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Central Kentucky Jewish Federation UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 1999 CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY

Rabbi Adland and Rabbi Slaton serve as Honorary Co-Chairs

In mid-February some dedicated members of our community met at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Offices to plan the United Jewish Appeal Campaign for 1999. The late date, the failure of last year's effort to reach our goal and the loss of our executive director added a sense of urgency to the gathering. To the credit of all those present, there was no talk of scaling back or of skipping the drive altogether this year. Unanimously, it was decided that the purpose of our Federation was as valid and important as ever and that we should renew our efforts to mount a Campaign worthy of the Central Kentucky Community and the goals of The United Jewish Appeal.

Leon Cooper and Ellie Goldman volunteered to serve as Co-Chairs. Rabbi Jon Adland and Rabbi Eric Slaton agreed to serve as Honorary Co-Chairs for this year's Campaign. Everyone else in the group readily accepted responsible positions. Sue Ezrine will chair The Major Gifts Event; Nancy Hoffman will chair a Women's Event; Mike Ades and



1999 UJA Campaign Co-Chairs
Leon Cooper and Ellie Goldman



Rabbi Jon Adland,
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Rabbi Eric Slaton,
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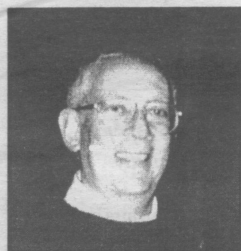
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180 Day Committee

by Michael L. Ades

The 180 Day Committee has held two meetings as a beginning of its review of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's (CKJF) Mission, programs, activities, organization and administration. The initial meeting focused on the mission of CKJF, its history and staffing, and a very preliminary discussion of a future vision. The second meeting focused on a general review of all aspects of CKJF and a discussion of how the Committee's work will proceed.

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Michael Ades, chair
180 Day Committee

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Major Gifts Event set for Saturday, April 17th at St. Joseph Hospital Keeneland Health Education Center

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Rabbi Abramowitz, a former editor of *Moment Magazine*, is a freelance writer for the *Forward* and the *Jerusalem Report* and syndicates his bi-weekly column "Not In Heaven." He is the author of *Jews, Zionism and South Africa* and *How Americans Feel About Israel*. Rabbi Abramowitz is a writer, lecturer, teacher and activist who has been featured in *Newsweek*, *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post Magazine* and on "Saturday Night Live." He has worked extensively with young people and has conducted innovative outreach programs. His most recent book is *Jewish*

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PESACH SOME QUESTIONS WITHOUT ANSWERS

by Evelyn Dantzie Geller

At this time of year, it is traditional to wish people "Ah Fraylichah Pesach," a joyous Passover. I know we are supposed to rejoice in the deliverance of our people from bondage and in the prospect of our entry into our promised land. But I know also that we must not rejoice in the face of the suffering of others. So how can we celebrate knowing that the Egyptians suffered not only the death of their first born sons but also the death of many soldiers who drowned when the waters of the parted sea returned. In modern terms, can this translate into the need for us to acknowledge and try to assuage the suffering of so many in our country and around the world even as we celebrate?

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Sue Ezrine, Chair
Major Gifts Event

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The Elton & Rose Families on the death of **Charles Elton**.

MAZEL TOV TO:

David & Jan Doctrow, on the birth of their grandson, **Benjamin Phillip Gould** on February 26, 1999.

Michelle Grise and **Aaron Svarlien**, who were first place winners in the 1998-99 16th District Reflections Awards sponsored by the National PTA. **Michelle Grise**, who won first place in Junior Photography, attends Winburn Middle School and is the daughter of **Bill & Jane Grise**. **Aaron Svarlien**, who won first place in Primary Literature, attends Maxwell Elementary School and is the son of **Diane & John Svarlien**.

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The President's Message

by

Evelyn Dantzie Geller

CKJF ENDOWMENTS: A WAY TO HONOR OR MEMORIALIZE

For some years now the financial situation at CKJF has been becoming increasingly complex. One dimension of the complexity was the situation with our Board and donor designated funds and endowments. Ken Mayer, CKJF Treasurer, and Joel Eizenstat, then Executive Director, in consultation with the donors who had established endowment funds, developed a proposal defining the purposes and content of all existing funds and endowments. At a recent meeting the CKJF Board of Directors simplified the predicament by approving their plan for the following funds and endowments.

Board Designated

1. Central Kentucky Jewish Federation General Endowment
To provide funds for community programs and for other uses designated by the CKJF Board of Directors.
2. Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Catastrophic Needs Fund
To provide financial assistance for dire social needs.
3. Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Gift of Israel Fund
To provide the CKJF portion of funding for the Gift of Israel program.

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1. Edgar Zanker Endowment
To provide funds for Israel Experience Scholarships
2. Elizabeth Rosenberg Endowment
To provide programming on Women's Issues to the Central Kentucky Jewish community.
3. Sue Friedman Endowment
To provide programming on Jewish Family Life Education to the Central Kentucky Jewish Community.

O.K. Now you are up to date on the state of affairs as regards endowments, so I'll get to the point. Each of these funds or endowments has a basic allocation. But that is it. If, please G-d, we should have the opportunity to invite a Jewish senator or cabinet member or Supreme Court Justice to Central Kentucky, even with the existing endowments, we would not have the money to do so. If, heaven forbid, Central Kentucky should be hit by a tornado, the Catastrophic Needs Fund would be wiped out in a second. What we need are contributions, over and above your contributions to the annual joint campaign, that will build these endowments to the advantage of all members of this community.

Let me offer some suggestions. A group of you want to

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Vivian Bowling to chair Yom Ha'Atzmaut Israel Independence Day Celebration

by Kim Slaton

Vivian Bowling, chair of the Yom Ha'Atzmaut Israel Independence Day Celebration along with committee members Ronit Eres and Irena Fuks are busy planning a wonderful celebration in honor of Israel's Birthday. Plans include lots of free Middle Eastern cuisine, Israeli Dancing and performances from Lexington's own youths. This event, sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, marks the first Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebration organized by a group of Lexington, Kentucky Israelis. This exciting event is planned for Wednesday, April 28th at Temple Adath Israel, 124 N. Ashland Avenue from 6-8 p.m. and is free to the members of the Jewish Community. See you there!



Yom Ha'Atzmaut Planning Group (from left to right): Ronit Eres, Vivian Bowling, Irene Fuks.

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Steve Caller will head up the Men's Campaign; Judy Levine and Marty Barr will take charge of the Super Sunday Event. A Young Leadership Group was organized this year to conduct an independent Campaign for those in the 25-45 age bracket. Brett Caller, Jonathan Miller, and Bobby Levine will put this group together with its own events and solicitation. The Campaign Committee was enthusiastic about this approach because it promises to engender a new spirit in this peer group—the source of our next generation of leaders.

More information about UJA-99 will be made available and if the response of the Community matches that of the Committee we will have a memorable Campaign that will make us all feel invigorated about our participation. Call the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Office at 268-0672 if you would like to get on board and help us get started. *

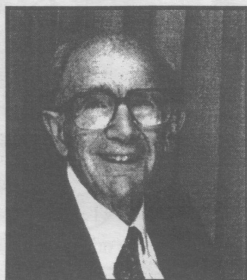
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The Committee decided to concentrate initially on a review of existing programs and activities in the areas of Community Activities, Community Relations, and Jewish Family Services. In addition, the Committee will review its relationships with other Jewish organizations and the perceptions of others in the community of CKJF.

Also, the Committee plans to hold a number of meetings for members of the community to give their ideas, suggestions and comments to the Committee about the role of CKJF as it has operated in the past and as they envision it operating in the future.

Members of the Committee are: Michael Ades, Rabbi Jon Adland, Marty Barr, Brett Caller, Steve Caller, Leon Cooper, Alvin Goldman, Judy Levine, Marilyn Lieber, Ken Mayer, Jonathan Miller, Linda Noffsinger, Linda Ravvin, Judy Saxe, Rabbi Eric Slaton, David Wekstein, and Rick Zimmerman.

Everyone is encouraged to contact members of the Committee with any questions or comments about CKJF during the work of the 180 Day Committee. *



Steven Spielberg's life might have been different. He might have grown up in a friendly neighborhood with numerous other children to play with. But it was not to be. Instead, as a Jewish kid in gentile suburbia, he was picked on and beaten. Consequently, for years he hid his Jewish identity.

Then in 1991 when he married his second wife, Kate Capshaw, who had converted to Judaism, he became a practicing Jew. And he is raising all seven of his children as Jews: Jessica Capshaw, his wife's 22-year-old daughter; his son Max; three children born to him and Kate (Sawyer 6, Sasha 8, Destry 2), and two adopted African-American children (Theo 10, and Mikaela 2). He and Kate adopted Mikaela after having children of their own so that Theo would not be the only black child in the family.

Spielberg is very much a family man, taking a three year break after making "Schindler's List" to spend it with his family. But usually he is so involved in many different business and movie projects that he is hard pressed to be with them.

Nearly all his movies, which he either directed, produced, or co-produced, are classics. To mention a few of the 40 films in the past 15 years: "Saving Private Ryan," "Amistad," "Jurassic Park," "The Flintstones," "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade," "The Color Purple," "E.T.," "Jaws," "Empire of the Sun," "The Prince of Egypt," and "Close Encounters."

In addition to films, Spielberg is involved in numerous other activities. As head of Dreamworks SKG along with Jeffrey Katzenberg and David Geffen, he works on computer games, among them a science-fiction game and a dinosaur game, a spin-off from "Jurassic Park," and "The Lost World."

His films, games, and other financial endeavors have amassed a fortune for Spielberg, estimated at about \$2 billion. He has established two foundations that he is immensely proud of: The Shoah Foundation

THE MORAL VISION OF STEVEN SPIELBERG

by Michael E. Adelstein

and the Righteous Persons Foundation. The former has collected life stories on videotape from over 50,000 Holocaust survivors and witnesses from around the world. Some of these are being used to teach schoolchildren about the Holocaust. A documentary entitled "The Last Days" about five survivors from Hungary has recently been released. Most of the testimonies are being carefully indexed and then disseminated by fiber-optic cables to Holocaust museums and archives all over the world.

