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May 1997

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Rock 'n Roll for the UJA/Federation Campaign

Saturday, May 17 - 9:30 PM

by Joel Eizenstat

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation is throwing a party! Join us on Saturday, May 17 in the clubhouse at The Greenhouse apartments, (3543 Tate's Creek Road) as we present the Jewish folk/rock group Mah TovU. The fun begins at 9:30 PM.

Mah TovU is the duo of guitarist/singers/songwriters Steve Brodsky and Josh Zweiback. Their dynamic performances have gained an enthusiastic following across the country.

Brodsky is a former Denver camp and youth activities director and currently a part-time

cantorial soloist, and Zweiback is a Hebrew Union College rabbinical student. The two have been



performing together since 1991, when they burst onto the national Jewish music scene with sold-out concert appearances in Kansas

City, Omaha and Denver.

Mah TovU brings to the contemporary Jewish music scene a diverse blend of styles, from rock to reggae, soul to jazz, and folk to gospel. Mah TovU released its debut recording, "Jewish Rock and Roll Singer," in 1992. Its second recording, "Only This," was just released last year.

The event is free, and you will have the opportunity to make your 1997 pledge to the UJA/Federation Campaign at this time. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Dress is casual. Don't miss this rock 'n rolling good time!

Please RSVP to the CKJF office at (606) 268-0672.

Ohavay Zion breaks ground for new addition

Sue Ezrine, Alan Stein, Ricki Rosenberg, Bret Caller, Rabbi Slaton, and Bruce Broudy prepare their shovels to dig the first handfuls of dirt to begin the construction of Ohavay Zion's new addition.



Frigid weather didn't dampen the spirits of Ohavay Zion Synagogue members as they anxiously broke ground for their 4000 square foot (plus basement) building addition. The new space will offer more classrooms, a youth lounge, expanded kitchen, restrooms, a multi-purpose room, and more storage.

To date, 65 families have pledged \$410,000 towards the \$500,000 goal.

Construction is expected to be completed in the fall.

Yom Hashoah remembers victims of the Holocaust



More than half a century ago six million Jews lost their lives in what is now known as

the Holocaust. Sunday, May 4 is Yom Hashoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day.

At this time the central Kentucky community will join together at the Lexington Cemetery to remember these victims. The service begins at 1:00 PM in the new Jewish section of the cemetery and will be conducted by both Rabbis Adland and Slaton.

The community is encouraged to attend.

Federation announces candidates for election to the Board of Directors

by Joel Eizenstat

The Nominating Committee of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation, Inc., chaired by Marty Kaplan, has presented the following candidates for election to the Board of Directors:

Alan Bernard
Bret Caller
Vinnie Dubilier
Ellie Goldman
Ruth Poley

At the next meeting of the CKJF Board of Directors on Wednesday, May 28 at 7:30 PM,

additional nominations will be accepted from any member of the Federation. The nominee must be eligible to serve and must agree to serve if elected. The nomination must be submitted in writing and seconded by four other members of the Federation. All Board meetings take place at the CKJF office, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, and are open to the community.

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation wishes to sincerely thank those Board members whose terms will be expiring:

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MILESTONES

Mazel Tov to:

David Mandel-Anthony on winning the Kentucky State Spelling Bee. David won an all expense paid trip to Washington DC in May where he will compete in the Nationals. David is the son of **Elise Mandel & Joe Anthony**.

Judith Ann Rosenberg and Gary Franklin Biggs, on the birth of their daughter **Emma Rosenberg Biggs**, January 24, 1977. Emma is the granddaughter of **Mrs. Elliott S. (Selma) Rosenberg** of Louisville & the late **Elliott S. Rosenberg** and **Mr. & Mrs. Edgar L. Biggs** of Marion, KY.

Marty & Barbara Barr on the birth of their grandson, **Benjamin Barr Soofer**. The proud parents are **Stephanie & Robert Soofer** of Washington, DC.

Condolences to:

Macki Bobys, on the death of her uncle, **Joe Salzer**.

Uri Eshel, on the death of his father, **Benjamin Eshel**.

Dana Martin, on the death of her mother-in-law, **Mildred Martin**.

Super Sunday Phonathon is June 1

For ourselves, For our children, For Israel, Forever...

by Joel Eizenstat

That's the theme of Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's Super Sunday Phonathon, which will be held June 1 at Galls's Inc. (2680 Palumbo Drive, Lexington).

Phone calls will be made to hundreds of Jews throughout central Kentucky in an effort to obtain pledges to the 1997 UJA/Federation Annual

Campaign. The Campaign supports a wide range of social services provided by Jewish agencies in central Kentucky, in Israel, and in 58 countries around the world.

Joan Flashman will chair this year's event, which is viewed as one of the most important fund raising days in the central Kentucky Jewish community. This will be the first phonathon since the 1994 campaign.

Phone volunteers will make calls from 10 AM until 8 PM. A follow up telephone session will be held on June 5.

Funds raised on Super Sunday will benefit a variety of local programs, including: Jewish Family Services, Camp Shalom, the Leisure Club, the U.K. Judaic Studies program, the U.K. Jewish Student Organization/Hillel, the Central Kentucky Jewish Community School, and the Gift of Israel program.

Overseas, the funds are disbursed by the United Jewish Appeal to support a variety of educational, medical, social service, relief and rescue programs in Israel and worldwide.

To sign up as a telephone volunteer on either June 1 or 5, call CKJF Executive Director Joel Eizenstat at (606) 268-0672.



The President's Spot

by Tomas Milch H.

from the Balkans, the need for food, education, hope and opportunities for the future continues. Therefore, I will continue to lend my own efforts to help meet those needs. I will happily serve as Campaign Chair for 1998.

Evelyn Dantzic Geller will become the next President of your Federation. She will need your advice and counsel, your monetary and volunteer work support. The challenges that face Evelyn and all of the Jewish community are equally as daunting today as they were when I assumed the role of Federation President.

My hope is that my thanks to all of you for the privilege of serving you will be transformed into your continuing work for the good and welfare of our central Kentucky community and that of Jews everywhere.

All our able staff and all our generous volunteers have given me joy in the service of the community. In addition all members of the community have expressed their support of our ideals and goals, as well as for the work that I have been privileged to perform.

My work may be ending, but not that of your Federation. Our support for Jews in Israel and all over the world continues to be needed. From elderly Jews in the former Soviet Union, to new immigrants in Israel, to refugees

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TORAH



RABBI JONATHAN ADLAND

TORAH COMMENTARY

The Torah portions in the month of May begin with Leviticus 16 and conclude with the last verse of Leviticus. The variety of information, laws, statutes, and ordinances that are found in these 12 chapters add to the priestly nature of God and the holiness of humankind. Yet, some of the sections, as we shall see, leave the reader of these chapters somewhat uncomfortable as we move through the areas of forbidden relationships, sexual immorality, and slavery.

SHABBAT ACHARE MOT - 26 NISAN 5757/MAY 3, 1997

These three chapters, Leviticus 16-18, begin with the introduction of the Holy Day of Yom Kippur. Most of the text describes the process of Aaron making expiation for his own sins, the sins of his sons, and the sins of the whole of Israel. With that completed, the Azazel goat is brought forward. The sins of the community are transferred to this goat, which is then released free into the wilderness. The chapter concludes with a statement that the tenth day of the seventh month will be the day of atonement for all time. On that day, the Israelite should practice self-denial and do no manner of work. It shall be a Sabbath of complete rest.

Chapter 17 returns to the nature of the first chapters of the book of Leviticus which is sacrificial offerings. The chapter also warns against partaking of any blood of an animal and that if one does do this, then that person will be cut off from the community.

Chapter 18 tells us about sex offenses. We are warned against copying the practices of the Egyptians, but we are not told at first what practices not to copy. A few verses later, we can only assume that the laws presented are reflective of how the Israelites

viewed life in Egypt. We are warned against committing incest and all of the possible ways of doing this. We are warned against homosexuality, bestiality, and Molech worship. These offenses are abhorrent before God. God sees their activity as bringing ruin on the people, land, and on God.

