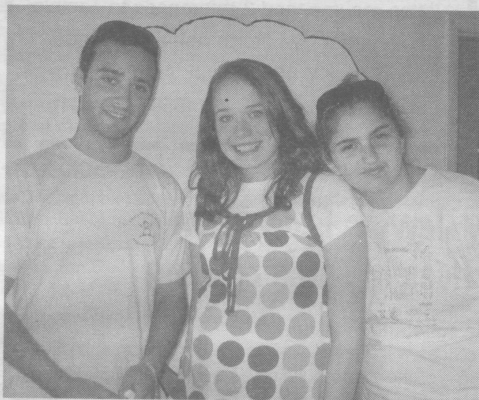


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Seth Westerman, Katie Kaplan, and Lizzie Engel get trained and excited for camp.

Camp is coming—don't miss out!

Camp Shalom and Camp Gesher
ready for the biggest year yet

♦ ♦ ♦
By Jana LaZur

The staff is trained, the budget is made, the site is rented, and the staff and campers are excited. All we have left is the two-months wait until camp begins on July 30 for two weeks of fun and adventure.

This year, we have something new on the first day of camp. Our regular campsite is unavailable on that day, so we will hold camp at Temple Adath Israel and make it special. Because it will be held offsite, we will consider it a field trip and be ready for fun and adventure.

Campers will need to be dropped off and picked up at the Temple for this day only; the remainder of camp will be spent at the beautiful Blue Grass Christian Camp site.

We feel fortunate that this year camp will be held at the lower level. This site is closer to the pool, sports activities, game tents, and—my favorite—tether ball. What this transition will mean is that campers ages 4 to 5 need not be transported by car to swim this year. However, now that campers will be closer to the pool,

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All aboard for the Dixie Belle boat ride

Shakertown Landing is the place to be on July 22

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By Mimi Kaufman

Come one, come all to Dixie Belle in Shakertown for a summer evening boat ride to take place on Sunday, July 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. We pay for the ride, you bring your picnic or whatever drinks and snacks you wish. Enjoy the natural beauty of the Kentucky River as you enjoy a boat ride with your friends and/or family. Feel the charm of an old-style paddlewheel

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— CAMPAIGN NEWS —

Pacesetters event inspiring, thought-provoking

Speaker Michael Soberman gets the 2007 CKJF/
UJC Community Campaign off to a great start

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On May 6, about 40 members of the Central Kentucky Jewish Community came together at the home of Leon and Linda Ravvin to listen to Michael Soberman, director of the Canadian Israel Experience, who shared his views on the present and future of North American Jewry with the audience.

Soberman remarked on the need to invest in the future of the community to ensure that there will be leaders able to provide for whatever needs the Jewish people will have. As today's leaders, he said, we have the responsibility to provide for Jews in need around the world: in Central Kentucky as well as Israel or the former Soviet Union. We do, however, have another responsibility, and that is to make sure that the next generation understands the need to keep their commitment to the Jewish people. He pointed out that although we are good at telling people how to be Jewish, we are not doing such a great job at getting them to understand why to be Jewish, and unless we invest ourselves in that task, there might be no Jews tomorrow to support other Jews.

His presentation was peppered with many personal anecdotes of meetings with Jews in the most unusual places, from Mumbai to Moscow, and even of a close encounter with Orthodox penguins in Antarctica.

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Central Kentucky Jewish Federation moves to new offices in same building

Annual Meeting/Open house scheduled for June 27

As of May 1, 2007, the CKJF offices will have moved to the third floor, suite 302—
towards the front of the building—of the same building as before, at 1050 Chinoe
Road. You can come and see the new offices any time; we do, however, invite the
whole community to join us at our annual meeting and open house on June 27.

We'll have desserts, we'll elect our new officers, and we'll present our annual
awards: the President's Award, the Volunteer of the Year Award, and the
Young Leadership Award. We will also recognize those Board members
who are stepping down after completing their three-year terms on the
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Email articles to di-ifr@bardstown.com.

Articles submitted in hard copy should be double-spaced.

Sim Shalom confirmands make annual trip abroad

Camp plans in the works

By Jesse Weil

Two weeks ago, Rabbi Joel Abraham, from Temple Shalom in Plainfield, New Jersey, paid his annual visit to Sim Shalom with his confirmation class. This has been an annual affair for at least the past six years. The class visits several places in Eastern Europe, including Auschwitz, and after that downer ends the trip more joyfully in Budapest by joining us for a Friday night Shabbat service. Temple Shalom's student cantor, Darcie Naomi Sharlein, was also on the trip as a chaperone, and she contributed in a major way to the service with her beautiful singing. Following the service and Kiddush, a pizza supper and much singing and *bensching* filled out the evening. The Plainfield youngsters were delightful, and enjoyed meeting the younger members of Sim Shalom. It was a great evening for us all. It didn't hurt the mood when it was announced that the mother of the chaperone, on a previous year's trip, had made a substantial donation to our Synagogue renovation fund.

In March, two of our up-and-coming young leaders, Miki Budai and Nick Young, spent a week in Israel on a leadership training course. Miki is a Board member, plays guitar for services, sings Ladino songs, and does some cantorial work for holidays, while Nick is getting more active in Sim Shalom affairs by helping with our fundraising campaign. Nick is a British expatriate; he and his originally Hungarian wife have just had their second child, so his time is somewhat limited.

Planning of the annual Sim Shalom Family Weekend Retreat Camp is in full swing. The camp will be held at Szarvas, a youth camp site owned by the Budapest Jewish community, as it was last year. The camp is located about 70 miles southeast of Budapest. ✧



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Campaign (from page 1)

Michael Soberman presented all of us a challenge to stand up for the future of Israel and for the future of the Jewish people, and those in attendance stepped up to the plate, resulting in a substantial increase of their contributions. This marks a great start for our 2007 CKJF/UJC Community Campaign.

We all need to take responsibility for both the needs of today and the needs of tomorrow—to help those who need a lift today, and to prepare those who might be able to provide one tomorrow. As Soberman said, "*Kol Israel arevim ze b'ze*" ("All Jews are responsible for one another").

Congratulations to Ricki Rosenberg and Linda Ravvin for organizing this wonderful event to support the Campaign. Thanks also to all those who added their help and support, including Simone Salomon for arranging the flowers and Rob Rosenstein for his as-always generous assistance with the wine and other drinks, and special thanks to Daniel Chejfec and the CKJF staff, whose efforts always help make CKJF events a success.

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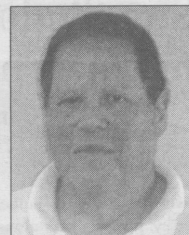
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President's Message

Marty Barr



This is the last column that I will write as president. Of course, I said that a number of years ago, then volunteered for a second go-round. The differences between the organization that I left six years ago and the one that I am getting ready to leave today are close to mind-boggling.

Among the most salient is the increase in cooperation between the major Jewish organizations in Lexington. It seems to me that the recognition of our interdependency has finally taken hold and that, while it is vital for each group to maintain its identity, it is also necessary to put the overall welfare of the overall Lexington Jewish community at the forefront of our actions. The recent Yom Hashoah and Yom Ha'Atzmaut gatherings are the best examples of this kind of action.

Secondly, the number of programs that we offer and the number of volunteers involved with them continue to grow and receive community kudos. The Leisure Club, Camp Shalom, and *Shalom* newspaper have all benefited tremendously from the leadership provided by both our professional staff and the volunteers on the front lines.

Finally, our funding campaign seems to have regained its momentum. It would be nice not to have to focus on raising money, but the fact remains that it is the engine that makes the whole process go.

It has been an honor to serve as president of the Federation. I feel that we are a better organization today than we were two years ago and that this trend will continue in the future. If you need me, I'll be on the first tee. ☆

TAI Annual Meeting held

New board members installed

By Pat Shraberg

On Sunday April 29, TAI held its annual congregational meeting. The board members whose terms had expired were thanked for their time and service to the Temple: Jon Waltman, Dale Schermer, Gary Hoover, Larry Gerson, Marcia Brown, and Ben Baker (retired). The congregation welcomed the newly elected board members: Gary Yarus, Harriet Rose, Dianne Bazell, Debbie Masters, Lowell Nigoff, Janet Zusman, and Dan Liebman. Retiring from the Executive Committee were First Vice President Marc Simpson and Treasurer Neil Poley. The slate of officers elected for the 2007-2008 year: President David Shraberg, First Vice President Sammie Miller-Stith, Second Vice President Pete Sobel, Treasurer Doug Katz, and Secretary Cory Erdmann.

John McDonald summarized the previous year from the adminis-



New TAI Board and Executive Committee members at installation under the chuppah.

trator's perspective and was thanked for his continued service and dedication to the functioning of the Temple. Neil Poley gave the treasurer's report, and Cory Erdmann proposed a budget which was accepted. Rabbi Kline proposed the establishment of a theme for the new year, "Opening New Doors," which he hopes will inspire the committees, the religious school, and the preschool to allow for new ideas and possibilities. President Shraberg followed up on the rabbi's proposal by describing the congregation as a family in which each member has a role and a responsibility simply by virtue of being a member of the family.

The new board members and executive committee members took an oath and were installed under the chuppah. ☆

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Evalyn Block is incoming Hadassah president

Incoming Hadassah president enthusiastic about organization's ideals

By Marilyn Moosnick

Evalyn Block, the Lexington Hadassah Chapter's newly elected president, gets high on a regular basis. High on life. High on Garry Hoover, her husband of five years, with whom she fell in love when she was 17. High on the career change she made when she sold her home and moved to Lexington. High on Kentucky, after living in Florida almost 50 years.

And lately, Evalyn is high on Hadassah, the organization she first discovered here. She says she's into Hadassah "hook, line, and sinker."

This new chapter president's life experiences are anything but usual. Hers is a romantic love story, fraught with huge highs and lengthy lows. But the way she tells it, it's all good. She and Garry parted after a ten-year young-love romance. Evalyn was devastated, but she filled her life with family, friends, and a dream job with the Florida Department of Corrections, Probation and Parole Services. Here Evalyn admits the perfect job didn't come immediately; she, like her parents before her, worked for an insurance firm in Miami until the corrections department sought her out after two years. Never mind, she was able to take a three-month leave of absence from the insurance firm to backpack in Europe with a good friend. At the DOC, Evalyn worked her way up, assignment by assignment, from field officer to unit supervisor to office supervisor, always with an "exceptional staff." She was living out her college wish for a position in which she could continue to work with people like those she helped as a student volunteer at a half-way house in the Department of Corrections.

She had been with the Florida Department of Corrections for 25 years, just a few years before pension time, when Garry sought a renewal of their romance. She did what any woman who had loved only one man all her life would do. Right? She quit her job, put her house on the market, and moved to Kentucky.