The Righteous Persons Foundation began with the profits from "Schindler's List" because Spielberg was unwilling to keep what he has termed "blood money." It has since been used to finance Holocaust and Jewish-continuity projects.

The present headquarters for Spielberg is at Amblin Entertainment until Dreamworks builds its own studio. Spielberg designed Amblin and provided mezuzas for all its doorways. His office is comfortable but not ostentatious, much like his customary dress, and its rooms are adorned with Norman Rockwell paintings, some of the 25 that he owns. It seems logical that he would be attracted to the sentimentality and morality of Rockwell.

In Spielberg's films, good triumphs over evil, but the main message is usually tolerance. Generally considered to be the most popular filmmaker in the world, he is accepted everywhere in Hollywood. But perhaps his Jewish childhood memories remain. Regardless, his films call for the acceptance of outsiders.

In "E.T." the young Elliott recognizes that E.T. is a kindred spirit, not really an alien. "Close Encounters" called for peace among all men and aliens. "Saving Private Ryan" portrays the camaraderie of the squad composed of Jewish, Italian, and other soldiers. "Schindler's List" makes a hero of a redeemed Nazi who abhors the brutal intolerance he finds. And "Amistad" reveals the horrors of the slave trade. On the drawing board for the fall is a film with his longtime friend Tom Cruise entitled "Minority Report," based on a science-fiction story set in 2080 that reveals government intolerance. And for next spring, Spielberg is scheduled to film "Memoirs of a Geisha" by Arthur Golden, the

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The annual meeting of the B'nai B'rith Mid-America Region will take place at the Double Tree Hotel in downtown Omaha, Nebraska, June 26 and 27, 1999.

Highlighting the annual meeting will be the election of Regional Officers. All B'nai B'rith members who have paid their 1999 dues by March 31st are eligible to attend as voting delegates. Educational workshops will also be offered, as well as a special session for newly elected unit/lodge officers.

Registration for the annual meeting is only \$36, and includes a dessert reception on Saturday night, as well as lunch on Sunday. The Henry Monsky Lodge will sponsor a complimentary continental breakfast on Sunday morning, as well as a Hospitality Suite. Says host chairperson Ed Joseph, "Monsky Lodge is thrilled to have the members of our region in Omaha, and we promise to make their weekend with us unforgettable."

Among the activities Joseph is planning are an excursion to the Omaha Zoo and IMAX Theatre for attendees who arrive early on Saturday, and an evening of entertainment featuring live music during the Opening Session.

Regional President Joy Chorlins is effusive in her praise of Joseph and the Monsky Lodge. "We knew when we selected Omaha as our meeting site that we could count on exceptional assistance, and I'm, delighted by how

quickly everything has come together. I'm especially pleased by the Lodge's offer to host additional activities which will certainly enhance our weekend."

B'nai B'rith members in Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, and Nebraska are encouraged to attend. For more information or to register please phone the Regional Office (314/569-4122) or send an email to midamerica@bnaibrith.org *

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LEISURE CLUB UPDATE

by Ruth Moser

This has been quite a year so far. We started off with a continental luncheon at the Coach House. In February we went Chinese at Szechuan Gardens and shared memories of going out for Chinese. Of course, I had to tell about the woman I saw in Taiwan eating a slice of watermelon with chopsticks.

In March we reminisced about Rebecca Gratz while eating at Jonathans at Gratz Inn. Then some of us walked around the Gratz Park neighborhood. We are not sure, but we think Rebecca's ghost accompanied us.

Now we are getting ready for the Nutrition Mission in April with Beth Loiselle from the Good Foods Co-op on Southland Drive. Beth (a good friend of Susan Mason) does a great job, so I know whoever comes will benefit from this program, and will enjoy eating a very healthy lunch, including lots of delicious samples from the Co-Op. This time we will be in the library at Temple Adath Israel. Call the CKJF office at 268-0672 if you plan to come.

Also, Annette and I are working on several musical soirees in the not too distant future. We will let you know just as soon as we have something firmed up. And we are also planning a program to include one or two travel agents. This is a program that several members asked for on the survey we conducted a few months ago. Let us know when you have ideas for programs or restaurants where we can meet.

Good news! We have three new members: Pauline Ravvin, Leon's mom; Teddy Garber, from Florida; and Marty Stalnacin, Madeline Weinberg's friend. Welcome and get ready for a lot of fun, good friends, and good eating. Remember, we always have a good time at the CKJF Leisure Club. *

Baby #75 Almost Ready

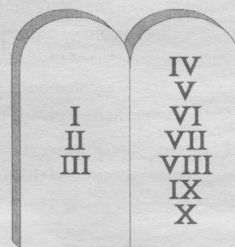
by Ruth Moser

Hadassah and the CKJF Leisure Club are now working on the third batch of twenty-five dolls for the UK Children's Hospital. That will be seventy-five dolls that we will have delivered. Our goal is to deliver the fourth batch, including doll #100, before the end of the year.

Our sewing committee for the project now includes Norma Allweiss, Liz Broudy, Shirley Bryan, Susan Cantor, Ann Fruend, Annette Milch, Ruth Moser, and Natalie Sherman.

Funding for the project started with an Enrichment Grant from Central States Region of Hadassah. Then, at the opening meeting of Hadassah last September, we literally passed the hat and collected some more money. Our latest acquisition of funds was at the Hadassah Auction on March 9th where we collected money in a fish bowl, with our own Alissa Levine, and Judy Martin (from the UK Children's Hospital), setting up a display for us.

We can always use help with the dolls. Let me know if you would like to be part of the project—you can cut, sew or stuff. If you sew, all you need is a sewing machine—we supply the rest. Just think how happy a sick child will be to receive the doll you made! *



Lexington Havurah Calendar of Events

These services will be held at:
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May 7th - 8 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

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For more information please call Jeremy Popkin at 271-3187. Check out our website at:

<http://www.uscj.org/ohio/lexhavurah>

Some thoughts on Jewish/Christian relations

by Joseph Engelberg

Three recent events strain Jewish-Christian relationships in the Bluegrass. They may be symptoms of a wider problem which the Jewish community needs to consider. The first of these relates to Jewish objections to the celebration of Christmas in the public schools; the second, to the withdrawal of some of the Jewish community from a Jewish/Christian Holocaust Memorial Service held each year at St. Luke United Methodist Church; the third, to the founding in Lexington of the new Messianic Jewish congregation. The following are my personal reflections about each of these issues.

Consider the issue of Christmas celebrations in the public schools. I grew up in Vienna. I remember in the mid-1930's my parents and other Jewish parents feeling affronted by Christmas celebrations in the schools. They complained to the authorities, who, as I remember, did try to placate them. Two or three years later there were elderly Jewish women in nightgowns, on their knees, scrubbing the sidewalk in front of our apartment house—surrounded by Nazis who jeered them. Soon thereafter came the arrests, deportations, and concentration camps. I do not suggest that this came about because Jews had objected to Christmas carols. But it is an example of the very human tendency to have illusions about one's safety and influence on one hand, while ignoring real problems and dangers on the other.

This country, which has been remarkably good and generous to me, a Jewish refugee, and others like me was founded by Christians and has been, and still is largely Christian. The celebration of Christmas in its educational institutions is a natural expression of this fact. (It is analogous to Israelis celebrating Jewish religious holidays in their schools.) That Christian holiday celebrations should still persist in the public school system (and other institutions), therefore, comes as no surprise. More important, Christmas traditions have become a source of great happiness for most of our Christian neighbors. Yet, school officials have become increasingly sensitive to the needs of non-Christian minorities, and many (most?) local schools have added celebratory material from other religions, and have muted Christmas observances. Yet, a friend recently told me that she had filed a protest with the Fayette school system because her daughter "was offended" by the singing of Christmas carols at her school. To put this issue in perspective, we have to consider the means by which we have been offended for two thousand years, and ask ourselves if our neighbors' singing religious songs—songs which give them great joy—should be considered an offense by us. I do remember that when I was still living in Vienna my neighbors sang a song (it was a

high song of the Nazi era) which had in it the words: "when Jewish blood spurts from the knife, how happy we will be." Now there is a song everyone, Jew and Christian alike, should be offended by.

I think it is not ethical, nor compassionate, nor brotherly that we "rain on the parade" of our neighbors' happiness by turning personal discomfort into a public issue.

As to the St. Luke's annual Holocaust Memorial Service: Jewish co-sponsorship was withdrawn when it was learned that a small group at the church had studied the writings of Zola Levitt. Levitt is a Christian (ex-Jewish) tele-evangelist, writer, and missionary. There is, however, no evidence at all of any missionary intent or action towards the Jewish community in St. Luke's organizing its annual Holocaust service. I have met with the pastor and two of the service's organizers; it is clear to me that their hands and hearts are pure—they have no hidden agenda. Incidentally, Judy and I attended the service last year. It was quite beautiful and moving; a number of Jewish Holocaust survivors spoke.

As regards Lexington's new Messianic Jewish congregation; this is one of many congregations in the United States. I first heard of them from a Christian student of mine who had attended their services in Texas and elsewhere; coincidentally, a recent neighbor of mine, a lapsed Catholic, also attends Messianic.

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current best seller, which deals with the exploitation of a young Japanese woman.

Steven Spielberg is one of the best liked and most admired men in Hollywood. It is said that when people there talk about him, it sounds as if they are talking about God, with one difference: people are not afraid to badmouth God.

It will indeed be interesting to see what new heights Spielberg reaches in the years to come.

(Written before the Academy Awards on March 21) *

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Dudu (an Israeli name for David) did not start his "show biz" career like most famous Hollywood "wannabes". His musical talent is somewhat of a "divine intervention".

