00 per person plus applicable taxes. *The deadline for hotel reservations is July 1, 2016.* Reservations received after July 1 are subject to availability. Reservations must be accompanied by a first night's deposit via credit card or check. Reservations cancelled less than 72 hours prior to arrival will not be refunded. Hotel parking is at a discounted rate of \$20.00 per day. You must inform the hotel that you are with the Hadassah National Convention in order to get our rate. **MORE INFORMATION:** Hadassah Knoxville President, Laura Floyd at [floydfam@knology.net](mailto:floydfam@knology.net) or (865) 694-5921.

## Hadassah President's Message

By Laura Floyd

- **Spring is here.** The weather is lovely and it's great to get outside! Last month, starting April 11 and continuing through July 21, 2016, is **Every Step Counts 2016**, as part of *Every Beat Counts: Hadassah's Healthy Heart Program*. Last year, more than 1,000 women and men walked over 350,000 miles for their heart health, crisscrossing the world on a virtual route from our New York headquarters all the way to the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. This year we're walking from Hadassah Medical Organization all the way to the Hadassah National Convention in Atlanta. **There's still time if you'd like to walk with us!** Go to [www.hadassah.org/everystepcounts](http://www.hadassah.org/everystepcounts) to sign up. The cost is \$18. You can download the Walker Tracker app on your smartphone to keep track of your steps.
- **More cool news from Hadassah Medical Organization:** Thanks to a new App, the hundreds of Hadassah Medical Center physicians and nurses who signed up to be members of Israel's Magen David Adom (MDA) first responders' data bank will now be alerted even before an MDA ambulance can reach the scene. This app, called **Lifesaving Faithful**, automatically calls nearby medical staff and volunteers who know how to administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and might only be minutes away from the patient who needs immediate aid.



Director General Prof. Zeev Rotstein shaking hands with MDA Chief Executive Officer Eli Bean.

Included in this first responder cadre are non-medical staff who passed a 20-hour course in first aid. This new project was launched with a festive sign-up in the atrium of Hadassah's Sarah Wetsman Davidson Hospital Tower. Hadassah's Heart Institute, under the leadership of Prof. Chaim Lotem and Senior Cardiologist Amir Orlev, MD, coordinated the activity.

"A good friend of mine died from a heart attack when I was too far away to get to him," said Lotem. "In my professional life, I've come across many cases where a person might have been saved if the connection had been made with a nearby trained giver of first aid." Among those who registered was Director General Prof. Zeev Rotstein, a cardiologist. "I am delighted to join this life-saving mission," he said. "The cooperation between Hadassah and Magen David Adom is very extensive, treating the injured who get their first treatment from the dedicated and skilled paramedics in the field and continued by the excellent medical staff at Hadassah. Now we have the opportunity to deepen the cooperation by joining this data base which is the biggest of its kind in the country. The staff members of Hadassah are proud to save lives within Hadassah Hospital and outside of it." Hadassah is the first hospital in Israel to take part in this new endeavor. MDA Chief Executive Officer Eli Bean notes, "I'd like to thank the hundreds of doctors and nurses of Hadassah who have joined this project. I'm sure their contribution to this project and to the task of saving lives will be great."

## Hadassah Knoxville Welcomes New Members

By Barbara Mintz, Membership VP

Hadassah is proud of its accomplishments in the past and its missions for the future. Hadassah boldly chose to offer the means for more women not already committed to Hadassah to join this vibrant organization as a free gift so they could also learn firsthand about Hadassah's involvement in education, in health, in the environment, in women's issues and much more.

Consequently, many current life-members gifted other women one year Hadassah memberships. Some of these women knew about Hadassah and others did not. Some have been a part of the Knoxville Jewish community for a long time and others are new to this area. Some are teachers educating our young children at Heska Amuna. Some are relatives of current life members.

We want to welcome all of them to Hadassah. They will be entertained, educated and informed by a national magazine full of information related to America and to Israel. They will have access to online resources about a wealth of topics. They will have opportunities throughout the year to engage in programs that make a difference in our community. They will also have the chance to meet and connect with other Jewish women across all of the Jewish organizations in our area as well as women not affiliated with any other local Jewish organization.

