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Wekstein, Geller, Miller to Receive Awards, Highlight of Federation Annual Meeting Election of New Board Members, Reports, scheduled for CKJF Event June 25th

Three Lexington residents will be honored for their effort and commitment to Federation and the Central Kentucky Jewish community at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's Annual Meeting Wednesday, June 25th. Dr. David R. Wekstein will receive the President's Award, Evelyn Dantzic Geller will be recognized as the Volunteer of the Year and Lisa M. Miller will receive the Young Leadership Award.

The President's Award is presented to a volun-

teer who has demonstrated significant long-term effort for the welfare of the Central Kentucky Jewish community. The Volunteer of the Year is awarded to a person who over the past year has demonstrated outstanding effort on behalf of Federation to benefit the local community. The Young Leadership Award is given to a volunteer between the ages of 25 and 45 who has demonstrated proven commitment to the local Jewish community through activities of Federation.

At the Annual meeting each year elections are held for the Federation Board of Directors. Approximately one-third of the 24 member Board, see **Annual Meeting on page 10**

Temple Chooses New Rabbi Marc Kline to begin duties July 1st

Rabbi Marc Kline, 42, of Florence, South Carolina has been named the new spiritual leader of Temple Adath Israel. The reform congregation's president, Judy Hersh, announced that Rabbi Kline will assume the post as rabbi of Central Kentucky's largest congregation on July 1st.

Rabbi Kline comes to Lexington following eight years as rabbi of Beth Israel Congregation in Florence, SC. He brings with him a history of having reached out to his community, describing himself as "passionate about social justice and education."

His activities have included chairing Florence's Human Relations Committee, teaching at an Episcopal day school and at a Catholic church, as well as administering a community center along with a Black minister.

A native of Las Vegas, Rabbi Kline was graduated from Tulane University and the University of Arkansas Law School at Little Rock. He practiced law for six years prior to entering Hebrew Union College. Following graduation and then ordination he accepted his first pulpit in Florence.

Rabbi Kline says he believes people should have equal access to opportunity. "In accepting as my standard 'justice first,' I affirm the teaching of Pirkei Avot 'If not now, when?' I am also all about youth work. The children of today are the CEOs of tomorrow. If we do not care for them and respect them, we have no future."

A love of college sports and having a 15 year old son who loves baseball prompted the Rabbi to state "I will take any Wildcats tickets available and if the Legends need a chaplain, I volunteer."

Rabbi Kline and his wife, Cindy, have four children, Corinne 16, Joshua 15, Ilana 10 and Rachel, who is three. A hearty welcome to the Kline family from the Central Kentucky Jewish community.

Mission to Israel for Central Kentucky planned for November, precedes General Assembly Other "Small Cities" Federations join CKJF Susan Caller, named Central Kentucky chair, reports as follows:

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation Officers and Board have recently announced plans to join with nearby "Small Cities" Jewish Federations of Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Southern Illinois to have a Mission to Israel this coming November.

The General Assembly (annual meeting) of United Jewish Communities will take place mid-November in Jerusalem, Israel. Thousands of Jewish leaders and volunteers from the Jewish Federations of North America will converge on the capitol of the Jewish homeland, not only to conduct the usual once-a-year convention, but to send a clear message: American Jews stand with Israel and the Israeli people.

While the General Assembly (G.A.) will take place from November 16 through the 20, many communities, including ours, are also planning pre-G.A. community trips from November 9 to Novem-

ber 16. The full trip will last from November 9 to November 20.

Central Kentucky is planning to join with Knoxville, Chattanooga, Southern Illinois and perhaps others on a "Small Cities" mission. It will be a great chance to see Israel and participate in the celebratory support of American Jewry for our fellow Jews in our homeland.

During the trip we will have a chance to see how Israelis continue to seek peace while defending their country. We will visit many places which bear testimony to the past and present of our people: Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv, the Galilee, Massada, and more. We will be able to see how our contributions to the Community Campaign help Israel continue to bring home and integrate into Israeli society Jews from Ethiopia, South America, France, and the Former Soviet Union. We will see how our

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MAZEL TOV TO:

Ken Ain & R. Sara Rosenthal on their marriage on May 31, 2003.

Eric Ellsworth, who won first place for Overall Horsemanship at the 4H Bluegrass Area Council 2003 Competitive Trail Riding Event held at the Rockcastle Saddle Club. Eric also won 2nd place in the trail riding event itself, which covers 15 miles. Eric is the son of Cynthia and Robert Ellsworth.

Jennifer & David Goldman on the birth of their son, Benjamin Merrick.

Bea Milner, on the confirmation of her granddaughter, Patty Milner in Indianapolis, IN. The proud parents are Robert Stedron and Molly Milner Stedron.

Morris & Roz Rozen on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Rebecca, in Cincinnati, OH.

Barbara & Mark Rubin on the birth of a son. Arlene and Harry Cohen are the proud grandparents.

To Temple Adath Israel Confirmants:

Amanda Dyer, daughter of Francine Dyer; Eric Ellsworth, son of Bob & Cindy Ellsworth; Michelle Grise, daughter of Bill & Jane Grise; Leah Martin, daughter of Lynn & Karyn Martin; Dennis Masters, son of Jeff & Debbie Masters; Lindsey Waldman, daughter of Randy & Marianne Waldman

CONDOLENCES TO:

Jacquine Budoff, on the death of her sister-in-law, Leatrice Budoff Bingham, on April 19, 2003.

Micah & Mimi Kaufman, on the death of Mimi's grandmother, Mary Ann Baumstark, on April 28, 2003.

Brian Nusbacher and family on the death of his mother, Gertrude Nusbacher.

Shel & Meg Schneider on the death of Shel's uncles Boris Pressman and Alan Waldman.

Art Sheckett on the death of his mother, Jean.

Mark Simpson on the death of his father, Joseph.

Harold, Brian, & Doug Weinberg, on the death of Harold's mother and Brian & Doug's grandmother, Frances Weinberg, on April 11, 2003.

Jim Weneker and family on the death of his wife Irene June 7th.

Mission from front page

dollars help protect children from terrorism and provide medical care for all those affected by the violence.

Going to Israel today is a show of confidence in the future of the Jewish State and hope that peace will finally come to that troubled part of the world, so Israel can focus all its energies in bettering life for its citizens in an atmosphere of good-will and security.

Israel is a country of contrasts, from the archeological digs to the modern cities; from the timeless sounds of prayer at the Western Wall in the Old City to the restaurants and night clubs of Jaffa. Safed, the home of Jewish Kabbalah, is also the home of a modern artistic colony near the shores of the Sea of Galilee. The whole country is a book in which the history of our people is written, and the beauty of the land fills your eyes. See the accomplishments of the new immigrants; join us to stand together where our ancestor stood 2000 years ago.

The trip will be the kick-off for our 2004 UJC/CKJF Community Campaign which makes possible all the activities we do locally and the financial support we provide for Israel and the Joint Distribution Committee. The original cost of the trip (round trip New York-Tel Aviv included) was \$2,040, but thanks to a subsidy provided by UJC for those participating in the G.A., the cost for participants will be \$1,940 for 10 days with hotels and most meals included.

I am happy to chair our local group to join Jews from all over North America to celebrate our commitment to Israel and the Jewish people. Those interested in joining me to work on this project can contact me at 266-1314.

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Hoffman Elected Synagogue President;

Ohavay Zion Installs New Officers and Board

Long-time Lexington resident and Jewish community activist Nancy Hoffman was installed as president of Ohavay Zion Synagogue at a ceremony June 8. Other officers beginning two-year terms are first vice-president Bret Caller, second vice-president Sandy Goldberg, Secretary Jonathan Satin and treasurer Ronit Eres.

Having served as first vice-president of the conservative congregation, Ohavay Zion, for the past two years prior to assuming the presidency, Hoffman has a history of service to the synagogue. She has been treasurer, and has served on the

board of trustees of OZS.

Hoffman is a former Community Campaign chair for the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation as well as having been Women's Division campaign chair. In addition she has served as Federation treasurer and a member of the board of directors for six years.

Other community activities include service on the board of the Lexington Chapter of Hadassah and on the board of the NCCJ-Bluegrass Region.

The new congregation president said her goals included "further involvement of Ohavay Zion



Nancy Hoffman

members in all synagogue activities" and she will strive for "maximum participation." President Hoffman noted her high regard and respect for Rabbi Sharon Cohen with whom she has worked the past three years, since Rabbi Cohen accepted the position as OZS rabbi. "I look forward to working with Rabbi Cohen. We work well together."