"All the basics of music I learned from my grandfather", says Fisher. Fisher "kvells" as he reminisces about his childhood in Petah Tikvah, Israel, where he was born in 1951. "He was my mentor", Fisher proudly boasts, sharing shtetl-type stories about his grandfather, "half-rabbi, half-cantor who ran the synagogue in Petach Tikvah", a suburb of Tel Aviv, the city Fisher now calls home. Today at 46 years old, he is a devoted husband and father of three. He began singing professionally in the Israeli Defense Forces' Entertainment Corps. However, it was as a cantor that Fisher truly became proficient in his musical G-d given talents. Studying under the great cantor, Shlomo Ravitz, he completed his education at the Music Academy of Tel Aviv University in 1973. After completing his studies he was bestowed the honor of cantor at the Great Synagogue, Allenby Street, Tel Aviv, followed by four years in South Africa. Fisher's rich and powerful voice brought him worldwide attention. Gracing many a pulpit, he soon became one of the leading cantors of the world.

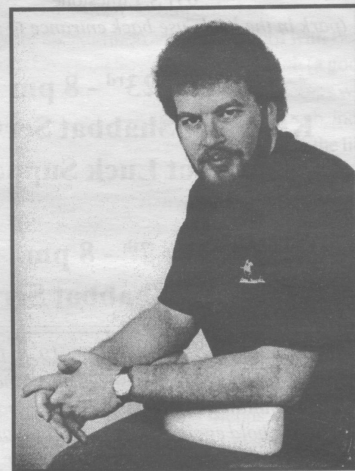
In 1987 Fisher was invited to play the role of Jean Valjean in the Hebrew version of "Les Miserables." Since that time, he has played that role before the Queen of England's Royal Command Performance, as well as before the Royal Family of Thailand, South America, Europe and Australia. He was also the first Israeli to perform behind the iron curtain before the fall of communism. His visits and concerts in Poland were made into videos:

"Song of the Living" is a musical account of Fisher and his parents' search for the remnants of their family, victims of the Nazis, and their non-Jewish neighbors who had hidden them during the war for 18 months. Among his numerous other accomplishments Fisher has recorded 14 albums.

Fisher has also achieved something that has never been done before. He is the first artist to appear on Broadway in a musical, without performing on Friday evenings because of his observance of the Sabbath. Discovered by a Broadway talent scout who insisted that he play the challenging leading role of Jean Valjean in Les Miserables on Broadway, Fisher declined, because as an Orthodox Jew he would not perform on shabbos.

But the show's producers were so impressed with his voice and presence, that they hired him anyway, giving him an understudy on the Sabbath.

The "Collaborative Community-Wide" event is being co-sponsored by Jewish Federation of Cincinnati and Jewish National Fund. The proceeds of the performance at Cincinnati's Aronoff Center on May 24 will benefit three non-profit organizations namely, Jewish National Fund (JNF), Yavneh Day School and Cincinnati Hebrew Day School.



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COMMUNITY

University of Kentucky to begin search for Zantker Chair in Judaic Studies

Thanks to the support of The Zantker Charitable Foundation the University of Kentucky (UK) will have a Zantker Chair in Judaic Studies. Howard Grotch, Dean of Arts and Sciences at the university, has authorized that the college advertise, interview, and appoint a scholar to hold the Zantker Chair in Judaic Studies, as of August 2000. The post will be widely advertised in the fall.

"I am extremely pleased by this development," says Daniel Frank, Director of Judaic Studies at UK. "I am hopeful that the Zantker endowment will put Judaic Studies at UK on a firm foundation for years to come." Frank adds, "The venture will also allow for an annual lecture series in perpetuity and, in general, will allow the program to stimulate interest in the community on perennial issues of Jewish concern."

The Zantker Charitable Foundation has made a five year pledge to the college. This pledge will be matched, dollar-for-dollar, by the state as part of Gov. Patton's higher education initiative. Further fund-raising has been undertaken in the community, as well.

Executors of the Zantker Charitable Foundation are Joseph Miller, Michael Ades, and Martin Weinberg. *



Lexington has a new Director for Jewish Family Services

by Shainey Marcus, MSW

I am very excited to be the new Director for Jewish Family Services! Serving in this position is a great honor and I look forward to the challenges ahead. Let me take a moment to introduce myself. I am originally from Indianapolis where I grew up as a member of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation. I moved to Terre Haute, Indiana to obtain my Bachelors degree in Psychology with a minor in Criminology. I then began working with incarcerated youth. I found that this type of work is both enjoyable and rewarding. I decided to pursue a career in Social Services. I came to Lexington to continue my education. Last May, I received my Masters of Social Work and worked as the Program Director at a camp for children with emotional and behavioral disorders. I am now a member of Ohavay Zion Synagogue where I have taught Sunday School. I began work at the Jewish Family Services on March 1st. In this position, I know that I will make a positive addition to the Jewish community as well as the community at large. I look forward to meeting you and serving you. *

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I wonder too about how many of us actually go out of our way to see that all who are hungry join in the Passover feast. We invite students and single people and members of our community to join us for seder, but do we support organizations such as Mazon and G-d's Pantry and the Hope Center so that all who are hungry actually get a good meal?

What do we do to bring joy to the ill and infirm and handicapped? I don't necessarily mean "joy" in the sense of glee and laughter. Rather, I wonder whether we support legislation and regulations that will enable people who suffer these limitations the joy of living as independently and as fully as we do.

I could keep going "ad nauseum." But my purpose is not to engender guilt. What I want to do is to stimulate each of us to think about the many meanings of joy and about how we can work to bring real joy into the lives of others.

In that spirit, I wish all of you "Ah Fraylichah Pesach". Enjoy your friends and family and freedom. *

Major Gifts continued from page 1

Family and Life: Traditions, Holidays, and Values for Today's Parents and Children co-authored with his wife Rabbi Susan Silverman. This lively and user-friendly guide teaches families how to incorporate Jewish values and traditions into everyday life.

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anic services whenever he can. From their literature, and from reports of some of their attendees I gather that the Messianic Jews feel that to be truly Christian—to walk with Jesus—involves partaking of his Jewish nature. While they yearn for Jewish conversions to Christianity (it is a prerequisite for the Second Coming of Christ), so do most Christians.

I first learned about the existence of Lexington's Messianic congregation from several articles in the *Herald-Leader* which reported hostile reactions from the local Jewish community to its founding. This, apparently, was not a unique reaction: a few months ago the *Jewish Forward* reported that when a Messianic congregation opened its doors in a shopping center in Canada, members of the Jewish community picketed it and tried to have the landlord cancel its lease. These responses both trouble me. They recall the Jewish persecutions of the early Christians. Are we now laying the groundwork for several thousand more years of mutual persecutions?

We need to treat our Christian neighbors as we would like to be treated, and as we would like everyone to be treated. Religious groups which come to this community (hate groups excepted) should be welcomed by us, and treated with good will. As Jewish writer and commentator, Dennis Prager, continually emphasizes: American Christian churches (with some minor exceptions) are bulwarks against injustice and social chaos and should have not merely our tolerance but our support. Some of us object to Messianic Jews appropriating the word "Jew." But have we the right to tell any group what

they should call themselves?

The word "Jew" is not a trademark, and even in Jewish circles there is controversy as to "who is a Jew."

We need, of course, be alert to influences, which through guile or other means drain the Jewish community of its members. However, the focus needs to be on those influences which make powerful inroads in the Jewish community, not on those of trivial import. The effect on the American Jewish community of Christian missionaries who explicitly target Jews, for example, appears to be minute. How many American Jews are they converting each year? Five? Ten? A hundred? There are, however, other highly successful "missionaries." They are our secular culture, our media, our business community, our educational establishment, and religious establishments which have no special missions to the Jews (Quakers, Unitarians, Buddhists, etc.). They drain away our fellow Jews by the thousands. Some of our brethren depart because they lose all interest in Judaism; some because their secular interests leave no room for

religion in their lives; some because they fall in love with someone from another religion, some because they fall in love with another religion. We don't publicly criticize *them* because criticizing them would be to criticize and insult our friends, children, relatives, congregants, customers, or business associates. So we pick on Christian missionaries, Messianic Jews, and Christmas carols. It's a little like getting mad at the boss, but kicking the dog.

Let's forget anger and ill will. In our tradition we remember the past—but do not so vindictively (we do not hate the Egyptians because their forefathers once enslaved us). Let's reach out in friendship particularly to those who reach out to us in friendship. For the first time in history there are many Christians such as these. We need to find ways to increase our discourse with them.

What is expected of us but, on the basis of our beliefs, to act with *rachmones* (compassion, mercy), *ahavah* (love), *leshon ha-ra* (don't speak evil of others).

If we reject our friends, who will be left at the end? Our enemies? *

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THE SYSTEM JUST DOESN'T WORK

by Shane O'Connor

Recently, my synagogue and I attended a seminar on how to refute Messianic "Jews." It was an interesting experience, to say the least. An actual Messianic Jew came in, and proceeded to spin forth his twisted logic for close to an hour before he finally left. We then welcomed in a Rabbi, who specialized in deprogramming people whose thoughts had been tampered with by those missionaries. The shocker: it was the same guy. The Rabbi was the so-called Messianic Jew. He then proceeded to ask us what techniques his alter-ego had used to try and win our trust. All in all, it was a surprising, fun, and educating experience.

It got me thinking about a lot of stuff though. The main question in my mind is, at the risk of sounding like Jerry Seinfeld (a real Jew): What's the deal with these "Jews for Jesus?" They don't seem to realize that you can't be a Jew and be for Jesus at the same time. A group called "Jews for Jesus" makes about as much sense as a group of "raging Quakers."