SHABBAT KEDOSHIM - 3 IYAR 5757/MAY 10, 1997

Parshat Kedoshim contains only two chapters. The first chapter, Leviticus 19, is known as the holiness code. It is read in Reform Jewish congregations as part of the Afternoon service on Yom Kippur. It is one of the most important chapters in Torah. We learn about what it means to be holy and that we are commanded to be holy just as God is holy. How is this holiness achieved.

1. By revering God and keeping Shabbat;
2. By not making or worshipping idols;
3. By making your sacrifices with fidelity and integrity to the process;
4. By leaving the corner of your fields for the poor;
5. By not stealing or lying;
6. By not defrauding your neighbor, or robbery, or cheating your laborer;
7. By not placing a stumbling block before the blind or cursing the deaf;
8. By not rendering decisions in favor of the rich and against the poor;
9. By loving your neighbor as yourself.

There are more examples of holy behavior in this chapter. If we had no other chapter of Torah, but this one, we could still find the path to God.

The other chapter of Kedoshim resembles to some extent chapter 18, but also informs us as to forbidden marital relationships.

SHABBAT EMOR - 10 IYAR

5757/MAY 17, 1997

Parshat Emor contains several different subjects. The portion turns toward the priestly role and the image of the priest in Israelite life. The priest is expected to be above reproach physically and spiritually. The priesthood, we learn, is sustained by contributions from the rest of the Israelite community.

Emore then addresses the festival calendar. A comprehensive understanding is imparted to the reader about the celebration of our biblical holy days which include: Shabbat, Pesach, Shavuot, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot. These holy days included special offerings to be brought to the Temple and the sacredness of rest.

SHABBAT BEHAR - 17 IYAR 5757/MAY 24, 1997

Behar consists of only one chapter plus the first two verses of the next chapter. The main point of Behar is to discuss the Sabbatical and Jubilee Year concept. The idea of people resting once every seven days on Shabbat is carried over to the concept of the land resting once every seven years. The Sabbatical year was important for several reasons including the freeing of slaves, the remission of debt called *shemittah*, and as mentioned previously, that agricultural labor was to stop. The Jubilee or fiftieth year is marked by three chief features: the land is to lie fallow, all landed property which has been sold is to revert to its original owners, and Hebrew slaves are to receive their liberty.

SHABBAT BECHUKOTAI - 24 IYAR 5757/MAY 31, 1997

Bechukotai is a collection of laws and commandments on a variety of subjects, and what happens if these laws are obeyed, and what occurs if they are not obeyed. The reader is struck by God's hard stance of retribution against those who violate the *mitzvot*.

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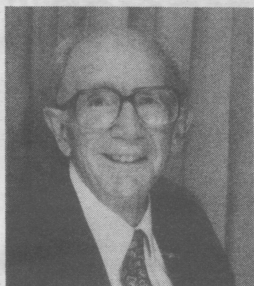
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But Gehry's major work, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain, has been called "the greatest building of this generation by Philip Johnson, dean of American architects. A joint venture of the New York based museum and the Basque government, it will open this summer. The boat-like structure is 450 feet long, skylit, and has a gently vaulted ceiling, and no supporting columns. It can display many of the large works that cannot fit in the New York Guggenheim. The irony about the building is that it may attract more visitors than the artistic works it has been built to display.

Prior to this recent dominance in architecture by Jewish-Americans, the only outstanding member of the faith to win international prominence was Louis Kahn, a post-World War II genius, who was a professor at Yale and later at Penn. Among his more famous works are the Yale University Art Gallery; the Bath House (Trenton, Jew Jersey Jewish Community Center); Salk Institute at LaJolla; First Unitarian Church at Rochester, New York; and the capitol center at Dacca, Bangladesh.

And speaking of genius reminds me that Norman Mailer has written a new book entitled *The Gospel According to the Son*. This work, reputed to be an autobiography (!) of Jesus, may be more scholarly than Mailer detractors are ready to admit. Certainly, he has wasted much of his talent in writing several pot-boilers for money, in running for mayor in New York for ego-satisfaction, and in his affairs and

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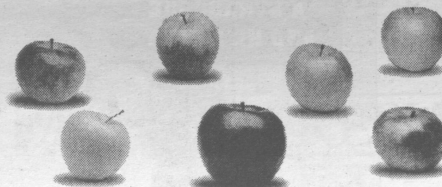
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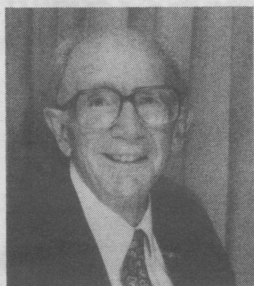
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But Gehry's major work, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain, has been called "the greatest building of this generation by Philip Johnson, dean of American architects. A joint venture of the New York based museum and the Basque government, it will open this summer. The boat-like structure is 450 feet long, skylit, and has a gently vaulted ceiling, and no supporting columns. It can display many of the large works that cannot fit in the New York Guggenheim. The irony about the building is that it may attract more visitors than the artistic works it has been built to display.

Prior to this recent dominance in architecture by Jewish-Americans, the only outstanding member of the faith to win international prominence was Louis Kahn, a post-World War II genius, who was a professor at Yale and later at Penn. Among his more famous works are the Yale University Art Gallery; the Bath House (Trenton, Jew Jersey Jewish Community Center); Salk Institute at LaJolla; First Unitarian Church at Rochester, New York; and the capitol center at Dacca, Bangladesh.

● And speaking of genius reminds me that Norman Mailer has written a new book entitled *The Gospel According to the Son*. This work, reputed to be an autobiography (!) of Jesus, may be more scholarly than Mailer detractors are ready to admit. Certainly, he has wasted much of his talent in writing several pot-boilers for money, in running for mayor in New York for ego-satisfaction, and in his affairs and

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New York, NY--The United Jewish Appeal has announced that all four major streams of Judaism--Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and Reconstructionist--have issued statements expressing full support of the United Jewish Appeal-Federation Annual Campaign.

"Notwithstanding their differences, the religious movements understand the great needs of our people, and that the only vehicle for meeting those needs is the UJA Federation Campaign which the movements support with enthusiasm."

The joint statement of the main institutions of Orthodox Jewry said, "The Rabbinical

Council of America and the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America call upon the entire community of Jews and the various Jewish institutions and movements to unite in support for Israel and the Jewish people the world over." They declared, "We shall stand firmly in support of the UJA Federation Campaign, the singular agency and program in this country that

has brought all Jews together in the past."

"We furthermore call for a closing of ranks to enable world Jewry to bring its unified powers in support of beleaguered Jews everywhere," stated Rabbi Raphael G. Grossman, President of the Rabbinical Council. "The financial needs of the UJA and its agencies may be severely

strained, and American Jewry must exercise its tradition of unified compassion and support."

"The Rabbinical Council of America and the Orthodox Union call upon their membership to resist threats to deny financial support to the UJA for whatever reason," the statement said. "Commitment to this great humanitarian agency must transcend politics and diverse views and should not be the instrument for the imposition of ideology."

Meanwhile, Rabbi Jerome M. Epstein, Executive Vice President of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, and Rabbi Joel Meyers, Executive Vice President of the Rabbinical Assembly, joined with Rabbi Paul Menitoff, Executive Vice President of Reform Judaism's Central Conference of American Rabbis, and Rabbi Eric Yoffie, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, in "An Open Letter to the Jewish Community."