"We will continue to build on the strengths of our religious school," Hoffman said, "the program has thrived under the leadership of Simone Salomon."

A native of Nashville, Hoffman was graduated from Sophie Newcombe College in New Orleans. With her husband, Phil, an internist at the Lexington Clinic, she came to Lexington 25 years ago from Houston where Phil completed a medical residency.

The Hoffman's have three sons; Benjamin is in Los Angeles writing movie scripts, second son Scott is in New York City where his band is making an album. Mark is completing his first year of medical school at the University of Kentucky and will be married at the end of summer.

In addition to its officers, Ohavay Zion Synagogue added three new members to its Board of Trustees. They are Sue Dworkin, Howard Grotch and Steve Caller. Those re-elected for a second 3-year term are Stanley Isenstein, Benjamin Karp and Art Schetchet.

Trustees continuing on the OZS board include Jim Rakes, Beth Goldstein, Michelle Rivkin-Fish, Jeff Kaplan and Lauren Goldenberg.

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President's Message

by Stan Saxe

A Quick Two Years

It has been a quick two years since I became president of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation; two years in which we saw the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and The Pentagon; two years in which we saw the economy tank, an event of particular concern to the airlines and to many of us retirees.

But in the past two years good things have happened in our local Federation. We have seen our physical plant improve, programs develop, staff excel, and volunteers, our community members, demonstrate exemplary effort.

It is now one year since Federation has been in the Chinese Center office building. As a result of the long-term plan developed three years ago in Marty Barr's presidency, we now have adequate room for staff, room for committee and board meetings, and accessible and easy access for community members.

Program development has included the planning and implementation of our website, www.jewishlexington.org. Linked to the United Jewish Communities website, UJC FedWeb provides us with a first class internet resource where world news is updated three times daily along with a host of features related to Jewish life and interests. We provide the local material and calendar, with links to our local organizations.

This past year Central Kentucky saw Federation

sponsor its first Holocaust education program, sending high school teachers to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. This activity, named for the late Mike Adelstein, ardent CKJF worker and UK educator, is planned to be an annual event. Gay Adelstein was the initiator of this important concept.

This spring saw the first recipient of the Ken Freedman Social Action Award. Established and funded by the family and friends of the late University of Kentucky counselor, Ken Freedman, this award acknowledges a college student who has demonstrated commitment to the principles of social justice and tikkun olam. Andy Grossman is this year's recipient of a certificate and cash award. Marcia Risk Freedman and her family have established a model for honoring the memory of a loved one.

Most recently Central Kentucky's successful observance of Yom HaAtzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, was the result of Community Activities Committee dedication. Aviva Bowling, Odette Kaplan, Ginger Knight and Ruth Poley continue to lead a group of hard working and resourceful volunteers who initiate events to bring the community together.

The Community Relations Committee (CRC) has worked with due diligence, chaired by Rabbi Uri Smith, who now leaves the Board, having completed two terms. The CRC's good effort to encourage individuals to express their views and write letters-to-the-editor of local media has been headed by Dave Wekstein.

Campaign Cabinet Committee members who carry the pledge cards, contact us, and make the calls deserve our utmost appreciation. They create the engine which drives the effort to promote Jewish communities, locally and abroad. The fundraising for United Jewish Communities/United Jewish Appeal/Jewish Agency for Israel aids in the welfare of Jewish communities such as in the former Soviet Union. This is one of the three largest concentrations of Jews in the world, along with the U.S. and Israel, where much of the remaining Jewish population is older adults who survived World War II and have never emigrated. Last year Alan Stein was chair of our UJC/CKJF campaign, with Gail Cohen and Lowell Nigoff in charge of Super Sunday. This year's

campaign chairs are Harriet Cooper and Marty Barr; Sandy Goldberg chaired Super Sunday.

Jewish Family Services continues to thrive. Some of the work is high profile such as promoting Leisure Club activities for older adults and the Jewish singles group. Much of the work is low profile, purposely kept private and confidential, such as counseling and referral activities for individuals and families, and the work of the camperships and scholarships sub-committee. Heading JFS Advisory Committee this year are chairs Vinnie Dubilier and Merle Wekstein.

Our newspaper, Shalom, is guided by our intrepid editorial committee. Marcia Blacker, Evelyn Dantzie Geller, Judy Levine and Ruth Poley deserve the credit for this past year's effort. Our thanks to our professional editor who does the typography and oversees production, Carrie McDanald.

Our Young Leadership group for couples and single adults, ages 25 to 45 years, saw a record representation from Central Kentucky to this past Spring's national meeting. Bret Caller continues to be a driving force in this group.

Tikkun Lexington has been established and Barbara Barr, our volunteer chair, encourages us in the community to channel our volunteer hours through Tikkun.

As spring breaks into summer another Camp Shalom day camp season is reason to rejoice in the good things which have happened and will continue to happen in this Central Kentucky Jewish community. My personal thanks to committee chair Lisa Miller and to Camp Director Kathy Feinberg and their committee members and staff members for their talent, ability and good works.

Volunteers in the community who work via Federation to promote Jewish life in Central Kentucky and overseas are able to do so by means of a committed staff. Our professionals at Central Kentucky Jewish Federation enable us to be successful and reach our goals. Dan Cheffec, our Executive Director; Lori Zimmerman, our Administrative Assistant (and Webmaster), Fran Morris, our Jewish Family Services Director; and Jana LaZur, our Activities Director have used their knowledge and skills, along with grace and good humor, to make being a volunteer in Federation a pleasure.

And finally to the wonderful, kind and committed folk who have served as CKJF officers and Board of Directors for this past two years - your good efforts, and considerate manner and great commitment have made Central Kentucky a better place for all of us.

See you at the CKJF Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 25.

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Grossman Wins Freedman Social Action Award

University of Kentucky rising senior student Andrew Grossman was presented with the first annual Kenneth Freedman Social Action Award in a ceremony on the U.K. campus in late April.

The award, made possible through a fund established by the family and friends of the late Kenneth Freedman, acknowledges a college student who has demonstrated a firm commitment to the principles of social justice and *tikkun olam*, repairing the world.

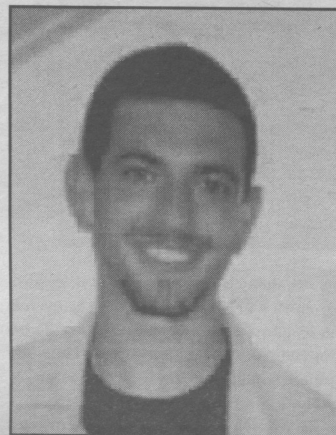
Introducing the ceremony and welcoming attendees was Marcia Risk Freedman, widow of Ken Freedman and a member of the award committee.

Presenting the certificate to the awardee was associate provost Dr. Phillip J. Kraemer, who described activities in which Andy Grossman has been involved. Grossman, who is in a double major of history and political science and is enrolled in the UK honors program, served as an assistant news

editor of the Kentucky Kernel in 2001-2002 and has been a Kernel columnist since he has been in college. He has served as the director of public relations for UK Student Government and is a charter member of the UK-Israel Public Affairs Committee (KIPA) on campus. Most recently he was a student delegate to the national AIPAC policy conference.

The cash award accompanying the certificate was a \$500 check presented to Grossman by Dr. Stanley Saxe, president of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. CKJF administers the Freedman Award. Dr. Saxe noted recognition of a student was a most appropriate way to honor the memory of Ken Freedman whose professional life was advising and counseling students at UK. He thanked the Freedman family for establishing the fund which allows for the award, and for being a model for others who wish to honor the memory of a loved one.

Andy Grossman is the son of Lexington resi-



dents Kathy and Mike Grossman. Andy has a younger brother, Jonathan, a student at Oberlin College in Ohio, and a sister, Becky, a student at Henry Clay High School.

Bye Bye Joan – JFS Bids Farewell to Intern

By Fran Morris, JFS Director



We of Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation were sad to say goodbye to our most recent MSW intern, Joan Kast. Joan began her placement with JFS early in January 2003. Her leaving marked not only the completion of the requirements for her internship but also her graduation from U.K. Joan received a Master's Degree in Social Work after studying for two years. She was also recipient of the prestigious "Outstanding Student of the Year" award which is determined by the faculty of the Social Work department. Mazel Tov Joan!