It's no secret that these pretender Jews are actually Christians in disguise. Here are several ways to tell, in case you are unsure, if the Jew you're talking to is actually a Christian: A) He's eating a ham and cheese sandwich, B) When the glass is broken at a wedding, he asks if the ship can set sail now, C) He asks if a member of your congregation is the Antichrist, D) He asks if you want to go "work" out on a Saturday. With this handy guide in mind, you'll spot a Christian a mile away and be able to split the scene before you "cross" paths with them. You gotta wonder though, why are they trying so hard to convert us? In a way it's some sort of twisted compliment, that they feel we are such a threat to their ideals that they need to make a special squad to deal with us.

Also, I have heard something to the effect that no one can be "saved" unless everyone can be saved. Nice system they got there: Punish the many for failing to convert the few. Now, since that is how they say their system works, just imagine how they will feel after they die: "Well," says St. Peter at Heaven's gate, "You lived your life according to all of our rules, but there, um, seems to be this problem. There are still some guys on Earth who don't believe in our system, so we can't let you in. Sorry, but it's down to Purgatory you go." Now if that ain't enough to turn away from all that right there, I don't know what is.

The main point that they all seem to be forgetting though is that Jesus was a Jew! And one of the fundamental principles of Judaism is that we don't worship our fellows. Heck, we can get away with not worshipping anybody (ain't it a great religion?). Of course, when we proceed to point these out to the Messianics, their best response is to say "Oh, well, just ignore all that. You're Rabbi probably got a Torah with a misprint or something."

As you can see, it's kind of hard for me to have faith in their system. *



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Federation system reports campaigns are on the rise

by Julia Goldman

NEW YORK, March 9 (JTA) — Things are looking up for North America's most broad-based Jewish fund-raising campaign.

According to the final tally last week, UJA Federations of North America's 1998 annual campaign brought in \$763 million — up \$26 million over 1997 — with 107 of the system's 189 federated Jewish communities reporting significant increases in their individual campaigns.

"Obviously, the prevailing wisdom that the campaign has not been healthy is quite wrong," said Carole Solomon, the United Jewish Appeal's national campaign chair.

The upswing, Solomon and other UJA officials say, is part of a positive trend they expect to continue into the 1999 campaign.

The annual campaign totals represent moneys collected by local federations for community agencies and projects and for the UJA, which provides money for Jewish needs around the world through the Jewish Agency for Israel and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

The 1998 annual campaign is the first to be billed under the banner of UJA Federations of North America, the new entity formed by the union of the UJA, the United Israel Appeal and the Council of Jewish Federations. The merger is expected to be finalized at a national meeting of federation representatives in April.

The most surprising success story at federations across the country may be the growing number of alternatives to campaign fund-raising that have evolved over the past two decades. Such alternatives include endowment and other donor-advised funds.

"Different things turn on different people," said Robert Aronson, the executive vice president of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit.

"Over the years, I think we're going to be

seeing slow growth in the annual campaign if we do it right. But we could see dramatic growth in endowment" and capital campaigns.

"The dollars are there — it's a question of finding something that is right for the contributor in the area of Jewish life."

Whereas general contributions to campaigns are pooled and allocated according to prearranged formulas and committee recommendations, new funding options for donors put more decision-making power in their hands.

"Endowments and foundations launched 20 years ago are now in high gear," said Donald Kent, vice president for development and marketing for the Council of Jewish Federations.

These new philanthropic outlets attract donors because they offer direct involvement in grant-making, tax benefits and the opportunity for personal recognition.

Their contributions in turn provide federations with investment instruments for long-term income.

Kent noted that federations have accumulated more than \$6 billion in assets from those funding sources during the last two decades.

Contrary to some fund-raisers' fears that the annual campaign would have to compete with endowments and restricted funds, the funding streams are proving to be mutually beneficial, UJA officials say.

In 1998, \$230 million was contributed to permanent endowments, while \$900 million poured in to over 7,000 donor-advised funds and foundations.

During the same period, \$540 million was contributed from endowments and foundations to specific projects and charities, including some secular charities. Of these grants, \$140 million went directly into the annual campaign of the federations.

Often donors who establish endowments will be "your most loyal customer, the person who has been supporting the campaign for a long time," Solomon said.

"The nature of an endowment," explained Solomon, "is that it's locked in for a period of time," as opposed to the annual campaign, which depends on the "fickle finer of fate."

In 1993, for example, the campaign dipped from \$727 million to \$715 million and then hovered at \$718 million in 1994 and 1995, according to Michael Fischer, a vice president at UJA.

Funds raised by federations in Canada — \$84 million in 1998 — are not counted in the UJA's annual campaign, because their overseas allocations are administered by Keren Hayesod, the international counterpart to UJA.

He attributed the decline to donors concentrating their energies on separate fund-raising drives from 1991 to 1994 in support of Operation Exodus, which helped Israel absorb hundreds of thousands of Jews from the former Soviet Union.

Recovering from those efforts, Fischer said, the campaign has been gaining momentum over the past three years, with an increase of \$45 million overall between 1995 and 1998.

Officials said the momentum continued despite a brief period in which donations were adversely affected by donor concerns about religious pluralism-related issues in Israel.

Still, with an increase of 4.6 percent over last year, the 1998 campaign kept ahead of the inflation rate for the first time in more than a decade.

Some local federation leaders attribute new enthusiasm to efforts by community campaigns to strengthen the local Jewish community through both programming and infrastructure.

Others attribute the recent improvements to greater personal attention to donors.

"I think the stock market hasn't hurt either," said Mark Lichtenstein, the chair of the Atlanta Jewish Federation's 1999 campaign, which, he reports, is up by \$2 million compared to the same time last year. *

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STAR POWER

Mila Kunis plays a sassy, boy crazy young girl named Jackie Burkhardt on the new Fox sitcom, *That Seventies Show* (http://asylum.com/tv/fall_1998/foxtv/that_70s_show/bios.html#top). It's a hip half hour where kids rule, and parents are the punch line of the jokes! At fifteen, Mila is the **youngest star on the set**...not bad for someone who's been yappin' in English for only eight years. She came to

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America from the Ukraine when she was seven, and faced the humongous challenge of learning the language. She climbed that hurdle in no time, and was soon taking acting classes. **The hard work and sacrifices paid off** as she began to build her young career, which included gigs on *Baywatch*, *Walker-Texas Ranger*, and *Honey We Shrunk Ourselves*. But Mila doesn't let fame go to her head. She told Steve Walz, editor of *Kochavim-Famous Jews in the News* (www.virtual.co.il/arts/kochavim/kochav97.htm) that "I take it one day at a time. The acting industry is such a gamble with so much rejection. I've been fortunate...whatever comes, I'll still go to college." Meet Mila now on Sparksmag.com. She video taped a special greeting for all Sparks! travelers.

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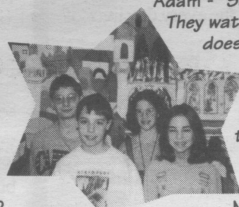
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Jews in Russia reinterpret meaning of Pesach — again

by Lev Krichevsky

MOSCOW, March 9 (JTA) — When David Karpov attended his first Passover seder here some 15 years ago, it was easy for him and other newcomers to grasp the holiday's main themes of slavery and redemption.

Soviet Jews, themselves suffering from oppression, had no trouble making a connection between their lives and what they read in the Haggadah, says Karpov, now a Lubavitch rabbi in Moscow.

"Egypt was the Soviet Union, the Pharaoh was its leadership and Moses was the State of Israel which helped to redeem people," explains Zinovy Kogan, executive director of the Congress of Jewish Organizations and Communities of Russia, an umbrella group for Russian Jews.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the beginning of the mass departure of Soviet Jews to Israel — the wave often referred to in the Jewish state as the "Big Aliyah."

The abolition of most restrictions on emigration — a move associated with the policy of glasnost, or openness, instituted by then-Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev — seemed to be a fulfillment of Passover hopes and dreams.

In the Western hemisphere and in Israel, a mass campaign for the liberation of Soviet Jews was inspired by another Passover symbol, the phrase Moses addressed to the Pharaoh: "Let My People Go."

As with so much in this fast-changing part of the world, the meaning of Passover seders has changed several times during the past decade and a half. And with the possibility of a significant rise in aliyah because of the surge of anti-Semitism that followed the collapse of the Russian economy in August, some here are wondering if the themes of this year's celebrations will shift yet again.

During the Soviet era, Passover seders actually inspired some Jews to consider emigration.

"For some, those seders were an eye-opener. People would come with no wish to emigrate and leave full of information and other people's personal stories," says Kogan.

Large seders held at private apartments became common in the early 1970s, says Mikhail Chlenov, president of the Va'ad, the Russian Jewish Federation, another umbrella organization for Jews here.

Indeed, the 1970s and 1980s were like an ongoing Passover, says Kogan.

"Some people were leaving, some stayed behind and continued the struggle. The idea of Pesach, exodus and freedom permeated the air," he says.

As if the Soviet authorities themselves wanted to convey the message of Passover to those who had come to a seder, police, tipped off by the KGB, would sometimes break into an apartment to check the identity cards of those in attendance.

The atmosphere of secrecy that surrounded those seders sometimes generated amusing situations.

Kogan recalls what happened while at a seder attended by a visiting American Jew.

As was common in those days, there were not enough Haggadot to go around. Not wanting to be disgraced, the hosts gave out other Hebrew books that were in their home — prayer books, even copies of the Megillah, which is normally read on Purim.

The American noticed that not only were some guests following books that had nothing to do with the holiday; others, having no knowledge of Hebrew, were holding the books upside down.

Clearly astonished, the guest made his own assumptions and hold the host, "Don't you see? These are all KGB agents."

But the lack of basic knowledge did not prevent people from tuning in to the seder's message.

"To many of us, the Passover Haggadah was a manual for emigration," says Kogan.

He recalls how seder in the late 1980s and early 1990s coincided with emotional sendoffs people gave their friends who were about to leave for Israel.