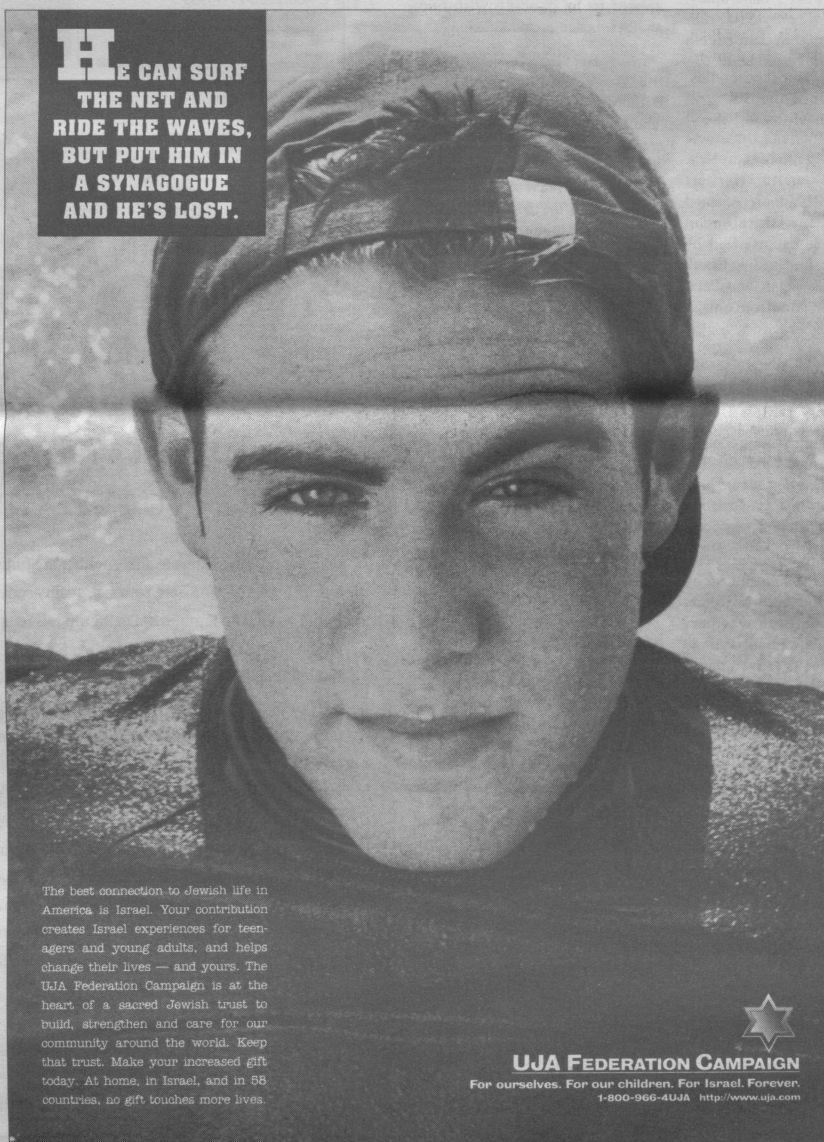
In it, they stressed, "It is important for every Conservative and Reform Jew to support *Klal Yisrael* by making a meaningful gift to the 1997 Federation/UJA Campaign." They added, "Their causes are ones that need and deserve our support."

The letter pointed out, "We must not hurt our fellow Jews in the former Soviet Union who require our help. We must seek ways to ease the pain for Jews who have made aliyah and who are currently struggling to make a new home in Eretz Yisrael. And we must be concerned about local needs. There are Jews in our own neighborhoods who require our help. We must not turn our backs on them."

UJA National Chairman Wexler praised the UJA Rabbinic Cabinet, which represents rabbis from all streams of Judaism, for bringing about this historic demonstration of unity. "Let us go from strength to strength, and make the 1997 UJA Federation Annual Campaign one to remember," he said.

UJA National Chairman Richard Wexler said,

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FEATURE

Wachs recalls Jewish burial history, retires from The Lexington Cemetery after 41 years

by Kimberly Wade

"I have always been interested in watching Jewish burials," said Bob Wachs, former general manager at The Lexington Cemetery. "The Jewish people think very traditionally. Almost all Jewish ceremonies are practiced as they were practiced centuries ago." He said that most Jewish community members will select a casket that is wood and has no metal in it at all. To show respect for the dead, family members and people attending the burial service will almost always shovel the first scoops of dirt onto the grave. These traditions are seldom practiced in other religions anymore. In addition, Wachs said it is interesting listening to the Hebrew language when it is spoken in a ceremony.

At the beginning of his career at the cemetery, Wachs didn't realize the passion that he could actually have for working in a cemetery. With a degree in ornamental horticulture from the University of Kentucky, Wachs has been fortunate to spend about 90-95 percent of his time design-

ing, planting gardens, and attending to the perpetual care of the cemetery. Wachs, who served 27 years as general manager of this community memorial garden, stepped down from his position on March 31, 1997.

Jewish Cemetery History

Originally, in 1872, the Jewish community had purchased an acre of land on Mt. Tabor Pike about 3-1/2 miles east of town. Wachs said they interred bodies for 12 years until the Spinoza Society determined that the decision to locate the cemetery so far from the city was a mistake. Not only was the road to the cemetery impassable in the winter, it was also difficult to keep the place in suitable order and under proper supervision. Therefore, in 1884, they purchased the entire section E-1 at The Lexington Cemetery, and relocated the graves from the Hebrew Cemetery to The Lexington Cemetery. By 1977, during Wachs administration, the Spinoza Society realized that additional space would be needed; therefore, they purchased a nearby section E-2.

The Cemetery Today

The Lexington Cemetery is a 170 acre national arboretum that contains more than 200 species of trees including ornamental cherries, magnolias, crab apples and dogwoods. Some of the trees pre-date the United States Constitution. The Audubon Society of Kentucky identified 179 species of birds in the cemetery. It is one of three sites listed in *The American Garden* guidebook. Amid its natural beauty is a pond, various gardens, attractive monuments, mausoleums, a crematory and over 59,835 gravesites.

The cemetery is also listed on the Register for Historic Places. Many notable Kentuckians are buried there, including Kentucky statesman Henry Clay, Confederate General John Hunt Morgan, U.S. Vice President John Breckinridge and University of Kentucky basketball coach Adolph Rupp.

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marriages, and other public exhibitions. But the man can write as *The Naked and The Dead*, *Advertisements for Myself*, *The Deer Park*, *An American Dream*, *Why Are We in Vietnam*, and *The Armies of the Night* reveal. Anyone who has plowed through *Ancient Evenings*, a novel about ancient Egypt, can attest to his thoroughness and scholarship.

While I'm not ascending the pulpit to predict a Derby winner, I do believe that Mailer's *Gospel*, which has not been reviewed at this writing, will be a highly controversial bestseller and will bring him back to television and to the book stores. Line up now at Joseph Beth's for those autographed copies!

Netanyahu to speak at Federation's 1997 General Assembly

New York, NY--Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will address the more than 3,000 North American Jewish leaders who attend the Council of Jewish Federations' 66th annual General Assembly, set for November 14-19, 1997 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Netanyahu's remarks will be the centerpiece of an International Program planned for Tuesday, November 18. CJF has welcomed every one of his predecessors to the GA, beginning with Golda Meir more than twenty years ago.

Born in Israel, Prime Minister Netanyahu earned undergraduate and graduate degrees at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served valiantly in the Israel Defense Forces, from which he was discharged in 1972 with the rank of captain. In 1982, Netanyahu was named Deputy Chief of Mission in the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C. Two years later he was appointed Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, a position he held for four years. His return to Israel coincided with his election to the Knesset as a member of the Likud Party. He was elected Prime Minister in May, 1996.

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FEATURE

Jewish Family Services Commentary

by Mollye Schwab



As members of the Jewish community, most of us realize the Jewish commitment to provide resettlement to Jews from the former Soviet Union. I imagine we often think of the barriers that the Jews coming from Russia must overcome when arriving in the United States, e.g. fear of the unknown, meeting the challenges of finding secure housing, employment, language, the monetary system, the transportation system, shopping, etc. We may even try to realize the emotional effects of resettlement that families are faced with, for example, the feelings of loneliness, fear of the unknown, and often intense sorrow.

What we may not consider quite as often is the effect the emigration has on the children of these families coming to our communities, and the unique challenges they face. Children not only have to deal with (and sometimes feel the brunt of) the stresses that often result from their family's emigration, but they also are forced to deal with their own stresses of emigration along with their normative developmental tasks.