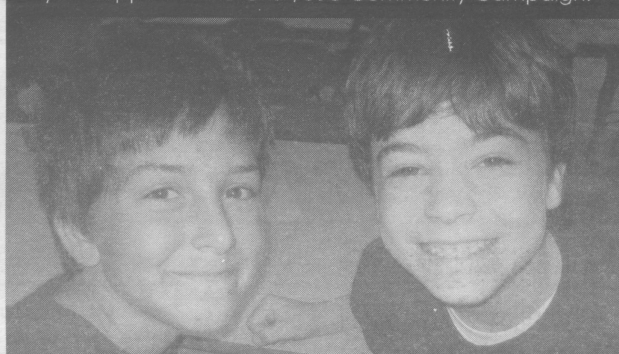
Floridian Garry, with a career at Florida Power and Light and Tenaco, had come to Kentucky in 1989 to join the faculty of St. Catherine College in Springfield. Later, he came to Lexington to teach mathematics at Sayre School; the move to Lexington led to his present position as manager of Financial Systems and Technology Resource Support for the Fayette County School System. Garry and Evalyn were married on January 13, 2002 in Hollywood, Florida, by Rabbi Koenigsburg at Temple Sinai, the Conservative congregation where she had been a life-long member.

But this is not the end of the story. We know more about the Block-Hoover married life than the happily-ever-afters of the classic fairy tales. Garry sold his house and the bride and groom together bought a home in Hartland. Because Garry had become a member of Temple Adath Israel, Evalyn joined there. Through Garry's deep commitment to Fayette schools, Evalyn began a teaching career at Lexington Traditional Magnet School on Limestone Street, near downtown.

As "old marrieds" of four years, in 2006 they became "parents" for a school season, welcoming into their new home Natalie, a 15-year-old girl from Germany, here with a local foreign-exchange program. Evalyn said this experience gave her real insight into parenting teenagers. Is there an unusually exuberant, ever-enthusiastic, extremely engaging life force in play in THIS tale?

One of the chief causes must be found in Evalyn's early childhood in Miami as the second oldest in a close-knit group of six children. She has heeded to

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this day her mother's repeated reading of Thoreau's words: "Step to the music you hear, no matter how measured or far away." Her mother's mantra was, "The cup is always half full, never half empty." The family motto: "Family—first, last, and always." Evalyn's ready smile is even more glowing when she speaks of her mother, whom she resembles. "I know it sounds corny, but she instilled in us good, old fashioned values, and the desire to be a good person."

Evalyn remembers keenly the day her father piled all the children in his old car and rode all over Miami, through many neighborhoods Evalyn never ventured into again. He said nothing until they arrived back home. Then he turned to all the children and said, "When you're feeling you don't have the things that children around you have, remember what you saw today and realize you have everything you need: a roof over your head, clothes on your back, food on the table, and parents who love you. Count your blessings."

Evalyn's parents were killed in an automobile accident while vacationing in 1988; overnight, at 36, she had lost her beloved role models. Asked about how she has accepted the serious twists and turns her life has

taken, she quickly answered, "You look for the positive. You look for the blessing in disguise. You think of what has been given you, what you've learned and how you have grown through each life experience. Then you can be thankful for what you have had."

It seems someone as strong as Evalyn Block should have a mantra or two of her own. Indeed, throughout her interview several mantra-like comments emerged: "See and accept things as

they really are"; "Follow the urge to be yourself"; "Take the path less traveled"; "Seize the moment"; "Ask, so what if I fail?"

Growing up in what she terms a "conservadox" family, gaining a bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of South Florida in Tampa, and studying with the rabbis at Temple Sinai through college and beyond left Evalyn looking for multiple ways to continue her Jewish life in Lexington. Though she had never been a member of Hadassah in Florida, she read in an Adath Israel publication a notice about a Hadassah meeting to be held at the Temple and was intrigued. Attending the meeting, she took home a brochure about Hadassah's work, and reading it, immediately decided to become not only a member, but a life member.

That's the only cue it took for Odette Kaplan, current chapter president, to ask her to join the board of directors. In no time at all, Evalyn found herself vice president for programming. In this capacity for the past two years, she has developed exciting programs for local meetings but also has attended regional

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From the Executive Director

Daniel Chejfec



So, what is a Zionist anyway?

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It is becoming quite common to see in newspapers or on the Internet one Jew or another blasting Israel as illegitimate and Zionism as racism. Does this make sense? Can a Jew be anti-Zionist? Is that possible?

To answer that question we first need to understand what a Zionist is. The first thing to clarify is that Zionism is a political, and not a religious, movement. While Zionism in its Messianic incarnation was present in Judaism and Jewish liturgy almost from the very moment our people were expelled at the beginning of the Common Era, when we talk today about Zionism, we are referring specifically to the political movement organized by Theodor Herzl that led to the independence of Israel in 1948.

Acknowledging the political character of the Zionist ideology has quite a few implications:

- a) You don't have to be Jewish to be a Zionist.
- b) You don't have to be a Zionist to be Jewish.
- c) If you believe Judaism to be only a religion, Zionism is irrelevant.

Let me tackle the first implication. First, I would have to clarify what is at the core of the Zionist ideology. Zionism was organized as the national liberation movement of the Jewish people. This means, first of all, that

we recognize the national aspect of Jewish identity; secondly we believe that the Jewish people, like all other people, have the right to self-determination; and finally, we can be Zionist but profoundly disagree on concrete political steps to support Zionism. There is Socialist Zionism, Revisionist Zionism, Religious

Zionism is about our right and our destiny as a people; pretending all Jews agree what that destiny should be would be unrealistic, and expecting all Jews to agree on what the government is doing would be not only impossible, but even naive.

(political) Zionism, and these are just the largest groups within the Jewish people. Any Christian who believes that the Jewish people have the right to self-determination qualifies as a Christian Zionist.

Zionism is therefore a collection of individual ideologies which are often at odds with each other, especially

since the independence of Israel and even more so since the 1967 war that left Israel in control of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. All these ideological disagreements come to bear on attempts to answer some basic political questions: Should Israel retain the West Bank and Gaza? Should Jews establish settlements in those areas? Should the government of Israel negotiate with Hamas? Is it OK to retaliate against Palestinians? The questions do go on and on. As a people, we Jews are outspokenly argumentative, so in the details there will be as many interpretations of Zionism as there are Jews. All Zionists will, however, agree with the basic premise of Zionism as the national liberation movement of the Jewish people.

Which brings us to the next question: Can you be Jewish and not be a Zionist? Strictly speaking, this question compares apples and oranges. Religious beliefs and political convictions, while interconnected, are often independent of each other. Many Orthodox groups oppose Zionism on the basis that the redemption of the land must be connected with the coming of the Anointed One (*Moschiach*, Messiah), so regular people like you and me have no business playing God and bringing about the redemption by political means. They are clearly against political Zionism, but there should

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Know Your Board

By Elissa Brown

Jennifer Miller was born in Denver, Colorado but was raised in West Virginia. She has lived in Lexington for the past twelve years. A member of Temple Adath Israel, Jennifer was a file auditor with Kentucky Retirement Systems until her retirement. This is Jennifer's first year serving on the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Board. She would like to see a community center in CKJF's future.

Linda Noffsinger is originally from Louisville, Kentucky but has lived in Lexington for most of her life. She, her husband Jeff, and their sons Jared and Jeremy are members of Temple Adath Israel. An information technology manager, Linda is serving her first year on the Board. Linda hopes for more collaboration by community members. ☆

Leisure Club to visit Arboretum

By Ruth Moser

This has been a busy year for the Leisure Club. Our last event was a Bingo Party at TAI—good food, great prizes, and lots of good friends.

On June 21 we will go to the UK Arboretum. Bring your lunch, and CKJF Leisure Club will bring soft drinks and dessert. Look forward to walking around, sitting under a shade tree, and just enjoy-

ing time at a wonderful place. Our own Annette Milch, along with a docent from the UK Arboretum — will tell us all about the flowers, plants, and trees that grow there. Watch your mail for the invitation.

If you aren't on the CKJF Leisure Club mailing list, call Abby Miller at (859) 269-8244 to add your name. Don't miss all the exciting goings-on! ☆

Third Opinion

Stanley Ned Rosenbaum, PhD



"Local Jewish Tribal Leaders Were Quoted As Saying..."

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Boy, now there's a headline you probably haven't seen in the last, say, 2,700 years, not since the eight (not ten) Northern tribes bolted from the David family's upstart monarchy. And before that I can only think of the biblical story of all the tribes under Joshua deciding not to let their daughters marry Benjaminites any more because of a nasty, just-concluded civil war (Judges 19-21). That conflict speaks to the original "foreignness" of the Benjaminites, but is not my point here.

Except for Jews living in the Arabian Peninsula and a few other out-of-the-way places, we either gave up or outgrew our tribalism about 1,500 years ago. So when I heard on NPR that "local tribal leaders were threatening to take things into their own hands if the Iraqi government cannot quell the violence," I thought, again, these guys aren't part of the solution, they're part of the problem.

In Afghanistan, the Pashtun, who form the backbone of the Taliban, are the problem. They are a tribe the size of a small nation.

Paradoxically, it might have helped Jews that we have been scattered like seed across the known world. Makes tribal organization harder to sustain, doesn't it? But how many of us now even think we know what our tribe is—or was? We really got out of the habit of organizing along those lines a long time ago, starting when Jeremiah wrote to the exiles in Babylon that they should settle down and "seek after the welfare of the places in which you find yourselves" (Jeremiah 29).

Even after we got our country back in 1948, we did not reorganize on tribal lines. Nor did we go around assassinating each other in carload lots. Since 1934 I can only think of two Jewish leaders who were assassinated,

Yitzhak Rabin and Chaim Arlosoroff. Before that? I can only think of Gedaliah (582 B.C.E.), for whom the Jewish calendar still marks a fast.

Do you know this joke? A Yugoslavian teacher is taking roll and asks each child what his/her nationality is. One says "Serb," another "Croat," a third "Bosnian." When the fourth child answers, "I am Yugoslav," the teacher writes down "Jew."

The fact is that Jews have been at the forefront of those who see the big picture, that a nation's interests must supersede the ethnicities of its constituent parts. It made Karl Marx sneer that we are "rootless, urban cosmopolites" (in my case, I suppose he'd say a rootless, rural cosmopolite).

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It's true, of course, that we developed an internal "pecking order" of Sephardim/Germans/Eastern Europeans and gradations of each, but that's largely breaking down too. In Israel the "intermarriage" rate among Sephardim and Ashkenazim has been steadily rising and will, I think, produce an entirely new strain of Jew, a hybrid

that will be the stronger for its diverse roots (and maybe get better mileage, too.)

In this country, tribes have devolved into denominations that jockey, politely, for adherents in what is a niche market: Jews—unless you count the efforts of some to attract gentiles. (I happen to think that we get the best and brightest of these, but that may be a personal prejudice.)

I don't mean to minimize the challenges we face here. Both the number and quality of America's Jews is a matter of constant concern. But I don't foresee us ever returning to a tribally based organization in order to meet our problems. That Ark has sailed.

Now, if there were only some way that we could convince our Muslim cousins to do as we've done... ✧

Stanley Ned Rosenbaum, PhD (Brandeis), is an adjunct professor of Hebrew at UK and professor emeritus of Judaic Studies at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Penn. The title of this recurring column is drawn from the old chestnut, "Two Jews, three opinions."

Camp (from page 1)

they can enjoy longer swim times. The lower level of camp is filled with pavilions where we can listen to storytellers and work on projects. The playing fields are great and we hope to offer paddle boating (if water levels permit). Of course, there will still be plenty of opportunities for nature hikes and scavenger hunts.