In more recent years, as aliyah from the former Soviet Union began to subside, seders took on a less dramatic character: They became events to teach Jews about Jewish history, about community-building and about Hebrew.

"Everything is open now," says Karpov. "Every single aspect of Judaism is available to anyone."

This includes aliyah, but as Karpov notes with regret, Israel is no longer the most popular emigration destination for Russian Jews — an increasing number go to other countries, particularly Germany.

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Michael Gurian, author of "The Wonder of Boys" to speak April 20th

Michael Gurian, renowned family therapist, educator and expert in male development, will speak at The Lexington School Gymnasium on Tuesday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. on the subject of how to shape our young boys into exceptional men.

According to Gurian, "Society has begun to see little boys as somehow defective, members of a flawed sex that needs fixing." The message that eventually filters down to boys is, "Males are the villains, and women are the victims."

Gurian believes that society must support both sexes equally. While we can "never devote enough time to the needs of our daughters, it is time to balance the scales and make little boys feel as sacred as little girls."

Tickets for this event are \$10, or two for \$15. Tickets will be sold in car line or you may send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with check payable to TLS, 1050 Lane Allen Road, Lexington, KY 40504. *

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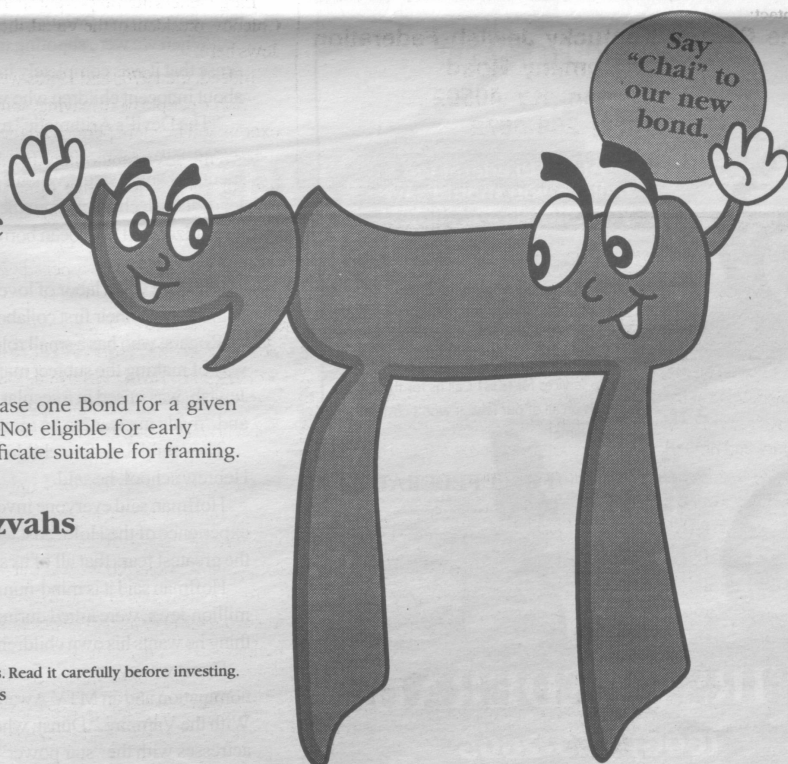
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And says Karpov, "even those who go to Israel are rarely motivated by a spiritual quest."

Many agree that Russian Jewry today is more about spiritual rather than physical redemption.

But Kogan and others say this year's seders could harken back to Soviet-era seders.

Responding to the rise in public displays of anti-Semitism, many people are again wondering whether to emigrate.

"The atmosphere to some extent reminds me of the times of the Big Aliyah," says Chaim Ben-Yakov, a Moscow rabbi.

Ben-Yakov, a 31-year-old native of Moscow, immigrated to Israel 10 years ago. Last year, he returned to work on behalf of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, an international organization for Reform Judaism.

But despite the rise in anti-Semitism, he does not believe that bad times for Jews are coming back, at least not in Moscow.

"It's more about freedom of choice, the exodus from an inner Egypt," he says.

For Chlenov, the current situation of Jews in Russia is comparable with a different part of the story of the exodus: the 40 years of wandering in the desert.

"Many people have a feeling that we're still the generation of slaves that keeps wandering. It takes time."

Showtime's 'Devil's Arithmetic' depicts surreal Holocaust story

by Debra L. Wallace

PASADENA, Calif., March 9 (JTA) — "Open the door to Elijah, child, and invite him in with an open heart," 16-year-old Hannah Stern is instructed by her beloved Aunt Eva during the family's Passover seder.

The girl, who had previously rejected much of her Jewish heritage, is strangely drawn into the hall of her aunt's apartment and toward the presence of an eerie light.

Transfixed, she follows the light down a hallway, is thrust back in time — to German-occupied Poland in 1942 — and begins a surrealistic journey, one that will forever change her feelings about the past and the present.

This is the time-travel story of "The Devil's Arithmetic," a Showtime movie filmed near Vilnius, Lithuania, in a 10-acre concentration camp designed to resemble Auschwitz.

The film, which stars Kirsten Dunst ("Wag the Dog"), Brittany Murphy ("Clueless"), Paul Freeman ("Raiders of the Lost Ark") and Louise Fletcher ("One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"), will premier at 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, just in time to teach an important lesson — the power of the human spirit — during the Passover holiday.

Subsequent showings of the poignant and often-harrowing film, which was produced by the actors Dustin Hoffman and Mimi Rogers, will be at 9 p.m. on March 30, 8 p.m. on April 7, 1:45 p.m. on April 10 and 6:15 p.m. on April 23.

What makes this film distinct from other Holocaust-themed movies, said director Donna Deitch, is that it tells its story from a young person's point of view.

"The Devil's Arithmetic" is based on the popular book of the same name by Jane Yolen, who won a National Jewish Book Award for her 1988 tale, which has a "The Wizard of Oz" feel to it.

The story has had such a major impact among schoolchildren around the nation that many of them have written book reports in which they put themselves in Hannah's shoes.

"When we were shooting the film there were a lot of children on the set. Initially I got a sense that it was completely inappropriate for a young child to be there. Yet, this film was about innocent children who were in the wrong place at the wrong time," Deitch said.

"The Devil's Arithmetic" turned out to be "a genuine learning experience for the children involved and the parents never took them off the set, even during the difficult moments," Deitch said. "When I got to Vilnius, I needed many extras and I wanted to hire a lot of Jewish children from the local community to play the parts. Then at one moment we all realized had they been born at a different time they would have lived, and died, this story."

The film was a labor of love from the production companies of Dustin Hoffman and Mimi Rogers, their first collaboration.

Rogers, who has a small role in the film as Hannah's mother, felt that it was a unique way of making the subject matter accessible to young people. Hoffman, 61, who is Jewish, was raised in a secular home, but says his wife, Lisa, of 18 years is more religious and "made me want to be more observant."

They send their four children, who are having Bar and Bat Mitzvah ceremonies, to Hebrew school, he said.

Hoffman said everyone involved agreed to do the film for one single purpose: "The experience of the Holocaust teaches us what can happen because of apathy. This is one of the greatest fears that all of us should have."

Hoffman said it is mind-numbing for him to consider that millions of people, including 6 million Jews, were killed during the first eight years of his own life. This history is something he wants his own children to know.

Dunst was everyone's first choice for the role of Hannah. She received a Golden Globe nomination and an MTV Award for "best breakthrough artist" in the movie "Interview With the Vampire." Dunst, who has just turned 17, is also one of a handful of teen-age actresses with the "star power" to get the project produced by Showtime.

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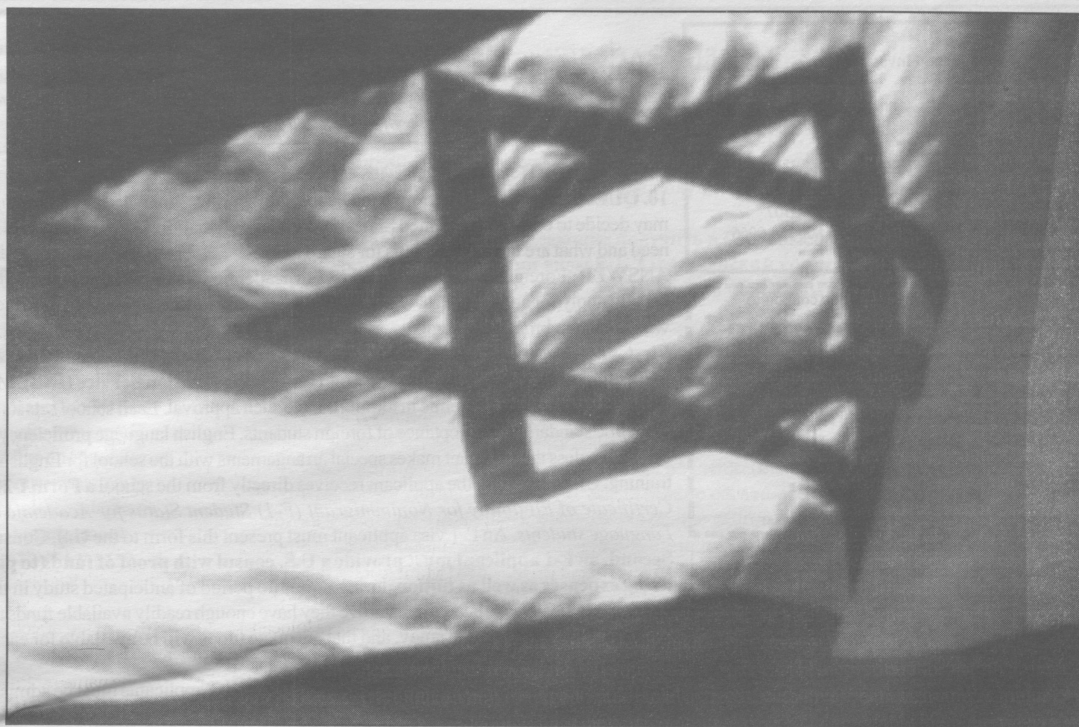
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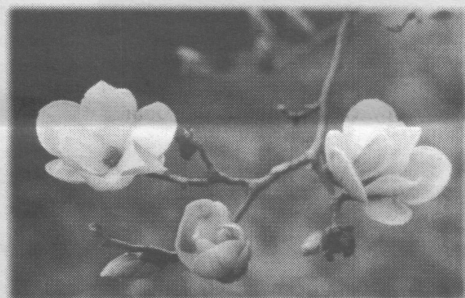
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F-1 Visas for Study in the United States

10. QUESTION: Samuel P. from San Diego, Calif., writes: "In two years my young cousin may decide to come to the United States for a college education. What type of visa will he need and what are the requirements for such visas?"