For school age children, it is in school where children learn physical and academic skills. They learn to identify with their own peer group as a subculture. Values, a distinction between good and evil, logistics,

games, and rules are learned. Although there is movement away from parents at this stage, parents occupy a central role as children develop their own set of values.

"In the former Soviet Union, Soviet Jewish children were over protected. As citizens in what they experienced as a hostile society, the Soviet Jewish family developed an enmeshed and over protective style as a mechanism for survival." School in the FSU typically involved six days per week with after school programs and extra curricular activities, thus providing a sense of security that is not so definite in the U.S. public school system.

Adolescence is a period of many challenges for children in this age group worldwide. The emigre adolescent must make his or her own way through the added stresses presented by immigration itself. For children of this age, the transition begins toward adulthood. Normally, it is a gradual process that results in teens having more responsibility and parents having less control. However, with the emigre adolescent, often what you find is a teen that is forced immediately into a position of authority in his family as a result of his immigration.

New American adolescents may learn English faster than their parents and therefore become a "culture broker for the family." The adolescents may know more than their parents. Both the adolescents and the parents can often enter into an uncomfortable and often chal-

lenging family role reversal creating conflict and havoc. "As parents feel they are losing control, they attempt to pressure and prohibit." This of course gets the adolescents into an action of rebellion and conflict.

Another issue with the adolescent is the individual's need for autonomy and security in his or her peer group. The decision to emigrate was not made by the refugee teenager. This can result in a "profound disruption of his or her lives." Disruption of adolescents' social networks at a time when they are particularly concerned about peer relationships is a powerful stressor.

Recognizing the challenges these children face is the first step in support of this unique situation. Any service designed to address this issue must be culturally sensitive and cognizant of the fact that these children will be our next generation of citizens. We should therefore, as a community, help to transform the barriers these children face in their steps toward social integration.

'Gloria Zicht, ACSW, "The Effects of Emigration on Soviet Children," *Journal of Jewish Communal Service*

The Jewish Family Services column is for informational purposes to the readers of *Shalom*. For other personal and confidential requests for services, contact the JFS office, 340 Romany Road, Lexington, or call (606) 269-8244.

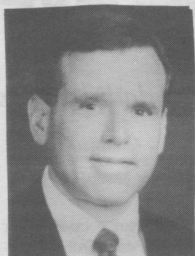
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FEATURE



The Financial Advisor

by Arthur R. Salomon

An inheritance, a large bonus or a distribution from a qualified plan can provide a lump-sum of money to be invested. For many people, the key question is "How do I put this money to work?" The answer to the question depends on the needs, temperament, and available resources of the investor. The process of choosing the most appropriate investment(s) can be made easier by carefully considering and answering the following questions:

A. What are your investment goals? In other words, "What do I want the money to do for me?" For example, an investor might need to have additional income to meet current living expenses. Other common needs include saving for long term goals such as retirement, a child's education, a dream vacation, or for a quickly available source of emergency funds.

B. How liquid does the investment need to be? The term "liquidity" refers to how quickly an investment can be turned into cash, without losing any of the invested dollars. The question might also read, "When will the money be needed?" For example, investments meeting longer term goals such as retirement

generally do not need to be as liquid as those designed to hold emergency funds.

C. What is your risk tolerance? Can you afford to risk losing a portion or even all, of your investment without it affecting how you live? What would be the impact of a loss on your investment goals? In general, risk is related to return; the higher the risk, the higher the potential return; the lower the risk, the lower the potential of return.

D. What is the impact of income taxes? Income taxes can have a significant, negative impact on your investment results. For example, many high-income individuals invest in municipal bonds because the interest from such bonds is generally exempt from Federal income tax; in some instances the interest is also exempt from state income tax. Qualified retirement plans, life insurance policies and life insurance annuities are used to accumulate funds for retirement because of their tax-deferred nature; no taxes are due until the money is withdrawn.

E. What is the economic outlook? The state of the economy as a whole can change the mix of desirable investments. For example, during periods of high inflation, tangible assets such as real estate, precious metals, and collectibles such as coins and art, have

tended to produce good results. During periods of stable or declining inflation, intangible assets such as stocks and bonds have generally done well. Of course, there is no guarantee that history will repeat itself.

F. Is the skill and knowledge needed to manage the investment available? An investor may not have the specialized skills and knowledge needed to properly select or manage an investment. In such instances professional investment advice, or investments where such advice is available, should be considered.

G. How much money is available to be invested? The investment tools open to an investor can vary depending on the amount of money available. For example, direct investment in the stock market can require a relatively large investment. Many mutual funds, however, will accept smaller contributions on a monthly basis.

These key investment questions should be considered before making important investment decisions.

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by Kathie Krook

Both David and Joseph Kroot were concerned about their friend. They sent him a Gameboy with some of their old games, and David shared his many secrets on how to master those games. Both boys offered to share one of their kidneys with Micah. They just wanted him better. Micah improved, thanks to G-d, and while his kidneys still showed evidence of damage, there was no need for a kidney transplant. Micah's illness changed the way the Kroots looked at organ donation.

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A Jewish perspective on organ transplantation

A story dedicated to the memory of Joseph Kroot

ments were given for the sake of life no death. Therefore, if a performance of a com-

Joseph's kidneys helped two women live free of dialysis, his corneas helped two teenagers see, his liver hepatocytes prolonged life until a viable liver could be found, and his heart valves helped two young children live without blood thinners.

because now they will not need mechanical valves in their hearts. Joseph may not have found the cure for cancer, but he followed the positive mitzvah of *Pikuach Nefesh*, the "Saving of a Life."

mandment endangers life, the need to preserve life supercedes. The only exceptions are the three cardinal sins of idolatry, forbidden sexual activities and murder. That is to say, that if you must violate Shabbat in order to save your life, not only are you permitted to violate

Further, Jews are commanded not only to do virtually anything necessary to save their own lives. They are bound by the positive obligation found in Leviticus 19:16: "...you shall not stand idly by the blood of your neighbor — *I am Hashem*." This verse, according to Rashi and Sifra, is interpreted to mean if someone's life is in danger, you must try and save him. Later, the Chosen Mishpat adds that "although one is not required to endanger his own life to save another, he should not be overly protective of his own safety." It's clear that Jews are required to

So, what issues keep Jews feeling that Jewish law forbids organ donation? According to Rabbi Robert Dobrusin, Beth Israel Congregation in Ann Arbor, Michigan, "the

relating to the treatment of a body after death." Indeed, Jewish law does prohibit desecration of the body, gaining benefit from the body, and delaying the burial of the body. A second objection could be how could a dead person be obligated to follow the commandment "to save a life"? Again, in Jewish law, the dead are not obligated to obey the *mitzvot*.

The most serious objection to organ donation may be the question as to "when is a person dead" according to Jewish law. Organs for transplant must be taken while respiration and circulation is ongoing through artificial support. The classic Jewish definition of death "is the absence of spontaneous respiration in a patient with no other signs of life."

Rabbi Moses Tendler states that "Saving any human life is halachically mandated so that we transgress the laws of Shabbat to do so." If the *mitzvah* of "saving a life" is so paramount, that it supercedes other *mitzvot*, then here too, it must supercede the prohibitions concerning desecrating the body: gaining benefit from the body, and delaying the burial.

According to KODA, (Kentucky Organ Donation Associates) donated organs are removed surgically in a routine operation similar to gall bladder or appendix removal. Normal funeral arrangements are possible. In fact, to keep a person who has been declared "brain-dead" on life support without the intention of organ donation, might be considered *halaqat hamet*, "the delay of burying a dead

The Committee on Jewish Law and Standards, The Rabbinical Assembly, the Conservative movement's chief rabbinical body, in its landmark decision, *Chayyuv*, "The Obligation to Preserve Life and the Question Post-Mortem Organ Donation," December 1995, states "The consent required for organ donation is given prior to one's death, or by surviving, responsible relatives...The act of consent while alive (or the consent of survivors) constitutes the fulfillment of the *mitzvah* itself." The article further states that it is curious, as to why organ donation has not seen long standing tradition in Judaism, since this is a mitzvah, as the Rishonim, Maimonides, [All Israel are commanding to take life saving action,] (Maimonides, *Hilchot Roze'ach v'Shimrat Nefesh*, 1:14).