Please read our article on page 16 in this issue of *Shalom* about our staff. For years we have had a quality camp and continue to take great pride in our

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Ask a Rabbi

Rabbi Sharon Cohen



Q How did the modern branches of Judaism evolve?

A Judaism, although rooted in an ancient heritage and tradition, is anything but monolithic. Throughout the generations, there have been different ways to practice and live Jewishly as we found ourselves living in a variety of places under a multiplicity of influences. If we look at the Talmud, we find recorded a range of opinions regarding interpretation and observance, many based not only upon where the opinion was coming from in terms of location, but upon ideology and interpretation as well. Ever hear of Hillel and Shammai? How about the Karaites, the Samaritans, or the Essenes? All of these groups represent the dynamic nature of Judaism.

The modern branches of Judaism, which for the purposes of this column will include the major

religious movements in North America—Conservative, Reform, Orthodox, and Reconstructionist (recognizing that there may be others we could talk about)—actually have their roots in Central Europe. They arose during the 18th

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and 19th centuries as responses to the challenges that a rapidly modernizing world presented.

Until the French Revolution in 1791, Jews were not generally permitted to be a part of general European culture. After the Emancipation, Jews became full citizens, able to take advantage of new freedoms and opportunities. The Emancipation was a mixed blessing in that now Jews, as citizens of the modern, secular, Western world, often found Jewish law and practice to be in conflict

with society around them. How could one observe the dietary laws when business deals with non-Jews were being done over lunch? How could one observe the Sabbath when one had to keep the business open on Saturday to compete with stores owned by non-Jews? How could students be trained as doctors, lawyers, and teachers when school met on Shabbat or holidays? Under these circumstances, many Jews considered it

impossible to be both Jews and full citizens of the modern world. Either afraid or unwilling to compromise their new freedoms, they abandoned their Jewish identity.

The Reform Movement was born as a response to this assimilation. Reformers sought to recapture those Jews who were giving up their Jewish identity entirely. They acknowledged that Jewish law made it hard to be both a Jew and a citizen of the modern world and argued that the heart of Judaism wasn't law,

but a set of universal ethical principles. According to the Reformers' interpretation of Jewish history, the ritual laws were not binding. They considered all post-biblical law to be made by human beings who intended to have authority only during their time period. Morality and belief in God, not law or the concept of nationhood or peoplehood, were the keys to Jewish identity.

Reform became a movement in America in the second half of the 19th century, with the large waves of immigration (particularly from Germany), when its rabbis organized themselves into a cohesive group, establishing congregations and a rabbinical school, Hebrew Union College.

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Healing the world means reaching out to help others

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Over these past few months, I have spoken at the Lexington Senior Citizen Center and Bell House Senior Citizen Center on *tikkun olam* (repairing the world), *tzedakah* (justice and charity), *gemilut hasadim* (acts of loving-kindness), *mitzvot* (good deeds), and *shalom* (peace). I explored how JFS and CKJF are involved in all of these. If you were unable to attend any of the presentations, here are some highlights.

First, you can make a positive impact in the world and in the lives of others. All you need to do is devote some time and effort. When you help other people, you truly can change their lives. Moreover, you are not only enriching their lives, but your own. Participating in community service activities can be such a learning experience for you and everyone involved.

There are countless ways to reach out to other people, society, and the world as a whole. You might become an advocate for a non-profit organization or you may

decide to put your enthusiasm into other causes. You can cook for the homeless, visit the homebound, restore a park, tutor a child, raise money, plant trees, or contribute in a myriad other ways.

The common Hebrew phrase *tikkun olam*, "repairing the world," is central to Jewish ethics. It emphasizes that every act of kindness (*tzedakah*) helps create a new and healthy world. According to Rabbi Moshe ben Maimon (Maimonides), there are eight levels of *tzedakah* (starting with the highest level):

1. Giving the poor person work, lending the person money to start a business, teaching the person a trade or skill, or finding a job for the person.
2. Giving charity anonymously to an unknown recipient.

3. Giving charity anonymously to a known recipient.
4. Giving charity publicly to an unknown recipient.
5. Giving charity before being asked to give.
6. Giving charity adequately and sufficiently after being asked.
7. Giving charity willingly and happily, but inadequately and less than what was requested.
8. Giving charity unwillingly, reluctantly, and unenthusiastically.

As you may recall, one of the meaningful and important aspects of JFS is to **H.E.L.P. (Healing, Enriching and Educating, Listening, and Providing)**. Therefore, JFS is here to **H.E.L.P.** you as well as you can **H.E.L.P.** others and the world as a whole by volunteering and assisting through JFS or via other non-profit organizations. Just remember that lending a helping hand demonstrates that you have genuine respect for them. Here's mnemonic I created: you can be an **M & M** candy every day by **Motivating** yourself and other people and by **Maximizing** your potential in being generous towards them. ✨

Evalyn Block (from page 5)

and national workshops, conferences, conventions, and leadership development seminars. She will attend, with a sizeable Lexington contingent, the 95th National Hadassah Convention in New York City this summer.

As her interview session began to wind down, Evalyn squared her shoulders and said, "Now I must talk about Hadassah."

"I am so proud to be part of Hadassah for what it stands for, what it does. You give to an organization for what it does, but it has to give back to you. You develop a deep relationship. The heart and soul of Hadassah is what I believe in: Jewish identity, Jewish continuity, and *tikkun olam* (healing the world). As an individual you have a small voice, but as part of Hadassah, your voice can make a real difference. With each of its programs (medical services, education, land reclamation, and youth services both here and in Israel) Hadassah's Jewish values become universal.

"How the world perceives Israel is how it perceives all Jews. The projects of Hadassah make Israel a better

place and so we in Hadassah are giving Judaism a better global standing.

"Advocacy is something that is important to me. 'Stand up and be counted' is an old family tradition. If I am able to leave the world a better place, through Hadassah, I have lived well."

But Evalyn Block does not leave her discussion of Hadassah without hitting on what she considers one of the movements' greatest rewards: friendships.

"When I take a look at the women in Hadassah, I see an amazing group of women who are strong, passionate, open to women of all interests, and, best of all, not afraid to empower other women.

"I want others to experience this," she said. "This sense of growing, of empowerment. Hadassah offers so many chances for leadership, and if you want to grow, you can gain skills that will aid you in every area of your life."

Evalyn wants the Lexington Chapter to continue to be an outstanding chapter. She wants many young women to get involved so they can experi-

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ence what she has so quickly come to feel. "This is a network of like-minded women, enabling them to become effective advocates for whatever interests them. Hadassah is deeply committed to a world of issues—all of them the ones women of today believe in. It allows you to connect in deep ways. It is a Jewish woman's identity... roots... destiny."

Evalyn Block's story is what is called an interview that writes itself. "I have never been guarded," she said. "I don't have anything to hide. I don't have any complaints. I just love life. And now I want to talk about MY Hadassah."

So, Hadassah of Lexington, here is your new president. You can look forward to more of the same kind of lively, pro-active, growing, interesting, enjoyable times you have had with outgoing president Odette Kaplan. The Evalyn Block years begin when Odette turns over her gavel to her successor at the opening Hadassah meeting September 5. That's when Evalyn will begin to get everyone high on Hadassah. ✨

Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrates Israeli Independence

More than 275 people at recognition of Israel's 59th year

It was a picture-perfect day to be outdoors in the country celebrating Israel Independence Day, or Yom Ha'atzmaut, this year in Lexington. The Jewish community joined the religious schools to celebrate at the Blue Grass Christian Camp (BGCC), home of Camp Shalom. Everyone attending had a lot of fun as they learned more about Israel, ate marvelous food, danced, sang, and more. The day concluded with a *Maccabia* (athletic event) led by Sandy Goldberg.

Elissa Brown and Tamara Ohayon designed scavenger hunts that incorporated facts on Israel with clues. The kids attending built a replica of the Western Wall of newspaper and paper grocery bags and painted them to look more authentic. Stephanie Barrett taught Israeli dances and Pat Shraberg and Mimi Kaufman set up a café for students and adults alike so they could enjoy treats in between other activities. As Jane Grise said, "It was a wonderful community effort and I would definitely like to do more things like this again!"

Around lunch time, after the hungry competitors of the *Maccabia* had finished, the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation provided the community with some Israeli delicacies as well as cheese pizza for the kids. No birthday party is complete without a cake,

and thanks go to Aviva Bowling for singing "Hatikva" as we lit the candles and sang "Happy Birthday" (in Hebrew, of course!).

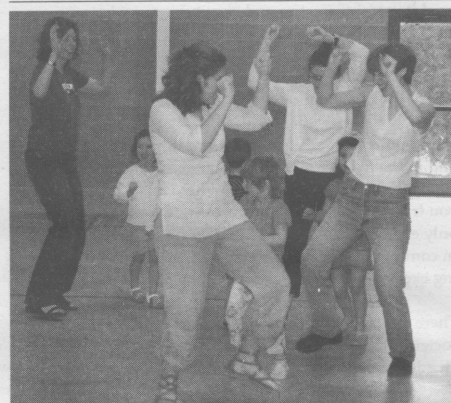
As a respite from the heat, people enjoyed a Power Point presentation showing some of the wonderful things about Israel. It included beautiful pictures and lively music to entertain people while they cooled down and relaxed. Information was available about trips to Israel along with other educational items.

This day was special because of the diverse members of our community who attended. Nothing is better than seeing so many folks having fun for a good cause. Jane Grisé and Simone Solomon deserve special thanks for their efforts in coordinating so many students, teachers, and aides for this enjoyable and educational day.

Let's all get ready to celebrate an even larger 60th birthday next year! ☆



Debbie Masters assists her students.



Stephanie Barrett teaches Israeli Dance.

What is a Zionist? (from page 6)

be no doubt about their commitment to a Jewish way of life following Jewish law. (There is another implication to this question to which I will refer later in the article.)

So we come to the third issue: If you believe Judaism to be only a religion, Zionism is irrelevant. Since Zionism is defined as the national liberation movement of the Jewish people, it is obvious that denying the peoplehood/nationhood dimension of Jewish identity means Jews don't need to be "liberated" because they are not a people. The American Council for Judaism espoused this view during World War II, and not only opposed the Zionist movement but even advocated isolationism and keeping America out of the war even after news of the concentration camps started to appear. From their point of view, the only connection between Jews was their religious belief, and that is a private and not a public matter. Therefore, no political action should be associated with religious practice. Their position was in fact a restatement of the classical Reform credo: Jews were "citizens of their countries who practice the Mosaic Faith."

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Everything I have said so far was to put in context my personal position on the subject. I do believe that Jews are a people sharing a past, a present, and a future; defining Judaism as only a religion is oversimplifying and impoverishing the Jewish historical experience. I personally believe that Jewish identity resists any attempt at simplification. Being Jewish is an ethnic, religious, and national identifier that my grandparents used to call "yiddishkeit," the "Jewish quality." Since I believe that there is a peoplehood/nationhood dimension to being Jewish, it naturally follows that Jews have the same rights as any other people, including self-determination. Therefore, from my perspective as a religiously liberal, not especially observant, Jew who believes in the peoplehood aspect of being Jewish, there is no other choice but to be a Zionist, and being a Zionist means in this day and age, among other things, being a strong supporter of the State of Israel's right to exist as a sovereign Jewish state.