ANSWER: Foreigners who wish to pursue an academic education in the United States usually apply for an "F-1" visa. U.S. consuls abroad issue these visas to prospective students who meet two broad requirements, as described below.

First, an F-1 applicant must be accepted to a full course of study by an educational institution approved by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). Many universities and other academic institutions have such approval. Each school sets its own academic standards for acceptance of foreign students. English language proficiency is essential unless the applicant makes special arrangements with the school for English language training. Once accepted, the applicant receives directly from the school a **Form I-20 A-B, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student Status for Academic and Language students.** An F-1 visa applicant must present this form to the U.S. Consul.

Second, an F-1 applicant must provide a U.S. consul with proof of funds to pay for living expenses as well as tuition during the entire period of anticipated study in the United States. Specifically, applicants must prove they have enough readily available funds to meet all expenses for the first year of study, and that adequate funds will be available for each subsequent year of study.

In addition to the above general requirements, student visa applicants must be admissible to the United States as nonimmigrants and must fully intend to return to their home countries upon completion of their studies.

Marriage Between a U.S. Refugee and a Visitor to the United States

11. QUESTION: Yelena V. from Brooklyn, N.Y., writes: "I arrived in the United States as a U.S. refugee in May 1998. During the summer, I met and fell in love with a young man who is here with a B-2 visitor's visa. If we marry, can he legally remain in the United States?"

ANSWER: No, a person with a visitor status cannot derive any immigration benefit through marriage to a U.S. refugee. Although you may legally marry your friend, he could not obtain any legal immigration status through you for at least four or five years. Throughout that time, his continued presence in the United States on an expired B-2 stay would be unlawful and he would be deportable. However, your friend may be able to qualify for an immigration benefit on his own. We suggest that he consult an immigration expert about this *before you marry.*

Vaccination Requirements for Refugees

12. QUESTION: Maya P. from Queens, N.Y., writes: "I am a U.S. refugee preparing my application for lawful permanent residence. The only item I still need before mailing my application to Lincoln, Nebraska is the vaccination form. During a recent visit to the office of a local civil surgeon, I was told that I would get a "routine" chest X-ray as well as other medical tests. Is this an error? Why is this necessary if I had no medical problems that interfered with my refugee processing to the United States?"

ANSWER: It appears that you were given erroneous information. Several telephone callers have informed HIAS of similar experiences with civil surgeons. The office of your civil surgeon is either uninformed or misinformed about the requirements for U.S. refugees applying for Green Cards in the United States. In contrast to other Green Card applicants, U.S. refugees have already had a medical exam as part of their routine processing before entering the United States. The results of the exam were noted on Form OF-157, a copy of which was handed to each refugee upon arrival at a U.S. port of entry. Unless there were medical grounds for exclusion at the time of arrival, refugees do not have to repeat the medical exam. However, in accordance with the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRAIRA), vaccinations for refugees are not part of the overseas medical processing. Therefore, at the time they apply for Green Cards in the United States, refugees must demonstrate compliance with new vaccination requirements or fall within one of the eligibility categories for a waiver. *Supplemental Form to I-693* must be signed by a civil

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surgeon and included with each refugee's Green Card Application.

If your civil surgeon insists on providing you with a full medical exam, ask him/her to check the supplemental technical instructions and guidance provided him/her by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Ga. If this does not work, select another civil surgeon.

HIAS prepares Green Card applications for refugees. If you would like an appointment with one of our immigration counselors, please telephone the **HIAS Appointment Desk** at (212) 613-1419. *

УЧЕБНАЯ ВИЗА F-1

10. ВОПРОС: Самуил П. из г. Сан Диего (штат Калифорния) пишет: "В течение ближайших двух лет мой молодой двоюродный брат, вероятно, захочет поступить в американский колледж. Какая виза ему будет нужна и какие требования предъявляются к людям, желающим получить такую визу?"

ОТВЕТ: Иностранцы, желающие получить в США высшее образование, обычно просят о предоставлении визы F-1. Американский консул выдает такие визы будущим студентам, если они отвечают двум основным требованиям, описанным ниже.

Во-первых. Проситель визы F-1 должен быть принят на полный курс обучения высшим учебным заведением США, одобренным СИН. Многие университеты и другие высшие учебные заведения США одобрены СИН. Каждое учебное заведение предъявляет свои собственные требования к абитуриентам-иностранцам. Очень важно свободное владение английским языком, если только будущий студент не заключит специальное соглашение о посещении курсов английского языка. Если учебное заведение принимает данного студента, то ему посылают сертификат, подтверждающий, что он может там заниматься. Этот сертификат (Form I-20A-B, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant (F-1) Student Status for Academic and Language Students) должен быть предъявлен американскому консулу при подаче прошения о визе.

Во-вторых, соискатель визы F-1 должен представить американскому консулу доказательства того, что он имеет достаточно средств для оплаты обучения и проживания в стране во время всего периода обучения в США. Точнее, он должен показать, что обладает достаточными материальными средствами для прохождения первого года обучения и в дальнейшем будет иметь соответствующие средства.

Кроме этих основных требований, соискатель студенческой визы должен отвечать требованиям, предъявляемым к иностранцам, въезжающим в США не в качестве иммигрантов и должен изъявить полное желание вернуться на родину по окончании обучения в США.

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11. ВОПРОС: Елена В. из Бруклина, Нью-Йорк пишет: "В мае 1998 года я пришла в США со статусом беженца. Этим летом я познакомилась с молодым человеком, приехавшим в США по гостевой визе (B-2), и влюбилась в него. Если мы поженимся, сможет ли он легально остаться в США?"

ОТВЕТ: Нет. Лицо со статусом "гостя" не может рассчитывать на получение каких-либо иммиграционных льгот от заключения брака с человеком, имеющим статус беженца. Вы, конечно, можете выйти замуж за вашего друга, но (по крайней мере в течение пяти лет) он не сможет на основании этого брака получить какой-либо законный иммиграционный статус. Если он будет пытаться остаться в США с просроченной гостевой визой, то он будет депортирован. Однако, может быть, ваш друг имеет право на какие-либо иммиграционные льготы, которые никак не зависят от вашего с ним брака. До того, как вы поженитесь, мы советуем вам проконсультироваться со специалистом по иммиграционным вопросам.

ПРИВИВКИ - ТРЕБОВАНИЯ, ПРЕДЪЯВЛЯЕМЫЕ К БЕЖЕНЦАМ

12. ВОПРОС: Майя П. из Квинса, Нью-Йорк пишет: "У меня статус беженки и сейчас я подготавливаю петицию о предоставлении мне статуса законного постоянного жителя, которую нужно послать в отделение СИН в Небраске. У меня есть все необходимые документы, кроме карточки прививок. Я уже обращалась к civil Surgeon, и он мне сказал, что я должна пройти все медицинские проверки а также "сделать рентген грудной клетки. Не ошибся ли он? Ведь я уже прошла проверку состояния моего здоровья, когда оформляла мои беженские документы в Москве?"

ОТВЕТ: Похоже, что civil Surgeon был неправильно информирован. В ХИАС уже звонили несколько человек, столкнувшиеся с подобными требованиями civil Surgeon. Офис вашего civil Surgeon либо не получил необходимой информации, либо был неправильно информирован о том, какие требования предъявляются к беженцам, желающим получить гринкарту. В отличие от других подателей петиций о предоставлении статуса постоянного жителя, беженцы уже прошли все необходимые медицинские исследования, еще до того как они въехали в США. Результаты этих проверок были указаны в карточке Form OF-157, копия которой была у каждого беженца, прибывающего в аэропорт США. Если, к моменту въезда в США, у беженца не было никаких медицинских ограничений, то он не должен повторно проходить медицинское обследование.

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Если ваш civil Surgeon настаивает на том, что вы должны пройти полное медицинское обследование, попросите его еще раз посмотреть в инструкции, которые он должен был получить из Центра над Контролем и Предотвращением Заболеваний, расположенного в городе Атланта (штат Джорджия). Если это не поможет, обратитесь к другому civil Surgeon.

ХИАС помогает беженцам в подготовке петиций о предоставлении им статуса постоянного жителя. Если вы хотите получить подобную помощь, договоритесь о встрече, позвонив по телефону 212-613-1419.

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In the film, Dunst (as Hannah) wakes up, surrounded by Rivkah and her mother, Mina, relatives she does not recognize. She is stunned to learn she is in Poland in 1942 and is on her way to a nearby village for the festive wedding of two family friends.

From the outset Hannah knows the future: that the wedding is being invaded by Nazis soldiers, who will torch the synagogue. The celebrants are hauled off to a concentration camp and the infants, sick and old people are immediately murdered. The rest are left to perform hard labor in the most severe conditions imaginable.

While the others around her are praying that everyone in the dank, cold camps will survive, Hannah knows the grim reality of her people's fate.

The three-week shoot in Lithuania took place just a few miles away from one of the very first sites of Jewish genocide, a series of large pits in the Paneriai Forest where 70,000 Jews were shot to death by German and Lithuanian soldiers.