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whether or not a transplant was really "saving a life." Today's Immuno-suppressive therapy already accounts for a near doubling of the numbers of heart, kidney, and liver transplants performed. These advances have increased the survival rates. Kidney transplants currently enjoy an 80-90% success rate; heart transplants 80-90%; liver transplants 70-80%; lung 70-73%, and combined heart-lung transplants are 70%. The Hartford Transplant Center's *Fact Sheet, Organ/Tissue Donation and Transplantation* states that "Success implies restoration of the recipient's quality of life and normal life expectancy."

Further, early in transplant history, there was no sophisticated coordinated and computerized national and international organ registries. Therefore the rabbis may have felt that mandating donation would have been premature, without first answering questions about "Whose life is being saved?" Rabbis understood the *pikuach nefesh* required a "specific recipient" and early in transplant history recipients were more difficult to locate and identify.

This is no longer the case as the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), a government sanctioned organ registry, maintains lists of 50,400 people currently awaiting transplants in the United States, alone. We know there is a need and who the individuals are in need. While about 18,000 transplants are performed each year, an estimate of eight to ten people die every day waiting for a life giving organ. We as Jews can certainly help.

When is a person considered dead? Rabbi Jakobovits, in 1975, summed up the basic issues stating, "The question of defining the moment of death with precision has been rendered both more difficult and more critically acute by...the demand for viable cadaver organs for transplant purposes. The issue of

organs for transplant purposes. The lapse of only a few minutes may spell the difference between success and failure in such operations; on the other hand premature removal of organs from the dying may hasten death and constitute murder." All rabbinic authorities agree that the classic definition of death in Judaism is the absences of spontaneous respiration in a patient with no other signs of life.

The question remains, is a person alive if the heart is beating, but the brain is dead, and so they can not breathe on their own? "Brain-death" has only been used to determine death since the 22nd World Medical Assembly in 1968. They defined "brain-death" as "permanent functional death of the centers of the brain that control breathing, pupillary, and other vital reflexes."

Rabbis Seymour Siegel, Elliot Dorff, Avram Reisner, and David Golinkin, all of the Rabbinical Assembly, as well as Rabbi Moshe Tendler, an Orthodox authority on Jewish medical issues, and the Chief Rabbinate of Israel, are all proponents of this definition of death. Rabbi Tendler states that, "We look for the cessation of all brain function, including the brain stem, the top, the cerebrum, the middle and the base. If [it's all gone], we find



Joseph Kroot died tragically young, but in his death he

*young, but in his death he gave
life to others*

ual is dead." He further explained that newly developed MRI tests can clearly differentiate between a patient in a coma and a patient who has died.⁴

The rabbis of the Mishnah, 0-200 C.E., wrote that if a person is buried underneath a heap of stones on Shabbat, one is allowed to remove the stones to rescue him. However, once he is found to be dead, one must wait until Shabbat ends and then finish clearing the rocks to bury him. The rabbis of the Gemara

Opinion B, when you reach the heart and discover it is not beating. Opinion A seems to support that a "brain dead" person is dead, while Opinion B would seem to support that the "brain dead" person is alive, because the heart is still beating.

The Gemara concludes that both opinions may be held that the breathing is the essence of life as it is written in the Creation story "...All that is alive which is breathing..." The conclusion of the rabbis was that if you dig and discover the heart first, and it is not beating, you should stop your digging, if the heart is not beating the person is not breathing and therefore dead. And if you discover the lungs first, and they are not breathing, the person is dead. The rabbis concluded that a person is dead as he can no longer breathe on his own. The Talmud also discusses that a decapitation is the same as death even if movement continues. **Today's rabbi view brain death** as a physiologic decapitation, because the viable organs are supported by machines.

In his talk, "The Ethics of Organ Donation," Rabbi Moses Tendler stated "...death ALWAYS meant brain death—it was simply defined in car-potunatory activity before more sophisticated means of determination were available. If the brain cannot be dead and body alive, 'brain death' is an unfortunate misnomer." Medical studies have shown that if a person is totally "brain dead," even on life support, that person's vital organs will cease to function in an average of five days. The rabbis are very clear that if the patient has suffered brain damage to the point that they are no longer able to function, but are able to breathe on their own, without the aid of machines, they are NOT brain dead.

This was the case for Karen Guinlan, who after being removed from life support lived for multiple years. It was NOT the case for Alicia Flatow, in Israel. Nor was the case for Joseph Kroot in Lexington, whose body began to deteriorate in the seven hours he was on "life support." While

eph's kidneys remained viable, his heart had deteriorated so that only his heart valves were used for two children who otherwise would have needed mechanical valves; and his liver had small areas of ischemia, lack of oxygen, which allowed only 70% of the liver's hepatocytes to be transplanted into an individual who continued to wait for a matching

There are opposing opinions, mostly from right wing Orthodox groups, that consider "brain death" to be ambiguous according to the ruling by the late revered Rabbi Shlomo Zalman Auerbach. These same groups

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- My family would be expected to pay for donated my organs.**
- A donor's name is not charged for donation. If a family member is being billed incorrectly, the family immediately should call the organ procurement organization.
- I am not the right age for donation.**
- Organs may be donated from someone as young as 18 years old. There is no age limit for organ donation no longer exist; however, the age range limit for tissue donation is 70.
- My religion does not support donation.**
- All organized religions support donation. It is typically considering it a generous act that is the individual's choice.
- I have a history of medical illness and would not want my organs.**
- At the time of death, the organ donation program and social historians to determine donor suitability on a case-by-case basis.

FEATURE

Organ Transplants...continued from page 11

oppose donation, do not prohibit Jews from benefitting from organ transplants; leaving other rabbis shaking their heads from the ruling. Rabbi Tendler stated that, "If a person is NOT dead by our halachic definition when he is 'brain-dead' then to go and take an organ from a non-Jew means you're killing a non-Jew to save a Jew." Rabbi Marc Angel states that his all-take and no-give policy is "morally repugnant."

Alisa Faltow's case may have changed some minds in Israel on this issue. Weeks after her death, Rabbi Yehoshua Scheinberger, Health Minister of *Eidah Haharedit*, a body for Israel's ultra Orthodox, made a ruling allowing the acceptance of "brain death" and donating of organs with several conditions.

These conditions include forbidding the donated organs to be transplanted into bodies of "non-believers, gentiles or Arabs who hate Israel." (Most secular Israelis, he said, would not fall in the category of non-believers.) A further condition is that an Orthodox rabbi sit on the committee that approves the transplant. These conditions were rejected by the Israel Transplant Association, and criticized by others who felt that there is no basis in *Halakha* or in Jewish morality to support limiting a donation to a Jewish or an observant Jewish recipient. Still, others like Rabbi Tendler feel that while the decision has an "halachically, emotionally, and sociologically" error, it is a positive ruling for "brain death."

Still, many believe that

the biggest problem for donation is lack of communication. "If you ask the person on the street, will they give," says Dr. Mordechai Kramer, an Orthodox Jew who coordinated the Lung Transplant Program at Hadassah Hospital, "the majority say yes. But when it comes to their family members, most are not ready to do it. With a brain-dead patient people think he will get better." The public has to be reassured that donating an organ doesn't mean that death will be hastened in any way.

Further, families need to talk with one another to understand each others' wishes and beliefs. Rabbi Tendler states that, "Torah does not require one to do something that is painful (e.g. emotionally painful to the family of the donor), but wonders 'how

can saving a life be painful?" It can be painful when there are questions that can't be answered. Will my loved one feel that his body has been desecrated by organ donation or that his "gift of life" has brought honor to him? We knew Joseph's wishes. We had talked as a family about this issue.