Prior to her enrollment at U.K., Joan was an accountant in Lexington for many years. She decided to pursue a change of careers when she felt the need to work in a field where she could actively make a difference in people's lives. And there is no doubt that she has made a difference to the staff of CKJF and to the individuals and

families that JFS assists. According to Joan, the feelings were mutual. She stated that she "very much enjoyed many aspects of the work at Jewish Family Services, especially visiting seniors and families in their homes, listening to stories about their lives, and establishing connections." She also felt that clients, staff, and volunteers were all very welcoming.

Besides taking another class this summer towards a certificate in gerontology, Joan will spend her time resting, taking care of her house and family, and job hunting. We are sure that it won't be long before Joan finds fulfilling employment with a social service agency, where she can indeed make a difference.

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From The Executive Director

By Daniel Chefec, Executive Director
Central Kentucky Jewish Federation

I Remember Emile Zola

More than a century ago, in France, a Jewish officer of the French army was accused of selling secrets to the German Army — specifically, the design of a new revolutionary cannon which gave France a distinct military edge. The officer's name was Alfred Dreyfuss. He was found guilty, stripped of his rank, publicly humiliated and sent to Devil's Island for a life sentence. All along, the French people were yelling: "Death to the Jews." While covering this trial, Austrian Jewish journalist Theodore Herzl re-encountered his own Jewish identity and, consequently, began the quest to create a common forum for the multiple Zionist movements sprouting throughout Europe and the Americas.

We know the story of how Herzl organized the First Zionist Congress in 1897, beginning the political process which would culminate in 1948 with the Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel. But the Dreyfuss trial was even more far reaching.

Several years after Dreyfuss was condemned, a French writer by the name of Emile Zola discovered evidence that the real culprit in the espionage affair for which Dreyfuss was blamed was a general by the name of D'Esterhazy. Zola published a courageous letter entitled "J'Accuse" (I Accuse) in French newspapers, exposing the guilt of

D'Esterhazy and the role of several members of the French government and Army in the cover-up and using Dreyfuss, the Jew, as a scapegoat. Emile Zola exposed the anti-semitism behind the accusations and the trial, eventually forcing a review of the case and leading to Dreyfuss' freedom in 1905. Dreyfuss died two years later of health complications created by his stay on Devil's Island.

Today, it is not the French Army accusing the Jew. It is the Arab World with the silent complicity of the European Union. They blame the Jew for his actions, for his inactions and for not accepting the blame.

Almost nobody today denies the fact that any realistic solution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict demands the existence of two states for two people, but the problem becomes how to get there. Daniel Pipes, in a recent New York Times article asked why the Palestinians are so angry? If their anger comes from accepting Israel but opposing some of its policies, Israel is to blame for the situation and should change its policies. In this situation, the burden of achieving peace falls with her. On the other hand, if Palestinian anger comes from failure to recognize Israel's right to exist then the burden falls upon the Palestinians. Therefore, they should accept the UN's 1947 endorsement of Israel as a state. While Pipes makes a convincing case that the Palestinians are still refusing to accept Israel's existence, he is a Jew and his voice does not have as much influence as Emile Zola's.

A recent poll (April 2003) of the Jerusalem

Media Communications Center, a Palestinian Research organization, shows that more than 76% of those polled support the continuation of the *intifada*; 53% support the continuation of suicide bombings; 60% support the continuation of attacks inside Israel and 65% still maintain that the goal of the *intifada* is the "liberation of historical Palestine" (from the Jordan to the Mediterranean). Yet no European writer, with the honorable exception of Oriana Fallaci, has ever spoken against the travesty of the truth perpetrated by Arab propaganda. Are all Emile Zolas dead?

We also have problems in our country, where recent documents on the Ames espionage case point to a strong probability that Jonathan Pollard, imprisoned since 1984 for spying for Israel, might have been used as a fuse and charged falsely. Yet no American public figure is demanding an investigation.

My great-grandparents lived in a time when anti-semitism was pervasive and accepted as natural. My grandparents fought that notion especially after the Holocaust, and their generation responded to anti-semitism with the establishment of Israel. My parents' generation defended Israel and very much believed that anti-semitism was retreating. My generation has the sad awakening that the old monster has just changed spots, but is still alive.

I remember Emile Zola, and I thank him from the perspective of history. Will another Zola have the guts to denounce the lies and the hate that are growing today?

Emilie Szekely Holocaust Awareness Essay Contest Launched

The Central Kentucky Jewish Community is proud to sponsor the Emilie Szekely Holocaust Awareness Essay Contest for public schools. The goal of this contest is to promote the study and understanding of the Jewish Holocaust during WWII and its lessons and implications for the world we live in today.

It is also a tribute and recognition to Emilie Szekely, a local Holocaust survivor from Auschwitz who championed Holocaust education and prejudice reduction in our public schools for many years. We thank the committee for helping put this contest together: Emilie's son George Szekely, Public High School teacher Pat Pryor, Jewish community activist Rachel Belin.

We believe that the best way to honor her memory is to continue her work of educating against racism and discrimination, and to that effect we are inviting students in the Fayette County Public School system to submit essays on the subject. Awards are scheduled to be presented as part of the commemoration of Yom Hashoah 2004.

The Emilie Szekely Memorial Fund, set up with the contributions sent in her honor by family and friends, is used to provide the awards for this contest. Anybody interested in adding to this fund can send a check to CKJF with a memo indicating "Szekely Fund."

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Teach Your Children Hell: Local Teachers Learn How to Turn the Worst History into the Best Lessons

by Rachel Belin

Why should young people learn about the horrors of genocide? What lessons do the dregs of history hold for teenagers living in a democracy today? For many educators, these are familiar questions with no easy answers. And for some of them, these are precisely the kinds of questions that hold the key to a meaningful classroom exchange with students.

This June, when Kentucky school-teachers could enjoy the sunshine after a rigorous school year, thirty local middle and high school educators will be back in the classroom grappling with the darkest moments in history. All have made a commitment to attend the June 16-20 "Facing History and Ourselves" Teacher Academy. The Institute will be held at the Sayre School in Lexington.

For more than 25 years, "Facing History", a Boston-based nonprofit with offices across the country, has engaged teachers and students of diverse backgrounds in an examination of racism, prejudice, and anti-Semitism in order to promote the development of a more humane and informed citizenry. By using case studies of the Holocaust and other examples of collective violence, the program helps students to make the essential

connection between history and the moral choices they confront in their own lives. Though the content of "Facing History and Ourselves" takes on an added urgency in light of September 11 and the War in Iraq, the curriculum has a long track record of making both teaching and learning profoundly meaningful for those who apply its content and

mented in human history and human behavior in their own society. They will look at issues of identity, conformity, blind obedience and other universal themes in order to put modern history's most notorious events into context. A highlight of the program will be the appearance of Werner Coppel, a 78-year-old Nazi concentration camp

survivor from Cincinnati, who will address the teachers on the afternoon of June 19.

"Facing History" transcends standards and testing by getting to the core of what is important in educating our children," says

Nancy Gilligan, Fayette County's social studies content/literature specialist. "The program is research-based and academically rigorous, yet also holds the promise of engaging students' hearts well into adulthood."

The Facing History and Ourselves teacher academy was made possible by a Kentucky Department of Education grant in collaboration with the national nonprofit Facing History and Ourselves and the Lexington grassroots organization, The Humanitarian Center for Culture and Diversity. The academy is also assisted by a small grant from the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation.

"Facing History and Ourselves supports teachers in their attempts to impart the lessons the world has learned about personal responsibility in a democratic society."

methods.

"The best and most innovative teachers both need and crave this kind of relevant course material," explains Gloria Rie, President of the local nonprofit Humanitarian Center for Culture and Diversity and one of the program's shepherds.

"Facing History and Ourselves" supports teachers in their attempts to impart the lessons the world has learned about personal responsibility in a democratic society."