Yet being a Zionist does not necessarily mean supporting blindly all the decisions of the government of Israel. Zionism is about our right and our destiny as a people; pretending all Jews agree what that destiny should be would be unrealistic, and expecting all Jews to agree on what the government is doing would be not only impossible, but even naive. We do however have a responsibility, if we disagree, to do so within the boundaries of civil discourse and recognizing that there is some truth in every idea, even those we strongly disagree with.

One of the pitfalls of having an independent Jewish State is also the main advantage: power. When you have power, your ethical decisions become even more

important because they have the potential to affect other people's lives, and the State of Israel is faced with very serious ethical and moral dilemmas on an everyday basis. The relationship with the Palestinians, with the neighboring Arab countries, with Jews in the Diaspora, are all serious issues demanding ethical decisions. Which decisions we consider to be correct or incorrect are a function of our particular ideological reading of the situation.

You may have noticed that I keep using the word "ideology"; I am doing it on purpose. While the word "idea" is composed of four letters, it is not by any means a "four-letter word." An ideology is a system of ideas which provide us with the perspective to interpret the world in which we live. I believe in Zionism as a valid ideology and I believe in seeking the truth to find resolution to existing conflicts, including the Arab-Israeli conflict, even if that truth is painful to me. As a Zionist and as a Jew, I know I am biased in favor of Israel, and I am not ashamed of it—I embrace it. ☆

History of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Part XIX

After the 1948 War (III) The Jewish Refugees

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By Daniel Cheifec

In the last issue, we explored the problem of the Arab refugees: how many of them there were, why they left, and where they went. In this issue we will explore the situation of the Jews from Arab countries.

The first thing to understand is that Jews in Arab societies were never equals with Muslims, not because they were Jewish, but because they were non-Muslims. The *Shari'a* or Muslim religious law clearly defines different status for Muslims than non-Muslims, and furthermore, makes distinctions between different kinds of non-Muslims. The origins of these distinctions go back to Muhammad and the Qur'an. The story of Muhammad, often considered by Muslims as the paradigm of a righteous life, includes several situations in which Muhammad had to deal with the Jews. If we look at these stories in chronological order, it becomes clear that in the beginning of his campaign, Muhammad allied himself with the Jews of the regions of Yatrib (Medina) and the Oasis of Khaibar. It appears that he hoped that the Jews would endorse his message, lending him their credibility as the oldest monotheistic religion. It didn't happen; Jews, according to contemporary testimonies, despised Muhammad and considered him to be an ill-educated merchant and nothing more. This attitude bothered Muhammad and over time led him to confront the Jews. After entering Mecca in one of the campaigns, he killed most of the men of the Jewish tribes in the Khaibar region and imposed on the surviving Jews a special "protection" tax. This became the precedent for the code enacted later by the Caliph Omar.

Omar ibn Thalib, the caliph who started the expansion of Islam beyond the Arabian Peninsula, defined the legal status of non-Muslims in the Middle East. According to his definitions, there were three kinds of people in the Middle East:

Ahel Al-Islam ("The Tent of the Islamic Community") included all Muslims, and members of this group enjoyed all the rights and privileges of free members of society.

Ahel-Al-Kutbah ("The Tent of the Scriptures") included members of specific non-Muslim groups considered to be just one step below Muslims. The groups included in this category were, initially, Jews, Christians, and Zoroastrians. Members of this group were ensured their physical safety and freedom of worship provided they paid the special "protection tax" or *dhimmi*. Over time, the name of the tax came to be synonymous with the category and more groups were included in—or excluded from—this category. Another important difference between the members of the *Ahel-Al-Kutbah* and other non-Muslims was that they could only be converted to Islam through persuasion. In theory, no force could be used to convert them.

Ahel-Al-Kharb ("The Tent of the Sword") included every other non-Muslim. Members of this category were subjected to harsh treatment, were openly discriminated against, and were not entitled to protection from the Muslim sovereign. They were also "fair game" for forced

conversions. Any member of this group who converted to Islam was then "promoted" to the *Ahel-Al-Islam*.

Other measures enacted by the early caliphs to promote the expansion of Islam included the prohibition, under penalty of death, against any non-Muslim male marrying a Muslim

British Palestine but elsewhere, with scores of Jews killed in Beirut, Damascus, and North Africa.

The treatment of Jews in the various Arab countries that came into existence following the withdrawal of the European powers from the Middle East was different, even when they had many other things in common. I will explore the situation separately for each country.

The total number of Jewish refugees was approximately 800,000, arriving in a country at war, with a Jewish population of 650,000, and yet they were absorbed and given homes and jobs.

woman. And of course, apostasy was also punished with death.

All these early definitions became the foundation of the Muslim legal system for dealing with non-Muslims. While over time these laws were sometimes enforced and sometimes not, they were indeed a Damocles sword over the heads of non-Muslims living in Muslim societies. The rise of Wahabbi Islam in Arabia and the Islamist movement in Egypt during the 19th and early 20th centuries revived this supremacist attitude in the Arab world, creating serious difficulties for non-Muslims—including Jews. During the Arab revolt of 1920 and those that followed, Jews were attacked not only in

Jews had lived in the territory of what is today Syria since biblical times, and their number was greatly increased with the expulsion from Spain in 1492. Many Jews emigrated from Syria in the period between 1920 and 1948. In 1943 there was still a 30,000-strong Jewish community in Syria, mostly in Damascus and Aleppo. The leaders of the Jews of Syria

were initially convinced that an arrangement could be reached regarding Palestine, so they supported Arab aspirations for the restoration of the Caliphate. In 1945, the Syrian government, still under French protection, restricted Jewish emigration to the British Mandate of Palestine. When Syria finally gained independence from France in 1946, Jews were subjected to official harassment and physical attacks. If they decided to leave the country, their assets were frozen and their properties confiscated. This functioned as an effective deterrent to emigration until the pogroms of 1947, which destroyed the infrastructure of the community both in Damascus and in Aleppo, and also left many Jews dead. More than half the remaining Jews fled the country, 10,000 to the United States and 5,000 to what would become Israel, and thousands more to Europe and Latin America. Following the 1948 war, Jews were subjected to discrimination in employment, their religious practices were curtailed, and they were stripped of their citizenship; unused community property was confiscated and many daughters of Jewish families were married off to non-Jews.

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A Joint to be proud of: Salvaging Ethiopian Jewry

By Bret Caller

(Editor's note: Bret Caller is a former resident of Lexington, remains a member of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, and is the son of Susan and Steve Caller. Bret has been selected as a Max Fisher Fellow, a participant in a program funded by the Fisher Foundation to educate the next generation of North American Jewish philanthropists. He was recently one of a group of twelve Max Fisher Fellows sent to Addis Ababa to accompany a plane of Ethiopian olim making aliyah to Israel from Gondar Province as part of Operation Promise, the commitment by UJC to complete the absorption of those still left in Ethiopia. This is his report.)



At the Gondar Beta Israel Association for Hebrew and Jewish Culture.

In March, I had the unique and special privilege of seeing the work being done on the ground in Ethiopia and Israel—seeing it from start to finish almost as if I were participating in time-lapse photography. This journey took only eight brief days. It was hard to believe that in the space of 24 hours I flew out of Atlanta, landed in Tel Aviv, repacked a small carry on, took off again, and landed in Addis Ababa. As a participant in a twelve-person United Jewish Community (UJC) Odyssey, I saw personally how our various Jewish agencies—the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) and the Jewish Agency set about rescuing the remnants of Ethiopian “Lost Jews.” We were quickly immersed in the lives of these Ethiopian *Falas Mura*/Beta Israel

communities as they awaited their turn to make aliyah Israel.

It was like watching a cooking show where a chef prepares a ten-course meal in an hour-long time slot. Because the chef has various elements precooked at different phases, the viewer can benefit from learning what to do at each point without having to wait the full preparation time. Similarly, we were able to view



Child at the compound school in Gondar Province.

in four days the metamorphosis of the Ethiopian *Falas Mura* from bucolic villagers to urban mud-hut dwellers (sadly in squalor), and finally, to Israelis (with all the good and bad the process includes)—a procedure that can take from nine to ten years.

I was fortunate in being able to watch the various phases of this process. In Gondar Province I saw compounds set up by the JDC to feed, educate, and serve as gathering places for families eligible to go to Israel as they begin the absorption process. (To be eligible the family must have been invited by family members already in Israel who have agreed to host them.) Here they participate in educational

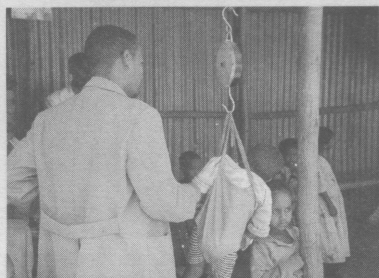


Abandoned synagogue in Gondar Province.

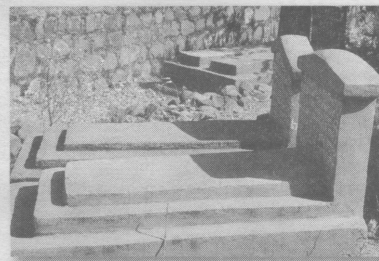
programs at the Gondar Beta Israel Association for Hebrew and Jewish Culture; begin to learn Hebrew and English, and get an introduction to Israeli life; are given two meals a day, and receive medical care. It was quite an experience conversing with children in Hebrew as they prepared for their aliyah.

As the preabsorption process continues, they are examined and treated for medical problems at clinics run by Dr. Rick Hodes, who has lived in Ethiopia for the past 20 years, devoting his life to caring for the *Falas Mura*. (Dr. Hodes has also, over the years, adopted about fifteen kids himself!) The work he does is truly amazing.

After establishing eligibility and completing the preliminary requirements, the families are sent to an apartment area in Addis Ababa for a one-week “crash course”—learning to use a gas stove, learning about refrigeration, taking more intensive Hebrew classes, getting further medical treatment. At the



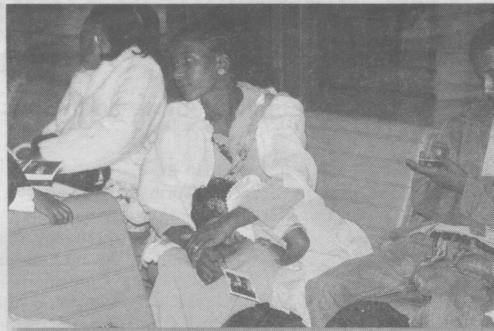
Getting weighed at one of Dr. Hodes' clinics.



Abandoned Cemetery in Gondar Province.



The waiting room at another of Dr. Hodes' clinics.

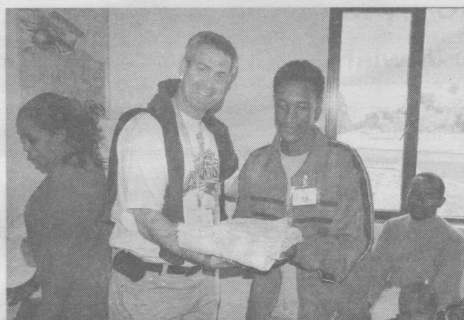


Waiting for departure.