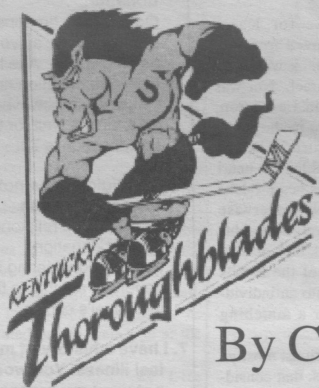
I have spoken with Rabbi Adland and Rabbi Slaton, and both support organ donation. The Reform and the Conservative Movements support organ donation. Further, both movements have made donor cards available to members. Consult your rabbi for any concerns. Sign and carry your religious affiliation card on the back of your driver's license. MOST IMPORTANT: Talk with your family and let them know

your wishes, they are the ones who will make the decisions in the event you are unable to do so.

We know that Joseph did not live a long life, but his life was full. He was kind, generous, a little impish, and Jewish. He could not read well, but his corneas are now reading. He didn't find the cure for cancer, but he did follow the Jewish *mitzvah* of *pikuach nefesh* and "saved a life." We are reminded of the ring given to Schindler in *Schindler's List*, stating the Talmudic saying "He who saves a life, saves the world." What an honor for our Joseph.

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LEISURE CLUB



Allen Garmarnik and Natalie Sherman at Pilder's

Last month the Leisure Club loaded up the van and drove to Cincinnati for a Passover food shopping spree and a kosher lunch at Pilder's Deli. At left are photo memories from the trip.



Sharyn Sharer and Natalie Sherman examine the goods from top to bottom



Annette Mayer looks over the selection of kosher foods at Pilder's

JSO/Hillel wraps up successful event filled year

by Mike Weinrauch

The University of Kentucky Jewish Student Organization/Hillel Foundation (JSO) has wrapped up a very busy year. Our mailing list has reached 225 people, up from approximately 50 students this past fall. The leadership team has met on a regular basis and large scale needs assessments were conducted throughout the community.

Though students overwhelmingly state that they prefer strictly social gatherings, the events in which there was a

uniquely Jewish flavor (Shabbat dinners, holiday parties) drew excellent attendance. Educational events were the least popular. JSO's 1996-1997 programming included 33 social events, seven community service projects, five religious/holiday events, and four co-sponsored educational sessions. This is a vastly increased level of activity over past years.

We want Jewish youth to see that the University of Kentucky IS a viable option for college with a vibrant Jewish campus life.

JSO/Hillel is developing a greater public profile. We have

desk space in the Student Center and participate in philanthropic events within both the Jewish and non-Jewish community. Further, we are making a conscious effort to align with the larger Hillel movement.

We have elected a brand new Board to lead us into the 1997-1998 school year and beyond. There are preliminary plans drafted for our future, and we invite the Jewish community to join and support us as we craft a strong and stable Hillel renaissance at the University of Kentucky.

HONORING SACRIFICE

Take time to honor men and women who have served their country in one of our armed services, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice so that we may enjoy freedom.



MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Monday, May 26, 1997 11:00 a.m.

So that their sacrifices will not be in vain or forgotten, you are invited to join veterans of The American Legion, Man O' War Post No. 8, its Ladies Auxiliary, Junior ROTC Cadets of the Bryan Station High School, and a featured speaker, for the presentation of colors, a 21-gun salute, brief remarks and "Taps".

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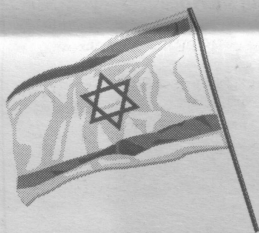
COMMUNITY

Lexington Havurah Service Schedule

Wednesday, May 14	Havurah Annual Meeting 7:30 PM
Friday, May 30	Kabbalat Shabbat Services Lexington Theological Seminary 631 S. Limestone (<i>parking lot and entrance are in the back</i>) 8:00 PM
Tuesday, June 10	Erev Shavuot Services Lexington Hearing & Speech Center 162 North Ashland 8:00 PM

The National Havurah Committee will hold its annual Summer Institute, August 4-10 at Cedar Crest College, Allentown, Pennsylvania. This is a wonderful week of Jewish study and celebration—much akin to going to a great Jewish camp! For families, there is excellent child care. Scholarships and work study programs are available. For more information, call Judy or Bob Baumann at 223-1299.

*Central Kentucky Jewish Federation & Hadassah
invite the community, both men and women to celebrate*



Israel's Birthday Yom Ha'Atzmaut

**Marilyn Moosnick
presents an interactive & musical
"History of Israel"**

**Wednesday, May 7
Ohavay Zion Synagogue
2048 Edgewater Court
7:00 PM**

**Nosh on Israeli Delicacies
Spotlight Jewish Youth, from camps to study programs, both locally
and in Israel**

ADMISSION FREE

**Rabbi Litvin of the Louisville Chabad
will lead a study session**

**Tuesday, May 13
at the CKJF office.**

12:00 Noon

Kosher luncheon available.

HADASSAH

April showers bring May flowers!

Once again, Hadassah has teamed with Proper Plants, a wholesale greenhouse, at 3050 Military Road. We will be selling \$5 coupons that can be taken directly to the greenhouse for anything they have in stock. Their stock ranges from 90 varieties of hanging baskets to 450 varieties of perennials, 35 varieties of vegetables and 175 varieties of annuals. Stock will be available through June, but shop early for the best selection. These coupons have no expiration date, so if you don't use all your coupons this year, they can be saved for next year. For coupons call: Vinnie at 223-5146 or Kathy at 223-1304 or any Hadassah Board member.

Sweets for our Mothers and Family

With Mother's Day quickly approaching, Hadassah is selling as one of its fund raisers, **SEE'S LOLLIPOPS**. These lollies are a treat to eat. They come in three flavors: chocolate, peanut butter, and butterscotch. The monies raised will go to buying a mezzuzah with Lexington's name on it that will be placed on the door of a child's hospital room in the New Hadassah Mother-Child Center in Israel. The cost is \$5 for 10 lollies. Please help us place our name in Israel. Call Rhoda at 263-8427.

Hadassah issues a challenge

Marlene Post, Hadassah's National President, is issuing a challenge to all Hadassah members. "Gift a Membership" or two to friends and family to celebrate Hadassah's 85th birthday. In total, Marlene would like to add 85,000 names to our present day roster. This must be done by May 31, and it's absolutely free! All you do is call 1-800-664-JOIN (5646). This will entitle the woman to a free membership for one year, including a subscription to the Hadassah magazine, as well as the other rights and privileges YOU now have as a member of a chapter in your city.

WHY you ask? There are many reasons but Marlene's main reasons are:

She is about to visit the White House and would like to say that Hadassah has 85,000 new members to add to the roster of over 300,000.

Secondly, a membership in Hadassah ensures passing Jewish values on to the next generation. The women who belong to Hadassah care about peace for Israel and the risks it is presently taking. They also care about women's issues such as the battle against breast cancer, domestic violence (primarily against women), terrorism, and the environment.

So let Lexington's women join all the women of the nation by adding numbers to our organization, and thereby making even more of an impact at home and abroad. Call today!

**The Deadline for the June/July
issue of *Shalom* is
Thursday, May 15**

OHAVAY ZION SYNAGOGUE

SERVICE SCHEDULE

May 1997

Nisan - Iyyar 5757

May 2-3, Nisan 26
Shabbat Acharei Mot

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Kathy Stein
Ozeg Sadie Ozer
Beverly & Jerold Ozer

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Sandy Archer
English Reader Jennifer Rosenbluth

May 9-10, Iyyar 3
Shabbat Kedoshim

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Matt Cordova
Ozeg Religious School's
Mother's Day Program

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Hillary Roubin
English Reader Leon Cooper

May 16-17, Iyyar 10
Shabbat Emor

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Judy Levine
Ozeg Sandra & Sanford Archer
Nancy & Phillip Hoffman
Sandra & Joseph Berger

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Lisa Satin
English Reader Jessica Ross

May 23-24, Iyyar 17
Shabbat Be-Har
BENJAMIN EZRINE BAR MITZVAH

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Bruce Brody
Ozeg Sue & Barry Ezrine, in honor of
Benjamin's Bar Mitzvah

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Bruce Brody
English Reader No English Reading

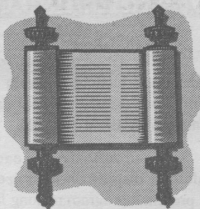
May 30-31, Iyyar 24
Shabbat Be-Chukkotai

Friday Evening 8:00 pm
Bima Charlie Spigel
Ozeg Annette & Ken Mayer
Bernice & Arthur Herman
Jane & Herb Kauler

Shabbat Morning
Preliminary Service 9:30 am
Shacharit 10:00 am
Bima Lou Kross
English Reader Nancy Hoffman

Holocaust Remembrance Service

St. Luke United Methodist Church extends an invitation to the Lexington Jewish community to attend our sixth Interfaith Holocaust Remembrance Service on Sunday evening, May 4, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Oscar Haber and Mrs. Emilie Szekely will share. Rabbi Slaton will give the Jewish Response. Rev. Ed Smelser who is the American Liaison for the International Christian Embassy located in Jerusalem will give the Christian response. Vivian Bowling will sing and Aaron Orin will play two piano compositions.