Throughout the week, teachers will work with "Facing History's" resource materials to make connections between the worst behaviors docu-

Leisure Club News

By Fran Morris, JFS Director

On May 15th we enjoyed lunch and heard a speaker at one of our favorite restaurants, Portabello's. While we dined on pasta, Nancy Gordon, who is a licensed clinical social worker, spoke to us about adapting to life changes after retirement. The loss of life-long roles, such as employee and spouse, are difficult for sure, but, according to Nancy, it is very important to be flexible. The ability to "roll with the punches" can have a large impact on quality of life at any age, but especially during later life. We learned that depression is NOT a normal part of the aging process, and it only affects a very small percentage of senior citizens. In an interactive discussion, we learned about some of the changes that occur in our environments, as well as within our own bodies as we age. One of the most memorable parts of the talk was Nancy's humorous stories and jokes. It was a nice light-hearted beginning and end to our session.

Thank you to Nancy Gordon, Jana Lazar, and all those who came and participated in a very informative afternoon. Remember to mark your calendars for June 17th, when we will take a trip to the Louisville JCC to visit our senior friends there. We will join them for lunch and afternoon entertainment as their special guests. We will leave Lexington at 9:30 am and arrive back in town around 3:30 pm. The bus will leave from the parking lot of the Central KY Jewish Federation at 1050 Chinoe Road, in the Chinoe Center, NOT from Temple Adath Israel. There will be no charge for this event. You should reserve your space in the van by calling 269-8244 as soon as possible.

Reminders will be mailed out a few weeks prior to each event. If you do not receive notices about upcoming events, and would like to, please call 269-8244 or send an email request to jfs@jewishlexington.org. Leisure Club is a program for older adults sponsored by Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation.

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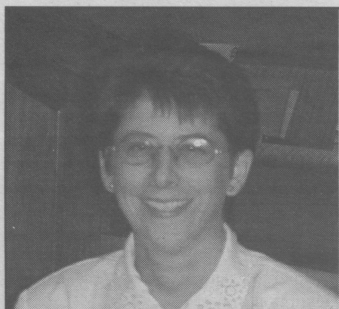
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Rabbi Cohen is the spiritual leader of Ohavay Zion Synagogue of Lexington.

One of my favorite movies is *Lean on Me* which tells the story of a dedicated principal given the task of making an inner-city school, plagued by poverty and gangs, into a successful arena for learning. I thought of that movie, which is based on a true story, as I came across a similar real-life account of the Allen School, which for many years, was the worst school in the Dayton, Ohio school system. Located in the dilapidated inner city, the dropout rate was overwhelming, and even some of the younger students had criminal records. Then a new principal came. He brought the staff together and said to them: "We have to understand that the young people we are working with have nothing of external substance or support. They have dangerous neighborhoods. They have poor places to live. They have little to eat. They have

parents who live out on the edge and are barely able to care for them. But these students have one thing no one can take away from them. They have their souls. And from this day forward, in this school, we are going to lift those souls. We are going to make those souls visible to the young people themselves, and to their parents, and to the community. We are going to celebrate their souls, and we are going to reground their lives in the power of their souls. All this will require this faculty to recover the power of our own souls, remembering that we, too, are soul-driven, soul-animated creatures."

Within five years, the Allen School had risen to the top of every measure of school success. Like

Just when we are finishing final exams, filling out report cards, and celebrating graduations, we receive a powerful reminder that learning must not end – ever. It is what allows us to find God in the mundane world. It is what has fueled our survival for so many generations.

the principal at Eastside High in *Lean on Me*, the Allen School leadership understood that learning was more than test scores and passing grades.

In Jewish tradition, learning, too, is much more than statistics or success based on achievement. Learning is directed not just at the mind, but at the character, emotions, and the heart. Learning is

personal – an offering of life wisdom from heart to heart and generation to generation. In certain Jewish communities, when a child began the first day of school, the elders would come and carry the child to school on their shoulders. A clean slate was presented, on which the letters of the alphabet were written in honey so that the child, tasting each letter, would see learning as a sweet gift. In Judaism, all education is education of the soul.

Judaism also understands that learning, the education of the soul is a life-long adventure. One

doesn't learn to earn a living; rather one earns a living in order to have the chance to sit and learn. "Torah Lishma" – learning simply for the sake of learning – was, and still is, the heart of literacy in Judaism. We learn not because of grades or because we have to, but because the intellectual and emotional challenge stimulates us. We learn for the sheer desire to open our hearts and minds to the values of Torah which teach us how to live, and to the voice of God who shows us the way.

In Jewish life, no one is more revered than the teacher. In fact, the Talmud (Bava Metzia 33a) tells us that if one's parent and one's teacher are threatened, you save your teacher first. The Rabbis understood that while the parent gives life to the body, the teacher gives life to the soul. It used to be customary to stand up when a teacher entered the room because the teacher represented the Presence of God.

This month we celebrate the festival of Shavuot, observed as the anniversary of the historic occasion

described in the Book of Exodus when our ancestors stood at the foot of Mount Sinai and heard the Divine Voice proclaim the Ten Commandments. The traditional observance of Shavuot includes not only a reading of the account of the Revelation from the Torah, but a period of study – a time for Torah Lishma. My colleague, Rabbi Ed Feinstein, writes that this holiday "embraces an audacious claim: God enters the world through a book. To come close to the Presence of God, one learns to read the book. Literacy is not for economic expediency or cultural empowerment alone. Literacy is holy. Literacy permits us to experience God's revelation. Learning is communion with the sacred."

I find it quite wonderful that Shavuot comes each year just as we are completing the formal secular and religious school year and preparing for summer. Just when we are finishing final exams, filling out report cards, and celebrating graduations, we receive a powerful reminder that learning must not end – ever. It is what allows us to find God in the mundane of the world. It is what has fueled our survival for so many generations.

There is a wonderful story from the Midrash which seeks to answer how Moses, as an 80 year-old man, could traverse the rocky slopes of Mount Sinai carrying two heavy stone tablets. The Rabbis concluded that it wasn't Moses who carried the Tablets down. The letters of the law were written in the hand of God and the tablets flew down the mountain. All Moses had to do was hold on tightly – the words carried him. If we allow them, they will carry us, too.

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Wednesday, June 25, 2003, 7:30 pm
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Induction of New CKJF President

Award Presentations:
President's Award
Volunteer of the Year Award
Young Leadership Award



Ask JFS About...Being Young and New to Lexington

Ask JFS About...is a monthly advice column with questions from members of the community requiring assistance with a wide range of issues. If you have a problem or a concern that you would like addressed in this Shalom column, please send your queries to Ask JFS About c/o Jewish Family Services, 1050 Chinoe Road, Lexington, KY 40502. You can also call in your confidential questions at 269-8244 or email them to us at: jfs@jewishlexington.org.

Dear JFS,

I have recently moved to Kentucky from Chicago, and I would like to meet some other Jewish people my age, 36, but I am not familiar with Lexington and do not know where to find other Jews. Help! Do you have a Jewish Community Center? Where are the all the Jewish deli's??

Sincerely,
Hungry and Alone

Dear Hungry,

First of all, congratulations on your recent move! I think you will find Lexington to be a lovely town, with nice people. Ok, I have good news and bad news. The bad news is that there is no actual JCC in Lexington. The good news is that we have vital and dynamic Jewish organizations in Lexington, and an umbrella community organization, the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. The Federation office has a full-time paid Activities Director to help volunteers organize programs and community-wide events to bind the Jewish community together, regardless of religious affiliation. The CKJF Community Activities Committee works with the Activities Director on programs such as the annual winter dinner, Israel Independence Day celebrations, concerts, wine tastings, and more. Come to programs and you will surely meet lots of interesting people.

If you are single, you will be glad to know about JewLS, (Jewish Lexington Singles) that is sponsored through Jewish Family Services. Since 2000, JewLS has been allowing single Jewish men and women, in their 20's to 40's to meet for social and educational programs and to celebrate the Jewish holidays. Our most recent program was a singles' Seder, and our next program is a regional retreat to be held on July 26/27 here in Lexington. JewLS has been co-sponsoring programs with nearby cities such as Louisville, Cincinnati, Knoxville, and Nashville.

Whether you are single or not, you will be glad to know that CKJF also sponsors a program

called Young Leadership. This program is currently chaired by Rachel and Bruce Belin, and recently celebrated a Havdallah social at an upscale downtown café. Past programs have included a lecture about the politics of the Middle East, an outdoor Havdallah service with one of our Lexington rabbis, and dinner parties. Young leadership events are a perfect way for you to meet other young, like-minded Jews, and have a great time.

To answer your question about Jewish deli's, I am sad to say there aren't any in Lexington like

those in the big cities. There are, however, a ton of excellent restaurants to please every palate here. Call me for tips on great Mexican, Italian, Chinese or American fare.