Israeli Embassy they complete the necessary paperwork, receive new clothing, and get their final inoculations so that they arrive in Israel virtually disease free.

Departing from the airport in Addis Ababa was surreal. Because the Ethiopian government will allow planes to Israel to depart only in the deep hours of the night, we left at 2:00 a.m. The authorities allowed each person to leave with only one bag each, which most carried on their heads. Nevertheless, the scene before we left was incredible. Imagine the excitement of these families finally getting to make aliyah after so many years. (To record the event we took Polaroid pictures of them. They totally flipped over the experience.) And imagine their excitement as they arrived at Lod Airport. People kissed and hugged as families were re-united. This was one of the most moving parts of the trip, since many had been apart so many years.

We Jews, having recently experienced Passover, now see these fellow Jews experiencing their own modern-day Exodus. This



Bret giving the man a new white shirt to wear for his journey to Israel.



Landing in Tel Aviv just before meeting relatives.

lost tribe was exiled 2,500 years ago when the first Temple was destroyed. Unlike many other Jews, they never had the opportunity to return. The recent history of the *Falas Mura* reflects their sad plight. Several decades ago their social fabric was destroyed by tribal wars, droughts, and constant upheaval in Africa. Some converted to Christianity or Islam, but most clung to their Jewish heritage and their hopes for aliyah.

What struck me most was that, in the midst of despair and dismal living conditions, these people who were facing the unknown in their quest to return to *Eretz Yisroal* remained so happy and upbeat. And I took such pride in the organiza-

tions—funded by our donations to the UJC Annual Campaign—such as the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency, which allow these people to survive and ultimately reach their Promised Land. These organizations provide the food, medical care, education, and even spiritual support needed during the years preceding resettlement and during the time required for absorption once they reach Israel. This is what Operation Promise is all about. So far, Israel has absorbed 110,000 *Falas Mura*. Approximately 6,800 remain in Ethiopia awaiting resettlement, a project to be completed by the end of 2008. We must consider their needs as we consider our gifts to the 2007 UJC campaign. ✧



Bret at the Israeli Embassy in Addis Ababa with children he accompanied to Israel.



Carrying her suitcase at 2:00 a.m. to board the plane for Israel.



Preschool at the Lod Absorption Center.

2007 UJC Professional Summit attendees discuss Federation system

Small Federations Executive Institute addresses specifics needs

Between April 29 and May 2 in Miami, more than 400 professionals from the Federation system across North America came together for the first-ever fully interdisciplinary conference. Executive directors, campaign directors, endowment directors, outreach workers, planning professionals, and more came together to discuss the state of the movement and to address some of the most burning questions facing the system in a fast-changing reality.

The gathering discussed issues such as the future of philanthropy, the role of Israel in the Federation agenda in years to come, and what the role of Federations in the broader communal agenda should be.

Some more pedestrian questions were also discussed, such as personnel practices, recruitment and retention of

professionals, and best practices in the system. The challenge of a growing number of interfaith couples as and the need for deeper cooperation and coordination among all Jewish organizations were also central to the discussions. All discussions were held in multidisciplinary groups to ensure that everybody learned from each other's perspectives.

Over the last day and a half, people conducted their own institutes by affinity groups, including the Small Cities Jewish Federations Executive Directors, or "Small Cities Executive

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Institute" (SFEI) for short. Many topics specific to the needs and realities of small cities were discussed. Our Executive Director, Daniel Chefec, made a presentation on our own outreach program, which is one of the most successful in the country for communities our size.

Many good ideas and many good questions came out of this encounter, and more meetings like this will help us to redesign the system into a more adaptive structure, more able to respond to the changes around us and to help us to do our job even better. ☆

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B'tayavon (Hearty Appetite)

Ruth Poley



I don't have to tell you it's summer and this is the time of year when no one feels like cooking dinner. And even if you're willing to cook, you don't want to do it at 5:00 or 6:00 in the afternoon when the temperature is at its hottest and you've been out all day. The recipe that follows can be prepared ahead of time (in the morning when it's relatively cool and you're feeling ambitious) and assembled just before you're ready to eat. It's refreshing and very healthful. Salmon is chock full of good-for-you omega-3 fatty acids, the vegetables will provide some of your daily requirements, and there's not much oil in the dressing. You can cook the salmon ahead of time and serve the whole salad cold, or you can prepare the marinade in advance and then coat the salmon with marinade and bake it just before you're ready to eat. (Don't leave the salmon in the marinade all day.) Serve it with some crusty bread, add fresh fruit for dessert, and you've got a great meal with a minimum of fuss. ☆

Asian Barbecue Salmon Salad

- 1/4 pound fresh salmon fillet, skin and all pinbones removed
- 1/2 cup favorite barbecue sauce
- 2 teaspoons teriyaki sauce
- 3 teaspoons roasted or toasted sesame oil, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon wasabi powder
- 1 large head romaine lettuce, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 English cucumber (the long ones, wrapped in plastic), unpeeled, sliced in 1/4-inch half-moons
- fine sea salt
- freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- black and white sesame seeds, for garnish

Preheat oven to 350. Spray a baking pan or broiler pan with nonstick cooking spray. Set aside. Cut the salmon into 2-inch cubes. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, whisk the barbecue sauce, teriyaki sauce, 2 teaspoons of the sesame oil, and the garlic and wasabi powders. Add the salmon cubes to the bowl and toss to coat. Place the salmon in a single layer into the prepared pan and bake for 10 - 12 minutes or until just cooked through.

In a bowl, combine the lettuce and sliced cucumbers. Season with salt and pepper. Toss with lemon juice and 1 teaspoon sesame oil. Place the salmon cubes on top of the salad. Garnish with black and white sesame seeds.

This recipe comes from a great book I discovered at the library, *Kosher by Design Short on Time*, by Susie Fishbein. It's the fourth in her *Kosher by Design* series and I have every intention of buying this one and looking carefully at the other three as this book has a load of terrific recipes.

NOTE: If you have an appropriate food story you'd like to share, or a recipe you think others in the Jewish community might enjoy, please email me at rgp@insightbb.com.

CAMP 2007 IS HERE !

39 years and counting...

ALL ABOUT CAMP SHALOM

Camp Shalom, established in 1967, is a day camp sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. Activities are geared to encourage unity, fun, and learning for children 4 through 10 years of age. Each week of camp has a unique theme to which activities are related.

Our days are filled with sports, art, music, storytelling, swimming, *shiur* (learning), games, and special projects. At the end of each fun-filled week, we welcome the Sabbath together with candles, blessings, songs, and Shabbat traditions. Children of all denominations are invited to attend.



Camp Shalom offers our children an opportunity to be with other Jewish children. Bringing our youth together for Camp Shalom creates a unique experience where friendships and memories will last a lifetime. Camp Shalom offers a summertime experience which cannot be duplicated elsewhere.



Additional activities aside from the daily routine often vary at camp. Each year we try to add something amusing and different for the campers. Some of our special activities have included guest storytellers, reptile shows, astronomy shows, visits by community personalities, and local and national children's singers.



ALL ABOUT CAMP GESHER

Camp Geshher (bridge), established in 2005, is for campers ages 11-13. At this age, campers need to express their individuality as well as relate to a strong peer-group experience. This program works to build a sense of mutual responsibility and cooperation and strengthen their Jewish identity.

Geshher activities support these goals. Campers actively participate in weekly Shabbat services, unique art projects, *chugim* (daily elective activities including art, photography, and cooking, among others), sports, archery, low ropes course, nature hikes, swimming, fishing, and more.

Camp Geshher introduces leadership development skills. At age 14 these campers may apply for the counselor-in-training program, *Machon*, at Camp Shalom. Camp Geshher campers also have one overnight each week of camp. Campers will help set up tents, enjoy a campfire, storytelling and special overnight activities.

Geshher campers also participate in a unique media program. As a group they prepare a four-page center spread which is published after camp in the CKJF *Shalom* Newspaper. Through this experience Geshher not only reinforces team building but also learns about digital photography, journalism, graphic development and design, and newspaper layout.



Monday, July 30th

That's right, the first day of camp! This is a very special OFF CAMPUS DAY. We will meet at Temple Adath Israel at 124 North Ashland Avenue for this day only, and have lots of fun activities. The regular camp curriculum will be followed for most of the day. More details will be included in the parent packs sent out to all registered families.

Please remember to drop off and pick up your children at this location on this day. Camp will be at the BlueGrass Christian Camp on all other days, July 31 through August 10.

Call Jana at the CKJF office for more details.



Camp Shalom and Camp Geshher
2007 Application
July 30 - August 10



Parent's Name(s) _____
Home Phone _____ Work/Cell Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____

Camper(s) Information

	Shalom ages 4-10	Geshher ages 11-13
1. Name _____ Age _____ Birthday _____	☐	☐
2. Name _____ Age _____ Birthday _____	☐	☐
3. Name _____ Age _____ Birthday _____	☐	☐

Week 1: 7/30 - 8/3

Camper 1 (9:00-3:00) _____ x \$150 = _____
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Number of Additional campers _____ x \$125 = _____
Additional campers extended day _____ x \$40 = _____
Early registration discounts (before June 1, 2007):
Camper 1 discount deduct \$15 = _____
Additional camper discount deduct \$10 = _____
Total Week 1 = _____

Week 2: 8/6 - 8/10

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Number of Additional campers _____ x \$125 = _____
Additional campers extended day _____ x \$40 = _____
Early registration discounts (before June 1, 2007):
Camper 1 discount deduct \$15 = _____
Additional camper discount deduct \$10 = _____
Total Week 2 = _____

Camp Total = _____

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Camp Gesher and Camp Shalom offer second Leadership Development Training

Dedicated staff prepared for upcoming season

By Jana LaZur and Kathy Feinberg

Dedication to camp has not been a far-fetched concept for our staff for many years now, but giving up two sunny Sunday afternoons in the spring two years in a row has also become a routine practice. Professionals have donated their time to help teach our future leaders in subjects such as "Being a Mensch," "Developmental Behavior throughout the Ages," "How to Positively Handle any Discipline Problems," and "Learning through Play." These concepts enhance not only camp life, but life in general; we are happy to make our dream of offering this program a reality. Many thanks go to the professionals for their time over the two years, to the youth for taking it so seriously, and to the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation for making this a priority.

This year our workshops took place on April 29 at Ohavay Zion Synagogue and on May 6 at our campsite. Our April 29 workshop featured three guest speakers: Sandy Goldberg, Di Sobel, and Tamara Ohayon. Sandy presented a workshop, "Being a Mensch," in which he helped staff identify the reasons they work at camp: giving back to the community, working with the children, making an opportunity to be a positive role model. Sandy emphasized the sacred trust each staff member has been given by the parents of the campers.

In Di's workshop, "Group Dynamics," staff learned the importance of being part of a group, how a group works better as a cohesive whole and how to include every member of the group (campers and staff) in

group activities. Di also taught staff how to communicate effectively.

Tamara's workshop was called "Learning Through Play." She provided tools for creating games and helped them prepare a "bottomless bag" which contains games to play during free time or on rainy days. Tamara instructed staff on playing games that included all the members of a group of campers.