Join Rabbi Slaton

for a lively discussion

every Tuesday morning

at 10:30 am

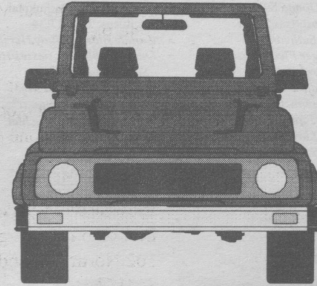
at Ohavay Zion

Synagogue's weekly

Torah Study!

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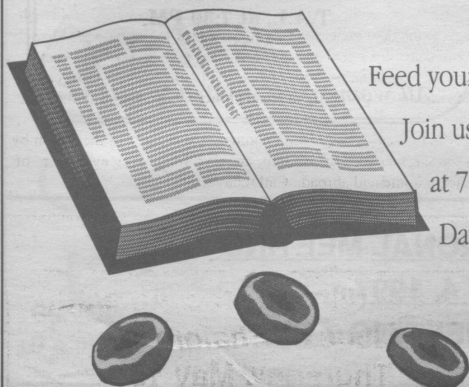


Pick up can be arranged.
Full market value may be a tax deduction if you itemize.

**CALL Jimmy
Mischner at 269-3783**

OZS CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAY

- May 1 Social Action Committee at HOPE Center 5:30pm
- May 4 Hebrew/Religious School
Yom HaShoah Service 7:30pm @ St. Luke's
- May 6 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
OZS Board Meeting 8pm
- May 7 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- May 8 Educ Comm Mtg 7pm
- May 9 Religious School Service
Parent/Teacher Recognition
- May 11 Hebrew/Religious School
Blood Drive @ TAI 9am-1pm
Mother's Day
- May 12 Yom ha-Atzma'ut
- May 13 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm
- May 14 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- May 15 Social Action Comm Mtg noon-Gratz Pk Inn
New Americans Program 7 pm
- May 18 Hebrew/Religious School
LAST DAY- Religious School
Religious School Picnic
Congregational Dinner
- May 20 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Hebrew School 4:45 pm LAST DAY
- May 21 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm
- May 24 Benjamin Ezrine Bar Mitzvah
- May 25 Lag ba-Omer
- May 26 Memorial Day - Office Closed
- May 27 Daven, Bagels & Talmud 7:30 am
Torah Study 10:30am
Exec Board Mtg 8pm
- May 28 Introduction to Hebrew 1:30pm



Feed your spirit AND your body!

Join us every Tuesday morning

at 7:30 AM at OZS for

Daven, Bagels & Talmud

TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL

SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, May 2

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Shemini
Leviticus 9:1-11:47
Marilyn Langley will sing
Candle Blessor: Donna Sullivan
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Donna & Kevin Sullivan
Liz Piercy & Roger Fleischman
Connie & Joe Grobstein
Bobbi & Lou Shain
Mary & Stan Rosenberg
Ushers: Lenny Lipton
Lloyd Mayer
Mark Simpson
Judi Wurmser
Child Care Available

Saturday, May 3

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday, May 4

Yom HaShoah Service 1 PM
at Lexington Cemetery in
new Jewish section

Friday, May 9

Temple Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 PM
Family Shabbat Service 7:30 PM
Torah Portion: Kedoshim
Leviticus 19:1-20:27
5th Grade will lead service
2nd Grade Presentation
TAI Makhela will sing
Story Sermon
Candle Blessor: Carol Hustedde
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Mary & Mark Simon
Carol & Ron Hustedde
Suzie & Gil Johnson
Ruth Kraman
Cheryl Gersh & Jamie Schloss
Ushers: Jane Grise
Renee Hymson
Lloyd Mayer
Andy Weiner
NO Child Care Available

Saturday, May 10

Kollel Study Group
9:30-11:30 AM

Friday, May 16

Erev Shabbat Service 8 PM
Leah Biel Bat Mitzvah
Marilyn Langley will sing
Torah Portion: Emor
Leviticus 21:1-24:23
Candle Blessor: Sheila Biel
Kiddush: Leah Biel & Michael Biel
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Sheila & Michael Biel, family and friends
Ushers: Shirley Bryan
Ed Hirsh
Chas Hite
Lenny Lipton
Bill Wenmeker
Child Care Available

Saturday, May 17

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Leah Biel Bat Mitzvah

Friday, May 23

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6 PM
Torah Portion: Behar
Leviticus 25:1-26:2
No Oneg
NO Child Care Available

Saturday, May 24

Kollel Study Group 9:30-11:30 AM

Friday, May 30

Sisterhood Shabbat Service 8 PM
Torah Portion: Bechukotai
Leviticus: 25:3-27:34
Candle Blessor: Judy Hersh
Oneg Shabbat Hostesses/Hosts
Sisterhood Members
Ushers: Judy Hersh
Chas Hite
David Wachtel
Child Care Available

Saturday, May 31

Torah Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM

TAI PRESCHOOL CLOSING PROGRAM

The TAI Preschool will present their closing program to friends and family on Monday evening, May 19, at 7:00 PM.

Students from each grade will display class projects and present a program of song for all to enjoy.

Each child will be presented with a Certificate of Completion for their age level.

This is a fun evening for all. We look forward to sharing with our students' families.

ADULT MITZVAH CORPS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS JUNE 22-28

Last year the UAHC Adult Mitzvah Corps was in Lexington, KY and built a house in a week. This year the Adult Mitzvah Corps II will take place in Detroit, MI. If you are interested in traveling away from Lexington for a week and participating in a constructive and spiritual experience, contact Hallie Loeb at 212-650-4160 or email to csarj@uahc.org. This is hands-on Tikkun Olam.



WATCH & TALK "GENESIS"

KET has been running a thought provoking series called *Genesis: A Living Conversation*. Since January 28, a group of more than 15 people has gathered to watch the show in the Temple Library. Temple Adath Israel will begin the re-broadcast at 7:30 PM.

The final scheduled date is:
May 13 (Gen. 39-47)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, May 4, 6:00 PM

Youth Education Committee

Monday, May 5, 7:30 PM

Board of Trustees

Tuesday, May 6, 7:30 PM

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



What does God expect from me?
What do I expect from God?
Study 9:30-11:30 AM

Upcoming Dates:

May 10 & 24
June 7, 21 & 28

TORAH STUDY & SHABBAT MORNING WORSHIP



May 3, 17 & 31
June 14
Study at 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM



Rosh Chodesh

a Jewish women's spirituality study group
will meet at
T.A.I., at 7:30 PM
May 7

All women are invited to attend

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1997

DINNER 6 PM MEETING 7 PM

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TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL



POT LUCK DINNER ON MAY 9, AT 6 PM

Preceding the Family Shabbat Service, there will be a Pot Luck Shabbat Dinner including singing and blessings. Please RSVP to the TAI office by May 7. Please bring a main course for at least 6 and a side dish of salad or vegetable.