Good luck on starting over in a new place! You will like it here if you take the time to get involved. We are in need of volunteers at CKJF, so please contact us and we can talk about the numerous options available. Please let me know if I can help you in any other way. I can be reached at 269-8244, or send an email message to jfs@jewishlexington.org.

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 - * 3rd Sunday of every month at 3 pm at Quinn Chapel A.M.E.
 - * 3rd Thursday of every month at 7 pm at Trinity Hill United Methodist Church.
 - ** Last Thursday of every month at 12 pm at Jewish Family Services-Chinoe Center.

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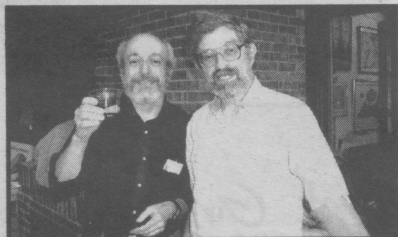
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25th Anniversary of Havurah Celebration Highlighted by Composer

by Ernie Cohen

In celebration of its 25th anniversary, The Lexington Havurah featured Havurah member, Larry Bitensky, Professor of Music at Centre College, at its annual meeting in early May. He presented a program describing his work as a modern composer of music based on Jewish themes. Larry composed a piece for cello and orchestra based on the traditional prayer recited at



Bob Baumann and Stanley Saxe funerals and memorial services, *El Mohlei Rahamim*. The performance of the moving music was recorded by the Princeton (New Jersey) Symphony Orchestra. The members in attendance remarked on the intensity and depth of the composition.

The Havurah held its first meeting 25 years ago on Yom Ha'Atzmaut with a potluck meal, and this year we noted Yom Ha'Atzmaut again with a meal of Middle Eastern food.

At the business meeting, the following slate of officers and Committee Chairs were elected:

President, Judy Saxe; Vice-President, Ernie Cohen; Secretary, Eve Podet; Treasurer, Terry Wilson; Religious Committee, Jeremy Popkin with Co-Chair Phil Berger; Education Committee, Ned Rosenbaum; Membership Committee, Michael Rie; Social Committee, Judy Baumann.

Schedule of Services

Friday evening, June 13, Kabbalat Shabbat

Friday evening, July 11, Kabbalat Shabbat

Thursday evening, August 7, Tisha B'An Mincha

For more information about times and locations, please call 269-4493.



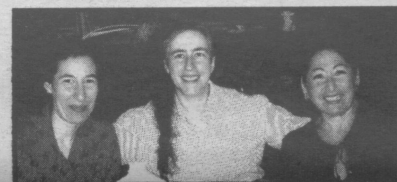
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elected or appointed, begin new terms each year. Appointed members are direct representatives from each of our local congregations and organizations.

Nominated to begin three year terms as elected members of the Board of Directors include Rachel Belin, David Feinberg and Ruth Poley. Two current Directors are nominated for election to a second term: Marcia Blacker and Steve Kesten.

Appointed new Board members from Ohavay Zion Synagogue, Temple Adath Israel and the Lexington Chapter of Hadassah will be announced. Vickie Doukas has been appointed as the Lexington Havurah representative.

Those individuals completing this year terms of service on the Board will be recognized. They include Vinnie Dubilier, Larry Kant, Kathie Kroot, Leonardo Radomile and Rabbi Uri Smith.

President Stan Saxe will present a brief report of this past year's Federation activities. Following elections, the new Board will elect and install officers for the coming year. Former CKJF President Gail Cohen will conduct the installation.

All community members of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation are invited to the Annual meeting at 7:30 PM, Wednesday, June 25th in the Temple Adath Israel Social Hall, 124 North Ashland Avenue.

Young Leadership's Meeting at Natasha's A Big Success

More than 40 people gathered at Natasha's Restaurant on April 26th to celebrate Havdallah, the ceremony marking the end of Shabbat and the beginning of the regular week. The program, organized by CKJF's Young Leadership program, was marked by good food, good music, good company and a merry environment. Thank you and congratulations to

Rachel Belin and her team of workers for putting together a very successful program.

The night was a great opportunity for Jewish adults between the ages of 25 and 45 to meet their peers, and people did take advantage of it to renew old friendships and to forge new ones. Special thanks go also to our four musicians: Jonathan Miller, Ziggy Rivkin-Fish, Neil Kash and Seth Noar. Their music animated the night and brought people together in song and enjoyment. This program, the first of this year, is just the beginning of a series. Stay tuned for more opportunities to meet new people and have a good time.



Vlad Seder, Dana Manning and Scott Diamond.



Jonathan Miller and Ziggy Rivkin-Fish



Rachel Belin and Ronit Eres enjoy the music.

Tikkun Lexington Visits the Stewart Home

By Jana LaZur

The Central Kentucky Jewish Federation's Tikkun Volunteers drove to Frankfort to celebrate Shabbat with the residents at the Stewart Home on May 23rd. It is always a joy to light the candles and discuss what Shabbat means to each of us. The residents lead the blessings and love the Challah and grape juice. A sense of community is shared and the volunteers truly enjoy listening to the stories, looking at pictures and engaging in crafts. The residents have grown to know our faces and make us feel very welcome upon arrival.

Many thanks to the volunteers who came: Tami Ohayon, Charles Goldstein and his children Nathaniel and Emily and my son, Ryan LaZur. Our next scheduled visit will be June 27th for another celebration of Shabbat. We are looking for new faces! As usual, we will meet at the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation office in the Chinoo Shopping Center at 5:15 p.m. and caravan to Frankfort. If you would like more information and plan on accompanying, please call Jana at 268-0672 extension 4# or email jana@jewishlexington.org.

SPELLBINDERS Comes to Lexington

JFS of the CKJF is pleased to announce that we have recently received a special grant from Partners for Youth. This grant will be used to establish a Spellbinders chapter here in Lexington. Spellbinders is a non-profit organization based in Colorado with chapters across the U.S. and Canada. The mission of Spellbinders is to create connections between generations through the art of storytelling in order to pass on the wisdom, values, humor and sense of community embodied in stories of all cultures and all times.

Spellbinders volunteers will be trained to go out into the community and share stories with children. We expect this will be a wonderful opportunity for seniors to share their talents and wisdom with the younger generation. The current plan is to begin training storytellers this summer and start telling stories to groups of children in the fall. If you would like to hear more about this exciting new program, please contact JFS at 269-8244 or email us at jfs@jewishlexington.org.



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This month's recipe is taken from the Williams-Sonoma publication *FRESH & LIGHT*. This simple and adaptable dish is spiked with lime, cumin, and chili powder. However, it can be altered to suit a variety of cuisines by changing the seasonings. For example, to get an Indian accent, use curry powder, lemon zest, and cilantro in place of the chili powder, lime and chives. Or substitute a generous pinch of Herbes de Provence to give the dish a Provencal flavor.

Note: To use fresh corn, remove the kernels by standing the ear of corn on its stem end and, using a sharp knife, cut down its length. Rotate the ear of corn and repeat the cut as often as is necessary to remove all of the kernels.

B'tay Avon

by Evelyn Dantzic Geller

Creamy Tex-Mex Corn with Lime

Ingredients:

3 cups corn kernels, fresh or frozen and thawed
1 large shallot, chopped
1 clove garlic finely chopped
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon chili powder
1 cup nonfat milk
2 Tablespoons fresh goat cheese
1 1/2 teaspoons minced lime zest
1/4 cup snipped fresh chives
salt and ground pepper to taste

Directions:

Heat a large nonstick frying pan over medium heat. Coat the pan with nonstick cooking spray. Add the corn, shallot, garlic, cumin, and chili powder and saute until the corn starts to soften, about 4 minutes.

Stir in the milk and cheese and simmer, uncovered, until the liquid thickens, again about 4 minutes. Mix in the lime zest and chives and season with salt and pepper.

Transfer to a warmed serving bowl and serve immediately. Serves 4.