Below is a list of our newest members. *If you would like information regarding Hadassah, such as membership details, please feel free to contact me at [barbara@bmintz.com](mailto:barbara@bmintz.com).*

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| • Sandy Parker    | • Stephanie Rodriguez | • Sharon Soleman   | • Chelsea Angel |
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| • Amanda Jacobson | • Tamara Sturm        | • Polina Blansh    |                 |
| • Sarah Dugal     | • Michal Kaplan       | • Julia Galanti    |                 |



## Layettes

- ★ Joni and Steve Hirschhaut on the birth of their grandson, **ETHAN HIRSCHHAUT**
- ★ Sheila and David Popkin on the birth of their grandson, **SPENCER DAVID POPKIN**
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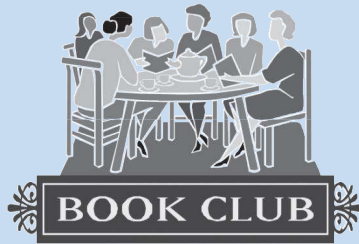
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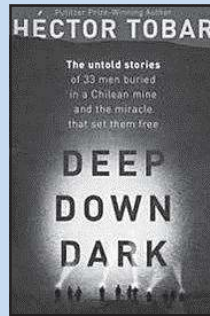
All Jewish women of the greater Knoxville area, and friends are welcome to join us. All Club meetings will take place at Barnes and Noble Book Store in the café.

Please contact Peggy Littmann at plittmann@comcast.net, or (865) 776-1013 with questions.

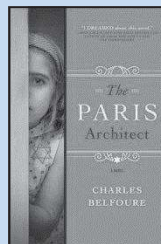
COME JOIN on **Tuesday, May 17** to discuss *Deep Down Dark: The Untold Stories of 33 Men Buried in a Chilean Mine, and the Miracle That Set Them Free* by Hector Tobar.

COME JOIN on **Tuesday, June 21** to discuss *The Paris Architect*, by Charles Belfoure.

For any last minute updates, please check the Hadassah web site [jewishknoxville.org/hadassah](http://jewishknoxville.org/hadassah) or from the home page of [jewishknoxville.org](http://jewishknoxville.org) - click on top menu choice "Adults", then under Social Action you will find the Hadassah link.



May selection



June selection

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We gratefully acknowledge recent donations to the Hadassah Large Certificates Program in memory of recent losses in our community (received as of March 16, 2016):

In memory of **Sylvia Miller**, mother of Norman (Linda) and Daniel (Hazel) Miller, grandmother of Russell, Jordi, Adam, Andy, and Alex Miller, aunt of Suze Miller, Elaine Freeman, and Judy Miller, and, great-aunt of Melissa Feinbaum and Rhoni Speed.

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For more information, contact Mary Ann at [hadassahcertificates@gmail.com](mailto:hadassahcertificates@gmail.com).



# Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School

## KJDS Performs the Four Mitzvot of Purim

**Mishloach Manot:** Speaking only Hebrew students bought foods with play Shekalim to create their own Mishloach Manot in the simulated Makolet (grocery). For this activity students had to use all the skills and vocabulary they've learned up until now. During Dads Breakfast on Purim day students delivered their Mishloach Manot to a friend.

**Megillat Esther:** In addition to hearing the Megillah read on Purim day students studied the story by re-enacting it, creating a purim puppet show and watching an animated video. Students discussed the message of the Purim Story and what we could learn from the individual characters. During Dads Breakfast, they shared their raps, PowerPoints and Selfie drawings with their dad. They used all of their knowledge to win the Purim Relay Race against their dads during our Dad's Breakfast.

**Matanot Le'evyonim:** Students organized a Ra'ashan (gragger) sale to raise money for Matanot Le'evyonim. They sold DIY Raashan packets for \$3.00 apiece. All the proceeds were donated to the poor so that they could buy the things they needed for Purim.

**Mishte – Seudat Purim:** On Purim day we had a Breakfast feast with our Dads prepared by Marilyn and Pat. In addition, we enjoyed Purim races where teams had to work together to “grab” as many food items for their Purim Feast. The challenge: students had to lay on a scooter on their stomachs, while a team mate pushed them towards the food, and they had to “grab” using buckets!



*(Top left) Shopping with their play "shekalim," the students went shopping in the "makolet". Budgeting was an added lesson with this activity.*

*(Bottom left) The Kindergartner and First graders acted out the Purim story with Morah Goldie.*



*(Top right) All students were excited to make Mishloach Manot to give to their classmates.*



*(Bottom right) Collecting the food "Hungry Hungry Hippo" style was a great way to celebrate this fun holiday.*

## A Question is Not Only a Question....

Each of our classes use “Essential Questions” to dig deeper in our understanding of curriculum. By stating the questions first, each lesson and activity is created to answer the question while building on knowledge the children already have mastered. The questions lead to more questions and require the students to justify their conclusions. Here is a sampling of the Essential Questions we are working on now.