Our May 6 workshop at the campsite allowed staff to plan out their days, select a "home base," and make suggestions on what activities they would like to do with their campers. Assistant Director Elissa Brown went over *Maccabia* plans (we will have two this summer—one during each week of camp) and she assigned *chugim* (electives) leaders. Elissa also reviewed drop-off and pick-up procedures. Staff had an opportunity to try out the zip line on the high ropes course and had a great time.

Many employees of Camp Shalom and Camp Gesher have been with us for as long as five or even eight years and come back year after year because they love the kids and want to give back to their community. The young people in the photos that accompany this article are strong role

models and leaders. They are the ones we will entrust with our children for up to two weeks this summer. They will play, eat, and even sleep on overnights with our kids and share character building and values in a positive way that we hope makes a difference for life.

As the leaders of our camp, it is our duty and desire to promote strengths for all involved. Each year we have formed *chugim* to bring out the hidden talents of our staff or community volunteers. *Chugim* choices include science, drama, sports, cooking, Teva (Jewish environmentalism) and much more to enrich our already great camp. Our amazing volunteer storytellers will be back this summer for the fifth year. If you can add your talents, then please call and let us know how you would like to take part.

Our staff is eager and ready to start now, and after these two comprehensive training sessions are armed with new knowledge, more games, positive reinforcement, and—best of all—great spirit. Please congratulate any one of them you see for taking the time to make a difference in the lives of children. Our 2007 staffers are:

Kathy Feinberg, Director
Elissa Brown, Assistant Director
Penina Goldstein, Enrichment Specialist

Ofarim (ages 4-5) include Group Leader Rachel Heller, Counselors Ariel Gerall, Danielle Heller, and Katie Rose Taulbee, and Counselor-in-Training Jackson Barr.

Tsofim (ages 6-7) include Group Leader Seth Westerman, Counselors Lizzie Engel, Jared Noffsinger, and Nora Simon, and Counselor-in-Training Katie Kaplan.

Chalutzim (ages 8-10) include Group Leader Asher Finkel, Counselors Tyler Nelson, Aaron McKee, and Ittai Eres, and Counselor-in-Training Rachel Swanson.

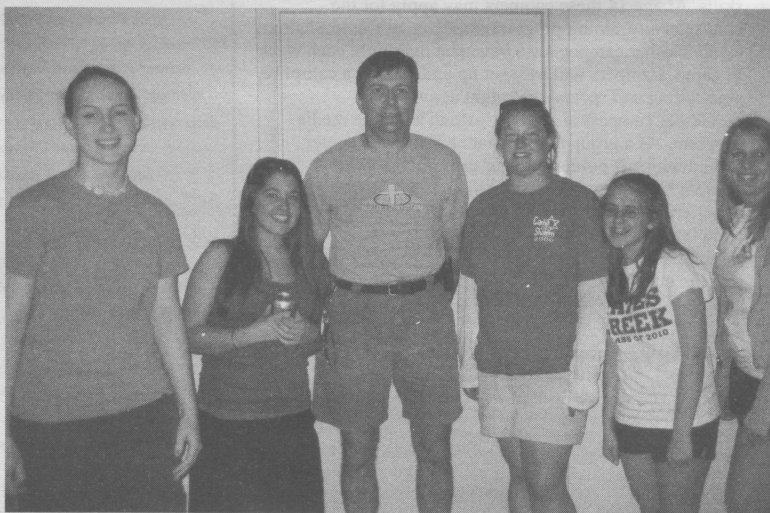
Camp Gesher (ages 11-13) include Group Leader Alex Shapiro, Counselors Kaitlin Graff, Josh Kline, and Solomon Alkhasov, and Counselor-in-Training Maria Alkhasova. ✽

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Staff gather for training session: (l to r) Counselor Katie-Rose Taulbee, Group Leader Rachel Heller, BBCC Director Kelly Brandenburg, Camp Shalom/Gesher Asst. Dir. Elissa Brown, Counselors Dani Heller and Ariel Gerall.

Ask a Rabbi (from page 8)

to a meeting? Serve food! How do you establish a viable and growing movement? Build a school to educate new leaders to teach others!

There were, of course, Jews in Europe who wanted to participate in the cultural life of European society, but not at the expense of Jewish law. Neo-Orthodoxy, particularly in Germany, was founded as a reaction to Reform ideology. It was "Orthodox" because it continued to see the Torah and its instructions as eternally binding and subsequent rabbinic law as part of the Divine will, and thus, authoritative. It was "neo" (that is "new") in that it permitted Jews to learn the ideas and insights of Western secular culture and participate in the non-Jewish world. Jews could take advantage of the secular world as long as it did not conflict with the Torah or go against God's law.

Neo-Orthodoxy later became known as Modern Orthodoxy and grew in America during the 20th century. Its main institution, Yeshiva University, helped to promote the ideals and practices of Orthodoxy as Hebrew Union College did for Reform Judaism. Today, the term Orthodoxy may include a variety of expressions of Judaism, not necessarily tied to one leadership base or school. In fact, many groups considered "Orthodox" have become more stringent in observance and have moved away from promoting secular education.

A third modern movement in Judaism was born in Germany and developed in America. Known early on as Positive-Historical Judaism, Conservative Judaism was based on loyalty to tradition, yet open to change based on rigorous examination of Jewish sources and historical developments. The Conservative movement considered Jewish law to be binding, yet stressed the process of evolution within Jewish history in response to new realities and ideas.

In America, Conservative Judaism really grew as a reaction to reforms made within the Reform movement. In 1883, when the first class of Reform rabbis was to graduate from Hebrew Union College, a celebratory banquet was planned at an exclusive restaurant. In order not to offend the more traditional members of the group, the menu was to be kosher. However, the meal, later tagged the "Trefah Banquet," turned out to include transgressions of nearly all of the laws of traditional kashrut. The traditionalists saw this as going too far. Soon after, the Reform movement produced its Pittsburgh Platform, establishing a new, even more liberal approach to Judaism. Those who wished to "conserve" tradition, including both Sephardic and Ashkenazic rabbis, eventually came together to create the Conservative movement. In 1897, they succeeded in creating a rabbinical school called the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS), whose goals were to preserve in America the knowledge and practice of



STEWART HOME SCHOOL VISITATION SCHEDULE:

June 21 and July 16

Stewart Home is a residence and school located in Frankfort, KY for individuals with disabilities. It is renowned in this country for the high quality of care they give to the students, attracting people from all across the United States. Tikkun Lexington brings celebration to the Jewish residents there by honoring Shabbat or holidays of importance. It is a very special evening for all involved. Caravan from the CKJF offices by 5:20 p.m. and return by 8 p.m.



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historical Judaism based on Jewish law and text. Conservative Judaism attracted a large number of Russian immigrants who arrived in America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, as these new immigrants felt comfortable in melding traditional Judaism with the new opportunities secular American society offered. The Reconstructionist movement, as a fourth branch of modern Judaism in America, emerged from within the Conservative movement around 1934. Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, a teacher at JTS, felt that all three movements in America had something missing. He promoted Judaism as an "evolving religious civilization" emphasizing peoplehood and religion. Kaplan rejected supernaturalism, seeing God as a power not a person or being. Reconstructionist Jews maintained traditional practice, considered to be expressions of the ongoing nature of Judaism as a civilization.

Eventually, the Reconstructionist movement distinguished itself from its parent Conservative movement by establishing its own rabbinical school and educational institution—Reconstructionist Rabbinical College—and a union of congregations and havurot (fellowship groups) which promoted Reconstructionist ideals.

There are other smaller modern Jewish movements; however, Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, and Reconstructionist continue to be thought of as the major branches of Judaism in America today. Although they may differ significantly, all adhere to the principles of God, Torah, and Israel (the belief in Divinity, the study of text, law, and history, and the concept of Jews as a people). In this way, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist and Orthodox Jews all share not only a united past, but a common present as well. ✡

Have a question? *Ask a rabbi*

The rabbis write columns in response to questions submitted by the readers. We encourage you—whether you are a member of the Jewish community or not—to submit your queries on theology, morality, ethics, religious observances, etc. for response by one of our rabbis.

If you have an issue you would like to see addressed, please email it to di-ifr@bardstown.com and put "Ask a Rabbi" in the subject line of your email. (It may take quite a while until your question is answered—or it may never be answered, if no rabbi selects it.) You will not be identified as the writer of the question to either rabbis or readers, nor will you be asked to specify which rabbi should answer.

History (from page 11)

were given in marriage to Muslims. In 1994, in the wake of the Oslo agreements, almost 4,000 Jews were allowed to leave Syria, leaving behind nothing but a tiny remnant of the once strong and proud Syrian Jewish community.

In other Arab countries the situation paralleled, with some variations, what happened in Syria. The Egyptian Jewish community was 25,000 strong by the turn of the 19th century. In 1926 the kingdom of Egypt issued its first modern Code of Nationality, stating that Egyptian nationals were those who were members of the dominant race of the country, who spoke Arabic, and practiced Islam. This left Jews as outsiders. By 1937 the Jewish population of Egypt had reached more than 60,000. The anti-Western riots of 1945 left ten Jews dead, 350 injured, and several Jewish institutions destroyed. In 1947, inspired by the Grand Mufti Hajj Amin Al Hussein who was then living in Cairo, the Egyptian government decreed that 75 percent of all administrative employees and 90 percent of employees of all kinds had to be Egyptian nationals. Since Jews were not considered Egyptian nationals, this resulted in the loss of livelihood for many of them. After Israel's independence, there were more anti-Jewish riots in Egypt, resulting in 70 Jews killed and more than 200 wounded. The government imprisoned over 2,000 Jews and confiscated their properties. The rise to power of Gamal Abdel Nasser in 1956 resulted in a sharp rise of Egyptian nationalism; 25,000 Jews were expelled from Egypt and over 1,000 imprisoned. Continuous expulsions resulted in the number of Egyptian Jews dropping dramatically; by 1957 only 15,000 remained. A decade later, after the Israeli victory of 1967, renewed persecution and expulsions reduced the Jewish population to 2,500. By the end of the 1970s only a tiny remnant of the Egyptian community was left.

The Jews of Iraq were already acquainted with persecution during the *farhoud* that accompanied the pro-Nazi uprising in Iraq (see June/July of 2006 issue of *Shalom*), in which 180 Jews were killed. Jews, however, were not allowed to leave the country, although some found their way around the restrictions and made it to what would become Israel. Between 1946 and 1949 there were more anti-Jewish riots, and in 1948 Zionism was made a capital crime. When in 1950 the Iraqi Parliament allowed Jews to emigrate, it imposed as a condition the resignation of Iraqi citizenship. Between 1950 and 1951, in Operations Ezra and Nehemiah, the Jewish Agency airlifted 110,000 Iraqi Jews to Israel, while another 20,000 fled to Iran. In 1952 the property of those who had left was frozen and expropriated by the Iraqis. By the end of 1951 only 6,000 Jews remained of the once 150,000-strong community.

The Jews of Morocco generally fared better than Jews in other Arab countries, but the 1948 riots in Oujda and Djerada left 44 Jews dead. In 1963, more than 130,000 Moroccan Jews were forced out of their homes and moved out of the country, about 100,000 to Israel and 30,000 to France and the Americas. Many of them, however, left assets behind and were still able to access them.