Happy Birthday Israel

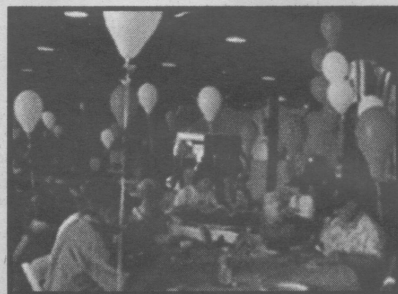
Yom Ha'atzmaut draws a crowd

Despite the torrential downpour the night before, more than 150 people joined to celebrate Israeli Independence day and Mother's Day at the Thoroughbred Center on May 11th. The clouds disappeared and the sun made a beautiful appearance to enhance this day of community involvement and support of Israel. Thank you to the Community Activities Committee for an excellent job in putting the party together. Several months of planning by Aviva Bowling, Ruth Poley, Odette Kaplan, Ginger Knight and Phil Berger are greatly appreciated by all who came to enjoy the event.

The Thoroughbred Center provided ample space for dancing and music, food and, of course, the children's games. This year we were able to shop

for authentic Israeli merchandise from Mavrik Jewellery, St. Louis whose representatives traveled many hours to bring their wares to this event. Many thanks as well go to Angie Newman and Melody Dawahare for offering Mary Kay cosmetics at discounted prices. All moms enjoyed this booth. And the falafel, hummus, pita bread, Subway sandwiches and drinks were a hit as well. Thanks to Aladdin's Middle Eastern Restaurant and Jeff Kaplan's Subway for providing food at a reduced cost.

Aviva Bowling did a wonderful job of singing traditional Israeli music; she also led Israeli dance with a group of instructors and many people joined in and had a great time. We were fortunate to have Larry and Harold Sherman and Louis Bowling



The crowd continued to grow all afternoon.

playing Klezmer music for our enjoyment, as well. They are wonderful to donate their time at so many community events and Lexington is lucky to have the music of the Sherman family. Music plays such an important element in our enjoyment of events.

There were many volunteers who donated an hour or more of their time for this event to be a success. I would like to thank the following people besides the committee: Micah Kaufman, Neil Poley, Marty Kaplan, Becka Knight, Chas Hite, Kathy Feinberg, Janny Scheeline, Eric & Ryan LaZur, Sharyn Sharer, Kim Morris, Tami Ohayon, Clark Mandel, Bonnie O'Neill, Susan Cobin, Harry Gordon and Sharon Wainshilbaum. And of course, our staff helped in full force: Lori Zimmerman, Fran Morris and Daniel Chefec; and his new "baby puppy" Saiyar. Hats off to all of you for your hard work. Congratulations to Janice Newman for winning the door prize of a beautiful impatiens hanging basket.



Aviva Bowling sang beautiful songs throughout the day.

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Yom Hashoah Marked by Central Kentucky Jewish Community

On April 28th, 7:30 PM, at Temple Adath Israel, the Central Kentucky Jewish Community, under the auspices of the Federation's Community Relations Committee, came together to observe the 60th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, which traditionally

commemorates the 6,000,000 Jews killed by the Nazis in World War II.

After Federation President Stanley Saxe introduced the program, remarking on the significance of the day, Holocaust Survivors Hannah Smith, Oscar Haber, Pauline Ravvin and Sylvia Green, as

well as second generation George Szekely and community member Natalie Sherman lit the six symbolic candles for the victims of the Holocaust. The service was conducted by Rabbi Jon Adland and Rabbi Sharon Cohen.

The Keynote speaker, Jim Beward, a teacher of social studies at Henry Clay High School who participated in the Federation-sponsored Michael Adelstein Holocaust Awareness trip to Washington last fall, shared with the audience his personal reactions to the visit to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum as well as his passionate conviction that the Shoah should not be forgotten, and its message is still as vital today as it was 60 years ago – Never Again.

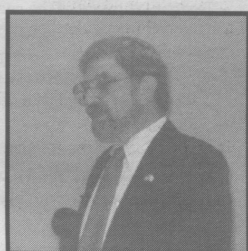
The Federation is currently organizing the second Michael Adelstein trip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington. High School teachers have been notified, but we welcome additional suggestions for potential participants.



Rabbi Adland



Rabbi Cohen



Dr. Stanley R. Saxe



Jim Beward

Excitement Builds for JewLS Retreat

By Fran Morris, JFS Director

Jewish Family Services of the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation is very excited that the date for the JewLS (Jewish Lexington Singles) retreat has almost arrived. The dates are Saturday, July 26, and Sunday, July 27, from 4 pm to 4 pm. The location is Camp Woodmen of the World, our new site for Camp Shalom as well, which is located eight miles south of Man-O-War Blvd. off of Bates Creek Road. This will be 24 hours packed with fun and learning! Our single Jewish friends from Cincinnati, through the organization JStar, as well as from other neighboring communities such as Louisville, Knoxville, and Nashville, will join us for the retreat. Our goal is to introduce 100 single Jewish men and women to each other. Retreat activities will include swimming, sports, games, discussion on Jewish issues, and a campfire. The cost for the retreat will be \$40 per person, which, thanks to a subsidy from CKJF, includes food as well as rental of the cabins and campground. Each person should bring a sleeping bag, pillow, towel, swimsuit, and change of clothes. To reserve your space at the retreat, please fill out the registration form in this issue of Shalom or fill one out on our website: www.jewishlexington.org. Remember to make your check out to CKJF, and note it is for the JewLS retreat. The mailing address is: 1050 Chinoe Road, Lexington KY 40502. Please call JFS at (859) 269-8244 for more information, or you can send a request via email to jfs@jewishlexington.org.



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Campfires Give Community a Chance to See the New Camp Shalom Site

by Jana LaZur

Wednesday, May 14th and Saturday, May 31st were great nights to roast a marshmallow, make a s'more, and be the first to see the new location of Camp Shalom 2003. As the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation gears up for another great year of Camp Shalom,



parents, children, Jewish Lexington Singles and others came out to see the new location and enjoy the evening.

Tours were given of the camp and registration packets and t-shirts were handed out. But, best of all, people got together and enjoyed one of life's most basic desserts with their friends and family. We enjoyed watching the different ways of making everyone's personal s'more. Kids enjoyed playing with the parachutes and balls. Many thanks are due to Daniel Chejfec and Mike Phillips for building a wonderful campfire with every safety precaution in mind!!

We look forward to seeing all of the children and counselors again when Camp Shalom starts on July 28th. Our two-week day-camp program has grown steadily over the years. This year we expect at least 60 children. Be sure to call or e-mail Jana at 268-0672 extension 4# or campshalom@jewishlexington.org if you need a brochure or any information.



Come to Camp

By Emily Miller

I've been going to camp since I was four years old (I'm 9 now). Drama and art are my favorite chugim (activities). There is also cooking and swimming. The counselors are good to all the kids. They take care of us and play with us. They want kids to feel special and all religions can go to Camp Shalom. I go to Temple Sunday school so I don't get to see my Synagogue friends as much until we all go to Camp together in the summer. If you are thinking about coming to Camp Shalom, come and try it. I hope you like it too!

Why I Come to Camp

By Ryan LaZur

I've been going to camp since I was four years old (I'm 9 now). Some of kids I will see for these two weeks I met in preschool when I was 2 and I don't get to see them any other time of year. Camp Shalom makes me feel special for being Jewish; but I also have friends who come who are not Jewish. Swimming and cooking are my favorite chugim (activities). But I really like the fact that my mom has worked in this camp and I get to help sometimes!! The counselors are nice and some of them I even see at the Temple or in my neighborhood. I always say Hi to them!!

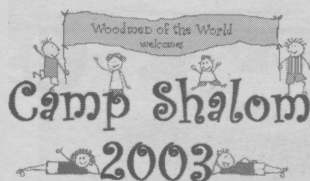
Mom and lots of other people have been working hard this year to make it fun. There are a lot of new and fun things with the new location. I can't wait until July 28th and I hope you will too!

A Note From a Camp Shalom Counselor

by Rachel Heller

My name is Rachel and this will be my 3rd year as a Camp Shalom counselor. I'm really looking forward to this summer! We're at a new location this year, the Woodmen of the World campsite, and I think we're going to have a lot more room and tons of fun! We do tons of awesome activities, like games, arts & crafts and drama. Camp Shalom is a great place for meeting new friends and learning about being Jewish. So come join us this summer, it's a lot of fun!

I think Camp Shalom is a great place for family to come together too. My cousins, Hannah and Eli come from Louisville each year and have a great time at Camp Shalom. I see a lot of siblings and parent involvement as well. It's great to have Camp Shalom since we do not have a Jewish Community Center. I love seeing the children having fun. Hope to see YOU at Camp this summer!