The **Kindergarten/First Grade** class is answering “How is the rainforest similar and different to our backyard?”

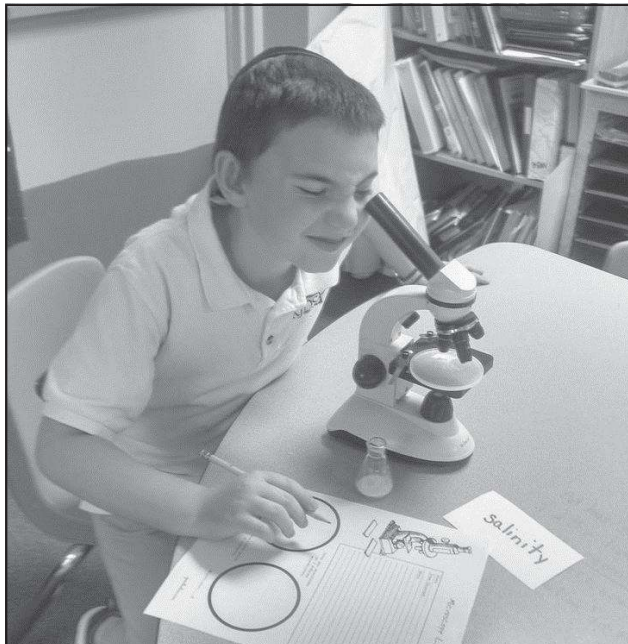
This class is creating a mural during the course of our unit that will depict the 4 layers of the rainforest. We will add and label plants and animals that live in each layer.

The **Second/Third Graders** are answering “How can patterns influence, affect, and enhance our understanding of the world?”

Studying a local dogwood tree allows the students to observe, measure and classify this Knoxville plant.

The **Fourth/Fifth Graders** are answering “Why should I be concerned about how potable water is used?”

This week the students learned how much of Earth's water is potable. They studied salinity and observed different types of salt crystals under the microscope.



*The Second and Third Graders are looking for patterns in nature. Using items in our own environment builds on established knowledge.*

*The Fourth and Fifth Graders are using microscopes to see the salinity of water samples.*

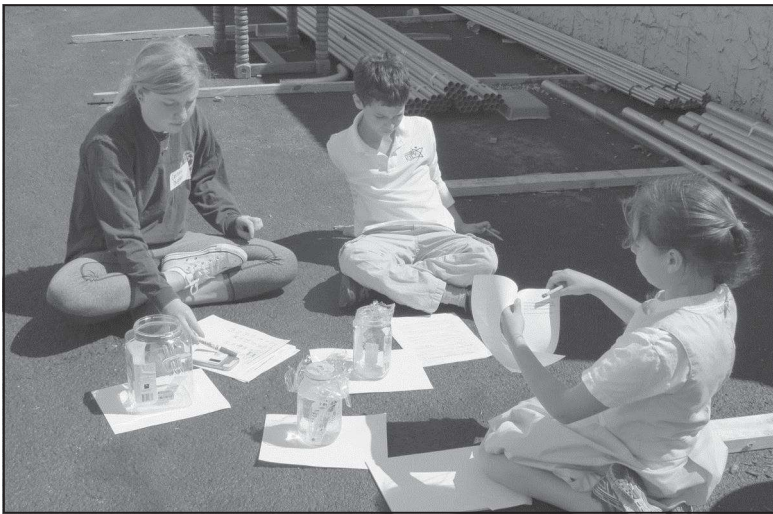


*Kindergarten and First grade are learning about the different layers of the Rain forest.*

## STEAM Experiments Focus on Environmental Issues

In preparation for the upcoming TEDx Talks, students performed experiments to test their hypothesis. We were very lucky to have UT's Environmental Science Department spend the afternoon with us. They helped walk the students through their experiments while bringing their understanding and familiarity with them. The students enjoyed having these energetic and knowledgeable students helping them.