The Yemenite Jews traced their community to the ancient Jewish kingdom of Himiar in the 5th century C.E. In the wake of the Arab uprising of 1920-1922, the Yemenite authorities decided to enforce an ancient law demanding that Jewish orphans under 12 be converted to Islam. In 1947, anti-Jewish riots left 82 Jews dead and destroyed hundreds of Jewish homes. In 1948, 50,000 were expelled

from Yemen, with more Jews leaving over the following years. By 1994, only 1,000 Jews were left.

For the most part, the Jews of Tunisia lived in tolerable conditions until Tunisian independence in 1956. Anti-Jewish riots and anti-Jewish laws resulted in a steady stream of emigration of the 105,000 Tunisian Jews. By 1990 only 2,000 Jews remained in Tunisia.

The Jews of Libya numbered about 40,000 by 1948. Anti-Jewish riots, persecution, and discrimination—including a pogrom in 1945 that left 140 Jews dead—pushed Jews to leave the country, and when the British legalized emigration in 1949, more than 30,000 left in one year. By 1974 there were only 20 Jews left.

Algeria saw early Nazi involvement in 1934, resulting in Nazi-inspired pogroms. Even so, there were still 130,000 Jews during the 1950s. By Algerian independence in 1962, the Jewish community numbered about 150,000, but harassment and economic discrimination as well as outright persecution forced 130,000 Jews out of Algeria, with the remaining 20,000 or so leaving shortly after.

The Jews of Lebanon suffered persecutions and attacks constantly paralleling the attacks on Jews in Palestine, forcing constant emigration. In 1967 there was a massive exodus of Jews from Lebanon to France, Israel, Italy, England, and South America. About 150 Jews are estimated to still live in Lebanon.

All in all, about 680,000 Jews from Arab lands fled to Israel between 1937 and 1958, with even more coming to Israel in 1967 and immediately after.

To these refugees from Arab lands we need to add the Jewish refugees from Europe who had survived the Holocaust. At the end of the war, the survivors were put in DP (Displaced Persons) camps, where they lingered for years away from public attention. Prohibited from going to Palestine, some of them tried nevertheless. Those who were stopped by the British (the vast majority) were sent to prison camps in Cyprus or returned to Europe. When Israel finally declared independence in 1948, about 200,000 Holocaust survivors immigrated massively to the Jewish State.

The total number of Jewish refugees was approximately 800,000, arriv-

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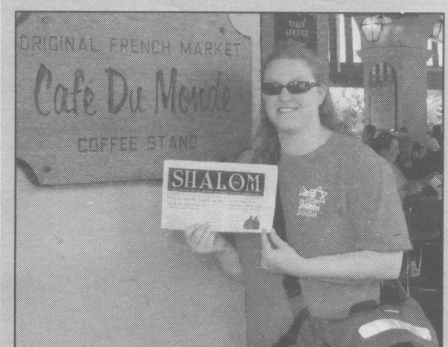
ing in a country at war, with a Jewish population of 650,000, and yet they were absorbed and given homes and jobs. Many of them joined the army to defend the infant Jewish State and gave their lives for its survival. The economic impact of so many refugees would affect Israeli economy for years to come, but through the Jewish Agency and support from Jews all over the world, these Jews were absorbed into the young Israeli society.

The war of 1948 and its aftermath displaced many people from their homes, from places where their families had lived for generations; that is a horrible consequence of warfare, but one that is hardly unusual. When considered in the context of other population displacements during or after World War II, the population movements between Israel and the Arab world becomes smaller. When compared with the population exchange between India and Pakistan in 1947 after the partition of India, it becomes insignificant. Having said that, the displacement of even one individual is painful and important.

Israel did its best to accommodate those who were expelled or displaced from Arab countries for being Jewish. What did the Arab countries do for their Palestinian brothers? ☆

SHALOM

On Vacation



Elissa Brown takes *Shalom* to see the "world" at the Café du Monde in New Orleans.

Resolution on Iran's Nuclear Weapons Program

Local CRC endorses JCPA resolution
♦ ♦ ♦

April 11, 2007 - In 2005 the Jewish Council for Public Affairs (JCPA) adopted a resolution urging the United States and the international community to give high priority to efforts at preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons. Over the past two years, under the leadership of President Ahmadinejad, the Iranian regime has manifested increasingly threatening behavior and rhetoric toward the United States, other Western nations, Israel and the Jewish people. Iran continues to support financially and materially Hezbollah and Hamas, groups classified by the State Department as "Foreign Terrorist Organizations."

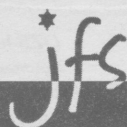
On March 27, 2007 the JCPA adopted a resolution on Iran's nuclear weapons program reaffirming its commitment to combat Iran's quest for nuclear weapons. The JCPA believes "The threat of Iran obtaining nuclear weapons is a matter of the gravest concern and utmost urgency to the world."

JCPA urges Jewish communities around the country, independently and together with political, civic, and religious partners, to advocate that the United States, the leadership of the United Nations, and other relevant governmental and non-governmental agencies, utilize all diplomatic and economic measures necessary to deter Iran from continuing its quest for nuclear weapons, while respecting the humanitarian needs of the Iranian people.

The Community Relations Committee of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation fully endorses the JCPA resolution on Iran's nuclear weapons program, and encourages all members of the Jewish community and its allies in the broader community to become vehicles for communicating with members of Congress and officials in state and local government to take all necessary measures to combat Iran's quest for nuclear weapons. ♦

Let Us Know...

What's going on with you? Send announcements and pictures of special birthdays, weddings, honors, celebrations, happy and sorrowful occasions to di-ifr@bardstown.com.



Jewish Family Services Upcoming Programs

Leisure Club

U.K. Arboretum and Picnic Lunch
Thursday, June 21 at 12 noon

There will be a guided walking tour of the gardens. Please bring your own lunch; desserts and beverages will be provided.

University of Kentucky Art Museum

116 Singletary Center at the Corner of Rose St. and Euclid Avenue

Thursday, July 19 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Socialize and mingle with other seniors, and join the guided tour of the current exhibits and permanent collection of this wonderful facility.

Other Events

Mental Health Educational Fair

Temple Adath Israel

Sunday, August 19 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

This Mental Health Awareness Educational Fair, sponsored by Jewish Family Services, will include a wide range of workshops and presentations with local professionals from our community.

David Feinberg: Work Problems, Work Relationships, and Other Issues in the Workplace

Colby Cohen-Archer: Sleep Disorders, Sleep Problems, Treatments, and Recovery

Evalynne Elias: Healthy Marriages and Healthy Divorces

Mark Simpson: Substance Abuse, Treatments, and Recovery

Marilyn Robie: Parenting Issues and Topics

Guest Speaker from Hospice: Grief, Grief Counseling, and Other Grief-Related Issues

Rabbis Marc Kline

and Sharon Cohen: Interfaith and Blended Families and Other Jewish Family Life Topics

Rabbi Audrey Korotkin,

Abby Miller, and Other

JFS Committee Members: Friendly Home Visiting and Other JFS Services, Programs, Activities, and Resources

For more information about these events, to RSVP, or to arrange transportation to the event location, please contact our JFS Director, Abby Miller. (859)269-8244 or jfs@jewishlexington.org



Around the Community

Mazel Tov to...

Abby Miller on her engagement to Eugene Zeldin. Abby is director of Jewish Family Services for the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. Eugene, who holds a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois, works at Lexmark Inc. in Lexington as an electrical software engineer. The couple plans to marry on June 22, 2008 in Chicago, then to have additional parties in Nevada and Kentucky.



Abby Miller and Eugene Zeldin.

Svetlana Alkhasova, who received her doctorate in music from the University of Kentucky on Sunday, May 6.

Marvin Krislov, who received her doctorate in music from the University of Kenthas been named fourteenth president of Oberlin College. Marvin is the son of Joe and the late Evelyn Krislov.

Jeremy Noffsinger on his election as treasurer to the 2007-2008 NFTY Ohio Valley Regional Board during elections held in Cincinnati on April 14. Jeremy is the son of Jeff and Linda Noffsinger and the grandson of Jerry and Rose Rita Wurmser.

Harriet Rose, whose great-grandson Sam Ryan Walter—son of Nicki and Steve Walter—was born on May 12. He joins sister Lindsey, 2. Harriet's son David Rose and wife Marsha are the maternal grandparents.

OZS high School Graduates:

Solomon Alkhasov, son of Shebetey and Svetlana Alkhasov
Rachel Berger, daughter of Joe and Sandy Berger
April Edwards, daughter of Marilyn Swan
Arial Elias, daughter of David and Evalynne Elias
Asher Finkel, son of Rafi Finkel and Beth Goldstein
Jonathan Herman, son of Larry Herman and Pam Allweiss
Jacob Solomon, son of Walter and Terri Solomon
Jeffrey Westerman, son of Sue and Jack Westerman
Seth Westerman, son of Sue and Jack Westerman

TAI High School Graduates:

Molly Dunn, daughter of Cindy Dunn and Gary Dunn
Danny Engel, son of Bruce and Mary Engel
Daniel Friedman, son of Martin and Diane Friedman
Jared Noffsinger, son of Jeff and Linda Noffsinger
Ryann Schermer, daughter of Dale and Elaine Schermer
Jessica Schumacher, daughter of Scott and Beth Schumacher
Rachel Simon, daughter of Mark and Mary Simon
Ted Simpson, son of Mark and Tina Simpson
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The Lexington Havurah

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The Lexington Havurah, founded in 1978, is a diverse network of people dedicated to Jewish learning and renewal, community building, and Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). A havurah is defined as a gathering or community of friends. The Lexington Havurah is affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the National Havurah Committee. Members plan, conduct, and share responsibilities for all services. For additional information about services or membership in the Havurah, please contact me at (859) 269-4454, mwdruvek@insightbb.com, or the co-chairs of the Membership Committee, Evelyn Geller (859) 278-3609, evelynkadimah@aol.com, or David Feinberg (859) 223-1304, kdfjm@insightbb.com.

"Summertime and the living is easy." This line from *Porgy and Bess* in many ways describes the summer schedule of programs for the Lexington Havurah. By the time you receive this issue of Shalom the Havurah will have celebrated Shavuot with Kathy Grossman leading the service. Plans for additional summer services include:

Saturday June 10 - Sabbath services led by Rafi Finkel and Jeremy Popkin, 10:00 a.m., Lexington Theological Seminary

Saturday July 21 - Havdalah and potluck supper, 7:30 p.m., home of Judy and Stan Saxe

Friday August 24 - Kabbalat Shabbat, 8:00 p.m. at the Lexington Hearing and Speech Center
Before you know it, the High Holidays are here!

The Havurah is in the process of selecting its officers and committee chairs for the coming year. The nominating committee, chaired by Stan Saxe with members Eve Podet and Judy Worell, has been working and contacting potential nominees. The slate will be presented at the annual meeting of the Havurah in June at my home. In addition to the election of new officers and other board members, the membership will hear reports and recommendations from present committee chairs. There will be ample time for the members of the Havurah to discuss and agree on any changes to be made.

Spring of 2008 marks the 30th anniversary of the founding of the Lexington Havurah. We are planning exactly how this auspicious occasion will be celebrated. An ad hoc committee, chaired by Judy Baumann with Stan Saxe, Gail Cohen, and a person-to-be-named, will identify potential programs and participants. The Havurah hopes that many of its former members who have moved out of Lexington will be able to help celebrate the anniversary.