Welcome to Camp Shalom 2003



Camp Shalom is a day camp sponsored by the Central Kentucky Jewish Federation. Activities are geared to encourage unity, fun, and learning for children 4 through 10 years of age.

Jewish themes are incorporated into the daily program through music, games, drama, arts and crafts. At the end of each fun-filled week we will welcome the Sabbath together with candles, blessings, songs, and Chailah. Children of all denominations are invited to attend.

Our staff is headed by the Camp Director, who will be supported by specialists in Arts & Crafts, Physical Activities, Drama, and Pre K camp. A terrific team of counselors round out the Camp Shalom line-up for 2003.

Camp Shalom 2003 will run for two weeks, July 28 - August 8, at the Bluegrass Woodmen of the World Camp at 501 Darby Creek Rd. in Lexington, Kentucky. Our 4-year-olds* attend Pre K Camp from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM with an option to stay until 3:00 PM. Monday through Friday. Campers aged 5 - 10 attend from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and extended day is from 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM Monday-Thursday.

STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR EARLY DROP-OFF AT 8:30 AM
* PRE K CAMPERS MUST BE 4 years old BY OCTOBER 1, 2003

Children are enrolled on a weekly basis, and may attend one or both sessions. Let Camp Shalom provide your children with lots of fun and a lifetime of memories!

Camper's Check List for 2003!!

Food: *Campers must bring a lunch daily.
*Please do NOT include any pork or shellfish products. Lunches will be refrigerated.

Attire: *Backpack
*Shorts and t-shirts
*Sneakers (no sandals please)
*Smiles



Swimming: Campers will be swimming every day, weather permitting.

Please bring the following items:

- * Sunscreen
- * Swim suit & pool shoes (i.e. flip flops)
- * Towel
- * Goggles (optional)



The theme for
Camp Shalom 2003 is
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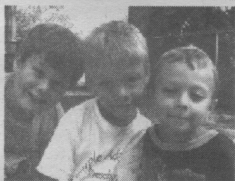
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TUITION

Camp Shalom (5 - 10 yrs. old)	\$135.00 per week
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Camp Woodmen of the World is a beautiful drive out Bates Creek Road - 8.7 miles past Man of War. Its facilities offer 58 acres of camp-ground, a swimming pool, recreation room, air conditioned cabins, dining rooms for lunch as well as outdoor pavilions for picnics and drama shows. It also has basketball courts and fields for sports and other large activities.



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CAMP SHALOM 2003 APPLICATION

July 28 - August 8, 2003 at the Woodmen of the World Camp



Parent's Name _____

Home Phone _____

Address _____

Business Phone _____

Child's Name _____

Age _____

Birthdate _____

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Week 1: 7/28 - 8/1 X \$135 = _____
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Please make checks payable to:
CKJF 1050 Chinoe Rd. Suite 203
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Please enroll for Pre K camp (4 yrs. old by October 1, 2003):

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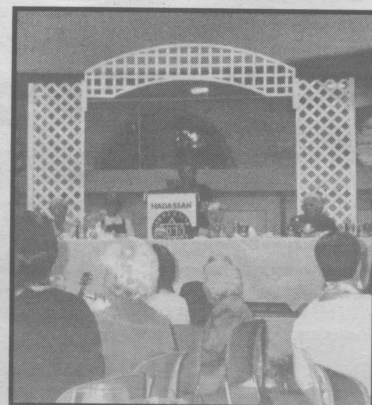
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Herb Fertig, Jeremy Popkin Named University Research Professors

Two of the four University of Kentucky faculty members recently named as University Research Professors for 2003-2004 are Herbert A. Fertig and Jeremy D. Popkin. The recipients each receive \$35,000 to advance their research studies.

A full professor in the department of astronomy and physics, Herb Fertig has been a Central Kentucky resident since 1991. Jeremy Popkin is professor of history and a member of the Central Kentucky community since 1978. Both are in the UK College of Arts and Sciences.

Herb Fertig, an undergraduate physics major at Princeton, received his masters and doctoral degrees in solid state physics from Harvard University. Following a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Maryland, where Herb met his wife, Sharon Wainshilbaum, the couple came to Lexington.

Fertig's interest in physics is "condensed matter physics" which deals with large collections of particles. The cash award that comes with being a University Research Professor will allow him, as a theoretical physicist, to devote 100% time to research. In particular Fertig will study "phase transitions" as when liquids go to solids or liquids go to gas. A study of unusual phase transitions will be Fertig's topic, which he says has potential for many applications, "It is time to explore some of the applications"

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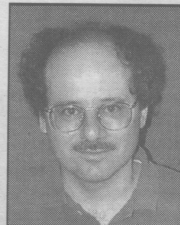
work including a Cottrell Teacher-Scholar Award, a Sloan Foundation Fellowship and a CTP Fellowship at the University of Maryland.

Herb Fertig and his wife Sharon Wainshilbaum are members of Ohavay Zion Synagogue. They have two daughters, Ruth 9 years old and Elissa, 5 years old.

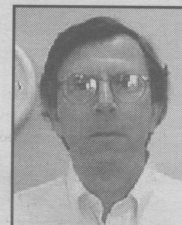
Jeremy Popkin received both his bachelor's and doctorate degrees from the University of California, Berkeley. During his tenure in the UK history department Popkin has become an internationally recognized scholar of the French revolution. He teaches courses in French and European history as well as having developed an acclaimed course on the history of the Holocaust.

Popkin has published over 100 journal articles and has authored or edited eleven books. He has previously held a number of fellowships including those from the J.S. Guggenheim Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Fulbright Foundation. In 1995-1996 Popkin was College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor.

In commenting about his current focus in history Popkin responded "I was awarded the fellowship for my project 'Autobiographical Acts in Modern France', a study of the cultural impact of autobiographical writing in France from the publication of Jean-Jacques Rousseau's epoch-making 'Confessions' at the end of the 18th century down to the present. Among other things, I will certainly be looking at the impact of



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memoirs and autobiographies by French writers of Jewish origin, and especially their recollections of the World War II period."

Popkin will spend most of his University Research Professorship in Lexington, reading and writing, but "hopes to go to France for a couple of months".

A long time member of the Lexington Havurah, Popkin was Havurah president from 1998 to 2000. He points out he joined the UK faculty and The Lexington Havurah in the same year, 1978.

Popkin's wife, Beate, also a history Ph.D., teaches in the University of Kentucky's honors and history programs. The Popkins have two children. Their oldest son Gabriel was graduated from Wesleyan University in Connecticut this past month. Their son Alex just finished his junior year at Harvey Mudd College in the Los Angeles area.

Ohavay Zion Synagogue

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OZS Religious School News

In May we celebrated the culmination of the school year and gave thanks to our teachers and aides during a very special Teacher Appreciation Shabbaton. We extend our appreciation to all of our teachers, aides, members of the Education Committee, and others who supported the Religious School this year. An extra special *todah rabbah* goes to Simone Salomon whose hard work and dedication to our children and to creating a meaningful experience for them is truly unending. Although our students are off until August, plans are already being made for the upcoming school year!

Make a Difference: God's Pantry and Clothing Drive - Social Action

We continue our support for those in need as we visit God's Pantry the third Thursday of each month to help sort and bag food items for distribution to those in need. Come and join us with the whole family as we work together for this wonderful cause. Our next God's Pantry night will be Thursday, June 19th from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Call Ricki Rosenberg at 269-2300 to sign up.

OZS' Congregational Dessert

Ohavay Zion's Congregational Dessert will be held on Sunday, June 8th at 7pm. The evening will include the installation of new officers and the presentation of special recognitions, awards, and honors to those who

have made outstanding contributions to the OZS community. And don't forget, there will be a silent auction as well! We give a special thanks to those board members completing their tenure. A special note of appreciation goes to Bennett Bayer who has given so much of his time and effort as President of Ohavay Zion Synagogue the past four years. We welcome the new board and Nancy Hoffman as the new President of OZS.

Kadima: Kings' Island Trip

On Sunday, June 1st, the Kadima youth group will be making its annual trip to Kings' Island. Our youth look forward to this trip as a fun day out with friends and as a celebration of the end of the school year. Kadima recently elected its new officers for 2003-2004: Robyn Kaplan - President, Jordan Bryan - Vice President, Itai Eres - Secretary. We congratulate them and look forward to their participation as the new officers of Kadima.