FAMILY NIGHT SHABBAT The last one until the fall May 9, 1997 7:30 PM



TAI Makhela will sing
Rabbi Adland will tell a story
May- July birthday blessings!!
5th Grade Class will lead the service.
2nd Grade Class will have a presentation.

NEXT FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE IS NOVEMBER 14

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING

Many thanks to Cathy Huber for finishing another needlepoint seat for the Bimah chairs. One more needs to be worked. Please call the Temple office at 269-2979 or Anita Baker at 266-8675 if you would like to participate in this project.

SERVICES ON JUNE 6 TO HONOR OUR TAI GRADUATING SENIORS

Ben Auerbach
son of Samye Miller

Erin Baker
daughter of Ben & Ruth Baker

Elissa Brown
daughter of David & Marcia Brown

Adam Miller
son of Jack & Susan Miller

Kelli Newman
daughter of Larry & Janice Newman

Lauren Sander
daughter of Jerry & Karen Sander

Sydney Scher
daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Scher

Andrea Silberman
daughter of Iris Silberman

SISTERHOOD NEWS...



CELEBRATE SPRINGTIME WITH
TAI SISTERHOOD

MAY CLOSING LUNCHEON

Special Guest **Louis Hillenmeyer**

"Low Maintenance Perennial Gardens"

The date is Wednesday, May 21,
at 12:30 PM, in the TAI Social Hall.

The cost is \$10 per person for this special catered luncheon. RSVP to the Temple office at 269-2979. Payment must be received in the Temple office by Monday, May 19, 1997. Checks should be made payable to TAI Sisterhood.

*childcare available upon request



Your mother wants you to give blood



Your mother gave you life. So there's no better way to honor her than by helping save someone else's life by giving blood on Mother's Day. And there's no better place to give blood than at TAI, which has the only blood drive in North America where donors are fed bagels and lox. Make Mom happy. Give blood at Temple Adath Israel. Giving blood is easy, virtually painless and only takes a few minutes. If you are healthy and have not given blood since March 16, you will be eligible for...

BLOOD AND BAGELS

Sunday, May 11
9 a.m. -- 1 p.m.

TAI Youth Lounge
Free babysitting while you bleed

The Women of Reform Judaism
invite the membership of
Temple Adath Israel to join
together for

The Annual Sisterhood Shabbat Service

May 30, 1997
8 PM

עבדו את ה' בשמחה

"Serve God with gladness"

COMMUNITY

B ' n a i M i t z v a h . . .

Leah Rebekah

In the tradition of her ancestors our beloved daughter, *Leah Rebekah* will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah.

We invite you to worship with us on Saturday, the seventeenth of May nineteen hundred and ninety-seven at ten-thirty in the morning
Temple Adath Israel
124 North Asiland Avenue
Lexington, Kentucky

Sheila and Michael Biel

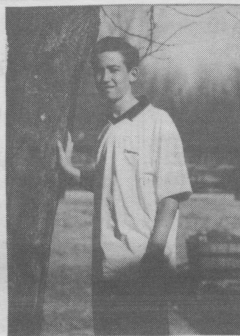
Kiddush luncheon and dancing following services

We would be delighted if you would share our joy at the Bar Mitzvah of our son

Benjamin Ross

Saturday, May 24, 1997
at ten o'clock in the morning
Ohavay Zion Synagogue

Sue and Barry Ezrine



A Kiddush luncheon will follow the service.
Benjamin will also lead the service
Friday evening at 8 o'clock

With great pride and much love we invite you to join us in this special simcha as our son

Aaron

is called to the Torah on
Saturday, the seventh of June
Nineteen hundred ninety-seven
at ten o'clock in the morning,
Ohavay Zion Synagogue
Lexington, Kentucky

Kiddush luncheon following services
Aaron will also conduct services
Friday evening at eight o'clock

Lewis and Vivian Bowling

Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

Stitch & Schmooze

May 13, 9:30 - 11:30 AM

at the home of Ruth Poley
4126 Palomar

Bring your favorite piece of needlework to stitch and continue the tradition of Jewish Needlework

Need directions? Call Ruth at 223-7957



**Ruth Poley at the March
Stitch & Schmooze**

If you are interested in a monthly stitch group but another day of the week would suit your schedule better, please let us know by calling
CKJF at (606) 268-0672

Israel Bonds delegation to Israel

State of Israel Bonds invites interested individuals to join us as we explore the ancient mysteries and modern miracles of Israel. The 1997 North American Delegation to Israel is scheduled for July 6-16, with an optional pre-trip to Turkey July 1-6.

An outstanding itinerary, including a meeting with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and breakfast with former Prime Minister Shimon Peres, has been scheduled. Explore the cities of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Safad, and Akko. Visit historical and religious sites, museums, archeological digs, and attend the opening ceremonies of the Maccabian Games.

The cost is \$2,799, which includes round-trip airfare to Israel from New York, reservations at five-star hotels, most

meals, touring via deluxe motor-coach with licensed guides, arrival and departure arrangements, tips and gratuities, entrance fees, portage at hotels, hosts, and bottled water on buses. There is a single supplement charge of \$697 and the pre-trip to Turkey is available for \$949 with a \$312 single supplement.

Since its inception in 1951, Israel Bonds has secured more than \$17 billion in investment capital for the development of Israel's economy. In that time, the government of Israel has repaid nearly \$12 billion in principal and interest in full.

For more information about the trip to Israel or about investing in Israel Bonds, call Cathy Weinberger at the Israel Bonds office, (800) 883-0707 or (513) 421-4144.

WANTED:

A high energy, detailed oriented, people person. If that sounds like you, and you would like to sell advertising for *Shalom*—call Holly at (606) 268-0672. Salary is paid by commissions.

COMMUNITY

Jewish National Fund reorganizes under new leadership

Ronald Lauder, cosmetic heir and former U.S. ambassador to Austria was elected president of the Jewish National Fund (JNF) in February. In turn, Lauder has announced the appointment of Mitchel Rosenzweig as the organization's new chief financial officer. Rosenzweig previously served as the associate executive director for administration and finance of the 92nd Street YM-YWHA in Manhattan.

The leadership shake-up was the result of an internal probe and an independent audit of the JNF which turned up fiscal and management problems last fall. A series of reforms were undertaken in November to remedy the problems. The entire report of

recommendations is due by the end of June.

Cynthia Barmor named acting director of JNF in Cincinnati

Cynthia Barmor, national projects coordinator for Jewish National Fund, has been named acting director of JNF in Cincinnati. Barmor, a native of Capetown, South Africa previously worked for JNF in Israel. Currently, she is also the acting director for JNF in Pittsburgh.

Barmor's major commute job style was brought about by JNF's freeze on hiring new personnel, enacted after the unfavorable audit.

Taking pride in her work, Barmor says, "I never

thought of making a career out of working for JNF, but once you see JNF's incredible work you can never walk away."

As for the internal problems, Barmor responds, "We grew very quickly, almost too quickly for our own good. In six years we went from raising \$19 million here to \$33 million. (We were) adding more staff, more subsidies for programming, more people. It was like a rolling stone, gathering lots of good moss."

But she insists, "JNF's mission remains sacred. We cannot lose sight for one moment as to the importance of JNF's work in Israel as well as in the Diaspora."

JNF - Past and Present

Since 1901, JNF has worked to preserve and enhance the land of Israel by reclaiming land for afforestation, housing, tourism, recreation and agriculture; constructing water conservation sources; building roads, and promoting Zionist education.

JNF's current major project is "Action Plan Negev," a program to maximize the desert's water, energy and soil potential, thereby creating a strong economy based on tourism, agriculture and industry.

VOTE

for all Jews

Elections for the World Zionist Congress will be held in September. The Congress, founded by Theodor Herzl, is the only democratically elected parliament of the Jewish people. Through its activities, and through its structural partnership with The Jewish Agency, the World Zionist Congress is a place where a strong voice for religious pluralism in Israel can not only be heard, but can make a real difference.

Every Jew who is an American citizen or permanent resident, and over 18 years of age, may register to vote. The registration fee is \$2.

For registration forms:
ARZA 1-800-580-2792

May 1997 Community Calendar

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