If you wish additional information on any aspect of the Havurah, please contact me or any other member of the Havurah. ☆

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The Lexington Chapter of Hadassah

President, Odette Kaplan

Henrietta Szold, founder of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, is one of the nine women who will be inducted this fall into the National Women's Hall of Fame, the most important U.S. organization recognizing the accomplishments of great American women. The Hall of Fame, founded in 1969, is located in the upstate New York town of Seneca Falls, which is also the site of the first Women's Rights Convention in 1848. To date 217 American women have been inducted, including Susan B. Anthony, Louise May Alcott, Eleanor Roosevelt, Helen Keller, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Henrietta Szold (1860-1945), a Baltimore native and daughter of Hungarian immigrants, was an educator and social pioneer. In 1889 she opened a night school to teach immigrants English and civics, and this became a model for other night schools and immigrant education programs. Among her many accomplishments, her greatest legacy is Hadassah, which she founded in 1912 and which today numbers 300,000 women in the U.S. She moved to pre-state Israel in 1920, where she organized the American Zionist Medical Unit in 1918.

This year our chapter held several events. A memorable one was the most successful ninth annual fundraiser, with silent and live auctions, that was held on March 17 at Temple Adath Israel. The 87 guests enjoyed a sumptuous Mediterranean feast. The auctioneer added a lively atmosphere to the array of fantastic items to choose from. Included were a 50/50 cash raffle and door prizes. The evening was full of fun, and we even signed up three new life members and two new associates. I encourage everyone to attend our future Hadassah auctions.

Hadassah women in our community continue in their commitment to work toward improving the lives of those who need our help. We can be proud of our accomplishments. Our Hadassah volunteers have a long-standing relationship with Kentucky Children's Hospital (formerly known as UK Children's Hospital). The members make faceless stuffed dolls for the staff to use in explaining various procedures and surgeries to their young patients. I am pleased to announce we have a new chair, Rachelle

Lehner, who is the coordinator for this doll project. She needs more volunteers to make about 300 dolls this year. Please contact Rachelle at (859) 533-9252 for information.

Kentucky Children's Hospital Library was started in 1995. It provides both recreational reading and information for caregivers and patients about diseases and problems affecting children and teens. Hadassah has always provided volunteers for the library. However, we are in need of more volunteers to staff the library. Please call Judy Baumann, (859) 223-1299.

When you read this, we will have had our final event of the year, "Taste of Hadassah College Jerusalem," featuring our own Judy Worell, Ph.D., who was to present the various programs offered to the college's students.

My two years as president of the Lexington Chapter will soon end. It has been a wonderful experience serving the chapter with such dedicated board members. To each of you I want to offer a very personal and hearty thank you. With your efforts and hard work, we were able to achieve our goals. I want to also thank our volunteers and our Hadassah members for your generosity and support.

I am happy to announce our new chapter president, Evalyn Block, who will take over June 1, 2007. She will bring her expertise, her talent, and her enthusiasm to continue our work for Hadassah. ☆

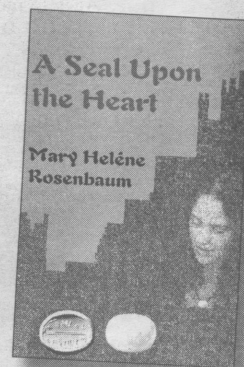
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Chavurat-Chochma (A Friendly Gathering of Wisdom)

Join us on June 29 and July 27 for an informative program. While invitations are sent to members of the congregation 60 years old and better—all are welcome! We meet most months to schmooze, nosh, and share our wisdom.

TAI Book Group

TAI Book Discussion Group will meet on June 27 to discuss *The Hill of Evil Counsel* by Amos Oz. This book includes three stories in which history and imaginative narrative intertwine to recreate the world of Jerusalem during the last days of the British Mandate.

Also, on July 25 we will meet to discuss *I and Thou* by Martin Buber. This is Martin Buber's classic philosophical work, and is among the 20th century's foundational documents of religious ethics. *I and Thou* has long been acclaimed as a classic. Many prominent writers have acknowledged its influence on their work; students of intellectual history consider it a landmark; and the generation born since World War II considers Buber as one of its prophets.

Become a part of the green team! Recruitment season is now

Temple Adath Israel is forming a green team to explore environmental and ecological programs and services for our congregation. We will use resources and ideas from the Coalition On the Environment And Jewish Life (www.coejl.org) to help guide us in this

endeavor. COEJL seeks to expand the contemporary understanding of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) and *tzedakah* (justice) to include the protection of both people and species from environmental degradation. Help us explore ways to incorporate our congregation's traditions of social action, social justice, and education with environmental action and advocacy. Much of our work will be done via telephone or email contact so that meetings will be at a minimum. Join our green team and make a difference in our world today and in the world of our children. Contact Toni Reiss for more information and sign up for the green team.

Torah Study

Rabbi Kline conducts the study of the Tanakh (the Bible) from the Book of Joshua and beyond using the new *Jewish Study Bible* on alternate Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. in the library. **June/July schedule is 6/9, 6/23, 7/7, and 7/14.**

Kollel Study Group

Joe Engelberg leads this study of fundamental ideas of Jewish life and thought. Among these are spirituality, the nature of God, biblical and traditional injunctions and laws, Jewish history, principles of the Reform movement, and the relation of Judaism to Christianity, Islam, and Buddhism. Drop in the Library any time and join in the provocative and friendly discussion. **June/July schedule is 6/2, 6/16, 6/30, 7/14, and 7/28.**

Tuesday Bridge Club

The Tuesday Bridge Group meets in the Temple Library beginning at 11:00 a.m. Bring your lunch and play

until 2:00 p.m. You don't have to be an expert to join. This group is going strong, so if you like to play bridge, here's your chance to join and socialize with fellow Temple members. If you wish to join in, please check with other players or the Temple office each week to see if the group is playing.

Caring Connections Committee

The Caring Connections Committee is asking Temple members to help perform Random Acts of Mitzvot. Our committee provides meals to members of our congregation who are ill, contacts older/homebound Temple members monthly, aids families who are bereaved, and provides occasional transportation to Temple events. Please call Julie McKee at (859) 225-5646 or Deb Kratzer at (859) 223-8601 to let us know to what degree you can be involved. No meetings, no pressure, we promise! We'll call you as the need arises.

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Shabbat Service Honoring the OZS Board and Special Volunteers

Join us on Friday night, June 22 at 7:30 p.m. for a special Shabbat service honoring our outgoing and incoming OZS board members. This evening of fellowship and celebration will include the installation of new officers and presentation of honors to those who have made outstanding contributions to the OZS community. We extend a special thanks to those board members completing their tenure. Join us as we celebrate our congregation, its leaders, and the vision we hold for an even brighter future. An oneg will follow the service in the social hall.

OZS Religious School News

In May we celebrated the culmination of the school year, gave thanks to our teachers and aides, and took time to honor Simone Salomon as she concludes her tenure as Education Director. Simone leaves big shoes to fill! We extend our appreciation to all of our teachers, aides, members of the Education Committee, and others who supported the Religious School this year. Although our students are off until August, Steve Davis-Rosenbaum, who will serve as the interim director of the Religious School, is hard at work planning for the upcoming school year.

Home Hospitality Shabbat During the Summer

After rave reviews last summer, this summer we will again be having our "Home Hospitality Shabbat" program. Each Friday night beginning June 29 and continuing through August 3, the Kabbalat Shabbat service and oneg will be held at the special time of 8:00 p.m. and hosted in various OZS members' homes close to the Synagogue. This is a wonderful time to visit with friends and welcome in Shabbat in a different and casual environment. On June 29, Home Hospitality Shabbat will be at the home of Susan and Steve Caller. Call the OZS office to find out where the remaining services will be held each week. A notice of the Shabbat host as well as directions to the host's home will be placed on the OZS door before each Friday night. We hope

you will join us for this unique way of welcoming in the Sabbath.

"Toast and Roast"

With great appreciation, Ohavay Zion Synagogue will be honoring Simone Salomon for her many years of service to OZS and to the Jewish community. We invite the community to join us for a very special "Toast and Roast," fundraiser on Sunday evening, June 24. In addition, the community is invited to share good wishes with Simone in a special tribute book created in her honor. If you wish to attend the event or want to place a greeting in the tribute book please contact the OZS office or Nancy Hoffman. Mazal Tov to Simone and our sincere thanks to her for all she has done for Jewish life in our congregation and in Lexington.

Daily Minyan

Our daily minyan will continue to meet throughout June and July each afternoon Monday-Thursday at 5:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please come and help make a minyan!

Youth News

As a way of kicking off summer vacation, USY and Kadima will be taking a trip to King's Island on Monday,

June 11. Contact Mike Mayer at mike@lexusy.org for more information. As we end the year, we give a hearty "todaraba" to Steve Davis-Rosenbaum, Mike Mayer, Shirley Bryan, Judy Levey, and Kathy Feinberg for all of the time they have given our youth during the past year.

We congratulate our new USY officers who are busy making plans for another fantastic year in the fall: Hadley Stein, President; Ellie Shechet, Israel Affairs; Jordan Bryan and Ittai Eres, SATO; Miriam Davis-Rosenbaum, Religious Ed; Kayla Bryan and Maria Alkhasova, Communications; Drew Waford, Membership; Jonathan Karp, Freshman Rep.

Tisha b'Av Observance

The ninth day of the Hebrew month of Av is designated as a day of mourning and introspection. This special day commemorates the destruction of the First and Second Temple in Jerusalem as well as other national and diaspora calamities such as the Inquisition. In addition to being a day of fasting, Tisha b'Av generally begins in the evening with the study of *Eicha* (the Book of Lamentations). We will mark the beginning of this solemn holiday with a special evening service and chanting of *Eicha* on Monday evening, July 23 at 9:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Flower Power



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Shabbat Services Friday 7:30 p.m.; Worship Service Saturday 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	June 1	2
	Yiddish Club at CKJF	• OZS Board Meeting • TAI Board Meeting	OZS Adult Ed Speaker Series			
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Chabad-Rabbi Litvin visits	Lexington Havurah Annual Meeting			Rosh Chodesh Tammuz
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rosh Chodesh Tammuz	Yiddish Club at CKJF	God's Pantry Night	OZS Adult Ed at the Movies	JFS Leisure Club Picnic & Arboretum Tour		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
OZS Fundraiser			• TAI Book Discussion Group • CKJF Annual Meeting at CKJF Offices 7:00 p.m.			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Yiddish Club at CKJF	Fast of 17th of Tammuz • OZS Board Meeting • TAI Board Meeting	Independence Day CKJF Office Closed			
July 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		• Shalom Deadline for August issue • Chabad-Rabbi Litvin visits				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	• Rosh Chodesh Av • Yiddish Club at CKJF	God's Pantry Night		JFS Leisure Club UK Art Museum Tour		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
CKJF Boat Ride at Shakertown 6:00 p.m.			• TAI Book Discussion Group • CKJF Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. • CKJF Board Meeting			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Camp Shalom & Camp Gesher Start					
29	30	31	August 1	2	3	4