Daily Minyan

Our daily minyan continues to meet each afternoon Monday-Thursday at 5:45pm in the Sanctuary. Please come and help make a minyan!

Adult B'nai Mitzva Program

The OZS Adult B'nai Mitzva class has been working hard as members prepare to celebrate together this special moment in their lives during our upcoming Shabbat/Shavuot services. Each participant

learned a variety of bima skills as well as prepared a *d'var Torah*. The community is invited to join in this special celebration of our Adult B'nai Mitzva on Friday, June 6th at 8 PM and Saturday, June 7th at 9:45AM. Members of the Adult B'nai Mitzva class will lead the Friday evening service and parts of the Saturday morning service as well as read from the Torah, chant the Haftara, and deliver the *d'verei Torah*. We congratulate our upcoming adult B'nai Mitzva!

Shabbat at OZS

Celebrating Shabbat is always the focus of our weekly events here at OZS, and the summer is no exception. We welcome in Shabbat during the Kabbalat Shabbat service each Friday evening at 8 PM. The last Friday of each month (June 27th) the service begins at 6:15 PM. Oreg sponsored by our OZS members follows each service. Join us for our spirited Shabbat morning service each Saturday morning at 9:45am. Kiddush lunch follows each week.

Special Shabbat notes for this month:

*Adult B'nai Mitzva Class celebrates during the Friday Evening Service on June 6th at 8 PM and on Saturday morning, June 7th at 9:45 AM.

*The Stewart Home will join us for our Shabbat celebration on Friday, June 27th at 6:15 PM.

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Religious School

Although summer vacation is about to start for our children, we are busy planning for our upcoming Religious School year. There are two areas that we are focusing on as we prepare for the next year. First, we will be introducing the study of Hebrew much earlier in the curriculum. We plan to introduce a variety of Hebrew letters and words to children in the Pre-K, Kindergarten, and first and second grades. We will be starting Hebrew with these grade levels through games, songs, and crafts. Instead of beginning our formal Hebrew education in fourth grade, we are going to begin with our third grade students. This will give our students four years of Hebrew instruction.

The second area that we will be focusing on is the 100th Anniversary of our Temple. Next year will be filled with many exciting activities as our congregation celebrates its 100th Anniversary. Many of the events that are planned will include our Religious School students. Danny Nichols will be coming during the weekend of September 19-21 and will be doing a special Sunday program. Mark Novak and Renee Brachfield will introduce us to storytelling over the weekend of December 5-7 and will also have a special Religious School program. In addition, we will start the year in September with a 100th Anniversary Fair so that our students can explore our history and celebrate our past. During the year, our students will be interviewing members of our congregation and examining old documents that record our history.

Finally, we have instituted a new pre-registration program. If you have not yet completed your registration form, please do so. Pre-registration will enable us to make staffing plans, room assignments, and order the appropriate number of books and supplies for your children. Thank you very much for your support and cooperation.

Religious School Registration

Religious School registration forms were passed out the last day of Religious School on May 4th. Others were mailed to those who did not have the opportunity to get the forms.

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If you have a child that will be 2 years-old before October 1, 2003 and did not receive forms from the Temple Tots Program, please call the Temple office and they will be mailed to you. The first day of Religious School will be on Sunday, August 24.
Teachers Needed!!!!

We are beginning to plan for the 2003-2004 school year, and are looking for teachers for the following classes: 5th grade, 8th grade block for spring, music. We look forward to a year of fun and education. Would you like to be a part of shaping our children's Jewish learning experience. It will benefit our children and give you many kudos for your mitzvah.

If you are interested in teaching, please contact Jane Grisé at Temple (269-2979).

Preschool News

Jana LaZur Preschool Committee Chairperson
Greetings from the Preschool Committee! We are very excited that the search for a new Director has come to a close. We are proud to announce our new Temple Adath Israel Preschool Director, Laura Creamer. She has officially accepted the position and will begin to work with Sandy Adland to learn the ropes.

Laura has been a very dedicated substitute teacher for the past two years and has a very warm and loving way with the children.

Laura has a Master's Degree in social work and experience with young children. We feel very fortunate to have her on board and look forward to many years of quality education for our little ones to come.

100th Anniversary Celebration

The 100th Anniversary committee has been hard at work planning many festivities to celebrate Temple Adath Israel's 100 years as a Reform Jewish Congregation. Plans include special Shabbat services with informative and interesting guest speakers, artist-in-residence weekends and concerts, a wonderful Purim Ball, reunions of those confirmed at Temple Adath Israel, special dinners, and recognition of those who

have served our congregation in many different capacities. A calendar of the festivities was distributed at the Annual Congregational Meeting. Plan to mark your personal calendar with these great activities so that you can join in a historic and exciting celebration.

To help commemorate Temple Adath Israel's 100 years, the 100th Anniversary Committee is collecting memorabilia to be displayed. Please lend us photographs, historical Judaica, and documents (*kehubbahs*, confirmation certificates, Shabbat service pamphlets, etc.) that will contribute to our knowledge of our history. This personal touch will add so much to the year's celebration. Contact Anita Baker for more information.

Adopt-A-School Program

The Social Action Committee wishes to thank the following members who have tutored students at Ashland Elementary School this year as part of TAI's "adoption" of Ashland Elementary School. Debra Kratzer, Barry Ottmann, Etta Pollan, and Pat Shraberg.

All reports indicate that Ashland's teachers were delighted with this important and needed support. We'll be continuing and expanding the program in the fall, so anyone who is interested in volunteering, please call Dianne Bazell at 278-3042.

Lexington Academy of Senior Professionals (LASP)

This reading discussion group meets at the Temple library on Wednesday afternoons at 2 PM for refreshments, and the reading and discussion is from 2:30-4 PM.

Members seek to become better acquainted with the work of great thinkers, ancient and modern. Academy members come from many different professions and background. There are no lectures. The presenter is the only one who reads and prepares the text of the day ahead of time.

Come and enjoy the camaraderie and the interplay of minds. For information contact Joe or Judy Engelberg at 266-2653.

Bat Mitzvah ALLISON LEIGH SCHNEIDER

*Please share our joy as our
daughter
Allison Leigh
celebrates her Bat Mitzvah
on June 13 & 14, 2003*

Sheldon & Meg Schneider

*The Friday service begins at 7:30 PM
on June 13, 2003*

*The Saturday service begins at
10:30 AM on June 14, 2003*

*Kiddush Luncheon will follow
the Shabbat morning service*

Travis William Lonsbury Bar Mitzvah

*Please share my family's joy as
Travis William
celebrates his Bar Mitzvah
on June 6 & 7, 2003*

Ilyse Lonsbury

*The Friday service begins at 7:30 PM
on June 6, 2003*

*The Saturday service begins at
10:30 AM on June 7, 2003
Kiddush Luncheon will follow
the Shabbat morning service*



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Around The Community



CKJF - Central Kentucky Jewish Federation (1050 Chinoe Road, Suite 203, 268-0672, Stan Saxe, President)

OZS - Ohavay Zion Synagogue (2048 Edgewater Court, 266-8050, Nancy Hoffman, President)

Daily Minyan Mon.-Thurs. at 6:00 p.m.; Kabbalat Services Friday evening at 8:00 p.m., except the fourth Friday of the month at 6:00 p.m.;

Shabbat services Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

TAI - Temple Adath Israel (124 N. Ashland Ave., 269-2979, Judith Hersh, President)

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

HAD - Lexington Chapter of Hadassah (Elise Mandel & Di Sobel, Co-President)

HAV - The Lexington Havurah, 269-4493 (Judith Saxe, President)

Shabbat Services monthly. Call for schedule.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Hadassah Installation and Brunch					Allison Schneider Bat Mitzvah TAI	Allison Schneider Bat Mitzvah TAI
OZS Installation of Officers & Dessert June 8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Father's Day		Leisure Club JCC Trip				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			CKJF Annual Meeting 7:30 p.m. at TAI			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
TAI Video Film Club 7pm TAI					Independence Day CKJF office closed	
29	30	July 1	2	3	4	5
					Havurah Kabbalat Shabbat Shalom Deadline	Community Service Night at Applebee's Park
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Community Service Night at Applebee's Park						JewLS Retreat at Woodmen of World Site
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
JewLS Retreat at Woodmen of World Site	Camp Shalom begins	Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	Camp Shalom	
27	28	29	30	31	August 1	2