- **Mendel and Michael** are answering the question "Can we use algae to light our homes?" In exploring alternative energy sources, they experimented with lighting a light using a lemon. They learned that harnessing alternative energy sources sometimes is more complicated than you anticipate.
- **Segev** is exploring ways we can use solar power. He created a solar oven and even toasted a piece of bread and melted butter in his new oven.
- **Leead** is exploring using biomass as an energy source. Leead will be watching to see how his balloons react to the different materials in the bottles under them. These bottles are filled with varying amounts and types of trash.
- **Dory and Owen** observed the effects of global warming by documenting temperatures inside jars that mimic our atmosphere and our oceans.
- **Elaina and Sarah** learned a lot about organic and non-organic food as they tried to discover when organic produce is really healthier or is it just a hype?



*(Clockwise)*  
Dory and Owen create jars that mimic the earth's atmosphere.

Elaina talks with UT Student Sara about organic foods.

Leead fills balloons with different types of trash.

Segev creates a solar oven.



Mendel and Michael work on creating new lighting sources.



## TEDx Talks at KJDS

Join us as we present our first-ever TED xTalks—KJDS style!

**Wednesday, May 11 — 1:45-3 p.m.**  
Students Grades 3-5

Students will present Environmental Issue live reports based on the format of the famous TEDx Talks. After months of in-depth research and professional coaching, our students will share their views on using solar power, community gardens and their benefits, eating organic foods and saving wood by using recycled materials for buildings. Another great learning adventure brought to you by *STEAM Into Service* and the students of KJDS!

## KJDS Graduation and Celebration of Excellence

**Tuesday, May 24 — 6 p.m.**  
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Join us for the Graduation of our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class and to view the progress of all of our students through their academic and art work.

The community is welcome to see what our amazing students have been up to all year. Please RSVP to [info@kjds.org](mailto:info@kjds.org)



## An Amazing Volunteer!

We sometimes forget that this volunteer is actually a volunteer and not one of the staff. Marilyn Burnett not only creates all of the amazing food for our Special Friends events (along with fellow good-deeder Pat Rosenberg) but she works regularly during our school day.

Marilyn has done so much for the school and brings her creative flair to everything she is involved in. We are lucky to have a dedicated and hard working person who knows the staff and how our school functions here to help us. Marilyn jumps in to assist with any task. She creates flyers, classroom material, Special Friends art projects, "Thank You" cards, mailing labels, dessert buffets and so much more. Thank you for all you do for our school, the staff and the children. You are a treasure to us all!



Marilyn Burnett

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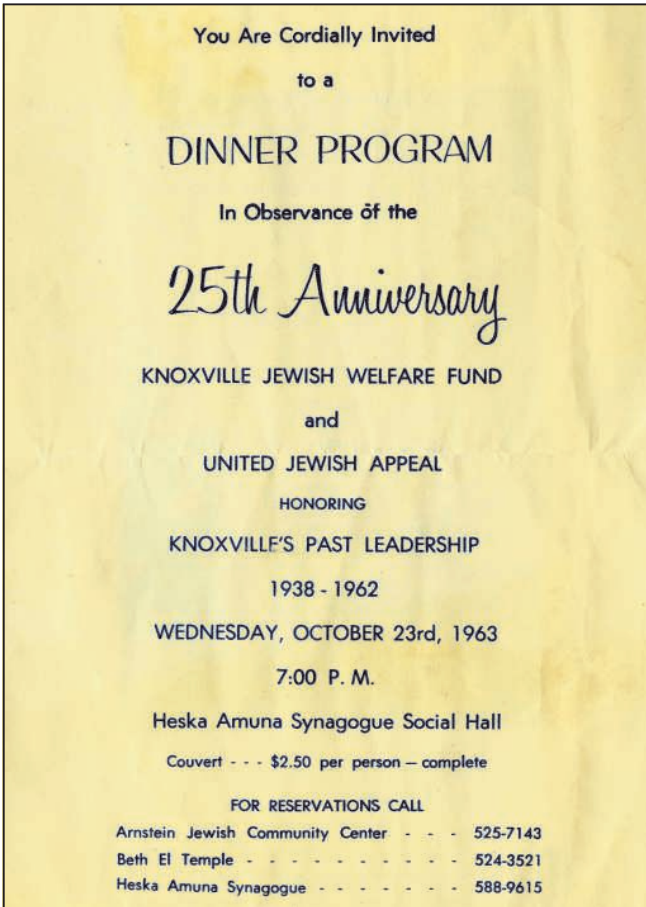
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