The camp for the set was built from scratch, and cast and crew were beset by heavy rains, muddy fields, bitter cold temperatures and even snow. These harsh elements add the gray and murky quality of the concentration camp scenes.

Dunst said she joined the film project feeling like a child and then had an awakening.

"I feel like I've become a lot older and more mature," she said. "I learned things about myself and my inner strength while I was on my own and feeling so isolated. I didn't want to complain or act like a sissy. I felt a responsibility to trudge ahead."

The other actors and the director had similar life-changing experiences.

"While we were out there doing this, I couldn't help questioning how one person could have lived through this," Deitch said. "Then you think of the strength of the human will to survive and how powerful that is that even one person made it through this camp experience."

"Everybody was shattered by the experience," Deitch said, noting that her own Jewish roots sparked her desire to expand her knowledge and become "entrenched in the subject matter." She visited Dachau and Auschwitz and interviewed several dozen Holocaust survivors.

Deitch said "The Devil's Arithmetic" was the most educational and personal film-making experience of her life.

"Through this concentration camp experience I am telling stories that have never been told in this way," she said. "I am standing up for the real people involved and keeping their memory alive."

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*on Saturday, April 10, 1999
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Temple Adath Israel
124 North Ashland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky
A kiddish luncheon will follow the service
Daniel & Terri Potter*

Please join us as our daughter

Penina Shoshan
*is called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah
Saturday, April 24, 1999
Shabbat Acharey Mot/Kedoshim
Ohavay Zion Synagogue
2048 Edgewater Court
Morning service 10:00 a.m.
Kiddush luncheon afterward
Beth Goldstein and Raphael Finkel*

APRIL 1999—CKJF Community Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6 JFS Advisory Committee 6:30 pm TAI Board 7:30 pm OZS Board 7:30 pm	7 Hadassah Board 7:30 pm CKJF Office Closed	8 CKJF Office Closed	9	10 Joseph Potter Bar Mitzvah TAI
Pesach						
Fayette County School Spring Break						
11	12	13 Chabad Study 12:00 pm	14 Rosh Chodesh TAI 7:30 pm	15 Leisure Club Nutrition Mission TAI 11:45 am Shalom Deadline 12:00 pm Hadassah Women's Diaperbox Group - Contact Kathy Grossman for Location 7:30 pm NOCJ Dinner	16	17 CKJF MAJOR GIFTS St. Joseph Hospital 8:30 pm
18	19	20 Yom HaSho'ah	21 CKJF Executive Committee 7:00 pm Board Meeting 8:00 pm TAI Sisterhood Dinner Yom HaAtzma'ut	22	23	24 Penina Goldstein Bat Mitzvah OZS TAI Fundraiser
25 TAI Annual Meeting 7:00 pm	26	27 Hadassah Program: Award Winning Program on Reproductive Choices TAI Library 7:30 pm	28 CKJF Yom HaAtzma'ut Celebration	29	30	

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

Worship Announcements

WORSHIP SERVICES

Thursday, April 1

1st Day of Passover
Service 10:30 AM

Friday, April 2

Shabbat Chol Hamoad Pesach
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Torah Reading

Marsha Vandervort will sing
Kiddush: Jonathan Friedman
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Meg & Shel Schneider
Ruth & Neil Poley
Ushers: Alan Bernard
Cheri Rose

Child Care Available
Shabbat Emor

Saturday, April 3

Kollel Study Group 9 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Chol Hamoad Pesach
Exodus: 33:12-34:26

Wednesday, April 7

Last Day of Passover
Yizkor Service 10:30 AM

Friday, April 9

Shabbat Shemini
Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Joseph Potter Bar Mitzvah
Candle Blessor: Terri Potter
Kiddush: Dan Potter & Joseph Potter

Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
The Potter family and friends
Ushers: Susan Cantor
David Wachtel

NO Child Care Available

Saturday, April 10

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Joseph Potter Bar Mitzvah
Shemini
Leviticus 9:1-11:47

Friday, April 16

Shabbat Tazria/Metzora
Sisterhood Shabbat 7:30 PM
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Members of Sisterhood

Ushers: Stacy Dunahue
Chela Kaplan

Child Care Available

Saturday, April 17

Kollel Study Group 9 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Tazria/Metzora
Leviticus 12:1-15:33

Friday, April 23

Shabbat Acharei Mot/
Kedoshim
Tot Shabbat 6 PM
Temple Pot Luck 6:30 PM
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Torah Reading

Candle Blessor: Nancy Menard
Kiddush: Ben Schumacher
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Nancy & Pete Menard
Elaine & Milton Gellin
Carol & Joe Utay
Bobbi & Drew Fried
Ushers: Alan Kaplan
Jim Levenson

Child Care Available

Saturday, April 24

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Acharei Mot/Kedoshim
Leviticus: 16:1-20:27

Friday, April 30

Shabbat Emor
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
5th Grade will lead the service
Marilyn Langley will sing
Candle Blessor: Annette Milch
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Bobbi & Lou Shain
Laura & Trevor Creamer
Tomas & Annette Milch
Ushers: David Brown
Peter Sobel

Child Care Available

Saturday, May 1

Kollel Study Group 9 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Emor
Leviticus: 21:1-24:23

Torah Study &
Shabbat Morning worship

April 10 & 24
Study at 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

KOLLEL: A dialogue on
meaning, purpose, and cosmic
vision.

What does God expect from
me? What do I expect from
God?

Study 9:00 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Upcoming Dates:
April 3 & 17

ONE DAY INTERFAITH CONFERENCE ON INCLU- SION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES – "THAT ALL MAY WORSHIP"

This conference will be held
on April 16th from 8 AM to 4:30
PM (includes materials and
lunch). Cost of the course is
\$25 per person.

The focus of the conference

is to help make religious
communities accessible and
open to individuals with special
needs.

The conference will be held
at St. Luke's United Methodist
Church, 2351 Alumni Dr.,
Lexington.

Reservations forms will be
available in the Temple office.
For more information, call Jean
Covert at 278-2233 or Toni
Reiss at 269-2979.

FROM THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR – TONI REISS

FIFTY

April 25 Raven Run Ecology Mitzvah Project

As usual, after Religious
School, we'll have pizza or a
brown bag lunch in the social
hall. Then we'll head out to
Raven Run where two park
workers will guide us through
ways to help to maintain and
beautify this unique natural
setting.

May 15 Books To Tape Mitzvah Project for UK Children's Hospital

We'll meet at the Temple at 6
PM for Havdalah and a
spaghetti dinner. After dinner,
everyone will take turns reading
books into tape recorders. The
books and the tapes we make
will be donated to the library at
the hospital. We hope to have
time to watch a movie or play
some games before leaving at
10 PM. *This event is the
closing event of the year and
we'd like to invite and en-
courage parents to partici-
pate with their children.*

MSTYG

A meeting of the *parents* of
current 5th, 6th, and 7th grade
students (next year's MSTYG)
Will be held at 10 AM on April
25th. Please attend and
support your child's youth
group.

TRYB

PURIM CARNIVAL A GREAT SUCCESS!

The social hall looked festive
and bright, and the carnival
booths and activities helped

everyone have a wonderful
time at this year's Purim
carnival. Many thanks to the
members of TRYB who came
to the Saturday night lock-in
and helped to set everything up.
A special thank you goes to
Marc Samuel and Marsha
Vandervort for their assistance
with the lock-in, to John and
Paula Harrison for their work
at the food booth, and to Starr
Gantz and Stuart Malkin for
their work at the beverage
table. Without the support of
these folks the carnival would
never have gone so smoothly.
Also, special congratulations to
TRYB for the thorough clean-
up job they did.

Thanks to all of you who
purchased candy during
TRYB's fundraising event.
Over \$400 was raised for the
TRYB to use for programs and
tzedakah.

Reminder: TRYB will be
writing and leading the Shabbat
service on May 21. Please
come and worship with us.

TRYB ELECTIONS

Elections were held and the
TRYB has a new and complete
slate of officers.

Joel Harrison, President
Pamela Rosenberg, Program-
ing Vice-President
Alison Plavin, Social Action
Vice-President
Michael Nelson, Religious &
Cultural Vice-President
Jeremy Gantz, Journalist
Micah Vandervort, Treasurer
Joshua Adland, Freshman
Representative
Jordan Kahan, Sophomore
Representative

Barbara Goldman, Upper-
Class Representative
Congratulations to the new
leaders of TRYB!
Freshman rep Josh Adland has
developed a website for TRYB.
Check it out at:
<http://uahc.org/cons/ky/ky002/tryb/tryb.html>

TRYB Meetings

April 11	6 PM	May 9
April 25	noon	May
23 Noon		

Where Are Our Volleyball Players?

It's time to register to play in
the Parks and Recreation
summer volleyball league.
Games will be played outdoors
at Woodland Park from June to
August. Contact Toni Reiss at
TAItoni@aol.com or 269-2979
or Lowell Nigoff at
Killshot@iglou.com or 278-5220.

Mark your Calendar Now for Yom Ha'atzmaut With a Buffet Supper and the Viewing of "The Long Way Home"

On the evening of April 20th, to
mark the occasion of Yom
Ha'atzmaut, we will be show-
ing the documentary movie *The
Long Way Home* at the
Temple. This movie chronicles
the tumultuous years of 1945-
1948, from the liberation of the
concentration camps to the
creation of the State of Israel.
Through personal accounts, we
will see the battle to rebuild
lives and human dignity and
witness the challenges the
Holocaust survivors faced in
recreating their identity from
the remains of their destroyed
world.

The evening will start with a
light buffet supper at 6:30 PM.
We will start the movie at 7 PM
and have a brief discussion
after the showing. The running
time of the movie is approxi-
mately two hours. RSVP for
the buffet supper is requested.
A \$3 charge for the supper will
be collected at the door. Please
call the Temple office to
reserve your spot.

Special Messages To Our Members

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The next Bulletin deadline for
the May issue is April 13th

Leisure Club

The Leisure Club will meet at
Temple Adath Israel in the
library on April 15th at 12 PM.

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, April 6, 7:30 PM

Program Committee Meetings
Youth Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 13

Brotherhood Meeting

Sunday, April 18, 10 AM

Sisterhood Board Meeting

Monday, April 19, 7:30 PM

Infrastructure Committee Meetings

Thursday, April 22

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, April 25th, 7 PM

Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 29, 7:30 PM

It will be a pleasure to have you join in celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of

Joseph Potter

on Saturday, April 10, 1999

at 10:30 in the morning

Temple Adath Israel

124 North Ashland Avenue

Lexington, Kentucky

A kiddush luncheon will follow the service

Daniel & Terri Potter

SISTERHOOD NEWS

From the President, Kaye Kaplan

Our March Mitzvah Crib was once again a success. We wish to thank all that donated to this worthy cause.

The Sisterhood March program was enjoyed by all. Everyone had a great time with Passover cooking led by Eileen McCormick.

The April program will be a Wine & Cheese on April 21st at 7:30 PM with guest speaker Joe Richardson, Interior Decorator from Hubback and Co. See the flyer in this bulletin.

The Sisterhood Fund Raiser will be on April 24th with an evening at the Red Mile to begin at 6:30 PM. The cost is \$35 per person. Send your check along with your reservation, to Mindy Heller at 3448 Oakbrook Dr., Lexington, KY 40515 before April 10th.

The Sisterhood Closing May Program will be a luncheon, at a cost of \$10. Guest speaker will be Wendy Miller, food critic at the Herald Leader. Watch the May Bulletin for more details.

Remember to send in your Sisterhood dues. The cost is \$25 with a voluntary increase of \$5. Next year's dues will be \$30.

Gift Shop

Check the Gift Shop for all your Passover needs. We have many beautiful Passover items. The Gift Shop is open Friday evenings from

7-7:30 PM and on Sunday's 10 AM - 12 noon when Religious School is in session. Thank you for your continued support.

Marilyn Lieber

Gift Shop Chairperson

Rosh Chodesh

a Jewish women's spirituality study group will meet at

T.A.I., at 7:30 PM

April 14, 1998

All women are invited to attend

From the Nearly New Elayne Crystal, Chair

Donations for the consignment shops need to:

- Be on hangers, pressed and ready to sell
- Have no stains, tears, or collar stains

• Be no older than 2 to 3 years
If you have almost new electrical or household items, they may be applicable. Call Elayne at 273-6680 if you would like your items picked up, or feel free to leave them in the coatroom. Leave your name on the items so Elayne can send you a receipt for tax purposes. Any items that are not accepted by the consignment stores will be taken to the Goodwill Stores.

Uniongram Correction

The Uniongram chairs regret the poor math skills of Bobbi. The amount of years Bruce and Mary Engel will have been married in May is 15 years, not 25 years. We're sorry for the shock, but we hope to celebrate that one with you, too. Also, a

note about the list. The names on the list each time are those people or couples who are celebrating year anniversaries or birthdays in 5-year increments. So the list that just came out includes dates ending in the numbers 4 or 9. We hope this causes no offense, but we hope the spirit of the list is understood to wish members of our congregation congratulations on their special anniversaries or birthdays. It may contain errors, not intentionally, from time to time. We're sorry if we make a mistake with your name or date.

Anita Mersack and Bobbi Fried
Chairpersons

Adult Jewish Growth Opportunities

Almost every Sunday morning (when Religious School is in session) an informal discussion group meets in the Temple Sisterhood lounge from 10-11:30 AM. Bring a topic, the Newspaper, an idea from NPR, or a Jewish concern to the "Sunday in the Lounge Discussion Group" for discussion and contemplation. Everyone is certainly welcome.

Remember: coffee and bagels are available in the Social Hall each Sunday morning!

April dates are: 18 & 25

Temple Brotherhood Golf Scramble

A Fun and Friendship Raiser
Highpoint Golf Course
Sunday, May 2nd @ 1pm, after Sunday School

Located in scenic Northern Jessamine County, 10 minutes from Man O' War, off Tates Creek Road. (Complete directions will follow). Cost will be \$30 per person for 18 holes with cart and cookout. For more information, call Bill Spickard @ 223-8489, Alan Bernard @ 245-2863 or John W. McDonald @ 269-2979




6th one of the year!!

Family Shabbat Service

APRIL 9, 7:30 PM





Sandy Adland and the TAI Makhela will sing!
Rabbi Adland and Katani will tell a story!
April birthday blessings will be offered!

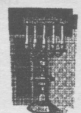
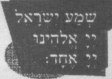
TAI SISTERHOOD PRESENTS

DECORATING with JOE RICHARDSON

*Enjoy Wine and Cheese
Learn what's in for spring!*

Wednesday, April 21, 1999
7:30 pm

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE THIS SHABBAT (DINNER OPEN TO ALL)

The next Tot Shabbat Service is scheduled for **April 23rd, beginning at 6 PM.**

The next Temple Pot Luck is scheduled for April 23rd, at 6:30 PM. Please sign-up in the Temple office and bring a main course and side dish to serve eight.

An invitation to all our members to attend services on April 23rd. The service begins at 7:30 PM and child care will be available.

OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE

Service Schedule

April 1999

Nisan - Iyyar 5759

**April 2-3, Nisan 17
Shabbat Re'eh**

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Ginger Knight
Oneg Joan & Bob Flashman
Harriet & Mike Ades

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Ricki Harrison
Gabbai David Marwil
Torah Reader Oscar Haber

**April 9-10, Nisan 24
Shabbat Shemini**

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Jerry Cerel
Oneg Natalie & Larry Sherman
Ruth Moser

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Michael Weinstein
Gabbai Sue Ezrine
Torah Reader Rafi Finkel

**April 16-17, Iyyar 1
Shabbat Tazri'a-Metzora (Rosh Chodesh)**

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Terence Ross
Oneg Ricki & Joe Rosenberg
Dale Brichta

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima
Gabbai Leon Cooper
Torah Reader OZS

**April 23-24, Iyyar 8
Shabbat Acharei Mot-Kedoshim
PENINA GOLDSTEIN BAT MITZVAH**

High School Graduation Service

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Michael Ades
Oneg Sue & Barry Ezrine
Vivian & Lewis Bowling

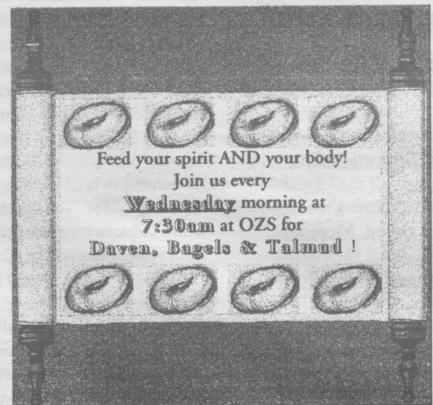
Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Rick Zimmerman

**April 30-May 1, Iyyar 15
Shabbat Emor**

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Sandy Archer
Oneg Sandra & Sandy Archer
Susie & Jim Rakes
Alicia & Victor Rudin

Bima

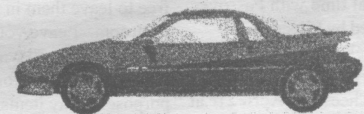
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Preliminary Service 9:30 am
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Bob Flashman
Gabbai Steve Caller
Torah Reader Uriel Smith



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at Ohavay Zion Synagogue's
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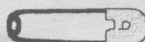
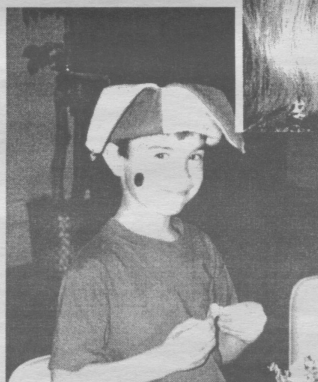
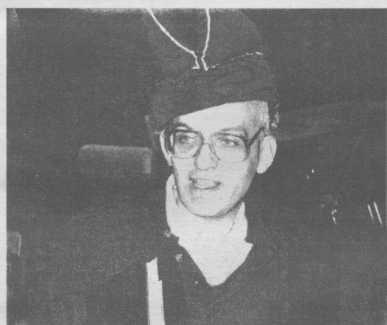
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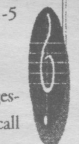
Diaper Davening

On the first Saturday morning of every month between 11:15 and 12:00 noon there will be a Shabbat program for toddlers & young children ages 1-5 with stories, songs and activities.

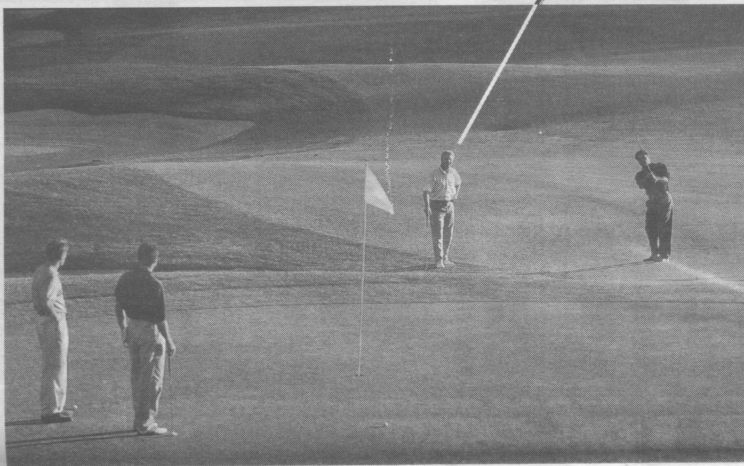
If you have any questions or suggestions about this program, please call

Lisa Satin at
266-5967.

Please tell your friends who have young children about this new program.



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